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L4B: Dictionaries and Sets



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1. Variables, Expressions, Simple I/O

2. Boolean Decisions (branching)

3. Repetitions (loops)

4A. Collective Data Structures (Lists and Tuples)

4B. CDS (Dictionaries and Sets)

5. Functions

6. File I/O

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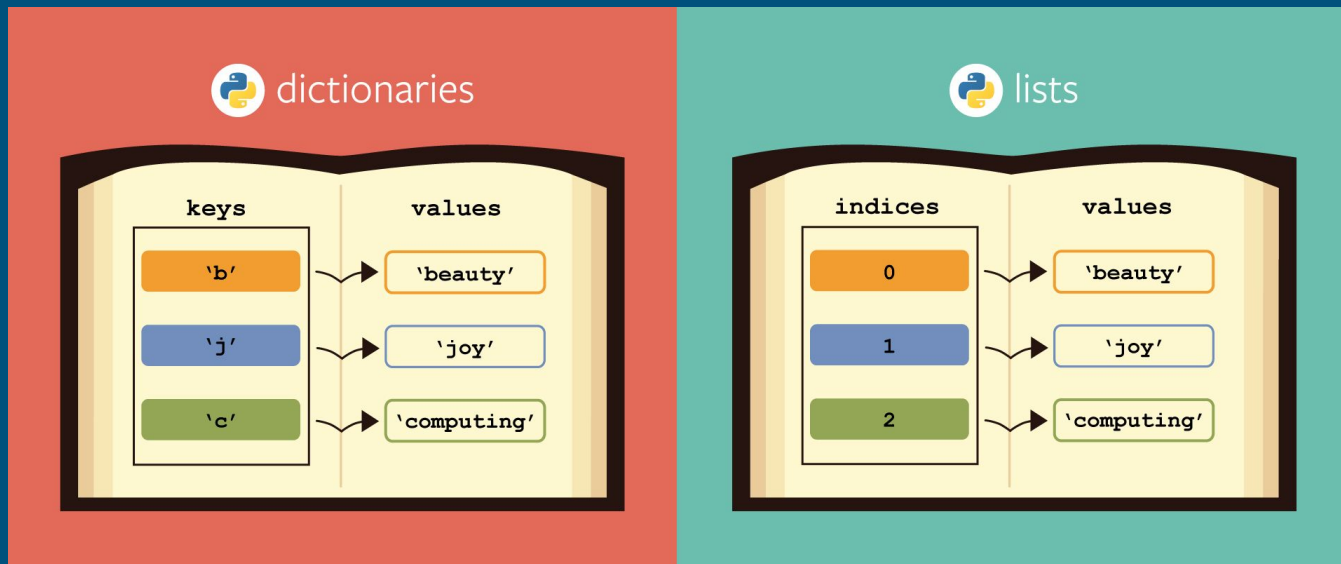
AGENDA

- Dictionaries
- Sets
- Membership operators
- Revisiting Iterables
- Comprehension

