

assignment_three

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1 Assignment Three

Adjustments to assignment two

1.1 Modifications

I considered several changes to the previous implementation. First, I examined the list and dictionary construction functions to determine whether any of them would be easy to read and more concise as comprehensions. I decided that only `get_county_totals` would be improved with a list comprehension. Next, I considered whether any of the dictionary constructions in task three would benefit from consolidation into a single constructor. For example, the first and third parts both require counting the total counties in each state. However, I decided that keeping them as separate functions made them easier to understand and maintain- this is worth a little bit of duplication. I also considered reusing mock data between several tests. However, I once again decided that keeping these tests independent of each other was worth a bit of code duplication.

Finally, I reexamined the use of the built-in sort function when sorting the rankings. The rankings list will only ever have one element out of position. I wanted to check whether this knowledge could lead to a more performant custom sorting algorithm that takes advantage of this structure. I created a 'simple bubble' function to sort the rankings. I then compared its performance to the builtin sort. It's worse. But, now I know.

I only included the portions of code with meaningful changes, to help make them easier to read. Ultimately, these changes were limited to a few parts of Task two. Additionally, there are comments noting the modifications.

1.1.1 Import modules

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[ ]: import json
import io
import time
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1.1.2 Read in a data file of all counties in the US.

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[ ]: # Data Source https://eric.clst.org/assets/wiki/uploads/Stuff/
      ↪ gz_2010_us_050_00_5m.json
      # address utf-8 error https://stackoverflow.com/questions/30996289/
      ↪ utf8-codec-cant-decode-byte-0xf3
      # Use "with ... as ..." to better handle exceptions
      with io.open('data/gz_2010_us_050_00_5m.json', encoding='latin-1') as f:
          data = json.load(f)

      features = data['features']
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1.1.3 Task 2

Derive the numbers of counties that use these three names, respectively. For each of them, list their county name and state code.

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[ ]: def get_county_states(features):
      """Format the counties to easily list their states

      Arguments:
      features list[dict] -- county data

      Returns:
      dict[str, list[str]] -- County name as the key and the list of state codes as
      ↪ the value
      """

      county_states = dict()
      for feature in features:
          properties = feature['properties']
          county_name = properties['NAME']
          state_code = properties['STATE']
          county_states.setdefault(county_name, []).append(state_code)

      return county_states

def test_get_county_states():
    mock_features = [{
        'type': 'Feature',
        "properties": {
            'GEO_ID': '0500000US01087',
            'STATE': '01',
            'COUNTY': '087',
            'NAME': 'Macon',
            'LSAD': 'County',
            'CENSUSAREA': 608.885
        },
    ],
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    "geometry": None,
}, {
    'type': 'Feature',
    "properties": {
        'GEO_ID': '0500000US02275',
        'STATE': '02',
        'COUNTY': '275',
        'NAME': 'Wrangell',
        'LSAD': 'Cty&Bor',
        'CENSUSAREA': 2541.483
    },
    "geometry": None,
}, {
    'type': 'Feature',
    'properties': {
        'GEO_ID': '0500000US02270',
        'STATE': '02',
        'COUNTY': '270',
        'NAME': 'Wade Hampton',
        'LSAD': 'CA',
        'CENSUSAREA': 17081.433
    },
    "geometry": None,
}, {
    'type': 'Feature',
    'properties': {
        'GEO_ID': '',
        'STATE': '03',
        'COUNTY': '',
        'NAME': 'Wade Hampton',
        'LSAD': '',
        'CENSUSAREA': 0
    },
    "geometry": None,
}]

expected = {
    "Macon": ["01"],
    "Wrangell": ["02"],
    "Wade Hampton": ["02", "03"]
}

obs = get_county_states(mock_features)
assert(obs == expected)

test_get_county_states()

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county_states = get_county_states(features)

def get_county_totals(county_states):
    """Reformat the counties and state list objects into a tuple of counties and
    ↪ their totals

    Arguments:
        county_states dict[str, list[str]] -- County name as the key and the list of
        ↪ state codes as the value

    Returns:
        tuple[str, int] -- The counties and the total number of states that use them.
        """
    # Modified to use list comprehension
    return [(county, len(states)) for county, states in county_states.items()]

def test_get_county_totals():
    mock_county_states = {
        "A": ['0'],
        "B": ['0', '1'],
        "C": ['0', '1', '2']
    }
    expected_count_totals = [('A', 1), ('B', 2), ('C', 3)]
    assert(get_county_totals(mock_county_states) == expected_count_totals)

test_get_county_totals()

