

Python Tuples

- Tuples are used to store multiple items in a single variable
- Tuple is one of 4 built-in data types in Python used to store collections of data, the other 3 are List, Set, and Dictionary, all with different qualities and usage
- Tuples are written with round brackets ()
- Example
 - Create a Tuple

```
In [1]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
print(thistuple)

('apple', 'banana', 'cherry')
```

Tuple Items

- Tuple items are ordered, unchangeable, and allow duplicate values
- Tuple items are indexed, the first item has index [0], the second item has index [1] etc.

Ordered

- When we say that tuples are ordered, it means that the items have a defined order, and that order will not change

Unchangeable

- Tuples are unchangeable, meaning that we cannot change, add or remove items after the tuple has been created

Allow Duplicates

- Since tuples are indexed, they can have items with the same value
- Example
 - Tuples allow duplicate values

```
In [2]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "apple", "cherry")
print(thistuple)

('apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'apple', 'cherry')
```

Tuple Length

- To determine how many items a tuple has, use the `len()` function
- **Example**
 - Print the number of items in the tuple

```
In [4]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
print(len(thistuple))
```

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Create Tuple With One Item

- To create a tuple with only one item, you have to add a comma after the item, otherwise Python will not recognize it as a tuple
- **Example**
 - One item tuple, remember the comma

```
In [7]: thistuple = ("apple",)
print(type(thistuple))
```

```
#NOT a tuple
thistuple = ("apple")
print(type(thistuple))
```

```
<class 'tuple'>
<class 'str'>
```

Tuple Items - Data Types

- Tuple items can be of any data type
- **Example**
 - String, int and boolean data types

```
In [8]: tuple1 = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
tuple2 = (1, 5, 7, 9, 3)
tuple3 = (True, False, False)
```

```
print(tuple1)
print(tuple2)
print(tuple3)
```

```
('apple', 'banana', 'cherry')
(1, 5, 7, 9, 3)
(True, False, False)
```

- A tuple can contain different data types

- Example
 - A tuple with strings, integers and boolean values

```
In [9]: tuple1 = ("abc", 34, True, 40, "male")  
  
print(tuple1)  
  
( 'abc', 34, True, 40, 'male')
```

The tuple() Constructor

- It is also possible to use the `tuple()` constructor to make a tuple
- Example
 - Using the `tuple()` method to make a tuple

```
In [10]: thistuple = tuple(("apple", "banana", "cherry")) # note the double round-  
print(thistuple)  
  
( 'apple', 'banana', 'cherry')
```

Access Tuple Items

- You can access tuple items by referring to the index number, inside square brackets `[]`
- Example
 - Print the second item in the tuple

```
In [12]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")  
print(thistuple[1])  
  
banana
```

- Note: The first item has index 0.

Negative Indexing

- Negative indexing means start from the end
- `-1` refers to the last item, `-2` refers to the second last item etc
- Example
 - Print the last item of the tuple

```
In [11]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")  
print(thistuple[-1])  
  
cherry
```

Range of Indexes

- You can specify a range of indexes by specifying where to start and where to end the range
- When specifying a range, the return value will be a new tuple with the specified items
- **Example**
 - Return the third, fourth, and fifth item

```
In [13]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango")
print(thistuple[2:5])

('cherry', 'orange', 'kiwi')
```

- **Note:** The search will start at index 2 (included) and end at index 5 (not included).
- Remember that the first item has index 0
- By leaving out the start value, the range will start at the first item
- **Example**
 - This example returns the items from the beginning to, but NOT included, "kiwi"

```
In [14]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango")
print(thistuple[:4])

('apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'orange')
```

- By leaving out the end value, the range will go on to the end of the list
- **Example**
 - This example returns the items from "cherry" and to the end

```
In [15]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango")
print(thistuple[2:])

('cherry', 'orange', 'kiwi', 'melon', 'mango')
```

Range of Negative Indexes

- Specify negative indexes if you want to start the search from the end of the tuple
- **Example**
 - This example returns the items from index -4 (included) to index -1 (excluded)

```
In [16]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango")
print(thistuple[-4:-1])

('orange', 'kiwi', 'melon')
```

Check if Item Exists

- To determine if a specified item is present in a tuple use the **in** keyword
- **Example**
 - Check if "apple" is present in the tuple

```
In [18]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
if "apple" in thistuple:
    print("Yes, 'apple' is in the fruits tuple")

Yes, 'apple' is in the fruits tuple
```

Update Tuples

- Tuples are unchangeable, meaning that you cannot change, add, or remove items once the tuple is created
- But there are some workarounds

Change Tuple Values

- Once a tuple is created, you cannot change its values. Tuples are **unchangeable**, or **immutable** as it also is called
- But there is a workaround. You can convert the tuple into a list, change the list, and convert the list back into a tuple
- **Example**
 - Convert the tuple into a list to be able to change it

```
In [19]: x = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
y = list(x)
y[1] = "kiwi"
x = tuple(y)

print(x)

('apple', 'kiwi', 'cherry')
```

