3111. Minimum Rectangles to Cover Points

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You are given a 2D integer array points, where points[i] = $[x_i, y_i]$. You are also given an integer w. Your task is to **cover all** the given points with rectangles.

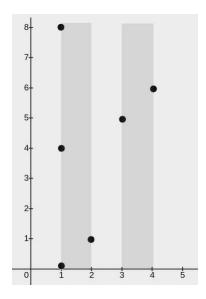
Each rectangle has its lower end at some point $(x_1, 0)$ and its upper end at some point (x_2, y_2) , where $x_1 <= x_2$, $y_2 >= 0$, and the condition $x_2 - x_1 <= w$ **must** be satisfied for each rectangle.

A point is considered covered by a rectangle if it lies within or on the boundary of the rectangle.

Return an integer denoting the **minimum** number of rectangles needed so that each point is covered by **at least one** rectangle.

Note: A point may be covered by more than one rectangle.

Example 1:



Input: points = [[2,1],[1,0],[1,4],[1,8],[3,5],[4,6]], w = 1

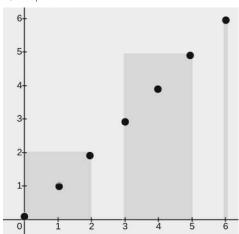
Output: 2

Explanation:

The image above shows one possible placement of rectangles to cover the points:

- A rectangle with a lower end at (1, 0) and its upper end at (2, 8)
- A rectangle with a lower end at (3, 0) and its upper end at (4, 8)

Example 2:



Input: points = [[0,0],[1,1],[2,2],[3,3],[4,4],[5,5],[6,6]], w = 2

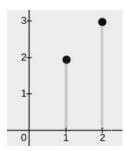
Output: 3

Explanation:

The image above shows one possible placement of rectangles to cover the points:

- A rectangle with a lower end at (0,0) and its upper end at (2,2)
- A rectangle with a lower end at (3, 0) and its upper end at (5, 5)
- A rectangle with a lower end at (6, 0) and its upper end at (6, 6)

Example 3:



Input: points = [[2,3],[1,2]], w = 0

Output: 2

Explanation:

The image above shows one possible placement of rectangles to cover the points:

- A rectangle with a lower end at (1, 0) and its upper end at (1, 2)
- A rectangle with a lower end at (2, 0) and its upper end at (2, 3)

Constraints:

- 1 <= points.length <= 10⁵
- points[i].length == 2
- $0 \le x_i == points[i][0] \le 10^9$
- $0 \le y_i = points[i][1] \le 10^9$
- $0 \le w \le 10^9$
- All pairs (x_i, y_i) are distinct.

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