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Find K Pairs with Smallest Sums

You are given two integer arrays nums1 and nums2 sorted in **ascending order** and an integer k.

Define a pair (u, v) which consists of one element from the first array and one element from the second array.

Return the k pairs (u 1 , v 1), (u 2 , v 2), ..., (u k , v k) with the smallest sums.

Example:

Input: nums1 = [1,1,2], nums2 = [1,2,3], k = 2

Output: [[1,1],[1,1]]

Explanation: The first 2 pairs are returned from the sequence: [1,1],[1,1],[1,2],[2,1], [1,2],[2,2],[1,3],[1,3],[2,3]

Note: Wrong intuition of using two pointers.

Consider this testcase: nums1 = [1,1,2], nums2 = [1,2,3], k = 10

In this when you maintain two pointers (i and j), and say you reach i = 2 and j = 0. So you will add the pair [nums1[i], nums2[j]] to the answer vector and then increment j.

Now i = 2 and j = 1. But before [nums1[i], nums2[j]] can make pair of [2, 2], you also need pairs of [nums1[0], nums2[1]], [nums1[1], nums2[1]] i.e. [1,2] and [1,2].

By maintaining two pointer such as i and j, you will miss out on these pairs i.e. we will only get (n+m) pairs instead of (n*m) overall pairs. Thus this approach fails.

- Approach
 - Brute-force
 - Maintain a min-heap that stores two indices and sum of numbers at that indices [{nums1[i] + nums2[j], {i, j}}]

- Push all pairs to the min-heap and pop out k pairs
- Time Complexity: O((n*m)log(n*m) + klog(n*m)) where klog(n*m) is while popping k pairs with smallest sums
- Space Complexity: O(n*m)

Better

- Maintain a max-heap that stores two indices and sum of numbers at that indices [{nums1[i] + nums2[j], {i, j}}]
- For each element in nums1, iterate over all elements of nums2 and compare their sum with the top element of heap
- If their sum is < sum at top, then pop the heap and insert this new pair</p>
- Else if their sum is > sum at top, then break inner for loop (i.e. skip remaining elements of nums2)
- Time Complexity: O((n*m)logk)
- Space Complexity: O(min(k, n * m))

Optimal

- These are all the pairs of indices of both arrays possible represented in binary tree form
- We maintain min-heap and visited set to keep track
- Initially, we add {nums1[0] + nums2[0], {0, 0}} pair to min-heap and {0,
 0} pair to visited as we know it is guaranteed to be the smallest

- Run a loop while k > 0 && !minHeap.empty() and pop from minHeap and add it to answer list and also add next two index pair (i.e. {i+1, j} and {i, j+1} where i and j are obtained from the top element we just popped from the minHeap) to minHeap and visited set
- Time Complexity: O(min(klogk, (n*m)log(n*m)))
- Space Complexity: O(min(k, n * m))

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# Python3
# Brute-force Solution
class Solution:
    def kSmallestPairs(self, nums1, nums2, k):
        pq = []
        for i in nums1:
            for j in nums2:
                heapq.heappush(pq, (i+j, i, j))
        ans = []
        for i in range(min(k, len(nums1) * len(nums2))):
            top = heapq.heappop(pq)
            ans += [top[1], top[2]],
        return ans
# Python3
# Better Solution
class Solution:
    def kSmallestPairs(self, nums1, nums2, k):
        pq = [] # max-heap
        for i in nums1:
            for j in nums2:
                if len(pq) < k:
                    # pushing negative sum as python inbuilt hea
                    heapq.heappush(pq, (-i-j, i, j))
                elif -i-j > pq[0][0]:
                    heapq.heappop(pq)
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heapq.heappush(pq, (-i-j, i, j))

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else:
    break

ans = []

