

## Top K问题

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## 0. 介绍

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关键字：寻找前K个。常见手段是使用堆。

简单谈一下STL中的heap操作。

### make\_heap

根据数组进行建堆。传入数组的begin和end，以及compare对象。

### pop\_heap

这个操作会将元素从vector头部移动到尾部。

同时要明白，此时发生了size减小。这都是需要程序员记录的东西。

### push\_heap

在数组尾部添加元素后，重新调整堆到堆状态。

参考建议：cppreference

## 1. 入门

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### 1.1 前K大元素

给定一个无序数组，寻找前K大的元素。

e.g.1

```
Input: [3, 1, 5, 12, 2, 11], K = 3
Output: [5, 12, 11]
```

e.g.2

```
Input: [5, 12, 11, -1, 12], K = 3
Output: [12, 11, 12]
```

## 思路

最小堆过滤一遍即可。

即遍历数组，如果值大于小根堆堆顶，则插入堆中，同时弹出堆顶。那么就可以维持K大小的一个堆。

面试时候，手撕做法。

```
using namespace std;

#include <algorithm>
#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <vector>

class KlargestNumbers {
public:
    static vector<int> findKlargestNumbers(const vector<int>& nums, int k) {
        vector<int> result;
        priority_queue<int, vector<int>, greater<int>>> min_heap;
        // TODO: Write your code here
        for(int i = 0; i < nums.size(); i++)
        {
            if(min_heap.size() < k)
            {
                min_heap.push(nums[i]);
            }else{
                if(nums[i] > min_heap.top())
                {
                    min_heap.push(nums[i]);
                    min_heap.pop();
                }
            }
        }
        while(!min_heap.empty())
        {
            result.push_back(min_heap.top());
            min_heap.pop();
        }
    }
};
```

```

    }
    return result;
}
};

int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
    vector<int> result = KLargestNumbers::findKLargestNumbers(vector<int>{3,
1, 5, 12, 2, 11}, 3);
    cout << "Here are the top K numbers: ";
    for (auto num : result) {
        cout << num << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;

    result = KLargestNumbers::findKLargestNumbers(vector<int>{5, 12, 11, -1,
12}, 3);
    cout << "Here are the top K numbers: ";
    for (auto num : result) {
        cout << num << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}

```

但实际上，上述操作存在许多浪费性能的地方，如果是笔试的话，还是需要采用STL中的堆操作。

```

using namespace std;

#include <algorithm>
#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <vector>

class KLargestNumbers {
public:
    static vector<int> findKLargestNumbers(const vector<int>& nums, int k) {
        vector<int> result;
        vector<int> min_heap(nums.begin(), nums.begin() + k);
        make_heap(min_heap.begin(), min_heap.end(), greater<int>{});
        // TODO: Write your code here
        for(int i = k; i < nums.size(); i++)
        {
            if(nums[i] > min_heap.front())
            {

```

```

        pop_heap(min_heap.begin(), min_heap.end(), greater<int>{});
        min_heap.pop_back();
        min_heap.push_back(nums[i]);
        push_heap(min_heap.begin(), min_heap.end(), greater<int>{});
    }
}

return min_heap;
}

};

int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
    vector<int> result = KlargestNumbers::findKlargestNumbers(vector<int>{3,
1, 5, 12, 2, 11}, 3);
    cout << "Here are the top K numbers: ";
    for (auto num : result) {
        cout << num << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;

    result = KlargestNumbers::findKlargestNumbers(vector<int>{5, 12, 11, -1,
12}, 3);
    cout << "Here are the top K numbers: ";
    for (auto num : result) {
        cout << num << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}

