

Top 100 Python Interview Questions and Answers for 2025 (Extended)

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Introduction

This document provides 100 new Python interview questions and answers for 2025, covering basic, intermediate, advanced, and coding topics. Designed for freshers and experienced developers, it complements earlier resources with fresh content, focusing on modern Python applications like data science, web development, and algorithms. Use this guide to prepare for technical interviews at top companies.

1 Basic Python Questions

1. What is the difference between `bytes` and `str` types in Python?

Answer: The `str` type represents Unicode strings for text, while `bytes` represents a sequence of bytes for binary data. `str` is human-readable, while `bytes` is used for raw data like files or network protocols.

```
1 text = "hello"
2 binary = b"hello"
3 print(type(text)) # <class 'str'>
4 print(type(binary)) # <class 'bytes'>
```

2. What is the `bool` type in Python?

Answer: The `bool` type represents Boolean values: `True` or `False`. It's a subclass of `int`, where `True` is 1 and `False` is 0.

```
1 print(True + 1) # Output: 2
2 print(isinstance(True, int)) # Output: True
```

3. What is a docstring in Python?

Answer: A docstring is a multiline string used to document a function, class, or module, placed immediately after the definition. It's accessible via `__doc__`.

```
1 def add(a, b):
2     """Returns the sum of two numbers."""
3     return a + b
4 print(add.__doc__) # Output: Returns the sum of two numbers.
```

4. What are Python's built-in data types?

Answer: Python's built-in data types include:

- Numeric: int, float, complex
- Sequence: list, tuple, str
- Mapping: dict
- Set: set, frozenset
- Boolean: bool
- Binary: bytes, bytearray
- None: NoneType

5. What is the None type?

Answer: None is a singleton object of NoneType, representing the absence of a value, often used as a default return value or placeholder.

```
1 def func():  
2     pass  
3 print(func()) # Output: None
```

6. What is the type() function?

Answer: The type() function returns the type of an object.

```
1 print(type(42)) # Output: <class 'int'>  
2 print(type("hello")) # Output: <class 'str'>
```

7. What is the id() function?

Answer: The id() function returns a unique identifier for an object, typically its memory address in CPython.

```
1 x = 42  
2 print(id(x)) # Output: Memory address (e.g.,  
140735674572896)
```

8. What is the print() function's end parameter?

Answer: The end parameter specifies what to print at the end of the output, defaulting to a newline (\n).

```
1 print("Hello", end=" ")  
2 print("World") # Output: Hello World
```

9. What is the input() function?

Answer: The input() function reads a line from standard input as a string.

```
1 name = input("Enter your name: ")  
2 print(f"Hello, {name}")
```

10. What is a Python namespace?

Answer: A namespace is a mapping from names to objects, used to manage variable scope (e.g., global, local, built-in namespaces).

```

1 x = 10 # Global namespace
2 def func():
3     x = 20 # Local namespace
4     print(x)
5 func() # Output: 20
6 print(x) # Output: 10

```

11. What is the **global** keyword?

Answer: The **global** keyword allows a function to modify a global variable.

```

1 x = 10
2 def modify():
3     global x
4     x = 20
5 modify()
6 print(x) # Output: 20

```

12. What is the **nonlocal** keyword?

Answer: The **nonlocal** keyword allows a nested function to modify a variable in an enclosing functions scope.

```

1 def outer():
2     x = 10
3     def inner():
4         nonlocal x
5         x = 20
6     inner()
7     print(x) # Output: 20
8 outer()

```

13. What is the **isinstance()** function?

Answer: The **isinstance()** function checks if an object is an instance of a specified class or tuple of classes.

```

1 x = 42
2 print(isinstance(x, int)) # Output: True
3 print(isinstance(x, (int, str))) # Output: True

```

14. What is the **issubclass()** function?

Answer: The **issubclass()** function checks if a class is a subclass of another class or tuple of classes.

```

1 class A: pass
2 class B(A): pass
3 print(issubclass(B, A)) # Output: True

