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In [ ]: Data types, variable,  
Decorator, Iterator, Generator  
Lamda, map, filter  
Data handling  
Flask -  
Tkinter -  
SQL -
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In [ ]: 1. Question: Write a function that takes a list of numbers and returns the sum.  
def sum_of_list(nums):  
return sum(nums)
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In [ ]: 2. Question: How do you reverse a string in Python?  
def reverse_string(s):  
return s[::-1]
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In [ ]: 3. Question: What is the difference between a tuple and a list?  
Answer: Lists are mutable (can be modified),  
while tuples are immutable (cannot be modified once created).
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In [ ]: 4. Question: Write a function that checks if a given word is a palindrome.  
def is_palindrome(word):  
return word == word[::-1]
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In [ ]: 5. Question: How can you remove duplicates from a list?  
def remove_duplicates(lst):  
return list(set(lst))  
Note: This method will not maintain the original order of the list. To maintain the  
you can use a loop or a list comprehension.
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In [ ]: 6. Question: How do you handle exceptions in Python?  
Answer: Using try and except blocks. For example:  
try:  
x = 1 / 0  
except ZeroDivisionError:  
print("Cannot divide by zero!")
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In [ ]: Advanced
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In [ ]: 7. Question: What is a lambda function? Provide an example.
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In [ ]: Answer: A lambda function is a small, anonymous function.  
It can take any number of arguments but can only have one expression.  
multiply = lambda x, y: x * y  
print(multiply(3, 4)) # Output: 12
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In [ ]: Find Factorial  
Question: Calculate the factorial of a number.  
Answer:
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def factorial(n):
    if n <= 1:
        return 1
    return n * factorial(n-1)
```

In []: 8. Question: Write a function that returns the n-th Fibonacci number using recursion.
Answer:

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def fibonacci(n):
    if n <= 1:
        return n
    else:
        return fibonacci(n-1) + fibonacci(n-2)
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In []: 9. Question: What are decorators in Python and how are they used?
Answer: Decorators provide a way to modify or extend the behavior of callable objects often used in frameworks to add functionality to functions or methods.

Example:

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def my_decorator(func):
    def wrapper():
        print("Something is happening before the function is called.")
        func()
        print("Something is happening after the function is called.")
    return wrapper
@my_decorator
def say_hello():
    print("Hello!")
say_hello()
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In []: Intermediate

In []: 10. Question: How do you deep copy an object in Python?

Answer: You can use the copy module's deepcopy method.

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import copy
original = [[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]]
copied = copy.deepcopy(original)
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In []: 11. Question: What is list comprehension and provide an example?

Answer: List comprehension is a concise way to create lists in Python.
squared_numbers = [x**2 for x in range(10)]

In []: 12. Question: What is the difference between == and is?

Answer: == checks for value equality, while is checks for identity (whether two references point to the same object in memory).

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In []: 13. Question: Explain the concept of *args and **kwargs in Python.

Answer: *args allows you to pass a variable number of positional arguments to a function while **kwargs allows you to pass a variable number of keyword arguments.

Example:

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def function_example(*args, **kwargs):
    for arg in args:
        print(arg)
    for key, value in kwargs.items():
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print(f"{key} = {value}")
function_example(1, 2, 3, a=4, b=5)
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In []: 14. Question: What **is** a generator **and** how **is** it different **from** a list?
Answer: A generator **is** an iterable that yields items one at a time using a **yield** statement, whereas a list holds all its items **in** memory.
Generators are more memory-efficient
for large data sets.
Example of a generator:
def count_up_to(n):
 count = 1
 while count <= n:
 yield count
 count += 1

In []: 15. Question: How can you achieve multi-threading **in** Python?
Answer: Python has a threading module which can be used to achieve multi-threading.
 import threading
def print_numbers():
 for i **in** range(1, 6):
 print(i)
def print_letters():
 for letter **in** 'abcde':
 print(letter)
t1 = threading.Thread(target=print_numbers)
t2 = threading.Thread(target=print_letters)
t1.start()
t2.start()
t1.join()
t2.join()

In []: 16. Question: What are metaclasses **in** Python?
Answer: Metaclasses are a deep **and** advanced topic **in** Python. Essentially, they are "**classes of a class**" that define how a **class** behaves.
The default metaclass **is** type, but you can create your own metaclass to customize **class** behavior.

In []: 17. Question: Describe the Global Interpreter Lock (GIL) **and** its implications.
Answer: The GIL **is** a mutex (**or** a lock) that allows only one thread to execute Python bytecode at a time **in** CPython (the standard Python implementation). This means that even on multi-core systems, only one thread **is** executed at a time. This can be a bottleneck **for** CPU-bound programs, but it **is not** generally an issue **for** I/O-bound programs.
I hope these additional questions assist **in** your preparations! If you need more or Here are more Python-related interview questions, spanning **from** intermediate to adv

In []: Intermediate

In []: 18. Question: What **is** the difference between staticmethod, classmethod, **and** regular
Answer:
staticmethod: Doesn't take any specific first parameter (neither self nor cls),
 and acts just like a regular function but belongs to a class's namespace.
classmethod: Takes the **class** as its first parameter (usually named cls).

It can be called on the **class** itself, rather than an instance.
Instance method: Takes the instance (object) **as** its first parameter (usually named **self**) **and** operates on it.

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In [ ]: 19. Question: How do you sort a dictionary by its values?
Answer:
d = {'apple': 15, 'banana': 10, 'cherry': 20}
sorted_d = dict(sorted(d.items(), key=lambda item: item[1]))
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In [ ]: 20. Question: How is string interpolation done in Python?
Answer: There are several ways:
Using % formatting.
Using .format() method.
Using f-strings (from Python 3.6+).
name = 'Alice'
# Using % formatting
print("Hello, %s!" % name)
# Using .format()
print("Hello, {}".format(name))
# Using f-strings
print(f"Hello, {name}!")
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In [ ]: 21. Question: How can you implement a singleton pattern in Python?
Answer: One way is by using a class attribute to check if an instance already exists. If it does, return that. Otherwise, create a new instance.
class Singleton:
    _instance = None
    def __new__(cls):
        if cls._instance is None:
            cls._instance = super().__new__(cls)
        return cls._instance
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In [ ]: 22. Question: What is the difference between shallow copy and deep copy?
Answer:
Shallow copy: Creates a new object, but does not create copies of objects that the original object references. Instead, it copies references.
Deep copy: Creates a new object and also recursively creates copies of objects found in the original.
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In [ ]: 23. Question: How do you swap two variables in Python?
Answer: In Python, swapping can be done without a temporary variable.
a, b = 5, 10
a, b = b, a
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In [ ]: 24. Question: Explain Python's garbage collection process.
Answer: Python uses reference counting and a cyclic garbage collector.
Reference counting means objects are automatically deallocated once their reference count drops to zero. The cyclic garbage collector finds and cleans up reference cycles, which are situations where a group of objects reference each other but are not referenced anywhere else.
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In [ ]: 25. Question: What are Python's magic (dunder) methods, and how are they used?
Provide an example.
Answer: Magic or dunder (double underscore) methods in Python are special
methods that have double underscores at the beginning and end of their names.
They allow developers to emulate built-in behavior or implement operator overloading.
Example:
class Book:
def __init__(self, pages):
self.pages = pages
def __add__(self, other):
return Book(self.pages + other.pages)
book1 = Book(100)
book2 = Book(150)
book3 = book1 + book2
print(book3.pages) # Output: 250
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In [ ]: 26. Question: How do you check if a variable is an instance of a particular type?
Answer: You can use the isinstance() function.
x = [1, 2, 3]
if isinstance(x, list):
print("x is a list")
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In [ ]: 27. Question: What does the else clause in a loop do?
Answer: The else clause in a loop is executed when the loop finishes execution
(i.e., when the loop condition becomes False). It won't execute if the loop was
exited using a break statement.
for i in range(5):
print(i)
else:
print("Loop finished")
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In [ ]: 28. Question: What is the purpose of the pass statement in Python?
Answer: The pass statement is a no-op (does nothing). It's used as a placeholder when
code.
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In [ ]: 29. Question: How do you retrieve all the keys, values, and items from a dictionary?
Answer: You can use the methods keys(), values(), and items() respectively.
d = {"a": 1, "b": 2}
print(d.keys()) # dict_keys(['a', 'b'])
print(d.values()) # dict_values([1, 2])
print(d.items()) # dict_items([('a', 1), ('b', 2)])
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In [ ]: 30. Question: What is the difference between __new__ and __init__ in a class?
Answer: __new__ is responsible for creating and returning a new instance of the
class, while __init__ is responsible for initializing the created object.
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In [ ]: 31. Question: What is the difference between an Iterable and an Iterator?
Answer:
Iterable: An object which has an __iter__ method that returns an iterator.
Iterator: An object that can return its items one at a time using
the __next__ method and implements the __iter__ method.
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In [ ]: 32. Question: How does the map function work in Python?
Answer: The map function applies a given function to all the items in an input list
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4]
squared = map(lambda x: x**2, numbers)
print(list(squared)) # Output: [1, 4, 9, 16]
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In [ ]: 33. Question: What are context managers in Python? Provide an example.
Answer: Context managers allow resources to be properly managed and cleaned up
after use. The most common example is opening files using the with statement.

with open('file.txt', 'r') as file:
    content = file.read()
Here, the file is automatically closed after reading, even if an exception occurs w
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In [ ]: 34. Question: How can you dynamically create a new class at runtime?
Answer: You can use the type() function.
MyClass = type('MyClass', (object,), {'x': 10})
obj = MyClass()
print(obj.x) # Output: 10
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In [ ]: 35. Question: What does the zip function do in Python?
Answer: The zip function takes two or more iterables as arguments and returns an it
paired based on their order.
names = ['Alice', 'Bob', 'Charlie']
ages = [25, 30, 35]
result = zip(names, ages)
print(list(result)) # Output: [('Alice', 25), ('Bob', 30), ('Charlie', 35)]
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In [ ]: 36. Question: How can you merge two dictionaries?
Answer: In Python 3.5+, you can use the {**d1, **d2} syntax or the update() method.
d1 = {'a': 1, 'b': 2}
d2 = {'b': 3, 'c': 4}
merged = {**d1, **d2}
print(merged) # Output: {'a': 1, 'b': 3, 'c': 4}
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In [ ]: 37. Question: What does the @property decorator do in Python?
Answer: The @property decorator allows you to define methods in a class that can be
the getter behavior.
class Circle:
    def __init__(self, radius):
        self._radius = radius
    @property
    def diameter(self):
        return self._radius * 2
circle = Circle(5)
print(circle.diameter) # Output: 10
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In [ ]: 38. Question: What is the difference between asyncio and multi-threading?
Answer: asyncio is a Python library used for writing concurrent code using the
async/await syntax. It's single-threaded and uses cooperative multitasking. On the
other hand,
multi-threading involves multiple threads of a single process, with
each thread executing independently and possibly concurrently.
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In [ ]: 39. Question: How can you make an immutable class in Python?
Answer: By ensuring that all of its attributes are immutable and preventing any modification or using private attributes.
class ImmutableClass:
    def __init__(self, value):
        self.__value = value
    @property
    def value(self):
    return self.__value
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In [ ]: 40. Question: What is the purpose of the __slots__ attribute in a Python class?
Answer: The __slots__ attribute is used to define a static set of attributes for in the creation of the default __dict__ for the object, which normally stores object attributes.
class MyClass:
    __slots__ = ['x', 'y']
    def __init__(self, x, y):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
```