```

## 1.2 寻找第K小元素

给定一个无序数组，寻找第K小的元素。注意这个元素是排序后第K小，并不是第K个不同元素。

即[1 2 5 5] 第3个元素是5，第4个也是5。

本质上就是找排名为K的元素。

### 思路

最大堆 or 最小堆

```

using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <vector>

class KthSmallestNumber {
public:
    static int findKthSmallestNumber(const vector<int> &nums, int k) {
        // TODO: Write your code here
        priority_queue<int, vector<int>, less<int>> max_heap(nums.begin(),
nums.begin() + k);
        for(int i = k; i < nums.size(); i++)
        {
            if(nums[i] < max_heap.top())
            {
                max_heap.push(nums[i]);
                max_heap.pop();
            }
        }
        return max_heap.top();
    }
};

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    int result = KthSmallestNumber::findKthSmallestNumber(vector<int>{1, 5,
12, 2, 11, 5}, 3);
    cout << "Kth smallest number is: " << result << endl;

    // since there are two 5s in the input array, our 3rd and 4th smallest
numbers should be a '5'
    result = KthSmallestNumber::findKthSmallestNumber(vector<int>{1, 5, 12,
2, 11, 5}, 4);
    cout << "Kth smallest number is: " << result << endl;

    result = KthSmallestNumber::findKthSmallestNumber(vector<int>{5, 12, 11,
-1, 12}, 3);
    cout << "Kth smallest number is: " << result << endl;
}

```

简单分析得到，其复杂度是 $O(N * \log K)$

也可以使用建堆，然后扔掉前 $K-1$ 小的元素。复杂度是 $O(N + K \log N)$ ，如下所示。

```

using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <vector>

class KthSmallestNumber {
public:
    static int findKthSmallestNumber(const vector<int> &nums, int k) {
        // TODO: Write your code here
        priority_queue<int, vector<int>, greater<int>> min_heap(nums.begin(),
nums.end());
        k--;
        while(k--)
        {
            min_heap.pop();
        }
        return min_heap.top();
    }
};

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    int result = KthSmallestNumber::findKthSmallestNumber(vector<int>{1, 5,
12, 2, 11, 5}, 3);
    cout << "Kth smallest number is: " << result << endl;

    // since there are two 5s in the input array, our 3rd and 4th smallest
numbers should be a '5'
    result = KthSmallestNumber::findKthSmallestNumber(vector<int>{1, 5, 12,
2, 11, 5}, 4);
    cout << "Kth smallest number is: " << result << endl;

    result = KthSmallestNumber::findKthSmallestNumber(vector<int>{5, 12, 11,
-1, 12}, 3);
    cout << "Kth smallest number is: " << result << endl;
}

```

## 2. 实战

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### 2.1 寻找前K近的到原点的点

给定一系列二维坐标点，寻找距离原点排名为前K近的点。

e.g.1

```
Input: points = [[1,2],[1,3]], K = 1
Output: [[1,2]]
Explanation: The Euclidean distance between (1, 2) and the origin is sqrt(5).
The Euclidean distance between (1, 3) and the origin is sqrt(10).
Since sqrt(5) < sqrt(10), therefore (1, 2) is closer to the origin.
```

e.g.2

```
Input: point = [[1, 3], [3, 4], [2, -1]], K = 2
Output: [[1, 3], [2, -1]]
```

## 思路

好像没什么难点。就是得到排名为前K的元素。只不过需要计算下距离而已。

```
using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <vector>

class Point {
public:
    int x = 0;
    int y = 0;

    Point(int x, int y) {
        this->x = x;
        this->y = y;
    }

    int distFromOrigin() const {
        // ignoring sqrt
        return (x * x) + (y * y);
    }
};

struct Compare{
```



```

    bool operator()(const Point&p1, const Point &p2)
    {
        p1.distFromOrigin() < p2.distFromOrigin();
    }
};

class KClosestPointsToOrigin {
public:
    static vector<Point> findClosestPoints(const vector<Point>& points, int
k) {
        vector<Point> result(points.begin(), points.begin() + k);
        // TODO: Write your code here
        make_heap(result.begin(), result.end(), Compare{});
        for(int i = k; i < points.size(); i++)
        {
            if(points[i].distFromOrigin() < result.front().distFromOrigin())
            {
                pop_heap(result.begin(), result.end(), Compare{});
                result[result.size() - 1] = points[i];
                push_heap(result.begin(), result.end(), Compare{});
            }
        }
        return result;
    }
};

int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
    vector<Point> maxHeap = KClosestPointsToOrigin::findClosestPoints({{1,
3}, {3, 4}, {2, -1}}, 2);
    cout << "Here are the k points closest the origin: ";
    for (auto p : maxHeap) {
        cout << "[" << p.x << " , " << p.y << "]" ";
    }
}

```

## 2.2 连接绳子

给定N个不同长度的绳子，将所有的绳子连接起来。使用最小的代价。绳子的代价和绳子的长度相同。注意代价的计算方式。

e.g.1

Input: [1, 3, 11, 5]

