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In [1]: """You are given two strings word1 and word2. Merge the strings by adding letters in a
order, starting with word1. If a string is longer than the other, append the additional
end of the merged string."""

def mergeAlternately(word1, word2):
    """
    :type word1: str
    :type word2: str
    :rtype: str
    """
    merged = []
    i, j = 0, 0

    while i < len(word1) and j < len(word2):
        merged.append(word1[i])
        merged.append(word2[j])
        i += 1
        j += 1

    merged.extend(word1[i:])
    merged.extend(word2[j:])

    return ''.join(merged)
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In [2]: mergeAlternately('abc', 'xyz')
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Out[2]: 'axbycz'
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In [3]: """String t is generated by random shuffling string s and then add one more letter at a

from collections import Counter

def findTheDifference(s, t):
    """
    :type s: str
    :type t: str
    :rtype: str
    """
    count_s = Counter(s)
    count_t = Counter(t)

    for char in count_t:
        if count_t[char] != count_s.get(char, 0):
            return char
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In [4]: findTheDifference('abc', 'abcd')
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Out[4]: 'd'
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In [5]: """String t is generated by random shuffling string s and then add one more letter at a

def findTheDifference(s, t):
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"""
:type s: str
:type t: str
:rtype: str
"""
record = {}

for c in s:
    if c in record:
        record[c] += 1
    else:
        record[c] = 1

for c in t:
    if record.get(c, 0) == 0:
        return c
    else:
        record[c] -= 1

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In [6]: `findTheDifference('abc','abcd')`

Out[6]: 'd'

In [7]: """Given two strings needle and haystack, return the index of the first occurrence of needle in haystack, or -1 if needle is not part of haystack."""

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def strStr(haystack, needle):
    """
    :type haystack: str
    :type needle: str
    :rtype: int
    """
    if needle in haystack:
        for i in range(0, len(haystack)):
            if haystack[i:(i+len(needle))] == needle:
                print(i)
                break
        return(i)
    else:
        return(-1)

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In [8]: `strStr('European', 'Euro')`

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Out[8]: 0

In [9]: """Given two strings s and t, return true if t is an anagram of s, and false otherwise"""

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def isAnagram(s, t):
    """
    :type s: str
    :type t: str

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:rtype: bool
"""
return Counter(s) == Counter(t)

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In [10]: isAnagram("anagram", "nagaram")
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Out[10]: True
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In [11]:
def isAnagram(s, t):
    """
    :type s: str
    :type t: str
    :rtype: bool
    """
    record = {}

    for c in s:
        if c in record:
            record[c] += 1
        else:
            record[c] = 1

    for c in t:
        if record.get(c, 0) == 0:
            return False
        else:
            record[c] -= 1

    return sum(record.values()) == 0

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In [12]: isAnagram("anagram", "nagaram")
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Out[12]: True
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In [13]: """Given a string s, check if it can be constructed by taking a substring of it and appen
copies of the substring together."""
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def repeatedSubstringPattern(s):
    """
    :type s: str
    :rtype: bool
    """
    return s in (s + s)[1:-1]

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In [14]: repeatedSubstringPattern('abcdeabcdeabcde')
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Out[14]: True
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In [15]: """Given an integer array nums, move all 0's to the end of it while maintaining the relative
non-zero elements."""
def moveZeroes(nums):
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:type nums: List[int]
:rtype: None Do not return anything, modify nums in-place instead.
"""

j = 0 # Pointer to place the next non-zero element

# Move non-zero elements to the front
for i in range(len(nums)):
    if nums[i] != 0:
        nums[j] = nums[i]
        j += 1

# Fill the rest of the array with zeros
for i in range(j, len(nums)):
    nums[i] = 0

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In [16]:
nums = [0,0,15,5,8,7,2]
moveZeroes(nums)

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In [17]:
"""You are given a large integer represented as an integer array digits, where each dig
the ith digit of the integer. The digits are ordered from most significant to least sig
to-right order. The large integer does not contain any leading 0's."""

def plusOne(digits):
    """
    :type digits: List[int]
    :rtype: List[int]
    """
    num = ""
    for item in digits:
        num += str(item)
    num = int(num) + 1
    answer = [int(digit) for digit in str(num)]
    return answer

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In [18]:
plusOne([1,2,3])

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Out[18]: [1, 2, 4]

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In [19]:
"""Implement a function signFunc(x) that returns:

1 if x is positive.
-1 if x is negative.
0 if x is equal to 0."""

def arraySign(nums):
    """
    :type nums: List[int]
    :rtype: int
    """
    sum = 1
    for i in nums:
        if i == 0:
            return 0
        sum *= i

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return 1 if sum > 0 else -1
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In [20]: arraySign([1,2,5,-5])
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Out[20]: -1
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In [21]: """A sequence of numbers is called an arithmetic progression if the difference between  
consecutive elements is the same."""  
  
def canMakeArithmeticProgression(arr):  
    """  
    :type arr: List[int]  
    :rtype: bool  
    """  
    if len(arr) < 2:  
        return True  
  
    arr.sort()  
  
    diff = arr[1] - arr[0]  
  
    for i in range(2, len(arr)):  
        if arr[i] - arr[i - 1] != diff:  
            return False  
  
    return True
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In [22]: canMakeArithmeticProgression([3,5,1])
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Out[22]: True
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In [23]: """An array is monotonic if it is either monotone increasing or monotone decreasing."""  
  
def isMonotonic(nums):  
    """  
    :type nums: List[int]  
    :rtype: bool  
    """  
    increasing = True  
    decreasing = True  
  
    for i in range(1, len(nums)):  
        if nums[i] > nums[i - 1]:  
            decreasing = False  
        elif nums[i] < nums[i - 1]:  
            increasing = False  
  
    return increasing or decreasing
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In [24]: isMonotonic([1,5,9])
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Out[24]: **True**

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