第1章

Backtracking

1.1 Regular Expression Matching

Description

Implement regular expression matching with support for '.' and '*'.

'.' Matches any single character. '*' Matches zero or more of the preceding element.

The matching should cover the entire input string (not partial).

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Some examples:
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isMatch("aa","a") → false
isMatch("aa","aa") → true
isMatch("aaa","aa") → false
isMatch("aa", "a*") → true
isMatch("aa", ".*") → true
isMatch("ab", ".*") → true
isMatch("aab", "c*a*b") → true
```

Solution

```
public boolean isMatch(String s, String p) {
    if (p.isEmpty()) {
        return s.isEmpty();
    } else if (p.length() == 1) {
        return s.length() == 1 && isEqual(s, p);
    } else if (p.charAt(1) != '*') {
        return s.length() > 0 && isEqual(s, p) && isMatch(s.substring(1), p.substring(1));
    } else {
        if (s.length() > 0 \&\& isEqual(s, p)) {
            return isMatch(s, p.substring(2)) || isMatch(s.substring(1), p);
        } else {
            return isMatch(s, p.substring(2));
    }
}
private boolean isEqual(String s, String p) {
    return s.charAt(0) == p.charAt(0) || p.charAt(0) == '.';
}
```

1.2 Wildcard Matching

Description

Implement wildcard pattern matching with support for '?' and '*'.

'?' Matches any single character. '*' Matches any sequence of characters (including the empty sequence).

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Some examples:
isMatch("aa","a") → false
isMatch("aa","aa") → true
isMatch("aaa","aa") → false
isMatch("aa", "*") → true
isMatch("aa", "a*") → true
isMatch("ab", "?*") → true
isMatch("aab", "c*a*b") → false
```

Solution

```
public boolean isMatch2(String s, String p) {
    int is = 0, ip = 0, ks = -1, kp = -1;
    while (is < s.length()) {</pre>
        if (ip < p.length() && (s.charAt(is) == p.charAt(ip) || p.charAt(ip) == '?')) {</pre>
             is++;
             ip++;
        } else if (ip < p.length() && p.charAt(ip) == '*') {</pre>
            ks = is;
            kp = ip;
             ip++;
        } else if (kp != -1) {
             is = ++ks;
            ip = kp + 1;
        } else {
            return false;
        }
    }
    for ( ; ip < p.length() && p.charAt(ip) == '*'; ip++);</pre>
    return ip == p.length();
}
```