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Collections-

Counter, OrderedDict, defaultdict, namedtuple, ChainMap

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Collections-Counter



- A Counter is a dict subclass for counting hashable objects.
- It is a collection where elements are stored as dictionary keys and their counts are stored as dictionary values.
- Counts are allowed to be any integer value including zero or negative counts.
- We should import Counter using the following statement

from collections import Counter

Creating counter objects



```
c1 = Counter() # a new, empty counter
c2 = Counter('abrakadabra') # a new counter from an iterable
c3 = Counter({'C': 4, 'Python': 6, 'Java': 4 }) # a new counter from a mapping

print(c1)
print(c2)
print(c3)
```

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4 print(c1)
5 print(c2)
6 print(c3)
```

```
Counter()
Counter({'a': 5, 'b': 2, 'r': 2, 'k': 1, 'd': 1})
Counter({'Python': 6, 'C': 4, 'Java': 4})
```

Counter object with strings



```
from collections import Counter
```

```
c = Counter('Pythonn')
```

```
print(c)
```

```
print(c['n'])
```

```
print(c['i'])
```

```
from collections import Counter
```

```
# with strings
```

```
c = Counter('Pythonn')
```

```
print(c)
```

```
print(c['n'])
```

```
print(c['i'])
```

```
Counter({'n': 2, 'P': 1, 'y': 1, 't': 1, 'h': 1, 'o': 1})
```

```
2
```

```
0
```

Creating Counter with List, Sentences



```
lst = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,2,5,6]
```

```
c = Counter(lst)
```

```
print(c)
```

```
: # with Lists
lst = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,2,5,6]
c = Counter(lst)
print(c)
```

```
Counter({2: 3, 5: 3, 6: 3, 1: 2, 3: 2, 4: 2, 7: 2, 8: 1, 9: 1, 0: 1})
```

```
: # with Senetnses
str = 'python is very good proramming, python is used extensively for Data Science'
words = str.split()
print(Counter(words))
```

```
Counter({'python': 2, 'is': 2, 'very': 1, 'good': 1, 'proramming,': 1, 'used': 1, 'extensively': 1, 'for': 1, 'Data': 1, 'Scien  
ce': 1})
```



Most common words

- Function : `most_common([n])`
- Returns a list of the most common elements with their counts.

The number of elements has to be specified as `n`.

If none is specified it returns the count of all the elements

```
Counter('abracadabra').most_common(4)
```

```
[('a', 5), ('b', 2), ('r', 2), ('c', 1)]
```

```
# functions using Counters
```

```
c = Counter('abababccdcdef')
```

```
# list unique elements
```

```
print(list(c))
```

```
# convert to a set
```

```
print(set(c))
```

```
# convert to a regular dictionary
```

```
print(dict(c))
```

```
# total of all counts
```

```
print(sum(c.values()))
```

```
# convert to a list like (elem, cnt)
```

```
print(c.items())
```

```
print(c.most_common(2))
```

```
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f']
```

```
{'b', 'e', 'd', 'f', 'c', 'a'}
```

```
{'a': 3, 'b': 3, 'c': 4, 'd': 3, 'e': 1, 'f': 1}
```

```
15
```



Common patterns when using the Counter() object

```
c = Counter('abababccdcdef')
```

```
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print(list(c))
```

```
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```
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17 # convert to a list like (elem, cnt)  
18 print(c.items())  
19  
20 print(c.most_common(2))
```

```
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f']  
{'d', 'b', 'e', 'c', 'f', 'a'}  
{'a': 3, 'b': 3, 'c': 4, 'd': 3, 'e': 1, 'f': 1}  
15  
dict_items([('a', 3), ('b', 3), ('c', 4), ('d', 3), ('e', 1), ('f', 1)])  
[('c', 4), ('a', 3)]
```



Mathematical operations with Counter

```
c1 = Counter (a=5,b=4, e=2)
```

```
c2 = Counter (c=3,d=2, e=1)
```

```
print(c1+c2) # add two counters together
```

```
print(c1-c2) # subtract (keeping only positive counts)
```

```
print(c1&c2) # intersection: min(c[x], d[x])
```

```
print(c1|c2) # union: max(c[x], d[x])
```

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2 c2 = Counter (c=3,d=2, e=1)
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4 print(c1+c2) # add two counters together
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6 print(c1&c2) # intersection: min(c[x], d[x])
7 print(c1|c2) # # union: max(c[x], d[x])
8
```

```
Counter({'a': 5, 'b': 4, 'e': 3, 'c': 3, 'd': 2})
Counter({'a': 5, 'b': 4, 'e': 1})
Counter({'e': 1})
Counter({'a': 5, 'b': 4, 'c': 3, 'e': 2, 'd': 2})
```


Collections-OrderedDict



- An *OrderedDict* is a dictionary subclass that **remembers the order in which that keys were first inserted.**
- When iterating over an ordered dictionary, the items are returned in the order their keys were first added.
- Since an ordered dictionary remembers its insertion order, it can be used in conjunction with sorting to make a sorted dictionary.



