8.5 COPYING LISTS

Given a list, the simplest way to make a copy of the list is to assign it to another list.

```
>>> list1 = [1,2,3]
>>> list2 = list1
>>> list1
[1, 2, 3]
>>> list2
[1, 2, 3]
```

The statement list2 = list1 does not create a new list. Rather, it just makes >>> list1.append(10) list1 and list2 refer to the same list object. Here, list2 actually becomes an alias of list1. Therefore, any changes made to either of them will be reflected in the other list.

```
>>> list1
[1, 2, 3, 10]
>>> list2
[1, 2, 3, 10]
```

We can also create a copy or clone of the list as a distinct object by three methods. The first method uses slicing, the second method uses built-in function list() and the third method uses copy() function of Python library.

Method 1: We can slice our original list and store it into a new list variable as follows:

```
>>> list1 = [1,2,3,4,5]
>>> list2 = list1[:]
>>> list2
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

newList = oldList[:]

Method 2: We can use the list constructor function list() as follows:

```
newList = list(oldList)
```

```
>>> list1 = [10,20,30,40]
>>> list2 = list(list1)
>>> list2
[10, 20, 30, 40]
```

Calling it without any arguments will create an empty list.

Method 3: We can use the copy() function as follows:

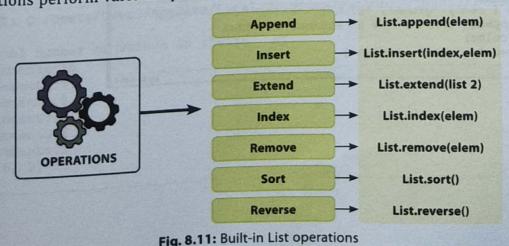
```
newList = list(oldList).copy()
```

```
>>> list1=[1,2,3,4,5]
>>> list2=list1.copy()
>>> list2
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> list1[0]=100
>>> list1
[100, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> list2
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> list2[2]=300
>>> list2
[1, 2, 300, 4, 5]
>>> list1
[100, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

The copy() function returns a new list stored in a different memory location. It doesn't modify the original list or the modifications made in the new list will not be reflected to the base list.

8.6 BUILT-IN FUNCTIONS (MANIPULATING LISTS)

Python offers several built-in 'in-place' functions that can alter the elements of the list rather than creating a new list, such as adding new elements, changing the elements in a list, etc. These functions perform various operations on lists which are described in Fig. 8.11.



8.19

8.6.1 append()

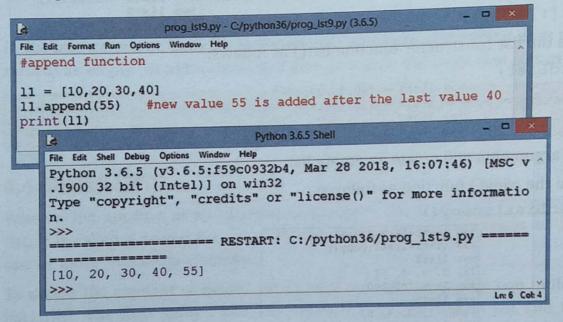
The append() method adds a single item to the end of the list. It doesn't create a new list; rather it modifies the original list. The single element can also be a list. The syntax of append() method is:

Syntax:

```
list.append(item)
```

The item can be numbers, strings, another list, dictionary, etc.

Example 3:



A list can also be added to the above existing list. For example,

```
>>> 11 = [10, 20, 30, 40]
>>> 11.append([50,60])
>>> 11
[10, 20, 30, 40, [50, 60]]
```

Example 4:

```
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.1900 32 bit (Intel)] on win32
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n.
>>>
               ====== RESTART: C:/python36/prog_lst9.py ======
>>> color = ['red', 'green', 'blue']
>>> color.append('white') # an element is added
>>> print (color)
['red', 'green', 'blue', 'white']
                                                              Ln: 6 Col: 4
```

practical Implementation-1

Write a program to find the second largest element in a list 'Num'.

```
#program to find the second largest element in a list 'Num'
print ("Enter the number of elements in a list: ")
N = int(input())
i = 0
num = []
while i < N:
   print ("Enter list values:")
   num1= int(input())
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                                          list.py
    num.append(num1)
                                          Enter the number of elements in a list:
    i += 1
print("The Original List is: ", end=' ')
                                         Enter list values:
for i in range (N):
    print(num[i],end=' ')
                                          Enter list values:
if (num[0] > num[1]):
                                          33
   m, m2 = num[0], num[1]
                                          Enter list values:
else:
                                          66
   m, m2 = num[1], num[0]
                                          Enter list values:
for x in num[2:]:
                                          Enter list values:
    if x > m2:
                                          99
        if x > m:
                                         The Original List is: 7 33 66 8 99
            m2, m = m, x
                                         The second largest element in the list is: 66
        else:
            m2 = x
print()
print("The second largest element in the list is:", m2)
```

