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Questions

Status	No.	Question	Time Taken	Skill	Score
8	1	Move Zeros Multiple Choice	3 min 23 sec	-	5/5
8	2	Find Middle Element Multiple Choice	9 min 23 sec	-	5/5
⊗	3	Reverse a String Multiple Choice	6 min 10 sec	-	5/5

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⊗	4	Applying the Two-Pointer Technique in Lists Multiple Choice	2 min 52 - sec	0/5
8	5	Find the Target Coding	5 min 33 - sec	20/20
⊗	6	Find the Minimum Sublist Sum Coding	20 min 4 - sec	20/20

Multiple Choice

Question description

Consider the following function, which is designed to move all zeroes in a list to its end while maintaining the order of non-zero elements using the two-pointer technique. After running the function, what is the final state of the input list lst?

```
def move_zeros(nums):
    left = 0
    for right in range(len(nums)):
        if nums[right] != 0:
            nums[left], nums[right] = nums[right], nums[left]
            left += 1
    return nums

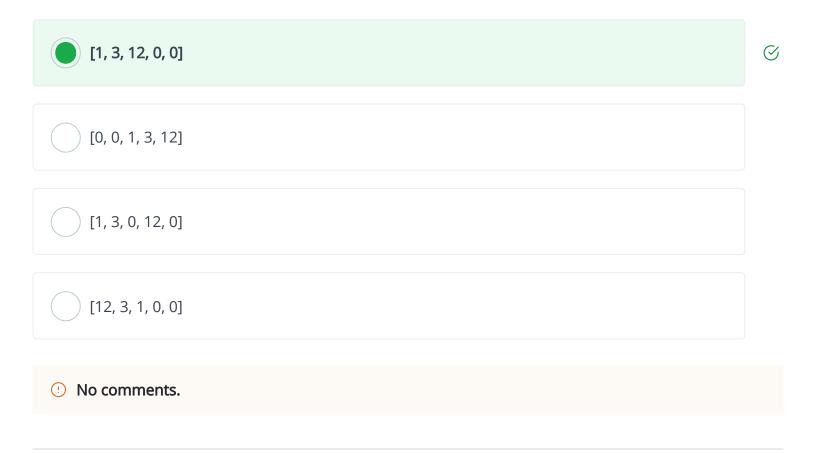
# Input nums
nums = [0, 1, 0, 3, 12]
```

Candidate's Solution

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Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)



2. Find Middle Element

⊘ Correct

Multiple Choice

Question description

Suppose you have the following function intended to find the middle element of a list using the two-pointer technique. However, there's a logical mistake in the implementation. Identify the issue that would prevent the function from correctly identifying the middle element for lists with an even number of elements.

```
def find_middle(lst):
    slow = fast = 0
    while fast < len(lst) and fast + 1 < len(lst):
        slow += 1
        fast += 2
    return lst[slow]</pre>
```

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Example list lst = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]

Note: For lists with an even number of elements, return the lower of the two middle elements.

Candidate's Solution

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

It does not handle lists with an odd number of elements correctly.

It returns the element one position after the middle for lists with an even number of elements.

It incorrectly uses addition for the fast pointer instead of doubling its value.

It does not account for lists with an even number of elements, thus failing to provide a middle element in such cases.

(!) No comments.

3. Reverse a String

⊘ Correct

(V)

Multiple Choice

Question description

Consider the following function designed to reverse a given string in-place using the two-pointer technique. However, there's an error in the logic of swapping the characters:

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```
def reverse_string(s):
    left, right = 0, len(s) - 1
    while left < right:
        temp = s[left]
        s[left] = s[right]
    left += 1
    right -= 1</pre>
```

To achieve the expected outcome of reversing the string s = ["h","e","l","e","l","o"] to ["o","l","l","e","h"], what correction is needed in the function?

Candidate's Solution

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

- Replace temp = s[left] with temp = s[right]
 - Add s[right] = temp after the line s[left] = s[right]

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- Swap the lines left += 1 and right -= 1
- Replace while left right:
- No comments.

4. Applying the Two-Pointer Technique in Lists

Incorrect

Multiple Choice

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Question description

Consider a list of integers where you need to identify if there are two distinct numbers that add up to a specific target value. How can the two-pointer technique be applied effectively in this scenario?

Candidate's Solution

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Question description

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)	
By first sorting the list, then initializing one pointer at the start and another at the end of the array, moving them towards each other based on the sum comparison to the target	
By using one pointer to iterate through the list and another to keep track of the current maximum value until the target sum is reached.	
By initializing two pointers at the start of the list and moving both simultaneously towar the end until the target sum is found.	rds 💮
By placing both pointers in the middle of the list and moving them outward in opposite directions to find two elements that match the target sum.	
① No comments.	
5. Find the Target	⊗ Correct

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Language used: Python 3

You are given a string **s** consisting of numerical characters and a target sum **target**. Write a function to find if there is a pair of adjacent numbers in the string that add up to **target**. The function should return a boolean value: **True** if such a pair exists, and **False** otherwise.

Use the two-pointer technique to solve this problem without converting the entire string into a list of numbers.

Note: Each character in the string **s** should be treated as a separate digit; for example, '56' in the string should be considered as '5' and '6'.

