

CS 150 Spring 2020 – Quiz 3 “Cheat Sheet”

Strings

- Slicing
`string[start:end:stride]`: Returns string starting at index **start**, up to but not including the character at index **end**, and jumping by **stride**. **start** defaults to 0, **end** defaults to length of string, **stride** defaults to 1.
- The following functions are built-in
`len(string)`: Returns the number of characters in the string
`int(string), float(string)`: Converts numeric string to int or float
`str(object)`: Converts object, e.g., int or float to a string
`sorted(string)`: Returns the characters of the string as a list in sorted order
- String object methods (invoked with the `object.method` syntax)
`upper(), lower(), capitalize()`: Returns a new upper or lower-cased, or 1st letter upper-cased string
`find(substring)`: Returns the first index that **substring** occurs at in the string or -1 if not found
`find(substring, index)`: Same as above, but starts searching at index
`replace(old, new)`: Returns a copy of the string with all occurrences of old substituted with new
`startswith(prefix)`: Returns **True** if the string starts with prefix, **False** otherwise
`endswith(suffix)`: Returns **True** if the string ends with suffix, **False** otherwise
`strip()`: Returns a copy of the string with only the leading and trailing whitespace removed
`split()`: Return a list of the words in the string using whitespace as the delimiter
- String operators
`string1 + string2`: Returns a new string that is the concatenation of string1 and string2
`string * int`: Returns a new string that is string repeated int times
`substr in string`: Returns **True** if substr is a substring of string, **False** otherwise

for-loops on strings

To loop over each character in string s:

```
for <element> in <string>:  
    <statements>
```

For example, if the variable **word** contains ‘abc’:

```
for letter in word:  
    print(letter)
```

produces output

```
a  
b  
c
```