Practical Implementation-2

Give Python code to accept values from the user up to a certain limit entered by the user; if the number is even, then add it to a list.

```
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L=[]
n=int(input("Enter total number of values in list:"))
i=1
while i<=n:
    a=int(input("Enter elements:"))
    if a%2==0:
        L.append(a)
        i=i+1
print(L)

Ln: 10 Col: 0
```

*******Output of the program******

```
= RESTART: C:/Users/User2/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python39/list_even_ch-7_Cs.py
Enter total number of values in list:4
Enter elements:10
Enter elements:5
Enter elements:8
Enter elements:3
Enter elements:6
Enter elements:6
Enter elements:2
[10, 8, 6, 2]
```

8.6.2 extend()

The extend() method adds one list at the end of another list. In other words, all the items of a list are added at the end of an already created list.

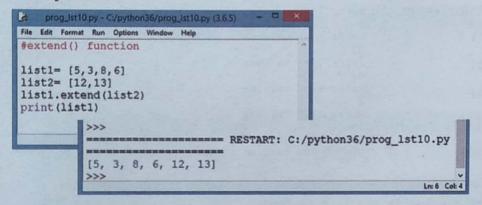
Syntax:

```
The list which will be added to list1.

list1.extend(list2)

list1 is the primary list which will be extended.
```

Example 5:



Example 6:

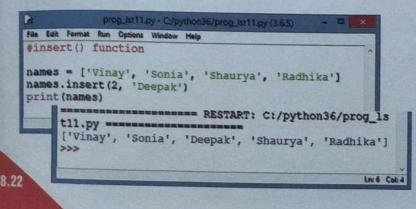
8.6.3 insert()

The insert() function can be used to insert an element/object at a specified index. This function takes two arguments: the index where an item/object is to be inserted and the item/element itself.

Syntax:

```
list_name.insert(index_number, value)
where,
list_name is the name of the list
index_number is the index where the new value is to be inserted
value is the new value to be inserted in the list
```

Example 7:



Example 8:

```
>>> 11 = [10,20,30,40]

>>> 11.append([50,60])

>>> 11

[10, 20, 30, 40, [50, 60]]

>>> list1 = [10,20,30,40,50]

>>> list1.insert(2,25)

>>> list1

[10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50]

>>> list1.insert(0,5)

>>> list1

[5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50]
```

8.6.4 reverse()

The reverse() function in Python reverses the order of the elements in a list. This function reverses the item of the list. It replaces a new value "in place" of an item that already exists in the list, *i.e.*, it does not create a new list.

Example 9:

```
>>> list1 = [24,56,10,99,28,90]
>>> list1.reverse()
>>> list1
[90, 28, 99, 10, 56, 24]
```

Example 10:

8.6.5 index()

The index() function in Python returns the index of first matched item from the list. It returns the first occurrence of an item for which the index position is to be searched for in the list. If the element is not present, ValueError is generated.

Syntax:

```
List.index(<item>)
```

Example 11:

```
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6) [MSC v.1900 32 bit (Intel)] on win32
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nformation.
>>> list=[12,14,15,17,14,18]
>>> list.index(15)
2
>>> x = 'Python'
>>> print(x.index('t'))
>>> x = ['India','my','country']
>>> print(x.index('India'))
0
>>>
                                                    Ln: 12 Col: 4
```

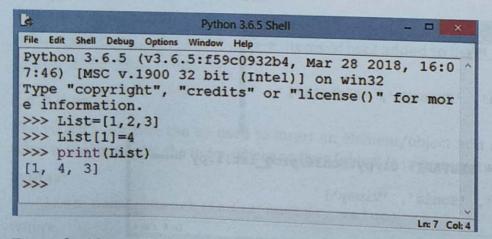
8.6.6 Updating List

Lists are mutable; you can assign new value to existing value. We can use assignment operator (=) to change an item or a range of items.

