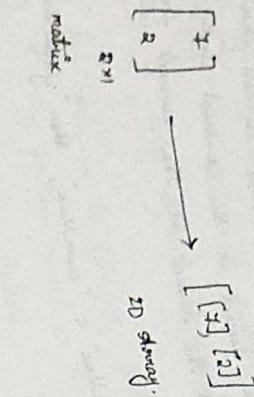


MATRICES

Matrix traversal :-

(1) Row-major traversal :-

0	1	2	3
1	5	6	7
2	9	10	11
3	13	14	15



$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} [0, 1, 3], [4, 5, 8] \end{bmatrix}$$

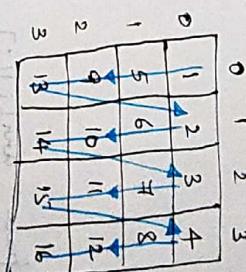
Matrix Transformation :-

Operations performed on matrix that result in a new matrix.

① Addition & Subtraction.

② Multiplication.

③ Diagonal traversal :-



④ Inverse. $A, A^{-1} \rightarrow 2$

⑤ Transpose. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{2 \times 3 \rightarrow 3 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

⑥ Scalar multiplication. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \times 3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 9 \\ 12 & 15 & 24 \end{bmatrix}$

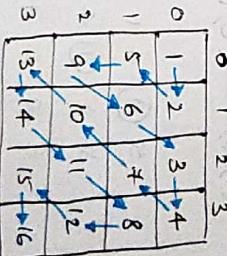
⑦ Rotation. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{90^\circ \text{ clockwise}} \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 9 & 6 \\ 5 & 5 & 1 \\ 8 & 8 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

⑧ Reflection. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{axis}} \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 5 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Answers,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 8 & 5 & 9 \\ 9 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

④ Aspiral traversal :-



0	1	2	3
1	5	6	7
2	9	10	11
3	13	14	15

Example :-

- ① Rotate and invert an image:- (Use for rotate by 90°)

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{matrix} \xrightarrow[0 \rightarrow 1]{90^\circ} \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\text{invert}} \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{matrix}$$

Hopfity matrix - (1C4R)

Hopfity \rightarrow every diagonal from left to right (i.e. every left diagonal) has the same elements.

$$5 \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad 1$$

$$2 \quad 5 \quad 9 \quad 4$$

Row major traversal
(i,j) starting from (1,1) compare $arr[i][j]$ with $arr[i-j][i-j]$.

$$*(1,1) - (0,0) \quad *(1,2) - (0,1)$$

$$(5) \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad 1 \quad \quad 5 (9) \quad 4 \quad 1$$

$$2 \quad (5) \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad \quad 2 \cdot 5 (9) \quad 4$$

$$3 \quad 2 \quad 5 \quad 9 \quad \quad 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \quad 9$$

continue.

continue.

$$*(1,3) - (0,2) \quad *(2,1) - (1,0) \quad *(2,2) - (1,1)$$

$$5 \quad 9 \quad (4) \quad 1 \quad \quad 5 \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad 1 \quad \quad 5 \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad 1$$

$$2 \quad 5 \quad 9 \quad (4) \quad \quad (2) \quad 5 \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad \quad 2 \quad (5) \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad \quad 3 \quad (2) \quad 5 \quad 9 \quad \quad 3 \quad 2 \quad (5) \quad 9$$

Continue

continue

continue

$$*(2,3) - (1,2) \quad 5 \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad 1 \quad \quad 2 \quad 5 \quad (9) \quad 4 \quad$$

Because we have successfully traversed the entire matrix, TRUE, since all left diagonal contain identical elements.

Problem: Sparse Matrix Multiplication

(*) * Sparse Matrix :-

Sparse matrices are matrices in which most elements are zero. To save space and running time, it is sufficient to only store the non-zero elements.

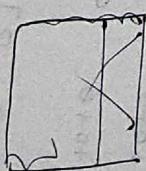
A standard representation of sparse matrix is to use an array with one element per row, each of which contains a linked-list of the non-zero values, in that row along with their column numbers.

$$\text{Sparse matrix: } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2.0 & -1.0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1.0 & 2.0 & -1.0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1.0 & 2.0 & -1.0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1.0 & 2.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Representation: $\left\{ \{(0, 2.0), (1, -1.0)\}, \right.$
 $\left. \{(0, -1.0), (1, 2.0), (2, -1.0)\}, \right.$
 $\left. \{(1, -1.0), (2, 2.0), (3, -1.0)\}, \right.$
 $\left. \{(2, -1.0), (3, 2.0)\} \right\}$

Approach:

$$\text{ans} = \begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c} \text{r}_1 & \text{c}_1 & \text{c}_2 & \text{c}_3 & \text{c}_4 \\ \hline 2 & 0 & 1 & & \\ \hline 10 & 20 & 2 & & \\ \hline \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c} \text{r}_1 & \text{c}_1 & \text{c}_2 & \text{c}_3 & \text{c}_4 \\ \hline 5 & 1 & 1 & 10 & \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 5 & 1 & \\ \hline 10 & 5 & 1 & 1 & \\ \hline \end{array} = ? (\text{ans})$$



2x4

→ dot product.

$$a_{1,1} = (2 \times 5) + (0 \times 1) + (1 \times 10) \rightarrow \text{dot product.}$$

$$= 10 + 0 + 10$$

$$= 20$$

$$a_{1,2} = (2 \times 1) + (0 \times 1) + (1 \times 5)$$

$$= 2 + 0 + 5$$

$$= 7$$

c = no. of columns, $\text{Pain} \Rightarrow \{\text{rowIndex}, \text{value}\}$

$\text{List} < \text{Pain} > []$ colMap = new ArrayList<int>[];

$\text{ans} = \text{no. of columns, } \text{Pain} \Rightarrow \{\text{rowIndex}, \text{value}\}$

* Matrix Multiplication :-

$$\begin{matrix} \text{mat1} & \text{mat2} \\ n_1 \times m_1 & n_2 \times m_2 \end{matrix}$$

matrix multiplication is possible only if $m_1 = n_2$.

$$\begin{matrix} \text{mat1} \times \text{mat2} & = \text{mat} \\ n_1 \times m_1 & n_2 \times m_2 \\ n_1 \times m_2 & n \times m_2 \end{matrix}$$

Sparse Matrix Multiplication

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \times$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

2×3

3×3

2×3

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rowMap}[1] &= \begin{bmatrix} \{0, 1\}, \\ \{0, -1\}, \{2, 3\} \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{colMap} &= \begin{bmatrix} \{0, 1\}, \\ \{0, -1\}, \{2, 3\} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \text{size of rowMap} = 2$
 $\Rightarrow \text{size of colMap} = 3$

$\rightarrow 2$ rows.

