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Design a stack which can give maximum frequency element

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Given **N** elements and the task is to implement a stack which removes and returns the maximum frequency element on every pop operation. If there's a tie in the frequency then the topmost highest frequency element will be returned.

Examples:

Input:

```
push(4) 8
push(6) 6
push(7) 7
push(6) 6
push(8); 4
```

Output:

```
pop() -> returns 6, as 6 is the most frequent (frequency of 6 = 2 ).
pop() -> returns 8 (6 also has the highest frequency but it is not
the topmost)
```

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Got It !

Recommended: Please try your approach on **{IDE}** first, before moving on to the solution.

Approach: Maintaining two HashMap, one is frequency HashMap which maps elements to their frequencies and other is setMap which maps all the element with same frequency in one group (Stack).

FrequencyStack has 2 functions:

1. **push(int x):** map the element (x) with frequency HashMap and update the maxfreq variable (i.e. holds the maximum frequency till now). **setMap** maintains a stack which contains all the elements with same frequency.
2. **pop():** First get the maxfreq element from setMap and then decrement the frequency of the popped element. After popping, if the stack becomes empty then decrement the maxfreq.

Below is the implementation of the above approach:

C++

```
// C++ implementation of the approach
#include<bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;

// freqMap is to map element to its frequency
map<int, int> freqMap;

// setMap is to map frequency to the
```

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```
// of the stack element
int maxfreq = 0;

// Function to insert x in the stack
void push(int x)
{
    // Frequency of x
    int freq = freqMap[x] + 1;

    // Mapping of x with its frequency
    freqMap[x] = freq;

    // Update maxfreq variable
    if (freq > maxfreq)
        maxfreq = freq;

    // Map element to its frequency list
    // If given frequency list doesn't exist
    // make a new list of the required frequency
    setMap[freq].push(x);
}

// Function to remove maximum frequency element
int pop()
{
    // Remove element from setMap
    // from maximum frequency list
    int top = setMap[maxfreq].top();
    setMap[maxfreq].pop();

    // Decrement the frequency of the popped element
    freqMap[top]--;

    // If whole list is popped
    // then decrement the maxfreq
    if (setMap[maxfreq].size() == 0)
        maxfreq--;
    return top;
}
```

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```
// Push elements to the stack
push(4);
push(6);
push(7);
push(6);
push(8);

// Pop elements
cout << (pop()) << "\n" ;
cout << (pop());
return 0;
}

// This code is contributed by Arnab Kundu
```

Java

```
// Java implementation of the approach
import java.util.*;

public class freqStack {

    // freqMap is to map element to its frequency
    static Map<Integer, Integer> freqMap = new HashMap<>();

    // setMap is to map frequency to the
    // element list with this frequency
    static Map<Integer, Stack<Integer> > setMap = new HashMap<>();

    // Variable which stores maximum frequency
    // of the stack element
    static int maxfreq = 0;

    // Function to insert x in the stack
    public static void push(int x)
    {

        // Frequency of x
        int freq = freqMap.getOrDefault(x, 0) + 1;
```

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```
// Update maxfreq variable
if (freq > maxfreq)
    maxfreq = freq;

// Map element to its frequency list
// If given frequency list doesn't exist
// make a new list of the required frequency
setMap.computeIfAbsent(freq, z -> new Stack()).push(x);
}

// Function to remove maximum frequency element
public static int pop()
{

    // Remove element from setMap
    // from maximum frequency list
    int top = setMap.get(maxfreq).pop();

    // Decrement the frequency of the popped element
    freqMap.put(top, freqMap.get(top) - 1);

    // If whole list is popped
    // then decrement the maxfreq
    if (setMap.get(maxfreq).size() == 0)
        maxfreq--;
    return top;
}

// Driver code
public static void main(String[] args)
{

    // Push elements to the stack
    push(4);
    push(6);
    push(7);
    push(6);
    push(8);

    // Pop elements
    System.out.println(pop());
}
```

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Python3

