

# **Introduction to List**

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# Last Lecture

- String
- Indexing
- Mutability of String
- Basic String operations
  - Concatenation
  - Deletion
  - Repetition
  - Slicing

# Today's Lecture

- Introduction to Lists
- List Manipulation
  - Creation
  - Indexing
  - Adding, accessing and removing elements
  - Mutability
  - Slicing
  - Concatenation

# Concept of List

- List is a sequence of values called items or elements.
- The elements can be of any data type.
- Each value has a location (an index).
- Indexes range from 0 to n-1 where n is the length of the list.
- List is mutable, meaning, their elements can be changed.
- Values are enclosed in [], myList = [1, 2, 3].

# Creating a List

- A list is created by placing all the elements inside a square bracket [ ], separated by commas.
- It can have any number of items and they may be of different types (integer, float, string etc.).
- Creating without constructor -

```
# empty list  
my_list = []  
  
# list of integers  
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
```

```
# list with mixed data types  
my_list = [1, "Abc", 4.5]  
  
# nested list  
my_list = ["Hello", [7, 8, 9]]
```

# Creating a List(continued)

- Using list constructor –

```
# empty list
my_list = list()
# list of integers
my_list = list([1, 2, 3])
```

- List length – *len()* function

```
>>> a = [1,2,3]
>>> print(len(a))
```

Output will be 3

# Indexing of List

- Just like strings, list can also be accessed using indexing method.
- Range: Index starts at 0 and ends at n-1.
- Type: Index must be an integer.
- Index out of range will give **IndexError**. Different type will give type error.
- Two indexing technique: Positive and Negative
- Example:

```
a = [11, 12, 13, 14, 15]
```

Pos. Index →	0	1	2	3	4
Items →	11	12	13	14	15
Neg. Index →	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1

# Access items from a list

- Use the index operator [] to access an item in a list
- The index starts at 0 just like with a string and goes up to n-1 if there are n elements in the list
- They also can use negative subscripts, -1 is the last element on the right, -n on the left end

```
>>> a = [11, 12, 13, 14, 15]
>>> print(a[2])    #Output will be 13
>>> print(a[-2])   #Output will be 14
```



# Access items from a list

```
# This is acceptable
>>> players_list = ['Ronaldo', 'Messi', 'Neymar', 'Bale']
>>> print(players_list[1])    #Positive Indexing
Output: Messi
>>> print(players_list[0])    #Positive Indexing
Output: Ronaldo
>>> print(players_list[-1])   #Negative Indexing
Output: Bale
```

```
# This is not acceptable
>>> print(players_list[5])
Output: IndexError: list index out of range
>>> print(players_list[4.0])
Output: TypeError: list integer must be integer or slices
```

# List Mutability

- Lists are mutable (changeable)
- Unlike Strings items in list can easily be changed:
  - Can easily change an existing element
  - Can easily append/add new elements
  - Can easily delete/remove elements

—————→ Variable[index] = new value

Existing list      Index to      New element  
name      replace the  
            element

```
# Example:
>>> players_list = ['Ronaldo', 'Messi', 'Neymar', 'Bale']
>>> print(players_list)
Output: ['Ronaldo', 'Messi', 'Neymar', 'Bale']
>>> print(players_list[2])
Output: Neymar
>>> player_list[2] = 'Mbappe' #Neymar is replaced by
Mbappe
>>> print(players_list)
Output: ['Ronaldo', 'Messi', 'Mbappe', 'Bale']
#See Neymar is no longer in the list
```

# Add items to a list

- Using the ***append(value)*** method

```
>>> cars = ["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]  
>>> cars.append("Ford")  
>>> print(cars)
```

Output: **["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche", "Ford"]**

- Using the ***insert(index,value)*** method

```
>>> cars = ["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]  
>>> cars.insert(1, "Ford")  
>>> print(cars)
```

Output: **["Bmw", "Ford", "Audi", "Porsche"]**

# Remove items from a list

- Using the *pop(index) or pop()* method

```
>>> cars = ["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]
>>> cars.pop(1)
>>> print(cars)
```

Output: **["Bmw", "Porsche"]**

```
>>> cars = ["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]
>>> cars.pop()
>>> print(cars)
```

Output: **["Bmw", "Audi"]**

- Using the *remove(value)* method

```
>>> cars = ["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]
>>> cars.remove("Bmw")
>>> print(cars)
```

Output: **["Audi", "Porsche"]**

# Remove items from a list

- Using the *del* keyword

```
>>> cars = ["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]
>>> del cars[0]
>>> print(cars)
```

Output: **["Audi", "Porsche"]**

```
>>> cars = ["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]
>>> del cars
>>> print(cars)
```

Output: **name 'cars' is not defined**

- Using the *clear()* method

```
>>> cars = ["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]
>>> cars.clear()
>>> print(cars)
```

Output: **[]**

# Copy a list

- Using the ***copy()*** method

```
>>> cars = ["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]  
>>> cars2 = cars.copy()  
>>> print(cars2)
```

Output: **["Bmw", "Audi", "Porsche"]**

# Joining two list

- Using the **(+)** operator

```
>>> list1 = [1, 2, 3]
>>> list2 = [4, 5, 6]
>>> list3 = list1 + list2
>>> print(list3)
```

Output: **[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]**

- Using the ***extend(list)*** method

```
>>> list1 = [1, 2, 3]
>>> list2 = [4, 5, 6]
>>> list1.extend(list2)
>>> print(list1)
```

Output: **[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]**

# List Slicing

- `list[start:end:step]`
  - `start(inclusive)`: specifies the starting index. If not provided, starts at 0.
  - `end(exclusive)`: specifies the ending index. If not provided, ends at last index.
  - `step(optional)`: specifies the increment
- the return value will be a new list with the specified items

```
>>> colors = ["Black", "White", "Red", "Blue", "Green", "Purple", "Yellow"]
>>> clr = colors[1:4]
>>> print(clr)           #Output will be: ['White', 'Red', 'Blue']
>>> print(colors[:4])    #Output will be: ['Black', 'White', 'Red', 'Blue']
>>> print(colors[3:])    #Output will be: ['Blue', 'Green', 'Purple',
'Yellow']
>>> print(colors[-4:-1]) #Output will be: ['Blue', 'Green', 'Purple']
```



# List methods

Method	Semantics
<code>list.sort()</code>	Sorts items of list, in place. Items must be comparable
<code>list.reverse()</code>	Reverses order of items in list in place
<code>list.index(x)</code>	Returns integer index of first (leftmost) occurrence of x in the list
<code>list.count(x)</code>	Returns integer count of number of occurrences of x in list

# Next Lecture

- Dictionaries

