Lab #1: Understand Python Basics

1.1 Objectives

Understand the python syntax and execute some basic python programs.

1.2 Pre-Lab

- Introduction to python and its applications.
- Installing Anaconda for Python, set basic environment and install libraries and packages using Anaconda command prompt.
- Understanding the Spyder interface for executing the python codes.

1.2.1 Python

Python is a very popular programming language with many great featuresfor developing Artificial Intelligence. Many Artificial Intelligence developers allaround the world use Python. This lab experiment will provide an introduction to the PythonProgramming Language.



Why the python is so popular Artificial Intelligence developers.

- 3. Python is a general-purpose programming language conceived in 1989 by Dutchprogrammer Guido van Rossum.
- Python is free and open source, with development coordinated through the Python Software Foundation.
- Python has experienced rapid adoption in the last decade and is now one of themost commonly used programming languages.

1.2.2 Common Applications

Python is a general-purpose language used in almost all application domains such as

- Communications
- Web development (Flask and Django covered in the future chapters)
- CGI and graphical user interfaces
- Game development
- AI and data science (very popular)

1.2.3 Setting up Your Python Environment

The core Python package is easy to install but **not** what you should choose for these labs.

We require certain libraries and the scientific programming eco system, which;

- The core installation (e.g., Python 3.7) does not provide.
- Is painful to install one piece at a time (concept of a package manager)

And, we are using Anaconda.

1.2.3.1 Anaconda

To install Anaconda, download the binary and follow the instructions.

Important points:

- 4. Install the latest version.
- 5. If you are asked during the installation process whether you would like to make Anaconda your default Python installation, say yes.

Anaconda downloading, installation and setting up environment video tutorial is available at the following link: https://youtu.be/4kpJYuup3lg

1.2.3.2 Test Your Python Installation and Environment

Pre-Lab Task 1

Execute a simple python program to check the python installation and environment setup.

```
# Import two packages first
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
# The program starts here.
values = np.random.randn(100)
plt.plot(values)

plt.title('Random Noise using Test Program')
plt.xlabel('x-axis')
plt.ylabel('y-axis')
plt.show()
```

After executing the program, you should see an output similar to the following image.

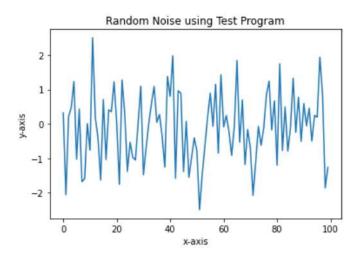


Figure 1: Image displayed by the sample program.

1.2.3.3 Using Help and Documentation in Python

To use help on any function or command, simply type in the prompt and a small window will appear for help.

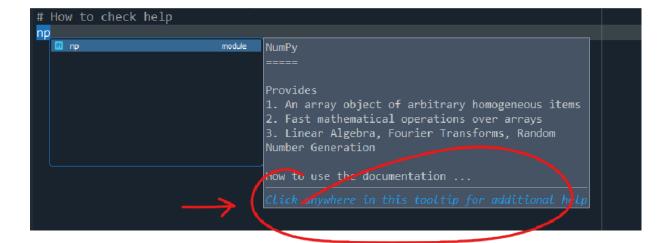


Figure 2: Using Help in Python

1.3 1.2 In-Lab

Write the following code in Spyder IDE and learn about printing a string in python.

☐ In-Lab Task 1

Print the following lines using one print command.

```
Hello World!
My name is Dr. Muhammad Usman Iqbal
My Registration .....
My First AI Lab
```



Use the line breaks and a new line in printing the string.

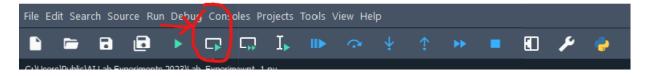
- 6. \ (Learn to use)
- 7. \n (Learn to use)
- 8. You can also add helpful comments to your code with the # symbol. Any linestarting with a # is not executed by the interpreter.

