

COM4013

Introduction to Software Development

- Week 10
- Collections

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Recap

- Previously we went over **Lists** which are a type of **container** in Python

```
users = ["Liam", 12, "Ben", 11, "Allan", 12]
```

- Here we have an example of a Python List called users followed by their age.
- If we wanted to access the names only then we could do the following things

```
names = []
```

```
for i in range(0, 6, 1):  
    if (i % 2 == 0):  
        names.append(users[i])
```

- How would I go about grabbing the ages into their own List?

Dictionaries

- Fortunately for us there are other containers that exist (especially when we have **key-value pairs**).
- Dictionaries are versatile and a great way to store two related things. You may have used maps in other languages like Java which are like these.

```
names = { } # Empty dict - note the curly braces  
example = { "name": "Umar", "Age": 27, "??": "??" }
```

- Add a single item to our dictionary

```
names.update( {"Lyn", 11} )
```

- To delete a items from a dict we can use the `pop` method or the `del` keyword. Both methods require the user to provide the key which deleted both the key-value pair:

```
names.pop("Lyn")    or    del names["Lyn"]
```


Dictionaries

- Print the key component of our dict

```
for key in dict.keys():  
    print(key)
```
- Print the value component of our dict

```
for value in dict.values():  
    print(value)
```
- Print the key value pairs

```
for item in dict.items():  
    print(item)
```
- Clear the contents of a dict

```
dict.clear()
```

It's worth noting that your keys and/or values can be of any type. This makes them a more powerful/versatile container than maps.

Tuples

- **Tuples** are another Python container (ordered)
- I find them to be the least useful of containers for they are immutable (meaning that they can't be changed once set)
- Although their immutability makes them a powerful tool to ensure that data has integrity
- Let's create a tuple
`tuple = ("Tuple1", 10, 20)`
- Like lists we use indices to access tuple elements.
- Which element of the tuple would we be accessing if we used the following code:
`print(tuple[1])`

How many elements are there in the tuple container?
Can you think of a suitable use case for tuples?



Sets

- Sets are an unordered collection of unique items
 - `set = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}` # Use curly braces
- If you try to create a set with duplicates they will be deleted.
- What would get if we printed the following set to the console?

```
set = {1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 4, 1, 5, 2, 3, 6, 5}
```

- Sets are useful for comparing and managing unique elements. Consider a scenario where you have a movie theater with a fixed number of seats. Using sets, you can associate individuals who have reserved a seat with the available seat numbers. This ensures that each seat is allocated only once, facilitating an efficient and straightforward representation of seat reservations in a way that avoids duplicates.



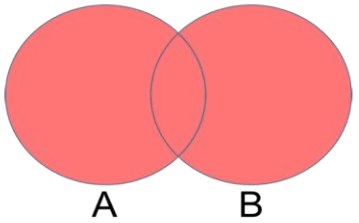
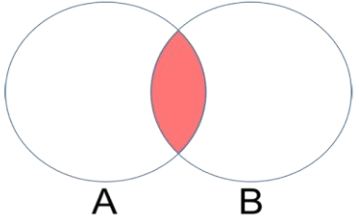
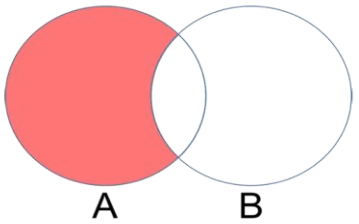
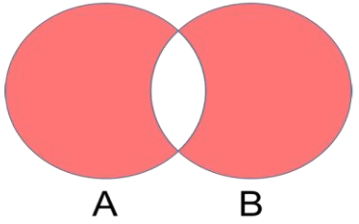
Sets

- A basic set
`set = {1, 2, 3}`
- Add an element to a set
`set.add(4) # set - 1, 2, 3, 4`
- Remove an element
`set.remove(3) # Get KeyError if it does !exist`
`set.discard(3) # Does not return an error`
- Remove and return the last element of a set
`poppedElement = set.pop()`
- Clear the set
`set.clear()`

There may be other basic methods... But you can research those in your own time.



Special Set Methods

Set Operation	Venn Diagram	Interpretation
Union		$A \cup B$, is the set of all values that are a member of A , or B , or both.
Intersection		$A \cap B$, is the set of all values that are members of both A and B .
Difference		$A \setminus B$, is the set of all values of A that are not members of B .
Symmetric Difference		$A \triangle B$, is the set of all values which are in one of the sets, but not both.

- Consider a scenario with regular parking and reserved parking.
- To identify occupied spaces, use the union operator for a set of all unique values.
- To ensure exclusive parking, use the intersect/difference operator methods, aiming for an empty set.
- The symmetric difference reveals spaces unique to each park – those unavailable in both.
- I am going to let you explore Python sets for yourselves with today's practical.

