

CN101

Lecture 11-12

Lists and Tuples

Topics

- Sequences
- Introduction to Lists
- List Slicing
- Finding Items in Lists with the in Operator
- List Methods and Useful Built-in Functions
- Copying Lists
- Two-Dimensional Lists
- Tuples

Sequences

- **Sequence**: an object that contains multiple items of data
 - The items are stored in sequence one after another
- Python provides different types of sequences, including lists and tuples
 - The difference between these is that a list is mutable and a tuple is immutable

Introduction to Lists

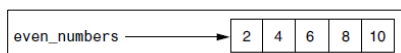
- **List**: an object that contains multiple data items
 - **Element**: An item in a list
 - Format: `list = [item1, item2, etc.]`
 - Can hold items of different types
- `print` function can be used to display an entire list
- `list()` function can convert certain types of objects to lists

```
>>> numbers = [5, 10, 15, 20]
>>> print(numbers)
[5, 10, 15, 20]
```

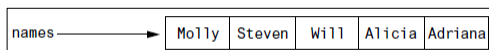
```
>>> numbers = list(range(1, 10, 2))
>>> print(numbers)
[1, 3, 5, 7, 9]
```

Introduction to Lists (cont'd.)

- Here is a statement that creates a list of integers:
`even_numbers = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10]`



- The following is another example:
`names = ['Molly', 'Steven', 'Will', 'Alicia', 'Adriana']`



- A list can hold items of different types, as shown in the following example:

```
info = ['Alicia', 27, 1550.87]
```

```
info → ['Alicia', 27, 1550.87]
```

The Repetition Operator and Iterating over a List

- **Repetition operator**: makes multiple copies of a list and joins them together
 - The `*` symbol is a repetition operator when applied to a sequence and an integer
 - Sequence is left operand, number is right
 - General format: `list * n`
- You can iterate over a list using a `for` loop

```
>>> numbers = [1, 2, 3] * 3
>>> print(numbers)
[1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3]
```

```
numbers = [99, 100, 101, 102]
for n in numbers:
    print(n)
```

Indexing

- **Index**: a number specifying the position of an element in a list
 - Enables access to individual element in list
 - Index of first element in the list is 0, second element is 1, and n'th element is n-1
 - Negative indexes identify positions relative to the end of the list
 - The index -1 identifies the last element, -2 identifies the next to last element, etc.

```
>>> numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> print(numbers[0], numbers[2])
1 3
>>> print(numbers[-1], numbers[-3])
5 3
```

The len function

- An `IndexError` exception is raised if an invalid index is used
- **len function**: returns the length of a sequence such as a list
 - Example: `size = len(my_list)`
 - Returns the number of elements in the list, so the index of last element is `len(list)-1`
 - Can be used to prevent an `IndexError` exception when iterating over a list with a loop

```
>>> numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> print(len(numbers))
5
```

Lists Are Mutable

- **Mutable sequence**: the items in the sequence can be changed
 - Lists are mutable, and so their elements can be changed
- An expression such as `list[1] = new_value` can be used to assign a new value to a list element
- Must use a valid index to prevent raising of an `IndexError` exception

```
>>> numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> print(numbers)
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> numbers[2] = 10
>>> print(numbers)
[1, 2, 10, 4, 5]
```

Program 7-1 (sales_list.py)

```
1 # The NUM_DAYS constant holds the number of
2 # days that we will gather sales data for.
3 NUM_DAYS = 5
4
5 def main():
6     # Create a list to hold the sales
7     # for each day.
8     sales = [0] * NUM_DAYS
9
10    # Create a variable to hold an index.
11    index = 0
12
13    print('Enter the sales for each day.')
14
15    # Get the sales for each day.
16    while index < NUM_DAYS:
17        print('Day #', index + 1, ': ', sep='', end='')
18        sales[index] = float(input())
19        index += 1
20
21    # Display the values entered.
22    print('Here are the values you entered:')
23    for value in sales:
24        print(value)
25
26 # Call the main function.
27 main()
```

Program Output (with input shown in bold)

```
Enter the sales for each day.
Day #1: 1000 Enter
Day #2: 2000 Enter
Day #3: 3000 Enter
Day #4: 4000 Enter
Day #5: 5000 Enter
Here are the values you entered:
1000.0
2000.0
3000.0
4000.0
5000.0
```

