

1451. Minimum Number of Taps to Open to Water a Garden

Difficulty : Hard

<https://leetcode.com/problems/minimum-number-of-taps-to-open-to-water-a-garden>

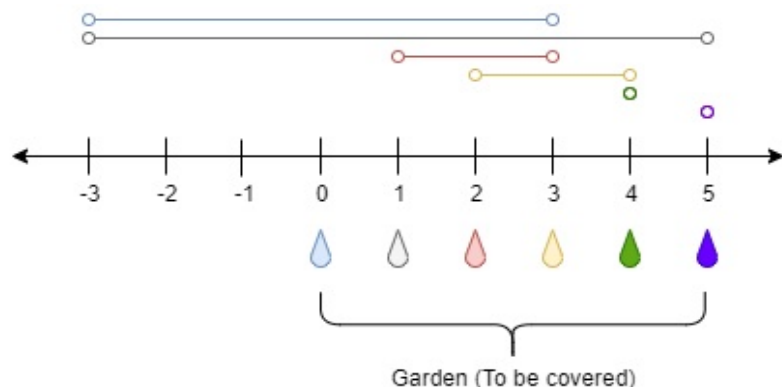
There is a one-dimensional garden on the x-axis. The garden starts at the point 0 and ends at the point n. (i.e., the length of the garden is n).

There are $n + 1$ taps located at points $[0, 1, \dots, n]$ in the garden.

Given an integer n and an integer array ranges of length $n + 1$ where $\text{ranges}[i]$ (0-indexed) means the i-th tap can water the area $[i - \text{ranges}[i], i + \text{ranges}[i]]$ if it was open.

Return the minimum number of taps that should be open to water the whole garden, If the garden cannot be watered return -1.

Example 1:



Input: $n = 5$, $\text{ranges} = [3, 4, 1, 1, 0, 0]$

Output: 1

Explanation: The tap at point 0 can cover the interval $[-3, 3]$

The tap at point 1 can cover the interval $[-3, 5]$

The tap at point 2 can cover the interval $[1, 3]$

The tap at point 3 can cover the interval $[2, 4]$

The tap at point 4 can cover the interval $[4, 4]$

The tap at point 5 can cover the interval $[5, 5]$

Opening Only the second tap will water the whole garden $[0, 5]$

Example 2:

Input: $n = 3$, $\text{ranges} = [0, 0, 0, 0]$

Output: -1

Explanation: Even if you activate all the four taps you cannot water the whole garden.

Constraints:

- $1 \leq n \leq 10^4$
- $\text{ranges.length} == n + 1$
- $0 \leq \text{ranges}[i] \leq 100$