

**Course 1905**

# **Python Programming Introduction**

# Introduction and Overview

Customer  
Management  
Standard  
Development  
Consistency  
Business  
Optimal

# Course Objectives

**Upon completion of this course, you will be able to**

- **Create, edit, and execute Python programs in Eclipse**
- **Use Python simple data types and collections of these types**
- **Control execution flow: conditional testing, loops, and exception handling**
- **Encapsulate code into reusable units with functions and modules**
- **Employ classes, inheritance, and polymorphism for an object-oriented approach**
- **Read and write data from multiple file formats**
- **Query relational databases using SQL statements within a Python program**
- **Display and manage GUI components, including labels, buttons, entry, and menus**
- **Create a web application with the Django framework**

GUI = graphical user interface

SQL = structured query language





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# Chapter 1

# Python Overview

# Chapter Objectives

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**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

- **Describe the uses and benefits of Python**
- **Enter statements into the Python console**
- **Create, edit, and execute Python programs in Eclipse**
- **Identify sources of documentation**



## ➤ **Python Background**

- **Executing Python**
- **Documentation Resources**



# A Definition of Python

- **An object-oriented, open-source programming language**
  - Inheritance, encapsulation, and polymorphism supported
  - Freedom to use Python and its applications for no charge
- **A general-purpose language used for a wide variety of application types**
  - Text and numeric processing
  - Operating system utilities and networking through the standard library
  - GUI and web applications through third-party libraries
- **Python Software Foundation (PSF) controls the copyright and development of the language after version 2.1**
  - An independent nonprofit group
  - Guido Van Rossum started creating the language in 1989
    - Known as the Benevolent Dictator For Life (BDFL)
    - Leads language development and selection of new features





## ➤ **Simple solutions**

- Code should clearly express an idea or task

## ➤ **Readability**

- White space and indentation to define blocks of code
- Less coding required as compared to the equivalent .NET, C++, or Java
  - Decreases development and maintenance time requirements

## ➤ **Dynamic typing and polymorphism**

- No data type declarations
- Operator and method overloading
  - Operators are evaluated at runtime based on the expression type



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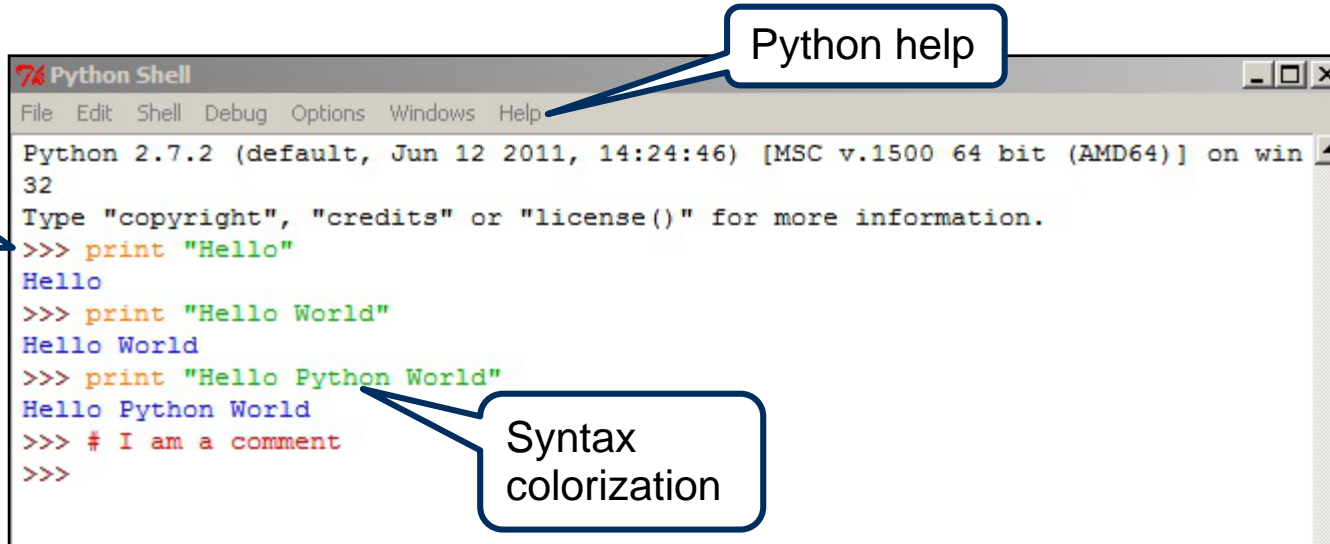
# Accessing the Interpreter

- **Console provides a command-line interface to the interpreter**
  - Executes commands interactively
  - Has a built-in help system
- **Statements are executed in the same manner as when run from a file**
  - Enables testing as you write
  - Copy code from an editor and paste into the console
  - History mechanism retrieves previous statements
    - Modify before executing
- **In this course, there are two interfaces to the command interpreter**
  - Launch the IDLE application from a taskbar button
  - Launch the console from a taskbar button



## 1. Access the application using the button

- Provides a command-line interpreter
  - Also an editor and help browser



Python help

Command prompt

```
Python 2.7.2 (default, Jun 12 2011, 14:24:46) [MSC v.1500 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> print "Hello"
Hello
>>> print "Hello World"
Hello World
>>> print "Hello Python World"
Hello Python World
>>> # I am a comment
>>>
```

Syntax colorization





## 2. Enter the following statements:

```
>>> print "Hello"  
Hello
```

Press <Enter>

## 3. Use <Alt><P> to access the previous print, then <Left arrow> to move within the string; append the text world

```
>>> print "Hello World"  
Hello World
```

## 4. Use <Alt><P> to access the previous print, then <Left arrow> to move to the middle of the string; insert the text Python

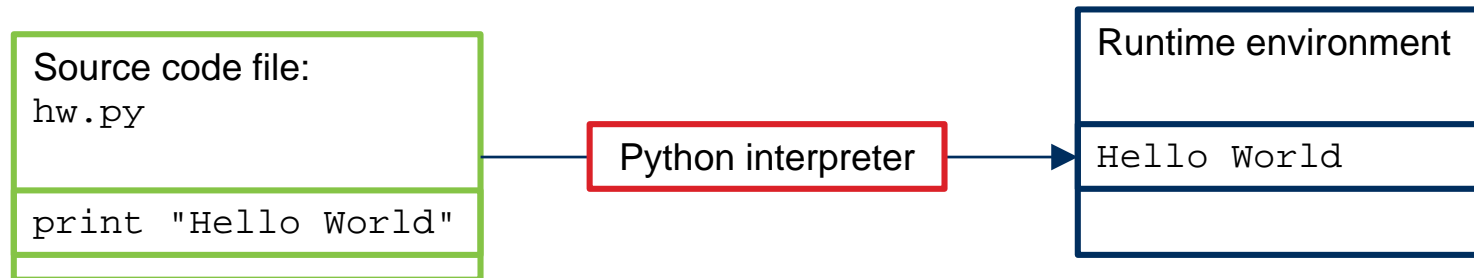
```
>>> print "Hello Python World"  
Hello Python World
```



# The Python Interpreter

## ➤ Executes source code statements

- Entered interactively from a console
- Read from a text file
  - A Python program



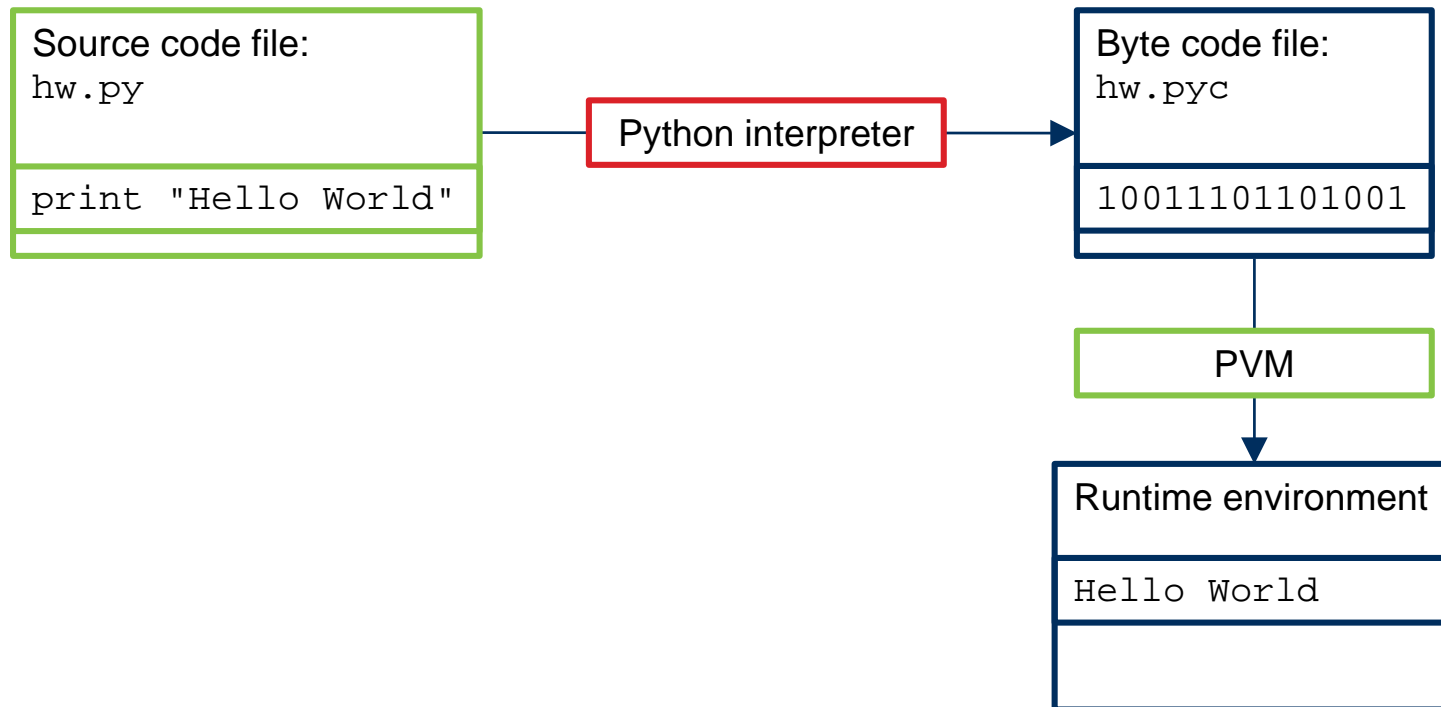
# The Python Interpreter


## ➤ Can optionally create byte code

- Byte code is machine architecture independent
- Byte code files have `.pyc` extension

## ➤ Byte code is executed by the Python Virtual Machine (PVM)

- Operating system dependent



1. Access Eclipse using the  button
2. Create a new file by following the menu path File | New | File
3. Enter `Ex2_1` as the parent folder and `first.py` as the file name
4. Input the following lines into the editor pane:

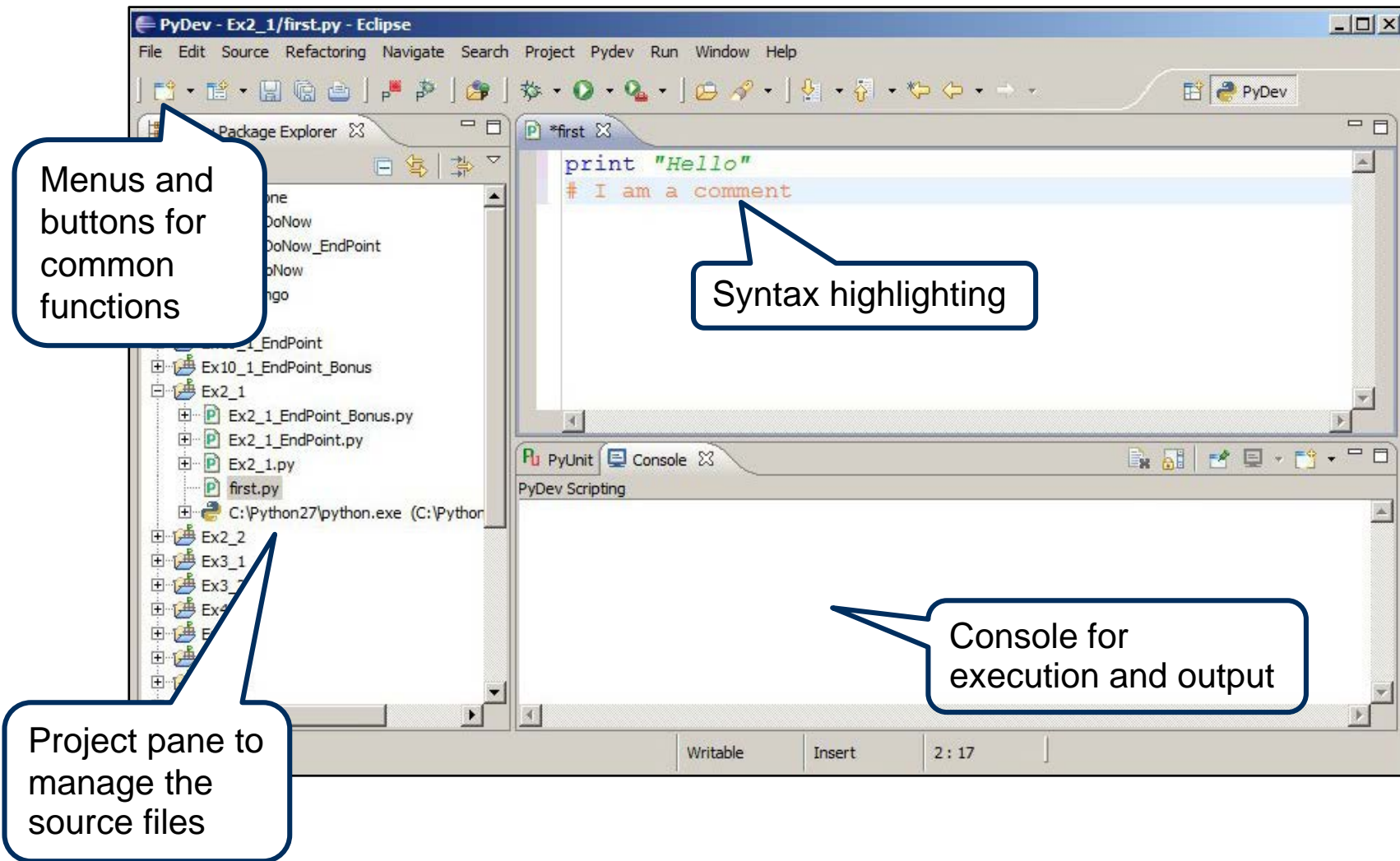
```
print "Hello"  
# I am a comment
```

