

Problem 439: Ternary Expression Parser

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 62.29%

Paid Only: Yes

Tags: String, Stack, Recursion

Problem Description

Given a string `expression` representing arbitrarily nested ternary expressions, evaluate the expression, and return `the result of it`.

You can always assume that the given expression is valid and only contains digits, `'?'`, `':'`, `'T'`, and `'F'` where `'T'` is true and `'F'` is false. All the numbers in the expression are **one-digit** numbers (i.e., in the range `[0, 9]`).

The conditional expressions group right-to-left (as usual in most languages), and the result of the expression will always evaluate to either a digit, `'T'` or `'F'`.

Example 1:

Input: `expression = "T?2:3"` **Output:** `"2"` **Explanation:** If true, then result is 2; otherwise result is 3.

Example 2:

Input: `expression = "F?1:T?4:5"` **Output:** `"4"` **Explanation:** The conditional expressions group right-to-left. Using parenthesis, it is read/evaluated as: `"(F ? 1 : (T ? 4 : 5))"`
 `--> "(F ? 1 : 4)" --> "4"` or `"(F ? 1 : (T ? 4 : 5))" --> "(T ? 4 : 5)" --> "4"`

Example 3:

Input: `expression = "T?T?F:5:3"` **Output:** `"F"` **Explanation:** The conditional expressions group right-to-left. Using parenthesis, it is read/evaluated as: `"(T ? (T ? F : 5) : 3)"`
 `--> "(T ? F : 3)" --> "F"` `"(T ? (T ? F : 5) : 3)" --> "(T ? F : 5)" --> "F"`

****Constraints:****

* `5 <= expression.length <= 104` * `expression` consists of digits, `T`, `F`, `?`, and `!`. * It is ****guaranteed**** that `expression` is a valid ternary expression and that each number is a ****one-digit number****.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    string parseTernary(string expression) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public String parseTernary(String expression) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def parseTernary(self, expression: str) -> str:
```