6027. Count Hills and Valleys in an Array

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You are given a **0-indexed** integer array `nums`. An index `i` is part of a **hill** in `nums` if the closest non-equal neighbors of `i` are smaller than `nums[i]`. Similarly, an index `i` is part of a **valley** in `nums` if the closest non-equal neighbors of `i` are larger than `nums[i]`. Adjacent indices `i` and `j` are part of the **same** hill or valley if `nums[i] == nums[j]`.

Note that for an index to be part of a hill or valley, it must have a non-equal neighbor on **both** the left and right of the index.

Return *the number of hills and valleys in* `nums`.

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Difficulty:	Easy

Example 1:

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Input: nums = [2,4,1,1,6,5]
Output: 3
Explanation:
At index 0: There is no non-equal neighbor of 2 on the left, so index 0 is neither a hill nor a valley.
At index 1: The closest non-equal neighbors of 4 are 2 and 1. Since 4 > 2 and 4 > 1, index 1 is a hill.
At index 2: The closest non-equal neighbors of 1 are 4 and 6. Since 1 < 4 and 1 < 6, index 2 is a valley.
At index 3: The closest non-equal neighbors of 1 are 4 and 6. Since 1 < 4 and 1 < 6, index 3 is a valley, but note that it i
At index 4: The closest non-equal neighbors of 6 are 1 and 5. Since 6 > 1 and 6 > 5, index 4 is a hill.
At index 5: There is no non-equal neighbor of 5 on the right, so index 5 is neither a hill nor a valley.
There are 3 hills and valleys so we return 3.
```

Example 2:

```
Input: nums = [6,6,5,5,4,1]
Output: 0
Explanation:
At index 0: There is no non-equal neighbor of 6 on the left, so index 0 is neither a hill nor a valley.
At index 1: There is no non-equal neighbor of 6 on the left, so index 1 is neither a hill nor a valley.
At index 2: The closest non-equal neighbors of 5 are 6 and 4. Since 5 < 6 and 5 > 4, index 2 is neither a hill nor a valley.
At index 3: The closest non-equal neighbors of 5 are 6 and 4. Since 5 < 6 and 5 > 4, index 3 is neither a hill nor a valley.
At index 4: The closest non-equal neighbors of 4 are 5 and 1. Since 4 < 5 and 4 > 1, index 4 is neither a hill nor a valley.
At index 5: There is no non-equal neighbor of 1 on the right, so index 5 is neither a hill nor a valley.
There are 0 hills and valleys so we return 0.
```

Constraints:

- `3 <= nums.length <= 100`
- `1 <= nums[i] <= 100`

JavaScript

```javascript
const cutMaxConsecutive = (a_or_s) => { let d = [], start = 0, n = a_or_s.length; for (let i = 0; i + 1 < n; i++) {
if (a_or_s[i + 1] != a_or_s[i]) { d.push(a_or_s.slice(start, i + 1)); start = i + 1; } } d.push(a_or_s.slice(start));
return d; };

const countHillValley = (a) => {
    let d = cutMaxConsecutive(a), res = 0, n = d.length;
    for (let i = 1; i < n - 1; i++) {
        let cur = d[i], left = d[i - 1], right = d[i + 1];
        if (cur[0] > left[left.length - 1] && cur[0] > right[0]) res++;
        if (cur[0] < left[left.length - 1] && cur[0] < right[0]) res++;
    }
    return res;
};
```

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