

# Other Structured Types

## Sets, Tuples, Dictionaries

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# Recap

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- Variables point to objects of different types
- Objects can be of scalar types: int, float, boolean
- Objects can be structured/ compound types; built-in are: lists, strings, sets, tuples, dictionaries
- In structured types, you can perform operations on the whole object, but can also extract items from it
- So far we have discussed lists and strings
- Now we will discuss the remaining ones: tuples, sets, dictionaries
- Dictionaries in particular are very commonly used, and like strings, are a strength of python

# Recap – Lists

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- Lists are a list of items in brackets, eg. `[1, 4, 9, "str", 5.0, 4]`
- Lists are mutable, can change the items like `L[index] = val`
- Can slice a list to get a sublist - from start or from end of list
- Joining or repeating lists by operations: `+` , `*`
- Functions with list as parameter: `len()`, `sum()`
- Presence/absence of item by ops: `in`, `not in`
- Ops on a list: `append()`, `insert()`, `extend()`, `remove()`, `pop()`, `index()`, `reverse()`, `count()`, `copy()`, `sort()`
- Can easily loop over list items - item by item, or using index
- Lists can be nested - i.e. list items are themselves lists
- List comprehension a compact way to create lists from lists

# Recap – Strings

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- Strings are like "Hello hi" or 'Hi Hello' ; can loop over chars in str
- They are immutable, cannot change any item of a string
- Can slice a string to get substrings - from start or from end
- Functions: len(), in, not in, + , \*
- Can split strings into a list of items using s.split()
- Can join a list of strings to form one using join()
- String operations (return a new string): lower(), upper(), replace(), count(), find(), isdigit(), ...

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# Dictionaries



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# Dictionary



- Dictionaries are used to store data items in key:value pairs
- keys in a dict must be unique (no duplicates)
- Values in items can be of any data type, and can be changed
- Dictionary items can be referred to by using the key name (no index)
- Dictionary is mutable but the keys must be of an immutable type.
- Duplicate items (i.e. with same key value) not permitted
- A dictionary can be created using the following syntax :

```
car = { "make": "Honda", "year": 2021,  
        "model": "City", "cc":1500, "price": 19.5, }
```



# Accessing Dictionary Items

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- Can access any value using key and can also assign a new value. Eg: `car["make"]` is "Honda", `car["cc"]` is 1500, `car["price"]` is 19.5
- Can use `get` method also, e.g. `car.get("model")` will return "City"
- If we try to access a key value which is not present - `KeyError`.
- However, `get()` returns `None`, if key not present; we can also specify a value that is returned when the key is absent  
`car.get("Fuel")` # returns `None`  
`car.get("Fuel","Petrol")` # returns `Petrol`

# Keys, Values, Items



- Can get all the keys or values of a dictionary as a list  
`k = car.keys() # returns all the keys`  
`vals = car.values() # returns all the values`
- Can also get all items - this will be a list of tuples  
`car.items() # returns list of type: (key, value)`
- Can check whether a key exists in dictionary using the **in** keyword.  
`"make" in car # Returns True`  
`"fuel" in car # Returns False`
- **not in** for checking absence of a key  
`"fuel" not in car # Returns True`
- Number of key-value pairs can be obtained using the `len()` function.

# Modifying Dictionary



- Change an item's value - just access it and assign new value  
`car["make"] = "Suzuki"`
- Adding an item - like change, if key doesn't exist, new item created  
`car["boot"] = 450` # will add this item ("boot": 450)
- Removing an item - `pop("key")` will remove the item  
`car.pop("make")` # removes the make item, returns the value  
`popitem()` # removes the last item added, returns item  
`clear()` # clears the dictionary  
`del` removes the specified key from the dictionary.

# Looping Over a Dictionary

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```
for i in car: # looping over key values
    print(i)  # print the ith key
    print(car[i]) # print the value of ith item
```

```
for i in car.values(): # looping over values
    print(val) # prints the ith item value
```

```
for i in car.items(): # each i is a tuple giving the ith item
    print(i)
```

```
for x,y in car.items(): # get the key in x and value in y
    print(x,y)
```

# Create, Copy a Dictionary

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- Like lists, assigning the dictionary variable to another does not make another copy of the dictionary
- If d1 is a dictionary, d2 = d1 means that d2 points to the same dictionary as d1 - making change in one will be reflected in other.
- To make a copy, like in list, use copy method
- `d2 = d1.copy()` # now d2 points to a different object
- The function `dict()` can also be used
- A new dictionary can be created from a list of keys, with a default value for each item  
`d.fromkeys(<keylist>, value)`

# Nested Dictionary

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- The value in each item can be a dictionary (or any structured type)
- With values being dictionaries, we have nested dictionary
- Nesting can be arbitrarily deep - giving power to represent a wide range of data
- Nested dictionaries used widely through JSON format for exchanging data



# Example of Nested Dictionary



- Let's take the record of a person at IIIT-D.

