Python Programming

Data Containers

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Lists

- A list is an ordered data sequence
- Random access
 - Each element can be accessed by an index
- Duplicate elements are allowed

```
L = [3, 3, 2, 2, 2, 4, 1]
print(L[0])
L[0] = L[1] + L[2]
print(L[0])
print(L)
```

Some useful methods of lists

- list()
 - create an empty list.
- list.append(x)
 - add an item x to the end of the list

- list.insert(i, x)
 - Insert an item x at a given position i.
 - Then, i will be the index of x.
- list.reverse()
 - Reverse the elements of the list in place.

```
L = list()
print(L) # []
```

```
L = [5, 6, 7]

print(L) # [5, 6, 7]

L.append(99)

print(L) # [5, 6, 7, 99]
```

```
L = ['A', 'B', 'C']
L.insert(1, 'X')
print(L) # ??
```

```
L = [5, 6, 7]
L.reverse()
print(L) # [7, 6, 5]
```

Some useful methods of lists

- list.clear()
 - Remove all items.

```
L = [5, 6, 7]

print(L)  # [5, 6, 7]

L.clear()

print(L)  # []
```

- list.remove(x)
 - Remove the first item from the list whose value is x. It is an error if there is no such item.

```
L = [5, 6, 7, 6]

print(L)  # [5, 6, 7, 6]

L.remove(6)

print(L)  # [5, 7, 6]

L.remove(6)

print(L)  # [5, 7]

L.remove(6)  # An exception of ValueError thrown.
```

del

Another way to remove an item from a list

```
L= [-1, 1, 66.25, 333, 333, 1234.5]
del(L[0])
print(L)  # [1, 66.25, 333, 333, 1234.5]
del(L[2:4])
print(L)  # [1, 66.25, 1234.5]
del(L[:])
print(L)  # []
```

Some useful methods of lists

- list.sort(key=None, reverse=False)
 - Sorting, where *key* specifies the comparison method. Just let it be *None* in most cases.

```
L = ['cat', 'mouse', 'pig', 'dog', 'bird']
L.sort(key = len)
print(L)  # ['cat', 'pig', 'dog', 'bird', 'mouse']
```

```
L = ['cat', 'mouse', 'pig', 'dog', 'bird']
L.sort(key = len, reverse = True)
print(L)  # ['mouse', 'bird', 'cat', 'pig', 'dog']
```

- Let's try it
 - Sort a list that contains a set of integers by the descending order of the number of digits
 - If any two numbers have the same digit number, their order in the original list must be kept.
 - For example,
 - If L = [123, 4, 567, 9801, 1234, 0, 2341]
 - The result is [9801, 1234, 2341, 123, 567, 4, 0]

Multidimensional arrays

3x4 array

```
L = [[1, 2, 3, 4], [5, 6, 7, 8], [9, 10, 11, 12]]
print(L)
print(len(L))  # 3
print(len(L[0]))  # 4
print(L[0][0], L[0][1], L[1][0], L[2][3])
Print(L[2])
```

• 2 x 3 x 2 array

```
L = [[[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]],
        [[7, 8], [9, 10], [11, 12]]]
print(L)
print(len(L))  # 2
print(len(L[0]))  # 3
print(len(L[0][0]))  # 2
print(L[0][0][0], L[0][1][0], L[1][2][1])
print(L[0][0][0], L[0][1][0], L[1][2][1])
```

Multidimensional arrays

• 1 x 2 x 3 x 2 array

```
L = [[[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]],
      [[7, 8], [9, 10], [11, 12]]]]
print(L)
print(len(L))  # 1
print(len(L[0]))  # 2
print(len(L[0][0]))  # 3
print(len(L[0][0]])  # 2
print(L[0][0][0], L[0][1][2][1])
```

Shallow copy & deep copy

Shallow copy

```
L1 = [[1, 2], [3, 4], 5, 6]
L2 = list(L1)

L2[2] += 1
print(L1, L2)

L2[0][0] += 10
print(L1, L2)
```

Shallow copy & deep copy

Deep copy

```
import copy
L1 = [[1, 2], [3, 4], 5, 6]
L2 = copy.deepcopy(L1)

L2[2] += 1
print(L1, L2)

L2[0][0] += 10
print(L1, L2)
```

List comprehension

Using a for-statement to generate a list

```
L1 = [ x for x in range(5) ]
print(L1)  # [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]

L2 = [ x * 2 for x in range(5) ]
print(L2)  # [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]

L3 = [ x * x for x in range(5) if x % 2 == 0]
print(L3)  # [0, 4, 16]
```

