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Q2	Fewest Coins > Coding	2 min 52 sec	0/ 50	$\Theta$
Q3	Balancing Parentheses > Coding	15 min 10 sec	50/ 50	(!)
Q4	Good Binary Strings > Coding	29 min 27 sec	0/ 75	$\Theta$

#### QUESTION 1



Score 0

# String Reduction > Coding Easy Strings

#### **QUESTION DESCRIPTION**

Given a string, reduce it in such a way that all of its substrings are distinct. To do so, you may delete any character of the string at any index. What is the minimum number of deletions needed in order to complete this task?

Note: A substring is a contiguous sequence of characters within a string. It can be formed by deleting some (0 or more) characters from the left of the string and some (0 or more) characters from the right of the string.

For example, let's say the given string is s = "abab". Currently, the substrings are not distinct—the substring "ab" is found starting at both index 0 and index 2. By deleting s[2] and s[3], the string becomes "ab", where all substrings are distinct. Therefore, the answer is 2 because this required 2 deletions. (Note that "aba" is not acceptable because the character 'a' counts as a substring. In "aba", there are two instances of the substring "a".)

#### **Function Description**

Complete the function getMinDeletions in the editor below.

getMinDeletions has the following parameter(s):

string s: the given string

#### Returns:

int: the minimum number of deletions needed to make s have only distinct substrings in it

#### Constraints

•  $1 \le n \le 10^5$ 

### ▼ Input Format For Custom Testing

The first line contains a string, s.

# ▼ Sample Case 0

## Sample Input For Custom Testing

```
STDIN Function
----
abcab => s = "abcab"
```

# Sample Output

2

# Explanation

By deleting the first 2 characters, the string becomes "cab", which has only distinct substrings in it. Therefore, the answer is 2.

# ▼ Sample Case 1

### Sample Input For Custom Testing

abcabc

# Sample Output

# **Explanation**

By deleting the characters at indices 0, 4, and 5, the string becomes "bca", which has only distinct substrings in it. Because this required 3 deletions, the answer is 3.

#### INTERNAL NOTES

For distinct sub-strings, all the characters in the string must be distinct. So we calculate the number of distinct characters and hence our answer equals *n* - *distinct\_characters*.

```
int getMin(string s) {
   int ans = 0;
   int freq[26] = \{0\};
    for (int i = 0; s[i]; i++) {
        if (freq[ s[i] - 'a' ] == 0) {
            freq[ s[i] - 'a' ] = 1;
            ans++;
    ans = s.length() - ans;
    return ans;
```

### Tester's solution:

```
def getMin(s):
   diff_chr = set()
    for i in range(len(s)):
       diff chr.add(s[i])
    return (len(s) - len(diff_chr))
```

# **CANDIDATE ANSWER**



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Language used: cpp

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comprised of lowercase letters in the range ascii[a-z], where each letter represents a coin type, determine the length of the shortest substring that contains at least one of each type of coin.

#### Example:

coins = dabbcabcd

The list of all characters in the string is [a, b, c, d].

Two of the substrings that contain all letters are dabbc and abcd.

The shortest substring that contains all of the letters is 4 characters long.

#### **Function Description**

Complete the function fewestCoins in the editor below.

fewestCoins has the following parameter:

string coins: a string

#### Return

int: the length of the shortest substring that contains at least one of each characters in coins

#### Constraints

- 1 ≤ size of coins ≤ 10<sup>5</sup>
- each coins[i] is in the set ascii[a-z]

# ▼ Input Format For Custom Testing

The first line contains a string, coins.

# ▼ Sample Case 0

### Sample Input For Custom Testing

```
Function
STDIN
bab → coins = 'bab'
```

# Sample Output

2

#### **Explanation**

"ba" is a substring that contains all the characters in coins.

# ▼ Sample Case 1

### Sample Input For Custom Testing

```
STDIN
                       Function
asdfkjeghfalawefhaef → coins = 'asdfkjeghfalawefhaef'
```

#### Sample Output

13

## **Explanation**

The 11 distinct characters in coins are [a, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, s, w]. The shortest substring with all of the characters is 13 characters long: sdfkjeghfalaw.

#### **CANDIDATE ANSWER**



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#### **QUESTION 3**



Score 50

# Balancing Parentheses > Coding | Easy

Implementation

**Data Structures** 

Strings

Arrays

#### **QUESTION DESCRIPTION**

Algorithms

Given a string that consists of only two types of characters: '(' and ')', balance the parentheses by inserting either a '(' or a ')' as many times as necessary. Determine the minimum number of characters that must be inserted.

# Example

s = '(()))'

To make it a valid sequence, insert a '('at the beginning of the string, resulting in "((()))". The string is balanced after 1 insertion.

### **Function Description**

Complete the function getMinOperations in the editor below. The function must return the minimum number of operations needed to make the parentheses sequence valid.

getMinOperations has the following parameter(s):

string s: a string of parentheses

#### Return

int: the minimum number of insertions required to balance the parentheses

#### **Constraints**

•  $1 \le \text{length of } s \le 10^5$ 

### ▼ Input Format For Custom Testing

The first line contains a string, s, the initial parentheses sequence.

