# **#\_ Important [ Python Built-in Methods ] {CheatSheet}**

## 1. String Methods

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• strip(): Removes whitespaces from the start and end. s = ' hello
  '.strip()
• split(): Splits a string into a list. words = 'one, two, three'.split(',')
• join(): Joins elements of an iterable. s = '-'.join(['one', 'two',
  'three'])
• replace(): Replaces substrings. s = 'hello'.replace('l', 'r')
• upper(): Converts to uppercase. s = 'hello'.upper()
• lower(): Converts to lowercase. s = 'Hello'.lower()
• startswith(): Checks prefix. b = s.startswith('He')
• endswith(): Checks suffix. b = s.endswith('lo')
• find(): Finds substring index. idx = s.find('1')
• isdigit(): Checks if all characters are digits. b = '123'.isdigit()
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• isalpha(): Checks if all characters are alphabetic. b = 'abc'.isalpha()

#### 2. List Methods

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• append(): Adds an element. lst.append('new')
• extend(): Appends iterable elements. lst.extend([4, 5])
• insert(): Inserts at index. lst.insert(1, 'inserted')
• remove(): Removes first occurrence. lst.remove('item')
• pop(): Removes and returns an element. item = lst.pop()
• index(): Returns first index of value. idx = lst.index('item')
• count(): Counts occurrences. cnt = lst.count('item')
• sort(): Sorts the list. lst.sort()
• reverse(): Reverses the list. lst.reverse()
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#### 3. Dictionary Methods

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• get(): Retrieves value for key. value = dct.get('key')
keys(): Returns dictionary keys. keys = dct.keys()

    values(): Returns dictionary values. values = dct.values()

• items(): Returns key-value pairs. items = dct.items()
• update(): Updates dictionary. dct.update({'new_key': 'new_value'})
• pop(): Removes key and returns value. value = dct.pop('key')
• popitem(): Removes last inserted key-value pair. item = dct.popitem()
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• clear(): Clears the dictionary. dct.clear()

#### 4. Set Methods

- add(): Adds an element. st.add('item') remove(): Removes an element. st.remove('item') discard(): Removes an element if present. st.discard('item') • pop(): Removes and returns an element. item = st.pop() • clear(): Removes all elements. st.clear() • union(): Returns the union of sets. union\_set = st1.union(st2)
- intersection(): Returns the intersection. intersect\_set = st1.intersection(st2)
- difference(): Returns the difference. difference\_set = st1.difference(st2)

## 5. File I/O Methods

- open(): Opens α file. file = open('file.txt', 'r') • read(): Reads the entire file. content = file.read()
- readline(): Reads one line. line = file.readline()
- readlines(): Reads lines into a list. lines = file.readlines()
- write(): Writes a string. file.write('hello')
- writelines(): Writes α list of strings. file.writelines(['hello\n', 'world'])
- close(): Closes the file. file.close()

#### General Purpose

- len(): Returns the length. length = len(iterable)
- range(): Generates a range of numbers. for i in range(10):
- print(): Prints to the console. print('Hello, world!')
- type(): Returns the type. t = type(obj)
- id(): Returns the unique identifier. identifier = id(obj)
- sorted(): Returns sorted list. sorted\_lst = sorted(iterable)
- enumerate(): Adds counter to an iterable. for index, value in enumerate(lst):
- zip(): Aggregates elements from iterables. for a, b in zip(lst1, lst2):

#### 7. Conversion Functions

- int(): Converts to an integer. i = int('123')
- float(): Converts to a float. f = float('123.45')
- **str()**: Converts to a string. s = str(123)
- list(): Converts to α list. lst = list('abc')
- dict(): Converts to a dictionary. dct = dict([(1, 'one'), (2, 'two')])
- **set()**: Converts to α set. st = set([1, 2, 3])
- tuple(): Converts to α tuple. t = tuple([1, 2, 3])

#### 8. Mathematical Functions

- abs(): Returns the absolute value. absolute = abs(-5)
- sum(): Sums the items. total = sum([1, 2, 3])
- min(): Returns the minimum. minimum = min([1, 2, 3])
- max(): Returns the maximum. maximum = max([1, 2, 3])
- pow(): Raises a number to a power. result = pow(2, 3)
- round(): Rounds a number. rounded = round(3.14)

## 9. Functional Programming Tools

- filter(): Filters elements. evens = filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0, lst)
- map(): Applies α function. squares = map(lambda x: x\*\*2, lst)
- reduce(): Reduces to α single value. from functools import reduce; total = reduce(lambda a, b: a + b, lst)

