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public static String removeDoubleCharacters(String str) {
if (str.isEmpty())
    return str:
StringBuilder result new StringBuilder();
    prev str.caaAt(0);
result.append(prev);
for (int i = 1; i < str tength(); i++) {
    char cur = sto charAt(i);
    if (prev
                  (n) {
        result append(str.charAt(i));
     prev = cur;
 }
return result.toString();
```