

Python Programming

Chapter 6 Dictionaries.

- Collections → a new data structure, providing more advanced and useful functions, helps us to do more things in Python.

- associative array

- Dictionaries → Call the values and elements in Dictionaries are not ordered.)

explanation:

In Dictionaries, all the values are labelled, which means all the values are represented by a special label.

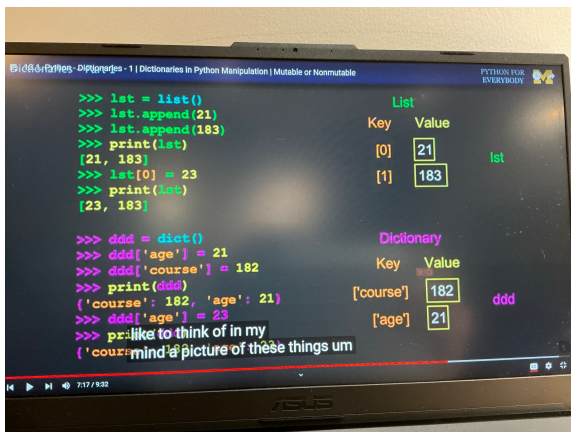
eg. `purse = dict()` → which means
`purse['money'] = 12` → labelled 12 by 'money'
`print(purse)` → and stored in Dictionary.
⇒ `{'money': 12}`

Comparison: lists and

⇒ `lst = list()`
⇒ `lst.append(21)`
⇒ `lst.append(183)`
⇒ `print(lst)`
⇒ `[21, 183]`

Dictionaries

⇒ `Dic = dict()`
⇒ `Dic['age'] = 21`
⇒ `Dic['course'] = 182`
⇒ `print(Dic)`
⇒ `{'course': 182, 'age': 21}`
no order
curly braces means it's dictionary.



Ps: super clear explanations!!



How to solve a real problem by using python programming

eg. count the most common word in text and figure out how much are they.

Step 1. create a dictionary.

`counts = dict()`
`print('Enter a line of text:')`

2. let user input the text ← `line = input('')`

means a function that splits every blank in the text.

3. Split the text into individual words ← `words = line.split()`

eg: I love you ⇒
- I
- love
- you

4. print out all individual words ← `print('words:', words)`

means check every single word in the words if there is empty, it will print "none"

5. Create a loop that starts to count every words' happening time in this count

for word in words

$\text{counts}[\text{word}] = \text{counts.get}(\text{word}, 0) + 1$



This variable is the single word

default setting: 0 explanation:

1. Q: why we create a dictionary?

A: The dictionary is a tool that we can store all the words we have split.

2. Q: why uses the function "get"?

A: The function "get" is trying to remember every words' counting time. When first meets a word, the function "get" will send "0" to the dictionary and store it. And the "+1" means add 1 to 0 so that means we have met this word once.

3. Q: why uses a loop?

A: Because loop can check every single words in the text and count them carefully.

- convert between Dictionary and list
- new function "items" can give us all the keys and values in Dictionary and it's all matched and it's happened simultaneously.

- new function "update" can refresh the single dictionary and converge two dictionary together, then replace the values that former dictionary already had.

eg. dict-1 = {"name": "Max", "age": 28, "City": "Peking"}
dict-2 = {"name": "Peter", "age": 19, "address": "Apt"}

dict-1.update(dict-2)

print(dict-1)

→ {"name": "Peter", "age": 19, "City": "Peking", "address": "Apt"}

These values are replaced by "update"

This key is added by "update"