

1. perform  $O(\log(nW))$  binary searches on the result value, each check takes  $O(n)$  by greedy.  
 we can also reduce the number of binary searches to  $O(\log n)$ : (there may be a more generalized reference)  
 there are  $O(n^2)$  possible values for the result (sum of interval). if each time we sample a value from the currently remaining possibilities uniformly at random and check that value, the algorithm will terminate in  $O(\log n)$  rounds in expectation. we can use  $O(n)$  to sample, by determining the current range by two pointers.  
 now we reduce the total running time for the binary search part to  $O(n)$ . after determining the current range in  $O(n)$ , we can sample in  $O(\log n)$ . use this sample range for the next  $\Theta(\log n)$  binary searches, the actual sampling space will shrink, use rejection sampling to repeatedly sample until we get a sample in the actual sample space. if we fail  $O(n^\epsilon)$  times ( $\epsilon < 1$  is a constant), rebuild the sample space. we need to rebuild  $O(1)$  times in expectation.  
 we can also use the algorithm for selecting the  $k$ -th largest element in a sorted matrix in both row and column in deterministic  $O(n)$  (but the binary search part in total need  $O(n \log n)$ ). see 378. Kth Smallest Element in a Sorted Matrix.  
 the running time is  $O(n \log n)$  (independent of  $m$ ).
2. perform each check by exponential search in  $O(m \log \frac{n}{m})$ . the running time is  $O(n + m \log \frac{n}{m} \log n)$ .
3.  $O(n)$  [1, 2].

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