# Modification: create simple bubble sort
def simple_bubble(totals):
    """Sorting based on the assumption that only the first item needs to be
    ↪ 'bubbled up' to its correct space

    Arguments:
        totals list[tuple[str, int]] -- Item Name and total

    Returns:
        None: list is mutated in place
        """

    target_pos = 0
    compare_pos = 1
    totals_count = len(totals)
    while compare_pos < totals_count and totals[target_pos][1] >
    ↪ totals[compare_pos][1]:
        totals[target_pos], totals[compare_pos] = totals[compare_pos],
    ↪ totals[target_pos]

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    target_pos += 1
    compare_pos += 1

def test_simple_bubble():
    mock_totals = [("C", 5), ("B", 0), ("A", 5)]
    expected_totals = [("B", 0), ("C", 5), ("A", 5)]

    # Sort in place
    simple_bubble(mock_totals)

    assert(mock_totals == expected_totals)

test_simple_bubble()

# Modification: create function that sorts with a simple bubble sort
def top_k_sort_k_bubble(totals, k):
    """Find the top k values in a tuple of objects and their counts.

    Arguments:
    totals tuple[str, int]-- Item Name and total
    k int -- the number of items to rank

    Returns:
    tuple[str, int] -- Top k items and their counts

    Note:
    This function iterates through the list of items, only sorting the list of
    rankings
    """
    top_k = [(None, 0)]*k
    for total in totals:
        total_val = total[1]
        bottom_k_val = top_k[0][1]
        if total_val > bottom_k_val:
            top_k[0] = total
            simple_bubble(top_k)

    return top_k

def test_top_k_sort_k_simple():
    mock_county_totals = [("A", 0), ("B", 1), ("C", 2), ("D", 3), ("E", 4), ("F", 4)]
    expected_top_k = [("D", 3), ("F", 4), ("E", 4)]

    obs = top_k_sort_k_bubble(mock_county_totals, 3)

    assert(obs == expected_top_k)

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test_top_k_sort_k_simple()

def top_k_sort_k(totals, k):
    """Find the top k values in a tuple of objects and their counts.

    Arguments:
    totals tuple[str, int]-- Item Name and total
    k int -- the number of items to rank

    Returns:
    tuple[str, int] -- Top k items and their counts

    Note:
    This function iterates through the list of items, only sorting the list of
    ↪rankings
    """
    top_k = [(None, 0)]*k
    for total in totals:
        total_val = total[1]
        bottom_k_val = top_k[0][1]
        if total_val > bottom_k_val:
            top_k[0] = total
            top_k.sort(key=lambda a: a[1])

    return top_k

def test_top_k_sort_k():
    mock_county_totals = [("A", 0), ("B", 1), ("C", 2), ("D", 3), ("E", 4), ("F",
    ↪4)]
    expected_top_k = [("D", 3), ("F", 4), ("E", 4)]

    assert(top_k_sort_k(mock_county_totals, 3) == expected_top_k)

test_top_k_sort_k()

county_totals = get_county_totals(county_states)
# Modification: Compare the previous sort of the rankings with the
# new method that uses a simple bubble
"""
Compare the built-in and simple bubble sort algorithm approaches

Findings: Built in sort is almost always faster
"""
k = 200
start_time = time.perf_counter()
top_counties = top_k_sort_k(county_totals, k)

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stop_time = time.perf_counter()
print(f"top counties built in: {top_counties}")
print(f"top counter built in time: {stop_time - start_time}")

start_time = time.perf_counter()
top_counties_bubble = top_k_sort_k_bubble(county_totals, k)
stop_time = time.perf_counter()
print(f"top counties bubble: {top_counties_bubble}")
print(f"top counter bubble time: {stop_time - start_time}")

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top counties built in: [('Vernon', 3), ('Choctaw', 3), ('Ohio', 3), ('Lowndes',
3), ('Murray', 3), ('Cheyenne', 3), ('Hall', 3), ('Buchanan', 3), ('Grayson',
3), ('Gallatin', 3), ('Delta', 3), ('Pawnee', 3), ('Morris', 3), ('Meade', 3),
('Daviess', 3), ('Butte', 3), ('Holmes', 3), ('Seminole', 3), ('Summit', 3),
('Park', 3), ('Baker', 3), ('Sussex', 3), ('Miller', 3), ('Stone', 3),
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