



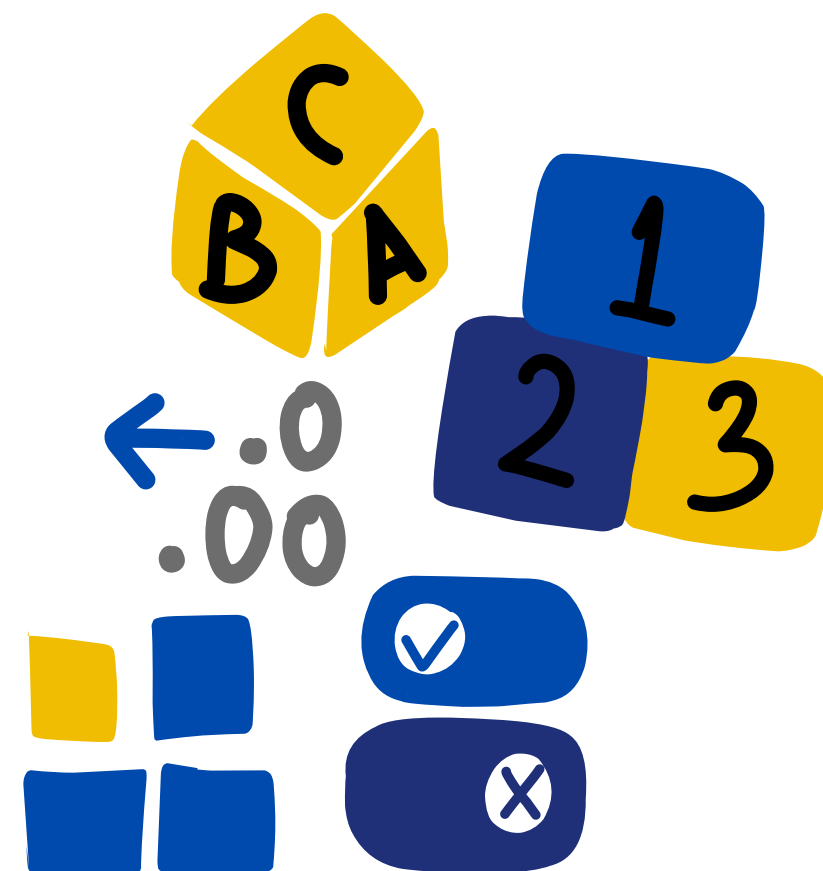
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INTRO. TO DATA SCIENCE

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INTO DATA SCIENCE

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DATA TYPES

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In this section we'll introduce Python **data types**, review their properties, and cover how to identify and convert between them

TOPICS WE'LL COVER:

Data Types

The Types Function

Type Conversion

Iterables

Mutability

GOALS FOR THIS SECTION:

- Review the basics of Python data types
- Learn how to determine an object's data type
- Learn to convert between compatible data types
- Understand the concepts of iterability & mutability



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Python has a series of built-in **data types** with different properties and use cases.

These can be grouped into the following categories:

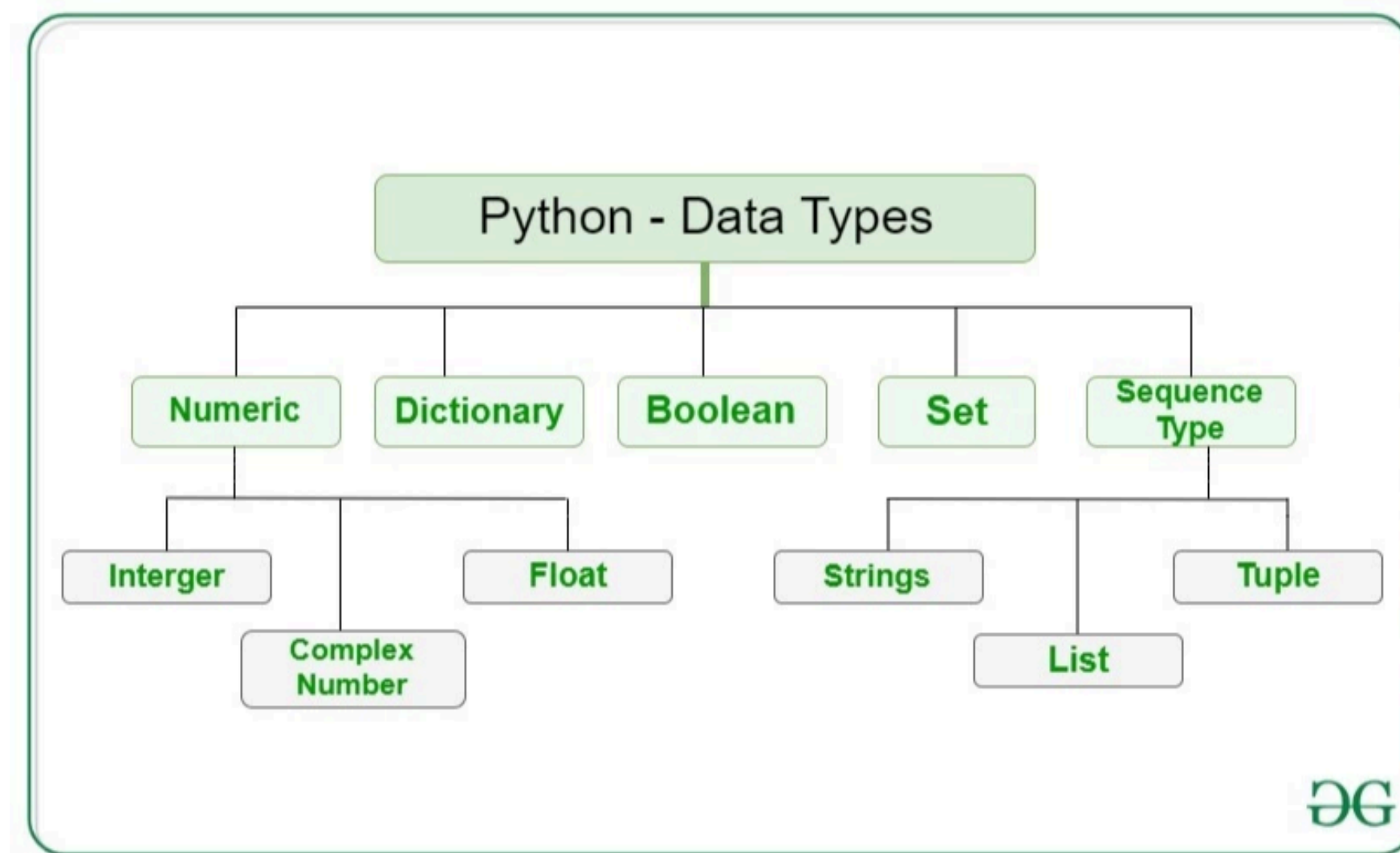


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Single value (*simple*):



Numeric

Represents numeric values

- Integer(**int**)
- Float(**float**)
- Complex(**complex**)



Text

Represents sequences of characters, usually text

- String(**str**) `'snowboard'`



Boolean

Represents True and False values

- Boolean(**bool**) – `True False`

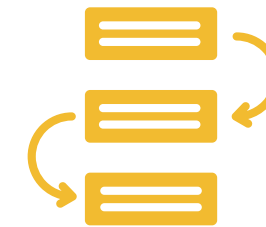


None

Represents the absence of a value

- • **NoneType** `None`

Multiple values:



Sequence

Represents sequences of values, usually text or numeric

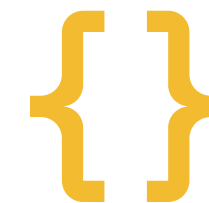
- List(**list**) – `[1, 3, 5, 7, 9]`
- Tuple(**tuple**) – `('snowboard', 'skis')`
- Range(**range**) – `range(1, 10, 2)`



Mapping

Maps keys to values for efficient information retrieval

- Dictionary(**dict**) – `{ 'snowboard': 24, 'skis': 17 }`



Set

Represents a collection of unique, non-duplicate values

- Set(**set**) – `{ 'snowboard', 'skis' }`
- Frozen Set(**frozenset**) – `{ 'snowboard', 'skis' }`



THE TYPE FUNCTION

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The **type()** function will return the data type of the object passed to it

```
type(1)
```

int

```
type('snowboard')
```

str

```
type(True)
```

bool

```
type(None)
```

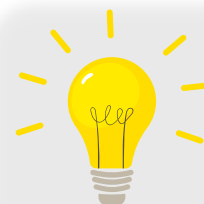
NoneType

```
type([1, 3, 5, 7])
```

list

```
type({'a': 3, 'b': 5})
```

dict



TIP: Use **type()** if you are getting a `TypeError` or unexpected behavior when passing data through a function to make sure the data type is correct; it's not uncommon for values to be stored incorrectly



TYPE CONVERSION

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Convert data types by using “<data type>(object)”

EXAMPLE

Converting data into an integer data type

```
int('123')
```

123

Using **int** converts the text string of '123' into an integer data type



Errors in Python will **cause the code to stop running**, so it's important to learn to diagnose and fix them

```
int([1, 2, 3])
```

TypeError

Using **int** attempts to convert the list into an integer data type, but returns a **TypeError** instead

This operation isn't valid because the list has multiple values, while an integer can only be one value

TypeError: int() argument must be a string, a bytes-like object or a number, not 'list'



ITERABLES

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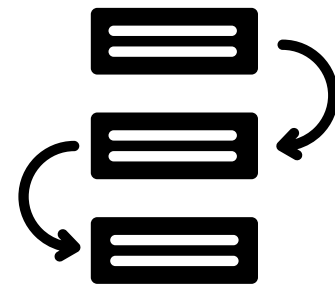
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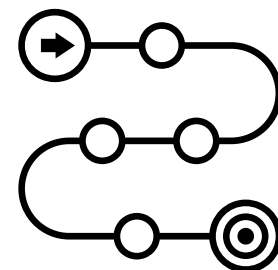
Iterables are data types that can be iterated, or looped through, allowing you to move from one value to the next

These data types are considered iterable:

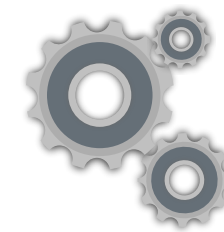
Sequence



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Text



While text strings are treated as a single value, individual characters in a text string can be iterated through



MUTABILITY

A data type is **mutable** if it can be modified after its creation

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Mutable Data Types

Flexible – can add, remove, change values in the object

- Lists
- Dictionaries
- Sets

Immutable Data Types

To modify a value must delete and recreate the entire object

- Integers
- Floats
- Strings
- Booleans
- Tuples
- Frozenset

Note that all simple data types are immutable

KEY TAKEAWAYS



Python has a wide variety of **data types** with different properties

- *It's important to understand them at a high level for now, as we'll dive deeper into each later in the course*



The **type() function** allows you to determine an object's data type

- *You can convert between data types if the underlying values are compatible*



Iterables are data types with values that you can loop through

- *Text strings are iterable despite containing a single value, as you can iterate through its characters*



Data types can be **mutable** or **immutable**

- *Mutable data types can be modified after their creation, while immutable data types cannot be changed without being overwritten*