

Problem 1 Count of Pairs ag

Problem 2 Find sum of all Subarrays sums

Problem 3 Max subarray sum with length K

Count of pairs ag

Given a string s of lowercase characters, return the count of pairs (i, j) such that

$i < j$ and $s[i] == 'a'$ and $s[j] == 'g'$

String $s = a b e g a g$ $am = 3$

$s = a c g d g a g$ $am = 4$

$s = b c a g g a a g$ $am = 5$

a a a g $am = 3$

a a a g a a a $am = 3$

a b c a b c a b c g a b c a b c $am = 3$

Bruteforce

```
▶ def bruteforce(s):
    ans = 0
    N = len(s)

    for i in range(N): # 0...N-1
        if s[i] == 'g':
            count_a = 0
            for j in range(i): # 0...i-1
                if s[j] == 'a':
                    count_a += 1

            ans += count_a

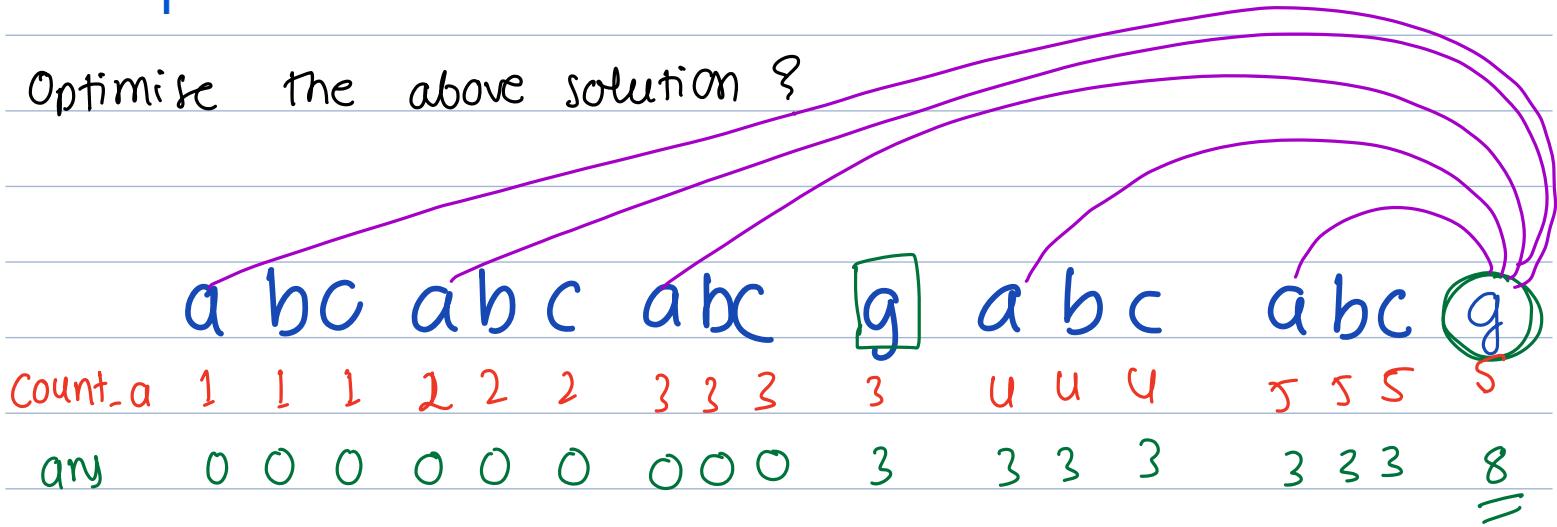
    return ans

print(bruteforce("abcabcabcgg"))
```

TC: $O(N^2)$

SC: $O(1)$

Optimise the above solution ?



