

312. Burst Balloons

You are given n balloons, indexed from 0 to $n - 1$. Each balloon is painted with a number on it represented by an array `nums`. You are asked to burst all the balloons.

If you burst the i^{th} balloon, you will get `nums[i - 1] * nums[i] * nums[i + 1]` coins. If $i - 1$ or $i + 1$ goes out of bounds of the array, then treat it as if there is a balloon with a `1` painted on it.

Return *the maximum coins you can collect by bursting the balloons wisely.*

Example 1:

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Input: nums = [3,1,5,8]
Output: 167
Explanation:
nums = [3,1,5,8] --> [3,5,8] --> [3,8] --> [8] --> []
coins = 3*1*5 + 3*5*8 + 1*3*8 + 1*8*1 = 167
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Example 2:

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Input: nums = [1,5]
Output: 10
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Constraints:

- $n == \text{nums.length}$
- $1 \leq n \leq 500$
- $0 \leq \text{nums}[i] \leq 100$

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class Solution:
    def maxCoins(self, nums: List[int]) -> int:
        # nums = [1] + nums + [1]
        #if len(set(nums))==1 and nums[0]==100:
        #    return 498010100
        n = len(nums)
        burst = [[0]*n for _ in range(n)]
        for gap in range(n):
            i = 0
            j = gap
            while j<n:
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        maxCost = 0
        for k in range(i, j+1):
            leftCost = 0 if k==i else burst[i][k-1]
            rightCost = 0 if k==j else burst[k+1][j]
            presentBurstCost = (1 if i==0 else nums[i-1])*nums[k]*
(1 if j==len(nums)-1 else nums[j+1])
            maxCost = max(maxCost,
leftCost+rightCost+presentBurstCost)
            burst[i][j] = maxCost
            i = i+1
            j = j+1
        return burst[0][-1]
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