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Built-in Data Types

in Python
(set, dictionary)

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Python Set



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What is a set?

- A set is a collection of **unique** data.
 - Elements of a set **cannot be duplicate**.
- Suppose we want to store information about student IDs. Since student IDs cannot be duplicate, we can use a set.

112	114	116	118	115
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Set of student IDs



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Creating a set

- In Python, we create sets by placing all the elements inside curly braces {}, separated by **comma**.
- A set can have any number of items and they may be of **different** types (integer, float, tuple, string, etc.).
- A set **cannot have mutable** elements like list, sets of dictionaries as its elements.
- Elements in a set have **no** particular order.

```
1 # create a set of integer type
2 student_id = {112, 114, 116, 118, 115}
3 print('Student ID:', student_id)
4
5 # create a set of string type
6 vowel_letters = {'a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u'}
7 print('Vowel Letters:', vowel_letters)
8
9 # create a set of mixed data types
10 mixed_set = {'Hello', 101, -2, 'Bye'}
11 print('Set of mixed data types:', mixed_set)
```



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Creating an empty set

- Creating an empty set is a bit tricky. Empty curly braces `{}` will make an **empty dictionary** in Python.
- To make a set without any element, we use the `set()` function without any argument.

```
1 # create an empty set
2 empty_set = set()
3
4 # create an empty dictionary
5 empty_dictionary = { }
6
7 # check data type of empty_set
8 print('Data type of empty_set:', type(empty_set))
9
10 # check data type of dictionary_set
11 print('Data type of empty_dictionary', type(empty_dictionary))
```



Duplicate items in a set

- Let's see what will happen if we try to include **duplicate** items in a set.

```
1 numbers = {2, 4, 6, 6, 2, 8}
2 print(numbers) # {8, 2, 4, 6}
```



Add an item to a set

- Sets are **mutable**. However, since they are unordered, indexing has **no** meaning.
- We **cannot** **access** or **change** an element of a set using **indexing** or **slicing**. Set data type does not support it.
- To add an item to a set in Python, we use the `add()` method.

```
1 numbers = {21, 34, 54, 12}
2
3 print('Initial Set:', numbers)
4
5 # using add() method
6 numbers.add(32)
7
8 print('Updated Set:', numbers)
```



Update items in a set

- The `update()` method is used to update the set with items of **other** collection types (lists, tuples, sets, etc.).

```
1 companies = {'Lacoste', 'Ralph Lauren'}
2 tech_companies = ['apple', 'google', 'apple']
3
4 companies.update(tech_companies)
5
6 print(companies)
```



Remove an item from a set

- We use the `discard()` method to remove the specified element from a set.

```
1 languages = {'Swift', 'Java', 'Python'}
2
3 print('Initial Set:', languages)
4
5 # remove 'Java' from a set
6 languages.discard('Java')
7
8 print('Set after remove():', languages)
```

- Note that if the object not found, either do nothing or not raise any exception!

```
1 languages = {'Swift', 'Java', 'Python'}
2
3 print('Initial Set:', languages)
4 k = 'Java2'
5
6 try:
7     if k in languages:
8         languages.discard(k)
9     else:
10        raise Exception(f'Error: {k} not found!')
11 except Exception as e:
12     print(e)
13
14 print('Set after remove():', languages)
```



Built-in functions with set

Function	Description
<code>all()</code>	Return True if all element of the set are true (or if the set is empty).
<code>any()</code>	Return True if any element of the set are true. If the set is empty, return False .
<code>enumerate()</code>	Return an enumerate object. It contains the index and value for all the items of the set as a pair.
<code>len()</code>	Return the number of items in the set.
<code>max()</code>	Return the largest item in the set.
<code>min()</code>	Return the smallest item in the set.
<code>sorted()</code>	Return a new sorted list from elements in the set (does not sort the set itself).
<code>sum()</code>	Return the sum of all elements in the set.