Idea → maintain the count of a and whenever we encounter g, we increment the any by

count of a

Optimised

```
def count_ag_pairs(s):
    """
    Given a string s of lowercase characters, return
    """
    ans = 0
    count_a = 0

    for ch in s:
        if ch == 'a':
            count_a += 1

        if ch == 'g':
            ans += count_a

    return ans

print(count_ag_pairs("abcabcabccgg"))
```

TC: O(N)

SC: O(1)

Subarray

a continuous part of an array.

$$A = 4 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ -1 \ 6 \ 9 \ 8 \ 12$$

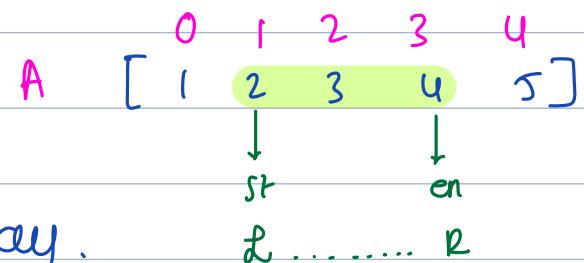
Subarray of A

→	4 1 2 3	V
3 -1		V
1 2		V
8 9		X

$$A = [2 \ 4 \ 1 \ 6 \ -3 \ 7 \ 8 \ 4]$$

1 6 8	X
1 4	X
6 1 4 2	X
7 8 4	✓

Representation of subarray



ways to represent a subarray.

1> start = 2 end = 4

$A[1:4]$

2> start = 1 length = 2

$A[st:en+1]$

$$A = \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ u & 2 & 10 & 3 & 12 & -2 & 15 \end{matrix}$$

$\downarrow L$ $\uparrow R$

L R

$$L = 0$$

$$R = [0, \dots, 6] \ # 7$$

$$0, 2 \quad u \quad 2 \quad 10$$

$$0, 3 \quad u \quad 2 \quad 10 \quad 3$$

$$0, 4 \quad u \quad 2 \quad 10 \quad 3 \quad 12$$

$$\cdot \quad 0, 5 \quad u \quad 2 \quad 10 \quad 3 \quad 12 \quad -2$$

$$0, 6 \quad u \quad 2 \quad 10 \quad 3 \quad 12 \quad -2 \quad 15$$

$$0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 6$$

$$u \quad 2 \quad 10 \quad 3 \quad 12 \quad -2 \quad 15$$

$$L = 1$$

$$1, 1 \quad 2 \quad R = [1, \dots, 6] = \# 6$$

$$1, 2 \quad 2 \quad 10$$

$$1, 3 \quad 2 \quad 10 \quad 3$$

$$1, 4 \quad 2 \quad 10 \quad 3 \quad 12$$

$$1, 5 \quad 2 \quad 10 \quad 3 \quad 12 \quad -2$$

$$1, 6 \quad 2 \quad 10 \quad 3 \quad 12 \quad -2 \quad 15$$

NO. of subarrays of any array.

$$A = [a_0 \ a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_{n-1}]$$

subarrays will start at index 0 → n
11 → 1 → n-1
⋮
⋮
⋮
n-1 → 1

$$\text{sum of all natural no. till } n = \frac{n*(n+1)}{2}$$

No. of subarrays of an array of size n - $\frac{n*(n+1)}{2}$

Count of all subarrays.

Q) Given an integer array. Find the sum of all possible subarray {continuous part of array} Google

$$A = [3 \ 2 \ 5]$$

	sum	
[3]	3	ans = <u><u>32</u></u>
[3 2]	5	
[3 2 5]	10	
[2]	2	
[2 5]	7	
[5]	<u>5</u>	
	<u>32</u>	

Bruteforce

```
def bruteforce(A):
    N = len(A)
    overall = 0

    for L in range(N): # 0....N-1
        for R in range(L, N): # L...N-1
            sub = A[L:R+1] N
            print(sub, sum(sub))
            total = sum(sub)
            overall += total

    return overall

print(bruteforce([3, 2, 5]))
```

```
→ [3] 3
   [3, 2] 5
   [3, 2, 5] 10
   [2] 2
   [2, 5] 7
   [5] 5
   32
```

TC: O(N³)
SC: O(N)

Note: Slicing is not O(1)
operation.

