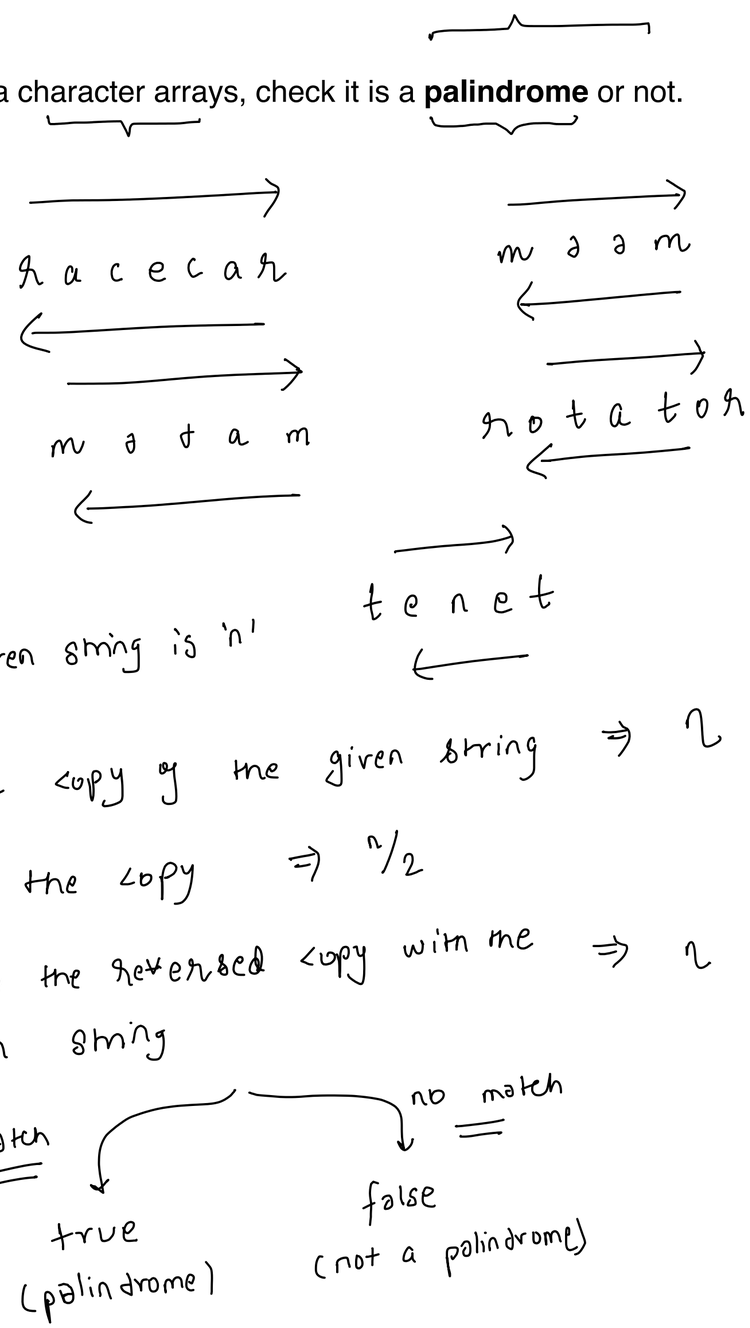
Check Palindrome

Given a string represented as a character arrays, check it is a **palindrome** or not.

