**Python**

**1) What is Python?**

Python is a high-level, interpreted, interactive and object-oriented scripting language. Python is designed to be highly readable. It uses English keywords frequently where as other languages use punctuation, and it has fewer syntactical constructions than other languages.

**2) Name some of the features of Python.**

Following are some of the salient features of python ?

**3) What is the purpose of PYTHONPATH environment variable?**

PYTHONPATH - It has a role similar to PATH. This variable tells the Python interpreter where to locate the module files imported into a program. It should include the Python source library directory and the directories containing Python source code. PYTHONPATH is sometimes preset by the Python installer.

**4) What is the purpose of PYTHONSTARTUP environment variable?**

PYTHONSTARTUP - It contains the path of an initialization file containing Python source code. It is executed every time you start the interpreter. It is named as .pythonrc.py in Unix and it contains commands that load utilities or modify PYTHONPATH.

**5) What is the purpose of PYTHONCASEOK environment variable?**

PYTHONCASEOK ? It is used in Windows to instruct Python to find the first case-insensitive match in an import statement. Set this variable to any value to activate it.

**6) What is the purpose of PYTHONHOME environment variable?**

PYTHONHOME ? It is an alternative module search path. It is usually embedded in the PYTHONSTARTUP or PYTHONPATH directories to make switching module libraries easy.

**7) Is python a case sensitive language?**

Yes! Python is a case sensitive programming language.

**8) What are the supported data types in Python?**

Python has five standard data types ?

**9) What is the output of print str if str = 'Hello World!'?**

It will print complete string. Output would be Hello World!.

**10) What is the output of print str[0] if str = 'Hello World!'?**

It will print first character of the string. Output would be H.

**11) What is the output of print str[2:5] if str = 'Hello World!'?**

It will print characters starting from 3rd to 5th. Output would be llo.

**12) What is the output of print str[2:] if str = 'Hello World!'?**

It will print characters starting from 3rd character. Output would be llo World!.

**13) What is the output of print str \* 2 if str = 'Hello World!'?**

It will print string two times. Output would be Hello World!Hello World!.

**14) What is the output of print str + "TEST" if str = 'Hello World!'?**

It will print concatenated string. Output would be Hello World!TEST.

**15) What is the output of print list if list = [ 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 ]?**

It will print complete list. Output would be ['abcd', 786, 2.23, 'john', 70.200000000000003].

**16) What is the output of print list[0] if list = [ 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 ]?**

It will print first element of the list. Output would be abcd.

**17) What is the output of print list[1:3] if list = [ 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 ]?**

It will print elements starting from 2nd till 3rd. Output would be [786, 2.23].

**18) What is the output of print list[2:] if list = [ 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 ]?**

It will print elements starting from 3rd element. Output would be [2.23, 'john', 70.200000000000003].

**19) What is the output of print tinylist \* 2 if tinylist = [123, 'john']?**

It will print list two times. Output would be [123, 'john', 123, 'john'].

**20) What is the output of print list + tinylist \* 2 if list = [ 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 ] and tinylist = [123, 'john']?**

It will print concatenated lists. Output would be ['abcd', 786, 2.23, 'john', 70.200000000000003, 123, 'john'].

**21) What are tuples in Python?**

A tuple is another sequence data type that is similar to the list. A tuple consists of a number of values separated by commas. Unlike lists, however, tuples are enclosed within parentheses.

**22) What is the difference between tuples and lists in Python?**

The main differences between lists and tuples are ? Lists are enclosed in brackets ( [ ] ) and their elements and size can be changed, while tuples are enclosed in parentheses ( ( ) ) and cannot be updated. Tuples can be thought of as read-only lists.

**23) What is the output of print tuple if tuple = ( 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 )?**

It will print complete tuple. Output would be ('abcd', 786, 2.23, 'john', 70.200000000000003).

**24) What is the output of print tuple[0] if tuple = ( 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 )?**

It will print first element of the tuple. Output would be abcd.

**25) What is the output of print tuple[1:3] if tuple = ( 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 )?**

It will print elements starting from 2nd till 3rd. Output would be (786, 2.23).

**26) What is the output of print tuple[2:] if tuple = ( 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 )?**

It will print elements starting from 3rd element. Output would be (2.23, 'john', 70.200000000000003).

**27) What is the output of print tinytuple \* 2 if tinytuple = (123, 'john')?**

It will print tuple two times. Output would be (123, 'john', 123, 'john').

**28) What is the output of print tuple + tinytuple if tuple = ( 'abcd', 786 , 2.23, 'john', 70.2 ) and tinytuple = (123, 'john')?**

It will print concatenated tuples. Output would be ('abcd', 786, 2.23, 'john', 70.200000000000003, 123, 'john').

**29) What are Python's dictionaries?**

Python's **dictionaries** are kind of hash table type. They work like associative arrays or hashes found in Perl and consist of key-value pairs. A dictionary key can be almost any Python type, but are usually numbers or strings. Values, on the other hand, can be any arbitrary Python object.

**30) How will you create a dictionary in python?**

Dictionaries are enclosed by curly braces ({ }) and values can be assigned and accessed using square braces ([]).

**31) How will you get all the keys from the dictionary?**

Using dictionary.keys() function, we can get all the keys from the dictionary object.

**32) How will you get all the values from the dictionary?**

Using dictionary.values() function, we can get all the values from the dictionary object.

