

Problem 908: Smallest Range I

Problem Information

Difficulty: Easy

Acceptance Rate: 72.88%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Math

Problem Description

You are given an integer array `nums` and an integer `k`.

In one operation, you can choose any index `i` where $0 \leq i < \text{nums.length}$ and change `nums[i]` to `nums[i] + x` where `x` is an integer from the range `[-k, k]`. You can apply this operation **at most once** for each index `i`.

The **score** of `nums` is the difference between the maximum and minimum elements in `nums`.

Return **the minimum score** of `nums` after applying the mentioned operation at most once for each index in it.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [1], k = 0` **Output:** `0` **Explanation:** The score is $\max(\text{nums}) - \min(\text{nums}) = 1 - 1 = 0$.

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [0,10], k = 2` **Output:** `6` **Explanation:** Change `nums` to be `[2, 8]`. The score is $\max(\text{nums}) - \min(\text{nums}) = 8 - 2 = 6$.

Example 3:

Input: `nums = [1,3,6], k = 3` **Output:** `0` **Explanation:** Change `nums` to be `[4, 4, 4]`. The score is $\max(\text{nums}) - \min(\text{nums}) = 4 - 4 = 0$.

****Constraints:****

$1 \leq \text{nums.length} \leq 10^4$ $0 \leq \text{nums}[i] \leq 10^4$ $0 \leq k \leq 10^4$

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int smallestRangeI(vector<int>& nums, int k) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int smallestRangeI(int[] nums, int k) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

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