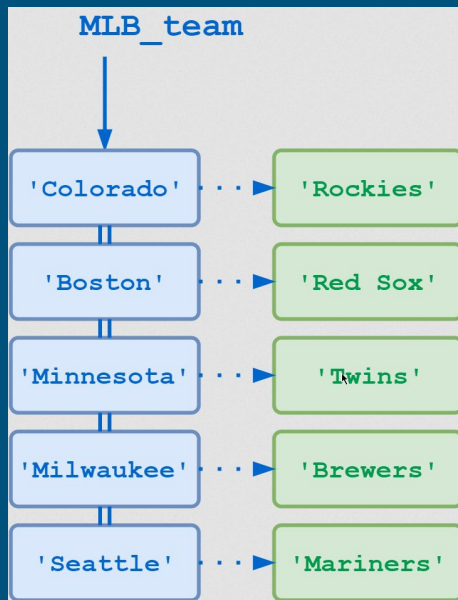


Dictionaries

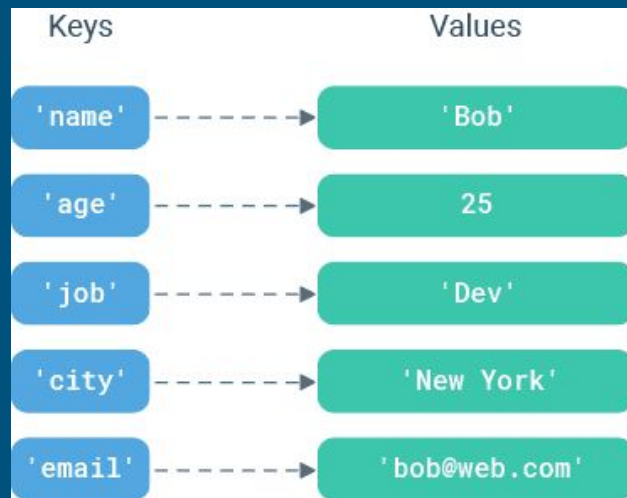
A dictionary consists of a collection of **key (unique)** - **value** pairs



Dictionaries: Examples



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value 'Rockies' is mapped to 'Colorado' key
value 'Red Sox' is mapped to 'Boston' key

value 'Bob' is mapped to 'name' key
value 'New York' is mapped to 'city' key

Syntax and accessing elements

Dictionary created using {} curly brackets, each key-value pair separated by a comma



```
#sets are written using {} curly brackets
```

```
new_dict = {'Tamu': 'Aggies', 'Ut': 'Longhorns', 'Georgia': 'Bulldogs', 'Clemson': 'Tigers'}  
type(new_dict)
```



```
dict
```

Key

Value

Values are accessed using keys (unlike numeric indexing 0,1,.. in lists)



```
new_dict['Tamu']
```



```
'Aggies'
```



```
new_dict['Clemson']
```



```
'Tigers'
```



Examples



```
state_abbr = {'Texas': 'TX', 'New York': 'NY', 'California': 'CA', 'Arizona': 'AZ', 'Florida': 'FL'}  
state_abbr
```



```
{'Arizona': 'AZ',  
 'California': 'CA',  
 'Florida': 'FL',  
 'New York': 'NY',  
 'Texas': 'TX'}
```

Creating a dictionary using `dict()` function



```
cost_dict = dict(flour=1.59, sugar=0.99, salt=0.50, pepper=1.00)  
cost_dict
```



```
{'flour': 1.59, 'pepper': 1.0, 'salt': 0.5, 'sugar': 0.99}
```





| | List | Dictionary |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| Usage | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> List is a container of data which is referred with a numeric index. Useful when the order of the data items is important. Can store heterogeneous data but mostly used for data of same type. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dictionary map key to values. Each key is unique and the order of data is not important. They are versatile and powerful enough to handle heterogeneous data types. |
| Variable Declaration | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Declare using Square brackets [] <pre>month = ['Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar']</pre> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Declare using curly brackets { } <pre>capitals = {'Italy':'Rome', 'Germany':'Berlin'}</pre> |
| Element Reference | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each element is referred with a numeric index starting from zero. <pre>month [1] = 'Feb'</pre> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each element is referred with a unique key. <pre>capitals['Italy'] = 'Rome'</pre> |
| Recalling elements | Print month [1] | Print capitals['Italy'] |
| Adding elements | A- Add items to the last. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> month.append('Apr') month.extend('Apr') month + ['June'] B- Add to selected position <pre>month.insert(1, 'Jul')</pre> | Order isn't important <pre>capitals['Pak'] = 'Islamabad'</pre> |
| Replacing elements | <pre>month [0] = 'Jan'</pre> | <pre>capitals['Italy'] = 'Venice'</pre> |
| Delete elements | A- Delete by index <pre>del month[1]</pre> B- Delete by value <pre>month.remove('Jun')</pre> <p>Deletion shall cause reordering of elements.</p> | <pre>del capitals['Italy']</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reordering. |
| Sorting | <pre>month.sort()</pre> | - Not applicable |
| Slicing | <pre>month [Start:End] – Specific elements</pre> <pre>month[:] – All elements</pre> <pre>month[-1] – Last Element</pre> | - Not applicable |

Sets

A set is collection of unique objects in an unordered fashion

Duplicate elements are not allowed

You can add more items - given it is not already present in a set

Once a set is created, you cannot change its items but you can add items



```
#sets are written using {} curly brackets
```

```
new_set = {'a', 'c', 'game', 14, 25, 13.20, 'howdy'}
```

```
type(new_set)
```



```
set
```