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In [ ]: 41. Question: How can you run Python code in parallel?
Answer: You can use the multiprocessing module, which allows for the creation of separate processes, or the concurrent.futures module, which provides a high-level interface for asynchronously executing functions using threads or processes.
    from multiprocessing import Pool
    def square(x):
    return x * x
    with Pool(4) as p: # Use 4 processes
    result = p.map(square, [1, 2, 3, 4])
    print(result) # Output: [1, 4, 9, 16]
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In [ ]: 42. Question: What are Python descriptors?
Answer: Descriptors are objects that define the behavior of attributes in other objects when they are accessed, set, or deleted. Descriptors are defined using at least one of the methods __get__, __set__, or __delete__.
Example:
class Descriptor:
    def __get__(self, instance, owner):
    return instance._value
    def __set__(self, instance, value):
        instance._value = value.upper()
class MyClass:
    attribute = Descriptor()
    def __init__(self, value):
        self._value = value
    obj = MyClass('hello')
    print(obj.attribute) # hello
    obj.attribute = 'world'
    print(obj.attribute) # WORLD
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In [ ]: 43. Question: How can you reverse a string in Python?
Answer: You can reverse a string using slicing.
s = "hello"
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reversed_string = s[::-1]
print(reversed_string) # Output: "oLLeH"
```

In []: Question: What **is** the difference between a list **and** a tuple **in** Python?
Answer:
List:
Mutable, meaning you can modify its contents.
Defined using square brackets [].
****Tuple****: - Immutable, so once you create it, you can't alter its contents.
- Defined using parentheses `()`.

In []: 45. Question: How can you catch multiple exceptions **in** a single line?
Answer: You can use a tuple to specify multiple exception types **in** a single **except** **try**:
some code
except (TypeError, ValueError) **as** e:
print(f"Caught an exception: {e}")

In []: 46. Question: What **is** a metaclass **in** Python?
Answer: A metaclass **in** Python **is** a **class** of a **class** that defines how a **class** behaves. In other words, just **as** a **class** defines how instances of the **class** behave, a metaclass defines how classes themselves behave.

In []: 47. Question: How do you define a **class** method **and** when would you use it?
Answer: A **class** method **is** a method that's **bound to the class, not the instance**. You methods that are concerned **with** the **class** itself rather than specific instances.
class MyClass:
count = 0
@classmethod
def increment_count(cls, value):
cls.count += value

In []: 48. Question: What **is** the Global Interpreter Lock (GIL)?
Answer: The GIL **is** a mutex **in** CPython (the default Python interpreter) that ensures only one thread executes Python bytecode at a time, even on multi-core systems. This **is** why multi-threaded CPU-bound programs may **not** see a performance improvement **in** CPython.

In []: 49. Question: How can you achieve inheritance **in** Python?
Answer: Inheritance **is** achieved by defining a new class, derived **from** an existing class. The derived **class** inherits attributes **and** behaviors of the base **class** and can also have additional attributes **or** behaviors.
class Animal:
def speak(self):
pass
class Dog(Animal):
def speak(self):
return "Woof"

In []: 50. Question: What **is** the super() function, **and** why might you use it?
Answer: The super() function returns a temporary object of the superclass, allowing you to call its methods. It's **commonly used in the __init__ method** to ensure that initializers of parent classes get called.
class Animal:


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def __init__(self, species):
    self.species = species
class Dog(Animal):
    def __init__(self, species, name):
        super().__init__(species)
        self.name = name
```

In []: Question: What **is** the `__str__` method **in** a **class** and when **is** it used?
 Answer: The `__str__` method **is** a special method that should **return** a string representation function when outputting the object.

```
class Person:
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name
    def __str__(self):
        return f"Person named {self.name}"
p = Person("Alice")
print(p) # Output: "Person named Alice"
```

In []: 52. Question: How can you remove duplicate items **from** a list?
 Answer: One common way **is** to convert the list to a set **and** then back to a list.
`mylist = [1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5]`
`mylist = list(set(mylist))`
`print(mylist) # Output: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]`

In []: 53. Question: What are decorators **in** Python?
 Answer: Decorators provide a way to modify **or** enhance functions **or** methods without symbol above the function **or** method.

```
def my_decorator(func):
    def wrapper():
        print("Something is happening before the function is called.")
        func()
        print("Something is happening after the function is called.")
    return wrapper
@my_decorator
def say_hello():
    print("Hello!")
say_hello()
```

In []: 54. Question: How can you implement method overloading **in** Python?
 Answer: Python doesn't support explicit method overloading like some other language argument lists, **or** keyword arguments.

```
class Greet:
    def hello(self, name=None):
        if name is not None:
            print(f"Hello, {name}")
        else:
            print("Hello, ")
```

In []: 56. Question: How can you achieve multi-level inheritance **in** Python?
 Answer: Multi-level inheritance involves inheriting **from** a derived class, forming a chain of inheritance.

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class Grandparent:
    pass
class Parent(Grandparent):
    pass
```

```
class Child(Parent):  
    pass
```

In []: 57. Question: What **is** the ***args** and ****kwargs** syntax **in** function signatures, and how **is** it used?
Answer: ***args** and ****kwargs** are conventions used **in** Python to **pass** a variable number of non-keyword and keyword arguments, respectively, to a function.
***args**: Passes variable-length non-keyworded arguments list.
****kwargs**: Passes variable-length keyworded arguments dictionary.
def function_example(*args, **kwargs):
 for arg **in** args:
 print(arg)
 for key **in** kwargs:
 print(f"{key} = {kwargs[key]}")
 function_example(1, 2, 3, a=4, b=5)
Remember, these are just conventions; you could technically use ***var** and ****vars**, but the aforementioned are widely recognized **in** the Python community.

In []: 58. Question: How can you implement a stack **in** Python?
Answer: You can use a list to implement a stack, utilizing the `append()` method **for** push operation and the `pop()` method **for** pop operation.
`stack = []`
`stack.append(1) # Push`
`stack.append(2)`
`print(stack.pop()) # Pop: 2`

In []: 59. Question: What **is** the difference between a list and a dictionary?
Answer: A list **is** an ordered collection of items, while a dictionary **is** an unordered collection of key-value pairs. Lists are indexed by integers, starting from zero, whereas dictionaries are indexed by unique keys.

In []: 60. Question: What **is** NumPy and when might you use it?
Answer: NumPy **is** a library **for** the Python programming language, adding support **for** large, multi-dimensional arrays and matrices, along with a collection of mathematical functions to operate on these arrays. It's often used in scientific computing, data analysis, and machine learning **for** tasks that require mathematical operations on large datasets.

In []: 61. Question: What are virtual environments **in** Python, and why are they useful?
Answer: Virtual environments are tools that help to keep dependencies required by different projects separate by creating isolated environments **for** them. This **is** especially useful when different projects have different requirements and can prevent conflicts between versions.

In []: 62. Question: What **is** Flask?
Answer: Flask **is** a micro web framework written **in** Python. It does **not** include built-in abstracted tools like form validation or database integration but **is** lightweight and easily extensible, making it a popular choice **for** small web applications or as a backend **for** more complex projects.

In []: 63. Question: How can you create a basic route **in** Django?
Answer: In Django, a route **is** defined **in** `urls.py` using the `url()` function or `path()` **from** `django.urls` **import** `path` **from** `.` **import** `views`

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urlpatterns = [
    path('hello/', views.hello, name='hello'),
]
```

In []: 64. Question: What **is** unittest **in** Python?

Answer: unittest **is** a built-in library **in** Python used **for** testing Python code. It supports test automation, sharing of setup **and** shutdown code, aggregation of tests into collections, **and** more.

In []: 65. Question: How can you set a breakpoint **in** your code to aid debugging?

Answer: You can use the breakpoint() function (introduced **in** Python 3.7) to set a breakpoint **in** your code. When the code execution reaches the breakpoint(), it'll pause, allowing you to inspect the current state using a debugger.

In []: 66. Question: What does the **async** keyword do **in** Python?

Answer: The **async** keyword **is** used to define asynchronous functions **in** Python. These functions **return** an asynchronous iterator. To call them, you'd typically use the **await** keyword. Asynchronous functions allow **for** concurrency, meaning tasks can **yield** control **and** let other tasks run without necessarily completing.

In []: 67. Question: What **is** the difference between a thread **and** a coroutine?