5. Save the editor contents by following the menu path File | Save
6. Execute your program by following the menu path Run | Run and selecting Python Run from the Run As pop-up
  - Output appears in the console under the editor pane

```
Hello
```







- **Python Background**
- **Executing Python**
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## ➤ **Comments in source code follow the # character**

- Remainder of the line is ignored
- No block format

## ➤ **Doc strings**

- Describe larger code sections
  - Written at the top of modules, functions, classes
- Enclosed in a set of triple quotation marks
- Available as the `__doc__` attribute of an object

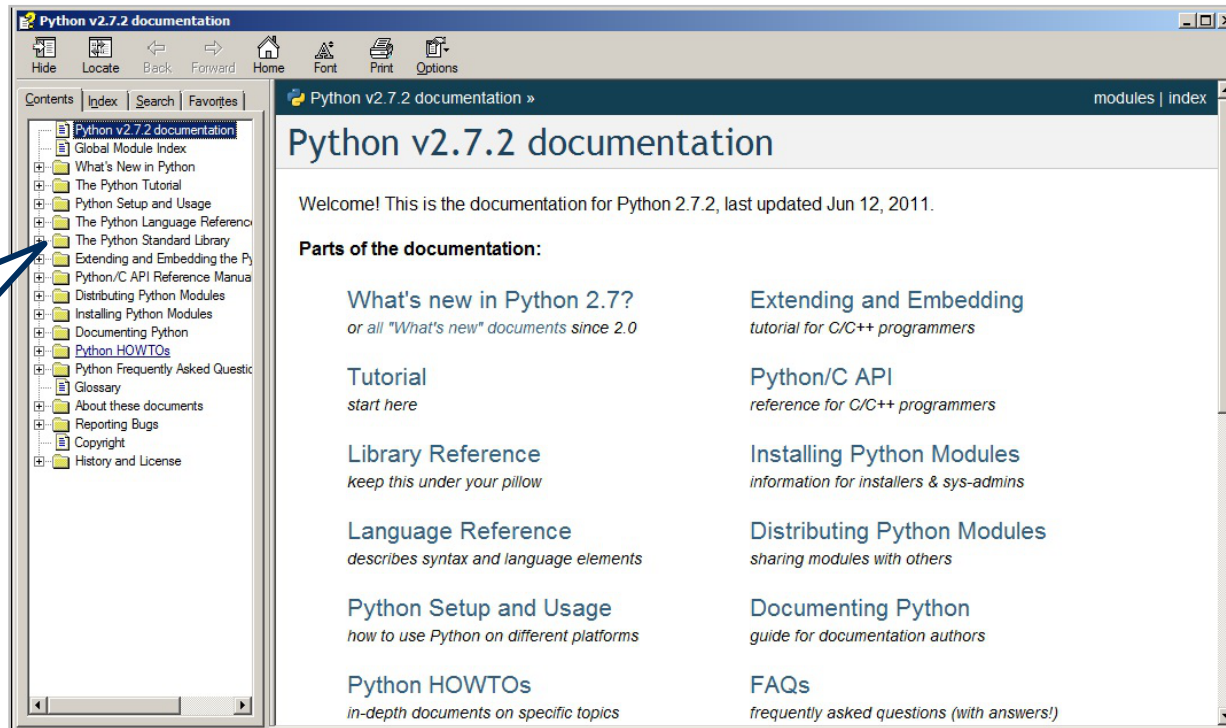
## ➤ **Built-in `help()` function**

- Console interface to PyDoc



## ➤ PyDoc

- Accesses docstrings and presents them with a GUI or HTML interface



HTML = hypertext markup language





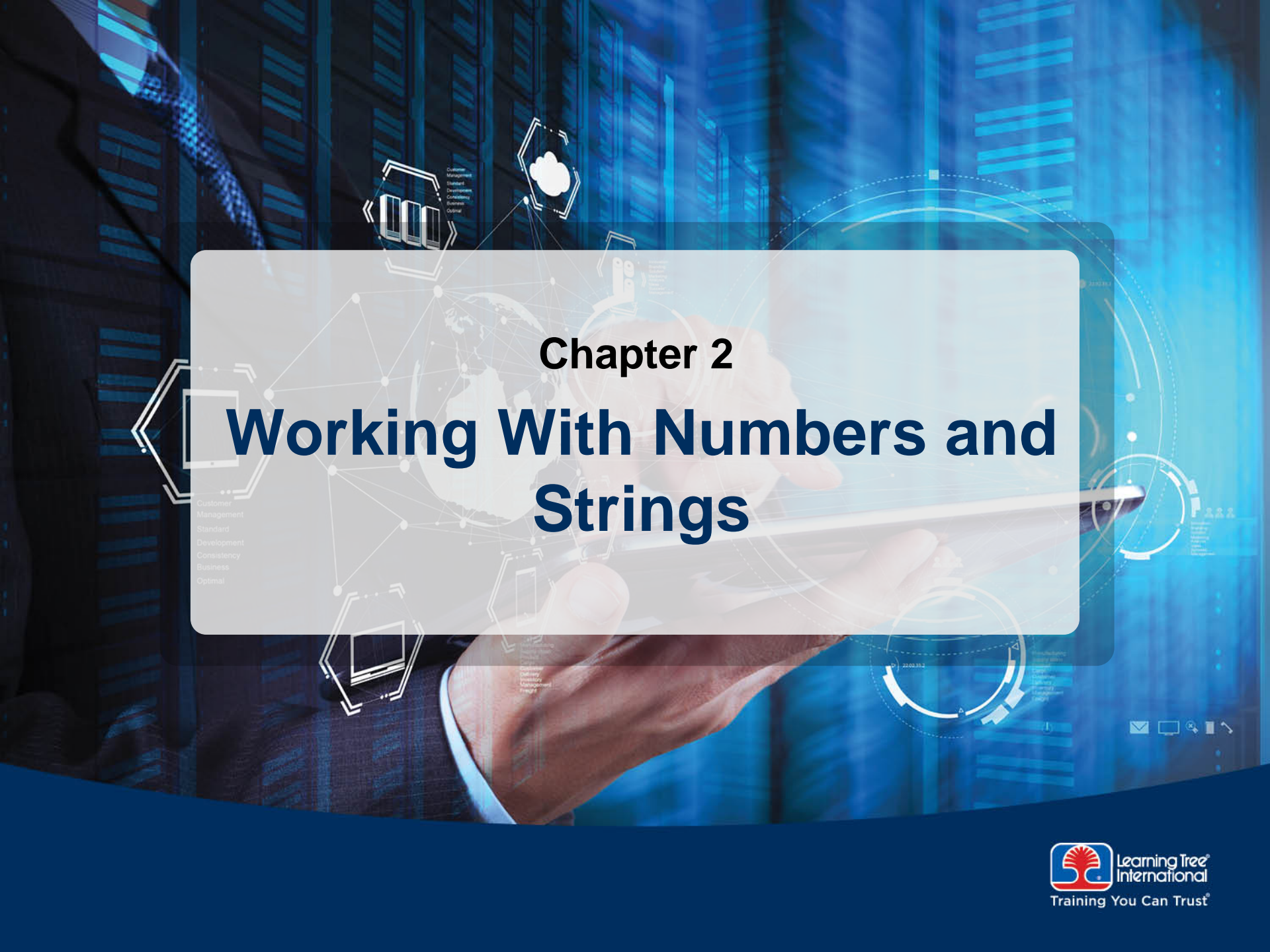
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**You are now able to**

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# Chapter 2

# Working With Numbers and Strings

# Chapter Objectives

**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

➤ **Write simple Python programs**

- Create variables
- Manipulate numeric values
- Manipulate string values
- Make decisions



- **Objects and Variables**
  - **Numeric Types and Operations**
  - **String Types and Operations**
  - **Conditionals**



# Python Objects

## ➤ An object is an instance of a data value stored in a memory location

- Memory is allocated when the object is created
  - Built-in function `id()` shows memory address
- Memory is reclaimed when the object is no longer referenced
  - *Garbage collection*
- `1`, `2.5`, and `'Welcome'` are all objects

## ➤ An object has a *type*

- Built-in function `type()` shows type
- `1` is an integer type
- `2.5` is a floating point type
- `'Welcome'` is a string type

## ➤ An object's type constrains the operations on that object

- Arithmetic on integer or floating point types
- Concatenation on a string type



# Objects Illustrated

```
>>> 1
1
>>> id(1)
14539386
>>> type(1)
<type 'int'>
```

```
>>> 1 + 2
3
```

14539386  
int  
1

Memory address  
Type  
Value

14539386  
int  
1

14539634  
int  
2

14539740  
int  
3



# Variables

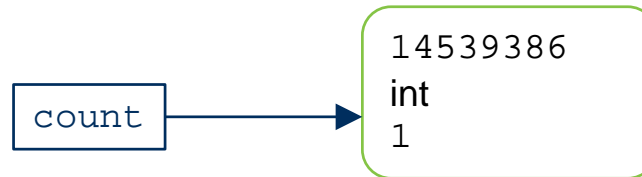
- **A variable is a named reference to an object**
  - Operations on variables use the object referenced
  - Operations are constrained by the type of the object
  - Variable instance is created when an object is assigned
    - *An identifier*
- **A variable is modified by assigning a different object**
- **May reference any type of object**





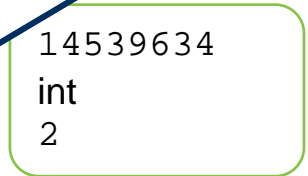
# Variables Illustrated

```
>>> count = 1
>>> count
1
```



Built-in garbage collection will reclaim these memory locations when no longer used

```
>>> count = count + 2
>>> count
3
```



```
>>> count = "Dracula"
>>> count
Dracula
```



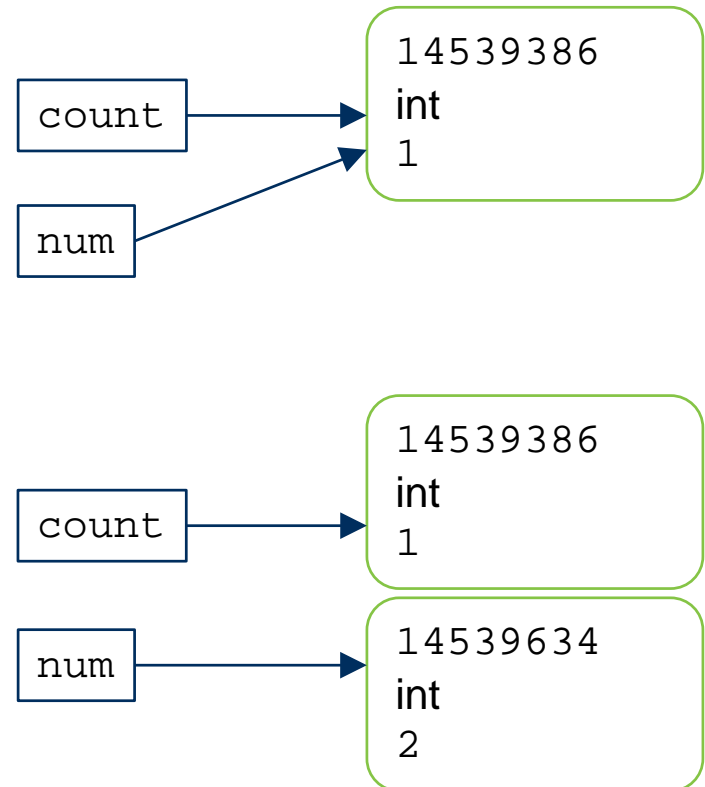
# Shared Reference

- **Multiple variables reference the same object**
  - Created by assigning one variable to another
    - Or the same object to both
  - Confirmed through object identity test operator `is`