Output: 33

Explanation: First connect  $1+3(=4)$ , then  $4+5(=9)$ , and then  $9+11(=20)$ . So the total cost is 33 ( $4+9+20$ )

e.g.2

Input: [3, 4, 5, 6]

Output: 36

Explanation: First connect  $3+4(=7)$ , then  $5+6(=11)$ ,  $7+11(=18)$ . Total cost is 36 ( $7+11+18$ )

e.g.3

Input: [1, 3, 11, 5, 2]

Output: 42

Explanation: First connect  $1+2(=3)$ , then  $3+3(=6)$ ,  $6+5(=11)$ ,  $11+11(=22)$ . Total cost is 42 ( $3+6+11+22$ )

## 思路

也是比较简单。将数组做成堆。弹出前2个最小的数。然后构成一个大数再插入。结束条件可能有点需要考虑。

```
using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <vector>

class ConnectRopes {
public:
    static int minimumCostToConnectRopes(const vector<int> &ropeLengths) {
        int result = 0;
        priority_queue<int, vector<int>, greater<int>>
min_heap(ropeLengths.begin(), ropeLengths.end());
        // TODO: Write your code here
        while(min_heap.size() > 1)
        {
            auto first = min_heap.top();
            min_heap.pop();
```

```

        auto second = min_heap.top();
        min_heap.pop();
        auto value = first + second;
        result += value;
        min_heap.push(value);
    }
    return result;
}

};

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    int result = ConnectRopes::minimumCostToConnectRopes(vector<int>{1, 3,
11, 5});
    cout << "Minimum cost to connect ropes: " << result << endl;
    result = ConnectRopes::minimumCostToConnectRopes(vector<int>{3, 4, 5,
6});
    cout << "Minimum cost to connect ropes: " << result << endl;
    result = ConnectRopes::minimumCostToConnectRopes(vector<int>{1, 3, 11, 5,
2});
    cout << "Minimum cost to connect ropes: " << result << endl;
}

```

## 2.3 统计top K词频的数字

给定一个未排序的数组，统计词频排前K的数字。

e.g.1

```

Input: [1, 3, 5, 12, 11, 12, 11], K = 2
Output: [12, 11]
Explanation: Both '11' and '12' appeared twice.

```

e.g.2

```

Input: [5, 12, 11, 3, 11], K = 2
Output: [11, 5] or [11, 12] or [11, 3]
Explanation: Only '11' appeared twice, all other numbers appeared once.

```

思路

1. 需要统计词频。
2. 用堆进行过滤

```
using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <unordered_map>
#include <vector>

struct Compare{
    bool operator()(pair<int, int> x1, pair<int, int> x2)
    {
        return x1.second > x2.second;
    }
};

class TopKFrequentNumbers {
    struct valueCompare {
        char operator()(const pair<int, int> &x, const pair<int, int> &y) {
            return x.second > y.second;
        }
    };

public:
    static vector<int> findTopKFrequentNumbers(const vector<int> &nums, int
k) {
        vector<int> topNumbers;
        topNumbers.reserve(k);
        unordered_map<int, int> frequency;
        for(int n : nums)
            frequency[n]++;
        priority_queue<pair<int, int>, vector<pair<int, int>>, Compare>
min_heap;
        for(auto elem : frequency)
        {
            if(min_heap.size() >= k)
            {
                if(elem.second > min_heap.top().second)
                {
                    min_heap.push(elem);
                    min_heap.pop();
                }
            }
            else{
                min_heap.push(elem);
            }
        }
    }
};
```

```

        }
    }
    while(!min_heap.empty())
    {
        topNumbers.push_back(min_heap.top().first);
        min_heap.pop();
    }
    return topNumbers;
}

};

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    vector<int> result =
        TopKFrequentNumbers::findTopKFrequentNumbers(vector<int>{1, 3, 5,
12, 11, 12, 11}, 2);
    cout << "Here are the K frequent numbers: ";
    for (auto num : result) {
        cout << num << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;

    result = TopKFrequentNumbers::findTopKFrequentNumbers(vector<int>{5, 12,
11, 3, 11}, 2);
    cout << "Here are the K frequent numbers: ";
    for (auto num : result) {
        cout << num << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}

```

当然这里如果想优化的更好，需要使用STL中的堆操作。

## 2.4 给定一个字符串，按照词频排序

给定一个字符串，按照词频降序排序。

e.g.1

```

Input: "Programming"
Output: "rrggmmPiano"
Explanation: 'r', 'g', and 'm' appeared twice, so they need to appear before
any other character.

