

417. Pacific Atlantic Water Flow

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There is an  $m \times n$  rectangular island that borders both the **Pacific Ocean** and **Atlantic Ocean**. The **Pacific Ocean** touches the island's left and top edges, and the **Atlantic Ocean** touches the island's right and bottom edges.

The island is partitioned into a grid of square cells. You are given an  $m \times n$  integer matrix `heights` where `heights[r][c]` represents the **height above sea level** of the cell at coordinate  $(r, c)$ .

The island receives a lot of rain, and the rain water can flow to neighboring cells directly north, south, east, and west if the neighboring cell's height is **less than or equal to** the current cell's height. Water can flow from any cell adjacent to an ocean into the ocean.

Return a **2D list** of grid coordinates `result` where `result[i] = [ri, ci]` denotes that rain water can flow from cell  $(r_i, c_i)$  to **both** the *Pacific and Atlantic oceans*.

Example 1:

	Pacific Ocean					
	1	2	2	3	5	
Pacific	3	2	3	4	4	Atlantic
	2	4	5	3	1	
Ocean	6	7	1	4	5	Ocean
	5	1	1	2	4	
	Atlantic Ocean					

**Input:** heights = [[1,2,2,3,5],[3,2,3,4,4],[2,4,5,3,1],[6,7,1,4,5],[5,1,1,2,4]]  
**Output:** [[0,4],[1,3],[1,4],[2,2],[3,0],[3,1],[4,0]]  
**Explanation:** The following cells can flow to the Pacific and Atlantic oceans, as shown below:  
[0,4]: [0,4] -> Pacific Ocean  
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[1,3]: [1,3] -> [0,3] -> Pacific Ocean  
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[1,4] -> Atlantic Ocean  
[2,2]: [2,2] -> [1,2] -> [0,2] -> Pacific Ocean  
[2,2] -> [2,3] -> [2,4] -> Atlantic Ocean  
[3,0]: [3,0] -> Pacific Ocean  
[3,0] -> [4,0] -> Atlantic Ocean  
[3,1]: [3,1] -> [3,0] -> Pacific Ocean  
[3,1] -> [4,1] -> Atlantic Ocean  
[4,0]: [4,0] -> Pacific Ocean  
[4,0] -> Atlantic Ocean  
Note that there are other possible paths for these cells to flow to the Pacific and Atlantic oceans.

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1 class Solution:
2     def pacificAtlantic(self, heights: List[List[int]]) -> List[List[int]]:
3         if not heights or not heights[0]:
4             return []
5         m = len(heights) # row
6         n = len(heights[0]) # col
7
8         # check the overlap of pacific and atlantic
9         pacific, atlantic = deque(), deque()
10
11        # set boundaries
12        for i in range(m):
13            pacific.append((i, 0))
14            atlantic.append((i, n-1))
15        for i in range(n):
16            pacific.append((0, i))
17            atlantic.append((m-1, i))
18
19        def bfs(q):
20            reachable = set()
21            while q:
22                (r, c) = q.popleft()
23                reachable.add((r, c))
24
25                for (dx, dy) in [(1, 0), (-1, 0), (0, 1), (0, -1)]:
26                    nr, nc = r + dx, c + dy
27                    if nr < 0 or nr >= m or nc < 0 or nc >= n:
28                        continue
29                    if (nr, nc) in reachable:
30                        continue
31                    if heights[nr][nc] < heights[r][c]:
32                        continue
33
34                    q.append((nr, nc))
35
36            return reachable
37
38        p_reachable = bfs(pacific)
39        a_reachable = bfs(atlantic)
40        return sorted(list(p_reachable.intersection(a_reachable)))
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