

# Problem 539: Minimum Time Difference

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Medium

**Acceptance Rate:** 0.00%

**Paid Only:** No

## Problem Description

Given a list of 24-hour clock time points in

"HH:MM"

format, return

the minimum

minutes

difference between any two time-points in the list

Example 1:

Input:

```
timePoints = ["23:59", "00:00"]
```

Output:

1

Example 2:

Input:

```
timePoints = ["00:00", "23:59", "00:00"]
```

Output:

```
0
```

Constraints:

```
2 <= timePoints.length <= 2 * 10
```

```
4
```

```
timePoints[i]
```

is in the format

```
"HH:MM"
```

## Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int findMinDifference(vector<string>& timePoints) {
        }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
public int findMinDifference(List<String> timePoints) {
    }
```

```
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def findMinDifference(self, timePoints: List[str]) -> int:
```

### Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def findMinDifference(self, timePoints):  
        """  
        :type timePoints: List[str]  
        :rtype: int  
        """
```

### JavaScript:

```
/**  
 * @param {string[]} timePoints  
 * @return {number}  
 */  
var findMinDifference = function(timePoints) {  
  
};
```

### TypeScript:

```
function findMinDifference(timePoints: string[]): number {  
  
};
```

### C#:

```
public class Solution {  
    public int FindMinDifference(IList<string> timePoints) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### C:

```
int findMinDifference(char** timePoints, int timePointsSize) {  
  
}
```

**Go:**

```
func findMinDifference(timePoints []string) int {  
  
}
```

**Kotlin:**

```
class Solution {  
    fun findMinDifference(timePoints: List<String>): Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Swift:**

```
class Solution {  
    func findMinDifference(_ timePoints: [String]) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Rust:**

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn find_min_difference(time_points: Vec<String>) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

**Ruby:**

```
# @param {String[]} time_points  
# @return {Integer}  
def find_min_difference(time_points)  
  
end
```

**PHP:**

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param String[] $timePoints  
     * @return Integer  
     */  
    function findMinDifference($timePoints) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Dart:

```
class Solution {  
int findMinDifference(List<String> timePoints) {  
  
}  
}
```

### Scala:

```
object Solution {  
def findMinDifference(timePoints: List[String]): Int = {  
  
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### Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
@spec find_min_difference(time_points :: [String.t]) :: integer  
def find_min_difference(time_points) do  
  
end  
end
```

### Erlang:

```
-spec find_min_difference(TimePoints :: [unicode:unicode_binary()]) ->  
integer().  
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.
```

## Racket:

```
(define/contract (find-min-difference timePoints)
  (-> (listof string?) exact-integer?))
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## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

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 * Tags: array, string, math, sort
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 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
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### Python3 Solution:

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    def findMinDifference(self, timePoints: List[str]) -> int:
        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass
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