



Scripting Languages

Python basics

- dictionaries
- iteration over dictionary elements
- exercise



Data type → dictionary

Unordered collection of items (*associative memory*)

- a set of pairs: `key: value`
 - keys must be **unique** (numbers, strings, tuples, **but not lists**)
 - values can be anything (including lists and dictionaries)
- can be modified (grow, shrink, item changes)
- can be joined, compared, **but not sliced**

```
x = {key1: value1, key2: value2, ...}
```

```
>>> lookup = {'one':1, 'two':2, 'three':3}
>>> shopping = {'orange': 1, 'milk': '2 cans'}
>>> x = {"tom":"tom@car.toon", "jerry":"jerry@car.toon"}

>>> print len(lookup), len(shopping), len(x)
3 2 2
```



dictionary → creating

- empty dictionary

```
d = {} | d = dict()
```

- explicitly

```
d = { key : value, ... }
```

- by mapping

```
d = dict( [ (key, value), ... ] )
```

```
d = dict( zip( [ key, ... ], [ value, ... ] ) )
```

```
d1 = {'one': 1, 'two': 2, 'three': 3}
```

```
d2 = dict([('one', 1), ('two', 2), ('three', 3)])
```

```
d3 = dict(zip(['one', 'two', 'three'], [1, 2, 3]))
```



dictionary → data access

- items can be read/modified by key

```
x = d[key] or d[key]=x
```

- items (or dictionary) can be added (or merged)

```
d[newkey] = x
```

```
d.update(newdict)
```

- items can be deleted (or removed all)

```
del d[key]
```

```
d.clear()
```

```
>>> lookup = {'three':3, 'two':2, 'one':1}
```

```
>>> lookup['four']=4
```

```
>>> del lookup['one']
```

```
>>> print(lookup, len(lookup))
```

```
{'four': 4, 'three': 3, 'two': 2} 3
```



dictionary → as database

- checking membership of a key

key **in** d → True/False

key **not in** d → False/True

- add new or update existing items

```
if key not in d: | if not (key in d):
```

```
    d[key] = initial value
```

```
else:
```

```
    modify existing d[key]
```

```
weapons = {'knife':2, 'sword':1, 'gun':3}
found = 'axe'
```

```
if found not in weapons:
```

```
    weapons[found] = 1
```

```
else:
```

```
    weapons[found] += 1
```



dictionary → view objects

- iterable objects for dictionaries (always up-to-date):
 - `d.keys()` → view of keys (all elements unique)
 - `d.values()` → view of values (possible duplicates)
 - `d.items()` → view of key:value pairs
- views support `length` and membership test
- views can be converted to lists → `list(view)`

```
>>> students = {'Alice': 1, 'James': 2, 'John': 1}
>>> names = students.keys()

>>> print(list(names), len(names))
['Alice', 'James', 'John'] 3

>>> del students["Alice"]
>>> print(list(names), len(names))
['James', 'John'] 2
```



dict . → iterating over keys

- applying operation to all dictionary elements
 - !!! keys are iterated in unknown order:

```
for key in d.keys():  
    do something with d[key]
```

```
students = {'Alice': 1, 'James': 2, 'John': 1}  
  
for name in students.keys():  
    if students[name] == 1:  
        print("Unique name: ", name)
```

```
Unique name: Alice  
Unique name: John
```



dict . → iterating over values

- examining all dictionary values (possible duplicates)

```
for val in d.values():  
    do something with val
```

```
min|max|sum(d.values())
```

```
students = {'Alice': 1, 'James': 2, 'John': 1}
```

```
all_students = sum(students.values())
```

```
most_common = max(students.values())
```

```
for name in students.keys():
```

```
    if students[name] == most_common:
```

```
        print(name, "is the most common name")
```

```
        print(most_common, " times out of ", all_students)
```

```
James is the most common name
```

```
2 times out of 4
```



dict . → iterating over items

- easiest way to access whole dictionary content
 - iteration over **key:value** pairs (in unknown order)

```
for key, val in d.items():  
    do something with key, val
```

```
students = {'Alice':1, "James":2, 'John': 1}  
occurrences = {}
```

```
for name, occ in students.items():  
    if occ not in occurrences:  
        occurrences[occ]=[name]  
    else:  
        occurrences[occ].append(name)
```

*reversing
the dictionary*

```
print(occurrences)
```

```
{1: ['John', 'Alice'], 2: ['James']}
```



Exercise → text statistics

Perform the letters-and-words content analysis of text

- text file "dorian.txt"
 - "The picture of Dorian Gray" by Oscar Wilde, 1890
 - english, 8600 lines, pure ASCII content
 - analysis: case-insensitive, with all punctuation characters striped

