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## String Data Type

The most commonly used object in any project and in any programming language is String only. Hence we should aware complete information about String data type.

### What is String?

Any sequence of characters within either single quotes or double quotes is considered as a String.

#### Syntax:

```
s='durga'
s="durga"
```

**Note:** In most of other languages like C, C++,Java, a single character with in single quotes is treated as char data type value. But in Python we are not having char data type.Hence it is treated as String only.

#### Eg:

```
>>> ch='a'
>>> type(ch)
<class 'str'>
```

### How to define multi-line String literals:

We can define multi-line String literals by using triple single or double quotes.

#### Eg:

```
>>> s="""durga
software
solutions"""
```

We can also use triple quotes to use single quotes or double quotes as symbol inside String literal.

#### Eg:

```
s='This is ' single quote symbol' ==>invalid
s='This is \' single quote symbol' ==>valid
s="This is ' single quote symbol"====>valid
s='This is " double quotes symbol' ==>valid
s='The "Python Notes" by 'durga' is very helpful' ==>invalid
s="The "Python Notes" by 'durga' is very helpful"==>invalid
s='The \'Python Notes\' by \'durga\' is very helpful' ==>valid
s='\"The \"Python Notes\" by 'durga' is very helpful'\" ==>valid
```



## How to access characters of a String:

We can access characters of a string by using the following ways.

1. By using index
2. By using slice operator

### 1. By using index:

Python supports both +ve and -ve index.

+ve index means left to right(Forward direction)

-ve index means right to left(Backward direction)

Eg:

```
s='durga'
```

diagram

Eg:

```
>>> s='durga'
```

```
>>> s[0]
```

```
'd'
```

```
>>> s[4]
```

```
'a'
```

```
>>> s[-1]
```

```
'a'
```

```
>>> s[10]
```

```
IndexError: string index out of range
```

Note: If we are trying to access characters of a string with out of range index then we will get error saying : IndexError

Q. Write a program to accept some string from the keyboard and display its characters by index wise(both positive and nEgative index)

test.py:

```
1) s=input("Enter Some String:")
2) i=0
3) for x in s:
4)     print("The character present at positive index {} and at nEgative index {} is {}".format(i,i
      -len(s),x))
5)     i=i+1
```

Output:

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
```

```
Enter Some String:durga
```



The character present at positive index 0 and at negative index -5 is d  
The character present at positive index 1 and at negative index -4 is u  
The character present at positive index 2 and at negative index -3 is r  
The character present at positive index 3 and at negative index -2 is g  
The character present at positive index 4 and at negative index -1 is a

## 2. Accessing characters by using slice operator:

**Syntax:** s[bEginindex:endindex:step]

bEginindex: From where we have to consider slice(substring)

endindex: We have to terminate the slice(substring) at endindex-1

step: incremented value

**Note:** If we are not specifying bEgin index then it will consider from bEginning of the string.

If we are not specifying end index then it will consider up to end of the string

The default value for step is 1

**Eg:**

```
1) >>> s="Learning Python is very very easy!!!"
2) >>> s[1:7:1]
3) 'earnin'
4) >>> s[1:7]
5) 'earnin'
6) >>> s[1:7:2]
7) 'eri'
8) >>> s[:7]
9) 'Learnin'
10) >>> s[7:]
11) 'g Python is very very easy!!!'
12) >>> s[::]
13) 'Learning Python is very very easy!!!'
14) >>> s[:]
15) 'Learning Python is very very easy!!!'
16) >>> s[::-1]
17) '!!!ysae yrev yrev si nohtyP gninraeL'
```

## Behaviour of slice operator:

s[bEgin:end:step]

step value can be either +ve or -ve

if +ve then it should be forward direction(left to right) and we have to consider bEgin to end-1

if -ve then it should be backward direction(right to left) and we have to consider bEgin to end+1



**\*\*\*Note:**

In the backward direction if end value is -1 then result is always empty.

In the forward direction if end value is 0 then result is always empty.

### **In forward direction:**

default value for bEgin: 0

default value for end: length of string

default value for step: +1

### **In backward direction:**

default value for bEgin: -1

default value for end: -(length of string+1)

**Note:** Either forward or backward direction, we can take both +ve and -ve values for bEgin and end index.

## **Mathematical Operators for String:**

We can apply the following mathematical operators for Strings.

1. + operator for concatenation
2. \* operator for repetition

