

Problem 2517: Maximum Tastiness of Candy Basket

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

You are given an array of positive integers

$price$

where

$price[i]$

denotes the price of the

i

th

candy and a positive integer

k

.

The store sells baskets of

k

distinct

candies. The

tastiness

of a candy basket is the smallest absolute difference of the

prices

of any two candies in the basket.

Return

the

maximum

tastiness of a candy basket.

Example 1:

Input:

price = [13,5,1,8,21,2], k = 3

Output:

8

Explanation:

Choose the candies with the prices [13,5,21]. The tastiness of the candy basket is: $\min(|13 - 5|, |13 - 21|, |5 - 21|) = \min(8, 8, 16) = 8$. It can be proven that 8 is the maximum tastiness that can be achieved.

Example 2:

Input:

price = [1,3,1], k = 2

Output:

2

Explanation:

Choose the candies with the prices [1,3]. The tastiness of the candy basket is: $\min(|1 - 3|) = \min(2) = 2$. It can be proven that 2 is the maximum tastiness that can be achieved.

Example 3:

Input:

price = [7,7,7,7], k = 2

Output:

0

Explanation:

Choosing any two distinct candies from the candies we have will result in a tastiness of 0.

Constraints:

$2 \leq k \leq \text{price.length} \leq 10$

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

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Code Snippets

C++:

```

class Solution {
public:
    int maximumTastiness(vector<int>& price, int k) {

    }

};

```

Java:

```

class Solution {
    public int maximumTastiness(int[] price, int k) {

    }

}

```

Python3:

```

class Solution:
    def maximumTastiness(self, price: List[int], k: int) -> int:

```

Python:

```

class Solution(object):
    def maximumTastiness(self, price, k):
        """
        :type price: List[int]
        :type k: int
        :rtype: int
        """

```

JavaScript:

```

/**
 * @param {number[]} price
 * @param {number} k
 * @return {number}
 */
var maximumTastiness = function(price, k) {

};

```

TypeScript:

```
function maximumTastiness(price: number[], k: number): number {  
  
};
```

C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public int MaximumTastiness(int[] price, int k) {  
  
    }  
}
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C:

```
int maximumTastiness(int* price, int priceSize, int k) {  
  
}
```

Go:

```
func maximumTastiness(price []int, k int) int {  
  
}
```

Kotlin:

```
class Solution {  
    fun maximumTastiness(price: IntArray, k: Int): Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

Swift:

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

Rust:

```

impl Solution {
  pub fn maximum_tastiness(price: Vec<i32>, k: i32) -> i32 {

  }
}

```

Ruby:

```

# @param {Integer[]} price
# @param {Integer} k
# @return {Integer}
def maximum_tastiness(price, k)

end

```

PHP:

```

class Solution {

    /**
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Dart:

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Scala:

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object Solution {
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Solutions

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        # TODO: Implement optimized solution  
        pass
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