

Python Programming

Dict Practice 1

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Practice 1: Letters Frequency

- Read a string of lower/upper letters.
- Convert to lowercase and then compute the frequency of letters.
 - Print from small to large.
- Input: bAAAaaazz
- Output (ordered based on key)
 - Letter a repeated 6 times
 - Letter b repeated 1 times
 - Letter z repeated 2 times
- Use dict in an efficient & simple way

Practice 1: Letters Frequency

- Convert to lower
- Get current letter value. If it doesn't exist, set to 0
- Increment frequency
- Printed by sorted key

```
line = input()
dict = {}
for char in line:
    char = char.lower()
    dict.setdefault(char, 0) # if not exist, put value 0
    dict[char] += 1

for key in sorted(dict):
    print(f'Letter {key} repeated {dict[key]} times')
```

Practice 2: Find most frequent number

- Read a line of N integers. The values can be big and negative
- Find all the values that repeated the most number of times.
 - Print them from small to large
- Input: -123456 10 -123456 20 -30 -123456 20 25 20
- Output: The highest frequency is 3 for values: [-123456, 20]
- Don't use nested loops

Practice 2: Find most frequent number

- We used list before, but the -ve value range was smaller (shift trick)
- Dict makes the problem trivial

```
lst = list(map(int, input().split()))
dict = {}
for value in lst:
    dict.setdefault(value, 0)
    dict[value] += 1

mx = max(dict.values())
freq = sorted([key for key, value in dict.items() if value == mx])
print(f'The highest frequency is {mx} for values: {freq}')
```

Practice 3: Search for a number

- Read a line of N integers, but the values can be big and negative
- Then read a line of Q integer
 - For each integer, print the index of the **last occurrence** in the list or -1 if it doesn't exist

```
-1000 500 -1000 70 2 2 70 3 20 20
```

```
2 3 20 70 500 -1000 999
```

```
Query 2 answer 5
```

```
Query 3 answer 7
```

```
Query 20 answer 9
```

```
Query 70 answer 6
```

```
Query 500 answer 1
```

```
Query -1000 answer 2
```

```
Query 999 answer -1
```

Practice 3: Search for a number

- By overriding the values, we easily know the last occurrence

```
lst = list(map(int, input().split()))
queries = list(map(int, input().split()))

dict = {}
for idx, value in enumerate(lst):
    dict[value] = idx

for q in queries:
    ans = dict.get(q, -1)
    print(f'Query {q} answer {ans}')
```

Practice 3: Search for a number: print all indices

```
-1000 500 -1000 70 2 2 70 3 20 20
```

```
2 3 20 70 500 -1000 999
```

```
Query 2 answer [4, 5]
```

```
Query 3 answer [7]
```

```
Query 20 answer [8, 9]
```

```
Query 70 answer [3, 6]
```

```
Query 500 answer [1]
```

```
Query -1000 answer [0, 2]
```

```
Query 999 answer -1
```

```
lst = list(map(int, input().split()))
queries = list(map(int, input().split()))
```

```
dict = {}
for idx, value in enumerate(lst):
    dict.setdefault(value, [])
    dict[value].append(idx)
```

```
for q in queries:
    ans = dict.get(q, -1)
    print(f'Query {q} answer {ans}')
```


“Acquire knowledge and impart it to the people.”

“Seek knowledge from the Cradle to the Grave.”