Questions:

- what are the most/least common letters in the text
- how many unique words are in the text
- which word is the most common (top-10 most common words)
- which word is the longest (top-10 longest words)



Exercise → letters stats

1) count occurrences for all letters in the text

– locc → storing occurrences of letters

- example: locc = {'e': 3458, 'h': 167, ...}

```
locc = {} # dictionary for occurrences of letters

file = open("dorian.txt", 'r')

for line in file:
    letters = line.strip().lower()
    for l in letters:
        if l not in locc:
            locc[l] = 1
        else:
            locc[l] += 1

file.close()
```



Exercise → letters stats

2) reverse the dictionary

– rlocc → lists of letters with the same occurrence

- example:

```
rlocc = {3458:['e'], 167:['h', 's'], ...}
```

```
# Reversing locc-dictionary

rlocc = {}

for l, f in locc.items():
    if f not in rlocc:
        rlocc[f] = [l]
    else:
        rlocc[f].append(l)
```



Exercise → letters stats

3) print the results from: `rlocc`

- sorted by occurrence (keys)
- in reversed order (for the most common first)

ver. 1 – making new lists

```
for f in reversed(sorted(rlocc.keys())):  
    print(rlocc[f], f)
```

ver. 2 – transforming the list in place

```
x = list(rlocc.keys())  
x.sort()  
x.reverse()  
for f in x:  
    print(rlocc[f], f)
```



Exercise → letters stats

```
locc = {}

file = open("dorian.txt", 'r')
for line in file:
    letters = line.strip().lower()
    for l in letters:
        if l not in locc:
            locc[l] = 1
        else:
            locc[l] += 1
file.close()

# Reversing locc-dictionary
rlocc = {}
for l, f in locc.items():
    if f not in rlocc:
        rlocc[f] = [l]
    else:
        rlocc[f].append(l)

# Printing letter-statistics results
for f in reversed(sorted(rlocc.keys())):
    print(rlocc[f], f)
```



Exercise → words stats

- create dictionaries:
 - wocc → storing the occurrences of (unique) words
 - example: `wocc = {'the': 3458, 'hello': 167, ...}`
 - wsize → storing the lengths of unique words
 - example: `wsize = {'the': 3, 'hello': 5, ...}`
- create reverse dictionaries
 - rwocc → storing the list of words with the same occurrences
 - example: `rwocc = {3458:['the', 'an',], 167:['hello', 'sir'], ...}`
 - rwsiz e → storing the list of words having the same length
 - example: `rwsiz e = {3: ['the', 'and'], 5: ['hello', 'about'], ...}`
- generate lists `rwocc.keys()` and `rwsiz e.keys()`
 - sort the keys-lists, reverse the order, print top-20 of this list



Exercise → words stats

- read text line-by-line → **for line in file:**
- clean line and convert to low-caps → **strip(), lower()**
- break a text line into a list of words → **split()**
- strip unwanted characters and punctuation → **strip(chars)**

```
wocc = {}  
wsize = {}  
  
file = open("dorian.txt", 'r')  
for line in file:  
    words = line.strip().lower().split()  
    for w in words:  
        w = w.strip(". , ; : - ' ` \" ? ! ( )")  
        if not (w in wocc):  
            wocc[w] = 1  
            wsize[w] = len(w)  
        else:  
            wocc[w] += 1  
file.close()
```

2) reverse the dictionaries, 3) print the results



Exercise → results

letters statistics:

[' ']	71663	...	
['e']	40243	['q']	323
['t']	29013	['j']	301
['a']	27309	[';']	167
['o']	25990	['z']	163
['i']	23333	[':']	51
['h']	21825	['1']	4
['n']	21335	['2']	3
['s']	20372	['8', '5', '0']	2
['r']	19376	['9']	1
...			

23 ['elaborately-illustrated']
22 ['opal-and-iris-throated']
21 ['fantastically-painted', 'luxuriously-cushioned']
19 ['seventeenth-century']
18 ['vermilion-and-gold', 'pistachio-coloured', 'delicately-scented', 'nineteenth-century']
17 ['cunningly-wrought', 'well-proportioned', 'brightly-coloured']
16 [..., 'responsibilities', ...]
15 [..., 'extraordinarily', ...]

words statistics:

unique words = 7133

3731 ['the']	994 ['his']
2196 ['and']	886 ['is']
2152 ['of']	832 ['had']
2035 ['to']	661 ['him']
1686 ['i']	659 ['with']
1655 ['a']	578 ['for']
1538 ['he']	567 ['as']
1442 ['you']	562 ['have']
1354 ['that']	560 ['at']
1338 ['it']	521 ['me']
1200 ['in']	470 ['not']
1084 ['was']	...