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1 Extra Python material
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3 The following will be additional content, we highly recommend that you type and play around
  with the code in the Python interpreter
4 in your terminal, and refer to the official Python documentation -
  https://docs.python.org/3/contents.html
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6 Lists
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8 sorting - there are two ways
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10 First:-
11 >>> lotto = [5,2,6,1,3,4]
12 >>> lotto
13 [5,2,6,1,3,4]
14 >>> sorted(lotto)
15 [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
16 >>> lotto
17 [5, 2, 6, 1, 3, 4]
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19 Now let's try this:-
20 >>> lotto.sort()
21 >>> lotto
22 [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
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24 <alist>.sort() only works with lists
25 sorted(<object>) works with any iterable
26 An iterable is an object that has an __iter__ method which returns an iterator, An iterator
  is an object with __next__ method
27 Whenever you use a for loop, or map, or a list comprehension, etc. in Python,
28 the next method is called automatically to get each item from the iterator, therefore going
  through the process of iteration.
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30 key functions
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32 key parameter to specify function to be called on each list before making comparisons
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34 >>> sorted("This is a beginners Python workshop".split())
35 ['Python', 'This', 'a', 'beginners', 'is', 'workshop']
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37 Now let's use a key to sort by lowercase
38 >>> sorted("This is a beginners Python workshop".split(), key=str.lower)
39 ['a', 'beginners', 'is', 'Python', 'This', 'workshop']
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41 This technique is fast because the key function is called exactly once for each input record.
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43 tuple
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45 Before we get into sorting complex objects, introduce a tuple. It's another sequence data
  type like lists.
46 It's like a list where it's a number of values seperated by comma but instead of [], it uses
  ().
47 >>> a_tuple = (1,2)
48 >>> a_tuple
49 (1, 2)
50 >>> a_tuple[1]
51 2
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53 A tuple is immutable, it's a fixed value, you can't change it.
54 >>> a_tuple[1] = 3
55 Traceback (most recent call last):
56   File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
57 TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment
58
59 But a tuple can contain mutable objects.
60 >>> b_tuple = ([1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6])
61 >>> b_tuple[1]
62 [4, 5, 6]
63 >>> b_tuple[1][1]
64 5
65 >>> b_tuple[1][1]=7
66 >>> b_tuple
67 ([1, 2, 3], [4, 7, 6])
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69 Let's sort complex objects. We have students stored in a tuple with their first name, grade
  and age:-

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70 >>> student_tuples = [
71 ...     ('john', 'A', 15),
72 ...     ('jane', 'B', 12),
73 ...     ('steph', 'B', 10),
74 ... ]
75 >>> student_tuples
76 [('john', 'A', 15), ('jane', 'B', 12), ('steph', 'B', 10)]
77
78 Let's sort by their age with the following key:-
79 >>> sorted(student_tuples, key=lambda student: student[2])
80 [('steph', 'B', 10), ('jane', 'B', 12), ('john', 'A', 15)]
81
82 range
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84 One other sequence data type, this is called range.
85 This is a constructor that has to be integers (numbers).
86 >>> list(range(10))
87 [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
88 >>> list(range(1, 11))
89 [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
90 >>> list(range(0, 30, 5))
91 [0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25]
92 >>> list(range(0, 10, 3))
93 [0, 3, 6, 9]
94 >>> list(range(0, -10, -1))
95 [0, -1, -2, -3, -4, -5, -6, -7, -8, -9]
96 >>> list(range(0))
97 []
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100 Sets
101 ----
102 It's another data type, it's an unordered collection with no duplicate elements.
103 Support mathematical operations like union, intersection, difference and symmetric
104 difference.
105 Used {} to create a set.
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107 >>> animals = {"dog", "cat", "parrot", "snake"}
108 >>> animals
109 {'dog', 'snake', 'parrot', 'cat'}
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111 >>> "dog" in animals
112 True
113 >>> "fish" in animals
114 False
115
116 Let's create another set:-
117 >>> my_animals = {"cat", "rabbit"}
118
119 In animals but not in my_animals:-
120 >>> animals - my_animals
121 {'dog', 'snake', 'parrot'}
122
123 In either animals or my_animals:-
124 >>> animals | my_animals
125 {'rabbit', 'dog', 'cat', 'snake', 'parrot'}
126
127 In both animals and my_animals:-
128 >>> animals & my_animals
129 {'cat'}
130
131 In either animals or my_animals but not both:-
132 >>> animals ^ my_animals
133 {'dog', 'parrot', 'rabbit', 'snake'}
134
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136 List comprehension
137 -----
138 A concise and better performance way of creating lists.
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140 Most common way:-
141 >>> squares = []
142 >>> for x in range(10):
143 ...     squares.append(x**2)
144 >>> squares
145 [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81]

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147 List comprehension way:-
148 >>> squares_list = [x**2 for x in range(10)]
149 >>> squares_list
150 [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81]
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152 Say given a matrix:
153 >>> matrix = [
154 ... [1, 2, 3, 4],
155 ... [5, 6, 7, 8],
156 ... [9, 10, 11, 12],
157 ... ]
158
159 One way to transpose rows and columns:
160 >>> transposed = []
161 >>> for i in range(4):
162 ...     transposed.append([row[i] for row in matrix])
163 >>> transposed
164 [[1, 5, 9], [2, 6, 10], [3, 7, 11], [4, 8, 12]]
165
166 You can use comprehension to transpose rows and columns:
167 >>> [[row[i] for row in matrix] for i in range(4)]
168 [[1, 5, 9], [2, 6, 10], [3, 7, 11], [4, 8, 12]]
169
170 Eep, not as legible, but it does its job.
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172 Here's a better way with inbuilt functions:
173 >>> list(zip(*matrix))
174 [(1, 5, 9), (2, 6, 10), (3, 7, 11), (4, 8, 12)]
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