COURSE UNIT 6: WEEK 8

LISTS AND TUPLES

OBJECTIVES:

- 1. Classify the python list and tuples.
- 2. Practice programs using python list and tuples.
- 3. Construct a python program using list and tuples.

PYTHON COLLECTIONS (ARRAYS)

Four Collection Data Types in the Python programming language:

- <u>List</u> is a collection which is ordered and changeable. Allows duplicate members.
- <u>Tuple</u> is a collection which is ordered and unchangeable. Allows duplicate members.
- <u>Set</u> is a collection which is unordered, unchangeable*, and unindexed. No duplicate members.
- <u>Dictionary</u> is a collection which is ordered** and changeable. No duplicate members.

^{*}Set items are unchangeable, but you can remove and/or add items whenever you like.

^{**}As of Python version 3.7, dictionaries are *ordered*. In Python 3.6 and earlier, dictionaries are *unordered*.

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```
list1 = ["Rohan", "Physics", 21, 69.75]
list2 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
list3 = ["a", "b", "c", "d"]
list4 = [25.50, True, -55, 1+2j]
```

- one of the built-in data types in Python
- used to store multiple items in a single variable
- created using square brackets []
- ordered, changeable, and allow duplicate values
- indexed, the first item has index [0]
- list item can be of any data type

PYTHON - LISTS

List Length

Print the number of items in the list:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
print(len(thislist))
```

List Items - Data Types

String, int and boolean data types:

```
list1 = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
list2 = [1, 5, 7, 9, 3]
list3 = [True, False, False]
```

type()

What is the data type of a list?

```
mylist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
print(type(mylist))
```

The list() Constructor

Using the list() constructor to make a List:

```
thislist = list(("apple", "banana", "cherry")) # note the double round-brackets
print(thislist)
```

ACCESS LIST ITEMS

Access List Items

Print the second item of the list:

Print the last item of the list:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
print(thislist[1])
```

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
print(thislist[-1])
```

Return the third, fourth, and fifth item:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango"]
print(thislist[2:5])
```

This example returns the items from the beginning to, but NOT including, "kiwi":

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango"]
print(thislist[:4])
```

Access List Items

This example returns the items from "cherry" to the end:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango"]
print(thislist[2:])
```

This example returns the items from "orange" (-4) to, but NOT including "mango" (-1):

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango"]
print(thislist[-4:-1])
```

Check if "apple" is present in the list:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
if "apple" in thislist:
   print("Yes, 'apple' is in the fruits list")
```

CHANGE LIST ITEMS

Change Item Value

Change the second item:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist[1] = "blackcurrant"
print(thislist)
```

Change a Range of Item Values

Change the values "banana" and "cherry" with the values "blackcurrant" and "watermelon":

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "mango"]
thislist[1:3] = ["blackcurrant", "watermelon"]
print(thislist)
```

Change the second value by replacing it with two new values:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist[1:2] = ["blackcurrant", "watermelon"]
print(thislist)
```

Note: The length of the list will change when the number of items inserted does not match the number of items replaced.

Change a Range of Item Values

If you insert *less* items than you replace, the new items will be inserted where you specified, and the remaining items will move accordingly:

Change the second and third value by replacing it with one value:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist[1:3] = ["watermelon"]
print(thislist)
```

Insert Items

To insert a new list item, without replacing any of the existing values, we can use the insert() method.

Insert "watermelon" as the third item:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist.insert(2, "watermelon")
print(thislist)
```

ADD LIST ITEMS

Append Items

Using the append() method to append an item:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist.append("orange")
print(thislist)
```

Insert Items

Insert an item as the second position:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist.insert(1, "orange")
print(thislist)
```

Extend List

Add the elements of tropical to thislist:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
tropical = ["mango", "pineapple", "papaya"]
thislist.extend(tropical)
print(thislist)
```

The elements will be added to the end of the list.

Add Any Iterable

Add elements of a tuple to a list:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thistuple = ("kiwi", "orange")
thislist.extend(thistuple)
print(thislist)
```

The extend() method does not have to append lists, you can add any iterable object (tuples, sets, dictionaries etc.).

REMOVE LIST ITEMS

Remove Specified Item

```
Remove "banana":

thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist.remove("banana")
print(thislist)
```

If there are more than one item with the specified value, the remove() method removes the first occurance

Remove the first occurance of "banana":

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "banana", "kiwi"]
thislist.remove("banana")
print(thislist)
```

Remove Specified Index

Remove the second item:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist.pop(1)
print(thislist)
```

If you do not specify the index, the pop() method removes the last item.

Remove the last item:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist.pop()
print(thislist)
```

Remove Specified Index

Remove the first item:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
del thislist[0]
print(thislist)
```

Delete the entire list:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
del thislist
```

Clear the List

Clear the list content:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
thislist.clear()
print(thislist)
```

The clear() method empties the list. The list still remains, but it has no content.