**33) How will you convert a string to an int in python?**

int(x [,base]) - Converts x to an integer. base specifies the base if x is a string.

**34) How will you convert a string to a long in python?**

long(x [,base] ) - Converts x to a long integer. base specifies the base if x is a string.

**35) How will you convert a string to a float in python?**

float(x) ? Converts x to a floating-point number.

**36) How will you convert a object to a string in python?**

str(x) ? Converts object x to a string representation.

**37) How will you convert a object to a regular expression in python?**

repr(x) ? Converts object x to an expression string.

**38) How will you convert a String to an object in python?**

eval(str) ? Evaluates a string and returns an object.

**39) How will you convert a string to a tuple in python?**

tuple(s) ? Converts s to a tuple.

**40) How will you convert a string to a list in python?**

list(s) ? Converts s to a list.

**41) How will you convert a string to a set in python?**

set(s) ? Converts s to a set.

**42) How will you create a dictionary using tuples in python?**

dict(d) ? Creates a dictionary. d must be a sequence of (key,value) tuples.

**43) How will you convert a string to a frozen set in python?**

frozenset(s) ? Converts s to a frozen set.

**44) How will you convert an integer to a character in python?**

chr(x) ? Converts an integer to a character.

**45) How will you convert an integer to an unicode character in python?**

unichr(x) ? Converts an integer to a Unicode character.

**46) How will you convert a single character to its integer value in python?**

ord(x) ? Converts a single character to its integer value.

**47) How will you convert an integer to hexadecimal string in python?**

hex(x) ? Converts an integer to a hexadecimal string.

**48) How will you convert an integer to octal string in python?**

oct(x) ? Converts an integer to an octal string.

**49) What is the purpose of \*\* operator?**

\*\* Exponent ? Performs exponential (power) calculation on operators. a\*\*b = 10 to the power 20 if a = 10 and b = 20.

**50) What is the purpose of // operator?**

// Floor Division ? The division of operands where the result is the quotient in which the digits after the decimal point are removed.

**51) What is the purpose of is operator?**

is ? Evaluates to true if the variables on either side of the operator point to the same object and false otherwise. x is y, here is results in 1 if id(x) equals id(y).

**52) What is the purpose of not in operator?**

not in ? Evaluates to true if it does not finds a variable in the specified sequence and false otherwise. x not in y, here not in results in a 1 if x is not a member of sequence y.

**53) What is the purpose break statement in python?**

break statement ? Terminates the loop statement and transfers execution to the statement immediately following the loop.

**54) What is the purpose continue statement in python?**

continue statement ? Causes the loop to skip the remainder of its body and immediately retest its condition prior to reiterating.

**55) What is the purpose pass statement in python?**

pass statement ? The pass statement in Python is used when a statement is required syntactically but you do not want any command or code to execute.

**56) How can you pick a random item from a list or tuple?**

choice(seq) ? Returns a random item from a list, tuple, or string.

**57) How can you pick a random item from a range?**

randrange ([start,] stop [,step]) ? returns a randomly selected element from range(start, stop, step).

**58) How can you get a random number in python?**

random() ? returns a random float r, such that 0 is less than or equal to r and r is less than 1.

**59) How will you set the starting value in generating random numbers?**

seed([x]) ? Sets the integer starting value used in generating random numbers. Call this function before calling any other random module function. Returns None.

**60) How will you randomizes the items of a list in place?**

shuffle(lst) ? Randomizes the items of a list in place. Returns None.

**61) How will you capitalizes first letter of string?**

capitalize() ? Capitalizes first letter of string.

**62) How will you check in a string that all characters are alphanumeric?**

isalnum() ? Returns true if string has at least 1 character and all characters are alphanumeric and false otherwise.

**63) How will you check in a string that all characters are digits?**

isdigit() ? Returns true if string contains only digits and false otherwise.

**64) How will you check in a string that all characters are in lowercase?**

islower() ? Returns true if string has at least 1 cased character and all cased characters are in lowercase and false otherwise.

**65) How will you check in a string that all characters are numerics?**

isnumeric() ? Returns true if a unicode string contains only numeric characters and false otherwise.

**66) How will you check in a string that all characters are whitespaces?**

isspace() ? Returns true if string contains only whitespace characters and false otherwise.

**67) How will you check in a string that it is properly titlecased?**

istitle() ? Returns true if string is properly "titlecased" and false otherwise.

**68) How will you check in a string that all characters are in uppercase?**

isupper() ? Returns true if string has at least one cased character and all cased characters are in uppercase and false otherwise.

**69) How will you merge elements in a sequence?**

join(seq) ? Merges (concatenates) the string representations of elements in sequence seq into a string, with separator string.

**70) How will you get the length of the string?**

len(string) ? Returns the length of the string.

**71) How will you get a space-padded string with the original string left-justified to a total of width columns?**

ljust(width[, fillchar]) ? Returns a space-padded string with the original string left-justified to a total of width columns.

**72) How will you convert a string to all lowercase?**

lower() ? Converts all uppercase letters in string to lowercase.

**73) How will you remove all leading whitespace in string?**

lstrip() ? Removes all leading whitespace in string.

**74) How will you get the max alphabetical character from the string?**

max(str) ? Returns the max alphabetical character from the string str.

**75) How will you get the min alphabetical character from the string?**

min(str) ? Returns the min alphabetical character from the string str.

