1756. Minimum Deletions to Make String Balanced

Difficulty : Medium

You are given a string `s` consisting only of characters `'a'` and `'b'`.

You can delete any number of characters in `s` to make `s` **balanced**. `s` is **balanced** if there is no pair of indices `(i,j)` such that `i < j` and `s[i] = 'b'` and `s[j]= 'a'`.

Return *the* **minimum** *number of deletions needed to make* `s` **balanced**.

Example 1:

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Input: s = "aababbab"
Output: 2
Explanation: You can either:
Delete the characters at 0-indexed positions 2 and 6 ("aababbab" -> "aaabbb"), or
Delete the characters at 0-indexed positions 3 and 6 ("aababbab" -> "aabbbb").
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Example 2:

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Input: s = "bbaaaaabb"
Output: 2
Explanation: The only solution is to delete the first two characters.
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Constraints:

- `1 <= s.length <= 10`^{5}
- `s[i]` is `'a'` or `'b'`.