

Problem 419: Battleships in a Board

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 77.10%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Depth-First Search, Matrix

Problem Description

Given an $m \times n$ matrix `board` where each cell is a battleship 'X' or empty '.', return _the number of the**battleships** on_ `board`.

Battleships can only be placed horizontally or vertically on `board`. In other words, they can only be made of the shape $1 \times k$ (1 row, k columns) or $k \times 1$ (k rows, 1 column), where k can be of any size. At least one horizontal or vertical cell separates between two battleships (i.e., there are no adjacent battleships).

Example 1:

Input: board = [["X", ".", ".", "X"], [".", ".", ".", "X"], [".", ".", ".", "X"]]

Output: 2

Example 2:

Input: board = [["."]]

Output: 0

Constraints:

* `m == board.length` * `n == board[i].length` * `1 <= m, n <= 200` * `board[i][j]` is either '.' or 'X'.

Follow up: Could you do it in one-pass, using only $O(1)$ extra memory and without modifying the values `board`?

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int countBattleships(vector<vector<char>>& board) {
        }
    };
}
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int countBattleships(char[][] board) {
        }
    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def countBattleships(self, board: List[List[str]]) -> int:
```