

265. Paint House II Premium

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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 an $n \times k$ cost matrix costs.

- 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...

Return the minimum cost to paint all houses.

Example 1:

Input: `costs = [[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: $3 + 2 = 5$.

Example 2:

Input: `costs = [[1,3],[2,4]]`
Output: 5

Constraints:

- `costs.length == n`
- `costs[i].length == k`
- $1 \leq n \leq 100$
- $2 \leq k \leq 20$
- $1 \leq costs[i][j] \leq 20$

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

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