Concatenating Lists

- **Concatenate**: join two things together
- The `+` operator can be used to concatenate two lists
 - Cannot concatenate a list with another data type, such as a number
- The `+=` augmented assignment operator can also be used to concatenate lists

```
>>> list1 = [1, 2, 3, 4]
>>> list2 = [5, 6, 7, 8]
>>> list3 = list1 + list2
>>> print(list3)
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]

>>> girl_names = ['Joanne', 'Karen', 'Lori'] Enter
>>> girl_names += ['Jenny', 'Kelly'] Enter
>>> print(girl_names) Enter
['Joanne', 'Karen', 'Lori', 'Jenny', 'Kelly']
```

List Slicing

- **Slice**: a span of items that are taken from a sequence
 - List slicing format: `list[start : end]`
 - Span is a list containing copies of elements from `start` up to, but not including, `end`
 - If `start` not specified, 0 is used for start index
 - If `end` not specified, `len(list)` is used for end index
 - Slicing expressions can include a step value and negative indexes relative to end of list

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

```
>>> print(numbers[2:])
[3, 4, 5]
>>> print(numbers[:])
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> print(numbers[1:2])
[2, 4]
>>> print(numbers[-1:-2])
[5, 3, 1]
```

Finding Items in Lists with the `in` Operator

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- You can use the `in` operator to determine whether an item is contained in a list
 - General format: `item in list`
 - Returns `True` if the item is in the list, or `False` if it is not in the list
- Similarly you can use the `not in` operator to determine whether an item is not in a list

Program 7-2 (in_list.py)

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```
1 # This program demonstrates the in operator
2 # used with a list.
3
4 def main():
5     # Create a list of product numbers.
6     prod_nums = ['V475', 'F987', 'Q143', 'R688']
7
8     # Get a product number to search for.
9     search = input('Enter a product number: ')
10
11     # Determine whether the product number is in the list.
12     if search in prod_nums:
13         print(search, 'was found in the list.')
14     else:
15         print(search, 'was not found in the list.')
16
17 # Call the main function.
18 main()
```

Program Output (with input shown in bold)

```
Enter a product number: Q143
Q143 was found in the list.
```

Program Output (with input shown in bold)

```
Enter a product number: B000
B000 was not found in the list.
```

List Methods

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- `append(item)`: used to add items to a list – `item` is appended to the end of the existing list

```
>>> numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> numbers.append(6)
>>> print(numbers)
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
```

List Methods (cont'd.)

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- `index(item)`: used to determine where an item is located in a list

- Returns the index of the first element in the list containing `item`
- Raises `ValueError` exception if `item` not in the list

```
>>> numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> numbers.index(3)
2
>>> numbers.index(7)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#26>", line 1, in <module>
    numbers.index(7)
ValueError: 7 is not in list
```

Program 7-3 (list_append.py)

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```
1 # This program demonstrates how the append
2 # method can be used to add items to a list.
3
4 def main():
5     # First, create an empty list.
6     name_list = []
7
8     # Create a variable to control the loop.
9     again = 'y'
10
11     # Add some names to the list.
12     while again == 'y':
13         # Get a name from the user.
14         name = input('Enter a name: ')
15
16         # Append the name to the list.
17         name_list.append(name)
18
19     # Add another one?
20     print('Do you want to add another name?')
21     again = input('y = yes, anything else = no: ')
22     print()
23
```

```
24 # Display the names that were entered.
25 print('Here are the names you entered.')
26
27 for name in name_list:
28     print(name)
29
30 # Call the main function.
31 main()
```

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Program Output (with input shown in bold)

```
Enter a name: Kathryn
Do you want to add another name?
y = yes, anything else = no: y
Enter a name: Chris
Do you want to add another name?
y = yes, anything else = no: y
Enter a name: Kenny
Do you want to add another name?
y = yes, anything else = no: y
Enter a name: Renee
Do you want to add another name?
y = yes, anything else = no: n
Here are the names you entered.
Kathryn
Chris
Kenny
Renee
```

List Methods (cont'd.)