**76) How will you replaces all occurrences of old substring in string with new string?**

replace(old, new [, max]) ? Replaces all occurrences of old in string with new or at most max occurrences if max given.

**77) How will you remove all leading and trailing whitespace in string?**

strip([chars]) ? Performs both lstrip() and rstrip() on string.

**78) How will you change case for all letters in string?**

swapcase() ? Inverts case for all letters in string.

**79) How will you get titlecased version of string?**

title() ? Returns "titlecased" version of string, that is, all words begin with uppercase and the rest are lowercase.

**80) How will you convert a string to all uppercase?**

upper() ? Converts all lowercase letters in string to uppercase.

**81) How will you check in a string that all characters are decimal?**

isdecimal() ? Returns true if a unicode string contains only decimal characters and false otherwise.

**82) What is the difference between del() and remove() methods of list?**

To remove a list element, you can use either the del statement if you know exactly which element(s) you are deleting or the remove() method if you do not know.

**83) What is the output of len([1, 2, 3])?**

3.

**84) What is the output of [1, 2, 3] + [4, 5, 6]?**

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]

**85) What is the output of ['Hi!'] \* 4?**

['Hi!', 'Hi!', 'Hi!', 'Hi!']

**86) What is the output of 3 in [1, 2, 3]?**

True

**87) What is the output of for x in [1, 2, 3]: print x?**

1 2 3

**88) What is the output of L[2] if L = [1,2,3]?**

3, Offsets start at zero.

**89) What is the output of L[-2] if L = [1,2,3]?**

1, Negative: count from the right.

**90) What is the output of L[1:] if L = [1,2,3]?**

2, 3, Slicing fetches sections.

**91) How will you compare two lists?**

cmp(list1, list2) ? Compares elements of both lists.

**92) How will you get the length of a list?**

len(list) ? Gives the total length of the list.

**93) How will you get the max valued item of a list?**

max(list) ? Returns item from the list with max value.

**94) How will you get the min valued item of a list?**

min(list) ? Returns item from the list with min value.

**95) How will you get the index of an object in a list?**

list.index(obj) ? Returns the lowest index in list that obj appears.

**96) How will you insert an object at given index in a list?**

list.insert(index, obj) ? Inserts object obj into list at offset index.

**97) How will you remove last object from a list?**

list.pop(obj=list[-1]) ? Removes and returns last object or obj from list.

**98) How will you remove an object from a list?**

list.remove(obj) ? Removes object obj from list.

**99) How will you reverse a list?**

list.reverse() ? Reverses objects of list in place.

**100) How will you sort a list?**

list.sort([func]) ? Sorts objects of list, use compare func if given.

**101) What is lambda function in python?**

‘lambda’ is a keyword in python which creates an anonymous function. Lambda does not contain block of statements. It does not contain return statements.

**102) What we call a function which is incomplete version of a function?**

Stub.

**103) When a function is defined then the system stores parameters and local variables in an area of memory. What this memory is known as?**

Stack.

**104) A canvas can have a foreground color? (Yes/No)**

Yes.

**105) Is Python platform independent?**

No

106) Do you think Python has a complier?

Yes

**107) What are the applications of Python?**

Django (Web framework of Python).

**108) What is the basic difference between Python version 2 and Python version 3?**

Table below explains the difference between Python version 2 and Python version 3.

**109) Which programming Language is an implementation of Python programming language designed to run on Java Platform?**

Jython

**110) Is there any double data type in Python?**

No

**111) Is String in Python are immutable? (Yes/No)**

Yes.

**112) Can True = False be possible in Python?**

No.

**113) Which module of python is used to apply the methods related to OS.?**

OS.

**114) When does a new block begin in python?**

A block begins when the line is intended by 4 spaces.

**115) Write a function in python which detects whether the given two strings are anagrams or not.**

def check(a,b):

if(len(a)!=len(b)):

return False

else:

if(sorted(list(a)) == sorted(list(b))):

return True

else:

return False

**116) Name the python Library used for Machine learning.**

Scikit-learn python Library used for Machine learning

**117) What does pass operation do?**

Pass indicates that nothing is to be done i.e. it signifies a no operation.

**118) Name the tools which python uses to find bugs (if any).**

Pylint and pychecker.

**119) Write a function to give the sum of all the numbers in list?**

**Sample list ? (100, 200, 300, 400, 0, 500)**

**Expected output ? 1500**

Program for sum of all the numbers in list is:

def sum(numbers):

total = 0

for num in numbers:

total+=num

print(''Sum of the numbers: '', total)

sum((100, 200, 300, 400, 0, 500))

We define a function ‘sum’ with numbers as parameter. The in for loop we store the sum of all the values of list.

**120) Write a program in Python to reverse a string without using inbuilt function reverse string?**

Program to reverse a string in given below –

def string\_reverse(str1):

rev\_str = ' '

index = len(str1) #defining index as length of string.

while(index>0):

rev\_str = rev\_str + str1[index-1]

index = index-1

return(rev\_str)

print(string\_reverse('1tniop'))

First we declare a variable to store the reverse string. Then using while loop and indexing of string (index is calculated by string length) we reverse the string. While loop starts when index is greater than zero. Index is reduced to value 1 each time. When index reaches zero we obtain the reverse of string.