```

15. What is the **any()** function?

Answer: The **any()** function returns True if any element in an iterable is True.

```

1 print(any([False, True, False])) # Output: True
2 print(any([False, False])) # Output: False

```

16. **What is the `all()` function?**

Answer: The `all()` function returns `True` if all elements in an iterable are `True`.

```
1 print(all([True, True, True])) # Output: True
2 print(all([True, False, True])) # Output: False
```

17. **What is the `sorted()` function?**

Answer: The `sorted()` function returns a new sorted list from an iterable, optionally using a key function.

```
1 lst = [3, 1, 2]
2 print(sorted(lst)) # Output: [1, 2, 3]
3 print(sorted(lst, reverse=True)) # Output: [3, 2, 1]
```

18. **What is the `reversed()` function?**

Answer: The `reversed()` function returns an iterator of an iterable in reverse order.

```
1 lst = [1, 2, 3]
2 print(list(reversed(lst))) # Output: [3, 2, 1]
```

19. **What is the `slice()` function?**

Answer: The `slice()` function creates a slice object for slicing sequences.

```
1 s = slice(1, 4)
2 lst = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
3 print(lst[s]) # Output: [2, 3, 4]
```

20. **What is the `ord()` function?**

Answer: The `ord()` function returns the Unicode code point of a single character.

```
1 print(ord('A')) # Output: 65
```

21. **What is the `chr()` function?**

Answer: The `chr()` function returns the character corresponding to a Unicode code point.

```
1 print(chr(65)) # Output: A
```

22. **What is the `divmod()` function?**

Answer: The `divmod()` function returns a tuple of quotient and remainder for integer division.

```
1 print(divmod(10, 3)) # Output: (3, 1)
```

23. **What is the `pow()` function?**

Answer: The `pow()` function computes a number raised to a power, optionally with a modulus.

```
1 print(pow(2, 3)) # Output: 8
2 print(pow(2, 3, 5)) # Output: 3 (2^3 % 5)
```

24. What is the `round()` function?

Answer: The `round()` function rounds a number to a specified number of decimal places.

```
1 print(round(3.14159, 2)) # Output: 3.14
```

25. What is the `format()` method for strings?

Answer: The `format()` method formats strings using placeholders or named arguments.

```
1 print("Hello, {}".format("Alice")) # Output: Hello, Alice
2 print("{name} is {age}".format(name="Bob", age=30)) #
   Output: Bob is 30
```

2 Intermediate Python Questions

26. What is the `collections.namedtuple`?

Answer: `namedtuple` creates tuple subclasses with named fields, improving readability.

```
1 from collections import namedtuple
2 Point = namedtuple('Point', ['x', 'y'])
3 p = Point(1, 2)
4 print(p.x, p.y) # Output: 1 2
```

27. What is the `collections.defaultdict`?

Answer: `defaultdict` is a dictionary that provides a default value for missing keys.

```
1 from collections import defaultdict
2 d = defaultdict(int)
3 d['a'] += 1
4 print(d['a']) # Output: 1
5 print(d['b']) # Output: 0
```

28. What is the `collections.deque`?

Answer: `deque` is a double-ended queue for efficient appends and pops from both ends.

```
1 from collections import deque
2 d = deque([1, 2, 3])
3 d.appendleft(0)
4 print(d) # Output: deque([0, 1, 2, 3])
```

29. What is the `itertools` module?

Answer: The `itertools` module provides tools for efficient iteration, like combinations, permutations, and product.

```
1 from itertools import combinations
2 print(list(combinations([1, 2, 3], 2))) # Output: [(1, 2),
   (1, 3), (2, 3)]
```