Answer: A thread **is** a smallest unit of a process that runs concurrently **with** other threads of the process, managed by the operating system. A coroutine, on the other hand, **is** a generalization of a subroutine, allowing multiple entry points **and** yielding control back to the caller without necessarily exiting. Coroutines are cooperative, meaning they **yield** control by choice, whereas threads can be preempted by the OS scheduler.

In []: 68. Question: What **is** the threading module **in** Python?

Answer: The threading module **in** Python **is** used to create **and** manage threads. Threads allow **for** parallel execution of code, which can lead to faster execution **for** I/O-bound tasks.

In []: 69. Question: How do you create **and** start a new thread using the threading module?

Answer: You can create a thread using threading.Thread **and** then start it using the start() method.

```
import threading
def print_numbers():
    for i in range(10):
        print(i)
    # Create a thread and start it
    thread = threading.Thread(target=print_numbers)
    thread.start()
```

In []: 71. Question: How can you ensure thread-safety when accessing shared resources **in** Python?

Answer: You can use locks, like threading.Lock, to ensure that only one thread accesses a shared resource at a time.

```
import threading
lock = threading.Lock()
counter = 0
def increment_counter():
    global counter
```

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with lock:
    counter += 1
    print(counter)
    threads = []
    for _ in range(10):
        thread = threading.Thread(target=increment_counter)
        thread.start()
        threads.append(thread)
    for thread in threads:
        thread.join()

```

In []: 72. Question: What's the difference between a Thread and a ThreadPoolExecutor in Python?

Answer: While Thread allows you to manage individual threads, ThreadPoolExecutor from the concurrent.futures module provides a higher-level interface for asynchronously executing callables. It manages a pool of worker threads, which can be more efficient than spawning a new thread for every task, especially for a large number of small tasks.

```

from concurrent.futures import ThreadPoolExecutor
def task(n):
    return n * n
with ThreadPoolExecutor(max_workers=4) as executor:
    results = list(executor.map(task, range(10)))
print(results)

```

In []: 73. Question: What is a Semaphore, and how can it be useful in threading?

Answer: A Semaphore is a synchronization primitive that maintains a count between zero and a maximum value. It provides an acquire() method to decrease it. Semaphores can be used to control access to a resource.

```

import threading
semaphore = threading.Semaphore(2)
def access_resource(tid):
    print(f"Thread {tid} waiting")
    with semaphore:
        print(f"Thread {tid} accessing")
        # simulate some work
        threading.sleep(2)
        print(f"Thread {tid} releasing")
threads = [threading.Thread(target=access_resource, args=(i,)) for i in range(4)]

for thread in threads:
    thread.start()
for thread in threads:
    thread.join()

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These are just a few sample questions on threading in Python. The topic can be quite complex and involves many other concepts like deadlock and race conditions.

In []: 74. Question: What is a deadlock and how can you avoid it?

Answer: A deadlock is a situation in which two or more threads are unable to proceed with their execution because each is waiting for the other to release a resource. Deadlocks can be avoided by:

- Ensuring that locks are always acquired in a fixed order.
- Using timeouts when trying to acquire locks.
- Deadlock detection, where the system periodically checks for deadlock conditions and breaks them.

An example of a potential deadlock situation:

```

import threading
lock1 = threading.Lock()
lock2 = threading.Lock()
def worker1():
    with lock1:
    with lock2:
print("Worker 1")
def worker2():
    with lock2: # If worker1 and worker2 try to acquire the locks at the same time,
                # a deadlock can occur.
    with lock1:
print("Worker 2")

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In []: 75. Question: How can you share data between threads?

Answer: Data can be shared between threads using **global** variables **or** by passing data structures like lists **or** dictionaries to the thread functions. However, care must be taken to synchronize access to shared data to prevent race conditions.

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import threading
data = []
def worker(value):
    global data
    data.append(value)
threads = [threading.Thread(target=worker, args=(i,)) for i in range(5)]
for thread in threads:
    thread.start()
for thread in threads:
    thread.join()
print(data)

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In []: 76. Question: What **is** a Condition object **in** threading, **and** how **is** it used?

Answer: A Condition object provides a way **for** one thread to wait **for** a condition to be satisfied by another thread. It uses a lock internally **and** provides methods like **wait()**, **notify()**, **and** **notify_all()**.

```

import threading
condition = threading.Condition()
data = []
def producer():
    for i in range(5):
        with condition:
            data.append(i)
            condition.notify()
def consumer():
    with condition:
        while not data:
            condition.wait()
        print(data.pop(0))
thread1 = threading.Thread(target=producer)
thread2 = threading.Thread(target=consumer)
thread1.start()
thread2.start()
thread1.join()
thread2.join()

```

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In [ ]: 77. Question: What is a Barrier in threading?
Answer: A Barrier is a threading primitive that blocks until a specified number
of threads have reached it. Once that number is reached, all waiting threads are
released
simultaneously.
import threading
barrier = threading.Barrier(3)
def worker(tid):
    print(f"Thread {tid} waiting")
    barrier.wait()
    print(f"Thread {tid} proceeding")
threads = [threading.Thread(target=worker, args=(i,)) for i in range(3)]
for thread in threads:
    thread.start()
for thread in threads:
    thread.join()
```

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In [ ]: 78. Question: What is a race condition? Provide an example.
Answer: A race condition occurs when two or more threads can access shared data
and try to change it at the same time. The result of the change depends on the
timing of how
the threads run.
import threading
counter = 0
def increment():
    global counter
    for _ in range(1000000):
        counter += 1
thread1 = threading.Thread(target=increment)
thread2 = threading.Thread(target=increment)
thread1.start()
thread2.start()
thread1.join()
thread2.join()
print(counter) # Expected 2000000, but due to race condition, the result might
               #be different.
```

```
In [ ]: Question: Given a list of numbers, write a Python function to find the second
highest number.
Answer: We can first convert the list into a set to remove duplicates.
        Then, we'll convert it back to a list and sort it. We can retrieve
        the second last element to get the second highest number.
def second_highest(numbers):
    numbers = list(set(numbers))
    numbers.sort()
    return numbers[-2]
numbers = [1, 3, 2, 4, 4, 5, 6, 6]
print(second_highest(numbers)) # Output: 5
```

```
In [ ]: 2. Question: Write a function to compute the factorial of a number using recursion.
Answer:
def factorial(n):
    if n == 0:
        return 1
```

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return n * factorial(n-1)
number = 5
print(factorial(number)) # Output: 120

```

In []: 3. Question: You are given a list of strings. Write a function to filter out all strings that are palindromes.

Answer: A palindrome **is** a word, phrase, number, **or** other sequences of characters that reads the same forward **and** backward (ignoring spaces, punctuation, **and** capitalization).

```

def is_palindrome(s):
s = ''.join(e for e in s if e.isalnum()) # Remove punctuation and spaces
return s.lower() == s.lower()[::-1]
def filter_palindromes(strings):
return [s for s in strings if is_palindrome(s)]
words = ["radar", "python", "level", "world"]
print(filter_palindromes(words)) # Output: ['radar', 'level']

```

In []: 4. Question: Given a string, write a function to check **if** it **is** an anagram of another string.

Answer: An anagram **is** a word **or** phrase formed by rearranging the letters of a different word **or** phrase, typically using all the original letters exactly once.

```

def are_anagrams(s1, s2):
return sorted(s1) == sorted(s2)
str1 = "listen"
str2 = "silent"
print(are_anagrams(str1, str2)) # Output: True

```

In []: 5. Question: Write a function to flatten a nested list.

Answer:

```

def flatten(lst):
result = []
for i in lst:
if isinstance(i, list):
result.extend(flatten(i))
else:
result.append(i)
return result
nested_list = [1, [2, 3, [4, 5]], 6]
print(flatten(nested_list)) # Output: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
Remember, these solutions can be optimized or presented in different ways depending on the context and requirements of the interview.

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In []: 6. Question: Given two lists, write a function that returns the elements that are common to both lists.

Answer:

```

def common_elements(list1, list2):
return list(set(list1) & set(list2))
list1 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
list2 = [4, 5, 6, 7, 8]
print(common_elements(list1, list2)) # Output: [4, 5]

```

In []: 7. Question: Write a function that returns the number of words **in** a string.

Answer:

```

def word_count(s):
return len(s.split())

```

```
sentence = "The quick brown fox"
print(word_count(sentence)) # Output: 4
```

```
In [ ]: 8. Question: Write a Python function to merge two dictionaries.
        If both dictionaries have the same key, prefer the second dictionary's value.
        Answer:
        def merge_dicts(dict1, dict2):
            merged = dict1.copy()
            merged.update(dict2)
            return merged
        dict1 = {'a': 1, 'b': 2}
        dict2 = {'b': 3, 'c': 4}
        print(merge_dicts(dict1, dict2)) # Output: {'a': 1, 'b': 3, 'c': 4}
```

```
In [ ]: 9. Question: Write a function that finds the most repeated character in a string.
        Answer:
        def most_repeated(s):
            char_count = {}
            for char in s:
                if char in char_count:
                    char_count[char] += 1
                else:
                    char_count[char] = 1
            max_char = max(char_count, key=char_count.get)
            return max_char
        string = "aabbcbddde"
        print(most_repeated(string)) # Output: 'd'
```

```
In [ ]: 10. Question: Write a function that checks if a string contains all letters of
        the alphabet at least once.
        Answer:
        import string
        def contains_all_alphabets(s):
            alphabet = set(string.ascii_lowercase)
            return set(s.lower()) >= alphabet
        test_string = "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog"
        print(contains_all_alphabets(test_string)) # Output: True
```

```
In [ ]: 11. Question: Write a function that checks if a given string is a valid IPv4 address
        Answer:
        def is_valid_ipv4(ip):
            parts = ip.split(".")
            if len(parts) != 4:
                return False
            for item in parts:
                if not item.isdigit():
                    return False
            num = int(item)
            if num < 0 or num > 255:
                return False
            return True
        address = "192.168.1.1"
        print(is_valid_ipv4(address)) # Output: True
```



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In [ ]: 12. Question: Given a list of numbers, write a function to compute the mean, median
Answer:
from statistics import mean, median, mode
def compute_stats(numbers):
    return {
        "mean": mean(numbers),
        "median": median(numbers),
        "mode": mode(numbers)
    }
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6]
print(compute_stats(numbers)) # Output: {'mean': 3.89, 'median': 4, 'mode': 5}
```