1.3.1.1 Learn to use a Running a Single Cell of Code

The python code can be sectioned into cells which we can execute separately. The cells can be created by using the following syntax "#%%"

In-Lab Task 2

Now using the run only cell in Spyder IDE, we can execute a single cell instead of complete code.



1.3.1.2 Indentation

Python uses indentation to indicate parts of the code that need to be executedtogether. Both tabs and spaces (usually four per level) are supported, and mypreference is for tabs.

☐ In-Lab Task 3

To assign a variable with a specific value, use =.

To test whether a variable has a specific value, use the Boolean operators:

- equal: ==
- not equal: !=
- greater than: >
- less than: <

1.3.1.3 Variables and Types

Python is not "statically-typed." This means you do not have to declare all yourvariables before you can use them. You can create new variables whenever you want. Python is also "object-oriented," which means that every variable is an object.

☐ In-Lab Task 4

Numbers

```
# Numbers
print('Print Value of Integer ...')
integer_us = 7
print(integer_us)
print ('Class of the interger is')
print(type(integer_us))
# 2. Float
print('Print Value of Float ...')
float_us = 7.0
print(float_us)
myfloat = float(integer_us)
# Note how the term `float` is green. It's a protected term.
print(myfloat)
# Now see what happens when you convert a float to an int
print('Convert Value of Float to Integer ...')
myint = int(7.3)
print(myint)
```

Strings

```
# Srings
mystring = "Hello, World!"
print(mystring)
# and demonstrating how to use an apostrophe in a string
mystring = "Let's talk about apostrophes..."
print(mystring)
# Assign strings as variables
one = 1
two = 2
three = one + two
print(three)
hello = "Hello,"
world = "World!"
helloworld = hello + " " + world
print(helloworld)
a, b = 3, 4
print(a, b)
# Mixing different data variables
print(one + two + hello)
```

Lists

Lists are an ordered list of any type of variable. You can combine as manyvariables as you like, and they could even be of multiple data types. Ordinarily,unless you have a specific reason to do so, lists will contain variables of one type. You can also iterate over a list (use each item in a list in sequence). A list is placed between square brackets: [].

```
mmylist = []
mylist.append(1)
mylist.append(2)
mylist.append(3)
# Each item in a list can be addressed directly.
# The first address in a Python list starts at 0
print(mylist[0])
# The last item in a Python list can be addressed as -1.
# This is helpful when you don't know how long a list is
□→likely to be.
print(mylist[-1])
# You can also select subsets of the data in a list like this
print(mylist[1:3])
# You can also loop through a list using a `for` statement.
# Note that `x` is a new variable which takes on the value of
# each item in the list in order.
```

```
# Let's imagine we have a list of unordered names that somehow got some random
# numbers included.
# we want to print the alphabetised list of names without the numbers.
names = ["John", 3234, 2342, 3323, "Eric", 234, "Jessica",
         734978234, "Lois", 2384]
print("Number of names in list: {}".format(len(names)))
# First, let's get rid of all the weird integers.
new names = []
for n in names:
   if isinstance(n, str):
   # Checking if n is a string
   # And note how we're now indented twice into this new component
            new_names.append(n)
# We should now have only names in the new list. Let's sort them.
new names.sort()
print("Cleaned-up number of names in list: {}".format(len(new_names)))
# Lastly, let's print them.
for i, n in enumerate(new_names):
    # Using both i and n in a formated string
    # Adding 1 to i because lists start at 0
    print("{}. {}".format(i+1, n))
```

1.4 1.3 Post-Lab



Understand the following syntax for the for loop, while loop and if condition in python and sample program for each.

for Loop

for: This is the keyword that indicates the start of a for loop.

variable: This is a variable that takes on the value of each item in the iterable during each iteration of the loop. You can choose any valid variable name.

in: This is the keyword used to specify that you are iterating over the elements of the iterable.

iterable: This is an object that you want to iterate over. It can be a list, tuple, string, dictionary, range, or any other iterable object.