30. What is the `contextlib` module?

Answer: The `contextlib` module provides utilities for context managers, like `contextmanager` for creating custom with statements.

```
1 from contextlib import contextmanager
2 @contextmanager
3 def temp_value():
4     print("Enter")
5     yield "temp"
6     print("Exit")
7 with temp_value() as val:
8     print(val)
9 # Output: Enter
10 #          temp
11 #          Exit
```

31. What is the `functools.partial` function?

Answer: `functools.partial` creates a new function with some arguments pre-filled.

```
1 from functools import partial
2 def multiply(x, y):
3     return x * y
4 double = partial(multiply, 2)
5 print(double(5)) # Output: 10
```

32. What is the `operator` module?

Answer: The `operator` module provides functions for built-in operators, useful for functional programming.

```
1 from operator import add
2 print(add(2, 3)) # Output: 5
```

33. What is the `re` module for regular expressions?

Answer: The `re` module provides functions for pattern matching and string manipulation using regular expressions.

```
1 import re
2 print(re.findall(r'\d+', "abc123def456")) # Output: ['123', '456']
```

34. What is the `datetime` module?

Answer: The `datetime` module handles dates and times, including formatting and arithmetic.

```
1 from datetime import datetime
2 now = datetime.now()
3 print(now.strftime("%Y-%m-%d")) # Output: Current date
# (e.g., 2025-07-27)
```

35. What is the `os` module?

Answer: The `os` module provides functions for interacting with the operating system, like file and directory operations.

```

1 import os
2 print(os.getcwd()) # Output: Current working directory

```

36. What is the **sys** module?

Answer: The **sys** module provides system-specific parameters and functions, like command-line arguments.

```

1 import sys
2 print(sys.argv) # Output: List of command-line arguments

```

37. What is the **json** module?

Answer: The **json** module handles JSON encoding and decoding.

```

1 import json
2 data = {"name": "Alice"}
3 print(json.dumps(data)) # Output: {"name": "Alice"}

```

38. What is the **csv** module?

Answer: The **csv** module provides functions to read and write CSV files.

```

1 import csv
2 with open('data.csv', 'w', newline='') as f:
3     writer = csv.writer(f)
4     writer.writerow(['name', 'age'])
5     writer.writerow(['Alice', 25])

```

39. What is the **math** module?

Answer: The **math** module provides mathematical functions and constants.

```

1 import math
2 print(math.sqrt(16)) # Output: 4.0
3 print(math.pi) # Output: 3.141592653589793

```

40. What is the **random** module?

Answer: The **random** module provides functions for generating random numbers and selections.

```

1 import random
2 print(random.randint(1, 10)) # Output: Random integer
    between 1 and 10

```

41. What is a **Python virtual environment**?

Answer: A virtual environment isolates Python packages for a project, preventing conflicts between dependencies.

```

1 # Create: python -m venv myenv
2 # Activate (Unix): source myenv/bin/activate
3 # Activate (Windows): myenv\Scripts\activate

```

42. What is the **pip** tool?

Answer: **pip** is Python's package manager for installing and managing third-party libraries.

```

1 # Install a package
2 # pip install requests

```

43. What is a Python iterator?

Answer: An iterator is an object that implements `__iter__()` and `__next__()` for sequential access.

```

1 lst = [1, 2, 3]
2 it = iter(lst)
3 print(next(it)) # Output: 1

```

44. What is a Python iterable?

Answer: An iterable is an object that can be iterated over, implementing `__iter__()` or `__getitem__()`.

```

1 for x in [1, 2, 3]:
2     print(x) # Output: 1, 2, 3

```

45. What is the `__init__` method?

Answer: The `__init__` method is a constructor called when an object is created to initialize its attributes.

```

1 class Person:
2     def __init__(self, name):
3         self.name = name
4 p = Person("Alice")
5 print(p.name) # Output: Alice

```

46. What is method resolution order (MRO)?

Answer: MRO determines the order in which base classes are searched for a method in inheritance, using C3 linearization.

```

1 class A: pass
2 class B(A): pass
3 print(B.__mro__) # Output: (<class '.__main__.B'>, <class
    '.__main__.A'>, <class 'object'>)

