



**BITMASKS**

ISIS 2801

# Bitmasks

Bitmasks are defined as **small sets of Booleans**.

F	E	D	C	B	A
5	4	3	2	1	0

$\{B, F\} = \{1, 5\} = 34 = 1\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0$

Bitmask encodings  
are faster than other  
structure alternatives

Easy to manipulate with  
bit-wise operations

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$$1\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0 \mid 1000 = 101010$$

check bit j

$$1\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0 \& 1000 = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } N[j] == 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } N[j] == 1 \end{cases}$$

# Bitmasks

1 0 0 0 1 0 & ~(000010) = 101000

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flip the value of bit j

$1\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ \&\ \sim 100011 = 0$

get least significant bit

# Bitmasks operations

<<

>>

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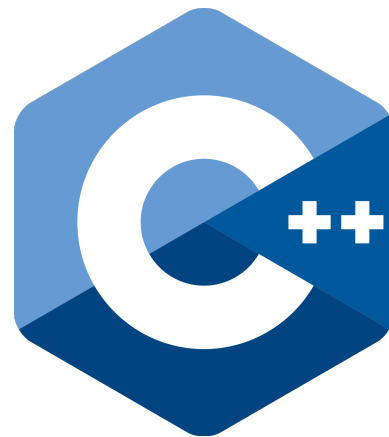
&

~

^



```
0b10101  
bin(n)  
int(b, 2)
```



>>>

fill with 0 from  
the left

# Odd occurring

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```
int findOdd(int arr[]) {  
    int res = 0, i;  
    int n = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);  
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)  
        res ^= arr[i];  
    return res;  
}
```



A close-up of a yellow warning sign with black diagonal stripes. The word "WARNING" is printed in large, bold, black capital letters across the center.

# WARNING

Only works for small-constraint  
problems

# Floorboard

You are building a house and are laying the floorboards in one of the rooms. Each floorboard is a rectangle **1 unit wide and can be of any positive integer length**. Floorboards must be laid with their sides parallel to one of the sides of the room and cannot overlap. In addition, the room may contain features such as pillars, which lead to areas of the floor where no floorboards can be laid. The room is rectangular and the features all lie on a unit-square grid within it. You want to know the **minimum** number of floorboards that you need to completely cover the floor.

You are given a `String[] room` containing the layout of the room. Character `j` in element `i` of `room` represents the grid-square at position `(i, j)` and will be a `'.'` if this square needs to be covered with a floorboard or a `'#'` if the square is a feature where no floorboard can be laid. Return an `int` containing the minimum number of floorboards you need to completely cover the floor.

# Floorboard

The board is 10 x 10

0)

{ " . . . . "

" "

, . . . .

" "

, . . . .

" "

, . . . .

" " }

, . . . . }

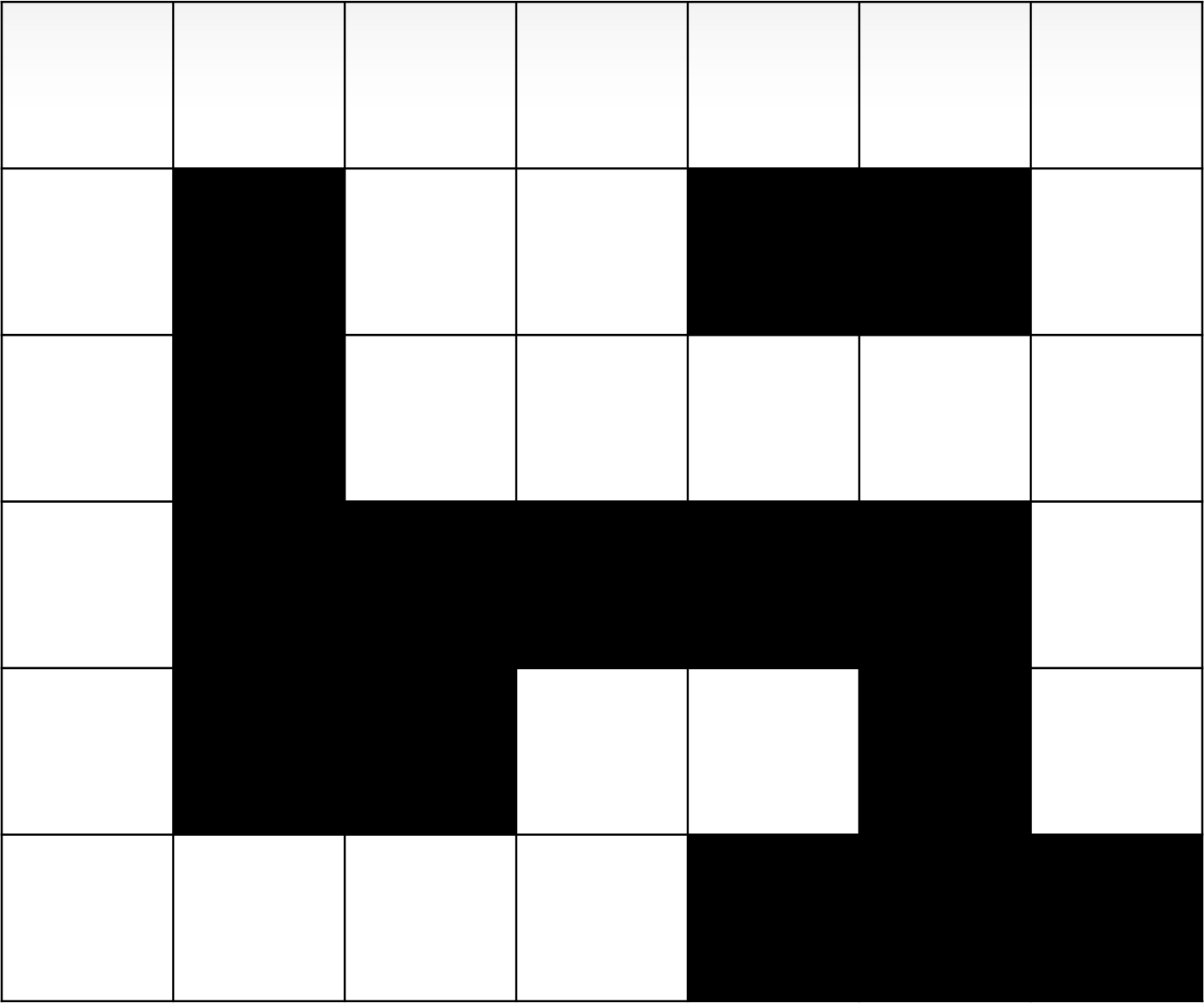
# Returns: 5

1)

