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In [255]:'''  
1. Write a python function that returns the index of the smallest element in a list of  
integers. If the number of such elements is greater than 1, return the smallest index.  
Use the following function header:  
def indexOfSmallestElement(lst):  
  
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def indexOfSmallestElement(list) :  
    minindex = 0;  
    minvalue = list[0];  
  
    for i in range (1,len(list)) :  
        if minvalue > list[i] :  
            minvalue = list[i]  
            minindex = i  
    return minindex  
  
input_string = input("Enter integer values separated by spaces: ")  
list1 = input_string.split()  
  
minindex = indexOfSmallestElement(list1)  
print('Smallest element is found at the index : ',minindex)
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Enter integer values separated by spaces: 6 7 890 45 32 44 22 5 5678 0 32 1  
Smallest element is found at the index : 9
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In [249]:'''  
2. Write the python function mostCommonName, that takes a list of names (such as ["Jane", "Aaron", "Cindy", "Aaron"], and returns the most common name in this list  
(in this case, "Aaron"). If there is more than one such name, return a set of the most  
common names. So mostCommonName(["Jane", "Aaron", "Jane", "Cindy", "Aaron"])  
returns the set {"Aaron", "Jane"}. If the set is empty, return None. Also, treat names  
case sensitive, so "Jane" and "JANE" are different names.  
  
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def mostCommonName(List):  
    counter = 1  
    newList = []  
  
    for i in List:  
        currentvalue = List.count(i)  
        if(currentvalue > counter):  
            counter = currentvalue  
  
            if len(newList)>1 :  
                newList.append(i)  
            else :  
                newList.append(i)  
  
if len(newList)<1 :  
    newList.append('None')  
    return newList
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input_string = input("Enter names separated by spaces : ")  
list1 = input_string.split()  
  
commonNameSet = mostCommonName(list1)  
print('Common Name in the list is :', commonNameSet)
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Enter names separated by spaces : sai rama rama rama  
Common Name in the list is : ['rama']
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In [254]:'''  
3. Write the python function isPalindromicList(a) that takes a list and returns True if it is  
the same forwards as backwards and False otherwise.  
  
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def isPalindrome(a) :  
    if a[::-1] == a[:] :  
        return True  
    else :  
        return False  
  
input_string = input("Enter a string: ")  
list = input_string.split()  
  
retval = isPalindrome(list)  
print(retval)
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Enter a string: madam  
True
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