Lecture 8-1

A Few More OOP methods and Some Pythonic Features

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The Card class so far

The Card class has an __init__ method which assigns a numeric value to the suit and to the rank.

It has a few methods:

- __str__ which is used to show the card in a user-friendly form.
- __lt__ which is used for comparison and allows card objects to be sorted
- __eq__ which is used to test equality

```
In [1]:
           class Card:
               def __init__(self, suit = 0, rank = 2):
                   self.suit = suit
                   self.rank = rank
               suit_names = ['Clubs', 'Diamonds', 'Hearts', 'Spades']
               rank_names = [None, 'Ace', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7',
                            '8', '9', '10', 'Jack', 'Queen', 'King']
               def __str__(self):
                   return "%s of %s" % (Card.rank_names[self.rank],
                                        Card.suit names[self.suit])
               def lt (self, other):
                   t1 = self.suit, self.rank
                   t2 = other.suit, other.rank
                   return t1 < t2
               def eq (self, other):
                   t1 = self.suit, self.rank
                   t2 = other.suit, other.rank
                   return t1 == t2
```

The Deck class so far

The Deck class has a few methods:

- __init__ method which creates 52 cards and stores them in a list self.cards
- __str__ which iterates through all items in the self.cards list and prints them
- pop_card which pops the last card in the list self.cards
- add_card which appends a card in the list self.cards
- shuffle which shuffles the list self.cards
- sort which sorts the list self.cards. It is able to do this because the Card objects have __lt__ which allows for comparison
- move_cards which moves cards from the deck to a hand.

Note: shuffle requires us to import the random module into Python

```
In [2]:
    import random
    random.seed(10)
```

```
In [3]:
           class Deck:
               def init (self):
                    self.cards = []
                   for suit in range(4):
                        for rank in range(1,14):
                            card = Card(suit, rank)
                            self.cards.append(card)
               def __str__(self):
                   res = []
                   for card in self.cards:
                        res.append(str(card))
                   return '\n'.join(res)
               def pop_card(self):
                    return self.cards.pop()
               def add_card(self, card):
                    self.cards.append(card)
               def shuffle(self):
                    random.shuffle(self.cards)
               def sort(self):
                    self.cards.sort()
               def move_cards(self, hand, num):
                   for i in range(num):
                       hand.add_card(self.pop_card())
```

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```
In [4]:
    class Hand(Deck):
        def __init__(self, label = ""):
            self.cards = []
            self.label = label
```

```
In [5]:
    deck = Deck()
    hand = Hand('new hand')
```

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In [6]: deck.move_cards(hand, 5)
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In [7]:    print(hand)

    King of Spades
    Queen of Spades
    Jack of Spades
    10 of Spades
    9 of Spades
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```

Current limitation

Even though we have a string representation of the card, when we create a card, the object itself is represented as an object in memory.

```
In [8]:
           card1 = Card()
           card2 = Card(3, 11)
 In [9]:
           card1
           <__main__.Card at 0x1835128bd88>
 Out[9]:
In [10]:
           print(card1)
           2 of Clubs
In [11]:
           card2
Out[11]:
           <__main__.Card at 0x1835128bf88>
In [12]:
           print(card2)
           Jack of Spades
```

This is even worse when looking at a deck or hand object

As it stands, this is completely unintelligible

The **__repr_** method

The dunder (double-underscore) method ___repr__ is used to show the 'official' representation of the card object. The output should be the command that is able to create this card object.

When we created the Jack of Spades and set it equal, we called

$$card2 = Card(3, 11)$$

Thus, Card(3, 11) would be the official representation of this object.