Boolean result

```
>>> count = 1
>>> count
1
>>> num = count
>>> num
1
>>> num is count
True
```

```
>>> num = 2
>>> num
2
>>> num is count
False
```



# Naming Rules

- **Start with letter or underscore**
  - Followed by any number of letters, digits, or underscores
    - Case sensitive
- **May not be a keyword**
  - Should not be a built-in name
- **PEP 8, the style guide for Python, recommends lowercase with underscores as necessary**
  - `firstname`
  - `first_name`



- **Objects and Variables**
- **Numeric Types and Operations**
- **String Types and Operations**
- **Conditionals**



# Python Built-In Types

## ➤ **Immutable types**

- String literals
- Arithmetic literals
  - Integer, floating point



## ➤ **Collection types**

- Lists, dictionaries, and sets are mutable
- Tuples are immutable



# Numeric Objects

## ➤ Numbers are a core Python type

## ➤ Integers can be represented exactly in memory and have no fractional part

- Examples:

4            123            0

- May be specified in octal, hexadecimal, or binary representation
  - Example: 014, 0xC, and 0b1100 are equivalent to decimal 12

## ➤ Floating point objects have an integer portion and a fractional portion

- Examples:

4.0            123.56            0.000001            1.5e10            6.9E-6

- Floating point objects are represented as approximations in memory

## ➤ Complex number objects are stored as two floating point values

- For the real and imaginary parts



# Numeric Operators



( )	Raise precedence level
a ** b	Exponentiation
~a	Bitwise NOT
-a	Negation
+a	Identity
a * b	Multiplication
a / b	True division
a // b	Floor division
a % b	Modulus
a + b	Addition
a - b	Subtraction
a << b, a >> b	Bit shift
a & b	Bitwise AND
a ^ b	Bitwise exclusive OR
a   b	Bitwise OR
a < b, a <= b, a > b, a >= b	Relational
a != b, a == b	Equality
=, +=, -=, *=, /=, %=	Assignment





# Numeric Operators Example

```
>>> count = 1
>>> count = count + 1
>>> count
2
>>> count += 1
>>> count
3
>>> num = 2
>>> num < count
True
>>> count == 3
True
```

Multiple  
precedence  
levels

Compound  
assignment

Comparisons  
yield Boolean  
results



# Numeric Operation Type

- Results of operations on objects of the same type yield results of the same type
- Results of operations on objects of mixed types are converted to the bigger type

```
>>> 5 / 3
```

```
1
```

```
>>> 5 % 3
```

```
2
```

```
>>> 5 // 3
```

```
1
```

```
>>> 5.0 / 3.0
```

```
1.6666666666666667
```

```
>>> 5.0 // -3.0
```

```
-2.0
```

All integer

```
>>> 5 / 3.0
```

```
1.6666666666666667
```

```
>>> 5 % 3.0
```

```
2.0
```

```
>>> 5 // 3.0
```

```
1.0
```

Result is floating point

Floor division, //, always rounds down



**Python 3 integer division always yields a floating point result**



# Arithmetic Typing Functions

➤ The `float()` and `int()` functions return the argument in the specified type

- Argument may be the string representation of a numeric value
- Argument may be an expression

```
>>> num = '100'
>>> float(num)
100.0
>>> int(num)
100
>>> num
'100'
>>> int(9.0 / 5.0)
1
>>> int('9 / 5')
```

String representation  
of a numeric value

Raises ValueError  
exception



# Arithmetic Base Functions

- The `oct()`, `hex()`, and `bin()` functions return the argument as a string in the specified base

```
>>> num1 = 12
>>> oct(num1)
'014'
>>> hex(num1)
'0xc'
>>> bin(num1)
'0b1100'
```

Base-10 value

- The `int()` function converts a string representation of a base into an integer

```
>>> int('10')
10
>>> int('10', base=8)
8
>>> int('10', base=16)
16
>>> int('10', base=2)
2
```



# print Statement

- **Accepts a comma-delimited series of expressions**
- **Converts the expressions into strings and writes them to standard output**
  - Output is terminated by a newline
    - Newline is suppressed if argument list ends with a comma

```
>>> emp_id = 45733
>>> sal = 150000.00
>>> print emp_id, sal
45733 150000.00
>>> print emp_id, ',', sal
45733 , 150000.00
```



**print is a function in Python 3**

```
>>> emp_id = 45733
>>> sal = 150000.00
>>> print(emp_id, sal, sep=',')
45733,150000.00
```



- **Electronic, interactive exercise manual**
- **Offers an enhanced learning experience**
  - Some courses provide folded steps that adapt to your skill level
  - Code is easily copied from the manual
  - After class, the manual can be accessed remotely for continued reference and practice
- **Printed and downloaded copies show all detail levels (hints and answers are unfolded)**



## 1. Launch AdaptaLearn by double-clicking its icon on the desktop

- Move the AdaptaLearn window to the side of your screen or shrink it to leave room for a work area for your development tools

## 2. Select an exercise from the exercise menu


- Zoom in and out of the AdaptaLearn window
- Toggle between the AdaptaLearn window and your other windows

## 3. Look for a folded area introduced with blue text (not available in all courses)

- Click the text to see how folds work

## 4. Try to copy and paste text from the manual

- Some courses have code boxes that make it easy to copy areas of text while highlighted (as shown)

9.  **Web only:** Move to the Page\_Load method and it becomes the game-saving logic; i.e., change all game and both occurrences of CardDeck to TehiGame.

**Web only:** The completed code should look like:

To copy to the clipboard, type Ctrl+C while highlighted

```
game = (TehiGame)Session["game"];
if (game == null)
{
    game = new TehiGame();
    Session["game"] = game;
}
```





# Hands-On Exercise 2.1

*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 2.1: Arithmetic and Numeric Types*



➤ Provides many additional arithmetic capabilities

➤ Is part of Python's standard library



- `import` to make the functions available
  - References to objects within the module's namespace require a qualified name

```
>>> import math
>>> math.pow(2,3)
```

```
8.0
```

```
>>> math.sqrt(4)
```

```
2.0
```

```
>>> math.factorial(4)
```

```
24
```

```
>>> math.pi
```

```
3.141592653589793
```

Functions from  
the module

Constant from  
the module



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# String Objects

## ➤ String values are defined between a pair of quotation marks

- Single and double quotes are equivalent
- Triple quotes of either type are allowed

```
>>> name = 'Guido'  
>>> question = "Don't you love Python?"  
>>> question = ''' Don't you love Python?'''
```

## ➤ Strings are the core Python type `str`

- Sequence type
  - Series of single characters ordered left to right by position
  - Individual elements can be referenced
- Immutable type
  - Object cannot be changed



# String Slicing

## ➤ A slice is a portion of a sequence

- Described by its offset
- Slice boundary is a range specified in `[start:end]`

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
A	t	l	a	n	t	i	c		O	c	e	a	n

```
>>> sea = 'Atlantic Ocean'
```

```
>>> sea[0]
```

```
'A'
```

```
>>> sea[0:8]
```

```
'Atlantic'
```

```
>>> sea[:8]
```

```
'Atlantic'
```

```
>>> sea[9:]
```

```
'Ocean'
```

```
>>> sea[:]
```

```
'Atlantic Ocean'
```

Bounded slice

Unbounded slices  
extend to an end

Entire sequence



# String Slicing

➤ **An offset may be described from either end of the string**

- Use a negative offset

0    1    2    3    4    5    6    7    8    9    10    11    12    13

A	t	l	a	n	t	i	c		O	c	e	a	n
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	---	---	---	---	---

-14   -13   -12   -11   -10   -9   -8   -7   -6   -5   -4   -3   -2   -1

```
>>> sea[-1]
'n'
>>> sea[-5:]
'Ocean'
>>> sea[-1:-5]
''
```

Undefined slice yields  
an empty string

Always the last  
reference from  
a sequence



# String Slicing

## ➤ A step or stride may access nonsequential values

- Use `[start:end:step]`

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
A	t	l	a	n	t	i	c		o	c	e	a	n
-14	-13	-12	-11	-10	-9	-8	-7	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1

```
>>> sea[1:12:2]
'tatcOe'
>>> sea[-1:-5:-1]
'naecO'
>>> sea[::-1]
'naecO citnaltA'
>>> sea[9] = 'o'
```

Every second  
element from 1 to 12

String reversal

String is immutable

```
Traceback (most recent call ...
TypeError: 'str' object does not
support item assignment
```





# String Operations

- **Operators create and return new string objects**
  - + concatenation
  - \* repetition
- **The `str()` function returns its argument as a string**

Concatenation

```
>>> name = 'Guido'
>>> name + name + name
'GuidoGuidoGuido'
>>> name * 3
'GuidoGuidoGuido'
>>> name[0] * 3
'GGG'
>>> name[0] * 3 + name + name
'GGGGuidoGuido'
>>> str(-12.5)
'-12.5'
>>> str( 7 / 3.0 )
'2.333333333333'
```

Repetition

Type conversion



# String Methods

## ➤ Functions that operate on string type objects

- Syntax: `string.method()`

## ➤ `string.upper()` and `string.lower()` return a new string

## ➤ `string.isupper()`, `string.islower()`, and `string.isdigit()` return a Boolean

New string  
returned

Boolean  
returned

```
>>> sea = 'Atlantic Ocean'
>>> bigsea = sea.upper()
>>> bigsea
'ATLANTIC OCEAN'
>>> smallsea = sea.lower()
>>> smallsea
'atlantic ocean'
>>> smallsea.isupper()
False
>>> smallsea.islower()
True
```



# String Methods

- **`string.find()` and `string.rfind()` return the offset of the search string**
  - Or -1 if the string is not found

Offset

```
>>> sea = 'Atlantic Ocean'
>>> sea.find('a')
3
>>> sea.rfind('a')
12
>>> sea[sea.find('a'):sea.rfind('a') + 1]
'antic Ocea'
```

Use returned values for slicing



# String Methods

- `string.replace(old, new)` returns a new string after replacing all occurrences of *old* with *new*
- `string.split()` returns a *list* of strings based on a delimiter
- `string.join()` returns a delimited string from a sequence



```
>>> newsea = sea.replace('Atlantic','Pacific')
>>> newsea
'Pacific Ocean'
>>> words = newsea.split(' ')
>>> words
['Pacific', 'Ocean']
>>> csvwords = ','.join(words)
>>> csvwords
'Pacific,Ocean'
```

New  
string  
returned

List returned

String  
returned

Delimiter in the  
returned string



# String Formatting

- `string.format(args)` returns a new string after formatting *args*
- `string` contains a series of `{position:spec}`
  - Mapped to *args* by position

```
>>> price = 350
>>> tax = 0.07
>>> cost = price + price * tax

>>> 'price {0} = tax {1} * cost {2}'.format(price, tax, cost)
'price 374.5 = tax 0.07 * cost 350'
```

Argument 2

Returned  
string

Argument 0



# String Formatting

## ➤ *spec* may specify

- Width
- Formatting type code

<b>n</b>	Width
<b>d</b>	Integer
<b>f</b>	Floating point with precision

```
>>> print '|{0:d}|{1:f}|{2:f}|'.format(price, tax, cost)
| 350 | 0.070000 | 374.500000 |
```

```
>>> print '|{0:9d}|{1:9f}|{2:9f}|'.format(price, tax, cost)
|      350 | 0.070000 | 374.500000 |
```

Less than 9, pad with spaces

More than 9, no truncation

```
>>> print '|{0:9d}|{1:.2f}|{2:9.2f}|'.format(price, tax, cost)
|      350 | 0.07 |      374.50 |
```

2 places after decimal



# String Formatting

## ➤ *spec* may specify

- Width
- Formatting type code

<b>n</b>	Width
<b>d</b>	Integer
<b>f</b>	Floating point with precision

```
>>> '{0:5d} and tax {1:5f} = {2:7f}'.format(price, tax, cost)
' 350 and tax 0.070000 = 374.500000'
```

```
>>> '{0:5d} and tax {1:5f} = {2:7.2f}'.format(price, tax, cost)
' 350 and tax 0.070000 = 374.50'
```

```
>>> '{0:f} and tax {1:.2f} = {2:.2f}'.format(price, tax, cost)
'350.000000 and tax 0.07 = 374.50'
```

```
>>> print 'Final cost is {0:.2f}'.format(cost)
Final cost is 374.50
```



## ➤ Standard library module providing string functions and constants

```
>>> import string
>>> string.ascii_uppercase
'ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ'
>>> string.ascii_lowercase
'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz'
>>> string.digits
'0123456789'
>>> string.hexdigits
'0123456789abcdefABCDEF'
>>> string.octdigits
'01234567'
>>> string.capwords('now is the time')
'Now Is The Time'
>>> string.capwords('now_is_the_time','_')
'Now_Is_The_Time'
```

Constants from  
the module

Function from the module





# Special Strings

## ➤ Strings objects may contain escape sequences

- Special byte encodings that are described following a backslash, \

<code>\', \", \\</code>	Literal single quote, double quote, backslash
<code>\r, \n</code>	Carriage return, newline
<code>\t</code>	Tab
<code>\0num, \xnum</code>	Character value represented in octal or hexadecimal

