

015 Python Tuples

Tuples

A tuple is a container which holds a series of comma-separated values (items or elements) between parentheses such as an (x, y) co-ordinate. Tuples are like lists, except they are immutable (i.e. you cannot change its content once created) and can hold mix data types. Tuples play a sort of "struct" role in Python -- a convenient way to pass around a little logical, fixed size bundle of values.

Tuple: Commands

Tuple is an immutable and hashable list.

```
<tuple> = ()  
<tuple> = (<el>, )  
<tuple> = (<el_1>, <el_2> [, ...])
```

Named Tuple

Tuple's subclass with named elements.

```
>>> from collections import namedtuple  
>>> Point = namedtuple('Point', 'x y')  
>>> p = Point(1, y=2)  
Point(x=1, y=2)  
>>> p[0]  
1  
>>> p.x  
1  
>>> getattr(p, 'y')  
2  
>>> p._fields # Or: Point._fields  
( 'x', 'y' )
```

Create a tuple?

To create a tuple, just list the values within parenthesis separated by commas. The "empty" tuple is just an empty pair of parenthesis

```
>>> #create an empty tuple  
  
>>> tuplex = ()  
  
>>> print (tuplex)
```

```
()

>>> #create a tuple with different data types
>>> tuplex = ('tuple', False, 3.2, 1)
>>> print (tuplex)
('tuple', False, 3.2, 1)

>>> #create a tuple with numbers, notation without parenthesis
>>> tuplex = 4, 7, 3, 8, 1
>>> print (tuplex)
(4, 7, 3, 8, 1)

>>> #create a tuple of one item, notation without parenthesis
>>> tuplex = 4,
>>> print (tuplex)
(4,)

>>> #create an empty tuple with tuple() function built-in Python
>>> tuplex = tuple()
>>> print (tuplex)
()

>>> #create a tuple from a iterable object
>>> tuplex = tuple([True, False])
>>> print (tuplex)
(True, False)

>>>
```

How to get an item of the tuple in Python?

```
>>> #create a tuple
```

```
>>> tuplex = ("g", "o", "o", "g", "l", "e", 5)
>>> print(tuplex)
('g', 'o', 'o', 'g', 'l', 'e', 5)
>>> #get item (4th element)of the tuple by index
>>> item = tuplex[3]
>>> print(item)
e
>>> #get item (4th element from last)by index negative
>>> item1 = tuplex[-4]
>>> print(item1)
u
>>>
```

How to know if an element exists within a tuple in Python?

```
>>> #create a tuple
>>> tuplex = ("g", "o", "o", "g", "l", "e", 5)
>>> print(tuplex)
('g', 'o', 'o', 'g', 'l', 'e', 5)
>>> #use in statement
>>> print("r" in tuplex)
True
>>> print(5 in tuplex)
False
>>>
```

List to tuple

```
>>> #create list
>>> listx = [5, 10, 7, 4, 15, 3]
>>> print(listx)
[5, 10, 7, 4, 15, 3]
>>> #use the tuple() function built-in Python, passing as parameter
the list
>>> tuplex = tuple(listx)
>>> print(tuplex)
(5, 10, 7, 4, 15, 3)
>>>
```

Unpack a tuple in several variables

```
>>> #create a tuple
>>> tuplex = 4, 8, 3
>>> print(tuplex)
(4, 8, 3)
>>> n1, n2, n3 = tuplex
>>> #unpack a tuple in variables
>>> print(n1 + n2 + n3)
15
>>> #the number of variables must be equal to the number of items of
the tuple
>>> n1, n2, n3, n4 = tuplex
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
```

ValueError: need more than 3 values to unpack

```
>>>
```

Add item in Python tuple!

```
>>> #create a tuple
```

```
>>> tuplex = (4, 6, 2, 8, 3, 1)
```

```
>>> print(tuplex)
```

```
(4, 6, 2, 8, 3, 1)
```

```
>>> #tuples are immutable, so you can not add new elements
```

```
>>> #using merge of tuples with the + operator you can add an element  
and it will create a new tuple
```

```
>>> tuplex = tuplex + (9,)
```

```
>>> print(tuplex)
```

```
(4, 6, 2, 8, 3, 1, 9)
```

```
>>> #adding items in a specific index
```

```
>>> tuplex = tuplex[:5] + (15, 20, 25) + tuplex[:5]
```

```
>>> print(tuplex)
```

```
(4, 6, 2, 8, 3, 15, 20, 25, 4, 6, 2, 8, 3)
```

```
>>> #converting the tuple to list
```

```
>>> listx = list(tuplex)
```

```
>>> #use different ways to add items in list
```

```
>>> listx.append(30)
```

```
>>> tuplex = tuple(listx)
```

```
>>> print(tuplex)
```

```
(4, 6, 2, 8, 3, 15, 20, 25, 4, 6, 2, 8, 3, 30)
```

```
>>>
```

Clone a tuple

```
>>> from collections import deepcopy
>>> #create a tuple
>>> tuplex = ("HELLO", 5, [], True)
>>> print(tuplex)
('HELLO', 5, [], True)
>>> #make a clone of a tuple using deepcopy () function
>>> tuplex_clone = deepcopy (tuplex)
>>> tuplex_clone[2].append(50)
>>> print(tuplex_clone)
('HELLO', 5, [50], True)
>>> print(tuplex)
('HELLO', 5, [], True)
>>>
```

In Python how to know the number of times an item has repeated

```
>>> #create a tuple
>>> tuplex = 2, 4, 5, 6, 2, 3, 4, 4, 7
>>> print(tuplex)
(2, 4, 5, 6, 2, 3, 4, 4, 7)
>>> #return the number of times it appears in the tuple.
>>> count = tuplex.count(4)
>>> print(count)
```

