

Challenge B: Most Frequent Number

Problem Domain:

In this challenge, I will declare a function that takes an array and returns the number that appears the most times in the array.

Algorithm:

Step 1:

Create an empty dictionary to count how many times each number appears.Challenge A: Array Reversal:

- 1. maxCount → to store the highest count found during the loop.
- 2. mostFreq → to store the most frequent number in the array.

Step 2:

Loop through each number in the array:

- If the number is already in the dictionary, increase its count by 1.
- If it's not in the dictionary, set its count to 1.

After updating the count, compare it with maxCount.

- If the current number's count is greater than maxCount, update maxCount and store the number in mostFreq.
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Visualization:

Let's say the input array is:[4, 2, 4, 3, 4, 2, 1]

Step 1:

Initialize:

counts = {}

maxCount = 0

mostFreq = null

Step 2: Looping through the array

4 → not in counts, set counts[4] = 1
→ maxCount = 1, mostFreq = 4

2 → not in counts, set counts[2] = 1
→ no change to mostFreq

4 → already in counts, increment to counts[4] = 2
→ maxCount = 2, mostFreq = 4

3 → not in counts, set counts[3] = 1
→ no change

4 → counts[4] = 3
→ maxCount = 3, mostFreq = 4

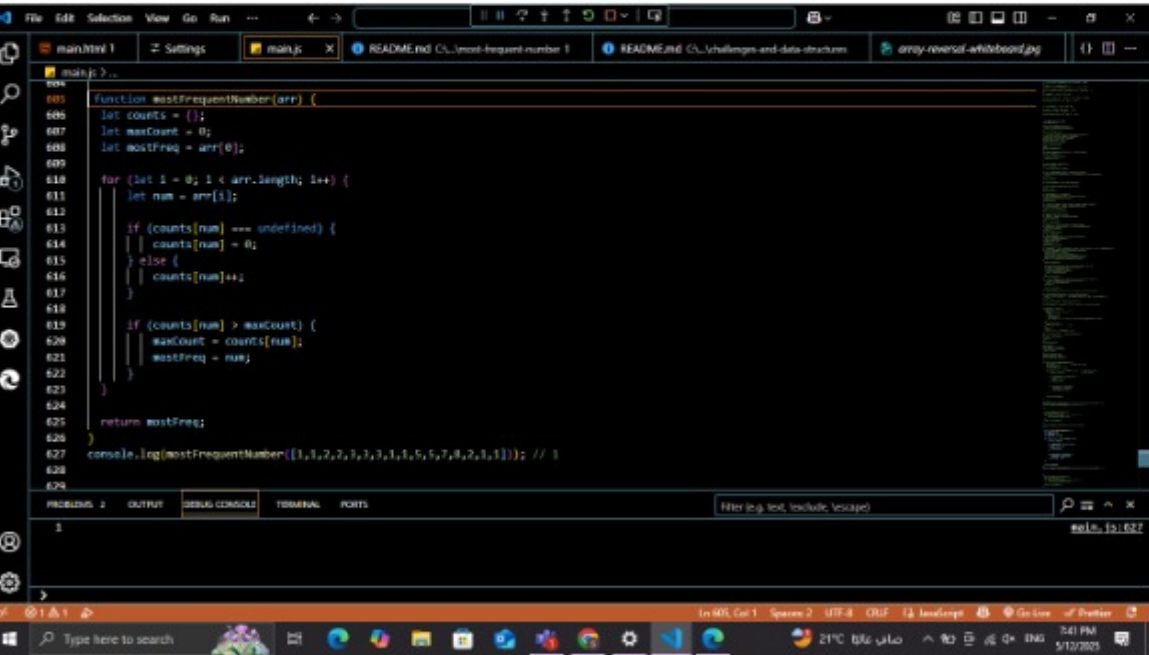
2 → counts[2] = 2
→ no change

1 → not in counts, set counts[1] = 1
→ no change

Final Output:

mostFreq = 4

Code:



Time Complexity =O(n)