

HEAP

1. TOP K frequent Elements

a). #BUCKET SORT : TC: $O(N)$, SC: $O(N)$

Step 1: Make count list of empty lists of $\text{len}(\text{nums}) + 1$

Step 2: Make frequency dictionary of each element of nums

Step 3: Append each frequency v at i of count.

Step 4: Iterate from last to 0 and append each val in new answer list till $\text{len}(\text{answer})$ is equal to k

b) #Using Heap : TC: $O(N \log K)$, SC: $O(N)$

Step1: Make frequency dictionary of each number in nums

Step2: Make an empty list answer and append (value, freq) as a tuple.

Step3: Make a empty heap

Step4: Traverse the answer and if heap length is not equal to k then push the current tuple in the heap

Step5: If it is equal to length of k then push the current tuple and pop the heap and move to next iteration

Step6: Make a empty list result

Step7: Now, till heap is empty pop the tuple 2nd element and append it in result

2. Merge K sorted Lists

a). Using heap: TC: $O(N \log K)$, SC: $O(k)$ where k is total number of lists and N is total number of elements in a list

Step1: Create empty list

Step2: Enumerate lists as i, v and push a tuple as $(v.val, i)$ in the heap list

Step3: Create a dummy node and attach head to it

Step4: While heap is not empty, pop the element from the heap and assign dummy.next to its value

Step5: Check if $\text{lists}[i].\text{next}$ exists or not. If yes, push the tuple as $(\text{lists}[i].\text{next}.val, i)$ and assign current $\text{lists}[i]$ to its $\text{lists}[i].\text{next}$ node.

Step6: Assign dummy to its next node as dummy.next

Step7: Return head.next

3. Merge K sorted arrays

a. Using heap: TC: $O(N \log(K))$ where k is total number of lists and N is total number of elements in the lists

Step1: Create empty list

Step2: Enumerate nums as i, v. and if len(v) exists then push a tuple as (v.val, i, 0) in the heap list

Step3: Create a result empty list.

Step4. while heap is not empty, pop the element from the heap as v, i, col and append v to the answer

Step5. Check if nums[i][col] is not equal to nums[i][col+1] if it's not equal then push the tuple as (nums[i][col+1], i, col+1)

Step6. At the end return the result list.