: (colon): A colon is used to denote the beginning of the indented block of code that will be executed in each iteration.

while Loop

while: This is the keyword that indicates the start of a while loop.

condition: This is a Boolean expression that is evaluated before each iteration of the loop. If the condition is True, the loop continues to execute; if it's False, the loop terminates.

: (colon): A colon is used to denote the beginning of the indented block of code that will be executed in each iteration.

if Syntax

if: This is the keyword that indicates the start of an if statement.

condition: This is a Boolean expression that is evaluated. If the condition is True, the code block indented below the if statement is executed; if it's False, the code block is skipped.

: (colon): A colon is used to denote the beginning of the indented block of code that will be executed if the condition specified in the if statement is True.

Rubric for Lab Assessment

The student performance for the assigned task during the lab session was:					
Excellent	The student completed assigned tasks without any help from the instructor and showed the results appropriately.	4			
Good	The student completed assigned tasks with minimal help from the instructor and showed the results appropriately.	3			
Average	The student could not complete all assigned tasks and showed partial results.	2			
Worst	The student did not complete assigned tasks.	1			

Instructor Signature:	Date:	

Lab # 2: Python Data Types, Basic Operators, Logical Conditions and Loops

2.1 Objectives

Understand the Python Data Types, Basic Operators, Logical Conditions and Loops

2.2 Pre-Lab

- Review the python data types studied in Lab Experiment 1
- Review basic loops syntax studied in Lab Experiment 1

1.3 In-Lab

2.2.1 Dictionaries

Dictionaries are one of the most useful and versatile data types in Python. They are similar to arrays but consist of *key:value* pairs. Each value stored in a dictionary is accessed by its key, and the value can be any sort of object (string, number, list, etc.).

This allows you to create structured records. Dictionaries are placed within {}.

☐ In-Lab Task 1

Create the dictionaries according to the following code and display results. You should use names and phone number of your friends.

You can iterate over a dictionary just like a list, using the dot term.items().

In-Lab Task 2

Use for loop to print data from the dictionary.

Similarly, you add new records as shown above, and you remove records with del or pop.

They each have a different effect.

☐ In-Lab Task 3

Learn and practice the commands 'del' and 'pop' for dictionaries.

2.2.2 Basic Operators

Operators are the various algebraic symbols (such as +, -, *, /, %, etc.). Once 'youhave learned the syntax, programming is mostly mathematics.

Arithmetic Operators

As you would expect, you can use the various mathematical operators with numbers(both integers and floats).

In-Lab Task 4

Learn and practice the arithmetic operators for python programming.

List Operators

☐ In-Lab Task 4

Learn and practice the list operators for python programming.

```
# Creat a project of this
# ------
x = object() # A generic Python object
y = object()
# Change this code to ensure that x_list and y_list each have
# 10 repeating objects
# and concat_list is the concatenation of x_list and y_list
x_{list} = [x]
y_list = [y]
concat list = []
print("x_list contains {} objects".format(len(x_list)))
print("y_list contains {} objects".format(len(y_list)))
print("big_list contains {} objects".format(len(concat_list)))
# Test your lists
if x list.count(x) == 10 and y list.count(y) == 10:
   print("Almost there...")
if concat list.count(x) == 10 and concat list.count(y) == 10:
   print("Great!")
```

String Operators

You can do a surprising amount with operators on strings.

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☐ In-Lab Task 5

Print the following using string operators. This is a self-learning task.

```
Hello, World!
Hello Hello Hello Hello Hello
```

Logical Conditions

In the section on Indentation, you were introduced to the if statement and the setof boolean operators that allow you to test different variables against each other. To that list of Boolean operators are added a new set of comparisons: and, or, and in.

☐ In-Lab Task 6

Learn and practice the Boolean operators for python programming.

These can be used to create nuanced comparisons using if. You can use a series of comparisons with if, elseif, and else.Remember that code must be indented correctly, or you will get unexpected behavior.

```
# Unexpected results
x = 2
if x > 2:
    print("Testing x")
    print("x > 2")
# Formated correctly
if x == 2:
    print("x == 2")
```

☐ In-Lab Task 7

Demonstrate complex if-else conditions for python programming and also explore the 'not' and 'is'.

