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Problem Summary

An integer array digits is given, possibly containing duplicates.

The task is to find all unique 3-digit integers such that:

- 1. They are formed by concatenating exactly 3 elements from digits.
- 2. They have **no leading zeros**.
- 3. They are **even numbers**.

The output should be sorted in ascending order.

Approach in the Given Code

1. Store Digit Frequencies

- An unordered_map<int,int> named mp is created to store how many times each digit appears in the array digits.
- Example: If digits = [2, 2, 8], then mp = {2: 2, 8: 1}.

2. Iterate Through All Possible Even 3-Digit Numbers

- The loop runs from 100 to 999 with a step of 2 (i += 2).
- This ensures that only **even numbers** are considered (last digit even).

3. Extract Digits of the Current Number

- a = units place (last digit)
- b = tens place (middle digit)
- c = hundreds place (first digit)
- These are extracted using modulo % and integer division /.

4. Check Digit Availability Using Frequency Map

First, check if digit a is present in the map.

- If found, decrement its frequency (simulating that it has been used).
- If the frequency becomes zero, remove it from the map temporarily.
- Then, check if digit b is present in the updated map.
 - If found, decrement its frequency.
 - If the frequency becomes zero, remove it from the map temporarily.
- Finally, check if digit c exists in the further updated map.
 - If found, push the number into the result vector ans.

5. Restore Frequencies After Each Check

- After checking b and c, the frequency of b is incremented back.
- After finishing with a, its frequency is also incremented back.
- This ensures that the frequency map is reset for the next iteration.

6. Return the Result

- The vector ans is returned.
- Since the loop runs from 100 upwards, the result is already sorted.

Key Details in the Code

- unordered_map<int,int>mp;
 → Stores frequency of each digit.
- for(int i=100;i<=999;i+=2) → Iterates through all even 3-digit numbers.
- Digit extraction:

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int a = x % 10; // units

x = x / 10;

int b = x % 10; // tens

x /= 10;

int c = x % 10; // hundreds
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Frequency decrement and erase:

o mp[a]--; if(mp[a]==0) mp.erase(a);

Removes the digit from the map temporarily if its count becomes zero.

- Frequency restoration:
 - After processing, the counts of a and b are restored by incrementing them again.

Why This Works Efficiently

- The loop only runs for numbers from 100 to 999 (900 numbers).
- Since the step is 2, only 450 iterations happen.
- Each check is **O(1)** because of unordered_map.
- The approach directly eliminates invalid numbers (odd numbers, numbers with unavailable digits, numbers with leading zero).

Time Complexity

• O(450 × constant) → effectively O(1) for all practical purposes.

Example Walkthrough

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Input: digits = [2, 1, 3, 0]
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• mp = {2:1, 1:1, 3:1, 0:1}

Loop:

- For i = 102:
 - \circ a = 2 available \rightarrow decrement mp[2]
 - ∘ b = 0 $\sqrt{}$ available \rightarrow decrement mp[0]
 - o c = 1 \checkmark available → push 102 into ans.
 - Restore mp[0] and mp[2].
- For i = 104 \rightarrow fails because 4 not in map.

Repeating this process produces:

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[102, 120, 130, 132, 210, 230, 302, 310, 312, 320].
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Original Code

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class Solution {
public:
  vector<int> findEvenNumbers(vector<int>& digits) {
    vector<int>ans;
    unordered_map<int,int> mp;
    for(int ele : digits){
       mp[ele]++;
    }
    for(int i=100; i < =999; i+=2){
       int x = i;
       int a = x \% 10;//last digit
       x = x / 10;
       int b = x % 10;//second last digit
       x /= 10;
       int c = x \% 10;
       if(mp.find(a) != mp.end()){
         //a found
         mp[a]--;
         if(mp[a]==0)mp.erase(a);
         if(mp.find(b) != mp.end()){
            //b found in the map
            mp[b]--;
            if(mp[b]==0)mp.erase(b);
            if(mp.find(c) != mp.end()){
              //c is also existing
              ans.push_back(i);
            mp[b]++;
         }
         mp[a]++;
       }
    }
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return ans;
}
};
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