

## 122. Best Time to Buy and Sell Stock II

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Say you have an array `prices` for which the  $i^{\text{th}}$  element is the price of a given stock on day  $i$ .

Design an algorithm to find the maximum profit. You may complete as many transactions as you like (i.e., buy one and sell one share of the stock multiple times).

**Note:** You may not engage in multiple transactions at the same time (i.e., you must sell the stock before you buy again).

### Example 1:

**Input:** [7,1,5,3,6,4]

**Output:** 7

**Explanation:** Buy on day 2 (price = 1) and sell on day 3 (price = 5), profit = 5-1 = 4.

Then buy on day 4 (price = 3) and sell on day 5 (price = 6), profit = 6-3 = 3.

### Example 2:

**Input:** [1,2,3,4,5]

**Output:** 4

**Explanation:** Buy on day 1 (price = 1) and sell on day 5 (price = 5), profit = 5-1 = 4.

Note that you cannot buy on day 1, buy on day 2 and sell them later, as you are engaging multiple transactions at the same time. You must sell before buying again.

### Example 3:

**Input:** [7,6,4,3,1]

**Output:** 0

**Explanation:** In this case, no transaction is done, i.e. max profit = 0.

### Constraints:

- $1 \leq \text{prices.length} \leq 3 \times 10^4$
- $0 \leq \text{prices}[i] \leq 10^4$

Base case :

$$T[i][k][0] = T[i][k][0] = 0$$

$$T[i][k][1] = T[i][k][1] = -\text{Infinity}$$

Recurrence relations :

$$T[i][k][0] = \max(T[i-1][k][0], T[i-1][k][1] + \text{price}[i])$$

$$T[i][k][1] = \max(T[i-1][k][1], T[i-1][k-1][0] - \text{price}[i])$$

$k = +\text{Infinity}$

there isn't any difference between  $k$  and  $k-1$

$$\Rightarrow T[i-1][k-1][0] = T[i-1][k][0]$$

$$T[i-1][k-1][1] = T[i-1][k][1]$$

There are two unknown variables each day :

$$T[i][k][0] = \max(T[i-1][k][0], T[i-1][k][1] + \text{price}[i])$$

$$T[i][k][1] = \max(T[i-1][k][1], T[i-1][k][0] - \text{price}[i])$$



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1 class Solution {
2 public:
3     int maxProfit(vector<int>& prices) {
4         // base case
5         int t_i_k_0 = 0;    // T[-1][k][0] = 0
6         int t_i_k_1 = INT_MIN; // T[-1][k][1] = -Infinity
7
8         // recurrence
9         for (auto price : prices) {
10             int t_i_k_0_temp = t_i_k_0;
11             // T[i][k][0] = max(T[i-1][k][0], T[i-1][k][1] + prices[i])
12             t_i_k_0 = max(t_i_k_0_temp, t_i_k_1 + price);
13             // T[i][k][1] = max(T[i-1][k][1], T[i-1][k][0] - prices[i])
14             t_i_k_1 = max(t_i_k_1, t_i_k_0_temp - price);
15         }
16
17         return t_i_k_0;
18     }
19 };
```