

Sets and Dictionaries Advanced

Sets and Multi-Dictionaries, Nested Dictionaries



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1. Dictionary<K, V>

2. Multi-Dictionaries

- Key with multiple values
- A Dictionary Holding Another Dictionary

3. Set<T>

- HashSet<T> and SortedSet<T>
- List<T> vs Set<T>






Dictionary<K, V>

Associative Arrays (Maps, Dictionaries)

- Associative arrays are arrays indexed by keys
 - Not by the numbers 0, 1, 2, ... (like arrays)
- Hold a set of pairs {**key** → **value**}



Key	Value
John Smith	+1-555-8976
Lisa Smith	+1-555-1234
Sam Doe	+1-555-5030

- **Dictionary**<K, V> - collection of key and value pairs
- Keys are **unique**
- Keeps the keys in their order of addition

```
var fruits = new Dictionary<string, double>();  
fruits["banana"] = 2.20;  
fruits["apple"] = 1.40;  
fruits["kiwi"] = 3.20;
```

- **SortedDictionary**<K, V>
- Keeps its keys always sorted
- Uses a balanced search tree

```
var fruits = new SortedDictionary<string,  
    double>();  
fruits["kiwi"] = 4.50;  
fruits["orange"] = 2.50;  
fruits["banana"] = 2.20;
```

- **Add(key, value)** method

```
var airplanes = new Dictionary<string, int>();  
airplanes.Add("Boeing 737", 130);  
airplanes.Add("Airbus A320", 150);
```

- **Remove(key)** method

```
var airplanes = new Dictionary<string, int>();  
airplanes.Add("Boeing 737", 130);  
airplanes.Remove("Boeing 737");
```

- **ContainsKey(key)** – very fast operation

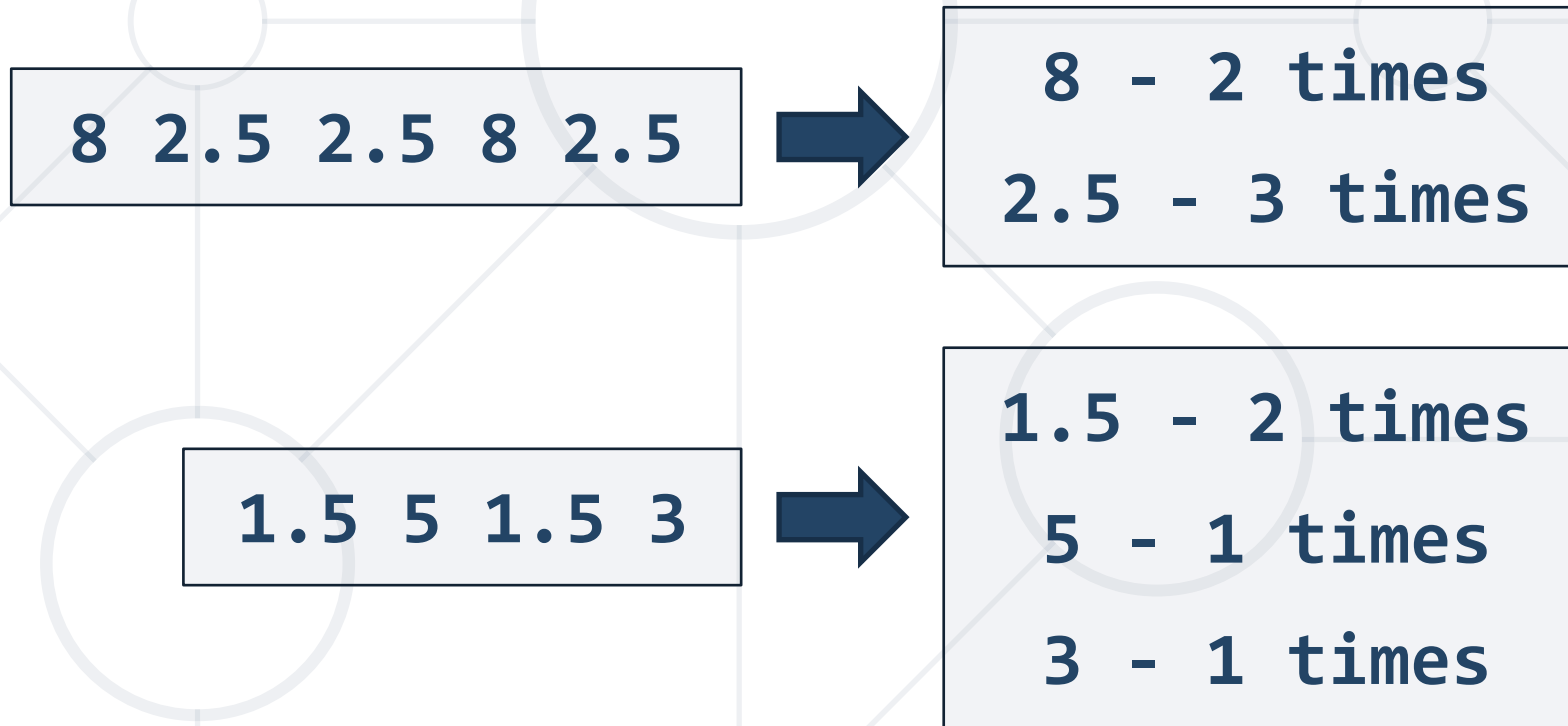
```
var dictionary = new Dictionary<string, int>();  
dictionary.Add("Airbus A320", 150);  
if (dictionary.ContainsKey("Airbus A320"))  
    Console.WriteLine($"Airbus A320 key exists");
```

