

## 265. Paint House II

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There are a row of  $n$  houses, each house can be painted with one of the  $k$  colors. The cost of painting each house with a certain color is different. You have to paint all the houses such that no two adjacent houses have the same color.

The cost of painting each house with a certain color is represented by a  $n \times k$  cost matrix. For example, `costs[0][0]` is the cost of painting house 0 with color 0; `costs[1][2]` is the cost of painting house 1 with color 2, and so on... Find the minimum cost to paint all houses.

**Note:**

All costs are positive integers.

**Example:**

Input: `[[1,5,3],[2,9,4]]`

Output: 5

Explanation: Paint house 0 into color 0, paint house 1 into color 2. Minimum cost:  $1 + 4 = 5$ ;  
Or paint house 0 into color 2, paint house 1 into color 0. Minimum cost:  $3 + 2 = 5$ .

**Follow up:**

Could you solve it in  $O(nk)$  runtime?

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1 class Solution(object):
2     def minCostII(self, costs):
3         """
4         :type costs:
5         List[List[int]]
6         :rtype: int
7         """
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