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QUESTION 1

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Palindrome Index > Coding

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QUESTION DESCRIPTION

Given a string of lowercase letters in the range `ascii[a-z]`, determine the index of a character that can be removed to make the string a **palindrome**. There may be more than one solution, but any will do. If the word is already a palindrome or there is no solution, return `-1`. Otherwise, return the index of a character to remove.

Example

`s = "bcbc"`

Either remove 'b' at index **0** or 'c' at index **3**.

Function Description

Complete the `palindromeIndex` function in the editor below.

`palindromeIndex` has the following parameter(s):

- *string s*: a string to analyze

Returns

- *int*: the index of the character to remove or **-1**

Input Format

The first line contains an integer *q*, the number of queries.

Each of the next *q* lines contains a query string *s*.

Constraints

- $1 \leq q \leq 20$
- $1 \leq \text{length of } s \leq 10^5 + 5$
- All characters are in the range `ascii[a-z]`.

Sample Input

STDIN	Function
3	q = 3
aaab	s = 'aaab' (first query)
baa	s = 'baa' (second query)
aaa	s = 'aaa' (third query)

Sample Output

```
3
0
-1
```

Explanation

Query 1: "aaab"

Removing 'b' at index **3** results in a palindrome, so return **3**.

Query 2: "baa"

Removing 'b' at index **0** results in a palindrome, so return **0**.

Query 3: "aaa"

This string is already a palindrome, so return **-1**. Removing any one of the characters would result in a palindrome, but this test comes first.

Note: The custom checker logic for this challenge is available [here](#).

CANDIDATE ANSWER



Language used: **C**

```
1 // palindrome-index
2 #include <stdio.h>
3 #include <string.h>
4 int main()
5 {
6     int i, j, k, t, n, flag;
7     char str[100010];
```

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8 scanf("%d", &t);
9 while (t--)
10 {
11     flag = 0;
12     scanf("%s", str);
13     n = strlen(str);
14     i = 0;
15     j = n - 1;
16     while (i < j)
17     {
18         if (str[i] != str[j])
19         {
20             if (str[i] == str[j - 1] && str[i + 1] != str[j])
21             {
22                 printf("%d\n", j);
23                 flag = 1;
24                 break;
25             }
26             else if (str[i] == str[j - 1] && str[i + 1] == str[j - 2])
27             {
28                 printf("%d\n", j);
29                 flag = 1;
30                 break;
31             }
32             else if (str[i] == str[j - 1] && str[i + 1] == str[j])
33             {
34                 printf("%d\n", i);
35                 flag = 1;
36                 break;
37             }
38             else
39             {
40                 printf("%d\n", i);
41                 flag = 1;
42                 break;
43             }
44         }
45         i++;
46         j--;
47     }
48     if (flag == 0)
49         printf("-1\n");
50 }
51 return 0;
52 }

```

TESTCASE	DIFFICULTY	TYPE	STATUS	SCORE	TIME TAKEN	MEMORY USED
Testcase 1	Easy	Sample case	 Success	0	0.032 sec	7.4 KB
Testcase 2	Medium	Hidden case	 Success	5	0.055 sec	7.39 KB
Testcase 3	Medium	Hidden case	 Success	5	0.0311 sec	7.4 KB
Testcase 4	Medium	Hidden case	 Success	5	0.0235 sec	7.25 KB
Testcase 5	Medium	Hidden case	 Success	5	0.0244 sec	7.35 KB
Testcase 6	Medium	Hidden case	 Success	5	0.0333 sec	7.45 KB
Testcase 7	Medium	Hidden case	 Success	5	0.0579 sec	7.1 KB
Testcase 8	Medium	Hidden case	 Success	5	0.0387 sec	7.48 KB
Testcase 9	Hard	Hidden case	 Success	10	0.0354 sec	6.92 KB
Testcase 10	Hard	Hidden case	 Success	10	0.0286 sec	7.41 KB

Testcase 11	Hard	Hidden case	✔ Success	10	0.0475 sec	7.58 KB
Testcase 12	Hard	Hidden case	✔ Success	10	0.0246 sec	7.52 KB
Testcase 13	Hard	Hidden case	✔ Success	10	0.0536 sec	7.61 KB
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