Examples



```
new_set = {'a', 'c', 'game', 14, 25, 13.20, 'howdy'}  
print(new_set)  
new_set.add('aggies')  
print(new_set)
```

```
☞ {'c', 'howdy', 13.2, 14, 'a', 'game', 25}  
   {'c', 'howdy', 13.2, 14, 'a', 'game', 25, 'aggies'}
```



```
# clear method  
new_set = {'a', 'c', 'game', 14, 25, 13.20, 'howdy'}  
new_set.clear()  
print(new_set)
```

```
☞ set()
```



```
mySet = set('Apple')  
print(mySet)  
myNewSet = set('Howdy')  
print(myNewSet)
```

```
☞ {'A', 'p', 'l', 'e'}  
   {'o', 'w', 'H', 'd', 'y'}
```



```
# discard method  
new_set = {'a', 'c', 'game', 14, 25, 13.20, 'howdy'}  
new_set.discard('game')  
print(new_set)
```

```
☞ {'c', 'howdy', 13.2, 14, 'a', 25}
```



```
# del method  
new_set = {'a', 'c', 'game', 14, 25, 13.20, 'howdy'}  
del(new_set)  
print(new_set)
```



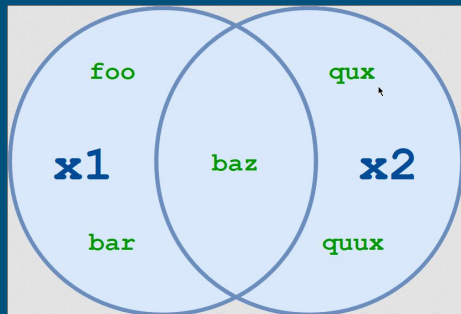
```
-----  
NameError                                Traceback (most recent  
<ipython-input-7-47b88d90fc9a> in <module>()  
      1 new_set = {'a', 'c', 'game', 14, 25, 13.20, 'howdy'}  
      2 del(new_set)
```



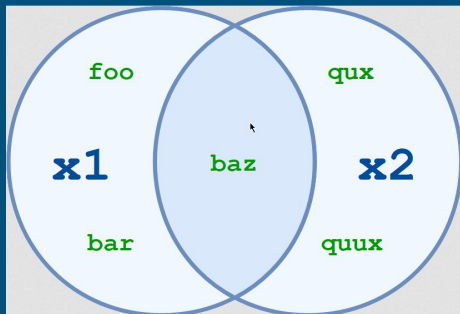
Set operations

Works similar to set operations in mathematics

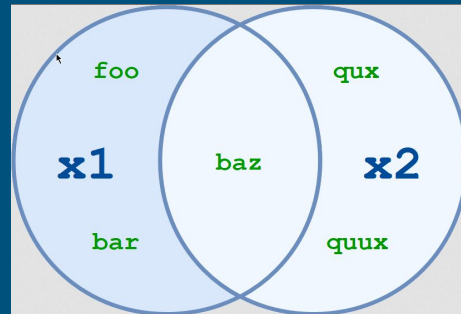
Union



Intersection



Difference



Example of set operations

```
set1 = {'a', 'c', 'game', 14, 25, 13.20, 'howdy'}  
set2 = {'d', 'f', 14, 'game', True, 'football'}
```

```
#union
```

```
print('Union set:', set1.union(set2))
```

```
#intersection
```

```
print('Intersection set:', set1.intersection(set2))
```

```
#difference
```

```
print('Difference set:', set1.difference(set2))
```

```
Union set: {'c', True, 'howdy', 13.2, 14, 'a', 'football', 'd', 'game', 25, 'f'}
```

```
Intersection set: {14, 'game'}
```

```
Difference set: {'c', 'howdy', 13.2, 'a', 25}
```



