

348. Design Tic-Tac-Toe

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Assume the following rules are for the tic-tac-toe game on an `n x n` board between two players:

1. A move is guaranteed to be valid and is placed on an empty block.
2. Once a winning condition is reached, no more moves are allowed.
3. A player who succeeds in placing `n` of their marks in a horizontal, vertical, or diagonal row wins the game.

Implement the `TicTacToe` class:

- `TicTacToe(int n)` Initializes the object the size of the board `n`.
- `int move(int row, int col, int player)` Indicates that the player with id `player` plays at the cell `(row, col)` of the board. The move is guaranteed to be a valid move, and the two players alternate in making moves. Return
 - `0` if there is **no winner** after the move,
 - `1` if **player 1** is the winner after the move, or
 - `2` if **player 2** is the winner after the move.

Example 1:

Input
["TicTacToe", "move", "move", "move", "move", "move", "move", "move", "move"]
[[3], [0, 0, 1], [0, 2, 2], [2, 2, 1], [1, 1, 2], [2, 0, 1], [1, 0, 2], [2, 1, 1]]

Output
[null, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1]

Explanation
TicTacToe ticTacToe = new TicTacToe(3);
Assume that player 1 is "X" and player 2 is "O" in the board.
ticTacToe.move(0, 0, 1); // return 0 (no one wins)
|X| | |
| | | | // Player 1 makes a move at (0, 0).
| | | |

ticTacToe.move(0, 2, 2); // return 0 (no one wins)
|X| |O|
| | | | // Player 2 makes a move at (0, 2).
| | | |

ticTacToe.move(2, 2, 1); // return 0 (no one wins)
|X| |O|
| | | | // Player 1 makes a move at (2, 2).
| | |X|

ticTacToe.move(1, 1, 2); // return 0 (no one wins)
|X| |O|
| |O| | // Player 2 makes a move at (1, 1).
| | |X|

ticTacToe.move(2, 0, 1); // return 0 (no one wins)
|X| |O|
| |O| | // Player 1 makes a move at (2, 0).
|X| |X|

ticTacToe.move(1, 0, 2); // return 0 (no one wins)
|X| |O|
|O|O| | // Player 2 makes a move at (1, 0).
|X| |X|

ticTacToe.move(2, 1, 1); // return 1 (player 1 wins)
|X| |O|
|O|O| | // Player 1 makes a move at (2, 1).
|X|X|X|

Constraints:

- `2 <= n <= 100`
- player is `1` or `2`.
- `0 <= row, col < n`
- `(row, col)` are **unique** for each different call to `move`.
- At most `n2` calls will be made to `move`.

Follow-up: Could you do better than `O(n2)` per `move()` operation?

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Hint 1

Could you trade extra space such that `move()` operation can be done in `O(1)`?

Hint 2

You need two arrays: `int rows[n]`, `int cols[n]`, plus two variables: `diagonal`, `anti_diagonal`.

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