# Programmieren I (Python)

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## Prime Numbers



#### **Prime Numbers**

```
1 # Try out #%% in vscode:
 2 # Put it on a single line at the top of your python file.
 3 def smallest_factor(n):
       """Returns the smallest value k>1 that evenly divides N."""
       for factor in range(2, n+1):
           if n \% factor == 0:
               return factor
   def is_prime(n):
       """Return True iff n is prime."""
10
       return smallest_factor(n) == n
11
12
13 def print_factors(n):
14
       """Print the prime factors of n."""
       if n == 1:
15
         print(1)
16
         return
17
18
19
       while True:
         factor = smallest_factor(n)
20
21
         print(factor)
         n = n // factor
22
         if n == 1:
23
24
           return
```

# Tuples



## **Tuples**

- An ordered sequence of elements, can mix element types.
- Cannot change its element values: an **immutable** *object* (more on objects later!)
- Represented with parentheses ( ).

```
te = () # emtpy tuple
t = (1, "HAW LA", 2.3)
t[0]
t + (4, 1)
t[1:3]
len(t)
t[1] = "LA" # error
```

## **Tuples**

• Used to **swap** variable values in a nice way:

```
\blacksquare x, y = y, x
```

- Used to return more than one value from a function.
- Can iterate over elements of a tuple:

```
1 for elem in t:
2 ...
```

## Lists



#### Lists

- A list is a container that holds a sequence of related pieces of information.
- Usually the elements are of the same type (but not required to be so!).
- A list is mutable.
- The shortest list is an empty list, just 2 square brackets:

```
1 members = []
```

#### Lists

#### Lists can hold any Python values, separated by commas:

```
1 members = ["Pamela", "Tinu", "Brenda", "Kaya"]
2 ages_of_kids = [1, 2, 7]
3 prices = [79.99, 49.99, 89.99]
4 digits = [2//2, 2+2+2+2, 2, 2*2*2]
5 remixed = ["Pamela", 7, 79.99, 2*2*2]
```

#### Lists - len

Use the **global len()** function to find the *length of a list*.

```
1 attendees = ["Tammy", "Shonda", "Tina"]
  print(len(attendees))
  num_of_attendees = len(attendees)
5 print(num_of_attendees)
```



What could go wrong with storing the length?



**Strings** are *lists of characters*. **len** also works for Strings.

## Accessing list items

Each list item has an index, starting from 0.

```
1 letters = ['A', 'B', 'C']
2 # Index: 0 1 2
```

Access each item by putting the index in brackets:

```
letters[0]
letters[1]
letters[2]
letters[3]
curr_ind = 1
letters[curr_ind]
```

#### Negative indices are also possible:

```
1 letters[-1]
2 letters[-2]
```

## Accessing list items

It's also possible to use a function from the operator module:

```
1 from operator import getitem
2
3 getitem(letters, 0)
```

Assignment is possible! Lists are mutable.

```
1 letters = ['A', 'B', 'C']
2 letters[1] = 'P'
```

#### List concatenation

Add (i.e. connect/concatenate) two lists together using the + operator:

```
boba_prices = [5.50, 6.50, 7.50]
smoothie_prices = [7.00, 7.50]
all_prices = boba_prices + smoothie_prices
```

#### Or the add function:

```
from operator import add

boba_prices = [5.50, 6.50, 7.50]

smoothie_prices = [7.00, 7.50]

all_prices = add(boba_prices, smoothie_prices)
```

### List repetition

Concatenate the same list multiple times using the \* operator:

```
1 boba_prices = [5.50, 6.50, 7.50]
2 more_boba = boba_prices * 3
```

#### Or the mul function:

```
1 from operator import mul
2
3 boba_prices = [5.50, 6.50, 7.50]
4 more_boba = mul(boba_prices, 3)
```

#### **Nested Lists**

Since Python lists can contain any values, an item can itself be a list.

```
gymnasts = [
["Brittany", 9.15, 9.4, 9.3, 9.2],
["Lea", 9, 8.8, 9.1, 9.5],
["Maya", 9.2, 8.7, 9.2, 8.8]
]
```

- What is the length of gymnasts?
- What is the length of gymnasts[0]?