Prefix Sum

Intuition — ∵ we are finding sum ($L \dots R$) in A
we can use prefix sum to optimize

```
▶ def prefix_sum(A):
    N = len(A)

    for i in range(1, N):
        A[i] += A[i-1]

    overall = 0

    for L in range(N): # 0....N-1
        for R in range(L, N): # L...N-1
            if L == 0:
                total = A[R]
            else:
                total = A[R] - A[L-1]
            overall += total

    return overall

print(prefix_sum([3, 2, 5]))
```

→ 32

0 1 2
3 2 5

{ carry forward }

L	R	total	
0	0	(3)	
0	1	(5)	
0	2	(10)	
1	1	(2)	
1	2	(7)	
2	2	(5)	

$$\text{ans} = 32$$

Carry Forward { calculate + we } .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
def carry_forward(A):
    N = len(A)
    overall = 0
    for L in range(N): # 0....N-1
        total = 0
        for R in range(L, N): # L...N-1
            total += A[R]
        overall += total

    return overall

print(carry_forward([3, 2, 5]))
```

TC: $O(N^2)$

SC: $O(1)$

→ 32

L	R	total
0	0	3
0	1	5
0	2	10
1	1	2
1	2	7
2	2	5

If my query $L \dots R$, L remains fixed and R increment
⇒ You can use carry forward

Further Optimization using Contribution Technique

$$A = [3 \ 2 \ 5]$$

[3]

How many subarrays contain 3 ?

[3] 2

3

[3] 2 5

How many subarrays contain 2 ?

2

4

2 5

5

How many subarrays contain 5 ?

3

$$\Rightarrow 3 * 3 + 2 * 4 + 5 * 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 + 8 + 15$$

$$= \underline{\underline{32}}$$

Contribution Technique

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\text{contribution of } A[i])$$

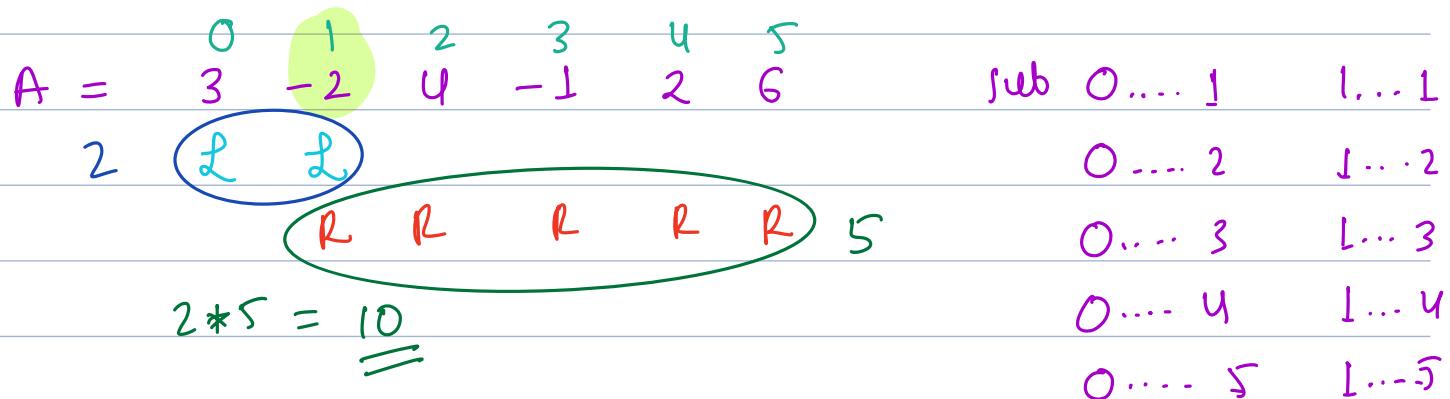


$A[i] * \# \text{subarrays containing } A[i]$

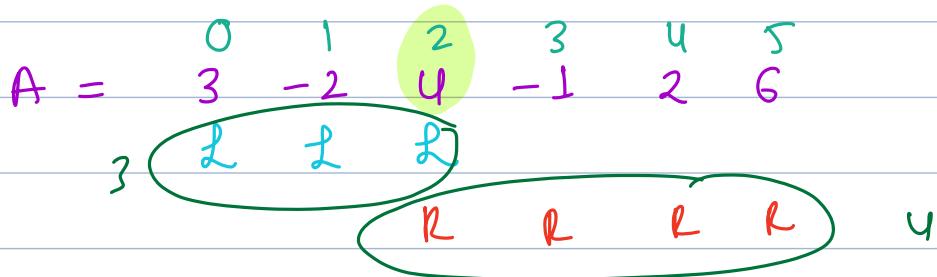
How to calculate the no. of subarrays containing $A[i]$?

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subarrays containing $A[i]$



subarrays containing $A[2]$



$$3 * 4 = 12$$

0 1 2 3 4 5
3 -2 4 -1 2 6

choice of my start index = $[0 \dots 2]$ = #3

choice of my end index = $[2 \dots 5]$ = #4

0 1 2 3 4 5
3 -2 4 -1 2 6

$$= 3 * 4 = 12$$

in range $[a \dots b]$ = $b - a + 1$

$\rightarrow A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_i, \dots, A_{n-2}, A_{n-1}$

$[0 \dots i]$

$$i - 0 + 1$$

$$i + 1$$

$[i \dots n-1]$

$$n - 1 - i + 1$$

$$n - i$$

No. of subarrays that will contain $A[i]$ = $(i+1) * (n-i)$

Contribution of $A[i]$ = $A[i] * \# \text{sub } i \text{ part of}$
 $= A[i] * (i+1) * (n-i)$

0 1 2
 $A = [3, 2, 5]$

i	$A[i]$	# sub $A[i]$	# contrib $A[i]$
0	3	$(1) * (3) = 3$	$3 * 3 = 9$
1	2	$2 * 2 = 4$	$2 * 4 = 8$
2	5	$3 * 1 = 3$	$5 * 3 = 15$

Pseudocode