Creating a ordered dictionary

```
from collections import OrderedDict
```

```
od = OrderedDict()
```

```
# creating the key-pair values of the Ordered Dictionary
```

```
od['a'] = 1
```

```
od['b'] = 2
```

```
od['c'] = 3
```

```
print(od)
```

```
1 from collections import OrderedDict
2
3 od = OrderedDict() #Instantiating the OrderedDict object
4
5 # creating the key-pair values of the Ordered Dictionary
6 od['a'] = 1
7 od['b'] = 2
8 od['c'] = 3
9 print(od)
10
```

```
OrderedDict([('a', 1), ('b', 2), ('c', 3)])
```

Adding, updating and removing elements



```
# OrderedDict([('a', 1), ('b', 2), ('c', 3)])
# adding elements to dict
od['d']= 5
print(od)
```

```
# updating elements
od.update({'e':5})
print(od)
```

```
# removing elements
od.pop('b')
print(od)
```

```
# updating elements
od['b'] = 4
print(od)
```

```
1 # adding elements to dict
2 od['d']= 5
3 od
```

```
OrderedDict([('a', 1), ('b', 2), ('c', 3), ('d', 5)])
```

```
1 # updating elements
2 od.update({'e':5})
3 od
```

```
OrderedDict([('a', 1), ('b', 2), ('c', 3), ('d', 5), ('e', 5)])
```

```
1 # removing elements
2
3 od.pop('b')
4 print(od)
```

```
OrderedDict([('a', 1), ('c', 3), ('d', 5), ('e', 5)])
```

```
1 # updating elements
2
3 od['b'] = 4
4 print(od)
```

```
OrderedDict([('a', 1), ('c', 3), ('d', 5), ('e', 5), ('b', 4)])
```



popitem() and move_to_end()

- The popitem() method for ordered dictionaries returns and removes a (key, value) pair.
- move_to_end() : Move an existing key to either end of an ordered dictionary.
- The item is moved to the right end if last is true (the default) or to the beginning if last is false.

```
od.move_to_end('a')
od.move_to_end('b', False)
print(od) # OrderedDict([('b', 4), ('c', 3), ('d', 5), ('e', 5), ('a', 1)])
```

```
# pop last item
item = od.popitem()
print(item) # ('a', 1)
print(od) # OrderedDict([('b', 4), ('c', 3), ('d', 5), ('e', 5)])
```

```
OrderedDict([('a', 1), ('c', 3), ('d', 5), ('e', 5), ('b', 4)])
```

```
1 od.move_to_end('a')
2 od.move_to_end('b', False)
3 print(od)
```

```
OrderedDict([('b', 4), ('c', 3), ('d', 5), ('e', 5), ('a', 1)])
```

```
1 # pop last item
2 item = od.popitem()
3 print(item)
4 print(od)
```

```
('a', 1)
OrderedDict([('b', 4), ('c', 3), ('d', 5), ('e', 5)])
```

Reverse ordered dictionary



```
# reversed iteration
print(od)
for item in reversed(od):
    print(item)
```

```
1 # reversed iteration
2 print(od)
3 for item in reversed(od):
4     print(item)
```

```
OrderedDict([('b', 4), ('c', 3), ('d', 5), ('e', 5)])
e
d
c
b
```

Basic operations on ordered dictionary



```
od = OrderedDict()
print(od) # OrderedDict()
```

```
od['key1'] = '100'
od['key2'] = '200'
print(od) # OrderedDict([('key1', '100'), ('key2', '200')])
```

```
od2 = OrderedDict(od)
print(od==od2) # True
```



Basic operations on ordered dictionary

```
"""
```

To create an ordered dictionary from a normal dictionary, call `items()` method:

```
"""
```

```
od = OrderedDict(od3.items())  
print(od) # OrderedDict([('key1', '100'), ('key2', '200')])
```

```
d = OrderedDict([(1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)])  
print(d.keys()) # odict_keys([1, 2, 3])
```

```
d = OrderedDict([(1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)])  
print(d.values()) # odict_values([3, 1, 2])
```

```
d = OrderedDict([(1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)])  
print(d.items()) # odict_items([(1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)])
```

```
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2 To create an ordered dictionary from a normal dictionary, call items() method:  
3 """  
4 od = OrderedDict(od3.items())  
5 print(od)
```

```
OrderedDict([('key1', '100'), ('key2', '200')])
```

