
xdice Documentation

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CHAPTER 1

Introduction

1.1 Presentation

xdice is a dice library for Python that provides the main functionality for managing dice, scores, and dice notation patterns.

DiceRollParser has been tested with python 3.4+. *xdice* is under GNU License

To install:

```
pip install xdice
```

1.2 What can it do?

- Parse most of common dice notations: '1d6+1', 'd20', '3d%', '1d20//2 - 2*(6d6+2)', 'max(1d4+1,1d6)', '3D6L2', 'R3(1d6+1)'... etc.
- Manipulate Dice, Pattern, and Score as objects.
- Roll trough command-line or API
- Understand any mathematical expression

1.2.1 Examples

```
import dice

score = dice.roll("2d6+18")

print(score)
>> 28
```

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```
print(score*2)
>> 56
print(score.format())
>> '[5,6]+18'

score = dice.roll("6D%L2")

print(ps, ps.format(verbose=True))
>> 315      '6D%L2(scores:[80, 70, 76, 89], dropped:[2, 49])'
```


Dice notation is nearly fully understood by pydice.

xdice is case insensitive.

2.1 Dice

Patterns describes here can be passed to the `Dice.parse()` class method, and will then return the corresponding `Dice` object.

See [Wikipedia](#) for a complete definition.

2.1.1 Bases

Die rolls are given in the form `AdX`. `A` (amount) and `X` (sides) are variables, separated by the letter “d”, which stands for die or dice.

- `A` is the number of dice to be rolled (1 if omitted).
- `X` is the number of faces of each die.

For example, if a game would call for a roll of `d4` or `1d4` this would mean, “roll one 4-sided die.” `3d6` would mean, “roll three six-sided dice”

2.1.2 Default values

If the `A` value is omitted, it is assumed to be a 1.

If the `X` value is omitted, it is assumed to be a 20. This behavior can be modified through the class property `Dice.DEFAULT_SIDES`.

2.1.3 D% Notation

The D% notation is allowed, and read as D100.

2.1.4 Selective results

The AdX pattern can be followed by Ln and/or Hn ('L' and 'H' respectively stand for lowest and highest).

In this case, the lowest/highest n scores will be discard when the dice will be rolled.

> Eg: 3D6L1 will roll three 6-sided dice, and drop the lowest, while 3D6H1 will roll three 6-sided dice, and drop the highest.

Notes:

- If no number follow the 'L' or 'H', it is assumed to be a 1.
- 'L' and 'H' can be combined inside a single pattern, but 'L' must precede 'H': 6D6L1H2

2.1.5 Exploding dice

Append an X or a ! to a pattern to make the dice 'explode'. 'Explode' means each maximal score will trigger a new roll. The resulting score will be add to the results.

For example, if 3d6! give [6, 3, 2], one more die will be rolled (because 6 is the max value) The final result could be [6, 3, 2, 4].

2.1.6 Fudge dice

Use the XdF notation to use fudge dice.

2.2 Patterns

Patterns describes here can be passed to the Pattern.parse() class method.

AdX notations can be used in more complex expressions.

Any mathematical expression is allowed:

```
>> 1d10+1d5+1
>> 1d20-6
>> 1d6*2
>> 2d20//4
>> 1d6*(1d4**2)
```

Following builtin python functions are also allowed: abs, max, min. That mean you can parse patterns like max(1d6+1, 2d4).

2.2.1 Repeat

The Rn (AdX) notation can be used to roll n times the AdX command.

For example, the pattern R3 (2d6+2) will roll 2d6+2 three times: (2d6+2) + (2d6+2) + (2d6+2)

2.3 Examples

- $1d6$ > Roll a 6-sided die
- $1d6+3$ > Roll a 6-sided die, then add 3
- $2 * (1d6+3)$ > Roll a 6-sided die, add 3, then multiply by 2
- $3d6L2$ > Roll three 6-sided dice, and drop the two lowest.
- $R2 (1d6+3)$ > Similar to $1d6+3+1d6+3$
- $1d\%$ > Similar to $1d100$
- $d6$ > Similar to $1d6$
- $\min(1d6+10, 3d6)$ > Keep the minimal score between $1d6+10$ and $3d6$

CHAPTER 3

Command-Line

Run `python roll.py [options] <expr>`