Example

Input : "racecar"
Output : true

Input : "rotator"
Output : true



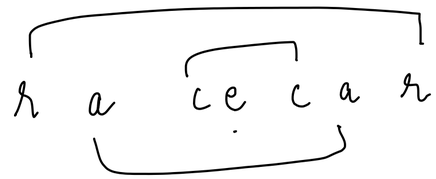
↳ assume len. of the given string is 'n'

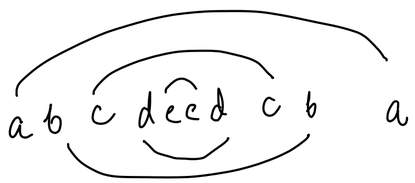
1. create a copy of the given string ⇒ n
2. Reverse the copy ⇒ n/2
3. Compare the reversed copy with the given string ⇒ n

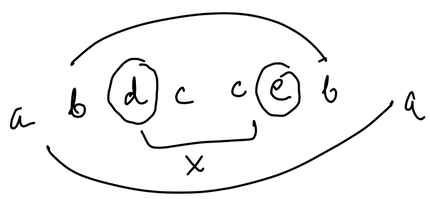
2n + n/2 steps
~ O(n)

space : O(n)

2nd





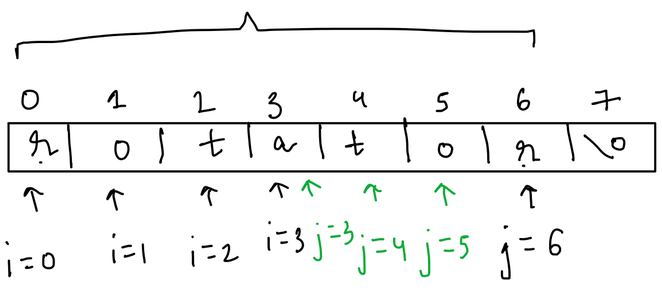


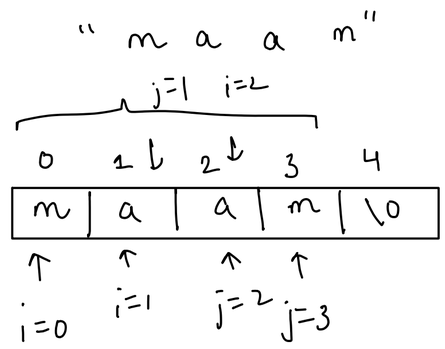
$i = 0$ $\quad$ $j = n-1$ $\quad$ len. of the string

if(s[i] == s[j] ⇒ i++ j--

if (s[i] != s[j] ⇒ false

" r o t a t o r "