```
def sum_of_all_subarray_sums(A): # Contribution Technique
    """
    Given an array of integers, find the total sum of all possible subarrays.
    """
    N = len(A)
    overall = 0
    for i in range(N):
        overall += A[i] * (i+1) * (N-i)
    return overall

print(sum_of_all_subarray_sums([3,2,5]))
```

TC: O(N)
SC: O(1)

→ 32

whenever you see sum of all sums \Rightarrow Think contribution technique.

Q> Total # subarrays of length k ($\leq N$) ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & -2 & 4 & -1 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad k=3$$



Output 4

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & -2 & 4 & -1 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad k = 4$$

K	# subarrays.
1	6
2	5
3	4
4	3
5	2
6	1

Total no. of subarrays of length $= k$ $N-k+1$

$$A_0 \quad A_1 \quad A_2 \quad A_3 \quad \dots \quad A_{N-k} \quad A_{N-k+1} \quad \dots \quad A_{N-1}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 L \quad R \\
 0 \quad k-1 \quad \text{first subarray of size } k. \\
 \vdots \\
 n-1 \quad \# [k-1 \dots n-1] = n-1 - (k-1) + 1 \\
 \qquad \qquad \qquad = n-1 - k + 1 + 1 = n-k+1
 \end{array}$$

Given $A[]$, print start and end indices of subarrays of length k .

$$N = 8 \quad k = 3$$

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

L R
0 2
1 3
2 4
3 5
4 6
5 7

Think how to write this code?

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Pseudocode

- Print all L, R for all subarrays of size K

[19]