```
p1 = {"name": "Ayush", "role": "Student",  
      "DOB": {"date": 4, "month": 2, "year": 2001},  
      "Address": {"Colony": "Vasant Kunj", "No": 201},  
      "Hobbies": ["reading", "movies", "cricket"]  
    }
```

- `p1["name"]` is "Ayush"
- `p1["DOB"]` is {"date": 4, "month": 2, "year": 2001}
- `p1["DOB"]["year"]` is 2001

# Dictionary Methods

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- Various methods of a dictionary, which we have already seen
  - d.get(<key>)** # returns the value of the item with <key>
  - d.keys()** # list of keys
  - d.values()** # list of values
  - d.items()** # list of types of (key, value)
  - d.pop(<key>)** # removes the item with <key>
  - d.clear()** # clears
  - d.copy()** # copies the dictionary
  - len(d)** # size of dictionary i.e. number of keys



# Example



Count frequency of list elements

Input: [1,2,1,1,2,4,6,4,1,7]

Output:

1: 4

2: 2

4: 2

6: 1

7: 1

```
lst = [1,2,1,1,2,4,6,4,1,7]
freq = {}
for x in lst:
    if x not in freq:
        freq[x] = 0
    freq[x] = freq[x]+1
print(freq)

# Alternative Method: using get()

lst = [1,2,1,1,2,4,6,4,1,7]
freq = {}
for x in lst:
    freq[x] = freq.get(x,0)+1
print(freq)
```

# Quiz – Single Correct



What would be the output of the code given below?

```
p = {5 : 5, 7 : '7', '5' : 5, '7' : 8}
p[7] = 5
p['5'] = 7

print(p[str(p[p[str(p[5])])])])
```

- a.) Error
- b.) 5
- c.) 7
- d.) '7'

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**c.) 7**

d.) '7'

Explanation : After update,  $p = \{5: 5, '5': 7, 7: 5, '7': 8\}$

$p[5] = 5$

$p[\text{str}(p[5])] = p('5') = 7$

$p[p[\text{str}(p[5])]] = p[7] = 5$

$p[\text{str}(p[p[\text{str}(p[5])]])] = p('5') = 7$  (Ans.)

# Example

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Consider a student record in a college over different semesters

```
student = {  
    "rollno": "1234",  
    "name": "Shyam",  
    "sem1": [("m101", 4, 9), ("cs101", 4, 8), ("com101", 4, 10)],  
    "sem2": [("m102", 4, 8), ("cs102", 4, 9), ("ee102", 4, 8)],  
    "sem3": [("m202", 2, 10), ("cs201", 4, 8), ("elect1", 4, 10)],  
}
```

Let us compute the SGPA for a semester



# An Example



```
def sgpa(student, sem):  
    tot1 = 0  
    tot2 = 0  
    for i in student[sem]:  
        tot1 += i[1]  
        tot2 += i[1]*i[2]  
    SGPA = tot2/tot1  
    return SGPA
```

```
SGPA = sgpa(student, "sem1")  
print(f'sgpa is {SGPA}')
```

Computing SGPA for all the semesters

```
for i in student.items():  
    if i[0][:3] == "sem":  
        SGPA = sgpa(student, i[0])  
        print(f'sgpa for {i[0]} is {SGPA}')
```

# Summary – Dictionaries

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- Dictionaries store data in key-value pairs; keys or values can be of any type
- Items in dictionary are accessed using the key as "index"
- Dictionaries are mutable, but Keys cannot change, and keys must be unique
- `keys()`, `values()`, `items()` - provide as lists of items/tuple
- Can add an item (by just `dict[key] = value`), delete by `pop()`
- Many methods on dictionaries
- Can loop over dictionary - using keys. Can also loop over values by getting `values()`, or `items()`

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# Structured Types Some Commonalities



# Creating Objects using Constructor



- Python provides constructor functions to create an object of a type from other objects,

**list(), set(), dict(), tuple(), str() # the arg has to be suitable**

- Example uses of these - valid and invalid

```
T = tuple("Hello") # ('H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o')
```

```
S = str(5.0) # Converted number to string. Now S = '5.0'
```

```
L1 = list(T) # ['H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']
```

```
L2 = list("Hello")
```

```
D = dict(a=1,b=2) # {'a': 1, 'b': 2}
```



# Common Functions on Objects

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There are some common functions which are useful - some apply to structured types, some to all objects

- `type(x)` # returns the type of `x`
- `len(x)` # returns the no of items in `x`
- `all(x)` # returns True if all elements of an iterable are true
  - `all([1,1,1]) -> True` ; `all([1,0,0]) -> False`
- `any(x)` # returns True if any elements of an iterable are true
  - `any([1,0,0]) -> True` ; `any([0,0,0]) -> False`
- `reversed(x)` # returns a reverse iterator
- `sorted(x)` # returns a new sorted list from the items in iterable

# enumerate() – convenient way to iterate



This is a special function that allows you to simultaneously get the indexes and values of an iterable object.

Examples:

```
l = ["Sam", "John", "Tim"]  
for index, val in enumerate(l):  
    print(index, val)
```

0	Sam
1	John
2	Tim

```
d = {"Sam":10, "John":30, "Tim":20}  
for index, (key, val) in enumerate(d.items()):  
    print(index, key, val)
```

0	Sam	10
1	John	30
2	Tim	20

# Mutable and Immutable Objects

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- A variable (in python) points to an object with a value/state
- Objects are of two types: Mutable and Immutable
- Mutable objects: The state/value can be changed
- Immutable objects - state cannot be changed (though new objects can be created)
- Immutable Objects : objects of type: int, float, bool, string
- Mutable Objects: of type list, dictionary, set, (and custom objects)
- Tuple - a special case. While tuple is immutable, it may have elements (e.g. list) which are mutable

# Mutable and Immutable Objects

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Immutable objects - assigning a var pointing to one to another

```
X = 10
```

```
Y = X
```

```
Y = 20 # a new object 20 is created to which y points, x continues to  
point at object with value 10
```

Mutable objects - assigning only creates a pointer

```
L1 = [1, 3, 5, 9]
```

```
L2 = L1
```

```
l1 [2] = 8 # this changes the list, and so l2 will also reflect it
```