

6363. Find the String with LCP

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We define the `lcp` matrix of any **0-indexed** string `word` of `n` lowercase English letters as an `n x n` grid such that:

- `lcp[i][j]` is equal to the length of the **longest common prefix** between the substrings `word[i,n-1]` and `word[j,n-1]`.

Given an `n x n` matrix `lcp`, return the alphabetically smallest string `word` that corresponds to `lcp`. If there is no such string, return an empty string.

A string `a` is lexicographically smaller than a string `b` (of the same length) if in the first position where `a` and `b` differ, string `a` has a letter that appears earlier in the alphabet than the corresponding letter in `b`. For example, "aabd" is lexicographically smaller than "aaca" because the first position they differ is at the third letter, and 'b' comes before 'c'.

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Difficulty: Hard

Example 1:

Input: `lcp = [[4,0,2,0],[0,3,0,1],[2,0,2,0],[0,1,0,1]]`

Output: "abab"

Explanation: `lcp` corresponds to any 4 letter string with two alternating letters. The lexicographically smallest of them is "abab".

Example 2:

Input: `lcp = [[4,3,2,1],[3,3,2,1],[2,2,2,1],[1,1,1,1]]`

Output: "aaaa"

Explanation: `lcp` corresponds to any 4 letter string with a single distinct letter. The lexicographically smallest of them is "aaaa".

Example 3:

Input: `lcp = [[4,3,2,1],[3,3,2,1],[2,2,2,1],[1,1,1,3]]`

Output: ""

Explanation: `lcp[3][3]` cannot be equal to 3 since `word[3,...,3]` consists of only a single letter; Thus, no answer exists.

Constraints:

- `1 <= n == lcp.length == lcp[i].length <= 1000`
- `0 <= lcp[i][j] <= n`

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1 const initialize2DArray = (n, m) => [...Array(n)].map(C => Array(m).fill(0));
2 const char = (ascii) => String.fromCharCode(ascii);
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4 const findTheString = (g) => {
5   let n = g.length, res = Array(n).fill(-1), max = 1, dp = initialize2DArray(n, n);
6   res[0] = 0;
7   for (let i = 1; i < n; i++) {
8     let match = false;
9     for (let j = 0; j < i; j++) {
10      if (g[i][j] > 0) {
11        res[i] = res[j];
12        match = true;
13        break;
14      }
15    }
16    if (!match) {
17      res[i] = max;
18      if (res[i] >= 26) return '';
19      max++;
20    }
21  }
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21     }
22     dp[n - 1][n - 1] = 1;
23     for (let i = n - 2; ~i; i--) {
24         for (let j = i; j < n; j++) {
25             if (res[i] != res[j]) {
26                 dp[i][j] = 0;
27             } else {
28                 dp[i][j] = j + 1 < n ? dp[i + 1][j + 1] + 1 : 1;
29             }
30         }
31     }
32     for (let i = 0; i < n; i++) {
33         for (let j = i; j < n; j++) {
34             if (dp[i][j] != g[i][j] || dp[i][j] != g[j][i]) return '';
35         }
36     }
37     return res.map(x => char(x + 97)).join("");
38 };
```

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