

STUDENT REPORT

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EXPERIMENT

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ANT ON RAIL

Description

There is a ant on your balcony. It wants to leave the rail so sometimes it moves right and sometimes it moves left until it gets exhausted. Given an integer array A of size N which consists of integer 1 and -1 only representing ant's moves.

Where 1 means ant moved unit distance towards the right side and -1 means it moved unit distance towards the left . Your task is to find and return the integer value representing how many times the ant reaches back to original starting position.

Note:

- Assume 1-based indexing
- Assume that the railing extends infinitely on the either sides

Input Format:

input1: An integer value N representing the number of moves made by the ant.

input2: An integer array A consisting of the ant's moves towards either side

Sample Input

5

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Sample Output

2

Source Code:

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def count_returns_to_start(N, A):
    current_position = 0
    return_count = 0

    for move in A:
        current_position += move
        if current_position == 0:
            return_count += 1

    return return_count

# Example usage:
N = int(input())
A = list(map(int,input().split())) # Example moves
result = count_return_to_start(N, A)
print(result) # output: 3
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RESULT

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