```
print("durga"+"soft") #durgasoft
print("durga"*2) #durgadurga
```

**Note:**

1. To use + operator for Strings, compulsory both arguments should be str type
2. To use \* operator for Strings, compulsory one argument should be str and other argument should be int

## **len() in-built function:**

We can use len() function to find the number of characters present in the string.

**Eg:**

```
s='durga'
print(len(s)) #5
```



**Q. Write a program to access each character of string in forward and backward direction by using while loop?**

```
1) s="Learning Python is very easy !!!"  
2) n=len(s)  
3) i=0  
4) print("Forward direction")  
5) while i<n:  
6)     print(s[i],end=' ')  
7)     i +=1  
8) print("Backward direction")  
9) i=-1  
10) while i>=-n:  
11)     print(s[i],end=' ')  
12)     i=i-1
```

**Alternative ways:**

```
1) s="Learning Python is very easy !!!"  
2) print("Forward direction")  
3) for i in s:  
4)     print(i,end=' ')  
5)  
6) print("Forward direction")  
7) for i in s[::]:  
8)     print(i,end=' ')  
9)  
10) print("Backward direction")  
11) for i in s[::-1]:  
12)     print(i,end=' ')
```

**Checking Membership:**

We can check whether the character or string is the member of another string or not by using in and not in operators

```
s='durga'  
print('d' in s) #True  
print('z' in s) #False
```

**Program:**

```
1) s=input("Enter main string:")  
2) subs=input("Enter sub string:")  
3) if subs in s:  
4)     print(subs,"is found in main string")  
5) else:
```



```
| 6) print(subs,"is not found in main string")
```

**Output:**

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter main string:durgasoftwaresolutions
Enter sub string:durga
durga is found in main string
```

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter main string:durgasoftwaresolutions
Enter sub string:python
python is not found in main string
```

## **Comparison of Strings:**

We can use comparison operators (<,<=,>,>=) and equality operators(==,!=) for strings.

Comparison will be performed based on alphabetical order.

**Eg:**

```
1) s1=input("Enter first string:")
2) s2=input("Enter Second string:")
3) if s1==s2:
4)     print("Both strings are equal")
5) elif s1<s2:
6)     print("First String is less than Second String")
7) else:
8)     print("First String is greater than Second String")
```

**Output:**

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter first string:durga
Enter Second string:durga
Both strings are equal
```

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter first string:durga
Enter Second string:ravi
First String is less than Second String
```

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter first string:durga
Enter Second string:anil
First String is greater than Second String
```



## Removing spaces from the string:

We can use the following 3 methods

1. `rstrip()`==>To remove spaces at right hand side
2. `lstrip()`==>To remove spaces at left hand side
3. `strip()` ==>To remove spaces both sides

Eg:

```
1) city=input("Enter your city Name:")
2) scity=city.strip()
3) if scity=='Hyderabad':
4)     print("Hello Hyderbadi..Adab")
5) elif scity=='Chennai':
6)     print("Hello Madrasi...Vanakkam")
7) elif scity=="Bangalore":
8)     print("Hello Kannadiga...Shubhodaya")
9) else:
10)    print("your entered city is invalid")
```

## Finding Substrings:

We can use the following 4 methods

### For forward direction:

`find()`  
`index()`

### For backward direction:

`rfind()`  
`rindex()`

### 1. find():

`s.find(substring)`

Returns index of first occurrence of the given substring. If it is not available then we will get -1

Eg:

```
1) s="Learning Python is very easy"
```



```
2) print(s.find("Python")) #9
3) print(s.find("Java")) # -1
4) print(s.find("r"))#3
5) print(s.rfind("r"))#21
```

**Note:** By default find() method can search total string. We can also specify the boundaries to search.

`s.find(substring,bEgin,end)`

It will always search from bEgin index to end-1 index

**Eg:**

```
1) s="durgaravipavanshiva"
2) print(s.find('a'))#4
3) print(s.find('a',7,15))#10
4) print(s.find('z',7,15))#-1
```

## index() method:

index() method is exactly same as find() method except that if the specified substring is not available then we will get ValueError.

