

2430. Maximum Deletions on a String

Description

You are given a string `s` consisting of only lowercase English letters. In one operation, you can:

- Delete **the entire string** `s`, or
- Delete the **first** `i` letters of `s` if the first `i` letters of `s` are **equal** to the following `i` letters in `s`, for any `i` in the range `1 <= i <= s.length / 2`.

For example, if `s = "ababc"`, then in one operation, you could delete the first two letters of `s` to get `"abc"`, since the first two letters of `s` and the following two letters of `s` are both equal to `"ab"`.

Return *the maximum number of operations needed to delete all of* `s`.

Example 1:

Input: `s = "abcabcdabc"`
Output: `2`
Explanation:
– Delete the first 3 letters ("abc") since the next 3 letters are equal. Now, `s = "abcdabc"`.
– Delete all the letters.
We used 2 operations so return 2. It can be proven that 2 is the maximum number of operations needed.
Note that in the second operation we cannot delete "abc" again because the next occurrence of "abc" does not happen in the next 3 letters.

Example 2:

Input: `s = "aaabaab"`
Output: `4`
Explanation:
– Delete the first letter ("a") since the next letter is equal. Now, `s = "aabaab"`.
– Delete the first 3 letters ("aab") since the next 3 letters are equal. Now, `s = "aab"`.
– Delete the first letter ("a") since the next letter is equal. Now, `s = "ab"`.
– Delete all the letters.
We used 4 operations so return 4. It can be proven that 4 is the maximum number of operations needed.

Example 3:

Input: `s = "aaaaa"`
Output: `5`
Explanation: In each operation, we can delete the first letter of `s`.

Constraints:

- `1 <= s.length <= 4000`
- `s` consists only of lowercase English letters.

