97. Interleaving String

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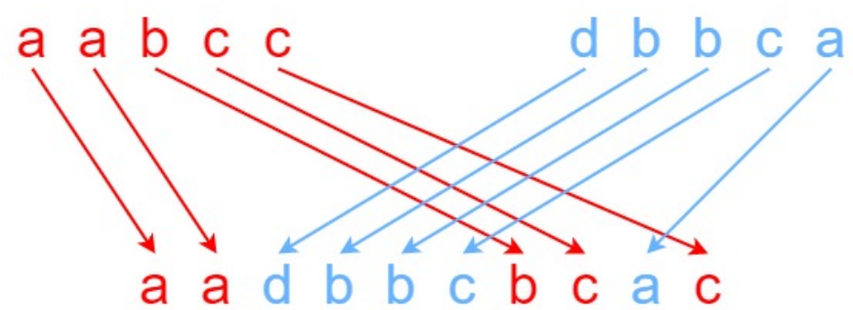
Given strings `s1`, `s2`, and `s3`, find whether `s3` is formed by an **interleaving** of `s1` and `s2`.

An **interleaving** of two strings `s` and `t` is a configuration where `s` and `t` are divided into `n` and `m` substrings respectively, such that:

- $s = s_1 + s_2 + ... + s_n$
- $t = t_1 + t_2 + ... + t_m$
- $|n - m| <= 1$
- The **interleaving** is $s_1 + t_1 + s_2 + t_2 + s_3 + t_3 + ...$ or $t_1 + s_1 + t_2 + s_2 + t_3 + s_3 + ...$

Note: `a + b` is the concatenation of strings `a` and `b`.

Example 1:

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Input: s1 = "aabcc", s2 = "dbbca", s3 = "aadbbcbcac"
Output: true
Explanation: One way to obtain s3 is:
Split s1 into s1 = "aa" + "bc" + "c", and s2 into s2 = "dbbc" + "a".
Interleaving the two splits, we get "aa" + "dbbc" + "bc" + "a" + "c" = "aadbbcbcac".
Since s3 can be obtained by interleaving s1 and s2, we return true.
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Example 2:

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Input: s1 = "aabcc", s2 = "dbbca", s3 = "aadbbbaccc"
Output: false
Explanation: Notice how it is impossible to interleave s2 with any other string to obtain s3.
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Example 3:

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Input: s1 = "", s2 = "", s3 = ""
Output: true
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Constraints:

- `0 <= s1.length, s2.length <= 100`
- `0 <= s3.length <= 200`
- `s1`, `s2`, and `s3` consist of lowercase English letters.

Follow up: Could you solve it using only `O(s2.length)` additional memory space?

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Yes No

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