

Problem 3648: Minimum Sensors to Cover Grid

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 68.62%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Math

Problem Description

You are given $n \times m$ grid and an integer k .

A sensor placed on cell (r, c) covers all cells whose **Chebyshev distance** from (r, c) is **at most** k .

The **Chebyshev distance** between two cells (r_1, c_1) and (r_2, c_2) is $\max(|r_1 - r_2|, |c_1 - c_2|)$.

Your task is to return the **minimum** number of sensors required to cover every cell of the grid.

Example 1:

Input: $n = 5, m = 5, k = 1$

Output: 4

Explanation:

Placing sensors at positions $(0, 3)$, $(1, 0)$, $(3, 3)$, and $(4, 1)$ ensures every cell in the grid is covered. Thus, the answer is 4.

Example 2:

Input: $n = 2, m = 2, k = 2$

****Output:**** 1

****Explanation:****

With `k = 2`, a single sensor can cover the entire `2 * 2` grid regardless of its position. Thus, the answer is 1.

****Constraints:****

* `1 <= n <= 103` * `1 <= m <= 103` * `0 <= k <= 103`

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int minSensors(int n, int m, int k) {  
        }  
    };
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
public int minSensors(int n, int m, int k) {  
    }  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def minSensors(self, n: int, m: int, k: int) -> int:
```