





Look And Say - 40 points (Coding)

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Let's define a function "Look and Say" as follow: read off the digits of the input, counting the number of digits in groups of same digit. Here are some examples of this function

• LookAndSay(1) = 11

because 1 is read off as "one 1" or 11.

• LookAndSay(11) = 21

because 11 is read off as "two 1s" or 21.

• LookAndSay(21) = 1211 one 1" or 1211.

because 21 is read off as "one 2, then

• LookAndSay(1211) = 111221 because 1211 is read off as "one 1, then one 2, then two 1s" or 111221.

• LookAndSay(111221) = 312211 because 111221 is read off as "three 1s, then two 2s, then one 1" or 312211.

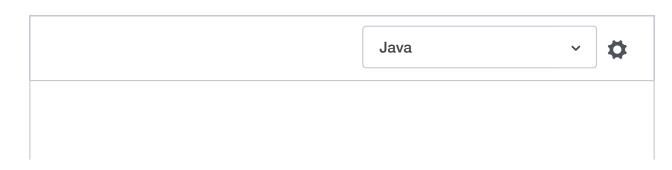
We then define a "Look and Say" sequence as repeatedly called the "Look and Say" function on its output.

Given a number start and a number of iteration **n**, calculate the **n**th number in a "Look and Say" sequence starting with start.

Reusing the previous example with start = 11 and n = 2, LookAndSay(11, 2) = 1211 because LookAndSay(LookAndSay(11)) = 1211

Since this sequence grows quickly we will use a string representation for the number in the sequence to avoid number overflow.

YOUR ANSWER



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1 ▼import java.io.*;
   import java.util.*;
   import java.text.*;
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   import java.math.*;
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   import java.util.regex.*;
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   public class Solution {
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9 ▼ /*
    * Complete the function below.
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    */
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       static String LookAndSay(String start, int n) {
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       }
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        public static void main(String[] args) throws
    IOException{
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            Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
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            final String fileName =
    System.getenv("OUTPUT PATH");
            BufferedWriter bw = new BufferedWriter(new
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   FileWriter(fileName));
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            String res;
            String start;
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            try {
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                _start = in.nextLine();
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            } catch (Exception e) {
                start = null;
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            }
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            int _n;
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            n = Integer.parseInt(in.nextLine());
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            res = LookAndSay( start, n);
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            bw.write(res);
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            bw.newLine();
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            bw.close();
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        }
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    }
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