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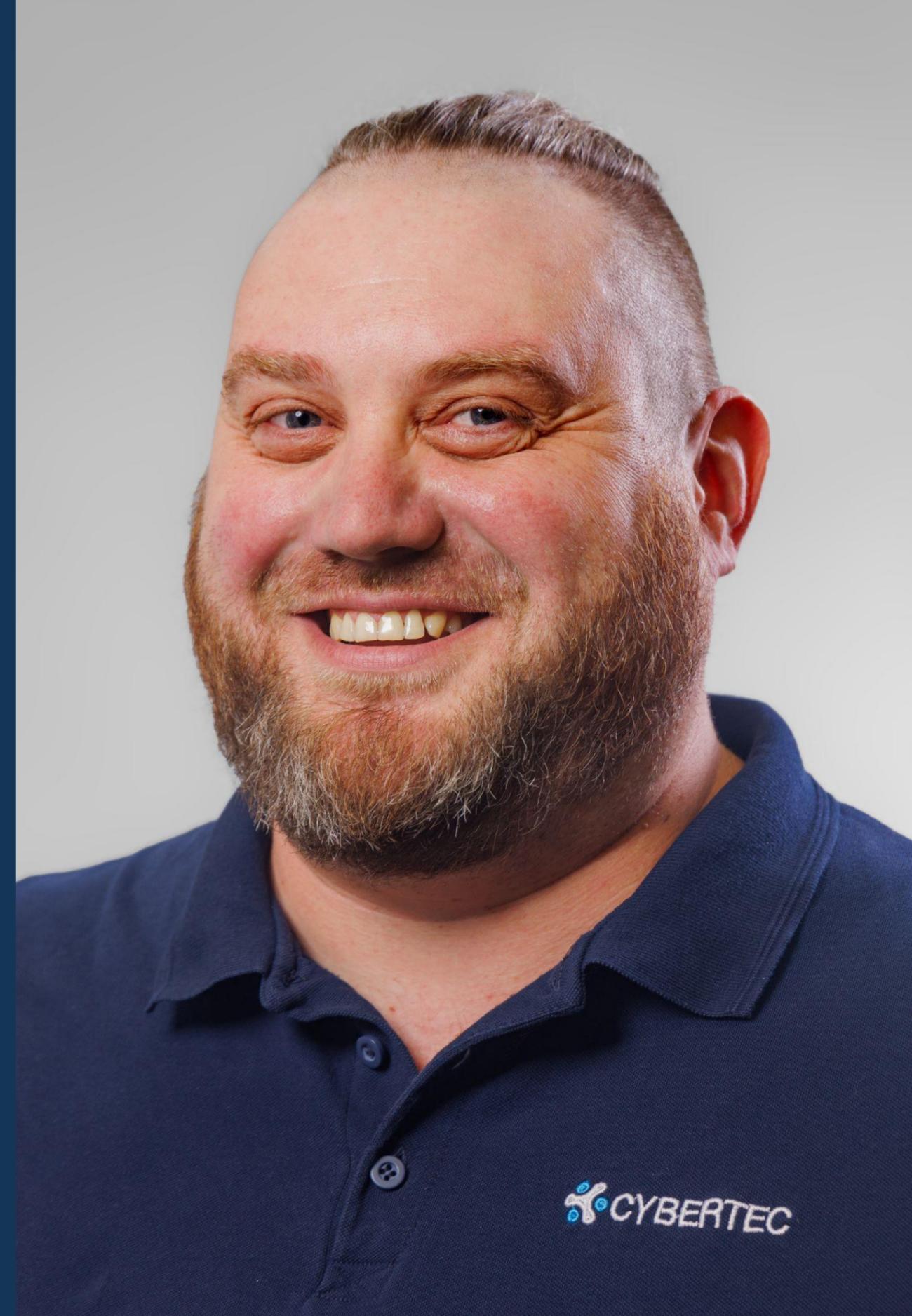
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Agenda

1. History and fun facts about Wordle
2. Word sets
3. Comparison functions
4. Let's play?



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Wordle: History and fun facts



What is Wordle?

