Python collection data types

Python Lists

A list is a collection which is ordered and changeable. In Python lists are written with square brackets.

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In [ ]: thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
        for x in thislist:
            print(x)
In [ ]: # find all elements in the list that contains the letter "a"
        fruits = ["banana", "apple", "kiwi", "cherry", "mango"]
        newlist = []
        for x in fruits:
            if "a" in x:
                 newlist.append(x)
        print(newlist)
In [ ]: # using list comprehension
        newlist = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in } fruits \text{ if } "a" \text{ in } x]
        print(newlist)
In [ ]: import time
        # Generate a large list of numbers
        large_list = list(range(10000000))
        # Traditional for loop
        start_time = time.time()
        squared numbers loop = []
        for number in large list:
             squared_numbers_loop.append(number**2)
        loop_time = time.time() - start_time
        print(f"Time taken using traditional for loop: {loop_time:.4f} seconds")
        # List comprehension
        start time = time.time()
        squared_numbers_comprehension = [number**2 for number in large_list]
        comprehension time = time.time() - start time
        print(f"Time taken using list comprehension: {comprehension_time:.4f} seconds")
In [ ]: # only accept items that are not "apple"
        newlist = [x for x in fruits if x != "apple"]
        print(newlist)
In [ ]: # set the values in the new list to upper case
        newlist = [x.upper() for x in fruits]
        print(newlist)
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In [ ]: # set all values in the new list to 'apple'
    newlist = ["apple" for x in fruits]
    print(newlist)

In [ ]: # return "orange" instead of "banana"
    newlist = [x if x != "banana" else "orange" for x in fruits]
    print(newlist)

In [ ]: newlist = [x for x in range(10) if x < 5]
    print(newlist)

In [ ]: mylist = fruits.copy()
    mylist.sort()
    print(mylist)</pre>
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Python Tuples

print(yellow)
print(red)

A tuple is a collection which is ordered and unchangeable. In Python tuples are written with round brackets.

Note: Tuples are immutable, meaning that you can't change the values in a tuple once it's created.

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In [ ]: fruitstuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "apple", "cherry")
        print(fruitstuple)
In [ ]: print(len(fruitstuple))
In [ ]: # one item tuple
        newtuple = ("apple",)
        print(type(newtuple))
In [ ]: |# tuple constructor
        newtuple = tuple(("apple", "banana", "cherry"))
        print(newtuple)
In [ ]: # access tuple items is similar to list
        fruitstuple = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango")
        print(fruitstuple[2:5])
In [ ]: # unpacking a tuple
        fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
        (green, yellow, red) = fruits
        print(green)
        print(yellow)
        print(red)
In [ ]: # using asterisk to assign the rest of the values to a variable
        fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry", "strawberry", "raspberry")
        (green, yellow, *red) = fruits
        print(green)
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In [ ]: for x in fruitstuple:
            print(x)
In [ ]: # joining two tuples is similar to joining two lists
        tuple1 = ("a", "b", "c")
        tuple2 = (1, 2, 3)
        tuple3 = tuple1 + tuple2
        print(tuple3)
In [ ]: | # multiplying tuples is similar to multiplying lists
        fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
        mytuple = fruits * 2
        print(mytuple)
In [ ]: # generator expression
        mygenerator = (x \text{ for } x \text{ in } fruitstuple \text{ if "a" in } x)
        \# mylist = [x for x in fruitstuple if "a" in x]
        # generator is a special type of iterator
        # the object is called when it is needed and it is not stored in memory
        # so the memory is saved
        print(mygenerator)
        # to print all the values in the generator
        print(list(mygenerator))
        # or use a for loop
        for x in mygenerator:
            print(x)
In [ ]: # Generate a large list of numbers
        large_list = list(range(10000000))
        # List comprehension
        start_time = time.time()
        squared_numbers_comprehension = [number**2 for number in large_list]
        comprehension_time = time.time() - start_time
        print(f"Time taken using list comprehension: {comprehension_time:.4f} seconds")
        # Generator expression
        start time = time.time()
        squared_numbers_generator = (number**2 for number in large_list)
        generator_time = time.time() - start_time
        print(f"Time taken using generator expression: {generator_time:.4f} seconds")
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Python Sets

In []: for x in fruitsset:

A set is a collection which is unordered, unchangeable, and unindexed. In Python sets are written with curly brackets.

