

Problem 2035: Partition Array Into Two Arrays to Minimize Sum Difference

Problem Information

Difficulty: Hard

Acceptance Rate: 22.59%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Two Pointers, Binary Search, Dynamic Programming, Bit Manipulation, Ordered Set, Bitmask

Problem Description

You are given an integer array `nums` of `2 * n` integers. You need to partition `nums` into **two** arrays of length `n` to **minimize the absolute difference** of the **sums** of the arrays. To partition `nums`, put each element of `nums` into **one** of the two arrays.

Return _the**minimum** possible absolute difference_.

Example 1:

![example-1](<https://assets.leetcode.com/uploads/2021/10/02/ex1.png>)

Input: nums = [3,9,7,3] **Output:** 2 **Explanation:** One optimal partition is: [3,9] and [7,3]. The absolute difference between the sums of the arrays is $\text{abs}((3 + 9) - (7 + 3)) = 2$.

Example 2:

Input: nums = [-36,36] **Output:** 72 **Explanation:** One optimal partition is: [-36] and [36]. The absolute difference between the sums of the arrays is $\text{abs}((-36) - (36)) = 72$.

Example 3:

![example-3](<https://assets.leetcode.com/uploads/2021/10/02/ex3.png>)

****Input:**** nums = [2,-1,0,4,-2,-9] ****Output:**** 0 ****Explanation:**** One optimal partition is: [2,4,-9] and [-1,0,-2]. The absolute difference between the sums of the arrays is $\text{abs}((2 + 4 + -9) - (-1 + 0 + -2)) = 0$.

****Constraints:****

* `1 <= n <= 15` * `nums.length == 2 * n` * `-107 <= nums[i] <= 107`

Code Snippets

C++:

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

Java:

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

Python3:

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