

Input:  $\text{nums} : \text{int}^{\{n\}}$

$k : \text{int}$

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

BruteForce

count partitions incrementally for  $[0, 1], [0, 2], \dots, [0, n]$

Algorithm:

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

for each  $i : 1 \rightarrow n$

for each  $j : i \rightarrow 0$  # go backward

$dp[i] += dp[j-1]$  if valid

ref  $dp[n] \Rightarrow O(n^2)$

Optimized

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

$[0, 1] \quad [0, 2] \quad [0, 3] \quad [0, 4] \quad [0, 5] \quad \dots \quad [0, n]$

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?"

⇒ heap

① 1 2

0 1 2 3

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