

Please solve the following problem in your preferred coding language.

All problems are functional (Don't need to take any input from the user) Duration: 30 mins

Problem Statement

You are given an integer array of prices where $\text{prices}[i]$ is the price of a given stock on the i^{th} day. On each day, you may decide to buy and/or sell the stock. You can only hold **at most one** share of the stock at any time. However, you can buy it then immediately sell it on the **same day**.

Find and return *the maximum profit you can achieve*

Function Signature

Python

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def max_profit(prices: list) -> int:
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Input

The list prices represent the prices of a stock on different days.

Output

Returns the maximum profit that can be achieved by buying and selling the stock on those days.

Example:

Python

Example 1:

Input: prices = [7,1,5,3,6,4]

Output: 7

Explanation: Buy on day 2 (price = 1) and sell on day 3 (price = 5), profit = $5 - 1 = 4$.

Then buy on day 4 (price = 3) and sell on day 5 (price = 6), profit = $6 - 3 = 3$.

Total profit is $4 + 3 = 7$.

Example 2:

Input: prices = [1,2,3,4,5]

Output: 4

Explanation: Buy on day 1 (price = 1) and sell on day 5 (price = 5), profit = $5 - 1 = 4$.

Total profit is 4.

Constraints

- $1 \leq \text{prices.length} \leq 3 \cdot 10^4$
- $0 \leq \text{prices}[i] \leq 10^4$