Lists



Defnition

- A list is a versatile and mutable data structure used to store a collection of items.
- Defined using square brackets []
- Contain elements of different data types
- Allow duplicates.



Creating Lists

you enclose the elements inside square brackets, separated by commas.

```
empty_list = []
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
mixed_list = [1, "hello", 3.14, True]
```

Accessing Elements

You can access individual elements of a list using their index. Indexing in Python starts from 0.

```
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
print(fruits[0]) # Output: "apple"
print(fruits[1]) # Output: "banana"
```

Python also supports negative indexing, where -1 refers to the last element

Slicing Lists

You can extract a portion of a list using slicing. Slicing allows you to create a new list with a subset of elements.

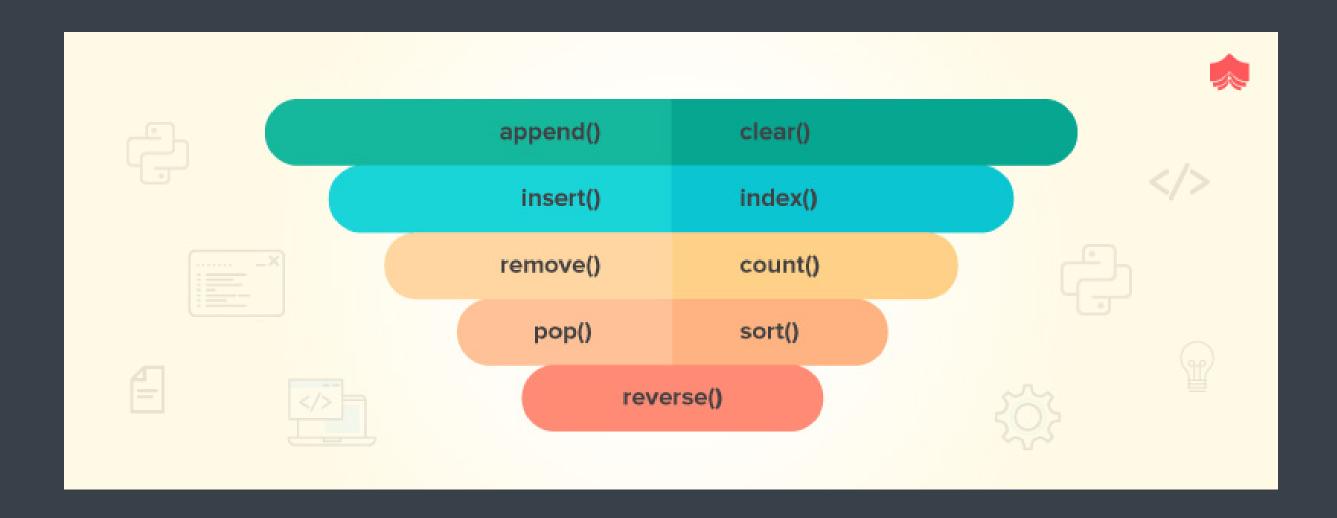
```
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
print(numbers[1:4]) # Output: [2, 3, 4]
```

Modifying Elements

You can modify individual elements in a list by accessing them using their index and then assigning a new value.

```
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
fruits[0] = "orange"
print(fruits) # Output: ["orange", "banana", "cherry"]
```

Methods



append(): Adds an element to the end of the list.

insert(): Inserts an element at a specific index. remove(): Removes the first occurrence of a specified element.

pop(): Removes and returns the element at a specified index (or the last element if no index is given).

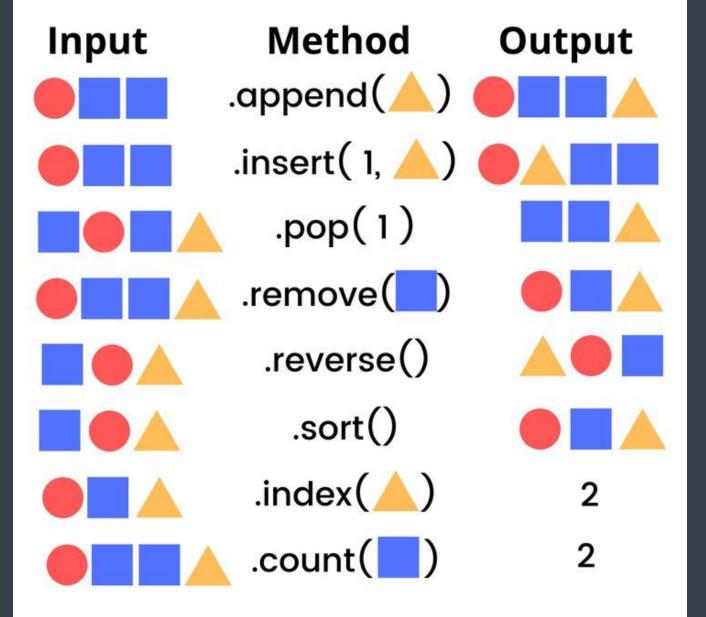
index(): Returns the index of the first occurrence of a specified element.

count(): Returns the number of occurrences of a specified element in the list.

sort(): Sorts the list in ascending order.

reverse(): Reverses the order of the elements in the list.

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List Concatenation

Lists can be concatenated using the + operator, which creates a new list containing elements from both lists.

```
list1 = [1, 2, 3]
list2 = [4, 5, 6]
combined_list = list1 + list2
print(combined_list) # Output: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
```

List Comprehensions

List comprehensions provide a concise way to create lists using a single line of code.

Syntax

new_list = [expression for item in iterable if condition]

```
squares = [x**2 for x in range(1, 6)]
print(squares) # Output: [1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
```