

72. Edit Distance

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Given two words *word1* and *word2*, find the minimum number of operations required to convert *word1* to *word2*.

You have the following 3 operations permitted on a word:

1. Insert a character
2. Delete a character
3. Replace a character

Example 1:

Input: word1 = "horse", word2 = "ros"

Output: 3

Explanation:

horse -> rorse (replace 'h' with 'r')

rorse -> rose (remove 'r')

rose -> ros (remove 'e')

Example 2:

Input: word1 = "intention", word2 = "execution"

Output: 5

Explanation:

intention -> inention (remove 't')

inention -> enention (replace 'i' with 'e')

enention -> exention (replace 'n' with 'x')

exention -> exection (replace 'n' with 'c')

exection -> execution (insert 'u')

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1 class Solution {
2     public int minDistance(String word1, String word2) {
3         if (word1.equals(word2)) {
4             return 0;
5         }
6         if (word1.length() == 0 || word2.length() == 0) {
7             return Math.abs(word1.length() - word2.length());
8         }
9         int[][] dp = new int[word1.length() + 1][word2.length() + 1];
10        for (int i = 0; i <= word1.length(); i++) {
11            dp[i][0] = i;
12        }
13        for (int i = 0; i <= word2.length(); i++) {
14            dp[0][i] = i;
15        }
16        for (int i = 1; i <= word1.length(); i++) {
17            for (int j = 1; j <= word2.length(); j++) {
18                if (word1.charAt(i - 1) == word2.charAt(j - 1)) {
19                    dp[i][j] = dp[i - 1][j - 1];
20                } else {
21                    dp[i][j] = Math.min(dp[i - 1][j - 1], Math.min(dp[i - 1][j], dp[i][j - 1])) +
22                        1;
23                }
24            }
25        }
26        return dp[word1.length()][word2.length()];
27    }
28 }
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