Let try to call the above functions, i.e.,

```
>>> m = {1, False, 2}; all(m)
```

```
False
```



Iterate over a set

- We can use the `for` loop with set.

```
1 fruits = {"Apple", "Peach", "Mango"}
2
3 # for loop to access each fruits
4 for fruit in fruits:
5     print(fruit)
```



Set operation (union)

- The union of two sets A and B include all the elements of set A and B.
- We use the `|` operator or the `union()` method to perform the set union operation.

```
1 # first set
2 A = {1, 3, 5}
3
4 # second set
5 B = {0, 2, 4}
6
7 # perform union operation using |
8 m = A | B
9 print('Union using |: ', m)
10
11 # perform union operation using union()
12 m = B.union(A)
13 print('Union using union(): ', m)
```



Set operation (intersection)

- The intersection of two sets A and B include common elements between set A and B.
- We use the `&` operator or the `intersection()` method to perform the set intersection operation.

```
1 # first set
2 A = {1, 3, 5}
3
4 # second set
5 B = {1, 2, 3}
6
7 # perform intersection operation using &
8 m = A & B
9 print('Intersection using &:', m)
10
11 # perform ... using intersection()
12 m = A.intersection(B)
13 print('.. using intersection():', m)
```



Set operation (difference)

- The difference between two sets A and B include all elements of set A that are not present on set B.
- We use the `-` operator or the `difference()` method to perform the difference between two set.

```
1 # first set
2 A = {2, 3, 5}
3
4 # second set
5 B = {1, 2, 6}
6
7 # perform difference operation using -
8 m = A - B
9 print('Difference using -:', m)
10
11 # perform ... using difference()
12 m = A.difference(B)
13 print('Difference using difference():', m)
```



Set operation (symmetric difference)

- The symmetric difference between two sets A and B include all elements of A and B without the common elements.
- We use the `^` operator or the `symmetric_difference()` method to perform the symmetric difference between two set.

```
1 # first set
2 A = {2, 3, 5}
3
4 # second set
5 B = {1, 2, 6}
6
7 # perform difference operation using &
8 print('using ^:', A ^ B)
9
10 # using symmetric_difference()
11 m = A.symmetric_difference(B)
12 print('using symmetric_difference():', m)
```



Check if two sets are equal

- We use the `==` operator to check whether two sets are equal.

```
1 # first set
2 A = {1, 3, 5}
3
4 # second set
5 B = {3, 5, 1}
6
7 # perform difference operation using &
8 if A == B:
9     print('Set A and Set B are equal')
10 else:
11     print('Set A and Set B are not equal')
```



Other Python set methods

Method	Description
<code>add()</code>	Adds an element to the set
<code>clear()</code>	Removes all elements from the set
<code>copy()</code>	Return a copy of the set
<code>difference()</code>	Returns the difference of two or more sets as a new set
<code>difference_update()</code>	Removes all elements of another set from this set
<code>discard()</code>	Remove an element from the set if it is a member (Do nothing if the element is not in set)
<code>intersection()</code>	Return the intersection of two sets as a new set
<code>intersection_update()</code>	Updates the set with the intersection of itself and another
<code>isdisjoint()</code>	Return <code>True</code> if two sets have a null intersection



Other Python set methods (2)

Method	Description
<code>issubset()</code>	Returns <code>True</code> if another set contains this set
<code>issuperset()</code>	Returns <code>True</code> if this set contains another set
<code>pop()</code>	Removes and return an arbitrary set element. Raise <code>KeyError</code> if the set is empty
<code>remove()</code>	Removes an element from the set. If the element is not a member, raise a <code>KeyError</code>
<code>symmetric_difference()</code>	Return the symmetric difference of two sets as a new set
<code>symmetric_difference_update()</code>	Updates a set with the symmetric difference of itself and another
<code>union()</code>	Return the union of sets in a new set
<code>update()</code>	Updates the set with the intersection of itself and others



Python Dictionary



What's a dictionary

- In Python, a dictionary is a **collection** that allows us to **store data** in **key-value pairs**.
- We create a dictionary by placing **key:value pairs** inside curly brackets `{}`, **separated** by **commas**.

```
1 # creating a dictionary
2 country_capitals = {
3     "United States": "Washington D.C.",
4     "Italy": "Rome",
5     "England": "London"
6 }
7
8 # printing the dictionary
9 print(country_capitals)
```