```

47. What is a classmethod in Python?

Answer: A `@classmethod` takes the class as its first argument (`cls`), used for alternative constructors.

```

1 class MyClass:
2     @classmethod
3     def from_string(cls, s):
4         return cls(s)

```

48. What is a staticmethod in Python?

Answer: A `@staticmethod` is a method that doesn't take `self` or `cls`, used for utility functions within a class.


```

1 class MyClass:
2     @staticmethod
3     def utility():
4         return "Utility"
5 print(MyClass.utility()) # Output: Utility

```

49. **What is the property decorator?**

Answer: The @property decorator creates getter, setter, and deleter methods for class attributes.

```

1 class Person:
2     def __init__(self, name):
3         self._name = name
4     @property
5     def name(self):
6         return self._name
7 p = Person("Alice")
8 print(p.name) # Output: Alice

```

50. **What is the threading module?**

Answer: The threading module provides tools for creating and managing threads, suitable for I/O-bound tasks.

```

1 import threading
2 def task():
3     print("Running")
4 t = threading.Thread(target=task)
5 t.start()
6 t.join()

```

51. **What is the asyncio module?**

Answer: The asyncio module enables asynchronous programming using coroutines for concurrent I/O-bound tasks.

```

1 import asyncio
2 async def say_hello():
3     print("Hello")
4     await asyncio.sleep(1)
5     print("World")
6 asyncio.run(say_hello())

```

52. **What is a coroutine in Python?**

Answer: A coroutine is a function defined with `async def` that can be paused and resumed using `await`.

```

1 import asyncio
2 async def example():
3     await asyncio.sleep(1)
4     return "Done"
5 asyncio.run(example())

```

53. **What is the logging module?**

Answer: The logging module provides flexible logging of messages, supporting different severity levels.

```
1 import logging
2 logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO)
3 logging.info("This is an info message")
```

54. **What is the unittest module?**

Answer: The unittest module is a built-in framework for writing and running unit tests.

```
1 import unittest
2 class TestMath(unittest.TestCase):
3     def test_add(self):
4         self.assertEqual(1 + 1, 2)
5 if __name__ == "__main__":
6     unittest.main()
```

55. **What is the pytest framework?**

Answer: pytest is a third-party testing framework that simplifies writing and running tests with powerful features like fixtures.

```
1 # test_example.py
2 def test_add():
3     assert 1 + 1 == 2
4 # Run: pytest test_example.py
```

3 Advanced Python Questions

56. **What is the weakref module?**

Answer: The weakref module creates weak references to objects, allowing them to be garbage-collected if no strong references exist.

```
1 import weakref
2 obj = [1, 2, 3]
3 ref = weakref.ref(obj)
4 print(ref()) # Output: [1, 2, 3]
5 del obj
6 print(ref()) # Output: None
```

57. **What is the gc module?**

Answer: The gc module provides an interface to Python's garbage collector, allowing manual control and debugging.

```
1 import gc
2 print(gc.isenabled()) # Output: True
3 gc.collect() # Force garbage collection
```

58. **What is the dis module?**

Answer: The dis module disassembles Python bytecode, useful for understanding how code is executed.

```

1 import dis
2 def add(a, b):
3     return a + b
4 dis.dis(add)

```

59. **What is the inspect module?**

Answer: The inspect module provides functions to inspect live objects, like source code or signatures.

```

1 import inspect
2 def example():
3     pass
4 print(inspect.getsource(example))

```

60. **What is the abc module?**

Answer: The abc module provides tools for defining abstract base classes using ABC and abstractmethod.

```

1 from abc import ABC, abstractmethod
2 class Animal(ABC):
3     @abstractmethod
4     def speak(self):
5         pass

