2302. Count Subarrays With Score Less Than K

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The **score** of an array is defined as the **product** of its sum and its length.

• For example, the score of [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] is (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5) * 5 = 75.

Given a positive integer array nums and an integer k, return the **number of non-empty subarrays** of nums whose score is **strictly less** than k.

A **subarray** is a contiguous sequence of elements within an array.

Example 1:

Example 2:

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\label{eq:local_state} \begin{tabular}{ll} Input: nums = [1,1,1], k = 5 \\ Output: 5 \\ Explanation: \\ Every subarray except [1,1,1] has a score less than 5. \\ [1,1,1] has a score (1+1+1) * 3 = 9, which is greater than 5. \\ Thus, there are 5 subarrays having scores less than 5. \\ \end{tabular}
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Constraints

- 1 <= nums.length <= 10⁵
- 1 <= nums[i] <= 10⁵
- 1 <= k <= 10¹⁵

Approach: Sliding Window

Intuition

According to the definition of array scores in the question, and given that nums is an array of positive integers, for a subarray [i,j], as the right endpoint j is fixed, the sum of the subarray decreases and its length shortens with the increase of the left endpoint i, so the score of the subarray monotonically decreases. If the score of the subarray [i,j] is less than k, since the score is monotonically decreasing, then the score of the subarray [p,j], i is also less than <math>k.

Based on the above properties, we can use the sliding window method to solve the question. Starting from j=0, enumerate the right endpoint of the subarray and maintain a left endpoint i (initially set to 0). For each j:

- ullet Expand window: Add $\mathit{nums}[j]$ to the subarray sum corresponding to the current window
- Shrink window: If the score of the corresponding subarray in the current window, $total \times (j-i+1)$, is greater than or equal to k, it indicates that the subarray does not meet the requirements, and therefore, the left endpoint i needs to be moved to the right until the score is less than k.
- ullet Count the number of subarrays: At this moment, the number of subarrays with j as the right endpoint and a score less than k is j-i+1, and it is accumulated into the final result $\frac{1}{2}$

After the enumeration, return the final result res.

Implementation

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Complexity Analysis

Let n be the length of the nums.

Time complexity: O(n).

We only need to traverse the array once.

• Space complexity: O(1).

Only a few additional variables are needed