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800. Similar RGB ColorPremium

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The red-green-blue color "#AABBCC" can be written as "#ABC" in shorthand.

- For example, "#15c" is shorthand for the color "#1155cc".

The similarity between the two colors "#ABCDEF" and "#UVWXYZ" is  $-(AB - UV)^2 - (CD - WX)^2 - (EF - YZ)^2$ .

Given a string `color` that follows the format "#ABCDEF", return a string represents the color that is most similar to the given color and has a shorthand (i.e., it can be represented as some "#XYZ").

Any answer which has the same highest similarity as the best answer will be accepted.

Example 1:

Input: color = "#09f166"

Output: "#11ee66"

Explanation:  
The similarity is  $-(0x09 - 0x11)^2 - (0xf1 - 0xee)^2 - (0x66 - 0x66)^2 = -64 - 9 - 0 = -73$ .  
This is the highest among any shorthand color.

Example 2:

Input: color = "#4e3fe1"

Output: "#5544dd"

Constraints:

- `color.length == 7`
- `color[0] == '#'`
- `color[i]` is either digit or character in the range `['a', 'f']` for `i > 0`.

Seen this question in a real interview before? 1/5

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Python3Auto

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1 class Solution:
2     def similarRGB(self, color: str) -> str:
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4         # We first split color into an array containing its three two-letter parts
5         # and convert each value to an int of base 16 (hexadecimal)
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7         color = [int(color[i:i+2], 16) for i in range(1, len(color), 2)]
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11        # How do we find the closest number which can be written in shorthand?
12        # Well, let's look at the pattern: 0x11, 0x22, ..., 0xFF
13        # We can see that all of these numbers are divisible by 0x11 (17 in decimal)
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15        # To minimize this difference, we divide the value of each color by 0x11, round it, and convert to hex
16        # This produces a shorthand string like 0x1, 0x2, ..., 0xF
17        # But we want to return the full string, so we take the 3rd char (1,2,...,F) and double it (11,22,...FF)
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19        # We concatenate these strings and add '#' to the front to make the full 7-character color, and then return this string
20        return '#' + ''.join([hex(round(c/int('0x11', 16)))[2]*2 for c in color])
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Case 1

Case 2

Input

color = "#09f166"

Output

"#11ee66"

Expected

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