

2691. Immutability Helper Premium

Hard Hint

Creating clones of immutable objects with minor alterations can be a tedious process. Write a class `ImmutableHelper` that serves as a tool to help with this requirement. The constructor accepts an immutable object `obj` which will be a JSON object or array.

The class has a single method `produce` which accepts a function `mutator`. The function returns a new object which is similar to the original except it has those mutations applied.

`mutator` accepts a **proxied** version of `obj`. A user of this function can (appear to) mutate this object, but the original object `obj` should not actually be effected.

For example, a user could write code like this:

```
const originalObj = {"x": 5};
const helper = new ImmutableHelper(originalObj);
const newObj = helper.produce((proxy) => {
  proxy.x = proxy.x + 1;
});
console.log(originalObj); // {"x": 5}
console.log(newObj); // {"x": 6}
```

Properties of the `mutator` function:

- It will always return `undefined`.
- It will never access keys that don't exist.
- It will never delete keys (`delete obj.key`)
- It will never call methods on a proxied object (`push`, `shift`, etc).
- It will never set keys to objects (`proxy.x = {}`)

Note on how the solution will be tested: the solution validator will only analyze differences between what was returned and the original `obj`. Doing a full comparison would be too computationally expensive. Also, any mutations to the original object will result in a wrong answer.

Example 1:

```
Input:
obj = {"val": 10},
mutators = [
  proxy => { proxy.val += 1; },
  proxy => { proxy.val -= 1; }
]
Output:
[
  {"val": 11},
  {"val": 9}
]
Explanation:
const helper = new ImmutableHelper({val: 10});
helper.produce(proxy => { proxy.val += 1; }); // { "val": 11 }
helper.produce(proxy => { proxy.val -= 1; }); // { "val": 9 }
```

Example 2:

```
Input:
obj = {"arr": [1, 2, 3]}
mutators = [
  proxy => {
    proxy.arr[0] = 5;
    proxy.newVal = proxy.arr[0] + proxy.arr[1];
  }
]
Output:
[
  {"arr": [5, 2, 3], "newVal": 7 }
]
Explanation: Two edits were made to the original array. The first element in the array was to set 5. Then a new key was added with a value of 7.
```

Example 3:

```
Input:
obj = {"obj": {"val": {"x": 10, "y": 20}}}
mutators = [
  proxy => {
    let data = proxy.obj.val;
    let temp = data.x;
    data.x = data.y;
    data.y = temp;
  }
]
Output:
[
  {"obj": {"val": {"x": 20, "y": 10}}}
]
Explanation: The values of "x" and "y" were swapped.
```

Constraints:

- $2 \leq \text{JSON.stringify(obj)}.length \leq 4 * 10^5$
- `mutators` is an array of functions
- total calls to `produce()` < 10^5

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- Hint 1
- JavaScript has the concept of Proxy. That concept is critical to this problem.
- Hint 2
- You you need to keep track of which values in the JSON were overwritten with new values.
- Hint 3
- Somehow, keep a tree structure that exists parallel to the original object. This will keep track of all the edits.
- Hint 4
- When the mutator function is done. Return a clone with those mutations applied. It will be inefficient to clone the entire object so only clone the minimum number of nodes.

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