

## 36. Valid Sudoku

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Determine if a 9 x 9 Sudoku board is valid. Only the filled cells need to be validated **according to the following rules**:

- Each row must contain the digits 1–9 without repetition.
- Each column must contain the digits 1–9 without repetition.
- Each of the nine 3 x 3 sub-boxes of the grid must contain the digits 1–9 without repetition.

**Note:**

- A Sudoku board (partially filled) could be valid but is not necessarily solvable.
- Only the filled cells need to be validated according to the mentioned rules.

**Example 1:**

5	3			7				
6			1	9	5			
	9	8					6	
8				6				3
4			8		3			1
7				2				6
	6					2	8	
			4	1	9			5
				8			7	9

**Input:** board =  
[["5","3",".",".","7",".",".",".","."],  
["6",".",".","1","9","5",".",".","."],  
[["9","8",".",".",".",".","6","."],  
["8",".",".","6",".",".","3"],  
["4",".",".","8",".","3",".",".","1"],  
["7",".",".","2",".",".","6"],  
[["6",".",".","2","8","."],  
[["4","1","9",".","5"],  
[["8",".","7","9"]]  
**Output:** true

**Example 2:**

**Input:** board =  
[["8","3",".",".","7",".",".","."],  
["6",".",".","1","9","5",".",".","."],  
[["9","8",".",".","6","."],  
["8",".","6",".","3"],  
["4",".","8",".","3",".",".","1"],  
["7",".","2",".","6"],  
[["6",".","2","8","."],  
[["4","1","9",".","5"],  
[["8","7","9"]]  
**Output:** false  
**Explanation:** Same as Example 1, except with the 5 in the top left corner being modified to 8. Since

**Constraints:**

- board.length == 9
- board[i].length == 9
- board[i][j] is a digit 1–9 or '.'.