

Problem 1040: Moving Stones Until Consecutive II

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

There are some stones in different positions on the X-axis. You are given an integer array

stones

, the positions of the stones.

Call a stone an

endpoint stone

if it has the smallest or largest position. In one move, you pick up an

endpoint stone

and move it to an unoccupied position so that it is no longer an

endpoint stone

In particular, if the stones are at say,

stones = [1,2,5]

, you cannot move the endpoint stone at position

5

, since moving it to any position (such as

0

, or

3

) will still keep that stone as an endpoint stone.

The game ends when you cannot make any more moves (i.e., the stones are in three consecutive positions).

Return

an integer array

answer

of length

2

where

:

answer[0]

is the minimum number of moves you can play, and

answer[1]

is the maximum number of moves you can play

Example 1:

Input:

stones = [7,4,9]

Output:

[1,2]

Explanation:

We can move 4 -> 8 for one move to finish the game. Or, we can move 9 -> 5, 4 -> 6 for two moves to finish the game.

Example 2:

Input:

stones = [6,5,4,3,10]

Output:

[2,3]

Explanation:

We can move 3 -> 8 then 10 -> 7 to finish the game. Or, we can move 3 -> 7, 4 -> 8, 5 -> 9 to finish the game. Notice we cannot move 10 -> 2 to finish the game, because that would be an illegal move.

Constraints:

$3 \leq \text{stones.length} \leq 10$

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$1 \leq \text{stones}[i] \leq 10$

All the values of

stones

are

unique

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
vector<int> numMovesStonesII(vector<int>& stones) {
    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
public int[] numMovesStonesII(int[] stones) {
    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
def numMovesStonesII(self, stones: List[int]) -> List[int]:
```

Python:

```
class Solution(object):
def numMovesStonesII(self, stones):
```

```
"""
:type stones: List[int]
:rtype: List[int]
"""
```

JavaScript:

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

TypeScript:

```
function numMovesStonesII(stones: number[]): number[] {
};
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C#:

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public class Solution {
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/**
 * Note: The returned array must be malloced, assume caller calls free().
 */
int* numMovesStonesII(int* stones, int stonesSize, int* returnSize) {
}
```

Go:

```
func numMovesStonesII(stones []int) []int {
```

```
}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun numMovesStonesII(stones: IntArray): IntArray {  
        }  
        }  
}
```

Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func numMovesStonesII(_ stones: [Int]) -> [Int] {  
        }  
        }  
}
```

Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn num_moves_stones_ii(stones: Vec<i32>) -> Vec<i32> {  
        }  
        }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# @param {Integer[]} stones  
# @return {Integer[]}  
def num_moves_stones_ii(stones)  
  
end
```

PHP:

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param Integer[] $stones  
     * @return Integer[]  
     */  
}
```

```
function numMovesStonesII($stones) {  
}  
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Dart:

```
class Solution {  
List<int> numMovesStonesII(List<int> stones) {  
  
}  
}  
}
```

Scala:

```
object Solution {  
def numMovesStonesII(stones: Array[Int]): Array[Int] = {  
  
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Elixir:

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defmodule Solution do  
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Erlang:

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Solutions

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 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
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class Solution:

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    # TODO: Implement optimized solution
    pass

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