Syntax:

List[index] = < new value >

Example 12:



Example 13:

We can also create a new list from an existing list using list-slicing.

```
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>>> L1=[10,20,30,50,60]

>>> L2=L1[1:4]

>>> print(L2)
[20, 30, 50]

>>>
```

Example 14:

```
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>>> L1=["red", "pink", "orange", "yellow"]

>>> L1[2]="white"

>>> print(L1)
['red', 'pink', 'white', 'yellow']

>>>

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```

8.6.7 len()

The len() function returns the length of the list, i.e., the number of elements in a list.

```
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>>> L1 = [5, 'book', 4, 5, 'new']

>>> print(len(L1))

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```

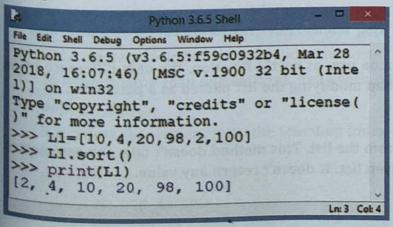
8.6.8 sort()

This function sorts the items of the list, by default in ascending/increasing order. This modification is done "in place", i.e., it does not create a new list.

Syntax:

List.sort()

Example 15:



Example 16:

```
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2018, 16:07:46) [MSC v.1900 32 bit (Inte
1)] on win32

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)" for more information.

>>> L1=['RED', 'YELLOW', 'BLUE', 'WHITE']

>>> L1.sort()

>>> print(L1)
['BLUE', 'RED', 'WHITE', 'YELLOW']

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```

For string elements in a list, sorting is done on the basis of their ASCII values. Python starts by comparing the first element from each element. If they are equal, it goes on to the next element, and so on, until it finds elements that differ. Subsequent elements are not considered (even if they are really big).

It sorts the string in a lexicographic manner. If we want to sort the list in decreasing order, we need to write:

>>> list1.sort(reverse=True)

```
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#sort() method-descending order

names=['Anshul', 'Pihu', 'Sarthak', 'Reema']
names.sort(reverse = True)

print(names)

>>>

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y

['Sarthak', 'Reema', 'Pihu', 'Anshul']

>>>

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```

sorted()-This function also sorts the items of the list like sort() function.

Syntax: sorted(list, reverse = True/False)

```
>>> list1 = [4,2,1,9,3,4,6,8,5]
>>> sorted(list1)
    [1,2,3,4,4,5,6,8,9]
>>> sorted(list1, reverse=True)
    [9,8,6,5,4,4,3,2,1]
>>> sorted(list1, reverse=False)
    [1,2,3,4,4,5,6,8,9]
```

Note: sorted() function works in the same way as sort() function, the only difference being that it returns a new list rather than modifying the list passed as a parameter.

8.6.9 clear()

The clear() method removes all items from the list. This method doesn't take any parameters. The clear() method only empties the given list. It doesn't return any value.

Example 17:

```
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2018, 16:07:46) [MSC v.1900 32 bit (Inte
1)] on win32

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)" for more information.

>>> L1=[10,20,30,40]
>>> L1.clear()
>>> print(L1)
```

8.6.10 count()

The count() method counts how many times an element has occurred in a list and returns it. The **syntax** of count() method is:

list.count(element)

Example 18:

Example 19:

```
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>>> L1=['a', ('x', 'y'), [1,2], 'b', 10, [1,2]]

>>> L1.count([1,2])

>>> L1.count(('x', 'y'))

1

>>> L1.count(100)
```

8.7 DELETION OPERATION

- 1. Python provides operator for deleting/removing an item from a list. There are many methods for deletion: If index is known, you can use pop() or del statement.
- 2. If the element is known, not the index, remove() can be used.
- 3. To remove more than one element, del() with list slice can be used.
- > pop():

It removes the element from the specified index and also returns the element which was removed.

