

Problem 2716: Minimize String Length

Problem Information

Difficulty: [Easy](#)

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

Given a string

s

, you have two types of operation:

Choose an index

i

in the string, and let

c

be the character in position

i

.

Delete

the

closest occurrence

of

c

to the

left

of

i

(if exists).

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Your task is to

minimize

the length of

s

by performing the above operations zero or more times.

Return an integer denoting the length of the

minimized

string.

Example 1:

Input:

s = "aaabc"

Output:

3

Explanation:

Operation 2: we choose

i = 1

so

c

is 'a', then we remove

s[2]

as it is closest 'a' character to the right of

s[1]

.

s

becomes "aabc" after this.

Operation 1: we choose

i = 1

so

c

is 'a', then we remove

s[0]

as it is closest 'a' character to the left of

s[1]

.

s

becomes "abc" after this.

Example 2:

Input:

s = "cbbd"

Output:

3

Explanation:

Operation 1: we choose

i = 2

so

c

is 'b', then we remove

s[1]

as it is closest 'b' character to the left of

s[1]

.

s

becomes "cbd" after this.

Example 3:

Input:

s = "baadccab"

Output:

4

Explanation:

Operation 1: we choose

i = 6

so

c

is 'a', then we remove

s[2]

as it is closest 'a' character to the left of

s[6]

.

s

becomes "badccab" after this.

Operation 2: we choose

i = 0

so

c

is 'b', then we remove

s[6]

as it is closest 'b' character to the right of

s[0]

.

s

becomes "badcca" fter this.

Operation 2: we choose

i = 3

so

c

is 'c', then we remove

s[4]

as it is closest 'c' character to the right of

s[3]

.

s

becomes "badca" after this.

Operation 1: we choose

i = 4

so

c

is 'a', then we remove

s[1]

as it is closest 'a' character to the left of

s[4]

.

s

becomes "bdca" after this.

Constraints:

1 <= s.length <= 100

s

contains only lowercase English letters

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int minimizedStringLength(string s) {  
  
    }  
};
```


Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public int minimizedStringLength(String s) {  
  
    }  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def minimizedStringLength(self, s: str) -> int:
```

Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def minimizedStringLength(self, s):  
        """  
        :type s: str  
        :rtype: int  
        """
```

JavaScript:

```
/**  
 * @param {string} s  
 * @return {number}  
 */  
var minimizedStringLength = function(s) {  
  
};
```

TypeScript:

```
function minimizedStringLength(s: string): number {  
  
};
```

C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public int MinimizedStringLength(string s) {
```

```
}  
}
```

C:

```
int minimizedStringLength(char* s) {  
  
}
```

Go:

```
func minimizedStringLength(s string) int {  
  
}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun minimizedStringLength(s: String): Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func minimizedStringLength(_ s: String) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn minimized_string_length(s: String) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# @param {String} s
# @return {Integer}
def minimized_string_length(s)

end
```

PHP:

```
class Solution {

    /**
     * @param String $s
     * @return Integer
     */
    function minimizedStringLength($s) {

    }

}
```

Dart:

```
class Solution {
  int minimizedStringLength(String s) {

  }

}
```

Scala:

```
object Solution {
  def minimizedStringLength(s: String): Int = {

  }

}
```

Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do
  @spec minimized_string_length(s :: String.t) :: integer
  def minimized_string_length(s) do

  end

end
```

Erlang:

```
-spec minimized_string_length(S :: unicode:unicode_binary()) -> integer().
minimized_string_length(S) ->
.
```

Racket:

```
(define/contract (minimized-string-length s)
  (-> string? exact-integer?)
)
```

Solutions

C++ Solution:

```
/*
 * Problem: Minimize String Length
 * Difficulty: Easy
 * Tags: string, hash
 *
 * Approach: String manipulation with hash map or two pointers
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
 * Space Complexity: O(n) for hash map
 */

class Solution {
public:
    int minimizedStringLength(string s) {

    }
};
```

Java Solution:

```
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class Solution {
public int minimizedStringLength(String s) {

}

}

```

Python3 Solution:

```

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class Solution:
    def minimizedStringLength(self, s: str) -> int:
        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass

```

Python Solution:

```

class Solution(object):
    def minimizedStringLength(self, s):
        """
        :type s: str
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*/

public class Solution {
    public int MinimizedStringLength(string s) {

    }
}

```

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int minimizedStringLength(char* s) {

}

```

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func minimizedStringLength(s string) int {

}

```

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class Solution {
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