n=4

Check Anagrams

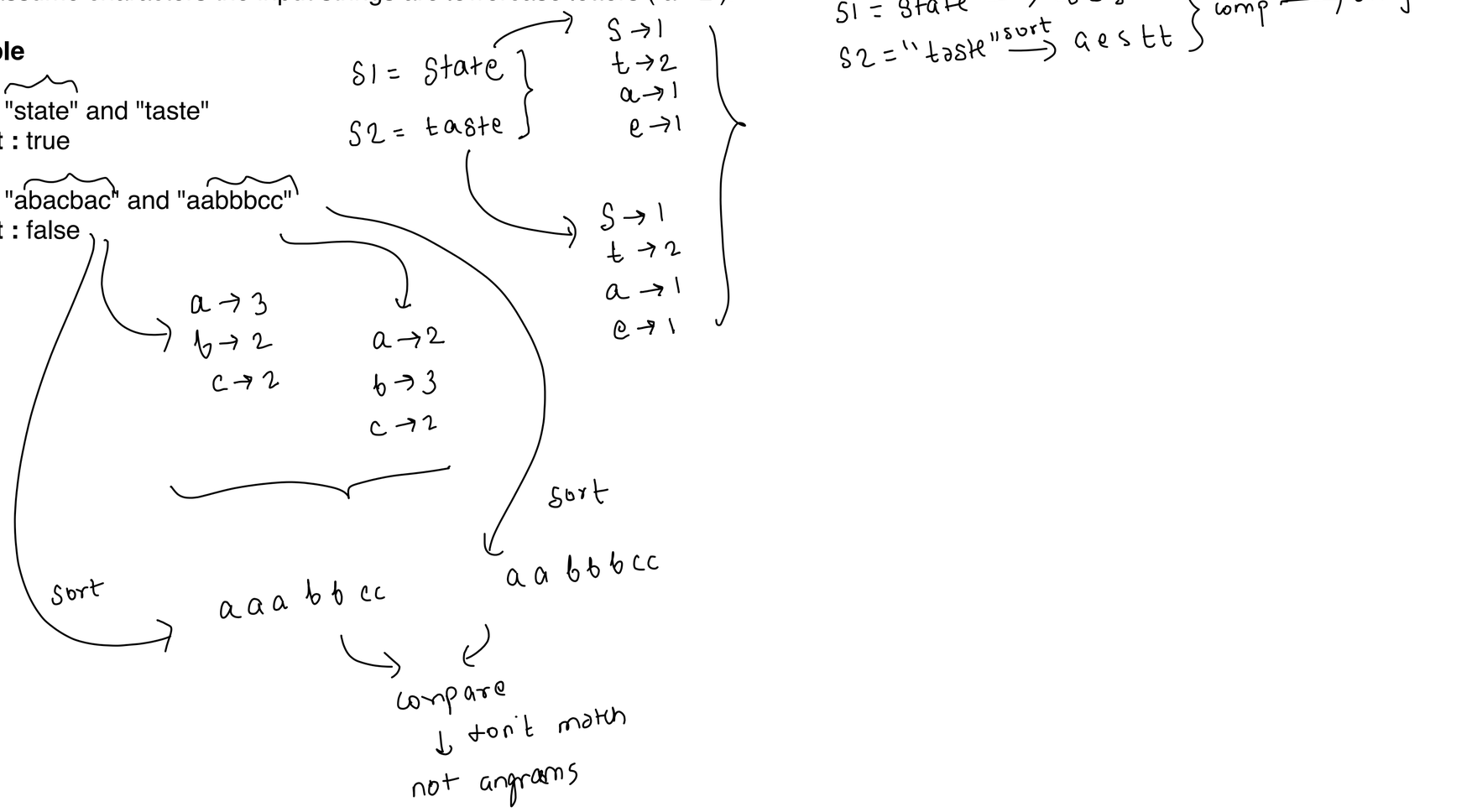
Given a two strings represented as a character arrays, check if they are **anagrams**.

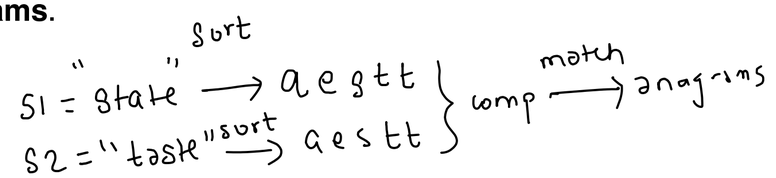
note : assume characters the input strings are lowercase letters (a - z).

Example

Input : "state" and "taste"
Output : true

Input : "abacbac" and "aabbbcc"
Output : false





1. Sorting Approach (assume len of S1[] and S2[] is equal to n)

   a) sort S1[] and S2[] — nlogn, nlogn

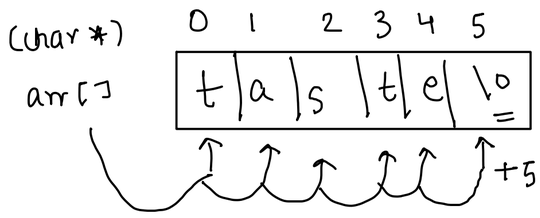
   b) compare S1[] and S2[] — n

   nlogn + nlogn + n ~ O(nlogn)

sort(begin, end)

n = 5

(char *) arr[]