$\rightarrow 3$ columns.

We multiply each "row" of rowMap to each "col" of colMap
 and the dot product condition is
 when ~~rowIndex~~ $\text{rowIndex} = \text{colIndex}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} (0, 1) * (0, 1) & - & - \\ (0, -1) * (0, 1) & - & (2, 3) * (2, 1) \\ + \cancel{(2, 2)} & \cancel{(3, 2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \times \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

You can see, in the above multiplication, there are many useful multiplications involving zeros.
 So we use compression technique.

We convert matrix A to rowMap
 matrix B to colMap

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 * 4 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 * -4 & 0 & 3 * 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note:-

~~rowIndex~~ is the first value in the pair of

rowMap. e.g., in $(0, 1) \rightarrow \text{rowIndex} = 0$

$(0, -1) \rightarrow \text{rowIndex} = 0$
 $(2, 3) \rightarrow \text{rowIndex} = 2$.

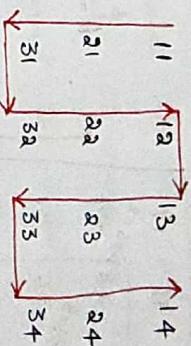
Similarly rowIndex is the first value in pair of colMap
 e.g., $(0, 1) \rightarrow \text{rowIndex} = 0$ $(2, 1) \rightarrow \text{rowIndex} = 2$

Problem: Wave Traversal

By reusing our rowMap & colMap, we eliminate multiplications with zeroes and thus reduce time complexity.

(if

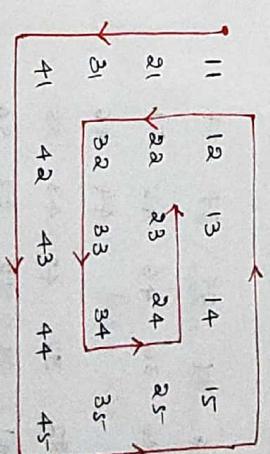
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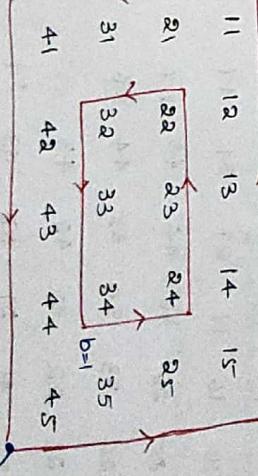
- ↳ We print each column (0 to n-1) in different directions :-
- ↳ Even columns → top-to-bottom.
- ↳ Odd columns → bottom-to-top.

Problem: Efficient display.



minRow

minCol



Box-by-Box

b=0

boundary

c=0

left wall : r: minRow → maxRow
bottom wall: c: minCol → maxCol
right wall: r: maxRow → minRow
top wall : c: maxCol → minCol.

Problem: Shell Rotate.

Approach :-

(i)

11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
31	32	33	34	35	36	37
41	42	43	44	45	46	47
51	52	53	54	55	56	57

$s = 1$
 $k = 3$

- Convert the shell into 1D array.
- Rotate 1D array say R (Anti-diagonal).

- Convert the rotated 1D array back to the shell.

(ii)

14	15	16	17	27	37	47
13				57		
12					56	
11						55
21	31	41	51	52	53	54

size of shell, $s_8 = \text{left wall} + \text{bottom wall} + \text{right wall}$

$$+ \text{top wall} - 4$$

each cell repeat corner
elements.

$$\begin{matrix} s_1 & \\ \text{min}_1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \text{max}_1 & 10 & 11 & 12 \end{matrix}$$

$$= (\text{max}_1 - \text{min}_1 + 1) + \text{bw} + \text{rw} + \text{tw} - 4$$

$\therefore \text{bw} = \text{rw} \ \& \ \text{bw} = \text{tw}$.

$\text{bw} = \text{rw} = \text{tw}$
(max_n - min_n)

$$= 2 * (\text{bw}) + 2 * (\text{bw}) - 4$$

$$= 2 * (\text{max}_n - \text{min}_n) + 2 * (\text{max}_c - \text{min}_c) - 4$$

$$= 2 * (\text{max}_n - \text{min}_n) + 2 * (\text{max}_c - \text{min}_c)$$

14	15	16	17	27	37	47
13	25	26	36	46	45	57
12	24	33	34	35	44	56
11	23	22	32	42	43	55
21	31	41	51	52	53	54

14	15	16	17	27	37	47
13	25	26	36	46	45	57
12	24	33	34	35	44	56
11	23	22	32	42	43	55
21	31	41	51	52	53	54

Saddle point in a matrix

G

Find saddle point in a matrix such that if a saddle point is an element of the matrix such that it is minimum element in its row and maximum in its column.

Approach:

$$\text{eg: } \text{arr}[3][3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

7 is minimum in its row,
maximum in its col.

Approach 4:- (Optimized)
Proof that there is only one saddle point:

a b c d

e f * g h

i j k l *

m n o p

f \rightarrow saddle \Rightarrow f < h & f > j

so j < f < h ————— (1)

l \rightarrow saddle \Rightarrow l < j & l > h

so f < l < j ————— (2)

From (1), j < h From (2), j < h
which is wrong.

