

## Agenda:

1. Meeting Rooms
2. Sort the nearly sorted array
3. Merge K sorted arrays
4. Minimum Distance Equal Pair
5. Minimum Window Substring

## Meeting Rooms

You are given an array of meeting time intervals where each interval is represented as [start, end] (start time is less than the end time). Your task is to find the minimum number of conference rooms required to schedule all meetings without overlap.

### Example 1:

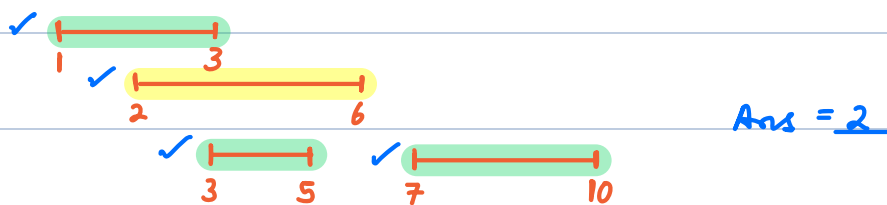
Input: [[0, 30], [5, 10], [15, 20]]

Output: 2

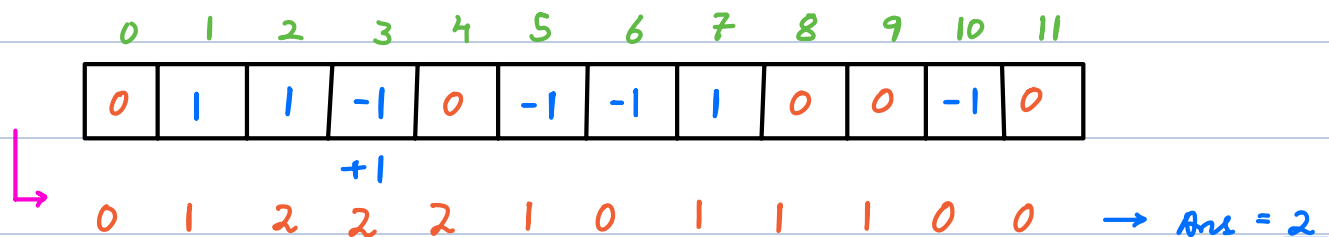
### Explanation:

- The first meeting (0, 30) starts at 0 and ends at 30.
- The second meeting (5, 10) overlaps with the first meeting, so a second room is required.
- The third meeting (15, 20) can reuse a room after the second meeting ends, resulting in a total of 2 rooms.

*Self try → 10 min*



$0 \leq \text{start} < \text{end} \leq 10^6$



for  $i \rightarrow 0$  to  $(N-1)$  {

$s = B[i][0]$      $e = B[i][1]$

$\text{rooms}[s]++$

$\text{rooms}[e]--$

}

$\text{ans} = 0$

for  $i \rightarrow 1$  to  $10^6$  {

$\text{rooms}[i] += \text{rooms}[i-1]$

$\text{ans} = \max(\text{ans}, \text{rooms})$

}

return  $\text{ans}$

$\text{TC} = O(N + \text{Range})$      $\text{SC} = O(\text{Range})$

Q → Sort the nearly sorted array i.e every element is at max  $K$  distance away from its position in sorted order.  $|i - \text{sorted position}|$

sorted → 

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
11	13	20	22	31	45	48	50	60

$A = [13 \ 22 \ 31 \ 45 \ 11 \ 20 \ 48 \ 60 \ 50] \quad K=4$

Sol 1 → Use sorting algo.  $TC = O(N \log(N))$

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Sol 2 → 

↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	✓	✓	✓	✓
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

  
 $A = [13 \ 22 \ 31 \ 45 \ 11 \ 20 \ 48 \ 60 \ 50] \quad K=4$

Smallest element will be between index  $0-K$ .

min Heap (size  $K+1$ )

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11	13	20	22	31	45	48	50	60

13	22	31
45	11	20
48	60	50

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for i → 0 to K {  
    insert(A[i])  
}
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$j=0$

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for i → (K+1) to (N-1) {
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    A[j] = extractMin()
    j++
    insert(A[i])
}

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while (j < N) {

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    A[j] = extractMin()
    j++
}

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$$TC = O(N \log(K))$$

$$SC = O(K)$$

Q → Merge K-sorted arrays.

$A = [2 \quad 3 \quad 11 \quad 15 \quad 20]$   
 $B = [1 \quad 5 \quad 7 \quad 9]$   
 $C = [0 \quad 2 \quad 4]$   
 $D = [3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 6]$

Sol 1 → Merge 2 sorted arrays (K-1) times.

