Que. Given a string, find first non-repeating character.

a-z → small chars.

Eg: e c h e d f c

x x ✓

h is your ans.

Eg: a b c d a c b

ans

Eg: a e a c

ans

Eg: a x a x e e

ans = '#'

↓

No ans.

Eg: e c h e d f c

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	..	z
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	..	25
0	0	2	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	0		0

Steps ① Store freq of chars in freq array

② Iterate on string & whichever char has freq 1, return it.

If none, return '#'

TC: O(N) + O(N)

SC: O(range of chars)

Approach 2

Take a map

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
e	c	h	e	d	f	c

char	freq
e	~~1~~ 2
c	~~1~~ 2
h	1
d	1
f	1

Approach 3

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
e	c	h	e	d	f	c

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	..	z
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	..	25
8	8	9	4	9	5	8	2	8	8	8		8

(len+1) 8 → char not present till not

(len+2) 9 → invalid.

TC: O(N) + O(range of chars)

SC: O(range of chars)

Q. Given stream of characters, after adding every character, find first non-repeating character.
If none, add # to answer.

Note: string contains only lowercase characters.

FIRST: Non repeating from L to R.

Stream	a	b	c	a	d	e	d	a	b	e	c	g
ans:	a	a	a	b	b	b	b	b	c	c	#	g

Stream	x	y	z	y	x	z	m	x	x	h
ans:	x	x	x	x	z	#	m	m	m	m

Brute Force

For every incoming character,
① Add its frequency to freq array $\Rightarrow O(1)$

Approach 1

Iterate on the given string to get the ans.

$O(N)$

Approach 2

Iterate on the array to get the answer.

$O(\text{range of chars})$

N chars

$O(N^2)$

$O(N \times \text{range of chars})$

$\simeq O(N)$

stream: a b c a d e b d a c b e g

a a a b b b c c c e e # g

x x x d x g

Freq array

a : x x 3

b : x x 3

c : x 2

d : x 2

e : x 2

g : 1

QUEQUE

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string stream(string A){
    int n = A.length()
    int arr[26];
    queue<char> q
    string ans = " "
    for(i=0; i<N; i++){
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1) update the freq in the array

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        arr[A[i]-'a']++
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2) Insert in queue

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        if(arr[A[i]-'a'] == 1){
            q.enqueue(A[i])
        }
```

3) Print the answer
Before that freq of ele in front has to be checked

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        while(q.size()>0 && A[q.front()-'a'] > 1)
            q.dequeue()
        }
```

