

Problem 3076: Shortest Uncommon Substring in an Array

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

You are given an array

`arr`

of size

`n`

consisting of

non-empty

strings.

Find a string array

`answer`

of size

`n`

such that:

`answer[i]`

is the

shortest

substring

of

`arr[i]`

that does

not

occur as a substring in any other string in

`arr`

. If multiple such substrings exist,

`answer[i]`

should be the

lexicographically smallest

. And if no such substring exists,

`answer[i]`

should be an empty string.

Return

the array

`answer`

.

Example 1:

Input:

```
arr = ["cab", "ad", "bad", "c"]
```

Output:

```
["ab", "", "ba", ""]
```

Explanation:

We have the following: - For the string "cab", the shortest substring that does not occur in any other string is either "ca" or "ab", we choose the lexicographically smaller substring, which is "ab". - For the string "ad", there is no substring that does not occur in any other string. - For the string "bad", the shortest substring that does not occur in any other string is "ba". - For the string "c", there is no substring that does not occur in any other string.

Example 2:

Input:

```
arr = ["abc", "bcd", "abcd"]
```

Output:

```
["", "", "abcd"]
```

Explanation:

We have the following: - For the string "abc", there is no substring that does not occur in any other string. - For the string "bcd", there is no substring that does not occur in any other string. - For the string "abcd", the shortest substring that does not occur in any other string is "abcd".

Constraints:

```
n == arr.length
```

2 <= n <= 100

1 <= arr[i].length <= 20

arr[i]

consists only of lowercase English letters.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    vector<string> shortestSubstrings(vector<string>& arr) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public String[] shortestSubstrings(String[] arr) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def shortestSubstrings(self, arr: List[str]) -> List[str]:
```

Python:

```
class Solution(object):
    def shortestSubstrings(self, arr):
        """
        :type arr: List[str]
        :rtype: List[str]
        """
```

JavaScript:

```
/**
 * @param {string[]} arr
 * @return {string[]}
 */
var shortestSubstrings = function(arr) {

};
```

TypeScript:

```
function shortestSubstrings(arr: string[]): string[] {

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C#:

```
public class Solution {
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 */
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```

Go:

```
func shortestSubstrings(arr []string) []string {

}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {
    fun shortestSubstrings(arr: Array<String>): Array<String> {
```

```
}  
}
```

Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func shortestSubstrings(_ arr: [String]) -> [String] {  
  
    }  
}
```

Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn shortest_substrings(arr: Vec<String>) -> Vec<String> {  
  
    }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# @param {String[]} arr  
# @return {String[]}  
def shortest_substrings(arr)  
  
end
```

PHP:

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param String[] $arr  
     * @return String[]  
     */  
    function shortestSubstrings($arr) {  
  
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Dart:

```

class Solution {
    List<String> shortestSubstrings(List<String> arr) {

    }

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Scala:

```

object Solution {
    def shortestSubstrings(arr: Array[String]): Array[String] = {

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Elixir:

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defmodule Solution do
  @spec shortest_substrings(arr :: [String.t]) :: [String.t]
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Erlang:

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-spec shortest_substrings(Arr :: [unicode:unicode_binary()]) ->
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Racket:

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(define/contract (shortest-substrings arr)
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Solutions

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        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass

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