Tuples

Tuples are used to store multiple items in a single variable. Tuple is one of 4 built-in data types in Python used to store collections of data, the other 3 are List, Set, and Dictionary, all with different qualities and usage.

- Unchangeable
- Ordered
- · Written with round brackets.
- · Allow duplicate values.
- Can contain different data types

To create a tuple with only one item, you have to add a comma after the item, otherwise Python will not recognize it as a tuple.

```
In [1]:
         1 # Creating a tuple:
         2 thistuple = ("apple",)
         3 print(type(thistuple))
           print(thistuple)
           # NOT a tuple
         7 # thistuple = ("apple")
         8 # print(type(thistuple))
        <class 'tuple'>
        ('apple',)
         1 mytuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
In [2]:
         2 print(mytuple)
        ('apple', 'banana', 'cherry')
In [3]:
         1 tuple1 = ("abc", 34, True, 40, "male")
         2 print(tuple1)
        ('abc', 34, True, 40, 'male')
```

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In [4]: 1 # Creating a tuple using tuple() Constructor
2 mytuple = tuple(("apple", "banana", "cherry"))
3 # mylist = list(("apple", "banana", "cherry"))

In [5]: 1 print(len(mytuple))
2 print(type(mytuple))

3
<class 'tuple'>
```

Access Tuple Items

```
1 thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango")
In [6]:
          2 print(thistuple[1])
         banana
In [7]:
          1 print(thistuple[-1])
         mango
In [8]:
          1 print(thistuple[2:5])
          2 print(type(thistuple[2:5]))
         ('cherry', 'orange', 'kiwi')
         <class 'tuple'>
In [9]:
          1 print(thistuple[:4])
         ('apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'orange')
In [10]:
          1 print(thistuple[-4:-1])
         ('orange', 'kiwi', 'melon')
```

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. You can **convert the tuple into a list, change the list, and convert the list back into a tuple.**

```
In [14]:
           1 # Add items
           2 thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
           3 mylist = list(thistuple)
           4 print(mylist)
           5 | mylist.append("orange")
           6 print(mylist)
           7 thistuple = tuple(mylist)
           8 print(thistuple)
          ['apple', 'banana', 'cherry']
          ['apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'orange']
('apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'orange')
In [15]:
           1 # Remove items
           2 thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
           3 mylist = list(thistuple)
           4 print(mylist)
           5 mylist.remove("cherry")
           6 print(mylist)
           7 thistuple = tuple(mylist)
           8 print(thistuple)
           9 print(type(thistuple))
          ['apple', 'banana', 'cherry']
          ['apple', 'banana']
          ('apple', 'banana')
          <class 'tuple'>
In [16]:
           1 # Delete tuple
           2 thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
           3 del thistuple
```

Packing and Unpacking a tuple

When we create a tuple, we normally assign values to it. This is called "packing" a tuple. In Python, we are also allowed to extract the values back into variables. This is called "unpacking".

Note: The number of variables must match the number of values in the tuple, if not, you must use an asterix to collect the remaining values as a list.

```
In [17]:
          1 # Packing
          2 fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
In [18]:
          1 # Unpacking
          3 fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
          4 (green, yellow, red) = fruits
          5 print(green)
          6 print(yellow)
          7 print(red)
         apple
         banana
         cherry
In [19]:
          1 # Unpacking using asterisk(*): If the number of variables is less than the number of values, you
          2 # an * to the variable name and the values will be assigned to the variable as a list
          4 fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "strawberry", "raspberry")
          5 (green, yellow, *red) = fruits
          7 print(green)
          8 print(yellow)
          9 print(red)
         apple
         banana
         ['cherry', 'strawberry', 'raspberry']
```

Loop through a tuple

```
1 thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
In [21]:
          2 for x in thistuple:
                 print(x)
          3
         apple
         banana
         cherry
In [22]:
          1 thistuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
          2 for i in range(len(thistuple)):
                 print(thistuple[i])
          3
         apple
         banana
         cherry
```

apple banana cherry

enumerate(): A lot of times when dealing with iterators, we also get a need to keep a count of iterations. Python eases the programmers' task by providing a built-in function enumerate() for this task. Enumerate() method adds a counter to an iterable and returns it in a form of enumerate object. This enumerate object can then be used directly in for loops or be converted into a list of tuples using list() method.

Signature: enumerate(iterable, start = 0)

```
<class 'enumerate'>
[(0, 'eat'), (1, 'sleep'), (2, 'repeat')]
[(2, 'g'), (3, 'e'), (4, 'e'), (5, 'k')]
```

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In [25]:
          1 for x,y in enumerate(thistuple):
                 print(x,y)
         0 apple
         1 banana
         2 cherry
In [26]:
          1 for x,y in enumerate(thistuple, start = 5):
                 print(x,y)
          2
         5 apple
         6 banana
         7 cherry
In [27]:
          1 for x,y in enumerate(thistuple, 5):
          2
                 print(x,y)
         5 apple
         6 banana
         7 cherry
In [28]:
          1 for x in enumerate(l1):
          2
                 print(x)
         (0, 'eat')
         (1, 'sleep')
         (2, 'repeat')
```

Join Tuples

```
In [29]:
           1 \mid \# \ l1 = [1, 2, 3]
           2 # 12 = ["hello", 4, 5]
           3 \# 11 = 11 + 12
             # print(l1)
           6 tuple1 = ("a", "b" , "c")
           7 | \text{tuple2} = (1, 2, 3) |
           9 tuple3 = tuple1 + tuple2
          10 print(tuple3)
         ('a', 'b', 'c', 1, 2, 3)
In [30]:
           1 # fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
           2 # fruits = fruits*2
           3 # print(fruits)
           5 | fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
           6 mytuple = fruits * 2
           7 print(mytuple)
         ('apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'apple', 'banana', 'cherry')
```

Tuple Methods

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