

Python References

Operator precedence (summarized):

Operator	Description
if - else	Conditional expression
or	Boolean OR
and	Boolean AND
not x	Boolean NOT
in, not in, is, is not, <, <=, >, >=, !=, ==	Comparisons, incl. membership tests and identity tests
+, -	Addition and subtraction
*, @, /, //, %	Multiplication, matrix multiplication, division, remainder
+x, -x	Positive, negative
**	Exponentiation
x[index], x[index:index], x(arguments...), x.attribute	Subscription, slicing, call, attribute reference
(expressions...), [expressions...], {key: value...}, {expressions...}	Binding or tuple display, list display, dictionary display, set display

Functions:

• **len(s)**

- Return the length (the number of items) of an object. The argument may be a sequence (such as a string, bytes, tuple, list, or range) or a collection (such as a dictionary, set, or frozen set).

• **print(*objects, sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)**

- Print objects to the text stream file, separated by *sep* and followed by *end*. *sep*, *end*, *file* and *flush*, if present, must be given as keyword arguments.
- All non-keyword arguments are converted to strings like `str()` does and written to the stream, separated by *sep* and followed by *end*. Both *sep* and *end* must be strings; they can also be `None`, which means to use the default values. If no objects are given, `print()` will just write *end*.
- The *file* argument must be an object with a `write(string)` method; if it is not present or `None`, `sys.stdout` will be used. Since printed arguments are converted to text strings, `print()` cannot be used with binary mode file objects. For these, use *file.write(...)* instead.
- Whether output is buffered is usually determined by *file*, but if the *flush* keyword argument is `True`, the stream is forcibly flushed.
- Changed in version 3.3: Added the *flush* keyword argument.

• **class range(stop)**

• **class range(start, stop[, step])**

- The arguments to the range constructor must be integers (either built-in `int` or any object that implements the `__index__` special method). If the step argument is omitted, it defaults to 1. If the start argument is omitted, it defaults to 0. If step is zero, `ValueError` is raised.
- For a positive step, the contents of a range *r* are determined by the formula $r[i] = \text{start} + \text{step} \cdot i$ where $i \geq 0$ and $r[i] < \text{stop}$.
- For a negative step, the contents of the range are still determined by the formula $r[i] = \text{start} + \text{step} \cdot i$, but the constraints are $i \geq 0$ and $r[i] > \text{stop}$.
- A range object will be empty if $r[0]$ does not meet the value constraint. Ranges do support negative indices, but these are interpreted as indexing from the end of the sequence determined by the positive indices.
- Ranges containing absolute values larger than `sys.maxsize` are permitted but some features (such as `len()`) may raise `OverflowError`.

Mutable sequence types

Operation	Result	
<code>s[i] = x</code>	item <code>i</code> of <code>s</code> is replaced by <code>x</code>	
<code>s[i:j] = t</code>	slice of <code>s</code> from <code>i</code> to <code>j</code> is replaced by the contents of the iterable <code>t</code>	
<code>del s[i:j]</code>	same as <code>s[i:j] = []</code>	
<code>s[i:j:k] = t</code>	the elements of <code>s[i:j:k]</code> are replaced by those of <code>t</code>	(1)
<code>del s[i:j:k]</code>	removes the elements of <code>s[i:j:k]</code> from the list	
<code>s.append(x)</code>	appends <code>x</code> to the end of the sequence (same as <code>s[len(s):len(s)] = [x]</code>)	
<code>s.clear()</code>	removes all items from <code>s</code> (same as <code>del s[:]</code>)	(5)
<code>s.copy()</code>	creates a shallow copy of <code>s</code> (same as <code>s[:]</code>)	(5)
<code>s.extend(t)</code> or <code>s += t</code>	extends <code>s</code> with the contents of <code>t</code> (for the most part the same as <code>s[len(s):len(s)] = t</code>)	
<code>s *= n</code>	updates <code>s</code> with its contents repeated <code>n</code> times	(6)
<code>s.insert(i, x)</code>	inserts <code>x</code> into <code>s</code> at the index given by <code>i</code> (same as <code>s[i:i] = [x]</code>)	
<code>s.pop([i])</code>	retrieves the item at <code>i</code> and also removes it from <code>s</code>	(2)
<code>s.remove(x)</code>	remove the first item from <code>s</code> where <code>s[i] == x</code>	(3)
<code>s.reverse()</code>	reverses the items of <code>s</code> in place	(4)

Notes:

1. `t` must have the same length as the slice it is replacing.
2. The optional argument `i` defaults to `-1`, so that by default the last item is removed and returned.
3. `remove` raises `ValueError` when `x` is not found in `s`.
4. The `reverse()` method modifies the sequence in place for economy of space when reversing a large sequence. To remind users that it operates by side effect, it does not return the reversed sequence.
5. `clear()` and `copy()` are included for consistency with the interfaces of mutable containers that don't support slicing operations (such as `dict` and `set`). New in version 3.3: `clear()` and `copy()` methods.
6. The value `n` is an integer, or an object implementing `__index__()`. Zero and negative values of `n` clear the sequence. Items in the sequence are not copied; they are referenced multiple times, as explained for `s * n` under Common Sequence Operations.