```
In [14]:
            class Card:
                def _ init (self, suit = 0, rank = 2):
                    self.suit = suit
                    self.rank = rank
                suit names = ['Clubs', 'Diamonds', 'Hearts', 'Spades']
                rank_names = [None, 'Ace', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7',
                             '8', '9', '10', 'Jack', 'Queen', 'King']
                def str (self):
                    return "%s of %s" % (Card.rank_names[self.rank],
                                         Card.suit_names[self.suit])
                def repr (self):
                    return "Card(" + str(self.suit) + ", " + str(self.rank) + ")"
                def lt (self, other):
                    t1 = self.suit, self.rank
                    t2 = other.suit, other.rank
                    return t1 < t2
                def eq (self, other):
                    t1 = self.suit, self.rank
                    t2 = other.suit, other.rank
                    return t1 == t2
```

```
In [15]:
           # card2 was created under the old Card definition and does not have the __repr__ method
            card2
Out[15]: <__main__.Card at 0x1835128bf88>
In [16]:
            print(card2)
            Jack of Spades
In [17]:
           card3 = Card(3, 11) # We create a nother jack of Spades using the new Card class with the repr metho
In [18]:
           card3
           Card(3, 11)
Out[18]:
In [19]:
           print(card3)
            Jack of Spades
In [20]:
            card3 == card2
Out[20]:
           True
```

```
In [21]:
            # must redefine the Deck class to use the new definition of the Card class
            class Deck:
                def init (self):
                     self.cards = []
                    for suit in range(4):
                         for rank in range(1,14):
                             card = Card(suit, rank)
                             self.cards.append(card)
                def __str__(self):
                     res = []
                    for card in self.cards:
                         res.append(str(card))
                     return '\n'.join(res)
                def pop_card(self):
                     return self.cards.pop()
                def add_card(self, card):
                     self.cards.append(card)
                def shuffle(self):
                     random.shuffle(self.cards)
                def sort(self):
                     self.cards.sort()
                def move cards(self, hand, num):
                    for i in range(num):
                         hand.add_card(self.pop_card())
```

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In [22]:
    class Hand(Deck):
        def __init__(self, label = ""):
            self.cards = []
            self.label = label
```

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```

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In [22]:
            class Hand(Deck):
                def _ init__(self, label = ""):
                   self.cards = []
                   self.label = label
In [23]:
            deck = Deck()
            hand = Hand('new hand')
            deck.move_cards(hand, 5)
In [24]:
            print(hand)
            King of Spades
            Queen of Spades
            Jack of Spades
            10 of Spades
            9 of Spades
In [25]:
            hand.cards # although not as easy to read as the string representation, the represenation makes more
            [Card(3, 13), Card(3, 12), Card(3, 11), Card(3, 10), Card(3, 9)]
Out[25]:
```

How many cards are in the deck or hand?

Right now, if we want to know how many cards are in the deck or hand, we have to access the list of cards in the hand or deck directly.

```
In [26]:
           hand
Out[26]: < main .Hand at 0x183512b3108>
In [27]:
          len(hand)
           TypeError
                                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
           <ipython-input-27-b0d5bef14cf4> in <module>
           ---> 1 len(hand)
           TypeError: object of type 'Hand' has no len()
In [28]:
          vars(hand)
Out[28]:
           {'cards': [Card(3, 13), Card(3, 12), Card(3, 11), Card(3, 10), Card(3, 9)],
            'label': 'new hand'}
In [29]:
          len(hand.cards)
Out[29]: 5
```

Defining the length of a class

We can fix this issue by defining the __len__ special method, which will return the length of self.cards

```
def __len__(self):
    return len(self.cards)
```

```
In [30]:
            class Deck:
                def init (self):
                     self.cards = []
                    for suit in range(4):
                         for rank in range(1,14):
                             card = Card(suit, rank)
                             self.cards.append(card)
                def __str__(self):
                     res = []
                    for card in self.cards:
                         res.append(str(card))
                     return '\n'.join(res)
                def _ len_ (self):
                     return len(self.cards)
                def pop_card(self):
                     return self.cards.pop()
                def add_card(self, card):
                     self.cards.append(card)
                def shuffle(self):
                     random.shuffle(self.cards)
                def sort(self):
                     self.cards.sort()
                def move_cards(self, hand, num):
                    for i in range(num):
                         hand.add card(self.pop card())
```

```
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    class Hand(Deck):
        def __init__(self, label = ""):
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In [32]:
    deck = Deck()
    len(deck)
```

Out[32]: 52

```
In [31]:     class Hand(Deck):
          def __init__(self, label = ""):
                self.cards = []
                self.label = label

