



I have failed at times, but I have  
never stopped trying.

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AZ QUOTES

### Agenda

- ① String Basics
- ② Flip
- ③ Sort
- ④ Reverse String
- ⑤ Longest Palindromic Substring

# String

- Array of characters
- Sequence of character
- Bunch of character


 order re  
very imp.

## Characters

- single unit of data that is alphabet, digit & special symbol

standards - ASCII - standard for representing character as numerical value

'A' - 65	'a' - 97	'0' - 48
'B' - 66	'b' - 98	'1' - 49
'C' - 67	'c' - 99	'2' - 50
⋮	⋮	⋮
'Z' - 90	'z' - 122	'9' - 57

char ch = 'q'

$$ch = \text{char}(ch + 8)$$
$$= \text{char}(57 + 8) = \text{char}(65) = \text{'A'}$$

strings → array of characters

string s = "a b d a" = { a, b, d, a }  
 print(s[2]) = d

1a) Given a character array, Toggle every character

↳ Capital  $\rightleftharpoons$  Small

Example

→ Ana ConDa [ a N A c O N d A ]

Constraints

$a \leq ch \leq z$   
 $A \leq ch \leq Z$  | You will only get Alphabets

Pseudo Code

```
string Toggle (char s){  
    int n = s.length;  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++){  
        if (s[i] >= 65 &&  
            s[i] <= 90){  
            // s[i] Capital  
            s[i] += 32;  
        }  
        else {  
            // s[i] lower  
            s[i] -= 32;  
        }  
    }  
    return s;  
}
```

Observation

'A' - 65	→ +32	'a' - 97
	← -32	
'B' - 66	→ +32	'b' - 98
	← -32	
'C' - 67	→ +32	'c' - 99
	← -32	
'D' - 68		'd' - 100
⋮		⋮
⋮		⋮

Time Complexity

$O(n)$

Space Complexity

$O(1)$

2Q) Given a char array, which contains only lower case characters, sort given array in alphabetic order

### Example

s = d a b a c d b

Ans = a a b b c d d

### Constraints

$1 \leq N \leq 10^5$

'a' <= char <= 'z'

### Brute force

Bubble sort -  $O(N^2)$

comparitors methods -  $O(n \log n)$  ✗

sort ( start\_index , end\_ind , custom\_com )

Observation I am interested in knowing frequency of each char

s = d a b a c d b

a a b b c d d

### Example 1

'a' - 2

'b' - 2

'c' - 1

'd' - 2

aa - bb - c - dd

d a b a c d b

a a b b c d d

overwrite the value  
to get result

### Example 2

s = a b c e b c b a c e

(97) 'a' - 2

(98) 'b' - 3

(99) 'c' - 3

(100) 'd' - 0

(101) 'e' - 2

count

2	3	3	0	...	
0	1	2	3	4	25

'a' - 97 → 0<sup>th</sup> index

'b' - 98 → 1<sup>st</sup> index

'c' - 99 → 2<sup>nd</sup> index

Given the char value, I can use  
it to find the Index

## pseudo code

- ① Creating a frequency array for given string
- ② using the frequency array I am generating output

## ord

```
string sort string (char C[] s) {
```

```
    int n = s.length();
```

```
    int count[26] = {0};
```

```
    for (i=0 → n) {
```

```
        ind = s[i] - 'a' // freq. arr index
```

```
        count[ind] ++;
```

```
    }
```

```
    k=0
```

```
    for (int i=0 → 26) {
```

```
        // count[i] → represent the frequency
```

```
        char ch = 'a' + i;
```

```
        for (j=1 → count[i]) {
```

```
            s[k] = ch    k++
```

```
        }
```

```
    }
```

```
    return s
```

```
}
```

T.C =  $O(n)$

S.C =  $O(26)$   
=  $O(1)$

T.C  
 $O(n^2)$

S.C  
 $O(i)$

$s = a b c e b c b a c e$

Count =

2	2	3	0	2	0	...	0
0	1	2	3	4	5		25

### Time Complexity

i	j: [1 - c[i]]	Total Iteration
0	[1 - c[0]]	c[0]
1	[1 - c[1]]	c[1]
2	[1 - c[2]]	c[2]
⋮	⋮	
25	[1 - c[25]]	c[25]
		<u>0(N)</u>