4) Finally print the answer

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        if(q.size()>0){
            ans += q.front()
        }
        else ans += '#'
    }
    return ans .
```

TC: O(N)

SC: O(range of chars)

a a b # c

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑

a b a b c

~~a a b c~~

0	1	2
2	2	1

DEQ

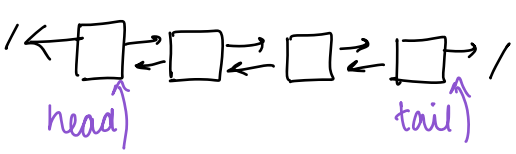
Doubly Ended Queue

DIY

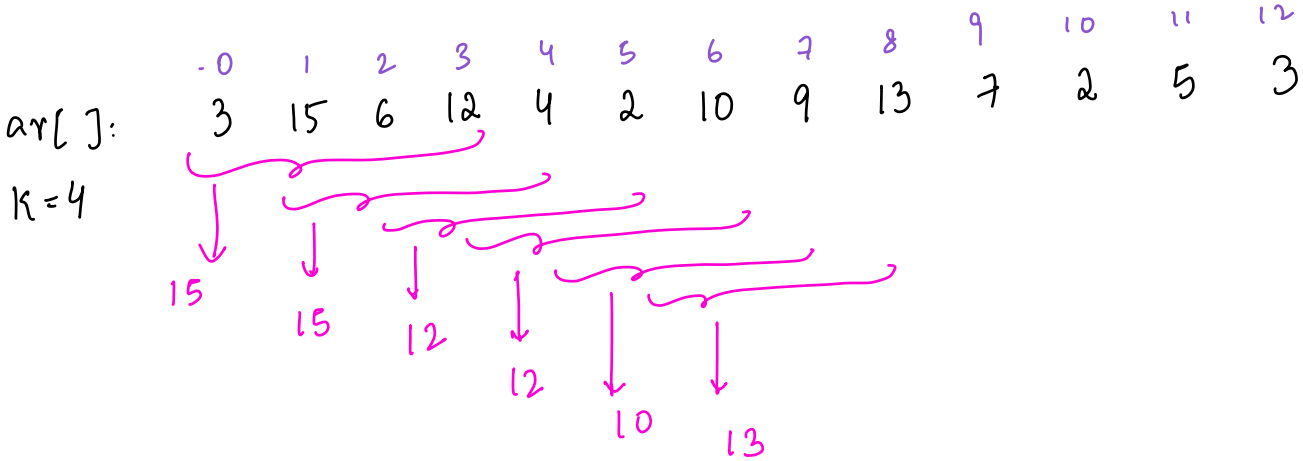
Functionalities

- push_back() : insert at tail
- push_front() : insert at head
- pop_back() : deleting from tail
- pop_front() : deleting from head
- isEmpty() : NULL check
- back() : returns the data at tail
- front() : returns the data at head
- size() : maintain a variable for it

Implementation : DLL



Que. Given array of size N & integer K, find max ele in every window of size K.



Brute Force

Iterate on every window of size K.

Total windows of size k → N-K+1

TC: O(N-K+1) X O(K)

X K:1 (N-1+1) x (1) = N

X K:N (N-N+1) x (N) = N

K: N/2 (N - N/2 + 1) x (N/2) = (N/2 + 1)(N/2) ≃ O(N²)

K = 4

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
ar[ ]:	3	15	6	12	4	2	10	9	13	7	2	5	3

Push at back
Remove at back
Remove at Front
} DEQ (Doubly Ended Queue / DEQUE)

Ans

15 15 12 12 10 13 13 13 13 7

Note : To keep track of valid ele in que, we can keep index.

K = 4

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
ar[ ]:	3	15	6	12	4	2	10	9	13	7	2	5	3

start =

0 ~~1~~ ~~2~~ ~~3~~ 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

(3) (15) (6) (12) (4) (2) (10) (9) (13) (7) (2) (5) (3)

Ans: 15 15 12 12 10 13 13 13 13 7

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list<int> ans;
deque<int> dq;
start = 0
for(i=0; i<K ; i++){
    while(dq.size()>0 && A[i] > A[dq.back()]){
        dq.pop_back()
    }
    dq.push_back(i)
}
ans.add(A[dq.front()])
start++
for(i=K; i<N; i++){
    while(dq.size()>0 && A[i] > A[dq.back()]){
        dq.pop_back()
    }
    dq.push_back(i)
    if(start > dq.front()) dq.pop_front()
    ans.add(A[dq.front()])
    start++
}
```
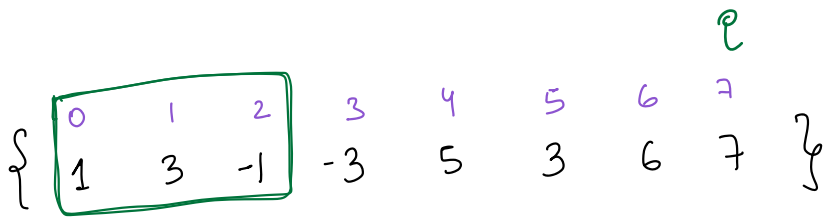
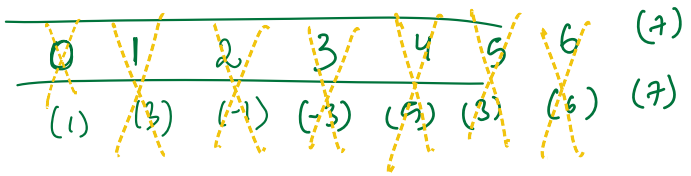

TC: O(N)
SC: O(K)





3 3 5 5 6 7