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- An Introduction to Scientific computing using Python
  - > Python Fundamentals

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## • A program:

a sequence of definitions and commands.

## **♣** Data Objects:

Each data object has a type that defines the kind of things the programmes can do to it.

- Objects:
  - > Scalar: cannot be subdivided.
  - Non-Scalar: can be subdivided
- **♣** Scalar objects:
  - ✓ Int: represent integers
  - ✓ float: represent real numbers
  - ✓ bool: represent boolean values
- Using Shell
- ✓ You can type: 5, 5.0 or True
- **↓** type command
- Simple calculations with ints and floats
- > 5+8, 5.0+4, 5\*4
- > 5/4, 5.0/4
- > (5+4)\*2
- > 2+3\*4
  - ✓ Precedence: In the absence of parentheses, execution is made from left to right first using \*\* then \* and/ and then + and -
- Comparing ints and floats:
  - ✓ i>j, i<j,i>=j, i<=j, i==j, i!=j
  - **✓** 3>5, 3<5, 3>3, 3>=3, 4==4, 5!=5
- Operations on bools
  - ✓ a and b
  - ✓ a or b
  - ✓ not a or not b
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- ♣ Type Casting (Type Conversion)
- ✓ float(3), int(4.9)
- Variables: simple means of abstraction
- ✓ Variable Assignment: "="
  - > L=0.3
  - > A=15
  - ➤ k=0.9
  - > R=L/(k\*A)

## what if:

- > k=10
- > R=?
- ♣ Non-Scalar Objects:
- Strings (str): sequence of charcters
- either a single (' ')or double quotes(" ")
  - > name1="abc"
  - > type(name1)
  - > type("123")
  - >
- String Operations:
  - > 3\*"a"
  - > 3\*"ab"
  - > ab+str(12)
  - len("name")
- Extracting parts of strings
- indexing
- > "res"[1]: Starts from 0
- > "res"[3]:?
- ✓ Going backwards:
- > "res"[-1]
- ✓ Slicing
- res"[a:b] ----> starts at a and stops just before b
- > "resistance"[1:3]

- Using IDLE Shell is not desirable
  - ✓ we need to save our code in a separate script
  - ✓ Print Command
  - print("Resistance")
  - print(3\*"R")
  - print(R)
  - print("The resistance is determined to be " +str(R)+ "degC/W")
  - ✓ raw input Command
  - > input k=raw input("Please Enter the layer's conductivity")
  - print(input k)
  - > print("You just told me that the conductivity is "+k+ " W/(m.degC)")
  - k=float(input k)
  - > print("The resistance is determined to be "+str(R)+ "degC/W")
- ♣ A simple script:
- L=raw input("Please Enter the length of the layer (in m): ")
- > A=raw input("Please Enter the area of the wall (in m2): ")
- $\triangleright$  k=raw input("Please Enter the condictivty of the layer (in W/(m\*K)): ")
- print("\n you just said "+ "L= " + L+ " m "+ "A= " + A+ " m2 "+ "k= "+ k +" W/(m\*K) \n")
- ightharpoonup R=float(L)/(float(k)\*float(A))
- print("Well the Thermal Resistnace is "+ str(R)+ " degC/W")
- **Comments:** 
  - ✓ starting with #
- > Till now we just executed commands line by line!
- Branching programs:
- Conditioning
  - ✓ evaluating a boolean :
  - ✓ a script executing if the boolean is True
  - ✓ (optional) a script executing if the boolean is False

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❖ A not so intelligent way of extracting material properties!:
L=raw input("Please Enter the length of the layer (in m): ")
A=raw input("Please Enter the area of the wall (in m2): ")
   material=raw input("Please Enter the material of the layer: ")
  if material=="glass":
       k="1.145" \#W/(mK)
   else:
       print("I do not have the properties of this material")
       k=(raw input("Please Enter the conductivity off the layer(in W/(m K): "))
   print("\n you just said "+ "L= " + L+ " m "+ "A= " + A+ " m2 "+ "k= "+ k +" W/(m*K) \n")
   R = float(L)/(float(k) * float(A))
   print("Well the Thermal Resistnace is "+ str(R)+ " degC/W")
Nested if
L=raw input("Please Enter the length of the layer (in m): ")
A=raw input("Please Enter the area of the wall (in m2): ")
  material=raw input("Please Enter the material of the layer: ")
   if material=="glass":
       type glas=raw input("which type of glass do you mean:window=1, wool
                                                                                       insulation=2
       if int(type glas)==1:
               k=str(0.96) #W/mK
       else:
       k = str(0.04) \#W/mK
   elif material=="brick":
       k=str(0.8) \#W/mK
   else:
       print("I do not have the properties of this material")
       k=(raw input("Please Enter the conductivity off the layer(in W/(m K): "))
   print("\n you just said "+ "L= " + L+ " m "+ "A= " + A+ " m2 "+ "k= "+ k +" W/(m*K) \n")
   R = float(L)/(float(k)*float(A))
   print("Well the Thermal Resistnace is "+ str(R)+ " degC/W")
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♣ Still Each statement gets executed just once!

**4** Loops and iterations

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    x=4
    itersLeft=x
    Sum=0
    while(itersLeft!=0):
    Sum=Sum+x
    itersLeft=itersLeft-1
    print(Sum)
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- print(Sum)
- print(itersLeft)
- $\rightarrow$  print(str(x)+"\*\*"+" 2 = "+str(Sum))
- **♣** The While loop example with Resistances
- ♣ For Loop
- > In order to iterate over a sequence of choices
- for <identifier> in <sequence>:
  - o <code book>
- Break: stops the iteration process
- ✓ Generating a sequence of integers:
- ✓ range(n)
- ✓ range(n,m)

Function in python

def <function name> (function parameters):

<function body>

function Maximum

The idea of Environment:

formalism for the binding of values and environments

- ✓ Pay attentions that the variables inside the function are always local
- ✓ local variables function
- **♣** Modules:
- > import module
- module.function structure
- from module import \*
- > from module import function
- ♣ Compound data types:
- > tuples
- > lists
- Dictionaries
- Tuples:
   t1=(1,"yes",2)
   t2=(t1,"si")
   t3=t1+t2
   t1[3]

$$t4=(5,)$$

- Lists
- ↓ L1=[2,3,4,5] L1.append(8) L2=[3,5,6,7,8] L2.remove(5)
- Dictionaries
- Layer1=["area":15, "length":0.3, "conductivity":0.9]
- layer1["area"]