## ➤ Raw strings ignore the special meaning of the backslash, \

- Specified with `r` before the opening quotation mark

```
>>> print '\t is tab'
      is tab
>>> print r'\t is tab'
\t is tab
```



## All strings in Python 3 are Unicode

```
print('A\u00f1o')
```

```
print u'A\u00f1o'
```



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# Simple Comparisons

## ➤ Yield a Boolean True or False value

- The strings 'True' and 'False' both evaluate to Boolean True



## ➤ Types of conditional expressions

- Object identity, `is`
- Arithmetic relational; e.g., `>` or `==`
- Strings use the same equality and inequality operators as numeric objects

```
>>> sea = 'Atlantic'
>>> ocean = sea
>>> ocean is sea
True
>>> ocean == sea
True
>>> 7 == 3
False
```



# Larger Comparisons

➤ **Several simple conditions may be chained together to yield an overall Boolean value**

- Evaluated from left to right
- All individual conditions must yield `True` for overall truth

All tests yield `True`

```
>>> first = 1
>>> second = 2
>>> third = 3
>>> first < second < third
True
>>> first < second == third
False
```

Second test  
is `False`

➤ **Explicit Boolean operators may be more readable**



# Compound Comparisons

## ➤ Several simple conditions joined by Boolean operators

- **and** yields **True** if both operands are **True**
- **or** yields **True** if either is **True**
- **not** reverses the Boolean value

```
>>> first < second and second == third
False
>>> first < second or second == third
True
>>> second is third
False
>>> second is not third
True
```

Both must  
be True

Either yields True



# Compound Statements

- **Begin with a header statement that is terminated by a colon, :**
- **Followed by a group of statements that are syntactically treated as a unit—a *suite***
  - A code block
  - For example: a loop body
- **Following statements are tied to the header based on the same indentation**
  - One of Python's readability features
  - Python Enhancement Proposal (PEP) 8 recommends indentation of four spaces
- **End of code block detected by lack of indentation**
  - Or an empty line if entering statements into the interpreter



# The `if` Statement

➤ **Evaluates an expression's Boolean value and executes the associated block**

- `False` is 0, empty string, empty collection, and `None`; anything else is considered `True`

➤ **Syntax:**

Indentation defines the block

The single `else` is optional

```
if conditionA:
    blockA
elif conditionB:
    blockB
elif conditonC:
    blockC
else:
    blockD
restOfCode
```

Any number of optional `elif`s may follow

➤ **The block associated with first condition that yields `True` is executed**

- The `else:` block is executed if no condition yields `True`



# Simple Testing

## ➤ Empty and nonempty strings

Yields a Boolean

Empty terminates  
block

Condition was False

```
>>> sea = 'atlantic'
>>> if sea:
...     print sea.upper()
...
ATLANTIC
>>> sea = None
>>> if sea:
...     print sea.upper()
... else:
...     print 'does not exist'
...
does not exist
```





# Testing Alternatives Using `elif`

- A series of tests may be combined using `elif`

```
>>> sea = 'baltic'
>>> if sea == None:
...     print 'sea is empty'
... elif sea == 'atlantic':
...     print sea, 'ocean is green'
... elif sea == 'pacific':
...     print sea, 'ocean is blue'
... elif sea == 'red':
...     print sea, 'sea is red'
... else:
...     print sea, 'sea is unknown'
...
baltic sea is unknown
```



# The pass Statement

- **Explicitly does nothing**
  - Null statement
- **Serves as a placeholder where a statement is required**

Placeholder  
between if  
and else

```
>>> if not sea:  
...     pass  
... else:  
...     print 'I see the', sea  
...  
I see the baltic
```



# Hands-On Exercise 2.2

*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 2.2: Strings and if*




# Chapter Summary

**You are now able to**

➤ **Write simple Python programs**

- Create variables
- Manipulate numeric values
- Manipulate string values
- Make decisions





# Chapter 3

## Collections

Customer  
Management  
Standard  
Development  
Consistency  
Business  
Optimal

# Chapter Objectives

**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

➤ **Create and manage collections**

- Lists, tuples, sets, and dictionaries

➤ **Perform iteration**



## ➤ **Lists, Dictionaries, and Tuples**

- **for Loops and Iterators**
- **while Loops**



# Collections

## ➤ **Python provides several types of collections**

- Compound data types or data structures
  - Composed of elements of various types

## ➤ **Collections are categorized as**

1. Sequential
  - Access individual values by a numeric offset
    - Strings, lists, and tuples
2. Mapped or associative
  - Access individual values by a key
    - Dictionaries
3. Unordered
  - Sets

## ➤ **May be mutable or immutable**

- Lists, sets, and dictionary values are mutable
- Strings, tuples, and dictionary keys are immutable





# List

## ➤ Core Python type

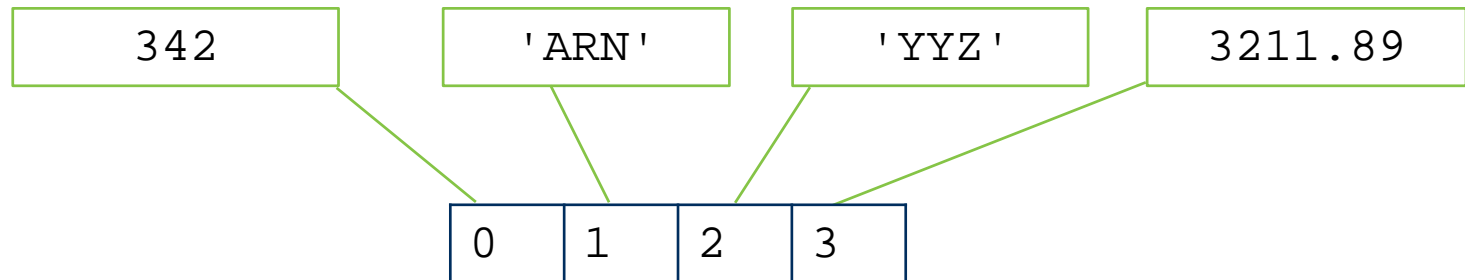
- Similar to an array in other languages
- No maximum size

## ➤ Contents may be a combination of different types

- Numeric literals, string literals, Booleans, and any other type

## ➤ Represented as a comma-delimited series of values within brackets [ ]

- `[342, 'ARN', 'YYZ', 3211.89]`



# List Indexing

## ➤ Lists can be assigned

- A sequence of values within [ ]
- Or simply [ ] to represent an empty list

## ➤ Contents are accessed with syntax similar to strings

- Numeric offset range described in [ ]

```
>>> flight = [342, 'ARN', 'YYZ', 3211.89]
```

List assignment

```
>>> flight
```

```
[342, 'ARN', 'YYZ', 3211.89]
```

```
>>> flight[1]
```

Access a  
single element

```
'ARN'
```

```
>>> if flight[3] > 3000:
```

```
...     print 'Cost exceeds the max'
```

```
Cost exceeds the max
```

Use list elements  
like any other object

```
>>> tax = 1.10
```

```
>>> flight[3] = flight[3] * tax
```

Lists are mutable



# List Slicing

## ➤ Consecutive elements can be referenced as a slice

- `[start:end]` syntax as with strings
  - `[start:end:step]` syntax references every *step*th element in the slice

## ➤ Slice of a list is itself a list

```
>>> airports = ['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG']
>>> airports[1:3]
['HNL', 'YYZ']
>>> airports[3:]
['NRT', 'CDG']
>>> airports[:]
['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG']
>>> airports[::2]
['LAX', 'YYZ', 'CDG']
```

Result is a list



# List Operators

- The **+** operator concatenates lists
- The **\*** operator repeats lists

```
>>> north_airports = ['YYZ', 'ARN', 'LHS']
>>> south_airports = ['SYD', 'RIO', 'CPT']

>>> north_airports + south_airports
['YYZ', 'ARN', 'LHS', 'SYD', 'RIO', 'CPT']
>>> north_airports * 2
['YYZ', 'ARN', 'LHS', 'YYZ', 'ARN', 'LHS']
```



# List Operations

- List content can be modified by assignment
- The `len()` function returns the number of elements in the list
- The `list(arg)` function returns its argument as a list

```
>>> airports = ['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG']
```

```
>>> airports[0] = 'SFO'
```

```
>>> airports[1:2] = ['LNY', 'YHZ']
```

A one-element slice is replaced by a two-element list

```
>>> airports
```

```
['SFO', 'LNY', 'YHZ', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG']
```

```
>>> destinations = airports
```

Assignment creates shared reference

```
>>> destinations is airports
```

```
True
```

```
>>> destinations = list(airports)
```

List is copied

```
>>> destinations is airports
```

```
False
```

```
>>> destinations == airports
```

```
True
```



# List Methods

## ➤ Method functions allow in-place modification of list contents

- `list.append(value)`—Add *value* to the end
- `list.pop(n)`—Remove element *n* and return it
- `list.insert(posit,value)`—Add *value* at position *posit*
- `list.sort()` and `list.reverse()`—Change contents sequence
- `list.remove(value)`—Remove first element containing *value*

```
>>> airports = ['SFO', 'LNY', 'YHZ', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG']
>>> airports[6] = 'LGA'
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
File "<pyshell#240>", line 1, in <module>
```

```
    airports[6] = 'LGA'
```

```
IndexError: list assignment index out of range
```

Cannot extend the list by assigning a new element

```
>>> airports.append('LGA')
```

```
>>> airports
```

```
['SFO', 'LNY', 'YHZ', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG', 'LGA']
```



# List Methods Example

```
>>> airports.pop()
'LGA'
>>> airports
['SFO', 'LNY', 'YHZ', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG']
>>> airports.insert(0, 'AMS')
>>> airports
['AMS', 'SFO', 'LNY', 'YHZ', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG']
>>> airports.sort()
>>> airports
['AMS', 'CDG', 'LNY', 'NRT', 'SFO', 'YHZ', 'YYZ']
>>> airports.remove('NRT')
>>> airports
['AMS', 'CDG', 'LNY', 'SFO', 'YHZ', 'YYZ']
```

List is mutable

Remove by value



# Tuple

- **A sequenced type**
  - Contents are accessed by an offset like a list
- **An immutable type**
  - No change in size or content after creation
- **Normally represented by a comma-delimited list of values within ( )**

```
>>> airports = ('LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG')
>>> airports[1]
'HNL'
>>> airports[1] = 'LNY'
```

Immutable

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment
```





# Tuple

- Parentheses are optional on assignment
- Single element tuple requires a comma on assignment

```
>>> planes = 'A350', 'A380', 'B747', 'B737'  
>>> planes  
( 'A350', 'A380', 'B747', 'B737' )  
>>> biggest_plane = ('A380',)  
>>> biggest_plane  
( 'A380', )  
>>> oldest_plane = 'B747',  
>>> oldest_plane  
( 'B747', )
```

 What type of object would `start = (1)` create?

---



# Tuple Operations

- **Consecutive elements are accessed with standard slice notation**
  - Slice of a tuple is itself a tuple
- **+ and \* operators concatenate or repeat tuples**
- **The `tuple()` function returns its argument as a tuple**

```
>>> airports = ('LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG')
>>> airports[1:3]
('HNL', 'YYZ')
>>> airports[1:3] * 2
('HNL', 'YYZ', 'HNL', 'YYZ')
>>> codes = ['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ', 'NRT', 'CDG']
>>> destinations = tuple(codes)
>>> destinations
('LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ', 'HNL', 'YYZ')
>>> airports == destinations
True
>>> airports is destinations
False
```



# Complex Collections

- **Lists and tuples may contain any type of object**
  - Including lists and tuples
- **A list of lists is similar to a two-dimensional array in some other languages**

```
>>> twocodes = [['AMS', 'SFO'], ['NRT', 'CDG']]
```

```
>>> twocodes[0]
```

```
['AMS', 'SFO']
```

```
>>> twocodes[0][1]
```

```
'SFO'
```

Inner lists

Right bracket ]  
terminates the outer list

 What would `tuple(twocodes)` return?

---



# Sequence Unpacking

- **Multiple values from a collection are assigned**
  - Collection slice is allowed
- **Correct number of variables needed to hold all unpacked values**

```
>>> airports = ['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ', 'NRT']
>>> depart, layover1, layover2, arrive = airports
>>> layover2
'YYZ'
>>> layover2, arrive = airports[2:]
>>> arrive
'NRT'
```

- 3 **Python 3 allows unpacking using a wildcard variable**
  - References a list of the remaining values