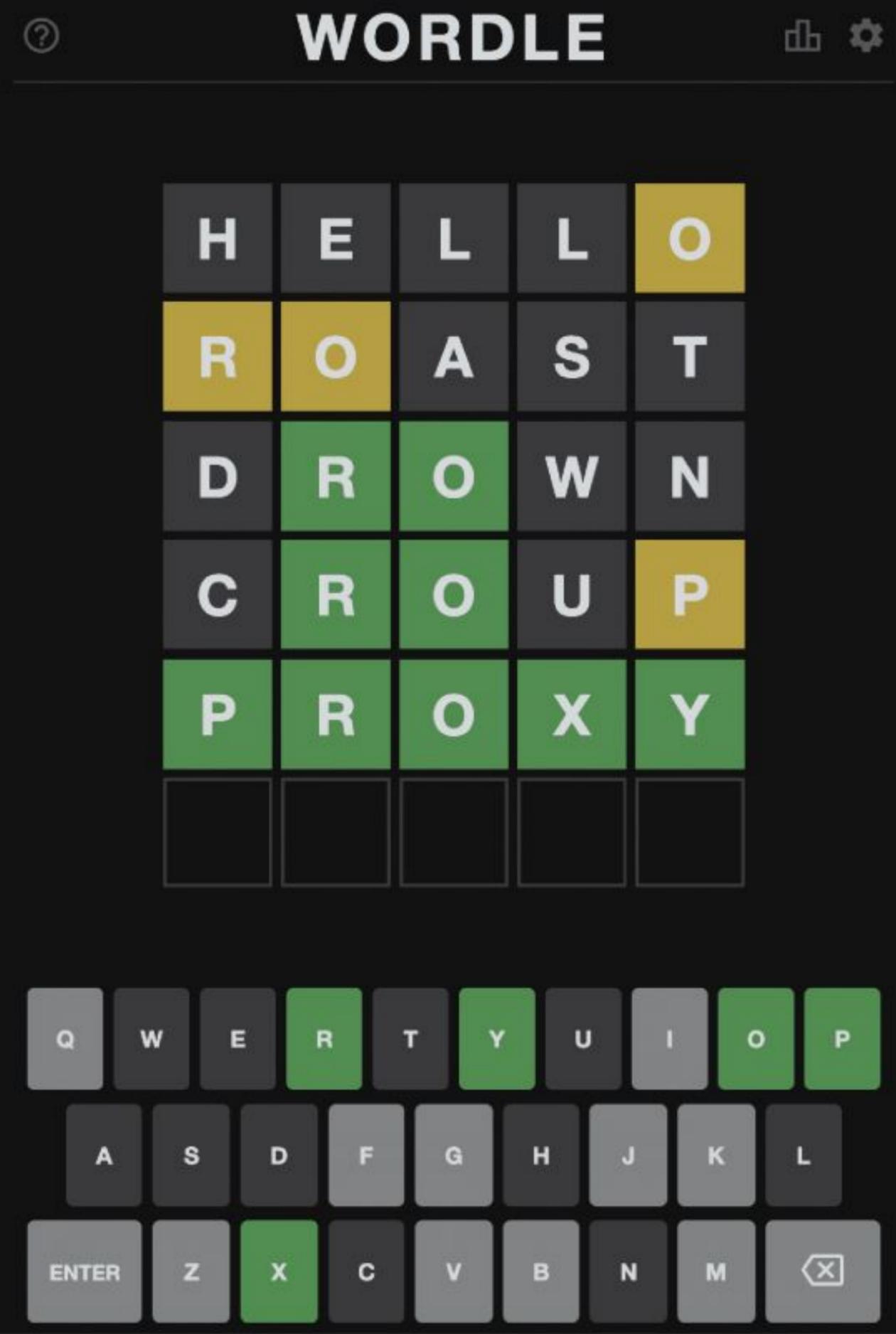
The Classic Six-Guess Challenge

- Wordle is a word-guessing game that challenges players to guess a hidden five-letter word.
- The catch? You only have six attempts to crack the code.
- Players input a five-letter word guess on each turn.
- Wordle provides feedback on your guess by color-coding the letters.



What is Wordle?

The Classic Six-Guess Challenge



The story of the Wordle creation

- Josh Wardle, a software engineer in Brooklyn, created a game for his partner Ms. Shah
- Mr. Wardle said he first created a similar prototype in 2013
- And it came back in 2020! Could you guess why? :)
- A number of all of the five-letter words in the English language — about 12,000 — too much!
- This narrowed down to about 2,500, which should last for a few years



Why Wordle?

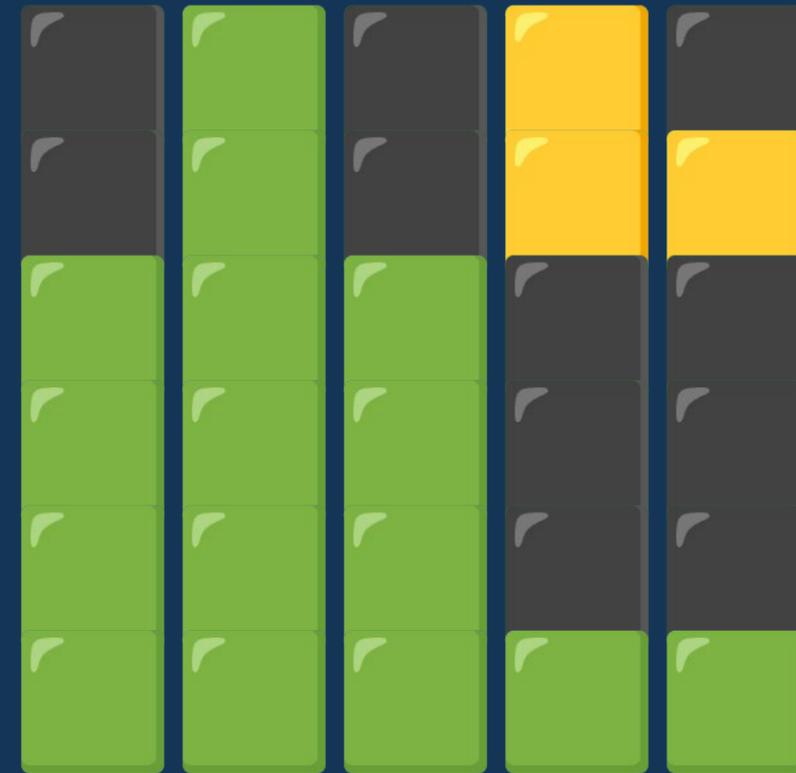
In his interview, Wardle points to a few factors he considers important:

- **Scarcity** – because there is only one new word uploaded each day.
- **Simplicity** – the no-frills interface invites you to play without banners, ads, or any other distractions.
- **Limited commitment** – there are no notifications. The game asks you to spend a few minutes on it and no more.



Why Wordle?

Wordle 198 6/6





My Wordle?



How many Wordles?

Features

- WordPlay: spaces, words definitions
- Absurdle: word changes every turn
- Semantle: semantic similarity
- Heardle: listening song
- Quordle & Octordle: simultaneous words
- Waffle: 6 words, drag & swap letters
- Worldle: guess the country
- DALL-e-dle: image as a clue



How many Wordles?

Languages (at least 350)

- Arwordle: Arabic,
- Jwordle: Japanese,
- Vārdulis: Latvian,
- Wörtchen: German,
- Слівце: Ukrainian,
- Žodelė: Lithuanian
- Swardle...



