Data Academy

Data Science
Python

Module 1 – session 3



Session Content



1+2 DIMENSIONAL LISTS



STRING HANDLING



FILE HANDLING



Lists

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

```
[ ]: my_1d_list = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8]
print (my_1d_list)
```

Python is zero indexed

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```
for i in range(len(my_1d_list)):
    print("My list at value", i, "is:", my_1d_list[i])

My list at value 0 is: 1
    My list at value 1 is: 2
    My list at value 2 is: 3
    My list at value 3 is: 4
    My list at value 4 is: 5
    My list at value 5 is: 6
    My list at value 6 is: 7
    My list at value 7 is: 8
```

Handling 1D Lists

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```
1dlist = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8]
print (1dlist[2])
```

My list at value 2 is: 3

```
print (len(1dlist))
```

print (1dlist[2:5])

[3, 4, 5]



Handling 2D Lists

2-Dimensional Lists are lists within a list
This is done by putting [] within [] and separating by,

They are referenced as row then column.

2dlist[0] will show you the content of the row

2dlist[0][3] will show you the first row, and 4th column/value

```
My list at row 0 and column 3 is: 4
```



String Handling

```
[6]: text = ("example")
                  a
                          m
                                   p
                                                                       print(text[2])
                           3
                                   4
                                           5
 0
                                                                       print(text[2:5])
                                                                       amp
[4]: print(len(text))
[5]: for each_char in range(len(text)):
         print("My character at value", each_char, "is:", text[each_char])
     My character at value 0 is: e
     My character at value 1 is: x
     My character at value 2 is: a
     My character at value 3 is: m
     My character at value 4 is: p
     My character at value 5 is: 1
     My character at value 6 is: e
```



Storing Data

When a program is run the data is stored in memory, unless it is held in permanent storage it will be lost.

FLAT FILES

Simple text files myfile.txt

Use notepad to open them up (note that both the text and python files need to be in the same folder)



File Handling

To create a .txt file we use open()

```
my_file = open("my_new_text_file.txt", "w")
This will create a text file called "my_new_text_file".
```

If the file already exists it will overwrite the data!

File modes:

w = Writes new data to a file

r = Reads from a file

a = Append data to the end of the file



Writing to a file

```
Open a file to Write
File handle
       my_file = open("my_new_text_file.txt", "w")
       for i in range(10):
         my file.write(str(i))
         my file.write("\n") New line operator
       my file.close()
                            Files must be closed
```

Reading from a file

```
with open ("my_new_text_file.txt", "r") as myfile:
    data = myfile.read().replace('\n', ',')

myfile.close()
```

```
print(data)
0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,
```



Appending to a file

```
[]: # Appending
my_file = open("my_new_text_file.txt", "a")

my_file.write("Where has it gone?")

my_file.close()

# Note: re-run previous cell to see where the data has gone in the txt file.
```



Home Learning Tasks



Task 1

Write a program that allows you to enter 4 numbers and stores them in a file called "Numbers"

- 3
- 45
- 83
- 21

Have a go at 'w' 'r' 'a'

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Task 2

Write a program to ask a student for their percentage mark and convert this to a grade.

The conversion will be done in a function called mark_grade



Extension to Task 2

- Ask the user for their target grade and print this with their mark
- If their target grade > exam grade display a suitable message
- If their target grade = exam grade display a suitable message
- If their target grade < exam grade display a suitable message



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