```
{ "....."  
  , ".#..##."  
  , ".#....."  
  , "#####."  
  , "###..#."  
  , ".....####"}  
}
```

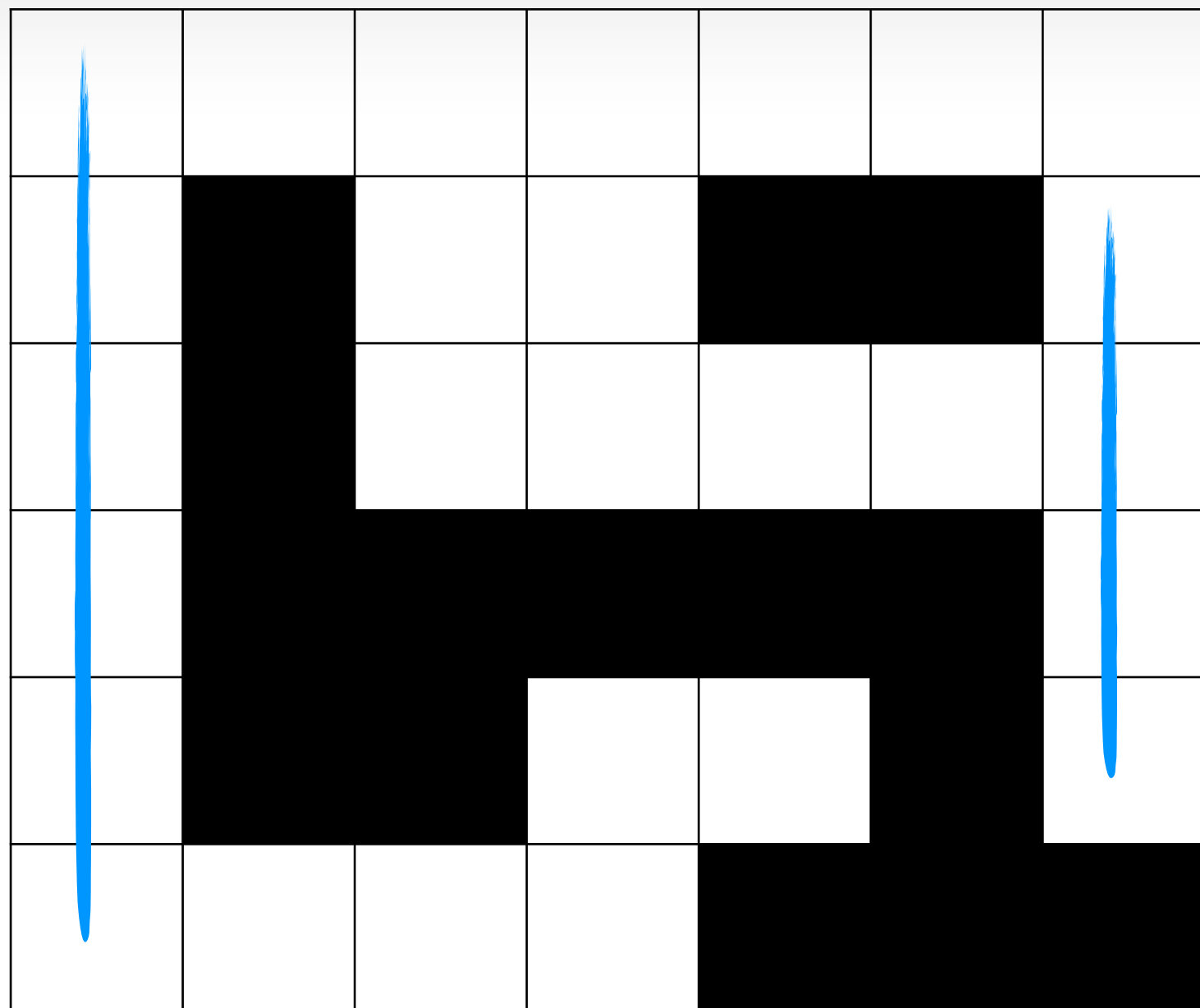
Returns: 7

# Floorboard

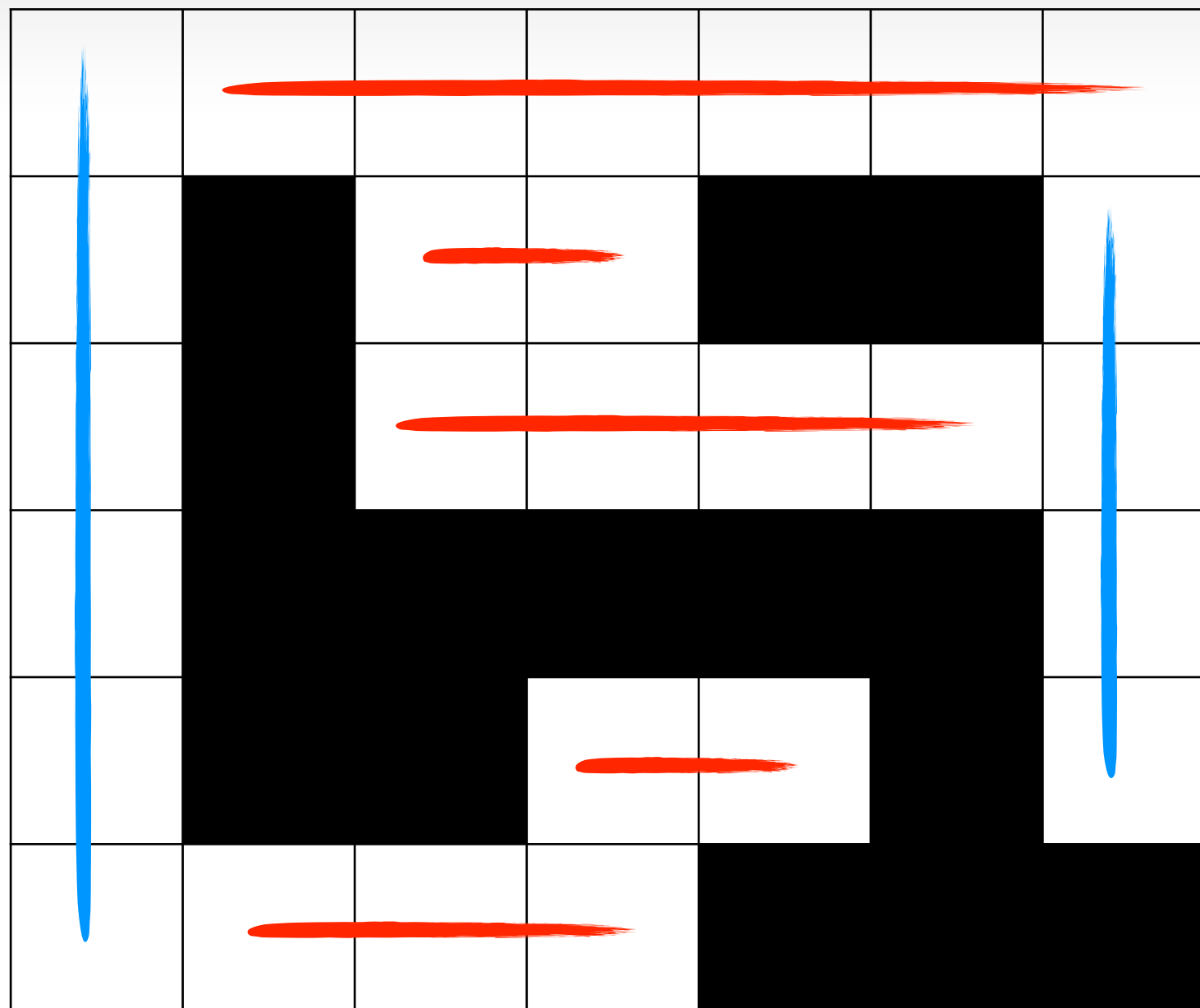




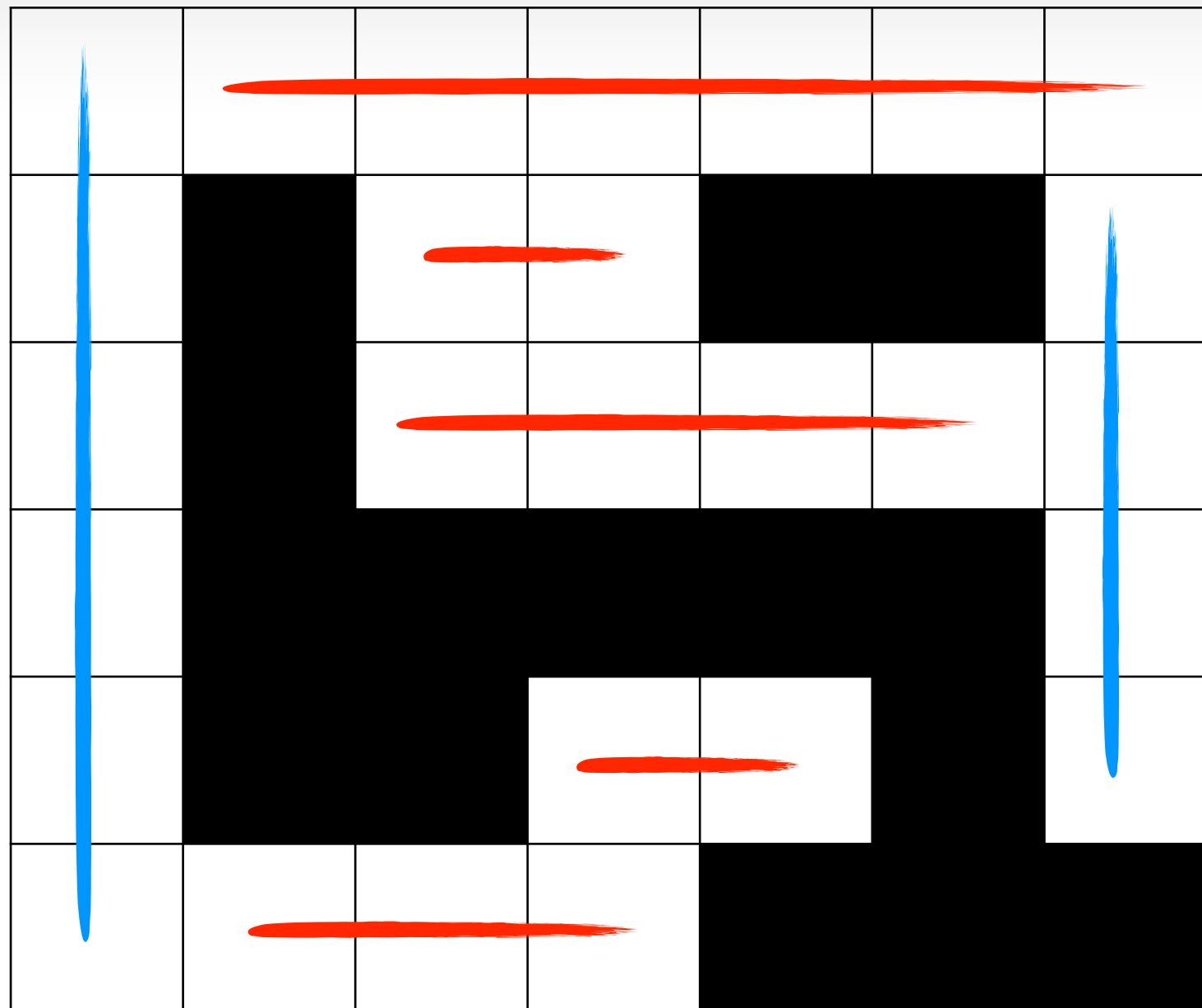
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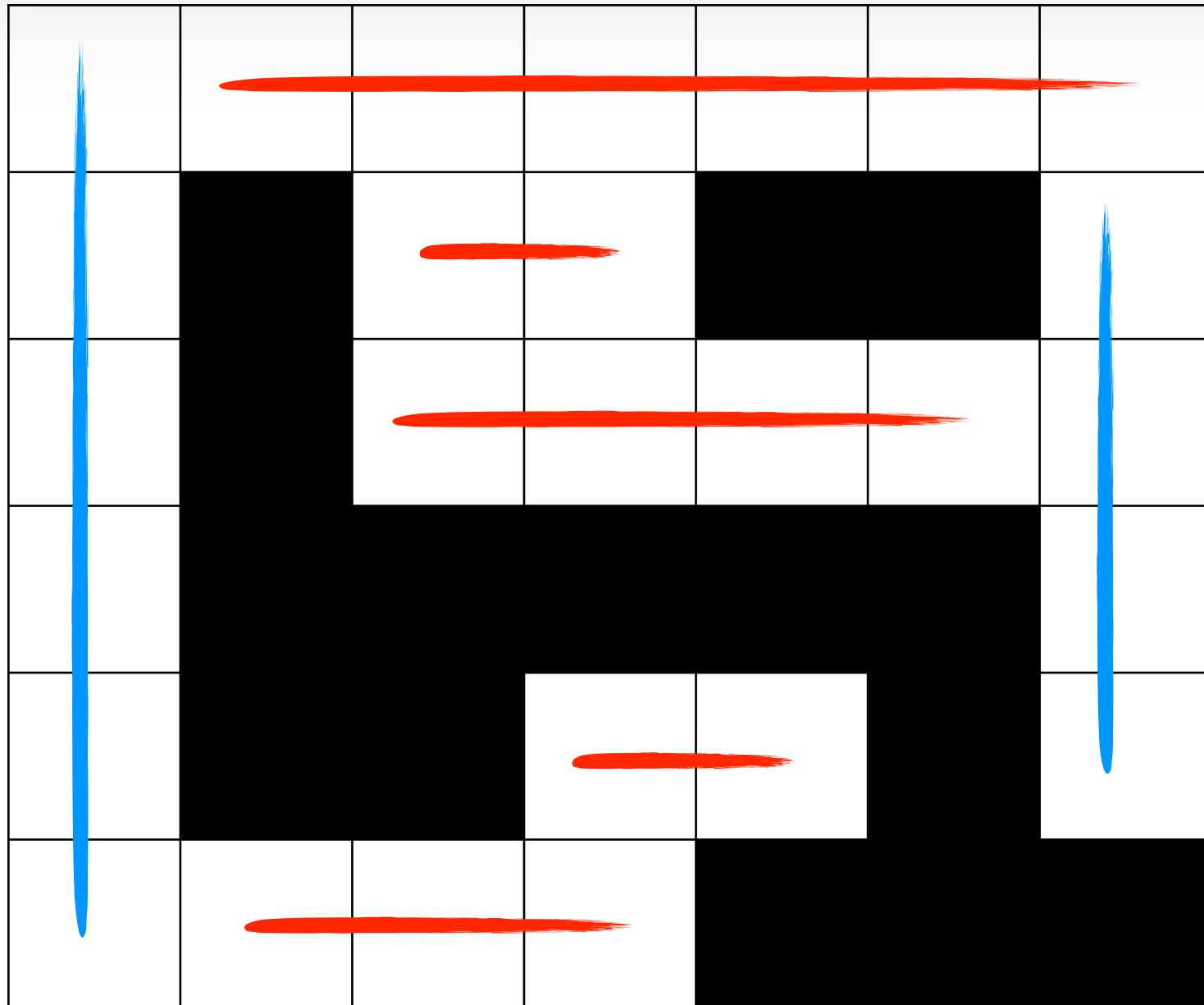
We need 7  
boards

