

Problem 3014: Minimum Number of Pushes to Type Word I

Problem Information

Difficulty: Easy

Acceptance Rate: 66.62%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Math, String, Greedy

Problem Description

You are given a string `word` containing **distinct** lowercase English letters.

Telephone keypads have keys mapped with **distinct** collections of lowercase English letters, which can be used to form words by pushing them. For example, the key `2` is mapped with `["a", "b", "c"]`, we need to push the key one time to type `"a"`, two times to type `"b"`, and three times to type `"c"` _._

It is allowed to remap the keys numbered `2` to `9` to **distinct** collections of letters. The keys can be remapped to **any** amount of letters, but each letter **must** be mapped to **exactly** one key. You need to find the **minimum** number of times the keys will be pushed to type the string `word`.

Return _the**minimum** number of pushes needed to type `word` _after remapping the keys_.

An example mapping of letters to keys on a telephone keypad is given below. Note that `1`, `*`, `#`, and `0` do **not** map to any letters.

Example 1:

Input: word = "abcde" **Output:** 5 **Explanation:** The remapped keypad given in the image provides the minimum cost. "a" -> one push on key 2 "b" -> one push on key 3 "c" -> one push on key 4 "d" -> one push on key 5 "e" -> one push on key 6 Total cost is $1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 5$. It can be shown that no other mapping can provide a lower cost.

Example 2:

Input: word = "xycdefghij" **Output:** 12 **Explanation:** The remapped keypad given in the image provides the minimum cost. "x" -> one push on key 2 "y" -> two pushes on key 2 "c" -> one push on key 3 "d" -> two pushes on key 3 "e" -> one push on key 4 "f" -> one push on key 5 "g" -> one push on key 6 "h" -> one push on key 7 "i" -> one push on key 8 "j" -> one push on key 9 Total cost is $1 + 2 + 1 + 2 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 12$. It can be shown that no other mapping can provide a lower cost.

Constraints:

* `1 <= word.length <= 26` * `word` consists of lowercase English letters. * All letters in `word` are distinct.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int minimumPushes(string word) {
        }
    };
}
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
public int minimumPushes(String word) {
        }
    };
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def minimumPushes(self, word: str) -> int:
```