```
>>> depart, *layovers, arrive = airports
```



# Hands-On Exercise 3.1

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*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 3.1: Collections and Slicing*



## ➤ Associative type

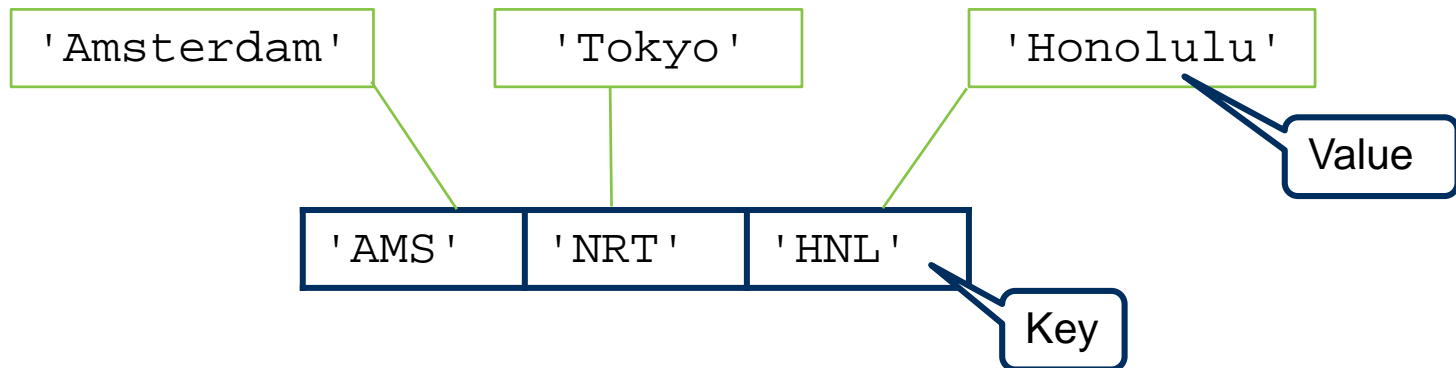
- Contents accessed through symbolic keys instead of numeric indices
  - No maximum size
  - Similar to an associative array or hash in other languages

## ➤ Contents may be composed of any combination of types

- Numeric literals, string literals, Booleans, and any other type

## ➤ Is represented within curly brackets { } by a comma-delimited series of **key:value pairs**

- { 'AMS': 'Amsterdam', 'NRT': 'Tokyo', 'HNL': 'Honolulu' }



# Dictionary Operations

- **Any individual element can be referenced through its key**
  - Value for that key may be retrieved or updated
- **Only the keys are immutable**
  - Change in key implies a new entry for the dictionary
  - Keys may be numeric literals, strings, or tuple elements

```
>>> cities = {'YYZ': 'Toronto', 'NRT': 'Tokyo/Narita'}
>>> cities['NRT']
'Tokyo/Narita'
>>> cities['NRT'] = 'Tokyo'
>>> cities['HNL'] = 'Honolulu'
>>> cities
{'NRT': 'Tokyo', 'HNL': 'Honolulu', 'YYZ': 'Toronto'}
```

Values are mutable

New entry




# Dictionary Methods and Functions

## ➤ Method functions allow modification of contents or data retrieval

- `dict.keys()`—Returns a list of keys
- `dict.values()`—Returns a list of values
- `dict.update(newdict)`—Merges contents of *newdict* into *dict*
- `dict.get(key)`—Returns value at *key*, else `None` for undefined *key*
- `len(dict)`—Returns the number of items in the dictionary

```
>>> cities = {'YYZ': 'Toronto', 'NRT': 'Tokyo'}  
>>> cities.keys()  
['NRT', 'YYZ']  
>>> cities.values()  
['Tokyo', 'Toronto']
```



In Python 3, `keys()`, and `values()` return iterable objects





# Dictionary Methods Example

```
>>> cities = {'YYZ': 'Toronto', 'NRT': 'Tokyo'}
>>> asia_cities = {'HKG': 'Hong Kong', 'NRT': 'Narita'}
>>> cities.update(asia_cities)
>>> cities
{'NRT': 'Narita', 'HKG': 'Hong Kong', 'YYZ': 'Toronto'}
>>> cities.get('MSY')
>>> cities['MSY']
Traceback (most recent call last):
cities['MSY']
KeyError: 'MSY'
```

Duplicate  
keys

Returned None

KeyError  
exception is raised



# Creating a Dictionary

- `dict.items()`—Returns a list of key–value pairs as tuples
- A dictionary can be created from a sequence of key–value pairs
  - `dict(arg)` returns a dictionary
  - `arg` is a sequence containing the key–value pairs
- `dict = {}`—Creates an empty dictionary

```
>>> cities = {'YYZ': 'Toronto', 'NRT': 'Tokyo'}
```

```
>>> cities.items()
```

```
[('NRT', 'Tokyo'), ('YYZ', 'Toronto')]
```

List of tuples

```
>>> dict([('HNL', 'Honolulu'), ('ARN', 'Stockholm')])
```

```
{'HNL': 'Honolulu', 'ARN': 'Stockholm'}
```

```
>>> dict (('HNL', 'Honolulu'), ('ARN', 'Stockholm'))
```

```
{'HNL': 'Honolulu', 'ARN': 'Stockholm'}
```

Tuple of tuples

```
>>> old_cities = dict(cities.items())
```

Duplicate the dictionary



# zip() Function

## ➤ Combines two collections in parallel and returns a new list

- Composed of two element tuples based on position
- Returned list is the length of the shorter argument

```
>>> countries = ['FR', 'GB', 'CA', 'JP', 'US']
>>> prefixes = [33, 44, 1, 81]
>>> zip(countries, prefixes)
[('FR', 33), ('GB', 44), ('CA', 1), ('JP', 81)]
```

List of tuples

```
>>> look_by_country = dict(zip(countries, prefixes))
>>> look_by_country
{'JP': 81, 'FR': 33, 'CA': 1, 'GB': 44}
```

Convert to  
a dictionary

```
>>> look_by_prefix = dict(zip(prefixes, countries))
>>> look_by_prefix
{33: 'FR', 44: 'GB', 81: 'JP', 1: 'CA'}
```



# Sets

- **Unsequenced mutable collections of unique, immutable objects**
  - Created with the `set()` function
  - Or by assignment with `{ }`
- **The `set.add()` and `set.remove()` methods can add or remove members**

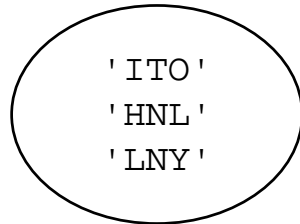
```
>>> hawaii_airports = set(['HNL', 'ITO'])
>>> pacific_airports = {'HNL', 'NRT'}
>>> hawaii_airports.add('LNY')
>>> pacific_airports.add('SYD')
>>> hawaii_airports
set(['ITO', 'LNY', 'HNL'])
>>> pacific_airports
set(['SYD', 'HNL', 'NRT'])
```



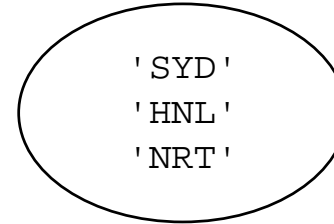
# Sets

## ➤ Support arithmetic-style operators

**hawaii\_airports**



**pacific\_airports**



-	Difference
	Union
&	Intersection
>	Superset
<	Subset
==	Equality
!=	Inequality

```
>>> hawaii_airports - pacific_airports
set(['ITO', 'LNY'])
>>> pacific_airports - hawaii_airports
set(['NRT', 'SYD'])
>>> hawaii_airports | pacific_airports
set(['ITO', 'LNY', 'SYD', 'HNL', 'NRT'])
>>> hawaii_airports & pacific_airports
set(['HNL'])
```



# Membership Quiz

➤ Given the following:

```
>>> codes = {'France': 33, 'Japan': 81,  
            'GreatBritain': 44, 'USA': 1}  
>>> caps = {'France': 'Paris', 'Cuba': 'Havana',  
            'Japan': 'Tokyo'}
```

 How could you determine which keys from `codes` are also keys in `caps` using sets?

---

 How could you determine which keys from `codes` are not keys in `caps` using sets?

---

 How could these results be assigned to a list?

---



# Collection Membership Testing: `in`

## ➤ Syntax: *value in collection*

- Returns `True` if the value is a member
- Works for all collection types and strings
  - Limited to testing keys for dictionaries

```
>>> truth = ('Always', 'test', 'your', 'data')
>>> 'test' in truth
True
>>> advice = {'Always', 'test', 'your', 'coding'}
>>> 'test' in advice
True
>>> list2 = ['This', 'is', 'a', ['good', 'test', 'example']]
>>> 'test' in list2[3]
True
>>> facts = {'test': 'Good idea', 'no test': 'Bad idea'}
>>> 'test' in facts
True
```



- **Lists, Dictionaries, and Tuples**
- **for Loops and Iterators**
- **while Loops**





# Flow Control With Loops

- Fixed number of iterations with `for`
- Conditional iterations with `while`
- Loop body is defined by its indentation

```
Loop statement:  
    loopStatement1  
    loopStatement2  
    ...  
restOfCode
```



# The for Loop

## ➤ Steps through a sequence of objects

- *var* is assigned each object in turn
- When the sequence is exhausted, exit the loop
  - *var* has the final value processed

## ➤ Syntax:

```
for var in sequence:  
    loopBlock  
restOfCode
```



# Loop Through a Sequence

## ➤ The *sequence* is a series of values

- Strings, lists, and tuples
  - Or their slices

```
>>> airports = ['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ', 'NRT']
>>> for airport in airports:
...     print airport
...
LAX
HNL
YYZ
NRT
>>> airport
'NRT'
```

Final value  
processed  
in the loop



# Nested Looping

```
>>> prices = [200, 400, 500]
>>> fees = [20, 50]
>>> totals = []
>>> for fee in fees:
...     for price in prices:
...         totals.append(price - fee)
...
>>> print totals
[180, 380, 480, 150, 350, 450]
```



# Loop Through a Dictionary

➤ Dictionary methods `keys()`, `values()`, and `items()` can provide an **iterable sequence**

- Dictionary name alone provides the keys

```
>>> airports = {'YYZ': 'Toronto', 'NRT': 'Tokyo'}
```

```
>>> for code in airports.keys():  
...     print code
```

```
>>> for code in airports:  
...     print code
```

Both print  
NRT  
YYZ

```
>>> for value in airports.values():  
...     print value
```

Tokyo  
Toronto

```
>>> for key, value in airports.items():  
...     print key, value
```

NRT Tokyo  
YYZ Toronto



# Membership Quiz With a Loop

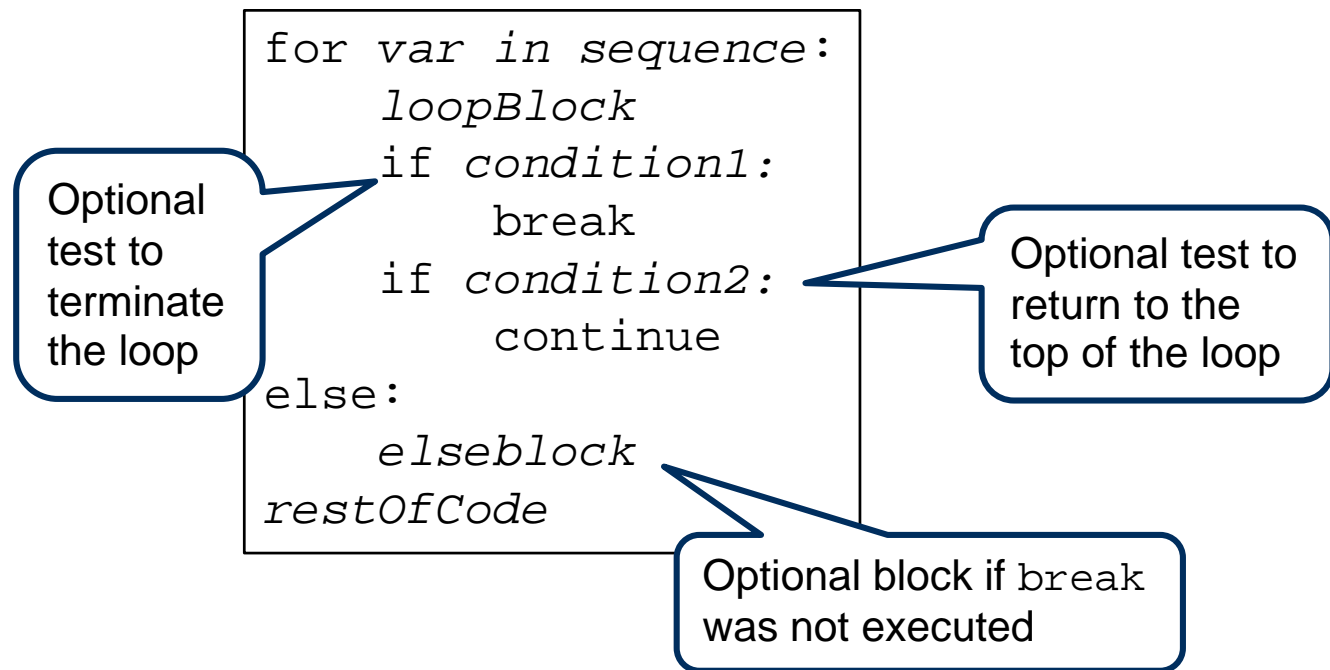
- Create a list of keys from codes that are also keys in caps

```
>>> codes = {'France': 33, 'Japan': 81,  
            'GreatBritain': 44, 'USA': 1}  
>>> caps = {'France': 'Paris', 'Cuba': 'Havana',  
            'Japan': 'Tokyo'}  
>>> countries = []  
>>> for code in codes:  
...     if code in caps:  
...         countries.append(code)  
...  
>>> countries  
['Japan', 'France']
```



# Optional Flow Control Within Loops

- **break** terminates the loop
- **continue** returns flow control to the top of the loop
- **else:** defines a block of code executed after the loop terminates normally
  - Without a break



# Using break, continue, and else in a Loop

