

Problem 686: Repeated String Match

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

Given two strings

a

and

b

, return

the minimum number of times you should repeat string

a

so that string

b

is a substring of it

. If it is impossible for

b

to be a substring of

a

after repeating it, return

-1

.

Notice:

string

"abc"

repeated 0 times is

""

, repeated 1 time is

"abc"

and repeated 2 times is

"abcabc"

.

Example 1:

Input:

a = "abcd", b = "cdabcdab"

Output:

3

Explanation:

We return 3 because by repeating a three times "ab

cdab

cd", b is a substring of it.

Example 2:

Input:

a = "a", b = "aa"

Output:

2

Constraints:

$1 \leq a.length, b.length \leq 10$

4

a

and

b

consist of lowercase English letters.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int repeatedStringMatch(string a, string b) {
```

```
}  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public int repeatedStringMatch(String a, String b) {  
  
    }  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def repeatedStringMatch(self, a: str, b: str) -> int:
```

Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def repeatedStringMatch(self, a, b):  
        """  
        :type a: str  
        :type b: str  
        :rtype: int  
        """
```

JavaScript:

```
/**  
 * @param {string} a  
 * @param {string} b  
 * @return {number}  
 */  
var repeatedStringMatch = function(a, b) {  
  
};
```

TypeScript:

```
function repeatedStringMatch(a: string, b: string): number {  
  
};
```

C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public int RepeatedStringMatch(string a, string b) {  
  
    }  
}
```

C:

```
int repeatedStringMatch(char* a, char* b) {  
  
}
```

Go:

```
func repeatedStringMatch(a string, b string) int {  
  
}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun repeatedStringMatch(a: String, b: String): Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func repeatedStringMatch(_ a: String, _ b: String) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn repeated_string_match(a: String, b: String) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# @param {String} a
# @param {String} b
# @return {Integer}
def repeated_string_match(a, b)

end
```

PHP:

```
class Solution {

    /**
     * @param String $a
     * @param String $b
     * @return Integer
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    function repeatedStringMatch($a, $b) {

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Dart:

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Scala:

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object Solution {
  def repeatedStringMatch(a: String, b: String): Int = {

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Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do
  @spec repeated_string_match(a :: String.t, b :: String.t) :: integer
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end

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Erlang:

```

-spec repeated_string_match(A :: unicode:unicode_binary(), B ::
unicode:unicode_binary()) -> integer().
repeated_string_match(A, B) ->
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Racket:

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(define/contract (repeated-string-match a b)
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Solutions

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 * Tags: string, tree
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 * Approach: String manipulation with hash map or two pointers
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
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# TODO: Implement optimized solution
pass

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