**121) Write a program to test whether the number is in the defined range or not?**

Program is-

def test\_range(num):

if num in range(0, 101):

print(''%s is in range''%str(num))

else:

print(''%s is not in range''%str(num))

Output − test\_range(101)

101 is not in the range

To test any number in a particular range we make use of the method ‘if..in’ and else condition.

**122) Write a program to calculate number of upper case letters and number of lower case letters?**

**Test on String: ''Tutorials POINT''**

Program is –

def string\_test(s):

a = { ''Lower\_Case'':0 , ''Upper\_Case'':0} #intiail count of lower and upper

for ch in s: #for loop

if(ch.islower()): #if-elif-else condition

a[''Lower\_Case''] = a[''Lower\_Case''] + 1

elif(ch.isupper()):

a[''Upper\_Case''] = a [''Upper\_Case''] + 1

else:

pass

print(''String in testing is: '',s) #printing the statements.

print(''Number of Lower Case characters in String: '',a[''Lower\_Case''])

print(''Number of Upper Case characters in String: '',a[''Upper\_Case''])

Output − string\_test(''Tutorials POINT'')

String in testing is: Tutorials POINT

Number of Lower Case characters in String: 8

Number of Upper Case characters in String: 6

We make use of the methods .islower() and .isupper(). We initialise the count for lower and upper. Using if and else condition we calculate total number of lower and upper case characters.

**Q1. What is the difference between list and tuples?**

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| **LIST** | **TUPLES** |
| Lists are mutable i.e they can be edited. | Tuples are immutable (tuples are lists which can’t be edited). |
| Lists are slower than tuples. | Tuples are faster than list. |
| Syntax: list\_1 = [10, ‘Chelsea’, 20] | Syntax: tup\_1 = (10, ‘Chelsea’ , 20) |

**Q2. What are the key features of Python?**

* Python is an **interpreted** language. That means that, unlike languages like *C* and its variants, Python does not need to be compiled before it is run. Other interpreted languages include *PHP* and *Ruby*.
* Python is **dynamically typed**; this means that you don’t need to state the types of variables when you declare them or anything like that. You can do things like x=111 and then x="I'm a string" without error
* Python is well suited to **object orientated programming** in that it allows the definition of classes along with composition and inheritance. Python does not have access specifiers (like C++’s public, private), the justification for this point is given as “we are all adults here”
* In Python, **functions** are**first-class objects**. This means that they can be assigned to variables, returned from other functions and passed into functions. Classes are also first class objects
* **Writing Python code is quick** but running it is often slower than compiled languages. Fortunately Python allows the inclusion of C based extensions so bottlenecks can be optimized away and often are. The numpy package is a good example of this, it’s really quite quick because a lot of the number crunching it does isn’t actually done by Python
* Python finds **use in many spheres** – web applications, automation, scientific modelling, big data applications and many more. It’s also often used as “glue” code to get other languages and components to play nice.

**Q3. What is the difference between deep and shallow copy?**

**Ans:***Shallow copy* is used when a new instance type gets created and it keeps the values that are copied in the new instance. Shallow copy is used to copy the reference pointers just like it copies the values. These references point to the original objects and the changes made in any member of the class will also affect the original copy of it. Shallow copy allows faster execution of the program and it depends on the size of the data that is used.

*Deep copy* is used to store the values that are already copied. Deep copy doesn’t copy the reference pointers to the objects. It makes the reference to an object and the new object that is pointed by some other object gets stored. The changes made in the original copy won’t affect any other copy that uses the object. Deep copy makes execution of the program slower due to making certain copies for each object that is been called.

**Q4. How is Multithreading achieved in Python?**

**Ans**:

1. Python has a multi-threading package but if you want to multi-thread to speed your code up.
2. Python has a construct called the Global Interpreter Lock (GIL). The GIL makes sure that only one of your ‘threads’ can execute at any one time. A thread acquires the GIL, does a little work, then passes the GIL onto the next thread.
3. This happens very quickly so to the human eye it may seem like your threads are executing in parallel, but they are really just taking turns using the same CPU core.
4. All this GIL passing adds overhead to execution. This means that if you want to make your code run faster than using the threading package often isn’t a good idea.

**Q5. How can the ternary operators be used in python?**

**Ans:** The Ternary operator is the operator that is used to show the conditional statements. This consists of the true or false values with a statement that has to be evaluated for it.

Syntax: The Ternary operator will be given as:

**[on\_true] if [expression] else [on\_false]x, y = 25, 50big = x if x < y else y**

Example: The expression gets evaluated like if x<y else y, in this case if x<y is true then the value is returned as big=x and if it is incorrect then big=y will be sent as a result.

**Q6. How is memory managed in Python?**

**Ans:**

1. Python memory is managed by Python private heap space. All Python objects and data structures are located in a private heap. The programmer does not have an access to this private heap and interpreter takes care of this Python private heap.
2. The allocation of Python heap space for Python objects is done by Python memory manager. The core API gives access to some tools for the programmer to code.
3. Python also have an inbuilt garbage collector, which recycle all the unused memory and frees the memory and makes it available to the heap space.

**Q7. Explain Inheritance in Python with an example.**

**Ans:** Inheritance allows One class to gain all the members(say attributes and methods) of another class. Inheritance provides code reusability, makes it easier to create and maintain an application. The class from which we are inheriting is called super-class and the class that is inherited is called a derived / child class.