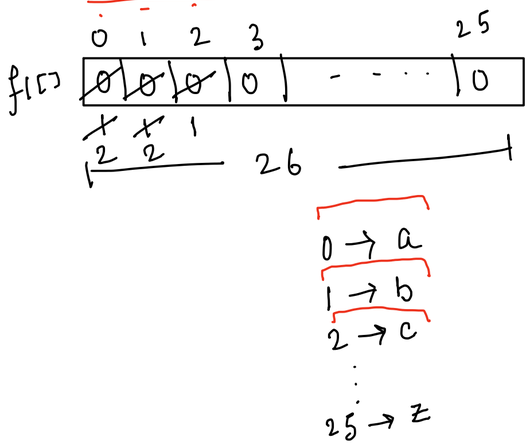
arr

arr+n

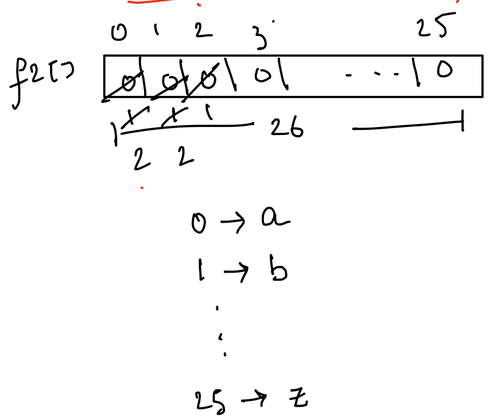
arr[0, n-1]

2nd Approach - using freqMaps

s1[] = "@bcab"



s2[] = "cabab"



ch → idx ?

'7' - '0'

= 55 - 48

= 7 (int)