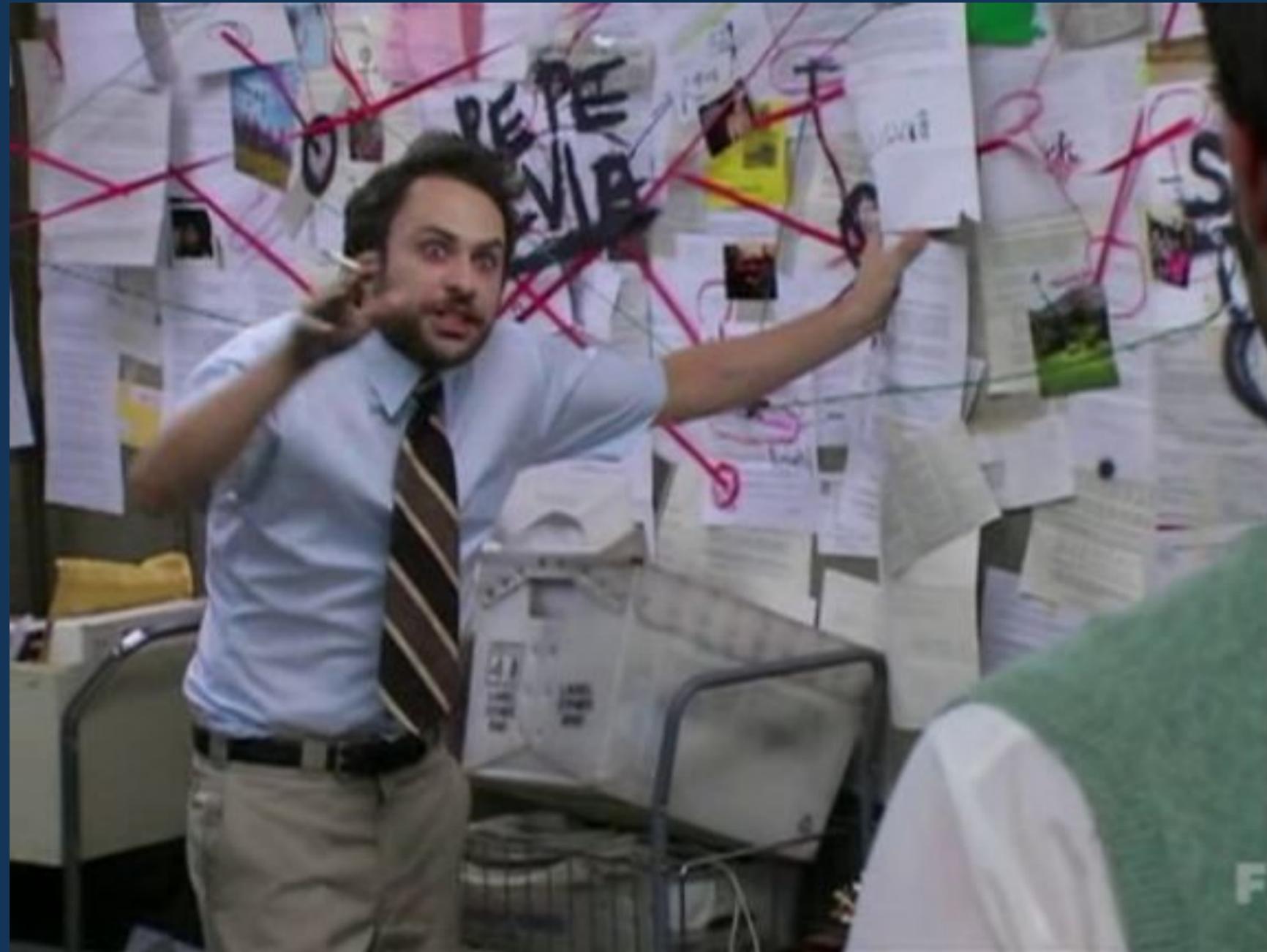
How many Wordles?

Themes

- Airportle: Airport Codes
- Anidal: Animals
- Birdle: Birds
- Canuckle: Canadian themed
- Dundle: The Office
- Filmle: Movie titles
- Trekle: Star Trek
- Jazle: Javascript
- 0xdle: Hexadecimal



Math Definition



Are you ready?



Math Definition

$$\boxed{\text{Wordle}} = \langle \mathbb{W}_n, \mathbb{G}_n, \delta(g, w) \rangle$$

\mathbb{W}_n - set of n-letter words, that $|\mathbb{W}_n| \in \mathbb{N}$

\mathbb{G}_n - set of guesses, that $\mathbb{W}_n \subset \mathbb{G}_n$

$\delta(g, w)$ - distance function, that

$$1. \forall w \in \mathbb{W}_n, \forall g \in \mathbb{G}_n, \delta(g, w) \in \mathbb{D},$$

where \mathbb{D} is a set with 0 and order defined

$$2. \forall w \in \mathbb{W}_n, \exists g \in \mathbb{G}_n, \text{ that } \delta(g, w) = 0$$



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EXAMPLE: Postgresqlidle



Postgresql word set

```
wordle=# select word from pg_get_keywords() where length(word) = 5;
```

```
-----  
abort, admin, after, alter, array, begin, cache, chain, check,  
class, close, cross, cycle, event, false, fetch, first, float,  
force, grant, group, ilike, index, inner, inout, input, label,  
large, least, level, limit, local, match, month, names, nchar,  
nulls, order, outer, owned, owner, plans, prior, quote, range,  
reset, right, setof, share, start, stdin, strip, sysid, table,  
treat, types, union, until, using, valid, value, views, where,  
write, xmlpi  
(65 rows)
```



Postgresqldle: color similarity

```
wordle=# WITH chars AS ( SELECT
  string_to_table('types', NULL) AS g,
  string_to_table('table', NULL) AS w)
SELECT w, g,
CASE WHEN g=w THEN '■'
      WHEN strpos('table', g) > 0 THEN '■'
      ELSE '■' END
FROM chars;
```

w	g	case
t	t	■
a	y	■
b	p	■
l	e	■
e	s	■

(5 rows)



