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# Cumulative array

- **Illustrative exercise (P.02.02.01).** Given the sequence  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ . Execute  $Q$  queries, each query is characterized by a pair of indices  $(i, j)$  in which we need to calculate the sum  $a_i + a_{i+1} + \dots + a_j$ .
- Direct algorithm:
  - For each query, we traverse the array from  $a_i$  to  $a_j$  to calculate the sum of the elements in this subrange.
  - The worst-case complexity of each query is  $O(n)$ .
  - The worst-case complexity of  $Q$  queries is  $O(Qn)$ .

```
sum(i, j){  
    T = 0;  
    for k = i to j do  
        T = T +  $a_k$ ;  
    return T;  
}
```

# Cumulative array

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- Algorithm uses cumulative array:
  - Calculate the sum of elements in cumulative array  $S_k = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ),  $S_0 = 0$ 
    - Complexity  $O(n)$
  - The query  $(i, j)$  has the value of  $S_j - S_{i-1}$ 
    - Complexity of each query:  $O(1)$
    - Complexity of  $Q$  queries:  $O(n) + O(Q)$

```
Input  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  and  $Q$ ;  
 $S_0 = 0$ ;  
for  $k = 1$  to  $n$  do  
     $S_k = S_{k-1} + a_k$ ;  
  
for  $q = 1$  to  $Q$  do {  
    Input  $i, j$ ;  
     $res = S_j - S_{i-1}$ ;  
    output( $res$ );  
}
```

# Cumulative array

- Given 2D array  $a[1..n, 1..m]$ , cumulative array  $S[1..n, 1..m]$  is defined as following:
  - $S[0, j] = 0, S[i, 0] = 0, i = 0, 1, \dots, n$  and  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$
  - $S[i, j] = \sum_{k=1}^i \sum_{q=1}^j a[k, q], i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $j = 1, \dots, m$
  - Recursive formula :  $S[i, j] = S[i-1, j] + S[i, j-1] - S[i-1, j-1] + a[i, j]$
- Algorithm to calculate cumulative array
  - Complexity  $O(nm)$

```
for i = 0 to n do S[i,0] = 0;
for j = 0 to m do S[0,j] = 0;
for i = 1 to n do {
    for j = 1 to n do {
        S[i,j] = S[i-1,j] + S[i,j-1] -
                S[i-1,j-1] + a[i,j];
    }
}
```

# Cumulative array

- **Illustrative exercise (P.02.02.02).** Given the 2D array  $a[1..n, 1..m]$ . Execute  $Q$  queries, each query is characterized by a set of indices  $(a, b, c, d)$  and defined as follows:

$$\text{query}[a, b, c, d] = \sum_{k=a}^c \sum_{q=b}^d a[k, q]$$

- Direct algorithm:
  - Each query, we perform 2 nested loops to traverse all elements and calculate the sum
  - The worst-case complexity of each query is  $O(nm)$



# Cumulative array

- **Illustrative exercise (P.02.02.02).** Given the 2D array  $a[1..n, 1..m]$ . Execute  $Q$  queries, each query is characterized by a set of indices  $(a, b, c, d)$  and defined as follows:

$$\text{query}[a, b, c, d] = \sum_{k=a}^c \sum_{q=b}^d a[k, q]$$

- Algorithm that uses cumulative algorithm:
  - Formular:  $\text{query}[a, b, c, d] = S[c, d] - S[c, b-1] - S[a-1, d] + S[a-1, b-1]$
  - The worst-case complexity of each query is  $O(1)$

# 2-pointing technique

- In many problems, we have to traverse a sequence  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  to search for objects characterized by 2 indices  $(i, j)$  on the sequence (for example, a subsequence consists of consecutive elements or pairs of 2 elements of a sequence) that satisfies some certain properties.
  - Use 2 nested loops to traverse through all pairs of 2 indices  $(i, j)$ : complexity  $O(n^2)$
  - Use 2 pointers to move in 1 direction or to move in 2 opposite directions: complexity  $O(n)$

# 2-pointing technique

- **Illustrative exercise 2.1 (P.02.02.03).** Given the sequence  $a[1], a[2], \dots, a[n]$  is sorted in ascending order (distinct elements: no elements with the same value). Given the value  $Q$ , count the number of pairs of 2 indices  $i$  and  $j$  such that  $a[i] + a[j] = Q$ .
- Direct algorithm
  - Use 2 nested loops to browse through all pairs  $(i, j)$  and check the condition  $a[i] + a[j] = Q$
  - Complexity  $O(n^2)$

```
res = 0;
for i = 1 to n do {
    for j = i+1 to n do {
        if a[i] + a[j] = Q then
            res = res + 1;
    }
}
Output(res);
```

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- Algorithm that uses 2-pointing technique
  - Variable  $i$  moves from left to right and variable  $j$  moves from right to left through the sequence
  - Complexity  $O(n)$

```
res = 0;
i = 1; j = n;
while i < j do {
    if a[i] + a[j] = Q then {
        res = res + 1; i = i + 1; j = j - 1;
    } else if a[i] + a[j] < Q then
        i = i + 1;
    else
        j = j - 1;
}
Output(res);
```

# 2-pointing technique

- **Illustrative exercise 2.2 (P.02.02.04).** Given a sequence of non-negative numbers  $a[1], a[2], \dots, a[n]$ . Given the value  $Q$ , find the longest subsequence (consisting of a number of consecutive elements:  $a[i], a[i+1], \dots, a[j]$ ) whose sum is less than or equal to  $Q$ .
- Direct algorithm
  - Use 2 nested loops to consider all starting and ending positions of a subsequence and check whether the sum is less than or equal to  $Q$ ?
  - Complexity  $O(n^2)$

```
res = 0;
for i = 1 to n do {
    S = 0;
    for j = i to n do {
        S = S + a[j];
        if S <= Q then {
            res = max(res, j - i + 1);
        }
    }
}
Output(res);
```

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- Algorithm that uses 2-pointing technique
  - Variable  $L$  moves from left to right and variable  $R$  moves from right to left through the sequence
  - Complexity  $O(n)$

```
res = 0; S = 0;
L = 1;
for R = 1 to n do {
    S = S + a[R];
    while S > Q do {
        S = S - a[L]; L = L + 1;
    }
    res = max(res, R - L + 1);
}
Output(res);
```

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