

Problem 1217: Minimum Cost to Move Chips to The Same Position

Problem Information

Difficulty: [Easy](#)

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

We have

n

chips, where the position of the

i

th

chip is

`position[i]`

.

We need to move all the chips to

the same position

. In one step, we can change the position of the

i

th

chip from

position[i]

to:

position[i] + 2

or

position[i] - 2

with

cost = 0

.

position[i] + 1

or

position[i] - 1

with

cost = 1

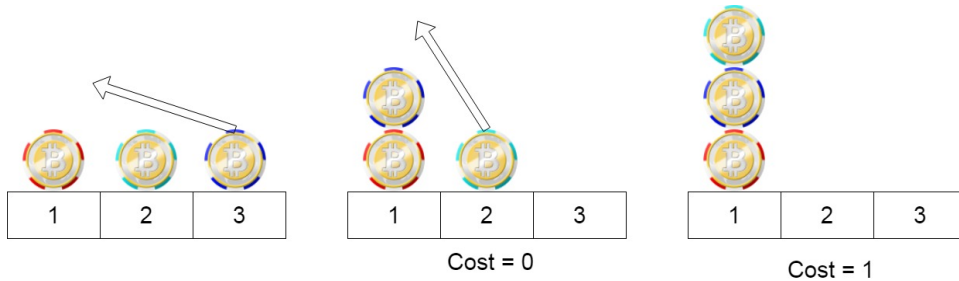
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Return

the minimum cost

needed to move all the chips to the same position.

Example 1:



Input:

position = [1,2,3]

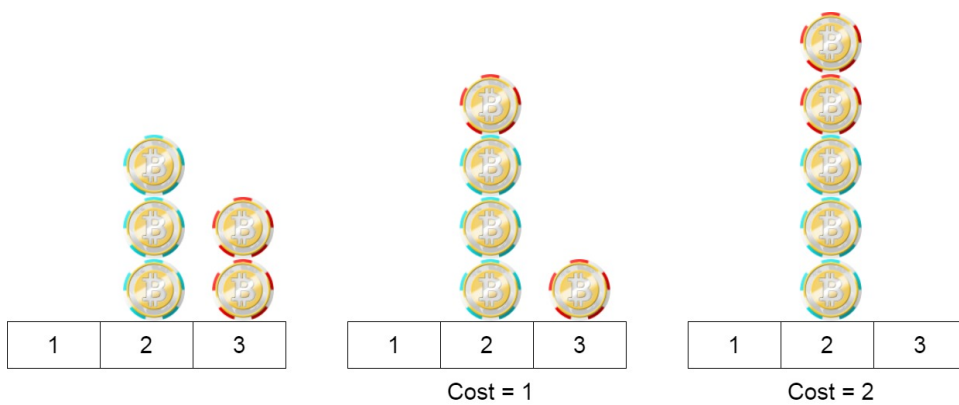
Output:

1

Explanation:

First step: Move the chip at position 3 to position 1 with cost = 0. Second step: Move the chip at position 2 to position 1 with cost = 1. Total cost is 1.

Example 2:



Input:

position = [2,2,2,3,3]

Output:

2

Explanation:

We can move the two chips at position 3 to position 2. Each move has cost = 1. The total cost = 2.

Example 3:

Input:

position = [1,1000000000]

Output:

1

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{position.length} \leq 100$

$1 \leq \text{position}[i] \leq 10^9$

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int minCostToMoveChips(vector<int>& position) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int minCostToMoveChips(int[] position) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def minCostToMoveChips(self, position: List[int]) -> int:
```

Python:

```
class Solution(object):
    def minCostToMoveChips(self, position):
        """
        :type position: List[int]
        :rtype: int
        """
```

JavaScript:

```
/**
 * @param {number[]} position
 * @return {number}
 */
var minCostToMoveChips = function(position) {

};
```

TypeScript:

```
function minCostToMoveChips(position: number[]): number {

};
```

C#:

```
public class Solution {
    public int MinCostToMoveChips(int[] position) {

    }
}
```

C:

```
int minCostToMoveChips(int* position, int positionSize) {

}
```

Go:

```
func minCostToMoveChips(position []int) int {  
  
}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun minCostToMoveChips(position: IntArray): Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func minCostToMoveChips(_ position: [Int]) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn min_cost_to_move_chips(position: Vec<i32>) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# @param {Integer[]} position  
# @return {Integer}  
def min_cost_to_move_chips(position)  
  
end
```

PHP:

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**
```

```

* @param Integer[] $position
* @return Integer
*/
function minCostToMoveChips($position) {

}
}

```

Dart:

```

class Solution {
  int minCostToMoveChips(List<int> position) {

  }
}

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Scala:

```

object Solution {
  def minCostToMoveChips(position: Array[Int]): Int = {

  }
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Elixir:

```

defmodule Solution do
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Racket:

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Solutions

C++ Solution:

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 * Difficulty: Easy
 * Tags: array, greedy, math
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 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
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class Solution {
public:
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        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass
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