

Everything about Python Sets



Creating

Empty set

my_set = set()

Set with elements

fruits = {"apple", "banana"}

Using set() function

numbers = set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])

Accessing Characters

- Sets are unordered, so elements cannot be accessed by index.
- Use a loop to iterate over elements.

for fruit in fruits: print(fruit)

Editing a sets

Adding elements

fruits.add("orange")

Updating with multiple elements fruits.update(["grape", "mango"])

Frozenset

- A frozenset is an immutable version of a set
- you can perform set operations like union, intersection, and difference.
- Used as dictionary keys.

Creating a frozenset

fset = frozenset([1, 2, 3, 4, 5]) print(fset) # frozenset({1, 2, 3, 4, 5})

Sets Operations

 $A = \{1, 2, 3\}; B = \{3, 4, 5\}$

Union

print(A | B) # {1, 2, 3, 4, 5} print(A.union(B))

Intersection

print(A & B) # {3}
print(A.intersection(B))

Difference

print(A - B) # {1, 2}
print(A.difference(B))

Symmetric Difference

print(A ^ B) # {1, 2, 4, 5} print(A.symmetric_difference(B))

Set Unpacking

Basic

fruits = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}

a, b, c = fruits # Unpacks all elements into variables print(a, b, c)

Output: apple banana cherry (order may vary due to set's unordered nature)

use *

numbers = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}

first, *middle, last = numbers

print(first)

print(middle) # Remaining elements as a list

print(last)

Deleting a sets

- # Remove an element (error if not found) fruits.remove("banana")
- # Remove an element (no error if not found) fruits.discard("apple")
- # Pop a random element
 fruits.pop()
- # Clear all elements fruits.clear()
- # Delete the set del fruits

Set Functions

When/ Why	Function	Input	Output
Copy Set	copy()	new_s = s. copy()	{1,2,3} (copy)
Length	len()	len({1,2,3})	3
Check Subset	issubset()	{1,2}. issubset({1,2,3})	True
Check Superset	issuperset()	{1,2,3}.issuperset({2,3})	True
No common element	isdisjoint()	{1, 2, 3}.isdisjoint({7, 8})	True
Sorted	sorted()	{1, 3, 2}.sorted()	[1, 2, 3]

Set Operations



