

Pair_exercise_tuples

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Pair Exercise: Tuples

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Sources

<https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/datastructures.html>

a tuple is a sequence of values separated by commas, they do not need to be immutable

tuples are ordered and can be iterated, but they are immutable

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[2]: a=1,2,"bob",3,"cathy"
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[4]: a
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[4]: (1, 2, 'bob', 3, 'cathy')
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[6]: # comprehension  
[print(val) for val in a]
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```
1  
2  
bob  
3  
cathy
```

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[6]: [None, None, None, None, None]
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[8]: #indexing  
a[1]
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[8]: 2
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[10]: #tuples are immutable, no changes allowed  
a[1]=3
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TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
Cell In[10], line 3  
      1 #tuples are immutable, no changes allowed  
----> 3 a[1]=3  
  
TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment
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[12]: # we can combine tuples
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b=a,3,4,5
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b
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[12]: ((1, 2, 'bob', 3, 'cathy'), 3, 4, 5)
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[14]: #b is a tuple  
      # the first item in b is a tuple  
      b[0]
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```
[14]: (1, 2, 'bob', 3, 'cathy')
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[16]: len(b)
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[16]: 4
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[18]: #tuple unpacking
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w,x,y,z=b
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print(w)
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print(x)
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print(y)
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print(z)
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```
(1, 2, 'bob', 3, 'cathy')
```

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3
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4
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5
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Tuples are useful for storing constants, as a sequence of fixed values of known length, in a fixed order

Tuples are faster than lists, which is the only meaningful distinction I can find :)

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