

Collections

Counter

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import collections
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>>> cnt = collections.Counter()
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>>> for word in ['red', 'blue', 'red',  
'green', 'blue', 'blue']:
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...     cnt[word] += 1
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>>> cnt
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Counter({'blue': 3, 'red': 2, 'green': 1})
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Counter

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>>> c = Counter()
# a new, empty counter
>>> c = Counter('gallahad')
# a new counter from an iterable
>>> c = Counter({'red': 4, 'blue': 2})
# a new counter from a mapping
>>> c = Counter(cats=4, dogs=8)
# a new counter from keyword args

>>> c = Counter(['eggs', 'ham'])
>>> c['bacon']
# count of a missing element is zero
0
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Counter

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elements()
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>>> c = Counter(a=4, b=2, c=0, d=-2)
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>>> list(c.elements())
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['a', 'a', 'a', 'a', 'b', 'b']
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most_common([n])
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>>> Counter('abracadabra').most_common(3)
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[('a', 5), ('r', 2), ('b', 2)]
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subtract([iterable-or-mapping])
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>>> c = Counter(a=4, b=2, c=0, d=-2)
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>>> d = Counter(a=1, b=2, c=3, d=4)
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>>> c.subtract(d)
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>>> c
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Counter({'a': 3, 'b': 0, 'c': -3, 'd': -6})
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OrderedDict

`collections.OrderedDict([items])`

`OrderedDict.popitem(last=True)`

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>>> # regular unsorted dictionary
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>>> d = {'banana': 3, 'apple': 4, 'pear': 1,  
        'orange': 2}
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>>> # dictionary sorted by key
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>>> OrderedDict(sorted(d.items(), key=lambda  
t: t[0]))
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OrderedDict([('apple', 4), ('banana', 3),  
            ('orange', 2), ('pear', 1)])
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OrderedDict

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>>> # dictionary sorted by value
>>> OrderedDict(sorted(d.items(), key=lambda
t: t[1]))
OrderedDict([('pear', 1), ('orange', 2),
('banana', 3), ('apple', 4)])

>>> # dictionary sorted by length of the key
string
>>> OrderedDict(sorted(d.items(), key=lambda
t: len(t[0])))
OrderedDict([('pear', 1), ('apple', 4),
('orange', 2), ('banana', 3)])
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