

# Problem 425: Word Squares

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Hard

**Acceptance Rate:** 0.00%

**Paid Only:** No

## Problem Description

Given an array of

unique

strings

words

, return

all the

word squares

you can build from

words

. The same word from

words

can be used

multiple times

. You can return the answer in

any order

.

A sequence of strings forms a valid

word square

if the

k

th

row and column read the same string, where

$0 \leq k < \max(\text{numRows}, \text{numColumns})$

.

For example, the word sequence

`["ball", "area", "lead", "lady"]`

forms a word square because each word reads the same both horizontally and vertically.

Example 1:

Input:

`words = ["area", "lead", "wall", "lady", "ball"]`

Output:

`[["ball", "area", "lead", "lady"], ["wall", "area", "lead", "lady"]]`

Explanation:

The output consists of two word squares. The order of output does not matter (just the order of words in each word square matters).

Example 2:

Input:

```
words = ["abat","baba","atan","atal"]
```

Output:

```
[["baba","abat","baba","atal"],["baba","abat","baba","atan"]]
```

Explanation:

The output consists of two word squares. The order of output does not matter (just the order of words in each word square matters).

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{words.length} \leq 1000$

$1 \leq \text{words}[i].\text{length} \leq 4$

All

`words[i]`

have the same length.

`words[i]`

consists of only lowercase English letters.

All

`words[i]`

are

unique

.

## Code Snippets

### C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    vector<vector<string>> wordSquares(vector<string>& words) {

    }
};
```

### Java:

```
class Solution {
    public List<List<String>> wordSquares(String[] words) {

    }
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def wordSquares(self, words: List[str]) -> List[List[str]]:
```

### Python:

```
class Solution(object):
    def wordSquares(self, words):
        """
        :type words: List[str]
        :rtype: List[List[str]]
        """
```

### JavaScript:

```
/**
 * @param {string[]} words
```

```

* @return {string[][]}
*/
var wordSquares = function(words) {

};

```

### TypeScript:

```

function wordSquares(words: string[]): string[][] {

};

```

### C#:

```

public class Solution {
    public IList<IList<string>> WordSquares(string[] words) {

    }
}

```

### C:

```

/**
 * Return an array of arrays of size *returnSize.
 * The sizes of the arrays are returned as *returnColumnSizes array.
 * Note: Both returned array and *columnSizes array must be malloced, assume
 caller calls free().
 */
char*** wordSquares(char** words, int wordsSize, int* returnSize, int**
returnColumnSizes) {

}

```

### Go:

```

func wordSquares(words []string) [][]string {

}

```

### Kotlin:

```

class Solution {
    fun wordSquares(words: Array<String>): List<List<String>> {

    }
}

```

### Swift:

```

class Solution {
    func wordSquares(_ words: [String]) -> [[String]] {

    }
}

```

### Rust:

```

impl Solution {
    pub fn word_squares(words: Vec<String>) -> Vec<Vec<String>> {

    }
}

```

### Ruby:

```

# @param {String[]} words
# @return {String[][]}
def word_squares(words)

end

```

### PHP:

```

class Solution {

    /**
     * @param String[] $words
     * @return String[][]
     */
    function wordSquares($words) {

    }
}

```

### Dart:

```
class Solution {  
  List<List<String>> wordSquares(List<String> words) {  
  
  }  
}
```

### Scala:

```
object Solution {  
  def wordSquares(words: Array[String]): List[List[String]] = {  
  
  }  
}
```

### Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
  @spec word_squares(words :: [String.t]) :: [[String.t]]  
  def word_squares(words) do  
  
  end  
end
```

### Erlang:

```
-spec word_squares(Words :: [unicode:unicode_binary()]) ->  
  [[unicode:unicode_binary()]].  
word_squares(Words) ->  
  .
```

### Racket:

```
(define/contract (word-squares words)  
  (-> (listof string?) (listof (listof string?)))  
  )
```

## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

```

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 * Difficulty: Hard
 * Tags: array, string
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 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
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        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass

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