



Data Collections: Advanced Lists and Tuples

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Lists, Lists, Lists... so many lists

- List structures and values
- Accessing elements
- List length and membership
- List operations and slicing
- Changing and manipulating Lists
- Lists and looping
- List methods
- Lists to Strings \rightarrow Strings to Lists

List structures and values

It's important to consider not only <u>what</u> we're going to store in our List, but <u>how</u> it will be organized

```
fnames = ['Will','John','Yolanda','Zeb']
```

```
lnames = ['Carson', 'Wilhelm', 'Brown', 'Indiano']
```

```
for j in range(len(fnames)):
```

print(lnames[j] + ', ' + fnames[j])

Accessing List elements (index)

When List elements contains smaller Lists, it provides a 2-dimensional data storage effect. Values can be addressed using indexing.



The smaller List elements may contain any data type

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Accessing List elements (loop)

It is common to use a loop variable as a List index

horsemen = ["war", "famine", "pestilence", "death"]
for i in [0, 1, 2, 3]:
 print(horsemen[i])

A for loop can also use the List elements as a variable

```
horsemen = ["war", "famine", "pestilence", "death"]
for h in horsemen:
    print(h)
```

List length and membership

Using the len() function to determine the length of a List allows our program to access the List index when we don't <u>already</u> know their length

```
horsemen = ["war", "famine", "pestilence", "death"]
for i in range(len(horsemen)):
    print(horsemen[i])
```

List operations (+)

- Operators are the symbols used in mathematical operations
- When used with Lists, operators can be used to manipulate their content

```
>>> a = [1, 2, 3]
>>> b = [4, 5, 6]
>>> c = a + b
>>> c
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
```

The + operator concatenates Lists

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```
>>> [0] * 4
[0, 0, 0, 0]
>>> [1, 2, 3] * 3
[1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3]
```

• The * operator repeats a List n times

List slicing

Slicing operations also work with Lists

```
>>> a_list = ["a", "b", "c", "d", "e", "f"]
>>> a list[1:3]
['b', 'c']
>>> a list[:4]
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd']
>>> a_list[3:]
['d', 'e', 'f']
>>> a list[:]
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f']
```

Changing and manipulating Lists

Lists are mutable using the List index values

```
>>> fruit = ["banana", "apple", "quince"]
>>> fruit[0] = "pear"
>>> fruit[2] = "orange"
>>> fruit
['pear', 'apple', 'orange']
>>> my list = ["T", "E", "S", "T"]
>>> my list[2] = "X"
>>> my list
['T', 'E', 'X', 'T']
```

Changing and manipulating Lists

 Using the slice operator, we can update a sublist and even remove elements

```
>>> a_list = ["a", "b", "c", "d", "e", "f"]
>>> a_list[1:3] = ["x", "y"]
>>> a_list
['a', 'x', 'y', 'd', 'e', 'f']
>>> a_list[1:3] = []
>>> a_list
['a', 'd', 'e', 'f']
```

Changing and manipulating Lists

 Using the slice operator, we can also squeeze (insert) new elements within the List

```
>>> a_list = ["a", "d", "f"]
>>> a_list[1:1] = ["b", "c"]
>>> a_list
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'f']
>>> a_list[4:4] = ["e"]
>>> a_list
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f']
```

Lists and looping (again)

for <u>variable</u> in <u>List</u>:

This usage of a List as the variable in a for loop reads much like natural language

```
friends = ["Joe", "Zoe", "Brad", "Angelina"]
```

for friend in friends:

print(friend)

"For (every) friend in (the list of) friends, print (the name of the) friend."

Lists have many methods used to manipulate and manage their elements

append()	Add Single Element
extend()	Add Elements of a List to Another List
insert()	Inserts Element
remove()	Removes Element
index()	returns smallest index of element
count()	returns occurrences of element
pop()	removes Element at Given Index
reverse()	reverses a List
sort()	sorts elements of a list
len()	returns Length
max()	returns largest element
min()	returns smallest element
reversed()	returns reversed of List
sorted()	returns sorted list
sum()	returns the sum of all items

Strings \rightarrow Lists and Lists \rightarrow Strings

It is easy to convert a String to a List

```
>>> song = "The rain in Spain..."
>>> wds = song.split()
>>> wds
['The', 'rain', 'in', 'Spain...']
```

The split() method divides a String by it's whitespaces

We can also specify the value used to split() a String

Strings \rightarrow Lists and Lists \rightarrow Strings

We must 'glue' a List together using the join() method to build a String using the List elements

```
>>> wds = ['The', 'rain', 'in', 'Spain...']
>>> glue = ";"
>>> s = glue.join(wds)
>>> s
'The;rain;in;Spain...'
```

In this case, ";" is the glue between the List elements

Strings \rightarrow Lists and Lists \rightarrow Strings

We can also use empty Strings to glue a List into a String

```
>>> wds = ['The', 'rain', 'in', 'Spain...']
>>> "".join(wds)
'TheraininSpain...'
```

The *Tuple:* An ordered sequence of values

Tuples are similar to lists

- The primary difference is that *Tuples* are immutable.
- A tuple is defined by using parentheses

a = (1,"a",45.2)
myTuple = ("Pete", "Rowdy")

Tuples are used to "pack and unpack" multiple values



This is how multiple parameters are passed to and from functions

You've already been using *Tuples* this semester!

These should look familiar:

```
d def make(x, y):
    win = GraphWin('win', x, y)
    c = Circle(Point(x/2, y/2),20)
    c.draw(win)
    return win, c
    def main():
    win, c = make(200, 300)
```

All of these examples utilize a *Tuple* to manipulate, pass or refer to multiple variables simultaneously