



# Introduction to PYTHON

## List in Python

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# List

- **[ ]**
- Mutable
- Can have collection of elements
- Elements can be homogeneous / heterogeneous

# User Defined List

```
L=[int(x) for x in input().split()]
```

```
1 33 555 56666
```

```
print(L)
```

```
[1, 33, 555, 56666]
```

# User Defined List

```
L = []  
for i in range(10):  
    a = int(input("enter a number. "))  
    L.append(a)
```

# Accessing List elements

```
>>>a=[10,20,30,40,45,65,66]
```

```
>>>print(a[2:])
```

```
[30, 40, 45, 65, 66]
```

```
>>>print(a[2])
```

```
30
```

```
>>>print(a[1:-3])
```

```
[20, 30, 40]
```

```
>>>print(a[0:3])
```

```
[10, 20, 30]
```

```
>>>print(a[-6:-3])
```

```
[20, 30, 40]
```

```
>>>print(a[2:4])
```

```
[30, 40]
```

# LIST Updating

Using slicing

```
>>>a = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]
```

```
>>>a[6 : ] = [11, 22, 33]
```

```
>>>a
```

```
[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 11, 22, 33]
```

```
>>>a[len(a):] = [1000]
```

**append(object)** returns None

**list.append(x)**

– Add an item **x** to the end of the list.

```
>>>a=[11,22,33]
```

```
>>>a.append(10)
```

```
>>>a
```

```
[11, 22, 33, 10]
```

**clear()** returns None

**list.clear()**

– Remove all the items from the list.

```
>>>a=[11,22,33]
```

```
>>>a.clear()
```

```
>>>a
```

```
[]
```



**copy()** returns a list

**list.copy()**

– Returns a shallow copy of the list.

```
>>>a = [11,22,33]
```

```
>>>b = a.copy()
```

```
>>>a is b
```

```
False
```

**count(value)** returns int

**list.count(value)**

- return number of occurrences of value

```
>>>a= [2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 6, 4]
```

```
>>>a.count(4)
```

```
3
```

```
>>>a.count(11)
```

```
0
```

**extend(iterable)**      return None

- **list.extend(iterable)**
  - extend list by appending elements from the iterable

```
>>>a=[11,22,33]
```

```
>>>a.extend([100,200,300])
```

```
>>>a
```

```
[11, 22, 33, 100, 200, 300]
```

```
>>>a.append([555,444,666])
```

```
>>>a
```

```
[11, 22, 33, 100, 200, 300, [555, 444, 666]]
```

**index(value, [start, [stop]])** returns integer

**list.index(value, [start, [stop]])**

- return first index of value
- Raises ValueError if the value is not present.

```
>>>a=[10, 20, 30, 40, 20]
```

```
>>>a.index(20)
```

```
1
```

```
>>>a.index(20, 3)
```

```
4
```

# **insert(index, object)**

**list.insert(index, object)**

– insert object before index

```
>>>a = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
>>>a.insert(2, 100)
```

```
>>>a
```

```
[10, 20, 100, 30, 40, 50]
```

**pop([index])** returns item

**list.pop([index])**

- remove and return item at index (default last).
- Raises IndexError if list is empty or index is out of range.

```
>>>a= [11,22,33]
```

```
>>>a.pop()
```

```
33
```

```
>>>a
```

```
[11, 22]
```

**remove(value)** returns None

**list.remove(value)**

- remove first occurrence of value.
- Raises ValueError if the value is not present.

```
>>>a = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 4]
```

```
>>>a.remove(4)
```

```
[1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 4]
```



**reverse()** returns None

**list.reverse()** -- reverse *\*IN PLACE\**

```
>>>a = [10, 20, 30]
```

```
>>>a.reverse()
```

```
>>>a
```

```
[30, 20, 10]
```

# **sort(key= None, reverse = False)**

**list.sort(key= None, reverse = False)**

- sorts the elements of a given list in a specific order - Ascending or Descending.
- Returns none

```
>>>a = ['e', 'a', 'u', 'o', 'i']
```

```
>>>a.sort()
```

```
>>>a
```

```
['a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u']
```

```
>>>a = ['e', 'a', 'u', 'o', 'i']
```

```
>>>a.sort(reverse=True)
```

```
>>>a
```

```
['u', 'o', 'i', 'e', 'a']
```

# Use of key argument in sort()

```
>>>def fun(e):  
    return e[1]
```

```
>>>a=[(1,2),(2,4), (6,3),(11,1),(10,2)]
```

```
>>>a.sort(key=fun)
```

```
>>>a  
[(11, 1), (1, 2), (10, 2), (6, 3), (2, 4)]
```

- Python's in-built function **sorted()** for the same purpose.

```
>>>sorted(list, key = None, reverse = False)
```

**Note:**

- **sort()** doesn't return any value while, rather, it changes the original list.
- **sorted()** returns an iterable list, does not change original list

**del** removes the item at a specific index:

```
>>> a = [3, 2, 2, 1]
```

```
>>> del a[1]
```

```
[3, 2, 1]
```

# del vs pop() vs remove()

- del
  - to remove an element by index,
- pop()
  - to remove it by index if you need the returned value, and
- remove()
  - to delete an element by value.
  - requires searching the list, and raises ValueError if no such value occurs in the list.



# Python's Function over List

## **len(list)**

- Gives the total length of the list.

## **max(list)**

- Returns item from the list with max value.

## **min(list)**

- Returns item from the list with min value.

## **list(seq)**

- Converts a tuple into list.

# append() vs extend()

**append()**: Appends object at the end.

```
>>>x = [1, 2, 3]
>>>x.append([4, 5])
>>>print (x)
[1, 2, 3, [4, 5]]
```

**extend()** Extends list by appending elements from the iterable.

```
>>>x = [1, 2, 3]
>>>x.extend([4, 5])
>>>print (x)
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

# Python List reverse()

- The `reverse()` method reverses the elements of a given list.

```
>>>list.reverse()
```

- The `reverse()` function
  - doesn't take any argument.
  - doesn't return any value.
  - only reverses the elements and **updates the original list**.

```
>>>os = ['Windows', 'macOS', 'Linux']
```

```
>>>os.reverse()
```

```
>>>print('Updated List:', os)
```

```
Updated List: ['Linux', 'macOS', 'Windows']
```

# reversed()

- If you need to access individual elements of a list in reverse order, it's better to use reversed() method.

```
>>>os = ['Windows', 'macOS', 'Linux']
```

```
>>>list( reversed(os))
```

```
['Linux', 'macOS' , 'Windows']
```

# Python List copy()

- The copy() method **returns a shallow copy** of the list.
- A list can be copied with = operator.

```
>>>old_list = [1, 2, 3]
```

```
>>>new_list = old_list
```

- The problem with copying the list in this way is that if you modify the new\_list, the old\_list is also modified.

# Deep Copy

```
>>>old_list = [1, 2, 3]
```

```
>>>new_list = old_list
```

```
>>>new_list.append('a')
```

```
>>>print('New List:', new_list )
```

```
New List: [1, 2, 3, 'a']
```

```
>>>print('Old List:', old_list )
```

```
Old List: [1, 2, 3, 'a']
```

# Shallow Copy of a List Using Slicing

```
>>>A = ['cat', 0, 6.7]
```

```
>>>B = list[:]
```

```
>>>B.append('dog')
```

```
>>>A
```

```
['cat', 0, 6.7]
```

```
>>>B
```

```
New List: ['cat', 0, 6.7, 'dog']
```