

Problem 591: Tag Validator

Problem Information

Difficulty: Hard

Acceptance Rate: 39.98%

Paid Only: No

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Problem Description

Given a string representing a code snippet, implement a tag validator to parse the code and return whether it is valid.

A code snippet is valid if all the following rules hold:

1. The code must be wrapped in a **valid closed tag**. Otherwise, the code is invalid. 2. A **closed tag** (not necessarily valid) has exactly the following format :
`<TAG_NAME>TAG_CONTENT</TAG_NAME>`. Among them, `` is the start tag, and `` is the end tag. The TAG_NAME in start and end tags should be the same. A closed tag is **valid** if and only if the TAG_NAME and TAG_CONTENT are valid. 3. A **valid** `TAG_NAME` only contain **upper-case letters**, and has length in range [1,9]. Otherwise, the `TAG_NAME` is **invalid**. 4. A **valid** `TAG_CONTENT` may contain other **valid closed tags**, **cdata** and any characters (see note1) **EXCEPT** unmatched `<`, unmatched start and end tag, and unmatched or closed tags with invalid TAG_NAME. Otherwise, the `TAG_CONTENT` is **invalid**. 5. A start tag is unmatched if no end tag exists with the same TAG_NAME, and vice versa. However, you also need to consider the issue of unbalanced when tags are nested. 6. A `<` is unmatched if you cannot find a subsequent `>`. And when you find a `<` or `<`, all the subsequent characters until the next `>` should be parsed as TAG_NAME (not necessarily valid). 7. The cdata has the following format :
`<![CDATA[CDATA_CONTENT]]>`. The range of `CDATA_CONTENT` is defined as the characters between `<![CDATA[` and the **first subsequent** `]]>`. 8. `CDATA_CONTENT` may contain **any characters**. The function of cdata is to forbid the validator to parse `CDATA_CONTENT`, so even it has some characters that can be parsed as tag (no matter valid or invalid), you should treat it as **regular characters**.

Example 1:

****Input:**** code = "<DIV>This is the first line <![CDATA[<div>]]></DIV>" ****Output:**** true

****Explanation:**** The code is wrapped in a closed tag : <DIV> and </DIV>. The TAG_NAME is valid, the TAG_CONTENT consists of some characters and cdata. Although CDATA_CONTENT has an unmatched start tag with invalid TAG_NAME, it should be considered as plain text, not parsed as a tag. So TAG_CONTENT is valid, and then the code is valid. Thus return true.

****Example 2:****

****Input:**** code = "<DIV>>> ![CDATA[<div>]]>]]>>></DIV>" ****Output:**** true

****Explanation:**** We first separate the code into : start_tag|tag_content|end_tag. start_tag -> ****"** <DIV>****"** end_tag -> ****"** </DIV>****"** tag_content could also be separated into : text1|CDATA|text2. text1 -> ****"** >> ![CDATA[<div>]]>****"** cdata -> ****"** <![CDATA[<div>]]>****"**, where the CDATA_CONTENT is ****"** <div>]]>****"** text2 -> ****"**]]>>****"** The reason why start_tag is NOT ****"** <DIV>>>****"** is because of the rule 6. The reason why cdata is NOT ****"** <![CDATA[<div>]]>>****"** is because of the rule 7.

****Example 3:****

****Input:**** code = "<A> " ****Output:**** false ****Explanation:**** Unbalanced. If "<A>" is closed, then "" must be unmatched, and vice versa.

****Constraints:****

* `1` <= code.length <= 500 * `code` consists of English letters, digits, '<', '>', '/', '!', '[', ']', '.', and ' '.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    bool isValid(string code) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public boolean isValid(String code) {  
  
    }  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def isValid(self, code: str) -> bool:
```