# UCF Local Contest (Final Round) — August 31, 2024

### **Identical Letters**

filename: idenlet
Difficulty Level: Medium
Time Limit: 2 seconds

Streak of identical letters always fascinates computer scientists and, as such, the scientists always look for such consecutive sequence of identical letters.

#### The Problem:

Given a string of lowercase letters and an integer m, determine the maximum number of consecutive identical letters in the string if you can remove up to m letters from the string. Note that you do not have to remove exactly m letters.

## The Input:

The first input line provides the string  $(1 \le \text{string length} \le 2 \times 10^5)$ ; it starts in column 1 and contains only lowercase letters. The second input line contains an integer, m  $(0 \le m \le \text{string length})$ , indicating the maximum number of letters you can remove from the string.

#### The Output:

Print the maximum number of consecutive identical letters in the string if you can remove up to *m* letters from the string.

## Sample Input Sample Output

bbazbcbbbcybbx 2	5
bbazbcbbbcybbx 5	8
zabcadyhxwuy 5	2

#### **Explanation of the Sample Input/Output:**

For the first Sample Input, we can remove the two letters at positions 10 and 11. For the second Sample Input, we can remove the letters at positions 3, 4, 6, 10 and 11. For the third Sample Input, we can create "...aa..." or "...yy...", each of length 2.