

# Problem 1891: Cutting Ribbons

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Medium

**Acceptance Rate:** 0.00%

**Paid Only:** No

## Problem Description

You are given an integer array

ribbons

, where

ribbons[i]

represents the length of the

i

th

ribbon, and an integer

k

. You may cut any of the ribbons into any number of segments of

positive integer

lengths, or perform no cuts at all.

For example, if you have a ribbon of length

4

, you can:

Keep the ribbon of length

4

,

Cut it into one ribbon of length

3

and one ribbon of length

1

,

Cut it into two ribbons of length

2

,

Cut it into one ribbon of length

2

and two ribbons of length

1

, or

Cut it into four ribbons of length

1

Your task is to determine the

maximum

length of ribbon,

x

, that allows you to cut

at least

k

ribbons, each of length

x

. You can discard any leftover ribbon from the cuts. If it is

impossible

to cut

k

ribbons of the same length, return 0.

Example 1:

Input:

ribbons = [9,7,5], k = 3

Output:

5

Explanation:

- Cut the first ribbon to two ribbons, one of length 5 and one of length 4. - Cut the second ribbon to two ribbons, one of length 5 and one of length 2. - Keep the third ribbon as it is. Now you have 3 ribbons of length 5.

Example 2:

Input:

ribbons = [7,5,9], k = 4

Output:

4

Explanation:

- Cut the first ribbon to two ribbons, one of length 4 and one of length 3. - Cut the second ribbon to two ribbons, one of length 4 and one of length 1. - Cut the third ribbon to three ribbons, two of length 4 and one of length 1. Now you have 4 ribbons of length 4.

Example 3:

Input:

ribbons = [5,7,9], k = 22

Output:

0

Explanation:

You cannot obtain k ribbons of the same positive integer length.

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{ribbons.length} \leq 10$

5

$1 \leq \text{ribbons}[i] \leq 10$

5

$1 \leq k \leq 10$

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## Code Snippets

### C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int maxLength(vector<int>& ribbons, int k) {  
  
    }  
};
```

### Java:

```
class Solution {  
public int maxLength(int[] ribbons, int k) {  
  
}  
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def maxLength(self, ribbons: List[int], k: int) -> int:
```

### Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def maxLength(self, ribbons, k):
```

```
"""
:type ribbons: List[int]
:type k: int
:rtype: int
"""
```

### JavaScript:

```
/**
 * @param {number[]} ribbons
 * @param {number} k
 * @return {number}
 */
var maxLength = function(ribbons, k) {

};
```

### TypeScript:

```
function maxLength(ribbons: number[], k: number): number {
}
```

### C#:

```
public class Solution {
public int MaxLength(int[] ribbons, int k) {

}
```

### C:

```
int maxLength(int* ribbons, int ribbonsSize, int k) {
}
```

### Go:

```
func maxLength(ribbons []int, k int) int {
}
```

**Kotlin:**

```
class Solution {  
    fun maxLength(ribbons: IntArray, k: Int): Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Swift:**

```
class Solution {  
    func maxLength(_ ribbons: [Int], _ k: Int) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Rust:**

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn max_length(ribbons: Vec<i32>, k: i32) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Ruby:**

```
# @param {Integer[]} ribbons  
# @param {Integer} k  
# @return {Integer}  
def max_length(ribbons, k)  
  
end
```

**PHP:**

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param Integer[] $ribbons  
     * @param Integer $k  
     * @return Integer  
     */  
    function maxLength($ribbons, $k) {
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

### Dart:

```
class Solution {  
    int maxLength(List<int> ribbons, int k) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Scala:

```
object Solution {  
    def maxLength(ribbons: Array[Int], k: Int): Int = {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
  @spec max_length(ribbons :: [integer], k :: integer) :: integer  
  def max_length(ribbons, k) do  
  
  end  
end
```

### Erlang:

```
-spec max_length(Ribbons :: [integer()], K :: integer()) -> integer().  
max_length(Ribbons, K) ->  
.
```

### Racket:

```
(define/contract (max-length ribbons k)  
  (-> (listof exact-integer?) exact-integer? exact-integer?)  
)
```

## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

```
/*
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 * Difficulty: Medium
 * Tags: array, search
 *
 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
 * Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
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class Solution {
public:
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### Python3 Solution:

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```
class Solution:  
    def maxLength(self, ribbons: List[int], k: int) -> int:  
        # TODO: Implement optimized solution  
        pass
```

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