```

e.g.2

Input: "abcbab"

Output: "bbbaac"

Explanation: 'b' appeared three times, 'a' appeared twice, and 'c' appeared only once.

## 思路

1. 需要统计词频
2. 需要将所有字母插入到堆中

```
using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <string>
#include <unordered_map>

struct Compare{
    bool operator() (pair<char, int> x1, pair<char, int> x2)
    {
        return x1.second < x2.second;
    }
};

class FrequencySort {
public:
    static string sortCharacterByFrequency(const string &str) {
        string sortedString = "";
        // TODO: Write your code here
        unordered_map<char, int> frequency;
        priority_queue<pair<char, int>, vector<pair<char, int>>, Compare>
max_heap;
        for(int i = 0; i < str.size(); i++)
        {
            frequency[str[i]]++;
        }
        for(auto elem : frequency)
        {
            max_heap.push(elem);
        }
        while(!max_heap.empty())
```

```

        {
            int n = max_heap.top().second;
            while(n--)
            {
                sortedString.push_back(max_heap.top().first);
            }
            max_heap.pop();
        }
        return sortedString;
    }
};

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    string result = FrequencySort::sortCharacterByFrequency("Programming");
    cout << "Here is the given string after sorting characters by frequency:"
    << result << endl;

    result = FrequencySort::sortCharacterByFrequency("abcbab");
    cout << "Here is the given string after sorting characters by frequency:"
    << result << endl;
}

```

## 2-5 计算流中第K大的数字

设计一个类去有效寻找在流中第K大的数字。  
 这个类有如下几个操作。  
 构造函数，接受一个数组和一个K  
 然后给定一个add操作。

```

Input: [3, 1, 5, 12, 2, 11], K = 4
1. Calling add(6) should return '5'.
2. Calling add(13) should return '6'.
2. Calling add(4) should still return '6'.

```

### 思路

因为要保持第K大，因此需要维护一个K大小的最小堆。

```

using namespace std;

```

```

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <vector>

class KthLargestNumberInStream {
public:
    KthLargestNumberInStream(const vector<int> &nums, int k) {
        // TODO: Write your code here
        for(int i = 0; i < nums.size(); i++)
        {
            min_heap.push(nums[i]);
            if(min_heap.size() > k)
            {
                min_heap.pop();
            }
        }
        K = k;
    }

    virtual int add(int num) {
        // TODO: Write your code here
        min_heap.push(num);
        min_heap.pop();
        return min_heap.top();
    }

    priority_queue<int, vector<int>, greater<int>> min_heap;
    int K;
};

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    KthLargestNumberInStream kthLargestNumber({3, 1, 5, 12, 2, 11}, 4);
    cout << "4th largest number is: " << kthLargestNumber.add(6) << endl;
    cout << "4th largest number is: " << kthLargestNumber.add(13) << endl;
    cout << "4th largest number is: " << kthLargestNumber.add(4) << endl;
}

```

## 2-6 寻找距离X最近的K个值

给定一个数组，给定一个值K和x。  
寻找距离x最近的K个值。

e.g.1



Input: [5, 6, 7, 8, 9], K = 3, X = 7

Output: [6, 7, 8]

e.g.2

Input: [2, 4, 5, 6, 9], K = 3, X = 6

Output: [4, 5, 6]

## 思路

用距离的绝对值比较。用值存储。

```
using namespace std;

#include <algorithm>
#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <vector>

class KClosestElements {
public:
    struct numCompare {
        bool operator() (const pair<int, int> &x, const pair<int, int> &y) {
            return x.first < y.first; }
    };

    static vector<int> findClosestElements(const vector<int> &arr, int K, int
X) {
        vector<int> result;
        priority_queue<pair<int, int>, vector<pair<int, int>>, numCompare >
max_heap;
        for(int i = 0; i < arr.size(); i++)
        {
            max_heap.push(make_pair(abs(arr[i] - X), arr[i]));
            if(max_heap.size() > K)
                max_heap.pop();
        }
        while(!max_heap.empty())
        {
            result.push_back(max_heap.top().second);
            max_heap.pop();
        }
    }
};
```

```

    }
    // TODO: Write your code here
    return result;
}
};

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    vector<int> result = KClosestElements::findClosestElements(vector<int>{5,
6, 7, 8, 9}, 3, 7);
    cout << "K' closest numbers to 'X' are: ";
    for (auto num : result) {
        cout << num << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;

    result = KClosestElements::findClosestElements(vector<int>{2, 4, 5, 6,
9}, 3, 6);
    cout << "K' closest numbers to 'X' are: ";
    for (auto num : result) {
        cout << num << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}

