

Python - Sets

A set is a unique collection of objects in Python. It can be denoted with a curly bracket {}. Duplicate will be removed.

Creation

Set is created with {} brackets.

In [62]:

```
empty_set = {}  
empty_set
```

Out[62]:

```
{}
```

Set can have elements in it.

In [2]:

```
my_set = {'a' , 'b', 'c'}  
my_set
```

Out[2]:

```
{'a', 'b', 'c'}
```

If Set elements are duplicate then they are removed automatically

In [4]:

```
my_set = {'a' , 'b', 'c', 'a' , 'b', 'c'} # set elements are duplicate and removed automa  
my_set
```

Out[4]:

```
{'a', 'b', 'c'}
```

Set elements can be of mixed type.

In [6]:

```
my_mixed_set = {1, '1', 2, '2', 3, '3', '3', 1.1, True}  
my_mixed_set
```

Out[6]:

```
{1, '1', 1.1, 2, '2', 3, '3'}
```

Type of set variable can be checked with type()

In [8]:

```
type(my_set)
```

Out[8]:

set

Type of individual set elements can be tested with type() on those elements.

Size of set can be determined using len().

In [12]:

```
len(my_set)
```

Out[12]:

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Creation of set from list

Set can be created from list of elements.

In [17]:

```
my_list = [1, '1', 2, '2', 3, 3, 3, '3', '4', 4] #create a list from which set needs to be  
my_list
```

Out[17]:

```
[1, '1', 2, '2', 3, 3, 3, '3', '4', 4]
```

In [19]:

```
my_new_set = set(my_list) # set can be created from List, duplicates are removed  
my_new_set
```

Out[19]:

```
{1, '1', 2, '2', 3, '3', '4', 4}
```

Conversion of set to list

In [28]:

```
my_set = {'mumbai', 'pune', 'solapur'} #create a set of cities  
print(my_set)  
print(type(my_set))
```

```
{'solapur', 'mumbai', 'pune'}  
<class 'set'>
```

In [29]:

```
my_new_list = list(my_set) # use list() to convert a set into list
print(my_new_list)
print(type(my_new_list))
```

```
['solapur', 'mumbai', 'pune']
<class 'list'>
```

Operations on set

add() can be used to add an element into set.

In [32]:

```
country_set = {"India", "US", "US", "India"}
country_set  #set has only two elements "India" and "US"
```

Out[32]:

```
{'India', 'US'}
```

In [38]:

```
country_set.add('UK')
country_set  #set has three elements "India", "US" & "UK"
```

Out[38]:

```
{'India', 'UK', 'US'}
```

remove() can be used to remove an element from the set.

In [37]:

```
country_set.remove("UK") # remove
country_set  #set has only two elements "India" and "US"
```

Out[37]:

```
{'India', 'US'}
```

In [63]:

```
country_set.remove("China") # as China not present in the set, error thrown
```

```
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KeyError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-63-38193c40d51e> in <module>
----> 1 country_set.remove("China")
```

KeyError: 'China'

discard() can be used to remove an element from set. If element is not present, then error is not thrown.

In [64]:

```
country_set.discard("China")
```

pop() operation can be used to remove the first element from the set.

In [70]:

```
test_set = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}
```

In [71]:

```
test_set.pop()    # removes first element from set i.e. 1  
test_set
```

Out[71]:

```
{2, 3, 4, 5}
```

In [73]:

```
test_set.pop()    # removes first element from set i.e. 2, set is altered by this operation  
test_set
```

Out[73]:

```
{4, 5}
```

clear() can be used to remove all the elements of set.

In [78]:

```
test_set = {4, 5, 6}  
test_set
```

Out[78]:

```
{4, 5, 6}
```

In [80]:

```
test_set.clear()  
test_set
```

Out[80]:

```
set()
```

'in' and 'not in' can be used to determine if the element is present in set or not

In [39]:

```
"India" in country_set
```

Out[39]:

True

In [40]:

```
"Australia" in country_set
```

Out[40]:

False

In [41]:

```
"India" not in country_set
```

Out[41]:

False

In [42]:

```
"Australia" not in country_set
```

Out[42]:

True

Working with sets

'&' operator can be used to determine common elements of two or more sets

In [48]:

```
maharashtra_cities = {"Pune", "Mumbai", "Nagpur"}  
goa_cities = {"Panjim", "Vasco", "Madgaon"}  
western_region_cities = {"Panjim", "Vasco", "Pune", "Mumbai", "Nagpur"}
```

In [45]:

```
maharashtra_cities & western_region_cities  # common cities between two sets
```

Out[45]:

```
{'Mumbai', 'Nagpur', 'Pune'}
```

In [50]:

```
goa_cities & western_region_cities  # common cities between two sets
```

Out[50]:

```
{'Panjim', 'Vasco'}
```

In [49]:

```
maharashtra_cities & goa_cities # common cities between two sets, nothing common
```

Out[49]:

```
set()
```

intersection() method can also be used to determine the common elements between two sets.

In [55]:

```
western_region_cities.intersection(maharashtra_cities)
```

Out[55]:

```
{'Mumbai', 'Nagpur', 'Pune'}
```

In [56]:

```
western_region_cities.intersection(goa_cities)
```

Out[56]:

```
{'Panjim', 'Vasco'}
```

'-' operator can be used to determine the elements which are only present in set1.

In [74]:

```
western_region_cities - maharashtra_cities
```

Out[74]:

```
{'Panjim', 'Vasco'}
```

In [75]:

```
western_region_cities - goa_cities
```

Out[75]:

```
{'Mumbai', 'Nagpur', 'Pune'}
```

In [76]:

```
maharashtra_cities - goa_cities
```

Out[76]:

```
{'Mumbai', 'Nagpur', 'Pune'}
```

difference method() can be used to determine the elements which are part of set 1 only, not present in set 2.

In [53]:

```
western_region_cities.difference(maharashtra_cities)
```

Out[53]:

```
{'Panjim', 'Vasco'}
```

In []:

```
western_region_cities.difference(maharashtra_cities)
```

'|' operator can be used to get all cities from both sets

In [47]:

```
maharashtra_cities | western_region_cities # all cities between two sets
```

Out[47]:

```
{'Mumbai', 'Nagpur', 'Panjim', 'Pune', 'Vasco'}
```

In [57]:

```
maharashtra_cities | goa_cities # all cities between two sets
```

Out[57]:

```
{'Madgaon', 'Mumbai', 'Nagpur', 'Panjim', 'Pune', 'Vasco'}
```

union() method can be used to get all the elements from both sets.

In [58]:

```
maharashtra_cities.union(goa_cities)
```

Out[58]:

```
{'Madgaon', 'Mumbai', 'Nagpur', 'Panjim', 'Pune', 'Vasco'}
```

Exercise

Q1. Consider following set definitions.

language set - python, java, c, c++

data science language set - pytho, r

Answer the following questions with help of appropriate code.

- (a) What are all programming languages are available?
- (b) How many data science languages are available?
- (c) List languages which are not data science languages?
- (d) List languages which are both programming language and data science language s.
- (e) List languages which are only data science languages.

In [87]:

```
#Try it here
```

In []: