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Python List

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Python List Features



- Data structure, can hold any type of data
- Mutable, can be modified
- is a container that holds, ordered sequence of items
- Different operation like insertion, updating and deletion can be performed on lists.
- Enclosed between square([]) brackets



Creating List elements

- Lists can be created using **square([]) brackets**
- Values in a list are called **elements (items)**
- Each item in a list has an assigned **index** value, first item in the list is at **index 0**.

```
list1 = [100, "python", 'p', 2000.55, True]
```

```
print(list1)
```



List contains **Heterogenous Elements**

Accessing List elements



```
list1 = [100, "python", 'p', 2000.55, True]
```

```
print(list1)
```

```
print("--Forward indexing--")
```

```
print(list1[0])
```

```
print(list1[1])
```

```
print(list1[4])
```

```
print("--Backward Indexing--")
```

```
print(list1[-1])
```

```
print(list1[-2])
```

```
print(list1[-5])
```

Note:

Case 1: `print(list1[5])`

Case 2: `print(list1[-6])`

Raises Exception : List index out of range

List Operations



- **Adding Lists**, can be added by using the concatenation operator (+) to join two lists

```
list1=[10,"Python"]
```

```
list2=['p',25.50]
```

```
list3=list1+list2
```

```
print (list3)
```

```
list1=[10,"Python"]
```

```
list2= 35.50
```

```
list3=list1+list2
```

```
print (list3)
```

TypeError: can only concatenate list (not "float") to list

- **Replicating Lists**, can be performed by using '*' operator by a specific number of times.

```
list1=[10,20,30]
```

```
print (list1*3)
```



Membership operations on Lists

- Python supports membership operators : in , not in operators.
- Both returns Boolean based on expression

```
list1 = [100, "python", 'p', 2000.55, True]
```

```
"python" in list1
```

```
list1 = [100, "python", 'p', 2000.55, True]
```

```
"python" not in list1
```

List Slicing



- `list[start:end]` :

Returns elements from the **start** and up to but not including the **end** element.

Example:

```
x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
x[1:]
```

```
x[:1]
```

```
x[:-2]
```

```
x[-2:]
```

List Mutable



- Lists are **mutable**.
- Because List supports
 - appending**
 - updating**
 - deleting elements**

Appending List elements



- **append()** : is used to **append** i.e., **add** an element at the **end of the existing elements**.

Syntax:

```
<list_name>.append(item)
```

```
list2=[100,'python',50.8,'a',]
```

```
print (list2)
```

```
list2.append('True')
```

```
print (list2)
```

Updating List elements



- To update or change the value of an index of a list, assign the value to that index of the List.

Syntax: `<list_name>[index]=<value>`

```
list1=[100,'python',50.8,'a',200,300]
print (list1)
```

```
list1[4] = 255.55
print (list1)
```

Deleting List elements



- **del** statement can be used to delete an element from the list.

Syn: `del <list_name>[index]`

Index element specified in square brackets will be deleted

Syn: `del <list_name>[start:end]`

delete all items from startIndex to endIndex.

```
list3=[100,'python',50.8,'a',200,300]
```

```
print (list3)
```

```
del (list3[5])
```

```
print (list3)
```

```
del (list3[2:4])
```

```
print (list3)
```

List Traversal



- The most common way to traverse the elements of a list is with a for loop

```
list1=[100,'python',50.8,'a',200,300]
```

```
for lst1 in list1:
```

```
    print(lst1)
```

List Traversal



- A for loop over an empty list never runs the body

```
list1=[]  
for lst1 in list1:  
    print(lst1)
```

Note: The code cannot throw error but print nothing

Nested list



- a list can contain another list, the nested list still counts as a single element.

Note : Nested list

```
list1=[100,'python',50.8,'a',[200,300]]
```

```
for lst1 in list1:
```

```
    print(lst1)
```



List Traversal



- While loop can also be used to traverse the elements of a list but not frequent

```
list1=[100,'python',50.8,'a',200,300]
```

```
index = 0
```

```
while index < len(list1):
```

```
    print(list1[index])
```

```
    index = index + 1
```

List insert elements



- **insert()** : inserts an element to the list at a given index

syntax: `insert(index, element)`

- **extend()** extends the list by adding all items of a list to the end.

syntax: `extend(list)`

Note: argument for `extend()` is another list object

Examples for insert() extend()



```
list1=[100,'python',50.8,'a',200]
print (list1)
```

```
list1.insert(6,'True')
print (list1)
```

```
data1=[100,'python',50.8]
data2=['a',200]
```

```
data1.extend(data2)
print (data1)
```

List len(), count()



- `len()` : returns the number of elements in an object
has a parameter, sequence/collection
if no items in the list returns **0**

- `count()` : returns the number of occurrences of an element in a list.
syntax: `count(element)`

Examples of len(), count()



```
list1 = [100, "python", 'p', 2000.55,True]
print(len(list1))
```

```
list1 = [100, "python", 'p', 2000.55,True, "python",100]
print ("Number of times python occurred is", list1.count("python"))
print ("Number of times 100 occurred is", list1.count(100))
```

List remove(), pop()



- `remove()` : removes the first matching element from the list
 - takes a single element as an argument and removes it from the list.
 - If the element does not exist, throws **Value Error**
- `pop()` : removes the item at the given index from the list and returns the removed item
 - syntax: `pop(index)`
 - the default index **-1** (index of the last item)
 - if the index is not in a range throws **Index Error**

use `remove()` method to remove the given item or `pop()` method to remove an item at the given index.



Examples of remove(), pop()

```
list1 = [100, "python", 'p', 2000.55, True]
print ("Last element is", list1.pop())
print ("3rd position element:", list1.pop(2))
print (list1)
```

```
list1 = [100, "python", 'p', 2000.55, True]
list1.remove('p')
print(list1)
```

List `sort()` `reverse()` `max()` `min()`



- `sort()`: sorts the elements of a given list in ascending order
reverse - If true, the sorted list is reversed in descending order
- `reverse()` : reverses the elements of a given list
- `max()/min()` : returns maximum and minimum elements of a given list

Examples of sort() reverse()



```
list1 = [100, 400, 150.50, 600]
```

```
list1.sort()
```

```
print(list1)
```

```
list1.sort(reverse=True)
```

```
print(list1)
```

```
list2=[10,20,30,40,50]
```

```
list2.reverse()
```

```
print (list2)
```

Examples of max() min()



```
print('-----max and min-----')
```

```
list3 = [-500, 10, 200, 1000]
```

```
print(max(list3))
```

```
print(min(list3))
```


List index()



- `index(element)`: returns the index of the first occurrence of the element.

element is to be searched

if not found throws `ValueError`

```
lst1 = ["Lists", "are", "mutable"]
```

```
index = lst1.index('are')
```

```
print('The index of p:', index)
```