

## TUPLES

### 1. What is tuple?

- In [Python](#) a tuple (pronounced TUH-pul) is an ordered set of values. The separator for each value is often a comma. Common uses for the tuple as a [data type](#) are
  - For passing a string of parameters from one program to another, and
  - Representing a set of value attributes in a relational database.
- In some languages, tuples can be nested within other tuples within parentheses or brackets or other delimiters. Tuples can contain a mixture of other data types.
- **A tuple is an immutable sequence of Python objects.** Tuples are sequences, just like lists.
- The differences between tuples and lists are, the tuples cannot be changed unlike lists and tuples use parentheses, whereas lists use square brackets.

### 2. Defining a Tuple:

To define a tuple, we just have to assign a single variable with multiple values separated by commas, and that variable will be known as a **Tuple**.

*Example:*

```
myTuple = 1, 2, 3, 4
print (myTuple)
```

*Output:*

(1, 2, 3, 4)

**myTuple** variable is actually a collection of integers 1, 2, 3 and 4. Also, note those **circular brackets** which appears while printing, around the integers, these will actually help you to distinguish between lists and tuples. Because in case of lists, we have **square brackets** around the list elements.

You can obviously **add data of different types** in a single tuple,

```
secondTuple = 1, 2, "python", 4
print secondTuple
```

*Output:*

(1, 2, "python", 4)

## 3. Accessing Elements In A Tuple:

While working with tuples, we store different data as different tuple elements. Sometimes, there is a need to print a specific information from the tuple. For instance, a piece of code would want just names to be printed of all the fruit data.

### 3.1. Indexing in Tuples:

- Indexing in tuples is also pretty similar to that in lists, the first element has index **zero**, and it keeps on increasing for the next consecutive elements.
- **Backward indexing** is also valid in tuples, i.e., the last element can be accessed using the index **-1** and the consecutive previous numbers by **-2**, **-3** and so on.

*Example:*

```
newTuple = "apple", "orange", "banana", "berry", "mango"  
newTuple[0]
```

*Output:*

'apple'

In the table below we have marked the tuple elements for both forward and backward indexing:

Value	Forward Indexing	Backward Indexing
apple	0	-5
orange	1	-4
banana	2	-3
berry	3	-2
mango	4	-1

Table 1

## 3.2. Slicing in Tuples:

When you want to extract part of a string, or some part of a list, you use a slice. Slicing in tuples, works exactly the same like in the case of lists.

### Syntax:

**string[start:end:step]**

### Example:

```
b = 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9
print(b[1:])
print(b[2:4])
print (b[::2])
```

### Output:

```
(2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9)
(3, 4)
(1, 3, 5, 7, 9)
```

## 4. Basic Tuples Operations:

- The various operations that we can perform on tuples are very similar to lists.
- Tuples respond to the + and \* operators much like strings; they mean concatenation and repetition here too, except that the result is a new tuple, not a string.
- Some other operators for tuples include:

Python Expression	Results	Description
<code>len((1, 2, 3))</code>	3	Length
<code>(1, 2, 3) + (4, 5, 6)</code>	(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)	Concatenation
<code>('Hi!') * 4</code>	('Hi!', 'Hi!', 'Hi!', 'Hi!')	Repetition
<code>3 in (1, 2, 3)</code>	True	Membership
<code>for x in (1, 2, 3): print x,</code>	1 2 3	Iteration

Table 2

### 4.1 Concatenation of Tuples:

As we know, that tuples are immutable, hence the data stored in a tuple cannot be edited, but it's definitely possible to add more data to a tuple.

This can be done using the **addition operator**.

*Example:*

```
t = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
```

In case you want to add another element, **7** to the tuple, then you can do it as follows:

```
t = t + (7,)
```

As you can see, we used the addition operator to **add(7,)** to the tuple **t**.

```
print (t)
```

*Output:*

```
(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7)
```

#### 4.1.1 Iterate Through Tuple Elements Using For Loop in Python:

You can perform the loop over the tuple elements using the for loop of Python. The for loop iterate each element of the tuple and print the **elements in every single line**. The elements can be of any type like string or integers.

