

# Paragraph Analysis 2

text compression (Huffman)

# Requirements

Create file in python with a **comment** containing the academic honesty pledge as shown below. Add another, separate comment to the file containing your name

- Write a python program that '*compresses*' a paragraph supplied in a textarea.
- Your code can either generate both the form (with a textarea) and the output or you can use a separate HTML file.
- Attach your python source in using the dropbox link in cobra learning.
- **Put a link to your running file in the message area**

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# I honor Parkland's core values by affirming that I have  
# followed all academic integrity guidelines for this work.  
  
# your name
```

# Compression requirements: data structures

- You do not need to split the entire text area into list of strings, you need to count the number of **each character** used in the text. Capitals, punctuation and spaces are all different characters. Use a **map** to count the occurrences of each character..
- You will create **another map** for the compression codes. The key will be the character, the value will a string representation of the binary code that character will be compressed to (like "1101").
- You will need a priority queue with frequency counts as the key and a string (or character) as the value. This will represent the combined frequency of all the characters in the string.

# Huffman coding algorithm

- Place each of the frequencies of single characters into a priority\_queue, low frequencies have high priority.
- while there are **more than 1 element** in the priority queue:
  - `freq1, str1 = dequeue()`
  - `freq2, str2 = dequeue()`
  - For each character in `str1`, prepend a 0 to its **codemap**. `str = '0' + str` will prepend a '0' to `str`.
  - For each character in `str2`, prepend a 1 to its **codemap**
  - `enqueue( [freq1 + freq2, str1 + str2] )`
- when there's one element on the queue it will be the full frequency and all characters.
- print out the both the frequency map and the code map in a table.

# Turn in

Your python code.

A link to the website.

# Links & resources

The slides on huffman coding:

[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1-hoMkv60PG\\_kU6Y3NSiyd-xLZ5Mrw7EfGCKmIDh2zJo/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1-hoMkv60PG_kU6Y3NSiyd-xLZ5Mrw7EfGCKmIDh2zJo/edit?usp=sharing)

<http://www.csit.parkland.edu/~kurban/permanent/labs/huffman/runme.cgi> is a sample site to test against your solution. **Solutions aren't unique!** You don't need to do everything that site does just what's required in the assignment.

# maps needed

The frequency map is from characters to integers. `freq[ 'x' ]` is the number of times 'x' is in the text.

The code map is from characters to strings. `codemap[ 'x' ]` is the binary code (as a string, for printing) to replace 'x' with in compression and to change to 'x' in decompression.

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freq = {}
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codemap = {}
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