Total Iteration

$$= c[0] + c[1] + c[2] + \dots + c[25]$$

count of all freq

$$= \text{string length}$$

$$T.C = O(N) + O(N) = O(N)$$

Substring concept is same as subarray

- ↳ contiguous part of string
- ↳ Full string can be substring
- ↳ A single character can also be a substring

Subarray concept on strings is Substring

Q2) check if a given substr is palindrome or not

Example

madam  
mom  
dad  
level  
civic

char ch[] = a n a m a d a m s p e  
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

L → R  
R → L

Obs.

if given string is palindrome  
first & last  
ch in 2<sup>nd</sup>  
point  
should be  
same

boolean isPalindrome (ch[], s, e) {  
↓ start index  
↑ end index

while (s < e) {

if (ch[s] != ch[e]) {  
return False

}

s = s + 1; e = e - 1;

}

return True;

}

TC =  $O(N)$

SC =  $O(1)$

4Q) Given a string, calculate the length of longest palindrome substring

Ex

S = a b a c a b

output

5

Ex

S = a b c d e

output

1

### Most Brute Force

- ① Generating all sub strings
- ② Above code to check if palindrome and count the length. Find max length

### Pseudo Code

$1 \leq N \leq 2 \times 10^3$

```
int long pal ( char s[] ) {  
    int n = s.length;  
    int ans = 0;  
    for ( i = 0; i < n; i++ ) { // start index  
        for ( j = i; j < n; j++ ) { // end index  
            if ( is palindrome (s, i, j) )  
                ans = max (ans, (j-i+1));  
        }  
    }  
}
```



```

    }
    return ans
}

```

$$T.C = O(n^3)$$

= Time to generate all substring =  $O(n^2)$

= Time to check pal =  $O(n)$

$$= O(n^3)$$

$$S.C = O(1)$$

### Interesting Observation

I give you mid point of ans

x b d y z z y d b d y z y d x

$\downarrow$   $P_1$ 
 $\downarrow$   $P_2$

Given a palindrome  
You can split it into  
2 half

If you are given the  
centre, you can find  
the length of palin-  
drome

length of palindrome

$$[P_1, P_2] = P_2 - P_1 + 1$$

$$(P_1, P_2) = P_2 - P_1 + 1 - 2$$

$$= P_2 - P_1 - 1$$

## Idea

→ Take every character as center and expand the centre and find length of palindrome

$$T.C = O(N) \times O(N) = O(N^2)$$

palindrome with even character

x b d y z z y d b d y z y d x

↑  $P_1$  —————  $P_2$  ↑

even

$$P_2 - P_1 - 1$$

$$[P_1, P_2] = P_2 - P_1 + 1$$

## Pseudo code

① we should consider center for odd length palindrome & even length palindrome separate

② Use same mechanism to expand the center till the string is palindrome

```

int expand ( char s[], int p1, int p2 ) {
    while ((p1 >= 0) && (p2 < n) && (s[p1] == s[p2])) {
        p1 -= 1;    p2 += 1;
    }
    return p2 - p1 - 1;
}

```

```

int longPal ( char s[]) {
    int n = s.length;
    int ans = 0;

    // palindrome with odd length
    for (int i=0; i < n; i++) {
        // center = s[i]
        p1 = i;
        p2 = i;
        ans = max(ans, expand(s, p1, p2));
    }

    // palindrome with even length
    for (int i=0; i < n-1; i++) {
        // center s[i], s[i+1]
        p1 = i;
        p2 = i+1;
    }
}

```

ans = max(ans, expand(s, p1, p2))

}

return ans

}

### Doubts Session

for (i=0 → n) {

ind = s[i] - 'a' // freq. arr index

count[ind] += 1;

}

s = a c d e a e  
          ↑

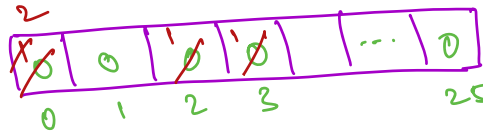
a - 2

b - 0

c - 1

d - 1

e - 2



I will store the freq(a)  
in 0th index

97 → 0 = 'a' - 97    97  
98 → 1 = 'b' - 97    98  
99 → 2 = 'c' - 97    99  
⋮

freq(a) → count[0]

freq(b) → count[1]

⋮

freq(z) → count[25]

[1, 2, 3]

[sabarish]

S = reverse(s)

sub array

{}

{1} {2} {3}

{1, 2} {2, 3}

{1, 2, 3}

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