

# Problem 712: Minimum ASCII Delete Sum for Two Strings

## Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

## Problem Description

Given two strings

`s1`

and

`s2`

, return

the lowest

ASCII

sum of deleted characters to make two strings equal

.

Example 1:

Input:

`s1 = "sea", s2 = "eat"`

Output:

231

Explanation:

Deleting "s" from "sea" adds the ASCII value of "s" (115) to the sum. Deleting "t" from "eat" adds 116 to the sum. At the end, both strings are equal, and  $115 + 116 = 231$  is the minimum sum possible to achieve this.

Example 2:

Input:

`s1 = "delete", s2 = "leet"`

Output:

403

Explanation:

Deleting "dee" from "delete" to turn the string into "let", adds  $100[d] + 101[e] + 101[e]$  to the sum. Deleting "e" from "leet" adds  $101[e]$  to the sum. At the end, both strings are equal to "let", and the answer is  $100+101+101+101 = 403$ . If instead we turned both strings into "lee" or "eet", we would get answers of 433 or 417, which are higher.

Constraints:

$1 \leq s1.length, s2.length \leq 1000$

`s1`

and

`s2`

consist of lowercase English letters.

## Code Snippets

### C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int minimumDeleteSum(string s1, string s2) {

    }
};
```

### Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int minimumDeleteSum(String s1, String s2) {

    }
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def minimumDeleteSum(self, s1: str, s2: str) -> int:
```

### Python:

```
class Solution(object):
    def minimumDeleteSum(self, s1, s2):
        """
        :type s1: str
        :type s2: str
        :rtype: int
        """
```

### JavaScript:

```
/**
 * @param {string} s1
 * @param {string} s2
 * @return {number}
 */
var minimumDeleteSum = function(s1, s2) {
```

```
};
```

### TypeScript:

```
function minimumDeleteSum(s1: string, s2: string): number {  
  
};
```

### C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public int MinimumDeleteSum(string s1, string s2) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### C:

```
int minimumDeleteSum(char* s1, char* s2) {  
  
}
```

### Go:

```
func minimumDeleteSum(s1 string, s2 string) int {  
  
}
```

### Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
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    }  
}
```

### Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func minimumDeleteSum(_ s1: String, _ s2: String) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

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### Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn minimum_delete_sum(s1: String, s2: String) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Ruby:

```
# @param {String} s1  
# @param {String} s2  
# @return {Integer}  
def minimum_delete_sum(s1, s2)  
  
end
```

### PHP:

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param String $s1  
     * @param String $s2  
     * @return Integer  
     */  
    function minimumDeleteSum($s1, $s2) {  
  
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### Dart:

```
class Solution {  
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    }  
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```

### Scala:

```

object Solution {
  def minimumDeleteSum(s1: String, s2: String): Int = {

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```

### Elixir:

```

defmodule Solution do
  @spec minimum_delete_sum(s1 :: String.t, s2 :: String.t) :: integer
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### Erlang:

```

-spec minimum_delete_sum(S1 :: unicode:unicode_binary(), S2 ::
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.

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### Racket:

```

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  (-> string? string? exact-integer?)
)

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## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

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 * Tags: string, dp
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 * Approach: String manipulation with hash map or two pointers
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        # TODO: Implement optimized solution

```

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pass
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int minimumDeleteSum(char* s1, char* s2) {

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