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Assignment 06

## Lists and Dictionaries

### **Introduction:**

As part of this week's module, I worked with lists and dictionaries set within formulas to create a to Do List program similar to the one developed in Assignment 5.

### **Program:**

In this week's lessons, the project roadmap was already laid out in the starter file I was provided. I looked over the header information, read through the file and analyzed the various sections of code (Data, Processing, I/O, Main). After reviewing the doc initially, I then took note of the variables that had been declared and ran the program to take note of the current state. Nexty I set off to add my content.

#### Step 1

I began by looking through the import data section of code. I set up a file in my working directory and reviewed the `processor.read_data_from_file` function. After a few tweaks, I got that portion of the code working and then I set out to work on the next phase.

#### Ste 2-3

Steps 2 and 3 were already done at the point when I received the code. I looked over the main body structure, reviewed the functions, and tested the code to make sure it worked smoothly before moving on to step 4.

#### Step 4.1

Step 4.1 was to add data to the to Do List. The main body calls to the functions were already in place, so I analyzed the structure, made sure I understood how the arguments were being used and then proceeded up into the function definition portion of the project to add my code. I started with the I/O function as it was called in the main body first. I knew from last weeks assignment that I would need to capture user inputs for both Task and Priority and then arrange them into a list that that could be passed into my next function in the processing section, which would append the list to the existing set of data. That is what I did and then I jumped to the aforementioned function to work out the processing logic.

Figure 1: `I/O.input_new_task_and_priority`

```

@staticmethod
def input_new_task_and_priority():
    """ Gets task and priority values to be added to the list

    :return: (string, string) with task and priority
    """

    str_task = input('Enter a Task: ') # Collect user input
    str_priority = input('What is the priority? [high/low] ') # Collect user input
    lst_user_input = [str_task, str_priority.upper()] # Store input to list
    print() # Add an extra line for looks

    return lst_user_input

```

Knowing the output of the I/O function to be a list with the Task and Priority data, I set off on finishing out the `add_data_to_list` function. The portion of the function that pulls data from the list passed in from the I/O function and places it into a dictionary row was already set up, so I added the simple step of appending the row to our `list_of_rows` variable which would be passed out of the function and saved in the main body of the program.

Figure 2: `processing.add_data_to_list`

```

@staticmethod
def add_data_to_list(task, priority, list_of_rows):
    """ Adds data to a list of dictionary rows

    :param task: (string) with name of task:
    :param priority: (string) with name of priority:
    :param list_of_rows: (list) you want to add more data to:
    :return: (list) of dictionary rows
    """

    row = {"Task": str(task).strip(), "Priority": str(priority).strip()}
    list_of_rows.append(row)

    return list_of_rows

```

#### Step 4.2

For step 4.2, I followed the same methodology as in step 4 and reviewed the main body calls to the functions to generate an understanding of the implementation. Then I navigated up to the I/O portion of the code and set to work generating the code to capture user input about which Task they would like to remove. I created a local variable and generated the code to capture

user input like I did in assignment 05. Then I made sure to return the parameter out of the function to be used as the input in the processing function.

Figure 3: input\_task\_to\_remove

```
@staticmethod
def input_task_to_remove():
    """ Gets the task name to be removed from the list

    :return: (string) with task
    """
    str_task_remove = input('Enter a task to remove: ') # Collect user input
    print() # Add an extra line for looks
    return str_task_remove
```

I started off this function development by reviewing my code from assignment 5. I then set up a similar structure for each row I pulled out the data and assigned it to local variables. Then I ran a comparison between the task data in the list to the data entered by the user in the I/O function that was passed through to the processing function. Using the equality comparison inside the If function, I added in a line of code to remove the current row if the equality condition returns True. Finally, I added the return section to pass the updated list variable out of the function. I then ran the program to check my code and made a few small updates to get it working properly before moving on to the save data portion of the code.

Figure 4: remove\_data\_from\_list

```
@staticmethod
def remove_data_from_list(task, list_of_rows):
    """ Removes data from a list of dictionary rows

    :param task: (string) with name of task:
    :param list_of_rows: (list) you want filled with file data:
    :return: (list) of dictionary rows
    """

    bln_item_removed = False # Declare a boolean flag
    for row in list_of_rows: # Evaluate the list one row at a time
        str_task_compare, str_priority = dict(row).values() # Extract the list data into variables
        if str_task_compare.lower().strip() == task.lower().strip(): # Compare user entered task to list data
            list_of_rows.remove(row) # if the list data and user entered data match, remove the list row
            bln_item_removed = True
    return list_of_rows
```

### Step 4.3

For step 4.3, I imported my code from assignment 05 and renamed the variables to fit the previously defined arguments. I then ran my code to test my implementation. After a not insignificant amount of time, I identified an issue in my save function to be improper indentation. After correcting the formatting, I ran the program again and confirmed everything worked as expected.

Figure 5: write\_data\_to\_file

```
@staticmethod
def write_data_to_file(file_name, list_of_rows):
    """ Writes data from a list of dictionary rows to a File

    :param file_name: (string) with name of file:
    :param list_of_rows: (list) you want filled with file data:
    :return: (list) of dictionary rows
    """
    file = open(file_name, "w") # Open the txt file
    for line in list_of_rows: # Evaluate the below action for each row
        file.write(line['Task'] + ' , ' + line['Priority'] + '\n') # Write each row in the table to the file.
    file.close() # Close the file
    return list_of_rows
```

## Conclusion:

In this module, I edited an existing pycharm and worked with lists/dictionaries inside of functions. The files are saved on Github here: [zdevries123/IntroToProg-Python \(github.com\)](https://github.com/zdevries123/IntroToProg-Python)

Figure 6: Program Execution in PyCharm

```
Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 4] - 1

Enter a Task: Take out the Trash
What is the priority? [high/low] high

***** The current tasks ToDo are: *****
Rake (High)
Water (HIGH)
Take out the Trash (HIGH)
*****

Menu of Options
1) Add a new Task
2) Remove an existing Task
3) Save Data to File
```

Figure 7: Program Execution in Console

```
***** The current tasks ToDo are: *****
Rake (High)
Water (HIGH)
*****

Menu of Options
1) Add a new Task
2) Remove an existing Task
3) Save Data to File
4) Exit Program

Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 4] - 2

Enter a task to remove: Rake

***** The current tasks ToDo are: *****
Water (HIGH)
*****

Menu of Options
1) Add a new Task
2) Remove an existing Task
3) Save Data to File
4) Exit Program

Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 4] - 3

Data Saved!

***** The current tasks ToDo are: *****
Water (HIGH)
*****
```