- **ContainsValue(value)** – slow operation

```
var dictionary = new Dictionary<string, int>();  
dictionary.Add("Airbus A320", 150);  
Console.WriteLine(dictionary.ContainsValue(150)); // true  
Console.WriteLine(dictionary.ContainsValue(100)); // false
```


Problem: Count Same Values in Array

- Read a **list of real numbers** and **print them** along with their **number of occurrences**



Solution: Count Same Values in Array

```
double[] nums = Console.ReadLine().Split(' ')
    .Select(double.Parse).ToArray();

var counts = new Dictionary<double, int>();

foreach (var num in nums)
    if (counts.ContainsKey(num))
        counts[num]++;
    else
        counts[num] = 1;

foreach (var num in counts)
    Console.WriteLine($"{num.Key} - {num.Value} times");
```

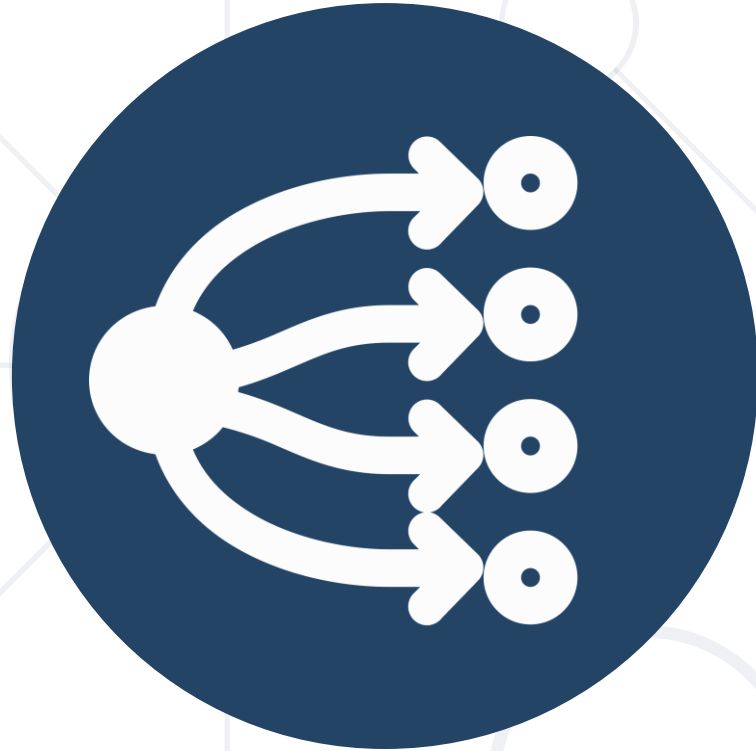
counts[num] will hold how many times num occurs in nums

