

Problem 3527: Find the Most Common Response

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 75.01%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Hash Table, String, Counting

Problem Description

You are given a 2D string array `responses` where each `responses[i]` is an array of strings representing survey responses from the `ith` day.

Return the **most common** response across all days after removing **duplicate** responses within each `responses[i]`. If there is a tie, return the lexicographically smallest response.

Example 1:

Input: responses = [["good", "ok", "good", "ok"], ["ok", "bad", "good", "ok", "ok"], ["good"], ["bad"]]

Output: "good"

Explanation:

* After removing duplicates within each list, `responses = [[["good", "ok"], ["ok", "bad", "good"], ["good"], ["bad"]]]`.
* `good` appears 3 times, `ok` appears 2 times, and `bad` appears 2 times.
* Return `good` because it has the highest frequency.

Example 2:

Input: responses = [["good", "ok", "good"], ["ok", "bad"], ["bad", "notsure"], ["great", "good"]]

Output: "bad"

****Explanation:****

* After removing duplicates within each list we have `responses = [["good", "ok"], ["ok", "bad"], ["bad", "notsure"], ["great", "good"]]. * ``"bad"`` , ``"good"`` , and ``"ok"`` each occur 2 times. * The output is ``"bad"`` because it is the lexicographically smallest amongst the words with the highest frequency.

****Constraints:****

* `1 <= responses.length <= 1000` * `1 <= responses[i].length <= 1000` * `1 <= responses[i][j].length <= 10` * `responses[i][j]` consists of only lowercase English letters

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    string findCommonResponse(vector<vector<string>>& responses) {
        ...
    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public String findCommonResponse(List<List<String>> responses) {
        ...
    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def findCommonResponse(self, responses: List[List[str]]) -> str:
```