

Problem 2450: Number of Distinct Binary Strings After Applying Operations

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 63.47%

Paid Only: Yes

Tags: Math, String

Problem Description

You are given a **binary** string `s` and a positive integer `k`.

You can apply the following operation on the string **any** number of times:

* Choose any substring of size `k` from `s` and **flip** all its characters, that is, turn all `1`'s into `0`'s, and all `0`'s into `1`'s.

Return the number of **distinct** strings you can obtain. Since the answer may be too large, return it **modulo** $10^9 + 7$.

Note that:

* A binary string is a string that consists **only** of the characters `0` and `1`. * A substring is a contiguous part of a string.

Example 1:

Input: `s = "1001"`, `k = 3` **Output:** `4` **Explanation:** We can obtain the following strings: - Applying no operation on the string gives `s = "1001"`. - Applying one operation on the substring starting at index 0 gives `s = "_011_1"`. - Applying one operation on the substring starting at index 1 gives `s = "1_110_"`. - Applying one operation on both the substrings starting at indices 0 and 1 gives `s = "_0000_"`. It can be shown that we cannot obtain any other string, so the answer is 4.

Example 2:

****Input:**** s = "10110", k = 5 ****Output:**** 2 ****Explanation:**** We can obtain the following strings:
- Applying no operation on the string gives s = "10110". - Applying one operation on the whole string gives s = "01001". It can be shown that we cannot obtain any other string, so the answer is 2.

****Constraints:****

* `1` <= k <= s.length <= 105 * `s[i]` is either `0` or `1`.

Code Snippets

C++:

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

    }
};
```

Java:

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

    }
}
```

Python3:

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