

# Introduction to Python

Session 05

**List comprehensions**

An object that can be iterated upon returning its members one at a time.

- Lists
- Tuples
- Dictionaries
- Sets
- Strings



In python everything is an object

are containers

```
for element in iterable:  
    print(element)
```

TypeError: 'float' object is not iterable

# Built-in methods applicable to iterators

- **sum**
- **max**
- **min**

```
>>> max([1, 39, 10, 0, -3])
39
>>> max(set([1, 39, 10, 0, -3]))  if it's a dictionary you get the max value of the key
39
>>> max("adfadijaskf")           gives you the highest letter with ASCII code
's'
```

- Sequence functions

- **map**
- **filter**
- **zip**

- **map:** Applies a **function** to every item in an iterable and returns an iterator with the results.

`map(func, iterable) --> map object`

Example: convert a list of integers to a list of strings:

```
>>> my_number_list = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7]
>>> map(str, my_number_list)    in this case the function is str (converts something to string)
<map object at 0x2b6a72a48790>
>>> for element in map(str, my_number_list):    as it is an iterator we can loop
...      print(element)
...
```

- **map:** Applies a **function** to every item in an iterable and returns an iterator with the results.

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Example: Apply a mathematical function to each element of a list

```
>>> my_list = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10]
>>> import math
>>> for element in map(math.sin, my_list):
...     print(element)
```

```
0.8414709848078965
0.9092974268256817
0.1411200080598672
...
...
```

- **map:** Applies a **function** to every item in an iterable and returns an iterator with the results.

`map(func, iterable) --> map object`

Example: look for the maximum value of several lists

```
>>> my_lists = [ [1,2,3], [4,5,6], [1,0,10] ]  
>>> list(map(max, my_lists))  
[3, 6, 10]
```

- **map:** Applies a **function** to every item in an iterable and returns an iterator with the results.

`map(func, iterable) --> map object`

What if the function I need to apply does not exist?

1) Implement it as a new function.

2) Create a **lambda function: Functions syntactically restricted to a single expression.**

a function that is created and used, it is not stored

```
lambda x: x+1
```

- Function restricted syntactically to a single expression.
- **Anonymous** functions (not linked to a name)
- Commonly used combined with other functions, such as map.

```
lambda x: x+1
```

```
lambda x, y: x+y/2.0
```

```
lambda l: l[1]
```

- **map:** Applies a **function** to every item in an iterable and returns an iterator with the results.

`map(func, iterable) --> map object`

Example: Apply a lambda function

```
>>> my_list = [1,2,3,4,5]
>>> map(lambda x: x-1, my_list)    subtract one from each of the elements
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
```

- Sequence functions
  - `map`
  - `filter`
  - `zip`

- **filter:** Return those items of sequence for which function(item) is true
  - If function is None, return the items that are true.
  - If sequence is a tuple or string, return the same type, else return a list.

```
filter(function or None, sequence)
```

- **filter:** Return those items of sequence for which function(item) is true

**filter(function or None, sequence)**

Example: Filter a list of integers and get only the even numbers.

```
>>> my_list = [1,10,5,3,1,4,8,40,11,15]  
  
>>> list( filter(lambda x: x%2==0, my_list) )  
[10, 4, 8, 40]
```

- **zip:** Return an iterator of tuples, where each tuple contains the i-th element from each of the argument sequences.

The returned iterator ends to the length to the length of the shortest argument sequence.

## **zip(\*iterables)**

```
>>> list_a = [1,2,3,4,5]
>>> list_b = ["a","b","c","d"]
>>> list(zip(list_a, list_b))
[(1, 'a'), (2, 'b'), (3, 'c'), (4, 'd')]
```

unifying the first element of the list with the first of the other list

A more versatile and readable alternative

```
my_list = [function(x) for x in iterable]
```

Example: create a new List with the logarithm of numbers 1 to 9:

```
>>> [math.log(x) for x in range(1,10)]  the last number(10) is never included  
[0.0, 0.6931471805599453, 1.0986122886681098,  
1.3862943611198906, 1.6094379124341003, 1.791759469228055,  
1.9459101490553132, 2.0794415416798357, 2.1972245773362196]
```

Another way of building a List object:

```
my_list = [function(x) for x in iterable]
```

Example: create a new List with strings with 2 decimal positions of with the logarithm of numbers from 1 to 9:

put at the beginning the string formatting

```
>>> ["%.2f"%math.log(x) for x in range(1,10)]  
['0.00', '0.69', '1.10', '1.39', '1.61', '1.79', '1.95',  
'2.08', '2.20']
```

Another way of building a List object:

```
my_list = [function(x) for x in iterable if condition]
```