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1 d = OrderedDict([(1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)])  
2 print(d.keys())
```

```
odict_keys([1, 2, 3])
```

```
1 d = OrderedDict([(1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)])  
2 print(d.values())
```

```
odict_values([3, 1, 2])
```

```
1 d = OrderedDict([(1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)])  
2 print(d.items())
```

```
odict_items([(1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)])
```

Collections - defaultdict



- **defaultdict** is a subclass of the dictionary data structure that allows for default values if the key does not exist in the dictionary.
- The main difference between defaultdict and dict is that when you try to access or modify a key that's not present in the dictionary, a default value is automatically given to that key.



Usage of defaultdict

- Sometimes, we will use a mutable built-in collection (a list, dict, or set) as values in your Python dictionaries.
- In these cases, we will need to initialize the keys before first use, or you'll get a KeyError.
- We can either do this process manually or automate it using a Python defaultdict.
- Python defaultdict type for solving some common programming problems:
 - Grouping the items in a collection
 - Counting the items in a collection
 - Accumulating the values in a collection

Grouping Items



- A typical use of the Python defaultdict type is to set `.default_factory` to list and then build a dictionary that maps keys to lists of values.
- Steps
 - Call `list()` to create a new empty list
 - Insert the empty list into the dictionary using the missing key as key
 - Return a reference to that list

```
from collections import defaultdict
dd = defaultdict(list)
dd['key'].append(1)
print(dd)
dd['key'].append(2)
print(dd)
dd['key'].append(3)
print(dd)
```

```
0
7 from collections import defaultdict
8
9 dd = defaultdict(list)
10
11 dd['key'].append(1)
12 print(dd)
13
14 dd['key'].append(2)
15 print(dd)
16
17 dd['key'].append(3)
18 print(dd)

defaultdict(<class 'list'>, {'key': [1]})
defaultdict(<class 'list'>, {'key': [1, 2]})
defaultdict(<class 'list'>, {'key': [1, 2, 3]})
```

Grouping a sequence of key-value pairs into a dictionary of lists using list as the default_factory



```
from collections import defaultdict
```

```
s = [('yellow', 1), ('blue', 2), ('yellow', 3), ('blue', 4), ('red', 1)]
```

```
d = defaultdict(list)
print()
```

```
for k, v in s:
    d[k].append(v)
```

```
print(sorted(d.items()))
# [('blue', [2, 4]), ('red', [1]), ('yellow', [1, 3])]
```

```
1 from collections import defaultdict
2
3 s = [('yellow', 1), ('blue', 2), ('yellow', 3), ('blue', 4), ('red', 1)]
4
5 d = defaultdict(list)
6 print(d)
7 print()
8
9 for k, v in s:
10     d[k].append(v)
11
12 print(sorted(d.items()))
```

```
defaultdict(<class 'list'>, {})
```

```
[('blue', [2, 4]), ('red', [1]), ('yellow', [1, 3])]
```



Grouping Unique Items

- We use `.default_factory` to set. Sets are collections of unique objects, which means that we can't create a set with repeated items.
- This is a really interesting feature of sets, which guarantees that you won't have repeated items in our final dictionary.

```
from collections import defaultdict
```

```
s = [('yellow', 1), ('yellow', 1), ('blue', 2), ('yellow', 3),  
('blue', 4), ('red', 1)]
```

```
d = defaultdict(set)
```

```
for k,v in s:
```

```
    d[k].add(v)
```

```
Print(d)
```

```
1 from collections import defaultdict  
2  
3 s = [('yellow', 1), ('yellow', 1), ('blue', 2), ('yellow', 3), ('blue', 4), ('red', 1)]  
4  
5 d = defaultdict(set)  
6 for k,v in s:  
7     d[k].add(v)  
8 d
```

```
defaultdict(set, {'blue': {2, 4}, 'red': {1}, 'yellow': {1, 3}})
```



Counting Items

- If we set `.default_factory` to `int`, then our `defaultdict` will be useful for counting the items in a sequence or collection.

