**Objective**: The worksheet introduces another collection data type *Dictionary*. Dictionaries are useful in Data Science when the item values in a collection need to be associated with their key names.

## **Dictionary**

- Dictionary is a collection of key-value pairs, where all the keys are unique.
- Curly braces {} are used to declare dictionaries (like sets) but syntax inside the braces is different.
- To understand the dictionary data type, let us take some data about the few people, where their names, weights, heights and body types are maintained:

Name	Weight	Height	BodyType
John	75	1.5	Obese
Sarita	55	1.6	Normal
Abdul	60	1.9	Underweight

- As the dictionary is a collection of key-value pairs, each column name act as the key name and the corresponding row values become the values of those keys.
- Observe the following syntax to define a dictionary from the above table in Python:

```
humanData = {
    "Name": "John",
    "Weight": 75,
    "Height": 1.5,
    "BodyType": "Obese"
}
```

Now, to access the value of an key, the key itself becomes the index as shown in the example below:

```
humanData["Name"]
'John'
humanData["BodyType"]
'Obese'
```

Here the variable humanData is of dictionary type.

```
print(type(humanData))
<class 'dict'>

———— Dictionary data type
```

• A new key-value pairs can also be created for an individual row. That may not exists for the all the rows. Here the row means a record. There are 3 rows (records) in the data. One each for John, Sarita and Abdul. Let us create a new key-value pair for John for his email.

```
humanData["email"] = "john@foody.com"

print(humanData)
{'Name': 'John', 'Weight': 75, 'Height': 1.5, 'BodyType': 'Obese', 'email': 'john@foody.com'}
humanData["email"]
'john@foody.com'
```

• Using the *for* loop, the values of the different key values can be accessed. Observe the syntax below to perform the iteration:

```
For each key in humanData:
    print (humanData [key])

John
75
1.5
Obese
john@foody.com
```

## **Exercise:**

Modify code of the last example above to get the print output as shown below:

Name: John
Weight: 75
Height: 1.5
BodyType: Obese
email: john@foody.com

## **Dictionary Functions**

• There are several built-in functions that are available with dictionary. Let us see the examples of few:



- In the above example, humanData contains the record for John only. The original dataset has three records one each for John, Sarita and Abdul. How to store that?
- Based on the requirement, a list (or a tuple) of dictionaries can be created. The code below creates a list of the dictionaries for the records of John, Sarita and Abdul.

```
humanData1 = {
    "Name": "John",
    "Weight": 75,
    "Height": 1.5,
    "BodyType": "Obese"
}
humanData2 = {
    "Name": "Sarita",
    "Weight": 55,
    "Height": 1.6,
    "BodyType": "Normal"
}
humanData3 = {
   "Name": "Abdul",
    "Weight": 60,
    "Height": 1.9,
    "BodyType": "Underweight"
}
humanDataList = [humanData1, humanData2, humanData3]
humanDataList
[{'Name': 'John', 'Weight': 75, 'Height': 1.5, 'BodyType': 'Obese'},
 {'Name': 'Sarita', 'Weight': 55, 'Height': 1.6, 'BodyType': 'Normal'},
 {'Name': 'Abdul', 'Weight': 60, 'Height': 1.9, 'BodyType': 'Underweight'}]
```

Note that there are dictionaries named humanData1, humanData2 and humanData3 for John, Sarita
and Abdul respectively. Finally the humanDataList is a list that keeps these three dictionary data types.

## **Exercise:**

1. What will be the output of the following code w.r.t. the above example?

```
i. print(type(humanDataList))
ii. print(type(humanDataList[0]))
iii. print(type (humanDataList[1]["Height"]))
iv. print(humanDataList[2]["Weight"])
```

2. What happens when you try to keep the duplicate keys with values in the same dictionary?