GFSSOC '15 Winter S2 - Soko-Boop

Time limit: 1.0s Memory limit: 128M

When Butane was still a human, one of his favourite games to play was Sokoban. In Sokoban, you play as a warehouse keeper, pushing boxes to designated spots, trying for the least number of moves. Butane attempted to program himself with a Sokoban solver so that he could fulfill his lifelong dream of becoming a warehouse keeper, but unfortunately the program is bugged!



It would be unreasonable to ask for a full Sokoban solver so your task is to code a simpler version of the game. You will be given a grid of size R by C (rows and columns), representing the Sokoban level. The grid will contain a **single box**, a **single warehouse keeper**, a **single storage location**, floor tiles and walls. The rules of our simpler game are listed below.

- 1. The warehouse keeper, each turn, can move one square in one of the 4 cardinal directions: up, down, left or right.
- 2. The warehouse keeper cannot pass through the box or walls, nor go outside of the grid. The box cannot move through walls nor go outside the grid.
- 3. If the warehouse keeper attempts to move through a box, the box will be pushed one square in the direction the keeper was moving, unless it will be pushed into a wall (in which case neither the keeper nor the box will move).
- 4. The level is solved when the box is on the storage location.
- 5. The goal is to solve the level with the least number of moves.

Can you help reprogram ButaneBot's simple Sokoban solver?

Input Specification

Line 1: Two integers, R and C $(1 \le R, C \le 30)$.

The next R lines will contain the grid.

• characters represent the floor, # characters represent walls, the B character represents the starting location of the box, the P character represents the starting location of the player and X represents the storage location.

Output Specification

Output one integer, the minimum number of moves required to solve the level, or **-1** if the level is unsolvable.

Sample Input

5 5 P..#X ...#. .B.#.

Sample Output

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Explanation for Sample Output

One of the optimal move sets is DOWN, RIGHT, DOWN, LEFT, DOWN, RIGHT, RIGHT, RIGHT, DOWN, RIGHT, UP, UP, UP.