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# **Canonical Coin System Test (2)**

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Most coin systems currently or recently in use are *canonical*. This means that the greedy algorithm to reach a quantity always gives an optimal number of coins. Different systems such as dollars, euros, and also XX century pre-euro coins such as pesetas and Dutch Gulden, all have this property. However, not all coin systems have this property. The UK pound sterling system prior to Monday 15 February 1971 (see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/DecimalDay) was a far cry from canonical. As a simpler example, with coins of 1, 5, and 8 units the greedy strategy fails to produce an optimal configuration to add up to 15; we say that this value is a counterexample to the canonicity of the system.

In 1993, Dexter Kozen and Shmuel Zaks proved mathematically that, if a system is not canonical, then a counterexample exists that is less than the sum of the two largest values in the system. This fact will allow you to distinguish canonical systems (but note that in later years more efficient algorithms were found).

## Input

The input contains several cases of coin systems to test for canonicity. First, the input indicates the total number of cases, a non-negative integer n. Then, n cases follow: each case starts with m, a positive integer indicating the number of denominations, with m positive integers ordered increasingly corresponding to the denominations. The smallest denomination will always be 1 (coin systems lacking a 1-unit coin are never considered in the general literature, as they don't allow one to pay a quantity of 1 unit).

## Output

For each case, print a line. If the case is a canonical coin system, print the denominations of the case in ascending order followed by the words "is canonical". If it is not, print the smallest counterexample, then the words "proves that", then the denominations of the case in ascending order, then the words "is not canonical".

#### Sample input 1

```
7
4 1 5 10 25
8 1 2 5 10 20 50 100 200
3 1 5 8
6 1 5 10 25 50 100
1 1
7 1 2 4 5 10 40 42
3 1 29 493
```

### Sample input 2

```
2
7 1 2 5 10 20 50 100
6 1 2 5 10 25 50
```

# Sample output 1

```
1 5 10 25 is canonical

1 2 5 10 20 50 100 200 is canonical

10 proves that 1 5 8 is not canonical

1 5 10 25 50 100 is canonical

1 is canonical

8 proves that 1 2 4 5 10 40 42 is not canonical

1 29 493 is canonical
```

### Sample output 2

```
1 2 5 10 20 50 100 is canonical
1 2 5 10 25 50 is canonical
```

## Sample input 3

0

### Sample input 4

```
7 1 11 30 34 46 56 78
4 1 23 26 41
4 1 12 31 50
9 1 6 18 32 55 63 87 97 121
6 1 22 29 53 65 71
8 1 5 8 26 35 45 59 63
6 1 18 41 50 69 84
4 1 22 44 64
2 1 17
5 1 13 36 45 52
8 1 5 12 29 43 46 69 84
7 1 15 17 39 56 60 84
5 1 5 9 20 29
6 1 18 25 48 64 85
5 1 7 23 33 37
2 1 10
4 1 5 29 41
5 1 3 4 5 27
7 1 19 32 36 49 58 66
8 1 14 32 48 60 82 104 117
4 1 9 24 40
9 1 17 40 50 66 71 90 102 109
8 1 9 18 20 29 45 68 76
9 1 20 44 54 77 93 113 120 131
```

## Sample output 3

## Sample output 4

```
33 proves that 1 11 30 34 46 56 78 is not canonical
46 proves that 1 23 26 41 is not canonical
36 proves that 1 12 31 50 is not canonical
36 proves that 1 6 18 32 55 63 87 97 121 is not canonic
44 proves that 1 22 29 53 65 71 is not canonical
1 2 is canonical
10 proves that 1 5 8 26 35 45 59 63 is not canonical
54 proves that 1 18 41 50 69 84 is not canonical
66 proves that 1 22 44 64 is not canonical
1 17 is canonical
39 proves that 1 13 36 45 52 is not canonical
15 proves that 1 5 12 29 43 46 69 84 is not canonical
30 proves that 1 15 17 39 56 60 84 is not canonical
23 proves that 1 5 9 20 29 is not canonical
36 proves that 1 18 25 48 64 85 is not canonical
28 proves that 1 7 23 33 37 is not canonical
1 10 is canonical
58 proves that 1 5 29 41 is not canonical
7 proves that 1 3 4 5 27 is not canonical
38 proves that 1 19 32 36 49 58 66 is not canonical
42 proves that 1 14 32 48 60 82 104 117 is not canonic.
27 proves that 1 9 24 40 is not canonical
57 proves that 1 17 40 50 66 71 90 102 109 is not canon
27 proves that 1 9 18 20 29 45 68 76 is not canonical
60 proves that 1 20 44 54 77 93 113 120 131 is not can
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#### Observation

Slow solutions are unlikely to get accepted here. The companion problem X24976 asks for a solution of the same problem; the reference solution there, though, is somewhat "sluggish", so relatively slower solutions that fail here may get accepted in that alternative problem.

#### **Problem information**

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