

Cheat Sheet

Data Structures

Data Structures allow us to store and organize data efficiently.

This will allow us to easily access and perform operations on the data.

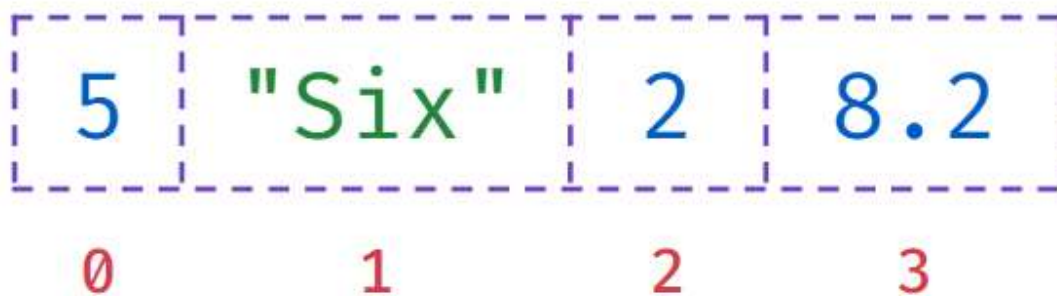
In Python, there are four built-in data structures

- *List*
- *Tuple*
- *Set*
- *Dictionary*

List

List is the most versatile python data structure.

Holds an ordered sequence of items.



Creating a List

Created by enclosing elements within [square] brackets.

Each item is separated by a comma.

Code

```
1 a = 2
2 list_a = [5, "Six", a, 8.2]
3 print(type(list_a))
4 print(list_a)
```

PYTHON

Output

```
<class 'list'>  
[5, 'Six', 2, 8.2]
```

Creating a List of Lists

Code

PYTHON

```
1 a = 2  
2 list_a = [5, "Six", a, 8.2]  
3 list_b = [1, list_a]  
4 print(list_b)
```

Output

```
[1, [5, 'Six', 2, 8.2]]
```

Length of a List

Code

PYTHON

```
1 a = 2  
2 list_a = [5, "Six", a, 8.2]  
3 print(len(list_a))
```

Output

4

Accessing List Items

To access elements of a list, we use Indexing.

Code

PYTHON

```
1 a = 2
2 list_a = [5, "Six", a, 8.2]
3 print(list_a[1])
```

Output

Six

Iterating Over a List

Code

PYTHON

```
1 a = 2
2 list_a = [5, "Six", a, 8.2]
3 for item in list_a:
4     print(item)
```

Output

```
5
Six
2
8.2
```

List Concatenation

Similar to strings,

+ operator concatenates lists.

Code

PYTHON

```
1 list_a = [1, 2, 3]
2 list_b = ["a", "b", "c"]
3 list_c = list_a + list_b
4 print(list_c)
```

Output

```
[1, 2, 3, 'a', 'b', 'c']
```

Adding Items to List

Code

PYTHON

```
1 list_a = []
2 print(list_a)
3 for i in range(1,4):
4     list_a += [i]
5 print(list_a)
```

Output

```
[]
[1, 2, 3]
```

Repetition

* Operator repeats lists.

Code

PYTHON

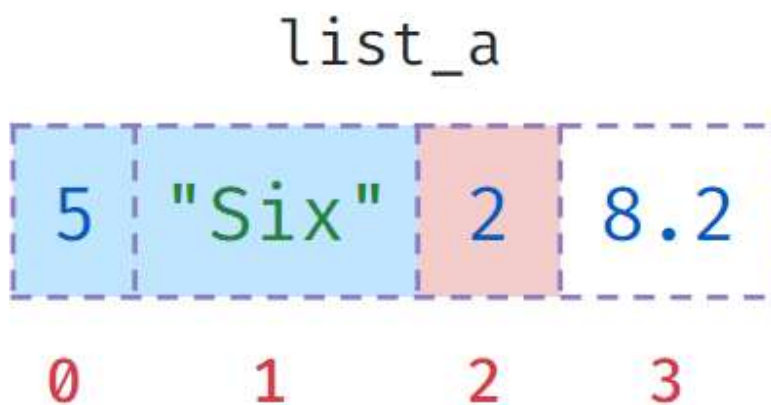
```
1 list_a = [1, 2]
2 list_b = list_a * 3
3 print(list_b)
```

Output

```
[1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2]
```

List Slicing

Obtaining a part of a list is called List Slicing.



Code

PYTHON

```
1 list_a = [5, "Six", 2, 8.2]
2 list_b = list_a[:2]
3 print(list_b)
```

Output

```
[5, 'Six']
```

Extended Slicing

Similar to string extended slicing, we can extract alternate items using step.

Code

PYTHON

```
1 list_a = ["R", "B", "G", "O", "W"]
2 list_b = list_a[0:5:3]
3 print(list_b)
```

Output

```
['R', 'O']
```

Converting to List

`list(sequence)` takes a sequence and converts it into list.

Code

PYTHON

```
1 color = "Red"
2 list_a = list(color)
3 print(list_a)
```

Output

```
['R', 'e', 'd']
```

Code

PYTHON

```
1 list_a = list(range(4))
2 print(list_a)
```

Output

```
[0, 1, 2, 3]
```

Lists are Mutable

- Lists can be modified.
- Items at any position can be updated.

Code

PYTHON

```
1 list_a = [1, 2, 3, 5]
2 print(list_a)
3 list_a[3] = 4
4 print(list_a)
```

Output

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

Strings are Immutable

Strings are Immutable (Can't be modified).

Code

PYTHON

```
1 message = "sea you soon"  
2 message[2] = "e"  
3 print(message)
```

Output

```
TypeError: 'str' object does not support item assignment
```

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