

String in Python

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1. Definition of String

A string is a sequence of characters enclosed in single or double quotes.

Strings are used to store text data in Python. You can perform various operations and methods on them.

2. String Operations

2.1. Concatenation

Concatenation means joining strings together using the + operator.

```
first_name = "Sara"
family_name = "Ibrahimi"
full_name = first_name + " " + family_name
print(full_name)
# Output: Sara Ibrahimi
```

2.2. Repetition

Repetition uses the * operator to repeat the string several times.

```
print(first_name * 3)
# Output: SaraSaraSara
```

2.3. The len() Function

The len() function returns the number of characters in a string.

```
print(len(full_name))
# Output: 12
```

2.4. Indexing

Each character in a string has an index (position number).
Indexing starts from 0 for the first character.

```
first_name = "Sara"
print(first_name[0]) # S
print(first_name[1]) # a
print(first_name[len(first_name) - 1]) # a (last character)
```

💡 Note:

The last index is always len(string) - 1.

2.5. Slicing

Slicing is used to get a part (substring) of the string.
Syntax: string[start:end]

```
print(first_name[0:2]) # Sa
print(family_name[2:6]) # rahi
```

The slice starts from the start index (included).
It ends before the end index (excluded).

```
print(family_name[3:]) # ahimi
print(family_name[:4]) # Ibra
```

Let's use this text for the examples:

```
text = "Programming with Python"
```

2.6. find()

Finds the position of a substring inside the text.

```
print(text.find("Python"))
# Output: 18
```

2.7. replace()

Replaces one substring with another.

```
print(text.replace("Python", "Java"))  
# Output: Programming with Java
```

2.8. count()

Counts how many times a character or substring appears.

```
print(text.count("m"))  
# Output: 2
```

2.9. upper()

Converts all characters to uppercase.

```
print(text.upper())  
# Output: PROGRAMMING WITH PYTHON
```

2.10. lower()

Converts all characters to lowercase.

```
print(text.lower())  
# Output: programming with python
```

2.11. title()

Converts the first letter of each word to uppercase.

```
print(text.title())  
# Output: Programming With Python
```

2.12. Membership Operators: in and not in

These operators check whether a substring exists in another string.

```
text = "Programming with Python"  
print("Python" in text) # True  
print("Java" not in text) # True
```

Explanation:

- "Python" in text → checks if "Python" exists in text.
- "Java" not in text → checks if "Java" does not exist in text.