for summ, i, j in pq:
    ans += [i, j],

return ans
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// C++
// Better Solution
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
class Solution {
public:
    vector<vector<int>> kSmallestPairs(vector<int>& nums1, vector
        int n = nums1.size();
        int m = nums2.size();
        priority_queue<pair<int, pair<int, int>>> pq; // max-hea
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
            for (int j = 0; j < m; j++) {
                if (pq.size() < k) {
                     pq.push({nums1[i]+nums2[j], {nums1[i], nums2
                }
                else if (nums1[i] + nums2[j] < pq.top().first) .</pre>
                    pq.pop();
                    pq.push({nums1[i]+nums2[j], {nums1[i], nums2
                else {
                    break;
                }
            }
        }
        vector<vector<int>> ans;
        while (!pq.empty()) {
            ans.push_back({pq.top().second.first, pq.top().second
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pq.pop();
}
return ans;
}
};
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# Python3
# Optimal Solution
class Solution:
    def kSmallestPairs(self, nums1, nums2, k):
        queue = [] # min-heap
        visited = set()
        def push(i, j):
            if i < len(nums1) and j < len(nums2) and (i, j) not
                heapq.heappush(queue, [nums1[i] + nums2[j], i, j
                visited.add((i, j))
        push(0, 0)
        pairs = []
        while queue and len(pairs) < k:
            _, i, j = heapq.heappop(queue)
            pairs += [nums1[i], nums2[j]],
            push(i, j + 1)
            push(i + 1, j)
        return pairs
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// C++
// Optimal Solution
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
class Solution {
public:
    vector<vector<int>> kSmallestPairs(vector<int>& nums1, vector
    int n = nums1.size();
    int m = nums2.size();
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// [[nums1[i], nums2[j]]]
        vector<vector<int>> ans;
        // ({i, j})
        set<pair<int, int>> visited;
        // [{nums1[i] + nums2[j], {i, j}}]
        priority_queue<pair<int, pair<int, int>>, vector<pair<int</pre>
        minHeap.push({nums1[0] + nums2[0], {0, 0}});
        visited.insert({0, 0});
        while (k-- && !minHeap.empty()) {
            auto top = minHeap.top();
            minHeap.pop();
            int i = top.second.first, j = top.second.second;
            ans.push_back({nums1[i], nums2[j]});
            if (i + 1 < n \&\& visited.find(\{i+1, j\}) == visited.e
                minHeap.push({nums1[i+1] + nums2[j], {i+1, j}})
                visited.insert({i+1, j});
            }
            if (j + 1 < m \&\& visited.find({i, j+1}) == visited.e
                minHeap.push({nums1[i] + nums2[j+1], {i, j+1}})
                visited.insert({i, j+1});
            }
        }
        return ans;
    }
};
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Minimum Operations to Form Subsequence With Target Sum

You are given a **0-indexed** array nums consisting of **non-negative** powers of **2**, and an integer target.

In one operation, you must apply the following changes to the array:

- Choose any element of the array nums[i] such that nums[i] > 1.
- Remove nums[i] from the array.
- Add **two** occurrences of nums[i] / 2 to the **end** of nums.

Return the *minimum number of operations* you need to perform so that nums contains a *subsequence* whose elements sum to target. If it is impossible to obtain such a subsequence, return -1.

- Approach
 - Optimal
 - Push elements into the max heap
 - We keep track of the sum to decide whether to break the element in consideration into two halves or not
 - While loop till the target is not achieved
 - Case 1: If top element is less than target, then just subtract the element. No need to divide it at this point
 - Case 2: If top element is greater than target but sum upto top element is less than target. In this case, we should split the top element to two halves
 - Case 3: If our priority queue is empty and we have yet not reached our target, then just return -1
 - Finally we return our ans which we increment at every divide
 - Time Complexity: $O(n^3)$
 - $\qquad \qquad \textbf{Space Complexity: } O(1) \\$

```
# Python3
# Optimal Solution
import heapq as hp
class Solution:
   def minOperations(self, nums: List[int], target: int) -> int
        tsum = 0
        heap = []
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for i in nums:
            hp.heappush(heap, -i)
            tsum += i
        ans = 0
        while target:
            front = -heap[0]
            tsum -= front
            hp.heappop(heap)
            if front <= target:</pre>
                target -= front
            elif front > target and tsum < target:
                ans += 1
                tsum += front
                hp.heappush(heap, -(front//2))
                hp.heappush(heap, -(front//2))
            if (not heap) and (target != 0):
                return -1
        return ans
// C++
// Optimal Solution
class Solution {
public:
    int minOperations(vector<int>& nums, int target) {
        priority_queue<int> pq;
        /*We keep a track of sum to decide whether to break the
        element in consideration into two halves or not.*/
        long long sum=0;
        //Push elements into the max heap
        for(int i=nums.size()-1;i>=0;i--){
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pq.push(nums[i]);
    sum+=nums[i];
}
int ans=0;
//While loop till the target is not achieved
while(target>0){
    int front = pq.top();
    sum-=front;
    pq.pop();
    /*Case 1: If top element is less than target, then
    subtract the element. No need to divide it at this
    point.*/
    if(front<=target){</pre>
        target-=front;
    }
    /*Case 2: If top element is greater than target but
     upto top element is less than target. In this case,
    should split the top element to two halves.*/
    else if(front>target && sum<target){</pre>
        ans++;
        sum+=front;
        pq.push(front/2);
        pq.push(front/2);
    }
    /*Case 3: If our priority queue is empty and we have
    yet not reached our target, then just return -1;*/
    if(pq.empty() && target!=0){
        return -1;
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}

//Finally we return our ans which we increment at every
return ans;
}
```

Template

- Approach
 - Brute-force

- lacktriangleright Time Complexity: $O(n^3)$
- Space Complexity: O(1)
- Better

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# Brute-force Solution
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# Python3
# Better Solution

# Python3
# Optimal Solution

// C++
// Optimal Solution
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