'a' → 0

'b' → 1

'c' → 2

'z' → 25

ch - 'a' → idx

'a' - 'a' = 97 - 97 = 0

'b' - 'a' = 98 - 97 = 1

'c' - 'a' = 99 - 97 = 2

'z' - 'a' = 122 - 97 = 25

1st approach

$2n \log_2 n + n$

$\log_a a^b = b$

$n = 4 = 2^2$

$= 2 \cdot 4 \log_2 2^2 + 4$

$= 8 \cdot 2 + 4$

$= 20$ steps

$n = 8 = 2^3$

$= 2 \cdot 8 \log_2 2^3 + 8$

$= 16 \cdot 3 + 8$

$= 56$ steps

$n = 16 = 2^4$

$= 2 \cdot 16 \log_2 2^4 + 16$

$= 32 \cdot 4 + 16$

$= 144$ steps

⋮

* as n ↑es 2nd approach becomes better

2nd approach

$n + n + 26$

$= 4 + 4 + 26$

$= 34$ steps

$= 8 + 8 + 26$

$= 42$ steps

$= 16 + 16 + 26$

$= 58$ steps

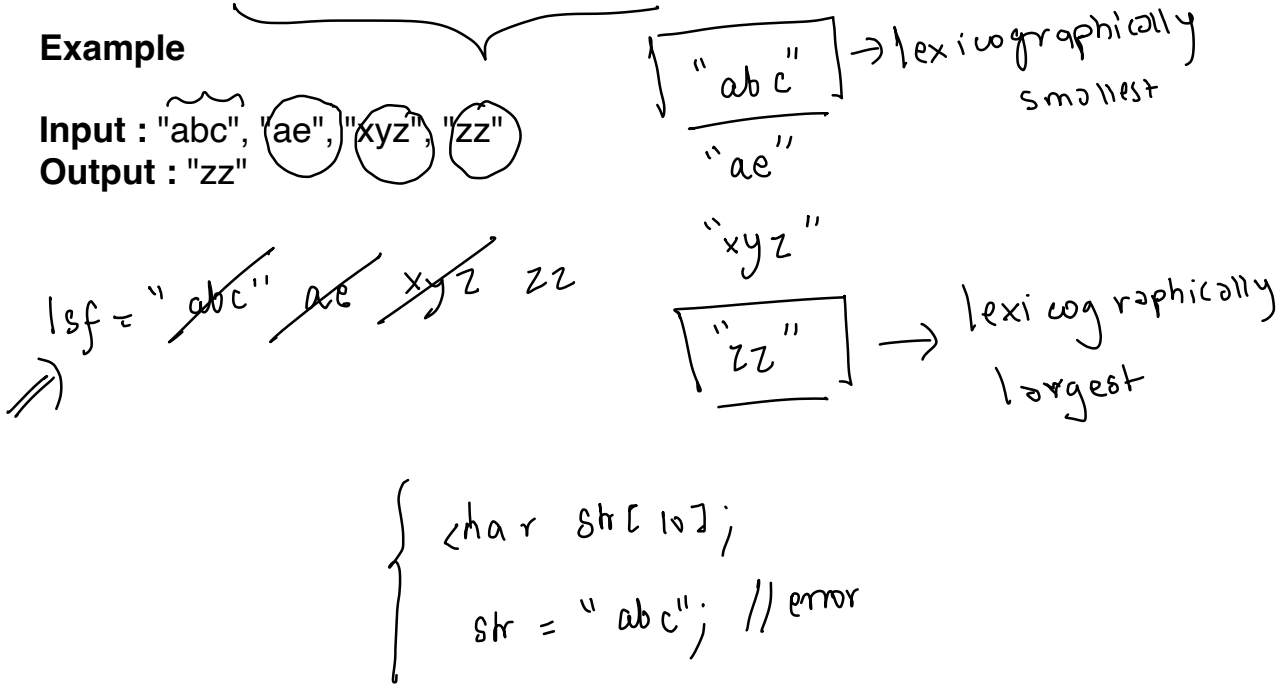
⋮

Find Largest of N Strings

Given a **N** strings represented as a character arrays, design an algorithm to find the **lexicographically largest** string.

Example

Input : "abc", "ae", "xyz", "zz"
Output : "zz"



String Class in C++

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int x;

char ch;

object → variable

```
string str; // declaration of a string object
```

Initialization of a String

int x = 10;

C++ string literal

```
string str = "coding blocks";
cout << str;
```

C-style String literal

'\0' is added automatically

string str; // declare

str = "wow"; // works

cout << str; // "wow"

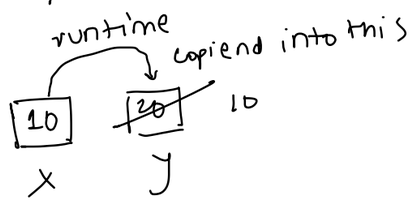
char str[100];

str = "wow"; // error

* "string" is resizable → it can dynamically grow / shrink at runtime

```
string s1 = "abc";
string s2 = "defghi";
s1 = s2;
```
(s2 copied into this)

```
int x = 10;
int y = 20;
y = x;
```




```
char s1[] = "abc";   → internally 4B are allocated
char s2[] = "defghi" → internally 7B are allocated
strcpy(s1, s2); // undefined behaviour
```

Indexing a String

```
string s = "abcd";
           0123
```

```
cout << s[0]; // a
cout << s[1]; // b
cout << s[2]; // c
cout << s[3]; // d
cout << s[4]; // ? != '\0'
```
(null char)

```
for(int i=0; s[i]!='\0'; i++){
    cout << s[i];
}
```
(it is a generic fn)

```
for(int i=0; i<n; i++){
    cout << s[i];
}
```
(length? → s.size() or s.length() → it is part of the string class)

}

Reading Input into a String

```
string str; // object declaration
cin >> str;
```

cin >> stops reading i/p as soon as it encounters a non-leading whitespace

→ leading whitespaces are ignored by cin >>

```
string str; // object declaration
getline(cin, str);
```

it stops reading as soon as it encounters `'\n'` ← default delimiting character

↳ to ignore leading whitespaces while using getline, we've to use input manipul. ⇒ ws

```
getline(cin >> ws, str);
```

```
string s = "hello";
cout << s.size(); // 5
```

size_t (type) → unsigned integers (>, 0)

```
int n = s.size();
```

implicit type - casting

```
max( arg1 (int) , arg2 / size_t )
```

(int) s.size()

equivalent → static_cast<int>