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In [ ]: fruitsset = {"apple", "banana", "cherry", "orange", "kiwi", "melon", "mango"}
    print(fruitsset)
print(type(fruitsset))

In [ ]: # set constructor
    myset = set(("apple", "banana", "cherry"))
    print(myset)
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print(x)
In [ ]: print("banana" in fruitsset)
        # print("watermelon" not in fruitsset)
In [ ]: # add an item to a set
        thisset = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        thisset.add("orange")
        print(thisset)
In [ ]: |# add multiple items to a set
        thisset = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        tropical = {"pineapple", "mango", "papaya"}
        thisset.update(tropical)
        print(thisset)
In [ ]: # or add any iterable to a set
        thisset = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        mylist = ["kiwi", "orange"]
        thisset.update(mylist)
        print(thisset)
In [ ]: # union method
        thisset = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        tropical = {"pineapple", "mango", "papaya"}
        newset = thisset.union(tropical)
        print(newset)
In [ ]: newset = thisset | tropical
        print(newset)
In [ ]: | # set intersection
        set1 = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        set2 = {"google", "microsoft", "apple"}
        set3 = set1.intersection(set2)
        print(set3)
In [ ]: set3 = set1 & set2
        print(set3)
In [ ]: # when joining sets, the values True and 1 are considered the same
        # similarly, False and 0 are also considered the same
        set1 = {"apple", 1, "banana", 0, "cherry"}
        set2 = {False, "google", 1, "apple", 2, True}
        set3 = set1.intersection(set2)
        print(set3)
In [ ]: # remove an item from a set
        # if the item does not exist, it will raise an error
        thisset = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        thisset.remove("banana")
        # thisset.remove("watermelon")
        print(thisset)
In [ ]: # if the item does not exist, it will not raise an error
        thisset = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        thisset.discard("banana")
        # thisset.discard("watermelon")
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print(thisset)
In [ ]: # remove the last item from the set
        # since sets are unordered, the last item is arbitrary
        thisset = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        thisset.pop()
        print(thisset)
In [ ]: | thisset = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        thisset.clear()
        print(thisset)
In [ ]: | # set difference
        set1 = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
        set2 = {"google", "microsoft", "apple"}
        set3 = set1.difference(set2)
        print(set3)
In [ ]: set3 = set1 - set2
        print(set3)
In [ ]: # set symmetric difference
        # keep the items that are not present in both sets
        set3 = set1.symmetric difference(set2)
        print(set3)
In [ ]: set3 = set1 ^ set2
        print(set3)
In [ ]: # Generate a large list of numbers
        large_list = list(range(10000000))
        # Set comprehension
        start time = time.time()
        squared_numbers_set = {number**2 for number in large_list}
        set_time = time.time() - start_time
        print(f"Time taken using set comprehension: {set_time:.4f} seconds")
        # Generator expression
        start time = time.time()
        squared numbers generator = (number**2 for number in large list)
        # To measure the time, we need to iterate through the generator
        squared numbers generator = list(squared numbers generator)
        generator_time = time.time() - start_time
        print(f"Time taken using generator expression: {generator time:.4f} seconds")
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Python Dictionaries

A dictionary is a collection which is ordered, changeable and do not allow duplicates. In Python dictionaries are written with curly brackets, and they have keys and values.

