Comparators, Iterators

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1 Take Us to Your "Yrnqre"

You're a traveler who just landed on another planet. Luckily, the aliens there use the same alphabet as the English language, but in a different order. Fill in AlienComparator class so that it compares strings lexicographically, based on the order passed into the constructor. All words passed into AlienComparator have letters present in order. For example, if the alien alphabet has the order "dba...", which means that d is the first letter, b is the second letter, etc., then AlienComparator.compare("dab", "bad") should return a negative value, since dab comes before bad.

If one word is an exact prefix of another, the longer word comes later. For example, "bad" comes before "badly". The following are some functions from the String class that you might find useful:

- public int indexOf(char c): Returns the index of the first occurrence of the specified character in this string, or -1 if the character does not occur.
- public char charAt(int index): Returns the character at the specified index. For instance, "hello".charAt(1) returns 'e'.
- public int length(): Returns the length of this string.

```
public class AlienComparator implements Comparator<____> {
  private String order;
  public AlienAlphabet(String alphabetOrder) { order = alphabetOrder; }
  public int compare(String word1, String word2) {
    for (______) {
      int char1Rank = ______;
      int char2Rank = _____;
      if (______) {
        return -1;
      } else if (______) {
        return 1;
      }
    }
  }
}
```

2 Iterator of Iterators

Implement an IteratorOfIterators which takes in a List of Iterators of Integers as an argument . The first call to next() should return the first item from the first iterator in the list. The second call should return the first item from the second iterator in the list. If the list contained n iterators, the n+1th time that we call next(), we would return the second item of the first iterator in the list.

Note that if an iterator is empty in this process, we continue to the next iterator. Then, once all the iterators are empty, hasNext should return **false**. For example, if we had 3 Iterators A, B, and C such that A contained the values [1, 3, 4, 5], B was empty, and C contained the values [2], calls to next() for our IteratorOfIterators would return [1, 2, 3, 4, 5].

```
public class IteratorOfIterators _____ {
  private List<Iterator<Integer>> iterators;
  private int curr;
  public IteratorOfIterators(List<Iterator<Integer>> a) {
    iterators = new LinkedList<>();
    for (______) {
            ----;
       }
    }
    curr = 0;
  }
  @Override
  public boolean hasNext() {
    return _____
  }
  @Override
  public Integer next() {
    if (!hasNext()) { throw new NoSuchElementException(); }
    Iterator<Integer> currIterator = _____;
    int result = _____;
    if (_____) {
        ·-----;
    } else {
       curr = _____;
    return result;
  }
}
```