Problem: Minimum Lead Blocks to Contain Radiation

You are given an integer array radiation where radiation[i] represents the **initial** radiation level at index i. Radiation attenuates (decreases) by **1 unit per step** as it spreads to neighboring indices.

You are also given an integer m. You may place **lead blocks** between two consecutive indices in the array. A lead block **prevents radiation from spreading further** across that boundary.

Your task is to determine the **minimum number of lead blocks** required such that, after radiation attenuation and blocking, the effective radiation level at **every index** is strictly less than m.

Example

<u>Input</u>

Radiation = [3, 1, 2, 1, 3] M = 4

Output

2

Explanation

Step 1: Compute total radiation without blocks

Radiation at each index (summing contributions from every source):

- Index $0 \rightarrow 3$
- Index 1 → 4
- Index 2 → 4
- Index $3 \rightarrow 4$
- Index $4 \rightarrow 3$

Step 2: Compare with the requirement (strictly less than m = 4)

- Index 0 → 3 < 4
- Index 1 → 4 × (not strictly less)
- Index 2 → 4 X
- Index 3 → 4 X
- Index 4 → 3 < 4 🔽

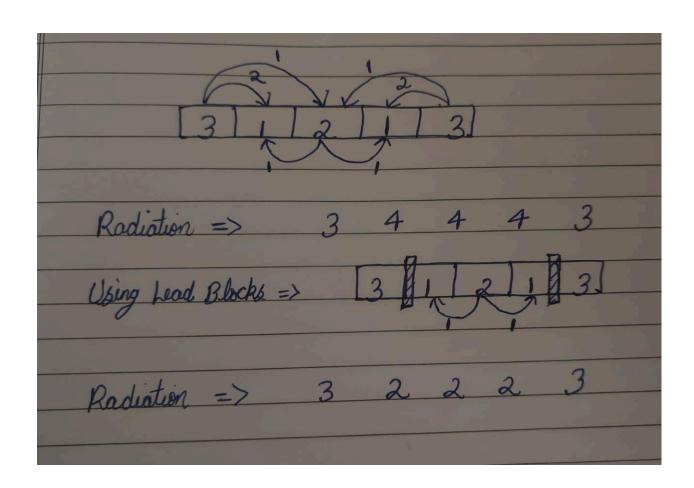
Indexes 1, 2, 3 are invalid.

Step 3: Place lead blocks to reduce radiation

- Place a block between index 0 and 1 and index 3 and 4:
 New radiation = [3, 2, 2, 2, 3]
- Check again with m = 4:
 - Index $0 \rightarrow 3 < 4$
 - Index $1 \rightarrow 2 < 4$
 - o Index $2 \rightarrow 2 < 4$
 - Index $3 \rightarrow 2 < 4$
 - o Index 4 → 3 < 4 </p>

Now all are strictly less than 4.

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Problem: Maximum Sum of Differences of Two Subarrays

You are given an integer array nums and an integer m.

Your task is to select **two non-overlapping subarrays of size m** from nums. Define the "difference sum" as the sum of absolute differences of corresponding elements between the two subarrays.

Formally, if A = nums[i .. i+m-1] and B = nums[j .. j+m-1] (with i+m-1 < j or j+m-1 < i so they don't overlap), then the score is:

$$\operatorname{score}(A,B) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} |A[k] - B[k]|$$

Return the **maximum possible score**.

Example 1:

Input: nums = [1, 5, 2, 9, 6, 3], m = 2

Output: 10 Explanation:

Choose subarray A = [2, 9] and subarray B = [6, 3].

The sum of absolute differences is:

|2-6|+|9-3| = 4+6 = 10

<u>NOTE</u> => BRUTE FORCE IS TOO INEFFICIENT AS COMPLEXITY = $O((N^2)*M)$.

TRY USING SLIDING WINDOW OR DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

Question - 3

Based on Greedy Knapsack