# Check if two strings match where one string contains wildcard characters

# Description

Get two strings as input from the user, first with wildcard characters (\* and ?) and second without wildcard characters. Then check whether they match or not.

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## Input

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### **Output**

Yes they match

## **C Program**

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```
#include<stdio.h>
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#include<stdbool.h>

```
bool checking(char *s1, char * s2)
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void testing(char \*s1, char \*s2)

```
if(*s1 == '\0' && *s2 == '\0')
    return true;
if(*s1 == '*' && *(s1+1) != '\0' && *s2 == '\0')
    return false;
if(*s1 == '?' || *s1 == *s2)
    return checking(s1+1, s2+1);
if(*s1 == '*')
    return checking(s1+1, s2) || checking(s1, s2+1);
return false;
```

```
{
 checking(s1, s2)? puts("Yes"): puts("No");
}
int main()
{
 char s1[20],s2[20];
 printf("Enter first string with wild characters:");
 scanf("%s",s1);
 printf("Enter second string without wild characters: ");
 scanf("%s",s2);
 testing(s1,s2);
  return 0;
}
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```

## C++ Program

```
#include<iostream>
#include<stdbool.h>
using namespace std;
bool checking(char *s1, char * s2)
{
  if (*s1 == '\0' && *s2 == '\0')
     return true;
  if (*s1 == '*' && *(s1+1) != '\0' && *s2 == '\0')
     return false;
  if (*s1 == '?' || *s1 == *s2)
     return checking(s1+1, s2+1);
  if (*s1 == '*')
     return checking(s1+1, s2) | checking(s1, s2+1);
  return false;
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}
void testing(char *s1, char *s2)
{
  checking(s1, s2)? puts("Yes"): puts("No");
}
int main()
{
  char s1[20],s2[20];
  cout<<"Enter first string with wild characters:";</pre>
  cin>>s1;
  cout<<"Enter second string without wild characters:";</pre>
  cin>>s2;
  testing(s1,s2);
  return 0; }
```

### **Java Solution**

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class Main
  static boolean match(String first, String second)
{
  if (first.length() == 0 && second.length() == 0)
    return true;
  if (first.length()>1 &&first.charAt(0) == '*') {
   inti=0;
    while (i+1<first.length() && first.charAt(i+1) == '*')
     i++;
   first=first.substring(i);
  }
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  if (first.length()>1 && first.charAt(0) == '*' &&
                second.length() == 0)
    return false;
  if ((first.length() > 1 && first.charAt(0) == '?') | |
    (first.length()!=0 && second.length()!=0 &&
    first.charAt(0) == second.charAt(0)))
    return match(first.substring(1),
           second.substring(1));
  if (first.length()>0 && first.charAt(0) == '*')
    return match(first.substring(1), second) | |
        match(first, second.substring(1));
  return false;
}
```

```
staticvoid test(String first, String second)
{
    if (match(first, second))
        System.out.println("Yes");
    else
        System.out.println("No");
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
            Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
            String first = input.next();
            String second = input.next();
            test(first, second);
}
```

## **Python**

```
def solve(str1,str2):
  a,b=len(str1),len(str2)
  if a==0 and b==0:
    return True
  if (a > 1 \text{ and str1}[0] == '*') and b == 0:
    return False
  if (a > 1 \text{ and } str1[0] == '?') or (a != 0 \text{ and } b != 0 \text{ and } str1[0] == str2[0]):
    return solve(str1[1:],str2[1:]);
  if a !=0 and str1[0] == '*':
    return solve(str1[1:],str2) or solve(str1,str2[1:])
  return False
str1=input('Enter string with wild characters: ')
str2=input('Enter string without wild characters: ')
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if (solve(str1,str2)):
  print("Yes it matches")
else:
  print("No it is not matching")
```