

Problem: Reorganize String

Given a string s , rearrange the characters s such that no adjacent characters are the same.

Input: "aaab" Input: "abbca"

Output: {} Output: "ababac"

map = 'a': 3, 'b': 2, 'c': 1

vector = ['a', 'b', 'c', 0, ...]

Output: "ababac"

We need to find the characters w/ the most \rightarrow least quantity

Ex. if there are 5 'a's then we MUST have a string len of "5 x 5 x 5 x 5 x 5" 9

When constructing string offset next character by 2 starting @ $i=0$. When i exceeds size of string set $i=1$ and continue.

- 1.) Count each occurrence of a particular character
- 2.) Place each count and respective character in an ordered data structure (ordered where count orders, not character)
- 3.) Enumerate items from step 2,

c = current char

n = count of c occurrences

$itr = 0$

for $i = 0 \Rightarrow n$

$s[itr] = c$

$itr += 1$

if $itr \geq s.size() \Rightarrow itr = 1$

- 4.) Check if any adjacent characters are still equal.
If yes, return empty string
Otherwise, return modified s .

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struct Count {  
    char letter;  
    int count;  
};
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bool operator<(const Count& lhs, const Count& rhs) {  
    return lhs.count < rhs.count;  
}
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std::string reorganizeString( std::string s ) {  
    std::unordered_map<char, int> m;  
    for ( auto c : s ) {  
        m[c] += 1;  
    }  
    std::priority_queue<Count> pq;  
    for ( const auto [letter, count]: m ) {  
        pq.push( { letter, count } );  
    }  
    auto itr { s.begin() };  
    while ( !pq.empty() ) {  
        auto top { pq.top() };  
        pq.pop();  
        for ( int i=0; i < top.count; ++i ) {  
            *itr = top.letter;  
            itr += 1;  
            if ( itr >= s.end() ) itr = s.begin() + 1;  
        }  
    }
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}
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for (int i = 0; i < s.size() - 1; ++i) {
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    if (s[i] == s[i + 1]) {
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        return {};
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    }
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}
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return s;
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}
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