



The Palindrome Pattern

Difficulty: **Hard**Accuracy: **55.18%**Submissions: **18K+**Points: **8**

Given a two-dimensional integer array **arr** of dimensions **n x n**, consisting solely of zeros and ones, identify the row or column (using 0-based indexing) where all elements form a palindrome. If multiple palindromes are identified, prioritize the palindromes found in rows over those in columns. Within rows or columns, the palindrome with the smaller index takes precedence. The result should be represented by the index followed by either 'R' or 'C', indicating whether the palindrome was located in a row or column. The output should be space-separated. If no palindrome is found, return the string **-1**.

Examples:

Input:

```
arr[][] = [[1, 0, 0],
           [0, 1, 0],
           [1, 1, 0]]
```

Output: 1 R**Explanation:** In the first test case, 0-1-0 is a palindrome occurring in a row having index 1.**Input:**

```
arr[][] = [[1, 0],
           [1, 0]]
```

Output: 0 C**Explanation:** 1-1 occurs before 0-0 in the 0th column. And there is no palindrome in the two rows.**Expected Time Complexity:** $O(n^2)$ **Expected Auxiliary Space:** $O(1)$ **Constraints:** $1 \leq \text{arr.size} \leq 50$ $0 \leq \text{arr}[i][j] \leq 1$ 

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1 #User function Template for python3
2
3 class Solution:
4     def pattern(self, arr):
5         n = len(arr)
6
7         # Check rows for palindrome
8         for i in range(n):
9             if arr[i] == arr[i][::-1]:
10                 return str(i) + " R"
11
12         # Check columns for palindrome
13         for j in range(n):
14             column = [arr[i][j] for i in range(n)]
15             if column == column[::-1]:
16                 return str(j) + " C"
17
18         return "-1"
19
20
21
22 # } Driver Code Ends
```

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