

## 3713. Longest Balanced Substring I

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You are given a string `s` consisting of lowercase English letters.

A **substring** of `s` is called **balanced** if all **distinct** characters in the **substring** appear the **same** number of times.

Return the **length** of the **longest balanced substring** of `s`.

### Example 1:

**Input:** s = "abbac"

**Output:** 4

**Explanation:**

The longest balanced substring is "abba" because both distinct characters 'a' and 'b' each appear exactly 2 times.

### Example 2:

**Input:** s = "zzabccy"

**Output:** 4

**Explanation:**

The longest balanced substring is "zabc" because the distinct characters 'z', 'a', 'b', and 'c' each appear exactly 1 time.

### Example 3:

**Input:** s = "aba"

**Output:** 2

**Explanation:**

One of the longest balanced substrings is "ab" because both distinct characters 'a' and 'b' each appear exactly 1 time. Another longest balanced substring is "ba".

### Constraints:

- `1 <= s.length <= 1000`
- `s` consists of lowercase English letters.

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