#### Alternating Groups I - LeetCode

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# 3206. Alternating Groups I

There is a circle of red and blue tiles. You are given an array of integers colors. The color of tile i is represented by colors[i]:

- colors[i] == 0 means that tile i is red.
- colors[i] == 1 means that tile i is blue.

Every 3 contiguous tiles in the circle with alternating colors (the middle tile has a different color from its left and right tiles) is called an alternating group.

Return the number of **alternating** groups.

**Note** that since colors represents a **circle**, the **first** and the **last** tiles are considered to be next to each other.

## Example 1:

**Input:** colors = [1,1,1]

Output: 0

**Explanation:** 



### Example 2:

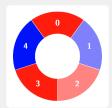
**Input:** colors = [0,1,0,0,1]

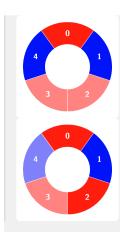
Output: 3

**Explanation:** 



Alternating groups:





## Constraints:

- 3 <= colors.length <= 100
- 0 <= colors[i] <= 1