Hence, more than one saddle point doesn't exist

Algorithm:-

- (1) Find min element of current row and store col index of minimum element.
- (2) check if row min element is also maximum in its column.
If yes, then saddle point else continue till the end.

(3) If yes, then saddle point else continue till the end.

Program:-

Tc: O(mⁿ)
Sc: O(n)

```
public static<Integer> SudyNumber(int[][] matrix) {
```

```
int ansCol = 0;
```

```
int ansRow = matrix[0][0];
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < matrix.length; i++) {
```

```
int minElm = matrix[i][0];
```

```
int colNo = 0;
```

```
for (int j = 1; j < matrix[0].length; j++) {
```

```
if (matrix[i][j] < minElm) {
```

```
colNo = j;
```

```
minElm = matrix[i][j];
```

```
}
```

```
boolean isSaddle = true;
```

```
for (int k = 0; k < matrix.length; k++) {
```

```
if (minElm < matrix[k][colNo]) {
```

```
isSaddle = false;
```

```
break;
```

```
}
```

Problem: Search in a 2D sorted array

if (is solution) {
 return list.of (mifflin);
}

return collections.emptyList();

3
 9
 9
 return collections.emptyList();

1	3	5	7	
10	11	16	20	target = 3
23	30	34	60	

Approach 1: Using Maximum & Minimum. (Brute force)
 TC: $O(n^2)$ SC: $O(1)$

Approach 2: Initialize new-minimum & col-minimum arrays with maximum average with

MAX-VALUE & MIN-VALUE.

② Loop over matrix elements to find & update

new-minimum & col-maximum.

③ Loop through matrix again to identify elements which is both new-minimum & col-maximum.

Approach 3: Use the only sorted matrix with respect.

Then search in new no = "mid-1".
 else if (mid == 0) then search in new no = mid.
 otherwise set right pointer to mid - 1.

Time complexity

$$O(\log n + \log m)$$

$$= O(\log nm)$$

Approach 2: - entry point element at $(0, m-1)$
 if element $<$ target then search in next row, else search in
 row $(i-1)$ entry point

11	12	13	14
21	22	23	24
31	32	33	34
41	42	43	44

(32)

11	12	13	14
21	22	23	24
31	32	33	34
41	42	43	44

T.C : $O(n+m)$.

Approach 3: Treat 2D matrix as 1D array.

0	1	2	3	4
0	11	12	13	14
1	21	22	23	24
2	31	32	33	34
3	41	42	43	44

00	01	02	03	04	10	11	12	13	14
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
11	12	13	14	15	21	22	23	24	25
11	12	13	14	15	21	22	23	24	25
31	32	33	34	35	41	42	43	44	45

Similarly 1D array is placed into matrix as :

Say, current position, $x=9$.

size m is no. of columns \Rightarrow no. of elements in each row.

Hence we can determine which row $arr[x]$ & $arr[y]$ belongs to using

$$\text{row} = \frac{x}{m} = \frac{9}{4} = 2.$$

We go to the beginning of next row, when current row's elements are traversed. $(x * m)$

At current row, an element is found at column y .

$$(x * m) + y$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
11	12	13	14	21	22	23	24	31	32
11	12	13	14	21	22	23	24	31	32
11	12	13	14	21	22	23	24	31	32
11	12	13	14	21	22	23	24	31	32

0	11	12	13	14
1	21	22	23	24
2	31	32	33	34
3	41	42	43	44

(2)

current row position.
 2 rows already placed in 1D array. \Rightarrow 1 element of current row already placed in 1D array.

2*m
 = 2 * 4
 = 8
 = (+1)

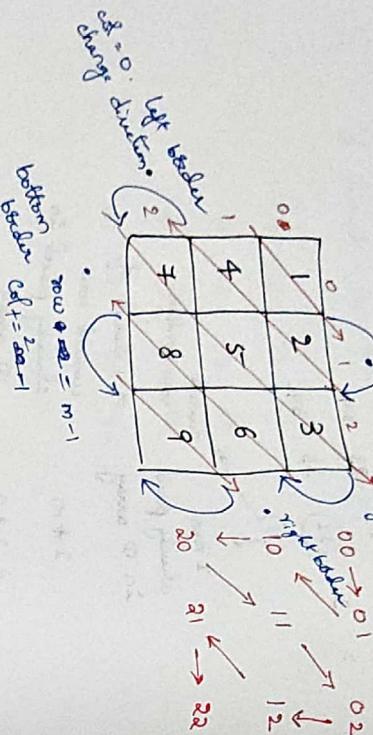
$$\begin{aligned} \text{matrix}[x][y] \\ = arr[x * m + y] \end{aligned}$$

32 should be placed at pos 9 of 1D array.

Problem: Diagonal traversal direction.

top border change direction
top row = 0, right border 0000 + 1 = 1
 $col = n-1$.

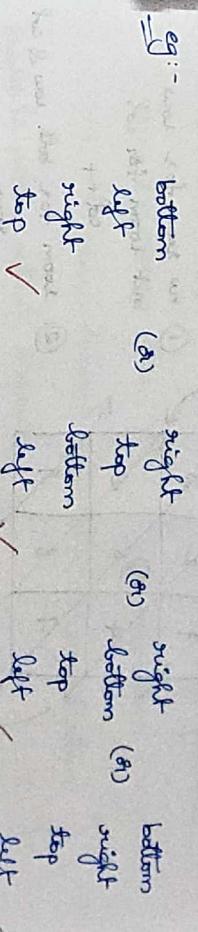
Hence the order should be maintained as follows.
"right before top border"
"bottom before left border"



Approach 1:

We have four borders

- top border
- right border
- bottom border
- left border.