FIRST LOOK



# Floorboard

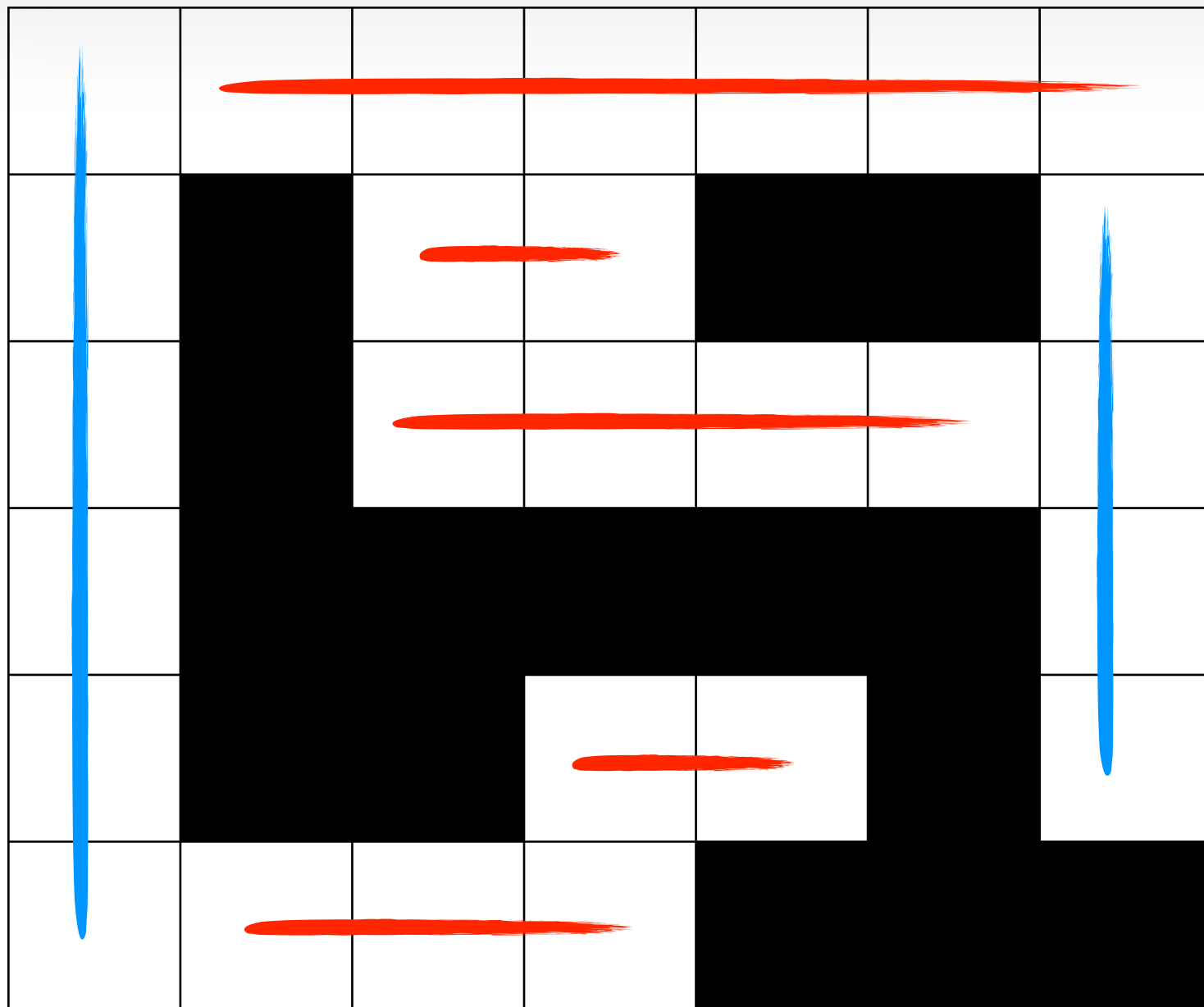
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using bitmask dp

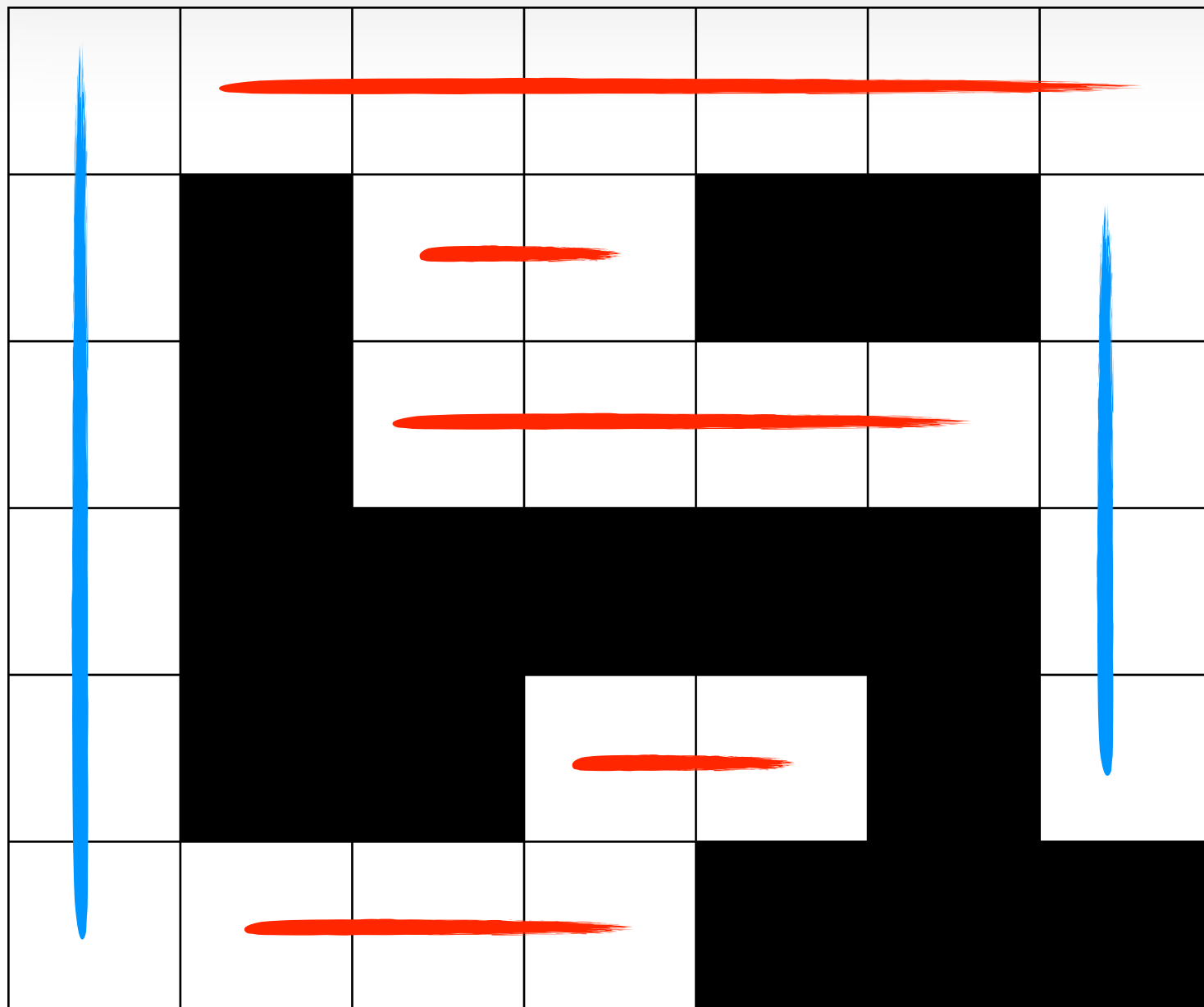


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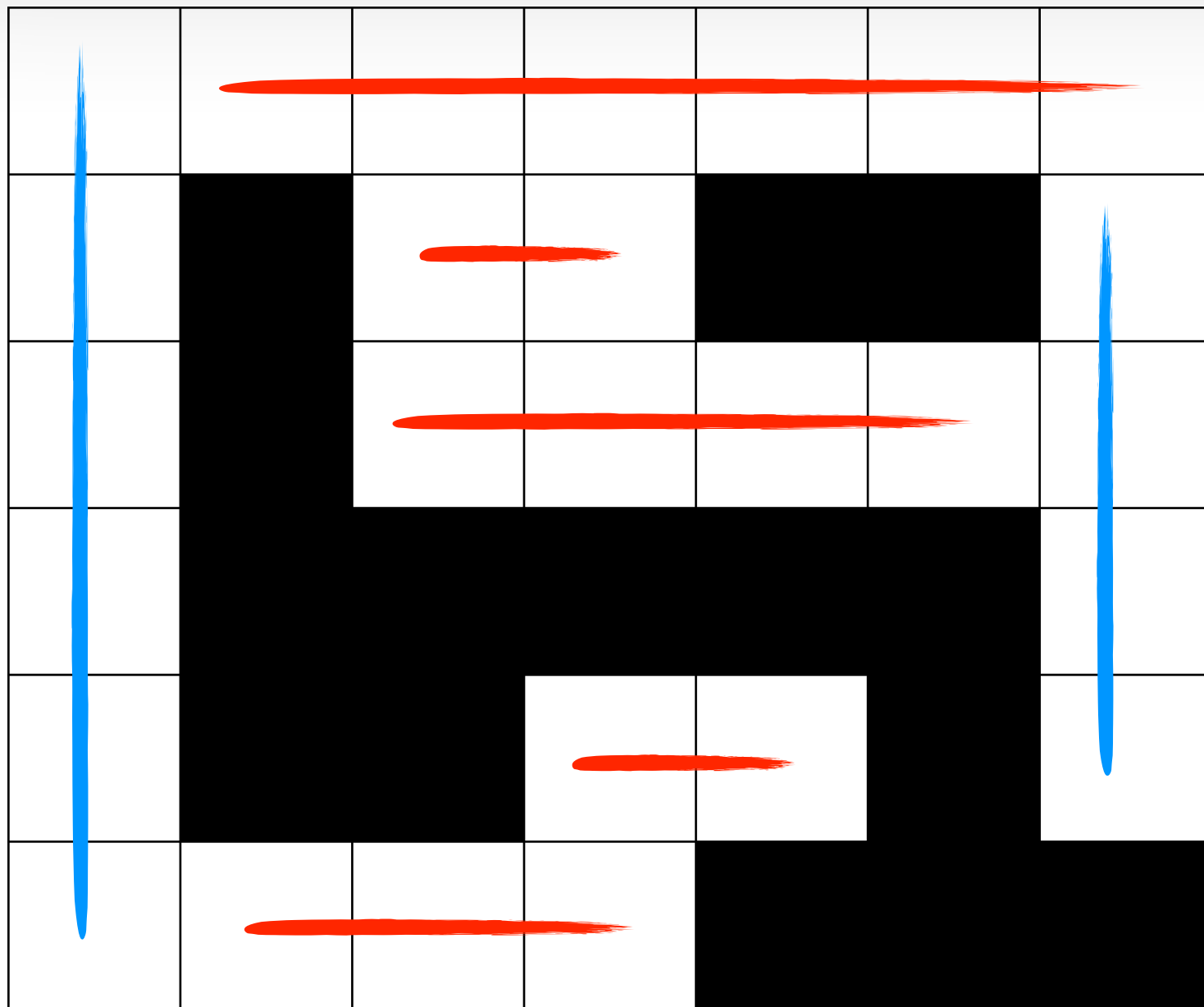
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the complete state is  
too much information  