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- Using **foreach loop**
- Iterates through objects of type **KeyValuePair<K, V>**
- Cannot modify the dictionary (**read-only**)

```
var fruits = new Dictionary<string, double>();  
fruits.Add("banana", 2.20);  
fruits.Add("kiwi", 4.50);  
fruits.Add("orange", 3.20);  
foreach (var fruit in fruits)  
    Console.WriteLine($"{fruit.Key} -> {fruit.Value}");
```

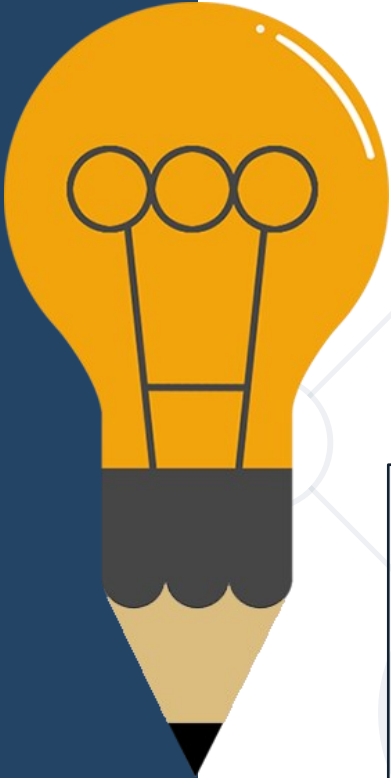
fruit.**Key** -> fruit name
fruit.**Value** -> fruit price



Multi-Dictionaries

Multi-Dictionaries

- A dictionary could hold a **set of values** by given key
 - Example: student may have multiple grades:
 - Peter → [5, 5, 6]
 - Kiril → [6, 6, 3, 4, 6]



```
var grades = new Dictionary<string, List<int>>();  
grades["Peter"] = new List<int>();  
grades["Peter"].Add(5);  
grades["Kiril"] = new List<int>() { 6, 6, 3, 4, 6 };  
Console.WriteLine(string.Join(" ", grades["Kiril"]));
```

Problem: Average Student Grades

- Write a program to **read student names + grades**
- Print the **grades + average grade for each student**

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Ivancho 5.20

Mariika 5.50

Mariika 2.50

Stamat 2.00

Mariika 3.46

Stamat 3.00



Ivancho -> 5.20 (avg: 5.20)

Mariika -> 5.50 2.50 3.46 (avg: 3.82)

Stamat -> 2.00 3.00 (avg: 2.50)

Solution: Average Student Grades (1)

```
var grades = new Dictionary<string, List<double>>();  
var n = int.Parse(Console.ReadLine());  
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    var tokens = Console.ReadLine().Split();  
    var name = tokens[0];  
    var grade = double.Parse(tokens[1]);  
    if (!grades.ContainsKey(name))  
        grades[name] = new List<double>();  
    grades[name].Add(grade);  
}
```

Make sure the list
is initialized

Add grade
into the list

// continues on next slide ...

Solution: Average Student Grades (2)

```
foreach (var pair in grades)
{
    var name = pair.Key;
    var studentGrades = pair.Value;
    var average = studentGrades.Average();
    Console.Write($"{name} -> ");
    foreach (var grade in studentGrades)
        Console.Write($"{grade:f2} ");
    Console.WriteLine($"(avg: {average:f2})");
}
```

KeyValuePair<string, List<double>

Nested Dictionaries

- Dictionaries may hold another **dictionary** as value
- Example: population by country and city



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Sofia → 1,211,000
Plovdiv → 338,657

UK



London → 8,674,000
Manchester → 2,550,000

USA



New York City, NY → 8,406,000
Washington, DC → 658,893

Problem: Product Shop

- Write a program that stores information about **food shops**
- If you receive a shop you already have received **add the product**
- Your output must be **ordered by shop name**

{shop}, {product}, {price}

```
lidl, juice, 2.30  
kaufland, banana, 1.10  
lidl, grape, 2.20  
Revision
```

End command



```
kaufland->  
Product: banana, Price: 1.1  
lidl->  
Product: juice, Price: 2.3  
Product: grape, Price: 2.2
```

