

COMP8270

Programming for Artificial Intelligence

Class 3

The aim of this class is to continue practising data structures and loops in Python. To start, create a new Jupyter Notebook – you could name it ‘Class 3’. Each task provides a sample input values, but your solution must work with any input values.

Note: The exercise marked with a * is part of Assessment 1 – you should show your solution to your class supervisor by the end of Class 5 on Week 16.

1. Write a Python code that, given a list of names, creates a dictionary where each name is grouped by the first letter. Your code should work for any list of names – e.g.:

```
names = ["Jim", "Hetty", "Kirsten", "Theo", "Henry", "Paul"]
grouped = {}

"""
dictionary grouping names based on the first letter

"H" → "Henry", "Hetty"
"J" → "Jim"
"K" → "Kirsten"
"P" → "Paul"
"T" → "Theo"
"""

print(grouped)
```

2. Given a dictionary, write a Python code that create a new dictionary where the keys are used as values and the values are used as keys – e.g.: "computer" → "apple" becomes "apple" → "computer" in the new dictionary. Your solution must work with any dictionary.

```
my_dict = {"computer" : "apple", "model" : "macbook pro", "processor" : "M1 Pro", "year" : 2021}
inverted_dict = {}

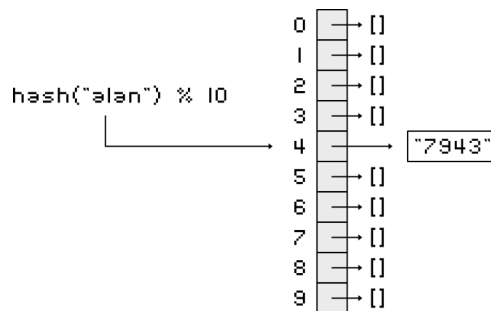
# write logic here

print(inverted_dict)
```

3. * A simple way to implement a Dictionary like type is to use a list of lists: the first level determines the position of the element based on the “key”; the second level stores the “value”. In order to determine the index of a particular “key” value, we can use the `hash()` function and apply the modulo operator to limit the value within the range of the list:

```
key = "alan"
# assuming that our inner list has 10 positions
index = hash(key) % 10
```

Since there is a limited number of elements on the list, some of the “key” values will have a similar index. This is why each element of the list is another list: after determining the index where the value should be added, the value is added to the list at that index. The diagram below illustrates the process of adding the pair `{"alan" : "7943" }`:



Using this approach, write a Python code that creates a list of lists that mimics a Dictionary.