# Python Dictionary Example and Usages

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# 1 Dictionary

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### 1.1 Create a List of Dictionaries

'description': 'Frequency '

'table, '

'chart '

'bar '

'and '

```
import datetime
import pprint
ls_dc_exa = [
    {"file": "mat_matlab",
     "title": "One Variable Graphs and Tables",
     "description": "Frequency table, bar chart and histogram",
     "val": 1,
     "date": datetime.date(2020, 5, 2)},
    {"file": "mat_two",
     "title": "Second file",
     "description": "Second file.",
     "val": [1, 2, 3],
     "date": datetime.date(2020, 5, 2)},
    {"file": "mat_algebra_rules",
     "title": "Opening a Dataset",
     "description": "Opening a Dataset.",
     "val": 1.1,
     "date": datetime.date(2018, 12, 1)}
pprint.pprint(ls_dc_exa, width=1)
## [{'date': datetime.date(2020, 5, 2),
```

```
##
                      'histogram',
     'file': 'mat_matlab',
##
##
     'title': 'One '
               'Variable '
##
##
               'Graphs '
##
               'and '
##
               'Tables',
     'val': 1},
##
##
    {'date': datetime.date(2020, 5, 2),
     'description': 'Second '
##
##
                     'file.',
     'file': 'mat_two',
##
     'title': 'Second '
##
##
               'file',
##
     'val': [1,
##
              2,
##
              3]},
##
    {'date': datetime.date(2018, 12, 1),
##
     'description': 'Opening '
##
##
                      'Dataset.',
##
     'file': 'mat_algebra_rules',
     'title': 'Opening '
##
##
               'a '
##
               'Dataset',
##
     'val': 1.1}]
```

### 1.2 Iteratively Add to A Dictionary

Iteratively add additional Key and Value pairs to a dictionary.

```
ls_snm_tex = ["file1.tex", "file2.tex", "file3.tex"]
ls_snm_pdf = ["file1.pdf", "file2.pdf", "file3.pdf"]

dc_tex_pdf = {}
for tex, pdf in zip(ls_snm_tex, ls_snm_pdf):
    dc_tex_pdf[tex] = pdf

pprint.pprint(dc_tex_pdf, width=1)

## {'file1.tex': 'file1.pdf',
## 'file2.tex': 'file2.pdf',
## 'file3.tex': 'file3.pdf'}
```

# 1.3 Select by Keys in Dictionary

Given a list of dictionary, search if key name is in list:

```
pprint.pprint(ls_dc_selected, width=1)
   [{'date': datetime.date(2020, 5, 2),
     'description': 'Frequency '
##
                     'table, '
##
                     'bar '
##
##
                     'chart '
                     'and '
##
##
                     'histogram',
     'file': 'mat_matlab',
##
     'title': 'One '
##
##
               'Variable '
##
               'Graphs '
               'and '
##
##
               'Tables',
##
     'val': 1},
##
    {'date': datetime.date(2018, 12, 1),
##
     'description': 'Opening '
                     'a '
##
##
                     'Dataset.',
##
     'file': 'mat_algebra_rules',
##
     'title': 'Opening '
##
               'a '
##
               'Dataset',
     'val': 1.1}]
##
Search and Select by Multiple Keys in Dictionary. Using two keys below:
# string to search through
ls_str_file_ids = ['mat_matlab', 'mat_algebra_rules']
# select subset
ls_dc_selected = [dc_exa
                   for dc_exa in ls_dc_exa
                   if ((dc_exa['file'] in ls_str_file_ids)
                       (dc_exa['val'] == 1))]
# print
pprint.pprint(ls_dc_selected, width=1)
## [{'date': datetime.date(2020, 5, 2),
     'description': 'Frequency '
##
##
                     'table, '
                     'bar '
##
##
                     'chart '
##
                     'and '
##
                     'histogram',
##
     'file': 'mat_matlab',
     'title': 'One '
##
               'Variable '
##
##
               'Graphs '
##
               'and '
##
               'Tables',
     'val': 1}]
##
```