

UNIT III CONCEPTS

Python Dictionaries

What is a Dictionary?

A **dictionary** is a collection of **key-value pairs**. It is:

- **Ordered** (Python 3.7+)
- **Mutable** (can be modified)
- Keys are **unique**
- Values can be duplicated
- Created using **curly braces {}**

Syntax

```
dictionary_name = {  
    key1: value1,  
    key2: value2  
}
```

1. Creating Dictionary

Example 1

```
student = {  
    "id": 101,  
    "name": "Ram",  
    "branch": "CSE"  
}
```

```
print(student)
```

Output

```
{'id': 101, 'name': 'Ram', 'branch': 'CSE'}
```

Example 2

```
employee = {  
    "empid": 1001,  
    "name": "John",  
    "salary": 50000  
}
```

```
print(employee)
```

Empty Dictionary

```
d = {}  
print(d)  
Output  
{}
```

2. Accessing and Modifying Key-Value Pairs

Access Using Key

```
student = {  
    "name": "Ram",  
    "age": 20,  
    "course": "Python"  
}
```

```
print(student["name"])  
print(student["age"])
```

Output

Ram

20

Using get()

```
print(student.get("course"))
```

Output

Python

Modify Value

```
student["age"] = 21
```

```
print(student)
```

Output

```
{'name': 'Ram', 'age': 21, 'course': 'Python'}
```

Add New Key

```
student["city"] = "Hyderabad"
```

```
print(student)
```

Output

```
{'name': 'Ram', 'age': 21, 'course': 'Python', 'city': 'Hyderabad'}
```

3. Built-in Functions Used on Dictionaries

Function	Description	Example
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len()	Number of key-value pairs	len(d)
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type()	Returns data type	type(d)
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str()	Converts to string	str(d)
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dict()	Creates a dictionary	dict()
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sorted()	Returns sorted list of keys	sorted(d)
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Example

```
student = {  
    "id":101,  
    "name":"Ram",  
    "course":"Python"  
}  
  
print("Length =", len(student))  
print("Type =", type(student))  
print("Keys =", sorted(student))
```

Output

Length = 3

Type = <class 'dict'>

Keys = ['course', 'id', 'name']

4. Dictionary Methods

keys()

```
student = {  
    "id":101,  
    "name":"Ram"  
}  
  
print(student.keys())
```

Output

```
dict_keys(['id', 'name'])
```

values()

```
print(student.values())
```

Output

```
dict_values([101, 'Ram'])
```

items()

```
print(student.items())
```

Output

```
dict_items([('id', 101), ('name', 'Ram')])
```

update()

```
student.update({"age": 20})
```

```
print(student)
```

Output

```
{'id': 101, 'name': 'Ram', 'age': 20}
```

pop()

```
student.pop("age")
```

```
print(student)
```

Output

```
{'id': 101, 'name': 'Ram'}
```

popitem()

Removes the last inserted item.

```
student.popitem()
```

```
print(student)
```

clear()

student.clear()

print(student)

Output

{}

copy()

```
d1 = {  
    "A":10,  
    "B":20  
}
```

d2 = d1.copy()

print(d2)

5. del Statement

Delete One Item

```
student = {  
    "name":"Ram",  
    "age":20  
}
```

del student["age"]

print(student)

Output

```
{'name':'Ram'}
```

Delete Entire Dictionary

```
student = {  
    "name":"Ram"  
}
```

```
del student
```

Dictionary Traversal

```
student = {  
    "id":101,  
    "name":"Ram",  
    "course":"Python"  
}
```

```
for key, value in student.items():  
    print(key, ":", value)
```

Output

id : 101

name : Ram

course : Python

Summary Table (Dictionary)

Method	Purpose
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keys()	Returns keys
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Method	Purpose
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values()	Returns values
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items()	Returns key-value pairs
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get()	Returns value for key
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update()	Updates dictionary
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pop()	Removes specified key
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popitem()	Removes last item
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clear()	Removes all items
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copy()	Copies dictionary
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Python Tuples

What is a Tuple?

A **tuple** is an **ordered, immutable** collection of elements.

- Ordered
 - Immutable (cannot be modified)
 - Allows duplicates
 - Written using parentheses ()
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1. Creating Tuples

```
numbers = (10,20,30)
```

```
print(numbers)
```

Output

```
(10,20,30)
```

Single Element Tuple

```
t = (10,)
```

```
print(type(t))
```

Mixed Tuple

```
t = (10,"Python",3.14)
```

```
print(t)
```

2. Basic Tuple Operations

Concatenation

```
t1=(1,2)
```

```
t2=(3,4)
```

```
print(t1+t2)
```

Output

```
(1,2,3,4)
```

Repetition

```
print((1,2)*3)
```

Output

```
(1,2,1,2,1,2)
```

Membership

```
t=(10,20,30)
```

```
print(20 in t)
```

Output

```
True
```

3. tuple() Function

```
list1=[10,20,30]
```

```
t=tuple(list1)
```

```
print(t)
```

Output

```
(10,20,30)
```

4. Indexing and Slicing

```
t=(10,20,30,40,50)
```

```
print(t[2])
```

```
print(t[-1])
```

```
print(t[1:4])
```

```
print(t[::-1])
```

