Cheat Sheet

Set Operations

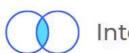
Set objects also support mathematical operations like union, intersection, difference, and symmetric difference.



Union



Difference



Intersection



Symmetric Difference

Union

Union of two sets is a set containing all elements of both sets.

```
set_a | set_b or set_a.union(sequence)
```

union() converts sequence to a set, and performs the union.

Code

PYTHON

```
1  set_a = {4, 2, 8}
2  set_b = {1, 2}
3  union = set_a | set_b
4  print(union)
```

Output

Code

PYTHON

```
1  set_a = {4, 2, 8}
2  list_a = [1, 2]
3  union = set_a.union(list_a)
4  print(union)
```

Output

$$\{1, 2, 4, 8\}$$

Intersection

Intersection of two sets is a set containing common elements of both sets.

```
set_a & set_b or set_a.intersection(sequence)
```

intersection() converts sequence to a set, and perform the intersection.

Code

PYTHON

```
1  set_a = {4, 2, 8}
2  set_b = {1, 2}
3  intersection = set_a & set_b
4  print(intersection)
```

Output

{2}

Code

PYTHON

```
1 set_a = {4, 2, 8}
```

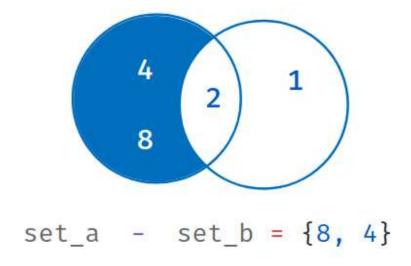
```
2 list_a = [1, 2]
3 intersection = set_a.intersection(list_a)
4 print(intersection)
```

Output

{2}

Difference

Difference of two sets is a set containing all the elements in the first set but not second.



set_a - set_b or set_a.difference(sequence)
difference() converts sequence to a set.

Code

PYTHON

```
1  set_a = {4, 2, 8}
2  set_b = {1, 2}
3  diff = set_a - set_b
4  print(diff)
```

Output

{8, 4}

Code

PYTHON

```
1  set_a = {4, 2, 8}
2  tuple_a = (1, 2)
3  diff = set_a.difference(tuple_a)
4  print(diff)
```

Output

{8, 4}

Symmetric Difference

Symmetric difference of two sets is a set containing all elements which are not common to both sets.

```
set_a ^ set_b or set_a.symmetric_difference(sequence)
symmetric_difference() converts sequence to a set.
```

Code

PYTHON

```
1  set_a = {4, 2, 8}
2  set_b = {1, 2}
3  symmetric_diff = set_a ^ set_b
4  print(symmetric_diff)
```

Output

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Code

PYTHON

```
1  set_a = {4, 2, 8}
2  set_b = {1, 2}
3  diff = set_a.symmetric_difference(set_b)
4  print(diff)
```

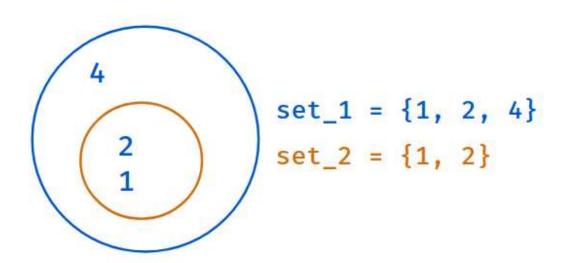
Output

Set Comparisons

Set comparisons are used to validate whether one set fully exists within another

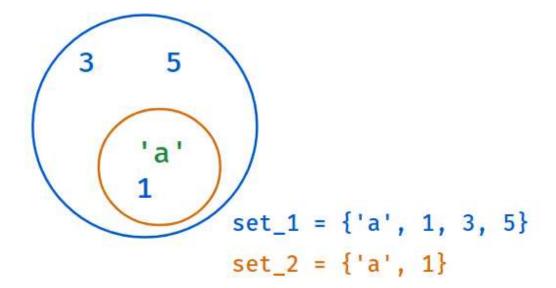
- issubset()
- issuperset()
- isdisjoint()

Subset



set2.issubset(set1) Returns True if all elements of second set are in first set. Else, False

Example - 1



True

Code

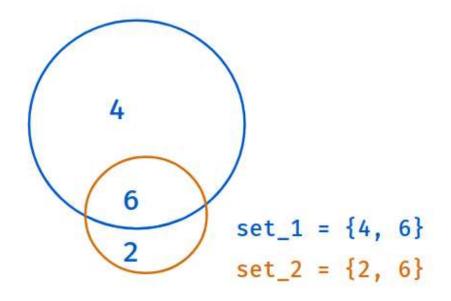
PYTHON

```
1  set_1 = {'a', 1, 3, 5}
2  set_2 = {'a', 1}
3  is_subset = set_2.issubset(set_1)
4  print(is_subset)
```

Output

True

Example - 2



False

Code

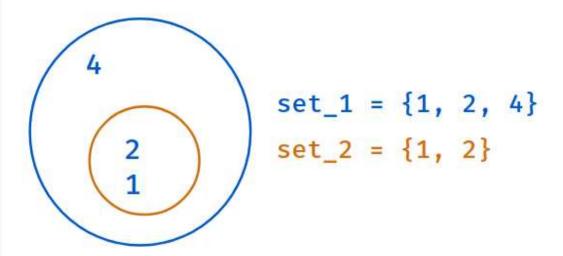
PYTHON

```
1  set_1 = {4, 6}
2  set_2 = {2, 6}
3  is_subset = set_2.issubset(set_1)
4  print(is_subset)
```

Output

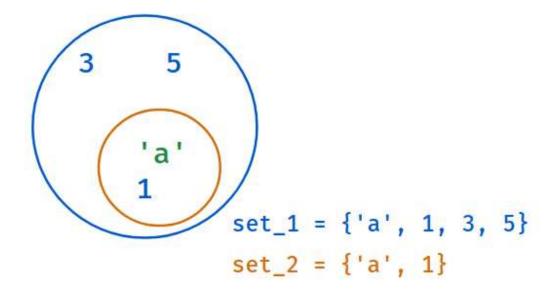
False

SuperSet



set1.issuperset(set2) Returns True if all elements of second set are in first set. Else, False

Example - 1



True

Code

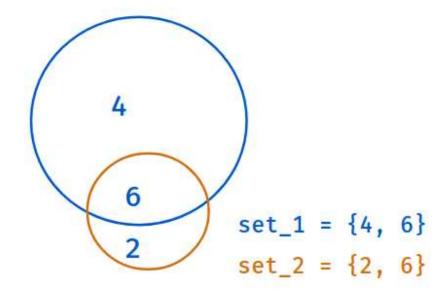
PYTHON

```
1  set_1 = {'a', 1, 3, 5}
2  set_2 = {'a', 1}
3  is_superset = set_1.issuperset(set_2)
4  print(is_superset)
```

Output

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Example - 2



False

Code

PYTHON

```
1  set_1 = {4, 6}
2  set_2 = {2, 6}
3  is_superset = set_1.issuperset(set_2)
4  print(is_superset)
```

Output

False

Disjoint Sets

set1.isdisjoint(set2) Returns True when they have no common elements. Else, False

Code

PYTHON

```
1 set_a = {1, 2}
2 set_b = {3, 4}
3 is_disjoint = set_a.isdisjoint(set_b)
4 print(is_disjoint)
```

Output

True

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