


717. 1-bit and 2-bit Characters

Solved 

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Hint

We have two special characters:

- The first character can be represented by one bit (0).
- The second character can be represented by two bits (10 or 11).

Given a binary array `bits` that ends with 0, return `true` if the last character must be a one-bit character.

Example 1:

Input: `bits = [1,0,0]`

Output: `true`

Explanation: The only way to decode it is two-bit character and one-bit character.

So the last character is one-bit character.

Example 2:

Input: `bits = [1,1,1,0]`

Output: `false`

Explanation: The only way to decode it is two-bit character and two-bit character.

So the last character is not one-bit character.

Constraints:

- `1 <= bits.length <= 1000`
- `bits[i]` is either 0 or 1.

Python:

class Solution:

def isOneBitCharacter(self, bits: List[int]) -> bool:

n = len(bits)

if n >= 2 and bits[-2] == 0:

return True

i = 0

while i < n - 1:

i += bits[i] + 1

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return i == n - 1
```

JavaScript:

```
const isOneBitCharacter = bits => {  
  const n = bits.length;  
  let i = 0;  
  while(i < n - 1)  
    i += bits[i] + 1;  
  return i === n - 1;  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
  public boolean isOneBitCharacter(int[] bits) {  
    int n = bits.length;  
    if (n >= 2 && bits[n - 2] == 0) return true;  
    int i = 0;  
    while(i < n - 1)  
      i += bits[i] + 1;  
    return i == n - 1;  
  }  
}
```