List comprehension

Multiple layers of for-statement and 2D list

```
L4 = [y for x in range(3) for y in range(4)]
print(L4)
# [0, 1, 2, 3, 0, 1, 2, 3, 0, 1, 2, 3]

L5 = [[y for x in range(3)] for y in range(4)]
print(L5)
# [[0, 0, 0], [1, 1, 1], [2, 2, 2], [3, 3, 3]]

L6 = [[y * 3 + x for x in range(3)] for y in range(4)]
print(L6)
# [[0, 1, 2], [3, 4, 5], [6, 7, 8], [9, 10, 11]]
```

Exercise 1

- Using list comprehension to generate a m * n list as follows
 - m = 6, n = 3:

```
[[0, 1, 2],
[5, 4, 3],
[6, 7, 8],
[11, 10, 9],
[12, 13, 14],
[17, 16, 15]]
```

• m = 8, n = 4:

```
[[0, 1, 2, 3],
[7, 6, 5, 4],
[8, 9, 10, 11],
[15, 14, 13, 12],
[16, 17, 18, 19],
[23, 22, 21, 20],
[24, 25, 26, 27],
[31, 30, 29, 28]]
```

- A tuple is also a data container to store a set of data objects
- Like list, using an index to access an item of a tuple

Each item is immutable (read only).

```
t = 12345, 54321, 'hello!'
t[1] = 0 # Error!
```

Tuple appending

```
t = 1, 2, 3

t += 4  # Error!

t += (4)  # Error! Why?

t += (4,)  # OK!
```

- Let's try it
 - The following code can draw a figure from two lists that are X axis's data and Y axis's data.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
X = [0, 1, 2, 3]
Y = [10, 5, 8, 9]
plt.plot(X, Y)
plt.scatter(X, Y)
plt.show()
```

Let's see what kind figure will be drawn if you changed some number in X and Y.

- Let's try it
 - Given a set of tuple of two elements

```
T = (0, 10), (1, 5), (2, 8), (3, 9)
```

• Write a program to transform \mathbb{T} as two lists, \mathbb{X} and \mathbb{Y} , such that we can use the program in previous page to draw a figure for \mathbb{T} .

Unordered collection with no duplicate elements.

```
A = {7, 9, 1, 1, 9, 2, 1, 2}
print(A)  # {9, 2, 1, 7}
  # The order is undefined
  # because set is unordered
print(A[0])  # Error!
```

Item appending and removing

```
A = {4, 6, 1, 2, 2, 1, 3}
A.add(5)
print(len(A)) # 6
print(A) # {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}
A.remove(2)
print(len(A)) # 5
print(A) # {1, 3, 4, 5, 6}
A.clear()
print(len(A)) # 0
print(A) # set()
```

- Element accessing
 - By for statement

```
A = {7, 9, 1, 1, 9, 2, 1, 2}

for x in A:
    print(x)
```

Creating an empty set

```
A = set()
print(len(A)) # 0

A.add(7)
A.add(1)
A.add(1)
A.add(7)
A.add(7)
A.add(9)
print(len(A)) # 3
print(A) # {1, 9, 7}
```

- Let's try it
 - Use the following to input a series of positive numbers and store them into a list ⊥.

```
S = set()
while True:
    x = int(input('Input a positive number: '))
    if x < 0:
        break
    else:
        S.add(x)
print('The size of S is ', len(S))
print(S)
L = list(S);
print(L)</pre>
```

- Let's try it
 - Given a list ⊥.
 - Find the median of L
 - Using a set S to store all elements in L
 - Find the median of S
 - For example,
 - if L = [4, 6, 1, 2, 2, 1, 3], its median is 2
 - Then, S maybe is {3, 2, 1, 4, 6}, the median of S is 3
 - if L = [7, 8, 8, 6, 5, 2, 2, 3, 3], its median is 5
 - Then, S maybe is {5, 3, 2, 7, 6, 8}, the median of S is 6

- Because a set is unordered, we cannot sort a set
- But sorted function can return a list of sorted data from a set

```
A = {7, 9, 1, 1, 9, 2, 1, 2}

L = sorted(A)

print(A) # {9, 2, 1, 7}

print(L) # [1, 2, 7, 9]
```

Union two sets

```
A = {4, 3, 1, 2}
B = {3, 6, 5, 4}

C = A.union(B)
print(A)  # {1, 2, 3, 4}
print(B)  # {3, 4, 5, 6}
print(C)  # {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}
```

Intersection of two sets

```
A = {4, 3, 1, 2}
B = {3, 6, 5, 4}

C = A.intersection(B)
print(A)  # {1, 2, 3, 4}
print(B)  # {3, 4, 5, 6}
print(C)  # {3, 4}
```

Check whether two sets are disjointed

```
A = {4, 3, 1, 2}
B = {3, 6, 5, 4}
C = {5, 6}
print(A.isdisjoint(B))  # False
print(A.isdisjoint(C))  # True
```

Check set B is a subset of set A