to remember





USE SWEEP SEARCH



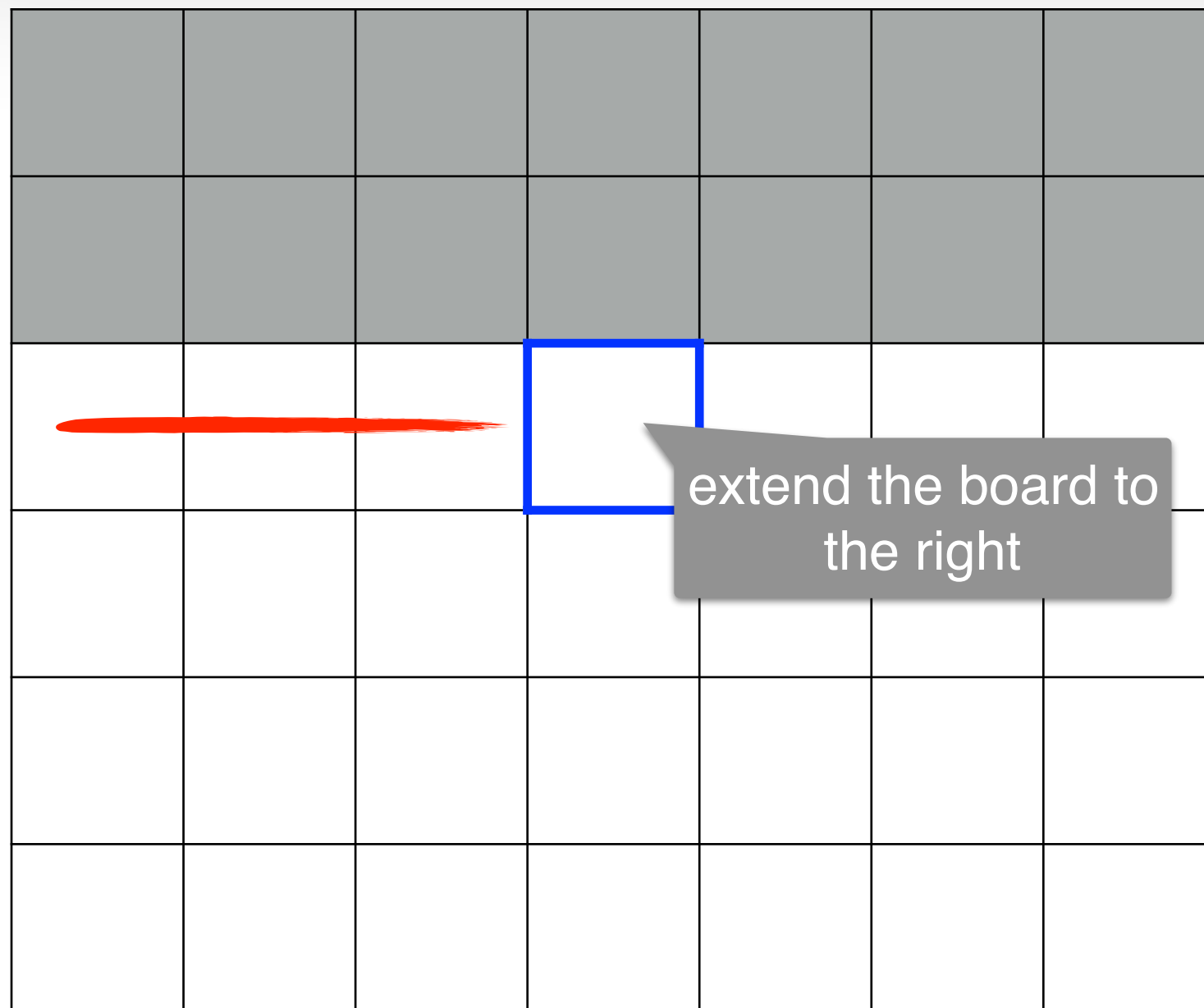
# Floorboard

explore cells in row  
major order

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	32	33	34	35
36	37	38	39	40	41	42

1. cover the board
2. use least amount of boards

# Floorboard



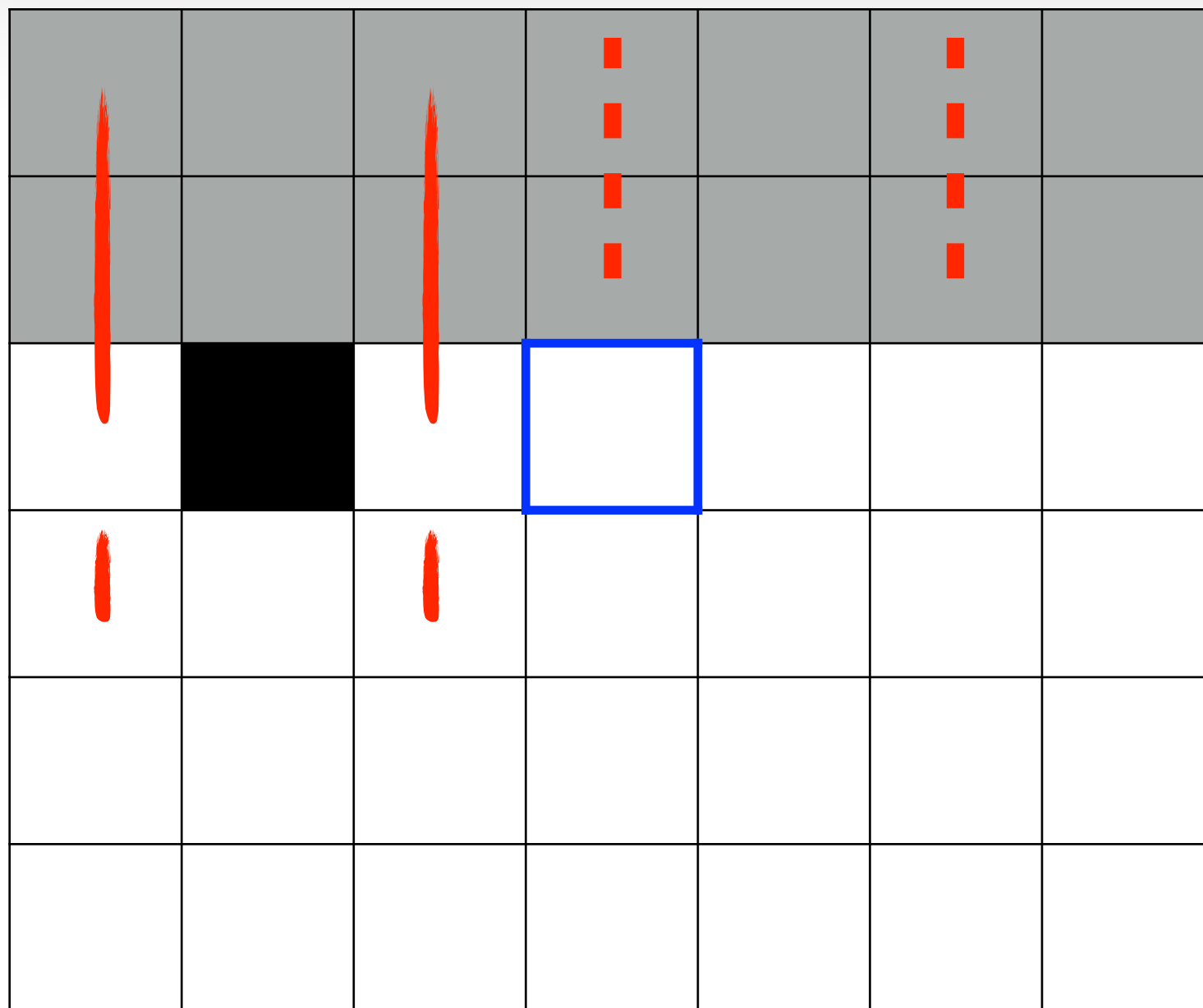
## Mask

1 := horizontal board

