

# Strings\_1

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## Sort Characters By Frequency

- Approach
  - Better
    - Count frequencies of each char and store it along with the char in a list
    - Sort the list in descending order
    - Join the list into a string
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n + k \log k)$  where  $k \leq 62$  (include uppercase characters, lowercase characters and digits)
    - Space Complexity:  $O(n)$
  - Optimal
    - Since freq values are in range  $[0..n]$ , so we can use Bucket Sort to achieve  $O(N)$  in Time Complexity
    - Count frequency of each char
    - Put char into frequency bucket
    - Iterate all buckets from last and append all chars to string (for `freq` times)
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(n)$

```
# Python3
# Better Solution
class Solution:
    def frequencySort(self, s: str) -> str:
```

```

cnt = Counter(s)
arr = [[freq, c] for c, freq in cnt.items()]
arr.sort(key=lambda x:-x[0])

ans = ""
for freq, c in arr:
    for i in range(freq):
        ans += c
return ans

```

```

# Python3
# Optimal Solution
class Solution:
    def frequencySort(self, s: str) -> str:
        cnt = Counter(s)
        n = len(s)
        bucket = [[] for _ in range(n+1)]
        for c, freq in cnt.items():
            bucket[freq].append(c)

        ans = []
        for freq in range(n, -1, -1):
            for c in bucket[freq]:
                ans.append(c * freq)
        return "".join(ans)

```

```

// C++
// Optimal Solution
class Solution {
public:
    string frequencySort(string s) {
        unordered_map<char,int> freq;
        vector<string> bucket(s.size()+1, "");
        string res;

```

```

        //count frequency of each character
        for(char c:s) freq[c]++;
        //put character into frequency bucket
        for(auto& it:freq) {
            int n = it.second;
            char c = it.first;
            bucket[n].append(n, c);
        }
        //form descending sorted string
        for(int i=s.size(); i>0; i--) {
            if(!bucket[i].empty())
                res.append(bucket[i]);
        }
        return res;
    }
};

```

## Maximum Nesting Depth of the Parentheses

- Approach
  - Optimal
    - Maintain count of currently open parenthesis and max\_ans
    - Iterate over all chars of string and if `char[i] == "("` then increment open parenthesis count and set max\_ans to `max(max_ans, open_count)`
    - Else if `char[i] == ")"`, decrement open\_count
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

```

# Python3
# Optimal Solution
class Solution:
    def maxDepth(self, s: str) -> int:

```

```

    opn = 0
    ans = 0
    for i in s:
        if i == "(":
            opn += 1
            ans = max(ans, opn)
        elif i == ")":
            opn -= 1
    return ans

```

```

// C++
// Optimal Solution
class Solution {
public:
    int maxDepth(string s) {
        int maxi=0,curr=0;
        for(int i=0;i<s.size();i++){
            if(s[i]=='('){
                maxi=max(maxi,++curr);
            }else if(s[i]==')'){
                curr--;
            }
        }
        return maxi;
    }
};

```

## Roman to Integer

- Approach
  - Optimal
    - `if roman[s[i]] < roman[s[i+1]]`, then subtract `roman[s[i]]` from ans else add it to ans
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n)$

- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

```
# Python3
# Optimal Solution
class Solution:
    def romanToInt(self, s: str) -> int:
        roman = {
            "I": 1,
            "V": 5,
            "X": 10,
            "L": 50,
            "C": 100,
            "D": 500,
            "M": 1000
        }

        ans = 0
        for i in range(len(s) - 1):
            if roman[s[i]] < roman[s[i+1]]:
                ans -= roman[s[i]]
            else:
                ans += roman[s[i]]
        ans += roman[s[-1]]
        return ans
```

```
// C++
// Optimal Solution
int romanToInt(string s)
{
    unordered_map<char, int> T = { { 'I' , 1 },
                                   { 'V' , 5 },
                                   { 'X' , 10 },
                                   { 'L' , 50 },
                                   { 'C' , 100 },
                                   { 'D' , 500 },
```

```

        { 'M' , 1000 } };

int sum = T[s.back()];
for (int i = s.length() - 2; i >= 0; --i)
{
    if (T[s[i]] < T[s[i + 1]])
    {
        sum -= T[s[i]];
    }
    else
    {
        sum += T[s[i]];
    }
}

return sum;
}

