COMP 110

Dictionaries

Motivation

Using a list, we *could* store everyone in COMP110's PID associated with ONYEN

Why does using a list[str] feel wrong/inefficient?

list[str]		
Index	Value	
0	""	
1	""	
710,453,081	items elided	
710453084	"krisj"	
9,857,700 items elided		
720310785	"abyrnes1"	
9,809,924 i	tems elided	
730120710	"ihinks"	

Other Approach:

onyens:

list[str]		
Index	Value	
0	"ihinks"	
1	"abyrnes1"	
2	"sjiang3"	
296 items elided		
299	"krisj"	

pids:

list[int]		
Index	Value	
0	730120710	
1	720310785	
2	730820837	
296 items elided		
299	710453084	

Suppose we model ONYENs and PIDs with lists. One list has ONYENs, the other has the person's PID at the same index.

Given the onyen "sjiang3", how do you algorithmically find their PID?

Other Approach: Dictionaries!

Dictionaries, like lists, are a data structure.

Unlike lists, dictionaries give *you* the ability to decide what to *index* your data by!

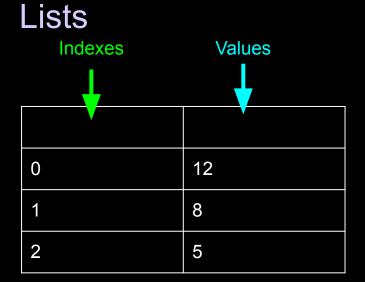
Dictionaries are indexed by <u>keys</u> associated with <u>values</u>. This is a unique, one-way mapping!
Analogous: A real-world dictionary's <u>keys</u> are words and associated <u>values</u> are <u>definitions</u>.

dict[int, str]		
key	value	
730120710	"ihinks"	
710453084	"krisj"	
720310785	"abyrnes1"	

Dictionaries



Flavor Num Orders "chocolate" 12 "vanilla" 8 "strawberry" 5



Also called: Map, Hashmap, Key-Value Store

Syntax

Data type:

```
name: dict[<key type>, <value type>]
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temps: dict[str, float]

Construct an empty dict:

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temps: dict[str, float] = dict() or
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temps: dict[str, float] = {}

Let's try it!

Create a dictionary called ice_cream that stores the following orders

Keys	Values
chocolate	12
vanilla	8
strawberry	5

Construct a populated dict:

```
temps: dict[str, float] = {"Florida": 72.5, "Raleigh": 56.0}
```

Adding elements

We use subscription notation.

<dict name>[<key>] = <value>

temps["DC"] = 52.1

Let's try it!

Add 3 orders of "mint" to your ice_cream dictionary.

Removing elements

Similar to lists, we use pop()

<dict name>.pop(<key>)

temps.pop("Florida")

Let's try it!

Remove the orders of "mint" from ice_cream.

Access + Modify

To access a value, use subscription notation:

```
<dict name>[<key>]
temps["DC"]
```

To modify, also use subscription notation:

```
<dict name>[<key>] = new_value
temps["DC"] = 53.1 or temps["DC"] += 1
```

Let's try it!

Print out how many orders there are of "chocolate".

Update the number of orders of Vanilla to 10.

Length of dictionary

len(<dict name>)

len(temps)

Let's try it!

Print out the length of ice_cream.

What exactly is this telling you?

Check if key in dictionary

<key> in <dict name>

"DC" in temps

"Florida" in temps

Let's try it!

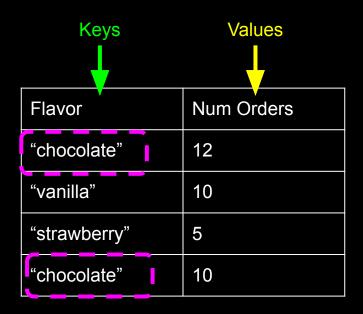
Check if both the flavors "mint" and "chocolate" are in ice_cream.

Write a conditional that behaves the following way:

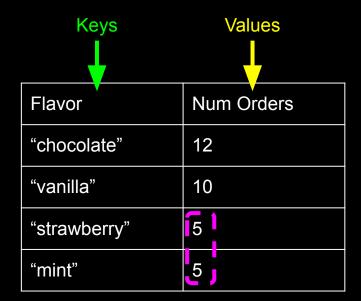
If "mint" is in ice_cream, print out how many orders of "mint" there are.

If it's not, print "no orders of mint".

Important Note: Can't Have Multiple of Same Key



(Duplicate *values* are okay.)



In Memory

```
# USD exchange rate to other currencies
     exchange: dict[str, float] = {
         "CNY": 7.10, # Chinese Yuan
         "GBP": 0.77, # British Pound
         "DKK": 6.86, # Danish Kroner
     dollars: float = 100.0
     # Access dictionary value by its key
10
     pounds: float = dollars * exchange["GBP"]
11
12
13
     # Append a key-value entry to dictionary
     exchange["EUR"] = 0.92
14
15
     # Update a key-value entry in dictionary
     exchange["CNY"] -= 1.00
17
18
     # len is the number of key-value entries
19
     count: int = len(exchange)
20
```

Practice!

- Let's implement a function named grade bump where we can call with 2 arguments:
 - A gradebook: dict[str, str] that stores letter grades (values) for every student name (key)
 - A student: str name of a student
- The return value of the function is None
- The function should *mutate* gradebook the following way:
 - If the grade of student is "A", it should change their grade to "A+"
 - Otherwise, it should change their grade to "A"
- Example:

```
grades: dict[str, str] = {"alyssa": "A", "luke": "B"}
grade_bump(grades, "luke")
print(grades)
>>> {"alyssa": "A", "luke": "A"}
```