75 Days of Code Day 31 Problem 2130. Maximum Twin Sum of a Linked List

Type: Linked List

In a linked list of size n, where n is even, the ith node (0-indexed) of the linked list is known as the twin of the (n-1-i)th node, if $0 \le i \le (n/2) - 1$.

For example, if n = 4, then node 0 is the twin of node 3, and node 1 is the twin of node 2. These are the only nodes with twins for n = 4. The twin sum is defined as the sum of a node and its twin.

Given the head of a linked list with even length, return the maximum twin sum of the linked list.

Example 1:

Input: head = [5,4,2,1]

Output: 6 Explanation:

Nodes 0 and 1 are the twins of nodes 3 and 2, respectively. All have twin sum = 6.

There are no other nodes with twins in the linked list.

Thus, the maximum twin sum of the linked list is 6.

Example 2:

Input: head = [4,2,2,3]

Output: 7 Explanation:

The nodes with twins present in this linked list are:

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- Node 0 is the twin of node 3 having a twin sum of 4 + 3 = 7.
- Node 1 is the twin of node 2 having a twin sum of 2 + 2 = 4. Thus, the maximum twin sum of the linked list is max(7, 4) = 7. Example 3:

Input: head = [1,100000]

Output: 100001 Explanation:

There is only one node with a twin in the linked list having twin sum of 1 + 100000 = 100001.

Solution using linked list

- 1. Divide the list in two two half list
- 2. Reverse the second half
- 3. Calculate the max sum of using two pointer starting from start of both list

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function pairSum(head: ListNode | null): number {
       let slow: ListNode | null = head;
       let fast: ListNode | null = head;
       //lets find the middle element
       while (fast && fast.next.next) {
         slow = slow.next;
         fast = fast.next.next;
       // reversing the remaining half node;
       let prev: ListNode | null = null;
       let raminingHalfNode: ListNode | null = slow;
       while (raminingHalfNode) {
         let newList: ListNode = raminingHalfNode.next;
         raminingHalfNode.next = prev;
         prev = raminingHalfNode;
         raminingHalfNode = newList;
       // half the list is reversed now we calculate sum
       let sum = 0;
       let startHalfList: ListNode = head;
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       let endHalfList: ListNode = prev;
       while (startHalfList) {
         sum = Math.max(sum, startHalfList.val + endHalfList.val);
         startHalfList = startHalfList.next;
         endHalfList = endHalfList.next;
       return sum;
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