- `insert(index, item)`: used to insert *item* at position *index* in the list
- `sort()`: used to sort the elements of the list in ascending order

```
>>> numbers = [1, 3, 2, 6, 4]
>>> numbers.insert(2, 5)
>>> print(numbers)
[1, 3, 5, 2, 6, 4]
>>> numbers.sort()
>>> print(numbers)
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
```

Program 7-5 (insert_list.py)

```
1 # This program demonstrates the insert method.
2
3 def main():
4     # Create a list with some names.
5     names = ['James', 'Kathryn', 'Bill']
6
7     # Display the list.
8     print('The list before the insert:')
9     print(names)
10
11    # Insert a new name at element 0.
12    names.insert(0, 'Joe')
13
14    # Display the list again.
15    print('The list after the insert:')
16    print(names)
17
18    # Call the main function.
19    main()
```

Program Output

```
The list before the insert:
['James', 'Kathryn', 'Bill']
The list after the insert:
['Joe', 'James', 'Kathryn', 'Bill']
```

List Methods (cont'd.)

- `remove(item)`: removes the first occurrence of *item* in the list
 - Raises `ValueError` exception if *item* not in the list
- `reverse()`: reverses the order of the elements in the list

```
>>> numbers = [1, 2, 3, 2, 5]
>>> numbers.remove(2)
>>> print(numbers)
[1, 3, 2, 5]
>>> numbers.reverse()
>>> print(numbers)
[5, 2, 3, 1]
```

Useful Built-in Functions

- `del` statement: removes an element from a specific index in a list
 - General format: `del list[i]`

```
>>> numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> del numbers[3]
>>> print(numbers)
[1, 2, 3, 5]
>>> del numbers[5]
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#45>", line 1, in <module>
    del numbers[5]
IndexError: list assignment index out of range
```

Useful Built-in Functions (cont'd.)

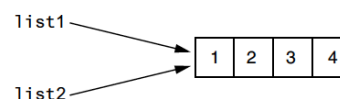
- `min` and `max` functions: built-in functions that returns the item that has the lowest or highest value in a sequence
 - The sequence is passed as an argument
- `sum` functions: built-in functions that returns the sum of all values in a sequence

```
>>> my_list = [5, 4, 3, 2, 50, 40, 30]
>>> print('The lowest value is', min(my_list))
The lowest value is 2
>>> print('The highest value is', max(my_list))
The highest value is 50
>>> print('The sum is', sum(my_list))
The sum is 134
```

List Referencing

```
# Create a list.
list1 = [1, 2, 3, 4]
# Assign the list to the list2 variable.
list2 = list1
```

- After this code executes, both variables `list1` and `list2` will reference the same list in memory.



```
>>> list1 = [1, 2, 3, 4] Enter
>>> list2 = list1 Enter
>>> print(list1) Enter
[1, 2, 3, 4]
>>> print(list2) Enter
[1, 2, 3, 4]
>>> list1[0] = 99 Enter
>>> print(list1) Enter
[99, 2, 3, 4]
>>> print(list2) Enter
[99, 2, 3, 4]
>>>
```

Copying Lists

- To make a copy of a list you must copy each element of the list
 - Two methods to do this:
 - Creating a new empty list and using a `for` loop to add a copy of each element from the original list to the new list
 - Creating a new empty list and concatenating the old list to the new empty list

```
# Create a list with values.
list1 = [1, 2, 3, 4]
# Create an empty list.
list2 = []
# Copy the elements of list1 to list2.
for item in list1:
    list2.append(item)
```

```
# Create a list with values.
list1 = [1, 2, 3, 4]
# Create a copy of list1.
list2 = [] + list1
```

As a result, `list1` and `list2` will reference two separate but identical lists.

Program 7-7 (barista_pay.py)

```
1 # This program calculates the gross pay for
2 # each of Megan's baristas.
3
4 # NUM_EMPLOYEES is used as a constant for the
5 # size of the list.
6 NUM_EMPLOYEES = 6
7
8 def main():
9     # Create a list to hold employee hours.
10    hours = [0] * NUM_EMPLOYEES
11
12    # Get each employee's hours worked.
13    for index in range(NUM_EMPLOYEES):
14        print('Enter the hours worked by employee ',
15              index + 1, ': ', sep='', end='')
16        hours[index] = float(input())
17
18    # Get the hourly pay rate.
19    pay_rate = float(input('Enter the hourly pay rate: '))
20
21    # Display each employee's gross pay.
22    for index in range(NUM_EMPLOYEES):
23        gross_pay = hours[index] * pay_rate
24        print('Gross pay for employee ', index + 1, ': $',
25              format(gross_pay, '.2f'), sep='')
26
27 # Call the main function.
28 main()
```

