

18. PYTHON - SET DATA STRUCTURE

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1. Set data structure

- ✓ We can **create** set by using,
 - Curly braces **{}** symbols
 - `set()` predefined function.
- ✓ A set can **store group** of objects or elements.
 - A set can store **same** (Homogeneous) type of elements.
 - A set can store **different** (Heterogeneous) type of elements.
- ✓ A set size will **increase** dynamically.
- ✓ In set insertion order is not preserved means **not fixed**.
 - If we insert elements into 10, 20, 30, 40 then there is no guarantee for output as 10, 20, 30, 40
 - Example
 - Input => {10, 20, 30, 40}
 - Output => {20, 40, 10, 30}
- ✓ Duplicate elements are **not allowed**.
- ✓ Set having **mutable** nature.
 - Mutable means once we create a set object then we can change or modify the content of set object.
- ✓ Set data structure **cannot** store the elements in index order.

Note:

- ✓ set is a predefined class in python.
- ✓ Once if we create set object means internally object is creating for set class.

Note:

- ✓ Inside set every object can be separated by comma separator.

2. When should we go for set?

- ✓ If we want to represent a group of **unique** values as a single entity, then we should go for set.
- ✓ set cannot store duplicate elements.
- ✓ Insertion order is not preserved.

Note

- ✓ We can create set by using curly braces {} and all elements separated by comma separator in set.

3. Creating set by using same type of elements

Program Name creating same type of elements by using set
demo1.py

```
s = {10, 20, 30, 40}  
print(s)  
print(type(s))
```

Output

```
{40, 10, 20, 30}  
<class 'set'>
```

4. Creating set by using different type of elements

Program Name creating different type of elements by using set
demo2.py

```
s = {10, "Daniel", 30.9, "Prasad", 40}  
print(s)  
print(type(s))
```

Output

```
{40, 10, 'Daniel', 'Prasad', 30.9}  
<class 'set'>
```

5. Creating set by range(p) type of elements

Program Name creating set by using range(p)
demo3.py

```
s = set(range(5))  
print(s)
```

output

```
{0, 1, 2, 3, 4}
```

Program Name set not allowed duplicates
demo4.py

```
s={10, 20, 30, 40, 10, 10}
print(s)
print(type(s))
```

Output

```
{40, 10, 20, 30}
<class 'set'>
```

Make a note

- ✓ Observe the above programs output,
 - Order is not preserved
 - Duplicates are not allowed.

6. Creating set by using set(p) predefined function

- ✓ We can create set by using set(p) function.
- ✓ set(p) predefined function will take only one parameter.
- ✓ This parameter should be sequence (range, list, set, tuple, etc...) object otherwise we will get error.

Program Name creating set by using set(parameter1) function
demo5.py

```
r = range(0, 10)
l = set(r)
print(l)
```

output

```
{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9}
```

7. Empty set

- ✓ We can create empty set.
- ✓ While creating empty set compulsory we should use `set()` function.
- ✓ If we didn't use set function, then it treats as dictionary instead of set.

Program Name Empty curly braces is not a set, it considers as a dictionary
demo6.py

```
s = {}  
print(s)  
print(type(s))
```

Output

```
{}  
<class 'dict'>
```

Program Name Using set() function to create empty set
demo7.py

```
s = set()  
print(s)  
print(type(s))
```

Output

```
set()  
<class 'set'>
```

8. len(p) function

- ✓ By using len(p) predefined function we can find the length of set.
- ✓ This function returns the number of elements present in the set.

Program Name To find length of set
demo8.py

```
n = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50}  
print(len(n))
```

Output
5

Program Name To find length of set
demo9.py

```
n = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 10, 10, 10}  
print(len(n))
```

Output
5

9. Methods in set data structure

- ✓ As discussed, set is a predefined class.
- ✓ So, set class can contain methods because methods can be created inside of class only.
- ✓ We can check these methods by using `dir(parameter1)` predefined function.
- ✓ So, internally set class contains two types of methods,
 - With underscore symbol methods.
 - We no need to focus
 - Without underscore symbol methods.
 - We need to focus much on these

Program Name Printing set data structure methods by using `dir(set)` function
demo10.py

```
print(dir(set))
```

output

```
[  
  
'__and__', ..... '__subclasshook__', '__xor__',
```

Important methods

```
'add', 'clear', 'remove',
```

```
]
```


Important point

- ✓ As per object-oriented principle,
 - If we want to access instance method, then we should access by using object name.
- ✓ So, all set methods we can access by using set object.

Important methods in set:

- ✓ add(p) method
- ✓ remove(p) method
- ✓ clear() method

9.1. add(p) method:

- ✓ add(p) is a method, we should access this method by using set object.
- ✓ This method adds element to the set.

Program Name add(p) function can add element to the set
demo11.py

```
s = {10, 20, 30}
s.add(40)
print(s)
```

Output

```
{40, 10, 20, 30}
```

9.2. remove(p) method

- ✓ remove(p) is a method in set class, we should access this method by using set object.
- ✓ This method removes specified element from the set.
- ✓ If the specified element not present in the set, then we will get **KeyError**

Program Name remove(p) method in set
demo12.py

```
s = {40, 10, 30, 20}
s.remove(30)
print(s)
```

Output

```
{40, 10, 20}
```

9.3. clear() method

- ✓ clear() is a method in set class, we should access this method by using set object.
- ✓ This method removes all elements from the set.

Program Name clear() method in set
demo13.py

```
s = {10,20,30}
print(s)
s.clear()
print(s)
```

Output

```
{10, 20, 30}
set()
```

10. Membership operators: (in and not in)

- ✓ By using these operators, we can find the specified element is exists in set or not

Program in operator
Name demo14.py

```
s = {1, 2, 3, 'daniel'}

print(s)
print(1 in s)
print('z' in s)
```

Output

```
{1, 2, 3, 'daniel'}
True
False
```

11. set comprehensions

- ✓ set comprehensions represents creating new set from Iterable object like a list, set, tuple, dictionary and range.
- ✓ set comprehensions code is very concise way.

Program Name	set comprehension demo15.py
	<pre>s = {x*x for x in range(5)} print(s)</pre>
output	{0, 1, 4, 9, 16}

12. Remove duplicates in list elements

- ✓ We can remove duplicates elements which are exists in list by passing list as parameter to set function

Program Name	removing duplicates from list demo18.py
	<pre>a = [10, 20, 30, 10, 20, 40] s = set(a) print(s)</pre>
Output	{40, 10, 20, 30}