125. Valid Palindrome *

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Given a string, determine if it is a palindrome, considering only alphanumeric characters and ignoring cases,

"A man, a plan, a canal: Panama" is a palindrome.

"race a car" is not a palindrome.

Note:

Have you consider that the string might be empty? This is a good question to ask during an interview.

For the purpose of this problem, we define empty string as valid palindrome.

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class Solution {
 1
 2
    public:
 3
        bool isPalindrome(string s) {
 4
             transform(s.begin(), s.end(), s.begin(), ::tolower);
 5
             auto i = s.begin(), j = prev(s.end());
 6
             while (j > i) {
 7
                 if (!isalnum(*i)) {
 8
                     ++i;
 9
                     continue;
10
                 }
11
                 else if (!isalnum(*j)) {
12
                     --j;
13
                     continue;
14
                 else if (*i != *j) {
15
                     return false;
16
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                 }
18
                 ++i;
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19
                 --j;
20
             }
```

21 return true; 22 } 23 };		
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