Program Output (with input shown in bold)

```
Enter the hours worked by employee 1: 10
Enter the hours worked by employee 2: 20
Enter the hours worked by employee 3: 15
Enter the hours worked by employee 4: 40
Enter the hours worked by employee 5: 20
Enter the hours worked by employee 6: 18
Enter the hourly pay rate: 12.75
Gross pay for employee 1: $127.50
Gross pay for employee 2: $255.00
Gross pay for employee 3: $191.25
Gross pay for employee 4: $510.00
Gross pay for employee 5: $255.00
Gross pay for employee 6: $229.50
```

Two-Dimensional Lists

- Two-dimensional list: a list that contains other lists as its elements
 - Also known as nested list
 - Common to think of two-dimensional lists as having rows and columns
 - Useful for working with multiple sets of data
- To process data in a two-dimensional list need to use two indexes
- Typically use nested loops to process

Two-Dimensional Lists (cont'd.)

```
>>> students = [['Joe', 'Kim'], ['Sam', 'Sue'], ['Kelly', 'Chris']]
>>> print(students)
[['Joe', 'Kim'], ['Sam', 'Sue'], ['Kelly', 'Chris']]
>>> print(students[0])
['Joe', 'Kim']
>>> print(students[1])
['Sam', 'Sue']
>>> print(students[2])
['Kelly', 'Chris']
>>> print(students[0][0])
Joe
```

	Column 0	Column 1
Row 0	'Joe'	'Kim'
Row 1	'Sam'	'Sue'
Row 2	'Kelly'	'Chris'

	Column 0	Column 1	Column 2
Row 0	scores[0][0]	scores[0][1]	scores[0][2]
Row 1	scores[1][0]	scores[1][1]	scores[1][2]
Row 2	scores[2][0]	scores[2][1]	scores[2][2]

```
scores = [[0, 0, 0],
           [0, 0, 0],
           [0, 0, 0]]
```

Program 7-18 (random_numbers.py)

```
1 # This program assigns random numbers to
2 # a two-dimensional list.
3 import random
4
5 # Constants for rows and columns
6 ROWS = 3
7 COLS = 4
8
9 def main():
10    # Create a two-dimensional list.
11    values = [[0, 0, 0, 0],
12              [0, 0, 0, 0],
13              [0, 0, 0, 0]]
14
15    # Fill the list with random numbers.
16    for r in range(ROWS):
17        for c in range(COLS):
18            values[r][c] = random.randint(1, 100)
19
20    # Display the random numbers.
21    print(values)
22
23 # Call the main function.
24 main()
```

Program Output

```
[[4, 17, 34, 24], [46, 21, 54, 10], [54, 92, 20, 100]]
```

Tuples

- Tuple**: an immutable sequence
 - Very similar to a list
 - Once it is created it cannot be changed
 - Format: `tuple_name = (item1, item2)`
- Tuples support operations as lists
 - Subscript indexing for retrieving elements
 - Methods such as `index`
 - Built in functions such as `len`, `min`, `max`, `sum`
 - Slicing expressions
 - The `in`, `+`, and `*` operators

Tuples (cont'd.)

- Tuples do not support the methods:
 - `append`
 - `remove`
 - `insert`
 - `reverse`
 - `sort`
- Tuples do not support `del` statement

```
>>> my_tuple = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5) 
>>> print(my_tuple) 
(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
```

```
>>> names = ('Holly', 'Warren', 'Ashley') 
>>> for n in names: 
    print(n)  
Holly
Warren
Ashley
```

```
>>> names = ('Holly', 'Warren', 'Ashley') 
>>> for i in range(len(names)): 
    print(names[i])  
Holly
Warren
Ashley
```

Tuples (cont'd.)

- Advantages for using tuples over lists:
 - Processing tuples is faster than processing lists
 - Tuples are safe
 - Some operations in Python require use of tuples
- `list()` function: converts tuple to list
- `tuple()` function: converts list to tuple

NOTE: If you want to create a tuple with just one element, you must write a trailing comma after the element's value, as shown here:

```
my_tuple = (1,) # Creates a tuple with one element.
```

If you omit the comma, you will not create a tuple. For example, the following statement simply assigns the integer value 1 to the `value` variable:

```
value = (1) # Creates an integer.
```

Summary

- This chapter covered:
 - Lists, including:
 - Repetition and concatenation operators
 - Indexing
 - Techniques for processing lists
 - Slicing and copying lists
 - List methods and built-in functions for lists
 - Two-dimensional lists
 - Tuples, including:
 - Immutability
 - Difference from and advantages over lists