They are different types of inheritance supported by Python:

1. Single Inheritance – where a derived class acquires the members of a single super class.
2. Multi-level inheritance – a derived class d1 in inherited from base class base1, and d2 is inherited from base2.
3. Hierarchical inheritance – from one base class you can inherit any number of child classes
4. Multiple inheritance – a derived class is inherited from more than one base class.

**Q8. Explain what Flask is and its benefits?**

**Ans:** Flask is a web micro framework for Python based on “Werkzeug, Jinja2 and good intentions” BSD license. Werkzeug and Jinja2 are two of its dependencies. This means it will have little to no dependencies on external libraries.  It makes the framework light while there is little dependency to update and less security bugs.

A session basically allows you to remember information from one request to another. In a flask, a session uses a signed cookie so the user can look at the session contents and modify. The user can modify the session if only it has the secret key Flask.secret\_key.

**Q9. What is the usage of help() and dir() function in Python?**

Ans: Help() and dir() both functions are accessible from the Python interpreter and used for viewing a consolidated dump of built-in functions.

1. Help() function: The help() function is used to display the documentation string and also facilitates you to see the help related to modules, keywords, attributes, etc.
2. Dir() function: The dir() function is used to display the defined symbols.

**Q10. Whenever Python exits, why isn’t all the memory de-allocated?**

**Ans:**

1. Whenever Python exits, especially those Python modules which are having circular references to other objects or the objects that are referenced from the global namespaces are not always de-allocated or freed.
2. It is impossible to de-allocate those portions of memory that are reserved by the C library.
3. On exit, because of having its own efficient clean up mechanism, Python would try to de-allocate/destroy every other object.

**Q11. What is dictionary in Python?**

Ans: The built-in datatypes in Python is called dictionary. It defines one-to-one relationship between keys and values. Dictionaries contain pair of keys and their corresponding values. Dictionaries are indexed by keys.

Let’s take an example: The following example contains some keys. Country, Capital & PM. Their corresponding values are India, Delhi and Modi respectively.

>>> dict={'Country':'India','Capital':'Delhi','PM':'Modi'}

>>> print dict[Country]

India

>>> print dict[Capital]

Delhi

>>> print dict[PM]

Modi

**Q12. What is monkey patching in Python?**

**Ans:** In Python, the term monkey patch only refers to dynamic modifications of a class or module at run-time.

Consider the below example:

# m.py

class MyClass:

def f(self):

print "f()"

We can then run the monkey-patch testing like this:

import m

def monkey\_f(self):

print "monkey\_f()"

m.MyClass.f = monkey\_f

obj = m.MyClass()

obj.f()

The output will be: monkey\_f()

As we can see, we did make some changes in the behavior of*f()* in *MyClass*using the function we defined, *monkey\_f()*, outside of the module *m*.

**Q13. What does this mean: \*args, \*\*kwargs? And why would we use it?**

Ans: We use \*args when we aren’t sure how many arguments are going to be passed to a function, or if we want to pass a stored list or tuple of arguments to a function. \*\*kwargsis used when we don’t know how many keyword arguments will be passed to a function, or it can be used to pass the values of a dictionary as keyword arguments. The identifiers args and kwargs are a convention, you could also use \*bob and \*\*billy but that would not be wise.

**Q14. Write a one-liner that will count the number of capital letters in a file. Your code should work even if the file is too big to fit in memory.**

Ans:  Let us first write a multiple line solution and then convert it to one liner code.

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| --- | --- |
| with open(SOME\_LARGE\_FILE) as fh:  count = 0  text = fh.read()  for character in text:      if character.isupper():  count += 1 |  |

We will now try to transform this into a single line.

count sum(1 for line in fh for character in line if character.isupper())

**Q15. What are negative indexes and why are they used?**

Ans: The sequences in Python are indexed and it consists of the positive as well as negative numbers. The numbers that are positive uses ‘0’ that is uses as first index and ‘1’ as the second index and the process goes on like that.

The index for the negative number starts from ‘-1’ that represents the last index in the sequence and ‘-2’ as the penultimate index and the sequence carries forward like the positive number.

The negative index is used to remove any new-line spaces from the string and allow the string to except the last character that is given as S[:-1]. The negative index is also used to show the index to represent the string in correct order.

**Q16. How can you randomize the items of a list in place in Python?**

Ans: Consider the example shown below:

from random import shuffle

x = ['Keep', 'The', 'Blue', 'Flag', 'Flying', 'High']

shuffle(x)

print(x)

The output of the following code is as below.

['Flying', 'Keep', 'Blue', 'High', 'The', 'Flag']

**Q17. What is the process of compilation and linking in python?**

**Ans:** The compiling and linking allows the new extensions to be compiled properly without any error and the linking can be done only when it passes the compiled procedure. If the dynamic loading is used then it depends on the style that is being provided with the system. The python interpreter can be used to provide the dynamic loading of the configuration setup files and will rebuild the interpreter.

The steps that is required in this as:

1. Create a file with any name and in any language that is supported by the compiler of your system. For example file.c or file.cpp
2. Place this file in the Modules/ directory of the distribution which is getting used.
3. Add a line in the file Setup.local that is present in the Modules/ directory.
4. Run the file using spam file.o
5. After successful run of this rebuild the interpreter by using the make command on the top-level directory.
6. If the file is changed then run rebuildMakefile by using the command as ‘make Makefile’.