```
▶ def print_all_k(A, k):  
    N = len(A)  
    L = 0  
  
    for R in range(k-1, N): # R [k-1...N-1]  
        print(L, R)  
        L += 1  
  
    print_all_k([1, 2, 3, 4], 2)
```

→ 0 1
1 2
2 3

Q) Given an integer array. Find max subarray sum of subarray of length = k

$$A = [3, -2, 4, -1, 2, 6] \quad k = 4$$

L	R	Subarray	total	ans = 11
0	3	[3, -2, 4, -1]	4	
1	4	[-2, 4, -1, 2]	3	
2	5	[4, -1, 2, 6]	11	

Bruteforce

For each subarray of length k
Find total and keep track of max total

```
def brute_force(A, k):
    N = len(A)
    L = 0
    max_total = float("-inf")

    for R in range(k-1, N): # R [k-1...N-1]
        sub = A[L:R+1]
        total = sum(sub)
        print(sub, total)
        max_total = max(max_total, total)
        L += 1

    return max_total

print(brute_force([3, -2, 4, -1, 2, 6], 4))
```

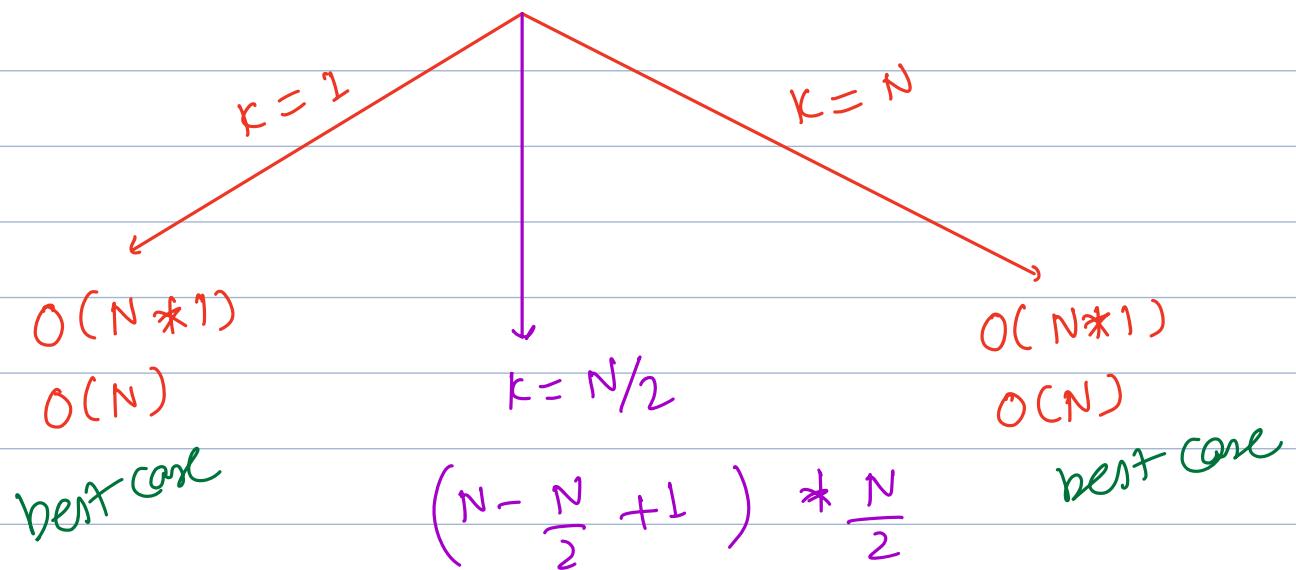
→ [3, -2, 4, -1] 4
[-2, 4, -1, 2] 3
[4, -1, 2, 6] 11
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TC: # subs of length k
* TC to cal sum

TC: $O((N-k+1) * k)$

TC: $O(N^2)$

$$\cdot O((N-k+l) * k)$$



$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{N+1}{2}\right) * N/2$$

$$\Rightarrow O(N^2)$$

Prefix Sum