```

## 2.7 删除K个数字

给定一个数组，和一个K值。从数组中移除K个值，在数组中留下最多的不同数字。并返回不同数字的种类。

e.g.1

Input: [7, 3, 5, 8, 5, 3, 3], and K=2

Output: 3

Explanation: We can remove two occurrences of 3 to be left with 3 distinct numbers [7, 3, 8], we have

to skip 5 because it is not distinct and occurred twice.

Another solution could be to remove one instance of '5' and '3' each to be left with three

distinct numbers [7, 5, 8], in this case, we have to skip 3 because it occurred twice.

可以移除俩个3。留下7, 3, 5, 8, 5, 因为5存在多个。留下[7 3 8]

e.g.2

Input: [3, 5, 12, 11, 12], and K=3

Output: 2

Explanation: We can remove one occurrence of 12, after which all numbers will become distinct. Then

we can delete any two numbers which will leave us 2 distinct numbers in the result.

## 思路

1. 需要从数组中删除K个值。
2. 在剩下的数组中选取unique的数字的个数。

可以从词频排序做起。如果最高词频大于1，且为M。就可以删除M-1个数字。如果为1，则任意删除K个数字。

```
using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <unordered_map>
#include <vector>

struct Compare{
    bool operator()(pair<int, int> x1, pair<int, int> x2)
    {
        return x1.second < x2.second;
    }
};

class MaximumDistinctElements {
public:
    static int findMaximumDistinctElements(const vector<int> &nums, int k) {
        int distinctElementsCount = 0;
        // value, freq
        unordered_map<int, int> frequency;
        for(int i = 0; i < nums.size(); i++)
        {
            frequency[nums[i]]++;
        }

        priority_queue<pair<int, int>, vector<pair<int, int>>, Compare>
max_heap;
```

```

        for(auto elem:frequency)
        {
            max_heap.push(elem)      ;
        }
        while(k > 0)
        {
            if(max_heap.top().second > 1)
            {
                int freq = max_heap.top().second;
                k -= (freq - 1);
                max_heap.push(make_pair(max_heap.top().first, 1));
                max_heap.pop();
            }else{
                return max_heap.size() - k;
            }
        }
        while(max_heap.top().second > 1)
        {
            max_heap.pop();
        }
        // TODO: Write your code here
        return max_heap.size();
    }
};

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    int result =
        MaximumDistinctElements::findMaximumDistinctElements(vector<int>
{7, 3, 5, 8, 5, 3, 3}, 2);
    cout << "Maximum distinct numbers after removing K numbers: " << result
<< endl;

    result = MaximumDistinctElements::findMaximumDistinctElements(vector<int>
{3, 5, 12, 11, 12}, 3);
    cout << "Maximum distinct numbers after removing K numbers: " << result
<< endl;

    result = MaximumDistinctElements::findMaximumDistinctElements(
        vector<int>{1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5}, 2);
    cout << "Maximum distinct numbers after removing K numbers: " << result
<< endl;
}

```

1. 首先将所有词频大于1的，都可以减到词频=1。如果k没被剪完。就可以任意减数字了。
2. 如果k被剪完了，那么有可能存在词频大于1的。那么就将其全部删除。

## 2.8 计算区间和

给定一个数组。计算在K1th和K2th之间的元素和。

e.g.1

```
Input: [1, 3, 12, 5, 15, 11], and K1=3, K2=6
Output: 23
Explanation: The 3rd smallest number is 5 and 6th smallest number 15. The sum
of numbers coming
between 5 and 15 is 23 (11+12).
```

e.g.2

```
Input: [3, 5, 8, 7], and K1=1, K2=4
Output: 12
Explanation: The sum of the numbers between the 1st smallest number (3) and
the 4th smallest
number (8) is 12 (5+7).
```