Now, there are few cases, say top-right. For such cases,
right border takes pre-predominance over (setting $row = 0$, "is not
change direction")

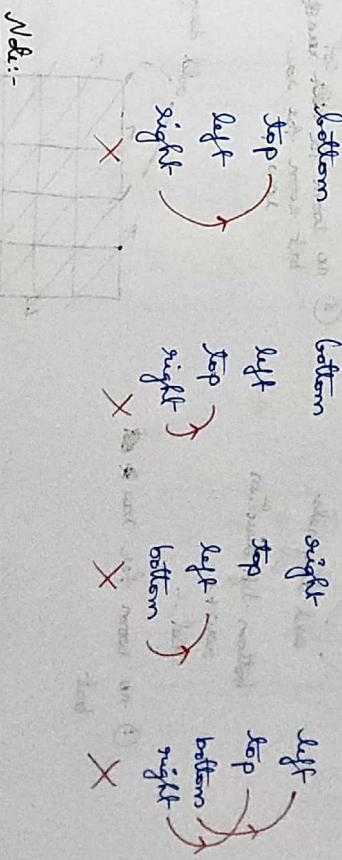
going to be direct. Instead follows right border rule

$$\text{new } + 2 \text{ & } \\ \text{col} = n-1.$$

Which means that we need to predominantly check right border before top border.

Similarly (bottom-left) We need to predominantly check bottom border before left border.

right
top. | bottom
left



Note:-

Top-left & bottom-right directions are not applicable.

Since traversed is only $\nearrow \searrow$ directions

Approach 2:-

even diagonals

top-right direction

① no room for row
but room for col

col++

② room for both row & col

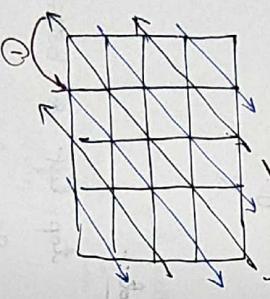
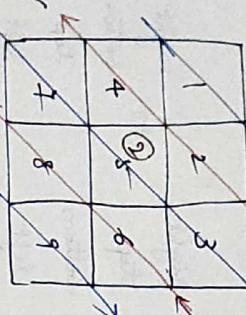
row--
col++

③ no room for col
but room for row.

bottom-left direction

row++
col--

⑥ no room for row & col
but



Neighbors (horizontal, vertical, diagonal)

mn grid
a cell:

0 → dead 1 → alive.

→ < 2 alive die (0) under population

→ = 2 & 3 alive live (1) live onto next generation.

→ > 3 alive die (0) over population

→ = 3 alive becomes live cell (1) reproduction.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

line

Approach 1 :-

$(i, j) = (0, 0)$

row

col.

$i-1$ to $i+1$

$j-1$ to $j+1$

$\times (-1)$ to 1

0 to 2

-1 to 1

0 to 2

invalid.
so only
start from 0.

$(0, 0)$
 $(0, 1)$
 $(1, 0)$
 $(1, 1)$
 $(1, 2)$

An the above example, for element at (0,0) we check from
row: 0 → 1 col: 0 → 2 \Rightarrow $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ but we subtract self.

Problem: GAME OF LIFE (LC 289)

Program :-

```

    0 1 2   j
    0 0 1   i
    1 1 0
    0 0 0

now: ① to 1
      -1 to 3  2 is invalid.

col : 1 to 3
      ↓
  
```

```
int[][] temp = new int[m][n];
```

```
for(int i=0; i<m; i++) {
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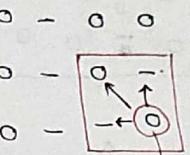
```
    for(int j=0; j<n; j++) {
```

```
        int noOfNbns = calculateNeighbours(matrix, i, j);
```

```
        if (noOfNbns < 2 || noOfNbns > 3) {
```

```
            temp[i][j] = 0;
```

```
        } else if (noOfNbns == 3) {  
            temp[i][j] = 1;
```



Step:-

func → calculateNeighbours

- For each element, calculate neighbours and according to the neighbors rule, update the element.

calculate Neighbours (int[][] matrix, int i, int j) {