```
>>> airports = ['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ']
```

```
>>> for airport in airports:
```

```
...     if airport == 'HNL':
```

```
...         break
```

```
...     print airport
```

```
... else:
```

```
...     print 'The end', airport
```

```
...  
LAX
```

```
>>> for airport in airports:
```

```
...     if airport == 'HNL':
```

```
...         continue
```

```
...     print airport
```

```
... else:
```

```
...     print 'The end', airport
```

```
...  
LAX
```

```
YYZ
```

```
The end
```

```
YYZ
```

Terminate with 'HNL'

Skip with 'HNL'

Executed if there was no break





# The range Function

➤ Provides a list of sequential integers

➤ Syntax:

- `range(m, n, s)`
  - A list of every  $s$  value from  $m$  to  $n - 1$
  - Both  $m$  and  $s$  are optional

```
>>> range(10)
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
>>> range(5,10)
[5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
>>> range(10,5,-1)
[10, 9, 8, 7, 6]
>>> airports = ['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ']
>>> for index in range(len(airports))
...     print index, airports[index]
...
0 LAX
1 HNL
2 YYZ
```

Negative step used for decreasing



# The xrange Function

## ➤ Similar to `range()` but

- Does not return a list
- Returns an object that generates the values on demand
  - More efficient when looping

## ➤ Syntax:

- `xrange(m, n, s)`

```
>>> airports = ['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ']
>>> for index in xrange(len(airports))
...     print index, airports[index]
...
0 LAX
1 HNL
2 YYZ
```



`range()` is `xrange()`



# Iterable Object

- The `iter()` built-in function returns an iterable object
- The `next()` method provides each element
  - Raises the `StopIteration` exception when sequence is exhausted

```
>>> airports = ['LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ']
```

```
>>> airport_iter = iter(airports)
```

Create an iterable object from the list

```
>>> airport_iter.next()
```

```
'LAX'
```

```
>>> airport_iter.next()
```

```
'HNL'
```

Method to deliver each element

```
>>> airport_iter.next()
```

```
'YYZ'
```

```
>>> airport_iter.next()
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
  airport_iter.next()
```

```
StopIteration
```

Exception raised when iteration is complete



# Iterating Through a Sequence

- The `for` loop uses the iteration protocol internally

```
>>> for airport in airports:  
...     print airport  
LAX  
HNL  
YYZ
```

Uses `iter()` and `next()` internally:

```
>>> airport = iter(airports)  
>>> airport.next()  
LAX  
>>> airport.next()  
HNL
```



# List Comprehension

➤ An *operation* is applied to each element with a `for` loop

- Result is a list

➤ Syntax: `[operation for var in iterable]`

```
>>> prices = [200, 400, 500]
>>> fee = 20
>>> totals = [price - fee for price in prices]
>>> print totals[0]
180
>>> for total in totals:
...     print total
...
180
380
480
>>> fees = [20, 50]
>>> [price - fee for fee in fees for price in prices]
[180, 380, 480, 150, 350, 450]
```

for loop applies the operation

Result is a list

Nested



# List Comprehension With Conditional

## ➤ The *operation* may be executed conditionally

- With an embedded `if`

`[operation for var in iterable if condition]`

```
>>> fee = 30
>>> min = 200
>>> [price - fee for price in prices if price > min]
[370, 470]

>>> codes = {'France': 33, 'Japan': 81,
             'GreatBritain': 44, 'USA': 1}
>>> caps = {'France': 'Paris', 'Cuba': 'Havana',
            'Japan': 'Tokyo'}

>>> countries = [code for code in codes if code in caps]
>>> countries
['Japan', 'France']
```

Keys from codes that  
are also keys in caps



# Generator Comprehension

- Creates an iterable object that supports the `next()` method
- The *operation* is applied to each element with a `for` loop when requested using `next()`
  - No list of all results created
- **Syntax:** *(operation for var in iterable)*

```
>>> prices = [200, 400, 500]
>>> fee = 20
>>> totals = (price - fee for price in prices)
>>> totals.next()
180
>>> for total in totals:
...     print total
...
380
480
```

Result is an iterable object



# Additional Comprehensions Backported from Python 3

## ➤ Set comprehensions are available in Python 2.7

*{operation for var in set if condition}*

```
airports = {'LAX', 'HNL', 'YYZ'}  
hawaiiairports = {airport for airport in airports  
                   if airport in ['HNL', 'ITO']}  
print hawaiiairports
```

{ 'HNL' }

Result is a set

## ➤ Dictionary comprehensions are also available in Python 2.7

*{key: value for key, value in sequence if condition}*

```
airports = {'LAX': 'Los Angeles', 'HNL': 'Honolulu',  
            'YYZ': 'Toronto'}  
hawaiidict = {code: city for code, city in airports.items()  
              if code in ['HNL', 'ITO']}  
print hawaiidict
```

{ 'HNL': 'Honolulu' }

Result is a dictionary





- **Lists, Dictionaries, and Tuples**
- **for Loops and Iterators**
- **while Loops**

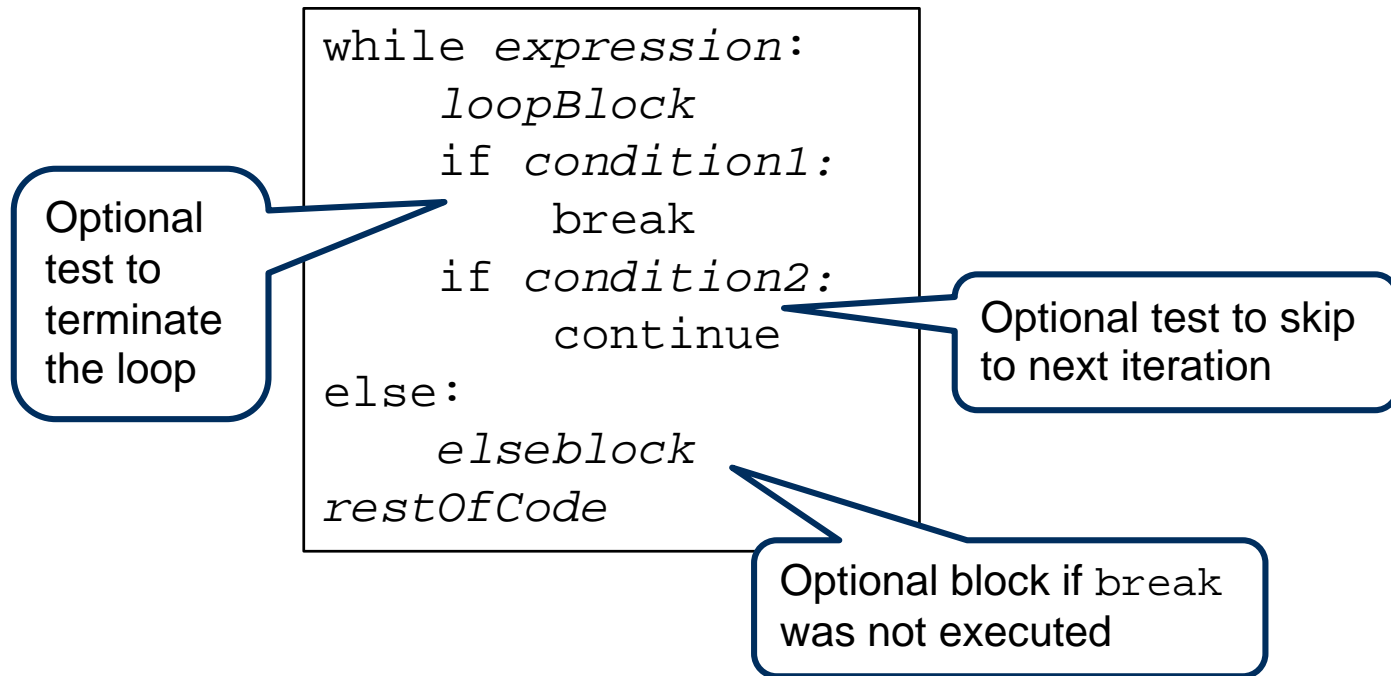


# The while Loop

## ➤ Evaluates the Boolean value of an expression

- Executes the loop body so long as the expression is `True`
  - Terminates on `False` or execution of a `break`

## ➤ Syntax:



# while Loop Example

```
>>> count = 0
>>> while count <= 5:
...     if count == 2:
...         count += 1
...         continue
...     print count
...     count += 1
... else:
...     print 'Made it past 5', count
...
0
1
3
4
5
Made it past 5 6
```

Condition is evaluated  
before each pass  
through the loop body



# Hands-On Exercise 3.2

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*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 3.2: Dictionaries, Sets, and Looping*



# Chapter Summary

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**You are now able to**

- **Create and manage collections**
  - Lists, tuples, sets, and dictionaries
- **Perform iteration**



# Chapter 4

## Functions

Customer  
Management  
Standard  
Development  
Consistency  
Business  
Optimal

# Chapter Objectives

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**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

- **Create and call a simple function**
- **Use anonymous lambda functions**
- **Apply generator functions**



## ➤ **Defining and Calling**

- **Lambda Functions**
- **Generators**





# Function Overview

- **A block of statements that execute as a unit when called and may have**
  - A name
  - An argument list
  - A `return` statement
- **A generic, reusable unit that simplifies program design**
  - Breaks a solution into smaller pieces
  - Hides internal details
  - Provides a single place for modification
- **Created by a `def` statement**
  - Assigns a name to a function
  - Compound statement
  - Indentation defines the function body



# Simple Function Example

```
def print_one():  
    num = 1  
    print 'the value of num is', num  
  
def print_two():  
    num = 2  
    print 'the value of num is', num
```

Function is defined  
and named

```
>>> print_one()  
the value of num is 1  
>>> print_two()  
the value of num is 2  
>>> print_one  
<function print_one at 0x011BFF70>
```

Function is called  
by its name

Function is an  
object at a  
memory location



# Passing Data Into a Function

- Arguments are passed to the function when called
- Function receives arguments from the parameters specified on the `def` statement when the function is executed
- *Positional* parameters are mapped to the argument list based on their position when the function is called

```
def printposit(depart, arrive):  
    print 'depart and arrive by position:', depart, arrive
```

```
>>> printposit('NRT', 'HNL')  
depart and arrive by position: NRT HNL
```

Arguments



# Keyword Parameters

## ➤ Are mapped to the argument list based on their names

- Function call determines keyword or positional style
- Optional default values may be assigned

```
def printkey(depart, arrive):  
    print 'depart and arrive by keyword:', depart, arrive
```

```
def printdef(depart='LAX', arrive='HNL'):  
    print 'depart and arrive defaults:', depart, arrive
```

Specify default  
parameter values

```
>>> printkey(arrive='HNL', depart='NRT')  
depart and arrive by keyword: NRT HNL
```

Keyword arguments  
may be passed in  
any order

```
>>> printdef(depart='AMS')  
depart and arrive defaults: AMS HNL
```

Default is applied  
for arrive within  
the function



# Variable-Length Parameter Lists

- Functions may be written to accept any number of arguments
- Parameter name preceded by `*` will hold all remaining positional arguments in a tuple
- Parameter name preceded by `**` will hold all remaining keyword arguments in a dictionary

- **Function header syntax:**

- Positional and keyword without defaults must be the leftmost
- Keywords with defaults follow
- A single `*parameter` follows
- A single `**parameter` is rightmost

Parameter list

- **Function call syntax:**

- Positional arguments must be the leftmost
- Keyword arguments follow

Argument list



**Keyword parameters may follow after the `*parameter` or `**parameter` in Python 3**



# Variable-Length Parameter List Example

```
def printargs(*args, **kwargs):  
    print 'Positional', args  
    print 'Keyword', kwargs
```

