

PYTHONIC DATA CONTAINERS PART-1

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*Embrace the elegance of Pythonic
data structures, for within lists &
dictionaries, a world of boundless
creativity awaits. --unknown*



Why do we need Lists?

Shopping List:

- ✓ Blackberries
- ✓ Lettuce
- ✓ Kiwi
- ✓ Peppers
- ✓ Apples
- ✓ Tomatoes

ADD / REMOVE / UPDATE

IN MEMORY

Efficiently organize and
manage collections of related data
and perform data manipulation tasks.

APPLY OPERATIONS

e.g. Sorting

List
Syntax
001

list_identifier = []

square brackets initialize a list

any valid
identifier in
Python

Any valid Python
Datatype can be
added to list

Can be
Heterogeneous

Code Examples

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```
student_grades = [85, 92, 78, 89, 95]
```

Identifier or
name of the List

Initialised with
a set of values

Code Examples

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```
shopping_list = ["apples", "eggs", "milk",  
"bread"]
```

```
employee_names = ["John", "Jane", "Smith"]
```

```
playlist = ["Song 1", "Song 2", "Song 3"]
```

```
stock_prices = [150.25, 155.50, 148.75,  
160.20]
```

List
Syntax
002

my_list = list()

**built-in function which
returns an empty list or
with elements of iterable
passed as a parameter**

**any valid
identifier in
Python**

**Creates an
Empty List**

**Also accepts
iterables as
parameters**

Code Examples

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Creating Lists from Iterables

```
>>> char_list = list("hello")  
['h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']
```

```
>>> my_list = list(range(1, 6))  
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
>>> grid = [[0, 1, 0],  
           [1, 1, 0],  
           [0, 0, 1]]
```

Also called 2D
list or matrix

**List
Syntax
003**

Creates a list
based on the
expression

my_list = [expression for item in iterable if condition]

Building lists using
the list comprehension
technique

any valid
identifier in
Python

Also accepts
conditions

Code Examples

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Creating Lists using List comprehensions

```
>>> my_list = [x for x in range(5)]  
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]  
  
>>> squares = [x**2 for x in range(5)]  
[0, 1, 4, 9, 16]  
  
>>> evens = [x for x in range(10) if x % 2 == 0]  
[0, 2, 4, 6, 8]
```

Code Examples

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Replication using * operator

```
>>> lst = [0] * 5  
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0]  
  
>>> my_lst = ['a', 'b'] * 2  
['a', 'b', 'a', 'b']  
  
>>> bool_list = [True] * 2  
[True, True]
```

Code Examples

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Lists of Random Numbers



```
import random
```

```
>>> [random.randint(1, 100) for _ in  
range(5)]  
[50, 97, 46, 49, 37]
```

```
>>> [random.random() for _ in range(2)]  
[0.2988025371630223,  
0.5078970340293492]
```

```
>>> random.sample(range(1, 100), 5)  
[49, 85, 3, 62, 82]
```

Code Examples

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Shuffling a list



```
import random
```

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]  
random.shuffle(my_list)  
print(my_list)
```

```
[3, 4, 5, 2, 1]
```

Code Examples

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Printing all List Methods



```
my_list = [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 ]
```

```
>> dir( my_list )
```

```
[ 'append', 'clear', 'copy', 'count', 'extend',
  'index', 'insert', 'pop', 'remove', 'reverse',
  'sort' ]
```

Code Examples

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Traversing a List or

Visiting all elements of a List



```
my_list = [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 ]
```

```
# Method-1
```

```
for num in my_list:  
    print(my_list)
```

```
# Method-2
```

```
n = len( my_list )  
for i in range(0, n):  
    print( my_list[ i ] )
```

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List is mutable

```
my_list = [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 ]  
# Access an element on a particular index
```

```
second_element = my_list[ 1 ] # indexing  
starts at 0
```

```
# Overwriting an element at an index
```

```
>>> my_list[ 2 ] = 15  
[ 1, 2, 15, 4, 5 ]
```

```
# Delete an element
```

```
>>> del my_list[ 0 ]  
[ 2, 15, 4, 5 ]
```

Code Examples

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Operations on List



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Negative Indexing

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
print(my_list[-1]) # Output: 5
print(my_list[-2]) # Output: 4
print(my_list[-3]) # Output: 3
```

Negative indexing in Python lists allows you to access elements from the end of the list by using negative integers as indices

access elements from the end

-ve indices possible in Lists

List Slicing

Creating a list using list slicing

```
new_list = original_list[start:stop:step]
```

```
original_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
new_list = original_list[1:4]
```

```
print(new_list) # Output: [2, 3, 4]
```

technique used to extract a portion, or a subsequence, of elements from a list

slicing creates a new list

-ve indices possible in Lists

Code Examples

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List Methods - 1

```
# list_name.append(element)  
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
```

```
my_list.append(4)  
print(my_list) # Output: [1, 2, 3, 4]
```

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List Methods - 2



copy() - Creates a shallow copy of the list.

