

# PYTHON LAB BOOK

Python For Programmers  
*UCSC Extension Online*

## Lab 9 Dictionaries

### Topics

- Importing with `from`
- Dictionaries

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## Lab 08.1

```
>>> [2**x for x in range(8)]
[1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128]

>>> [2**x for x in range(64)]

[1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024, 2048, 4096, 8192, 16384,
32768, 65536, 131072, 262144, 524288, 1048576, 2097152, 4194304,
8388608, 16777216, 33554432, 67108864, 134217728, 268435456,
536870912, 1073741824, 2147483648L, 4294967296L, 8589934592L,
17179869184L, 34359738368L, 68719476736L, 137438953472L,
274877906944L, 549755813888L, 1099511627776L, 2199023255552L,
4398046511104L, 8796093022208L, 17592186044416L, 35184372088832L,
70368744177664L, 140737488355328L, 281474976710656L, 562949953421312L,
1125899906842624L, 2251799813685248L, 4503599627370496L,
9007199254740992L, 18014398509481984L, 36028797018963968L,
72057594037927936L, 144115188075855872L, 288230376151711744L,
576460752303423488L, 1152921504606846976L, 2305843009213693952L,
4611686018427387904L, 9223372036854775808L] >>>
```

Python calculations are hardware-limited. The exact error depends on the version of Python.

lab08\_2.py

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 """lab08_2.py Use list comprehensions to make a deck of cards."""
3
4 def Cards():
5     """Return a deck of cards as a list of strings."""
6
7     values = [str(x) for x in range(2, 11)] + ['Jack','Queen','King','Ace']
8     suits = ('Clubs', 'Diamonds', 'Hearts', 'Spades')
9     deck = [v + ' of ' + s for s in suits for v in values] + ["Joker"] * 2
10    return deck
11
12 def main():
13     deck = Cards()
14     print "The deck contains:"
15     for i, card in enumerate(deck):
16         if card is deck[-1]:
17             print 'and %s.' % card,
18         else:
19             print '%s, ' % card,
20         if i % 4 == 3:
21             print
22
23 if __name__ == '__main__':
24     main()
25 """
26 $ lab08_2.py
27 The deck contains:
28 2 of Clubs, 3 of Clubs, 4 of Clubs, 5 of Clubs,
29 6 of Clubs, 7 of Clubs, 8 of Clubs, 9 of Clubs,
30 10 of Clubs, Jack of Clubs, Queen of Clubs, King of Clubs,
31 Ace of Clubs, 2 of Diamonds, 3 of Diamonds, 4 of Diamonds,
32 5 of Diamonds, 6 of Diamonds, 7 of Diamonds, 8 of Diamonds,
33 9 of Diamonds, 10 of Diamonds, Jack of Diamonds, Queen of Diamonds,
34 King of Diamonds, Ace of Diamonds, 2 of Hearts, 3 of Hearts,
35 4 of Hearts, 5 of Hearts, 6 of Hearts, 7 of Hearts,
36 8 of Hearts, 9 of Hearts, 10 of Hearts, Jack of Hearts,
37 Queen of Hearts, King of Hearts, Ace of Hearts, 2 of Spades,
38 3 of Spades, 4 of Spades, 5 of Spades, 6 of Spades,
39 7 of Spades, 8 of Spades, 9 of Spades, 10 of Spades,
40 Jack of Spades, Queen of Spades, King of Spades, Ace of Spades,
41 Joker, and Joker.
42 $
43 """
```

```
lab08_3.py
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 """Use list comprehensions to produce the quiz output again, this time
3 with the fewest possible lines of code."""
4
5 print '\n'.join([''.join(['%4d' % (n * m) \
6                           for n in range(6)]) for m in range(6)])
7 """
8 $ lab08_3.py
9      0      0      0      0      0      0
10     0      1      2      3      4      5
11     0      2      4      6      8     10
12     0      3      6      9     12     15
13     0      4      8     12     16     20
14     0      5     10     15     20     25
15 $
16 """
17
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lab08\_4.py

