Talent Battle 100 Days Coding Series

A string is called *boring* if all the characters of the string are **same**.

You are given a string *S* of length *N*, consisting of lowercase english alphabets. Find the length of the longest *boring* substring of *S* which occurs **more than once**.

Note that if there is no *boring* substring which occurs more than once in *S*, the answer will be 00.

A substring is obtained by deleting some (possibly zero) elements from the beginning of the string and some (possibly zero) elements from the end of the string.

Input Format

- The first line of input will contain a single integer *T*, denoting the number of test cases.
- Each test case consists of two lines of input.
    - The first line of each test case contains an integer *N*, denoting the length of string *S*.
    - The next contains string *S*.

Output Format

For each test case, output on a new line, the length of the longest *boring* substring of *S* which occurs **more than once**.

Sample Input

4

3

aaa

3

abc

5

bcaca

6

caabaa

Sample Output

2

0

1

2

C Solution

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void) {
        int t;
        scanf("%d",&t);
        int n;
        while(t--)
        {
         scanf("%d",&n);
         char s[n];

         int first[26]={0};
         int second[26]={0};

         scanf("\n");
         for(int i=0;i<n;i++)
         {
            scanf("%c",&s[i]);

         }
         int count=1;
         for(int i=0;i<n;i++)
         {

            if((s[i]==s[i+1])&&(i!=n-1))
            {
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    count++;
  }
  else
  {
   if(first[s[i]-'a']<count)
   {
     first[s[i]-'a']=count;

   }
   else if(first[s[i]-'a']==count)
   {
      second[s[i]-'a']=count;
   }
   count=1;
  }
}
int max_ind=0;
int max=-1;
for(int i=0;i<26;i++)
{
  if(max<first[i])
  {
     max=first[i];
     max_ind=i;
  }
  else if(max==first[i])
  {
     if(second[i]==first[i])
     {
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                max_ind=i;
              }
            }
          }
          if(first[max_ind]==second[max_ind])
          {
            printf("%d\n",first[max_ind]);
          }
          else
          {
            printf("%d\n",first[max_ind]-1);
          }
        }
        return 0;
}
```


C++ Solution

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
#define st unordered_set

int main() {
        int tc;
        cin>>tc;
        while(tc--){
          int n;
          cin>>n;
          string str;
          cin>>str;
```

```
string res = "";
st<string>s;
res=str[0];
int l,mx,sum;
l=mx=0;
sum=1;
for(int i=1; i<n; i++){
   if(str[i-1]!=str[i]){
      if(mx<sum){
         mx = sum;
         mx--;
      }
      if(s.find(res)!=s.end())
      l = max(l, sum);
      s.insert(res);
      res = str[i];
      sum=1;
   }
   else{
      sum++;
      res+=str[i];
   }
}
if(s.find(res)!=s.end()){
   l = max(l, sum);
}
else{
   if(mx<sum){
    mx = sum;
```

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                mx--;
               }
            }
            int ans = max(l, mx);
            cout<<ans<<endl;
        }
        return 0;
}
```

Java

```
import java.io.BufferedReader;
import java.io.InputStreamReader;
import java.io.IOException;

class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
        BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));
        int n = Integer.parseInt(in.readLine());
        int m = 0, currLength = 0, longest = 0;
        char lastChar;
        char[] c;
        int[] charCounter;

        while (n > 0) {
            m = Integer.parseInt(in.readLine());
            c = in.readLine().trim().toCharArray();
            charCounter = new int[30];
            longest = 0;
```

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lastChar = c[0];
currLength = 1;

for (int i = 1; i < c.length; i++) {
   if (c[i] == lastChar) {
      currLength++;
   } else {
      if (currLength >= charCounter[lastChar - 'a']) {
         if (currLength > longest) {
            if (currLength > charCounter[lastChar - 'a'] + 1) {
               longest = currLength - 1;
            } else {
               longest = charCounter[lastChar - 'a'];
            }
         }
         charCounter[lastChar - 'a'] = currLength;
      }
      lastChar = c[i];
      currLength = 1;
   }

   if (i == (c.length - 1) && currLength > longest) {
      if (currLength == c.length) {
         longest = currLength - 1;
      } else if (currLength >= charCounter[lastChar - 'a']) {
         if (currLength > charCounter[lastChar - 'a'] + 1) {
            longest = currLength - 1;
         } else {
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                    longest = charCounter[lastChar - 'a'];
                }
            }
        }
        System.out.println(longest);
        n--;
    }
  }
}
```

Python

```
t=int(input())
for _ in range(t):
 d={}
 n=int(input())
 s=input()
 mx=0
 i=0
 while(i<n):
  c=1
  ss=s[i]
  while(i<n-1 and s[i]==s[i+1]):
   c+=1
   i+=1
   ss+=s[i]
  mx=max(mx,c-1)
  d[ss]=d.get(ss,0)+1
  if(d[ss]==2):
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    mx=max(mx,len(ss))
  i+=1;


print(mx)
```