### 思路

1. 求出K1和K2位置的值。
2. 然后计算元素和。

比较直接的思路是维护K2大小的堆。弹出元素直到K1。然后开始计算元素和。

```
using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <vector>

class SumOfElements {
public:
    struct numCompare {
        bool operator()( const int &x, const int &y ) {
```

```

        return x > y;
    }
};

static int findSumOfElements( const vector<int> &nums, int k1, int k2 ) {
    priority_queue<int, vector<int>, numCompare> minHeap;

    // insert all numbers to the min heap
    for ( int i = 0; i < nums.size(); i++ ) {
        minHeap.push( nums[i] );
    }

    // remove k1 small numbers from the min heap
    for ( int i = 0; i < k1; i++ ) {
        minHeap.pop();
    }

    int elementSum = 0;
    // sum next k2-k1-1 numbers
    for ( int i = 0; i < k2 - k1 - 1; i++ ) {
        elementSum += minHeap.top();
        minHeap.pop();
    }

    return elementSum;
}

};

int main( int argc, char *argv[] ) {
    int result = SumOfElements::findSumOfElements( vector<int> {1, 3, 12, 5, 15, 11}, 3, 6 );
    cout << "Sum of all numbers between k1 and k2 smallest numbers: " <<
    result << endl;

    result = SumOfElements::findSumOfElements( vector<int> {3, 5, 8, 7}, 1, 4 );
    cout << "Sum of all numbers between k1 and k2 smallest numbers: " <<
    result << endl;
}

```

另一个思路：

也可以维护前K2个值大小的堆，然后遍历数组。最后再减去K1部分。

## 2.9 重排字符串

给定一个字符串，重排字符串，使之重排之后没有相同字符在一起。

e.g.1

```
Input: "aappp"
Output: "papap"
Explanation: In "papap", none of the repeating characters come next to each other.
```

e.g.2

```
Input: "Programming"
Output: "rgmrgrmPiano" or "gmrgrmPoa" or "gmrPagimnor", etc.
Explanation: None of the repeating characters come next to each other.
```

### 思路

1. 需要计算字符的频率。
2. 利用最大堆存放。

一开始肯定要插入最大的频率的字符。然后放回去。但是这样可能会出现重复字符，所以需要下一次再放回去，即等待下一个字符插入后再放回去。

看code就很容易明白了。

```
using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <string>
#include <unordered_map>
#include <vector>

struct Compare {
    bool operator()( pair<char, int> x1, pair<char, int> x2 ) {
        return x1.second < x2.second;
    }
};

class RearrangeString {
```

```

public:
    static string rearrangeString( const string &str ) {
        // TODO: Write your code here
        unordered_map<char, int> frequency;
        for ( int i = 0; i < str.size(); i++ )
            frequency[str[i]]++;
        priority_queue<pair<char, int>, vector<pair<char, int>>, Compare>
max_heap;
        for ( auto elem : frequency )
            max_heap.push( elem );
        pair<char, int> pre_entry{ -1, -1 };
        string result;
        while ( !max_heap.empty() ) {
            auto curr_entry = max_heap.top();
            max_heap.pop();
            if ( pre_entry.second > 0 )
                max_heap.push( pre_entry );
            curr_entry.second--;
            pre_entry = curr_entry;

            result += curr_entry.first;
        }
        return result;
    }
};

int main( int argc, char *argv[] ) {
    cout << "Rearranged string: " << RearrangeString::rearrangeString(
"aapp" ) << endl;
    cout << "Rearranged string: " << RearrangeString::rearrangeString(
"Programming" ) << endl;
    cout << "Rearranged string: " << RearrangeString::rearrangeString( "aapa"
) << endl;
    system( "pause" );
}

```

## 3. 挑战

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### 3.1 重排字符



给定一个字符，重排字符，使之相同距离的字符为K个字符。

e.g.1

```
Input: "Programming", K=3
Output: "rgmPrgmiano" or "gmrimgmrPoa" or "gmrPagimnor" and a few more
Explanation: All same characters are 3 distance apart.
```