```
A = {4, 3, 1, 2}
B = {3, 6, 5, 4}
C = {5, 6}
print(C.issubset(A))  # False
print(C.issubset(B))  # True
print(B.issubset(C))  # False
```

Check set B is superset of set A

```
A = {4, 3, 1, 2}
B = {3, 6, 5, 4}
C = {5, 6}
print(C.issuperset(A))  # False
print(C.issuperset(B))  # False
print(B.issuperset(C))  # True
```

• A - B

```
A = {4, 3, 1, 2}
B = {3, 6, 5, 4}
C = A.difference(B)
D = B.difference(A)
print(C)  # {1, 2}
print(D)  # {5, 6}
C = A.symmetric_difference(B)
D = B.symmetric_difference(A)
print(C)  # {1, 2, 5, 6}
print(D)  # {1, 2, 5, 6}
```

enumerate

 Creating a sequence of tuples for a data container and each tuple contains (index, and data).

```
L = ['ABC', 'DEF', 'GHI']
E = enumerate(L)
for x in E:
    print(x)

S = {'ABC', 'DEF', 'GHI'}
E = enumerate(S)
for x in E:
    print(x)
```

 A dictionary is similar to a list, but each element is indexed by a key rather than an integer

```
Scores = {'James':82, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93}
print(Scores['Mary']) # 98
Scores['Yamamoto'] += 7
print(Scores) # {'James':82, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':100}
print(len(Scores)) # 3
```

- Like a set, each element is unique in a dictionary.
 - Notice that all elements are unsorted

```
Scores = {'Yamamoto':93, 'James':82, 'Mary':68, 'Mary':98, 'James':80}
print(Scores) # {'Yamamoto': 93, 'James': 80, 'Mary': 98}
```

Element updating and appending

```
Scores = {'James':82, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93}
print(Scores) # {'James':80, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93}
Scores.update({'Yamamoto':84})
print(Scores['Yamamoto'])
Scores.update({'Hideo':77})
print(Scores) # {'James':80, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93, 'Hideo':77}
```

Element removing

```
Scores = {'James':82, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93}
print(Scores) # {'James':80, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93}
Scores.pop('James')
print(Scores) # {'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93}
```

Create a new dictionary

```
Scores = dict()

Scores.update({'Yamamoto':84})
Scores.update({'Hideo':77})
print(Scores) # {'Yamamoto':93, 'Hideo':77}
```

```
Scores = {}

Scores.update({'Yamamoto':84})
Scores.update({'Hideo':77})
print(Scores) # {'Yamamoto':93, 'Hideo':77}
```

DO NOT use a floating point number to be a key

```
D = {}
i = 0.0
while i <= 1.0:
    print(i)
    i += 0.1
    D[i] = i * 100

print(D[0.8]) # Key error!</pre>
```

- Why?
 - Storing a floating number may generate an error

```
x = 0.7
y = 0.1
z = x + y
print(x, y, z)
u = 0.9
v = -0.1
w = u + v
print(u, v, w)
if z == w:
    print("!")
```

for loop and dictionaries

```
Scores = {'James':82, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93}
for key in Scores:
    print(key) # list all keys

for key in Scores:
    print(key, "=", Scores[key]) # list keys and values
```

Sort by key

```
Scores = {'James':82, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93}

L1 = sorted(Scores)
print(L1)
  # ['James', 'Mary', 'Yamamoto']

L2 = sorted(Scores.items())
print(L2)
  # [('James', 82), ('Mary', 98), ('Yamamoto', 93)]
```

Sort by value

```
from operator import itemgetter

Scores = {'James':82, 'Mary':98, 'Yamamoto':93}
L = sorted(Scores.items(), key = itemgetter(1))
print(L)
# [('James', 82), ('Yamamoto', 93), ('Mary', 98)]
```

• itemgetter is a function generator

- Let's try it
 - Modify all examples of dictionary such that each student can store three scores

- A dictionary with multiple keys
- Example:

```
student1 = {'Name':'James', 'ID':'01008', 'Score':90}
student2 = {'Name':'Mary', 'ID':'01003', 'Score':98}
student3 = {'Name':'Yamamoto', 'ID':'01005', 'Score':93}
print(student1)
print(student2)
print(student3)
```

```
L = list()
L.append({'Name':'James', 'ID':'01008', 'Score':90})
L.append({'Name':'Mary', 'ID':'01003', 'Score':98})
L.append({'Name':'Yamamoto', 'ID':'01005', 'Score':93})
for student in L:
    print(student)
```

Dictionaries

- Data selection from a list of dictionaries
- Example:

```
L = list()
L.append({'Name':'James', 'ID':'01008', 'Score':90})
L.append({'Name':'Ruby', 'ID':'01024', 'Score':89})
L.append({'Name':'Mary', 'ID':'01003', 'Score':98})
L.append({'Name': 'Yamamoto', 'ID': '01005', 'Score': 93})
L.append({'Name':'Judy', 'ID':'01021', 'Score':73})
L2 = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in } L \text{ if } x['Score'] < 90]
for student in L2:
    print(student)
L3 = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in } L \text{ if } x['Name'][-1] == 'y' \text{ and } x['Score'] >= 80 ]
for student in L3:
    print(student)
```

Dictionaries

- Data selection from a list of dictionaries
- Example:

```
from operator import itemgetter
L = list()
L.append({'Name':'James', 'ID':'01008', 'Score':90})
L.append({'Name':'Ruby', 'ID':'01024', 'Score':89})
L.append({'Name':'Mary', 'ID':'01003', 'Score':98})
L.append({'Name':'Yamamoto', 'ID':'01005', 'Score':93})
L.append({'Name':'Judy', 'ID':'01021', 'Score':73})

L4 = [{'ID':x['ID'], 'Score':x['Score']} for x in L ]
L4.sort(key = itemgetter('ID'))
for student in L4:
    print(student)
```

- All string operations
 - https://docs.python.org/3/library/stdtypes.html#string-methods
- Substring finding

```
s = 'Hello! My firends!'
if 'My' in s:
   print('OK')

if 'my' in s:
   print('OK')
```

- str.index(substring, start=0, end=len(string))
 - Get the lowest index of substring in str

```
s = 'Hello! My firends!'
print(s.index('My'))
print(s.index('my')) # Error!
print(s.index('!'))
print(s.index('!') * s.index('!') * 1))
```

- str.split(sep=None, maxsplit=-1)
 - Return a list of the words in the string, using sep as the delimiter string. If maxsplit is given, at most maxsplit splits are done.

```
s = 'aaa*bbb*ccc eee fff*ggg '
L1 = s.split(sep = '*')
L2 = s.split(sep = ' ')
L3 = s.split(sep = '*', maxsplit = 2)
print(L1) # ['aaa', 'bbb', 'ccc eee fff', 'ggg ']
print(L2) # ['aaa*bbb*ccc', 'eee', 'fff*ggg', '']
print(L3) # ['aaa', 'bbb', 'ccc eee fff*ggg ']
```

Notice zero-length substrings

```
s = 'aaa*bbb**ccc***eee'
L = s.split(sep = '*')
print(L) # ['aaa', 'bbb', '', 'ccc', '', '', 'eee']
```

- re.split
 - Splitting a string with multiple separators

```
import re
s = 'aaa*bbb*ccc eee fff*ggg '
L4 = re.split('ccc|\*| ', s)
print(L4)
```

Exercise

- Input two strings, s1 and s2.
- Using a set to store all words in s1.
- Count how many number of words in both s1 and s2.
- For example, s1 is 'How do you do who are you' and s2 is 'What do you think how are you'
 - The result is 2, which are 'do' * 1, 'are' * 1, and 'you' * 2.

- str.replace(old, new[, count])
 - Return a copy of the string with all occurrences of substring *old* replaced by *new*. If the optional argument *count* is given, only the first *count* occurrences are replaced.

```
s = 'AAA ABC ABC ccc abc ABC ABC ddd'
s1 = s.replace('ABC', '*')
s2 = s.replace('ABC', '*', 3)
print(s1)  # AAA * * ccc abc * * ddd
print(s2)  # AAA * * ccc abc * ABC ddd
```

- str.count(sub[, start[, end]])
 - Return the number of non-overlapping occurrences of substring sub in the range [start, end].

```
s = 'aaa bbb aaa aaa bbb ccc'
print(s.count('aaa')) # 3
print(s.count('bbb')) # 2
print(s.count('ccc')) # 1
print(s.count('ddd')) # 0
```

collections::Counter

- collections is a standard library of Python that includes a lot of many useful data containers
- collections/Counter
 - Counter is an unordered collection where elements are stored as dictionary keys and their counts are stored as dictionary values.

collections::Counter

• Accessing elements of Counter

```
from collections import Counter
s = 'cccbbbaaabbbaaabbb'
cnt = Counter(s)
for item in cnt:
    print(item, '\t', cnt[item])

"""

c      3
b      9
a      6
"""
without sorting!
```

Exercise 2

- Design a program to count the number of occurrences of each word in a text without any iterative statement or expression.
 - Assuming that each word is separated by several space characters.
 - Only count non-zero-length words
 - Just ignore zero-length words
 - Print the results by the number of occurrences in descending order
 - For example, given a text,

```
" XYZ abc XYZ abc xyz abc ABC xyz ", the results will be [('abc', 3), ('XYZ', 2), ('xyz', 2), ('ABC', 1)]
```

Another example,

```
" xyz abc xyz abc XYZ abc ABC XYZ ",
the results will be
[('abc', 3), ('xyz', 2), ('XYZ', 2), ('ABC', 1)]
```