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Chapter 5 Notes – Dictionaries & Sets



Dictionary.py

Key Concepts:

- Dictionary = key: value pairs
- · Unordered and mutable

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Can't use indexes like in lists



Dictionary methods.py

```
marks = {
  "Prathamesh": 100,
  "Harry": 90,
  "Larry": 80
}
print(marks.items()) # All key-value pairs as tuples
print(marks.keys()) # Only keys
print(marks.values()) # Only values
marks.update({"Prathamesh": 99, "Lucy": 10}) # Add/update key-value pai
print(marks)
print(marks.get("Tarry")) # Marks Returns None (safe)
print(marks["Harry2"]) # X Gives KeyError if key doesn't exist
```

Use [get()] over direct key access to avoid crashing on missing keys.



sets.py

```
# Set is a collection of **unique** elements
s = \{1, 2, 3\}
e = set() # Correct way to create an empty set
# e = {} will create an empty dictionary, NOT a set
# Sets are:
# V Unordered
# V Unindexed
# V Do NOT allow duplicates
```

Example:

```
s = {1, 1, 2, 3}
print(s) # Output: {1, 2, 3} (removes duplicate 1)
```

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setmethods.py

```
s = {1, 2, 3, 4, 56, 5, 67, 62}
s.add(29323)  # Add new item
print(s)
s.pop()  # Remove a random item
print(s)
s.copy()  # Returns a copy of the set
```

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setoperations.py

```
s1 = {21, 342, 0, 28938, 928, 1, 2, 3}
s2 = {82948, 893, 123, 1, 2, 3, 0}

print(s1.union(s2))  # Combines elements from both
print(s1.intersection(s2))  # Common elements
print(s1.difference(s2))  # Elements in s1 but not in s2
print(s1.issubset(s2))  # Checks if s1 is subset of s2
print(s1.symmetric_difference(s2)) # Elements not common in both
```

Set Operations Refresher:

- union() OR operation
- intersection() AND operation
- difference() Subtract one from another
- symmetric_difference() XOR operation
- issubset() / issuperset() Relationship checks

Set Theory Essentials (Class 11 + Python 💫)

Operation	Symbol	Python Method	Meaning / Formula
Union	A∪B	A.union(B)	Elements in A or B
Intersection	A∩B	A.intersection(B)	Elements common to both A and B
Difference	А-В	A.difference(B)	Elements in A but not in
Symmetric Difference	ΑΔΒ	A.symmetric_difference(B)	Elements in A or B but not both (XOR)
Subset	A⊆B	A.issubset(B)	Every element of A is also in B
Superset	A⊇B	A.issuperset(B)	Every element of B is also in A
Complement	A'	No direct Python method	Elements not in A (use universal set)
Disjoint Sets	_	A.isdisjoint(B)	Returns True if sets have no common elements

▶ De Morgan's Theorems (Logic + Sets)

Set Theory Formula	Description
(A∪B)′=A′∩B′	Complement of Union is Intersection of Complements
(A∩B)′=A′∪B′	Complement of Intersection is Union of Complements

In Python, these require manually defining the Universal Set, then applying difference logic.

Example in Python:

```
U = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9} # Universal Set
A = \{1, 2, 3\}
B = \{3, 4, 5\}
# Complement of A
A_comp = U.difference(A)
# (A \cup B)' = A' \cap B'
```

```
de_morgan1 = U.difference(A.union(B)) == A_comp.intersection(U.difference(B))  \# (A \cap B)' = A' \cup B'  de_morgan2 = U.difference(A.intersection(B)) == A_comp.union(U.difference(B))
```

Quick Formulas

Formula	Meaning
$n(A \cup B)=n(A)+n(B)-n(A \cap B)$	Inclusion-Exclusion Principle
$n(A \cap B)' = n(U) - n(A \cap B)$	Complement of intersection
n(A')=n(U)-n(A)n(A')	Complement of a set

n(X) = number of elements in set XU = Universal Set

Problem 1: Hindi-English Dictionary

```
a = {
  "pustak": "book",
  "khaana": "food",
  "pyaar": "love",
  "dost": "friend",
  "ghar": "home",
  "paani": "water",
  "khushi": "happiness",
  "suraj": "sun",
  "chand": "moon",
  "aasmaan": "sky"
}
b = input("Enter the hindi word: ")
print(a[b])
```

Explanation:

You're building a dictionary with Hindi → English mappings.

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• But there's a **problem**: If the user enters a word that's not in the dictionary, it throws a **KeyError**.

Improvement:

```
print(a.get(b, "Word not found in dictionary."))
```

dict.get(key, default) is safe. If the key isn't found, it won't crash your program.

Problem 2: Unique Numbers in Set

```
set = \{a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h\}
```

Sets automatically remove duplicates. If the user enters the same number twice, it will still only appear once.

- **✓** Problem 3: s = {18, '18'}
- **Explanation**:
 - 18 \rightarrow int
 - '18' → str
 - They are **different data types**, so both will coexist.
- **Output:**

```
\{18, '18'\} # Set length is 2
```

▼ Problem 4: 20 , 20.0 , '20'

```
s = set()
s.add(20) # int
s.add(20.0) # float
s.add('20') # str
print(len(s)) # Output: 2
```

Important Concept:

• Python considers 20 == 20.0 → True

- So set only keeps one of them (since both are numerically equal even if types are different).
- '20' is a **string**, so it stays.

This is because sets use **hashing**, and both <code>int(20)</code> and <code>float(20.0)</code> share the same hash if they're numerically equal.

```
✓ Problem 5: s = {}
```

```
s = {}
print(type(s)) # Output: <class 'dict'>
```

- by default creates an empty dictionary, not a set.
- Correct way to make an empty set:

```
s = set()
```

Problem 6: Favourite Language Dictionary

```
lang = {
    a:e,
    b:f,
    c:g,
    d:h
}
```

⚠ Warning: If two users enter the same name, the earlier value will be overwritten because dictionary keys must be unique.

✓ Safer version (uses .update()):

```
lang = {}
lang.update({a:e})
lang.update({b:f})
lang.update({c:g})
lang.update({d:h})
```

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■ CHAPTER 5 SUMMARY – Dictionary and Sets

Concept	Explanation
Dictionary	Key-value pairs. Keys must be unique and immutable .
Dictionary Methods	.keys() , .values() , .items() , .update() , .get()
Accessing Dictionary	dict[key] → crashes if key doesn't exist. Useget(key, default) to be safe
Dictionary Mutability	✓ Mutable (you can change/update items)
Set	Unordered, unindexed, and stores only unique items
Empty Set Syntax	Use set() instead of {}
Set Methods	.add() , .remove() , .pop() , .clear() , .union() , .intersection()
Set Behavior	Ignores duplicates. {20, 20.0} becomes {20} due to numerical equality
Hashing in Sets	Based on value equality (20 == 20.0 is True, so one value is dropped)

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