Solution: Product Shop (1)

```
var shops = new Dictionary<string, Dictionary<string, double>>();  
  
string line;  
  
while ((line = Console.ReadLine()) != "Revision")  
{  
    string[] productsInfo = line.Split(", ");  
    string shop = productsInfo[0];  
    string product = productsInfo[1];  
    double price = double.Parse(productsInfo[2]);  
    // continues on next slide
```

Solution: Product Shop (2)

```
if (!shops.ContainsKey(shop))
{
    shops.Add(shop, new Dictionary<string, double>());
}
shops[shop].Add(product, price);

var orderedShops = shops.OrderBy(s => s.Key)
    .ToDictionary(x => x.Key, x => x.Value);

// TODO: Print the ordered dictionary
```

Make sure the inner dictionary is initialized

Problem: Cities by Continent and Country

- Write a program to **read continents, countries** and their **cities**, put them in a **nested dictionary** and print them

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Europe Bulgaria Sofia

Asia China Beijing

Asia Japan Tokyo

Europe Poland Warsaw

Europe Germany Berlin

Europe Poland Poznan



Europe:

Bulgaria -> Sofia

Poland -> Warsaw, Poznan

Germany -> Berlin

Asia:

China -> Beijing

Japan -> Tokyo

Solution: Cities by Continent and Country (1)

```
var continentsData =  
    new Dictionary<string, Dictionary<string, List<string>>>>();  
  
var n = int.Parse(Console.ReadLine());  
  
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    var tokens = Console.ReadLine().Split();  
    var continent = tokens[0];  
    var country = tokens[1];  
    var city = tokens[2];  
    // continues on next slide
```

Solution: Cities by Continent and Country (2)

```
if (!continentsData.ContainsKey(continent)) {  
    continentsData[continent] =  
        new Dictionary<string, List<string>>();  
}
```

Initialize continent

```
if (!continentsData[continent].ContainsKey(country)) {  
    continentsData[continent][country] = new List<string>();  
}
```

Initialize cities

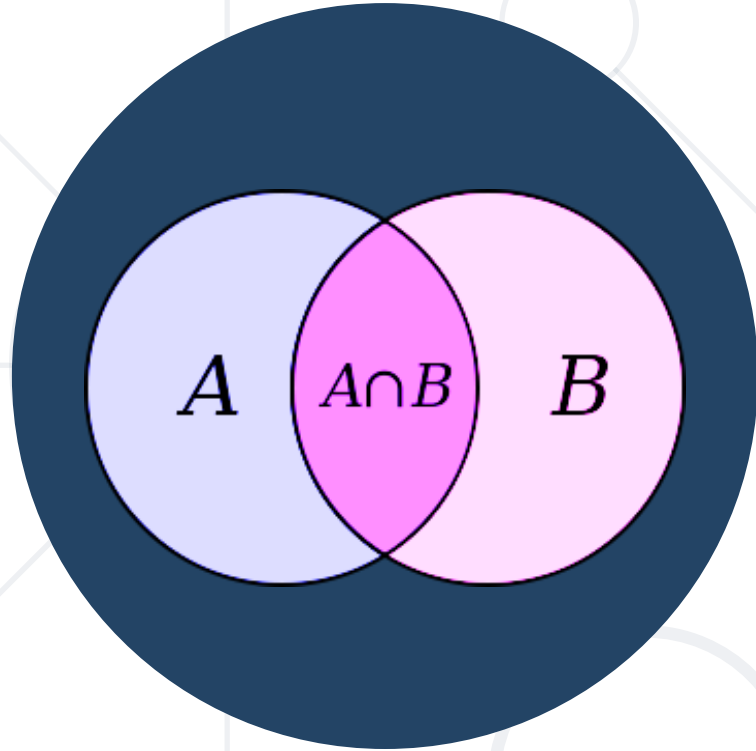
```
continentsData[continent][country].Add(city);  
}  
// continues on next slide...
```

Append a city to
the country

Solution: Cities by Continent and Country (3)

```
foreach (var continentCountries in continentsData) {  
    var continentName = continentCountries.Key;  
    Console.WriteLine($"{continentName}:");  
    foreach (var countryCities in continentCountries.Value) {  
        var countryName = countryCities.Key;  
        var cities = countryCities.Value;  
        // TODO: Print each country with its cities  
    }  
}
```