```
Example 1:
Input: s = "1234", target = 5
Output: True
Explanation: The digits '2' and '3' are adjacent and add up to 5.

Example 2:
Input: s = "1112", target = 4
Output: False
Explanation: There are no two adjacent digits that add up to 4.
```

Candidate's Solution

```
1 #!/bin/python3
2
3 import math
4 import os
5 import random
6 import re
7
   import sys
8
9
10
11 #
12 # Complete the 'find_pair_sum' function below.
13 #
14 # The function is expected to return a BOOLEAN.
15 # The function accepts following parameters:
     1. STRING s
16 #
17 #
      2. INTEGER target
18 #
19
20 def find_pair_sum(s, target):
21
       # Write your code here
```

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```
22
        right = len(s) - 1
        current = 0
23
24
25
        for i in range(right):
26
            current = int(s[i])
27
            next = int(s[i + 1])
28
            if current + next == target:
29
                return True
30
        return False
31
   if __name__ == '__main__':
32
       fptr = open(os.environ['OUTPUT_PATH'], 'w')
33
34
35
        s = input()
36
       target = int(input().strip())
37
38
39
        result = find_pair_sum(s, target)
40
41
        fptr.write(str(result) + '\n')
42
43
        fptr.close()
44
45
```

TESTCASE	DIFFICULTY	TYPE	STATUS	SCORE	TIME TAKEN	MEMORY USED
Testcase 0	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0336 sec	10.4 KB
Testcase 1	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0374 sec	10.3 KB
Testcase 2	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0324 sec	10.3 KB
Testcase 3	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0269 sec	10.2 KB

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Testcase 4	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0295 sec	10.2 KB
Testcase 5	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0359 sec	10.2 KB
Testcase 6	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0306 sec	10.3 KB
Testcase 7	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0294 sec	10.3 KB
Testcase 8	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0331 sec	10.3 KB
Testcase 9	Easy	Hidden	Success	2	0.0342 sec	10.3 KB

No comments.

6. Find the Minimum Sublist Sum

⊘ Correct

Coding

Question description

Given a list of integers nums and an integer k, write a function to find the minimum sum of any contiguous sublist of size k. If the size of nums is less than k, return 0.

Example 1:

Input: nums = [5, -1, 3, 2, -4], k = 2

Output: -3

Explanation: Explanation: The sublist of length 2 are [5, -1], [-1, 3], [3, 2], and [2, -4].

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```
Their sums are 4, 2, 5, and -2 respectively. The smallest sum among these is -2, which comes from the sublist [2, -4].

Example 2: Input: nums[4,2,-5,1,3], k =1
Output: -5
Explanation: Here the sublist is just one element, smallest element is -5.
```

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Candidate's Solution Language used: Python 3

```
1 #!/bin/python3
 2
 3 import math
 4 import os
 5 import random
 6 import re
 7 import sys
 8
 9
10
11 #
12 # Complete the 'find min sublist sum' function below.
13 #
14 # The function is expected to return an INTEGER.
15 # The function accepts following parameters:
16 # 1. INTEGER ARRAY nums
      2. INTEGER k
17 #
18 #
19
20 def find_min_sublist_sum(nums, k):
       # Write your code here
21
22
       if len(nums) < k:
23
            return 0
24
25
       new sum = sum(nums[:k])
26
       min sum = new sum
27
28
       for i in range(k, len(nums)):
29
            new sum += nums[i] - nums[i - k]
30
            if new sum < min sum:</pre>
```

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```
31
                min sum = new sum
32
        return min sum
33
34
   if name == ' main ':
35
       fptr = open(os.environ['OUTPUT_PATH'], 'w')
36
37
       nums_count = int(input().strip())
38
39
40
       nums = []
41
       for _ in range(nums_count):
42
43
           nums item = int(input().strip())
           nums.append(nums_item)
44
45
       k = int(input().strip())
46
47
        result = find_min_sublist_sum(nums, k)
48
49
       fptr.write(str(result) + '\n')
50
51
52
       fptr.close()
53
```

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Testcase 0	Easy	Hidden	Success	4	0.0422 sec	10.3 KB
Testcase 1	Easy	Hidden	Success	4	0.0378 sec	10.3 KB
Testcase 2	Easy	Hidden	Success	4	0.0338 sec	10.3 KB
Testcase 3	Easy	Hidden	Success	4	0.0451 sec	10.3 KB

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Testcase 4 Easy Hidden Success 4 0.0293 sec 10.3 KB

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• No comments.

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