```

61. **What is the dataclasses module?**

Answer: The dataclasses module simplifies class creation with automatic methods like `__init__` and `__repr__`.

```

1 from dataclasses import dataclass
2 @dataclass
3 class Person:
4     name: str
5     age: int
6 p = Person("Alice", 25)
7 print(p) # Output: Person(name='Alice', age=25)

```

62. **What is the typing module?**

Answer: The typing module provides type hints for static type checking, improving code clarity.

```

1 from typing import List
2 def process(items: List[int]) -> int:
3     return sum(items)
4 print(process([1, 2, 3])) # Output: 6

```

63. **What is the pathlib module?**

Answer: The pathlib module provides an object-oriented interface for filesystem paths.

```

1 from pathlib import Path
2 p = Path("example.txt")
3 print(p.exists()) # Output: True or False

```

64. What is the `mmap` module?

Answer: The `mmap` module allows memory-mapped file I/O, efficient for large files.

```
1 import mmap
2 with open("example.txt", "r") as f:
3     with mmap.mmap(f.fileno(), 0, access=mmap.ACCESS_READ)
4         as m:
5             print(m.read(10))    # Read first 10 bytes
```

65. What is the `argparse` module?

Answer: The `argparse` module parses command-line arguments, providing a user-friendly interface.

```
1 import argparse
2 parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
3 parser.add_argument("--name")
4 args = parser.parse_args()
5 print(args.name)
```

66. What is the `enum` module?

Answer: The `enum` module provides support for enumerations, creating named constants.

```
1 from enum import Enum
2 class Color(Enum):
3     RED = 1
4     print(Color.RED)    # Output: Color.RED
```

67. What is the `hashlib` module?

Answer: The `hashlib` module provides cryptographic hashing functions like MD5 or SHA.

```
1 import hashlib
2 print(hashlib.md5(b"hello").hexdigest())    # Output:
3     5d41402abc4b2a76b9719d911017c592
```

68. What is the `shutil` module?

Answer: The `shutil` module provides high-level file operations like copying and moving.

```
1 import shutil
2 shutil.copy("source.txt", "dest.txt")
```

69. What is the `zipfile` module?

Answer: The `zipfile` module handles creation and extraction of ZIP archives.

```
1 import zipfile
2 with zipfile.ZipFile("archive.zip", "w") as zf:
3     zf.write("example.txt")
```

70. What is the `tempfile` module?

Answer: The `tempfile` module creates temporary files and directories.

```

1 import tempfile
2 with tempfile.TemporaryFile() as f:
3     f.write(b"Hello")

```

71. What is the subprocess module?

Answer: The `subprocess` module runs external commands and interacts with their input/output.

```

1 import subprocess
2 subprocess.run(["echo", "Hello"], capture_output=True)

```

72. What is the socket module?

Answer: The `socket` module provides low-level networking interfaces for client-server communication.

```

1 import socket
2 s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)

```

73. What is the requests library?

Answer: The `requests` library simplifies HTTP requests for APIs and web scraping.

```

1 import requests
2 response = requests.get("https://api.example.com")
3 print(response.status_code) # Output: 200

```

74. What is the BeautifulSoup library?

Answer: The `BeautifulSoup` library parses HTML/XML for web scraping.

```

1 from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
2 html = "<p>Hello</p>"
3 soup = BeautifulSoup(html, "html.parser")
4 print(soup.p.text) # Output: Hello

```

75. What is the numpy library?

Answer: The `numpy` library provides support for numerical arrays and mathematical operations.

```

1 import numpy as np
2 arr = np.array([1, 2, 3])
3 print(arr * 2) # Output: [2 4 6]

```

76. What is the pandas library?

Answer: The `pandas` library provides data structures like `DataFrames` for data manipulation and analysis.

```

1 import pandas as pd
2 df = pd.DataFrame({"name": ["Alice"], "age": [25]})
3 print(df["name"]) # Output: 0 Alice

