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Lists and List Operators

Programming and Algorithms

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```
n = 3
for i in range(1,n+1):
    print("Hello World!")

Hello World!
Hello World!
```

Hello World!



What will we Cover?

- Using the list data structure
- List operators



List Operator +

- + is the concatenation operator
- Used to combine lists together
- Operator is used between two values of type list
- Result is a list containing all values from the two original lists

Example	Result
list1 = [2, 4] list2 = [3, 5] list1 + list2	[2, 4, 3, 5]



Concatenation Examples

List and list

```
list1 = [1, 2]
list2 = [3, 4]
print(list1 + list2)
[1, 2, 3, 4]
```

Assignment

```
list1 = []
list1 = list1 + [3, 4]
print(list1)
[3, 4]
```

List and empty list

```
list1 = []
list2 = [3, 4]
print(list1 + list2)
[3, 4]
```

List within a list

```
list1 = [1, 2, [3, 4]]
list1[2] = list1[2] + [3, 4]
print(list1)

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



List Operator [:]

[:] is the slice operator

- Used to extract a slice from a list
- Operator is used similarly to accessing an element of a list
- Result is a list containing values between two indices specified before and after: within []

Example		Result
list1 = [3, list1[1:3]	2, 7, 8]	[2, 7]



Slice Examples

From 1 to 4

[2, 3, 4]

From start to 4

[1, 2, 3, 4]

From 1 to the end

[1, 2, 3, 4]

Assignment

```
list1 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
list1 = list1[2:3]
print(list1)
```

[3]



List Operator *

- * is the replication operator
- Used to duplicate the elements of a list
- Operator is used between a list and an int
- Result is a list containing several copies of the elements of the original list. Number of copies depends on the int value

Example	Result
list1 = ["a", "b"] list1 * 2	["a", "b", "a", "b"]



Replication Examples

List of ints

```
list1 = [1, 2]
print(list1 * 3)
[1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2]
```

List of empty lists

```
list1 = [[]]
print(list1 * 3)
[[], [], []]
```

Empty list

```
list1 = []
print(list1 * 3)
[]
```

List within a list

```
list1 = [[1]]
list1[0] = list1[0] * 2
print(list1 * 3)

[[1, 1], [1, 1], [1, 1]]
```



List Operator IN

- Used to check if a value is found in a list
- Operator is used between a variable of any type and a list
- Result is a Boolean value
 - True if the value is found in the list
 - False if the value is not found in the list

Example	Result
list1 = [9, 8, 7, 6] 6 in list1	True



IN Examples

String in a list

```
list1 = ["a", "b", "c"]
str1 = "a"
print(str1 in list1)
True
```

List in a list

```
list1 = [[1]]
list2 = [1]
print(list2 in list1)
True
```

Sum in a list

```
list1 = [4, 3, 6]
print(2 + 2 in list1)
True
```

Empty string in an empty list

```
list1 = []
str1 = ""
print(str1 in list1)
False
```



List Operator NOT IN

- Used to check if a value is not in a list
- Operator is used between a variable of any type and a list
- Result is a Boolean value
 - True if the value is not found in the list
 - False if the value is found in the list

Example		Result
list1 = [9, 8, 6 not in list1	7, 6]	False



NOT IN Examples

String not in a list

```
list1 = ["a", "b", "c"]
str1 = "abc"
print(str1 not in list1)
True
```

List not in a list

```
list1 = [[1]]
list2 = [2]
print(list2 not in list1)
True
```

Product not in a list

```
list1 = [4, 2, 6]
num1 = 2 * 3
print(num1 not in list1)
False
```

Empty string not in an empty list

```
list1 = []
str1 = ""
print(str1 not in list1)
True
```



Try It Yourself

Enter and run the following statements in the python environment:

```
list1 = [2, 3]
list2 = [4]
print(list1 + list2 * 2)
```

```
list3 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
list3 = list3[3:]
print(1 in list3)
```

```
list4 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
list4 = list4[3:]
print(1 not in list4)
```

```
list5 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
if 2 in list5:
  print(list5[3:4] * 4)
```