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 """lab08_4.py
3 MoneyFormat(amount) returns a money representation of the amount
4 """
5
6 def MoneyFormat(amount):
7     """MoneyFormat(amount) returns a money representation of the amount."""
8     neg = False
9     if amount < 0:
10         amount *= -1
11         neg = True
12     money = "%.2f" % amount
13     chars = list(money)
14     chars.reverse()
15     parts = chars[:3]
16     for i, ch in enumerate(chars[3:]):
17         if i > 0 and i % 3 == 0:
18             parts += ','
19         parts += ch
20     parts.reverse()
21     if neg:
22         parts.insert(0, '-$')
23     else:
24         parts.insert(0, '$')
25     return ''.join(parts)
26
27 def main():
28     print MoneyFormat(-123.21)
29     print MoneyFormat(3)
30     print MoneyFormat(14.3123)
31     print MoneyFormat(1234567.89)
32     print MoneyFormat(-88.88)
33
34 if __name__ == '__main__':
35     main()
36 """
37 $ lab08_4.py
38 -$123.21
39 $3.00
40 $14.31
41 $1,234,567.89
42 -$88.88
43 $
44 """
```

```
mod0.py
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 """mod0.py You can use the 'from' keyword to import a module so
3 that you can bring the specified attributes of the module into
4 your local namespace.
5 """
6
7 from math import pi
8
9 def Area(radius):
10     return pi * radius * radius
11
12 print Area(3)
13
14 """
15 $ mod0.py
16 28.2743338823
17 $
18 """
```

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mod1.py

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 """mod1.py  You can use ->  from module import *
3     to bring all the attributes into your local namespace.
4     But this is usually considered to be bad practice.
5     You lose track of which attributes are local and are
6     not local.  And, here's another problem.
7 """
8
9 x = 1
10 y = [1,2,3]
11
12 def Printx():
13     print x
14
15 def Printy():
16     print y
17 """
18 >>> from mod1 import *
19
20
21 >>> Printx()
22 1
23 >>> x = 2
24 >>> Printx()    <-- gets mod1 version
25 1
26 >>> print x    <-- gets local version
27 2
28
29
30 >>> Printy()
31 [1, 2, 3]
32 >>> y[1] = 'a'  <-- a list is mutable!
33 >>> y
34 [1, 'a', 3]    <-- local version
35 >>> Printy()
36 [1, 'a', 3]    <-- mod1 version
37 >>>
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```

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45
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51
52 You can import certain attributes:
53
54 >>> from mod1 import Printx, Printy
55 >>> Printx()
56 1
57 >>> mod1.x = 3
58 Traceback (most recent call last):
59   File "<stdin>", line 1, in ?
60 NameError: name 'mod1' is not defined
61
62
63 >>> import mod1
64 >>> mod1.x = 3
65 >>> Printx()
66 3
67 >>> mod1.Printx()
68 3
69 >>> """
```

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mod2.py

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 """You can keep your identifiers from being imported with
3 from ... import * by prefixing a '_' to the name."""
4
5 _x = 1
6 _y = [1,2,3]
7
8 def Printx():
9     print _x
10
11 def Printy():
12     print _y
13
14 """
15
16 >>> from mod2 import *
17 >>> dir()
18 ['__builtins__', '__doc__', '__name__', 'Printx', 'Printy']
19
20 However, if they are asked for explicitly, they come:
21
22 >>> from mod2 import _x, _y
23 >>> dir()
24 ['__builtins__', '__doc__', '__name__', '_x', '_y']
25 >>> Printx()
26 1
27 >>> _x = 33    <-- makes a local _x
28 >>> Printx()
29 1
30
31 >>> Printy()
32 [1, 2, 3]
33 >>> _y[1] = 44 <-- affects mod2's y
34 >>> Printy()
35 [1, 44, 3]
36
37 >>> import mod2
38 >>> mod2._x = 8
39 >>> Printx()
40 8
41 >>>
42 """
```