3

```
>>> count = tuplex.count(7)
```

```
>>> print(count)
```

1

```
>>> count = tuplex.count(5)
```

```
>>> print (count)
```

1

```
>>>
```

Remove an item from a tuple

```
>>> #create a tuple
```

```
>>> tuplex = "g", "o", "o", "g", "l", "e",3
```

```
>>> print(tuplex)
```

```
('g', 'o', 'o', 'g', 'l', 'e', 5)
```

```
>>> #tuples are immutable, so you can not remove elements
```

```
>>> #using merge of tuples with the + operator you can remove an item  
and it will create a new tuple
```

```
>>> tuplex = tuplex[:2] + tuplex[3:]
```

```
>>> print(tuplex)
```

```
('g', 'o', 'g', 'l', 'e',3)
```

```
>>> #converting the tuple to list
```

```
>>> listx = list(tuplex)
```

```
>>> #use different ways to remove an item of the list
```

```
>>> listx.remove("l")
```

```
>>> #converting the tuple to list
```

```
>>> tuplex = tuple(listx)
```

```
>>> print(tuplex)
('w', 3, 'r', 'e', 's')
>>>
```

Slice a tuple

```
>>> #create a tuple
>>> tuplex = (2, 4, 3, 5, 4, 6, 7, 8, 6, 1)

>>> #used tuple[start:stop] the start index is inclusive and the stop
index

>>> _slice = tuplex[3:5]

#is exclusive.

>>> print(_slice)
(5, 4)

>>> #if the start index isn't defined, is taken from the beginning of
the tuple.

>>> _slice = tuplex[:6]

>>> print(_slice)
(2, 4, 3, 5, 4, 6)

>>> #if the end index isn't defined, is taken until the end of the
tuple

>>> _slice = tuplex[5:]

>>> print(_slice)
(6, 7, 8, 6, 1)

>>> #if neither is defined, returns the full tuple

>>> _slice = tuplex[:]

>>> print(_slice)
(2, 4, 3, 5, 4, 6, 7, 8, 6, 1)
```



```
>>> #The indexes can be defined with negative values
>>> _slice = tuplex[-8:-4]
>>> print(_slice)
(3, 5, 4, 6)
>>>
```

Find the index of an item of the tuple

```
>>> #create a tuple
>>> tuplex = tuple("index tuple")
>>> print(tuplex)
('i', 'n', 'd', 'e', 'x', ' ', 't', 'u', 'p', 'l', 'e')
>>> #get index of the first item whose value is passed as parameter
>>> index = tuplex.index("p")
>>> print(index)
8
>>> #define the index from which you want to search
>>> index = tuplex.index("p", 5)
>>> print(index)
8
>>> #define the segment of the tuple to be searched
>>> index = tuplex.index("e", 3, 6)
>>> print(index)
3
>>> #if item not exists in the tuple return ValueError Exception
>>> index = tuplex.index("y")
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):  
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>  
ValueError: tuple.index(x): x not in tuple  
  
>>>
```

The size of a tuple

```
>>> tuplex = tuple("google")      #create a tuple  
>>> print(tuplex)  
(  
'g', 'o', 'o', 'g', 'l', 'e')  
>>> #use the len() function to known the length of tuple.  
>>> print(len(tuplex))  
10  
  
>>>
```

How operators + and * are used with a Python tuple?

```
>>> #create a tuple  
>>> tuplex = 5, #create a tuple  
>>> #The * operator allow repeat the items in the tuple  
>>> print(tuplex * 6)  
(5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5)  
>>> #create a tuple with repeated items.  
>>> tuplex = (5, 10, 15) * 4  
>>> print(tuplex)  
(5, 10, 15, 5, 10, 15, 5, 10, 15, 5, 10, 15)  
>>> #create three tuples
```

```

>>> tuplex1 = (3, 6, 9, 12, 15)
>>> tuplex2 = ("g", "o", "o", "g", "l", "e")
>>> tuplex3 = (True, False)
>>> #The + operator allow create a tuple joining two or more tuples
>>> tuplex = tuplex1 + tuplex2 + tuplex3
>>> print(tuplex)
(3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 'g', 'o', 'o', 'g', 'l', 'e', True, False)
>>>

```

Slice of a tuple using step parameter

```

>>> #create a tuple
>>> tuplex = tuple("HELLO WORLD")
>>> print(tuplex)
('H', 'E', 'L', 'L', 'O', ' ', 'W', 'O', 'R', 'L', 'D')
>>> #step specify an increment between the elements to cut of the
tuple.
>>> _slice = tuplex[2:9:2] #tuple[start:stop:step]
>>> print(_slice)
('L', 'O', 'W', 'R')
>>> #returns a tuple with a jump every 3 items.
>>> _slice = tuplex[::4]
>>> print(_slice)
('H', 'O', 'R')
>>> #when step is negative the jump is made back
>>> _slice = tuplex[9:2:-4]
>>> print(_slice)

```

```
('L', ' ')\n>>> #when step is negative the jump is made back\n>>> _slice = tuplex[9:2:-3]\n>>> print(_slice)\n('L', 'W', 'L')\n>>>
```

Modify items of a tuple

```
>>> #create a tuple\n>>> tuplex = ("g", 5, "l", [], False)\n>>> print(tuplex)\n('g', 5, 'l', [], False)\n>>> #tuples are immutable, so you can not modify items which are also\nimmutable, as str, boolean, numbers etc.\n>>> tuplex[3].append(200)\n>>> print(tuplex)\n('w', 3, 'r', [200], False)\n>>>
```