

# Problem 3693: Climbing Stairs II

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Medium

**Acceptance Rate:** 63.60%

**Paid Only:** No

**Tags:** Array, Dynamic Programming

## Problem Description

You are climbing a staircase with `n + 1` steps, numbered from 0 to `n`.

You are also given a **1-indexed** integer array `costs` of length `n`, where `costs[i]` is the cost of step `i`.

From step `i`, you can jump **only** to step `i + 1`, `i + 2`, or `i + 3`. The cost of jumping from step `i` to step `j` is defined as: `costs[j] + (j - i)2`

You start from step 0 with `cost = 0`.

Return the **minimum** total cost to reach step `n`.

**Example 1:**

**Input:** n = 4, costs = [1,2,3,4]

**Output:** 13

**Explanation:**

One optimal path is `0 -> 1 -> 2 -> 4`

Jump | Cost Calculation | Cost ---|---|--- 0 -> 1 | `costs[1] + (1 - 0)2 = 1 + 1` | 2 1 -> 2 | `costs[2] + (2 - 1)2 = 2 + 1` | 3 2 -> 4 | `costs[4] + (4 - 2)2 = 4 + 4` | 8 Thus, the minimum total cost is `2 + 3 + 8 = 13`

**\*\*Example 2:\*\***

**\*\*Input:\*\*** n = 4, costs = [5,1,6,2]

**\*\*Output:\*\*** 11

**\*\*Explanation:\*\***

One optimal path is `0 -> 2 -> 4`

Jump | Cost Calculation | Cost ---|---|--- 0 -> 2 | `costs[2] + (2 - 0)2 = 1 + 4` | 5 2 -> 4 | `costs[4] + (4 - 2)2 = 2 + 4` | 6 Thus, the minimum total cost is `5 + 6 = 11`

**\*\*Example 3:\*\***

**\*\*Input:\*\*** n = 3, costs = [9,8,3]

**\*\*Output:\*\*** 12

**\*\*Explanation:\*\***

The optimal path is `0 -> 3` with total cost = `costs[3] + (3 - 0)2 = 3 + 9 = 12`

**\*\*Constraints:\*\***

\* `1 <= n == costs.length <= 105` \* `1 <= costs[i] <= 104`

## Code Snippets

**C++:**

```
class Solution {
public:
    int climbStairs(int n, vector<int>& costs) {
        }
};
```

**Java:**

```
class Solution {  
    public int climbStairs(int n, int[] costs) {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Python3:**

```
class Solution:  
    def climbStairs(self, n: int, costs: List[int]) -> int:
```