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
new_list = my_list.copy()
print(new_list) # Output: [1, 2, 3]
```

count(element) - Returns the number of occurrences of an element in the list

```
my_list = [1, 2, 2, 3, 2]
count = my_list.count(2)
print(count) # Output: 3
```

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List Methods - 3



extend(iterable) Appends elements from an iterable to the end of the list

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
my_list.extend([4, 5, 6])
print(my_list) # Output: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
```

index(element) - Returns the index of the first occurrence of an element in the list

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 2]
index = my_list.index(2)
print(index) # Output: 1
```

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List Methods - 4



insert(index, element) Inserts an element at a specific index in the list

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
my_list.insert(1, 4)
print(my_list) # Output: [1, 4, 2, 3]
```

pop(index) - Removes and returns the element at a specific index in the list

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
element = my_list.pop(1)
print(element) # Output: 2
print(my_list) # Output: [1, 3]
```

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List Methods - 5



remove(element) Removes the first occurrence of an element from the list

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 2]
my_list.remove(2)
print(my_list) # Output: [1, 3, 2]
```

reverse() - Reverses the order of elements in the list

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
my_list.reverse()
print(my_list) # Output: [3, 2, 1]
```

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List Methods - 6



sort() Sorts the elements of the list in ascending order

```
my_list = [3, 1, 2]
my_list.sort()
print(my_list) # Output: [1, 2, 3]
```

Code Activity



Give a List ::

```
my_list = [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 ]
```

Task-1 :: REVERSE the list

Task-2 :: Print the elements on the same
line

Hint: Did you use .reverse () ? / Is there
any other technique

Dictionaries in Python



key-value pairs, allowing efficient retrieval and manipulation of data.

Dictionary Syntax

dict_identifier = {}

curly braces initialize a list

```
phonebook = {  
    "Alice": "1234567890",  
    "Bob": "9876543210",  
    "Charlie": "5555555555"  
}
```

any valid
identifier in
Python

Curly braces used
to initialise an
empty dict

Any immutable
datatype can be
a key

Dictionary Syntax

```
my_dict = dict()
```

using built-in function

```
# Adding key-values to my_dict  
my_dict[1] = "Python"
```

any valid
identifier in
Python

```
# Accessing value with a key  
print( my_dict[1])
```

built-in function to
create an empty
dict

Can also be
used
to typecast

Creating Dictionaries using List comprehensions

Code

Examples



Error

<count lost>

```
>>> squares = {x: x**2 for x in range(1, 6)}
>>> print(squares)
# Output: {1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9, 4: 16, 5: 25}
•
>>> values = ["a", "b", "c"]
>>> my_dict = {k: v for k, v in
enumerate(values)}
>>> print(my_dict)
# Output: {0: 'a', 1: 'b', 2: 'c'}
```

Code Examples



Dict is
mutable

Common Dictionary Operations



Access a value by key

```
my_dict = {"name": "John", "age": 30}  
print(my_dict["name"]) # Output: John  
print(my_dict.get("name")) # John
```

Check if a key exists

```
my_dict = {"name": "John", "age": 30}  
print("name" in my_dict) # Output: True
```

Delete a key value pair

```
my_dict = {"name": "John", "age": 30}  
del my_dict["age"]  
print(my_dict) # Output: {"name": "John"}
```

Code Examples



Printing all Dictionary Methods



```
my_dict = {"name": "John", "age": 30}

>> dir( my_dict )

['clear', 'copy', 'fromkeys', 'get', 'items',
'keys', 'pop', 'popitem', 'setdefault', 'update',
'velues']
```

Code Examples



Traversing a Dict or

Visiting all k-v pairs of a dict



.items()

Returns a view object containing key-value pairs of the dictionary

```
my_dict = {"name": "David", "age": 40}
```

```
for key, value in my_dict.items():
```

```
    print(key, value)
```

Output:

name David

age 40

Code Examples



Dict Methods - 2



clear() - Removes all key-value pairs from the dictionary.

```
my_dict = {"name": "Alice", "age": 25}  
my_dict.clear()  
print(my_dict) # Output: {}
```

copy() - Creates a shallow copy of the dictionary

```
original_dict = {"name": "Bob", "age": 30}  
new_dict = original_dict.copy()  
print(new_dict) # Output: {"name": "Bob",  
"age": 30}
```

Code Examples



fromkeys(keys, value) Creates a new dictionary with the specified keys and a common value

```
keys = ["apple", "banana", "orange"]
default_price = 0.99
fruits_dict = dict.fromkeys(keys,
                           default_price)
print(fruits_dict)
# Output: {"apple": 0.99, "banana": 0.99,
#           "orange": 0.99}
```

Code Examples

Dict Methods - Get



get(key, default) Retrieves the value associated with a key, or a default value if the key is not found

```
my_dict = {"name": "Charlie", "age": 35}
```

```
print(my_dict.get("name", "Unknown")) #  
Output: Charlie
```

```
print(my_dict.get("city", "Unknown")) #  
Output: Unknown
```

Code Examples



Dict Methods - `keys()` and `values()`



`keys()` returns all the keys
`values()` returns all the values

```
my_dict = {"name": "Eve", "age": 45}  
keys = my_dict.keys()  
print(keys)  
# Output: dict_keys(['name', 'age'])
```

```
values = my_dict.values()  
print(values)  
# Output: dict_values(['Eve', 45])
```

Code Examples



Dict Methods - pop



pop(key, default) Removes and returns the value associated with a key, or a default value if the key is not found

```
my_dict = {"name": "Frank", "age": 50}  
age = my_dict.pop("age")  
print(age)    # Output: 50  
print(my_dict) # Output: {"name": "Frank"}
```

Code Examples



popitem() Removes and returns the last inserted key-value pair as a tuple

```
my_dict = {"name": "Grace", "age": 55}
```

```
last_item = my_dict.popitem()
```

```
print(last_item) # Output: ('age', 55)
```

```
print(my_dict) # Output: {"name": "Grace"}
```

Dict Methods - popitem

Dict Methods - update

Code Examples



update(other_dict) Updates the dictionary with the key-value pairs from another dictionary

```
my_dict = {"name": "Isaac", "age": 65}  
other_dict = {"age": 66, "city": "London"}  
my_dict.update(other_dict)  
print(my_dict)  
# Output: {"name": "Isaac", "age": 66, "city":  
"London"}
```