More Built-in Container Classes

- Container Class dict
- Container Class set

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User-defined indexes and dictionaries

Goal: a container of employee records indexed by employee SS#

Problems:

- the range of SS#s is huge
- SS#s are not really integers

Solution: the dictionary class dict

key	value
'864-20-9753'	['Anna', 'Karenina']
'987-65-4321'	['Yu', 'Tsun']
'100-01-0010'	['Hans', 'Castorp']

A dictionary contains

(key, value) pairs

```
>>> employee[987654321]
['Yu', 'Tsun']
>>> employee[864209753]
['Anna', 'Karenina']
>>> employee[100010010]
['Hans', 'Castorp']
```

A key can be used as an index to access the corresponding value

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Dictionaries are mutable

- new (key,value) pairs can be added
- the value corresponding to a key can be modified

```
>>> employee = {
        '864-20-9753': ['Anna',
'Karenina'],
        '987-65-4321': ['Yu', 'Tsun'],
        '100-01-0010': ['Hans', 'Castorp']}
>>> employee
{'100-01-0010': ['Hans', 'Castorp'], '864-
20-9753': ['Anna', 'Karenina'], '987-65-
4321': ['Yu', 'Tsun']}
>>> employee['123-45-6789'] = 'Holden
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The empty dictionary is {}

Dictionary keys must be immutable

```
>>> employee = {[1,2]:1, [2,3]:3}
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#2>", line 1, in <module>
    employee = {[1,2]:1, [2,3]:3}
TypeError: unhashable type: 'list'
```

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Dictionary operators

Class dict supports some of the same operators as class list

```
>>> days = {'Mo':1, 'Tu':2, 'W':3}
>>> days['Mo']
1
>>> days['Th'] = 5
>>> days
{'Mo': 1, 'Tu': 2, 'Th': 5, 'W': 3}
>>> days
{'Mo': 1, 'Tu': 2, 'Th': 4, 'W': 3}
>>> false
>>> len(days)
4
```

Class dict does not support all the operators that class list supports

• + and * for example

Dictionary methods

Operation	Explanation
d.items()	Returns a view of the (key, value) pairs in d
d.keys()	Returns a view of the keys of d
d.pop(key)	Removes the (key, value) pair with key key from d and returns the value
d.update(d2)	Adds the (key, value) pairs of dictionary d2 to d (overwrites)
d.values()	Returns a view of the values of d

```
>>> days
{'Mo': 1, 'Tu': 2, 'Th': 4, 'W': 3}
>>> days.pop('Tu')
>>> days
{'Mo': 1, 'Th': 4, 'W': 3}
>>> days2 = {'Tu':2, 'Fr':5}
>>> days.update(days2)
>>> days
{'Fr': 5, 'W': 3, 'Th': 4, 'Mo': 1, 'Tu': 2}
>>> days.items()
dict_items([('Fr', 5), ('W', 3), ('Th',
4), ('Mo', 1), ('Tu', 2)])
>>> days.keys()
dict_keys(['Fr', 'W', 'Th', 'Mo', 'Tu'])
>>> >>> vals = days.values()
>>> vals
dict values([5, 3, 4, 1, 2])
>>> for val in vals:
        print(val, end=' ')
5 3 4 1 2
```

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The containers returned by d.items(), d.keys(), and d.values() (called views) can be iterated over

```
>>> days = {'Mo':1, 'Tu':2, 'W':3}
>>> type(days.keys())
<class 'dict_keys'>
>>> type(days.items())
<class 'dict_items'>
>>> type(days.values())
<class 'dict_values'>
>>>
```

Dictionary vs. multi-way if statement

Uses of a dictionary:

- container with custom indexes
- alternative to the multi-way if statement

```
def complete(abbreviation):
    'returns day of the week corresponding to abbreviation'

if abbreviation == 'Mo':
    return 'Monday'
elif abbreviation == 'Tu':
    return 'Tuesday'
elif
    .....
else: # abbreviation must be Su
    return 'Sunday'
```

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Dictionary as a container of counters

Uses of a dictionary:

- container with custom indexes
- alternative to the multi-way if statement
- container of counters

Problem: computing the number of occurrences of items in a list

```
>>> grades = [95, 96, 100, 85, 95, 90, 95, 100, 100]
>>> frequency(grades)
{96: 1, 90: 1, 100: 3, 85: 1, 95: 3}
>>>
```

Solution: Iterate through the list and, for each grade, increment the counter corresponding to the grade.

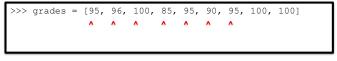
Problems:

- · impossible to create counters before seeing what's in the list
- how to store grade counters so a counter is accessible using the corresponding grade

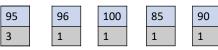
Solution: a dictionary mapping a grade (the key) to its counter (the value)

Dictionary as a container of counters

Problem: computing the number of occurrences of items in a list



counters



```
def frequency(itemList):
    'returns frequency of items in itemList'

counters = {}
    for item in itemList:
        if item in counters: # increment item counter
            counters[item] += 1
        else: # create item counter
            counters[item] = 1
    return counters
```

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Exercise

Implement function wordcount () that takes as input a text—as a string— and prints the frequency of each word in the text; assume there is no punctuation in the text.

