

# Problem 2379: Minimum Recolors to Get K Consecutive Black Blocks

## Problem Information

Difficulty: [Easy](#)

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

## Problem Description

You are given a

0-indexed

string

blocks

of length

$n$

, where

$\text{blocks}[i]$

is either

'W'

or

'B'

, representing the color of the

i

th

block. The characters

'W'

and

'B'

denote the colors white and black, respectively.

You are also given an integer

k

, which is the desired number of

consecutive

black blocks.

In one operation, you can

recolor

a white block such that it becomes a black block.

Return

the

minimum

number of operations needed such that there is at least

one

occurrence of

k

consecutive black blocks.

Example 1:

Input:

blocks = "WBBWWBBWBW", k = 7

Output:

3

Explanation:

One way to achieve 7 consecutive black blocks is to recolor the 0th, 3rd, and 4th blocks so that blocks = "BBBBBBBWBW". It can be shown that there is no way to achieve 7 consecutive black blocks in less than 3 operations. Therefore, we return 3.

Example 2:

Input:

blocks = "WBWBBBW", k = 2

Output:

0

Explanation:

No changes need to be made, since 2 consecutive black blocks already exist. Therefore, we return 0.

Constraints:

$n == \text{blocks.length}$

$1 \leq n \leq 100$

$\text{blocks}[i]$

is either

'W'

or

'B'

.

$1 \leq k \leq n$

## Code Snippets

**C++:**

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int minimumRecolors(string blocks, int k) {  
  
    }  
};
```

**Java:**

```
class Solution {  
public int minimumRecolors(String blocks, int k) {  
  
}  
}
```

### **Python3:**

```
class Solution:  
    def minimumRecolors(self, blocks: str, k: int) -> int:
```

### **Python:**

```
class Solution(object):  
    def minimumRecolors(self, blocks, k):  
        """  
        :type blocks: str  
        :type k: int  
        :rtype: int  
        """
```

### **JavaScript:**

```
/**  
 * @param {string} blocks  
 * @param {number} k  
 * @return {number}  
 */  
var minimumRecolors = function(blocks, k) {  
  
};
```

### **TypeScript:**

```
function minimumRecolors(blocks: string, k: number): number {  
  
};
```

### **C#:**

```
public class Solution {  
    public int MinimumRecolors(string blocks, int k) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### **C:**

```
int minimumRecolors(char* blocks, int k) {  
  
}
```

**Go:**

```
func minimumRecolors(blocks string, k int) int {  
  
}
```

**Kotlin:**

```
class Solution {  
    fun minimumRecolors(blocks: String, k: Int): Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Swift:**

```
class Solution {  
    func minimumRecolors(_ blocks: String, _ k: Int) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Rust:**

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn minimum_recolors(blocks: String, k: i32) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Ruby:**

```
# @param {String} blocks  
# @param {Integer} k  
# @return {Integer}  
def minimum_recolors(blocks, k)  
  
end
```

**PHP:**

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param String $blocks  
     * @param Integer $k  
     * @return Integer  
     */  
    function minimumRecolors($blocks, $k) {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Dart:**

```
class Solution {  
int minimumRecolors(String blocks, int k) {  
  
}  
}
```

**Scala:**

```
object Solution {  
def minimumRecolors(blocks: String, k: Int): Int = {  
  
}  
}
```

**Elixir:**

```
defmodule Solution do  
@spec minimum_recolors(blocks :: String.t, k :: integer) :: integer  
def minimum_recolors(blocks, k) do  
  
end  
end
```

**Erlang:**

```
-spec minimum_recolors(Blocks :: unicode:unicode_binary(), K :: integer()) ->  
integer().
```

```
minimum_recolors(Blocks, K) ->
.
```

### Racket:

```
(define/contract (minimum-recolors blocks k)
(-> string? exact-integer? exact-integer?))
)
```

## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

```
/*
 * Problem: Minimum Recolors to Get K Consecutive Black Blocks
 * Difficulty: Easy
 * Tags: array, string
 *
 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
 * Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
 */

class Solution {
public:
    int minimumRecolors(string blocks, int k) {

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```

### Java Solution:

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```

```
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```

### Python3 Solution:

```
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```

```
class Solution:\n    def minimumRecolors(self, blocks: str, k: int) -> int:\n        # TODO: Implement optimized solution\n        pass
```

### Python Solution:

```
class Solution(object):\n    def minimumRecolors(self, blocks, k):\n\n        '''\n        :type blocks: str\n        :type k: int\n        :rtype: int\n        '''
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### C Solution:

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### Go Solution:

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