

# 6\_dictionaries

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## Definition

Dictionary stores and connects pieces of information together.

In dictionaries, we categorize data into different groups like writing them into different dictionaries.

It is a collection of key-value pairs where you can access the value with the associated key.

For example, every individual can be a "dictionary" that contains all the important information about this person:



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```
marcos_gao={'race':'asian', 'age':'20'}  
print(marcos_gao['race'])  
#asian
```

A dictionary is included in "{}". Inside, keys and values are connected by ":" and different pairs are separated by ",".

Value can be a word, a variable, a list and even a dictionary.

## Dictionaries

### Accessing values

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#name of the dictionary[key]  
game={'goal_scored':'7', 'goal_lost':'1'}  
new_goal=game['goal_scored']  
print(f'you just scored your {new_goal}th goal in the game')  
#you just scored your 7th goal in the game
```

### Adding new pairs

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#to add new pairs in a dictionary, simply write down the new keys and connect them  
with new values  
game={'goal_scored':'7', 'goal_lost':'1'}  
game['best_player']='Marcos'  
print(game)  
#{'goal_scored': '7', 'goal_lost': '1', 'best_player': 'Marcos'}
```

### Modify values

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# to change the value, just repair the correct value with the key  
game={'goal_scored':'7', 'goal_lost':'1', 'best_player':'Marcos'}  
game['best_player']='James'  
print(game)  
#{'goal_scored': '7', 'goal_lost': '1', 'best_player': 'Marcos', 'best_player':  
'James'}
```

## Removing pairs

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marcos={'age':'20','wife':'sklfd'}  
del marcos['wife']  
print(marcos)  
#{'age': '20'}
```

## In many lines

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```
# add indentation lines to start another line  
favorite_footballer={  
    'marcos':'messi',  
    'james':'gerrad',  
    'bogart':'ronaldo'  
}
```

## Trouble shooting

When we use a key that haven't been assigned to a value, errors will be reported. However, we don't know where the problem occurs exactly.

By using "get()", we can assign a particular message that will be returned if the requested key doesn't exist.

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marcos={'race':'asian','weight':'66kg'}  
height_marcos=marocs.get('height','Data undefined')  
#if the key-value pair is in the dictionary, it will return the value, if not, it  
will return the message assigned 'data undefined'  
print(height_marcos)  
#Data undefined
```

## Looping through a dictionary

### Through all pairs

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```
favorite_footballer={
    'marcos':'messi',
    'james':'gerrad',
    'bogart':'ronaldo'
}
# the first and second spot after "for" represents key and value respectively.
# "items()" returns a list of key-value pairs.
for name,footballer in favorite_footballer.items():
    print(f"{name.title()}'s favorite footballer is {footballer.title()}")

# Marcos's favorite footballer is Messi'
# James's favorite footballer is Gerrad'
# Bogart's favorite footballer is Ronaldo'
```

## Through all keys/all values

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```
#we could access all keys or all values with keys.() or values.()
favorite_footballer={
    'marcos':'messi',
    'james':'gerrad',
    'bogart':'ronaldo'
}
for squad in favorite_footballer.keys():
    print(squad.title())

#Marcos
#James
#Bogart
```

## Through all keys in order

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```
favorite_languages = {
    'jen': 'python',
    'sarah': 'c',
    'edward': 'ruby',
    'phil': 'python',
```

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}
# sorted()
for student in sorted(favorite_languages.keys()):
    print(f'{student}, your registration is complete')
#edward, your registration is complete
#jen, your registration is complete
#phil, your registration is complete
#sarah, your registration is complete

```

## Remove repetitions

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# there could be many value associated the same key, vice versa. we can remove the
repetition with set()
favorite_languages = {
    'jen': 'python',
    'sarah': 'c',
    'edward': 'ruby',
    'phil': 'python',
}
for languages_mentioned in set(favorite_languages.values()):
    print(languages_mentioned)
#python
#ruby
#c
# we can see "python" only occurs once in the output

```

## Sets

sets are dictionaries where there is no value associated with keys

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languages={'python', 'ruby', 'c'}
languages
#{'ruby', 'c', 'python'}

```

## Nesting

Nesting helps us storing multiple dictionaries in a list, list of items as values, or dictionaries in dictionaries.

## A list of dictionaries

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```
marcos={'nationality':'China','mbti':'entp','gender':'male'}
james={'nationality':'Hongkong(China)','mbti':'isfp','gender':'male'}
maggie={'nationality':'China','mbti':'infj','gender':'female'}
human_resources=[marcos,james,maggie]
print(human_resources)
#[{'nationality': 'China', 'mbti': 'entp', 'gender': 'male'}, {'nationality':
'Hongkong(China)', 'mbti': 'isfp', 'gender': 'male'}, {'nationality': 'China',
'mbti': 'infj', 'gender': 'female'}]
```

we could start an empty list

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aliens=[]
for alien_number in range(30):
    new_alien = {'color': 'green', 'points': 5, 'speed': 'slow'}
    aliens.append(new_alien)

# Show the first 3 aliens.
for alien in aliens[:3]:
    print(alien)
#{'color': 'green', 'points': 5, 'speed': 'slow'}
#{'color': 'green', 'points': 5, 'speed': 'slow'}
#{'color': 'green', 'points': 5, 'speed': 'slow'}
```

## A dictionary of lists

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```
pizza_ordered={
    'size':'large',
    'toppings':['ham','pineapple']
}
#print the summary of the order

print(f"the pizza you ordered is {pizza_ordered['size']} with")
for topping in pizza_ordered['toppings']:
    print(topping)
#the pizza you ordered is large with
```

```
#ham
#pineapple
```

## Dictionaries of dictionaries

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#having a dictionary of dictionaries can makes the code complicated. However, one can distinguish the key-value pair by seperating commas after''.

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pets_collections={'cat':{'loyalty':'75','cuteness':'95','price':'50'},
'dog':{'loyalty':'95','cuteness':'50','price':'50'},'bird':
{'loyalty':'20','cuteness':'60','price':'50'}}
for pets, traits in pets_collections.items():
    print(pets)
    trait1=traits['loyalty']
    trait2=traits['cuteness']
    trait3=traits['price']
    print(f'loyalty:{trait1}\n cuteness:{trait2}\n price:{trait3}')
```

```
#cat
#loyalty:75
#cuteness:95
#price:50
#dog
#loyalty:95
#cuteness:50
#price:50
#bird
#loyalty:20
#cuteness:60
#price:50
```