```
for(int now = Math.max(i-1, 0); now <= Math.min(i+1, m-1); now++) {
```

```
    for(int col = Math.max(j-1, 0); col <= Math.min(j+1, n-1); col++) {
```

```
        sum += matrix[now][col];
```

Time complexity :- $O(mn)$.

We calculate Neighbours() for all mn elements.

always counts about 8 neighbours

Space complexity :- $O(mn)$ → for temp array temp[m][n].

Approach 2:- Optimal approach.

Update elements of matrix in place.

Time complexity: $O(mn)$.

Space complexity: $O(1)$.

beginning of solution
 An array, for problem: Rearrange Stolen Array in Max/Min & sum.
 we found a way to update array in-place using an
 encode - decode method.

Encoding formula:

$arr[1] += (arr[\maxIdx] \% \maxElm) * \maxElm$.

where $\maxIdx = n-1$, $\minIdx = 0$,

$$\maxElm = \max(arr) + 1$$

\maxIdx for even positions
 \minIdx for odd positions

Decoding formula:

$arr[1] / = \maxElm$.

Q:
 Ans:

3	4	1	2	6	5
---	---	---	---	---	---

Set \rightarrow

0	1	2	3	4	5
---	---	---	---	---	---

Ans:

1	2	3	4	5	6
---	---	---	---	---	---

expected %p \rightarrow

0	1	2	3	4	5
---	---	---	---	---	---

ans:

6	1	5	2	4	3
---	---	---	---	---	---

 $\rightarrow 6 \ 5 \ 4$
 odd pos. increasing Elmn. (from smallest element)

To avoid extra space, we save two values (if original value & op value) in the same position.

Meaning: if we want original %p value at pos:0, we should fetch 1.

If we want op value at pos:0, we should fetch 6.

We store 1 & 6 at same pos by encoding & decoding.

Illustration: $arr[0] = 1$.

If we add 1 with a product of 7, then we can get 1 again by doing a modulo (%).

$$arr[0] = 1 + (x) * 7$$

$$\text{say } x = 6$$

$$\therefore arr[0] = 1 + 6 * 7$$

$$= \underline{\underline{43}}$$

$$arr[0] \% 7 = 43 \% 7 = 1$$

modding.

We can use "x" to store the op value (the second value).

$$\therefore x = \frac{arr[\maxIdx]}{\maxElm}$$
 for even

$$= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} arr[\minIdx] \text{ for odd.} \end{array} \right.$$

(from largest element)
 But, well, when we fetch $arr[\minIdx] = arr[0]$ while computing $arr[1]$ (odd pos), that time $arr[0]$ is also ready needed as 43, so we need to do modulo(%) for original value

$$\therefore x = \begin{cases} arr[\text{maxIdx}] \% \text{maxElm.} & \text{for arr index} \\ \text{arr[minIdx]} \% \text{minElm} & \text{for odd index} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Hence } arr[i] = arr[i] + (\text{arr}[\text{maxIdx}] \% \text{maxElm}) * \text{maxElm} \quad (\text{for even pos})$$

$$arr[i] = arr[i] + (\text{arr}[\text{minIdx}] \% \text{maxElm}) * \text{maxElm.} \quad (\text{for odd pos})$$

) end of section

An the current problem, we also need to store value in such a way that we obtain new α value as well as old value.

We only have two bits: 0 or 1.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

we can store the states as two lists

$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

[≤ 2 under population] 0 1 → first 0 becomes 0 after dead
 ≥ 3 over population 1 0 → first 0 becomes 1 alive

$\equiv 2 \mid \equiv 3$ 1 1 → first 1 becomes 1, remains alive.

$$\begin{array}{l} 00 \rightarrow 0 \\ 01 \rightarrow 1 \\ 10 \rightarrow 2 \\ 11 \rightarrow 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (0) \bullet \bullet \bullet \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ nbu = 1 \quad (0) \\ (00) \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (0) \bullet \bullet \bullet \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ nbu = 2 \quad (0) \\ \text{& remain 0.} \\ (00) \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (0) \bullet \bullet \bullet \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ nbu = 1+1+1+1+1+1 \\ + (10 \& 1) \\ = 5+0 \\ (00) \\ \text{die} \\ (00) \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (0) \bullet \bullet \bullet \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ nbu = 1+1+1+1+1+1 \\ + (2 \& 1) \\ = 3 \\ (11) \rightarrow 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (0) \bullet \bullet \bullet \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ nbu = (2 \& 1) + 0 + 1 + 0 + 0 \quad (8) \\ = 1 \\ \text{die} \\ (01) \rightarrow 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (0) \bullet \bullet \bullet \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ nbu = (2 \& 1) + 0 + (3 \& 1) + \\ 1 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0 \\ = 0 + 0 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0 \\ = 3 \\ \text{die} \\ (10) \rightarrow 3 \end{array}$$

So got initial state,	$x \& 1$
0	00 & 1 → 0
1	01 & 1 → 1
2	10 & 1 → 0
3	11 & 1 → 1

(9)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{nbns} = 1+1=2$$

lines
 $\text{nbns}_2 \rightarrow (3)_{10}$

(10)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{nbns} = 1+1=2$$

(frame
area)
 $\text{nbns}_2 \rightarrow (0)_{10}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{nbns} = 1+1+0$$

$= 2$
remain dead.
 $\text{nbns}_2 \rightarrow (0)_{10}$

This is updated matrix with encoded values.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\text{nbns}_2 \rightarrow (2)_{10}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\text{nbns}_2 \rightarrow (0)_{10}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$\text{nbns}_2 \rightarrow (0)_{10}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\text{nbns}_2 \rightarrow (0)_{10}$

Program:-

```
for (int i=0; i<m; i++) {
    for (int j=0; j<n; j++) {
        int nbns = calculateNeighbours(matrix[i][j]);
        if (matrix[i][j] == 1 && nbns >= 2 && nbns <= 3) {
            matrix[i][j] = 3; // 01 → 11
        } else if (matrix[i][j] == 0 && nbns == 3) {
            matrix[i][j] = 2; // 00 → 10
        }
    }
}
```