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In [ ]: 13. Question: Write a function to compute the Fibonacci series up to n.
Answer:
def fibonacci(n):
    series = [0, 1]
    while len(series) < n:
        series.append(series[-1] + series[-2])
    return series
number = 10
print(fibonacci(number)) # Output: [0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34]
```

```
In [ ]: 14. Question: Given a string, write a function that returns the first non-repeated
Answer:
def first_non_repeated(s):
    char_count = {}
    for char in s:
        if char in char_count:
            char_count[char] += 1
        else:
            char_count[char] = 1
    for char in s:
        if char_count[char] == 1:
            return char
    return None
string = "swiss"
print(first_non_repeated(string)) # Output: 'w'
```

```
In [ ]: 15. Question: Write a function to check if two strings are a rotation of each other
Answer:
def are_rotations(str1, str2):
    if len(str1) != len(str2):
        return False
    return str1 in str2 + str2
s1 = "abcde"
s2 = "cdeab"
print(are_rotations(s1, s2)) # Output: True
```

```
In [ ]: 16. Question: Write a function to determine if a string has all unique characters
        (i.e., no character is repeated).
Answer:
def has_unique_chars(s):
    return len(s) == len(set(s))
```

```
string = "abcdef"
print(has_unique_chars(string)) # Output: True
```

In []: 17. Question: Write a function that returns the longest consecutive subsequence in a list of numbers.

Answer:

```
def longest_consecutive_subsequence(nums):
    if not nums:
        return []
    nums = sorted(set(nums))
    longest_streak = []
    current_streak = [nums[0]]
    for i in range(1, len(nums)):
        if nums[i] - nums[i - 1] == 1:
            current_streak.append(nums[i])
        else:
            if len(current_streak) > len(longest_streak):
                longest_streak = current_streak
            current_streak = [nums[i]]
    return longest_streak if len(longest_streak) > len(current_streak)
    else current_streak
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10]
print(longest_consecutive_subsequence(numbers)) # Output: [5, 6, 7, 8]
```

In []: 18. Question: Write a function to compute the square root of a given non-negative integer n without using built-in square root functions or libraries. Return the floor value of the result.

Answer:

```
def sqrt(n):
    if n < 0:
        return None
    if n == 1:
        return 1
    start, end = 0, n
    while start <= end:
        mid = (start + end) // 2
        if mid * mid == n:
            return mid
        elif mid * mid < n:
            start = mid + 1
            ans = mid
        else:
            end = mid - 1
    return ans
number = 17
print(sqrt(number)) # Output: 4
```

In []: 19. Question: Given a list of integers, write a function to move all zeros to the end of the list while maintaining the order of the other elements.

Answer:

```
def move_zeros(nums):
    count = nums.count(0)
    nums = [num for num in nums if num != 0]
    nums.extend([0] * count)
    return nums
```

```
numbers = [1, 2, 0, 4, 0, 5, 6, 0]
print(move_zeros(numbers)) # Output: [1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 0, 0, 0]
```

In []: 20. Question: Write a function that returns the sum of two numbers represented as strings. Your function should not use built-in arithmetic operators or functions. Answer:

```
def add_strings(num1, num2):
    res, carry, i, j = "", 0, len(num1) - 1, len(num2) - 1
    while i >= 0 or j >= 0 or carry:
        n1 = int(num1[i]) if i >= 0 else 0
        n2 = int(num2[j]) if j >= 0 else 0
        temp_sum = n1 + n2 + carry
        res = str(temp_sum % 10) + res
        carry = temp_sum // 10
        i, j = i - 1, j - 1
    return res
n1 = "123"
n2 = "789"
print(add_strings(n1, n2)) # Output: "912"
```

In []: 21. Question: Write a function that checks if a given binary tree is a valid binary search tree.

Answer:

```
class TreeNode:
    def __init__(self, value=0, left=None, right=None):
        self.value = value
        self.left = left
        self.right = right
    def is_valid_bst(root, left=None, right=None):
        if not root:
            return True
        if left and root.value <= left.value:
            return False
        if right and root.value >= right.value:
            return False
        return is_valid_bst(root.left, left, root) and is_valid_bst(root.right, root, right)
# Example usage:
root = TreeNode(2, TreeNode(1), TreeNode(3))
print(is_valid_bst(root)) # Output: True
```

In []: 22. Question: Write a function to find the longest common prefix of a list of strings. Answer:

```
def longest_common_prefix(strings):
    if not strings:
        return ""
    prefix = strings[0]
    for s in strings[1:]:
        while not s.startswith(prefix):
            prefix = prefix[:-1]
    return prefix
strings = ["flower", "flow", "flight"]
print(longest_common_prefix(strings)) # Output: "fl"
```

In []: 23. Question: Write a function that returns the intersection of two sorted arrays. Assume each array does not have duplicates.

Answer:

```
def intersection_of_sorted_arrays(nums1, nums2):
    i, j = 0, 0
    intersection = []
    while i < len(nums1) and j < len(nums2):
        if nums1[i] == nums2[j]:
            intersection.append(nums1[i])
            i += 1
            j += 1
        elif nums1[i] < nums2[j]:
            i += 1
        else:
            j += 1
    return intersection
arr1 = [1, 2, 4, 5, 6]
arr2 = [2, 3, 5, 7]
print(intersection_of_sorted_arrays(arr1, arr2)) # Output: [2, 5]
```

In []: 24. Question: Write a function to determine if two strings are one edit (or zero edits) away.

Answer:

```
def is_one_edit_away(s1, s2):
    if abs(len(s1) - len(s2)) > 1:
        return False
    if len(s1) > len(s2):
        s1, s2 = s2, s1
    i, j, found_difference = 0, 0, False
    while i < len(s1) and j < len(s2):
        if s1[i] != s2[j]:
            if found_difference:
                return False
            found_difference = True
        if len(s1) == len(s2):
            i += 1
        else:
            i += 1
            j += 1
    return True
print(is_one_edit_away("pale", "ple")) # Output: True
print(is_one_edit_away("pales", "pale")) # Output: True
print(is_one_edit_away("pale", "bale")) # Output: True
print(is_one_edit_away("pale", "bake")) # Output: False
```

In []: 25. Question: Write a function that returns the shortest path in a maze from a start point to an end point, given that you can only move up, down, left, or right. The maze is represented as a 2D list where 0 represents an open path and 1 represents a wall.

Answer:

```
def shortest_path(maze, start, end):
    if not maze or not maze[0]:
        return None
    from collections import deque
    queue = deque([(start, 0)])
    visited = set([start])
    while queue:
        (x, y), steps = queue.popleft()
```

```

if (x, y) == end:
    return steps
for dx, dy in [(-1, 0), (1, 0), (0, -1), (0, 1)]:
    nx, ny = x + dx, y + dy
    if 0 <= nx < len(maze) and 0 <= ny < len(maze[0]) and maze[nx][ny] == 0 and (nx, ny)
    not visited:
        visited.add((nx, ny))
        queue.append((nx, ny), steps + 1))
    return -1
maze = [
    [0, 1, 0, 0, 0],
    [0, 1, 0, 1, 0],
    [0, 0, 0, 1, 0],
    [0, 1, 1, 1, 1],
    [0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
]
start = (0, 0)
end = (4, 4)
print(shortest_path(maze, start, end)) # Output: 12 (or -1 if there's no path)
Remember to adapt and explain your code as necessary during an interview,
ensuring you understand every line and are prepared to discuss alternative
solutions or optimizations.

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In []: 26. Question: Write a function that returns the nth number in the Fibonacci sequence using recursion.

Answer:

```

def fibonacci_recursive(n):
    if n <= 1:
        return n
    else:
        return fibonacci_recursive(n-1) + fibonacci_recursive(n-2)
print(fibonacci_recursive(7)) # Output: 13

```

In []: 27. Question: Write a function to flatten a nested list of integers. Assume each element is either an integer or a list.

Answer:

```

def flatten(nested_list):
    flat_list = []
    for item in nested_list:
        if isinstance(item, list):
            flat_list.extend(flatten(item))
        else:
            flat_list.append(item)
    return flat_list
nested = [1, [2, 3, [4, 5], 6], 7, [8, 9]]
print(flatten(nested)) # Output: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]

```

In []: 28. Question: Write a function to check if a given string is a palindrome.

Answer:

```

def is_palindrome(s):
    return s == s[::-1]
string = "radar"
print(is_palindrome(string)) # Output: True

```

In []: 29. Question: Given a string containing just the characters '(', ')', '{', '}', '[' and ']', determine if the input string is valid. An input string is valid if:

Open brackets are closed by the same type of brackets.
Open brackets are closed **in** the correct order.

Answer:

```
def is_valid_brackets(s):
    stack = []
    mapping = {"(": ")", "{": "}", "[": "]"}
    for char in s:
        if char in mapping:
            top_element = stack.pop() if stack else '#'
            if mapping[char] != top_element:
                return False
        else:
            stack.append(char)
    return not stack
brackets = "{[]}"
print(is_valid_brackets(brackets)) # Output: True
```

In []: 30. Question: Write a function to find the two numbers **in** a list that sum up to a specific target.

Answer:

```
def two_sum(nums, target):
    num_dict = {}
    for i, num in enumerate(nums):
        complement = target - num
        if complement in num_dict:
            return [num_dict[complement], i]
        num_dict[num] = i
    return None
numbers = [2, 7, 11, 15]
target_value = 9
print(two_sum(numbers, target_value)) # Output: [0, 1]
```

In []: 31. Question: Write a function that reverses a string, but maintains the position of all non-alphabetic characters.