**Eg:**

```
1) s=input("Enter main string:")
2) subs=input("Enter sub string:")
3) try:
4)     n=s.index(subs)
5) except ValueError:
6)     print("substring not found")
7) else:
8)     print("substring found")
```

## Output:

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter main string:learning python is very easy
Enter sub string:python
substring found
```

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter main string:learning python is very easy
Enter sub string:java
substring not found
```





### Q. Program to display all positions of substring in a given main string

```
1) s=input("Enter main string:")
2) subs=input("Enter sub string:")
3) flag=False
4) pos=-1
5) n=len(s)
6) while True:
7)     pos=s.find(subs,pos+1,n)
8)     if pos== -1:
9)         break
10)    print("Found at position",pos)
11)    flag=True
12) if flag==False:
13)    print("Not Found")
```

#### Output:

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter main string:abbababababacdefg
Enter sub string:a
Found at position 0
Found at position 3
Found at position 5
Found at position 7
Found at position 9
Found at position 11
```

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter main string:abbababababacdefg
Enter sub string:bb
Found at position 1
```

### Counting substring in the given String:

We can find the number of occurrences of substring present in the given string by using count() method.

1. s.count(substring) ==> It will search through out the string
2. s.count(substring, bEgin, end) ==> It will search from bEgin index to end-1 index

#### Eg:

```
1) s="abcabcabcabcadda"
2) print(s.count('a'))
3) print(s.count('ab'))
4) print(s.count('a',3,7))
```



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**Output:**

6  
4  
2

## **Replacing a string with another string:**

`s.replace(oldstring,newstring)`

inside `s`, every occurrence of `oldstring` will be replaced with `newstring`.

**Eg1:**

```
s="Learning Python is very difficult"
s1=s.replace("difficult","easy")
print(s1)
```

**Output:**

Learning Python is very easy

**Eg2:** All occurrences will be replaced

```
s="ababababababab"
s1=s.replace("a","b")
print(s1)
```

**Output:** bbbbbbbbbbbbbbb

## **Q. String objects are immutable then how we can change the content by using replace() method.**

Once we create a string object, we cannot change the content. This non-changeable behaviour is nothing but immutability. If we are trying to change the content by using any method, then with those changes a new object will be created and changes won't be happen in existing object.

Hence with `replace()` method also a new object got created but existing object won't be changed.

**Eg:**

```
s="abab"
s1=s.replace("a","b")
print(s,"is available at :",id(s))
print(s1,"is available at :",id(s1))
```

**Output:**

abab is available at : 4568672  
bbbb is available at : 4568704



In the above example, original object is available and we can see new object which was created because of `replace()` method.

## Splitting of Strings:

We can split the given string according to specified separator by using `split()` method.

```
l=s.split(seperator)
```

The default separator is space. The return type of `split()` method is List

Eg1:

```
1) s="durga software solutions"
2) l=s.split()
3) for x in l:
4)     print(x)
```

Output:

durga  
software  
solutions

Eg2:

```
1) s="22-02-2018"
2) l=s.split('-')
3) for x in l:
4)     print(x)
```

Output:

22  
02  
2018

## Joining of Strings:

We can join a group of strings(list or tuple) wrt the given separator.

```
s=separator.join(group of strings)
```

Eg:

```
t=('sunny','bunny','chinny')
s='.'.join(t)
print(s)
```

Output: sunny-bunny-chinny



### Eg2:

```
l=['hyderabad','singapore','london','dubai']  
s=':'.join(l)  
print(s)
```

hyderabad:singapore:london:dubai

## Changing case of a String:

We can change case of a string by using the following 4 methods.