*Example:*

```
s = (5, 58, 25, 17, 25, 8, 2, 9)

for i in s:
    print(i)
```

*Output:*

```
5
58
25
17
25
8
2
```

## 4.2.2 Loop Through Tuple Elements Using While Loop in Python:

The while loop using the different method from the for loop method.

You have to **first initialize a variable** with zero(0). After that, you have to find the length of tuple for continuous iteration.

*Example:*

```
s = (5,58,25)
t=0;
while t < len(s):
    print(s[t])
    t += 1
```

*Output:*

```
5
58
25
```

## 4.2. Membership of tuple:

Python's membership operators test for membership in a sequence, such as strings, lists, or tuples. There are two membership operators as explained below

Operator	Description	Example
<b>In</b>	Evaluates to true if it finds a variable in the specified sequence and false otherwise.	x in y, here in results in a 1 if x is a member of sequence y.
<b>not in</b>	Evaluates to true if it does not finds a variable in the specified sequence and false otherwise.	x not in y, here not in results in a 1 if x is not a member of sequence y.

Table 3

*Example:*

```
print (9 in s)
```

*Output:*

```
True
```

*Example:*

```
print (1 in s)
```

*Output:*

```
False
```

## 5. Tuple Methods:

Python has two built-in methods that you can use on tuples.

### 5.1 count():

Returns the number of times a specified value occurs in a tuple

*Example:*

```
my_tuple = ('a','p','p','l','e',)  
my_tuple.count('p')
```

*Output:*

```
2
```

### 5.2 index():

Searches the tuple for a specified value and returns the position of where it was found.

*Example:*

```
my_tuple = ('a','p','p','l','e',)  
my_tuple.index('l')
```

*Output:*

```
3
```

**Note: If there is same value multiple times like “p” then it will print the index of 1<sup>st</sup> item that is being encountered.**

## 6 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.
- We can convert the tuple into a list, change the list, and convert the list back into a tuple.

*Example:*

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

*Output:*

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

## 7 Deleting a Tuple

- In order to delete a tuple, the **del** keyword is used.
- In order to delete a tuple named **myTuple** (which we defined earlier).

*Example:*

```
t = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
del myTuple
print (t)
```

*Output:*

```
NameError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-16-dea2fd0e44f4> in <module>
----> 1 print (t)

NameError: name 't' is not defined
```

**\*NOTE : WE HAVE SUCCESSFULLY DELETED THE TUPLE NAMED AS t**

## 8 Other examples:

### 8.1 The tuple() Constructor:

- It is also possible to use the `tuple()` constructor to make a tuple.
- It is use for typecasting or creating tuples .

*Example:*

```
thistuple = tuple(["apple", "banana", "cherry"])  
print(thistuple)
```

*Output:*

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

### 8.2 Packing and Unpacking

- In packing, we place value into a new tuple while in unpacking we extract those values back into variables.

*Example:*

```
x = ("Guru99", 20, "Education")    # tuple packing  
(company, emp, profile) = x      # tuple unpacking  
print(company)  
print(emp)  
print(profile)
```

*Output:*

```
Guru99
```

```
20
```

```
Education
```



## 9 Tuples vs List

### 9.1 Syntax Difference

- The literal syntax of tuples is shown by parentheses ( ) whereas the literal syntax of lists is shown by square brackets [ ] .

### 9.2 Mutable Vs. Immutable

- The key difference is that tuples are immutable.
- This means that you cannot change the values in a tuple once you have created it.
- This is a good feature to have in some data structures where you intend to not make any changes to certain parts.

### 9.3 Size Comparison

- Tuples operation has smaller size than that of list, which makes it a bit faster but not that much to mention about until you have a huge number of elements.

### 9.4 Homogeneous Vs Heterogeneous

- There's a strong culture of tuples being for heterogeneous collections, similar to what you'd use structs for in C, and lists being for homogeneous collections, similar to what you'd use arrays for.
- In other words, different data can be stored in single tuple while same type of data is stored in lists.

**Video Link** : <https://youtu.be/GstQPTWpt88>

**For more detail (optional)** : <https://youtu.be/5uDLF9qb-Lk>

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