

LeetCode 307

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Description

307. Range Sum Query - Mutable

Given an integer array `nums`, find the sum of the elements between indices `i` and `j` ($i \leq j$), inclusive.

The `update(i, val)` function modifies `nums` by updating the element at index `i` to `val`.

Example:

Given `nums = [1, 3, 5]`

`sumRange(0, 2) -> 9`

`update(1, 2)`

`sumRange(0, 2) -> 8`

Idea Report

We are asked to get the sum of the elements in a range, so my primitive idea is to use a special data structure called prefix sum array, `int[] prefixSum`. For input array `nums`, `prefixSum[i]` means the sum of first `i`th elements in `nums` array, and `prefixSum[0]` is 0. For example, for input `nums = [1,3,5]` then `prefixSum` is `[0,1,4,9]`. `prefixSum[0]` is basically 0, `prefixSum[1]` is the first element which is 1, `prefixSum[2]` is the sum of first 2 elements, which is $1 + 3 = 4$, and `prefixSum[3]` is the sum of first 3 elements, which is $1 + 3 + 5 = 9$. When query the sum ranging from `i` to `j` we can just return `prefixSum[j + 1] - prefixSum[i]` which is sum of index `[0, 1, 2, ..., i, ..., j]` - sum of index `[0, 1, 2, ..., i-1]` which is exactly sum of index `[i, i+1, ..., j-1, j]`. To update the `prefixSum` at index `i` to value `val`, we can just find out all the prefix sums that contains the index `i` number, subtract the old value

and plus the new value. The old value can be obtained by `query(i, i)`. To build the prefix sum array, it uses $O(n)$ time, to `query(i, j)` uses $O(1)$ time, to update `val` at index `i` uses $O(n - i)$ time which is essentially $O(n)$ time.

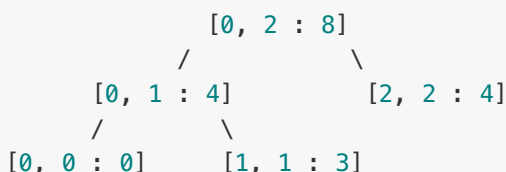
Code

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class NumArray {
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    int[] prefixSum;
    public NumArray(int[] nums) {
        prefixSum = new int[nums.length + 1];
        for (int i = 1; i < prefixSum.length; i++) {
            prefixSum[i] = prefixSum[i - 1] + nums[i - 1];
        }
    }

    public void update(int i, int val) {
        int oldValue = sumRange(i, i);
        for (int j = i + 1; j < prefixSum.length; j++) {
            prefixSum[j] = prefixSum[j] - oldValue + val;
        }
    }

    public int sumRange(int i, int j) {
        return prefixSum[j + 1] - prefixSum[i];
    }
}
```

The prefix sum method takes $O(n)$ time to update which is relatively time consuming when the input size is large. And the problem states that "calls to update and sumRange function is distributed evenly." so we need a better approach than $O(n)$, which is $O(\log N)$. So we can think of a tree structure, an advanced data structure is called segment tree. Take the same input example `[1,3,4]`, we can draw a tree like follows:



Each node has three integers and two children. The first integer is start, meaning the start index of the array. The second integer is end, meaning the end index of the array. The third integer is sum,

meaning the sum of elements between start and end inclusive. So for each leaf node, the sum is the element value at that index, for example [1,1:3] is the node indicates index start from 1 end at 1 which is `nums[1]`, so the sum is `nums[1] = 3`. For other nodes, the sum is a range, for example [0,1:4] is the node indexes index start from 0 end at 1 which is sum of `nums[0]`, `nums[1]`, which is 4. To query, we can check if the query index `i, j` matches `node.start`, `node.end`, if it matches we just return `node.sum`; if it doesn't match, we can split the indexes into two parts and find the result either from left child or right child or both. For example, if we want to query [0,2], it matches root we can just return 8 directly. If we want to query [1,2], we see `node[0,2:8]` doesn't match, then we divide query into two halves, to query [1,1] from left child, and [2,2] from right child (which we get [2,2:4] directly). From left child [0,1:4], the indexes doesn't match [1,1], so we split again to get from [1,1:3]. And we sum together 3 + 4 together to get `query[1,2] = 7`. To update the value at index `i`, we can find the [i,i:value] node, and update all nodes along the path from root to node [i,i:value] by subtracting the old value and plus the new value.

Code

```
class NumArray {

    SegmentTreeNode root;

    public NumArray(int[] nums) {
        root = build(nums, 0, nums.length - 1);
        // print(root);
    }

    public void update(int i, int val) {
        // print(root);
        modify(root, i, val);
        // print(root);
    }

    public int sumRange(int i, int j) {
        return query(root, i, j);
    }

    class SegmentTreeNode {
        int start;
        int end;
        int sum;
        SegmentTreeNode left;
        SegmentTreeNode right;
        public SegmentTreeNode(int start, int end, int sum) {
            this.start = start;
            this.end = end;
            this.sum = sum;
            this.left = null;
        }
    }
}
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        this.right = null;
    }
}

private SegmentTreeNode build(int[] arr, int start, int end) {
    if (start > end) {
        return null;
    }
    if (start == end) {
        return new SegmentTreeNode(start, end, arr[start]);
    }

    int mid = (end - start) / 2 + start;
    SegmentTreeNode node = new SegmentTreeNode(start, end, 0);
    node.left = build(arr, start, mid);
    node.right = build(arr, mid + 1, end);
    if (node.left != null) {
        node.sum += node.left.sum;
    }
    if (node.right != null) {
        node.sum += node.right.sum;
    }
    return node;
}

private int query(SegmentTreeNode cur, int start, int end) {
    if (cur == null || start > end) {
        return 0;
    }
    if (start <= cur.start && cur.end <= end) {
        return cur.sum;
    }

    int mid = (cur.end - cur.start) / 2 + cur.start;
    if (end <= mid) {
        return query(cur.left, start, end);
    } else if (start > mid) {
        return query(cur.right, start, end);
    }
    return query(cur.left, start, mid) + query(cur.right, mid + 1, end);
}

private int modify(SegmentTreeNode cur, int i, int val) {
    if (cur == null) {
        return 0;
    }
    if (i == cur.start && i == cur.end) {
        int oldValue = cur.sum;
        cur.sum = val;
        return oldValue;
    }
}

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    int mid = (cur.end - cur.start) / 2 + cur.start;
    int oldValue = 0;
    if (cur.start <= i && i <= mid) {
        oldValue = modify(cur.left, i, val);
    } else if (mid + 1 <= i && i <= cur.end) {
        oldValue = modify(cur.right, i, val);
    }
    cur.sum = cur.sum - oldValue + val;
    return oldValue;
}

// private void print(SegmentTreeNode root) {
//     if (root == null) {
//         return;
//     }
//     System.out.println(root.start + "," + root.end + ", " + root.sum);
//     print(root.left);
//     print(root.right);
// }
}

```

Summary

- Prefix sum takes $O(1)$ to get the sum of a range in the array, which would be a good choice if the array is immutable.
- Segment tree takes $O(n)$ time to build and $O(\log N)$ time to query and update.