Answer:

```
def reverse_alphabet_only(s):
    s = list(s)
    i, j = 0, len(s) - 1
    while i < j:
        if not s[i].isalpha():
            i += 1
        elif not s[j].isalpha():
            j -= 1
        else:
            s[i], s[j] = s[j], s[i]
            i += 1
            j -= 1
    return ''.join(s)
string = "ab@cd#ef$gh"
print(reverse_alphabet_only(string)) # Output: "hg@fe#dc$ba"
```

In []: 32. Question: Write a function to find the first non-repeated character **in** a string

Answer:

```
def first_unique_char(s):
    char_count = {}
```

```

for char in s:
    char_count[char] = char_count.get(char, 0) + 1
for char in s:
    if char_count[char] == 1:
        return char
return None
string = "swiss"
print(first_unique_char(string)) # Output: "w"

```

In []: 33. Question: Write a function to find all the prime numbers less than a given number n.

Answer:

```

def find_primes(n):
    if n <= 2:
        return []
    primes = [True] * n
    primes[0], primes[1] = False, False
    for i in range(2, int(n ** 0.5) + 1):
        if primes[i]:
            for j in range(i * i, n, i):
                primes[j] = False
    return [i for i, val in enumerate(primes) if val]
number = 30
print(find_primes(number)) # Output: [2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29]

```

In []: 34. Question: Given two strings s and t, write a function to check if t is an anagram of s.

Answer:

```

def is_anagram(s, t):
    return sorted(s) == sorted(t)
s1 = "listen"
t1 = "silent"
print(is_anagram(s1, t1)) # Output: True

```

In []: 35. Question: Write a function to compute the factorial of a number using iteration

Answer:

```

def factorial_iterative(n):
    result = 1
    for i in range(2, n+1):
        result *= i
    return result
number = 5
print(factorial_iterative(number)) # Output: 120

```

In []: 36. Question: Write a function that checks if a given word is an isogram (a word with no repeating letters).

Answer:

```

def is_isogram(word):
    word = word.lower()
    return len(word) == len(set(word))
word = "background"
print(is_isogram(word)) # Output: True

```

In []: 37. Question: Write a function to rotate an array to the right by k steps, where k is non-negative.

```

Answer:
def rotate(nums, k):
    k = k % len(nums) # in case k is larger than the length of nums
    nums[:] = nums[-k:] + nums[:-k]
    return nums
array = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7]
steps = 3
print(rotate(array, steps)) # Output: [5,6,7,1,2,3,4]

```

In []: 38. Question: Write a function to convert a given integer to its Roman numeral representation.

```

Answer:
def int_to_roman(num):
    val = [
        1000, 900, 500, 400,
        100, 90, 50, 40,
        10, 9, 5, 4, 1
    ]
    syms = [
        "M", "CM", "D", "CD",
        "C", "XC", "L", "XL",
        "X", "IX", "V", "IV",
        "I"
    ]
    roman_num = ''
    i = 0
    while num > 0:
        for _ in range(num // val[i]):
            roman_num += syms[i]
            num -= val[i]
        i += 1
    return roman_num
number = 3549
print(int_to_roman(number)) # Output: "MMMDXLIX"

```

In []: 39. Question: Write a function that finds the longest common subsequence (LCS) of two strings.

```

Answer:
def lcs(X, Y):
    m = len(X)
    n = len(Y)
    dp = [[None] * (n + 1) for i in range(m + 1)]
    for i in range(m + 1):
        for j in range(n + 1):
            if i == 0 or j == 0:
                dp[i][j] = 0
            elif X[i-1] == Y[j-1]:
                dp[i][j] = dp[i-1][j-1] + 1
            else:
                dp[i][j] = max(dp[i-1][j], dp[i][j-1])
    return dp[m][n]
str1 = "ABCBDAB"
str2 = "BDCAB"
print(lcs(str1, str2)) # Output: 4 (because "BCAB" is a common subsequence)

```



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In [ ]: 40. Question: Write a function to find the square root of a number using the
         Newton-Raphson method.
         Answer:
         def sqrt_newton(n, tolerance=1e-10, guess=1.0):
         while True:
         better_guess = (guess + n / guess) / 2
         if abs(better_guess - guess) < tolerance: # Close enough
         return better_guess
         guess = better_guess
         number = 25
         print(sqrt_newton(number)) # Output: 5.0 (or very close to it)
```

```
In [ ]: 41. Question: Write a function that detects a cycle in a linked list.
         Answer:
         class ListNode:
         def __init__(self, value=0, next=None):
         self.value = value
         self.next = next
         def has_cycle(head):
         slow, fast = head, head
         while fast and fast.next:
         slow = slow.next
         fast = fast.next.next
         if slow == fast:
         return True
         return False
         # Example Usage:
         # node1 = ListNode(1)
         # node2 = ListNode(2)
         # node3 = ListNode(3)
         # node1.next = node2
         # node2.next = node3
         # node3.next = node1 # Creates a cycle
         # print(has_cycle(node1)) # Output: True
```

```
In [ ]: 42. Question: Write a function that finds the intersection point of two linked list
         Answer:
         def get_intersection_node(headA, headB):
         if not headA or not headB:
         return None
         ptrA, ptrB = headA, headB
         while ptrA != ptrB:
         ptrA = ptrA.next if ptrA else headB
         ptrB = ptrB.next if ptrB else headA
         return ptrA
         # Assuming ListNode class definition from the previous question
         # Example Usage:
         # A: 1 -> 2 -> 3 -> 4
         #   â†“
         # 5 -> 6 -> 7
         #   â†“
         # B: 8 -> 9
         # print(get_intersection_node(A, B).value) # Output: 5
```

```
In [ ]: 43. Question: Write a function that computes the power of a number without
         using the built-in power function or the ** operator.
         Answer:
         def power(base, exp):
         if exp == 0:
         return 1
         if exp < 0:
         base = 1 / base
         exp = -exp
         result = 1
         current_product = base
         while exp > 0:
         if exp % 2 == 1:
         result = result * current_product
         current_product = current_product * current_product
         exp //= 2
         return result
         print(power(2, 3)) # Output: 8
         print(power(3, -2)) # Output: 0.1111 (or close to it)
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In [ ]: 44. Question: Write a function to validate if a given string contains only
         balanced parentheses. (Only '(' and ')' are considered).
         Answer:
         def is_balanced(s):
         stack = []
         for char in s:
         if char == '(':
         stack.append(char)
         elif char == ')':
         if not stack:
         return False
         stack.pop()
         return len(stack) == 0
         print(is_balanced("()")) # Output: True
         print(is_balanced("()()")) # Output: True
         print(is_balanced("(())")) # Output: False
         print(is_balanced(")(")) # Output: False
```

```
In [ ]: 45. Question: Write a function that returns the longest
         substring without repeating characters.
         Answer:
         def length_of_longest_substring(s):
         n = len(s)
         ans = 0
         char_index = {} # Current index of character
         i = 0 # The sliding window left pointer
         for j in range(n):
         if s[j] in char_index:
         i = max(char_index[s[j]], i)
         ans = max(ans, j - i + 1)
         char_index[s[j]] = j + 1
         return ans
         print(length_of_longest_substring("abcabcbb"))
         # Output: 3 (because "abc" is the longest substring without repeating characters)
```

```
In [ ]: 46. Question: Given a string s and a string t,
find all the start indices of t's anagrams in s. Strings consist of lowercase
English letters only and the length of both strings s and
t will not be larger than 20,000.
Answer:
from collections import Counter
def find_anagrams(s, t):
    t_counter = Counter(t)
    s_counter = Counter(s[:len(t)-1])
    res = []
    for i in range(len(t)-1, len(s)):
        s_counter[s[i]] += 1 # include a new char in the window
        if s_counter == t_counter: # This step is O(1), as there are at most 26 English Let
            res.append(i-len(t)+1) # append the starting index
        s_counter[s[i-len(t)+1]] -= 1 # decrease the count of oldest char in the window
        if s_counter[s[i-len(t)+1]] == 0:
            del s_counter[s[i-len(t)+1]] # remove the count if it is 0
    return res
s = "cbaebabacd"
t = "abc"
print(find_anagrams(s, t)) # Output: [0, 6]
```

```
In [ ]: 47. Question: Given an unsorted integer array, find the smallest missing
positive integer.
Answer:
def first_missing_positive(nums):
    n = len(nums)
    # First, mark all negative values as 'n + 1'
    for i in range(n):
        if nums[i] <= 0:
            nums[i] = n + 1
    # Place each number in its correct position
    for num in nums:
        if 1 <= num <= n:
            nums[num-1], num = num, nums[num-1]
    # The first place where its number is not correct
    for i, num in enumerate(nums, 1):
        if num != i:
            return i
    return n + 1
nums = [3, 4, -1, 1]
print(first_missing_positive(nums)) # Output: 2
```

```
In [ ]: 48. Question: Given a set of non-overlapping intervals, insert a new interval
into the intervals (merge if necessary). You may assume that the intervals were
initially sorted according to their start times.
def insert_interval(intervals, new_interval):
    merged = []
    i, n = 0, len(intervals)
    # Add all the intervals starting before new_interval
    while i < n and intervals[i][1] < new_interval[0]:
        merged.append(intervals[i])
        i += 1
    # Merge all overlapping intervals to one considering new_interval
    while i < n and intervals[i][0] <= new_interval[1]:
        merged.append(intervals[i])
        i += 1
    merged.append(new_interval)
```

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new_interval[0] = min(new_interval[0], intervals[i][0])
new_interval[1] = max(new_interval[1], intervals[i][1])
i += 1
# Add the union of intervals we got
merged.append(new_interval)
# Add all the rest
while i < n:
merged.append(intervals[i])
i += 1
return merged
intervals = [[1, 3], [6, 9]]
new_interval = [2, 5]
print(insert_interval(intervals, new_interval)) # Output: [[1, 5], [6, 9]]

```

In []: 49. Question: Implement a basic calculator to evaluate a simple expression string containing non-negative integers, '+', '-', '*', and '/' operators. You can assume the given expression is always valid.