```
>>> text = 'all animals are equal but some animals are more equal than other'
>>> wordCount(text)
all
    appears 1 time.
animals appears 2 times.
       appears 1 time.
some
equal
      appears 2 times.
but
       appears 1 time.
other
        appears 1 time.
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are
than
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>>>
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def wordCount(text):
    'prints frequency of each word in text'
   wordList = text.split() # split text into list of words
   counters ={}
                            # dictionary of counters
   for word in wordList:
       if word in counters: # counter for word exists
          counters[word] += 1
       else:
                            # counter for word doesn't exist
          counters[word] = 1
   for word in counters: # print word counts
       if counters[word] == 1:
           print('{:8} appears {} time.'.format(word, counters[word]))
       else:
           print('{:8} appears {} times.'.format(word, counters[word]))
```

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Sets

- It is used to store an unordered collection of items, with no duplicate items allowed.
- The items must be immutable objects.
- The set type supports operators that implement the classical set operations:
 - set membership
 - Intersection
 - Union
 - symmetric difference
 - And many others.
- It is also useful for duplicate removal.

Sets definition

- Defined using { } brackets.
- Duplicate items are ignored
- Empty set can not be declared using {}

```
>>> phonebook1 = {'123-45-67', '234-56-78', '345-67-89'}
>>> phonebook1
{'123-45-67', '234-56-78', '345-67-89'}
>>> type(phonebook1)
<class 'set'>
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>>> phonebook1
{'123-45-67', '234-56-78', '345-67-89'}
>>> set1 = {}
>>> type(set1)
<class 'dict'>
>>> set1 = set()
>>> type(set1)
<class 'set'>
```

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Sets for removing duplicates

Uses of a sets:

- · container with unordered collection of unique items
- · Removing duplicates from a list

Problem: removing duplicate entries from a list of ages of students in a class

```
>>> ages = [23, 19, 18, 21, 18, 20, 21, 23, 22, 23, 19, 20]
>>> ages = list(set(ages))
>>> ages
[18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23]
```

Solution: Convert the list into a set, removing any duplicate entries

There is, however, one major caveat: The elements have been reordered.

Set operators

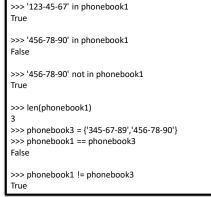
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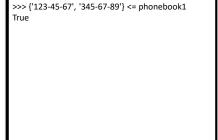
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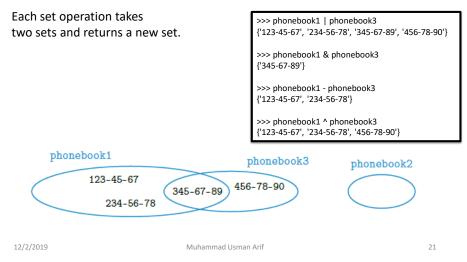
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Each set operation takes

two sets and returns a new set.

Operation	Explanation
x in s	True if x is in set s, else False
x not in s	False if x is in set s, else True
len(s)	Returns the size of set s
s == t	True if sets s and t contain the same elements, False otherwise
s != t	True if sets s and t do not contain the same elements,
	False otherwise
s <= t	True if every element of set s is in set t, False otherwise
s < t	True if s <= t and s != t
s t	Returns the union of sets s and t
s & t	Returns the intersection of sets s and t
s - t	Returns the difference between sets s and t
s ^ t	Returns the symmetric difference of sets $\ensuremath{\mathtt{s}}$ and $\ensuremath{\mathtt{t}}$

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Set methods

Operation	Explanation
S.add()	Adds an item to a set
S.remove()	Removes an item from the set
S.clear()	Empty a set

>>> phonebook3.add('123-45-67') >>> phonebook3 {'123-45-67', '345-67-89', '456-78-90'}
>>> phonebook3.remove('123-45-67') >>> phonebook3 {'345-67-89', '456-78-90'}
>>> phonebook3.clear() >>> phonebook3 set()