# Hash, Hash, Hashtag

## **Summary**

In this problem your job is to identify the most popular hashtag appearing in a set of posts. We will present you with 3 variants of the problem, each with a different definition of how we measure popularity of a hashtag. The input will consist of a list of posts with their respective timestamps. Each post will be expressed in 2 lines of input - the first line will consist of a timestamp of the post - an integer from [0, 1440) identifying the minute of the day in which the post appeared online followed by a line that will consist of the post's content - a space-delimited line of text. A hashtag is defined as any token which begins with a # after an empty space.

Below, we provide 3 variants of the problem - Easy, Medium and Hard. We encourage you to solve them in order as you may be able to reuse some parts of your solutions as you move on to harder problems.

#### **SAMPLE INPUT (FOR ALL VARIANTS)**

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This #post has hashtag #b 5 times, #b #b #b

This is a #post

This is a #post

This is a #post has hashtags #a #b and #c

This is for the time #window

This #post again has hashtag #b 3 times #b #b but happens in a time #window

This #post is for the time #window

This #post is for the time #window

This is for the time #window

Now in this time #window people like talking about windows

This is another #post where I say how #happy I am
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# **Easy**

Find the hashtag with the most appearances across all posts. Your output should consist of a single line consisting of the hashtag in question.

### **SAMPLE OUTPUT**

In the example input, #b is the most common hashtag in all posts. It appears 9 times in total.

#b

## **Medium**

Find the hashtag that appears in the largest number of posts (note that a single post can have repeated hashtags).

#### **SAMPLE OUTPUT**

In the example input, **#post** is the hashtag that appears in most posts. It appears 6 times in 6 **different posts.** And even though **#b** appears 9 times, it only appears in 3 different posts.

#post

## Hard

Find the most trending hashtag of the day. This means, the hashtag that was mentioned in the highest amount of posts in any window of 60 consecutive minutes.

#### **SAMPLE OUTPUT**

In the example input, **#window** is the hashtag that appears in most posts in 60 consecutive minutes. This is, if we take the posts from the instant **200 until 259**, **#window** appears 5 times in this timeframe. While **#post** still appears on more posts overall, they are more spaced in time and it doesn't appear more than 2 times in a 60 minute period (instant **0 until 59**).

#window

## Input

You will find the actual input to all variants of the problem in the relevant Dropbox folder. Since all variants have the same input, you can reuse the same input. txt file for all the variants.