

## 419. Battleships in a Board

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- Difficulty: **Medium**
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Given an 2D board, count how many different battleships are in it. The battleships are represented with 'X's, empty slots are represented with '.'s. You may assume the following rules:

- You receive a valid board, made of only battleships or empty slots.
- Battleships can only be placed horizontally or vertically. In other words, they can only be made of the shape 1xN (1 row, N columns) or Nx1 (N rows, 1 column), where N can be of any size.
- At least one horizontal or vertical cell separates between two battleships - there are no adjacent battleships.

**Example:**

```
X..X
...X
...X
```

In the above board there are 2 battleships.

**Invalid Example:**

```
...X
XXXX
...X
```

This is an invalid board that you will not receive - as battleships will always have a cell separating between them.

```
import java.util.Arrays;
```

```
public class BattleShip {
```

```
private static void dfs(char[][] board,int i,int j,boolean[][]
visited)
{
    int n = board.length;
    int m = board[0].length;
    visited[i][j]=true;
    //left
```

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        if (i >= 0 && i < n && j - 1 >= 0 && j - 1 < m && !visited[i][j
- 1] && board[i][j - 1] == 'X')
        {
            dfs(board, i, j - 1, visited);
        }
        //right
        if (i >= 0 && i < n && j + 1 >= 0 && j + 1 < m && !visited[i][j
+ 1] && board[i][j + 1] == 'X')
        {
            dfs(board, i, j + 1, visited);
        }
        //top
        if (i - 1 >= 0 && i - 1 < n && j >= 0 && j < m && !visited[i -
1][j] && board[i - 1][j] == 'X')
        {
            dfs(board, i - 1, j, visited);
        }
        //bottom
        if (i + 1 >= 0 && i + 1 < n && j >= 0 && j < m && !visited[i +
1][j] && board[i + 1][j] == 'X')
        {
            dfs(board, i + 1, j, visited);
        }
    }
}

```

```

public static int countBattleships(char[][] board) {
    int m = board.length;
    int n = board[0].length;
    boolean[][] visited = new boolean[m][n];
    for(int i=0;i<m;i++)
        Arrays.fill(visited[i], false);
    //System.out.printf("%b ", visited[2][2]);
    int num=0;
    for(int i=0;i<m;i++)
        for(int j=0;j<n;j++)
        {
            if(!visited[i][j] && board[i][j]=='X')
            {
                dfs(board, i, j, visited);
                num++;
            }
        }

    return num;
}

```




```

public static void main(String[] args) {

```

```
// TODO Auto-generated method stub
/*
X..X
...X
...X
*/
char[][] board = {{'X','.', '.', 'X'},
                  {'.', '.', '.', 'X'},
                  {'.', '.', '.', 'X'}};
int ans = countBattleships(board);
System.out.println(ans);
}

}
```

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