Postgresql: wordle common

```
wordle=# CREATE FUNCTION wordle_common(guess TEXT, word TEXT)
RETURNS TEXT
LANGUAGE SQL AS
$$
WITH chars AS (SELECT
    string_to_table(guess, NULL) AS g,
    string_to_table(word, NULL) AS w
)
SELECT string_agg(CASE
    WHEN g=w THEN '■'
    WHEN strpos(word, g) > 0 THEN '■'
    ELSE '■'
END, null)
FROM chars
$$;
```



Postgresqldle: find similar words to given

```
wordle=# SELECT word, d
FROM pg_get_keywords(), wordle_common('types', word) AS d
WHERE length(word) = 5
ORDER BY d DESC
LIMIT 10;
```

word	d
types	5
table	4
treat	4
depth	4
input	4
strip	4
reset	4
outer	4

(10 rows)



EXAMPLE: find most similar words

```
wordle=# SELECT kw.word, gw.word, d
FROM pg_get_keywords() kw, pg_get_keywords() gw,
wordle_common(gw.word, kw.word) AS d
WHERE length(kw.word) = 5 AND length(gw.word) = 5 AND kw.word <> gw.word
ORDER BY d DESC LIMIT 10;
```

word	word	d
owner	owned	■■■■■
owned	owner	■■■■■
valid	value	■■■■■
value	valid	■■■■■
index	inner	■■■●■
until	union	■■■●■
input	inner	■■■●■
inout	inner	■■■●■
start	strip	■■■●■
input	inout	■■■●■

(10 rows)



EXAMPLE: wordle integer common

```
wordle=# CREATE FUNCTION wordle_common_int(guess TEXT, word TEXT)
RETURNS INTEGER
LANGUAGE SQL AS
$$
WITH chars AS (SELECT
    string_to_table(guess, NULL) AS g,
    string_to_table(word, NULL) AS w
)
SELECT sum(CASE
    WHEN g=w THEN 2
    WHEN strpos(word, g) > 0 THEN 1
    ELSE 0
END)
FROM chars
$$;
```



EXAMPLE: find most similar words

```
wordle=# SELECT kw.word, gw.word, s, c
FROM pg_get_keywords() kw, pg_get_keywords() gw,
wordle_common_int(gw.word, kw.word) s, wordle_common(gw.word, kw.word) c
WHERE length(kw.word) = 5 AND length(gw.word) = 5 AND kw.word <> gw.word
ORDER BY s DESC, c DESC
LIMIT 10;
```

word	word	s	c
owned	owner	8	■■■■■
owner	owned	8	■■■■■
input	inout	8	■■■●■
inout	input	8	■■■●■
alter	after	8	■●■■■
after	alter	8	■●■■■
index	inner	7	■■■●■
close	class	7	■■■●■
outer	order	7	■●■■■
label	level	7	■●■■■

(10 rows)



EXAMPLE: find most similar words

```
wordle=# WITH words AS (  
  SELECT DISTINCT ON (LEAST(kw.word, gw.word), GREATEST(kw.word, gw.word))  
  kw.word AS w, gw.word AS g  
  FROM pg_get_keywords() AS kw, pg_get_keywords() AS gw  
  WHERE length(kw.word) = 5 AND length(gw.word) = 5 AND kw.word <> gw.word)  
SELECT w, g, wordle_common_int(g, w) AS s, wordle_common(g, w) AS c  
FROM words ORDER BY s DESC, c DESC LIMIT 20;
```

w	g	s	c
owner	owned	8	
inout	input	8	
alter	after	8	
index	inner	7	
close	class	7	
owner	order	7	
close	cross	7	
table	label	7	
large	range	7	
plans	class	7	
owner	inner	7	
value	valid	6	
until	union	6	
strip	stdin	6	
large	label	6	
start	share	6	
cache	cycle	6	
close	cycle	6	
order	outer	6	
class	cross	6	

(20 rows)



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Word sets



Where does one get word lists?

- Dictionaries and vocabularies
- Text corpus
 - a dataset, consisting of natively digital and older, digitalized, language resources, either annotated or unannotated
- Artificial Intelligence?



Ask ChatGPT for word lists



Compose a text file with a thousand of the most frequently used 5-letter words in English and provide me with a link to download it.



I'm sorry for any confusion, but I cannot generate or provide links to download entire text files containing copyrighted content, such as a list of the most frequently used 5-letter words in English. However, I can provide you with a list of some commonly used 5-letter words as text here.



1. About
2. Apple
3. Basic
4. Bread
5. Chair
6. Dance
7. Earth
8. Flood
9. Green
10. House
11. Knife
12. Lemon
13. Mirth
14. North
15. Peach
16. Quiet
17. Smile
18. Table
19. Under
20. Water

Please note that this is not an exhaustive list, and there are many more 5-letter words in the English language. If you have any specific requirements or need more words, please let me know, and I can generate additional words for you.

Ask Bing for word lists

Compose a text file with a thousand of the most frequently used 5-letter words in English and provide me with a link to download it.

- ✓ Searching for: **most frequently used 5-letter words in English**
- ✓ Generating answers for you...

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However, I can help you find some sources that might have the information you are looking for. According to one analysis¹, the letter E appears most frequently in English-language words², followed by A, R, I, O, T, N, and S¹. You can use these letters to form many five-letter words that are common in English. For example, some of the most frequent words with 5 letters in English are: which, first, their, after, other, years, would, about, where, later, known³.