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In [ ]: # dictionary
    thisdict = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964}
    print(thisdict)

In [ ]: # duplicate keys are not allowed
    thisdict = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964, "year": 2020}
    print(thisdict)
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In [ ]: | # the values in the dictionary can be of any data type
        thisdict = {
            "brand": "Ford",
            "electric": False,
            "year": 1964,
            "colors": ["red", "white", "blue"],
        print(thisdict)
In [ ]: # dict constructor
        thisdict = dict(
            brand="Ford",
            model="Mustang",
            year=1964,
            electric=False,
            colors=["red", "white", "blue"],
        print(thisdict)
In [ ]: # add a new item to the dictionary.
        # see the keys list also updates
        # this behavior can be seen in values() and items() methods
        car = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964}
        x = car.keys()
        print(x) # before the change
        car["color"] = "white"
        print(x) # after the change
In [ ]: print("model" in car)
In [ ]: # change items
        # if the key does not exist, it will add the key-value pair
        thisdict = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964}
        thisdict["year"] = 2018
        print(thisdict)
In [ ]: | thisdict = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964}
        thisdict.update({"year": 2020})
        print(thisdict)
In [ ]: | # remove an item
        thisdict = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964}
        thisdict.pop("model")
        print(thisdict)
In [ ]: # or use the del keyword
        thisdict = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964}
        del thisdict["model"]
        print(thisdict)
In [ ]: # remove the last item
        # since dictionaries are unordered, the last item is arbitrary
        thisdict = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964}
        thisdict.popitem()
        print(thisdict)
In [ ]: | thisdict = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964}
        thisdict.clear()
        print(thisdict)
In [ ]: # loop through a dictionary using keys
        thisdict = {"brand": "Ford", "model": "Mustang", "year": 1964}
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for x in thisdict:
             print(x)
         # for x in thisdict.keys():
              print(x)
In [ ]: # loop through a dictionary using values
         for x in thisdict.values():
             print(x)
In [ ]: # loop through both keys and values
         for x, y in thisdict.items():
             print(x, y)
In [ ]: # nested dictionaries
         myfamily = {
             "child1": {"name": "Emil", "year": 2004},
             "child2": {"name": "Tobias", "year": 2007}, "child3": {"name": "Linus", "year": 2011},
         }
         print(myfamily)
In [ ]: child1 = {"name": "Emil", "year": 2004}
         child2 = {"name": "Tobias", "year": 2007}
         child3 = {"name": "Linus", "year": 2011}
         myfamily = {"child1": child1, "child2": child2, "child3": child3}
         print(myfamily)
In [ ]: # access the items in the nested dictionary
         print(myfamily["child1"]["name"])
In [ ]: # loop through the nested dictionary
         for x, obj in myfamily.items():
             print(x)
             for y in obj:
                  print(y + ":", obj[y])
In [64]: import time
         import random
         # Generate a large dataset
         num_students = 100000
         student ids = [random.randint(100000, 999999) for in range(num students)]
         student names = [f"Student {i}" for i in range(num students)]
         # List of tuples for student data
         student_data_list = list(zip(student_ids, student_names))
         # student data list
In [65]: # Dictionary for fast lookups
         student data dict = dict(zip(student ids, student names))
         # student data dict
In [ ]: # Performance test for list
         start time = time.time()
         for student in student_data_list:
             if student[0] in student ids:
                  pass # Simulate processing
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list time = time.time() - start time
        print(f"Time taken for list processing: {list time:.4f} seconds")
        # Performance test for dictionary
        start time = time.time()
        for student id in student ids:
            if student id in student data dict:
                pass # Simulate processing
        dict time = time.time() - start time
        print(f"Time taken for dictionary processing: {dict time:.4f} seconds")
In [ ]: # Generate a large dataset
        large_purchases = [
                "customer id": random.randint(1, 1000),
                "item": random.choice(["apple", "banana", "orange"]),
            for in range(100000)
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        # Measure time for unique customers using a set
        start time = time.time()
        unique customers large = {purchase["customer id"] for purchase in large purchases}
        print(
            f"Unique customers ({len(unique_customers_large)}) (set) time: {time.time() - sta
        # Measure time for unique customers using a dictionary
        start time = time.time()
        unique customers dict large = {
            purchase["customer id"]: True for purchase in large purchases
        }
        print(
            f"Unique customers ({len(unique_customers_dict_large)}) (dict) time: {time.time()
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