## 2907. Maximum Profitable Triplets With Increasing Prices I Medium ♥ Topics 🖫 Companies 🗘 Hint Given the **0-indexed** arrays prices and profits of length n. There are n items in an store where the i<sup>th</sup> item has a price of prices [i] and a profit of profits [i]. We have to pick three items with the following condition: prices[i] < prices[j] < prices[k] where i < j < k.</li> If we pick items with indices i, j and k satisfying the above condition, the profit would be profits[i] + profits[j] + profits[k]. Return the **maximum profit** we can get, and -1 if it's not possible to pick three items with the given condition. Example 1: Input: prices = [10,2,3,4], profits = [100,2,7,10] Output: 19 Explanation: We can't pick the item with index i=0 since there are no indices j and k such that the condition holds. So the only triplet we can pick, are the items with indices 1, 2 and 3 and it's a valid pick since prices[1] < prices[2] < prices[3]. The answer would be sum of their profits which is 2 + 7 + 10 = 19. Example 2: Input: prices = [1,2,3,4,5], profits = [1,5,3,4,6] Output: 15 Explanation: We can select any triplet of items since for each triplet of indices i, j and k such that i < j < k, the condition holds. Therefore the maximum profit we can get would be the 3 most profitable items which are indices 1, 3 and 4. The answer would be sum of their profits which is 5 + 4 + 6 = 15. Example 3: Input: prices = [4,3,2,1], profits = [33,20,19,87] Output: -1Explanation: We can't select any triplet of indices such that the condition holds, so we return -1. Constraints: • 3 <= prices.length == profits.length <= 2000 • 1 <= prices[i] <= 10<sup>6</sup> • 1 <= profits[i] <= 10<sup>6</sup> Seen this question in a real interview before? 1/5 No Yes Accepted 1.3K Submissions 2.4K Acceptance Rate 55.8% Topics Array Binary Indexed Tree Segment Tree **Companies** 0 - 6 months IBM 2 O Hint 1 Let's fix the middle chosen item. O Hint 2 For a fixed item with an index j, iterate over items with an index k > j such that prices [k] > prices [j]. O Hint 3 Find the maximum profit[k] with the above condition. Let's call this maximum value max\_right. O Hint 4 Do the same for items with an index i < j such that prices[i] < prices[j] and find the maximum profit[i] among them. Let's call this maximum value max\_left. O Hint 5 Now the profit when an item with the index j is the middle one would be profit[j] + max\_right + max\_left. O Hint 6 Finally, do the above procedure for all j 's and find the maximum profit among them. That would be the final answer. Discussion (3)

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