```

## Implement atoi()

- Approach
  - Optimal
    - Skip all whitespace chars
    - Check for negative/positive sign of first non-whitespace char
    - Iterate over remaining chars and add the digit to ans
    - If any non-digit char is encountered, break from loop
    - If negative sign was encountered, make ans = -ans
    - If the resultant ans is out of bound (32-bit) then clamp the ans else return ans
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

```

# Python3
# Optimal Solution
class Solution:
    def myAtoi(self, s: str) -> int:
        negative = False
        n = len(s)
        i = 0

        # skip all whitespaces
        while i < n:
            if s[i] == " ":
                i += 1
            else:
                break

        # check if end of string is reached (blank string or all whitespaces)
        if i == n:
            return 0

        # check if first non-whitespace char is "-", then ans will be negative
        if s[i] == "-":
            negative = True
            i += 1
        elif s[i] == "+":
            i += 1

        ans = 0
        while i < n:
            temp = ord(s[i]) - ord("0")

            # if any non-digit char is encountered, break from loop
            if temp >= 10 or temp < 0:
                break

            ans *= 10
            if negative:
                ans = -ans
            ans += temp
            i += 1

        return ans

```

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        ans += temp
        i += 1

    if negative:
        ans = -ans
    if ans < -pow(2, 31):
        return -pow(2, 31)
    if ans > pow(2, 31) - 1:
        return pow(2, 31) - 1
    return ans

```

```

// C++
// Optimal Solution
class Solution {
public:
    int myAtoi(string s) {

        const int len = s.size();

        if(len == 0){
            return 0;
        }

        int index = 0;

        // skipping white spaces
        while(index < len && s[index] == ' '){
            ++index;
        }

        // to handle sign cases
        bool isNegative = false;

        if(index < len){

```



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        if(s[index] == '-'){
            isNegative = true;
            ++index;
        } else if (s[index] == '+'){
            ++index;
        }
    }

    int result = 0;

    // converting digit(in character form) to integer form
    // iterate until non-digit character is not found or we can
    while(index < len && isDigit(s[index])){

        /* s[index] - '0' is to convert the char digit into int d:
        or else it will store the ASCII value of 5 i.e. 53,
        so we do 53(ASCII of 5) - 48(ASCII of 0(zero)) to get 5 as
        int digit = s[index] - '0';

        // to avoid integer overflow
        if(result > (INT_MAX / 10) || (result == (INT_MAX / 10) &
            return isNegative ? INT_MIN : INT_MAX;
        }

        result = (result * 10) + digit; // adding digits at their

        ++index;
    }

    return isNegative ? -result : result;
}

private:
bool isDigit(char ch){
    return ch >= '0' && ch <= '9';
}

```

```
}  
};
```

## Reverse Words in a String

- Approach
  - Better
    - Push all the words in a list/stack
    - Pop from stack until the stack is empty and join words in a string
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(n)$
  - Optimal
    - Reverse the given string and then reverse individual words
    - Can only be done in programming languages that have mutable strings
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

```
# Python3  
# Better Solution  
class Solution:  
    def reverseWords(self, s: str) -> str:  
        res = []  
        temp = ""  
        for c in s:  
            if c != " ":  
                temp += c  
            elif temp != "":  
                res.append(temp)  
                temp = ""  
        if temp != "":
```

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        res.append(temp)
    return " ".join(res[::-1])
```

```
// C++
// Better Solution
class Solution {
public:
    string reverseWords(string s) {
        vector<string> v;
        string temp = "";
        for (int i = 0; i < s.size(); i++) {
            if (s[i] == ' ') {
                if (temp.size() != 0){
                    v.push_back(temp);
                }
                temp = "";
            }
            else {
                temp += s[i];
            }
        }
        if (temp.size() != 0) {
            v.push_back(temp);
        }
        string ans = "";
        for (int i = v.size() - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
            ans += v[i] + " ";
        }
        ans.pop_back();
        return ans;
    }
};
```

```

// C++
// Optimal Solution
class Solution {
public:
    void rev_word(string &s, int i, int j) {
        int n = j - i;
        for (int a = 0; a <= int(n / 2); a++) {
            int temp = s[i+a];
            s[i+a] = s[n-a+i];
            s[n-a+i] = temp;
        }
    }

    string reverseWords(string s) {
        if (s.size() == 1) {
            if (s[0] == ' ') {return "";}
            return s;
        }

        int len = 0;
        string ns = "";

        for (auto i: s) {
            if (len == 0 && i != ' ') {
                ns += i;
                len++;
            }
            else if (len == 0 && i == ' ') {
                continue;
            }
            else if (len != 0 && ns[len-1] == ' ' && i == ' ') {
                continue;
            }
            else {
                ns += i;
            }
        }
    }
};

```