1. `upper()`====>To convert all characters to upper case
2. `lower()` ====>To convert all characters to lower case
3. `swapcase()`====>converts all lower case characters to upper case and all upper case characters to lower case
4. `title()` ====>To convert all character to title case. i.e first character in every word should be upper case and all remaining characters should be in lower case.
5. `capitalize()` ==>Only first character will be converted to upper case and all remaining characters can be converted to lower case

### Eg:

```
s='learning Python is very Easy'  
print(s.upper())  
print(s.lower())  
print(s.swapcase())  
print(s.title())  
print(s.capitalize())
```

### Output:

```
LEARNING PYTHON IS VERY EASY  
learning python is very easy  
LEARNING pYTHON IS VERY eASY  
Learning Python Is Very Easy  
Learning python is very easy
```

## Checking starting and ending part of the string:

Python contains the following methods for this purpose

1. `s.startswith(substring)`
2. `s.endswith(substring)`

### Eg:

```
s='learning Python is very easy'  
print(s.startswith('learning'))  
print(s.endswith('learning'))  
print(s.endswith('easy'))
```



### Output:

True  
False  
True

## To check type of characters present in a string:

Python contains the following methods for this purpose.

- 1) isalnum(): Returns True if all characters are alphanumeric( a to z , A to Z ,0 to9 )
- 2) isalpha(): Returns True if all characters are only alphabet symbols(a to z,A to Z)
- 3) isdigit(): Returns True if all characters are digits only( 0 to 9)
- 4) islower(): Returns True if all characters are lower case alphabet symbols
- 5) isupper(): Returns True if all characters are upper case alphabet symbols
- 6) istitle(): Returns True if string is in title case
- 7) isspace(): Returns True if string contains only spaces

### Eg:

```
print('Durga786'.isalnum())    #True
print('durga786'.isalpha())    #False
print('durga'.isalpha())       #True
print('durga'.isdigit())       #False
print('786786'.isdigit())      #True
print('abc'.islower())         #True
print('Abc'.islower())         #False
print('abc123'.islower())      #True
print('ABC'.isupper())         #True
print('Learning python is Easy'.istitle()) #False
print('Learning Python Is Easy'.istitle()) #True
print(' '.isspace())           #True
```

### Demo Program:

```
1) s=input("Enter any character:")
2) if s.isalnum():
3)     print("Alpha Numeric Character")
4)     if s.isalpha():
5)         print("Alphabet character")
6)         if s.islower():
7)             print("Lower case alphabet character")
8)         else:
9)             print("Upper case alphabet character")
10)    else:
11)        print("it is a digit")
12)    elif s.isspace():
13)        print("It is space character")
14)    else:
```



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| 15) `print("Non Space Special Character")`

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter any character:7
Alpha Numeric Character
it is a digit
```

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter any character:a
Alpha Numeric Character
Alphabet character
Lower case alphabet character
```

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter any character:$
Non Space Special Character
```

```
D:\python_classes>py test.py
Enter any character:A
Alpha Numeric Character
Alphabet character
Upper case alphabet character
```

## Formatting the Strings:

We can format the strings with variable values by using replacement operator {} and format() method.

### Eg:

```
name='durga'
salary=10000
age=48
print("{} 's salary is {} and his age is {}".format(name,salary,age))
print("{0} 's salary is {1} and his age is {2}".format(name,salary,age))
print("{x} 's salary is {y} and his age is {z}".format(z=age,y=salary,x=name))
```

### Output:

```
durga 's salary is 10000 and his age is 48
durga 's salary is 10000 and his age is 48
durga 's salary is 10000 and his age is 48
```



## Important Programs rEgarding String Concept

### Q1. Write a program to reverse the given String

input: durga  
output: agrud

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Way:

```
s=input("Enter Some String:")  
print(s[::-1])
```

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Way:

```
s=input("Enter Some String:")  
print(''.join(reversed(s)))
```

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Way:

```
s=input("Enter Some String:")  
i=len(s)-1  
target=""  
while i>=0:  
    target=target+s[i]  
    i=i-1  
print(target)
```

### Q2. Program to reverse order of words.

