

# Problem 389: Find the Difference

## Problem Information

Difficulty: [Easy](#)

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

## Problem Description

You are given two strings

s

and

t

.

String

t

is generated by random shuffling string

s

and then add one more letter at a random position.

Return the letter that was added to

t

.

Example 1:

Input:

s = "abcd", t = "abcde"

Output:

"e"

Explanation:

'e' is the letter that was added.

Example 2:

Input:

s = "", t = "y"

Output:

"y"

Constraints:

$0 \leq s.length \leq 1000$

$t.length == s.length + 1$

s

and

t

consist of lowercase English letters.

## Code Snippets

### C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    char findTheDifference(string s, string t) {  
  
    }  
};
```

### Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public char findTheDifference(String s, String t) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def findTheDifference(self, s: str, t: str) -> str:
```

### Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def findTheDifference(self, s, t):  
        """  
        :type s: str  
        :type t: str  
        :rtype: str  
        """
```

### JavaScript:

```
/**  
 * @param {string} s  
 * @param {string} t  
 * @return {character}  
 */  
var findTheDifference = function(s, t) {
```

```
};
```

### TypeScript:

```
function findTheDifference(s: string, t: string): string {  
}  
};
```

### C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public char FindTheDifference(string s, string t) {  
        }  
    }  
}
```

### C:

```
char findTheDifference(char* s, char* t) {  
  
}
```

### Go:

```
func findTheDifference(s string, t string) byte {  
  
}
```

### Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun findTheDifference(s: String, t: String): Char {  
        }  
    }  
}
```

### Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func findTheDifference(_ s: String, _ t: String) -> Character {  
        }  
}
```

```
}
```

**Rust:**

```
impl Solution {
    pub fn find_the_difference(s: String, t: String) -> char {
        }
}
```

**Ruby:**

```
# @param {String} s
# @param {String} t
# @return {Character}
def find_the_difference(s, t)

end
```

**PHP:**

```
class Solution {

    /**
     * @param String $s
     * @param String $t
     * @return String
     */
    function findTheDifference($s, $t) {

    }
}
```

**Dart:**

```
class Solution {
    String findTheDifference(String s, String t) {
        }
}
```

**Scala:**

```
object Solution {  
    def findTheDifference(s: String, t: String): Char = {  
        }  
        }  
}
```

### Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
  @spec find_the_difference(s :: String.t, t :: String.t) :: char  
  def find_the_difference(s, t) do  
  
  end  
  end
```

### Erlang:

```
-spec find_the_difference(S :: unicode:unicode_binary(), T ::  
  unicode:unicode_binary()) -> char().  
find_the_difference(S, T) ->  
.
```

### Racket:

```
(define/contract (find-the-difference s t)  
  (-> string? string? char?)  
)
```

## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

```
/*  
 * Problem: Find the Difference  
 * Difficulty: Easy  
 * Tags: string, hash, sort  
 *  
 * 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  
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```

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class Solution {  
public:  
    char findTheDifference(string s, string t) {  
  
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```

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```
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 */  
  
class Solution {  
public char findTheDifference(String s, String t) {  
  
}  
}
```

### Python3 Solution:

```
"""  
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"""  
  
class Solution:  
    def findTheDifference(self, s: str, t: str) -> str:  
        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
```

```
pass
```

### Python Solution:

```
class Solution(object):
    def findTheDifference(self, s, t):
        """
        :type s: str
        :type t: str
        :rtype: str
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function findTheDifference(s: string, t: string): string {
}

```

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```

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func findTheDifference(s string, t string) byte {

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## Kotlin Solution:

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class Solution {
    fun findTheDifference(s: String, t: String): Char {
        return ...
    }
}
```

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}
```

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    pub fn find_the_difference(s: String, t: String) -> char {
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}
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```
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# @param {String} t
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