

# PROGRAMMING IN PYTHON

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A list of unique data (two elements  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$  are considered unique if  $\underline{a}$  is different than  $\underline{b}$   $\longrightarrow$  this translates as  $\underline{a}$  is of a different type than  $\underline{b}$  or if  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$  are of the same type, that  $\underline{a} = \underline{b}$ )

A special keyword **set** can be used to create a set. The { and } can also be used to build a set. Set keyword can be used to initialize a set from tuples, lists or strings.

Sets supports some special mathematical operations like:

- Intersection
- Union
- Difference
- Symmetric difference

Elements from a set can NOT be accessed (they are unordered collections):

```
Python 3.x x = \{'A', 'B', 2, 3, 'C'\} x[0], x[1], x[1:2], ... \rightarrow all this expression will produce an error
```

Similarly – there is no addition operation defined between two sets:

```
Python 3.x

x = {'A', 'B', 2, 3, 'C'}
y = {'D', 'E', 1}
z = y + z #!!!ERROR!!
```

Sets support a set of functions that can be used to modify its content. Some of these functionalities can also be achieved by using some operators.

Add a new element in the set (either use the member function(method) add )

```
Python 3.x x = \{1, 2, 3\} \qquad \#x = \{1, 2, 3\} \\ x \cdot add(4) \qquad \#x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \\ x \cdot add(1) \qquad \#x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}
```

Remove an element from the set (methods **remove** or **discard** ). Remove throws an error if the set does not contain that element. Use **clear** method to empty an entire set.

Python 3.x			
$x = \{1, 2, 3\}$	$#x = \{1, 2, 3\}$	$x = \{1, 2, 3\}$	$#x = \{1, 2, 3\}$
x.remove(1)	$\#x = \{2, 3\}$	x.clear()	#x = {}
x.discard(2)	$\#x = \{3\}$		
x.discard(2)	$\#x = \{3\}$		

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Several elements can be added to a set by either use the member function(method) update or by using the operator | =

• update method can be called with multiple parameters (sets)

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Union operation can be performed by using the operator | or the method union

```
Python 3.x x = \{1,2,3\}
y = \{3,4,5\}
t = \{2,4,6\}
z = x \mid y \mid t
s = \{7,8\}
w = x.union(s)
w = x.union(s, y, t)
w = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}
w = x.union(s, y, t)
```

• union method can be called with multiple parameters (sets)

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Intersection operation can be performed by using the operator & or the method intersection

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Difference operation can be performed by using the operator - or the method difference

```
Python 3.x

x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}
y = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}
z = x - y
z = y - x
y = \{5\}
y = \{5\}
y = \{1, 2, 3\}
```

difference method can be called with multiple parameters (sets)

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Symmetric difference operation can be performed by using the operator ^ or the method symmetric\_difference

symmetric\_difference method can NOT be called with multiple parameters (sets)

All sets operations also support some operations that apply to one variable such as:

- Intersection
  - intersection\_update
  - **=**& **=**
- Difference
  - difference\_update
- Symmetric difference
  - symmetric\_difference\_update
  - \_ ^=

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To test if an element exists in a set, we can use the **in** operator

Total number of elements from a set can be found out using the len keyword

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Use method isdisjoint to test if a set has no common elements with another one

```
Python 3.x

x = {1,2,3,4}
y = {10,20,30,40}
z = x.isdisjoint(y) #z = True
```

Use method issubset or operator <= to test if a set is included in another one</p>

```
Python 3.x

x = {1,2,3,4}
y = {1,2,3,4,5,6}
z = x.issubset(y)  #z = True
t = x <= y  #t = True</pre>
```

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Use method issuperset or operator >= to test if a set is included in another one

```
Python 3.x

x = {1,2,3,4}
y = {1,2,3,4,5,6}
z = y.issuperset(x)  #z = True
t = y >= x  #t = True
```

 $\diamond$  Operator > can also be used  $\rightarrow$  it checks if a set is included in another **BUT** is not identical to it. Operator < can be used in the same way.

```
Python 3.x
x = \{1,2,3,4\}
y = \{1,2,3,4,5,6\}
t = y > x
x = \{1,2,3,4\}
y = \{1,2,3,4\}
t = y > x
t = True
t = y > x
t = False
```

Sets support a set of functions that can be used to modify its content. Some of these functionalities can also be achieved by using some operators.

Use method pop to remove one element from the set. The remove element is different from Python 2.x to Python 3.x in terms of the order the element are kept in memory. Even if sets are unordered collection, in order to have quick access to different elements of the set these elements must be kept in memory in a certain way.

```
Python 3.x

x = {"A", "a", "B", "b", 1, 2, 3}
print (x)
print (x.pop())
Output (Python 3)
{1, 2, 3, 'b', 'B', 'A', 'a'}
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```

Use copy method to make a shallow copy of a set.

# SETS AND FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING

A set can also be built using functional programming

 $\diamond$  The main difference is that instead of operator [...] to build a set one need to use  $\{...\}$ 

The condition of the set (all elements are unique) still applies. In the next case, only the first elements that meet the required criteria will be added.

```
Python 3.x x = \{i\%5 \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(0,100)\} \#x = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}
```

# SETS AND BUILT-IN FUNCTIONS

The default build-in functions for list can also be used with sets and lambdas.

Use map to create a new set where each element is obtained based on the lambda expression provided.