```

77. What is the **matplotlib** library?

Answer: The **matplotlib** library creates visualizations like plots and charts.

```
1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2 plt.plot([1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6])
3 plt.show()
```

78. What is the **seaborn** library?

Answer: The **seaborn** library enhances **matplotlib** for statistical data visualization.

```
1 import seaborn as sns
2 tips = sns.load_dataset("tips")
3 sns.scatterplot(data=tips, x="total_bill", y="tip")
4 plt.show()
```

79. What is the **scikit-learn** library?

Answer: The **scikit-learn** library provides tools for machine learning, like classification and regression.

```
1 from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
2 model = LinearRegression()
```

80. What is the **tensorflow** library?

Answer: The **tensorflow** library is used for machine learning and deep learning, supporting neural networks.

```
1 import tensorflow as tf
2 model = tf.keras.Sequential()
```

4 Coding and Practical Questions

81. Write a function to check if two strings are anagrams.

Answer: Compare sorted strings or use a character count.

```
1 def is_anagram(s1, s2):
2     return sorted(s1) == sorted(s2)
3 print(is_anagram("listen", "silent")) # Output: True
```

82. Write a function to find the longest common prefix in a list of strings.

Answer: Compare characters from all strings.

```
1 def longest_common_prefix(strs):
2     if not strs:
3         return ""
4     for i, char in enumerate(strs[0]):
5         for s in strs[1:]:
6             if i >= len(s) or s[i] != char:
7                 return strs[0][:i]
8     return strs[0]
9 print(longest_common_prefix(["flower", "flow", "flight"]))
# Output: fl
```

83. Write a function to reverse a linked list.

Answer: Use iterative pointer manipulation.

```
1 class ListNode:
2     def __init__(self, val=0, next=None):
3         self.val = val
4         self.next = next
5 def reverse_list(head):
6     prev = None
7     curr = head
8     while curr:
9         next_node = curr.next
10        curr.next = prev
11        prev = curr
12        curr = next_node
13    return prev
```

84. Write a function to merge k sorted lists.

Answer: Use a min-heap to merge efficiently.

```
1 from heapq import heappush, heappop
2 def merge_k_lists(lists):
3     heap = []
4     for i, lst in enumerate(lists):
5         if lst:
6             heappush(heap, (lst.val, i, lst))
7     dummy = ListNode(0)
8     curr = dummy
9     while heap:
10        val, i, node = heappop(heap)
11        curr.next = ListNode(val)
12        curr = curr.next
13        if node.next:
14            heappush(heap, (node.next.val, i, node.next))
15    return dummy.next
```

85. Write a function to find the median of two sorted arrays.

Answer: Use binary search to partition arrays.

```
1 def find_median_sorted_arrays(nums1, nums2):
2     if len(nums1) > len(nums2):
3         nums1, nums2 = nums2, nums1
4     x, y = len(nums1), len(nums2)
5     left, right = 0, x
6     while left <= right:
7         px = (left + right) // 2
8         py = (x + y + 1) // 2 - px
9         left_x = float("-inf") if px == 0 else nums1[px - 1]
10        right_x = float("inf") if px == x else nums1[px]
11        left_y = float("-inf") if py == 0 else nums2[py - 1]
12        right_y = float("inf") if py == y else nums2[py]
13        if left_x <= right_y and left_y <= right_x:
```

```

14         if (x + y) % 2 == 0:
15             return (max(left_x, left_y) + min(right_x,
16                 right_y)) / 2
17         return max(left_x, left_y)
18     elif left_x > right_y:
19         right = px - 1
20     else:
        left = px + 1

