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# **chirptext**

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ChirpText, an [open source and free software](#), is a collection of text processing tools for Python.

It is not meant to be a powerful tank like the popular NLTK but a small package which you can pip-install anywhere and write a few lines of code to process textual data.



## MAIN FEATURES

- Parse Japanese text (Does not require `mecab-python3` package even on Windows, only a binary release (i.e. `mecab.exe`) is required)
- Built-in “lite” `text annotation formats` (TTL/CSV and TTL/JSON)
- Helper functions and useful data for processing English, Japanese, Chinese and Vietnamese.
- Enhanced `open()` function that support common text-based and binary-based format (txt, gz, csv, tsv, json, etc.)
- Quick text-based report generation
- Application configuration management which can make educated guess about config files’ whereabouts
- ((**Experimental**) Web fetcher with responsible web crawling ethics (support caching out of the box)
- (**Experimental**) Console application template





## INSTALLATION

Chirptext is available on [PyPI](#) and can be installed using `pip install`

```
python install chirptext
```

**Note:** chirptext library does not support Python 2 anymore. Please update to Python 3 to use this package.



## SAMPLE CODES

### 3.1 Using MeCab on Windows

You can download mecab binary package from <http://taku910.github.io/mecab/#download> and install it. After installed you can try:

```
>>> from chirptext import deko
>>> sent = deko.parse('')
>>> sent.tokens
[[-/*/*|||], [-/*/*|||], [-/*/*|||], [-/*/*|||], [-/*/*|||], [EOS(-/*/*|||)]]
>>> sent.words
['', '', '', '', '']
>>> sent[0].pos
''
>>> sent[0].root
''
>>> sent[0].reading
''
```

If you installed MeCab to a custom location, for example C:\mecab\bin\mecab.exe, try

```
>>> deko.set_mecab_bin("C:\\mecab\\bin\\mecab.exe")
>>> deko.get_mecab_bin()
'C:\\mecab\\bin\\mecab.exe'

# Just that & now you can use mecab
>>> deko.parse('').words
['', '', '', '']
```

### 3.2 Convenient IO APIs

```
>>> from chirptext import chio
>>> chio.write_tsv('data/test.tsv', [['a', 'b'], ['c', 'd']])
>>> chio.read_tsv('data/tes.tsv')
[['a', 'b'], ['c', 'd']]

>>> chio.write_file('data/content.tar.gz', 'Support writing to .tar.gz file')
>>> chio.read_file('data/content.tar.gz')
```

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```
'Support writing to .tar.gz file'

>>> for row in chio.read_tsv_iter('data/test.tsv'):
...     print(row)
...
['a', 'b']
['c', 'd']
```

## 3.2.1 Common Recipes

### Web fetcher

```
from chirptext import WebHelper

web = WebHelper('~/.tmp/webcache.db')
data = web.fetch('https://letuananh.github.io/test/data.json')
data
>>> b'{ "name": "Kungfu Panda" }\n'
data_json = web.fetch_json('https://letuananh.github.io/test/data.json')
data_json
>>> {'name': 'Kungfu Panda'}
```

### Using Counter

```
from chirptext import Counter, TextReport
from chirptext.leutile import LOREM_IPSUM

ct = Counter()
vc = Counter() # vowel counter
for char in LOREM_IPSUM:
    if char == ' ':
        continue
    ct.count(char)
    vc.count("Letters")
    if char in 'auieo':
        vc.count("Vowels")
    else:
        vc.count("Consonants")
vc.summarise()
ct.summarise(byfreq=True, limit=5)
```

## Output

```
Letters: 377
Consonants: 212
Vowels: 165
i: 42
e: 37
t: 32
o: 29
a: 29
```

## Sample TextReport

```
# a string report
rp = TextReport() # by default, TextReport will write to standard output, i.e. terminal
rp = TextReport(TextReport.STDOUT) # same as above
rp = TextReport('~/.tmp/my-report.txt') # output to a file
rp = TextReport.null() # ouptut to /dev/null, i.e. nowhere
rp = TextReport.string() # output to a string. Call rp.content() to get the string
rp = TextReport(TextReport.STRINGIO) # same as above

# TextReport will close the output stream automatically by using the with statement
with TextReport.string() as rp:
    rp.header("Lorem Ipsum Analysis", level="h0")
    rp.header("Raw", level="h1")
    rp.print(LOREM_IPSUM)
    rp.header("Top 5 most common letters")
    ct.summarise(report=rp, limit=5)
    print(rp.content())
```

## Output

```
+-----+
| Lorem Ipsum Analysis
+-----+

Raw
-----
Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor.
↳ incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua. Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud.
↳ exercitation ullamco laboris nisi ut aliquip ex ea commodo consequat. Duis aute irure.
↳ dolor in reprehenderit in voluptate velit esse cillum dolore eu fugiat nulla pariatur.
↳ Excepteur sint occaecat cupidatat non proident, sunt in culpa qui officia deserunt.
↳ mollit anim id est laborum.

Top 5 most common letters
-----
i: 42
e: 37
```

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```
t: 32
o: 29
a: 29
```

## 3.2.2 API Reference

An overview of chirptext modules.

