

132. Palindrome Partitioning II

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- Difficulty: **Hard**

Given a string s , partition s such that every substring of the partition is a palindrome.

Return the minimum cuts needed for a palindrome partitioning of s .

For example, given $s = "aab"$,

Return 1 since the palindrome partitioning $["aa", "b"]$ could be produced using 1 cut.

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class Solution {
public:
    bool checkPalindrome(string & s, int i, int j){
        while(i<j){
            if (s[i]!=s[j]) return false;
            i++;j--;
        }
        return true;
    }
    int minCount(string s,int k, vector<int> &hist) {
        if (k>=s.size()) return 0;
        if (k==s.size()-1) return 1;
        if (checkPalindrome(s,k,s.size()-1)) return 1; // key 1, terminate in advance
        int minC = INT_MAX;
        for (int i=s.size()-1;i>=k;i--){ // important, check from long substr to short ones,
            saving lots of time
            if (checkPalindrome(s,k,i)) {
                int temp = 1;
                if (hist[i+1]==INT_MAX) {
                    hist[i+1]=minCount(s,i+1,hist);
                }
                temp+=hist[i+1];
                minC = minC<temp?minC:temp;
                if (minC==2) return minC; // key 2, terminate in advance
            }
        }
        return minC;
    }
    int minCut(string s) {
        if (s.size()<=1) return 0;
        vector<int> hist(s.size()+1,INT_MAX);
        return minCount(s,0,hist)-1;
    }
};
```