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### Description

Given a string **s**, find the longest palindromic substring in **s**. You may assume that the maximum length of **s** is 1000.

**Example:**

**Input:** "babad"

**Output:** "bab"

**Note:** "aba" is also a valid answer.

**Example:**

**Input:** "cbbd"

**Output:** "bb"

### 1. Thought Line

(1) To each element, set it as the middle elements and check from both left and right direction.

### 2. Dynamic Programming+string

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class Solution {
public:
    string longestPalindrome(string s) {
        int n = s.size();
        int len = 0; //len is the max length of Palindrome string.
        int start = 0;
        for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){

            // start to expend the interval
            int left = i, right = i;
            // consider duplicate characters.
            while(right < n && s[right+1] == s[right])
                right++;
            i = right;

            // keep expanding
            while(left > 0 && right < n-1 && s[left-1] == s[right+1]){
                left--;
                right++;
            }

            //update results
            if(len < right-left+1){
```

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        len = right - left + 1;
        start = left;
    }
}
return s.substr(start, len);
}
};
```