

The **Kadane's algorithm** is a well-known algorithm used to find the **maximum subarray sum** in an array of numbers. It is efficient, with a time complexity of  **$O(n)$** . However, there are several variations of this problem that can be solved using similar techniques. Below are some common variations of the Kadane's algorithm problem:

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## 1. Maximum Subarray Sum

- **Problem:** Given an array of integers, find the contiguous subarray with the maximum sum.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [-2, 1, -3, 4, -1, 2, 1, -5, 4]
    - Output: 6 (from subarray [4, -1, 2, 1])
  - **Solution:** Use Kadane's algorithm.
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## 2. Maximum Subarray Sum with At Least K Elements

- **Problem:** Find the maximum subarray sum where the subarray must contain at least k elements.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [1, 2, 3, -4, 5], k = 3
    - Output: 6 (from subarray [1, 2, 3])
  - **Solution:** Modify Kadane's algorithm to track the sum of the first k elements and then iterate through the array to find the maximum sum.
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## 3. Maximum Subarray Sum with Circular Array

- **Problem:** Given a circular array, find the maximum subarray sum. A circular array means the end of the array wraps around to the beginning.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [5, -3, 5]
    - Output: 10 (from subarray [5, -3, 5] wrapping around)
  - **Solution:** Use Kadane's algorithm twice:
    1. Find the maximum subarray sum in the linear array.
    2. Find the minimum subarray sum and subtract it from the total sum of the array to handle the circular case.
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## 4. Maximum Subarray Product

- **Problem:** Given an array of integers, find the contiguous subarray with the maximum product.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [2, 3, -2, 4]
    - Output: 6 (from subarray [2, 3])
  - **Solution:** Modify Kadane's algorithm to track both the maximum and minimum product at each step (since multiplying two negative numbers can yield a positive result).
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## 5. Maximum Subarray Sum with No Adjacent Elements

- **Problem:** Find the maximum sum of a subarray where no two elements are adjacent.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [3, 2, 7, 10]
    - Output: 13 (from subarray [3, 10])
  - **Solution:** Use dynamic programming instead of Kadane's algorithm.
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## 6. Maximum Subarray Sum with Size Constraint

- **Problem:** Find the maximum subarray sum where the subarray size must be exactly  $k$ .
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [1, 4, 2, 10, 2, 3, 1, 0, 20],  $k = 4$
    - Output: 17 (from subarray [4, 2, 10, 1])
  - **Solution:** Use a sliding window approach.
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## 7. Maximum Subarray Sum with Alternating Elements

- **Problem:** Find the maximum subarray sum where the elements alternate between positive and negative.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [1, -2, 3, -4, 5]
    - Output: 5 (from subarray [5])
  - **Solution:** Modify Kadane's algorithm to track alternating sequences.
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## 8. Maximum Subarray Sum with Non-Negative Constraint

- **Problem:** Find the maximum subarray sum where all elements in the subarray are non-negative.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [1, -2, 3, 4, -1, 2, 1, -5, 4]
    - Output: 7 (from subarray [3, 4])
  - **Solution:** Modify Kadane's algorithm to reset the sum when a negative number is encountered.
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## 9. Maximum Subarray Sum with Even or Odd Length

- **Problem:** Find the maximum subarray sum where the subarray length is even or odd.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5], even length
    - Output: 7 (from subarray [3, 4])
  - **Solution:** Modify Kadane's algorithm to track sums for even and odd lengths separately.
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## 10. Maximum Subarray Sum with Minimum Length

- **Problem:** Find the maximum subarray sum where the subarray length is at least L.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [1, 2, 3, -4, 5], L = 2
    - Output: 6 (from subarray [1, 2, 3])
  - **Solution:** Use a sliding window approach combined with Kadane's algorithm.
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## 11. Maximum Subarray Sum with Maximum Length

- **Problem:** Find the maximum subarray sum where the subarray length is at most L.
  - **Example:**
    - Input: [1, 2, 3, -4, 5], L = 2
    - Output: 5 (from subarray [3, -4, 5])
  - **Solution:** Use a sliding window approach.
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## 12. Maximum Subarray Sum with Exactly K Elements

- **Problem:** Find the maximum subarray sum where the subarray length is exactly k.
- **Example:**

- Input: [1, 4, 2, 10, 2, 3, 1, 0, 20], k = 3
  - Output: 16 (from subarray [2, 10, 4])
  - **Solution:** Use a sliding window approach.
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These variations demonstrate the flexibility of Kadane's algorithm and its adaptability to different constraints. Let me know if you'd like the implementation for any of these variations!