LOOP LISTS

Loop Through a List

Print all items in the list, one by one:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
for x in thislist:
  print(x)
```

Loop Through the Index Numbers

Print all items by referring to their index number:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
for i in range(len(thislist)):
   print(thislist[i])
```

Use the range() and len() functions to create a suitable iterable.

Using a While Loop

Print all items, using a while loop to go through all the index numbers

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
i = 0
while i < len(thislist):
   print(thislist[i])
   i = i + 1</pre>
```

Use the len() function to determine the length of the list, then start at 0 and loop your way through the list items by referring to their indexes.

Remember to increase the index by 1 after each iteration.

Looping Using List Comprehension

A short hand for loop that will print all items in a list:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
[print(x) for x in thislist]
```

LIST COMPREHENSION

List comprehension offers a shorter syntax when you want to create a new list based on the values of an existing list.

Example:

Based on a list of fruits, you want a new list, containing only the fruits with the letter "a" in the name.

Without list comprehension you will have to write a for statement with a conditional test inside:

```
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "kiwi", "mango"]
newlist = []
for x in fruits:
  if "a" in x:
    newlist.append(x)
print(newlist)
```

With list comprehension you can do all that with only one line of code:

```
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "kiwi", "mango"]
newlist = [x for x in fruits if "a" in x]
print(newlist)
```

The Syntax

newlist = [expression for item in iterable if condition == True]

The return value is a new list, leaving the old list unchanged.

- <u>condition</u> is like a filter that only accepts the items that valuate to True.
- *iterable* can be any iterable object, like a list, tuple, set etc.
- <u>expression</u> is the current item in the iteration, but it is also the outcome, which you can manipulate before it ends up like a list item in the new list

SORT LISTS

Sort List Alphanumerically

sort() method that will sort the list alphanumerically, ascending, by default

```
Sort the list alphabetically:
```

```
thislist = [100, 50, 65, 82, 23]
thislist.sort()
print(thislist)
```

Sort Descending

To sort descending, use the keyword argument reverse = True:

Sort the list descending:

```
thislist = ["orange", "mango", "kiwi", "pineapple", "banana"]
thislist.sort(reverse = True)
print(thislist)
```

Sort the list descending:

```
thislist = [100, 50, 65, 82, 23]
thislist.sort(reverse = True)
print(thislist)
```

Customize Sort Function

customize your own function by using the keyword argument key = function The function will return a number that will be used to sort the list (the lowest number first)

Sort the list based on how close the number is to 50:

```
def myfunc(n):
    return abs(n - 50)

thislist = [100, 50, 65, 82, 23]
thislist.sort(key = myfunc)
print(thislist)
```

Case Insensitive Sort

By default the sort() method is case sensitive, resulting in all capital letters being sorted before lower case letters

Case sensitive sorting can give an unexpected result:

```
thislist = ["banana", "Orange", "Kiwi", "cherry"]
thislist.sort()
print(thislist)
```

Case Insensitive Sort

if you want a case-insensitive sort function, use str.lower as a key function

Perform a case-insensitive sort of the list:

```
thislist = ["banana", "Orange", "Kiwi", "cherry"]
thislist.sort(key = str.lower)
print(thislist)
```

Reverse Order

What if you want to reverse the order of a list, regardless of the alphabet? The reverse() method reverses the current sorting order of the elements.

Reverse the order of the list items:

```
thislist = ["banana", "Orange", "Kiwi", "cherry"]
thislist.reverse()
print(thislist)
```

COPY LISTS

Copy a List

You cannot copy a list simply by typing list2 = list1, because: list2 will only be a reference to list1, and changes made in list1 will automatically also be made in list2.

There are ways to make a copy, one way is to use the built-in List method copy().

Make a copy of a list with the copy() method:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
mylist = thislist.copy()
print(mylist)
```

Copy a List

Another way to make a copy is to use the built-in method list().

Make a copy of a list with the list() method:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
mylist = list(thislist)
print(mylist)
```

JOIN LISTS

Join Two Lists

using the + operator

Join two list:

```
list1 = ["a", "b", "c"]
list2 = [1, 2, 3]

list3 = list1 + list2
print(list3)
```

appending all the items from list2 into list1, one by one

Append list2 into list1:

```
list1 = ["a", "b", "c"]
list2 = [1, 2, 3]
for x in list2:
  list1.append(x)
print(list1)
```

Join Two Lists

extend() method, where the purpose is to add elements from one list to another list

Use the extend() method to add list2 at the end of list1:

```
list1 = ["a", "b" , "c"]
list2 = [1, 2, 3]

list1.extend(list2)
print(list1)
```

LIST METHODS

Method	Description
<pre>append()</pre>	Adds an element at the end of the list
<u>clear()</u>	Removes all the elements from the list
copy()	Returns a copy of the list
count()	Returns the number of elements with the specified value
extend()	Add the elements of a list (or any iterable), to the end of the current list
index()	Returns the index of the first element with the specified value
insert()	Adds an element at the specified position
pop()	Removes the element at the specified position
remove()	Removes the item with the specified value
reverse()	Reverses the order of the list
sort()	Sorts the list

Applications???

Any questions??

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