

Problem 2850: Minimum Moves to Spread Stones Over Grid

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 44.88%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Dynamic Programming, Breadth-First Search, Matrix

Problem Description

You are given a **0-indexed** 2D integer matrix `grid` of size `3 * 3`, representing the number of stones in each cell. The grid contains exactly `9` stones, and there can be **multiple** stones in a single cell.

In one move, you can move a single stone from its current cell to any other cell if the two cells share a side.

Return `the minimum number of moves` required to place one stone in each cell.

Example 1:



Input: `grid = [[1,1,0],[1,1,1],[1,2,1]]` **Output:** `3` **Explanation:** One possible sequence of moves to place one stone in each cell is: 1- Move one stone from cell (2,1) to cell (2,2). 2- Move one stone from cell (2,2) to cell (1,2). 3- Move one stone from cell (1,2) to cell (0,2). In total, it takes 3 moves to place one stone in each cell of the grid. It can be shown that 3 is the minimum number of moves required to place one stone in each cell.

Example 2:



Input: `grid = [[1,3,0],[1,0,0],[1,0,3]]` **Output:** `4` **Explanation:** One possible sequence of moves to place one stone in each cell is: 1- Move one stone from cell (0,1) to cell (0,2). 2-

Move one stone from cell (0,1) to cell (1,1). 3- Move one stone from cell (2,2) to cell (1,2). 4- Move one stone from cell (2,2) to cell (2,1). In total, it takes 4 moves to place one stone in each cell of the grid. It can be shown that 4 is the minimum number of moves required to place one stone in each cell.

****Constraints:****

* `grid.length == grid[i].length == 3` * `0 <= grid[i][j] <= 9` * Sum of `grid` is equal to `9`.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int minimumMoves(vector<vector<int>>& grid) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int minimumMoves(int[][] grid) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def minimumMoves(self, grid: List[List[int]]) -> int:
```