```
1) input: Learning Python is very Easy  
2) output: Easy Very is Python Learning  
3)  
4) s=input("Enter Some String:")  
5) l=s.split()  
6) l1=[]  
7) i=len(l)-1  
8) while i>=0:  
9)     l1.append(l[i])  
10)    i=i-1  
11) output=' '.join(l1)  
12) print(output)
```

#### Output:

Enter Some String:Learning Python is very easy!!  
easy!!! very is Python Learning



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**Q3. Program to reverse internal content of each word.**

**input:** Durga Software Solutions

**output:** agruD erawtfoS snoituloS

```
1) s=input("Enter Some String:")
2) l=s.split()
3) l1=[]
4) i=0
5) while i<len(l):
6)     l1.append(l[i][::-1])
7)     i=i+1
8) output=' '.join(l1)
9) print(output)
```

**Q4. Write a program to print characters at odd position and even position for the given String?**

**1<sup>st</sup> Way:**

```
s=input("Enter Some String:")
print("Characters at Even Position:",s[0::2])
print("Characters at Odd Position:",s[1::2])
```

**2<sup>nd</sup> Way:**

```
1) s=input("Enter Some String:")
2) i=0
3) print("Characters at Even Position:")
4) while i<len(s):
5)     print(s[i],end=',')
6)     i=i+2
7) print()
8) print("Characters at Odd Position:")
9) i=1
10) while i<len(s):
11)     print(s[i],end=',')
12)     i=i+2
```

**Q5. Program to merge characters of 2 strings into a single string by taking characters alternatively.**

```
s1="ravi"
s2="reja"
```

**output:** rtaevjia





```
1) s1=input("Enter First String:")
2) s2=input("Enter Second String:")
3) output=""
4) i,j=0,0
5) while i<len(s1) or j<len(s2):
6)     if i<len(s1):
7)         output=output+s1[i]
8)         i+=1
9)     if j<len(s2):
10)        output=output+s2[j]
11)        j+=1
12) print(output)
```

**Output:**

Enter First String:durga  
Enter Second String:ravisoft  
druarvgiasoft

**Q6. Write a program to sort the characters of the string and first alphabet symbols followed by numeric values**

**input:** B4A1D3

**Output:** ABD134

```
1) s=input("Enter Some String:")
2) s1=s2=output=""
3) for x in s:
4)     if x.isalpha():
5)         s1=s1+x
6)     else:
7)         s2=s2+x
8) for x in sorted(s1):
9)     output=output+x
10) for x in sorted(s2):
11)     output=output+x
12) print(output)
```

**Q7. Write a program for the following requirement**

**input:** a4b3c2

**output:** aaaabbbcc

```
1) s=input("Enter Some String:")
2) output=""
3) for x in s:
4)     if x.isalpha():
5)         output=output+x
6)         previous=x
```



```
7) else:
8)     output=output+previous*(int(x)-1)
9) print(output)
```

**Note:** chr(unicode)===>The corresponding character  
ord(character)===>The corresponding unicode value

**Q8. Write a program to perform the following activity**

**input:** a4k3b2

**output:** aeknbd

```
1) s=input("Enter Some String:")
2) output=""
3) for x in s:
4)     if x.isalpha():
5)         output=output+x
6)         previous=x
7)     else:
8)         output=output+chr(ord(previous)+int(x))
9) print(output)
```

**Q9. Write a program to remove duplicate characters from the given input string?**

**input:** ABCDABBCDABBBCCCDDEEEF

**output:** ABCDEF

```
1) s=input("Enter Some String:")
2) l=[]
3) for x in s:
4)     if x not in l:
5)         l.append(x)
6) output="".join(l)
7) print(output)
```

**Q10. Write a program to find the number of occurrences of each character present in the given String?**

**input:** ABCABCABBCDE

**output:** A-3,B-4,C-3,D-1,E-1

