

First Unique Character in a String

Given a string *s*, find the first non-repeating character in it and return its index. If it does not exist, return -1.

Example 1:

Input: *s* = "leetcode"

Output: 0

Example 2:

Input: *s* = "loveleetcode"

Output: 2

Example 3:

Input: *s* = "aabb"

Output: -1

Constraints:

- a. $1 \leq s.length \leq 10^5$
- b. *s* consists of only lowercase English letters.

Solution:

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class Solution:
    def firstUniqChar(self, s: str) -> int:
        hashmap = {}
        for c in s:
            hashmap[c] = hashmap.get(c, 0) + 1

        for i, c in enumerate(s):
            if hashmap[c] == 1:
                return i

        return -1
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