```
>>> printargs('Jean', 35, 97.85)  
Positional ('Jean', 35, 97.85)  
Keyword {}  
>>> printargs(name='Jean', age=35, rate=97.85)  
Positional ()  
Keyword {'age': 35, 'name': 'Jean', 'rate': 97.85}  
>>> printargs('Employee', name='Jean', age=35, rate=97.85)  
Positional ('Employee',)  
Keyword {'age': 35, 'name': 'Jean', 'rate': 97.85}  
>>> printargs( name='Jean', age=35, rate=97.85, 'Employee')  
File "<stdin>", line 1  
SyntaxError: non-keyword arg after keyword arg
```

Positional  
arguments  
are in a tuple

Keyword  
arguments  
are in a  
dictionary



# Variable-Length Argument Lists

- Functions may be called with a sequence or dictionary argument
- Argument name preceded by **\*** will pass a collection as a sequence of positional parameters
- Argument name preceded by **\*\*** will pass a dictionary as keyword parameters

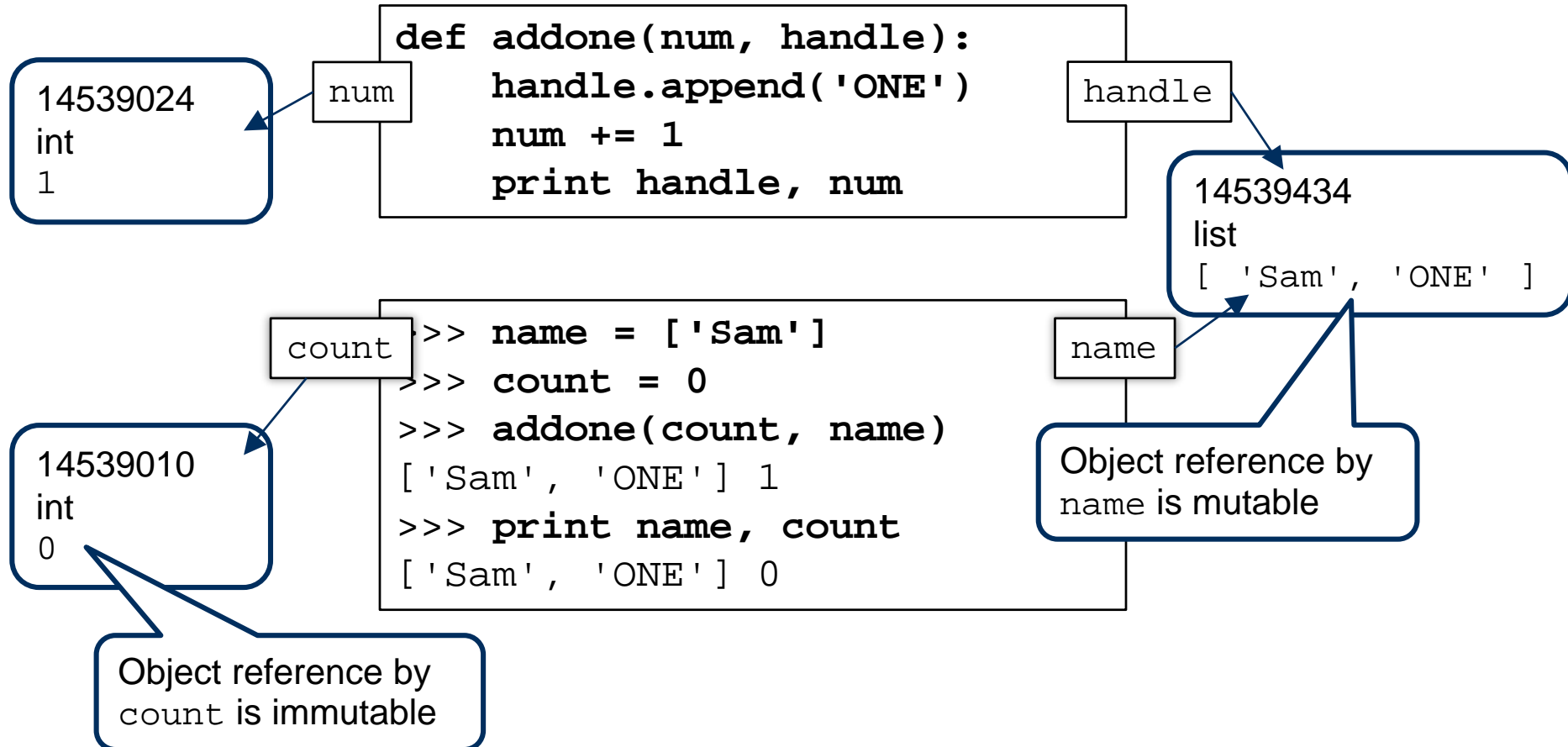
```
>>> employee1 = ['Jean', 35, 97.85]
>>> employee2 = {'name': 'Jules', 'age': 29, 'rate': 89.99}
>>> printargs(*employee1)
Positional ('Jean', 35, 97.85)
Keyword {}
>>> printargs(**employee2)
Positional ()
Keyword {'age': 29, 'name': 'Jules', 'rate': 89.99}
>>> printargs(employee2)
Positional ({'age': 29, 'name': 'Jules', 'rate': 89.99}, )
Keyword {}
```

employee2  
without \*\* is a  
single positional



# Mutable and Immutable Arguments

- An argument that references a mutable object may have its referenced object changed





# Enclosed Functions

- A function definition may be within another function

```
def logdata ():  
    def print_header():  
        print 'Report starting'  
    def print_footer():  
        print 'End of report'  
    print_header()  
    print 'Log data'  
    print_footer()
```

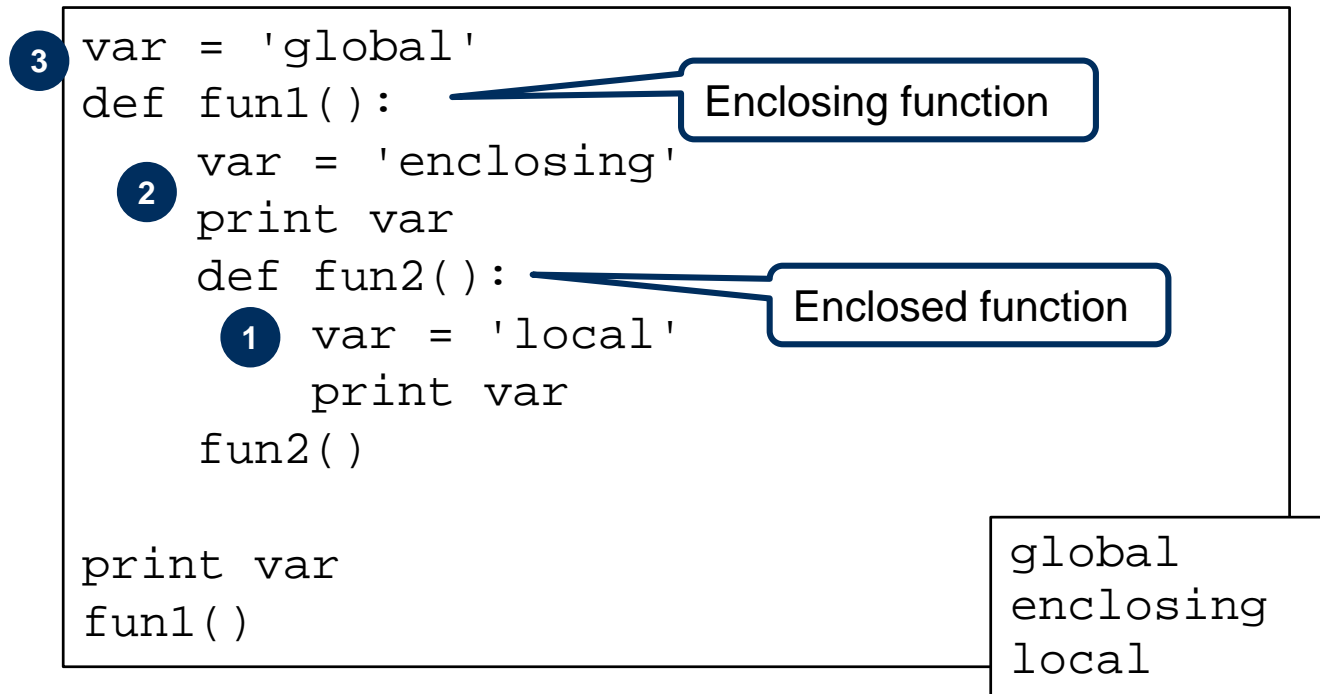
Enclosed functions

```
>>> logdata()  
Report starting  
Log data  
End of report
```



# Scope

- **Namespace where an object is known**
- **Based on the location of the assignment**
  1. Within an enclosed function
  2. Within an enclosing function
  3. Outside any function



# LEGB Rule

- Describes attribute resolution order
- 1. Local: within a function
- 2. Enclosing: within an enclosing function
- 3. Global: within the module or file
- 4. Built-in: within the Python `builtin` module



Covered in  
later sections



# Arguments and Scope

- **A new reference is created for each argument**
  - Created when the function is called
  - Removed when the function completes
- **Parameters are local to the function**

**increment()**  
**scope**

```
def increment(number):  
    number += 1  
    print 'function number is', number
```

**function number is 6**

**Global scope**

```
number = 5  
increment(number)  
print 'global number is', number
```

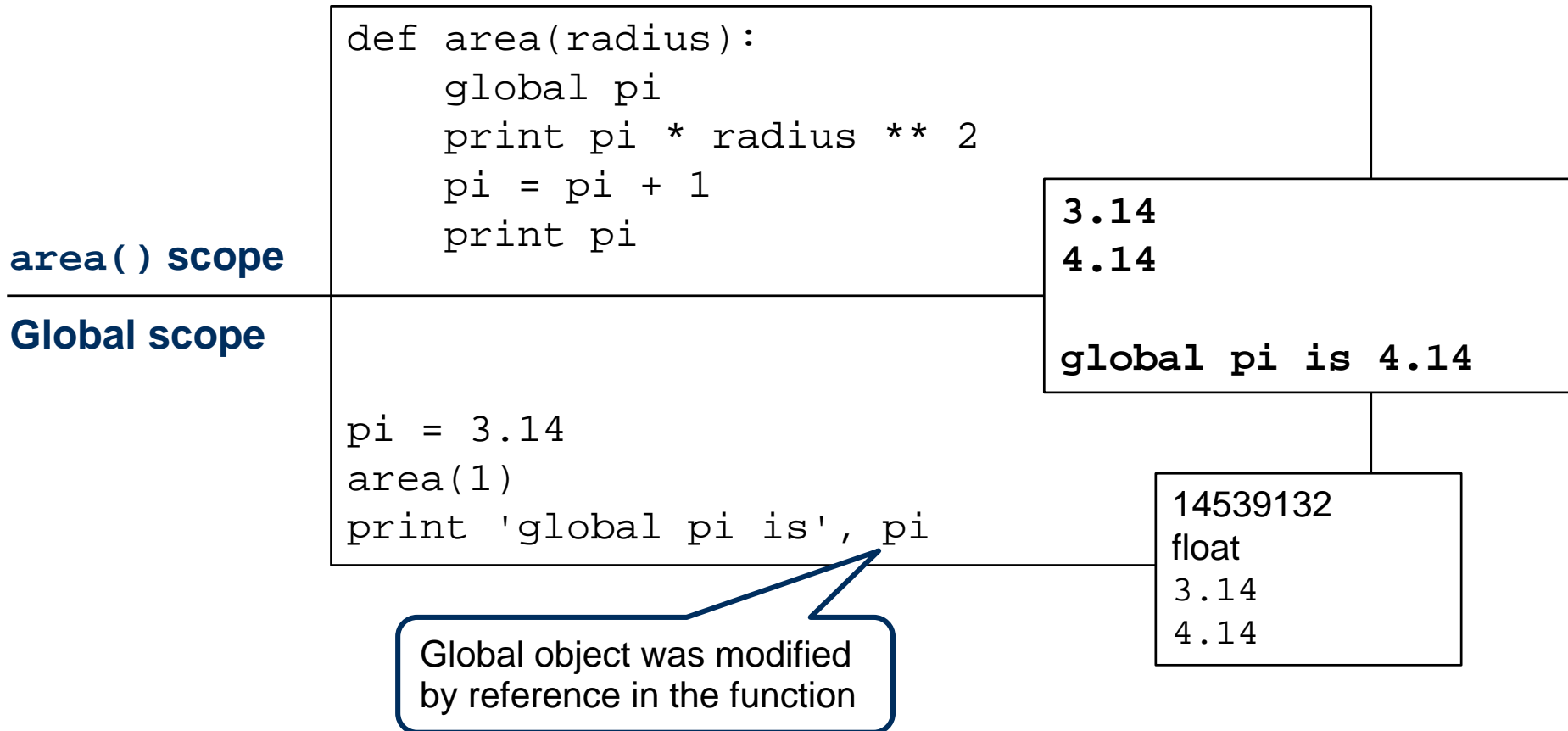
**global number is 5**



# global Statement

## ➤ Declares a variable as a reference to a global object

- For duration of the code block



# return Statement

- **Terminates the function execution**
  - Control returns to the point of the call
- **Optionally includes values sent back to the caller**
  - Or `None` if no value is explicitly returned
- **Is optional**
  - Function terminates at the end of the indented block
  - `None` is returned



# Function return Example

```
def addtwice(num):  
    return num + num
```

Return a reference  
to a single object

```
def double_vals(arg):  
    return arg, arg * 2
```

Return a sequence

```
>>> ans = addtwice(3)
```

```
>>> ans
```

```
6
```

Assigned the  
returned value

```
>>> first, second = double_vals('a')
```

```
>>> first
```

```
'a'
```

```
>>> second
```

```
'aa'
```

Unpack a sequence



# Functions and Polymorphism

- **A single function can work with many types**
  - An example of *polymorphism*
  - Any type of objects may be passed as arguments
  - Any type of object may be returned
- **Only operations within the function are type-dependent**
  - Otherwise, Python raises an exception



```
def twice(parm):  
    return parm + parm
```

```
>>> twice(5.5)  
11.0  
>>> twice(['a', 'list'])  
['a', 'list', 'a', 'list']  
>>> twice({'firstname': 'Robert', 'lastname': 'Johnson'})  
TypeError: unsupported operand type(s) for +: 'dict' and  
'dict'
```





# Functions as Arguments

## ➤ A function is an object

- Name is a reference to that object
- Can be used as an argument

