Algorithms Fundamentals with Python: Exam

Please submit your solutions (source code) to all the below-described problems in Judge.

1. Maze Explorer

You are tasked with finding the shortest path in a maze that is represented by a two-dimensional grid. The maze contains walls denoted by the character '#', and open paths denoted by the character '.'.

You can move in any of the four main directions (up, down, left, or right), but cannot move through walls.

You must start at the position (0, 0) and find the shortest path to the destination position (denoted with 'E').

The output of the program should be the shortest path from the starting position to the destination position.

Input

- The first line of the input contains a single integer n, which represents the size of the square maze.
- The next n lines of the input contain n characters each, representing the symbols in each row of the maze:
 - A "#" character denotes a wall.
 - A "." character denotes an open path.
 - A "S" character denotes the starting position.
 - An "E" character denotes the end of the maze.

Output

The output should be a single integer representing the number of steps required to follow the shortest path from the starting position to the destination position.

Constraints

- 1 <= n <= 20, where n is an integer representing the size of the square maze.
- The symbols in the maze will be limited to "S" (representing the starting position), "E" (representing the destination position), "#" (representing a wall), and "." (representing an open path).
- There will always be at least one valid path from the starting position to the destination position.

Examples

Input	Output
4	8
S.#.	
.##E	
.##.	
4	4









S	
.##E	
.##.	
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