3096. Minimum Levels to Gain More Points

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Medium 🕜 Hint

You are given a binary array possible of length n.

Danielchandg and Bob are playing a game that consists of n levels. Some of the levels in the game are **impossible** to clear while others can **always** be cleared. In particular, if possible[i] == 0, then the ith level is **impossible** to clear for **both** the players. A player gains 1 point on clearing a level and loses 1 point if the player fails to clear it.

At the start of the game, Danielchandg will play some levels in the **given order** starting from the oth level, after which Bob will play for the rest of the levels.

Danielchandg wants to know the **minimum** number of levels he should play to gain more points than Bob, if both players play optimally to **maximize** their points.

Return the **minimum** number of levels danielchanda should play to gain more points. If this is **not** possible, return [-1].

Note that each player must play at least 1 level.

Example 1:

Input: possible = [1,0,1,0]

Output: 1

Explanation:

Let's look at all the levels that Danielchandg can play up to:

- If Danielchandg plays only level 0 and Bob plays the rest of the levels, Danielchandg has 1 point, while Bob has -1 + 1 1 = -1 point.
- If Danielchandg plays till level 1 and Bob plays the rest of the levels, Danielchandg has 1 1 = 0 points, while Bob has 1 1 = 0 points.
- If Danielchandg plays till level 2 and Bob plays the rest of the levels, Danielchandg has 1 1 + 1 = 1 point, while Bob has -1 point.

Danielchandg must play a minimum of 1 level to gain more points.

Example 2:

Input: possible = [1,1,1,1,1]

Output: 3

Explanation:

Let's look at all the levels that Danielchandg can play up to:

- If Danielchandg plays only level 0 and Bob plays the rest of the levels, Danielchandg has 1 point, while Bob has 4 points.
- If Danielchandg plays till level 1 and Bob plays the rest of the levels, Danielchandg has 2 points, while Bob has 3 points.
- If Danielchandg plays till level 2 and Bob plays the rest of the levels, Danielchandg has 3 points, while Bob has 2 points.
- If Danielchandg plays till level 3 and Bob plays the rest of the levels, Danielchandg has 4 points, while Bob has 1 point.

Danielchandg must play a minimum of 3 levels to gain more points.

Example 3:

Input: possible = [0,0]

Output: -1

Explanation:

The only possible way is for both players to play 1 level each. Danielchandg plays level 0 and loses 1 point. Bob plays level 1 and loses 1 point. As both players have equal points, Danielchandg can't gain more points than Bob.

Constraints:

- $2 \le n = possible.length \le 10^{5}$
- possible[i] is either 0 or 1.

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