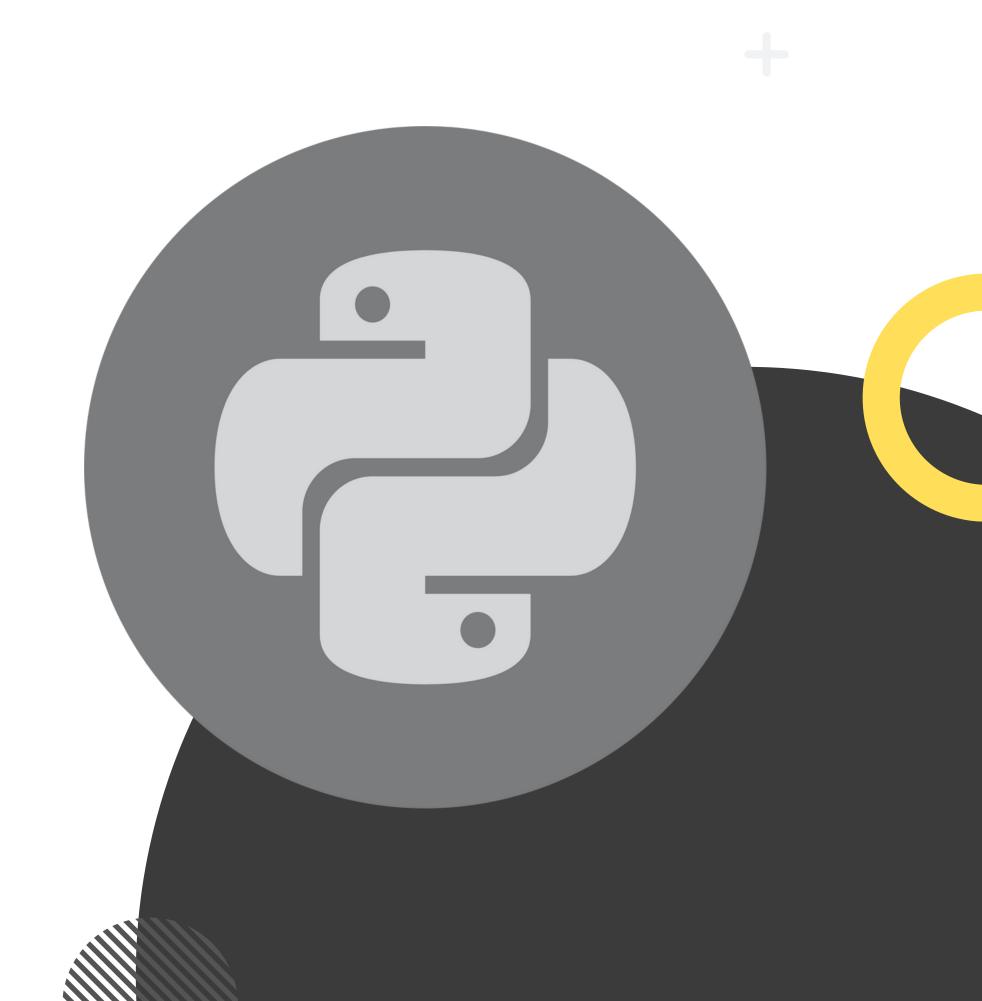
PYTHON COURSE

ENTRY LEVEL

Basics of programming in Python 3.10

This course will cover part of the arguments found in $PCEP^{TM}$ – Certified Entry-Level Python Programmer Certification



DATA COLLECTIONS: LISTS





- Lists are an ordered sequence of elements
- Lists are **iterables**
- Lists are mutable objects
- Can contain heterogeneous types





You can create a list using square brackets, you can put elements inside using comma to separate distinct values

convention wants you to use plural when assigning list variable names

```
names = ["Paul", "James", "Logan", "Mark"]
print(names)
# will print ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
```

As a list is an **ordered** object, you can access single elements with positional indexing

Indexing will start from 0

```
names = ["Paul", "James", "Logan", "Mark"]
print(names[0])
# Will print "Paul"
```



You can also use inverse positional indexing

```
names = ["Paul", "James", "Logan", "Mark"]
print(names[-1])
# Will print "Mark"
```



• Add elements to a list using append() method of lists

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']

names.append('Sirius')

print(names[-1]) # Will print Sirius
print(names) # Prints ['Jacob', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark', 'Sirius']
```

with this method, elements are inserted at the end of the list as the new last element

• Add elements to a list using insert() method of lists

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
names.insert(2, 'Sirius')
print(names[2]) # Will print Sirius
print(names) # Prints ['Jacob', 'James', 'Sirius', 'Logan', 'Mark']
```

with this method, **element passed as second argument is inserted at position passed as first argument** (in the example, String literal "Sirius" is inserted at position 2)



• Remove elements from a list using del keyword

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']

del names[0]

print(names[0]) # Will print James
print(names) # Prints ['James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
```

this method uses positional item accessing to remove the element from the list



• Remove elements from a list using pop() method of lists.

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
names.pop()

print(names) # Prints ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan']
```

• Using .pop() consents assigning removed element to a variable

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
removed = names.pop()
print(f"i removed {removed}") # Prints i removed 'Mark'
```



• Remove elements from a list using pop() method of lists with positional index.

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
removed = names.pop(1)

print(f"i removed {removed}") # Prints i removed 'James'
```

You can pass an *int* as argument to the pop() method to select the position of the element you want to remove



• Remove elements from a list using remove() method of lists.

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
names.remove('Logan')
print(names) # Prints ['Paul', 'James', 'Mark']
```

If multiple occurrences of the element are in the list, only the first from left will be removed

• Add elements to a list using append() method of lists

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']

names.append('Sirius')

print(names[-1]) # Will print Sirius
print(names) # Prints ['Jacob', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark', 'Sirius']
```

with this method, elements are inserted at the end of the list as the new last element



• Sort a list using sort() method of lists

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
names.sort()

print(names) # Prints ['James', 'Logan', 'Mark', 'Paul']
```

default is in alfabetical order (min to max for numbers)

• Sort a list using sort() method of lists, with reverse=True

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
names.sort(reverse = True)
print(names) # Prints ['Paul', 'Mark', 'Logan', 'James']
```



reverts default sorting criterion



- Lists are mutable objects, so operations performed on it, change original object value
- You can use sorted() built-in function to order lists without changing the original list
- Sort using sorted() built-in function

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
names.reverse()
print(names) # Prints ['Mark', 'Logan', 'James', 'Paul']
```

• MIXED TYPE ELEMENTS CAN'T BE SORTED INTO LISTS



• Revert list elements using reverse() method of lists

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']

names.append('Sirius')

print(names[-1]) # Will print Sirius
print(names) # Prints ['Jacob', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark', 'Sirius']
```

with this method, elements are inserted at the end of the list as the new last element

in and not in operators with lists:

in will be *True* if the element is contained in the list, otherwise *False*

```
names = ['Paul', 'James', 'Logan', 'Mark']
is_paul = 'Paul' in names
is_samuel = 'Samuel' in names

print(is_paul) # prints True
print(is_samuel) # prints False
```

not in will be False if the element is contained in the list, otherwise True

```
isnt_paul = 'Paul' not in names
isnt_samuel = 'Samuel' not in names

print(isnt_paul) # prints False
print(isnt_samuel) # prints True
```



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# Will print "Paul"
```

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