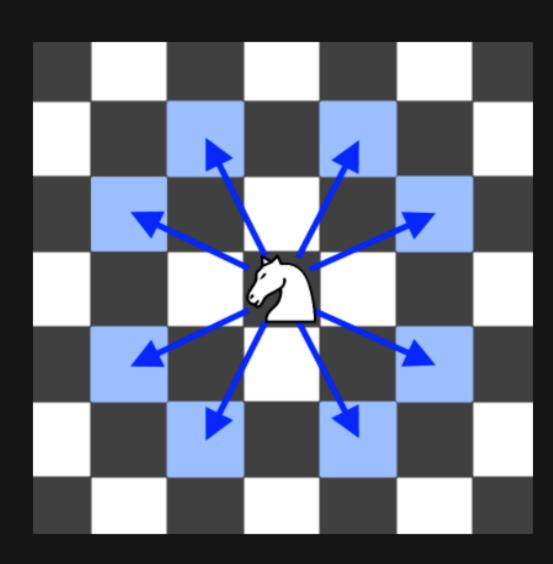
# 1197. Minimum Knight Moves

## Description

In an infinite chess board with coordinates from -infinity to +infinity, you have a knight at square [0, 0].

A knight has 8 possible moves it can make, as illustrated below. Each move is two squares in a cardinal direction, then one square in an orthogonal direction.



Return the minimum number of steps needed to move the knight to the square [x, y]. It is guaranteed the answer exists.

### Example 1:

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Input: x = 2, y = 1
Output: 1
Explanation: [0, 0] \rightarrow [2, 1]
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#### Example 2:

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Input: x = 5, y = 5
Output: 4
Explanation: [0, 0] → [2, 1] → [4, 2] → [3, 4] → [5, 5]
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#### **Constraints:**

- $-300 \le x$ ,  $y \le 300$
- 0 <= |x| + |y| <= 300