

# Arrays & Strings

// **Is Unique** - Implement an algorithm to determine if a string has all unique characters.  
// What if you cannot use additional data structures?

```
public class Runner {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        String[] words = {"apple", "paddle", "kite"};  
        for (int i = 0; i < words.size; i++) {  
            System.out.println(QuestionA.isUniqueChars(words[i]));  
            System.out.println(QuestionB.isUniqueChars(words[i]));  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
public class QuestionA {  
  
    private static final int R = 256;  
  
    public static boolean isUniqueChars(String input) {  
        if (input.length() > R) {  
            return false; // input size is bigger than alphabet  
        }  
  
        boolean[] marked = new boolean[R];  
        for (int i = 0; i < input.length(); i++) {  
            char c = input.charAt(i);  
            if (marked[c]) {  
                return false;  
            }  
            marked[c] = true;  
        }  
        return true;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class QuestionB {  
    public static boolean isUniqueChars(String input) {  
        int checker = 0;  
        for (int i = 0; i < input.length(); i++) {  
            int val = input.charAt(i) - 'a';
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        if ((checker & (1 << val)) > 0) {
            return false;
        }
        checker |= (1 << val);
    }
    return true;
}
}

```

// **Check Permutation** - Given two strings, write a method to decide if one is a permutation of the other.

// **Solution 1** - Sorting complexity  $O(n * \log n) \rightarrow n = \text{length of string}$   
 // Equals takes  $O(n)$  time (we have to check every character)

```

public class QuestionA {

    public static String sort(String input) {
        char[] s = input.toCharArray();
        Arrays.sort(s);
        return new String(s);
    }

    public static boolean isPermutation(String a, String b) {
        if (a.length() != b.length()) {
            return false;
        }
        return sort(a).equals(sort(b));
    }
}

```

// **Solution 2** - Check that both strings have the same character count

```

public class QuestionB {

    private static final int R = 256;

    public static boolean isPermutation(String a, String b) {
        if (a.length() != b.length()) {
            return false;
        }
        int letters[] = new int[R];
        for (int i = 0; i < a.length(); i++) {

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        letters[a.charAt(i)]++;
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < b.length(); i++) {
        letters[b.charAt(i)]--;
        if (letters[b.charAt(i)] < 0) {
            return false;
        }
    }
    return true;
}
}

```

// **URLify** - Write a method to replace all spaces in a string with '%20'

```

public class Question {

    public static void urlEncode(char[] str, int trueLength) {
        int spaceCount = 0;

        for (int i = 0; i < trueLength; i++) {
            if (str[i] == ' ') {
                spaceCount++;
            }
        }

        int index = trueLength + 2 * spaceCount;
        if (trueLength < str.length) str[trueLength] = '\0';

        for (int i = trueLength - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
            if (str[i] == ' ') {
                str[index - 1] = '0';
                str[index - 2] = '2';
                str[index - 3] = '%';
                index -= 3;
            } else {
                str[index - 1] = str[i];
                index--;
            }
        }
    }

    public static String urlEncode(String str) {
        String input = str.trim();
    }
}

```

```

        StringBuilder encodedString = new StringBuilder();
        for (int i = 0; i < input.length(); i++) {
            char c = input.charAt(i);
            if (c == ' ') {
                encodedString.append("%20");
            } else {
                encodedString.append(c);
            }
        }
        return encodedString.toString();
    }
}

```

// **Palindrom Permutation** - Given a string, write a function to check if it is a permutation of a palindrome.

```

public class Common {

    public static int getCharNumber(Character c) {
        int a = Character.getNumericValue('a');
        int z = Character.getNumericValue('z');
        int val = Character.getNumericValue(c);
        if (a <= val && val <= z) {
            return val - a;
        }
        return -1;
    }

    public static int[] buildCharFrequencyTable(String input) {
        int[] table = new int['z' - 'a' + 1];
        for (char c : input.toCharArray()) {
            int x = getCharNumber(c);
            if (x != -1) {
                table[x]++;
            }
        }
        return table;
    }
}

```

// **Solution 1** - using a hash table

// The algorithm takes  $O(n)$  time  $\rightarrow$   $n$  is the length of the string

```

public class QuestionA {
    public static boolean isPermutationOfPalindrom(String input) {
        int[] table = Common.buildCharFrequencyTable(input);
        return checkMaxOneOdd(table);
    }

    static boolean checkMaxOneOdd(int[] table) {
        boolean foundOdd = false;
        for (int count : table) {
            if (count % 2 == 1) {
                if (foundOdd) {
                    return false;
                }
                foundOdd = true;
            }
        }
        return true;
    }
}

```

// **Solution 2** - check the number of odd counts as we go along

```

public class QuestionB {
    public static boolean isPermutationOfPalindrome(String input) {
        int countOdd = 0;
        int[] table = new int['z' - 'a' + 1];
        for (char c : input.toCharArray()) {
            int x = Common.getCharNumber(c);
            if (x != -1) {
                table[x]++;
                if (table[x] % 2 == 1) {
                    countOdd++;
                } else {
                    countOdd--;
                }
            }
        }
        return countOdd <= 1;
    }
}

```

// **Solution 3** - using a bit vector

```

public class QuestionC {

    static boolean isPermutationOfPalindrome(String input) {
        int bitVector = createBitVector(input);
        return bitVector == 0 || checkExactlyOneBitSet(bitVector);
    }

    static int createBitVector(String input) {
        // for each letter with value i, toggle the ith bit
        int bitVector = 0;
        for (char c : input.toCharArray()) {
            int x = Common.getCharNumber(c);
            bitVector = toggle(bitVector, x);
        }
        return bitVector;
    }

    static int toggle(int bitVector, int index) {
        if (index < 0) {
            return bitVector;
        }
        int mask = 1 << index;
        if ((bitVector & mask) == 0) {
            bitVector |= mask;
        } else {
            bitVector &= ~mask;
        }
        return bitVector;
    }

    static boolean checkExactlyOneBitSet(int bitVector) {
        return (bitVector & (bitVector - 1)) == 0;
    }
}

```