```
int calculateNeighbours (int[][] matrix, int row, int col) {
    int neighbour = 0;
    for (int i = Math.max(row-1, 0); i <= Math.min(
        row+1, m-1); i++) {
        for (int j = Math.max(col-1, 0); j <= Math.min(
            col+1, n-1); j++) {
            neighbour += matrix[i][j];
        }
    }
    return neighbour;
}
```

∴ op matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

neighbour = matrix[row][col];

neighbour += matrix[i][j];

return neighbour;

Problem: Set Matrix Zeros (LC#3)

(LC#3)

Approach 2:-

$$\text{arr} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ① For each element $\text{arr}[i][j]$,
- create a temporary column.

$$\text{arr} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{arr} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

do it "in-place"

Approach 1:-

$$\text{arr} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

copy all elements to arr2

$$\text{arr2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ① traverse each element of arr & $O(mn)$

when $\text{arr}[i][j] = 0$

then update all $\text{arr}[i][j] = 0$

$$\text{arr2}[i][j] = 0$$

* $O(mn)$

Time complexity:

$$O(mn * (m+n))$$

$$\text{arr2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

copy

$$\text{arr} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

1	2	3
4	5	6
1	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1

Significance of i : To determine (rowIndex, colIndex) of block.

$i \rightarrow$	$j \rightarrow$	cube ¹	cube ²	cube ³
5	3	7		
6	9	1	9	5
7	8		6	
8			• (6,6)	3
9		6		1 cube 6
10	4	8	3	6 cube 6
11	2		2	
12	6	2	8	
13	4	4	5	cube 9
14	8	7	9	

$(9,0) \rightarrow$
rows : 5
cube : 5

cubes:

$(0,0) = 5$ belongs to first cube.

There are 9 cubes in cube array.
we determine indexes of 9 cubes as:

$i: 0 \text{ to } 2$	$j: 0 \text{ to } 2$
cube 1 : (0,0)	$(i,j) \rightarrow (0,0) (0,1) (0,2) (1,0) (1,1) (1,2) (2,0) (2,1) (2,2)$
cube 2 : (0,1)	$(i,j) \rightarrow (0,3) (0,4) (0,5) (1,3) (1,4) (1,5) (2,3) (2,4) (2,5)$
cube 3 : (0,2)	$(i,j) \rightarrow (0,6) (0,7) (0,8) (1,6) (1,7) (1,8) (2,6) (2,7) (2,8)$
cube 4 : (1,0)	$(i,j) \rightarrow (3,0) (3,1) (3,2) (4,0) (4,1) (4,2) (5,0) (5,1) (5,2)$
cube 5 : (1,1)	$(i,j) \rightarrow (3,3) (3,4) (3,5) (4,3) (4,4) (4,5) (5,3) (5,4) (5,5)$
cube 6 : (1,2)	$(i,j) \rightarrow (3,6) (3,7) (3,8) (4,6) (4,7) (4,8) (5,6) (5,7) (5,8)$

$i=0 \rightarrow (0,0) \rightarrow (0,0) (0,1) (0,2) (1,0) (1,1) (1,2) (2,0) (2,1) (2,2)$

$i=1 \rightarrow (0,3) \rightarrow (0,3) (0,4) (0,5) (1,3) (1,4) (1,5) (2,3) (2,4) (2,5)$

$i=2 \rightarrow (0,6) \rightarrow (0,6) (0,7) (0,8) (1,6) (1,7) (1,8) (2,6) (2,7) (2,8)$

$i=3 \rightarrow (3,0) \rightarrow (3,0) (3,1) (3,2) (4,0) (4,1) (4,2) (5,0) (5,1) (5,2)$

$i=4 \rightarrow (3,3) \rightarrow (3,3) (3,4) (3,5) (4,3) (4,4) (4,5) (5,3) (5,4) (5,5)$

$i=5 \rightarrow (3,6) \rightarrow (3,6) (3,7) (3,8) (4,6) (4,7) (4,8) (5,6) (5,7) (5,8)$

$\therefore j=8$ represents last cell of each block.

The next position of

Significance of (i,j) together :- $i=8$ $j=8$.

\Rightarrow (last cell of last block)

$(8,8) \rightarrow (8^{\text{th}} \text{ cell of } 8^{\text{th}} \text{ block})$

8^{th} cell of 8^{th} block =

$i=8$ mean $(6,6)$	$j=8$ mean $(6,6)$
$3 * (\frac{8}{3})$	$3 * (\frac{8}{3})$
$= 6$	$= 6$
" (rowIndex, colIndex) = (6,6)	

$i=8$ mean $(6,6)$	$j=8$ mean $(6,6)$
$3 * (\frac{8}{3})$	$3 * (\frac{8}{3})$
$= 6$	$= 6$
" (rowIndex, colIndex) = (6,6)	

$j=8$ means $(3,2)$.
There are 3 cubes per block for each block
 $\Rightarrow (3,2)$

$(3,5)$

$(3,8)$

$(3,2)$
 $\therefore j=8$ means $(3,2)$.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 i \\
 j \\
 \hline
 \end{array} \quad \text{newIdx} = 3 * (2/3) = 0 \\
 \text{colIdx} = 3 * (2 \% 3) = 6$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 i \\
 j \\
 \hline
 \end{array} \quad \text{newIdx} = 3 * (2/3) = 0 \\
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$$\begin{array}{l}
 i \\
 j \\
 \hline
 \end{array} \quad \text{newIdx} = 3 * (2/3) = 0 \\
 \text{colIdx} = 3 * (2 \% 3) = 6$$

Approach :-

① Let 'i' be the outer loop.

It represents

① new in newMap

② col in colMap



newMap tracks elements in new ?
colMap tracks elements in col ?
blockMap tracks elements in block ?

② Let 'j' be the variable in inner loop.

It represents

① col index in newMap.

② new index in colMap

③ each cell in block.

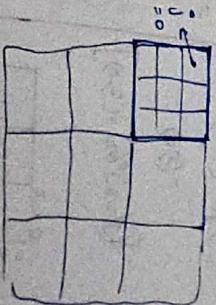
③ For each (i,j)

check block[i][j] != ''

block[i][j] != ''

If both seen and stored them in
newMap

colMap.



④ also for each (i, j) :

Get offset

check each block i for $j: 0 \rightarrow 8$.

e.g. when $j=8$, all cells in the i th block are ~~wrong~~

& each cell $(i != ..)$ is added to Block Map.

To do this, ~~using another~~

Step (i): get the offset calculated with i .

e.g. $\frac{j}{2} = 3$,
offset $(3, 0)$

$$= (3 * \frac{i}{3}, 3 * i \% 3)$$



This gives the first cell of the current block i .

Step (ii): get the exact cell of the block with j & offset

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g. } & 4, j=4, \\ & (\frac{i}{3}, j) = (3 * 4, 0 + 0) \\ & = (5, 0) \\ \therefore & [(j / 2), j \% 2] = (2, 0) \end{aligned}$$

⑤ thus, traverse (block-by-block) with i & (cell-by-cell) with j to add elements to BlockMap along with

a newMap, oldMap

at any point, if the element is not being added to the NewMap, return false.

It is invalid subproblem.

Program:-

```
for (int i = 0; i < 9; i++) {
    Set<Character> newSet = new HashSet<>();
    Set<Character> oldSet = new HashSet<>();
    int offRow = 3 * (i / 3), offCol = 3 * (i % 3);
    for (int j = 0; j < 9; j++) {
        if (board[i][j] != '.') {
            !newSet.add(board[i][j]);
            if (board[i][j] != '.' &&
                !oldSet.add(board[i][j])) {
                return false;
            }
            int i1 = offRowRow + (j / 3),
                j1 = offCol + (j % 3);
            if (board[i1][j1] != '.' &&
                !blockSet.add(board[i1][j1])) {
                return false;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Diagrammatic representation :-

- ① rowMap
i represent row, j represent col.

