

# Problem 1338: Reduce Array Size to The Half

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Medium

**Acceptance Rate:** 69.28%

**Paid Only:** No

**Tags:** Array, Hash Table, Greedy, Sorting, Heap (Priority Queue)

## Problem Description

You are given an integer array `arr`. You can choose a set of integers and remove all the occurrences of these integers in the array.

Return `the minimum size of the set so that at least half of the integers of the array are removed`.

**Example 1:**

**Input:** `arr = [3,3,3,3,5,5,2,2,7]` **Output:** 2 **Explanation:** Choosing `{3,7}` will make the new array `[5,5,2,2]` which has size 4 (i.e. equal to half of the size of the old array). Possible sets of size 2 are `{3,5}`, `{3,2}`, `{5,2}`. Choosing set `{2,7}` is not possible as it will make the new array `[3,3,3,3,5,5,5]` which has a size greater than half of the size of the old array.

**Example 2:**

**Input:** `arr = [7,7,7,7,7,7]` **Output:** 1 **Explanation:** The only possible set you can choose is `{7}`. This will make the new array empty.

**Constraints:**

`2 <= arr.length <= 105` `arr.length` is even. `1 <= arr[i] <= 105`

## Code Snippets

**C++:**

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int minSetSize(vector<int>& arr) {  
  
    }  
};
```

**Java:**

```
class Solution {  
    public int minSetSize(int[] arr) {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Python3:**

```
class Solution:  
    def minSetSize(self, arr: List[int]) -> int:
```