You can also check out this [list of words with 5 letters sorted by frequency](#) in the English language. It has more than 2000 common five-letter words that you can use for your purpose. I hope this helps you with your task. 😊

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FTS dictionaries

```
$ pg_config --sharedir  
/usr/share/postgresql/18
```

```
$ cd /usr/share/postgresql/18
```

```
$ ls
```

```
catalog_version
```

```
contrib
```

```
errcodes.txt
```

```
extension
```

```
information_schema.sql
```

```
man
```

```
pg_hba.conf.sample
```

```
pg_ident.conf.sample
```

```
pg_service.conf.sample
```

```
postgres.bki
```

```
postgresql.conf.sample
```

```
psqlrc.sample
```

```
snowball_create.sql
```

```
sql_features.txt
```

```
system_constraints.sql
```

```
system_functions.sql
```

```
system_views.sql
```

```
timezonesets
```

```
tsearch_data
```



FTS dictionaries

```
$ cd tsearch_data/
```

```
$ ls
```

```
danish.stop          hunspell_sample_long.affix  russian.stop
dutch.stop           hunspell_sample_long.dict   spanish.stop
en_us.affix          hunspell_sample_num.affix   swedish.stop
en_us.dict           hunspell_sample_num.dict    synonym_sample.syn
english.stop         ispell_sample.affix         thesaurus_sample.ths
finnish.stop         ispell_sample.dict          turkish.stop
french.stop          italian.stop                 unaccent.rules
german.stop          nepali.stop                 xsyn_sample.rules
hungarian.stop       norwegian.stop
hunspell_sample.affix  portuguese.stop
```

```
$ ll en_us*
```

```
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 39 Sep 30 10:20 en_us.affix ->
/var/cache/postgresql/dicts/en_us.affix
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 38 Sep 30 10:20 en_us.dict ->
/var/cache/postgresql/dicts/en_us.dict
```



FTS dictionaries

```
$ cat en_us.dict
79013
0/nm
0th/pt
1/n1
1st/p
1th/tc
2/nm
2nd/p
..
Amenhotep/M
Amerasian/M
America/SM
American/MSP
Americana/M
Americanism/MS
Americanist
Americanization/MS
Americanize/GDS
...
```



FTS dictionaries

```
$ cat en_us.dict | aspell -l en expand
```

```
...  
besetting  
beshrew beshrewed beshrews beshrewing  
beside besides  
besiege besiegers besieging besieged besieger besieges  
besieger besieger's  
beslobber  
besmear besmeared besmears besmearing  
besmirch besmirching besmirched besmircher besmirches  
besom besom's besoms  
besot besots  
besotted  
besotting  
besought  
bespangle bespangled bespangles bespangling  
...
```



FTS dictionaries

```
$ wc -l en_us.dict  
79014 en_us.dict
```

```
$ grep --count --extended-regexp "^\\b\\w{5}\\b" en_us.dict  
6735
```



Import word from FTS dictionary

```
wordle=# CREATE TABLE en_us(word text);  
CREATE TABLE
```

```
wordle=# SELECT setting FROM pg_catalog.pg_config WHERE name = 'SHAREDIR';  
        setting
```

```
-----  
 /usr/share/postgresql/18  
(1 row)
```

```
wordle=# DO $$  
DECLARE share_dir TEXT;  
BEGIN  
    SELECT setting FROM pg_catalog.pg_config WHERE name = 'SHAREDIR' INTO share_dir;  
    EXECUTE format('COPY en_us FROM %L (FORMAT CSV, DELIMITER '/'',  
        share_dir || '/tsearch_data/en_us.dict');  
END;  
$$;
```

```
SQL Error [22P04]: ERROR: extra data after last expected COLUMN
```



Import word from FTS dictionary

```
wordle=# COPY en_us FROM PROGRAM
'grep --only-matching --extended-regexp "^\\b\\w+\\b" \\
`pg_config --sharedir`/tsearch_data/en_us.dict'
WITH (HEADER on);
COPY 79013
```

```
wordle=# SELECT count(word), count(DISTINCT word) FROM en_us WHERE length(word) = 5;
 count | count
-----+-----
   6734 |   6643
(1 row)
```

```
wordle=# TRUNCATE en_us;
TRUNCATE TABLE
```

```
wordle=# COPY en_us FROM PROGRAM
'grep --only-matching --extended-regexp "^\\b\\w+\\b" \\
`pg_config --sharedir`/tsearch_data/en_us.dict | sort -u'
WITH (HEADER on);
COPY 78578
```



Import word from FTS dictionary

```
wordle=# SELECT length(word), count(*) FROM en_us GROUP BY length(word) ORDER BY 1;
```

length count	length count
-----+-----	-----+-----
1 94	18 50
2 638	19 40
3 1866	20 15
4 4227	21 4
5 6734	22 4
6 9805	23 2
7 11393	25 1
8 11371	27 1
9 10448	28 1
10 8134	29 1
11 5735	30 1
12 3613	31 1
13 2316	34 1
14 1268	45 1
15 715	(31 rows)
16 341	
17 192	



Import word from FTS dictionary

```
wordle=# SELECT * FROM en_us WHERE length(word) > 23;
```

```
word
-----+
antidisestablishmentarian
antidisestablishmentarianism
dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane
floccinaucinihilipilification
hippopotomonstrosesquipedalian
honorificabilitudinitatibus
pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis
supercalifragilisticexpialidocious
```



pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis

/ˌnjuːməˈneɪʊlˌtrəˌmʌkrəˌskɒpɪkˌsɪlɪkəˈvɒlˌkeɪnəʊˌkæʊniˈeɪʊsɪs/

noun

an invented long word said to mean a lung disease caused by inhaling very fine ash and sand dust.

Origin

1930s: a word invented (probably by Everett M. Smith, president of the National Puzzlers' League) in imitation of very long medical terms.



What about other languages?

