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## 2390. Removing Stars From a String

Hint

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You are given a string `s`, which contains stars `*`.

In one operation, you can:

- Choose a star in `s`.
- Remove the closest **non-star** character to its **left**, as well as remove the star itself.

Return *the string after **all** stars have been removed*.

### Note:

- The input will be generated such that the operation is always possible.
- It can be shown that the resulting string will always be unique.

### Example 1:

**Input:** `s = "leet**cod*e"`

**Output:** `"lecoe"`

**Explanation:** Performing the removals from left to right:

- The closest character to the 1<sup>st</sup> star is 't' in `"leet**cod*e"`. `s` becomes `"lee*cod*e"`.
- The closest character to the 2<sup>nd</sup> star is 'e' in `"leee*cod*e"`. `s` becomes `"lecod*e"`.
- The closest character to the 3<sup>rd</sup> star is 'd' in `"lecod*e"`. `s` becomes `"lecoe"`.

```
1 class Solution {
2     public String removeStars(String s) {
3
4     }
5 }
```

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