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Finding the Edit Distance

The **edit distance** between two strings is the **minimum** number of operations required to transform one string into the other.

The allowed operations are:

- Add one character to the string.
- Remove one character from the string.
- Replace one character in the string.

Your task is to calculate the edit distance between two strings.

Input Format

- The first input line has a string that contains **n** characters between **A-Z**.
- The second input line has a string that contains **m** characters between **A-Z**.

Constraints

• $1 \le n, m \le 5000$

Output Format

• Print one *integer*: the edit distance between the strings.

Sample Input 0

LOVE MOVIE

Sample Output 0

2

Explanation 0

One way you can transform **LOVE** to **MOVIE** to is:

- Replace L with an M
- Insert an I between V and E

Therefore, minimum number of operations required is 2