

14. Longest Common Prefix

⌵ Difficulty	easy
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⋮ Problem	strings
⋮ Previously asked company	Amazon
⌵ website	leetcode

Question:

Write a function to find the longest common prefix string amongst an array of strings.
If there is no common prefix, return an empty string "".

Example 1:

Input: strs = ["flower","flow","flight"]
Output: "fl"

Example 2:

Input: strs = ["dog","racecar","car"]
Output: ""
Explanation: There is no common prefix among the input strings.

Optimal solution:

Time complexity: $O(m \cdot n)$
Space complexity: $O(1)$

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class Solution(object):
    def longestCommonPrefix(self, strs):
        res = ''
        for i in range(len(strs[0])):
            for s in strs:
                if i == len(s) or s[i] != strs[0][i]:
                    return res
            res += strs[0][i]
        return res
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