

# C2\_W1\_lecture\_nb\_01\_building\_the\_vocabulary\_model

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## 1 NLP Course 2 Week 1 Lesson : Building The Model - Lecture Exercise 01

Estimated Time: 10 minutes # Vocabulary Creation Create a tiny vocabulary from a tiny corpus  
It's time to start small ! ### Imports and Data

```
[ ]: # imports
import re # regular expression library; for tokenization of words
from collections import Counter # collections library; counter: dict subclass
    ↳for counting hashable objects
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # for data visualization

[ ]: # the tiny corpus of text !
text = 'red pink pink blue blue yellow ORANGE BLUE BLUE PINK' #
print(text)
print('string length : ',len(text))
```

### 1.0.1 Preprocessing

```
[ ]: # convert all letters to lower case
text_lowercase = text.lower()
print(text_lowercase)
print('string length : ',len(text_lowercase))

[ ]: # some regex to tokenize the string to words and return them in a list
words = re.findall(r'\w+', text_lowercase)
print(words)
print('count : ',len(words))
```

### 1.0.2 Create Vocabulary

Option 1 : A set of distinct words from the text

```
[ ]: # create vocab
vocab = set(words)
```

```
print(vocab)
print('count : ',len(vocab))
```

### 1.0.3 Add Information with Word Counts

Option 2 : Two alternatives for including the word count as well

```
[ ]: # create vocab including word count
counts_a = dict()
for w in words:
    counts_a[w] = counts_a.get(w,0)+1
print(counts_a)
print('count : ',len(counts_a))
```

```
[ ]: # create vocab including word count using collections.Counter
counts_b = dict()
counts_b = Counter(words)
print(counts_b)
print('count : ',len(counts_b))
```

```
[ ]: # barchart of sorted word counts
d = {'blue': counts_b['blue'], 'pink': counts_b['pink'], 'red': counts_b['red'],
     'yellow': counts_b['yellow'], 'orange': counts_b['orange']}
plt.bar(range(len(d)), list(d.values()), align='center', color=d.keys())
_ = plt.xticks(range(len(d)), list(d.keys()))
```

### 1.0.4 Ungraded Exercise

Note that `counts_b`, above, returned by `collections.Counter` is sorted by word count

Can you modify the tiny corpus of *text* so that a new color appears between *pink* and *red* in `counts_b` ?

Do you need to run all the cells again, or just specific ones ?

```
[ ]: print('counts_b : ', counts_b)
print('count : ', len(counts_b))
```

Expected Outcome:

```
counts_b : Counter({'blue': 4, 'pink': 3, 'your_new_color_here': 2, 'red': 1, 'yellow': 1, 'orange': 1}) count : 6
```

### 1.0.5 Summary

This is a tiny example but the methodology scales very well. In the assignment you will create a large vocabulary of thousands of words, from a corpus of tens of thousands or words! But the

mechanics are exactly the same. The only extra things to pay attention to should be; run time, memory management and the vocab data structure. So the choice of approach used in code blocks `counts_a` vs `counts_b`, above, will be important.