



# Collections

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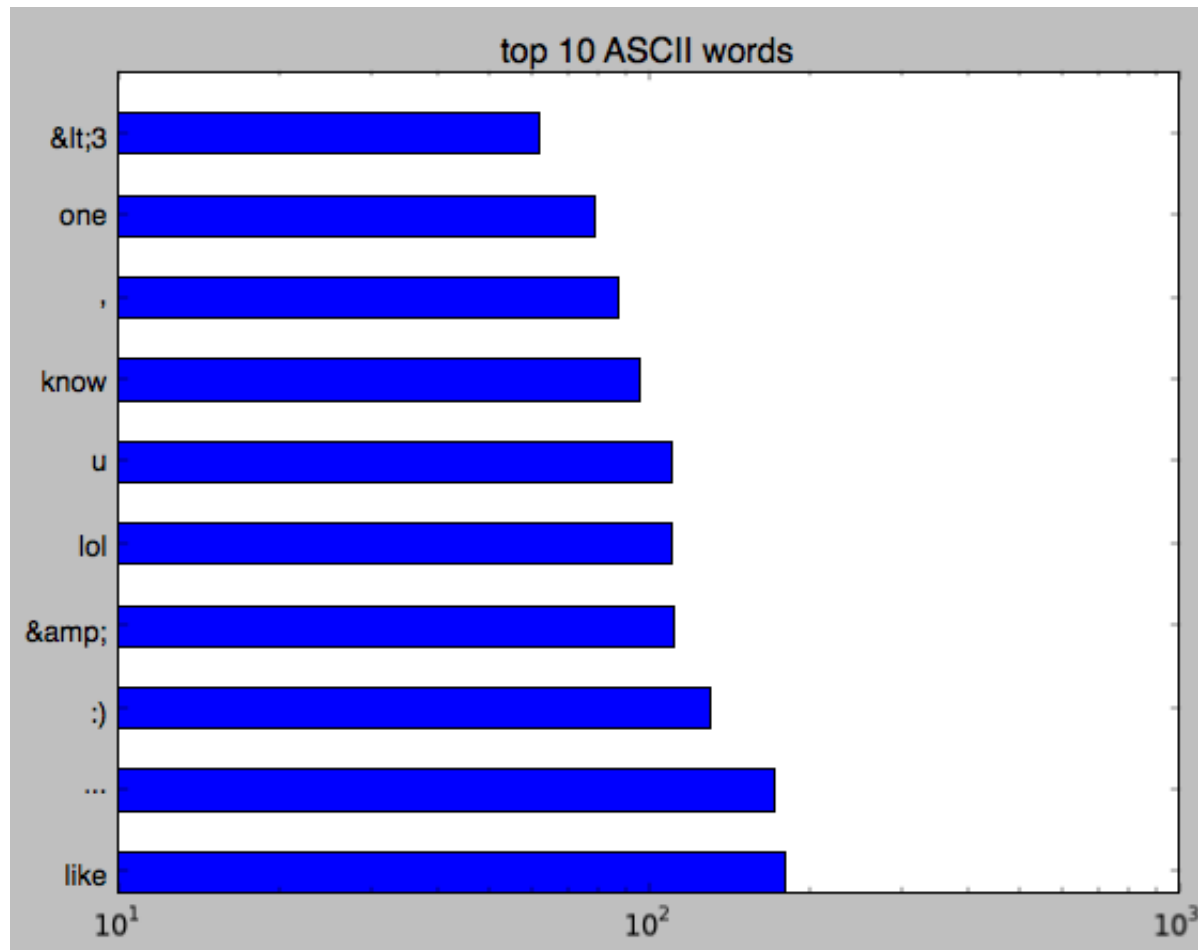
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# Count the words in a document

Assume you start with a list of words:

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"to be or not to be that is the question  
whether tis nobler in the mind to suffer  
the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune  
or to take arms against a sea of troubles  
and by opposing end them to die to sleep  
no more".split()
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# Count the occurrences of each word (make a histogram)



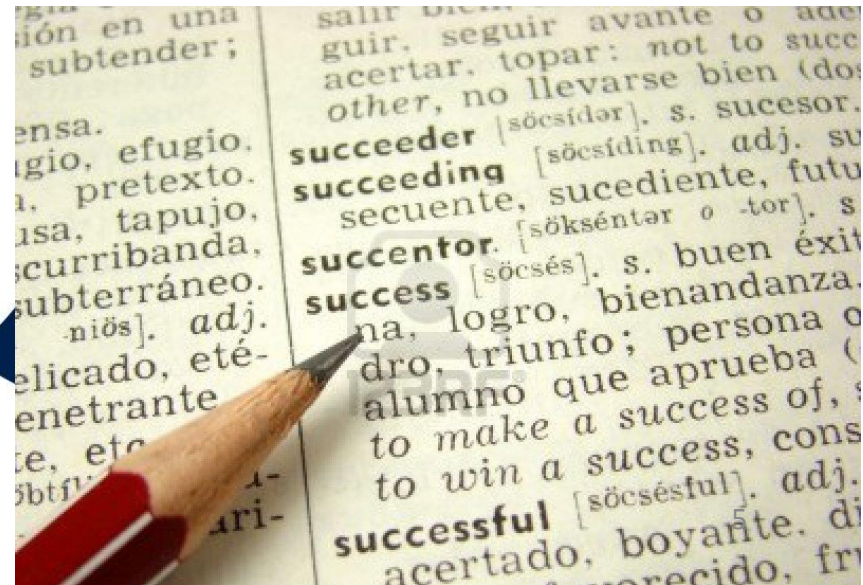
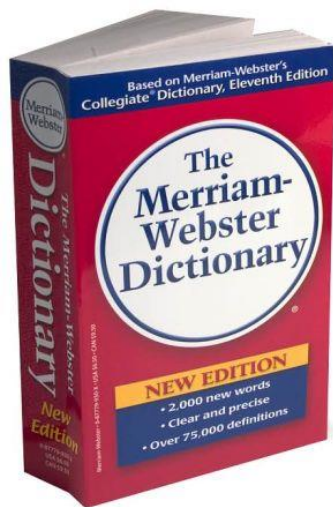
Most common words on Twitter

# Count the number of unique words

# A collection groups similar things

- List: ordered
- Set: unordered, no duplicates
- Tuple: unmodifiable list
- Dictionary: maps from values to values

Example: word → definition



# Data Structures

- *A data structure* is way of organizing data
  - Each data structure makes certain operations convenient or efficient
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- Example: What operations are efficient with:
  - a file cabinet sorted by date?
  - a shoe box?

