

Problem 80: Remove Duplicates from Sorted Array II

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

Given an integer array

nums

sorted in

non-decreasing order

, remove some duplicates

in-place

such that each unique element appears

at most twice

. The

relative order

of the elements should be kept the

same

.

Since it is impossible to change the length of the array in some languages, you must instead have the result be placed in the

first part

of the array

nums

. More formally, if there are

k

elements after removing the duplicates, then the first

k

elements of

nums

should hold the final result. It does not matter what you leave beyond the first

k

elements.

Return

k

after placing the final result in the first

k

slots of

nums

.

Do

not

allocate extra space for another array. You must do this by

modifying the input array

in-place

with $O(1)$ extra memory.

Custom Judge:

The judge will test your solution with the following code:

```
int[] nums = [...]; // Input array
int[] expectedNums = [...]; // The expected answer with correct length
```

```
int k = removeDuplicates(nums); // Calls your implementation
```

```
assert k == expectedNums.length;
for (int i = 0; i < k; i++) {
    assert nums[i] == expectedNums[i];
}
```

If all assertions pass, then your solution will be

accepted

.

Example 1:

Input:

```
nums = [1,1,1,2,2,3]
```

Output:

5, nums = [1,1,2,2,3,_]

Explanation:

Your function should return $k = 5$, with the first five elements of nums being 1, 1, 2, 2 and 3 respectively. It does not matter what you leave beyond the returned k (hence they are underscores).

Example 2:

Input:

nums = [0,0,1,1,1,1,2,3,3]

Output:

7, nums = [0,0,1,1,2,3,3,_,_]

Explanation:

Your function should return $k = 7$, with the first seven elements of nums being 0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 3 and 3 respectively. It does not matter what you leave beyond the returned k (hence they are underscores).

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{nums.length} \leq 3 * 10$

4

-10

4

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

4

nums

is sorted in

non-decreasing

order.

Code Snippets

C++:

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

    }
};
```

Java:

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

    }
}
```

Python3:

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

Python:

```
class Solution(object):
    def removeDuplicates(self, nums):
        """
        :type nums: List[int]
        :rtype: int
        """
```

JavaScript:

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

};
```

TypeScript:

```
function removeDuplicates(nums: number[]): number {

};
```

C#:

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

    }
}
```

C:

```
int removeDuplicates(int* nums, int numsSize) {

}
```

Go:

```
func removeDuplicates(nums []int) int {

}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {
    fun removeDuplicates(nums: IntArray): Int {

    }
}
```

Swift:

```

class Solution {
    func removeDuplicates(_ nums: inout [Int]) -> Int {

    }
}

```

Rust:

```

impl Solution {
    pub fn remove_duplicates(nums: &mut Vec<i32>) -> i32 {

    }
}

```

Ruby:

```

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

end

```

PHP:

```

class Solution {

    /**
     * @param Integer[] $nums
     * @return Integer
     */
    function removeDuplicates(&$nums) {

    }

}

```

Dart:

```

class Solution {
    int removeDuplicates(List<int> nums) {

    }
}

```

Scala:

```
object Solution {  
  def removeDuplicates(nums: Array[Int]): Int = {  
  
  }  
}
```

Solutions

C++ Solution:

```
/*  
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 * Difficulty: Medium  
 * Tags: array, sort  
 *  
 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique  
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)  
 * Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach  
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Java Solution:

```
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```

class Solution {
public int removeDuplicates(int[] nums) {

}

}

```

Python3 Solution:

```

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"""

class Solution:
def removeDuplicates(self, nums: List[int]) -> int:
# TODO: Implement optimized solution
pass

```

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```

```
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