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## \* Kth Smallest Element in a Sorted Matrix

sorted

	1	2	2	4	5
	1	2	3	4	8
sorted	2	2	4	5	10
↓	3	3	5	5	12
	5	6	7	7	16

find 4th smallest

1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, ...

Using a priority queue & when size exceeds  $K$ , remove from top; max priority queue.

can use binary search as well.

take  $m[0][0]$  as min

take  $m[len][len]$  as max.

take mid.

Count elements # less than mid.

if count is less,  $low = mid + 1$

else  $high = mid - 1$