

List and Strings



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Problem



- A positive integer n is *perfect* if the sum of its factors (excluding itself) is equal to n .

Example: 6 is perfect because $1 + 2 + 3 = 6$.

- Write a program that finds all perfect numbers between 1 and 10,000.

Operations that work on strings and lists



1. `x in s, x not in s`
2. `s + t, s*n, n*s`
3. `s[i], s[i:j], s[i:j:k]`
4. `len(s), min(s), max(s)`
5. `s.index(i), s.count(i)`

Accessing parts of lists and strings



```
L = ["hi", 10, "bye", 100, -20, 123, 176, 3.45, 1, "it"]
```

"hi"	10	"bye"	100	-20	123	176	3.45	1	"it"
↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

- `L[2:5]` is `["bye", 100, -20]`
- `L[:2]` is `["hi", 10]`
- `L[4:4]` is `[]`
- `L[4]` = `-20`
- `L[:len(L):2]` = `["hi", "bye", -20, 176, 1]`
- `L[2:5][1]` = `100`
- `L[1:5][:2]` = `[10, "bye"]`

The `len`, `min`, and `max` functions



- `len(s)` is the length of `s` (which may be a string or a list)
- `min(s)` (`max(s)`) is the smallest (largest) element in `s`
 - If `s` is a list of numbers (integers and floats) these functions return the smallest (largest) number
 - If `s` is a list of strings, these functions return the *lexicographically* smallest (largest) string
 - If `s` is a string, these functions return the lexicographically smallest (largest) character in the string
 - If `s` is a list that contains a mixture of numeric and non-numeric objects, then the result is not specified by the language and you should not rely on such a result.

The “search” functions



- `s.index(i)` returns the index of the first occurrence of `i` in `s`
- `s.count(i)` returns the number of occurrences of `i` in `s`

```
>>> L = [1, 3, 6] * 4
```

```
>>> L
```

```
[1, 3, 6, 1, 3, 6, 1, 3, 6, 1, 3, 6]
```

```
>>> L.index(3)
```

```
1
```

```
>>> L.count(3)
```

```
4
```

```
>>> L.index(0)
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
  File "<string>", line 1, in <fragment>
```

```
ValueError: 0 is not in list
```

```
>>> L.count(0)
```

```
0
```

Useful string operations



1. `str.find(s)`
2. `str.isalnum()`, `str.isalpha()`, `str.isdigit()`,
`str.islower()`, `str.isupper()`, etc.
3. `str.upper()`, `str.lower()`
4. `str.split()`
5. `str.replace(old, new)`

The find function



```
>>> s = "hello, how are you?"
```

```
>>> s.find("how")
```

```
7
```

```
>>> s.find("e")
```

```
1
```

```
>>> s.find("how", 2, 9)
```

```
-1
```

```
>>> s.find("how", 2, 10)
```

```
7
```

The `split` function



- `s.split()` returns a list obtained by splitting `s` into substrings obtained by deleting whitespaces.

Example:

```
>>> s
```

```
'hello, how are you?'
```

```
>>> s.split()
```

```
['hello,', 'how', 'are', 'you?']
```

The replace function



- `s.replace(old, new)` returns a string obtained by replacing all occurrences of the old string by the new string

Example:

```
>>> s
'hello, how are you?'
>>> s.replace(",", " ")
'hello how are you?'
>>> s.replace("how", "who")
'hello, who are you?'
```

Problem



Write a program that builds a dictionary of words by processing a given text.

- **Definition of a word: Any contiguous sequence of characters that**
 - starts at the beginning of a line or is immediately preceded by a whitespace or punctuation mark and
 - ends at the end of a line or is immediately followed by a whitespace or punctuation mark.