Let say len of each array  $\sim N$ .

$$TC \rightarrow 2N + 3N + 4N + \dots + KN$$

$$= N \left( \frac{K(K+1)}{2} - 1 \right) \approx O(K^2 N)$$

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minHeap (size K)

(A[i], A, i)

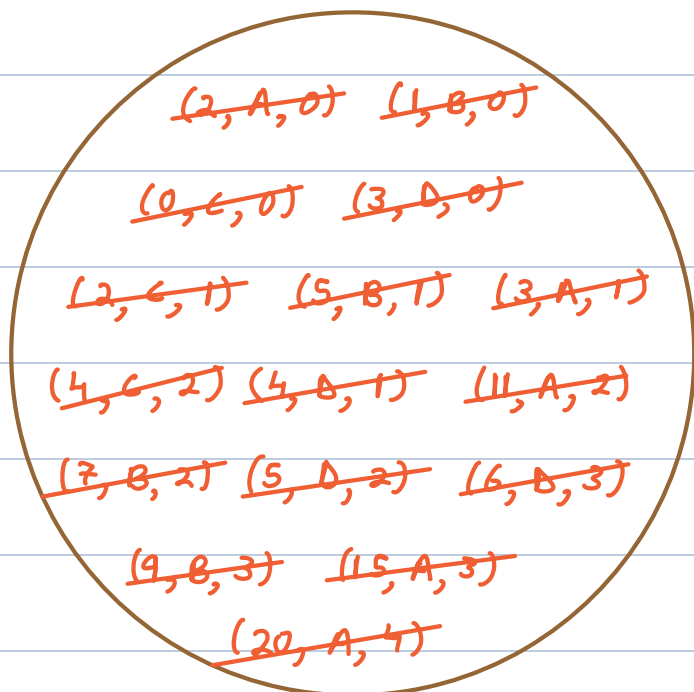
Ans → [0 1 2 2 3 3 4 4 5 5 6 7 9 11 15 20]

$$SC = O(K)$$

Let say len of each array  $\sim N$ .

$$\Rightarrow \text{Total \# elements} = \underline{KN}$$

$$TC = \underline{O(KN \log(K))}$$

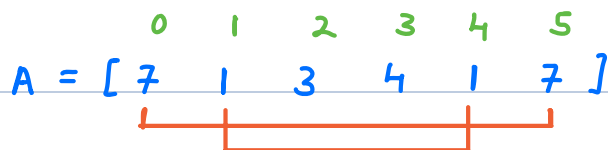


## Minimum Distance Equal Pair

Given an array A, find a pair of indices (i, j) such that  $A[i] = A[j]$  and the absolute difference  $|i - j|$  is

minimised. In simpler terms, you need to find two equal elements in the array that are the closest to

each other and return the minimum distance between them.



$$\text{Ans} = 4 - 1 = \underline{3}$$

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Brute force  $\rightarrow \forall i, j$  if  $A[i] == A[j]$  find  $|i - j|$  & take min.

$$TC = \underline{O(N^2)} \quad SC = \underline{O(1)}$$

$$A = \begin{matrix} & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \\ \checkmark & \checkmark & \checkmark & \checkmark & \checkmark & \checkmark \end{matrix}$$

HashMap

$A[i] \rightarrow$  latest index.

$ans = \infty$   $4 - 1 = 3$

$7 \rightarrow \infty$   $5$

$1 \rightarrow \infty$   $4$

$3 \rightarrow 2$

$4 \rightarrow 3$

$ans = \infty$

for  $i \rightarrow 0$  to  $(N-1)$  {

if ( $hm.containsKey(A[i])$ ) {

$ans = \min(ans, i - hm.get(A[i]))$

}

$hm.put(A[i], i)$

}

$TC = O(N)$

if ( $ans == \infty$ ) return -1

$SC = O(N)$

return ans

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## Minimum Window Substring

Given two strings  $s$  and  $t$ , find the **minimum window** in  $s$  which contains all characters of  $t$  (including duplicates). If no such window exists, return an empty string "".

$s = "a d b e c d e b a n c"$

$t = "a b c b"$

Ans = 7

"b e c d e b a"

Bruteforce  $\rightarrow \forall$  substring of  $s$  check if all characters of  $t$  are present.

$$|s| = N \quad \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$$

1) store freq  $\forall$  char in ' $t$ ' (array / map).

2) store freq  $\forall$  char in substring.

3)  $\forall$  char  $\text{freq}(\text{substring}) \geq \text{freq}(t)$

$\Rightarrow$  valid substring to be potential ans.

Sol  $\rightarrow$  Dynamic Sliding Window  $\Rightarrow$  to calculate freq of chars in  $s$ .

$s = "a d b e c d e b a n c" \quad // N$

$t = "a b c b" \quad // M$

1)  $\text{freq-t} = [ \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \dots \end{matrix} ]$

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for i → 0 to (M-1) {  
    | freq-t[t[i] - 'a'] ++  
}
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2)  $\text{freq-s}$  using sliding window.

ans = ""

l = 0    r = -1                      // l-r

while (r < N) {

    if (check(freq-s, freq-t)) {    // TC = O(26)

        //  $\forall \text{char } \text{freq}(s) \geq \text{freq}(t)$

        ans = s.substring(l, r)

        freq-s[s[l] - 'a'] --      l++

    } else {

        r++

        freq[s[r] - 'a'] ++

    }

} return ans

TC = O(N+M)

SC = O(2\*26)

= O(1)

t = "a b c b"

// M



freq-t = [ 1 2 1 0 0 ... ]  
          0 1 2 3 4

s = " a d b e c d e b a n c " // N  
          ↓ ↓  
          true

freq-s = [ 1 1 1 1 2 ... ]  
          0 1 2 3 4

for i → 0 to 25 {

    if (freq-s[i] < freq-t[i]) return false

} return true

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