# 125. Valid Palindrome

## Description

A phrase is a **palindrome** if, after converting all uppercase letters into lowercase letters and removing all non-alphanumeric characters, it reads the same forward and backward. Alphanumeric characters include letters and numbers.

Given a string s, return true if it is a palindrome, or false otherwise.

## Example 1:

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Input: s = "A man, a plan, a canal: Panama"
Output: true
Explanation: "amanaplanacanalpanama" is a palindrome.
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#### Example 2:

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Input: s = "race a car"
Output: false
Explanation: "raceacar" is not a palindrome.
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## **Example 3:**

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Input: s = " "
Output: true
Explanation: s is an empty string "" after removing non-alphanumeric characters.
Since an empty string reads the same forward and backward, it is a palindrome.
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#### **Constraints:**

- 1 <= s.length <= 2 \* 10 <sup>5</sup>
- s consists only of printable ASCII characters.