

# Problem 944: Delete Columns to Make Sorted

## Problem Information

Difficulty: [Easy](#)

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

## Problem Description

You are given an array of

$n$

strings

`strs`

, all of the same length.

The strings can be arranged such that there is one on each line, making a grid.

For example,

`strs = ["abc", "bce", "cae"]`

can be arranged as follows:

abc bce cae

You want to

delete

the columns that are

not sorted lexicographically

. In the above example (

0-indexed

), columns 0 (

'a'

,

'b'

,

'c'

) and 2 (

'c'

,

'e'

,

'e'

) are sorted, while column 1 (

'b'

,

'c'

,

'a'

) is not, so you would delete column 1.

Return

the number of columns that you will delete

.

Example 1:

Input:

```
strs = ["cba", "daf", "ghi"]
```

Output:

1

Explanation:

The grid looks as follows: cba daf ghi Columns 0 and 2 are sorted, but column 1 is not, so you only need to delete 1 column.

Example 2:

Input:

```
strs = ["a", "b"]
```

Output:

0

Explanation:

The grid looks as follows: a b Column 0 is the only column and is sorted, so you will not delete any columns.

Example 3:

Input:

```
strs = ["zyx", "wvu", "tsr"]
```

Output:

3

Explanation:

The grid looks as follows: zyx wvu tsr All 3 columns are not sorted, so you will delete all 3.

Constraints:

$n == \text{strs.length}$

$1 \leq n \leq 100$

$1 \leq \text{strs}[i].length \leq 1000$

$\text{strs}[i]$

consists of lowercase English letters.

## Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int minDeletionSize(vector<string>& strs) {
        }
    };
}
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public int minDeletionSize(String[] strs) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def minDeletionSize(self, strs: List[str]) -> int:
```

### Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def minDeletionSize(self, strs):  
        """  
        :type strs: List[str]  
        :rtype: int  
        """
```

### JavaScript:

```
/**  
 * @param {string[]} strs  
 * @return {number}  
 */  
var minDeletionSize = function(strs) {  
  
};
```

### TypeScript:

```
function minDeletionSize(strs: string[]): number {  
  
};
```

### C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public int MinDeletionSize(string[] strs) {  
  
    }  
}
```

**C:**

```
int minDeletionSize(char** strs, int strsSize) {  
}  
}
```

**Go:**

```
func minDeletionSize(strs []string) int {  
}  
}
```

**Kotlin:**

```
class Solution {  
    fun minDeletionSize(strs: Array<String>): Int {  
        }  
        }  
}
```

**Swift:**

```
class Solution {  
    func minDeletionSize(_ strs: [String]) -> Int {  
        }  
        }  
}
```

**Rust:**

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn min_deletion_size(strs: Vec<String>) -> i32 {  
        }  
        }  
}
```

**Ruby:**

```
# @param {String[]} strs  
# @return {Integer}  
def min_deletion_size(strs)  
  
end
```

**PHP:**

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param String[] $strs  
     * @return Integer  
     */  
    function minDeletionSize($strs) {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Dart:**

```
class Solution {  
int minDeletionSize(List<String> strs) {  
  
}  
}
```

**Scala:**

```
object Solution {  
def minDeletionSize(strs: Array[String]): Int = {  
  
}  
}
```

**Elixir:**

```
defmodule Solution do  
@spec min_deletion_size(strs :: [String.t]) :: integer  
def min_deletion_size(strs) do  
  
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**Erlang:**

```
-spec min_deletion_size(Strs :: [unicode:unicode_binary()]) -> integer().  
min_deletion_size(Strs) ->  
.
```

### Racket:

```
(define/contract (min-deletion-size strs)
  (-> (listof string?) exact-integer?))
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## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

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 * Difficulty: Easy
 * Tags: array, string, graph, sort
 *
 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
 * Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
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class Solution {
public:
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    public int minDeletionSize(String[] strs) {
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class Solution:

def minDeletionSize(self, strs: List[str]) -> int:
# TODO: Implement optimized solution
pass
```

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