

## 2696. Minimum String Length After Removing Substrings

You are given a string `S` consisting only of **uppercase** English letters.

You can apply some operations to this string where, in one operation, you can remove **any** occurrence of one of the substrings `"AB"` or `"CD"` from `S`.

Return the **minimum** possible length of the resulting string that you can obtain.

**Note** that the string concatenates after removing the substring and could produce new `"AB"` or `"CD"` substrings.

### Example 1:

**Input:** `s = "ABFCACDB"`

**Output:** 2

**Explanation:** We can do the following operations:

- Remove the substring `"ABFCACDB"`, so `s = "FCACDB"`.
- Remove the substring `"FCACDB"`, so `s = "FCAB"`.
- Remove the substring `"FCAB"`, so `s = "FC"`.

So the resulting length of the string is 2.

It can be shown that it is the minimum length that we can obtain.

### Example 2:

**Input:** `s = "ACBBD"`

**Output:** 5

**Explanation:** We cannot do any operations on the string so the length remains the same.

### Constraints:

- `1 <= s.length <= 100`
- `s` consists only of uppercase English letters.

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```
/*  
    Straight forward approach  
    Time complexity:  $O(n^2)$   
    Space complexity:  $O(1)$   
*/  
class Solution {  
public:  
    int minLength(std::string s){  
        bool flag=true;  
        while(flag){  
            flag=false;  
            string::size_type i=s.find("AB");  
            if (i!=string::npos){  
                flag=true;  
                s.erase(i,2);  
            }  
            i=s.find("CD");  
            if (i!=string::npos){  
                flag=true;  
                s.erase(i,2);  
            }  
        }  
        return s.size();  
    }  
};
```

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```
/*
    Stack
    Time complexity: O(n)
    Space complexity: O(n)
*/
class Solution {
public:
    int minLength(std::string s){
        std::stack<char> st;
        bool push=true; // To know what to push
        for(char& c: s){
            push=true; // By default we will push the current character
            if(!st.empty() && c=='B'){ // if current character is 'B'
                // if the previous character is 'A', remove it and
                // no need to push 'B'
                if(st.top()=='A') st.pop(),push=false;
            }
            else if(!st.empty() && c=='D'){ // if current character is 'D'
                // if the previous character is 'C', remove it and
                // no need to push 'D'
                if(st.top()=='C') st.pop(),push=false;
            }

            if(push) st.push(c);
        }

        return st.size();
    }
};
```