In [32]:     deck = Deck()
          len(deck)

Out[32]:     52

In [33]:     hand = Hand('new hand')
          deck.move_cards(hand, 5)
```

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In [31]:
            class Hand(Deck):
                def __init__(self, label = ""):
                    self.cards = []
                    self.label = label
In [32]:
            deck = Deck()
            len(deck)
Out[32]: 52
In [33]:
            hand = Hand('new hand')
            deck.move_cards(hand, 5)
In [34]:
            len(hand)
```

Out[34]: 5

```
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            class Hand(Deck):
               def __init__(self, label = ""):
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                   self.label = label
In [32]:
            deck = Deck()
            len(deck)
Out[32]: 52
In [33]:
            hand = Hand('new hand')
            deck.move_cards(hand, 5)
In [34]:
           len(hand)
Out[34]: 5
In [35]:
           len(deck)
Out[35]: 47
```

What if we wanted to access the first 5 cards from the deck?

Right now, our deck cannot be sliced.

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Right now, our deck is not iterable.

What if we want to see the hand sorted without changing the hand?

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This is not possible right now.

Making the class behave like a list or container:

https://docs.python.org/3/reference/datamodel.html#emulating-container-types

We can take the class and allow the user to slice the object as well as perform iteration.

This is achieved with the dunder method: __getitem__(self, key) which tells Python what to do when a particular position is requested from the class object.

In our case, we will use the key as an index position. We return the card located in the requested [position] from the self.cards list.

```
def __getitem__(self, position):
    return self.cards[position]
```

```
In [39]:
            class Deck:
                def init (self):
                     self.cards = []
                    for suit in range(4):
                         for rank in range(1,14):
                             card = Card(suit, rank)
                             self.cards.append(card)
                def __str__(self):
                    res = []
                    for card in self.cards:
                         res.append(str(card))
                    return '\n'.join(res)
                def len (self):
                    return len(self.cards)
                def getitem (self, position):
                     return self.cards[position]
                def pop card(self):
                     return self.cards.pop()
                def add card(self, card):
                     self.cards.append(card)
                def shuffle(self):
                     random.shuffle(self.cards)
                def sort(self):
                     self.cards.sort()
                def move cards(self, hand, num):
                    for i in range(num):
                        hand.add_card(self.pop_card())
```

```
In [40]:
           deck = Deck()
           print(deck)
           Ace of Clubs
           2 of Clubs
           3 of Clubs
           4 of Clubs
           5 of Clubs
           6 of Clubs
           7 of Clubs
           8 of Clubs
           9 of Clubs
           10 of Clubs
           Jack of Clubs
           Queen of Clubs
           King of Clubs
           Ace of Diamonds
           2 of Diamonds
           3 of Diamonds
           4 of Diamonds
           5 of Diamonds
           6 of Diamonds
           7 of Diamonds
           8 of Diamonds
           9 of Diamonds
           10 of Diamonds
           Jack of Diamonds
           Queen of Diamonds
           King of Diamonds
           Ace of Hearts
           2 of Hearts
           3 of Hearts
           4 of Hearts
           5 of Hearts
```

- 6 of Hearts
- 7 of Hearts
- 8 of Hearts
- 9 of Hearts
- 9 of hearts
- 10 of Hearts Jack of Hearts
- Queen of Hearts
- King of Hearts
- Ace of Spades
- 2 of Spades
- 3 of Spades
- 4 of Spades
- 5 of Spades
- 6 of Spades
- 7 of Spades
- 8 of Spades
- 9 of Spades
- 10 of Spades
- Jack of Spades
- Queen of Spades
- King of Spades

Card(0, 5), Card(0, 6), Card(0, 7), Card(0, 8)]

```
In [41]:
           # We can now perform slicing
           deck[0:8]
Out[41]:
           [Card(0, 1),
            Card(0, 2),
            Card(0, 3),
            Card(0, 4),
            Card(0, 5),
            Card(0, 6),
            Card(0, 7),
            Card(0, 8)]
In [42]:
           # We can also perform iteration
           for item in deck[0:8]:
               print(item)
           Ace of Clubs
           2 of Clubs
           3 of Clubs
           4 of Clubs
           5 of Clubs
           6 of Clubs
           7 of Clubs
           8 of Clubs
```

```
With __getitem__ implemented, all of the slicing rules now work with our Class:
```

```
In [43]:
# I select the index-12th card, the King of clubs and get every 13th card after:
deck[12::13]
```

