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**Due date:** Thursday, 25 September 2025, 10:50 AM

**Requested files:** p1.py, p2.py, p3.py, p4.py ([Download](#))

**Type of work:** Individual work

## Problem 1: Numbers Equal to Their Index

### Description

Write a program that counts how many numbers in a list are equal to their index position..

### Concept

This checks your understanding of list indexing and conditional comparisons.

### Task

1. Prompt the user: `Enter numbers:`
2. Read space separated integers into a list.
3. Traverse the list with indices.
4. Count how many satisfy `list[i] == i`.
5. Print the count.

### Input format

- A line of space-separated integers.

### Output format

`[value]`

### Example 1

`Enter numbers: 1 1 2 3 5`

`3`

Explanation:

- Index 0: value 1 != 0 → no
- Index 1: value 1 == 1 → count=1
- Index 2: value 2 == 2 → count=2
- Index 3: value 3 == 3 → count=3
- Index 4: value 5 != 4 → no
- So, total Count: 3

### Example 2

`Enter numbers: 2 0 2 4 4`

`2`

Explanation:

- Index 0: value 2 != 0 → no
- Index 1: value 0 != 1 → no
- Index 2: value 2 == 2 → count=1
- Index 3: value 4 != 3 → no
- Index 4: value 4 == 4 → count=2
- So, total Count: 2

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**Restrictions**

- Input list length  $\geq 1$ .
- Use 0-based indexing (i.e. Indexing starts from 0.)
- No external libraries or predefined functions allowed.

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## Problem 2 - Product of Column Minima

**Description:**

Write a program that finds the minimum value in each column of a matrix, and then calculates the product of all these minimums.

**Concept:**

This task requires processing a matrix column-by-column. For each column, you must find its minimum value. The final result is an aggregation (the product) of these individual minimums, which can be calculated using an accumulator variable.

**Task:**

*Your program must produce output that exactly matches the format specified.*

1. Prompt for the number of rows with: **Enter number of rows: .**
2. Prompt for the matrix data with: **Enter matrix rows with each row on a new line:.** The user will then enter each row on a separate line with elements separated by spaces.
3. Check if the matrix is rectangular. If not, print ``-1`` and stop.
4. Find the minimum value in each column of the matrix.
5. Compute the product of these minimums and print the result.

**Example:**

*(Text in **bold** is what the user types.)*

```
Enter number of rows: 3
Enter matrix rows with each row on a new line:
8 4 9
3 5 2
6 7 4
24
```

*(Another example)*

```
Enter number of rows: 2
Enter matrix rows with each row on a new line:
10 20
50 60 70
-1
```

**Restrictions:**

All matrix elements will be integers.  
No external libraries are necessary.

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## Problem 3: Magic Rows in a Matrix

**Description:**

You are given a matrix of integers. A **magic row** is defined as a row whose sum equals the sum of the corresponding column at the same index. For example, row **i** is a magic row if the sum of all elements in row **i** equals the sum of all elements in column **i**.

Your task is to count how many magic rows exist in the given matrix.

**Concept:**

This problem tests the ability to:

- Traverse a matrix by rows and columns.
- Compute row sums and column sums efficiently.
- Compare values across rows and columns.

**Task:**

1. Prompt the user to input the number of rows and columns.
2. Take matrix elements as input in row-major order.
3. Make sure that the number of matrix elements =  $r \times c$ , if not, print "INVALID INPUT"

4. Compute the sum of each row and its corresponding column.
5. Count how many rows are magic rows.
6. Print the count.

**Input Format:**

Enter number of rows and columns: <Two space separated integers>

Enter matrix elements: <space-separated integers>

**Output Format:**

<value>(if number of matrix elements = r\*c)

INVALID INPUT(if number of matrix elements != r\*c)

**Example 1:**

Input:

Enter number of rows and columns: 3 3

Enter matrix elements: 2 7 6 9 5 1 4 3 8

Output:

3

Explanation:

Matrix:

2 7 6

9 5 1

4 3 8

Row sums = [15, 15, 15] Column sums = [15, 15, 15]

Each row sum matches its corresponding column sum → All 3 rows are magic.

**Example 2:**

Input:

Enter number of rows and columns: 3 3

Enter matrix elements: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Output:

1

Explanation:

Matrix:

1 2 3

4 5 6

7 8 9

Row sums = [6, 15, 24] Column sums = [12, 15, 18]

Only the second row sum matches the second column sum → Count = 1

## Problem 4 - Custom Strip Function

**Description:**

Write a program that mimics the behavior of the `.strip()` string method. Given a main string and a second string of characters to strip, remove all leading and trailing characters from the main string that are present in the strip-characters string.

**Concept:**

This problem tests your understanding of the character-set nature of stripping, as opposed to substring removal. The logic involves identifying the boundaries of the core string by finding the first and last characters that are *not* part of the set of characters to be stripped.

**Task:**

*Your program must produce output that exactly matches the format specified.*

1. Prompt the user for the main string with: Enter main string: .
2. Prompt the user for the strip characters with: Enter characters to strip: .
3. Create and print a new string by removing all leading and trailing characters from the main string that are present in the strip-characters string.
4. Your implementation must correctly handle the case where the entire string is stripped away, resulting in an empty string.

**Example:**

(Text in **bold** is what the user types.)

Enter main string: \_\_**hello!!!**\_\_

Enter characters to strip: \_!

hello

(Another example demonstrating character-set logic)

Enter main string: **lolhello**

Enter characters to strip: **lo**

he

(Explanation: The function checks from the left and from the right for any characters in the set {"l", "o"}. From the left, it removes 'l', 'o', 'l' and stops at 'h'. From the right, it removes 'o', 'l', 'l' and stops at 'e'.)

(Another example demonstrating character-set logic)

Enter main string: **lolhelpolol**

Enter characters to strip: **ol**

help

(Explanation: The function checks from the left and from the right for any characters in the set {"l", "o"}. From the left, it removes 'l', 'o', 'l' and stops at 'h'. From the right, it removes 'l', 'o', 'l', 'o' and stops at 'p'.)

**Restrictions:**

You **must not** use the built-in `.strip()`, `.lstrip()`, or `.rstrip()` string methods.

Both the main string and the strip-characters string are valid strings of **length  $\geq 0$** .

## Requested files

### p1.py

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