## 思路

和上题思路一样。只不过这次受K控制距离而已。我们可以将上题中的queue看做是一个。我们每次记录前K-1个元素。当插入第K-1个元素后。队列中第1个元素又可以重新插入了。所以放回到max\_heap中。

```
using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <string>
#include <unordered_map>
#include <vector>

struct Compare {
    bool operator()( pair<char, int> x1, pair<char, int> x2 ) {
        return x1.second < x2.second;
    }
};

class RearrangeStringKDistanceApart {
public:
    static string reorganizeString( const string &str, int k ) {
        // TODO: Write your code here
        unordered_map<char, int> frequency;
        for ( int i = 0; i < str.size(); i++ )
            frequency[str[i]]++;
        priority_queue<pair<char, int>, vector<pair<char, int>>, Compare>
max_heap;
        for ( auto elem : frequency )
            max_heap.push( elem );
        queue<pair<char, int>> pre_entry_queue;
        string result;
        while ( !max_heap.empty() ) {
```

```

        auto curr_entry = max_heap.top();
        max_heap.pop();
        if ( pre_entry_queue.size() >= k - 1 ) {
            auto pre_entry = pre_entry_queue.front();
            pre_entry_queue.pop();
            if( pre_entry.second > 0 )
                max_heap.push( pre_entry );
        }
        curr_entry.second--;
        pre_entry_queue.push( curr_entry );
        result += curr_entry.first;
    }
    return result.size() == str.size() ? result : "";
}

};

int main( int argc, char *argv[] ) {
    cout << "Reorganized string: "
        << RearrangeStringKDistanceApart::reorganizeString( "mmpp", 2 ) <<
endl;
    cout << "Reorganized string: "
        << RearrangeStringKDistanceApart::reorganizeString( "Programming", 3
) << endl;
    cout << "Reorganized string: "
        << RearrangeStringKDistanceApart::reorganizeString( "aab", 2 ) <<
endl;
    cout << "Reorganized string: " <<
RearrangeStringKDistanceApart::reorganizeString( "aappa", 3 )
        << endl;
    system( "pause" );
}

```

## 3.2 安排任务

给定一系列任务，相同的任务间隔期为k。如果没有任务执行，可以执行idle任务。输出最大任务长度

e.g.1

Input: [a, a, a, b, c, c], K=2

Output: 7

Explanation: a → c → b → a → c → idle → a

e.g.2

Input: [a, b, a], K=3

Output: 5

Explanation: a → b → idle → idle → a

## 思路

这里的思路有点怪的。我自己是没想出来。

这里要明白什么时候插入idle节点。如果每次迭代能走完K+1。就不需要插入idle。如果走不完。则需要插入idle。

```
using namespace std;

#include <iostream>
#include <queue>
#include <unordered_map>
#include <vector>

class TaskScheduler {
public:
    struct valueCompare {
        char operator()( const pair<int, int> &x, const pair<int, int> &y ) {
            return y.second > x.second;
        }
    };

    static int scheduleTasks( vector<char> &tasks, int k ) {
        int intervalCount = 0;
        unordered_map<char, int> taskFrequencyMap;
        for ( char chr : tasks ) {
            taskFrequencyMap[chr]++;
        }

        priority_queue<pair<char, int>, vector<pair<char, int>>,
valueCompare> maxHeap;

        // add all tasks to the max heap
```

```

        for ( auto entry : taskFrequencyMap ) {
            maxHeap.push( entry );
        }

        while ( !maxHeap.empty() ) {
            vector<pair<char, int>> waitList;
            int n = k + 1; // try to execute as many as 'k+1' tasks from the
max-heap

            for ( ; n > 0 && !maxHeap.empty(); n-- ) {
                intervalCount++;
                auto currentEntry = maxHeap.top();
                maxHeap.pop();
                if ( currentEntry.second > 1 ) {
                    currentEntry.second--;
                    waitList.push_back( currentEntry );
                }
            }

            // put all the waiting list back on the heap
            for ( auto it = waitList.begin(); it != waitList.end(); it++ ) {
                maxHeap.push( *it );
            }

            if ( !maxHeap.empty() ) {
                intervalCount += n; // we'll be having 'n' idle intervals
for the next iteration
            }
        }

        return intervalCount;
    }
};

int main( int argc, char *argv[] ) {
    vector<char> tasks = { 'a', 'a', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'c' };
    cout << "Minimum intervals needed to execute all tasks: "
        << TaskScheduler::scheduleTasks( tasks, 2 ) << endl;

    tasks = vector<char> { 'a', 'b', 'a' };
    cout << "Minimum intervals needed to execute all tasks: "
        << TaskScheduler::scheduleTasks( tasks, 3 ) << endl;
}

```

