

Agenda

1. Strings in Python
2. Numeric representation of strings & ASCII
3. String formatting & manipulation
4. String methods
5. Palindrome
6. Mutability and Immutability

"The best way to learn a language is to speak to natives."

The guy learning python:



help

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`" "` `' '`

`""" """` *doc string*

String → ~~group~~ of characters
Sequence of characters (order matters)

`" "` → *error*

What type of characters can we have?

- Small alphabets - [a - z] ✓
- Capital Alphabets - [A - Z] ✓
- Numbers - [0 - 9] ✓
- White spaces ✓
- Special characters ✓

Binary Representation

- Computer does not understand characters.
- For every character let's have a pre defined number attached to it.

Why is it important to have common representations of characters across all platforms?

- When different characters are mapped to different numbers on different platforms, if try to send a message from let's say Android to iOS, our message can be misinterpreted.
- That is why we need consistent mapping of characters.

Decimal $\rightarrow 0 - 9$ (Humans)
Binary $\rightarrow 0 - 1$ (Computer)
low voltage / off $\rightarrow 0$
high voltage / on $\rightarrow 1$

2 + 3
 \downarrow \downarrow
10 11

ASCII

- American Standard Code for Information Interchange. \leftarrow
- ASCII used to have 256 characters. \checkmark
- With the help of this, the issue of consistency goes away.

ord("A") $\rightarrow 65$

chr(97) $\rightarrow 'a'$

ios
a $\rightarrow 1$
b $\rightarrow 2$
 \vdots
z $\rightarrow 26$

android
a $\rightarrow 20$
b $\rightarrow 21$
 \vdots

help → all good

A — Z ⇒ 65 — 90

a — z ⇒ 97 — 122

String Manipulation

+ operator

* operator

Lexicographical order → Order of words is
a dictionary.

String formatting -

```
1 | l = 5
2 | b = 10
3 | a = l * b
```

Code 1:

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1 | print("Length =", l, "Breadth =", b, "and Area =", a)
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Code 2: Using {} as placeholder and .format() function

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1 | print("Length = {}, Breath = {}, and Area = {}".format(l, b, a))
```

Code 3: Using F-Strings

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1 | print(f"Length = {l}, Breath = {b}, and Area = {a}")
```

Output

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Length = 5, Breath = 10, and Area = 50
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String Methods

1) .split()

2) .join()

3) str()

4) .find()

5) .replace()

6) .count()

7) .isdigit()

8) .isalpha()

9) .isalnum()

10) .isupper() & .islower()

Palindrome

"racecar" → true

"utkarsh" → false

Mutability and Immutability

Mutable : whose value can be changed.

Immutable : whose value can't be changed.

✓
List, Set, Dictionary ✓