Dictionary key is immutable

- Dictionary keys must be **immutable**, such as tuples, strings, integers, etc. We **cannot** use mutable (changeable) objects such as lists as keys.
- We can also use `dict()` function to create dictionaries.

```
1 # Valid dictionary
2 my_dict1 = dict(
3     (1, "Hello"),
4     [(1, 2), "Hello Hi"],
5     (3, [1, 2, 3])
6 )
7
8 print(my_dict1)
9
10 # Invalid dictionary
11 # Error: using a list as a key is not allowed
12 my_dict2 = {
13     1: "Hello",
14     [1, 2]: "Hello Hi",
15 }
16 print(my_dict2)
```



Dictionary length

- We can get the size of a dictionary by using the `len()` function.

```
1 country_capitals = {
2     "United States": "Washington D.C.",
3     "Italy": "Rome",
4     "England": "London"
5 }
6
7 # get dictionary's length
8 print(len(country_capitals)) # 3
```



Access dictionary items

- We can **access** the **value** of a dictionary **item** by placing the **key** inside square brackets `[]`.

```
1 country_capitals = {
2     "United States": "Washington D.C.",
3     "Italy": "Rome",
4     "England": "London"
5 }
6
7 for i in country_capitals.keys():
8     print(i, end=', ')
9     print(country_capitals[i])
10
11 print(country_capitals.keys())
```



Change dictionary items

- Python dictionaries are **mutable** (changeable).
- We can change the value of a dictionary element by **referring** to its **key**.

```
1 country_capitals = {
2     "United States": "New York",
3     "Italy": "Naples",
4     "England": "London"
5 }
6
7 # change the value of "Italy" key to "Rome"
8 country_capitals["Italy"] = "Rome"
9
10 print(country_capitals)
```



Add items to a dictionary

- We can **add** an item to the dictionary by **assigning** a value to a **new key** that does not exist in the dictionary.
- We can also use the `update()` method to **add** or **change** dictionary items.

```
1 country_capitals = {
2     "United States": "New York",
3     "Italy": "Naples",
4     1 : "One",
5     '1': "OneStr",
6     (1,): "OneTuple"
7 }
8
9 country_capitals["Germany"] = "Berlin"
10 # note the key parameter in update() method!!!
11 country_capitals.update(Thailand='Bangkok')
12 country_capitals.update(Italy='Rome')
13
14 #country_capitals.update(1='Un')
15 #country_capitals.update('1'='UnStr')
16 #country_capitals.update((1,)= 'UnTuple')
17
18 print(country_capitals)
```



Remove dictionary items

```
1 country_capitals = {
2     "United States": "New York",
3     "Italy": "Naples",
4     "Ukraine": "Kiev"
5 }
6
7 del country_capitals["United States"]
8 print(country_capitals)
9
10 co = 'Italy'
11 ca = country_capitals.pop(co)
12 print(f'{co}, {ca}')
13
14 res = country_capitals.clear()
15 print(country_capitals, res)
```

- We use `del` statement to remove an element from the dictionary.
- We can also use the `pop()` method to remove an item from the dictionary.
- We can use the `clear()` method to remove all items at once.



Dictionary membership test

- We can check whether a key exists in a dictionary using the `in` operator.
- Note that the `in` operator does **not** check whether a value exists.

```
1 my_list = {1: "Hello", "Hi": 25, "Howdy": 100}
2
3 print(1 in my_list) # True
4
5 # the not in operator checks whether key doesn't exist
6 print("Howdy" not in my_list) # False
7
8 print("Hello" in my_list) # False
```



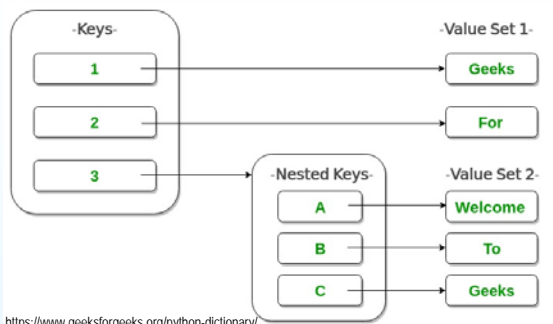
Iterating through a dictionary

- A dictionary is an **ordered** collection of items. Meaning a dictionary **maintains** the **order** of its items.
- We can **iterate** through dictionary **keys** one by one using a `for` loop.

```
1 country_capitals = {
2     "United States": "New York",
3     "Italy": "Naples"
4 }
5
6 # print dictionary keys one by one
7 for country in country_capitals:
8     print(country)
9
10 print("-----")
11
12 # print dictionary values one by one
13 for country in country_capitals:
14     capital = country_capitals[country]
15     print(capital)
```



