

Problem 1911: Maximum Alternating Subsequence Sum

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 58.91%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Dynamic Programming

Problem Description

The **alternating sum** of a **0-indexed** array is defined as the **sum** of the elements at **even** indices **minus** the **sum** of the elements at **odd** indices.

* For example, the alternating sum of `[4,2,5,3]` is $(4 + 5) - (2 + 3) = 4$.

Given an array `nums`, return **the maximum alternating sum** of any subsequence of `nums` (after **reindexing** the elements of the subsequence).

A **subsequence** of an array is a new array generated from the original array by deleting some elements (possibly none) without changing the remaining elements' relative order. For example, `[2,7,4]` is a subsequence of `[4,2,3,7,2,1,4]` (the underlined elements), while `[2,4,2]` is not.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [4, 2, 5, 3]` **Output:** 7 **Explanation:** It is optimal to choose the subsequence `[4,2,5]` with alternating sum $(4 + 5) - 2 = 7$.

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [5,6,7,8]` **Output:** 8 **Explanation:** It is optimal to choose the subsequence `[8]` with alternating sum 8.

Example 3:

****Input:**** nums = [_6_,2,_1_,2,4,_5_] ****Output:**** 10 ****Explanation:**** It is optimal to choose the subsequence [6,1,5] with alternating sum $(6 + 5) - 1 = 10$.

****Constraints:****

$1 \leq \text{nums.length} \leq 105$ $-105 \leq \text{nums}[i] \leq 105$

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:
```