

# Solution Review: Word Formation From a Dictionary Using Trie

This review provides a detailed analysis of the solution to the Word Formation From a Dictionary Using a Trie Challenge.

We'll cover the following



- Solution: Iterative Word Matching
- Time Complexity

## Solution: Iterative Word Matching #

main.py

Trie.py

TrieNode.py

```
1 from Trie import Trie
2 from TrieNode import TrieNode
3
4 def is_formation_possible(dct, word):
5
6     # Create Trie and insert dictionary elements in it
7     trie = Trie()
8     for x in range(len(dct)):
9         trie.insert(dct[x])
10
11     # Get Root
12     current_node = trie.root
13
14     # Iterate all the letters of the word
15     for i in range(len(word)):
16         # get index of the character from Trie
17         char = trie.get_index(word[i])
18
19         # if the prefix of word does not exist, word would not
20         if current_node.children[char] is None:
21             return False
22
23         # if the substring of the word exists as a word in tri
24         # check whether rest of the word also exists,
25         # if it does return true
26         elif current_node.children[char].is_end_word:
27             if trie.search(word[i+1:]):
28                 return True
29
30         current_node = current_node.children[char]
31
32     return False
33
34 keys = ["the", "hello", "there", "answer",
35         "any", "educative", "world", "their", "abc"]
36 print(is_formation_possible(keys, "helloworld"))
37
```



The algorithm can be divided into three parts. The first and simplest part is making a trie for the words in the dictionary.

The second part is to check if there is a word in the trie which can become a prefix for the query word. In the case of "helloworld", we can find "hello" in the trie. Since there can be multiple prefixes of a word, we have to check for every such prefix. As we iterate through the trie, looking for prefix, whenever we find a prefix that exists as a word in the trie, we lookup the remaining word in the trie using the search function. If this substring exists we have found a solution

## Time Complexity #

We perform the insert operation  $m$  times for a dictionary of size  $m$ . After that, the search operation runs on the word in the sequence:

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"h", "he", "hel", "hell"...
```

If the size of the word is  $n$ , the complexity for this turns out to be  $n^2$ . Hence, the total time complexity is  $O(m + n^2)$ . We will solve this challenge again in the hashing chapter (<https://www.educative.io/collection/page/5642554087309312/5634727314718720/5710682603388928/>).

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