For a full list of set operations and methods

<https://docs.python.org/3.8/library/stdtypes.html#set>

List Vs Set Vs Dictionary Vs Tuple

| Lists | Sets | Dictionaries | Tuples |
|--|---|---|---|
| List = [10, 12, 15] | Set = {1, 23, 34} Print(set) -> {1, 23, 24} Set = {1, 1} print(set) -> {1} | Dict = {"Ram": 26, "mary": 24} | Words = ("spam", "eggs") Or Words = "spam", "eggs" |
| Access: print(list[0]) | Print(set). Set elements can't be indexed. | print(dict["ram"]) | Print(words[0]) |
| Can contains duplicate elements | Can't contain duplicate elements. Faster compared to Lists | Can't contain duplicate keys, but can contain duplicate values | Can contains duplicate elements. Faster compared to Lists |
| List[0] = 100 | set.add(7) | Dict["Ram"] = 27 | Words[0] = "care" -> TypeError |
| Mutable | Mutable | Mutable | Immutable - Values can't be changed once assigned |
| List = [] | Set = set() | Dict = {} | Words = () |
| Slicing can be done print(list[1:2]) -> [12] | Slicing: Not done. | Slicing: Not done | Slicing can also be done on tuples |
| <u>Usage:</u> Use lists if you have a collection of data that doesn't need random access. Use lists when you need a simple, iterable collection that is modified frequently. | <u>Usage:</u> - Membership testing and the elimination of duplicate entries. - when you need uniqueness for the elements. | <u>Usage:</u> - When you need a logical association b/w key:value pair. - when you need fast lookup for your data, based on a custom key. - when your data is being constantly modified. | <u>Usage:</u> Use tuples when your data cannot change. A tuple is used in combination with a dictionary, for example, a tuple might represent a key, because its immutable. |

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Membership operators

| Operator | Returns |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>in</code> | Returns True if value is in the collection |
| <code>not in</code> | Returns True if value is not in the collection |

Syntax

```
value in collection
```

```
value not in collection
```



Examples



```
my_list = [3, 5, 4.65, 'Howdy', 'John']  
'Howdy' in my_list
```

☞ True



```
my_list = [3, 5, 4.65, 'Howdy', 'John']  
'Dora' in my_list
```

☞ False



```
my_list = [3, 5, 4.65, 'Howdy', 'John']  
name = 'John'  
age = 35  
  
if name in my_list:  
    print('John is an item in the list')  
  
if age in my_list:  
    print('Age is an item in the list')  
else:  
    print('Age is not an item in the list')
```



```
John is an item in the list  
Age is not an item in the list
```



Revisiting Iterables

List, Tuples, Sets and Dictionaries are iterables in python

A **for** loop can be used to iterate over the elements



```
for item in list:  
    Statement..  
    statement..
```



```
for item in tuple:  
    Statement..  
    Statement..
```



```
for item in set:  
    Statement..  
    Statement..
```



```
#To iterate over values  
for values in dict.values():  
    Statements  
#To iterate over keys  
for keys in dict.keys():  
    Statements  
#To iterate over both keys & values  
for key, value in dict.items():  
    Statements
```



Examples

List as an iterable

```
▶ numList = list(range(1,9))  
print(numList)  
for number in numList:  
    print(number**3, end='  ')
```

```
➤ [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]  
   1 8 27 64 125 216 343 512
```

Tuple as an iterable

```
▶ myTuple = ('a', 'c', 'h', 'b', 'g', 'z')  
print(myTuple)  
for char in myTuple:  
    print(char*3, end='  ')
```

```
➤ ('a', 'c', 'h', 'b', 'g', 'z')  
   aaa ccc hhh bbb ggg zzz
```

Set as an iterable

```
▶ newSet = set('hullabaloo')  
print(newSet)  
for char in newSet:  
    print(char.upper(), end='  ')
```

```
➤ {'u', 'o', 'h', 'b', 'a', 'l'}  
   U O H B A L
```

Dictionary as an iterable

```
▶ myDict = {'TX':'Texas', 'NY':'New York', 'AL':'Alabama'}  
print(myDict)  
for key, value in myDict.items():  
    if key == 'TX':  
        print(f'{key} corresponds to the state {value}')
```

```
➤ {'TX': 'Texas', 'NY': 'New York', 'AL': 'Alabama'}  
   TX corresponds to the state Texas
```



enumerate()

Another way to shorten your code

Enumerate function adds a counter to the iterable and returns it along with item

```
enumerate(collection, startcount)
```



```
myList = ['howdy', 'aggie', 'yell', 'bonfire', 'muster']
```

```
for index, value in enumerate(myList, 1):  
    print(f'{index} : {value}')
```



```
1 : howdy  
2 : aggie  
3 : yell  
4 : bonfire  
5 : muster
```



zip()

