

Problem 402: Remove K Digits

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 35.93%

Paid Only: No

Tags: String, Stack, Greedy, Monotonic Stack

Problem Description

Given string `num` representing a non-negative integer `num`, and an integer `k`, return the smallest possible integer after removing `k` digits from `num`.

Example 1:

Input: `num = "1432219", k = 3` **Output:** `"1219"` **Explanation:** Remove the three digits 4, 3, and 2 to form the new number 1219 which is the smallest.

Example 2:

Input: `num = "10200", k = 1` **Output:** `"200"` **Explanation:** Remove the leading 1 and the number is 200. Note that the output must not contain leading zeroes.

Example 3:

Input: `num = "10", k = 2` **Output:** `"0"` **Explanation:** Remove all the digits from the number and it is left with nothing which is 0.

Constraints:

`1 <= k <= num.length <= 105` `num` consists of only digits. `num` does not have any leading zeros except for the zero itself.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    string removeKdigits(string num, int k) {  
  
    }  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public String removeKdigits(String num, int k) {  
  
    }  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def removeKdigits(self, num: str, k: int) -> str:
```