

## 3652. Best Time to Buy and Sell Stock using Strategy

Solved

Medium Topics Companies Hint

You are given two integer arrays `prices` and `strategy`, where:

- `prices[i]` is the price of a given stock on the  $i^{\text{th}}$  day.
- `strategy[i]` represents a trading action on the  $i^{\text{th}}$  day, where:
  - `-1` indicates buying one unit of the stock.
  - `0` indicates holding the stock.
  - `1` indicates selling one unit of the stock.

You are also given an **even** integer `k`, and may perform **at most one** modification to `strategy`. A modification consists of:

- Selecting exactly `k` **consecutive** elements in `strategy`.
- Set the **first**  $\lfloor k/2 \rfloor$  elements to `0` (hold).
- Set the **last**  $\lfloor k/2 \rfloor$  elements to `1` (sell).

The **profit** is defined as the **sum** of `strategy[i] * prices[i]` across all days.

Return the **maximum** possible profit you can achieve.

**Note:** There are no constraints on budget or stock ownership, so all buy and sell operations are feasible regardless of past actions.

### Example 1:

**Input:** `prices = [4, 2, 8], strategy = [-1, 0, 1], k = 2`

**Output:** 10

**Explanation:**

Modification	Strategy	Profit Calculation	Profit
Original	<code>[-1, 0, 1]</code>	$(-1 \times 4) + (0 \times 2) + (1 \times 8) = -4 + 0 + 8$	4
Modify $[0, 1]$	<code>[0, 1, 1]</code>	$(0 \times 4) + (1 \times 2) + (1 \times 8) = 0 + 2 + 8$	10
Modify $[1, 2]$	<code>[-1, 0, 1]</code>	$(-1 \times 4) + (0 \times 2) + (1 \times 8) = -4 + 0 + 8$	4

Thus, the maximum possible profit is 10, which is achieved by modifying the subarray `[0, 1]`

### Example 2:

**Input:** prices = [5, 4, 3], strategy = [1, 1, 0], k = 2

**Output:** 9

**Explanation:**

Modification	Strategy	Profit Calculation	Profit
Original	[1, 1, 0]	$(1 \times 5) + (1 \times 4) + (0 \times 3) = 5 + 4 + 0$	9
Modify [0, 1]	[0, 1, 0]	$(0 \times 5) + (1 \times 4) + (0 \times 3) = 0 + 4 + 0$	4
Modify [1, 2]	[1, 0, 1]	$(1 \times 5) + (0 \times 4) + (1 \times 3) = 5 + 0 + 3$	8

Thus, the maximum possible profit is 9, which is achieved without any modification.

### Constraints:

- $2 \leq \text{prices.length} == \text{strategy.length} \leq 10^5$
- $1 \leq \text{prices}[i] \leq 10^5$
- $-1 \leq \text{strategy}[i] \leq 1$
- $2 \leq k \leq \text{prices.length}$
- $k$  is even

## Python:

```
class Solution:  
    def maxProfit(self, prices: list[int], strat: list[int], k: int) -> int:  
        n = len(prices)  
        h = k // 2  
  
        sp = [s * p for s, p in zip(strat, prices)]  
        base = sum(sp)  
  
        if n == k:
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change = sum(prices[h:]) - base
return base + max(0, change)

win_orig = sum(sp[:k])
win_mod = sum(prices[h:k])
max_ch = win_mod - win_orig

for i in range(1, n - k + 1):
    win_orig += sp[i+k-1] - sp[i-1]
    win_mod += prices[i+k-1] - prices[i-1+h]
    max_ch = max(max_ch, win_mod - win_orig)

return base + max(0, max_ch)

```

## JavaScript:

```

/**
 * @param {number[]} prices
 * @param {number[]} strategy
 * @param {number} k
 * @return {number}
 */
var maxProfit = function(prices, strategy, k) {
    const n = prices.length;

    // Initialize prefix sum arrays
    const pref_price = [0];
    const res_pref = [0];

    // Calculate prefix sums for prices and strategy-based results
    for (let i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        pref_price.push(
            pref_price[i] + prices[i]
        );
        res_pref.push(
            res_pref[i] + prices[i] * strategy[i]
        );
    }

    // Initialize sliding window pointers
    let start = 0;
    let end = k - 1;
    // Initial maximum profit is the total from the original strategy
    let maxi = res_pref[n];

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// Slide a window of size k to find the maximum possible profit
while (end < n) {
    // Profit from the strategy before the window
    const left = res_pref[start];
    // Sum of prices in the second half of the window
    const mid = pref_price[end + 1] - pref_price[end + 1 - Math.floor(k / 2)];
    // Profit from the strategy after the window
    const right = res_pref[n] - res_pref[end + 1];

    // Check if this window configuration yields a better profit
    maxi = Math.max(maxi, left + mid + right);

    // Move the window one position to the right
    start++;
    end++;
}

return maxi;
};

```

## Java:

```

class Solution {
    public long maxProfit(int[] prices, int[] strat, int k) {
        int n = prices.length;
        int h = k / 2;
        long[] sp = new long[n];
        long base = 0;
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
            sp[i] = (long)strat[i] * prices[i];
            base += sp[i];
        }

        if (n == k) {
            long winOrig = base;
            long winMod = 0;
            for (int i = h; i < n; i++) winMod += prices[i];
            long change = winMod - winOrig;
            return base + Math.max(0, change);
        }

        long winOrig = 0;
        for (int i = 0; i < k; i++) winOrig += sp[i];

        long winMod = 0;

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for (int i = h; i < k; i++) winMod += prices[i];

long maxCh = winMod - winOrig;

for (int i = 1; i <= n - k; i++) {
    winOrig += sp[i + k - 1] - sp[i - 1];
    winMod += prices[i + k - 1] - prices[i - 1 + h];
    maxCh = Math.max(maxCh, winMod - winOrig);
}

return base + Math.max(0, maxCh);
}
}
```