

Problem 2014: Longest Subsequence Repeated k Times

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Hard**

Acceptance Rate: 71.42%

Paid Only: No

Tags: String, Backtracking, Greedy, Counting, Enumeration

Problem Description

You are given a string `s` of length `n`, and an integer `k`. You are tasked to find the **longest subsequence repeated** `k` times in string `s`.

A **subsequence** is a string that can be derived from another string by deleting some or no characters without changing the order of the remaining characters.

A subsequence `seq` is **repeated** `k` times in the string `s` if `seq * k` is a subsequence of `s`, where `seq * k` represents a string constructed by concatenating `seq` `k` times.

* For example, `"bba"` is repeated `2` times in the string `"bababcba"`, because the string `"bbabba"`, constructed by concatenating `"bba"` `2` times, is a subsequence of the string `"_b_ a_ _bab_ c_ _ba_ "`.

Return **the longest subsequence repeated** `k` times in string `s`. If multiple such subsequences are found, return the **lexicographically largest** one. If there is no such subsequence, return an **empty** string.

Example 1.

`!example 1](https://assets.leetcode.com/uploads/2021/08/30/longest-subsequence-repeat-k-times.png)`

Input: `s = "letsleetcode", k = 2` **Output:** `"let"` **Explanation:** There are two longest subsequences repeated 2 times: `"let"` and `"ete"`. `"let"` is the lexicographically largest one.

****Example 2:****

****Input:**** s = "bb", k = 2 ****Output:**** "b" ****Explanation:**** The longest subsequence repeated 2 times is "b".

****Example 3:****

****Input:**** s = "ab", k = 2 ****Output:**** "" ****Explanation:**** There is no subsequence repeated 2 times. Empty string is returned.

****Constraints:****

* `n` == s.length` * `2 <= k <= 2000` * `2 <= n < min(2001, k * 8)` * `s` consists of lowercase English letters.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    string longestSubsequenceRepeatedK(string s, int k) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public String longestSubsequenceRepeatedK(String s, int k) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

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