

Lecture ÷ Interview problems I

Agenda

- Special Index ✓
- Majority element 1. ✓
- Majority element 2.

class starts at 7:05 AM

Qul

Special index

An idx is said to be special index, if after deleting that idx —

Sum of all even
idx elements

=

Sum of all odd
idx elements.

$arr[] = [\overset{0}{4} \overset{1}{3} \overset{2}{2} \overset{3}{7} \overset{4}{6} \overset{5}{-2}] \Rightarrow 2 \text{ special idx.}$

idx	updated array	S_e	S_o	special idx
0	$\overset{0}{3} \overset{1}{2} \overset{2}{7} \overset{3}{6} \overset{4}{-2}$	$3 + 7 - 2 = 8$	$2 + 6 = 8$	Yes
1	$\overset{0}{4} \overset{1}{2} \overset{2}{7} \overset{3}{6} \overset{4}{-2}$	$4 + 7 - 2 = 9$	$2 + 6 = 8$	NO
2	$\overset{0}{4} \overset{1}{3} \overset{2}{7} \overset{3}{6} \overset{4}{-2}$	$4 + 7 - 2 = 9$	$3 + 6 = 9$	Yes
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
5	$\overset{0}{4} \overset{1}{3} \overset{2}{2} \overset{3}{7} \overset{4}{6}$	$4 + 2 + 6 = 12$	$3 + 7 = 10$	NO

Brute force:

└ Iterate from 0 to $n-1$ indices —

create a new array [ith idx won't exist]

calculate S_e and S_o

if $(S_e == S_o)$ special idx

else do nothing

Observations

arr[] = [⁰2 ¹3 ²8 ³7 ⁴4 ⁵5 ⁶1 ⁷2 ⁸6 ⁹9 ¹⁰5]

Delete the 4th idx —

arr[] = [⁰2 ¹3 ²8 ³7 ⁴5 ⁵1 ⁶2 ⁷6 ⁸9 ⁹5]

1. (0, 3) idx remain unchanged.

2. 5th idx becomes 4th idx

6th idx becomes 5th idx

7th idx becomes 6th idx.

⋮ ⋮ ⋮ ⋮

Odd indices el becomes even indices el

Even " " " odd " ".

$$\text{arr}[] = [\overset{0}{4} \overset{1}{3} \overset{2}{2} \overset{3}{7} \overset{4}{6} \overset{5}{-2} \overset{6}{9} \overset{7}{-1} \overset{8}{3}]$$

Case 1: Delete 3rd idx -

$$\text{arr}[] = [\overset{0}{4} \overset{1}{3} \overset{2}{2} \overset{3}{6} \overset{4}{-2} \overset{5}{9} \overset{6}{-1} \overset{7}{3}]$$

$$s_e = \text{sum of even}[0, 2] + \text{sum of odd}[4, 8]$$

$$4 + 2 \qquad -2 + -1$$

$$s_o = \text{sum of odd}[0, 2] + \text{sum of even}[4, 8]$$

$$3 \qquad 6 + 9 + 3$$

$$\text{arr}[] = [\overset{0}{4} \overset{1}{3} \overset{2}{2} \overset{3}{7} \overset{4}{6} \overset{5}{-2} \overset{6}{9} \overset{7}{-1} \overset{8}{3}]$$

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$$s_e = \text{sum of even}[0, 3] + \text{sum of odd}[5, 8]$$

$$s_o = \text{sum of odd}[0, 3] + \text{sum of even}[5, 8]$$

$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

Generalization:

Delete i th idx -

$$s_e = s_e[0, i-1] + s_o[i+1, n-1]$$

$$= \text{pfEven}[i-1] + \text{pfOdd}[n-1] - \text{pfXOdd}[i+1]$$

$$s_e = \text{pfEven}[i-1] + \text{pfOdd}[n-1] - \text{pfXOdd}[i]$$

$$s_o = s_o[0, i-1] + s_e[i+1, n-1]$$

$$s_o = \text{pfOad}[i-1] + \text{pfEven}[n-1] - \text{pfEven}[i]$$

Edge case:

$$i == 0$$

$$s_e = \text{pfEven}[0-1] \quad \rightarrow \text{idx out of bound exception}$$

$$s_e = \text{pfOad}[n-1] - \text{pfOad}[i]$$

$$s_o = \text{pfEven}[n-1] - \text{pfEven}[i]$$

int countSpecialIndices(int[] arr) {

int n = arr.length;

TC: O(n) \leftarrow int[] pfeven = prefixEvenOptimal(arr); \rightarrow sc: O(n)

