



# <u>Tuples</u>

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## **Tuple**

- Similar to a list except it is immutable.
- Syntactically, it is comma-seperated list of values.
  - tuple = 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'
- To create a tuple with a single element, we have to include the comma:
  - t1 = ('a',)
  - type(t1)
  - <type 'tuple'>
- Without the comma, Python treats ('a') as a string in parentheses:
  - t2 = ('a')
  - type(t2) ??

- The operations on tuples are the same as the operations on lists
- The index operator selects an element from a tuple.
  - tuple = ('a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e')
  - tuple[0]
  - − 'a'
- The slice operator selects a range of elements.
  - tuple[1:3]
  - ('b', 'c')
- But if we try to modify one of the elements of the tuple, we get an error.
  - tuple[0] = 'A'
  - TypeError: object doesn't support item assignment

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### Example

- we can't modify the elements of a tuple, we can replace it with a different tuple:
  - tuple = ('A',) + tuple[1:]
  - tuple
  - ('A', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e')

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## **Tuple Assignmnt**

- To swap the values, using conventional assignment statements, we have to use the assignment statement with a temporary variable.
  - temp = a
  - -a=b
  - b = temp
- Python provides a form of tuple assignment that solves this problem neatly:
  - a, b = b, a
- The number of variables on the left and the number of values on the right have to be the same.





### Tuples as Return Values

- Functions can return tuples as return values.
- For example:
  - def swap(x, y):
     return y, x
- Then we can assign the return value to a tuple with two variables:
  - -a, b = swap(a, b)





def swap(x, y): # incorrect version

$$x, y = y, x$$

If we call this function like this:
 swap(a, b)

 a and x are aliases for the same value. Changing x inside swap makes x refer to a different value, but it has no effect on a in main. Similarly, changing y has no effect on b.





#### Random Numbers

- The random module contains a function called random that returns a floating point number between 0.0 and 1.0.
- Each time you call random, you get the next number in a long series.

```
from random import*
for i in range(10):
    x=random()
    print x
```





#### List of Random Numbers

def randomList(n):

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s = [0] * n
for i in range(n):
    s[i] = random()
return s
```

Output:

randomList(8)

0.15156642489

0.498048560109

0.810894847068

0.360371157682

0.275119183077

0.328578797631

0.759199803101

0.800367163582

### Counting



- Divide the problem into sub problems and look for sub problems that fit a computational pattern
- Traverse a list of numbers and count the number of times a value falls in a given range.

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• Eg:
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def inBucket(t, low, high):
    count = 0
    for num in t:
        if low < num < high:
            count = count + 1
        return count
This development plan is known as pattern matching.</pre>
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## Many Buckets

- With two buckets, range will be:
  - low = inBucket(a, 0.0, 0.5)
  - high = inBucket(a, 0.5, 1)
- But with four buckets it is:
  - bucket1 = inBucket(a, 0.0, 0.25)
  - bucket2 = inBucket(a, 0.25, 0.5)
  - bucket3 = inBucket(a, 0.5, 0.75)
  - bucket4 = inBucket(a, 0.75, 1.0)





• If the number of buckets is numBuckets, then the width of each bucket is 1.0 / numBuckets.

```
numBuckets = 8
buckets = [0] * numBuckets
bucketWidth = 1.0 / numBuckets
for i in range(numBuckets):
   low = i * bucketWidth
   high = low + bucketWidth
   buckets[i] = inBucket(t, low, high)
   print buckets
```





- Len(tuple)
- Min(tuple)
- Max(tuple)
- Cmp(tuple1, tuple2)
- Tuple(list)

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### Questions

- Q1. Create a tuple and try to changing value of any one element, also display the length of list.
- Q2. Create a tuple having single element and append two tuples.
- Q3. Create a tuple and sort it.
- Q4. Create a tuple of numbers and print sum of all the elements.
- Q5. Program to compare elements of tuples.
- Q6. Program to find maximum and minimum of tuple.
- Q7. Count the occurrence of element in tuple in a specific range.
- Q8. Reverse a tuple.
- Q9.Write a loop that traverses the previous tuple and prints the length of each element. What happens if you send an floating number in index?