

Assignment 7

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In [1]: from collections import defaultdict
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Question 1

A palindrome is a word, phrase, or sequence that is the same spelled forward as it is backwards. Write a function using a for-loop to determine if a string is a palindrome. Your function should only have one argument.

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In [2]: def palindrome(string):  
    new_string = []  
    string = string.strip().lower()  
  
    for letter in string:  
        new_string.append(letter)  
  
    reversed_string = list(reversed(new_string))  
  
    if new_string == reversed_string:  
        print("This string is a palindrome")  
    else:  
        print("This string is not a palindrome")
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In [3]: string = 'civic'  
palindrome(string)
```

This string is a palindrome

Question 2

Write a function using a while-loop to determine if a string is a palindrome. Your function should only have one argument.

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In [4]: def palindrome2(a_string):  
    reversed_string = []  
    a_string = a_string.strip().lower().replace(' ', '')  
    characters = len(a_string) - 1  
    count = 0  
    while count <= characters:  
        reversed_string.insert(0, a_string[count])  
        count = count + 1
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reversed_string = ''.join(reversed_string)

if a_string == reversed_string:
    print("This string is a palindrome")
else:
    print("This string is not a palindrome")

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In [5]: a_string = 'Taco cat'
        palindrome2(a_string)

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This string is a palindrome

Question 3

Two Sum - Write a function named `two_sum()` Given a vector of integers `nums` and an integer `target`, return indices of the two numbers such that they add up to `target`. You may assume that each input would have exactly one solution, and you may not use the same element twice. You can return the answer in any order. Use `defaultdict` and hash maps/tables to complete this problem.

Example 1: Input: `nums = [2,7,11,15]`, `target = 9` Output: `[0,1]` Explanation: Because `nums[0] + nums[1] == 9`, we return `[0, 1]`.

Example 2: Input: `nums = [3,2,4]`, `target = 6` Output: `[1,2]`

Example 3: Input: `nums = [3,3]`, `target = 6` Output: `[0,1]`

Constraints: `2 <= nums.length <= 104` `-109 <= nums[i] <= 109` `-109 <= target <= 109` Only one valid answer exists.

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In [6]: def two_sum(numbers, target):
        hash_map = defaultdict(int)

        for index, value in enumerate(numbers):
            complement = target - value

            if complement in hash_map:
                return [hash_map[complement], index]

            hash_map[value] = index

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In [7]: numbers = [1,2,3,4,5,6]
        target = 11
        two_sum(numbers,target)

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Out[7]: `[4, 5]`

Question 4

How is a negative index used in Python? Show an example

Negative indexing allows you to iterate through a variable from right to left (in reverse order). If I wanted to find the last element in a list I would type `list[-1]`

Question 5

Check if two given strings are isomorphic to each other. Two strings `str1` and `str2` are called isomorphic if there is a one-to-one mapping possible for every character of `str1` to every character of `str2`. And all occurrences of every character in '`str1`' map to the same character in '`str2`'.

Input: `str1 = "aab", str2 = "xxy"`

Output: `True`

'a' is mapped to 'x' and 'b' is mapped to 'y'.

Input: `str1 = "aab", str2 = "xyz"`

Output: `False`

One occurrence of 'a' in `str1` has 'x' in `str2` and other occurrence of 'a' has 'y'.

A Simple Solution is to consider every character of '`str1`' and check if all occurrences of it map to the same character in '`str2`'. The time complexity of this solution is $O(n*n)$.

An Efficient Solution can solve this problem in $O(n)$ time. The idea is to create an array to store mappings of processed characters.

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In [8]: def isomorphic_check(string_1, string_2):
        mapping = defaultdict()

        for index, letter in enumerate(string_1):
            if letter in mapping:
                if mapping[letter] != string_2[index]:
                    return False
            elif string_2[index] not in mapping.values():
                mapping[letter] = string_2[index]
            else:
                return False
        return True

        string_1 = "6677aa"
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string_2 = "aa7766"  
isomorphic_check(string_1, string_2)
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Out[8]: True