```

86. Write a function to validate a binary search tree.

Answer: Check if nodes are within valid ranges.

```

1 class TreeNode:
2     def __init__(self, val=0, left=None, right=None):
3         self.val = val
4         self.left = left
5         self.right = right
6 def is_valid_bst(root):
7     def validate(node, min_val, max_val):
8         if not node:
9             return True
10        if node.val <= min_val or node.val >= max_val:
11            return False
12        return validate(node.left, min_val, node.val) and
13            validate(node.right, node.val, max_val)
    return validate(root, float("-inf"), float("inf"))

```

87. Write a function to implement a stack using two queues.

Answer: Use one queue for push and another for pop.

```

1 from collections import deque
2 class Stack:
3     def __init__(self):
4         self.q1 = deque()
5         self.q2 = deque()
6     def push(self, x):
7         self.q1.append(x)
8     def pop(self):
9         while len(self.q1) > 1:
10             self.q2.append(self.q1.popleft())
11         result = self.q1.popleft()
12         self.q1, self.q2 = self.q2, self.q1
13         return result

```

88. Write a function to find the intersection of two sorted arrays.

Answer: Use two pointers to compare elements.

```

1 def intersect_sorted(arr1, arr2):
2     result = []
3     i = j = 0
4     while i < len(arr1) and j < len(arr2):
5         if arr1[i] == arr2[j]:

```



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6         result.append(arr1[i])
7         i += 1
8         j += 1
9     elif arr1[i] < arr2[j]:
10        i += 1
11    else:
12        j += 1
13    return result
14 print(intersect_sorted([1, 2, 2, 3], [2, 2, 4])) # Output:
    [2, 2]

```

89. Write a function to rotate a matrix 90 degrees.

Answer: Transpose and reverse rows.

```

1 def rotate_matrix(matrix):
2     n = len(matrix)
3     for i in range(n):
4         for j in range(i, n):
5             matrix[i][j], matrix[j][i] = matrix[j][i],
6                 matrix[i][j]
7     for i in range(n):
8         matrix[i].reverse()
9     return matrix
10 print(rotate_matrix([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]]))
    # Output: [[7, 4, 1], [8, 5, 2], [9, 6, 3]]

```

90. Write a function to find the longest palindromic substring.

Answer: Use expand-around-center technique.

```

1 def longest_palindromic_substring(s):
2     def expand(left, right):
3         while left >= 0 and right < len(s) and s[left] ==
4             s[right]:
5                 left -= 1
6                 right += 1
7         return s[left + 1:right]
8     result = ""
9     for i in range(len(s)):
10        palindrome1 = expand(i, i)
11        palindrome2 = expand(i, i + 1)
12        result = max(result, palindrome1, palindrome2,
13            key=len)
14    return result
15 print(longest_palindromic_substring("babad")) # Output: bab
    or aba

```

91. Write a function to group anagrams in a list of strings.

Answer: Use sorted strings as dictionary keys.

```

1 def group_anagrams(strs):
2     d = {}
3     for s in strs:

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4         key = "".join(sorted(s))
5         d.setdefault(key, []).append(s)
6     return list(d.values())
7 print(group_anagrams(["eat", "tea", "tan", "ate", "nat",
8                       "bat"]))
# Output: [['eat', 'tea', 'ate'], ['tan', 'nat'], ['bat']]

```

92. Write a function to implement LRU cache.

Answer: Use a dictionary and doubly linked list.

```

1 from collections import OrderedDict
2 class LRUCache:
3     def __init__(self, capacity):
4         self.cache = OrderedDict()
5         self.capacity = capacity
6     def get(self, key):
7         if key not in self.cache:
8             return -1
9         self.cache.move_to_end(key)
10        return self.cache[key]
11    def put(self, key, value):
12        if key in self.cache:
13            self.cache.move_to_end(key)
14        self.cache[key] = value
15        if len(self.cache) > self.capacity:
16            self.cache.popitem(last=False)

```

93. Write a function to find the kth largest element in an array.

Answer: Use a min-heap.

