

Python-Reminders

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1 Python Reminders

I assume that you all know Python. A brief introduction to Python Basics can be found in this notebook from last year (ipynb, html). Here we will only review some useful concepts

1.0.1 List Comprehension

Recall the mathematical notation:

$$L_1 = \{x^2 : x \in \{0 \dots 9\}\}$$

$$L_2 = (1, 2, 4, 8, \dots, 2^{12})$$

```
[1]: L1 = [x**2 for x in range(10)] # range(n): returns an iterator over the numbers
      ↪ 0, ..., n-1
      L2 = [2**i for i in range(13)]
      print (L1)
      print (L2)
```

```
[0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81]
```

```
[1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024, 2048, 4096]
```

```
[2]: L12 = []
      for x in range(10):
          L12.append(x**2)
      L12
```

```
[2]: [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81]
```

List comprehension with conditions

$$M = \{x \mid x \in L_1 \text{ and } x \text{ is even}\}$$

```
[3]: L3 = [x for x in L1 if x % 2 == 0]
      print (L3)
```

```
[0, 4, 16, 36, 64]
```

Nested use of link comprehension

```
[4]: [x for x in [x**2 for x in range(10)] if x % 2 == 0]
```

```
[4]: [0, 4, 16, 36, 64]
```

Use of list comprehension for string processing

```
[5]: words = 'The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog'.split()
print(words)
upper = [w.upper() for w in words]
print(upper)
upper_lower = [[w.upper(), w.lower()] for w in words]
print(upper_lower)
long_words = [x for x in words if len(x) > 3]
print(long_words)
```

```
['The', 'quick', 'brown', 'fox', 'jumps', 'over', 'the', 'lazy', 'dog']
['THE', 'QUICK', 'BROWN', 'FOX', 'JUMPS', 'OVER', 'THE', 'LAZY', 'DOG']
[['THE', 'the'], ['QUICK', 'quick'], ['BROWN', 'brown'], ['FOX', 'fox'],
['JUMPS', 'jumps'], ['OVER', 'over'], ['THE', 'the'], ['LAZY', 'lazy'], ['DOG',
'dog']]
['quick', 'brown', 'jumps', 'over', 'lazy']
```

Use list comprehension for obtaining input

```
[7]: s = input('Give numbers separated by comma: ')
x = [int(n) for n in s.split(',')]
print(x)
```

```
Give numbers separated by comma: 1,5,3
[1, 5, 3]
```

Creating vectors and matrices

Create a vector of 10 zeros

```
[8]: z = [0 for i in range(10)]
print(z)
```

```
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
```

Create a 10x10 matrix with all 0s

```
[9]: M = [[0 for i in range(10)] for j in range(10)]
M
```

```
[9]: [[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
      [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
      [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
```

```
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]]
```

Set the diagonal to 1

```
[10]: for i in range(10): M[i][i] = 1
      M
```

```
[10]: [[1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
      [0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
      [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
      [0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
      [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
      [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0],
      [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0],
      [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
      [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0],
      [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1]]
```

Create a list of random integers in [0,99]

```
[11]: import random
      R = [random.choice(range(100)) for i in range(10)]
      print(R)
```

```
[59, 38, 54, 37, 36, 4, 45, 45, 67, 13]
```

Removing elements from a list

Removing elements from a list while you iterate it can lead to problems

```
[12]: L = [1,2,4,5,6,8]
      for x in L:
          if x%2 == 0:
              L.remove(x)
      print(L)
```

```
[1, 4, 5, 8]
```

Another way to do this using list comprehension:

```
[13]: L = [1,2,4,5,6,8]
      L = [x for x in L if x%2 == 1] #creates a new list
      print(L)
```

```
[1, 5]
```

```
[14]: L = [1,2,4,5,6,8]
R =[y for y in L if y%2 == 0]
for x in R: L.remove(x)
print(L)
```

```
[1, 5]
```

```
[15]: L = [1,2,4,5,6,8]
R =[y for y in L if y%2 == 0]
L = [x for x in L if x not in R]
print(L)
```

```
[1, 5]
```

Using a dictionary in the list comprehension

```
[16]: D = {'A':1,'B':5,'C':4,'D':2}
print([x for x in D if D[x]>2])
```

```
['B', 'C']
```

1.0.2 Dictionary Comprehension

We can create dictionaries in a similar way as with list comprehension

```
[17]: {str(i):i for i in [1,2,3,4,5]}
```

```
[17]: {'1': 1, '2': 2, '3': 3, '4': 4, '5': 5}
```

```
[18]: fruits = ['apple', 'mango', 'banana','cherry']
{f:len(f) for f in fruits}
```

```
[18]: {'apple': 5, 'mango': 5, 'banana': 6, 'cherry': 6}
```

```
[19]: f_dict = {f.capitalize():i for i,f in enumerate(fruits)}
print(f_dict)
```

```
{'Apple': 0, 'Mango': 1, 'Banana': 2, 'Cherry': 3}
```

```
[20]: {v:k for k,v in f_dict.items()}
```

```
[20]: {0: 'Apple', 1: 'Mango', 2: 'Banana', 3: 'Cherry'}
```

1.0.3 Using the right data structure

Using the right data structure makes a big difference when handling large data. Dictionaries and sets have expected constant time for finding an element, while lists have linear complexity. Even logarithmic time is significantly faster than linear.

Example

Looking for 10K integers in a collection of 10K integers

```
[21]: L = [random.choice(range(10000000)) for i in range(10000)]
      S = set(L)
      Q = [random.choice(range(10000000)) for i in range(10000)]
      import time
      start = time.time()
      [x for x in Q if x in L]
      end = time.time()
      print(end - start)
```

2.887249231338501

```
[22]: start = time.time()
      [x for x in Q if x in S]
      end = time.time()
      print(end-start)
```

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Example

You are given a graph in the form of a collection of edges, that is, pairs of vertices

How do you store it in order to be able to quickly answer if there is an edge (x,y) in the graph, and also to get all the neighbors of node?

Create a dictionary with nodes as the keys, and sets with neighboring nodes as values

```
[25]: E = [(1,2),(2,3),(2,5),(2,6),(2,7),(3,4),(3,5),(5,6),(5,7),(7,8),(8,9),(8,10)]
      G = {}
      for (x,y) in E:
          if x not in G:
              G[x] = set()
          if y not in G:
              G[y] = set()
          G[x].add(y)
          G[y].add(x)
      G
```

```
[25]: {1: {2},
      2: {1, 3, 5, 6, 7},
      3: {2, 4, 5},
      5: {2, 3, 6, 7},
      6: {2, 5},
      7: {2, 5, 8},
      4: {3},
      8: {7, 9, 10},
```

9: {8},
10: {8}}