Nested dictionary



<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/python-dictionary/>

```
1 Dict = {1: 'Geeks', 2: 'For',
2         3: {'A': 'Welcome', 'B': 'To', 'C': 'Geeks'}}
3
4 a = Dict[3]['A']
5 print(a)
6 Dict[3]['C'] = 'CPE_KU'
7 print(Dict[3]['C'])
```



Dictionary methods

Method	Description
<code>pop()</code>	Remove the item with the specified key
<code>update()</code>	Add or change dictionary items
<code>clear()</code>	Remove all items from the dictionary
<code>keys()</code>	Returns all the dictionary keys
<code>values()</code>	Returns all the dictionary values
<code>get()</code>	Returns the value of the specified key
<code>popitem()</code>	Return the last inserted key and value as a tuple
<code>copy()</code>	Returns a copy of the dictionary



Problem Solving Samples



All pair sum to a given value



- Write a program that finds all pairs of elements in a list whose sum is equal to a given value.

```
1 res = []
2 # target = 35
3 # m = [10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20]
4 target = 7
5 m = [1,2,3,4,5]
6 print(f'Input: {m}, target={target}')
7 for i in range(len(m)):
8     complement = target - m[i]
9     for j in range(len(m)):
10         if j == i:
11             continue
12         if m[j] == complement:
13             res.append([m[i], complement])
14             break
15 print('Output:', res)
```

`>>> %Run allPairsSumEqGivenValue.py`

Input: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5], target=7
Output: [[2, 5], [3, 4], [4, 3], [5, 2]]



Longest common prefix



- Write a program to find the longest common prefix of all strings.

```
1 def lcp(s=["HelloWorld","Hello"]):
2     min_length = min([len(word) for word in s])
3     for i in range(min_length):
4         char_i = set([word[i] for word in s])
5         #print(char_i)
6         if len(char_i) > 1:
7             return s[0][:i]
8     #print("#-----")
9     return s[0][:min_length]
10
11 s = ["pqrefgh", "pqrsfghk"]
12 #s = ["1234", "1234"]
13 print(f'Input: {s}')
14 print(f'Output: {lcp(s)}')
```

```
>>> %Run longestCommonPrefix.py
Input: ['pqrefgh', 'pqrsfghk']
Output: pqr
```



Max product of all pairs



- Write a program to find the two numbers whose product is maximum among all the pairs of "different numbers" in a given list of numbers.

```
1 m = [1, -2, -3, 4, 5, -6, 7, -8, 9, -10]
2 # m = [1, -2, -3, 4, 5, -6, 7, -8, 9, -5, 5, 9, -10, -10]
3 print(f'Input: {m}')
4 maxProd = -99999999
5 m = list(set(m))
6 for i in range(len(m)):
7     for j in range(i+1, len(m)):
8         if m[i]*m[j] > maxProd:
9             maxProd = m[i]*m[j]
10            a,b = m[i], m[j]
11 print(a,b)
```

```
>>> %Run maxProd2numbers.py
Input: [1, -2, -3, 4, 5, -6, 7, -8, 9, -10]
-10 -8
```



Missing numbers



- Given two sets of numbers, write a program to find the missing numbers in the second set as compared to the first and vice versa.

```
1 def missing_numbers1(setN1, setN2):
2     res = set(setN1)-set(setN2), set(setN2)-set(setN1)
3     return res
4
5 def missing_numbers2(setN1, setN2):
6     res1, res2 = [], []
7     for i in setN1:
8         if i not in setN2:
9             res1.append(i)
10    for j in setN2:
11        if j not in setN1:
12            res2.append(j)
13    return res1, res2
14
15 setN1 = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}
16 setN2 = {3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8}
17 print(f'Input1: {setN1}\nInput2: {setN2}')
18 a = missing_numbers1(setN1, setN2)
19 b = missing_numbers2(setN1, setN2)
20 print(f'{a}\n{b}')
```

```
>>> %Run missingNum.py
Input1: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}
Input2: {3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8}
({1, 2}, {8, 7})
([1, 2], [7, 8])
```