#### Accessing nested list items

#### Access using bracket notation, with more brackets as needed:

```
1 gymnasts[0]
2 gymnasts[0][0]
3 gymnasts[1][0]
4 gymnasts[1][4]
5 gymnasts[1][5]
6 gymnasts[3][0]
```

#### **Containment operator**

Use the in operator to test if a value is inside a list:

```
1 digits = [2, 8, 3, 1, 8, 5, 3, 0, 7, 1]
2 1 in digits
3 3 in digits
4 4 in digits
5 not (4 in digits)
```

## Iterating over lists

Very common pattern, iterate over list elements:

```
1     L = [4, 2, 1, 5]
2     for i in range(len(L)):
3     # do something with L[i]
```

• Iterate *directly* over list elements (also see strings!):

```
L = [4, 2, 1, 5]
for elem in L:
  # do something with elem
```

#### Add one element to a list

 We want to keep the list we are working with and append one element:

```
1  L = [2, 1, 3]
2  L.append(4) # L is now [2, 1, 3, 4]
```

- The existing list is changed (in place)! A side effect!
- What is this dot in L.append(4)?
  - A list is a python object (much more on this later).
  - Objects have data and methods that act on the data.
  - Call a method of an object obj by obj.method(...)



#### Extend a list

Extend a given list with the elements of another list.

```
1 A, B = [2, 1, 3], [10, 20, 30]
2 A.extend(B) # A is now ?
```

#### Remove elements from a list

- Delete an element at a specific index: del(L[index]).
- Remove last element and return it: x = L.pop()
- Remove a given element: L. remove (2)
  - If element not in list, gives an error
  - If element occurs multiple times, removes first occurance.

## **Lists and Strings**

- Convert a string s to a list: list(s)
- Use s.split() to split string s on provided character (or space if none is given)
- Use ''.join(L) to turn a list of strings into one string.
   Character in quotes is added between every element.

### Lists in memory

- A list is an object in memory.
- Variable names can point to objects in memory.
- Any variable pointing to the same object in memory is affected by changes to this object!

```
L = [1, 3, 2]
l = L # variable l is the same list as L. l is an `alias`
l.append(3)
print(L) # run this in python tutor
```

## Lists in memory – slicing

- Use **list slicing** to create a *proper* copy of part or all of a list.
- lst[<start index>:<end index>:<step size>] evaluates to a new list containing elements of lst:
  - Starting at and including the element at <start index>.
  - Up to but not including the element at <end index>.
  - With <step size> as the difference between indices of elements to include.

```
1 lst = [6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0]
2 lst[:3]  # Start index defaults to 0
3 lst[3:]  # End index defaults to len(lst)
4 lst[:]  # Creates a copy of the list
5 lst[:] == lst
6 lst[:] is lst
7 lst[::-1]  # Make a reversed copy of the entire list
8 lst[::2]  # Skip every other; step size defaults to 1 otherwise
```

### Lists in memory

Do not change a list while iterating over it.

```
1 def remove_dups(L1, L2):
2    for e in L1:
3        if e in L2:
4            L1.remove(e)
5        L1, L2 = [1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 2, 5, 6]
6    remove_dups(L1, L2) # Before running this, predict result!
```

- What is happening?
  - With for ... in ... Python uses an internal counter to keep track of index.
  - remove changes the length of the list, but does not update internal counter!
     Element 2 is never handled by loop!

## Lists in memory – side effects

- Compare sort and sorted with respect to their side effects. Investigate in PythonTutor.
- Side effects on nested lists can be very tricky!

# Expressions on lists – enumerate and zip

- Many nice functions available that do cool things with lists
- enumerate provides the element index of the iterated element

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
for (i, elem) in enumerate(my_list):
    print("{}-th element is {}".format(i, elem))
```

• zip merges the elements of various lists at the same index position

```
1  alist = ['a', 'b', 'c']
2  blist = [1, 2, 3]
3  for (aelem, belem) in zip(alist, blist):
4    print(aelem, belem)
```

## List comprehension

- A way to create a new list by "mapping" an existing list in a very compact way.
- new\_list = [<map exp> for <name> in <iter exp>]

```
1 odds = [1, 3, 5, 7, 9]
2 evens = [(num + 1) for num in odds]
3 # or
4 letters = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'm', 'n', 'o', 'p']
5 word = [letters[i] for i in [3, 4, 6, 8]]
```

- Apply a filter (boolean expression) to every element:
  - new\_list = [<map exp> for <name> in <iter exp> if <filter exp>]

```
1 temps = [60, 65, 71, 67, 77, 89]
2 hot = [tmp for tmp in temps if tmp > 70]
3 # observe in PythonTutor!
```

#### **Dictionaries**

- A dict (hash map) is a mapping of key-value pairs.
- It somewhat resembles a list: We use the **key** to **look-up** (*indexing* in a list) the associated **value** stored in the dictionary.