```
mod3.py
1  #!/usr/bin/env python
2  """mod3.py  __all__ specifies identifiers for export"""
3
4  __all__ = ['Printx', 'Printy']
5
6  x = 1
7  y = [1,2,3]
8
9  def Printx():
10     print x
11
12  def Printy():
13     print y
14
15  """
16
17  >>> from mod3 import *
18  >>> dir()
19  ['__builtins__', '__doc__', '__name__', 'Printx', 'Printy']
20
21  >>> from mod3 import x
22  >>> x
23  1
24  >>> from mod3 import y
25  >>> y
26  [1, 2, 3]
27  >>> y[1] = 'hey'
28  >>> Printy()
29  [1, 'hey', 3]
30  >>>
31
32
33  Another SAMPLE RUN:
34  >>> import mod3 as other
35  >>> other.x = 88
36  >>> other.Printx()
37  88
38  >>>
39  """
```

py\_dict.py

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2
3 """Dictionary implementation for demonstrating a Python dictionary."""
4
5 py_dict = {}    # empty dictionary
6
7 # initializing a dictionary
8
9 py_dict2 = {'break':'break out of a loop and skip the else',
10            'continue':'go to the next iteration of the loop',
11            'for':'set up looping'}
12
13 # Updating py_dict1 with py_dict2's keys and values.  If py_dict2 has
14 # keys already in py_dict, py_dict2's values will replace the old
15 # values for the key.
16
17 py_dict.update(py_dict2)
18
19 # And you can just add an entry
20
21 py_dict['pass'] = 'throw the ball'
22
23 # If you add an entry with a duplicate key, the new meaning will be
24 # the one that sticks:
25
26 py_dict['pass'] = 'do nothing'
27
28 def CollectEntries():
29     """Collects a bunch of new entries for the dictionary"""
30     while True:
31         word = raw_input('Word: ')
32         if not word:
33             return
34         meaning = raw_input('Meaning: ')
35         py_dict[word] = meaning
36
37 def FindDefinitions():
38     """Reports a key:value pair for a given key"""
39     while True:
40         word = raw_input('Word to find: ')
41         if not word:
42             return
43         try:
44             print '%s : %s' % (word, py_dict[word])
```

```

45         except KeyError:
46             print '%s is not in the dictionary.' % word
47
48 def MakePrompt(choices):
49     choice_list = sorted(choices)
50     guts = ', '.join(['(%s)%s' % (choice[0], choice[1:])\
51                       for choice in choice_list])
52     return 'Choose ' + guts + ' (enter to quit) '
53
54 def PrintEntries():
55     """Prints out the dictionary entries, sorted by key"""
56     for word in sorted(py_dict):
57         print '%s : %s' % (word, py_dict[word])
58
59 def main():
60     """Runs the user interface for dictionary manipulation."""
61     # The choices dictionary has function names for values.
62     choices = {'add': CollectEntries, 'find': FindDefinitions,
63               'print': PrintEntries}
64     prompt = MakePrompt(choices)
65
66     while True:
67         raw_choice = raw_input(prompt)
68         if not raw_choice:
69             break
70         given_choice = raw_choice[0].lower()
71         for maybe_choice in choices:
72             if maybe_choice[0] == given_choice:
73                 # The appropriate function is called
74                 # using the dictionary value for the name
75                 # of the function.
76                 choices[maybe_choice]()
77                 break
78         else:
79             print '%s is not an acceptable choice.' % raw_choice
80
81 if __name__ == '__main__':
82     main()
83 """
84 $ py_dict.py
85 Choose (a)dd, (f)ind, (p)rint (enter to quit) p
86 break : break out of a loop and skip the else
87 continue : go to the next iteration of the loop
88 for: set up looping
89 pass : do nothing

```

```
90 Choose (a)dd, (f)ind, (p)rint (enter to quit) a
91 Word: yield
92 Meaning: return and start here with the next call to next()
93 Word:
94 Choose (a)dd, (f)ind, (p)rint (enter to quit) f
95 Word to find: for
96 for: set up looping
97 Word to find: range
98 range is not in the dictionary.
99 Word to find:
100 Choose (a)dd, (f)ind, (p)rint (enter to quit)
101 $"""
```

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## Lab 09

The built-in `dict()` function provides a very flexible way to create a dictionary:

```
squares = dict(one=1, two=4, three=9)
```

Try it in the Python shell. Then see what functions are available for dictionaries:

```
dir(squares)          or dir(dict)
```

Popular functions are `keys`, `items` and `values`. Check out the documentation for these functions like this:

```
help(dict.keys)
```

If you have any questions about these or others that interest you, raise your hand. In particular, you will like `dict.items()` as you do this lab.

You also might like the behaviors of `for`, `in`, and `sorted`.

Collect and extract `labs.zip` from WebCT. Find: `labs/lab.09_Dictionaries/py_dict.py`

Edit the program so that it has another choice in the menu: `(d)efinitions`.

This new option will print out the dictionary alphabetically by the meanings:

```
Choose (a)dd, (d)efinitions, (f)ind, (p)rint (enter to quit) d
break out of a loop and skip the else : break
do nothing : pass
go to the next iteration of the loop : continue
set up looping : for
Choose (a)dd, (d)efinitions, (f)ind, (p)rint (enter to quit)
$
```