

Problem 664: Strange Printer

Problem Information

Difficulty: Hard

Acceptance Rate: 60.81%

Paid Only: No

Tags: String, Dynamic Programming

Problem Description

There is a strange printer with the following two special properties:

* The printer can only print a sequence of **the same character** each time.
* At each turn, the printer can print new characters starting from and ending at any place and will cover the original existing characters.

Given a string `s`, return _the minimum number of turns the printer needed to print it_.

Example 1:

Input: s = "aaabbb" **Output:** 2 **Explanation:** Print "aaa" first and then print "bbb".

Example 2:

Input: s = "aba" **Output:** 2 **Explanation:** Print "aaa" first and then print "b" from the second place of the string, which will cover the existing character 'a'.

Constraints:

* `1 <= s.length <= 100` * `s` consists of lowercase English letters.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int strangePrinter(string s) {
        }
    };
}
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
public int strangePrinter(String s) {
    }
}
```

Python3:

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