

Sets in Python

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Exercise 1

Given a list of marks,

marks = [20, 23, 22, 23, 20, 21, 23]

List all the duplicate marks



Summary

- ▶ Make **sets** from **lists** or by using curly braces
- ▶ Perform **union**, **intersection** and **symmetric difference** operations



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- ▶ Check if a set is a subset of other using the \leq operator
- ▶ Understand the various similarities with **lists** like **length** and **containership**



Evaluation

1. If $a = [1, 1, 2, 3, 3, 5, 5, 8]$,

what is `set(a)`?

- ▶ $\{1, 1, 2, 3, 3, 5, 5, 8\}$
- ▶ $\{1, 2, 3, 5, 8\}$
- ▶ $\{1, 2, 3, 3, 5, 5\}$
- ▶ Error



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2. **Given,**

`odd = set([1, 3, 5, 7, 9])`

`squares = set([1, 4, 9, 16])`

How do you find the symmetric difference of these two sets?



Evaluation

3. If **a** is a set, how do you check if a variable **b** exists in **a**?



Solutions

1. `{1, 2, 3, 5, 8}`

2. `odd ^ squares`

3. `b in a`



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