# "2942.Find Words Containing Character"

### **Question:**

You are given a 0-indexed array of strings words and a character x.

Return an array of indices representing the words that contain the character x.

Note that the returned array may be in any order.

## **Constraints:**

- $1 \le words.length \le 50$
- $1 \le words[i].length \le 50$
- x is a lowercase English letter.
- words[i] consists only of lowercase English letters.

## **Inputs:**

- words: An array of strings.
- x: A character to search for in the strings.

## **Outputs:**

• An array of indices representing the words containing the character x.

## Example 1:

```
Input:
```

```
words = ["leet", "code"], x = "e"
```

#### Output:

[0, 1]

#### **Explanation:**

The character "e" occurs in both words: "leet" and "code".

## Example 2:

#### Input:

```
words = ["abc", "bcd", "aaaa", "cbc"], x = "a"
```

#### Output:

[0, 2]

#### **Explanation:**

The character "a" occurs in "abc" and "aaaa".

## Example 3:

#### Input:

```
words = ["abc", "bcd", "aaaa", "cbc"], x = "z"
```

#### Output:

#### **Explanation:**

The character "z" does not occur in any of the words.

# <u>Algorithm:</u>

- 1. Allocate memory for the result array dynamically using malloc.
- 2. Initialize an index counter to keep track of the current position in the result array.
- 3. Loop through the array of words.
  - For each word, check if the character x exists in the word using strchr().
  - If the character is found, add the current index to the result array.
  - Resize the array using realloc() to ensure enough space for additional indices.
- 4. Update the return size to the total number of indices found.
- 5. Return the array of indices.

## Code:

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>

int* findWordsContaining(char** words, int wordsSize, char x, int* returnSize)
{
    int* indexes = (int*)malloc(sizeof(int) * 1);
    int index = 0;

    for (int i = 0; i < wordsSize; i++) {
        if (strchr(words[i], x)) {
            indexes[index] = i;
            indexes = (int*)realloc(indexes, sizeof(int) * (index + 2));
            index++;
        }
    }
    *returnSize = index;
    return indexes;
}</pre>
```

## **Time Complexity:**

• O(n \* m): Where n is the number of words and mmm is the average length of the words. The function strchr() scans each word, leading to this complexity.

# **Edge Cases:**

- 1. Character not found in any word:
  - Example: words = ["abc", "def"],  $x = "z" \rightarrow Output$ : [].
- 2. All words contain the character:
  - Example: words = ["abc", "adc", "aec"],  $x = "a" \rightarrow Output$ : [0, 1, 2].
- 3. Single word in the input:
  - Example: words = ["abc"],  $x = "b" \rightarrow Output$ : [0].
- 4. Multiple occurrences of the character in a word:
  - Example: words = ["aaa", "aba"], x = "a" → Output: [0, 1] (no duplicates in output).