- Install with package manager
- Download directly from
 - <https://github.com/LibreOffice/dictionaries>
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Download de_CH dictionary

```
$ sudo apt install hunspell-de-ch
```

```
...
```

```
Processing triggers for postgresql-common (255.pgdg22.04+1) ...
```

```
Building PostgreSQL dictionaries from installed myspell/hunspell packages...
```

```
...
```

```
$ cd /usr/share/postgresql/18/tsearch_data/
```

```
$ wc -l de_ch.dict
```

```
75706 de_ch.dict
```



Download de_CH dictionary

```
wordle=# create table de_ch(word text);
```

```
CREATE TABLE
```

```
wordle=# COPY de_ch FROM PROGRAM
```

```
    'grep --only-matching --extended-regexp "^\b\w+\b" \
```

```
    `pg_config --sharedir`/tsearch_data/de_ch.dict | sort -u'
```

```
    WITH (HEADER on);
```

```
COPY 71813
```

```
wordle=# SELECT count(word) FROM de_ch WHERE length(word) = 5;
```

```
count
```

```
-----
```

```
3899
```

```
(1 row)
```



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Download uk_UA dictionary

```
$ cd /usr/share/postgresql/18/tsearch_data/
```

```
$ sudo wget -O uk_ua.dict  
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/LibreOffice/dictionaries/master/uk\_UA/uk\_UA.dic
```

```
$ sudo wget -O uk_ua.dict  
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/woorm/dictionaries/main/dictionaries/uk/index.dic
```

```
$ wc -l uk_ua.dict  
331660 uk_ua.dict
```

```
$ grep --count --only-matching --extended-regexp "^\b\ зерно.*\b" uk_ua.dict  
97
```

```
$ grep --only-matching --extended-regexp "^\b\ grain.*\b" en_us.dict  
4
```



Download uk_UA dictionary

```
wordle=# create table uk_ua(word text);  
CREATE TABLE
```

```
wordle=# COPY uk_ua FROM PROGRAM  
'grep --only-matching --extended-regexp "^\b\w+\b" \  
'pg_config --sharedir`/tsearch_data/uk_ua.dict | sort -u'  
WITH (HEADER on);  
COPY 307337
```

```
wordle=# SELECT count(word) FROM uk_ua WHERE length(word) = 5;  
count  
-----  
11845  
(1 row)
```



Import uk_UA dictionary

```
wordle=# SELECT length(word), count(*) FROM uk_ua GROUP BY length(word) ORDER BY 1;
```

length count	length count
1 38	18 4085
2 421	19 2608
3 2285	20 1493
4 5234	21 849
5 11845	22 486
6 17823	23 232
7 24558	24 128
8 30994	25 48
9 34016	26 19
10 34925	27 6
11 33261	28 2
12 29726	29 2
13 24696	30 1
14 18731	(30 rows)
15 13390	
16 9228	
17 6207	



Import uk-UA dictionary

```
wordle=# SELECT * FROM uk_ua WHERE length(word) > 23;
```

```
word
```

```
-----+
```

```
автомобілетітакобудування  
аерогаммаспектрометричний
```

```
...
```

```
внутрішньоконтинентальний
```

```
...
```

```
щоякнайфальсифікованіший  
щоякнайфундаментальніший
```

```
...
```

```
якнайбезвідповідальніший  
якнайвибухонебезпечніший  
якнайвисокооплачуваніший  
якнайдецентралізованіший
```

```
...
```

```
якнайресурсозабезпеченіший  
якнайрозкомплексованіший  
якнайіндивідуалістичніший  
якнайінтернаціональніший
```

```
(206 rows)
```



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Use pg_hunspell_install script

```
$ sudo wget
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/lemonskyjwt/plpstgrssearch/master/pg_hunspell_install

$ sudo chmod +x pg_hunspell_install

$ sudo ./pg_hunspell_install es ES spanish
Creating PostgreSQL dictionary files for "es_ES"
Debian/Ubuntu detected - using apt
...
Using local es_ES.aff
Using local es_ES.dic
2023-09-30 20:42:40
URL:https://raw.githubusercontent.com/stopwords-iso/stopwords-es/master/stopwords-es.txt
[4934/4934] -> "./dist/spanish.stop" [1]
Attempting install for PostgreSQL 18.0 (Ubuntu 16.0-1.pgdg22.04+1) to
/usr/share/postgresql/18/tsearch_data
'./dist/spanish.stop' -> '/usr/share/postgresql/18/tsearch_data/spanish.stop'
'./dist/es_ES.affix' -> '/usr/share/postgresql/18/tsearch_data/es_ES.affix'
'./dist/es_ES.dict' -> '/usr/share/postgresql/18/tsearch_data/es_ES.dict'
...
```



Use pg_hunspell_install script

```
...
--
-- Run this on the database
--
CREATE TEXT SEARCH DICTIONARY spanish_hunspell (
    TEMPLATE = ispell,
    DictFile = es_ES,
    AffFile = es_ES,
    StopWords = spanish
);
COMMENT ON TEXT SEARCH DICTIONARY spanish_hunspell
    IS '[USER ADDED] Hunspell dictionary for spanish';
CREATE TEXT SEARCH CONFIGURATION public.spanish (
    COPY = pg_catalog.english
);
ALTER TEXT SEARCH CONFIGURATION spanish
    ALTER MAPPING
    FOR   asciiword, asciihword, hword_asciipart, word, hword, hword_part
    WITH   spanish_hunspell, simple;
COMMENT ON TEXT SEARCH CONFIGURATION spanish
    IS '[USER ADDED] configuration for spanish';
Finished!
```



Customizing the Wordle Game Experience with PostgreSQL

Comparison functions



Let's add some distance funcs

- **Regular wordle comparison function**
- n-gram based comparison function
- fuzystmatch comparison function



wordle distance function

```
wordle=# CREATE FUNCTION wordle_std(guess TEXT, word TEXT)
RETURNS TABLE (distance integer, description text) AS
$$
WITH chars AS (SELECT
    string_to_table(guess, null) AS g,
    string_to_table(word, NULL) AS w
)
SELECT 2*char_length(word) - sum(CASE
    WHEN g=w THEN 2
    WHEN strpos(word, g) > 0 THEN 1
    ELSE 0
END),
    string_agg(CASE
    WHEN g=w THEN '■'
    WHEN strpos(word, g) > 0 THEN '■'
    ELSE '■'
END, null)
FROM chars
$$
LANGUAGE SQL;
```



wordle distance function

```
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  SELECT DISTINCT ON (LEAST(kw.word, gw.word), GREATEST(kw.word, gw.word))  
  kw.word AS w, gw.word AS g  
  FROM pg_get_keywords() AS kw, pg_get_keywords() AS gw  
  WHERE length(kw.word) = 5 AND length(gw.word) = 5 AND kw.word <> gw.word)  
SELECT w, g, d, b AS c  
FROM words, wordle_std(w, g) wb(d, b) ORDER BY d ASC, b DESC;
```

w	g	d	c
owner	owned	2	10000
inout	input	2	10000
alter	after	2	10000
order	outer	3	10000
level	label	3	10000
where	share	3	10000
large	range	3	10000
merge	large	3	10000
value	valid	4	10000