$i=0$	$j=0$	$j=1$	$j=2$	\dots
$i=0$	•	1	2	...
$i=1$	•	•	4	...
$i=2$	•	•	•	...
$i=3$	•	•	•	...

rowMap : 1, 2, ...
rowMap : 4, ...

rowMap refers to every increment of i .

- ② colMap
 i represent col, j represent row.

$i=0$	$j=0$	$j=1$	\dots
$j=0$	•	0	...
$j=1$	•	8	...
$j=2$	•
$j=3$	•

colMap

colMap refers to every increment of i .

- ③ blockMap
 i represent block, j represent each cell of block.

$i=0$	$j=0$	$j=1$	$j=2$	$j=3$
$i=0$	0	1	2	3
$i=1$	4	5	6	7
$i=2$	8	9	10	11
$i=3$	12	13	14	15

offset = $(3 * i / 3, 3 * j \% 3)$
 j used to find the corresponding cell of block
 $(j / 3, j \% 3)$.

blockMap refers to every increment of i .

i : used to find offset of first cell of block i

$$\text{offset} = (3 * i / 3, 3 * j \% 3)$$

j : used to find the corresponding cell of block

$$(j / 3, j \% 3)$$

Eg: In the above figure, the exact cell which has 5 is calculated as

$$(i, j) = \text{offset} + (j / 3, j \% 3)$$

$$\text{for } (i, j) = (8, 7), (i, j) = \text{offset} + (j / 3, j \% 3)$$

$$= (3 * 8 / 3, 3 * 7 \% 3) + (7 / 3, 7 \% 3)$$

$$= (6, 6) + (2, 1)$$

offset of all

$= (8, 7)$

1	2	3	5
2	3	5	7
1	5	6	10

all rows are noted.

1	2	3	5
2	3	5	7
1	5	6	10

In the first column, max element is 2.

So the minimum/smallest element common could be starting from 2. & ≥ 2 .

from 2.

$p[i]$ is the colIndex where it finds the column value of each row², where max is found.

For each row², we update $p[i]$ until it finds the max.

If not found, i.e., $p[i] = n$ we return -1, otherwise, we keep looking for the index $p[i]$ until value is \geq max.

$\Rightarrow \max = 2$

row0 :- $p[0] = 0$, $\leftarrow mat[0][p[0]] = 1$

1	2	5
2	3	7
1	5	10

$p[0] = 1$, $mat[0][1] = 2$

$2 \neq 2$

$\therefore p[0] = 1$

now 0 has max element at colIndex 1.

1	2	2	5
2	3	5	7
1	5	6	10

$p[1] = 0$.
 $mat[1][p[1]] = 2 + 2$.

i.e. row1 has max element at colIndex 0.

row2 :- $p[2] = 0$.

$mat[2][0] = 1 < 2$
 $p[2]++$

1	2	2	5
2	3	5	7
1	5	6	10

$p[2] = 1$

$mat[2][1] = 5 \neq 2$

$\max = 5$.

But max element in row 5.
 \therefore row2 has max at col Index 1.

0	1	2
1	0	1

$\max = 5$.

Repeat the same process until you find all $p[i]$ pointing to 5.

Next step :-

1	2	2	5
2	3	5	7
1	5	6	10

$p[0]$

$p[1]$

$p[2]$

1	2	2	5
2	3	5	7
1	5	6	10

$p[0]$

$p[1]$

$p[2]$

Program:-

```
public int smallestCommonElement (int[][] mat) {
    int m = mat.length;
    int n = mat[0].length;
    int[] p = new int[m]; // pointer to the column of each row
    int max = mat[0][0];
    p[0]++;
    found = false; // since we still found element
    for (int i = 0; i < m; i++) { // for each row
        while (p[i] < n && mat[i][p[i]] < max) { // move col until we find next max element
            p[i]++;
            if (mat[i][p[i]] == max) { // equal to max, we set it to
                max = mat[i][p[i]];
                found = true; // since we still found element
            }
        }
        if (found) break; // if we found element which is
        // equal to max, we exit
    }
    return max;
}
```

Explanations

for (int i = 0; i < m; i++) { // for each row

// move col until we find next max element

while (p[i] < n && mat[i][p[i]] < max) { //

p[i]++;

found = false; // since we still found element

// less than max

// and yet to find element at least

// equal to max, we set it to

// false.

// if we found element which is

// mat[i][p[i]] ≥ max, then

// "found" flag remains true

if (p[i] == n) return -1; // when we exhausted

// elements in row, ~~mean~~ no

// answer, so return -1

nextMax = Math.max(nextMax, mat[i][p[i]]);

nextMax = Math.min(nextMax, mat[i][p[i]]);

max = nextMax; // next max element updated

if (found) break; // if all rows elements were r = previous

// max, we can break out of loop.

if (end of while loop).

return max;

Q1. Q2.

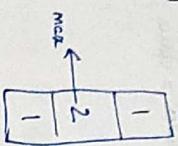
$$\text{Q1. } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 5 & 6 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

ITERATION 1 :-

① * First iteration (finding initial max).

$$\max = 2.$$



② * Outer loop :-
nextMax = 0
found = false.

$$\text{found} = \text{true}$$

③ Inner loop :-
row 0: found = false.

$$\text{row 0: mat}[0][1] = 2 < 5(\max) \rightarrow \text{mat}[0][1] = 2 = 2$$

$$\text{row 1: mat}[1][0] = 2 < 5(\max) \rightarrow \text{mat}[1][0] = 2 = 2$$

$$\text{row 2: mat}[2][0] = 1 < 2(\max), \text{found} = \text{false}, \rightarrow \text{mat}[2][0] = 1$$

$$P \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

row 0: $\max = \max(1, 2) = 2$
row 1: $\max = \max(2, 2) = 2$
row 2: $\max = \max(1, 2, 5) = 5$

row 0: $\max = \max(1, 2, 5) = 5$
row 1: $\max = \max(5, 5) = 5$
row 2: $\max = \max(5, 5) = 5$

ITERATION 2 :-

① Outer loop :-
nextMax = 0
found = true.

