LeetCode 561. Array Partition

Question

Given an integer array nums of 2n integers, group these integers into n pairs (a1, b1), (a2, b2), ..., (an, bn) such that the sum of min(ai, bi) for all i is maximized. Return the maximized sum.

:≡ Example

Input: nums = [1,4,3,2]

Output: 4

Explanation: All possible pairings (ignoring the ordering of elements) are:

- 1. $(1, 4), (2, 3) \rightarrow \min(1, 4) + \min(2, 3) = 1 + 2 = 3$
- 2. $(1, 3), (2, 4) \rightarrow \min(1, 3) + \min(2, 4) = 1 + 2 = 3$
- 3. (1, 2), $(3, 4) \rightarrow \min(1, 2) + \min(3, 4) = 1 + 3 = 4$ So the maximum possible sum is 4.

- 1 <= n <= 104
- nums.length == 2 * n
- -104 <= nums[i] <= 104

Definition

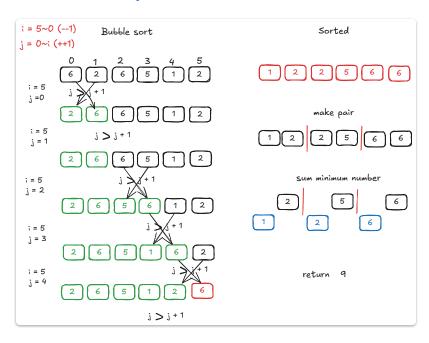
- There are 2n length array
- make a pair of array
- get min value from pair
- add two min value and find out maximum
- ! use optimal pairing.
- 최소값들의 합을 최대화하기 위한 최적의 방법 -> Maximize the min

First Code -> 15 min

! Failed. Time limit exceeded.

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class Solution:
    def arrayPairSum(self, nums: list[int]) -> int:
    # Bubble sort.
        for i in range(len(nums) -1, 0 , -1 ):
            for j in range(i):
                if nums[j] > nums[j+1]:
                    temp = nums[j]
                    nums[i] = nums[j+1]
                    nums[j+1] = temp
    # Make pair
    pairs = []
    for i in range(0,len(nums),2):
        pairs.append(nums[i:i+2])
    # Sum get min
    min sum = 0
    for i in range(len(pairs)):
        min_sum += pairs[i][0]
    return min sum
# Time : Time limit exceeded.
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First Code Explain.



Solution

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class Solution:
    def arrayPairSum(self, nums: List[int]) -> int:
        nums.sort()
        sum_ = 0
        for i in range(0,len(nums),2):
            sum_ += nums[i]
        return sum_

class Solution:
    def arrayPairSum(self, nums: List[int]) -> int:
        return sum(sorted(nums)[::2]

# Time : 332 ms
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Solution Explain

No need to set another list 'pairs'

Problem is that create pairs aren't good idea.

What We can do is just get even index nums

![example].

[1,2,2,5,6,6]

- → get Even index num = 1,2,6
- → Doesn't need to make other pairs.

// Implemented Sort is More efficient.

Implemented Sort is using 'Merge Sort', "Insertion Sort" Hybrid.

• ! 10,000개의 숫자 처리 시간

버블 정렬	O(n²)	매우 느림 (100M 연산 이상)	비효율적, 간단한 경우에만 적합
Python 내장 정렬	O(n log n)	매우 빠름 (~100k 연산)	효율적, 대규모 데이터에 적합

• ! Big O

알고리즘	시간 복잡도 (최악)	메모리 사용량	특징
Timsort	O(n log n)	O(n) (병합 단계)	실질적으로 대부분의 데이터에서 빠름.
QuickSort	O(n²)	O(log n)	평균적으로 빠르지만 최악의 경우 느림.
MergeSort	O(n log n)	O(n)	안정적이지만 추가 메모리 사용.
HeapSort	O(n log n)	O(1)	메모리 효율적이지만 상대적으로 느림.