



Computing Fundamentals using Python

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Comprehensions in Python

- comprehension is a concise way to create new sequences (like lists, sets, or dictionaries) from existing iterables (like lists, strings, or ranges).
- It allows you to write cleaner, shorter, and more readable code compared to traditional for loops.

Comprehensions in Python

There are mainly four types of comprehensions:

1. List Comprehension
2. Set Comprehension
3. Dictionary Comprehension
4. Generator Expression

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List Comprehension

Creates a new list from an existing iterable.

Syntax:

[expression for item in iterable if condition]

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List Comprehension

Example:

Squares of numbers 0–9

```
squares = [x**2 for x in range(10)]  
print(squares)    #Output [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81]
```

Even numbers

```
evens = [x for x in range(10) if x % 2 == 0]  
print(evens)    # Output [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]
```

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Set Comprehension

Similar to list comprehension, but creates a set (removes duplicates automatically).

Example:

```
nums = [1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5]
unique_squares = {x**2 for x in nums}
print(unique_squares)
```

output {1, 4, 9, 16, 25}

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Dictionary Comprehension

Creates a dictionary from an iterable.

Example:

```
# Map numbers to their squares  
squares_dict = {x: x**2 for x in range(5)}  
print(squares_dict)
```

```
# Output {0: 0, 1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9, 4: 16}
```

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Generator Expression

Looks like a list comprehension but uses `()` instead of `[]`. It creates a generator (lazy evaluation).

Example:

```
gen = (x**2 for x in range(5))  
print(next(gen)) # 0  
print(next(gen)) # 1  
print(list(gen)) # [4, 9, 16]
```


Advantages of Comprehension:

- More compact and readable.
- Often faster than using loops.
- Useful for filtering and transforming data.

Multiple Choice Questions

```
nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
result = [x*2 for x in nums if x%2==0]
print(result)
```

- a) [2, 4, 6, 8, 10]
- b) [4, 8]
- c) [2, 6, 10]
- d) [1, 3, 5]

Answer: b) [4, 8]

Multiple Choice Questions

Which of the following is not a valid comprehension in Python?

- a) List comprehension
- b) Set comprehension
- c) Dictionary comprehension
- d) Tuple comprehension

Answer: d) Tuple comprehension

Multiple Choice Questions

What will the following set comprehension produce?

```
s = {x % 3 for x in range(6)}  
print(s)
```

- a) {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5}
- b) {0, 1, 2}
- c) {0, 3}
- d) {1, 2, 3}

Answer: b) {0, 1, 2}

Multiple Choice Questions

What is the output of the dictionary comprehension below?

```
d = {x: x**2 for x in range(3)}  
print(d)
```

- a) {0: 1, 1: 2, 2: 3}
- b) {0: 0, 1: 1, 2: 4}
- c) {1: 1, 2: 2, 3: 3}
- d) {0: 0, 1: 2, 2: 3}

Answer: b) {0: 0, 1: 1, 2: 4}

Multiple Choice Questions

Which of the following creates a generator?

- a) `[x for x in range(5)]`
- b) `(x for x in range(5))`
- c) `{x for x in range(5)}`
- d) `{x: x for x in range(5)}`

Answer: b) `(x for x in range(5))`

Practice Questions

1. A teacher enters the marks of students in one line (space-separated). Write a one-liner comprehension to store only the marks **greater than or equal to 40** (pass marks).
2. You are given a single line of student names. Create a dictionary where the key is the student name and the value is the number of characters in the name.
3. Given a line of words, extract **only the vowels** from each word and return them as a list of lists.



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