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Type Casting:

Type casting means converting one data type into another.

Python supports TWO type of type casting--

1.Implicit Type Casting (Type Conversion) → Done automatically by Python.

2.Explicit Type Casting (Type Casting) → Done manually by the programmer.

1.Implicit Type Casting

Python automatically converts smaller data types into larger data types to avoid data loss.

```
In [1]: a = 5
                   # int
        b = 2.5 # float
        result = a + b # int + float → float
        print(result) # 7.5
        print(type(result)) # <class 'float'>
       7.5
       <class 'float'>
In [2]: x = 10
        y = str(x) \# int \rightarrow str
        print(y, type(y)) # "10" <class 'str'>
        z = int("20") # str \rightarrow int
        print(z, type(z)) # 20 <class 'int'>
       10 <class 'str'>
       20 <class 'int'>
In [3]: a = 9.8
        b = int(a) # float → int (decimal part removed)
        print(b)
                 # 9
        c = float(7) \# int \rightarrow float
        print(c) # 7.0
       7.0
In [4]: # List ↔ Tuple
        nums = [1, 2, 3]
        nums_tuple = tuple(nums)
        print(nums_tuple) # (1, 2, 3)
        # String → List
        s = "hello"
        letters = list(s)
        print(letters) # ['h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']
        # List → Set
```

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```
nums_set = set(nums)
print(nums_set) # {1, 2, 3}

(1, 2, 3)
['h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']
{1, 2, 3}

In [5]: print(bool(0)) # False
print(bool("")) # False
print(bool([])) # False
print(bool(123)) # True
print(bool("Hi")) # True
False
False
False
False
True
True
```

id() Function in Python:

- The id() function in Python returns the unique identity (memory address) of an object.
- Each object in Python has an id.
- This id is unique and constant for the object during its lifetime.

```
In [6]: x = 10
y = 10
z = [10]

print(id(x))  # memory address of int 10
print(id(y))  # same as x, because Python caches small integers
print(id(z))  # different, since list is a new object

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Tips:

1. Immutable objects (like int, str, tuple) → if two variables store the same value, they may share the same id (due to interning/caching).

```
In [7]: a = "hello"
b = "hello"
print(id(a) == id(b)) # True
```

True

2. Mutable objects (like list, dict, set) → even if they look the same, different objects have different ids.

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False

- 3. is vs ==
- == checks value equality
- is checks object identity (id)