

Problem 2149: Rearrange Array Elements by Sign

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 84.48%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Two Pointers, Simulation

Problem Description

You are given a **0-indexed** integer array `nums` of **even** length consisting of an **equal** number of positive and negative integers.

You should return the array of `nums` such that the array follows the given conditions:

1. Every **consecutive pair** of integers have **opposite signs**.
2. For all integers with the same sign, the **order** in which they were present in `nums` is **preserved**.
3. The rearranged array begins with a positive integer.

Return `the modified array after rearranging the elements to satisfy the aforementioned conditions`.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [3,1,-2,-5,2,-4]` **Output:** `[3,-2,1,-5,2,-4]` **Explanation:** The positive integers in `nums` are `[3,1,2]`. The negative integers are `[-2,-5,-4]`. The only possible way to rearrange them such that they satisfy all conditions is `[3,-2,1,-5,2,-4]`. Other ways such as `[1,-2,2,-5,3,-4]`, `[3,1,2,-2,-5,-4]`, `[-2,3,-5,1,-4,2]` are incorrect because they do not satisfy one or more conditions.

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [-1,1]` **Output:** `[1,-1]` **Explanation:** 1 is the only positive integer and -1 the only negative integer in `nums`. So `nums` is rearranged to `[1,-1]`.

****Constraints:****

* `2 <= nums.length <= 2 * 10⁵` * `nums.length` is **even** * `1 <= |nums[i]| <= 10⁵` * `nums` consists of **equal** number of positive and negative integers.

It is not required to do the modifications in-place.

Code Snippets

C++:

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

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int[] rearrangeArray(int[] nums) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

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