Example: create a new List with strings with 2 decimal positions of with the logarithm of numbers from 1 to 50 that are divisible by 5

```
>>> ["%.2f"%math.log(x) for x in range(1,51) if x%5==0]
['1.61', '2.30', '2.71', '3.00', '3.22', '3.40', '3.56',
'3.69', '3.81', '3.91']
```

Another way of building a List object:

```
my_list = [function(x) for x in iterable if condition]
```

Example: create a list with all identifiers from a FASTA file for proteins ending with some residues:

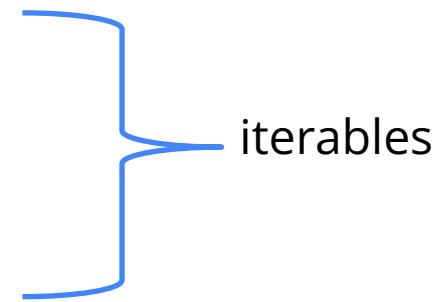
```
>>> my_list = [ seq_id for seq_id, sequence in  
FASTA_iterator("my_fasta_file.fa") if sequence[-3:]=="GNN"]
```

I'm calling seq\_id instead of x.  
it returns a sequence that only if sequence starts at a position and is GNN.

- Python basic objects:

- int
- float
- boolean
- None

- String
- List
- Dictionary
- Set



- Python built-in functions:

- Convert between types (int(), float(), bool(), str())...
- Functions applicable to iterables:
  - map, filter, zip, max, min, sum
- Other functions:
  - input, type, range, sorted, ...

- **input(message)**

- Read a **string** from standard input (keyboard).

```
>>> number = input("Please insert a number: ")  
Please insert a number: 4  
>>> print(number)  
4  
>>> type(number)  
<type 'str'>
```

you have a prompt in which you will type 4.  
this is to test function

The return value is a **String**!

- Conversions: to integer and float

```
>>> int("10")
10
>>> float(10)
10.0
```

- To Boolean:

```
>>> bool(10)
True
>>> bool(-3.14)
True
>>> bool("False")
True
>>> bool(0)
False
```

Any int is True except for 0

Everything is converted to True except value 0

- **Eval:** Dynamically evaluate expressions

```
>>> eval("False")  
False
```

```
>>> eval("10")  
10
```

not recommended to use,

```
>>> type(eval("10"))  
<type 'int'>
```

```
>>> s = "hello"  
>>> eval("s")  
'hello'
```

start and step is included, but not stop

- **range**

```
range( [start,] stop[, step] )
```

- Returns a virtual sequence of numbers from start to stop by step.
- start (!) defaults to 0.
- When step is given, it specifies the increment (or decrement).
- The endpoint is omitted.

- **range**

```
range( [start,] stop[, step] )
```

```
>>> range(10)
range(0, 10)
```

```
>>> list( range(10) )
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

```
>>> list( range(1,10,2) )
[1, 3, 5, 7, 9]
```

- To see all available built-in functions:

```
>>> dir(__builtins__)
```

<https://docs.python.org/3/library/functions.html>

Create a python script called `<uID>_S05.py` with:

**Note: Use the `FASTA_iterator` function created in last exercises.**

- 1) Repeat the same exercises proposed in session 2 but using the `FASTA_Iterator` function created in session 4 to read the FASTA files.
- 2) A function that, given a multiline FASTA file, returns the length of the sequence with the maximum length

```
get_max_sequence_length_from_FASTA_file( fasta_filename )
```

- 3) A function that, given a multiline FASTA file, returns the length of the sequence with the minimum length

```
get_min_sequence_length_from_FASTA_file ( fasta_filename )
```

- 4) A function that, given a FASTA file, returns a list of tuples (identifier, sequence) corresponding to the sequence(s) with maximum length. The list must be sorted by the identifier (case insensitive sorted).

```
get_longest_sequences_from_FASTA_file( fasta_filename )
```

- 5) A function that, given a FASTA file, **returns a list of tuples** (identifier, sequence) corresponding to the sequence(s) with minimum length. The list must be sorted by the identifier (case insensitive sorted).

```
get_shortest_sequences_from_FASTA_file( fasta_filename )
```

- 6) A function that, given a protein FASTA file, returns a dictionary with the molecular weights of all the proteins in the file. The dictionary keys must be the protein identifiers and the associated values must be a float corresponding to the molecular weight.

```
get_molecular_weights( fasta_filename )
```

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- 7) A function that, given a protein FASTA file, returns a tuple with (identifier, sequence) of the protein with the lowest molecular weight. If there are two or more proteins having the minimum molecular weight, just return the first one.

```
get_sequence_with_min_molecular_weight( fasta_filename )
```

- 8) A function that, given a protein FASTA file, returns the mean of the molecular weights of all the proteins

```
get_mean_molecular_weight( fasta_filename )
```