

Problem 3304: Find the K-th Character in String Game I

Problem Information

Difficulty: [Easy](#)

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

Alice and Bob are playing a game. Initially, Alice has a string

word = "a"

You are given a

positive

integer

k

Now Bob will ask Alice to perform the following operation

forever

:

Generate a new string by

changing

each character in

word

to its

next

character in the English alphabet, and

append

it to the

original

word

.

For example, performing the operation on

"c"

generates

"cd"

and performing the operation on

"zb"

generates

"zbac"

.

Return the value of the
k
th
character in
word

, after enough operations have been done for

word

to have

at least

k

characters.

Example 1:

Input:

$k = 5$

Output:

"b"

Explanation:

Initially,

word = "a"

. We need to do the operation three times:

Generated string is

"b"

,

word

becomes

"ab"

.

Generated string is

"bc"

,

word

becomes

"abbc"

.

Generated string is

"bccd"

,

word

becomes

"abbcbccd"

.

Example 2:

Input:

k = 10

Output:

"C"

Constraints:

1 <= k <= 500

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    char kthCharacter(int k) {  
  
    }  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
public char kthCharacter(int k) {  
  
}  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def kthCharacter(self, k: int) -> str:
```

Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def kthCharacter(self, k):  
        """  
        :type k: int  
        :rtype: str  
        """
```

JavaScript:

```
/**  
 * @param {number} k  
 * @return {character}  
 */  
var kthCharacter = function(k) {  
  
};
```

TypeScript:

```
function kthCharacter(k: number): string {  
  
};
```

C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public char KthCharacter(int k) {  
  
    }  
}
```

C:

```
char kthCharacter(int k) {  
  
}
```

Go:

```
func kthCharacter(k int) byte {  
}  
}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun kthCharacter(k: Int): Char {  
          
    }  
}
```

Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func kthCharacter(_ k: Int) -> Character {  
          
    }  
}
```

Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn kth_character(k: i32) -> char {  
          
    }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# @param {Integer} k  
# @return {Character}  
def kth_character(k)  
  
end
```

PHP:

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param Integer $k  
     * @return String
```

```
*/  
function kthCharacter($k) {  
  
}  
}  
}
```

Dart:

```
class Solution {  
String kthCharacter(int k) {  
  
}  
}  
}
```

Scala:

```
object Solution {  
def kthCharacter(k: Int): Char = {  
  
}  
}
```

Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
@spec kth_character(k :: integer) :: char  
def kth_character(k) do  
  
end  
end
```

Erlang:

```
-spec kth_character(K :: integer()) -> char().  
kth_character(K) ->  
.
```

Racket:

```
(define/contract (kth-character k)  
(-> exact-integer? char?)  
)
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Solutions

C++ Solution:

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 * Difficulty: Easy
 * Tags: string, math
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 * 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
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class Solution:
    def kthCharacter(self, k: int) -> str:
        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass

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