

Problem 425: Word Squares

Problem Information

Difficulty: Hard

Acceptance Rate: 54.53%

Paid Only: Yes

Tags: Array, String, Backtracking, Trie

Problem Description

Given an array of **unique** strings `words`, return **all** the **word squares** (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Word_square) **you** can build from `words`. The same word from `words` can be used **multiple times**. You can return the answer in **any order**.

A sequence of strings forms a valid **word square** if the `k`th row and column read the same string, where $0 \leq k < \max(\text{numRows}, \text{numColumns})$.

* For example, the word sequence `["ball", "area", "lead", "lady"]` forms a word square because each word reads the same both horizontally and vertically.

Example 1:

Input: `words = ["area", "lead", "wall", "lady", "ball"]` **Output:**
`[["ball", "area", "lead", "lady"], ["wall", "area", "lead", "lady"]]` **Explanation:** The output consists of two word squares. The order of output does not matter (just the order of words in each word square matters).

Example 2:

Input: `words = ["abat", "baba", "atan", "atal"]` **Output:**
`[["baba", "abat", "baba", "atal"], ["baba", "abat", "baba", "atan"]]` **Explanation:** The output consists of two word squares. The order of output does not matter (just the order of words in each word square matters).

Constraints:

* `1` <= words.length <= 1000 * `1` <= words[i].length <= 4 * All `words[i]` have the same length. * `words[i]` consists of only lowercase English letters. * All `words[i]` are **unique**.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    vector<vector<string>> wordSquares(vector<string>& words) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public List<List<String>> wordSquares(String[] words) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def wordSquares(self, words: List[str]) -> List[List[str]]:
```