```
1 states = {
2    "CA": "California",
3    "DE": "Delaware",
4    "NY": "New York",
5    "TX": "Texas",
6    "WY": "Wyoming"
7 }
```

Dictionaries support similar operations as lists/strings:

```
1 len(states)
2 "CA" in states
3 "ZZ" in states # Error if key not available
```

### **Dictionary access**

```
words = dict(
    "más"="more",
    "otro"="other",
    "agua"="water"
    )
```

#### Ways to access a value by key:

```
1 words["otro"]
2 first_word = "agua"
3 words[first_word]
4 words["pavo"]
5 words.get("pavo", "*\solution")
```

## Dictionary rules

- All keys in a dictionary are distinct
- A key cannot be a list or dictionary (or any other **mutable type**)
- There is only one value per key!
  - The values can be any type, however!
  - For example, a list or a dictionary!

```
spiders = {
    "smeringopus": {
        "name": "Pale Daddy Long-leg",
        "length": 7
    },
    "holocnemus pluchei": {
        "name": "Marbled cellar spider",
        "length": (5, 7)
    }
}
```

## **Dictionary iteration**

```
insects = {"spiders": 8, "centipedes": 100, "bees": 6}
for name in insects:
    print(insects[name])
```

- What will be the order of items?
  - In general hard to determine!

## **Dictionary methods**

• Use .keys(), .values() and .items() to iterate over the keys, values or items respectively.

```
1 insects = {"spiders": 8, "centipedes": 100, "bees": 6}
2 for name in insects.keys(): # also try with .values and .items!
3 print(name)
```

Sometimes we know that a key should have a default value!

```
1 from collections import defaultdict
2 insects = defaultdict(int)
3 print(insects['unknown'])
```

## Dictionary comprehension

Similar to list comprehension, build a dictionary in a very compact way.

```
1 new_dict = {some_key_expr : some_value_expr for <name> in <iter exp
2 # note the { } brackets!</pre>
```

#### list vs dict

- Ordered sequence of elements.
- Look up elements by an *integer index*.
- Indices have an order.

- Matches keys to values.
- Look up an element by some (almost) arbitrary key.
- No order on keys is guaranteed.
- key can be any immutable type.

# File I/O



## File I/O

- A **file** is a set of (logically) connected data which are recorded on a storage device (*hard disk*).
- Hence, a file can exist beyond the runtime of a program.
  - A file is a potentially shared resource!
- Opening a file in python: f = open(filename, option)
  - filename: A file is identified by its *filename* (potentially a complete *path*).
  - option: r to read a file, w to write to a file, a to append to an existing file.
    - We are assuming text files for now!
- Need to close a file after done working with it: f.close().

## Reading files

- read(): Read entire content (or first n characters, if supplied)
  - Remember: We are dealing with text files!
- readline(): Reads a single line per call
- readlines(): Returns a list with lines (splits at newline)
- When dealing with files, we often use a **context manager** (*maybe* more later?!):

```
1 with open('myfile.txt', 'r') as f:
2 for line in f: # no 'read' necessary!!
3 print(line)
```

- It is a good practice do use a context manager (that is, the with ... statement) when dealing with files.
  - At the end of the code block it is ensured that the file is closed.



## Writing to a file

• Use write ( ) to write to a (text) file

```
1 name = "Sissi"
2 with open(filename, 'w') as f:
3 f.write("Hello, {}!\n".format(name)) # Wait, what is this?
```

Or format the written text in a different way:

```
1 name = "Sissi"
2 with open(filename, 'w') as f:
3 f.write(f'Hello, {name}!\n') # Wait, what is this now?
```

Look up f-strings

## More file writing

#### Write elements of a list to a file

```
filename = 'mylist.txt'
xs = [1, 2, 3]
with open(filename, 'w') as f:
for x in xs:
f.write(f'{x}\n')
```

#### Write elements of a dictionary to a file

```
1 filename = 'mydict.txt'
2 d = {'a': 3, 'b': 4}
3 with open(filename, 'w') as f:
4    for k, v in d.iteritems():
5    f.write(f'{k}: {v}\n')
```