

2559. Count Vowel Strings in Ranges

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You are given a **0-indexed** array of strings `words` and a 2D array of integers `queries`.

Each query `queries[i] = [li, ri]` asks us to find the number of strings present in the range `li` to `ri` (both **inclusive**) of `words` that start and end with a vowel.

Return an array `ans` of size `queries.length`, where `ans[i]` is the answer to the `ith` query.

**Note** that the vowel letters are 'a', 'e', 'i', 'o', and 'u'.

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Total Accepted:	8743
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Difficulty:	Medium

Example 1:

**Input:** words = ["aba","bcb","ece","aa","e"], queries = [[0,2],[1,4],[1,1]]  
**Output:** [2,3,0]  
**Explanation:** The strings starting and ending with a vowel are "aba", "ece", "aa" and "e".  
The answer to the query [0,2] is 2 (strings "aba" and "ece").  
to query [1,4] is 3 (strings "ece", "aa", "e").  
to query [1,1] is 0.  
We return [2,3,0].

Example 2:

**Input:** words = ["a","e","i"], queries = [[0,2],[0,1],[2,2]]  
**Output:** [3,2,1]  
**Explanation:** Every string satisfies the conditions, so we return [3,2,1].

Constraints:

- 1 <= words.length <= 10<sup>5</sup>
- 1 <= words[i].length <= 40
- words[i] consists only of lowercase English letters.
- sum(words[i].length) <= 3 \* 10<sup>5</sup>
- 1 <= queries.length <= 10<sup>5</sup>
- 0 <= l<sub>i</sub> <= r<sub>i</sub> < words.length

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1 const isVowel = (c) => 'aeiou'.indexOf(c) != -1;
2
3 function Bisect() {
4   return { insert_right, insert_left, bisect_left, bisect_right }
5 }
6 function insert_right(a, x, lo = 0, hi = null) {
7   lo = bisect_right(a, x, lo, hi);
8   a.splice(lo, 0, x);
9 }
10 function bisect_right(a, x, lo = 0, hi = null) { // > upper_bound
11   if (lo < 0) throw new Error('lo must be non-negative');
12   if (hi == null) hi = a.length;
13   while (lo < hi) {
14     let mid = parseInt((lo + hi) / 2);
15     a[mid] > x ? hi = mid : lo = mid + 1;
16   }
17   return lo;
18 }
19 function insert_left(a, x, lo = 0, hi = null) {
20   lo = bisect_left(a, x, lo, hi);
21   a.splice(lo, 0, x);
22 }
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22 ▾ function bisect_left(a, x, lo = 0, hi = null) { // >= lower_bound
23     if (lo < 0) throw new Error('lo must be non-negative');
24     if (hi == null) hi = a.length;
25 ▾ while (lo < hi) {
26         let mid = parseInt((lo + hi) / 2);
27         a[mid] < x ? lo = mid + 1 : hi = mid;
28     }
29     return lo;
30 }
31 }
32
33 ▾ const vowelStrings = (a, queries) => {
34     let ia = [], res = [], bi = new Bisect();
35 ▾ for (let i = 0; i < a.length; i++) {
36     let s = a[i];
37     if (isVowel(s[0]) && isVowel(s[s.length - 1])) ia.push(i);
38 }
39 ▾ for (const [l, r] of queries) {
40     let lb = bi.bisect_left(ia, l); // >= l
41     let rb = bi.bisect_right(ia, r) - 1; // <= r
42     res.push(rb - lb + 1);
43 }
44     return res;
45 };
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