Difficulty: Easy Points: 30, Feels like: Medium

Problem: RICHIE-RICH

Palindromes are strings that read the same from the left or right, for example *madam* or *0110*.

You will be given a string representation of a number and a maximum number of changes you can make. Alter the string, one digit at a time, to create the string representation of the largest number possible given the limit to the number of changes. The length of the string may not be altered, so you must consider 's left of all higher digits in your tests. For example is valid, is not.

Given a string representing the starting number and a maximum number of changes allowed, create the largest palindromic string of digits possible or the string -1 if it's impossible to create a palindrome under the contstraints.

Function Description

Complete the highestValuePalindrome function described below to determine the best palindrome, if possible.

highestValuePalindrome(string: s, integer: n, integer: k)

Parameters:

s: string representation of starting number

n: length of *s*

k: maximum number of changes *C*

Returns: string, highest value palindrome or "-1" if impossible

Constraints

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• Each character in the number is an integer where .

Raw Input Format

The first line contains two space-separated integers, (the number of digits in the number) and (the maximum number of changes allowed), respectively.

The second line contains an -digit string of numbers that you are to attempt to make palindromic.

Sample Input 0

4 1

2042

Sample Output 0

3993

Explanation 0

There are two ways to make a palindrome by changing no more than digits:

1.

2.

, so we print .

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Sample Input 1
6  3
092282

Sample Output 1
992299

Sample Input 2
4  1
0011

Sample Output 2
-1
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Solution:

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#include <cmath>
#include <cstdio>
#include <vector>
#include <iostream>
#include <algorithm>
using namespace std;
//return 1, if the string is palindrome
int isPalindrome(string str, int length)
    int start=0, count=0, end=length-1;
    while(start<=end)</pre>
        if(str[start]!=str[end])
          count+=1;
        start+=1;
        end-=1;
    return count;
  }
int main()
  {
    int length, permit, count=0, start, end;
    string str, dummy;
    cin>>length>>permit>>str;
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//the tracking string, that tells which bits
//are changed after the palindrome operation
//for the purpose of maximizing the palindrome
dummy=str;
//Minimum Swap operations required to make
//the given string a Palindrome
count = isPalindrome(str, length);
//Maximizes if the string is already a palindrome
if(count == 0)
    if(permit %2 != 0 && length%2 != 0)
        str[length/2]='9';
        permit-=1;
      }
    start=0; end=length-=1;
    while(permit>1 && start <= end)</pre>
      {
        if(str[start]!='9')
          str[start]=str[end]='9';
          permit-=2;
        start+=1;
        end-=1;
      }
    cout<<str;
    return 0;
  }
//not enough operations, ABORT!
if(permit < count)</pre>
    cout<<"-1";
    return 0;
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}
//Constructing palindrome
if(permit >= count)
  //cout<<"Inside the constructing palindrome block"<<endl;
  start=0;
  end=length-1;
  while(start <= end)</pre>
      if(str[start] != str[end])
        {
          if(str[start]>=str[end])
            str[end]=str[start];
            str[start]=str[end];
        }
      start+=1;
      end-=1;
   }
//constructing the biggest palidrome
if(permit > count || count==0)
  {
    int extra = permit - count;
    //Finding & swapping letters not equal to '9'
    start=0;
    end=length-1;
    while(start <= end && extra>=1)
      {
        //letter found
        if(str[start]!='9')
            //this pair was changed, so onlu
            //one operations is required to
            //make the pair -->'9' & '9'
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if(dummy[start] != dummy[end])
                {
                  str[start]='9';
                  str[end]='9';
                  extra-=1;
                }
              //since min 2 operations are needed
              else if(extra>=2)
                {
                  str[start]='9';
                  str[end]='9';
                  extra-=2;
                }
            }
          start+=1;
          end-=1;
        }
   }
  cout<<str;
  return 0;
}
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