

(ALL  $O(1)$  data structure)

(Prerequisite read explanation of LRU cache)

maxKey()  $\rightarrow$  Since am allowed to return any key with  
minKey()  $\rightarrow$  the maxFreq or minFreq in case of a time  
am using HashSet.

My thought process, and the experience I had solving this  
question for the first time.

First time, I was trying the first approach of LRU cache

map (String, Integer)  $\rightarrow$  {Key to Frequency Map}

map (Integer, HashSet (String))  $\rightarrow$  {Frequency to set of Strings which have  
(that frequency)}

Earlier, we were maintaining  
minFreq, now we  
have to maintain maxFreq

where does the approach fail?

Since dec is supported,

You do a dec of ~~for~~ Key3,  
what happens?

removed,

and  
you cannot jump to  
(minFreq = 3)

freq 6  $\leftarrow$  Key1  $\rightarrow$  maxFreq

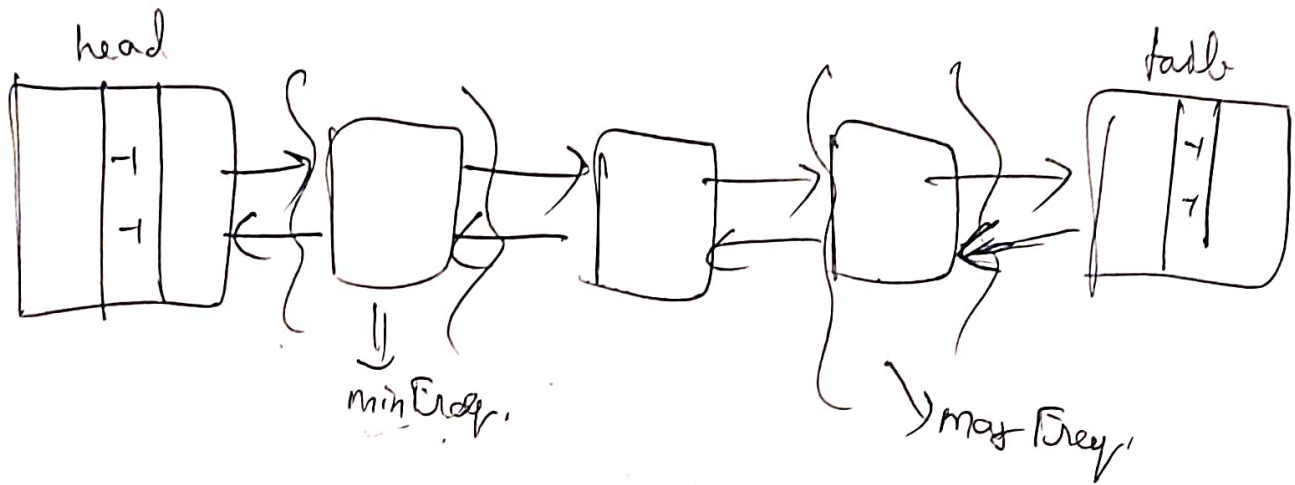
freq 3  $\leftarrow$  Key2 (this should be  
minFreq now)

~~(freq 1  $\leftarrow$  Key3)~~  $\rightarrow$  (minFreq)

So this approach won't work,

New Approach -> Prerequisite LFU cache.

Use the doubly linkedlist and maintain Hashset<String> in integer.



Advantage -> You can directly jump to next minFreq if minFreq is empty or jump to previous maxFreq if maxFreq node becomes empty

inc(key) -> You maintain a HashMap (Key, Node) Location in DLL

(Step 1) ~~get~~ get prevFreq, remove the key from that node

(Step 2) (newFreq = prevFreq + 1) check if node.next.freq = prevFreq

~~No?~~  
create a new Node  
with freq = prevFreq + 1  
and insert b/w  
(node and node.next)

~~Yes?~~  
insert it in the  
node

update  
Location in map -> put(Key, newNode)

Similar for dec(key) -> You get the idea,

Practice writing the code  
properly