```
def prefix_sum(A, k):
    N = len(A)
    L = 0
    max_total = float("-inf")

    for i in range(1, N):
        A[i] += A[i-1]

    for R in range(k-1, N): # R [k-1...N-1]
        if L == 0:
            total = A[R]
        else:
            total = A[R] - A[L-1]
        max_total = max(max_total, total)
        L += 1

    return max_total

print(prefix_sum([3, -2, 4, -1, 2, 6], 4))
```

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TC: $O(N)$

SC: $O(1)$

Observation { sliding window }

$k=4$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & -2 & 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{total} = 4$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 4 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{total} = 3$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & -1 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{total} = 3 + 6 - (-2)$$

$$= 9 + 2 = 11$$

Idea \longrightarrow Find total of first window

next total = total + new element
- element out of window

$[0 \dots k-1]$ first window

Pseudocode

```
def max_subarray_sum_with_length_k(A, k):
    """
    Given an array of N elements. Print maximum subarray sum for s
    """
    N = len(A)
    L = 0

    total = 0
    for i in range(k): # 0....k-1
        total += A[i]
    max_total = total

    for R in range(k, N):
        total += A[R]
        total -= A[L] # L keeps track of elements out of window
        L += 1
        max_total = max(max_total, total)

    return max_total

print(max_subarray_sum_with_length_k([3, -2, 4, -1, 2, 6], 4))
```

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$$TC: O(N-k+k) = O(N)$$

$$SC: O(1)$$

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Main Takeaway: This document outlines solutions to several common array-based problems, including counting specific character pairs, calculating subarray sums, and finding maximum subarray sums of a given length. It emphasizes optimizing solutions from brute force (often $O(N^2)$ or $O(N^3)$) to more efficient approaches like prefix sums, contribution technique, and sliding windows (typically $O(N)$).

Count of Pairs 'ag'

Problem Definition

Given a string s of lowercase characters, count pairs (i, j) such that $i < j$, $s[i] == 'a'$, and $s[j] == 'g'$.

Examples

- $s = "bggsag"$ -> 3 pairs
- $s = "aaga"$ -> 3 pairs
- $s = "abcabcbabc"$ -> 3 pairs

Solutions

1. Brute Force

- **Time Complexity (TC):** $O(N^2)$
- **Space Complexity (SC):** $O(1)$

2. Optimized Solution

- **Idea:** Maintain a `count_of_a`. Whenever 'g' is encountered, increment the total pair count by the current `count_of_a`.

Pseudocode Logic:

```
• count_a = 0
  total_pairs = 0
  for char in s:
    if char == 'a':
      count_a += 1
    elif char == 'g':
      total_pairs += count_a
  return total_pairs
```

- **Time Complexity (TC):** $O(N)$
- **Space Complexity (SC):** $O(1)$

Subarray Concepts

Definition

A subarray is a continuous part of an array.

Examples

- $A = [4, 1, 2, 3, -1, 6, 9, 8, 12]$
 - Subarrays: $[1, 2, 3], [-1], [8, 9], [1, 6, 8]$, etc.

Representation of Subarrays

1. **Start and End Indices:** $A[\text{start} \dots \text{end}]$ (e.g., $\text{start} = 2, \text{end} = 4$ for $A[2\dots4]$)
2. **Start Index and Length:** $A[\text{start} : \text{start} + \text{length} - 1]$ (e.g., $\text{start} = 1, \text{length} = 2$)

Number of Subarrays in an Array of Size N

- A subarray can start at index 0 (N possible subarrays).
- A subarray can start at index 1 ($N-1$ possible subarrays).
- ...
- A subarray can start at index $N-1$ (1 possible subarray).
- **Formula:** The total number of subarrays for an array of size N is the sum of natural numbers up to N : $N * (N + 1) / 2$.

Sum of All Possible Subarray Sums

Problem Definition