Out[43]: [Card(0, 13), Card(1, 13), Card(2, 13), Card(3, 13)]

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    deck[12::13]

Out[43]: [Card(0, 13), Card(1, 13), Card(2, 13), Card(3, 13)]

In [44]:    for item in deck[12::13]:
        print(item)

King of Clubs
King of Diamonds
King of Hearts
King of Spades
```

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```
In [45]:
    class Hand(Deck):
        def __init__(self, label = ""):
            self.cards = []
            self.label = label
```

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In [46]:
    deck = Deck()
    deck.shuffle()
    hand = Hand('new hand')
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```

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In [46]:
            deck = Deck()
            deck.shuffle()
            hand = Hand('new hand')
            deck.move_cards(hand, 5)
In [47]:
            # sorted arranges by suit
            for card in sorted(hand):
                print(card)
            3 of Clubs
            2 of Hearts
            5 of Hearts
            Jack of Hearts
            King of Spades
```

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            3 of Clubs
            2 of Hearts
            5 of Hearts
            Jack of Hearts
            King of Spades
In [48]:
            print(hand) # original hand is left unchanged
            Jack of Hearts
            3 of Clubs
            2 of Hearts
            5 of Hearts
            King of Spades
```

set item

The <u>__setitem__</u> method allows you to set items in the Class.

In our case, we can use it to assign a particular Card object to a particular position in the list of cards.

```
def __setitem__(self, key, value):
    self.cards[key] = value
```

Functions like random.shuffle() use the __setitem__ method to rearrange the objects inside a container.

With __setitem__ implemented, we can get rid of the internal deck.shuffle() method and simply use the shuffle() function.

```
class Deck:
   def init__(self):
        self.cards = []
       for suit in range(4):
            for rank in range(1,14):
                card = Card(suit, rank)
                self.cards.append(card)
   def __str__(self):
        res = []
       for card in self.cards:
            res.append(str(card))
        return '\n'.join(res)
   def len (self):
        return len(self.cards)
   def getitem (self, position):
        return self.cards[position]
   def setitem (self, key, value):
        self.cards[key] = value
   def pop card(self):
        return self.cards.pop()
   def add card(self, card):
        self.cards.append(card)
   # no Longer needed:
   # def shuffle(self):
         random.shuffle(self.cards)
   def sort(self):
         self.cards.sort()
   def move_cards(self, hand, num):
       for i in range(num):
            hand.add card(self.pop card())
```

In [49]:

In [50]: deck = Deck()

6 of Clubs 7 of Clubs 8 of Clubs 9 of Clubs 10 of Clubs

```
In [50]:
           deck = Deck()
In [51]:
           for card in deck[0:10]:
               print(card)
           Ace of Clubs
            2 of Clubs
            3 of Clubs
            4 of Clubs
            5 of Clubs
            6 of Clubs
            7 of Clubs
            8 of Clubs
            9 of Clubs
            10 of Clubs
In [52]:
           random.shuffle(deck) # We can call random.shuffle() directly on deck instead of calling deck.shuffle
```

```
In [50]:
           deck = Deck()
In [51]:
           for card in deck[0:10]:
               print(card)
           Ace of Clubs
           2 of Clubs
            3 of Clubs
           4 of Clubs
            5 of Clubs
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           7 of Clubs
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            10 of Clubs
In [52]:
           random.shuffle(deck) # We can call random.shuffle() directly on deck instead of calling deck.shuffle
In [53]:
           for card in deck[0:10]:
               print(card)
           9 of Diamonds
            5 of Spades
           Ace of Clubs
           King of Hearts
           4 of Diamonds
           10 of Spades
            Jack of Diamonds
            5 of Diamonds
            2 of Clubs
            9 of Spades
```

In []:		

Python Features

Taken from Chapter 19 of Think Python by Allen B Downey

Conditional Expressions

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In [54]:
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```
In [54]: x = -3
In [55]: import math
    if x > 0:
        y = math.log(x)
    else:
        y = float('nan')
    y
```

Out[55]: nan

We can express the same idea more concisely with a conditional expression.

Recursive functions can be rewritten as conditional expressions.