Cities in the country



HashSet<T> and SortedSet<T>

Sets in C#

- A set keeps **unique elements**
 - Allows **add / remove / search** elements
 - Very **fast performance**
- **HashSet<T>**
 - Keeps a set of elements in a **hash-table**
 - Elements are in **no particular order**
 - Similar to **List<T>**, but a different implementation



■ List<T>

- Fast "add", slow "search" and "remove" (pass through each element)
- Duplicates are **allowed**
- Insertion order is **guaranteed**

■ HashSet<T>

- Fast "add", "search" and "remove" thanks to **hash-table**
- Does not allow duplicates
- Does not guarantee the insertion order

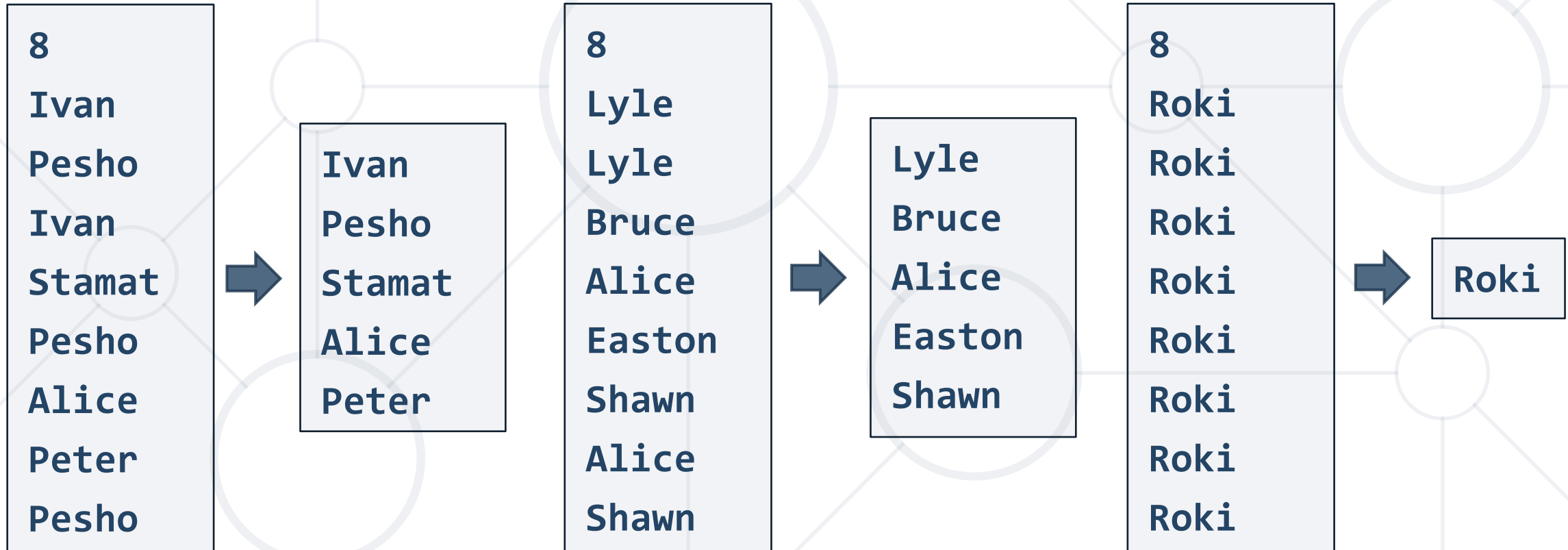


HashSet<T> – Example

```
HashSet<string> set = new HashSet<string>();  
set.Add("Pesho");  
set.Add("Pesho"); // Not added again  
set.Add("Gosho");  
Console.WriteLine(string.Join(", ", set)); // Pesho, Gosho  
Console.WriteLine(set.Contains("Georgi")); // false  
Console.WriteLine(set.Contains("Pesho")); // true  
set.Remove("Pesho");  
Console.WriteLine(set.Count); // 1
```

Problem: Record Unique Names

- Read a **sequence of names** and print only the **unique ones**



Solution: Record Unique Names

```
var names = new HashSet<string>();
```

HashSet stores
unique values

```
var n = int.Parse(Console.ReadLine());
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
```

```
{
```

```
    var name = Console.ReadLine();
```

```
    names.Add(name);
```

```
}
```

