3163. String Compression III

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Hint

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 "aaaaaaaa", "aaaaa", and "bb" as the prefix in each operation.

- For prefix "aaaaaaaa", 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 <= word.length <= 2 * 105
- word consists only of lowercase English letters.

Solution:

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class Solution {
    public String compressedString(String word) {
        StringBuilder sb=new StringBuilder();
        int count=0, j=0;
        for(int i=0;i<word.length();++i){</pre>
            j=i;
            char c=word.charAt(i);
            while(j<word.length() && word.charAt(j)==c){</pre>
                 ++count;
                 ++j;
            }
            while(count>9){
                 sb.append('9');
                 sb.append(c);
                 count-=9;
            }
            sb.append((char)(count+'0'));
            sb.append(c);
            count=0;
            i=j-1;
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return sb.toString();
}
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