

# Problem 1375: Number of Times Binary String Is Prefix-Aligned

## Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

## Problem Description

You have a

1-indexed

binary string of length

$n$

where all the bits are

0

initially. We will flip all the bits of this binary string (i.e., change them from

0

to

1

) one by one. You are given a

1-indexed

integer array

flips

where

`flips[i]`

indicates that the bit at index

`flips[i]`

will be flipped in the

$i$

th

step.

A binary string is

prefix-aligned

if, after the

$i$

th

step, all the bits in the

inclusive

range

$[1, i]$

are ones and all the other bits are zeros.

Return

the number of times the binary string is

prefix-aligned

during the flipping process

.

Example 1:

Input:

flips = [3,2,4,1,5]

Output:

2

Explanation:

The binary string is initially "00000". After applying step 1: The string becomes "00100", which is not prefix-aligned. After applying step 2: The string becomes "01100", which is not prefix-aligned. After applying step 3: The string becomes "01110", which is not prefix-aligned. After applying step 4: The string becomes "11110", which is prefix-aligned. After applying step 5: The string becomes "11111", which is prefix-aligned. We can see that the string was prefix-aligned 2 times, so we return 2.

Example 2:

Input:

flips = [4,1,2,3]

Output:

1

Explanation:

The binary string is initially "0000". After applying step 1: The string becomes "0001", which is not prefix-aligned. After applying step 2: The string becomes "1001", which is not prefix-aligned. After applying step 3: The string becomes "1101", which is not prefix-aligned. After applying step 4: The string becomes "1111", which is prefix-aligned. We can see that the string was prefix-aligned 1 time, so we return 1.

Constraints:

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

$1 \leq n \leq 5 * 10$

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flips

is a permutation of the integers in the range

$[1, n]$

.

## Code Snippets

**C++:**

```
class Solution {
public:
    int numTimesAllBlue(vector<int>& flips) {

    }
};
```

**Java:**

```
class Solution {
    public int numTimesAllBlue(int[] flips) {
```

```
}  
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def numTimesAllBlue(self, flips: List[int]) -> int:
```

### Python:

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

### JavaScript:

```
/**  
 * @param {number[]} flips  
 * @return {number}  
 */  
var numTimesAllBlue = function(flips) {  
  
};
```

### TypeScript:

```
function numTimesAllBlue(flips: number[]): number {  
  
};
```

### C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public int NumTimesAllBlue(int[] flips) {  
  
    }  
}
```

**C:**

```
int numTimesAllBlue(int* flips, int flipsSize) {  
  
}
```

**Go:**

```
func numTimesAllBlue(flips []int) int {  
  
}
```

**Kotlin:**

```
class Solution {  
    fun numTimesAllBlue(flips: IntArray): Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Swift:**

```
class Solution {  
    func numTimesAllBlue(_ flips: [Int]) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Rust:**

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn num_times_all_blue(flips: Vec<i32>) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Ruby:**

```
# @param {Integer[]} flips  
# @return {Integer}  
def num_times_all_blue(flips)  
  
end
```

## PHP:

```
class Solution {

    /**
     * @param Integer[] $flips
     * @return Integer
     */
    function numTimesAllBlue($flips) {

    }

}
```

## Dart:

```
class Solution {
  int numTimesAllBlue(List<int> flips) {

  }
}
```

## Scala:

```
object Solution {
  def numTimesAllBlue(flips: Array[Int]): Int = {

  }
}
```

## Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do
  @spec num_times_all_blue(flips :: [integer]) :: integer
  def num_times_all_blue(flips) do

  end

end
```

## Erlang:

```
-spec num_times_all_blue(Flips :: [integer()]) -> integer().
num_times_all_blue(Flips) ->

.
```

### Racket:

```
(define/contract (num-times-all-blue flips)
  (-> (listof exact-integer?) exact-integer?)
  )
```

## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

```
/*
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 * Difficulty: Medium
 * 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
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class Solution {
public:
    int numTimesAllBlue(vector<int>& flips) {

    }
};
```

### Java Solution:

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}  
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### Python3 Solution:

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"""  
  
class Solution:  
    def numTimesAllBlue(self, flips: List[int]) -> int:  
        # TODO: Implement optimized solution  
        pass
```

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