Syntax:

List.pop (index)

```
Example 20:
```

```
>>> L1 = [1, 2, 5, 4, 70, 10, 90, 80, 50]

>>> L1.pop(1)  # here the element deleted will be returned

>>> 2  # 2 gets deleted

>>> print(L1)

[1, 5, 4, 70, 10, 90, 80, 50]
```

If no index value is provided in pop(), then the last element from the list is deleted.

```
>>> L1.pop() —_______50
```

CTM: If no index value is provided in pop(), then the last element is deleted.

```
pop() can be used with negative index value also.
```

```
>>> L1=[100, 200, 300, 500]
>>> L1.pop(-1)
500
```

> del statement

del statement removes the specified element from the list but does not return the deleted value.

```
>>> L1=[100, 200, 300, 400, 500]
>>> del L1[3]
>>> print(L1)
[100, 200, 300, 500]
```

Note: If an out of range index is provided with del() and pop(), the code will result in runtime error.

```
>>> L1=[100,200,300,400,500]
>>> del L1[5]
Traceback (most recent call last):
   File "<pyshell#31>", line 1, in <module>
      del L1[5]
```

IndexError: list assignment index out of range

del can be used with negative index value also.

```
>>> L1=[100,200,300,400,500]
>>> del L1[-2]
>>> print(L1)
[100, 200, 300, 500]
```

> del() with slicing

Consider the following example:

```
>>> L1=[10,20,30,40,50]
>>> del L1[2:4]
>>> print(L1)
[10, 20, 50]
```

The above del statement shall remove 2nd and 3rd elements from the list. As we know that slice selects all the elements up to 4th index, so 4th element will remain in the list.

> remove()

The remove() function is used when we know the element to be deleted, not the index of the element.

```
>>> L1 = [1, 2, 5, 4, 70, 10, 90, 80, 50]
>>> L1.remove(90)
```

The above statement will remove the value 90 from the list.

```
>>> print(L1)
[1, 2, 5, 4, 70, 10, 80, 50]
```

Practical Implementation-3

Write a Python code to delete all odd numbers and negative numbers from a given numeric list.

```
#Program to delete all odd numbers and negative numbers in a numeric list
list1 = [11,-1,22,-3,33,55,44,-50,46,101,77,-100,42]
len1 = len(list1)
i = 0
while i < len1:
    if (list1[i] < 0):
        del list1[i]
        len1 = len1 - 1
        i = i -1
    elif (list1[i] % 2 != 0):
        del list1[i]
        len1 = len1 - 1
        i = i - 1
        i = i +1
print("List after deletion :",list1)</pre>
```

*******Output of the program******

```
>>>
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1.py
List after deletion: [22, 44, 46, 42]
```

Table 8.1: A few List Methods in a Nutshell

CHEBURDE BULWINGS DIE	Result
Method	Add item to the end of the list.
append(item)	Returns the index of the first element whose value is equal to item. A ValueError
index(item)	tion is raised if item is not found in the list.
<pre>insert(index, item)</pre>	Inserts item into the list at the specified index. When an item is inserted into a list, the list is expanded in size to accommodate the new item. The item that was previously at a specified index and all the items after it are shifted by one position towards the end of the list. No exceptions will occur if you specify an invalid index. If you specify an index beyond the end of the list, the item will be added to the end of the list. If you use a negative index that specifies an index position, the item will be inserted at the beginning of the list.
sort()	Sorts the items in the list so they appear in ascending order (from the lowest
remove(item)	Removes the first occurrence of item from the list. A ValueError exception is
reverse()	Reverses the order of the items in the list.

8.2

> Searching List

Lists can easily be searched for values using the index() method that expects a value that is to be searched. The output is the index at which the value is kept.

Syntax:

```
list_name.index(element)
Example 21:
>>> list1=[100, 200, 50, 400, 500, 'Raman', 100, 'Ashwin']
>>> list1.index(400)
```

Explanation:

Here we are searching list1 for value 400. The answer is 3 as the element 400 is present at the index value 3.

If the value, we are searching in a list is not found, then an error is displayed.

Example 22:

```
>>> list1=[100, 200, 50, 400, 500, 'Raman', 100, 'Ashwin'] >>> list1.index(100) 0
```

This method only returns the first occurrence of the matching element. Here, the element 100 is present at 0^{th} and 6^{th} index, but it returns 0^{th} index.

Example 23:

```
>>> list1=[100, 200, 50, 400, 500, 'Raman', 100, 'Ashwin']
>>> list1.index(700)
Traceback(most recent call last):
    File "<pyshell#59>", line 1, in <module>
        list1.index(700)
ValueError: 700 is not in list
```

Example 24:

To find out whether an element is present in a list or not, we can do the following sequence of operations:

```
>>> list1 = [100, 200, 50, 400, 500, 'Raman', 100, 'Ashwin'] >>> 500 in list1
True
```

Explanation:

So, from the above example it is evident that 'True' was returned as '500' was present in list1.