Answer:

```

def calculate(s):
if not s:
return 0
stack, num, sign = [], 0, "+"
for i in range(len(s)):
if s[i].isdigit():
num = num * 10 + int(s[i])
if s[i] in "+-*/" or i == len(s) - 1:
if sign == "+":
stack.append(num)
elif sign == "-":
stack.append(-num)
elif sign == "*":
stack.append(stack.pop() * num)
else: # division
top = stack.pop()
if top < 0:
stack.append(-(-top // num))
else:
stack.append(top // num)
num = 0
sign = s[i]
return sum(stack)
expression = "3+2*2"
print(calculate(expression)) # Output: 7

```

In []: 50. Question: Design a data structure that supports the following two operations:
void addWord(word)
bool search(word)
The search function should be able to search a literal word or a regular expression string containing only letters a-z or .. The . period should be able to represent any one letter.

```

class WordDictionary:
def __init__(self):
self.trie = {}
def addWord(self, word):
node = self.trie

```

```

for w in word:
    if w not in node:
        node[w] = {}
        node = node[w]
        node['$'] = True
    def search(self, word):
    def search_in_node(word, node):
        for i, ch in enumerate(word):
            if not ch in node:
                # If the current character is '.', check all possible nodes at this level
                if ch == '.':
                    for x in node:
                        if x != '$' and search_in_node(word[i + 1:], node[x]):
                            return True
                # if no nodes lead to answer, or the current character != '.'
                return False
            # if the character is found, go down to the next level in trie
            node = node[ch]
        return '$' in node
    return search_in_node(word, self.trie)
# Example Usage:
# dictionary = WordDictionary()
# dictionary.addWord("bad")
# dictionary.addWord("dad")
# dictionary.addWord("mad")
# print(dictionary.search("pad")) # Output: False
# print(dictionary.search("bad")) # Output: True
# print(dictionary.search(".ad")) # Output: True
# print(dictionary.search("b..")) # Output: True

```

In []: 51. Question: Given a list of words, group the anagrams together.

Answer:

```

from collections import defaultdict
def group_anagrams(words):
    anagrams = defaultdict(list)
    for word in words:
        # Use sorted word as a key. All anagrams will result in the same key.
        sorted_word = ''.join(sorted(word))
        anagrams[sorted_word].append(word)
    return list(anagrams.values())
words = ["eat", "tea", "tan", "ant", "bat"]
print(group_anagrams(words)) # Output: [['eat', 'tea'], ['tan', 'ant'], ['bat']]
Time Complexity:
Sorting each word takes O(KlogK) where K is the maximum length of a word.
Doing this for all words takes O(NKlogK) where N is the number of words.

```

In []: 52. Question: Given an array nums and a target value, find the two numbers in the array that sum up to the target value.

Answer:

```

def two_sum(nums, target):
    num_to_index = {}
    for i, num in enumerate(nums):
        if target - num in num_to_index:
            return [num_to_index[target - num], i]
        num_to_index[num] = i

```

```

nums = [2, 7, 11, 15]
target = 9
print(two_sum(nums, target)) # Output: [0, 1]
Time Complexity:
O(N) where N is the number of elements in the array.

```

In []: 53. Question: Find the longest palindromic substring in a string.

Answer:

```

def longest_palindrome(s):
    if not s:
        return ""
    longest = ""
    for i in range(len(s)):
        # Odd length palindromes
        p1 = expand_from_center(s, i, i)
        if len(p1) > len(longest):
            longest = p1
        # Even length palindromes
        p2 = expand_from_center(s, i, i + 1)
        if len(p2) > len(longest):
            longest = p2
    return longest
def expand_from_center(s, l, r):
    while l >= 0 and r < len(s) and s[l] == s[r]:
        l -= 1
        r += 1
    return s[l + 1:r]
s = "babad"
print(longest_palindrome(s)) # Output: "bab" or "aba"
Time Complexity:
O(N^2) where N is the length of the string.

```

In []: 54. Question: Implement a function to serialize and deserialize a binary tree.

Answer:

```

class TreeNode:
    def __init__(self, val=0, left=None, right=None):
        self.val = val
        self.left = left
        self.right = right
def serialize(root):
    def helper(node):
        if not node:
            return ["null"]
        return [str(node.val)] + helper(node.left) + helper(node.right)
    return ','.join(helper(root))
def deserialize(data):
    def helper(nodes):
        val = nodes.pop(0)
        if val == "null":
            return None
        node = TreeNode(int(val))
        node.left = helper(nodes)
        node.right = helper(nodes)
        return node
    nodes = data.split(',')

```

```

return helper(nodes)
# Usage:
# node = TreeNode(1, TreeNode(2), TreeNode(3, TreeNode(4), TreeNode(5)))
# s = serialize(node)
# print(s) # Output: "1,2,null,null,3,4,null,null,5,null,null"
# new_node = deserialize(s)

```

In []: 55. Question: Determine **if** a given binary tree **is** a valid binary search tree.

```

def is_valid_bst(root):
def helper(node, lower=float('-inf'), upper=float('inf')):
if not node:
return True
val = node.val
if val <= lower or val >= upper:
return False
if not helper(node.right, val, upper):
return False
if not helper(node.left, lower, val):
return False
return True
return helper(root)
# Assuming TreeNode class definition from the previous question
# Example Usage:
# node = TreeNode(2, TreeNode(1), TreeNode(3))
# print(is_valid_bst(node)) # Output: True

```

In []: 56. Question: Given an array of integers, find out whether there are two distinct indices **i** **and** **j** **in** the array such that the absolute difference between **nums[i]** **and** **nums[j]** **is** at most **t** **and** the absolute difference between **i** **and** **j** **is** at most **k**.
Answer:

```

from sortedcontainers import SortedList
def contains_nearby_almost_duplicate(nums, k, t):
if t < 0: return False
slist, n = SortedList(), len(nums)
for i in range(n):
if i > k: slist.remove(nums[i - k - 1])
pos1 = slist.bisect_left(nums[i] - t)
pos2 = slist.bisect_right(nums[i] + t)
if pos1 != pos2:
return True
slist.add(nums[i])
return False
nums = [1, 2, 3, 1]
k = 3
t = 0
print(contains_nearby_almost_duplicate(nums, k, t)) # Output: True

```

In []: 57. Question: Find the kth largest element in an unsorted array.

Answer:

```
import heapq
def find_kth_largest(nums, k):
    return heapq.nlargest(k, nums)[-1]
nums = [3, 2, 1, 5, 6, 4]
k = 2
print(find_kth_largest(nums, k)) # Output: 5
```

In []: 58. Question: Given a non-empty string s and a dictionary wordDict containing a list of non-empty words, determine if s can be segmented into a space-separated sequence of one or more dictionary words.

Answer:

```
def word_break(s, wordDict):
    wordSet, n = set(wordDict), len(s)
    dp = [False] * (n + 1)
    dp[0] = True
    for i in range(1, n + 1):
        for j in range(i):
            if dp[j] and s[j:i] in wordSet:
                dp[i] = True
                break
    return dp[-1]
s = "leetcode"
wordDict = ["leet", "code"]
print(word_break(s, wordDict)) # Output: True
```

In []: 59. Question: Given a sorted array and a target value, return the index if the target is found. If not, return the index where it would be if it were inserted in order.

Answer:

```
def search_insert(nums, target):
    left, right = 0, len(nums) - 1
    while left <= right:
        mid = (left + right) // 2
        if nums[mid] == target:
            return mid
        elif nums[mid] < target:
            left = mid + 1
        else:
            right = mid - 1
    return left
nums = [1, 3, 5, 6]
target = 5
print(search_insert(nums, target)) # Output: 2
```

In []: 60. Question: Rotate an array to the right by k steps.

Answer:

```
def rotate(nums, k):
    n = len(nums)
    k %= n
    nums[:] = nums[-k:] + nums[:-k]
nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]
```



```
k = 3
rotate(nums, k)
print(nums) # Output: [5, 6, 7, 1, 2, 3, 4]
```

In []: 61. Question: Given an array of integers, every element appears twice **except for** one. Find that single one.

Answer:

```
def singleNumber(nums):
    result = 0
    for num in nums:
        result ^= num
    return result
nums = [4, 1, 2, 1, 2]
print(singleNumber(nums)) # Output: 4
```

In []: 62. Question: Write a function to determine the number of bits you would need to flip to convert integer A to integer B.

Answer:

```
def bitSwapRequired(A, B):
    count = 0
    c = A ^ B # c will have 1s wherever A and B are different
    while c:
        count += c & 1
        c >>= 1
    return count
A = 29 # 11101
B = 15 # 01111
print(bitSwapRequired(A, B)) # Output: 2
```

In []: 63. Question: Given two strings, write a method to decide **if** one **is** a permutation of the other.

Answer:

```
from collections import Counter
def is_permutation(str1, str2):
    return Counter(str1) == Counter(str2)
str1 = "listen"
str2 = "silent"
print(is_permutation(str1, str2)) # Output: True
```

In []: 64. Question: You are given an n x n 2D matrix representing an image. Rotate the image by 90 degrees (clockwise).

Answer:

```
def rotate(matrix):
    n = len(matrix)
    # Transpose the matrix
    for i in range(n):
        for j in range(i, n):
            matrix[i][j], matrix[j][i] = matrix[j][i], matrix[i][j]
    # Reverse the columns
    for row in matrix:
        row.reverse()
    matrix = [
        [1, 2, 3],
        [4, 5, 6],
        [7, 8, 9]]
```

```
]
rotate(matrix)
print(matrix) # Output: [[7, 4, 1], [8, 5, 2], [9, 6, 3]]
```

In []: 65. Question: Given a string containing just the characters '(', ')', '{', '}', '[' and ']', determine if the input string is valid. An input string is valid if the brackets are closed in the correct order.