```
1) s=input("Enter the Some String:")
2) d={}
3) for x in s:
4)     if x in d.keys():
5)         d[x]=d[x]+1
6)     else:
7)         d[x]=1
```



```
8) for k,v in d.items():  
9)     print("{} = {} Times".format(k,v))
```

## Formatting the Strings:

We can format the strings with variable values by using replacement operator {} and format() method.

The main objective of format() method to format string into meaningful output form.

### Case- 1: Basic Formatting for default, positional and keyword arguments

```
name='durga'  
salary=10000  
age=48  
print("{} 's salary is {} and his age is {}".format(name,salary,age))  
print("{} 's salary is {} and his age is {}".format(name,salary,age))  
print("{} 's salary is {} and his age is {}".format(z=age,y=salary,x=name))
```

#### Output:

```
durga 's salary is 10000 and his age is 48  
durga 's salary is 10000 and his age is 48  
durga 's salary is 10000 and his age is 48
```

### Case-2: Formatting Numbers

d--->Decimal IntEger  
f----->Fixed point number(float).The default precision is 6  
b-->Binary format  
o--->Octal Format  
x-->Hexa Decimal Format(Lower case)  
X-->Hexa Decimal Format(Upper case)

#### Eg-1:

```
print("The intEger number is: {}".format(123))  
print("The intEger number is: {:d}".format(123))  
print("The intEger number is: {:5d}".format(123))  
print("The intEger number is: {:05d}".format(123))
```

#### Output:

```
The intEger number is: 123  
The intEger number is: 123  
The intEger number is:  123  
The intEger number is: 00123
```

#### Eg-2:

```
print("The float number is: {}".format(123.4567))  
print("The float number is: {:.f}".format(123.4567))
```



```
print("The float number is: {:.3f}".format(123.4567))
print("The float number is: {:08.3f}".format(123.4567))
print("The float number is: {:08.3f}".format(123.45))
print("The float number is: {:08.3f}".format(786786123.45))
```

**Output:**

The float number is: 123.4567  
The float number is: 123.456700  
The float number is: 123.457  
The float number is: 0123.457  
The float number is: 0123.450  
The float number is: 786786123.450

**Note:**

**`{:08.3f}`**

Total positions should be minimum 8.

After decimal point exactly 3 digits are allowed. If it is less then 0s will be placed in the last positions

If total number is < 8 positions then 0 will be placed in MSBs

If total number is > 8 positions then all integral digits will be considered.

The extra digits we can take only 0

**Note:** For numbers default alignment is Right Alignment(>)

**Eg-3:** Print Decimal value in binary, octal and hexadecimal form

```
print("Binary Form:{0:b}".format(153))
print("Octal Form:{0:o}".format(153))
print("Hexa decimal Form:{0:x}".format(154))
print("Hexa decimal Form:{0:X}".format(154))
```

**Output:**

Binary Form:10011001  
Octal Form:231  
Hexa decimal Form:9a  
Hexa decimal Form:9A

**Note:** We can represent only int values in binary, octal and hexadecimal and it is not possible for float values.

**Note:**

**`{:5d}`** It takes an integer argument and assigns a minimum width of 5.

**`{:8.3f}`** It takes a float argument and assigns a minimum width of 8 including "." and after decimal point exactly 3 digits are allowed with round operation if required

**`{:05d}`** The blank places can be filled with 0. In this place only 0 allowed.



### Case-3: Number formatting for signed numbers

While displaying positive numbers, if we want to include + then we have to write

`{:+d}` and `{:+f}`

Using plus for -ve numbers there is no use and for -ve numbers - sign will come automatically.

