

3. Longest Substring Without Repeating Characters

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Given a string `s`, find the length of the **longest substring** without repeating characters.

Example 1:

Input: `s = "abcabcbb"`
Output: `3`
Explanation: The answer is "abc", with the length of 3.

Example 2:

Input: `s = "bbbbbb"`
Output: `1`
Explanation: The answer is "b", with the length of 1.

Example 3:

Input: `s = "pwwkew"`
Output: `3`
Explanation: The answer is "wke", with the length of 3.
Notice that the answer must be a substring, "pwke" is a subsequence and not a substring.

Example 4:

Input: `s = ""`
Output: `0`

Constraints:

- `0 <= s.length <= 5 * 104`
- `s` consists of English letters, digits, symbols and spaces.

While add right, update window counter.
When window not satisfied, shrink window.
While add left, reduce window counter.
When window satisfied, update the final result.

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1 class Solution {
2 public:
3     int lengthOfLongestSubstring(string s) {
4         unordered_map<char, int> window;
5
6         int left = 0, right = 0;
7         bool valid = true;
8
9         int length = 0;
10
11        while (right < s.size()) {
12            // c is the char adding to window
13            char c = s[right];
14            // move right side of window
15            right++;
16            // update window counter and valid
17            window[c]++;
18            if (window[c] > 1) {
19                valid = false;
20            }
21
22            while (!valid) {
23                // d is the char removing from window
24                char d = s[left];
25                // move left side of window
26                left++;
27                // update window counter and valid
28                window[d]--;
29                if (window[d] == 1) {
30                    valid = true;
31                }
32            }
33
34            // update the final result
35            if (length < right - left) {
36                length = right - left;
37            }
38
39        }
40
41        return length;
42    }
43};
```