

Challenges 3

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1 Task 1 - Enumerate, Tuple unpacking

Implement a function `students_seats` which takes a list of matriculation numbers, seats per row and space between students. It should then output where each student is seated Expected output:

```
students_seats([1337, 2337, 3337, 4337], 10, 4)
```

```
Student 1337 sits in 0, seat 0
Student 2337 sits in 0, seat 4
Student 3337 sits in 0, seat 8
Student 4337 sits in 1, seat 2
```

- Hint: use the `enumerate` function which provides you a tuple of (index, value)
- Hint 2: try to use tuple-unpacking in the for-loop head
- Hint 3:

```
row = (i * space_between) // seats_per_row
seat = (i * space_between) % seats_per_row
```

```
[2]: def students_seats(mat: list, seats_per_row: int, space_between: int) -> None:
      for i, mat_nr in enumerate(mat):
          row = (i * space_between) // seats_per_row
          seat = (i * space_between) % seats_per_row
          print(f"Student {mat_nr} sits in {row}, seat {seat}")

      students_seats([1337, 2337, 3337, 4337], 10, 4)
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2 Task 2: List Comprehensions

- Implement a function `get_even_and_divisible(n, div)` which returns all even numbers between 2 and n (inclusive) and are also divisible by div
- You must use a comprehension

```
[ ]: def get_even_and_divisible(n: int, div: int) -> list:
      pass
```

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assert get_even_and_divisible(100, 7) == [14, 28, 42, 56, 70, 84, 98]
assert get_even_and_divisible(100, 5) == [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100]

```

3 Task 2b: Translate into comprehension

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[ ]: def frequency_analysis(input_text: str) -> dict:
    result = {}
    for c in set(input_text):
        result[c] = input_text.count(c)
    return result

assert frequency_analysis("AABBCCC") == {'A': 2, 'C': 3, 'B': 2}

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[4]: def frequency_analysis(input_text: str) -> dict:
    return {c: input_text.count(c) for c in set(input_text)}
assert frequency_analysis("AABBCCC") == {'A': 2, 'C': 3, 'B': 2}

```

4 Task 3: Read and Sort

- Implement a function `read_and_sort`, which reads the file `sortme.txt` and returns list of lines (without new lines at the end!!), but sorted

```

[9]: def read_and_sort() -> list:
    with open("sortme.txt") as fh:
        lines = [line.strip() for line in sorted(fh.readlines())]
    return lines
    pass

assert read_and_sort()[-1] == 'fdd8c3b26e1172a8d7e05c8817ef3ef7'
assert read_and_sort()[0] == '01ca0557576d7b0f9131a6560508b822'

```

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[7]: def read_and_sort() -> list:
    with open("sortme.txt") as fh:
        lines = [line.strip() for line in fh.readlines()]
    return sorted(lines)

assert read_and_sort()[-1] == 'fdd8c3b26e1172a8d7e05c8817ef3ef7'
assert read_and_sort()[0] == '01ca0557576d7b0f9131a6560508b822'

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[8]: sorted?

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Signature: `sorted(iterable, /, *, key=None, reverse=False)`
 Docstring:

Return a new list containing all items from the iterable in ascending order.

A custom key function can be supplied to customize the sort order, and the reverse flag can be set to request the result in descending order.

Type: builtin_function_or_method

5 Task 4: Exceptions

- Implement a function factorial, which raises a RuntimeError with a message “Not defined for negative numbers” if called with negative numbers

```
[10]: def factorial(n: int) -> int:
        if n < 0:
            raise RuntimeError("Not defined for negative numbers")
        result = 1
        for i in range(2, n + 1):
            result *= i
        return result

assert factorial(5) == 120
try:
    factorial(-1)
    assert False # should never be reached
except RuntimeError as e:
    assert str(e) == 'Not defined for negative numbers'
except Exception as e:
    assert False
```

6 Task 5a - Integrity anyone?

- Implement a function integrity(message: str, digest: str) -> bool which for given message checks if the SHA1 sum of the message is the one that was passed to the function as digest
- Hint: recall how to transform a str to bytes...

```
[11]: import hashlib

def integrity(message: str, digest: str) -> bool:
    return hashlib.sha1(message.encode()).hexdigest() == digest
    pass

assert integrity("Hello World", "0a4d55a8d778e5022fab701977c5d840bbc486d0") is_
↳ True
assert integrity("hello World", "0a4d55a8d778e5022fab701977c5d840bbc486d0") is_
↳ False
```

7 Task 5b - JSON find the key

- Implement a function `parse_and_return` that parses its first parameter as JSON and returns the value if a given key exists (and `None` otherwise)

```
[12]: from json import loads

def parse_and_return(json_str: str, key: str) -> str | None:
    return loads(json_str).get(key)

assert parse_and_return('{"ben": "stock@cispa.de", "sebastian": "\u2192sebi@somethingvienna.at"}', 'ben') == 'stock@cispa.de'
assert parse_and_return('{"ben": "stock@cispa.de", "sebastian": "\u2192sebi@somethingvienna.at"}', 'maris') is None
```

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