#### 10. Input and Output

- input(): Reads a string from input. s = input('Enter something: ')
- format(): Formats α string. formatted = format(123.4567, '.2f')

#### 11. Class and Object Related

- **getattr()**: Gets an attribute value. attr = getattr(obj, 'attr\_name')
- **setattr()**: Sets an attribute value. setattr(obj, 'attr\_name', value)
- hasattr(): Checks if attribute exists. has\_attr = hasattr(obj, 'attr\_name')
- **delattr()**: Deletes an attribute. delattr(obj, 'attr\_name')
- isinstance(): Checks instance type. is\_instance = isinstance(obj, Class)
- issubclass(): Checks subclass. is\_subclass = issubclass(Derived, Base)

#### 12. Miscellaneous

- globals(): Returns the global symbol table. global\_symbols = globals()
- locals(): Returns the local symbol table. local\_symbols = locals()
- callable(): Checks if an object is callable. is\_callable = callable(obj)
- eval(): Evaluates a Python expression. result = eval('1 + 2')
- exec(): Executes Python code dynamically. exec('print(42)')

## 13. Exception Handling

• try/except/finally: Handles exceptions. try: risky\_operation() except Exception as e: handle\_exception() finally: cleanup()

## 14. Memory and Object Management

- del(): Deletes an object. del obj
- gc.collect(): Forces garbage collection. import gc; gc.collect()

## 15. Working with Iterables

- next(): Retrieves the next item from an iterator. item = next(iterator)
- iter(): Returns an iterator. iterator = iter(iterable)

#### 16. Decorators and Metaprogramming

- staticmethod(): Converts a method to a static method. @staticmethod def func():
- classmethod(): Converts a method to a class method. @classmethod def func(cls):

### 17. Context Managers

• with/as: Manages resource with context. with open('file.txt') as file:

# 18. Comprehensions

- List Comprehension: Creates a new list. [x \* x for x in range(10)]
- Dict Comprehension: Creates a new dictionary. {k: v for k, v in zip(keys, values)}
- Set Comprehension: Creates a new set.  $\{x \text{ for } x \text{ in iterable if } x > 0\}$
- Generator Expression: Generates items on-the-fly. (x \* x for x in range(10))

# Advanced Python Features

- lambda: Creates an anonymous function. f = lambda x: x \* x
- **globals()**: Accesses global variables. global\_vars = globals()
- locals(): Accesses local variables. local\_vars = locals()
- dir(): Lists properties and methods. properties = dir(obj)

#### 20. Serialization

- pickle.dump(): Serializes an object. import pickle; pickle.dump(obj, file)
- pickle.load(): Deserializes data. obj = pickle.load(file)

# 21. Python Runtime Services

- exec(): Executes Python code dynamically. exec('print("Hello")')
- eval(): Evaluates a Python expression. result = eval('2 + 3')

### 22. Python Attribute and Method Resolution

- getattr(): Retrieves an attribute's value. value = getattr(obj, 'attribute')
- setattr(): Sets an attribute's value. setattr(obj, 'attribute', value)
- hasattr(): Checks if an attribute exists. exists = hasattr(obj, 'attribute')
- delattr(): Deletes an attribute. delattr(obj, 'attribute')

## 23. Class and Instance Utilities

- isinstance(): Checks if an object is an instance of a class. if isinstance(obj, MyClass):
- issubclass(): Checks if a class is a subclass of another. if issubclass(MyClass, ParentClass):

# 24. Import and Module Management

• import(): Imports a module dynamically. module = \_\_import\_\_('module\_name')

#### 25. File and Directory Management

- open(): Opens α file. file = open('file.txt', 'r')
- os.path.exists(): Checks if a path exists. import os; exists = os.path.exists('file.txt')

# 26. Exception Handling and Debugging

• try/except/finally: Manages exceptions. try: risky\_operation() except Exception: handle\_exception() finally: cleanup()

#### 27. Iterators and Generators

- iter(): Returns an iterator. it = iter(collection)
- next(): Retrieves the next item from an iterator. item = next(it)

#### 28. Built-in Constants

- True/False: Boolean constants. a = True; b = False
- None: Represents the absence of a value. value = None

## 29. Command Line Arguments

• sys.argv: Retrieves command-line arguments. import sys; args = sys.argv

# 30. Memory Management and Optimization

- **gc.collect()**: Triggers garbage collection. import gc; gc.collect()
- sys.getrefcount(): Gets the reference count of an object. import sys; ref\_count = sys.getrefcount(obj)