

TYPES

str string of characters

```
a = "hello!"
a.upper()           # HELLO!
a.capitalize()      # Hello!
a.strip("!")        # hello
a.index("e")         # 2
a.split("e")        # ["h", "llo!"]
```

number types

```
count = 3           # int
pi = 3.14           # float
```

list sequentially hold other data

```
a = ["Jane", "b", 3]
a[0]           # "Jane"
a[1]           # "b"
a[-1]          # 3
a[1:2]         # ["b", 3]
```

tuple same as list, but immutable

```
a = ("a", "b", 3)
```

dict associate “key” with “values”

```
a = {"test": 1, "b": "hello"}
a["test"]           # 1
a["b"]              # "hello"
del a["test"]       # delete "test"
a["c"] = 3          # add "c" to dict
```

list methods

```
a = ["a", "b", 3]
a.append(4)          # ["a", "b", 3, 4]
a.reverse()          # [4, 3, "b", "a"]
```

dict methods

```
a = {"hi": "hola", "b": 3}
a.get("c", 3)        # 3 as default
a.update({"d": 4})    # add more
a.keys()              # iterable of keys
a.values()            # ... of values
a.items()             # ... of both
```

KEY TERMS

Variable A named “bucket” that you can put data into.**Assignment** The act of putting data into a variable.**Function** A bit of code given a name. Functions attached to “objects” (data types) are called *methods*.**Invoke** To cause a function to run (aka *calling* the function). Written as parenthesis which optionally enclose *arguments*.**Arguments** Data provided to a function when calling a function.

BRANCHING

Basic if Optionally execute indented code based on the truth value of the *condition*

```
if cost < 10:
    print("impulse buy")
```

Boolean operators “and”, “or”

```
if age > 17 and place == "UK":
    print("can buy alcohol")
if age < 18 or s == "student":
    print("can get discount")
```

If-elif-else

```
if beer == "Darkwing":
    print("IPA")
elif beer == "Hefe":
    print("Hefeweizen")
elif beer == "Stonehenge":
    print("Stout")
else:
    print("Unknown beer")
```

Pass placeholder that does nothing

```
if cost > 1.99:
    pass # TODO: finish this
```

ITERATION

For loop Execute the indented code for each item in a list or other “iterable”, temporarily putting that item in a given variable

```
names = ["John", "Paul", "G"]
for name in names:
    print("name:", name)
```

Range for-loop Useful for looping through numbers

```
for x in range(0, 100):
    print("x:", x)
```

While loop Repeat indented code until condition is no longer true

```
i = 2
while i < 10000:
    print("square:", i)
    i = i * i
```

Interruption Exit loops prematurely with **break**, skip to next iteration with **continue**

```
for i in range(0, 50):
    choice = input("quit/skip? ")
    if choice == "quit":
        break
    elif choice == "skip":
        continue
    print("i", i, "i^2", i ** 2)
```

FUNCTIONS

Positional parameters

```
def add(a, b):
    c = a + b
    print("the sum is", c)
add(1, 2)
```

Keyword parameters

```
def greet(name="Jack"):
    print("Hello", name)
greet(name="Jill")
```

Return value

```
def in_file(name):
    path = "../src/" + name
    return path + ".html"
path = in_file("home")
html = open(path).read()
```

Comment aka “docstring”

```
def plural(word):
    """
    Return the plural of
    an English word.
    """
    if word.endswith("s"):
        return word + "es"
    return word + "s"
print("Many", plural("cat"))
```

Lambda alt. syntax for one-liners

```
cubed = lambda i: i ** 3
print("5^3 is ", cubed(5))
```

PROGRAMMING CONCEPTS

Pseudocode A “rough draft”, fake code in English which serves as a middle-ground in the process of converting high-level thought into low-level, real programming code**State diagram** Diagramming what different variables should hold at different times in the execution of your code.**Scope** The idea that variables assigned within functions aren’t accessible outside that function.**Refactor** The process of converting ugly, repetitive code into clean code which follows D.R.Y. (Don’t Repeat Yourself) principles.