TC: O(n) \leftarrow int[] pfOad = prefixOadOptimal(arr); : sc: O(n).

int count = 0;

TC: O(n) \leftarrow for (i=0; i < n; i++) {

if (i == 0) {

$$s_e = \text{pfOad}[n-1] - \text{pfOad}[i];$$

$$s_o = \text{pfEven}[n-1] - \text{pfEven}[i];$$

} else {

$$s_e = \text{pfEven}[i-1] + \text{pfOad}[n-1] - \text{pfOad}[i];$$

$$s_o = \text{pfOad}[i-1] + \text{pfEven}[n-1] - \text{pfEven}[i];$$

}

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        if ( se == so ) {  
            count++;  
        }  
    }  
    return count;  
}
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TC: $O(n)$

SC: $O(1)$.

Assignment: Can we do this in $O(1)$ space? [carry forward]

Q2

Majority el.

Given an arr, find majority el.

Majority el: An el whose freq $> \frac{n}{2}$.

Note: Majority el will always be present in array.

$$\text{arr}[6] = [1 \ 2 \ 1 \ 6 \ 1 \ 1] \rightarrow \text{ans} = 1 \left[\text{freq} = 4 > \frac{6}{2} \right]$$

$$\text{arr}[9] = [3 \ 4 \ 4 \ 8 \ 4 \ 9 \ 4 \ 3 \ 4] \rightarrow \text{ans} = 4$$

$$\text{arr}[10] = [4 \ 6 \ 5 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 4 \ 4 \ 4 \ 8] \rightarrow \text{invalid if}$$
$$\text{Majority el} = 4 \left[\text{freq} = 5 > \frac{10}{2} \right]$$

Possible approaches

1. Nested loop $\rightarrow O(n^2)$.

2. Sort the array. $\rightarrow O(n \log n)$.

$$\text{arr}[9] = [3 \ 4 \ 4 \ 8 \ 4 \ 9 \ 4 \ 3 \ 4]$$

↓ sort

$$\text{arr}[9] = [3 \ 3 \ 4 \ 4 \ 4 \ 4 \ 4 \ 8 \ 9]$$

3. Hashmap $[\text{TC: } O(n) \quad \text{SC: } O(n)]$

Expectation:- TC: $O(n)$

SC: $O(1)$

Observations 1

Q How many majority el can be there in an array?

Ans: max of 1 majority el.

$arr[n] = [_ , _ , _ , _ , _ , _ , _ , _ , _]$

majority el (freq) = $\frac{n}{2} + 1$ [min]

Remaining el = $\frac{n}{2} - 1$ [no el can have freq greater than $\frac{n}{2}$]

Observation 2

15 people in a village

Bala (Alcohol)

☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒

Shivani (Education)

☒ ☒

Vidya (Food)

☒ ☒ ☒ ☒

Even if Shivani and Vidya do सहायोगदान,

Bala is still winner [$> \frac{n}{2}$ votes]

→ Anub is a criminal.

Bala hires Ankit. [kill 1 of my people
kill 1 of shivani / vidya people]

Bala (Alcohol) 

shivani (Education) 

vidya (Food) 

This will ensure, that at least one vote of
Bala is left after all the people of shivani
and vidya are killed by Ankit.

Establish an observation

$arr[9] = [4 \quad 4 \quad 3 \quad 8 \quad 8 \quad 4 \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad 4]$

majority = 

Non-majority = 

cancel / kill 2 el :- 1 el from majority &

1 el from non-majority

You will be left with majority el

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final observation

majority el and non-majority el are always distinct.

arr[9] = [4 4 3 8 8 4 9 4 4]

majority el: 4 4 4 4 4

non-majority: 3 8 8 9

case 1: cancel one majority and one non-majority (distinct)

majority el: 4 4 4 4 4
non-majority: 3 8 8 9 → left with 4

case 2: cancel non-majority el.

majority el: 4 4 4 4 4 → left with 4.
non-majority: 3 8 8 9

case 3: cancel two majority el. [non-distinct]

majority el: 4 4 4 4 4

Mooore Voting Algorithm

$arr[11] = \left[\overset{0}{3} \quad \overset{1}{3} \quad \overset{2}{4} \quad \overset{3}{6} \quad \overset{4}{1} \quad \overset{5}{3} \quad \overset{6}{2} \quad \overset{7}{5} \quad \overset{8}{3} \quad \overset{9}{3} \quad \overset{10}{3} \right]$

candidate majority el = 3

freq = 1.

$i = 1$

$arr[1] = 3$, majority = 3.