Adds non-existing names only

```
foreach (var name in names)
```

```
    Console.WriteLine(name);
```

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SortedSet<T>

- The **SortedSet<T>** class holds elements **ordered incrementally**

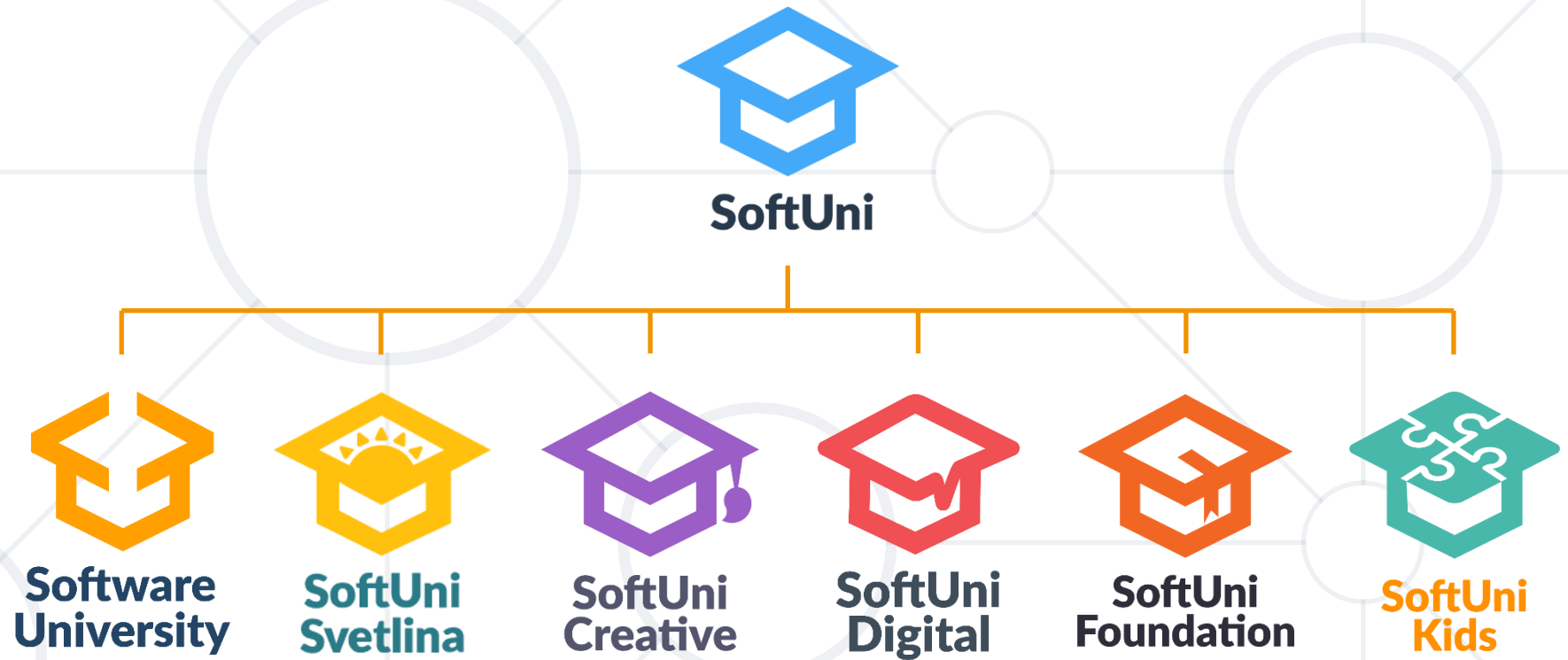


```
var set = new SortedSet<string>();  
set.Add("Pesho");  
set.Add("Pesho");  
set.Add("Gosho");  
set.Add("Maria");  
set.Add("Alice");  
Console.WriteLine(string.Join(", ", set));
```

Alice, Gosho, Maria, Pesho

- Multi-dictionaries allow **keeping a collection** as a **dictionary value**
- Nested dictionaries **allow keeping a dictionary** as **dictionary value**
- Sets allow keeping **unique values** in **unspecified order**
 - No duplicates
 - Fast add, search & remove

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