# ▼ Sample Case 0

# Sample Input For Custom Testing

```
STDIN Function
())) \rightarrow s = '()))'
```

# Sample Output

2

# **Explanation**

Insert a '(' 2 times at the beginning of the string to make it valid: "((()))".

### ▼ Sample Case 1

# Sample Input For Custom Testing

```
STDIN
         Function
()() \rightarrow s = '()()'
```

#### Sample Output

0

#### Explanation

The sequence is already valid, so no insertions are needed.

#### INTERNAL NOTES

We iterate through the string and maintain a balance of the parenthesis and store the minimum amount it touches throughout the string. That minimum value is the number of '(' we add in the beginning of the string and then the balance of the string at the end is added.

```
int getMin(string s) {
   int ans = 0;

int bal = 0, mi = 0;
   for (int i = 0; s[i]; i++) {
       if (s[i] == '(') {
           bal++;
       }
       else {
           bal--;
       }
       mi = min(mi, bal);
   }
   ans = -mi + (bal - mi);
   return ans;
}
```

#### Tester's code:

```
def getMin(s):
   n = len(s)
   assert 1 <= n <= 10 ** 5
   for i in s:
       assert i == '(' or i == ')'
   st = []
   for i in s:
       if i == '(':
           st.append(0)
       else:
          if len(st) > 0 and st[-1] == 0:
              del st[-1]
           else:
               st.append(1)
    # return len(s)
    return len(st)
```

# **CANDIDATE ANSWER**

Language used: C++

```
1 /*
2 * Complete the 'getMin' function below.
3 *
4 * The function is expected to return an INTEGER.
5 * The function accepts STRING s as parameter.
6 */
7
```

```
8 int getMin(string s) {
      int balance=0;
      int ans=0;
      for(int i=0;i<s.length();++i)</pre>
           balance += s[i] == '('?1:-1;
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           if(balance== -1)
           {
               ans++;
               balance++;
       }
       return balance+ans;
21 }
```

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TestCase 0	Easy	Sample case	Success	1	0.1 sec	8.97 KB
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TestCase 8	Easy	Hidden case	Success	3	0.12 sec	8.95 KB
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# Good Binary Strings > Coding Strings

Medium

Algorithms

Problem Solving

Core CS

# QUESTION DESCRIPTION

We define the following:

- A binary string is a string consisting only of 0's and/or 1's. For example, 01011, 1111, and 00 are all binary strings.
- The prefix of a string is any substring of the string that includes the beginning of the string. For example, the prefixes of 11010 are 1, 11, 110, 1101, and 11010.

We consider a non-empty binary string to be *good* if the following two conditions are true:

- 1. The number of 0's is equal to the number of 1's.
- 2. For every prefix of the binary string, the number of 1's should not be less than the number of 0's.

For example, 11010 is not good because it doesn't have an equal number of 0's and 1's, but 110100 is good because it satisfies both of the above conditions.

A good string can contain multiple good substrings. If two *consecutive substrings* are good, then we can *swap* the substrings as long as the resulting string is still a good string. Given a good binary string, *binString*, perform zero or more swap operations on its consecutive good substrings such that the resulting string is as lexicographically large as possible. Two substrings are considered to be consecutive if the last character of the first substring occurs exactly one index before the first character of the second substring.

For example, if we look at the good binary string binString = 1010111000, we see two good binary substrings, 1010 and 111000 among others. If we swap these two substrings we get a larger value: 1110001010. This is the largest possible good substring that can be formed.

### **Function Description**

Complete the function *largestGood* in the editor below. The function must return a string denoting the lexicographically largest possible good string that can be formed by performing zero or more swap operations on consecutive good substrings of *binString*.

largestGood has the following parameter(s):

binString: a string

#### **Constraints**

- Each character of *binString*  $\in$  {01}.
- 1 ≤ |binString| ≤ 50
- binString is a good string.

### ▼ Input Format For Custom Testing

The only line of input contains the string binString.

### ▼ Sample Case 0

#### Sample Input 0

```
STDIN Function Parameters
----
11011000 → binString = "11011000"
```

#### Sample Output 0

11100100

#### **Explanation 0**

Given the good string binString = 11011000, we can choose two consecutive good substrings, 10 and 1100, to swap such that the resultant string, str = 11100100, is the lexicographically largest good string possible.

# ▼ Sample Case 1

#### Sample Input 1

```
STDIN Function Parameters
-----
1100 → binString = "1100"
```

#### Sample Output 1

1100

### **Explanation 1**

The only good substring of binString is 1100. So none of the operations can be applied on the string.

#### ▼ Sample Case 2

# **Sample Input For Custom Testing**

STDIN Function Parameters 1101001100 → binString = "1101001100"

# Sample Output

1101001100

### **Explanation**

The only consecutive good substrings of binString are 110100 and 1100. Note that 100 is not a good substring because it contains more zeroes than ones. If we were to swap them, it would result in a lexicographically smaller string. Thus, binString is already the lexicographically largest good string that can be formed.

# **CANDIDATE ANSWER**



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