> max()

Returns the element with the maximum value from the list.

Note: To use the max() function, all values in the list must be of the same type.

Example 25:

```
>>> list3=[10,20,30,40]
>>> max(list3)
40
```

Example 26:

```
>>> list4=['A', 'a', 'B', 'C']
>>> max(list4)
'a'
```

Here, it will return the alphabet with the maximum ASCII value.

Example 27:

```
>>> list5=['ashwin', 'bharat', 'shelly']
>>> max(list5)
'shelly'
```

Here, it will return the string which starts with character having the highest ASCII value.

Example 28:

```
>>> list5=['ashwin', 'bharat', 'shelly', 'surpreet']
>>> max(list5)
'surpreet'
```

If there are two or more strings which start with the same character, then the second character is compared and so on.

> min()

Returns the element with the minimum value from the list.

Note: To use the min() function, all values in the list must be of the same type.

Example 29:

```
>>> list3=[10,20,30,40]
>>> min(list3)
10
```

Example 30:

```
>>> list4=['A', 'a', 'B', 'C']
>>> min(list4)
'A'
```

Here, it will return the alphabet with the minimum ASCII value.

Example 31:

```
>>> list5=['ashwin','bharat','shelly']
>>> min(list5)
'ashwin'
```

Here, it will return the string which starts with character having the smallest ASCII value.

Example 32:

```
>>> list5=['ashwin','bharat','shelly', 'surpreet']
>>> min(list5)
'ashwin'
```

If there are two or more strings which start with the same character, then the second character is compared and so on.

Practical Implementation-4

Write a Python script to input a number and count the occurrences of that number in a given list. list1=[10, 20, 30, 40, 10, 50, 10]

```
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#TO count the occurrence of a number in the list
list1= [10,20,30,40,10,50,10]
num=eval(input("enter a number:"))
count=0
for i in list1:
    if num == i:
        count=count+1
        print(num, "is present", count, "number of times")
```

*******Output of the program******

Practical Implementation-5

Write a Python script to input a number and perform linear search.

```
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#Program for linear search

list1 = eval(input("Enter the list elements :"))
length = len(list1)
element = int(input("Enter the element to be searched for :"))
for i in range(0,length):
    if element == list1[i]:
        print(element, "found at index", i)
        break

else:  #for loop else part
    print(element, "not present in the given list")

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```

RESTART: C:\Users\preeti\AppData\Local\Pr srch.py Enter the list elements :2,3,4,5,6,8,9,10 Enter the element to be searched for :6 6 found at index 4

Practical Implementation-6

The temperature of a week is given in WTemp list in the form of day and its temperature values are as follows:

```
WTemp = ['Mon', 45, 'Tue', 43, 'Wed', 42, 'Thu', 40, 'Fri', 38, 'Sat', 40, 'Sun', 38]
```

Using the above list, write a program to create and print two separate lists as given below:

```
Days = ['Mon', 'Tue', 'Wed', 'Thu', 'Fri', 'Sat', 'Sun']
Degrees = [45, 43, 42, 40, 38, 40, 38]
```

```
#Program to split Original list into two separate lists
WTemp = ['Mon', 45, 'Tue', 43, 'Wed', 42, 'Thu', 40, 'Fri', 38, 'Sat', 40, 'Sun', 38]
ln = len(WTemp)
Days = []
Degrees = []
for i in range(ln):
    if (i % 2) == 0:
        Days.append(WTemp[i])
    else:
        Degrees.append(WTemp[i])
print("Original list is: ", WTemp)
print("The days are: ", Days)
print("The temperatures are: ", Degrees)
```

```
>>>
RESTART: C:/Users/preeti/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python37-32/prog_split_1
ist1.py
Original list is: ['Mon', 45, 'Tue', 43, 'Wed', 42, 'Thu', 40, 'Fri', 38, 'Sat'
, 40, 'Sun', 38]
The days are: ['Mon', 'Tue', 'Wed', 'Thu', 'Fri', 'Sat', 'Sun']
The temperatures are: [45, 43, 42, 40, 38, 40, 38]
```