Advanced reducer.py

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#!/usr/bin/env python
"""A more advanced Reducer, using Python iterators and generators."""
from itertools import groupby
from operator import itemgetter
import sys
def read_mapper_output(file, separator='\t'):
    for line in file:
       yield line.rstrip().split(separator, 1)
def main(separator='\t'):
    # input comes from STDIN (standard input)
    data = read_mapper_output(sys.stdin, separator=separator)
    # groupby groups multiple word-count pairs by word,
    # and creates an iterator that returns consecutive keys and their group:
       current_word - string containing a word (the key)
       group - iterator yielding all ["<current_word&gt;", "&lt;count&gt;"] items
    for current_word, group in groupby(data, itemgetter(0)):
       try:
            total_count = sum(int(count) for current_word, count in group)
            print "%s%s%d" % (current_word, separator, total_count)
        except ValueError:
            # count was not a number, so silently discard this item
if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
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