

Lab Based Complex Coding Problems

Problem 1.

Consider a function **public String matchFound(String input 1, String input 2)**, where

- **input1** will contain only a single word with only 1 character replaces by an underscore '_'
- **input2** will contain a series of words separated by colons and no space character in between
- **input2** will not contain any other special character other than underscore and alphabetic characters.

```
public class Problem1 {  
    public static String matchFound(String input1, String input2) {  
        // Remove the underscore from input1 to get the original word  
        String wordToMatch = input1.replace("_", "");  
  
        // Split input2 into words  
        String[] words = input2.split(":");  
  
        // StringBuilder to store matching words  
        StringBuilder output1 = new StringBuilder();  
  
        // Track if any match is found  
        boolean matchFound = false;  
  
        // Check each word for matching pattern  
        for (String word : words) {  
            // Create a version of the word with underscore replacing each character  
            for (int i = 0; i < word.length(); i++) {  
                String maskedWord = word.substring(0, i) + "_" + word.substring(i + 1);  
  
                // If masked word matches input1  
                if (maskedWord.equals(input1)) {  
                    // Add matching word to output (in uppercase)  
                    if (matchFound) {  
                        output1.append(":");  
                    }  
                    output1.append(word.toUpperCase());  
                    matchFound = true;  
                    break;  
                }  
            }  
        }  
  
        return output1.toString();  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        // Test cases  
        System.out.println(matchFound("h_llo", "hello:world:hall:help")); // Should print HELLO:HALL  
        System.out.println(matchFound("w_rld", "hello:world:hall:help")); // Should print WORLD  
    }  
}
```

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- **Problem 2.**
- Encoding Three Strings: Anand was assigned the task of coming up with an encoding mechanism for any given three strings. He has come up with the following plan.

```
public class Problem2 {  
    public static String[] encodeStrings(String input1, String input2, String input3) {  
        // Split each string into three parts  
        String[] parts1 = splitString(input1);  
        String[] parts2 = splitString(input2);  
        String[] parts3 = splitString(input3);  
  
        // Generate three output strings based on the specified rules  
        String output1 = parts1[0] + parts2[1] + parts3[2];  
        String output2 = parts1[1] + parts2[2] + parts3[0];  
        String output3 = parts1[2] + parts2[0] + parts3[1];  
  
        // Toggle case for the third output string  
        output3 = toggleCase(output3);  
  
        return new String[]{output1, output2, output3};  
    }  
  
    // Helper method to split string into three parts  
    private static String[] splitString(String str) {  
        int len = str.length();  
        int partLength = len / 3;  
        int extraChars = len % 3;  
  
        String front, middle, end;  
  
        if (extraChars == 0) {  
            // Equal parts  
            front = str.substring(0, partLength);  
            middle = str.substring(partLength, partLength * 2);  
            end = str.substring(partLength * 2);  
        } else if (extraChars == 1) {  
            // Middle gets extra character  
            front = str.substring(0, partLength);  
            middle = str.substring(partLength, partLength + partLength + 1);  
            end = str.substring(partLength + partLength + 1);  
        } else { // extraChars == 2  
            // Front and end get one extra character each  
            front = str.substring(0, partLength + 1);  
            middle = str.substring(partLength + 1, partLength + 1 + partLength);  
            end = str.substring(partLength + 1 + partLength);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

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// Front and end get one extra character each
front = str.substring(0, partLength + 1);
middle = str.substring(partLength + 1, partLength + 1 + partLength);
end = str.substring(partLength + 1 + partLength);
}

return new String[]{front, middle, end};
}

// Helper method to toggle case of characters
private static String toggleCase(String str) {
    StringBuilder result = new StringBuilder();
    for (char c : str.toCharArray()) {
        if (Character.isLowerCase(c)) {
            result.append(Character.toUpperCase(c));
        } else if (Character.isUpperCase(c)) {
            result.append(Character.toLowerCase(c));
        } else {
            result.append(c);
        }
    }
    return result.toString();
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    String[] result = encodeStrings("John", "Johny", "Janardhan");
    System.out.println("Output1: " + result[0]);
    System.out.println("Output2: " + result[1]);
    System.out.println("Output3: " + result[2]);
}
```

Problem 3:

Given a String (In Uppercase alphabets or Lowercase alphabets), new alphabets is to be appended with following rule:

- (i) If the alphabet is present in the input string, use the numeric value of that alphabet. E.g. a or A numeric value is 1 and so on. New alphabet to be appended between 2 alphabets:
 - (a) If (sum of numeric value of 2 alphabets) % 26 is 0, then append 0. E.g. string is ay. Numeric value of a is 1, y is 25. Sum is 26. Remainder is 0, the new string will be a0y.

```
public class Problem3 {  
    public static String appendAlphabets(String input) {  
        StringBuilder result = new StringBuilder();  
  
        for (int i = 0; i < input.length(); i++) {  
            char currentChar = input.charAt(i);  
            result.append(currentChar);  
  
            // If we're not at the last character and both are alphabets  
            if (i < input.length() - 1) {  
                char nextChar = input.charAt(i + 1);  
  
                // Skip if not alphabets or single non-alphabet  
                if (!Character.isAlphabetic(currentChar) ||  
                    !Character.isAlphabetic(nextChar)) {  
                    continue;  
                }  
  
                // Calculate numeric values (a/A = 1, b/B = 2, etc.)  
                int currentValue = Character.toLowerCase(currentChar) - 'a' + 1;  
                int nextValue = Character.toLowerCase(nextChar) - 'a' + 1;  
  
                int sum = currentValue + nextValue;  
  
                // Append based on sum % 26  
                if (sum % 26 == 0) {  
                    result.append('0');  
                } else {  
                    char appendChar = (char)((sum % 26) + 'a' - 1);  
                    result.append(appendChar);  
                }  
            }  
        }  
  
        return result.toString().toLowerCase();  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(appendAlphabets("ay")); // Should print a0y  
        System.out.println(appendAlphabets("ac")); // Should print adc  
        System.out.println(appendAlphabets("12")); // Should print 12  
        System.out.println(appendAlphabets("1a")); // Should print 1a  
        System.out.println(appendAlphabets("ac 12a")); // Should print adc 12a  
    }  
}
```

Problem 4:

String t is generated by random shuffling string s and then add one more letter at a random position.
Return the letter that was added to t.

```
public class Problem4 {  
    public static char findAddedLetter(String s, String t) {  
        // Create frequency maps for both strings  
        int[] sFreq = new int[26];  
        int[] tFreq = new int[26];  
  
        // Count frequencies in s  
        for (char c : s.toCharArray()) {  
            sFreq[c - 'a']++;  
        }  
  
        // Count frequencies in t  
        for (char c : t.toCharArray()) {  
            tFreq[c - 'a']++;  
        }  
  
        // Find the character with extra frequency in t  
        for (int i = 0; i < 26; i++) {  
            if (tFreq[i] > sFreq[i]) {  
                return (char)(i + 'a');  
            }  
        }  
  
        // This should never happen if input is valid  
        return ' ';  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(findAddedLetter("abcd", "abcde")); // Should print 'e'  
        System.out.println(findAddedLetter("", "y"));          // Should print 'y'  
        System.out.println(findAddedLetter("a", "aa"));         // Should print 'a'  
    }  
}
```

Problem 5:

The next greater element of some element x in an array is the first greater element that is to the right of x in the same array.

You are given two distinct 0-indexed integer arrays nums1 and nums2 , where nums1 is a subset of nums2 .

For each $0 \leq i < \text{nums1.length}$, find the index j such that $\text{nums1}[i] == \text{nums2}[j]$ and determine the next greater element of $\text{nums2}[j]$ in nums2 . If there is no next greater element, then the answer for this query is -1.

Return an array ans of length nums1.length such that $\text{ans}[i]$ is the next greater element as described above.

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```
public class Problem5 {
    public static int[] nextGreaterElement(int[] nums1, int[] nums2) {
        int[] result = new int[nums1.length];

        // Iterate through nums1
        for (int i = 0; i < nums1.length; i++) {
            // Find the index of current element in nums2
            int index = -1;
            for (int j = 0; j < nums2.length; j++) {
                if (nums2[j] == nums1[i]) {
                    index = j;
                    break;
                }
            }

            // Find next greater element
            result[i] = -1;
            for (int j = index + 1; j < nums2.length; j++) {
                if (nums2[j] > nums2[index]) {
                    result[i] = nums2[j];
                    break;
                }
            }
        }

        return result;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int[] nums1 = {4, 1, 2};
        int[] nums2 = {1, 3, 4, 2};

        int[] result = nextGreaterElement(nums1, nums2);

        // Print result
        System.out.print("Output: [");
        for (int i = 0; i < result.length; i++) {
            System.out.print(result[i]);
            if (i < result.length - 1) {
                System.out.print(", ");
            }
        }
        System.out.println("]");
    }
}
```