A **trie** (pronounced as "try") or **prefix tree** is a tree data structure used to efficiently store and retrieve keys in a dataset of strings. There are various applications of this data structure, such as autocomplete

and spellchecker. Implement the Trie class:

 Trie() Initializes the trie object. • void insert(String word) Inserts the string word into the trie.

• int countWordsStartingWith(String prefix) Returns the number of strings in the trie that have the string prefix as a prefix.

void erase(String word) Erases the string word from the trie.

Example 1:

"erase", "countWordsEqualTo", "countWordsStartingWith", "erase", "countWordsStartingWith"] [[], ["apple"], ["apple"], ["apple"], ["app"], ["apple"], ["apple"], ["app"], ["apple"], ["app"]] [null, null, null, 2, 2, null, 1, 1, null, 0] Explanation Trie trie = new Trie(); trie.insert("apple"); // Inserts "apple". trie.insert("apple"); // Inserts another "apple". trie.countWordsEqualTo("apple"); // There are two instances of "apple" so return 2. trie.countWordsStartingWith("app"); // "app" is a prefix of "apple" so return 2. trie.erase("apple"); // Erases one "apple". trie.countWordsEqualTo("apple"); // Now there is only one instance of "apple" so return 1. trie.countWordsStartingWith("app"); // return 1

// Erases "apple". Now the trie is empty.

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Constraints:

trie.erase("apple");

• 1 <= word.length, prefix.length <= 2000

trie.countWordsStartingWith("app"); // return 0

 word and prefix consist only of lowercase English letters. At most 3 * 10⁴ calls in total will be made to insert, countWordsEqualTo,

countWordsStartingWith, and erase. • It is guaranteed that for any function call to erase, the string word will exist in the trie.

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To implement the delete function, you should delete the trie nodes of the word if they are not shared with other words. Hide Hint 3

You should keep for each trie node a counter of how many words share this node.

public void insert(String word) { public int countWordsEqualTo(String word) { 11 ▼ public int countWordsStartingWith(String prefix) { • int countWordsEqualTo(String word) Returns the number of instances of the string word in 18 19 v 20 21 22 } public void erase(String word) { 23 24 ▼ /** * Your Trie object will be instantiated and called as such: * Trie obj = new Trie(); * obj.insert(word);

* int param_2 = obj.countWordsEqualTo(word);

* int param_3 = obj.countWordsStartingWith(prefix);

* obj.erase(word);

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