

## 3163. String Compression III

Given a string `word`, compress it using the following algorithm:

- Begin with an empty string `comp`. While `word` is **not** empty, use the following operation:
  - Remove a maximum length prefix of `word` made of a *single character* `c` repeating **at most** 9 times.
  - Append the length of the prefix followed by `c` to `comp`.

Return the string `comp`.

### Example 1:

**Input:** `word = "abcde"`

**Output:** `"1a1b1c1d1e"`

### Explanation:

Initially, `comp = ""`. Apply the operation 5 times, choosing `"a"`, `"b"`, `"c"`, `"d"`, and `"e"` as the prefix in each operation.

For each prefix, append `"1"` followed by the character to `comp`.

### Example 2:

**Input:** `word = "aaaaaaaaaaaaabb"`

**Output:** `"9a5a2b"`

### Explanation:

Initially, `comp = ""`. Apply the operation 3 times, choosing `"aaaaaaaaa"`, `"aaaaa"`, and `"bb"` as the prefix in each operation.

- For prefix `"aaaaaaaaa"`, append `"9"` followed by `"a"` to `comp`.
- For prefix `"aaaaa"`, append `"5"` followed by `"a"` to `comp`.
- For prefix `"bb"`, append `"2"` followed by `"b"` to `comp`.

### Constraints:

- $1 \leq \text{word.length} \leq 2 \cdot 10^5$
- `word` consists only of lowercase English letters.

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### Two pointers

Time Complexity:  $O(n)$

Space complexity:  $O(1)$

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Runtime	Memory
28 ms   Beats 68.38% 	27.65 MB   Beats 91.92% 

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class Solution {
public:
    std::string compressedString(std::string word) {
        int n=word.size();

        std::string ans;
        int i=0,j=0;
        while(i<n){
            if(word[i]==word[j]) j++;
            else{
                int len=j-i;
                if(len<=9){
                    ans.push_back(len+'0');
                    ans.push_back(word[i]);
                }
                else{
                    int count=len/9;
                    for(int k=1;k<=count;++k){
                        ans.push_back('9');
                        ans.push_back(word[i]);
                    }
                    if(len%9!=0){
                        ans.push_back((len%9)+'0');
                        ans.push_back(word[i]);
                    }
                }
                i=j;
            }
        }
        return ans;
    }
};
```

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**one pointer**

Time Complexity:  $O(n)$

Space complexity:  $O(1)$

Runtime	Memory
3 ms   Beats 99.15% 🌿	27.76 MB   Beats 83.84% 🌿

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```
class Solution {
public:
    std::string compressedString(std::string word) {
        int n=word.size();

        std::string ans;
        int i=0;
        while(i<n){
            int count=0;
            char cur=word[i];
            while(i<n && count<9 && word[i]==cur){
                count++;
                i++;
            }
            ans.push_back(count+'0');
            ans.push_back(cur);
        }
        return ans;
    }
};
```