```
In [60]:
            def factorial(n):
                if n == 0:
                    return 1
                else:
                    return n * factorial(n-1)
In [61]:
            factorial(5)
Out[61]:
            120
In [62]:
            def factorial(n):
                return 1 if n == 0 else n * factorial(n - 1)
In [63]:
            factorial(6)
```

Out[63]: 720

The conditional expression is certainly more concise. Whether it is more readable is debatable.

In general, if both branches of a conditional statement are simple expressions that are assignmented or a returned, it can be written as a conditional expression.

Variable Length Arguments and Key-Word Arguments

When we covered tuples, we saw that you can gather arguments together with *

```
In [64]: def print_all(*args):
    for a in args:
        print(a)
In [65]: print_all(1,2,3,4,5)

1
2
3
4
5
```

```
In [68]:
           roll(6, 6, 20)
           3
4
           8
Out[68]:
           15
In [69]:
           roll(6, 6, 20)
Out[69]: 8
In [70]:
           roll(6, 6, 20, 20)
           3
8
3
Out[70]:
           17
```

Similarly, you can gather key-word pairs as arguments and create a function that uses them.

```
In [71]:    def print_contents(**kwargs):
        for key, value in kwargs.items():
            print ("key %s has value %s" % (key, value))

In [72]:    print_contents(CA = "California", OH = "Ohio")

        key CA has value California
        key OH has value Ohio
```

```
In [73]:
           keys = ['CA', 'OH', 'TX', 'WA']
           names = ["California", "Ohio", "Texas", "Washington"]
           d = dict(zip(keys, names))
           print(d)
           {'CA': 'California', 'OH': 'Ohio', 'TX': 'Texas', 'WA': 'Washington'}
In [74]:
           # if you want to pass a dictionary to the function, you have to use `**` to scatter them
           print contents(d)
                                                        Traceback (most recent call last)
           TypeError
           <ipython-input-74-07f6714a297c> in <module>
                  1 # if you want to pass a dictionary to the function, you have to use `**`
            to scatter them
           ----> 2 print contents(d)
           TypeError: print contents() takes 0 positional arguments but 1 was given
```

List comprehensions

List comprehensions allow us to create new lists concisely based on an existing collection

They take the form:

```
[expr for val in collection if condition]
```

This is basically equivalent to the following loop:

```
result = []
for val in collection:
    if condition:
        result.append(expr)
```

```
In [77]:
           # make a list of the squares
           [x**2 for x in range(1,11)]
Out[77]: [1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100]
In [78]:
           import numpy as np
           np.array([x**2 for x in range(1,11)])
Out[78]: array([ 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100])
In [79]:
           # square only the odd numbers
           [x**2 for x in range(1,11) if x % 2 == 1]
Out[79]: [1, 9, 25, 49, 81]
In [80]:
           # take a list of strings, and write the words that are over 2 characters long in uppercase.
           strings = ['a', 'as', 'bat', 'car', 'dove', 'python']
            [x.upper() for x in strings if len(x) > 2]
```

Out[80]: ['BAT', 'CAR', 'DOVE', 'PYTHON']

You can create a list comprehension from any iterable (list, tuple, string, etc)

```
In [81]:
            # extract the digits from a string
            string = "Hello 963257 World"
            [int(x) for x in string if x.isdigit()]
            # for x in string, will look at each character individually
            # if x is a digit, then convert it using int()
Out[81]: [9, 6, 3, 2, 5, 7]
In [82]:
           # iterate over a dictionary's items
            d = {'a':'apple', 'b':'banana', 'c':'cookie'}
In [83]:
            list(d.items()) # recall what dict.items() returns: a list of tuples
Out[83]: [('a', 'apple'), ('b', 'banana'), ('c', 'cookie')]
In [84]:
            [key + ' is for ' + value for key, value in d.items() if key != 'b' ]
Out[84]: ['a is for apple', 'c is for cookie']
```

Dictionary Comprehensions

A dict comprehension looks like this:

```
dict_comp = {key-expr : value-expr for value in collection if condition}
Look at the list strings from above.
```

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In [85]:
# create a dictionary, where the key is the word capitalized, and the value is the length of the word
fruits = ['apple', 'mango', 'banana', 'cherry']
{f.capitalize():len(f) for f in fruits}
Out[85]: {'Apple': 5, 'Mango': 5, 'Banana': 6, 'Cherry': 6}
```

```
In [86]: # create a dictionary where the key is the index, and the value is the string in the strings list.
strings = ['a', 'as', 'bat', 'car', 'dove', 'python']

In [87]: list(enumerate(strings)) # enumerate produces a collection of tuples, with index and value

Out[87]: [(0, 'a'), (1, 'as'), (2, 'bat'), (3, 'car'), (4, 'dove'), (5, 'python')]

In [88]: index_map = {index:val for index, val in enumerate(strings)}
index_map

Out[88]: {0: 'a', 1: 'as', 2: 'bat', 3: 'car', 4: 'dove', 5: 'python'}
```

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In [89]:
           # note that enumerate returns tuples in the order (index, val)
           # in the creation of a dictionary, you can swap those positions
            # and even apply functions to them
           # We create a dictionary where the key is the string, and the value is the index in the strings list
           loc_mapping = {val : index for index, val in enumerate(strings)}
           loc mapping
Out[89]: {'a': 0, 'as': 1, 'bat': 2, 'car': 3, 'dove': 4, 'python': 5}
In [90]:
           index map['a']
                                                          Traceback (most recent call last)
            KeyError
            <ipython-input-90-a566f0150b5c> in <module>
            ----> 1 index map['a']
            KeyError: 'a'
```

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In [93]: # even better... use dict.update(). This modifies the dictionary in place
loc_mapping.update(index_map)
loc_mapping
Out[93]: {'a': 0,
    'as': 1,
    'bat': 2,
    'car': 3,
    'dove': 4,
```

'python': 5,

0: 'a',
1: 'as',
2: 'bat',
3: 'car',
4: 'dove',
5: 'python'}

Generator Expressions

Generator Expressions are similar to List comprehensions.

You create them with parentheses instead of square brackets.

The result is a generator object. You can access values in the generator using <code>next()</code>

```
In [94]:
           g = (n**2 for n in range(10))
In [95]:
           <generator object <genexpr> at 0x00000183513721C8>
Out[95]:
In [96]:
           next(g)
Out[96]:
In [97]:
           next(g)
Out[97]: 1
In [98]:
           next(g)
Out[98]:
```

```
In [99]:
            for val in g:
                print(val)
            9
            16
            25
            36
            49
            64
            81
In [100]:
            next(g) # calling next after it has run out of iterations will result in an error
                                                         Traceback (most recent call last)
            StopIteration
            <ipython-input-100-35efc4ce126e> in <module>
            ----> 1 next(g) # calling next after it has run out of iterations will result in
             an error
            StopIteration:
```

List Comprehension vs Generator Expressions in Python

A Key difference between a list comprehension and a generator is that the generator is lazy.

The list comprehension will evaluate the entire sequence of iterations. The generator will only generate the next value when it is asked to do so.

Depending on the expression that needs to be evaluated, you may prefer to use a generator over the list comprehension.

The following examples are from: https://code-maven.com/list-comprehension-vs-generator-expression

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```
In [104]:
    # cannot access values in a generator by index
    print(1[4]) # 8
    print(g[4]) # TypeError: 'generator' object is not subscriptable
```

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```
In [105]:
           next(g)
Out[105]: 0
In [106]:
           next(g)
Out[106]: 2
In [107]:
           next(g)
Out[107]: 4
In [108]:
           next(g)
Out[108]: 6
In [109]:
           sum(g)
Out[109]:
           998988
In [110]:
           sum(1)
Out[110]:
           999000
```