**Q18. Write a sorting algorithm for a numerical dataset in Python.**

**Ans:** The following code can be used to sort a list in Python:

list = ["1", "4", "0", "6", "9"]

list = [int(i) for i in list]

list.sort()

print (list)

**Q19. Looking at the below code, write down the final values of A0, A1, …An.**

A0 = dict(zip(('a','b','c','d','e'),(1,2,3,4,5)))

A1 = range(10)A2 = sorted([i for i in A1 if i in A0])

A3 = sorted([A0[s] for s in A0])

A4 = [i for i in A1 if i in A3]

A5 = {i:i\*i for i in A1}

A6 = [[i,i\*i] for i in A1]

print(A0,A1,A2,A3,A4,A5,A6)

**Ans:** The following will be the final outputs of A0, A1, … A6

A0 = {'a': 1, 'c': 3, 'b': 2, 'e': 5, 'd': 4} # the order may vary

A1 = range(0, 10)

A2 = []

A3 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

A4 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

A5 = {0: 0, 1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9, 4: 16, 5: 25, 6: 36, 7: 49, 8: 64, 9: 81}

A6 = [[0, 0], [1, 1], [2, 4], [3, 9], [4, 16], [5, 25], [6, 36], [7, 49], [8, 64], [9, 81]]

**Q20. Explain split(), sub(), subn() methods of “re” module in Python.**

**Ans:** To modify the strings, Python’s “re” module is providing 3 methods. They are:

* split() – uses a regex pattern to “split” a given string into a list.
* sub() – finds all substrings where the regex pattern matches and then replace them with a different string
* subn() – it is similar to sub() and also returns the new string along with the no. of replacements.

**Q21. How can you generate random numbers in Python?**

**Ans:** Random module is the standard module that is used to generate the random number. The method is defined as:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 1  2 | import random  random.random |

The statement random.random() method return the floating point number that is in the range of [0, 1). The function generates the random float numbers. The methods that are used with the random class are the bound methods of the hidden instances. The instances of the Random can be done to show the multi-threading programs that creates different instance of individual threads. The other random generators that are used in this are:

1. randrange(a, b): it chooses an integer and define the range in-between [a, b). It returns the elements by selecting it randomly from the range that is specified. It doesn’t build a range object.
2. uniform(a, b): it chooses a floating point number that is defined in the range of [a,b).Iyt returns the floating point number
3. normalvariate(mean, sdev): it is used for the normal distribution where the mu is a mean and the sdev is a sigma that is used for standard deviation.
4. The Random class that is used and instantiated creates an independent multiple random number generators.

**Q22. What is the difference between range & xrange?**

**Ans:** For the most part, xrange and range are the exact same in terms of functionality. They both provide a way to generate a list of integers for you to use, however you please. The only difference is that range returns a Python list object and x range returns an xrange object.

This means that xrange doesn’t actually generate a static list at run-time like range does. It creates the values as you need them with a special technique called yielding. This technique is used with a type of object known as generators. That means that if you have a really gigantic range you’d like to generate a list for, say one billion, xrange is the function to use.

This is especially true if you have a really memory sensitive system such as a cell phone that you are working with, as range will use as much memory as it can to create your array of integers, which can result in a Memory Error and crash your program. It’s a memory hungry beast.

**Q23. What is pickling and unpickling?**

Ans: Pickle module accepts any Python object and converts it into a string representation and dumps it into a file by using dump function, this process is called pickling. While the process of retrieving original Python objects from the stored string representation is called unpickling.

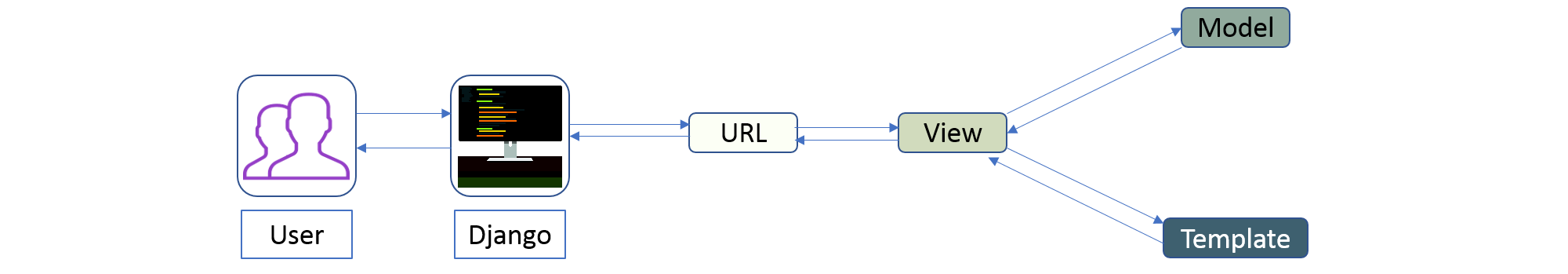
**Q24. Mention the differences between Django, Pyramid and Flask.**

Ans:

* Flask is a “microframework” primarily build for a small application with simpler requirements. In flask, you have to use external libraries. Flask is ready to use.
* Pyramid is built for larger applications. It provides flexibility and lets the developer use the right tools for their project. The developer can choose the database, URL structure, templating style and more. Pyramid is heavy configurable.
* Django can also used for larger applications just like Pyramid. It includes an ORM.

