## **Problem Title: Flood Fill Algorithm**

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#### **Problem Scenario:**

You're given an image represented as a 2D matrix of characters, where each character represents a pixel color. You're also given the coordinates of a pixel (row, col) and a new color c.

Your task is to perform a **flood fill** operation starting from the given pixel: change the color of the pixel and **all connected pixels** that have the **same original color** to the new color c.

Pixels are connected 4-directionally (up, down, left, right — no diagonals).

## **Input Format:**

- A 2D character matrix image [n] [m] representing the image
- Two integers sr and sc representing the row and column of the starting pixel
- A character c representing the new color

## **Output Format:**

• The updated image matrix after applying the flood fill algorithm.

### **Example:**

#### **Input:**

```
image = [
  ['B', 'B', 'W'],
  ['W', 'W', 'W'],
  ['B', 'B', 'B']
]
sr = 2, sc = 2
C = 'G'
```

#### **Output:**

```
[
['B', 'B', 'G'],
['G', 'G', 'G'],
```

```
['G', 'G', 'G'],
['B', 'B', 'B']
```

# **Explanation:**

The pixel at (2, 2) is originally 'w'. The flood fill algorithm changes all connected 'w' pixels (including itself) to 'G'. Only the 'w' pixels that are connected in four directions are changed. 'B' pixels are left unchanged.

#### **Constraints:**

- 1 <= rows, cols <= 100
- c is an uppercase character.
- The original image contains only uppercase characters.

# **Suggested Approaches:**

- DFS (Depth First Search)
- BFS (Breadth First Search)

#### **Practice Links:**

- <u>P LeetCode Flood Fill</u>
- GeeksforGeeks Flood Fill Algorithm

# Video Explanation (Recommended):

YouTube - Flood Fill Algorithm (DFS & BFS)