If you wanna iterate through two or more collections simultaneously

Zip () takes in 2 or more iterables and returns an iterator

```
zip(iterable1, iterable2, ...)
```



```
listA = ['howdy', 'aggie', 'yell', 'bonfire', 'muster']  
listB = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]  
listC = ['H', 'O', 'W', 'D', 'Y']
```

```
for a, b, c in zip(listA, listB, listC):  
    print(f'{a} : {b} : {c}')
```



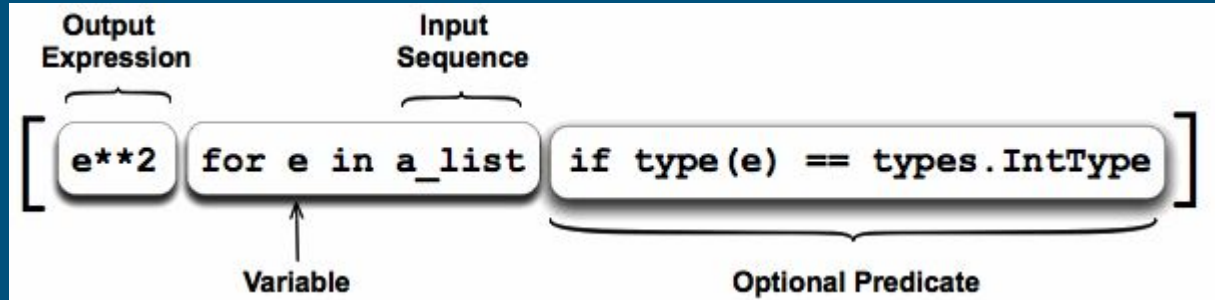
```
howdy : 1 : H  
aggie : 2 : O  
yell : 3 : W  
bonfire : 4 : D  
muster : 5 : Y
```



Comprehension

Comprehension is a technique to shorten your code

Used when you need to create a collection from an existing collection



Note that comprehension can be used with dictionaries & sets



Example of list comprehension

Classical Method

```
▶ myList = list(range(1,9))  
print(myList)  
newList = []  
  
for item in myList:  
    if item % 2 == 0:  
        newList.append(item)  
  
print(newList)
```

```
☞ [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]  
   [2, 4, 6, 8]
```

Comprehension

```
▶ myList = list(range(1,9))  
print(myList)  
  
newList = [item for item in myList if item%2 == 0]  
print(newList)
```

```
☞ [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]  
   [2, 4, 6, 8]
```



Nested List Comprehension



```
#creating a nested list
nestList = []
for i in range(5):
    #adding a blank element to list
    nestList.append([])
    for j in range(5):
        nestList[i].append(j)

print(nestList)
```



```
nestList = [[j for j in range(5)] for i in range(5)]
print(nestList)
```

```
☞ [[0, 1, 2, 3, 4], [0, 1, 2, 3, 4], [0, 1, 2, 3, 4], [0, 1, 2, 3, 4], [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]]
```



Another Example

```
▶ #Select a subset of planets if length > 6
planets = [['Mercury', 'Venus', 'Earth'],
           ['Mars', 'Jupiter', 'Saturn'],
           ['Uranus', 'Neptune', 'Pluto']]

subset = []
for sublist in planets:
    for planet in sublist:
        if len(planet) > 6:
            subset.append(planet)

print(subset)

➞ ['Mercury', 'Jupiter', 'Neptune']
```

Outer Loop

Inner Loop

```
▶ subset = [planet for sublist in planets for planet in sublist if len(planet)>6]
print(subset)

➞ ['Mercury', 'Jupiter', 'Neptune']
```



Example of Dictionary Comprehension

Classical Method



```
myList = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]
outputDict = {}

for item in myList:
    if item%2 != 0:
        outputDict[item] = item**2

print('Output dictionary:', outputDict)
```

☞ Output dictionary: {1: 1, 3: 9, 5: 25, 7: 49}

Comprehension



```
myList = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]

outputDict = {item:item**2 for item in myList if item%2 != 0}

print('Output dictionary:', outputDict)
```

☞ Output dictionary: {1: 1, 3: 9, 5: 25, 7: 49}



Next Lecture

Functions

Wed, May 06 (9 pm-10 pm CDT)

