

358. Rearrange String k Distance Apart

We could use a priority queue and queue to append character from s. TC is $O(n)$

```
from collections import Counter
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from collections import deque
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from heapq import *
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```
class Solution:
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```
    def rearrangeString(self, s: str, k: int) -> str:
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```
        result = []
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```
        queue = deque([])
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```
        pq = []
```

```
        for i in map(lambda a: (-a[1], a[0]), Counter(s).items()):
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```
            heappush(pq, i)
```

```
        while pq:
```

```
            num, c = heappop(pq)
```

```
            num = -num
```

```
            result.append(c)
```

```
            queue.append((num - 1, c))
```

```
            if len(queue) < k:
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```
                continue
```

```
            num, c = queue.popleft();
```

```
            if num > 0:
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```
                heappush(pq, (-num, c))
```

```
        return ''.join(result) if len(result) == len(s) else ""
```

767. Reorganize String

```
from collections import Counter
```

```
from collections import deque
```

```
from heapq import *
```

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class Solution:
```

```
    def reorganizeString(self, S: str) -> str:
```

```
        result = []
```

```
        queue = deque([])
```

```
        pq = []
```

```
        for i in map(lambda a: (-a[1], a[0]), Counter(S).items()):
```

```
            heappush(pq, i)
```

```
        while pq:
```

```
            num, c = heappop(pq)
```

```
            num = -num
```

```
            result.append(c)
```

```
            queue.append((num - 1, c))
```

```
            if len(queue) < 2:
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```
                continue
```

```
            num, c = queue.popleft();
```

```

    if num > 0:
        heappush(pq, (-num, c))
    return "".join(result) if len(result) == len(S) else ""

```

269. Alien Dictionary

We will use indegree and outdegree to order our characters. TC is $O(n)$

from collections import defaultdict

class Solution:

```

    def alienOrder(self, words: List[str]) -> str:
        indegree = defaultdict(set)
        outdegree = defaultdict(set)
        prev = words[0]
        all_collec = set(list(prev));
        result = []
        for word in words[1:]:
            all_collec = all_collec | set(list(word))
            length = min(len(prev), len(word))
            for i in range(length):
                if prev[i] != word[i]:
                    outdegree[prev[i]].add(word[i])
                    indegree[word[i]].add(prev[i])
                    break
            prev = word
        cur = all_collec - set(indegree.keys())
        while cur:
            next_ite = set()
            for i in cur:
                result.append(i)
                for w in outdegree[i]:
                    indegree[w].remove(i)
                    if len(indegree[w]) == 0:
                        next_ite.add(w)
            cur = next_ite
        if len(all_collec) == len(result):
            return "".join(result)
        else:
            return ""

```

953. Verifying an Alien Dictionary

We will do comparison one by one. TC is $O(n)$

class Solution:

```

    def isAlienSorted(self, words: List[str], order: str) -> bool:

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```

prev = words[0]
for word in words[1:]:
    length = min(len(prev), len(word))
    mark = False
    for i in range(length):
        if word[i] != prev[i]:
            mark = True
            if order.index(prev[i]) > order.index(word[i]):
                return False
            break
    if not mark and len(prev) > len(word):
        return False
    prev = word
return True

```

207. Course Schedule

from collections import defaultdict

class Solution:

```

def canFinish(self, numCourses: int, prerequisites: List[List[int]]) -> bool:

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```

    indegree = defaultdict(set)

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    outdegree = defaultdict(set)

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    for s, f in prerequisites:

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        indegree[s].add(f)

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        outdegree[f].add(s)

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    begin = set(range(numCourses)) - set(indegree.keys())

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    total = len(begin)

```

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    while begin:

```

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        next_ite = set()

```

```

        for i in begin:

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```

            if i in outdegree:

```

```

                for j in outdegree[i]:

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                    indegree[j].remove(i)

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                    if len(indegree[j]) == 0:

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                        next_ite.add(j)

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                        total += 1

```

```

        begin = next_ite

```

```

    return total == numCourses

```