

Problem 486: Predict the Winner

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

You are given an integer array

`nums`

. Two players are playing a game with this array: player 1 and player 2.

Player 1 and player 2 take turns, with player 1 starting first. Both players start the game with a score of

0

. At each turn, the player takes one of the numbers from either end of the array (i.e.,

`nums[0]`

or

`nums[nums.length - 1]`

) which reduces the size of the array by

1

. The player adds the chosen number to their score. The game ends when there are no more elements in the array.

Return

true

if Player 1 can win the game. If the scores of both players are equal, then player 1 is still the winner, and you should also return

true

. You may assume that both players are playing optimally.

Example 1:

Input:

nums = [1,5,2]

Output:

false

Explanation:

Initially, player 1 can choose between 1 and 2. If he chooses 2 (or 1), then player 2 can choose from 1 (or 2) and 5. If player 2 chooses 5, then player 1 will be left with 1 (or 2). So, final score of player 1 is $1 + 2 = 3$, and player 2 is 5. Hence, player 1 will never be the winner and you need to return false.

Example 2:

Input:

nums = [1,5,233,7]

Output:

true

Explanation:

Player 1 first chooses 1. Then player 2 has to choose between 5 and 7. No matter which number player 2 choose, player 1 can choose 233. Finally, player 1 has more score (234) than player 2 (12), so you need to return True representing player1 can win.

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{nums.length} \leq 20$

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

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Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    bool predictTheWinner(vector<int>& nums) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public boolean predictTheWinner(int[] nums) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

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

Python:

```
class Solution(object):
    def predictTheWinner(self, nums):
```

```
"""
:type nums: List[int]
:rtype: bool
"""
```

JavaScript:

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

};
```

TypeScript:

```
function predictTheWinner(nums: number[]): boolean {

};
```

C#:

```
public class Solution {
    public bool PredictTheWinner(int[] nums) {

    }
}
```

C:

```
bool predictTheWinner(int* nums, int numsSize) {

}
```

Go:

```
func predictTheWinner(nums []int) bool {

}
```

Kotlin:

```

class Solution {
    fun predictTheWinner(nums: IntArray): Boolean {

    }
}

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Swift:

```

class Solution {
    func predictTheWinner(_ nums: [Int]) -> Bool {

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Rust:

```

impl Solution {
    pub fn predict_the_winner(nums: Vec<i32>) -> bool {

    }
}

```

Ruby:

```

# @param {Integer[]} nums
# @return {Boolean}
def predict_the_winner(nums)

end

```

PHP:

```

class Solution {

    /**
     * @param Integer[] $nums
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     */
    function predictTheWinner($nums) {

    }
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Dart:

```
class Solution {  
  bool predictTheWinner(List<int> nums) {  
  
  }  
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Scala:

```
object Solution {  
  def predictTheWinner(nums: Array[Int]): Boolean = {  
  
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```

Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
  @spec predict_the_winner(nums :: [integer]) :: boolean  
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Erlang:

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Racket:

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Solutions

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        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass

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