**Q25. Discuss the Django architecture.**

Ans: Django MVT Pattern:



**Figure:** Python Interview Questions – Django Architecture

**Q26. Explain how you can set up the Database in Django.**

**Ans:** You can use the command edit mysite/setting.py , it is a normal python module with module level representing Django settings.

Django uses SQLite by default; it is easy for Django users as such it won’t require any other type of installation. In the case your database choice is different that you have to the following keys in the DATABASE ‘default’ item to match your database connection settings.

* **Engines**: you can change database by using ‘django.db.backends.sqlite3’ , ‘django.db.backeneds.mysql’, ‘django.db.backends.postgresql\_psycopg2’, ‘django.db.backends.oracle’ and so on
* **Name**: The name of your database. In the case if you are using SQLite as your database, in that case database will be a file on your computer, Name should be a full absolute path, including file name of that file.
* If you are not choosing SQLite as your database then settings like Password, Host, User, etc. must be added.

Django uses SQLite as default database, it stores data as a single file in the filesystem. If you do have a database server—PostgreSQL, MySQL, Oracle, MSSQL—and want to use it rather than SQLite, then use your database’s administration tools to create a new database for your Django project. Either way, with your (empty) database in place, all that remains is to tell Django how to use it. This is where your project’s settings.py file comes in.

We will add the following lines of code to the *setting.py* file:

DATABASES = {

     'default': {

          'ENGINE' : 'django.db.backends.sqlite3',

          'NAME' : os.path.join(BASE\_DIR, 'db.sqlite3'),

     }

}

**Q27. Give an example how you can write a VIEW in Django?**

**Ans:** This is how we can use write a view in Django:

from django.http import HttpResponse

import datetime

def Current\_datetime(request):

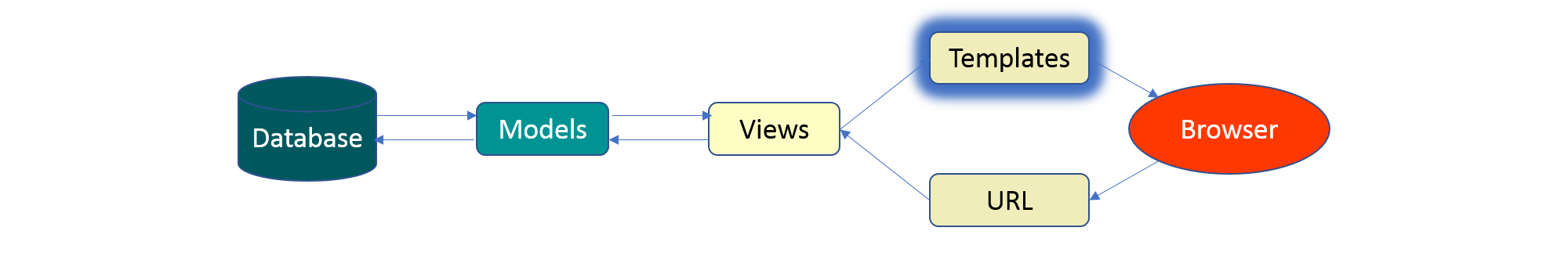
     now = datetime.datetime.now()

     html = "<html><body>It is now %s</body></html>" % now

     return HttpResponse(html)

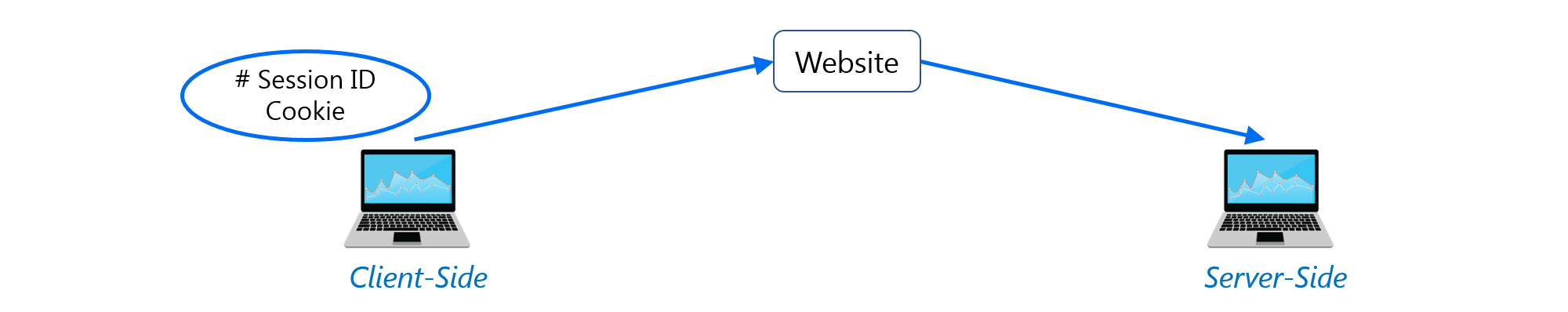
**Q28. Mention what the Django templates consists of.**

**Ans:** The template is a simple text file.  It can create any text-based format like XML, CSV, HTML, etc.  A template contains variables that get replaced with values when the template is evaluated and tags (% tag %) that controls the logic of the template.