Containers Iteration

- We can use for loops like the following to iterate through Python Containers
- We do not need the for in range loops – in your assignment you are asked to use the for in range loops in some instances

```
for element in List:  
    print(element)
```

Or...

```
for i in range(0, len(List), 1):  
    Print(List[i])
```

What is the end, step, and start here?

if



In Operator

- When using if statements, especially when there are many options we may wish to use the in operator
- Note that the () in the second statement is actually a Tuple, that we're creating specifically for this check.
- The second version is more readable and concise.

```
if (element = "Carbon" or element = "Zinc"):  
    print(element)
```

Or...

```
if (element in ("Carbon", "Zinc")):  
    print(element)
```

These do exactly the same thing





Else Statement in Loop

- In Python we can have else statements after our for loops
- These are only **executed** if the statement within the loop evaluates to **False**

```
for i in range(5):  
    print(i)  
else:  
    print("Loop exited etc.")
```

What is the start, step, and end of this for loop?

if



Zip

- Zip is a handy function that combines two or more iterables element-wise
- Handy way of creating Tuples of information

```
users = ["Liam", "Ben", "Allan"]  
Ages  = [12, 11, 12]  
zipped = zip(list1, list2)  
# [("Liam", 12), ("Ben", 11), ("Allan", 12)]
```

This is one way to access this zipped data

```
for pair in zipped:  
    key, value = pair  
    print(f"Key: {key}, Value: {value}")
```

• if



Multiple Assignment

- You can assign multiple values on one line to multiple variables
- Can be an efficient way of writing code
- It will make your code less readable and is not a sign of good coding practice

```
name, age, yOB = "Umar", 27, 1996
```

- What other issues can you see with multiple assignments?

if

A hand wearing a blue nitrile glove is holding a clear glass test tube. The test tube is tilted, and it contains a vibrant green liquid. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

Unit Testing

- In your assignment you are asked to test a couple of components
- One way to do this is through unit testing
- Let's say we have the CValue class saved in a my_class.py file

```
class CValue:
    self.value = 0

    def __init__(self, value):
        self.value = value

    def IncrementByOne(self):
        self.value += 1
```

- What are the constructor, member variable, and class behaviour on this slide?
- Comment this class?

Unit Testing 2

- To test this, we need to create a second class. I saved it as test_my_class.py - Which test fails?

```
import unittest # class inherits functionality
from my_class import CValue

class CTestMyClass(unittest.TestCase):
    def test_add_one(self): # Name
        obj = CValue(5) # Create object
        obj.IncrementByOne() # Call method
        self.assertEqual(obj.value, 6) # Assert

    def test_add_one2(self):
        obj = CValue(3)
        obj.IncrementByOne()
        self.assertEqual(obj.value, 6)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    unittest.main()
```

Unit Testing 3

- Finally, in our Jupyter Notebook we can write the following code:

```
import unittest
from my_class import CValue
from test_my_class import CTestMyClass

# Create a Test Suite
testSuite =
unittest.TestLoader().loadTestsFromTestCase(CTestMyClass)

# Run the tests
unittest.TextTestRunner().run(testSuite)
```

- As you can see from the import statements, we can call in classes from other files into our main file.
- my_class.py and test_my_class.py exist in the same folder as my Jupyter Notebook file too.

Unit Testing 4



```
import unittest
from my_class import CValue
from test_my_class import CTestMyClass

# Create a Test Suite
test_suite = unittest.TestLoader().loadTestsFromTestCase(CTestMyClass)

# Run the tests
unittest.TextTestRunner().run(test_suite)
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FAIL: test_add_one2 (test_my_class.TestMyClass)

Traceback (most recent call last):

File "C:\Users\umar4\Week 10\test_my_class.py", line 15, in test_add_one2

self.assertEqual(obj.value, 6)

AssertionError: 4 != 6

Ran 2 tests in 0.005s

FAILED (failures=1)

<unittest.runner.TextTestResult run=2 errors=0 failures=1>



Unit Testing 5

- We've only seen `assertEqual()` but there are many types of tests that we can conduct.

`assertNotEqual(a, b)`: Checks if a and b are not equal.

`assertIs(a, b)`: Checks if a and b refer to the same object.

`assertIsNot(a, b)`: Checks if a and b are not the same

`assertTrue(x)`: Checks if x is true.

`assertFalse(x)`: Checks if x is false.

`assertIsNone(x)`: Checks if x is None.

`assertIsNotNone(x)`: Checks if x is not None.

`assertIn(a, b)`: Checks if a is a member of b.

`assertNotIn(a, b)`: Checks if a is not a member of b.

`assertIsInstance(a, b)`: Checks if a is an instance of b class

There are many other too... [unittest](#)

Summary

We've covered quite a few topics today:

- Mainly wrapping up our Python learning
- Introducing Unit Testing

Any questions?

