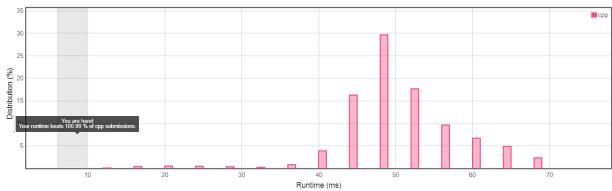
- 1. binary search.  $O(n \log W)$ .
- 2. Let d denote the divisor, we know  $f(d) \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^n \lceil \frac{a_i}{d} \rceil \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{a_i}{d}$ . each  $\lceil \cdot \rceil$  has additive error at most 1, so if we set  $d = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i}{t}$ , f(d) is an approximation for t with additive error O(n). if we maintain for each  $a_i$  the next value d s.t.  $\lceil \frac{a_i}{d} \rceil$  will change (which can be computed in O(1)), then we need to test only O(n) subsequent d's to make sure  $f(d) \leq t$ . this can be maintained by heap in  $O(n \log n)$  time.

For a fixed d, we can estimate f(d)-t by sampling  $O(n^c)$  elements to get an  $O(n^{1-\frac{c}{2}})$  additive approximation, by Chernoff bound (since  $0 \le \frac{a_i \mod d}{d} < 1$ ). Set  $c = \frac{1}{2}$  suffices. Then first perform  $O(\log W)$  binary search steps (each step in sublinear time), then use heap to test a sublinear number of subsequent d's (notice that build a heap only takes O(n) time).  $O(n + \log W \cdot n^{\epsilon})$ .

## remark.

- 1. it should possible to perform only  $O(\log n)$  binary search steps, by known techniques.
- 2. it seems we can use the results for finding the m-th largest element in the union of n sorted array [1, 2], and also get O(n) time. see 004. Median of Two Sorted Arrays.

## Accepted Solutions Runtime Distribution



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