Chirp Text - Minimalist Text Processing Library

### Enhanced IO module

Chirptext's enhanced IO functions

`chirptext.chio.is_file(path)`

Check if path is a path to an existing file

`chirptext.chio.iter_csv_stream(input_stream, fieldnames=None, sniff=False, *args, **kwargs)`

Read CSV content as a table (list of lists) from an input stream

`chirptext.chio.process_file(path, processor, encoding='utf-8', mode='rt', *args, **kwargs)`

Process a text file's content. If the file name ends with .gz, read it as gzip file

`chirptext.chio.read(path, encoding='utf-8', *args, **kwargs)`

Read text file content. If the file name ends with .gz, read it as gzip file. If mode argument is provided as 'rb', content will be read as byte stream. By default, content is read as text (string).

```
# Read content as text >>> txt = chio.read_file("sample.txt") # Read content as binary (bytes) >>> bin =
chio.read_file("sample.dat.gz", mode="rb")
```

#### Parameters

**encoding** – defaulted to UTF-8. Will be ignored if reading mode is 'rb'

`chirptext.chio.read_csv(path, fieldnames=None, sniff=True, encoding='utf-8', *args, **kwargs)`

Read CSV rows as table from a file. By default, csv.reader() will be used any output will be a list of lists. If fieldnames is provided, DictReader will be used and output will be list of OrderedDict instead. CSV sniffing (dialect detection) is enabled by default, set sniff=False to switch it off.

`chirptext.chio.read_csv_iter(path, fieldnames=None, sniff=True, mode='rt', encoding='utf-8', *args, **kwargs)`

Iterate through CSV rows in a file. By default, csv.reader() will be used any output will be a list of lists. If fieldnames is provided, DictReader will be used and output will be list of OrderedDict instead. CSV sniffing (dialect detection) is enabled by default, set sniff=False to switch it off.

`chirptext.chio.read_file(path, encoding='utf-8', *args, **kwargs)`

Read text file content. If the file name ends with .gz, read it as gzip file. If mode argument is provided as 'rb', content will be read as byte stream. By default, content is read as text (string).

```
# Read content as text >>> txt = chio.read_file("sample.txt") # Read content as binary (bytes) >>> bin =
chio.read_file("sample.dat.gz", mode="rb")
```

#### Parameters

**encoding** – defaulted to UTF-8. Will be ignored if reading mode is 'rb'

```
chirptext.chio.write(path, content, mode=None, encoding='utf-8')
```

Write content to a file. If the path ends with .gz, gzip will be used.

```
chirptext.chio.write_csv(path, rows, dialect='excel', fieldnames=None, quoting=1, extrasaction='ignore',  
                        encoding='utf-8', newline="", *args, **kwargs)
```

Write rows data to a CSV file (with or without fieldnames)

By default content will be written in excel-csv dialect. This can be changed by using the optional argument dialect.

```
chirptext.chio.write_file(path, content, mode=None, encoding='utf-8')
```

Write content to a file. If the path ends with .gz, gzip will be used.

```
chirptext.chio.write_tsv(path, rows, *args, **kwargs)
```

Write rows data in tab-separated values (TSV) format

By default content will be written in excel-tab dialect. This can be changed by using the optional argument dialect.

## Text annotation (TTL) module

Text Annotation (texttaglib - TTL) module

## Japanese parser

Convenient Japanese text parser that produces results in TTL format

```
chirptext.deko.analyse(content, splitlines=True, format=None, **kwargs)
```

Japanese text > tokenize/txt/html

```
chirptext.deko.get_mecab_bin()
```

Get MeCab binary location

```
chirptext.deko.set_mecab_bin(location)
```

Set MeCab binary location

## Chinese character radicals

Tools for processing Chinese

```
class chirptext.sino.Radical(idseq="", radical="", variants="", strokes="", meaning="", pinyin="", hanviet="",  
                             hiragana="", romaji="", hangeul="", romaja="", frequency="", simplified="",  
                             examples="")
```

Chinese Radical Source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kangxi\\_radical#Table\\_of\\_radicals](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kangxi_radical#Table_of_radicals)

## Swadesh list

Language profile: UK English

```
class chirptext.luke.Word(ID, word, score=0, description="", rank=0)
    Swadesh word
```

## Vietnamese support functions

Dao Phay: A collection of tools for processing Vietnamese text using Python.

```
chirptext.daophay.sorted(list_of_strings)
    Sort a list of Vietnamese strings
```

## Utilities

Miscellaneous tools for text processing

```
class chirptext.leutile.AppConfig(name, mode='ini', working_dir='.', extra_potentials=None)
    Application Configuration Helper This class supports guessing configuration file location, and reads either INI
    (default) or JSON format.

    add_potential(*patterns)
        Add a potential config file pattern

    property config
        Read config automatically if required

    property config_path
        Path to config file

    load(file_path)
        Load configuration from a specific file

    locate_config()
        Locate config file

    read_config(key, strict=False, **kwargs)
        Read a config by key

        Default value can be passed by using the kwarg default
```

```
>>> read_config(key, default='my value')
```