Answer:

```
def isValid(s):
    stack = []
    mapping = {"(": ")", "{": "}", "[": "]"
    for char in s:
        if char in mapping:
            top_element = stack.pop() if stack else '#'
            if mapping[char] != top_element:
                return False
        else:
            stack.append(char)
    return not stack
s = "{[]}"
print(isValid(s)) # Output: True
```

In []: 66. Question: Write a function to detect a cycle in a linked list.

Answer:

```
class ListNode:
    def __init__(self, x):
        self.val = x
        self.next = None
    def hasCycle(head):
        slow, fast = head, head
        while fast and fast.next:
            slow = slow.next
            fast = fast.next.next
        if slow == fast:
            return True
        return False
```

In []: 67. Question: Given a sorted linked list, delete all duplicates such that each element appears only once.

Answer:

In []:

```
class ListNode:
    def __init__(self, x):
        self.val = x
        self.next = None
    def deleteDuplicates(head):
        current = head
        while current and current.next:
            if current.next.val == current.val:
                current.next = current.next.next
            else:
                current = current.next
        return head
```

```
In [ ]: 68. Question: Implement a basic calculator to evaluate a simple expression
string containing non-negative integers, '+', '-', '*', and '/' operators.
Assume the expression is always
valid.
Answer:
def calculate(s):
    stack, num, sign = [], 0, '+'
    for i, c in enumerate(s):
        if c.isdigit():
            num = num * 10 + int(c)
        if c in "+-*/" or i == len(s) - 1:
            if sign == '+':
                stack.append(num)
            elif sign == '-':
                stack.append(-num)
            elif sign == '*':
                stack[-1] *= num
            elif sign == '/':
                stack[-1] = int(stack[-1] / num)
            num, sign = 0, c
    return sum(stack)
s = "3+2*2"
print(calculate(s)) # Output: 7
```

```
In [ ]: 69. Question: Design and implement a TwoSum class. It should support the following
operations: add and find.
add: Add the number to an internal data structure.
find: Find if there exists any pair of numbers which sum is equal to the value.
Answer:
class TwoSum:
    def __init__(self):
        self.data = {}
    def add(self, number):
        if number in self.data:
            self.data[number] += 1
        else:
            self.data[number] = 1
    def find(self, value):
        for num in self.data:
            complement = value - num
            if complement in self.data:
                if complement != num or self.data[num] > 1:
                    return True
        return False
```

```
In [ ]: 70. Question: Write a function to flatten a nested dictionary.
Namespace the keys with a period.
Answer:
def flatten_dictionary(d, parent_key='', sep='.'):
    items = {}
    for k, v in d.items():
        new_key = f"{parent_key}{sep}{k}" if parent_key else k
        if isinstance(v, dict):
            items.update(flatten_dictionary(v, new_key, sep=sep))
        else:
```

```

items[new_key] = v
return items
nested_dict = {
    "a": 1,
    "b": {
    "c": 2,
    "d": {
    "e": 3
    }
    }
}
print(flatten_dictionary(nested_dict)) # Output: {'a': 1, 'b.c': 2, 'b.d.e': 3}

```

In []: 71. Question: Find the longest substring without repeating characters.

Answer:

```

def length_of_longest_substring(s):
    n = len(s)
    set_ = set()
    ans = 0
    i, j = 0, 0
    while i < n and j < n:
        if s[j] not in set_:
            set_.add(s[j])
            j += 1
            ans = max(ans, j - i)
        else:
            set_.remove(s[i])
            i += 1
    return ans
s = "abcabcbb"
print(length_of_longest_substring(s)) # Output: 3

```

In []: 72. Question: Serialize and deserialize a binary tree.

Answer:

```

class TreeNode:
    def __init__(self, x):
        self.val = x
        self.left = None
        self.right = None
class Codec:
    def serialize(self, root):
        if not root:
            return 'None'
        return str(root.val) + ',' + self.serialize(root.left) + ',' + self.serialize(root.right)
    def deserialize(self, data):
        def helper(data_list):
            if data_list[0] == 'None':
                data_list.pop(0)
                return None
            root = TreeNode(data_list[0])
            data_list.pop(0)
            root.left = helper(data_list)
            root.right = helper(data_list)
            return root

```

```
data_list = data.split(',')
return helper(data_list)
```

In []: 73. Question: Write a function to match string `s` against pattern `p`, where `p` can have characters `and` also `.` which matches any character, `and` `*` which matches zero or more of the preceding element.

```
def is_match(s, p):
    if not p:
        return not s
    first_match = bool(s) and p[0] in {s[0], '.'}
    if len(p) >= 2 and p[1] == '*':
        return (is_match(s, p[2:]) or
                first_match and is_match(s[1:], p))
    else:
        return first_match and is_match(s[1:], p[1:])
s = "mississippi"
p = "mis*is*p*."
print(is_match(s, p)) # Output: False
```

In []: 74. Question: Find the peak element in an array. A peak element is an element which is greater than or equal to its neighbors. Assume the array is sorted in ascending order, and then a peak is found, then it is sorted in descending order. Also, assume the array may have duplicates.

Answer:

```
def find_peak_element(nums):
    l, r = 0, len(nums) - 1
    while l < r:
        mid = (l + r) // 2
        if nums[mid] < nums[mid + 1]:
            l = mid + 1
        else:
            r = mid
    return l
nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 5, 4, 3, 2]
print(find_peak_element(nums)) # Output: 6
```

In []: 75. Question: Implement the `strStr()` function. Return the index of the first occurrence of needle in haystack, or -1 if needle is not part of haystack.

Answer:

```
def strStr(haystack, needle):
    if not needle:
        return 0
    needle_length = len(needle)
    for i in range(len(haystack) - needle_length + 1):
        if haystack[i:i + needle_length] == needle:
            return i
    return -1
haystack = "hello"
needle = "ll"
print(strStr(haystack, needle)) # Output: 2
```

In []: 76. Question: Find the shortest path in a binary matrix from the top-left corner to the bottom-right corner. You can move up, down, left, right, and diagonally if the adjacent cells contain a 0. The path should avoid cells with a 1. Answer:

```

from collections import deque
def shortest_path_binary_matrix(grid):
    if not grid or not grid[0] or grid[0][0] or grid[-1][-1]:
        return -1
    n, m = len(grid), len(grid[0])
    directions = [(0, 1), (1, 0), (1, 1), (-1, -1), (0, -1), (-1, 0), (1, -1), (-1, 1)]
    queue = deque([(0, 0, 1)])
    while queue:
        x, y, dist = queue.popleft()
        if x == n - 1 and y == m - 1:
            return dist
        for dx, dy in directions:
            nx, ny = x + dx, y + dy
            if 0 <= nx < n and 0 <= ny < m and not grid[nx][ny]:
                grid[nx][ny] = 1
                queue.append((nx, ny, dist + 1))
    return -1
grid = [[0,0,0],[1,1,0],[1,1,0]]
print(shortest_path_binary_matrix(grid)) # Output: 4

```

In []: 77. Question: Design a data structure that supports the following two operations: void addWord(word) and bool search(word). The search method can search a literal word or a regular expression string containing only letters a-z or .. A . means it can represent any one-letter.

```

class TrieNode:
def __init__(self):
    self.children = {}
    self.is_end = False
class WordDictionary:
def __init__(self):
    self.root = TrieNode()
def addWord(self, word):
    node = self.root
    for ch in word:
        if ch not in node.children:
            node.children[ch] = TrieNode()
        node = node.children[ch]
    node.is_end = True
def search(self, word):
    return self.match(word, 0, self.root)
def match(self, word, index, node):
    if index == len(word):
        return node.is_end
    if word[index] != '.':
        return word[index] in node.children and self.match(word, index + 1,
                                                                node.children[word[index]])
    for child in node.children.values():
        if self.match(word, index + 1, child):
            return True
    return False
wd = WordDictionary()
wd.addWord("bad")
wd.addWord("dad")
wd.addWord("mad")
print(wd.search("pad")) # Output: False

```

```
print(wd.search("bad")) # Output: True
print(wd.search(".ad")) # Output: True
```

In []: 78. Question: Find the kth largest element in an unsorted array.

Answer:

```
def findKthLargest(nums, k):
    import heapq
    return heapq.nlargest(k, nums)[-1]
nums = [3,2,3,1,2,4,5,5,6]
k = 4
print(findKthLargest(nums, k)) # Output: 4
```

In []: 79. Question: Given a list of integers, return the number of good pairs.

A pair (i, j) is called good if `nums[i] == nums[j]` and `i < j`.

Answer:

```
def numIdenticalPairs(nums):
    from collections import Counter
    count = Counter(nums)
    return sum(v*(v-1)//2 for v in count.values())
nums = [1,2,3,1,1,3]
print(numIdenticalPairs(nums)) # Output: 4
```

In []: 80. Question: Find if a given string can be formed by a sequence of one or more palindrome strings.

Answer:

```
def can_form_palindrome(s):
    from collections import Counter
    count = Counter(s)
    return sum(v % 2 for v in count.values()) <= 1
s = "aabb"
print(can_form_palindrome(s)) # Output: True
```

In []: 5. Linked List Cycle Detection

Question: Detect if there is a cycle in a linked list.

Answer:

```
class ListNode:
    def __init__(self, value=0, next=None):
        self.value = value
        self.next = next
    def has_cycle(node):
        slow, fast = node, node
        while fast and fast.next:
            slow = slow.next
            fast = fast.next.next
        if slow == fast:
            return True
        return False
```

In []: 6. Merge Two Sorted Lists

Question: Merge two sorted linked lists.

