

Anagram Checker Dry Run



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public class AnagramChecker {
    public static boolean isAnagram(String s, String t) {
        // If lengths of the strings are not equal, they cannot be anagrams
        if (s.length() != t.length()) {
            return false;
        }

        // Create an array to count character frequencies
        int[] charCount = new int[26]; // For lowercase English letters only

        // Increment for characters in s and decrement for characters in t
        for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); i++) {
            charCount[s.charAt(i) - 'a']++;
            charCount[t.charAt(i) - 'a']--;
        }

        // Check if all counts are zero
        for (int count : charCount) {
            if (count != 0) {
                return false;
            }
        }

        return true;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        String s = "listen";
        String t = "silent";

        boolean result = isAnagram(s, t);
        System.out.println("Is anagram: " + result);
    }
}. Dry run the code
```



Code Dry Run

Objective: To check if the two strings `s` and `t` are anagrams of each other. Anagrams have the same characters with the same frequencies.

Inputs:

- `s` = "listen"

- ``t` = "silent"`

Step-by-Step Execution

Initial Conditions

1. ``s` = "listen", `t` = "silent"`.
2. ``s`.length() = 6, `t`.length() = 6` → Since the lengths are equal, proceed.

Step 1: Initialize ``charCount``

- ``charCount` = new int[26]` → This array is initialized to all zeroes and will track character frequency differences for lowercase English letters (``a`` to ``z``).

Step 2: Loop through the characters of ``s`` and ``t``

Iterate over each character in ``s`` and ``t``:

1. Iteration 1 (`i = 0`):

- ``s`.charAt(0) = 'l'` → `l` - 'a' = 11`.
Increment `charCount[11]`: `charCount[11]++` → `charCount[11] = 1`.`
- ``t`.charAt(0) = 's'` → `s` - 'a' = 18`.
Decrement `charCount[18]`: `charCount[18]--` → `charCount[18] = -1`.`
- ``charCount` = [0, 0, ..., 1, 0, ..., -1, ..., 0]`.

2. Iteration 2 (`i = 1`):

- ``s`.charAt(1) = 'i'` → `i` - 'a' = 8`.
Increment `charCount[8]`: `charCount[8]++` → `charCount[8] = 1`.`
- ``t`.charAt(1) = 'i'` → `i` - 'a' = 8`.
Decrement `charCount[8]`: `charCount[8]--` → `charCount[8] = 0`.`
- ``charCount` = [0, 0, ..., 1, 0, ..., -1, ..., 0]`.

3. Iteration 3 (`i = 2`):

- ``s`.charAt(2) = 's'` → `s` - 'a' = 18`.
Increment `charCount[18]`: `charCount[18]++` → `charCount[18] = 0`.`
- ``t`.charAt(2) = 'l'` → `l` - 'a' = 11`.
Decrement `charCount[11]`: `charCount[11]--` → `charCount[11] = 0`.`
- ``charCount` = [0, 0, ..., 0, 0, ..., 0, ..., 0]`.

4. Iteration 4 (`i = 3`):

- ``s`.charAt(3) = 't'` → `t` - 'a' = 19`.
Increment `charCount[19]`: `charCount[19]++` → `charCount[19] = 1`.`
- ``t`.charAt(3) = 'e'` → `e` - 'a' = 4`.
Decrement `charCount[4]`: `charCount[4]--` → `charCount[4] = -1`.`
- ``charCount` = [0, 0, ..., -1, ..., 1, ..., 0]`.

5. Iteration 5 (`i = 4`):

- ``s`.charAt(4) = 'e'` → `e` - 'a' = 4`.
Increment `charCount[4]`: `charCount[4]++` → `charCount[4] = 0`.`

- `s.charAt(4) = 't' → 't' - 'a' = 19`.`
Decrement `charCount[19]`: `charCount[19]-- → charCount[19] = 0`.`
- `charCount = [0, 0, ..., 0, ..., 0, ..., 0]`.`

6. Iteration 6 (i = 5):

- `s.charAt(5) = 'n' → 'n' - 'a' = 13`.`
Increment `charCount[13]`: `charCount[13]++ → charCount[13] = 1`.`
- `t.charAt(5) = 'n' → 'n' - 'a' = 13`.`
Decrement `charCount[13]`: `charCount[13]-- → charCount[13] = 0`.`
- `charCount = [0, 0, ..., 0, ..., 0, ..., 0]`.`

Step 3: Verify `charCount`

- Check if all values in `charCount` are 0:
 - `charCount = [0, 0, 0, ..., 0] → All values are 0.`

Final Result

- Since all values in `charCount` are 0, the strings `s` and `t` are anagrams.
- **Output:** `true`

Console Output:

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vbnet
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Is anagram: true
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