

Problem 3727: Maximum Alternating Sum of Squares

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

You are given an integer array

nums

. You may

rearrange the elements

in any order.

The

alternating score

of an array

arr

is defined as:

score = arr[0]

2

- arr[1]

2

+ arr[2]

2

- arr[3]

2

+ ...

Return an integer denoting the

maximum possible alternating score

of

nums

after rearranging its elements.

Example 1:

Input:

nums = [1,2,3]

Output:

12

Explanation:

A possible rearrangement for

nums

is

[2,1,3]

, which gives the maximum alternating score among all possible rearrangements.

The alternating score is calculated as:

score = 2

2

- 1

2

+ 3

2

= 4 - 1 + 9 = 12

Example 2:

Input:

nums = [1,-1,2,-2,3,-3]

Output:

16

Explanation:

A possible rearrangement for

nums

is

`[-3,-1,-2,1,3,2]`

, which gives the maximum alternating score among all possible rearrangements.

The alternating score is calculated as:

`score = (-3)`

`2`

`- (-1)`

`2`

`+ (-2)`

`2`

`- (1)`

`2`

`+ (3)`

`2`

`- (2)`

`2`

`= 9 - 1 + 4 - 1 + 9 - 4 = 16`

Constraints:

`1 <= nums.length <= 10`

`5`

-4 * 10

4

<= nums[i] <= 4 * 10

4

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    long long maxAlternatingSum(vector<int>& nums) {  
  
    }  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public long maxAlternatingSum(int[] nums) {  
  
    }  
}
```

Python3:

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

Python:

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

JavaScript:

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

};
```

TypeScript:

```
function maxAlternatingSum(nums: number[]): number {

};
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C#:

```
public class Solution {
    public long MaxAlternatingSum(int[] nums) {

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C:

```
long long maxAlternatingSum(int* nums, int numsSize) {

}
```

Go:

```
func maxAlternatingSum(nums []int) int64 {

}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {
    fun maxAlternatingSum(nums: IntArray): Long {

    }
}
```

Swift:

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

Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn max_alternating_sum(nums: Vec<i32>) -> i64 {  
  
    }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# @param {Integer[]} nums  
# @return {Integer}  
def max_alternating_sum(nums)  
  
end
```

PHP:

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param Integer[] $nums  
     * @return Integer  
     */  
    function maxAlternatingSum($nums) {  
  
    }  
}
```

Dart:

```
class Solution {  
    int maxAlternatingSum(List<int> nums) {  
  
    }  
}
```

```
}
```

Scala:

```
object Solution {  
  def maxAlternatingSum(nums: Array[Int]): Long = {  
  
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```

Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
  @spec max_alternating_sum(nums :: [integer]) :: integer  
  def max_alternating_sum(nums) do  
  
  end  
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Erlang:

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Racket:

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(define/contract (max-alternating-sum nums)  
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Solutions

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        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass

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