

Problem 2616: Minimize the Maximum Difference of Pairs

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

You are given a

0-indexed

integer array

nums

and an integer

p

. Find

p

pairs of indices of

nums

such that the

maximum

difference amongst all the pairs is

minimized

. Also, ensure no index appears more than once amongst the

p

pairs.

Note that for a pair of elements at the index

i

and

j

, the difference of this pair is

$|\text{nums}[i] - \text{nums}[j]|$

, where

$|x|$

represents the

absolute

value

of

x

.

Return

the

minimum

maximum

difference among all

p

pairs.

We define the maximum of an empty set to be zero.

Example 1:

Input:

nums = [10,1,2,7,1,3], p = 2

Output:

1

Explanation:

The first pair is formed from the indices 1 and 4, and the second pair is formed from the indices 2 and 5. The maximum difference is $\max(|\text{nums}[1] - \text{nums}[4]|, |\text{nums}[2] - \text{nums}[5]|) = \max(0, 1) = 1$. Therefore, we return 1.

Example 2:

Input:

nums = [4,2,1,2], p = 1

Output:

0

Explanation:

Let the indices 1 and 3 form a pair. The difference of that pair is $|2 - 2| = 0$, which is the minimum we can attain.

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{nums.length} \leq 10$

5

$0 \leq \text{nums}[i] \leq 10$

9

$0 \leq p \leq (\text{nums.length})/2$

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int minimizeMax(vector<int>& nums, int p) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int minimizeMax(int[] nums, int p) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def minimizeMax(self, nums: List[int], p: int) -> int:
```

Python:

```
class Solution(object):
    def minimizeMax(self, nums, p):
        """
        :type nums: List[int]
        :type p: int
        :rtype: int
        """
```

JavaScript:

```
/**
 * @param {number[]} nums
 * @param {number} p
 * @return {number}
 */
var minimizeMax = function(nums, p) {

};
```

TypeScript:

```
function minimizeMax(nums: number[], p: number): number {

};
```

C#:

```
public class Solution {
    public int MinimizeMax(int[] nums, int p) {

    }
}
```

C:

```
int minimizeMax(int* nums, int numsSize, int p) {

}
```

Go:

```
func minimizeMax(nums []int, p int) int {  
  
}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun minimizeMax(nums: IntArray, p: Int): Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func minimizeMax(_ nums: [Int], _ p: Int) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn minimize_max(nums: Vec<i32>, p: i32) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# @param {Integer[]} nums  
# @param {Integer} p  
# @return {Integer}  
def minimize_max(nums, p)  
  
end
```

PHP:

```
class Solution {
```

```

/**
 * @param Integer[] $nums
 * @param Integer $p
 * @return Integer
 */
function minimizeMax($nums, $p) {

}
}

```

Dart:

```

class Solution {
  int minimizeMax(List<int> nums, int p) {

  }
}

```

Scala:

```

object Solution {
  def minimizeMax(nums: Array[Int], p: Int): Int = {

  }
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Elixir:

```

defmodule Solution do
  @spec minimize_max(nums :: [integer], p :: integer) :: integer
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Erlang:

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-spec minimize_max(Nums :: [integer()], P :: integer()) -> integer().
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Racket:

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(define/contract (minimize-max nums p)
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Solutions

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 * Difficulty: Medium
 * Tags: array, dp, greedy, sort, search
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 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
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class Solution:
    def minimizeMax(self, nums: List[int], p: int) -> int:
        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass
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