

## 5915. Find the Minimum and Maximum Number of Nodes Between Critical Points

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A **critical point** in a linked list is defined as **either** a **local maxima** or a **local minima**.

A node is a **local maxima** if the current node has a value **strictly greater** than the previous node and the next node.

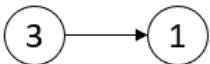
A node is a **local minima** if the current node has a value **strictly smaller** than the previous node and the next node.

Note that a node can only be a local maxima/minima if there exists **both** a previous node and a next node.

Given a linked list `head`, return an array of length 2 containing `[minDistance, maxDistance]` where `minDistance` is the **minimum distance** between **any two distinct** critical points and `maxDistance` is the **maximum distance** between **any two distinct** critical points. If there are **fewer** than two critical points, return `[-1, -1]`.

User Accepted:	0
User Tried:	0
Total Accepted:	0
Total Submissions:	0
Difficulty:	Medium

Example 1:



**Input:** `head = [3,1]`

**Output:** `[-1,-1]`

**Explanation:** There are no critical points in `[3,1]`.

Example 2:



**Input:** `head = [5,3,1,2,5,1,2]`

**Output:** `[1,3]`

**Explanation:** There are three critical points:

- `[5,3,1,2,5,1,2]`: The third node is a local minima because 1 is less than 3 and 2.
- `[5,3,1,2,5,1,2]`: The fifth node is a local maxima because 5 is greater than 2 and 1.
- `[5,3,1,2,5,1,2]`: The sixth node is a local minima because 1 is less than 5 and 2.

The minimum distance is between the fifth and the sixth node. `minDistance = 6 - 5 = 1`.

The maximum distance is between the third and the sixth node. `maxDistance = 6 - 3 = 3`.

Example 3:



**Input:** `head = [1,3,2,2,3,2,2,2,7]`

**Output:** `[3,3]`

**Explanation:** There are two critical points:

- `[1,3,2,2,3,2,2,2,7]`: The second node is a local maxima because 3 is greater than 1 and 2.
- `[1,3,2,2,3,2,2,2,7]`: The fifth node is a local maxima because 3 is greater than 2 and 2.

Both the minimum and maximum distances are between the second and the fifth node.

Thus, `minDistance` and `maxDistance` is `5 - 2 = 3`.

Note that the last node is not considered a local maxima because it does not have a next node.

Example 4:



**Input:** `head = [2,3,3,2]`

**Output:** `[-1,-1]`

**Explanation:** There are no critical points in `[2,3,3,2]`.

**Constraints:**

- The number of nodes in the list is in the range  $[2, 10^5]$  .
- $1 \leq \text{Node.val} \leq 10^5$


JavaScript



```
1 /**
2  * Definition for singly-linked list.
3  * function ListNode(val, next) {
4  *     this.val = (val===undefined ? 0 : val)
5  *     this.next = (next===undefined ? null : next)
6  * }
7  */
8 /**
9  * @param {ListNode} head
10 * @return {number[]}
11 */
12 var nodesBetweenCriticalPoints = function(head) {
13
14 };
```

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