Othello, Part I: Count pieces to be flipped

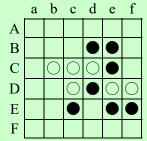
function countFlipPieces(gameboard, the player's color, a grid, a direction);

Output: the number of that opponent's pieces that can be flipped

Description

• The state of the game board is represented by a string of 36 characters, including + (for empty grid), X (for dark pieces), and O (for light pieces).

For example, "++++++++XX++OOOX+++OXOO++X+XX++++++" means



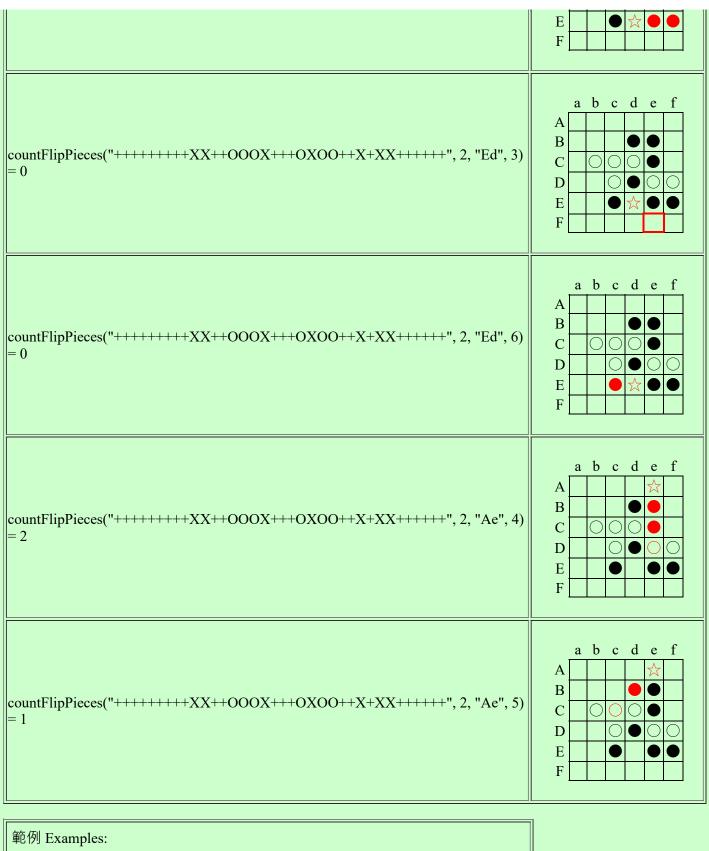
- Player 1 uses dark pieces and Player 2 uses light pieces.
- The coordination of a grid is in the format of Xy, where the uppercased X denotes the row and the lowercased y denotes the column.
- Direction ID $0 \sim 7$ denote the eight directions, i.e. \bot up, 右 \bot up-right, 右 right, 右下 down-right, 下 down, 左下 down-left, 左 left, and 左 \bot up-left.

In this practice, when there is a tie (e.g. two moves having the same heuristic scores), choose the lower-ID direction.

(In the future, you can break tie with random numbers.)

Some examples are given here.

Return Value	Explanation
countFlipPieces("+++++++++XX++OOOX+++OXOO++X+XX++++++", 2, "Ed", 0) = 1	a b c d e f A B C O O O C F F
countFlipPieces("+++++++++XX++OOOX+++OXOO++X+XX++++++", 2, "Ed", 1) = 0	a b c d e f A
countFlipPieces("+++++++++XX++OOOX+++OXOO++X+XX++++++", 2, "Ed", 2) = 0	a b c d e f A B C D O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O



範例 Examples:	
Input	Meaning
7 ++++++++XX++OOOX+++OXOO++X+XX++++++ 2 Ed 0 ++++++++XX++OOOX+++OXOO++X+XX++++++ 2 Ed 1	Number of test data gameboard of test data #1 player's color of test data #1 grid of test data #1 direction of test data #1 gameboard of test data #2 player's color of test data #2 grid of test data #2 direction of test data #2

Output	Meaning
1 0 0 0	answer of test data #1 answer of test data #2 answer of test data #3
0 2 1	