

"Algorithmics and computer programming" - Lab 2

We want to compute the quantity of each component of a meal, with the following constraints:

- a meal should bring a target number K of kcal,
 - a meal should contain a quantity $q_{\text{prot source}}$ of a protein source, a quantity $q_{\text{carb source}}$ of a carb source, a quantity $q_{\text{fat source}}$ of a fat source, 125g of vegetable, 50g of fruit, and a quantity q_{extra} of an extra,
 - each extra comes with a constant, predefined quantity (eg. 8g of coffee beans for an espresso).
1. Do a quick search to find the recommended fraction of calories that should be brought by proteins, carbohydrates, and fat, in a healthy diet. Pick values for the three fractions.
 2. Knowing that 1g of protein brings 4 kcal, 1g of carbohydrate also brings 4 kcal and 1g of fat brings 8.8 kcal, write down the equations that express all the constraints (pen-and-paper!).
 3. Define the typical serving size for each extra. In your code, store them in the data structure you find the most appropriate.
 4. Write a function that computes and returns the list $[q_{\text{prot source}}, q_{\text{carb source}}, q_{\text{fat source}}, q_{\text{vegetable}}, q_{\text{fruit}}, q_{\text{extra}}]$ for a given list of ingredients.
 5. Write a function that produces an output like the one below (no unit test required for this one, as it does not return anything -- just make sure that you get the expected screen output, with the numbers nicely aligned).

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The meal is composed of :
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- 27 g of Poultry Meat, contributing 33 kcal, 3.3 g protein, 0.3 g carb, 2.1 g fat
- 198 g of Wheat & Rye (Bread), contributing 493 kcal, 16.2 g protein, 101.8 g carb, 2.4 g fat
- 14 g of Olive Oil, contributing 115 kcal, 0.0 g protein, 0.0 g carb, 13.1 g fat
- 125 g of Root Vegetables, contributing 48 kcal, 1.1 g protein, 10.2 g carb, 0.2 g fat
- 50 g of Berries & Grapes, contributing 26 kcal, 0.2 g protein, 5.9 g carb, 0.2 g fat
- 8 g of Coffee, contributing 4 kcal, 0.6 g protein, 0.5 g carb, 0.0 g fat
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TOTAL: 720 kcal, 21.6 g protein, 118.8 g carb, 18.0 g fat
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6. Write a function that returns all possible meals, along with the corresponding quantities, that would bring 40% of the daily energetic target of the user. Are all meals nutritionally feasible? Make sure that your function returns only nutritionally valid meals.

To do for next week: finish this lab if necessary + read the slides on git.