Lecture 10: Dictionary

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Dictionary

Suppose, we need to store country and their capitals in pairs. <country,capital> are stored as <key,value> pairs in a dictionary.

- There are five <key,value> pairs in the dictionary.
- Each key corresponds to a country as string and value corresponds to the capital as string.

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Dictionary

- A dictionary is an unordered collection which stores key-value pairs that map immutable keys to values.
- A dictionary's keys must be immutable (such as strings, numbers or tuples) and unique (that is, no duplicates).
- Each key is connected to a value, and you can use a key to access the value associated with that key.
- A key's value can be a number, a string, a list, or even another dictionary.

```
print(infoDict)
print(len(infoDict))
```

```
{'Bangladesh': 'Dhaka', 'India': 'Delhi', 'Pakistan': 'Islamal'
'Srilanka': 'Colombo', 'Nepal': 'Kathmandu'}
```

Accessing Dictionary

print(infoDict["Srilanka"])

```
roman_numerals = {'I': 1, 'II': 2, 'III': 3,
                    'V': 5. 'X': 100}
print(roman_numerals)
print(roman_numerals['I'])
print(roman_numerals['X'])
{'I': 1, 'II': 2, 'III': 3, 'V': 5, 'X': 100}
print(infoDict["Bangladesh"])
```

Creating a dictionary from scratch

We can start with an empty dictionary. Then add key-value pairs.

```
dict ={}
```

 Assigning a value to a nonexistent key inserts the key-value pair in the dictionary.

```
dict["Dhaka"]=0
dict["Chittagong"]=255
print(dict)
print("length of the dictionary:",len(dict))
```

```
{'Dhaka': 0, 'Chittagong': 255} length of the dictionary: 2
```



Updating Values for existing keys

```
roman_numerals['X'] = 10
print(roman_numerals)
```

```
{'I': 1, 'II': 2, 'III': 3, 'V': 5, 'X': 10}
```

 You can delete a key-value pair from a dictionary with the del statement.

```
del roman_numerals['III']
print(roman_numerals)
```

```
{'I': 1, 'II': 2, 'V': 5, 'X': 10}
```



Accessing Dictionary - for non existing keys

```
print(infoDict["Afganistan"])
```

KeyError: 'Afganistan'

• Before accessing we should check if the key is existent or not.

```
if "Afganistan" in infoDict:
    print(infoDict["Afganistan"])
else:
    print("Not in the dictionary")
```



get() - to access values

• Returns its argument's corresponding value.

```
print(infoDict.get("India"))
```

• Returns None if the key is non-existent.

```
print(infoDict.get("USA"))
```

 If you specify a second argument to get, it returns that value if the key is not found.

```
print(infoDict.get("USA","Unknown"))
```

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Accessing all items

```
for i in infoDict.items():
    print(i)

('Bangladesh', 'Dhaka')
('India', 'Delhi')
('Pakistan', 'Islamabad')
('Srilanka', 'Colombo')
('Nepal', 'Kathmandu')
```



Accessing all items

Key: Bangladesh Value: Dhaka

Key: India Value: Delhi

Key: Pakistan Value: Islamabad
Key: Srilanka Value: Colombo
Key: Nepal Value: Kathmandu



Accessing all keys and values

```
for i in infoDict.keys():
    print(i)
Bangladesh
India
Pakistan
Srilanka
Nepal
for i in infoDict.values():
    print(i)
```



update method

```
myDict = {}
myDict.update({"Potato":65, "Onions":80})
print(myDict)
{'Potato': 65, 'Onions': 10}
myDict.update({"Onions":130})
print(myDict)
```



{'Potato': 65, 'Onions': 130}

Processing keys in sorted order

```
for country in sorted(infoDict.keys()):
    print(country, end=' ')
```

Bangladesh India Nepal Pakistan Srilanka



A list in a dictionary

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```
networkDict={}
networkDict["Shakib"] = ["Tamim", "Mashrafe"]
networkDict["Litton"] = ["Tamim", "Mashrafe"]
networkDict["Tamim"] = ["Shakib", "Litton", "Mashrafe"]
networkDict["Shakib"] = ["Shakib", "Litton", "Tamim"]
print(networkDict)
```

Practice - I

Write a python code that will get a long sentence as input. It will create a dictionary with all the unique words in it as keys and store the frequency of the words in it as value.

