

Lists

A list is a data structure that contains a series of values. Python allows the construction of a list containing values of different types. It's iterable, indexable, ordered, mutable and not hashable.

combination of lists and dictionaries

<code>[..., ..., ...]</code>	list of list
<code>list_of_list[...][...]</code>	index elements in a list of list
<code>dict[key : ..., ...]}</code>	values of a dictionary can be a list
<code>[dict1, dict2]</code>	list of dictionary

But the keys of dictionary are hashables, not ordered and not duplicated.

`list[:]` is a new list duplicating the original, so `list[:][0]` will return the first element of the list

Operation in the lists

<code>list + list</code>	add lists
<code>list * int</code>	multiply the list
- We cannot subtract directly a list from another by using <code>' - '</code> . [<code>i</code> for <code>i</code> in <code>list1</code> if <code>i</code> not in <code>list2</code>]; <code>set(list1) - set(list2)</code>	
- To repeat each element of lists, [<code>i</code> for <code>i</code> in <code>list</code> for <code>_</code> in <code>range(int)</code>]	
- <code>list_1 += list_2</code> equal to <code>list_1 = list_1 + list_2</code>	

Examples

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[i for i in range(10)]
[i for i in range(31) if i % 2 == 0]
[[m.upper(), len(m)] for m in msg_lst]
[seq[i:i+width] for i in range(0, len(seq), width)]
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Common Functions

<code>list[s : t : s top : s step]</code>	list slicing (tranche)
<code>enumerate(list)</code>	return positions and items
<code>list.index(item)</code>	return the position of the item
<code>list.count(item)</code>	returns the number of times that element appears in the list
<code>list(string)</code>	convert a string to a list one by one character
<code>string.split(sep)</code>	convert a string to a list with a separator
<code>'sep'.join(list)</code>	convert a list to a string

Common Functions (cont)

<code>len(list)</code>	length of lists
<code>max(list)</code>	find the maximum
<code>min(list)</code>	find the minimum
<code>sum(list)</code>	calculate the sum
<code>list.sort(reverse=)</code>	sort the elements of a list in-place. reverse False from smallest to largest values; alphabetic order possible
<code>sorted(list, reverse=)</code>	create a new sorted list without modifying the original list; alphabetic order possible
<code>list.reverse()</code>	reverse the elements of a list in-place
<code>reversed(list)</code>	create a new reversed list without modifying the original list
<code>list.append(item)</code>	add an element to the end of lists
<code>list.insert(item, pos)</code>	insert an element at a position of lists
<code>list.remove(item)</code>	remove an item from lists; remove only one first element.
<code>list.pop()</code>	remove and return the last element
<code>del list[pos]</code>	remove the item by its position index
<code>range(start, stop, step)</code>	similar to lists, but immutable. stop at n-1
<code>set(list)</code>	remove the duplicated elements
- <code>list[s : t : s top : s step]</code> step 1 by default; stop at n-1 even if negative index	
- <code>list[:] create a new list. lst2 = lst1 creates a reference to the original list with the same ID</code>	
- <code>'sep'.join(list)</code> cannot combine a list containing only number (int & float). <code>[str(i) for i in list]</code>	
- <code>list.remove(item)</code> If there're duplicated elements, it remove only the first element	
- <code>range(start, stop, step)</code> stop could be higher than start with a negative step	

