

# Problem 71: Simplify Path

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Medium

**Acceptance Rate:** 0.00%

**Paid Only:** No

## Problem Description

You are given an

absolute

path for a Unix-style file system, which always begins with a slash

'/'

. Your task is to transform this absolute path into its

simplified canonical path

The

rules

of a Unix-style file system are as follows:

A single period

'.'

represents the current directory.

A double period

'..'

represents the previous/parent directory.

Multiple consecutive slashes such as

'//'

and

'///'

are treated as a single slash

'/'

.

Any sequence of periods that does

not match

the rules above should be treated as a

valid directory or

file

name

. For example,

'...'

and

'....'

are valid directory or file names.

The simplified canonical path should follow these

rules

:

The path must start with a single slash

'/'

.

Directories within the path must be separated by exactly one slash

'/'

.

The path must not end with a slash

'/'

, unless it is the root directory.

The path must not have any single or double periods (

'.'

and

'..'

) used to denote current or parent directories.

Return the

simplified canonical path

.

Example 1:

Input:

```
path = "/home/"
```

Output:

```
"/home"
```

Explanation:

The trailing slash should be removed.

Example 2:

Input:

```
path = "/home//foo/"
```

Output:

```
"/home/foo"
```

Explanation:

Multiple consecutive slashes are replaced by a single one.

Example 3:

Input:

```
path = "/home/user/Documents/../Pictures"
```

Output:

"/home/user/Pictures"

Explanation:

A double period

".."

refers to the directory up a level (the parent directory).

Example 4:

Input:

path = "/../"

Output:

"/"

Explanation:

Going one level up from the root directory is not possible.

Example 5:

Input:

path = "/.../a/./b/c/./d/./"

Output:

"/.../b/d"

Explanation:

"..."

is a valid name for a directory in this problem.

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{path.length} \leq 3000$

path

consists of English letters, digits, period

'.'

, slash

'/'

or

'\_'

.

path

is a valid absolute Unix path.

## Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    string simplifyPath(string path) {
        }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public String simplifyPath(String path) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def simplifyPath(self, path: str) -> str:
```

### Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def simplifyPath(self, path):  
        """  
        :type path: str  
        :rtype: str  
        """
```

### JavaScript:

```
/**  
 * @param {string} path  
 * @return {string}  
 */  
var simplifyPath = function(path) {  
  
};
```

### TypeScript:

```
function simplifyPath(path: string): string {  
  
};
```

### C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public string SimplifyPath(string path) {  
  
    }  
}
```

**C:**

```
char* simplifyPath(char* path) {  
    }  
}
```

**Go:**

```
func simplifyPath(path string) string {  
    }  
}
```

**Kotlin:**

```
class Solution {  
    fun simplifyPath(path: String): String {  
        }  
        }  
    }
```

**Swift:**

```
class Solution {  
    func simplifyPath(_ path: String) -> String {  
        }  
        }  
    }
```

**Rust:**

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn simplify_path(path: String) -> String {  
        }  
        }  
    }
```

**Ruby:**

```
# @param {String} path  
# @return {String}  
def simplify_path(path)  
  
end
```

**PHP:**

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param String $path  
     * @return String  
     */  
    function simplifyPath($path) {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Dart:**

```
class Solution {  
    String simplifyPath(String path) {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Scala:**

```
object Solution {  
    def simplifyPath(path: String): String = {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Elixir:**

```
defmodule Solution do  
  @spec simplify_path(path :: String.t) :: String.t  
  def simplify_path(path) do  
  
  end  
end
```

**Erlang:**

```
-spec simplify_path(Path :: unicode:unicode_binary()) ->  
unicode:unicode_binary().  
simplify_path(Path) ->
```

.

## Racket:

```
(define/contract (simplify-path path)
  (-> string? string?))
```

## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

```
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 * Difficulty: Medium
 * Tags: string, stack
 *
 * Approach: String manipulation with hash map or two pointers
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
 * Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
 */

class Solution {
public:
    string simplifyPath(string path) {

    }
};
```

### Java Solution:

```
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```

```
class Solution {  
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    }  
}
```

### Python3 Solution:

```
"""  
  
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"""  
  
class Solution:  
    def simplifyPath(self, path: str) -> str:  
        # TODO: Implement optimized solution  
        pass
```

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class Solution(object):  
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public class Solution {

```

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```

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