```
# Python3 implementation of the approach

# freqMap is to map element to its frequency
freqMap = {};

# setMap is to map frequency to the
# element list with this frequency
setMap = {};

# Variable which stores maximum frequency
# of the stack element
maxfreq = 0;

# Function to insert x in the stack
def push(x) :
    global maxfreq;
    if x not in freqMap :
        freqMap[x] = 0

    # Frequency of x
    freq = freqMap[x] + 1;

    # Mapping of x with its Frequency
    freqMap[x]= freq

    # Update maxfreq Variable
    if (freq > maxfreq) :
        maxfreq = freq

    # Map element to its frequency list
    # If given frequency list doesn't exist
    # make a new list of the required frequency
    if freq not in setMap :
        setMap[freq] = []

    setMap[freq].append(x);
```

```
# Function to remove maximum frequency element
```

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```
# Remove element from setMap
# from maximum frequency list
top = setMap[maxfreq][-1];
setMap[maxfreq].pop();

# Decrement the frequency
# of the popped element
freqMap[top] -= 1;

# If whole list is popped
# then decrement the maxfreq
if (len(setMap[maxfreq]) == 0) :
    maxfreq -= 1;

return top;

# Driver code
if __name__ == "__main__" :

    # Push elements to the stack
    push(4);
    push(6);
    push(7);
    push(6);
    push(8);

    # Pop elements
    print(pop()) ;
    print(pop());

# This code is contributed by AnkitRai01
```

C#

```
// C# implementation of the approach
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
class GFG {
```

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```
// element list with this frequency
static Dictionary<int, Stack<int>> setMap = new Dictionary<int, Stack<int>>()

// Variable which stores maximum frequency
// of the stack element
static int maxfreq = 0;

// Function to insert x in the stack
static void push(int x)
{
    int freq = 1;

    // Frequency of x
    if(freqMap.ContainsKey(x))
    {
        freq = freq + freqMap[x];
    }

    // Mapping of x with its frequency
    freqMap[x] = freq;

    // Update maxfreq variable
    if (freq > maxfreq)
        maxfreq = freq;

    // Map element to its frequency list
    // If given frequency list doesn't exist
    // make a new list of the required frequency
    if(!setMap.ContainsKey(freq))
    {
        setMap[freq] = new Stack<int>();
    }

    setMap[freq].Push(x);
}

// Function to remove maximum frequency element
static int pop()
{
    // Remove element from setMap
```

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```
// Decrement the frequency of the popped element
freqMap[top] = freqMap[top] - 1;

// If whole list is popped
// then decrement the maxfreq
if (setMap[maxfreq].Count == 0)
    maxfreq--;
return top;
}

static void Main() {
    // Push elements to the stack
    push(4);
    push(6);
    push(7);
    push(6);
    push(8);

    // Pop elements
    Console.WriteLine(pop());
    Console.WriteLine(pop());
}
}

// This code is contributed by rameshtravel07.
```

Javascript

```
<script>

// Javascript implementation of the approach

// freqMap is to map element to its frequency
var freqMap = new Map();

// setMap is to map frequency to the
// element list with this frequency
var setMap = new Map();

// Variable which stores maximum frequency
```

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```
function push(x)
{
    // Frequency of x
    if(!freqMap.has(x))
        freqMap.set(x, 1)
    else
        freqMap.set(x, freqMap.get(x)+1)

    var freq = freqMap.get(x)

    // Mapping of x with its frequency
    freqMap.set(x, freq);

    // Update maxfreq variable
    if (freq > maxfreq)
        maxfreq = freq;

    // Map element to its frequency list
    // If given frequency list doesn't exist
    // make a new list of the required frequency
    if(!setMap.has(freq))
    {
        setMap.set(freq, [x])
    }
    else
    {
        var tmp = setMap.get(freq);
        tmp.push(x);
        setMap.set(freq, tmp);
    }
}

// Function to remove maximum frequency element
function pop()
{
    // Remove element from setMap
    // from maximum frequency list
    var tmp = setMap.get(maxfreq);
    var top = tmp[tmp.length-1];
```

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```
        if(freqMap.has(top))
            freqMap.set(top, freqMap.get(top)-1)

        // If whole list is popped
        // then decrement the maxfreq
        if (setMap.get(maxfreq).length == 0)
            maxfreq--;
        return top;
    }

    // Driver code
    // Push elements to the stack
    push(4);
    push(6);
    push(7);
    push(6);
    push(8);

    // Pop elements
    document.write( (pop()) + "<br>");
    document.write( (pop()));

    // This code is contributed by itsok.
</script>
```

Output:

6
8

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