```

        len++;
    }
}

if (ns[len-1] == ' ') {ns.pop_back();len--;}
rev_word(ns, 0, len-1);

int i = 0, j = 1;
while (j < len) {
    if (ns[j] == ' ') {
        rev_word(ns, i, j-1);
        i = j+1;
        j = i+1;
    }
    else {j++;}
}
rev_word(ns, i, j-1);
return ns;
}
};

```

## Sun of Beauty of all Substrings

- Approach
  - Better
    - Generate all substrings
    - Generate frequency array for all substring
    - Get max\_freq and min\_freq, calculate beauty and add it to ans variable
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n^3)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(26)$
  - Optimal
    - Iterate over all substrings incrementally

- Maintain frequency array incrementally
- Get max\_freq and min\_freq, calculate beauty and add it to ans variable
- Time Complexity:  $O(26 * n^2)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(26)$

```
# Python3
# Better Solution
import math
class Solution:
    def beautySum(self, s: str) -> int:
        ans = 0

        for i in range(len(s)):
            for j in range(i+1, len(s)):
                freq = [0 for _ in range(26)]
                max_freq = -math.inf
                min_freq = math.inf
                for k in range(i, j+1):
                    freq[ord(s[k]) - ord("a")] += 1
                for l in range(26):
                    if freq[l] != 0:
                        max_freq = max(max_freq, freq[l])
                        min_freq = min(min_freq, freq[l])
                ans += (max_freq - min_freq)
        return ans
```

```
# Python3
# Optimal Solution
import math
class Solution:
    def beautySum(self, s: str) -> int:
        ans = 0
```

```

for i in range(len(s)):
    freq = [0 for _ in range(26)]
    for j in range(i, len(s)):
        freq[ord(s[j]) - ord("a")] += 1
        max_freq = -math.inf
        min_freq = math.inf
        for l in range(26):
            if freq[l] != 0:
                max_freq = max(max_freq, freq[l])
                min_freq = min(min_freq, freq[l])
        ans += (max_freq - min_freq)
return ans

```

```

// C++
// Optimal Solution
class Solution {
public:
    int beautySum(string s) {
        int ans = 0;
        for (int i = 0; i < s.size(); i++) {
            int freq[26] = {0};
            for (int j = i; j < s.size(); j++) {
                int maxi = INT_MIN;
                int mini = INT_MAX;
                freq[s[j] - 'a']++;
                for (int k = 0; k < 26; k++) {
                    if (freq[k] != 0) {
                        maxi = max(maxi, freq[k]);
                        mini = min(mini, freq[k]);
                    }
                }
                ans += (maxi - mini);
            }
        }
        return ans;
    }
};

```

```
}  
};
```

## Check if two strings are permutation of each other

- Approach
  - Brute-force
    - Sort chars in both the strings
    - return `str1 == str2`
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n * \log n)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(1)$
  - Optimal
    - Match frequency of all chars in both string
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(256)$  Assuming there are only 256 types of different characters in the string

```
# Python3  
# Brute-force Solution  
def arePermutation(str1, str2):  
    n1 = len(str1)  
    n2 = len(str2)  
  
    if (n1 != n2):  
        return False  
  
    a = sorted(str1)  
    str1 = " ".join(a)  
    b = sorted(str2)  
    str2 = " ".join(b)  
  
    for i in range(n1):
```



```

        if (str1[i] != str2[i]):
            return False
    return True

```

```

# Python3
# Optimal Solution
class Solution:
    def isAnagram(self, str1, str2):
        if len(str1) != len(str2):
            return False

        count = [0 for i in range(256)]
        i = 0

        while i < len(str1):
            count[ord(str1[i])] += 1
            count[ord(str2[i])] -= 1
            i += 1

        for i in range(256):
            if (count[i]):
                return False
        return True

```

```

// C++
// Optimal Solution
class Solution
{
public:
    bool isAnagram(string a, string b){
        if (a.size() != b.size())    return false;
        int arr[256] = {0};
        for (int i = 0; i < a.size(); i++) {
            arr[int(a[i])]++;

```

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        arr[int(b[i])]--;
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < 256; i++) {
        if (arr[i] != 0)    return false;
    }
    return true;
}

};