```

1 from heapq import heappush, heappop
2 def find_kth_largest(nums, k):
3     heap = []
4     for num in nums:
5         heappush(heap, num)
6         if len(heap) > k:
7             heappop(heap)
8     return heappop(heap)
9 print(find_kth_largest([3, 2, 1, 5, 6, 4], 2)) # Output: 5

```

94. Write a function to check if a number is a power of two.

Answer: Use bitwise operations.

```

1 def is_power_of_two(n):
2     return n > 0 and (n & (n - 1)) == 0
3 print(is_power_of_two(16)) # Output: True
4 print(is_power_of_two(18)) # Output: False

```

95. Write a function to compute the square root of a number.

Answer: Use Newtons method.

```

1 def sqrt(n):

```

```

2     if n < 0:
3         return -1
4     x = n
5     for _ in range(20):
6         x = 0.5 * (x + n / x)
7     return x
8 print(sqrt(16))    # Output: 4.0

```

96. Write a function to find the longest consecutive sequence in an array.

Answer: Use a set for O(1) lookups.

```

1 def longest_consecutive(nums):
2     num_set = set(nums)
3     longest = 0
4     for num in num_set:
5         if num - 1 not in num_set:
6             length = 1
7             while num + length in num_set:
8                 length += 1
9             longest = max(longest, length)
10    return longest
11 print(longest_consecutive([100, 4, 200, 1, 3, 2])) #
    Output: 4

```

97. Write a function to implement a trie for prefix search.

Answer: Use a nested dictionary for the trie.

```

1 class Trie:
2     def __init__(self):
3         self.root = {}
4         self.end = '*'
5     def insert(self, word):
6         node = self.root
7         for char in word:
8             node = node.setdefault(char, {})
9         node[self.end] = True
10    def search(self, word):
11        node = self.root
12        for char in word:
13            if char not in node:
14                return False
15            node = node[char]
16        return self.end in node

```

98. Write a function to find the shortest path in a graph (Dijkstras algorithm).

Answer: Use a priority queue.

```

1 from heapq import heappush, heappop
2 def dijkstra(graph, start):
3     distances = {node: float("inf") for node in graph}
4     distances[start] = 0

```

```

5     pq = [(0, start)]
6     while pq:
7         dist, node = heappop(pq)
8         if dist > distances[node]:
9             continue
10        for neighbor, weight in graph[node].items():
11            new_dist = dist + weight
12            if new_dist < distances[neighbor]:
13                distances[neighbor] = new_dist
14                heappush(pq, (new_dist, neighbor))
15    return distances
16 graph = {'A': {'B': 1, 'C': 4}, 'B': {'C': 2}, 'C': {}}
17 print(dijkstra(graph, 'A')) # Output: {'A': 0, 'B': 1, 'C':
3}

```

99. Write a function to perform a depth-first search on a graph.

Answer: Use recursion or a stack.

```

1 def dfs(graph, start):
2     visited = set()
3     def dfs_recursive(node):
4         visited.add(node)
5         print(node, end=" ")
6         for neighbor in graph[node]:
7             if neighbor not in visited:
8                 dfs_recursive(neighbor)
9     dfs_recursive(start)
10 graph = {'A': ['B', 'C'], 'B': ['D'], 'C': ['D'], 'D': []}
11 dfs(graph, 'A') # Output: A B D C

```

100. Write a function to perform a breadth-first search on a graph.

Answer: Use a queue.

```

1 from collections import deque
2 def bfs(graph, start):
3     visited = set()
4     queue = deque([start])
5     while queue:
6         node = queue.popleft()
7         if node not in visited:
8             print(node, end=" ")
9             visited.add(node)
10            queue.extend(n for n in graph[node] if n not in
visited)
11 graph = {'A': ['B', 'C'], 'B': ['D'], 'C': ['D'], 'D': []}
12 bfs(graph, 'A') # Output: A B C D

```

Conclusion

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your 2025 Python interview. Use platforms like LeetCode or HackerRank for additional practice.