Two special cases are not and is.

- 9. not is used to get the opposite of a particular Boolean test, e.g., not(False) returns True.
- 10. is would seem, superficially, to be like = =, but it tests whether the actual objects are the same, not whether the values which the objects reflect are equal.

A quick demonstration:

```
#%%
# Using `not`
name_list1 = ["John", "Jill"]
name_list2 = ["John", "Jill"]
print(not(name_list1 == name_list2))
# Using `is`
name2 = "John"
print(name_list1 == name_list2)
print(name_list1 is name_list2)
```

2.2.3 1.3.3 Loops

Loops iterate over a given sequence, and—here—it is critical to ensure yourindentation is correct or 'you will get unexpected results for what is considered inside or outside the loop.

- 11. For loops, for, which loop through a list. There is also some new syntax to use in for loops:
 - In Lists you saw enumerate, which allows you to count the loop number.
 - Range creates a list of integers to loop, range(start, stop) creates alist of integers between start and stop, or range(num) creates a zero-basedlist up to num, or range(start, stop, step) steps through a list inincrements of step.

- 12. While loops, while, which execute while a particular condition is True. And some new syntax for while is:
 - while is a conditional statement (it requires a test to return True), whichmeans we can use else in a while loop (but not for)

In-Lab Task 8

Demonstrate the reading and writing different types of data in python using For Loop.

```
# Loops
# ------
# For Loop for reading Writing Data
# Sample list of numeric data
numeric data = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
# Using a for loop to read and process each element
for number in numeric data:
   result = number * 2 # Perform some operation (e.g., multiplication)
   print(result) # Print the result
# Sample string
text = "Hello, World!"
# Using a for loop to read and print each character in the string
for char in text:
   print(char)
# Using a for loop to write characters to a new string with some modifications
new_text = ""
for char in text:
   if char.isalpha():
       new_text += char.upper() # Convert letters to uppercase
       new_text += char # Keep non-letter characters as they are
print(new text)
# Writing Numeric Data
# Initialize an empty list to store numeric data
numeric_data = []
# Use a for loop to add numbers from 1 to 10 into the list
for i in range(1, 11): # This loop iterates from 1 to 10 (inclusive)
   numeric_data.append(i) # Add each number to the list
# Print the resulting list
print(numeric_data)
```

In-Lab Task 9

Demonstrate the application of While Loop.

```
#%%
# While Loop
# 1. for Numeric Daat
# Using a while loop to print numbers from 1 to 5
count = 1
while count <= 5:
   print(count)
    count += 1
# 2. For Strings
# Using a while loop to print each character of a string
text = "Hello"
index = 0
while index < len(text):
    print(text[index])
    index += 1
# 3. For Dictionaries
# Using a while loop to iterate through a dictionary and print key-value pairs
student_grades = {"Alice": 92, "Bob": 85, "Charlie": 78}
keys = list(student_grades.keys()) # Get the keys as a list
index = 0
while index < len(keys):
    key = keys[index]
    value = student_grades[key]
    print(f"{key}: {value}")
    index += 1
```

2.3 1.3 Post-Lab

Post-Lab Task

Your task is to create a Python program that manages student grades of at least seven (07) students and performs several operations. Your program should do the following:

- 1. Calculate and display the average grade for a list of students along with the list students and corresponding grades.
- 2. Categorize each student's grade into one of the following categories: "Excellent," "Very Good," "Good," or "Needs Improvement" based on the grade ranges (Your own assumptions).

3. Allow the user to search for a specific student's grade by entering the student's name. The program should repeatedly prompt the user for a name until a valid student name is entered, and then display the corresponding grade.

Provide the Python program that accomplishes these tasks, ensuring that it includes relevant data, ifelse conditions, and both for and while loops.

Implement the program and demonstrate its functionality.