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n-gram distance function

```
wordle=# CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION get_ngrams(word text, n integer)
  RETURNS SETOF text
  LANGUAGE sql
AS $function$
  SELECT substr(repeat(' ', n-1 ) || word || repeat(' ', n-1 ), g.i, n)
  FROM generate_series(1, char_length(word)+n-1) g(i);
$function$;
```

```
wordle=# SELECT get_ngrams('beast', 2), get_ngrams('steam', 2);
```

```
get_ngrams | get_ngrams |
-----+-----+
 b          | s           |
be         | st          |
ea         | te          |
as         | ea          |
st         | am          |
t          | m           |
```



digram distance function

```
wordle=# SELECT *  
FROM get_ngrams('beast', 2) g(g) JOIN get_ngrams('steam', 2) w(w) ON g=w;
```

```
g |w |  
--+---+  
ea|ea|  
st|st|
```

```
wordle=# SELECT count(*)::float/(char_length('beast')+2-1)  
FROM get_ngrams('beast', 2) g(g) JOIN get_ngrams('steam', 2) w(w) ON g=w;
```

```
?column? |  
-----+  
0.333333333333333333 |
```



digram distance function

```
wordle=# CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION wordle_digrams(word TEXT, guess text)
RETURNS TABLE (distance integer, descriptin text)
AS $$
    SELECT char_length(word)+2-1 - count(*), array_agg(trim(g))
    FROM get_ngrams(word, 2) g(g) JOIN get_ngrams(guess, 2) w(w) ON g=w;
$$
LANGUAGE SQL;
```

```
wordle=# SELECT wordle_digrams('beast', 'least');
```

```
wordle_digrams |
-----+
(2,"{as,ea,st,t}")|
```