$arr[1]$ & majority el are non-distinct

Do not kill

majority = 3. freq = 2

$i = 2$

$arr[2] = 4$, majority = 3

$arr[2]$ & majority el are distinct.

kill both of them

majority = 3 freq = 1

$i = 3$

$arr[3] = 6$, majority = 3

$arr[3]$ & majority are distinct

kill them

majority = 3. , freq = 0 (Not possible)

majority = none

$arr[11] = \left[\overset{0}{3} \quad \overset{1}{3} \quad \overset{2}{4} \quad \overset{3}{6} \quad \overset{4}{1} \quad \overset{5}{3} \quad \overset{6}{2} \quad \overset{7}{5} \quad \overset{8}{3} \quad \overset{9}{3} \quad \overset{10}{3} \right]$

$i=4$	$arr[4] = 1$, $majority = none$. $majority = 1$, $freq = 1$.
$i=5$	$arr[5] = 3$, $majority = 1$. Distinct kill them $majority = none$, $freq = 0$
$i=6$	$arr[6] = 2$, $majority = none$ $majority = 2$, $freq = 1$.
$i=7$	$arr[7] = 5$, $majority = 2$. Distinct kill them $majority = none$, $freq = 0$
$i=8$	$arr[8] = 3$, $majority = none$ $majority = 3$, $freq = 1$
$i=9$	$arr[9] = 3$, $majority = 3$ $majority = 3$, $freq = 2$
$i=10$	$arr[10] = 3$, $majority = 3$ $majority = 3$, $freq = 3$

H/w:- What if there are no majority el in array?

TC: $O(n)$
SC: $O(1)$

$\left[\text{freq} = 0 \right] \rightarrow \text{check?}$

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int majorityEl(int[] arr) {  
    int majority = arr[0];  
    int freq = 1;  
  
    for (i=1; i<arr.length; i++) {  
        if (freq == 0) {  
            majority = arr[i];  
            freq = 1;  
        } else if (arr[i] == majority) {  
            freq++;  
        } else { // Distinct el.  
            freq--;  
        }  
    }  
    return majority;  
}
```

TC: $O(n)$

SC: $O(1)$

Qn Majority el 2.

Given an arr, find majority el.

majority el: An el whose freq $> \frac{n}{3}$.

Note: Majority el will always be present in array.

Observation: How many majority el are possible?

2 max.

arr[n] = [— , — , — ,]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{freq}(\text{majority1}) &= \frac{n}{3} + 1 \\ \text{freq}(\text{majority2}) &= \frac{n}{3} + 1 \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{n}{3} + 1 + \frac{n}{3} + 1 &= \frac{2n}{3} + 2 \\ &= \frac{2n+6}{3} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\frac{2n+6}{3} < n.$$

$$\cancel{\text{freq}}(\text{majority3}) = \frac{n}{3} + 1 \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{n}{3} + 1 + \frac{n}{3} + 1 + \frac{n}{3} + 1 \\ = n + 3. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Basic idea

$$\text{majority el1} = \text{arr}[0]$$

$$\text{majority el2} = \text{arr}[0] \parallel \text{arr}[1]$$

$$\text{freq1} = 1$$

$$\text{freq2} = 1$$

$$\text{arr}[i] == \text{majority el1} \rightarrow \text{freq1}++$$

$$\text{else arr}[i] == \text{majority el2} \rightarrow \text{freq2}++$$

else

$$\text{freq1}--$$

$$\text{freq2}--$$

Thankyou 😊

Contest:— friday 7:00 — 8:30 AM.

2 Que must out of 3.

Post 8:30 — Contest sol discussions.

Topics: Arrays
└ Prefix sum
└ Carry forward

Doubts

$arr[100] = [_, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, _]$

$$freq(maj\ on\ t_1) \geq \frac{n}{3} = \frac{n}{3} + 1 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{34}}$$

Remaining el = 66.

$$freq(maj\ on\ t_2) = 34.$$

Remaining el = 32 ✓

pfound()

$arr[7] = [\overset{0}{\cancel{0}}, \overset{1}{4}, \overset{2}{\underline{8}}, \overset{3}{1}, \overset{4}{\underline{2}}, \overset{5}{6}, \overset{6}{\underline{2}}]$

0th idx deleted

$arr[7] = [\underline{\underline{0}}, \overset{1}{8}, \overset{2}{\underline{1}}, \overset{3}{2}, \overset{4}{\underline{6}}, \overset{5}{2}]$

$se = so[1-6] \rightarrow$

$so = se[1-6]$

$pfound() = [0, 8, 8, 10, 10, 12]$

$pfound[6] - pfound[0] = 0$ ✓

$$pfound[l, r] = pfound[r] - pfound[l-1]$$