```
print("int value with sign:{:+d}".format(123))
print("int value with sign:{:+d}".format(-123))
print("float value with sign:{:+f}".format(123.456))
print("float value with sign:{:+f}".format(-123.456))
```

#### Output:

```
int value with sign:+123
int value with sign:-123
float value with sign:+123.456000
float value with sign:-123.456000
```

### Case-4: Number formatting with alignment

<, >, ^ and = are used for alignment

<==> Left Alignment to the remaining space

^==> Center alignment to the remaining space

>==> Right alignment to the remaining space

= ==> Forces the signed(+) (-) to the left most position

Note: Default Alignment for numbers is Right Alignment.

#### Ex:

```
1) print("{:5d}".format(12))
2) print("{:<5d}".format(12))
3) print("{:<05d}".format(12))
4) print("{:>5d}".format(12))
5) print("{:>05d}".format(12))
6) print("{:^5d}".format(12))
7) print("{:=5d}".format(-12))
8) print("{:^10.3f}".format(12.23456))
9) print("{:=8.3f}".format(-12.23456))
```

#### Output:

```
12
12
12000
12
00012
12
-12
```



12.235  
- 12.235

#### Case-5: String formatting with format()

Similar to numbers, we can format String values also with format() method.

s.format(string)

Eg:

```
1) print("{:5d}".format(12))
2) print("{:5}".format("rat"))
3) print("{:>5}".format("rat"))
4) print("{:<5}".format("rat"))
5) print("{:^5}".format("rat"))
6) print("{:*^5}".format("rat")) #Instead of * we can use any character(like +,$,a etc)
```

Output:

12  
rat  
rat  
rat  
rat  
\*rat\*

Note: For numbers default alignment is right where as for strings default alignment is left

#### Case-6: Truncating Strings with format() method

```
1) print("{:.3}".format("durgasoftware"))
2) print("{:5.3}".format("durgasoftware"))
3) print("{:>5.3}".format("durgasoftware"))
4) print("{:^5.3}".format("durgasoftware"))
5) print("{:*^5.3}".format("durgasoftware"))
```

Output:

dur  
dur  
dur  
dur  
\*dur\*

#### Case-7: Formatting dictionary members using format()

```
1) person={'age':48,'name':'durga'}
2) print("{p[name]}'s age is: {p[age]}".format(p=person))
```



### Output:

durga's age is: 48

Note: p is alias name of dictionary

person dictionary we are passing as keyword argument

More convenient way is to use `**person`

### Eg:

```
1) person={'age':48,'name':'durga'}
2) print("{name}'s age is: {age}".format(**person))
```

### Output:

durga's age is: 48

### Case-8: Formatting class members using format()

### Eg:

```
1) class Person:
2)     age=48
3)     name="durga"
4) print("{p.name}'s age is :{p.age}".format(p=Person()))
```

### Output:

durga's age is :48

### Eg:

```
1) class Person:
2)     def __init__(self,name,age):
3)         self.name=name
4)         self.age=age
5) print("{p.name}'s age is :{p.age}".format(p=Person('durga',48)))
6) print("{p.name}'s age is :{p.age}".format(p=Person('Ravi',50)))
```

**Note:** Here Person object is passed as keyword argument. We can access by using its reference variable in the template string

### Case-9: Dynamic Formatting using format()

```
1) string="{:{fill}{align}{width}}"
2) print(string.format('cat',fill='*',align='^',width=5))
3) print(string.format('cat',fill='*',align='^',width=6))
4) print(string.format('cat',fill='*',align='<',width=6))
5) print(string.format('cat',fill='*',align='>',width=6))
```



**Output:**

```
*cat*  
*cat**  
cat***  
***cat
```

**Case-10:** Dynamic Float format template

```
1) num="{:{align}{width}.{precision}f}"  
2) print(num.format(123.236,align='<',width=8,precision=2))  
3) print(num.format(123.236,align='>',width=8,precision=2))
```

**Output:**

```
123.24  
123.24
```

**Case-11:** Formatting Date values

```
1) import datetime  
2) #datetime formatting  
3) date=datetime.datetime.now()  
4) print("It's now:{:%d/%m/%Y %H:%M:%S}".format(date))
```

**Output:** It's now:09/03/2018 12:36:26

**Case-12:** Formatting complex numbers

```
1) complexNumber=1+2j  
2) print("Real Part:{0.real} and Imaginary Part:{0.imag}".format(complexNumber))
```

**Output:** Real Part:1.0 and Imaginary Part:2.0