

## 5930. Two Furthest Houses With Different Colors

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There are  $n$  houses evenly lined up on the street, and each house is beautifully painted. You are given a **0-indexed** integer array `colors` of length  $n$ , where `colors[i]` represents the color of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  house.

Return the **maximum** distance between **two** houses with **different** colors.

The distance between the  $i^{\text{th}}$  and  $j^{\text{th}}$  houses is  $\text{abs}(i - j)$ , where  $\text{abs}(x)$  is the **absolute value** of  $x$ .

Example 1:



**Input:** `colors = [1,1,1,6,1,1,1]`

**Output:** 3

**Explanation:** In the above image, color 1 is blue, and color 6 is red. The furthest two houses with different colors are house 0 and house 3. House 0 has color 1, and house 3 has color 6. The distance between them is  $\text{abs}(0 - 3) = 3$ . Note that houses 3 and 6 can also produce the optimal answer.

Example 2:



**Input:** `colors = [1,8,3,8,3]`

**Output:** 4

**Explanation:** In the above image, color 1 is blue, color 8 is yellow, and color 3 is green.

The furthest two houses with different colors are house 0 and house 4. House 0 has color 1, and house 4 has color 3. The distance between them is  $\text{abs}(0 - 4) = 4$ .

Example 3:

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

**Output:** 1

**Explanation:** The furthest two houses with different colors are house 0 and house 1. House 0 has color 0, and house 1 has color 1. The distance between them is  $\text{abs}(0 - 1) = 1$ .

Constraints:

- $n == \text{colors.length}$
- $2 \leq n \leq 100$
- $0 \leq \text{colors}[i] \leq 100$
- Test data are generated such that **at least** two houses have different colors.

JavaScript




```
1 const maxDistance = (a) => {
2   let n = a.length, res = 0;
3   for (let i = 0; i < n; i++) {
4     for (let j = n - 1; j > i; j--) {
5       if (a[i] !== a[j]) {
```

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6         res = Math.max(res, j - i);
7         break;
8     }
9     }
10    }
11    return res;
12 };
```

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