

Write python programs to convert: 1. a3b2c4-aaabbccccc 2.aaabbccccc-a3b2c4

1. **Decode:** "a3b2c4" → "aaabbccccc"

2. **Encode:** "aaabbccccc" → "a3b2c4"

I'll write both clearly as Python programs:

1. Decode (a3b2c4 → aaabbccccc)

Decode function

```
s = input("Enter encoded string (e.g. a3b2c4): ")
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```
output = ""
```

```
for ch in s:
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    if ch.isalpha():      # if character is a letter
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        var = ch
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    else:                # if character is a digit
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        num = int(ch)
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        output = output + (var * num)
```

```
print("Decoded string:", output)
```

✅ Example Run:

Input: a3b2c4

Output: aaabbccccc

2. Encode (aaabbccccc → a3b2c4)

Encode function

```
string = input("Enter string to encode (e.g. aaabbccccc): ")
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output = ""
```

```
visited = set()
```



```
for ch in string:
    if ch not in visited: # process only first occurrence
        output += ch + str(string.count(ch))
        visited.add(ch)

print("Encoded string:", output)
```

✅ Example Run:

Input: aaabbccccc

Output: a3b2c4