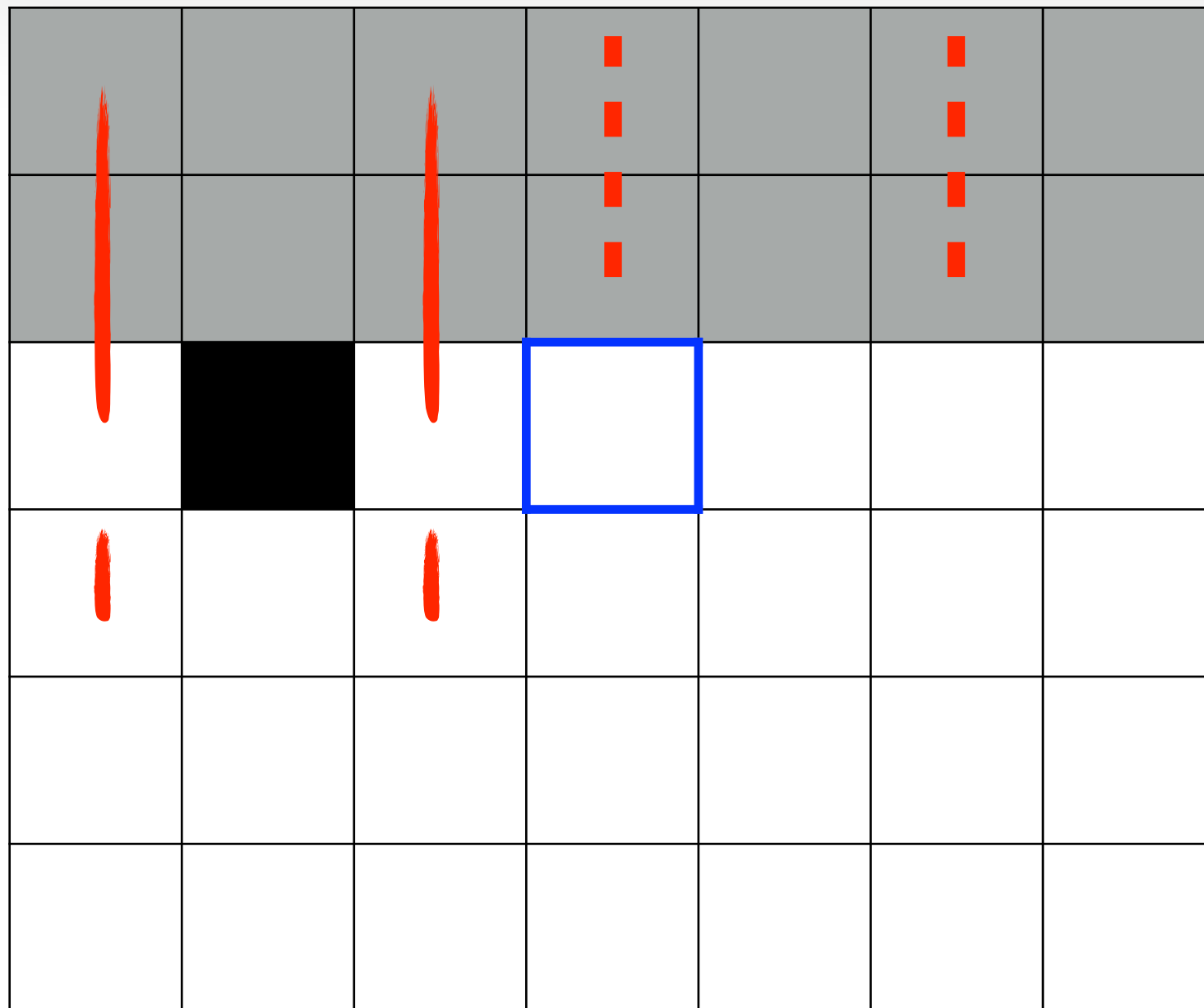
0 := no board

i.e., vertical board  
behind (have a 0)

# Floorboard



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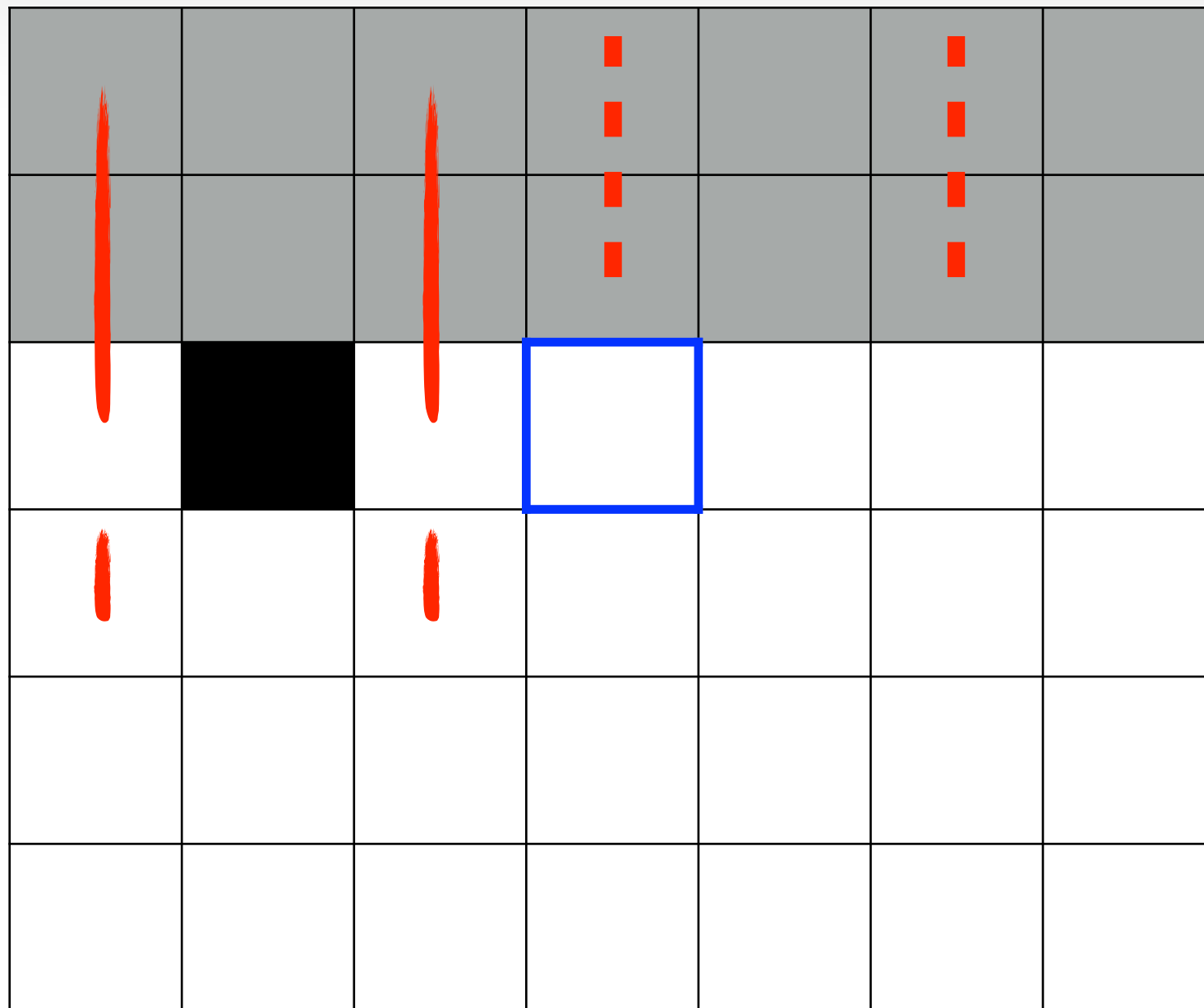


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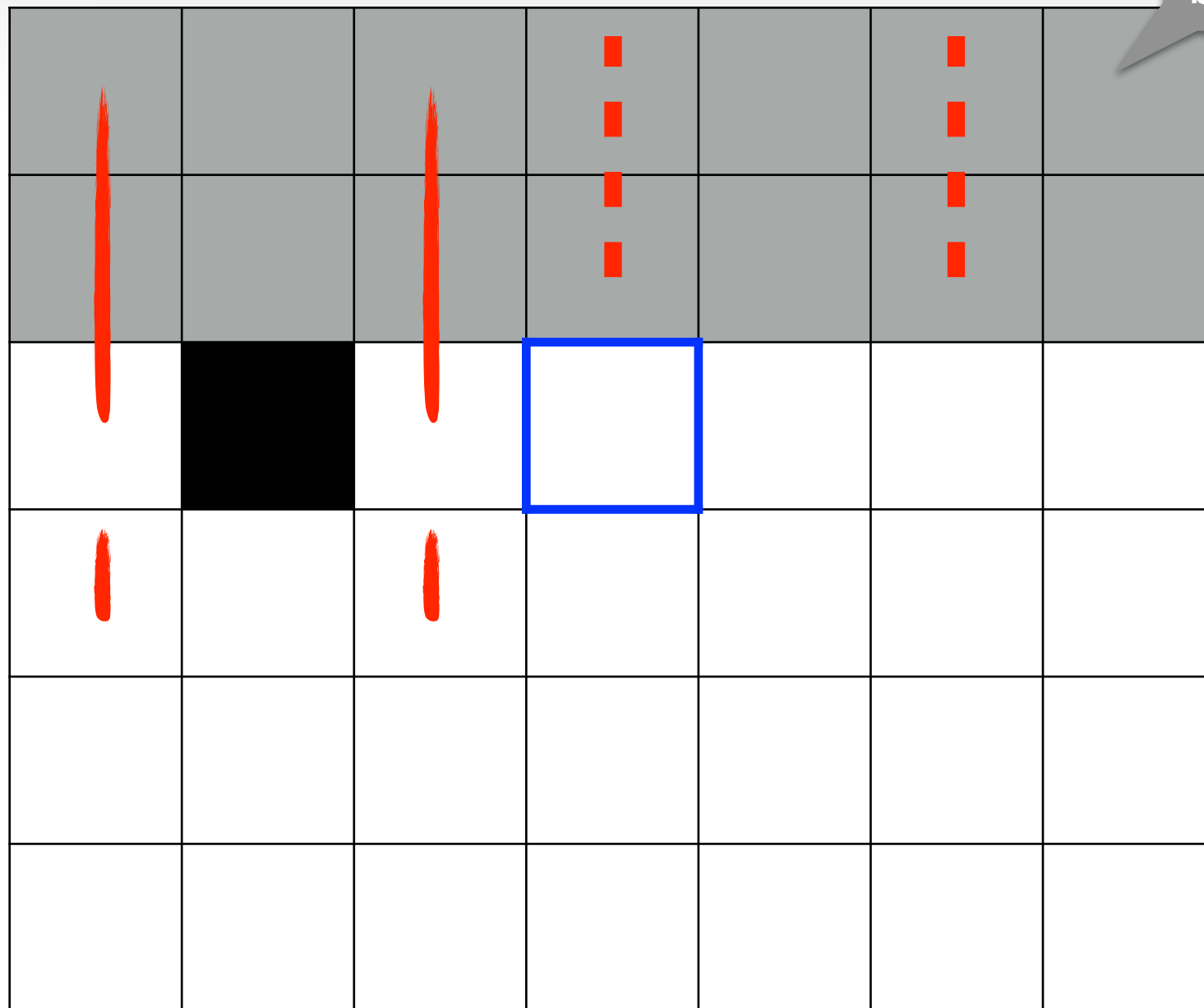
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This gives a state space of  