Answer:

```
def merge_sorted_lists(l1, l2):
    dummy = ListNode(0)
    current = dummy
    while l1 and l2:
```

```

if l1.value < l2.value:
    current.next, l1 = l1, l1.next
else:
    current.next, l2 = l2, l2.next
    current = current.next
    current.next = l1 or l2
return dummy.next

```

In []: 7. Find the Middle of Linked List
 Question: Find the middle element of a linked list.
 Answer:

```

def find_middle(node):
    slow, fast = node, node
    while fast and fast.next:
        slow = slow.next
        fast = fast.next.next
    return slow

```

In []: 8. Maximum Subarray Sum
 Question: Find the maximum subarray sum using Kadane's algorithm.
 Answer:

```

def max_subarray(nums):
    max_current = max_global = nums[0]
    for i in range(1, len(nums)):
        max_current = max(nums[i], max_current + nums[i])
        max_global = max(max_global, max_current)
    return max_global

```

In []: 9. Check if a Tree is Balanced
 Question: Check if a binary tree is balanced.
 Answer:

```

class TreeNode:
    def __init__(self, value=0, left=None, right=None):
        self.value = value
        self.left = left
        self.right = right
    def is_balanced(root):
    def check_balance(node):
        if not node:
            return 0, True
        left_height, left_balanced = check_balance(node.left)
        right_height, right_balanced = check_balance(node.right)
        return max(left_height, right_height) + 1, left_balanced and right_balanced
            and abs(left_height - right_height) <= 1
    return check_balance(root)[1]

```

In []: 10. Breadth-first Search (BFS) in Graph
 Question: Implement BFS for a graph.
 Answer:

```

from collections import deque
def bfs(graph, start):
    visited = set()
    queue = deque([start])
    while queue:
        vertex = queue.popleft()

```



```

if vertex not in visited:
    visited.add(vertex)
    queue.extend(graph[vertex] - visited)
return visited

```

In []: 11. Depth-first Search (DFS) in Graph
 Question: Implement DFS for a graph.

```

def dfs(graph, start, visited=None):
    if visited is None:
        visited = set()
        visited.add(start)
    for vertex in graph[start] - visited:
        dfs(graph, vertex, visited)
    return visited

```

In []: 12. Implement a Stack
 Question: Implement a stack using linked list.
 Answer:

```

class StackNode:
    def __init__(self, value=0, next=None):
        self.value = value
        self.next = next
class Stack:
    def __init__(self):
        self.top = None
    def push(self, value):
        self.top = StackNode(value, self.top)
    def pop(self):
        if not self.top:
            return None
        value = self.top.value
        self.top = self.top.next
        return value
    def peek(self):
        return None if not self.top else self.top.value
    def is_empty(self):
        return self.top is None

```

In []: 13. Implement a Queue
 Question: Implement a queue using two stacks.
 Answer:

```

class Queue:
    def __init__(self):
        self.stack1 = []
        self.stack2 = []
    def enqueue(self, value):
        self.stack1.append(value)
    def dequeue(self):
        if not self.stack2:
            while self.stack1:
                self.stack2.append(self.stack1.pop())
        return self.stack2.pop() if self.stack2 else None

```

In []: Implement a Priority Queue
 Question: Implement a priority queue using a heap.

```

Answer:
import heapq
class PriorityQueue:
def __init__(self):
self.queue = []
def enqueue(self, value, priority=0):
heapq.heappush(self.queue, (priority, value))
def dequeue(self):
return heapq.heappop(self.queue)[1] if self.queue else None

```

In []: 15. Implement Hashmap
Question: Implement a simple hashmap.

```

Answer:
class Hashmap:
def __init__(self):
self.size = 1000
self.map = [None] * self.size
def _hash(self, key):
return hash(key) % self.size
def put(self, key, value):
key_hash = self._hash(key)
self.map[key_hash] = value
def get(self, key):
key_hash = self._hash(key)
return self.map[key_hash]
def remove(self, key):
key_hash = self._hash(key)
self.map[key_hash] = None

```

In []: 16. Binary Search
Question: Implement binary search for a sorted list.

```

Answer:
def binary_search(arr, x):
l, r = 0, len(arr) - 1
while l <= r:
mid = (l + r) // 2
if arr[mid] == x:
return mid
elif arr[mid] < x:
l = mid + 1
else:
r = mid - 1
return -1

```

In []: 17. Implement Trie (Prefix Tree)
Question: Implement a basic trie for word insert, search and prefix search.

```

Answer:
class TrieNode:
def __init__(self):
self.children = {}
self.is_end_of_word = False
class Trie:
def __init__(self):
self.root = TrieNode()
def insert(self, word):

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```

node = self.root
for char in word:
    if char not in node.children:
        node.children[char] = TrieNode()
    node = node.children[char]
    node.is_end_of_word = True
def search(self, word):
    node = self.root
    for char in word:
        if char not in node.children:
            return False
        node = node.children[char]
    return node.is_end_of_word
def starts_with(self, prefix):
    node = self.root
    for char in prefix:
        if char not in node.children:
            return False
        node = node.children[char]
    return True

```

In []: 18. Find First and Last Position of Element in Sorted Array
 Question: Given a sorted array of integers and a target value, find the starting and ending position of the target value.
 Answer:

```

def search_range(nums, target):
    def find_left_boundary(nums, target):
        left, right = 0, len(nums) - 1
        while left <= right:
            mid = (left + right) // 2
            if nums[mid] < target:
                left = mid + 1
            else:
                right = mid - 1
        return left
    left, right = find_left_boundary(nums, target), find_left_boundary(nums, target + 1)
    if left <= right:
        return [left, right]
    return [-1, -1]

```

In []: 19. Topological Sort
 Question: Implement a topological sort for a directed graph.
 Answer:

```

from collections import defaultdict, deque
def topological_sort(vertices, edges):
    graph = defaultdict(list)
    in_degree = {v: 0 for v in vertices}
    for u, v in edges:
        graph[u].append(v)
        in_degree[v] += 1
    queue = deque([v for v, d in in_degree.items() if d == 0])
    order = []
    while queue:
        vertex = queue.popleft()
        order.append(vertex)
        for neighbor in graph[vertex]:

```

```

in_degree[neighbor] -= 1
if in_degree[neighbor] == 0:
    queue.append(neighbor)
return order if len(order) == len(vertices) else []

```

In []: 20. Check if a String Contains All Binary Codes of Size K
 Question: Given a binary string s and an integer k, check if all binary codes of length k is a substring of s.

Answer:

```

def has_all_codes(s, k):
    needed = 1 << k
    seen = set()
    for i in range(len(s) - k + 1):
        substring = s[i:i+k]
        if substring not in seen:
            seen.add(substring)
            needed -= 1
    if needed == 0:
        return True
    return False

```

In []: 21. Implement QuickSort
 Question: Implement the quicksort algorithm.

Answer:

```

def quicksort(arr):
    if len(arr) <= 1:
        return arr
    pivot = arr[len(arr) // 2]
    left = [x for x in arr if x < pivot]
    middle = [x for x in arr if x == pivot]
    right = [x for x in arr if x > pivot]
    return quicksort(left) + middle + quicksort(right)

```

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In [ ]: 22. Implement MergeSort
Question: Implement the mergesort algorithm.
def mergesort(arr):
    if len(arr) <= 1:
        return arr
    mid = len(arr) // 2
    left = arr[:mid]
    right = arr[mid:]
    return merge(mergesort(left), mergesort(right))
def merge(left, right):
    result = []
    i = j = 0
    while i < len(left) and j < len(right):
        if left[i] < right[j]:
            result.append(left[i])
            i += 1
        else:
            result.append(right[j])
            j += 1
    result.extend(left[i:])
    result.extend(right[j:])
    return result
```

```
In [ ]: 23. Maximum Depth of Binary Tree
Question: Find the maximum depth of a binary tree.
Answer:
def max_depth(root):
    if not root:
        return 0
    left_depth = max_depth(root.left)
    right_depth = max_depth(root.right)
    return max(left_depth, right_depth) + 1
```

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In [ ]: 24. Count the Number of Islands
Question: Given a 2D grid consisting of '1's (land) and '0's (water),
count the number of islands. An island is surrounded by water and is formed by
connecting adjacent lands horizontally or vertically.
Answer:
def num_islands(grid):
    if not grid:
        return 0
    count = 0
    for i in range(len(grid)):
        for j in range(len(grid[0])):
            if grid[i][j] == '1':
                dfs(grid, i, j)
                count += 1
    return count
def dfs(grid, i, j):
    if (i < 0 or i >= len(grid) or j < 0 or j >= len(grid[0]) or grid[i][j] != '1'):
        return
    grid[i][j] = '#'
    dfs(grid, i-1, j)
    dfs(grid, i+1, j)
```

```
dfs(grid, i, j-1)
dfs(grid, i, j+1)
```

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In [ ]: Coin Change
Question: You are given coins of different denominations and a total amount of money amount. Write a function to compute the fewest number of coins that you need to make up that amount. If that amount of money cannot be made up by any combination of the coins, return -1.
Answer:
def coin_change(coins, amount):
    dp = [float('inf')] * (amount + 1)
    dp[0] = 0
    for coin in coins:
        for x in range(coin, amount + 1):
            dp[x] = min(dp[x], dp[x - coin] + 1)
    return dp[amount] if dp[amount] != float('inf') else -1
```

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In [ ]: Longest Increasing Subsequence
Question: Given an unsorted array of integers, find the length of longest increasing subsequence.
Answer:
def length_of_lis(nums):
    if not nums:
        return 0
    dp = [1] * len(nums)
    for i in range(len(nums)):
        for j in range(i):
            if nums[i] > nums[j]:
                dp[i] = max(dp[i], dp[j] + 1)
    return max(dp)
```

```
In [ ]: 36. Intersection of Two Arrays II
Question: Given two arrays, write a function to compute their intersection.
Each element in the result should appear as many times as it shows in both arrays. The result can be in any order.
Answer:
from collections import Counter
def intersect(nums1, nums2):
    c1, c2 = Counter(nums1), Counter(nums2)
    return list((c1 & c2).elements())
```

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In [ ]: 37. Single Number
Question: Given a non-empty array of integers nums, every element appears twice except for one. Find that single one.
Answer:
def single_number(nums):
    res = 0
    for num in nums:
        res ^= num
    return res
```

```
In [ ]: 38. Rotate Array
Question: Given an array, rotate the array to the right by k steps, where k is non-negative.
Answer:
def rotate(nums, k):
```

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k %= len(nums)
nums[:] = nums[-k:] + nums[:-k]
```