

Problem 2712: Minimum Cost to Make All Characters Equal

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

You are given a

0-indexed

binary string

s

of length

n

on which you can apply two types of operations:

Choose an index

i

and invert all characters from index

0

to index

i

(both inclusive), with a cost of

$i + 1$

Choose an index

i

and invert all characters from index

i

to index

$n - 1$

(both inclusive), with a cost of

$n - i$

Return

the

minimum cost

to make all characters of the string

equal

.

Invert

a character means if its value is '0' it becomes '1' and vice-versa.

Example 1:

Input:

s = "0011"

Output:

2

Explanation:

Apply the second operation with

i = 2

to obtain

s = "0000" for a cost of 2

. It can be shown that 2 is the minimum cost to make all characters equal.

Example 2:

Input:

s = "010101"

Output:

9

Explanation:

Apply the first operation with i = 2 to obtain s = "101101" for a cost of 3. Apply the first operation with i = 1 to obtain s = "011101" for a cost of 2. Apply the first operation with i = 0 to obtain s = "111101" for a cost of 1. Apply the second operation with i = 4 to obtain s = "111110" for a cost of 2. Apply the second operation with i = 5 to obtain s = "111111" for a cost of 1. The total cost to make all characters equal is 9. It can be shown that 9 is the minimum cost to make all characters equal.

Constraints:

$1 \leq s.length == n \leq 10$

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$s[i]$

is either

'0'

or

'1'

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    long long minimumCost(string s) {  
  
    }  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public long minimumCost(String s) {  
  
    }  
}
```

Python3:

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

Python:

```
class Solution(object):
    def minimumCost(self, s):
        """
        :type s: str
        :rtype: int
        """
```

JavaScript:

```
/**
 * @param {string} s
 * @return {number}
 */
var minimumCost = function(s) {

};
```

TypeScript:

```
function minimumCost(s: string): number {

};
```

C#:

```
public class Solution {
    public long MinimumCost(string s) {

    }
}
```

C:

```
long long minimumCost(char* s) {

}
```

Go:

```
func minimumCost(s string) int64 {
```

```
}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun minimumCost(s: String): Long {  
  
    }  
}
```

Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func minimumCost(_ s: String) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn minimum_cost(s: String) -> i64 {  
  
    }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# @param {String} s  
# @return {Integer}  
def minimum_cost(s)  
  
end
```

PHP:

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param String $s  
     * @return Integer  
     */  
}
```

```
function minimumCost($s) {  
  
}  
}
```

Dart:

```
class Solution {  
  int minimumCost(String s) {  
  
  }  
}
```

Scala:

```
object Solution {  
  def minimumCost(s: String): Long = {  
  
  }  
}
```

Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
  @spec minimum_cost(s :: String.t) :: integer  
  def minimum_cost(s) do  
  
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Erlang:

```
-spec minimum_cost(S :: unicode:unicode_binary()) -> integer().  
minimum_cost(S) ->  
.
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Racket:

```
(define/contract (minimum-cost s)  
  (-> string? exact-integer?)  
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Solutions

C++ Solution:

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 * Tags: string, dp, greedy
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 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
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        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass

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