

Input: $nums : int[]$

$k : int$

Output: Count of partitions s.t. $|\max(part) - \min(part)| \leq k$

Bruteforce

count partitions incrementally for $[0, 1)$, $[0, 2)$, ... $[0, n)$

Algorithm:

$dp[i]$ is "count of partition $[0, i)$ "

for each $i : 1 \rightarrow n$

 for each $j : i \rightarrow 0$

$dp[i] += dp[j-1]$ # go backward

 if valid

return $dp[n]$

$\Rightarrow O(n^2)$

Optimized

Insight 1: Assume all partitions are valid, the distribution of answer space is:

$[0, 1)$	$[0, 2)$	$[0, 3)$	$[0, 4)$	$[0, 5)$...	$[0, n)$
1	2	4	8	2^{n-1}

→ prefix sum

So if we assume all valid, then complexity becomes $O(n)$ with prefix sum

Insight 2: Now if we have an efficient way to check for condition, then we DONE

"What is efficient way to get min/max of a partition?"

\Rightarrow heap