### Parameters

- **key** – configuration key
- **strict** – Set to True to raise KeyError if config key was not set. Defaulted to False
- **default** – Optional kwarg to set default value when key could not be found

```
read_file(file_path)
    Read a configuration file and return configuration data
```



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```
class chirptext.leutile.Counter(priority=None, *args, **kwargs)
```

Powerful counter class

```
get_report_order()
```

Keys are sorted based on report order (i.e. some keys to be shown first) Related: see `sorted_by_count`

```
class chirptext.leutile.FileHub(*filenames, working_dir='.', default_mode='a', ext='txt')
```

A helper class for working with multiple text reports at the same time

```
class chirptext.leutile.StringTool
```

Common string function

```
class chirptext.leutile.Table(header=True, padding=True, NoneValue=None)
```

A text-based table which can be used with `TextReport`

```
format()
```

Format table to print out

```
class chirptext.leutile.Timer(logger=None, report=None)
```

Measure tasks' runtime

```
exec_time()
```

Calculate run time

```
class chirptext.leutile.Value(value=None)
```

Value holder

```
chirptext.leutile.hamilton_allocate(numbers, total=100, precision=2)
```

Use largest remainder (Hamilton) method to make sure rounded percentages add up to 100 >>> `hamilton_allocate((33.33, 33.33, 33.33))` [33.34, 33.33, 33.33] >>> `hamilton_allocate((24.99, 24.99, 24.99, 24.99))` [25.0, 25.0, 25.0, 25.0] >>> `hamilton_allocate((76.69, 20.83, 2.49))` [76.69, 20.83, 2.48] >>> `hamilton_allocate([13.626332, 47.989636, 9.596008, 28.788024])` [13.63, 47.99, 9.59, 28.79]

```
chirptext.leutile.header(*msg, level='h1', separator=' ', print_out=<built-in function print>)
```

Print header block in text mode

```
chirptext.leutile.is_number(s)
```

Check if something is a number

```
class chirptext.leutile.piter(iterable)
```

Peep-able iterator

```
fetch(value_obj=None)
```

Fetch the next two values

## Command-line applications

Command-line interface helper

```
class chirptext.cli.CLIApp(desc, add_vq=True, add_tasks=True, **kwargs)
```

A simple template for command-line interface applications

```
add_task(task, func=None, **kwargs)
```

Add a task parser

```
add_version_func(show_version)
```

Enable `-version` and `-V` to show version information

**add\_vq**(*parser*)

Add verbose & quiet options

**property logger**

Lazy logger

**run**(*func=None*)

Run the app

**chirptext.cli.config\_logging**(*args*)

Override root logger's level

**chirptext.cli.setup\_logging**(*config\_path, log\_dir=None, force\_setup=False, default\_level=30, silent=True*)

Try to load logging configuration from a file. Set level to INFO if failed.

**Parameters**

- **config\_path** – Path to the logging config file (JSON)
- **log\_dir** – Path to log output directory. When **log\_dir** is not **None** and the directory does not exist, it will be created automatically.

## Python data mapping functions

Data mapping functions

**class** chirptext.anhxa.**TypedJSONDecoder**(*type\_map=None, \*\*kwargs*)

**class** chirptext.anhxa.**TypedJSONEncoder**(*\*args, type\_map=None, \*\*kwargs*)

**default**(*obj*)

Implement this method in a subclass such that it returns a serializable object for *o*, or calls the base implementation (to raise a **TypeError**).

For example, to support arbitrary iterators, you could implement default like this:

```
def default(self, o):
    try:
        iterable = iter(o)
    except TypeError:
        pass
    else:
        return list(iterable)
    # Let the base class default method raise the TypeError
    return JSONEncoder.default(self, o)
```

**class** chirptext.anhxa.**TypelessJSONEncoder**(*\*args, type\_map=None, \*\*kwargs*)

**default**(*obj*)

Implement this method in a subclass such that it returns a serializable object for *o*, or calls the base implementation (to raise a **TypeError**).

For example, to support arbitrary iterators, you could implement default like this:

```
def default(self, o):
    try:
        iterable = iter(o)
```

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```
except TypeError:
    pass
else:
    return list(iterable)
# Let the base class default method raise the TypeError
return JSONEncoder.default(self, o)
```

`chirptext.anhxa.dumps(obj, *args, **kwargs)`

Typeless dump an object to json string

`chirptext.anhxa.flex_update_obj(source, target, __silent, *fields, **field_map)`

Pull data from source to target. Target's `__dict__` (object data) will be used by default. Otherwise, it'll be treated as a dictionary

`chirptext.anhxa.to_dict(obj, *fields, **field_map)`

Convert an object into a dictionary

`chirptext.anhxa.to_obj(cls, obj_data=None, *fields, **field_map)`

Use `obj_data` (dict-like) to construct an object of type `cls` prioritize `obj_dict` when there are conflicts

### 3.3 Useful links

- Chirptext source code: <https://github.com/letuananh/chirptext/>
- Chirptext documentation: <https://chirptext.readthedocs.io/>
- Chirptext on PyPI: <https://pypi.org/project/chirptext/>



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