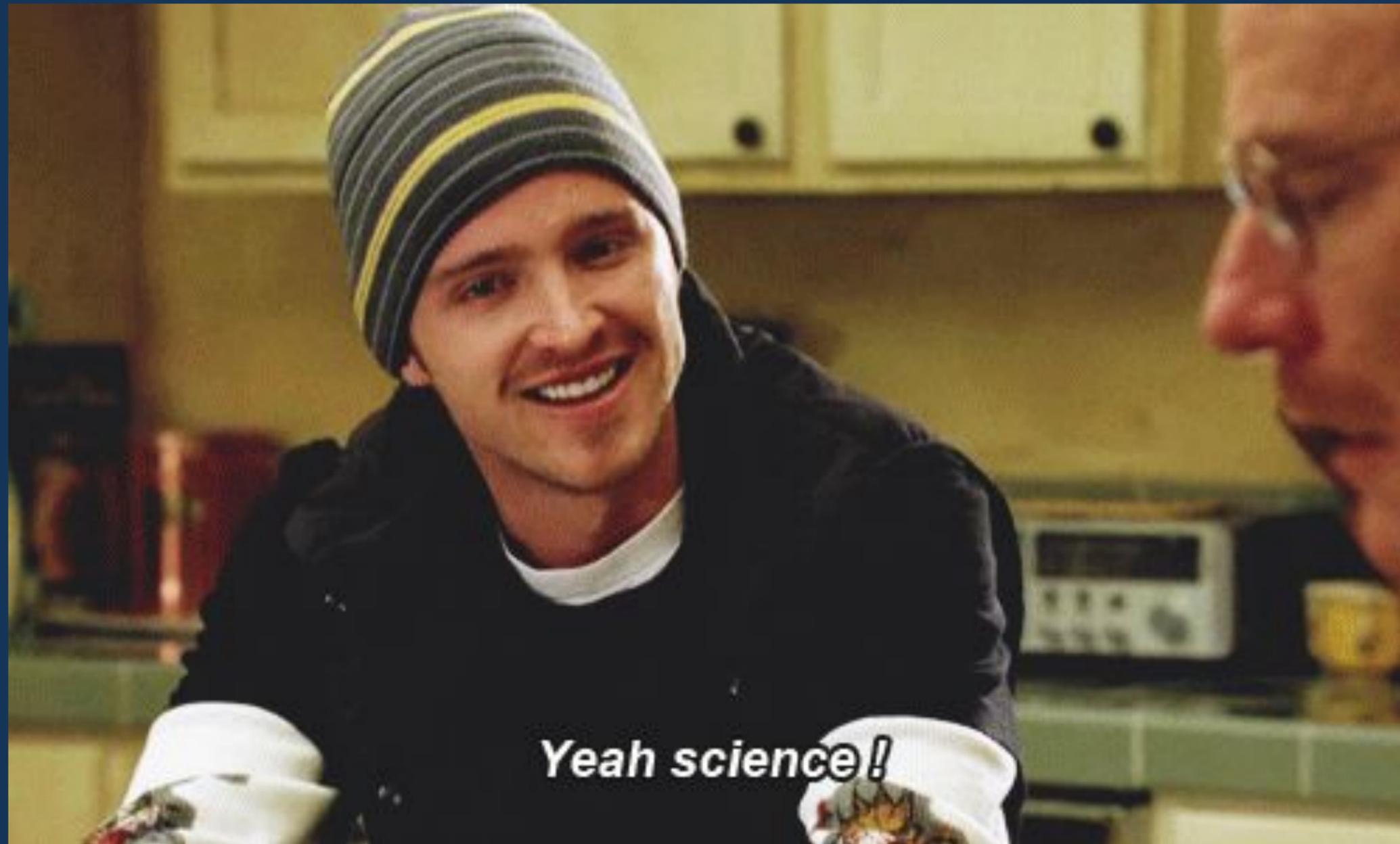
digram distance function

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  kw.word AS w, gw.word AS g  
  FROM pg_get_keywords() AS kw, pg_get_keywords() AS gw  
  WHERE length(kw.word) = 5 AND length(gw.word) = 5 AND kw.word <> gw.word)  
SELECT w, g, d, b AS c  
FROM words, wordle_digrams(w, g) wb(d, b) ORDER BY d ASC, b DESC LIMIT 20;
```

```
w      |g      |d|c  
-----+-----+-----+-----+  
owner  |owned  |2|{o,ne,ow,wn}|  
inout  |input  |2|{i,in,t,ut}  |  
alter  |after  |2|{a,er,r,te}  |  
value  |valid  |3|{v,al,va}    |  
owner  |order  |3|{o,er,r}     |  
owner  |outer  |3|{o,er,r}     |  
order  |outer  |3|{o,er,r}     |  
level  |label  |3|{l,el,l}     |  
after  |outer  |3|{er,r,te}    |  
alter  |outer  |3|{er,r,te}    |  
owner  |inner  |3|{er,ne,r}    |  
merge  |large  |3|{e,ge,rg}    |
```



digram distance function



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fuzzystmatch

The fuzzystmatch module provides several functions to determine similarities and distance between strings:

- Soundex
- Metaphone & Double Metaphone
- Levenshtein



fuzzystmatch distance function

```
wordle=# CREATE EXTENSION fuzzystmatch;
```

```
wordle=# SELECT kw.word, gw.word,  
    soundex(kw.word),  
    soundex(gw.word),  
    4 - difference(kw.word, gw.word) soundex_d,  
    metaphone(kw.word,5),  
    metaphone(gw.word,5),  
    levenshtein(metaphone(kw.word,5), metaphone(gw.word,5)) metaphone_d,  
    levenshtein(kw.word, gw.word),  
    4 - difference(kw.word, gw.word) + levenshtein(kw.word, gw.word) +  
    levenshtein(metaphone(kw.word,5), metaphone(gw.word,5)) d  
FROM pg_get_keywords() kw, pg_get_keywords() gw  
WHERE length(kw.word) = 5 AND length(gw.word) = 5 AND kw.word <> gw.word  
ORDER BY d ASC  
LIMIT 20;
```



fuzzystmatch distance function

word	word	soundex	soundex	soundex_d	metaphone	metaphone	metaphone_d	levenshtein	d
class	close	C420	C420	0	KLS	KLS	0	2	2
close	class	C420	C420	0	KLS	KLS	0	2	2
owned	owner	0530	0560	1	ONT	ONR	1	1	3
level	label	L140	L140	0	LFL	LBL	1	2	3
after	alter	A136	A436	1	AFTR	ALTR	1	1	3
label	level	L140	L140	0	LBL	LFL	1	2	3
owner	owned	0560	0530	1	ONR	ONT	1	1	3
alter	after	A436	A136	1	ALTR	AFTR	1	1	3
outer	owner	0360	0560	1	OTR	ONR	1	2	4
cross	close	C620	C420	1	KRS	KLS	1	2	4
match	fetch	M320	F320	1	MTX	FTX	1	2	4
fetch	match	F320	M320	1	FTX	MTX	1	2	4
cross	class	C620	C420	1	KRS	KLS	1	2	4
merge	large	M620	L620	1	MRJ	LRJ	1	2	4
close	cross	C420	C620	1	KLS	KRS	1	2	4
large	merge	L620	M620	1	LRJ	MRJ	1	2	4
class	cross	C420	C620	1	KLS	KRS	1	2	4
inout	input	I530	I513	2	INT	INPT	1	1	4
inner	owner	I560	0560	1	INR	ONR	1	2	4
input	inout	I513	I530	2	INPT	INT	1	1	4



fuzzystmatch distance function

```
wordle=# CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION wordle_fuzzy(word TEXT, guess text)
RETURNS TABLE (distance integer, description text)
AS $$
    SELECT 4 - difference(word, guess) +
    levenshtein(metaphone(word,5), metaphone(guess,5)) +
    levenshtein(word, guess),
    format('soundex diff: %s, metaphone diff: %s, levenshtein diff: %s',
    4 - difference(word, guess),
    levenshtein(metaphone(word,5), metaphone(guess,5)),
    levenshtein(word, guess))
$$
LANGUAGE SQL;
```



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SELECT w, g, d, b AS c  
FROM words, wordle_fuzzy(w, g) wb(d, b) ORDER BY d ASC, b DESC LIMIT 20;
```

w	g	d	c
close	class	2	soundex diff: 0, metaphone diff: 0, levenshtein diff: 2
alter	after	3	soundex diff: 1, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 1
owner	owned	3	soundex diff: 1, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 1
level	label	3	soundex diff: 0, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 2
inout	input	4	soundex diff: 2, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 1
close	cross	4	soundex diff: 1, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 2
class	cross	4	soundex diff: 1, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 2
merge	large	4	soundex diff: 1, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 2
value	valid	4	soundex diff: 1, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 2
where	share	4	soundex diff: 1, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 2
match	fetch	4	soundex diff: 1, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 2
owner	outer	4	soundex diff: 1, metaphone diff: 1, levenshtein diff: 2



PostgreSQL wordle

Demo

<https://github.com/pashagolub/pgwordle>

Pray to your gods!



**“ *I would rather have questions
that can't be answered than answers
that can't be questioned.* ”**

Richard Feynman



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