Output

```
30
```

```
50
```

```
(20,30,40)
```

```
(50,40,30,20,10)
```

5. Built-in Functions on Tuples

```
t=(10,20,30,40)
```

```
print(len(t))
```

```
print(max(t))
```

```
print(min(t))
```

```
print(sum(t))
```

Output

```
4
```

```
40
```

```
10
```

```
100
```

6. Tuple Methods

```
t=(10,20,20,30)
```

```
print(t.count(20))
```

```
print(t.index(30))
```

Output

2

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Difference between Tuple, List and Dictionary

Feature	Tuple	List	Dictionary
Syntax	(10, 20, 30)	[10, 20, 30]	{"a": 10, "b": 20}
Ordered	Yes	Yes	Yes*
Changeable	No	Yes	Yes
Access	By index	By index	By key
Duplicate values	Allowed	Allowed	Keys cannot be duplicate
Example	(1, 2, 3)	[1, 2, 3]	{"x": 1, "y": 2}

*Dictionaries maintain insertion order in modern Python.

Relation Between Tuples and Lists

List	Tuple
Mutable	Immutable
[]	()
append(), remove() available	Not available
Faster	Faster for read-only data
More memory	Less memory

Convert List to Tuple

```
l=[1,2,3]
```

```
t=tuple(l)
```

```
print(t)
```

Convert Tuple to List

```
t=(10,20,30)
```

```
l=list(t)
```

```
print(l)
```

Relation Between Tuples and Dictionaries

Dictionary items can be converted into tuples.

```
student={  
    "id":101,  
    "name":"Ram"  
}  
  
print(tuple(student.items()))
```

Output

```
(('id',101),('name','Ram'))
```

Using zip() Function

zip() combines two or more iterables element by element.

```
names=["Ram","Laxman","Sita"]
```

```
marks=[90,85,95]
```

```
result=zip(names,marks)
```

```
print(list(result))
```

Output

```
[('Ram',90),('Laxman',85),('Sita',95)]
```

Python Sets

What is a Set?

A **set** is an **unordered collection of unique elements**.

- Unordered
 - Mutable
 - No duplicate values
 - Created using {} or set()
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Creating Sets

```
s={10,20,30}
```

```
print(s)
```

Duplicate Values

```
s={10,20,20,30}
```

```
print(s)
```

Output

```
{10,20,30}
```

Set Methods

add()

```
s={10,20}
```

```
s.add(30)
```

```
print(s)
```

update()

```
s.update([40,50])
```

```
print(s)
```

remove()

```
s.remove(20)
```

```
print(s)
```

discard()

```
s.discard(100)
```

No error even if the element is absent.

pop()

```
s.pop()
```

```
print(s)
```

Removes a random element because sets are unordered.

clear()

```
s.clear()
```

```
print(s)
```

Set Operations

Union

$A=\{1,2,3\}$

$B=\{3,4,5\}$

`print(A|B)`

Output

$\{1,2,3,4,5\}$

Intersection

`print(A&B)`

Output

$\{3\}$

Difference

`print(A-B)`

Output

$\{1,2\}$

Symmetric Difference

`print(A^B)`

Output

$\{1,2,4,5\}$

Frozen Set

A **frozenset** is an immutable version of a set.

Once created, its elements **cannot be added or removed**.

`fs = frozenset([10,20,30])`

```
print(fs)
```

Output

```
frozenset({10,20,30})
```

Attempting to modify it results in an error:

```
fs.add(40)    # AttributeError
```

Compare Tuple, List, Dictionary and Set in Python

Feature	Tuple	List	Dictionary	Set
Syntax	(1, 2, 3)	[1, 2, 3]	{"a": 1, "b": 2}	{1, 2, 3}
Ordered	Yes	Yes	Yes	No guaranteed order
Mutable	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Duplicates	Allowed	Allowed	Keys: No	Not allowed
Access	By index	By index	By key	No indexing
Stores	Values	Values	Key-value pairs	Unique values
Example	(10, 20, 30)	[10, 20, 30]	{"x":10, "y":20}	{10, 20, 30}

Summary Table

Data Structure	Mutable	Ordered	Duplicates
List	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
Tuple	✗ No	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
Dictionary	✓ Yes	✓ Yes (Python 3.7+)	✗ Duplicate keys not allowed
Set	✓ Yes	✗ No	✗ No
Frozen Set	✗ No	✗ No	✗ No

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1. Dictionary

- Stores data as **key-value pairs**.
- Keys must be **unique and immutable** (e.g., strings, numbers, tuples).

2. Tuple

- Tuples are **immutable**, making them suitable for fixed collections of data.
- Only two built-in methods are available: `count()` and `index()`.

3. Set

- Sets automatically remove duplicate elements.
- Because sets are unordered, you **cannot access elements by index**.

4. `zip()` Function

- Combines corresponding elements from multiple iterables into tuples.
- Commonly used to create dictionaries:
- `keys = ["id", "name"]`
- `values = [101, "Ram"]`
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- `d = dict(zip(keys, values))`

`print(d)`

Output

```
{'id': 101, 'name': 'Ram'}
```

5. `frozenset`

- Immutable version of a set.
- Useful when you need a set whose contents must not change.