```
s = 'mississippi'
d = defaultdict(int)

for k in s:
    d[k] += 1
print(d)
sorted(d.items())
```

```
1 s = 'mississippi'
2 d = defaultdict(int)
3
4 for k in s:
5     d[k] += 1
6 print(d)
7 sorted(d.items())
```

```
defaultdict(<class 'int'>, {'m': 1, 'i': 4, 's': 4, 'p': 2})
[('i', 4), ('m', 1), ('p', 2), ('s', 4)]
```

Collections-namedtuple



- Named tuple container datatype is an alternative to the built-in tuple.
- This extension type enhances standard tuples so that their elements can be **accessed by both their attribute name and the positional index.**
- Named tuples are available in Python's standard **library collections module under the namedtuple utility.**
- The type accepts as **parameters the name of the typename and names of the fields associated with it.**
- The utility will then return a new tuple sub-class which is named with the given typename.

namedtuple



- A named tuple is an extension and custom data type that enrich built-in tuples with extra utilities.
- **They are very useful in context where we need to create a data structure that can be accessed by both the positional index and the named attribute of the elements.**

Collections - ChainMap



- A ChainMap is an updatable view over multiple dicts, and it behaves just like a normal dict.
- ChainMap combines a lot of dictionaries together and returns a list of dictionaries.
- ChainMaps basically encapsulates a lot of dictionaries into one single unit with no restriction on the number of dictionaries.

syntax: ChainMap(dict1, dict2,.....)

Operations on ChainMap



```
from collections import ChainMap
```

```
baseline = {'music': 'bach', 'art': 'rembrandt'}  
adjustments = {'art': 'van gogh', 'opera': 'carmen'}
```

```
cm = ChainMap(adjustments, baseline)
```

```
print(list(ChainMap(adjustments, baseline)))
```

```
print(cm['music'])
```

```
print(cm.get('art'))
```

```
print(cm.get('sports'))
```

```
print(cm.pop('opera'))
```

```
cm['dance'] = 'kuchipudi'
```

```
print(cm)
```

```
1 from collections import ChainMap  
2  
3 baseline = {'music': 'bach', 'art': 'rembrandt'}  
4 adjustments = {'art': 'van gogh', 'opera': 'carmen'}  
5  
6 cm = ChainMap(adjustments, baseline)  
7  
8 print(list(ChainMap(adjustments, baseline)))  
9  
10 print(cm['music'])  
11  
12 print(cm.get('art'))  
13  
14 print(cm.get('sports'))  
15  
16 print(cm.pop('opera'))  
17  
18 cm['dance'] = 'kuchipudi'  
19  
20 print(cm)
```

```
['opera', 'music', 'art']  
bach  
van gogh  
None  
carmen  
ChainMap({'art': 'van gogh', 'dance': 'kuchipudi'}, {'music': 'bach', 'art': 'rembrandt'})
```



Adding and reversing elements

- We can add a new dictionary at the beginning of a ChainMap using `.new_child()` method.
- The order in which dictionaries are stored in a ChainMap can be reversed using `reversed()` function.

```
# Creating a chainmap whose dictionaries do not have unique keys
```

```
dic1 = {'red':1,'white':4}
```

```
dic2 = {'red':9,'black':8}
```

```
chain = ChainMap(dic1,dic2)
```

```
print(list(chain.keys()))           # ['black', 'red', 'white']
```

```
new_dic={'blue':10,'yellow':12}
```

```
chain=chain.new_child(new_dic)
```

```
print(chain)                       # ChainMap({'blue': 10, 'yellow': 12}, {'red': 1, 'white': 4}, {'red': 9, 'black': 8})
```

```
chain.maps = reversed(chain.maps)
```

```
print('reversed Chainmap', str(chain))
```

```
# reversed Chainmap ChainMap({'red': 9, 'black': 8}, {'red': 1, 'white': 4}, {'blue': 10, 'yellow': 12})
```

Operations on ChainMap.



```
dic1 = {'red':1,'white':4}
dic2 = {'red':9,'black':8}
c = ChainMap(dic1,dic2)
print(c) # ChainMap({'red': 1, 'white': 4}, {'red': 9, 'black': 8})
print(dict(c)) # {'black': 8, 'red': 1, 'white': 4} # Flatten into a regular dictionary
print(c.items()) # ItemsView(ChainMap({'red': 1, 'white': 4}, {'red': 9, 'black': 8})) # All nested items
print(len(c)) # 3 # Number of nested values
print(list(c)) # ['black', 'red', 'white'] # All nested values
print('red' in c) # True # Check all nested values
```

Operations on ChainMap.



```
del c['red']      # Delete from current context
print(c)         # ChainMap({'white': 4}, {'red': 9, 'black': 8})

c['red'] = 1     # Set value in current context
print(c)        # ChainMap({'white': 4, 'red': 1}, {'red': 9, 'black': 8})

print(c['red'])  # 1          # Get first key in the chain of contexts

print(c.parents) # ChainMap({'red': 9, 'black': 8}) # Enclosing context chain

print(c.maps[0]) # {'white': 4, 'red': 1} # Current context dictionary

print(c.maps[-1]) # {'red': 9, 'black': 8} # Root context
```