```
usage: roll [-h] [-V] [-n] [-v] expression [expression ...]
```

Command Line Interface **for** the `xdice` library

positional arguments:

expression mathematical expression(s) containing dice `<n>d<s>` patterns

optional arguments:

`-h, --help` show this help message **and** exit
`-V, --version` **print** the `xdice` version string **and** exit
`-n, --num_only` **print** numeric result only
`-v, --verbose` **print** a verbose result

- Basic use

```
python roll.py 1d6+1
>> 4            ([3]+1)
```

- Multiple expressions

```
python roll.py 1d6+1 2d8
>> 6            ([5]+1)
>> 9            ([3, 6])
```

- Numeric score only (`-n`)

```
python roll.py -n 1d6+1
>> 2
```

- Verbose (`-v`)

```
python roll.py -v 2*(3D6L1+2D4)+R3(1d4+2)
>> 32      (2*(3d6l1(scores:[1, 3], dropped:[1])+2d4(scores:[1,
↪ 4]))+(1d4(scores:[2])+2+1d4(scores:[2])+2+1d4(scores:[4])+2))
```

Import the *xdice* library with *import dice*

4.1 The dice module

4.1.1 `dice.compile(pattern_string)`

Similar to `xdice.Pattern(pattern_string).compile()`

4.1.2 `dice.roll(pattern_string)`

Similar to `xdice.Pattern(pattern_string).roll()`

4.1.3 `dice.rolldice(faces, amount=1, drop_lowest=0, drop_highest=0)`

Similar to `xdice.Dice(faces, amount, drop_lowest, drop_highest).roll()`

4.2 Dice class

Set of dice.

4.2.1 `Dice.__init__(sides, amount=1, drop_lowest=0, drop_highest=0)`

Instantiate a set of dice.

4.2.2 Properties

- *dice.sides*: number of sides of the dice
- *dice.amount*: amount of dice to roll
- *dice.drop_lowest*: amount of lowest scores to drop
- *dice.drop_highest*: amount of highest scores to drop
- *dice.name* : Descriptive name of the Dice object

4.2.3 `dice.roll()`

Roll the dice and return a Score object

4.2.4 [*classmethod*] `Dice.parse(cls, pattern)`

Parse a pattern of the form 'AdX', where A and X are positive integers, then return the corresponding Dice object. Use 'AdX[Ln][Hn]' to drop the n lowest and/or highest dice when rolled.

4.3 Score class

Score is a subclass of integer, you can then manipulate it as you would do with an integer.

It also provides an access to the detailed score with the property 'detail'.
'detail' is the list of the scores obtained by each dice.

Score class can also be used as an iterable, to walk through the individual scores.

```
eg:
>>> s = Score([1, 2, 3])
>>> print(s)
6
>>> s + 1
7
>>> list(s)
[1, 2, 3]
```

4.3.1 `Score.__new__(iterable, dropped=[], name='')`

iterable should only contain integers

Score value will be the sum of the list's values.

4.3.2 Properties

- *score.detail*: similar to `list(score)`, return the list of the individual results
- *score.name*: descriptive name of the dice rolled

- *score.dropped*: list of the dropped results

4.3.3 `score.format(verbose=False)`

A formatted string describing the detailed result.

4.4 Pattern class

Dice notation pattern.

4.4.1 `Pattern.__init__ (instr)`

Instantiate a Pattern object.

4.4.2 `pattern.compile()`

Parse the pattern. Two properties are updated at this time:

- *pattern.format_string*
The ready-to-be-formatted string built from the `instr` argument.
Eg: `'1d6+4+1d4' => '{0}+4-{1}'`
- *pattern.dices*
The list of parsed dice.
Eg: `'1d6+4+1d4' => [(Dice; sides=6;amount=1), (Dice; sides=4;amount=1)]`

4.4.3 `pattern.roll()`

Compile the pattern if it has not been yet, then roll the dice.

Return a PatternScore object.

4.5 PatternScore class

PatternScore is a subclass of **integer**, you can then manipulate it as you would do with an integer.

Moreover, you can get the list of the scores with the `score(i)` or `scores()` methods, and retrieve a formatted result with the `format()` method.

4.5.1 `pattern_score.scores()`

Returns the list of Score objects extracted from the pattern and rolled.

4.5.2 `pattern_score.format(verbose=False)`

A formatted string describing the detailed result.