size  $2^c$

# Floorboard

I want to have a column  
base analysis of the system



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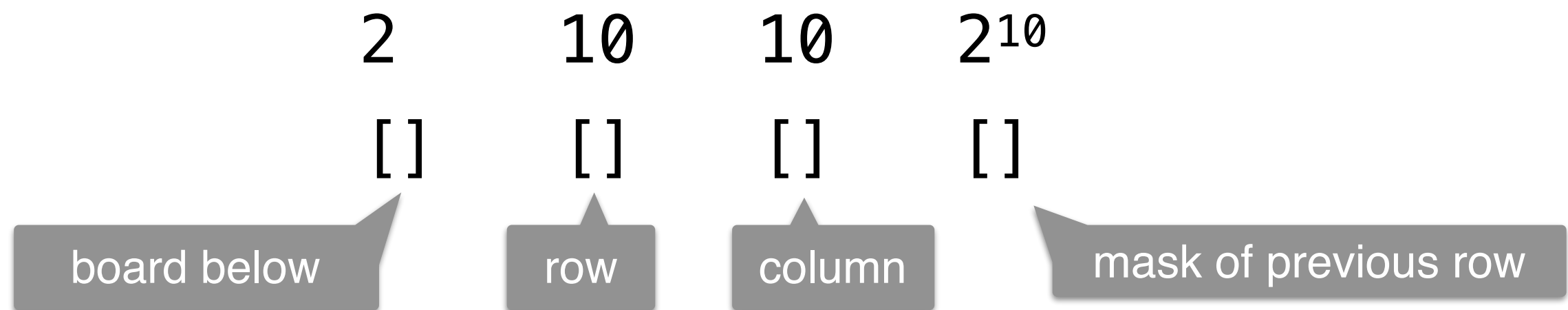
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# Floorboard

## DP state:



## Choices:

1. start a new board (horizontal or vertical)
2. continue a board (horizontal, vertical)



# Floorboard