**Figure:***Python Interview Questions – Django Template*

**Q29. Explain the use of session in Django framework?**

**Ans:** Django provides session that lets you store and retrieve data on a per-site-visitor basis. Django abstracts the process of sending and receiving cookies, by placing a session ID cookie on the client side, and storing all the related data on the server side.

**Figure:***Python Interview Questions – Django Framework*

So the data itself is not stored client side. This is nice from a security perspective.

**Q30. List out the inheritance styles in Django.**

Ans: In Django, there is three possible inheritance styles:

1. Abstract Base Classes: This style is used when you only wants parent’s class to hold information that you don’t want to type out for each child model.
2. Multi-table Inheritance: This style is used If you are sub-classing an existing model and need each model to have its own database table.
3. Proxy models: You can use this model, If you only want to modify the Python level behavior of the model, without changing the model’s fields.

**Web Scraping – Python Interview Questions**

**Q31. How To Save An Image Locally Using Python Whose URL Address I Already Know?**

**Ans:** We will use the following code to save an image locally from an URL address

import urllib.request

urllib.request.urlretrieve("URL", "local-filename.jpg")

**Q32. How can you Get the Google cache age of any URL or web page?**

**Ans**: Use the following URL format:

<http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:URLGOESHERE>

Be sure to replace “URLGOESHERE” with the proper web address of the page or site whose cache you want to retrieve and see the time for. For example, to check the Google Webcache age of edureka.co you’d use the following URL: <http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:edureka.co>

**Q33. You are required to scrap data from IMDb top 250 movies page. It should only have fields movie name, year, and rating.**

**Ans:** We will use the following lines of code:

from bs4 import BeautifulSoup

import requests

import sys

url = '<http://www.imdb.com/chart/top>'

response = requests.get(url)

soup = BeautifulSoup(response.text)

tr = soup.findChildren("tr")

tr = iter(tr)

next(tr)

for movie in tr:

title = movie.find('td', {'class': 'titleColumn'} ).find('a').contents[0]

year = movie.find('td', {'class': 'titleColumn'} ).find('span', {'class': 'secondaryInfo'}).contents[0]

rating = movie.find('td', {'class': 'ratingColumn imdbRating'} ).find('strong').contents[0]

row = title + ' - ' + year + ' ' + ' ' + rating

print(row)

The above code will help scrap data from IMDb’s top 250 list

**Data Analysis – Python Interview Questions**

**Q34. What is map function in Python?**

**Ans:** *map* function executes the function given as the first argument on all the elements of the iterable given as the second argument. If the function given takes in more than 1 arguments, then many iterables are given. #Follow the link to know more similar functions.

**Q35. How to get indices of N maximum values in a NumPy array?**

**Ans**: We can get the indices of N maximum values in a NumPy array using the below code:

import numpy as np

arr = np.array([1, 3, 2, 4, 5])

print(arr.argsort()[-3:][::-1])

Output - [ 4 3 1 ]

### Q36. How do you calculate percentiles with Python/ NumPy?

**Ans:** We can calculate percentiles with the following code

import numpy as np

a = np.array([1,2,3,4,5])

p = np.percentile(a, 50)  #Returns 50th percentile, e.g. median

print(p)

Output – 3

### Q37. What advantages do NumPy arrays offer over (nested) Python lists?

**Ans:**

1. Python’s lists are efficient general-purpose containers. They support (fairly) efficient insertion, deletion, appending, and concatenation, and Python’s list comprehensions make them easy to construct and manipulate.
2. They have certain limitations: they don’t support “vectorized” operations like elementwise addition and multiplication, and the fact that they can contain objects of differing types mean that Python must store type information for every element, and must execute type dispatching code when operating on each element.
3. NumPy is not just more efficient; it is also more convenient. You get a lot of vector and matrix operations for free, which sometimes allow one to avoid unnecessary work. And they are also efficiently implemented.
4. NumPy array is faster and You get a lot built in with NumPy, FFTs, convolutions, fast searching, basic statistics, linear algebra, histograms, etc.

### Q38. Explain the use of decorators.

**Ans:** Decorators in Python are used to modify or inject code in functions or classes. Using decorators, you can wrap a class or function method call so that a piece of code can be executed before or after the execution of the original code.

Decorators can be used to check for permissions, modify or track the arguments passed to a method, logging the calls to a specific method, etc.

### Q39. What is the difference between NumPy and SciPy?

### Ans:

1. In an ideal world, NumPy would contain nothing but the array data type and the most basic operations: indexing, sorting, reshaping, basic elementwise functions, et cetera.
2. All numerical code would reside in SciPy. However, one of NumPy’s important goals is compatibility, so NumPy tries to retain all features supported by either of its predecessors.
3. Thus NumPy contains some linear algebra functions, even though these more properly belong in SciPy. In any case, SciPy contains more fully-featured versions of the linear algebra modules, as well as many other numerical algorithms.
4. If you are doing scientific computing with python, you should probably install both NumPy and SciPy. Most new features belong in SciPy rather than NumPy.

### Q40. How do you make 3D plots/visualizations using NumPy/SciPy?

**Ans**: Like 2D plotting, 3D graphics is beyond the scope of NumPy and SciPy, but just as in the 2D case, packages exist that integrate with NumPy. Matplotlib provides basic 3D plotting in the mplot3d subpackage, whereas Mayavi provides a wide range of high-quality 3D visualization features, utilizing the powerful VTK engine.