

Problem 3361: Shift Distance Between Two Strings

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

You are given two strings

`s`

and

`t`

of the same length, and two integer arrays

`nextCost`

and

`previousCost`

.

In one operation, you can pick any index

`i`

of

`s`

, and perform

either one

of the following actions:

Shift

$s[i]$

to the next letter in the alphabet. If

$s[i] == 'z'$

, you should replace it with

'a'

. This operation costs

$nextCost[j]$

where

j

is the index of

$s[i]$

in the alphabet.

Shift

$s[i]$

to the previous letter in the alphabet. If

`s[i] == 'a'`

, you should replace it with

`'z'`

. This operation costs

`previousCost[j]`

where

`j`

is the index of

`s[i]`

in the alphabet.

The

shift distance

is the

minimum

total cost of operations required to transform

`s`

into

`t`

.

Return the

shift distance

from

S

to

t

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Example 1:

Input:

```
s = "abab", t = "baba", nextCost = [100,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0],  
previousCost = [1,100,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0]
```

Output:

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Explanation:

We choose index

$$i = 0$$

and shift

s[0]

25 times to the previous character for a total cost of 1.

We choose index

$$i = 1$$

and shift

s[1]

25 times to the next character for a total cost of 0.

We choose index

$$i = 2$$

and shift

s[2]

25 times to the previous character for a total cost of 1.

We choose index

 $i = 3$

and shift

s[3]

25 times to the next character for a total cost of 0.

Example 2:

Input:

```
s = "leet", t = "code", nextCost = [1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1],
previousCost = [1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1]
```

Output:

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Explanation:

We choose index

$i = 0$

and shift

$s[0]$

9 times to the previous character for a total cost of 9.

We choose index

$i = 1$

and shift

$s[1]$

10 times to the next character for a total cost of 10.

We choose index

$i = 2$

and shift

$s[2]$

1 time to the previous character for a total cost of 1.

We choose index

$i = 3$

and shift

$s[3]$

11 times to the next character for a total cost of 11.

Constraints:

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

s

t

and

t

consist only of lowercase English letters.

$nextCost.length == previousCost.length == 26$

$0 \leq nextCost[i], previousCost[i] \leq 10$

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Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    long long shiftDistance(string s, string t, vector<int>& nextCost,
        vector<int>& previousCost) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public long shiftDistance(String s, String t, int[] nextCost, int[]
        previousCost) {
```

```
}  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def shiftDistance(self, s: str, t: str, nextCost: List[int], previousCost:  
List[int]) -> int:
```

Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def shiftDistance(self, s, t, nextCost, previousCost):  
        """  
        :type s: str  
        :type t: str  
        :type nextCost: List[int]  
        :type previousCost: List[int]  
        :rtype: int  
        """
```

JavaScript:

```
/**  
 * @param {string} s  
 * @param {string} t  
 * @param {number[]} nextCost  
 * @param {number[]} previousCost  
 * @return {number}  
 */  
var shiftDistance = function(s, t, nextCost, previousCost) {  
  
};
```

TypeScript:

```
function shiftDistance(s: string, t: string, nextCost: number[],  
previousCost: number[]): number {  
  
};
```


C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public long ShiftDistance(string s, string t, int[] nextCost, int[]  
    previousCost) {  
  
    }  
}
```

C:

```
long long shiftDistance(char* s, char* t, int* nextCost, int nextCostSize,  
int* previousCost, int previousCostSize) {  
  
}
```

Go:

```
func shiftDistance(s string, t string, nextCost []int, previousCost []int)  
int64 {  
  
}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun shiftDistance(s: String, t: String, nextCost: IntArray, previousCost:  
    IntArray): Long {  
  
    }  
}
```

Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func shiftDistance(_ s: String, _ t: String, _ nextCost: [Int], _  
    previousCost: [Int]) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Rust:

```

impl Solution {
    pub fn shift_distance(s: String, t: String, next_cost: Vec<i32>,
        previous_cost: Vec<i32>) -> i64 {

    }
}

```

Ruby:

```

# @param {String} s
# @param {String} t
# @param {Integer[]} next_cost
# @param {Integer[]} previous_cost
# @return {Integer}
def shift_distance(s, t, next_cost, previous_cost)

end

```

PHP:

```

class Solution {

    /**
     * @param String $s
     * @param String $t
     * @param Integer[] $nextCost
     * @param Integer[] $previousCost
     * @return Integer
     */
    function shiftDistance($s, $t, $nextCost, $previousCost) {

    }

}

```

Dart:

```

class Solution {
    int shiftDistance(String s, String t, List<int> nextCost, List<int>
        previousCost) {

    }

}

```

Scala:

```
object Solution {  
  def shiftDistance(s: String, t: String, nextCost: Array[Int], previousCost:  
    Array[Int]): Long = {  
  
  }  
}
```

Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
  @spec shift_distance(s :: String.t, t :: String.t, next_cost :: [integer],  
    previous_cost :: [integer]) :: integer  
  def shift_distance(s, t, next_cost, previous_cost) do  
  
  end  
end
```

Erlang:

```
-spec shift_distance(S :: unicode:unicode_binary(), T ::  
  unicode:unicode_binary(), NextCost :: [integer()], PreviousCost ::  
  [integer()]) -> integer().  
shift_distance(S, T, NextCost, PreviousCost) ->  
.
```

Racket:

```
(define/contract (shift-distance s t nextCost previousCost)  
  (-> string? string? (listof exact-integer?) (listof exact-integer?)  
    exact-integer?)  
  )
```

Solutions

C++ Solution:

```
/*  
 * Problem: Shift Distance Between Two Strings  
 * Difficulty: Medium  
 * Tags: array, string
```

```

*
* Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
* Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
* Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
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    long long shiftDistance(string s, string t, vector<int>& nextCost,
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```

Java Solution:

```

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class Solution {
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        previousCost) {

    }
}

```

Python3 Solution:

```

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class Solution:
    def shiftDistance(self, s: str, t: str, nextCost: List[int], previousCost:
List[int]) -> int:
    # TODO: Implement optimized solution
    pass

```

Python Solution:

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class Solution(object):
    def shiftDistance(self, s, t, nextCost, previousCost):
        """
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 * @return {number}
 */

```

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var shiftDistance = function(s, t, nextCost, previousCost) {

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public class Solution {
    public long ShiftDistance(string s, string t, int[] nextCost, int[]
previousCost) {

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```

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```

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