② Annex loop :-
P :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

row 0: $\max[0][1] = 2 < 5(\max) \rightarrow \max[0][1] = 2 = 2$
 $\max[0][2] = 2 < 5(\max) \rightarrow \max[0][2] = 2 = 2$
 $P[0]++$
found false.

$\max[0][3] = 5 = 5$
found remain false & $P[0]$ remains 3.
 $P[1]++$
found false.

row 1: $\max[1][0] = 2 < 5(\max) \rightarrow \max[1][0] = 2 = 2$
 $\max[1][1] = 3 < 5(\max) \rightarrow \max[1][1] = 3 = 3$
 $P[1]++$
found false

$\max[1][2] = 5 = 5$
so found remain false &
 $P[1]$ remains 2.

$P[2]$ remains 1.

nextMax:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 10 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

row 0: $\max = \max(1, 2, 5) = 5$
row 1: $\max = \max(5, 6) = 6$
row 2: $\max = \max(5, 6, 10) = 10$

row 0: $\max = \max(1, 2, 5) = 5$
row 1: $\max = \max(5, 6) = 6$
row 2: $\max = \max(5, 6, 10) = 10$

④ max = nextMax
 $\rightarrow \max = 5.$

⑤ max = nextMax
 $\rightarrow \max = 5.$

⑥ max = nextMax
 $\rightarrow \max = 5.$

ITERATION 3

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found
flag = true.

① Outloop: nextMax = 0,

② Inloop:

$$P \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

new 0: mat[0][3] = 5 == 5, found remain true
& P[0] remain 3.

new 1: mat[1][2] = 5 == 5, found remain true
& P[1] remain 2.

new 2: mat[2][] = 5 == 5, found remain true
& P[2] remain 1

$$P \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 & 7 \\ 6 & & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

nextMax:

new 0: nextMax = max(0, 5) = 5

new 1: nextMax = max(5, 5) = 5

new 2: nextMax = max(5, 5) = 5

③.

max = nextMax

max = 5.

flag == false, so break out of loop
and set max = 5.

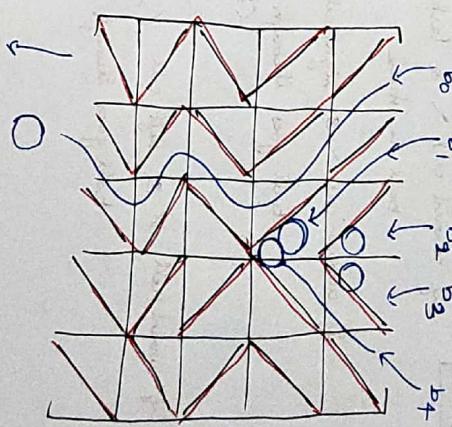
represented as

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_0 & b_1 & b_2 & b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

n balls.



Let's start from ant:

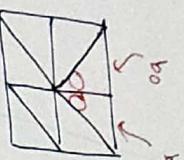
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ b_0 & b_1 & b_2 & b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

It also means, b_0 comes out of column a_1 .
Establishing the rule:
What under each column means they are stuck.

b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4 are all " -1 " because

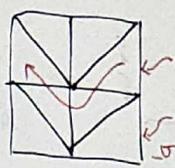
Termination conditions :-

Pattern :-



b_0, b_1 are stuck.
the grid.

if current cell \backslash ,
right cell $/$,
ball is stuck
and reverse.



b_0, b_1
if current cell \backslash & last column,
ball is stuck

if current cell \backslash & right cell \backslash ,

ball goes through.

$(i+1, j+1)$

Get more
pattern
with pattern
in termination
conditions

if current cell $/$ & left cell $/$,

ball goes through $(i+1, j+1)$.

Action:-

If ball starts from column 0, row 0 and value in the cell $grid[0][0]$ is \pm (\backslash) the ball will move to next row, which is 1 & next column, which is also 1.

So next position of the ball will be $grid[1][1]$.



If ball starts from column 2, row 0 and value in the cell $grid[0][2]$ is -1 ($/$) the ball will move to next row, which is 1 & previous column, which is 1.

So next position of the ball will be $grid[1][1]$.

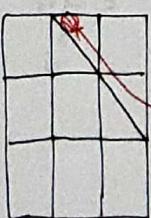


① Ball keeps moving to next row until it hits last row in the grid.

This is a success case, and the column where the ball hits the final row is recorded in the output array.

② The ball gets stuck in a row because one of the following conditions is met:

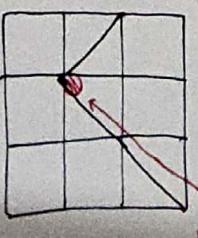
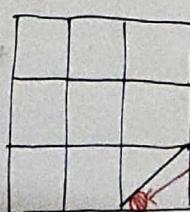
a) ball falls to leftmost column & value is -1 ($/$)



iii) ball falls to rightmost column & value is \pm (\backslash)

b_2

iv) ball is between two opposite diagonals - $\backslash, /$.
current cell is $\backslash / (-1)$, immediate previous column has $\backslash / (-1)$
(forming V shape)



(iv) ball is between two opposite diagonals ' $/$ '.
current cell is $/ \backslash (-1)$, immediate next column has $/ \backslash (-1)$
(forming V shape).

Alternative approach:

using nested for.

①

Iterate the grid using nested for:
For each column, perform the following:

For each "row", do the following:

1. $\text{nextCol} = \text{currCol} + \text{grid}[\text{row}][\text{currCol}]$.
2. check if $\text{grid}[\text{row}][\text{nextCol}] == \text{grid}[\text{row}][\text{currCol}]$.

If no, ball can move to next row.

3. check if ball is not stuck

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{nextCol} < 0 \\ (\text{or}) \\ \text{nextCol} > n-1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{ball is stuck}$$

4. set currCol = nextCol.

5. If this is last row i.e., $\text{row} == m-1$,
 $\text{result}[\text{col}] = \text{nextCol}$.