```
int dp(int board, int i, int j, int mask) {
    if(i == w) {
        return dp(0, 0, j+1, mask);
    }
    if(j == h) {
        return 0;
    }
    if(memoization[board][i][j][mask] != null) {
        return memoization[board][i][j][mask];
    }

    int res = inf;
    //turn off ith bit
    int missingVerticalBoard = ((1 << w) - 1 - (1 << i)) & mask;

    if(blocked[i][j]) {
        res = dp(0, i+1, j, missingVerticalBoard);
    }
}
```

# Floorboard

```
else {
    if(board == 1) { //continue horizontal board
        //eliminate the column behind
        res = Math.min(res, dp(board, i+1, j, missingVerticalBoard));
    } if((mask & (1 << i)) > 0) { //continue vertical board
        res = Math.min(res, dp(0, i+1, j, mask));
    } //start new board
    //new horizontal
    res = Math.min(res, 1 + dp(1, i+1, j, missingVerticalBoard));
    //new vertical;
    res = Math.min(res, 1 + dp(0, i+1, j, missingVerticalBoard | (1 << i)));
}
return memoization[board][i][j][mask] = res;
}
```

# Reach for the stars

You are given a star shaped stamp  $+$ . The black area is covered in ink and the white area is not. When the stamp hits the paper, it leaves a mark for each cell of ink that hits the paper.

For example,  $++$  can be made with two stampings. Notice the stamp must always remain axis-aligned when hitting the paper. We also require that the stamp be completely contained within the paper. Note a cell of paper stamped once with black ink is indistinguishable from a cell of paper stamped multiple times with black ink. Note also that cells and stamp line up properly, i.e., a cell is either covered completely by the stamp or not covered at all, i.e., the stamp will not cover part of a cell.

# Reach for the stars

Given a black and white image, determine the minimum number of times, if possible, you would need to stamp the paper with the star stamp to end up with the design specified.

## **Input:**

The first input line contains a positive integer,  $n$ , indicating the number of images to evaluate. Each image starts with a line containing two integers,  $r$  and  $c$ , ( $1 \leq r \leq 9$ ,  $1 \leq c \leq 9$ ), representing the number of rows and columns, respectively. The next  $r$  input lines contains  $c$  characters each. The characters are either '.', representing a blank cell of the image and '#', representing a cell of the image covered in ink.

## **Output:**

For each image, output "Image #d: v" where  $v$  is the minimum number of stampings required to make the image. Replace  $v$  with "impossible" (without quotes) if it is not possible to form the image using the star shaped stamp. Leave a blank line after the output for each test case

# Reach for the stars

## Sample Input:

```
5
1 1
.
1 1
#
3 3
.#.
###
.#.
3 5
.##.
#####
.##.
4 7
.##.#..
#####.
.#####
..#..#.
```

## Sample Output:

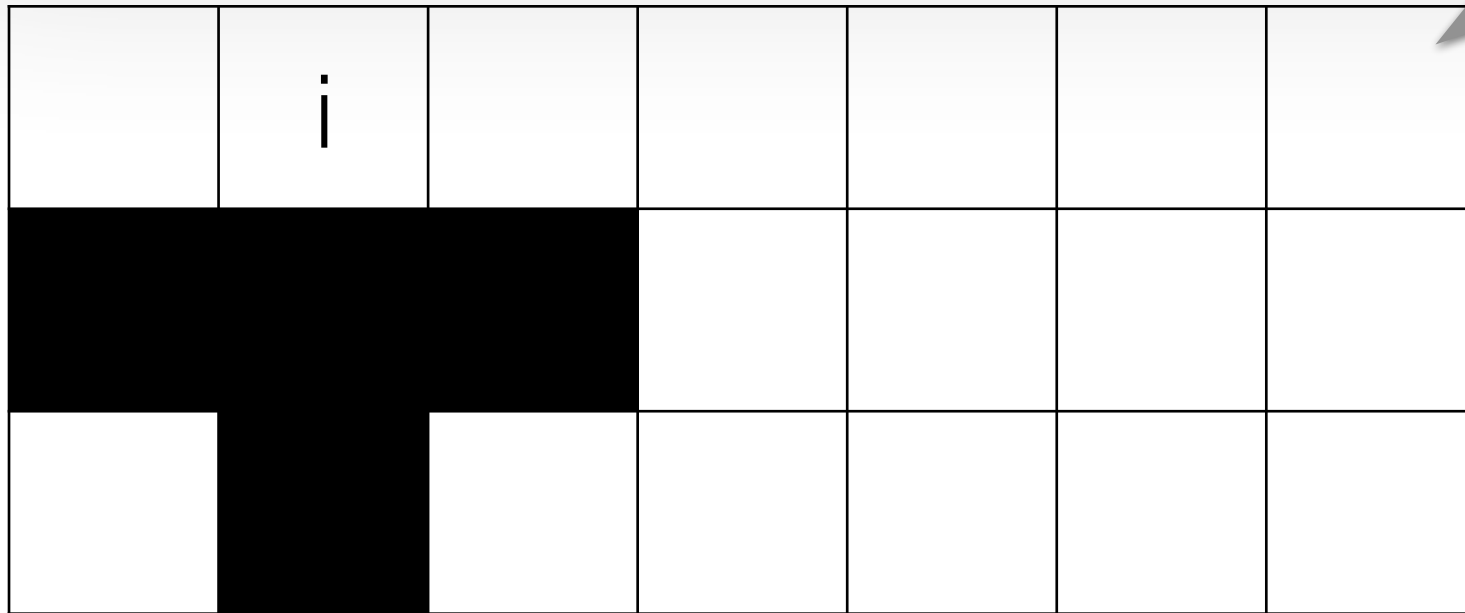
```
Image #1: 0
Image #2: impossible
Image #3: 1
Image #4: 2
Image #5: 5
```

USE SWEEP SEARCH



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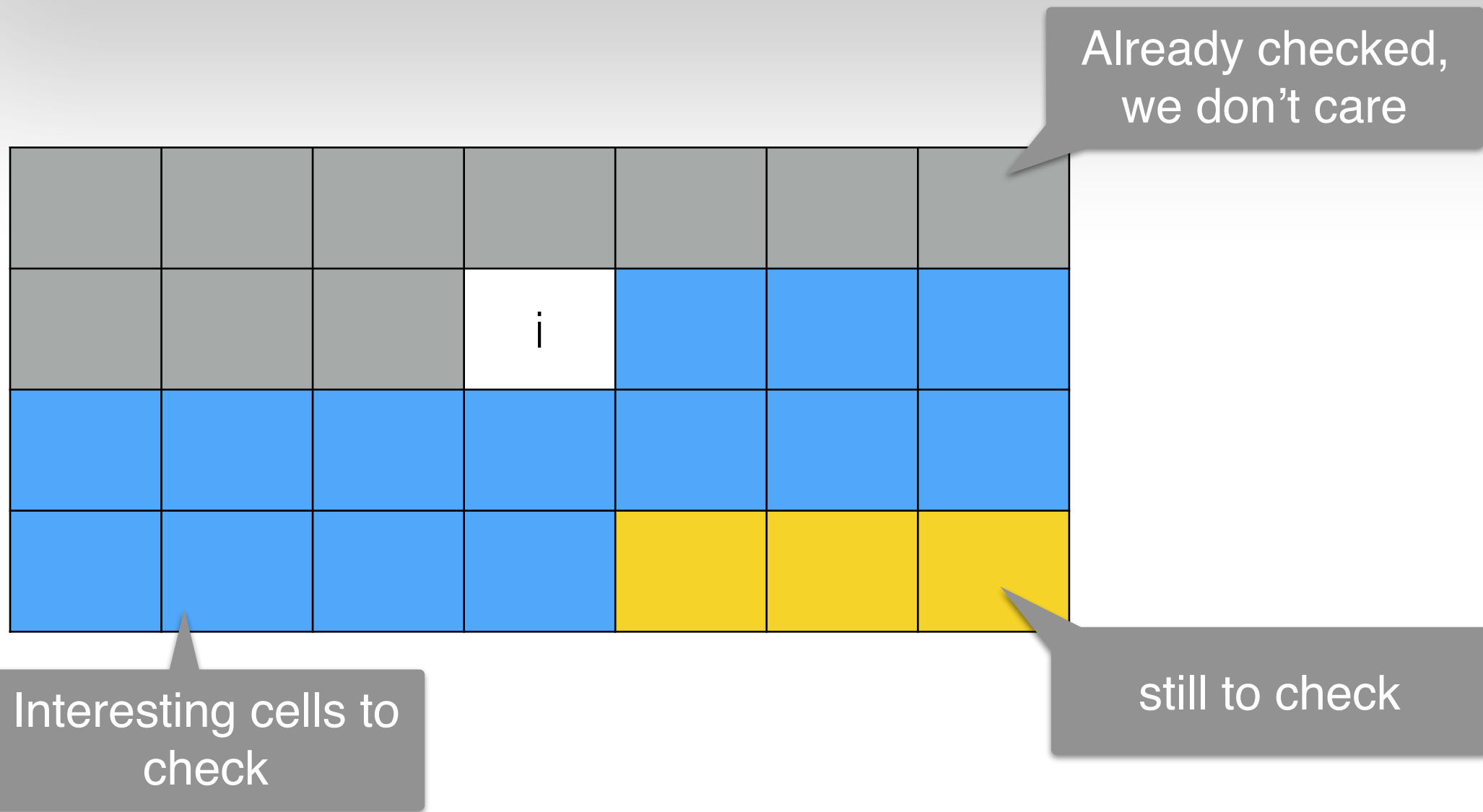
explore cells in row  
major order



Keep track of 3 rows  $\Rightarrow 2^{27}$  masks

too big, use rolling  
bitmasks

# Reach for the stars



Keep track of 2 rows  $\Rightarrow 2^{18}$  masks



# Reach for the stars

## Mask

1 := cell is marked

0 := not marked (yet)

moving to the next  
cell is equivalent to a  
right shift

		<b>i</b>	1	2	3	4
	<b>c-1</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>c+1</b>			
		<b>2c</b>				

putting a stamp is  
just marking the cells  
 $2^0 \mid 2^{c-1} \mid 2^c \mid 2^{c+1} \mid 2^{2c}$



code time