Add Items

- Since tuples are immutable, they do not have a built-in **append()** method, but there are other ways to add items to a tuple

- **1.Convert into a list:** Just like the workaround for changing a tuple, you can convert it into a list, add your item(s), and convert it back into a tuple.
- **Example**
 - Convert the tuple into a list, add "orange", and convert it back into a tuple

```
In [21]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
y = list(thistuple)
y.append("orange")
thistuple = tuple(y)

print(thistuple)

('apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'orange')
```

- **2.Add tuple to a tuple.** You are allowed to add tuples to tuples, so if you want to add one item, (or many), create a new tuple with the item(s), and add it to the existing tuple
- **Example**
 - Create a new tuple with the value "orange", and add that tuple

```
In [22]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
y = ("orange",)
thistuple += y

print(thistuple)

('apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'orange')
```

Remove Items

- Tuples are **unchangeable**, so you cannot remove items from it, but you can use the same workaround as we used for changing and adding tuple items
- **Example**
 - Convert the tuple into a list, remove "apple", and convert it back into a tuple

```
In [1]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
y = list(thistuple)
y.remove("apple")
thistuple = tuple(y)
print(thistuple)

('banana', 'cherry')
```

- Or you can delete the tuple completely
- **Example**
 - The **del** keyword can delete the tuple completely

```
In [24]: thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
del thistuple
print(thistuple) #this will raise an error because the tuple no longer ex
```

```
-----  
NameError                                Traceback (most recent call la  
st)  
Cell In[24], line 3  
      1 thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")  
      2 del thistuple  
----> 3 print(thistuple) #this will raise an error because the tuple no  
longer exists  
  
NameError: name 'thistuple' is not defined
```

Unpack Tuples

- When we create a tuple, we normally assign values to it. This is called "packing" a tuple
- Example
 - Packing a tuple

```
In [25]: fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")  
print(fruits)  
  
( 'apple', 'banana', 'cherry' )
```

- But, in Python, we are also allowed to extract the values back into variables. This is called "unpacking"
- Example
 - Unpacking a tuple

```
In [26]: fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")  
  
(green, yellow, red) = fruits  
  
print(green)  
print(yellow)  
print(red)  
  
apple  
banana  
cherry
```

- **Note:** The number of variables must match the number of values in the tuple, if not, you must use an asterisk to collect the remaining values as a list

Using Asterisk *

- If the number of variables is less than the number of values, you can add an * to the variable name and the values will be assigned to the variable as a list

- **Example**
 - Assign the rest of the values as a list called "red"

```
In [27]: fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "strawberry", "raspberry")

(green, yellow, *red) = fruits

print(green)
print(yellow)
print(red)

apple
banana
['cherry', 'strawberry', 'raspberry']
```

- If the asterisk is added to another variable name than the last, Python will assign values to the variable until the number of values left matches the number of variables left
- **Example**
 - Add a list of values the "tropic" variable

```
In [28]: fruits = ("apple", "mango", "papaya", "pineapple", "cherry")

(green, *tropic, red) = fruits

print(green)
print(tropic)
print(red)

apple
['mango', 'papaya', 'pineapple']
cherry
```

Join Two Tuples

- To join two or more tuples you can use the **+** operator
- **Example**
 - Join two tuples

```
In [29]: tuple1 = ("a", "b", "c")
tuple2 = (1, 2, 3)

tuple3 = tuple1 + tuple2
print(tuple3)

('a', 'b', 'c', 1, 2, 3)
```

Multiply Tuples

- If you want to multiply the content of a tuple a given number of times, you can use the ***** operator

- **Example**
 - Multiply the fruits tuple by 2

```
In [30]: fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
mytuple = fruits * 2

print(mytuple)

('apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'apple', 'banana', 'cherry')
```

Tuple Methods

- Python has **two** built-in methods that you can use on tuples
- **1.count()**
 - The **count()** method returns the number of times a specified value appears in the tuple
 - Syntax - The **tuple.count(value)**
 - value - Required. The item to search for
 - **Example**
 - Return the number of times the value 5 appears in the tuple

```
In [31]: thistuple = (1, 3, 7, 8, 7, 5, 4, 6, 8, 5)

x = thistuple.count(5)

print(x)

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```

- **2.index()**
 - The **index()** method finds the first occurrence of the specified value
 - The **index()** method raises an exception if the value is not found
 - Syntax - The **tuple.index(value)**
 - value - Required. The item to search for
 - **Example**
 - Search for the first occurrence of the value 8, and return its position

```
In [32]: thistuple = (1, 3, 7, 8, 7, 5, 4, 6, 8, 5)

x = thistuple.index(8)

print(x)

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```