```
Python 3.x

x = {1,2,3,4,5}
y = set(map(lambda element: element*element,x))  #y = {1,4,9,16,25}

x = [1,2,3]
y = [4,5,6]
z = set(map(lambda e1,e2: e1+e2,x,y))  #z = {5,7,9}
```

#### SETS AND BUILT-IN FUNCTIONS

The default build-in functions for list can also be used with sets and lambdas.

Use filter to create a new set where each element is filtered based on the lambda expression provided.

#### Python 3.x x = [1,2,3,4,5]y = set(filter(lambda element: element%2==0,x)) #y = {2,4}

Both **filter** and **map** are used to create a set (usually in conjunction with **range** keyword)

```
Python 3.x

x = set(map(lambda x: x*x, range(1,10)))
#x = {1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81}
x = set(filter(lambda x: x%7==1, range(1,100)))
#x = {1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 36, 43, 50, 57, 64, 71, 78, 85, 92, 99}
```

#### SETS AND BUILT-IN FUNCTIONS

The default build-in functions for list can also be used with sets and lambdas.

- Other functions that work in a similar way as the build-in functions for list are min, max, sum, any, all, sorted, reversed
- for statement can also be used to enumerate between elements of a set

```
Python 3.x

for i in {1,2,3,4,5}:
    print(i)
```

Python language also has another type > frozenset. A frozen set has all the characteristics of a normal set, but it can not be modified. To create a frozen set use the frozenset keyword.

```
Python 3.x

x = frozenset ({1,2,3})
x.add(10)  #!!!ERROR!!!
```

A dictionary is python implementation of a hash-map container. Design as a (key – value pair) where Key is a unique element within the dictionary.

A special keyword **dict** can be used to create a dictionary. The { and } can also be used to build a dictionary – much like in the case of sets.

To set a value in a dictionary use [] operator. The same operator can be used to read an existing value. If a value does not exist, an exception will be thrown.

To check if a key exists in a dictionary, use **in** operator; **len** can also be used to find out how may keys a dictionary has.

Values from a dictionary can also be manipulated with setdefault member.

Method **update** can also be used to change the value associated with a key.

To delete an element from a dictionary use del keyword or clear method

To create a new dictionary you can use copy or static method fromkeys

#### Elements from the dictionary can also be accessed with method get

An element can also be extracted using pop method.

# DICTIONARIES AND FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING

A dictionary can also be built using functional programming

```
Python 3.x
x = \{i:i \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(1,9)\}
\#x = \{1:1,2:2,3:3,4:4,5:5,6:6,7:7,8:8\}
x = \{i: chr(64+i) \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(1,9)\}
\#x = \{1: \text{``A'', 2: '`B'', 3: '`C'', 4: '`D'', 5: '`E'', 6: '`F'', 7: '`G'', 8: '`H''}\}
x = \{i\%3:i \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(1,9)\}
\#x = \{0:6,1:7,2:8\} \rightarrow \text{last values that were updated}
x = \{i: chr(64+i) \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(1,9) \text{ if } i\%2==0\}
\#x = \{2: "B", 4: "D", 6: "F", 8: "H"\}
x = \{i \% 3 : chr(64+i) \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(1,9) \text{ if } i < 7\}
\#x = \{1: "D", 2: "E", 0: "F"\}
```

Keys from the dictionary can be obtained with method keys

```
Python 3.x x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} y = x \cdot keys() x = ["A", "B"] \rightarrow x an iterable object
```

To iterate all keys from a dictionary:

#### Output

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Values from the dictionary can be obtained with method values

```
Python 3.x x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} y = x.values() x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} y = ["A":1, "B":2] y = ["A":1] an iterable object
```

To iterate all values from a dictionary:



Output order may be different for different versions of python depending on how data is stored/ordered in memory.

All pairs from a dictionary can be obtained using the method items

```
Python 3.x  x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} \\ y = x.items()   #x = \{"A":1, "B":2\} \\ #y = an iterable object (Python 3) or \\ #a list of tuples for Python 2. \\ #[ ("A":1) , ("B":2) ]
```

To iterate all keys from a dictionary:

# Output ("A", 1) ("B", 2)

Using the **items** method elements from a dictionary can be sorted according to their value.

#### Output

("Dacia", 120) ("Toyota", 140) ("BMW", 160)

Operator \*\* can be used in a function to specify that the list of parameters of that function should be treated as a dictionary.

```
Python 3.x
def GetFastestCar(**cars):
      min speed = 0
      name = None
      for car name in cars:
              if cars[car name] > min speed:
                    name = car name
                    min speed = cars[car name]
      return name
fastest car = GetFastestCar(Dacia=120,BMW=160,Toyota=140)
print (fastest car)
#fastest car = "BMW"
```

Build-in functions such as filter can also be used with dictionaries.

```
Python 3.x

x = {
        "Dacia" : 120,
        "BMW" : 160,
        "Toyota" : 140
    }

y = dict(filter(lambda element : element[1]>=140, x.items()))
#y = {"Toyota":140, "BMW":160}
```

To delete an entire dictionary use **del** keyword.

enumerate keyword can also be used with dictionaries.

In this case, the resulted tuple contains the index and the key!

Just like in the case of lists (sequences), enumerate can receive a secondary parameter that states the initial index  $\rightarrow$  "enumerate (x,2)" will start with the index 2.