

451. Sort Characters By Frequency

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Given a string `s`, sort it in **decreasing order** based on the **frequency** of the characters. The **frequency** of a character is the number of times it appears in the string.

Return *the sorted string*. If there are multiple answers, return *any of them*.

Example 1:

Input: `s = "tree"`
Output: `"eert"`
Explanation: 'e' appears twice while 'r' and 't' both appear once. So 'e' must appear before both 'r' and 't'. Therefore "eetr" is also a valid answer.

Example 2:

Input: `s = "cccaaa"`
Output: `"aaaccc"`
Explanation: Both 'c' and 'a' appear three times, so both "cccaaa" and "aaaccc" are valid answers. Note that "cacaca" is incorrect, as the same characters must be together.

Example 3:

Input: `s = "Aabb"`
Output: `"bbAa"`
Explanation: "bbaA" is also a valid answer, but "Aabb" is incorrect. Note that 'A' and 'a' are treated as two different characters.

Constraints:

- `1 <= s.length <= 5 * 105`
- `s` consists of uppercase and lowercase English letters and digits.

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2 public:
3     int frq[128];
4     string frequencySort(string s) {
5         for(int i=0; i<128; i++) frq[i]=0;
6         for(int i=0; i<s.length(); i++) frq[s[i]]++;
7         sort(s.begin(),s.end(),
8             [this](char first, char second) -> bool
9         {
10             if(frq[first]>frq[second]) return true;
11             else if(frq[first]<frq[second]) return false;
12             else return first<second;
13         });
14         return s;
15     }
16 }
```

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