Problem 975: Odd Even Jump

Problem Information

Difficulty: Hard
Acceptance Rate: 40.96%
Paid Only: No
Tags: Array, Dynamic Programming, Stack, Sorting, Monotonic Stack, Ordered Set

Problem Description

You are given an integer array `arr`. From some starting index, you can make a series of jumps. The (1st, 3rd, 5th, ...) jumps in the series are called **odd-numbered jumps** , and the (2nd, 4th, 6th, ...) jumps in the series are called **even-numbered jumps**. Note that the **jumps** are numbered, not the indices.

You may jump forward from index `i` to index `j` (with `i < j`) in the following way:

* During **odd-numbered jumps** (i.e., jumps 1, 3, 5, ...), you jump to the index `j` such that `arr[i] <= arr[j]` and `arr[j]` is the smallest possible value. If there are multiple such indices `j`, you can only jump to the **smallest** such index `j`. * During **even-numbered jumps** (i.e., jumps 2, 4, 6, ...), you jump to the index `j` such that `arr[i] >= arr[j]` and `arr[j]` is the largest possible value. If there are multiple such indices `j`, you can only jump to the **smallest** such index `j`. * It may be the case that for some index `i`, there are no legal jumps.

A starting index is **good** if, starting from that index, you can reach the end of the array (index `arr.length - 1`) by jumping some number of times (possibly 0 or more than once).

Return _the number of**good** starting indices_.

Example 1:

Input: arr = [10,13,12,14,15] **Output:** 2 **Explanation:** From starting index i = 0, we can make our 1st jump to i = 2 (since arr[2] is the smallest among arr[1], arr[2], arr[3], arr[4] that is greater or equal to arr[0]), then we cannot jump any more. From starting index i = 1 and i = 2, we can make our 1st jump to i = 3, then we cannot jump any more. From starting index i = 3, we can make our 1st jump to i = 4, so we have reached the end. From starting index i = 4,

we have reached the end already. In total, there are 2 different starting indices i = 3 and i = 4, where we can reach the end with some number of jumps.

Example 2:

Input: arr = [2,3,1,1,4] **Output:** 3 **Explanation:** From starting index i = 0, we make jumps to i = 1, i = 2, i = 3: During our 1st jump (odd-numbered), we first jump to i = 1 because arr[1] is the smallest value in [arr[1], arr[2], arr[3], arr[4]] that is greater than or equal to arr[0]. During our 2nd jump (even-numbered), we jump from i = 1 to i = 2 because arr[2] is the largest value in [arr[2], arr[3], arr[4]] that is less than or equal to arr[1]. arr[3] is also the largest value, but 2 is a smaller index, so we can only jump to i = 2 and not i = 3 During our 3rd jump (odd-numbered), we jump from i = 2 to i = 3 because arr[3] is the smallest value in [arr[3], arr[4]] that is greater than or equal to arr[2]. We can't jump from i = 3 to i = 4, so the starting index i = 0 is not good. In a similar manner, we can deduce that: From starting index i = 1, we jump to i = 4, so we reach the end. From starting index i = 2, we jump to i = 3, and then we can't jump anymore. From starting index i = 3, we jump to i = 4, so we reach the end. From starting index i = 4, we are already at the end. In total, there are 3 different starting indices i = 1, i = 3, and i = 4, where we can reach the end with some number of jumps.

Example 3:

Input: arr = [5,1,3,4,2] **Output:** 3 **Explanation:** We can reach the end from starting indices 1, 2, and 4.

Constraints:

* `1 <= arr.length <= 2 * 104` * `0 <= arr[i] < 105`

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
int oddEvenJumps(vector<int>& arr) {

}
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
public int oddEvenJumps(int[] arr) {

}
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
def oddEvenJumps(self, arr: List[int]) -> int:
```