Sum of 3 different numbers



- Write a program to find all the unique combinations of 3 "different numbers" from a given list of numbers, adding up to a target number.

```
1 m = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
2 target = 17
3
4 res = []
5 for i in range(len(m)):
6     for j in range(i+1, len(m)):
7         for k in range(j+1, len(m)):
8             if m[i]+m[j]+m[k] == target:
9                 res.append([m[i]]+[m[j]]+[m[k]])
10 print(f'Input: {m}, target={target}')
11 print(res)
```

```
>>> %Run combinationOfThree.py
Input: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9], target=17
[[1, 7, 9], [2, 6, 9], [2, 7, 8], [3, 5, 9],
 [3, 6, 8], [4, 5, 8], [4, 6, 7]]
```



Frequency of factors



- Given a list with elements, construct a dictionary with frequency of factors.

```
1 test_list = [2,6,8,4]
2 # test_list = [2, 4, 6, 8, 3, 9, 12, 15, 16, 18]
3 max_elem = max(test_list)
4 res = {} # create an empty dict
5 for i in range(1,max_elem+1):
6     count = 0
7     for k in test_list:
8         if k%i==0:
9             count += 1
10    res[i] = count
11
12 print(f'Input: {test_list}')
13 print(res)
```

```
>>> %Run factorFreqDict.py
Input: [2, 6, 8, 4]
{1: 4, 2: 4, 3: 1, 4: 2, 5: 0, 6: 1, 7: 0, 8: 1}
```



Count distinct substrings



```
1 '''
2 Count distinct substrings of a string
3 '''
4
5 s = 'aba'
6 res = []
7 print(f'Input: {s}')
8 for k in range(len(s)):
9     for i in range(1,len(s)+1):
10        tmp = s[k:i]
11        #print(k, i, tmp)
12        if tmp != '' and tmp not in res:
13            res.append(s[k:i])
14
15 print(res)
```

```
>>> %Run countDistinctSubstr.py
Input: aba
['a', 'ab', 'aba', 'b', 'ba']
```



Non-repeating characters



```
1 '''
2 Find all characters of non-repeating characters in a string
3 '''
4
5 s = 'geeksforgeeks'
6 print(f'Input: {s}')
7 rep_dic = {}
8
9 for c in s:
10    if rep_dic.get(c, 'Not Found') == 'Not Found':
11        rep_dic[c] = 1
12    else:
13        rep_dic[c] += 1
14 print('DEBUG:', rep_dic)
15 res = []
16 for k in rep_dic:
17    if rep_dic[k] == 1:
18        res.append(k)
19 print('Output:', res)
```

```
>>> %Run findNonRepeatingCharInStr.py
Input: geeksforgeeks
DEBUG: {'g': 2, 'e': 4, 'k': 2, 's': 2, 'f': 1, 'o': 1, 'r': 1}
Output: ['f', 'o', 'r']
```



Word Frequency



- From a collection of written texts, a string of text, also known as **corpus**, lets create a word frequency with the help of a dictionary.

```
1 corpus = '''We learn all about the Pthon Dictionary\
2 and its potential. You would also learn to create\
3 word frequency using the Dictionary'''
4
5 word_freq = dict()
6 corpus_word = str(corpus).split()
7 #print(corpus_word)
8 for i in range(len(corpus_word)):
9     if corpus_word[i] not in word_freq:
10        word_freq[corpus_word[i]] = 1
11    else:
12        word_freq[corpus_word[i]] += 1
13 print(word_freq)
```

```
>>> %Run combinationOfThree.py
{'We': 1, 'learn': 2, 'all': 1, 'about': 1, 'the': 2, 'Python': 1, 'Dictionary': 2, 'and': 1, 'its': 1, 'potential': 1, 'You': 1, 'would': 1, 'also': 1, 'to': 1, 'create': 1, 'word': 1, 'frequency': 1, 'using': 1}
```



To be continue..

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