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def longestPalindrmStr(str):
       strList = []
       def substrLister(str, lst): #think that this is redundant, because of many ""
       #results, but I may be wrong
       #I believe this works
               If str == "":
                       return strList
               return substrLister(str[1:], lst + str[0]), substrLister(str[1:], lst)
       return substrLister(str[1:], lst)
       def isPalindrm(str):
       # easy way to just do str[-1] == str
       #str[::-1] reverses any iterable, such as this string (a palindrome fits this definition
       #perfectly -- a palindrome is a string that is the same read from the front as read from
       #the back (i.e. "eye")
       #but I want to code recursively by hand
               lengthStr = len(str) - 2
               def helper(str, length):
                       if str[0] == str[-1]:
                               return helper(str[1:] + str[lengthStr], lengthStr - 1) # some counting
       issue, with some bugs, but I hope this is ok
                       elif str == "":
                               return True
                       else:
                       #not equal and not empty, then automatically its not a palindrome, so its
                       #false
                               return False
               helper(str, lengthStr)
        plndrmStrList = []
       for indSubstr in range(len(strList)):
               tmp = strList[indSubstr])
               if isPalindrm(tmp):
                       plndrmStrList.append(tmp):
       #map(len(), plndrmStrList)
       for subStr in plndrmStrList:
               subStr = len(subStr)
        Return max(plndrmStrList)
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#I did terribly on this coding interview
#I completely failed in writing this code
#I only had an unoptimized, algorithmic approach
#hard part is listing all possible substrings from a string (in an array)

def listAllSubstr(string):
    substrLst = []
    def helper(string, stringBuild):
        if string == "":
            substrLst.append(stringBuild)
            stringBuild = ""

    elif string
    else:
    return helper(string, "")
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