```

## Check if characters of a given string can be rearranged to form a palindrome

- Approach
  - Brute-force
    - Palindrome can be formed if at-most one char occurs odd number of times and rest all chars occur even number of times
    - Using nested loops, count frequency of each char and check above condition
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n^2)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(1)$
  - Better
    - Maintain frequency table and check above condition
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(256)$  Assuming there are only 256 types of different characters in the string
  - Optimal
    - Maintain a bit string of length 256 (Assuming there are only 256 types of different characters in the string)
    - For each character, xor the ith bit (ascii value of that char) with 1

- If at last there are more than 1 "1" bit in the string, return false else return true
- Time Complexity:  $O(n)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

```
# Python3
# Brute-force Solution
```

```
# Python3
# Better Solution
def canFormPalindrome(st):
    count = [0] * (256)
    for i in range(len(st)):
        count[ord(st[i])] += 1

    odd = 0
    for i in range(256):
        if (count[i] & 1):
            odd += 1

    if (odd > 1):
        return False
    return True
```

```
# Python3
# Optimal Solution
def canFormPalindrome(str):
    bitvector = 0
    for s in str:
        bitvector ^= 1 << ord(s)
    return bitvector == 0 or bitvector & (bitvector - 1) == 0
```

```

// C++
// Optimal Solution
bool canFormPalindrome(string a)
{
    // bitvector to store
    // the record of which character appear
    // odd and even number of times
    int bitvector = 0, mask = 0;
    for (int i=0; a[i] != '\0'; i++)
    {
        int x = a[i] - 'a';
        mask = 1 << x;

        bitvector ^= mask;
    }

    return (bitvector & (bitvector - 1)) == 0;
}

```

## Check if edit distance between two strings is one

- Approach
  - Brute-force
    - Edit Distance using DP
    - Time Complexity:  $O(m * n)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(m * n)$
  - Optimal
    - If difference between m and n is more than 1, return false
    - Initialize count of edits as 0
    - Start traversing both strings from first character
      - If current characters don't match, then

- Increment count of edits
- If count becomes more than 1, return false
- If length of one string is more, then only possible edit is to remove a character. Therefore, move ahead in larger string
- If length is same, then only possible edit is to change a character. Therefore, move ahead in both strings
- Else, move ahead in both strings
- Time Complexity:  $O(n^3)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

```
# Python3
# Brute-force Solution
def is_edit_distance_one(s1, s2):
    n = len(s1)
    m = len(s2)

    if abs(n - m) > 1:
        return False

    dp = [[0 for j in range(m+1)] for i in range(n+1)]

    for i in range(n+1):
        for j in range(m+1):
            if i == 0:
                dp[i][j] = j
            elif j == 0:
                dp[i][j] = i
            elif s1[i-1] == s2[j-1]:
                dp[i][j] = dp[i-1][j-1]
            else:
                dp[i][j] = 1 + min(dp[i][j-1],          # Insert
                                   dp[i-1][j],          # Remove
                                   dp[i-1][j-1])         # Replace
```

```
return dp[n][m] == 1
```

```
# Python3
# Optimal Solution
def isEditDistanceOne(s1, s2):
    m = len(s1)
    n = len(s2)

    # If difference between lengths is more than 1,
    # then strings can't be at one distance
    if abs(m - n) > 1:
        return false

    count = 0    # Count of isEditDistanceOne

    i = 0
    j = 0
    while i < m and j < n:
        # If current characters dont match
        if s1[i] != s2[j]:
            if count == 1:
                return false

            # If length of one string is
            # more, then only possible edit
            # is to remove a character
            if m > n:
                i+=1
            elif m < n:
                j+=1
            else:    # If lengths of both strings is same
                i+=1
                j+=1
```

```
        # Increment count of edits
        count+=1

    else:    # if current characters match
        i+=1
        j+=1

    # if last character is extra in any string
    if i < m or j < n:
        count+=1

    return count == 1
```

```
// C++
// Optimal Solution
```

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## Template

- Approach
  - Brute-force
    - 
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n^3)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(1)$
  - Better
    - 
    - Time Complexity:  $O(n^3)$
    - Space Complexity:  $O(1)$
  - Optimal
    -

- Time Complexity:  $O(n^3)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

```
# Python3  
# Brute-force Solution
```

```
# Python3  
# Better Solution
```

```
# Python3  
# Optimal Solution
```

```
// C++  
// Optimal Solution
```