```
def print_german():  
    print 'Guten Morgen!'
```

```
def print_italian():  
    print 'Buon Giorno!'
```

```
def print_greeting(lang, printer):  
    print 'Good Morning in', lang, 'is',  
    printer()
```

Reference to the  
function object used  
as an argument

Call the function

```
>>> print_greeting('German', print_german)  
Good Morning in German is Guten Morgen!  
>>> print_greeting('Italian', print_italian)  
Good Morning in Italian is Buon Giorno!
```



# Hands-On Exercise 4.1

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*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 4.1: Creating and Calling Functions*



- **Defining and Calling**
- **Lambda Functions**
- **Generators**



# The Lambda Expression

- **Creates an anonymous function that is an expression**
  - Reference may be assigned
- **Syntax:**
  - `lambda args: expression`
- **Used in the same way as regular functions**
  - Arguments may be passed in
  - *expression* result is returned

Reference to  
the lambda  
function  
object

```
>>> addfirst = lambda num: (num + num) * 2
>>> addfirst
<function <lambda> at 0x18BA73F90C12>
>>> addfirst(3)
12
>>> addfirst(4)
16
```

Argument to the  
lambda function



# The Lambda Expression

- May be used where statements are not syntactically allowed

Each anonymous function is a dictionary value

Dictionary keys

```
>>> applydisc = {  
...     'cruise': lambda price: price - 5 ,  
     'flight': lambda price: price - 10 ,  
     'train' : lambda price: price - 1 }  
  
>>> applydisc['cruise'](100)  
95  
>>> applydisc['flight'](100)  
90  
>>> applydisc['rocket'] = lambda price: price ** 2  
>>> applydisc['rocket'](100)  
10000
```

Argument to the lambda function



# Hiding Function Calls in Lambda Expressions

## ➤ *function(args)* can be hidden within a lambda expression

- Executed when the lambda is executed
  - Not when the lambda is created

```
def print_german(name):  
    print 'Guten Morgen!', name
```

```
def print_italian(name):  
    print 'Buon Giorno!', name
```

Reference to the lambda object used as an argument

```
def print_greeting(lang, printer):  
    print 'Good Morning in', lang, 'is',  
    printer()
```

Executes the lambda

Function call with argument is the lambda body

```
>>> print_greeting('German', lambda: print_german('Hans'))  
Good Morning in German is Guten Morgen! Hans  
>>> print_greeting('Italian', lambda: print_italian('Gina'))  
Good Morning in Italian is Buon Giorno! Gina
```



- **Defining and Calling**
- **Lambda Functions**
- **Generators**



# Generator Function

- **Returns a series of results**
  - One with each call
- **Maintains its state between calls**
  - Subsequent calls continue where previous call stopped
  - Without using any persistent object
- **Created with typical `def` function header**
- **Contains a `yield` statement**
  - Delivers the series of values to the caller
  - Pauses execution
- **Supports the iteration protocol**
  - The `next ( )` method retrieves a value





# Generator Function Example

```
def gen_next_day(today):  
    wk = ['Sun', 'Mon', 'Tue', 'Wed', 'Thu', 'Fri', 'Sat']  
    while True:  
        yield wk[today]  
        if today == 6:  
            today = 0  
        else:  
            today += 1
```

yield defines the  
function as a  
generator function

days is the iterable object

```
>>> days = gen_next_day(5)  
>>> days.next()  
'Fri'  
>>> days.next()  
'Sat'
```

First execution from top  
of function to yield

next() method  
retrieves each item

Subsequent executions  
proceed to next yield



# Stopping Iteration

## ➤ A **return** statement will terminate the generator function

- Raises a `StopIteration` exception
- Only `None` may be returned

```
def gen_next_day(today):  
    wk = ['Sun', 'Mon', 'Tue', 'Wed', 'Thu', 'Fri', 'Sat']  
    while True:  
        yield wk[today]  
        if today == 6:  
            return  
        else:  
            today += 1
```

```
>>> days = gen_next_day(5)  
>>> for day in days:  
...     print day  
...  
'Fri'  
'Sat'
```

Calls `next` and handles  
`StopIteration` internally



# Hands-On Exercise 4.2

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*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 4.2: Lambda and Generator Functions*



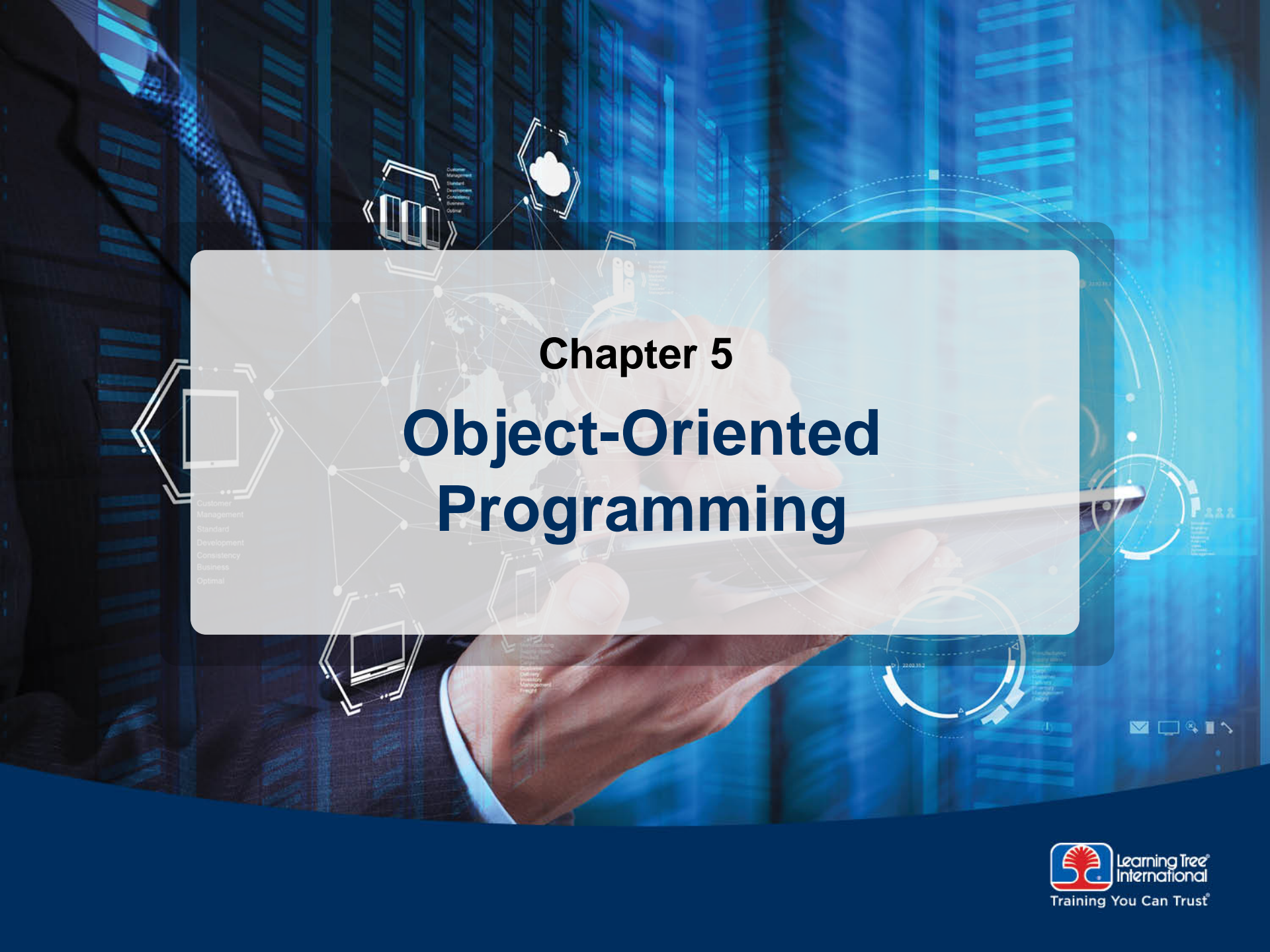
# Chapter Summary

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**You are now able to**

- **Create and call a simple function**
- **Use anonymous lambda functions**
- **Apply generator functions**





# Chapter 5

## Object-Oriented Programming

# Chapter Objectives

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**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

- **Define a class**
- **Create subclasses through inheritance**
- **Attach methods to classes**
- **Overload operators**

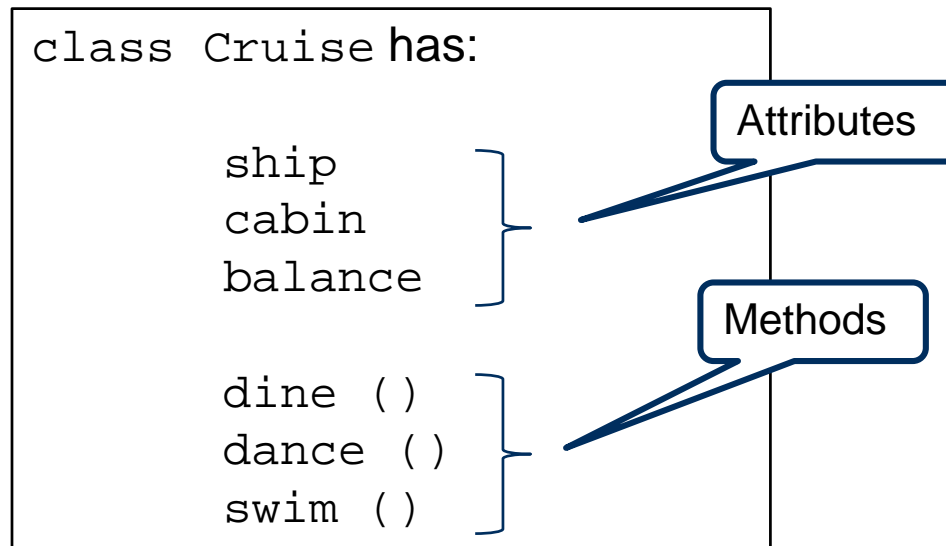


- **Classes and Instances**
  - **Inheritance**
  - **Additional Classes and Methods**



# Class

- **A generic description of an object—a *type***
  - A template for objects
- **A container**
  - Attributes that describe the object's state
  - Methods that describe the object's behavior
- **Main building block of an Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) solution**





# The class Statement

- **Creates a new object template**
- **Assigns a name to the class**
  - PEP 8 recommends *CapWords* style

A docstring is customary to describe the class

```
>>> class Cruise(object):  
...     ''' This class describes a cruise.'''  
...  
>>> Cruise  
<class '__main__.Cruise'>
```

A class is an object



# The `__init__()` Method

## ➤ Called automatically when an instance is created

- A *constructor*
- Python calls `class.__init__(instance, args)`

## ➤ Used to assign initial attribute values

- Based on its argument list
  - Defaults may be provided

```
class Cruise(object):  
    ''' This class describes a cruise.'''  
    def __init__(self, ship=None, balance=0.0, cabin=0):  
        self.ship = ship  
        self.balance = balance  
        self.cabin = cabin
```

Keyword parameters  
with defaults



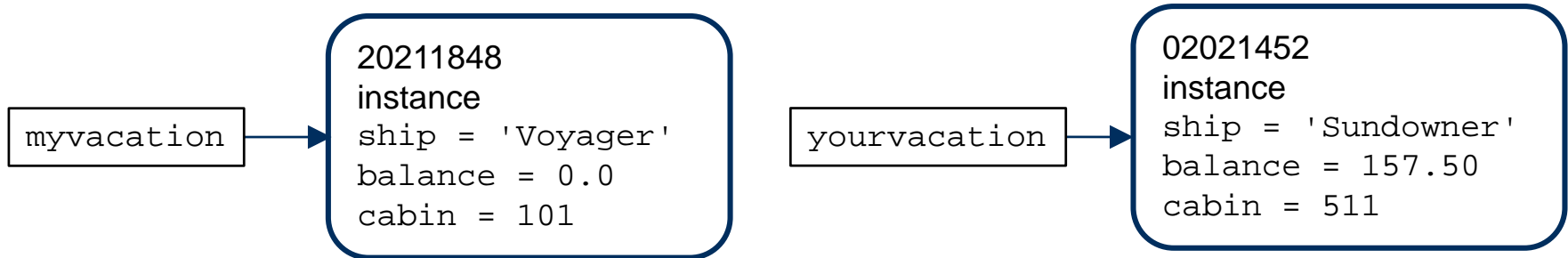
# The self Argument

## ➤ References the particular instance making the call

- First argument of a method

```
myvacation = Cruise(ship='Voyager', cabin=101)

yourvacation = Cruise(ship='Sundowner',
                      balance=157.50, cabin=511)
```



# \_\_init\_\_() Parameter Styles

## ➤ Keyword or positional parameters may be used

```
class Cruise(object):  
    ''' This class describes a cruise.'''  
    def __init__(self, shipname, bal, room):  
        self.ship = shipname  
        self.balance = bal  
        self.cabin = room  
  
myvacation = Cruise(shipname='Voyager', bal=0, room=101)  
  
yourvacation = Cruise('Sundowner', 157.50, 511)
```

Attribute  
names



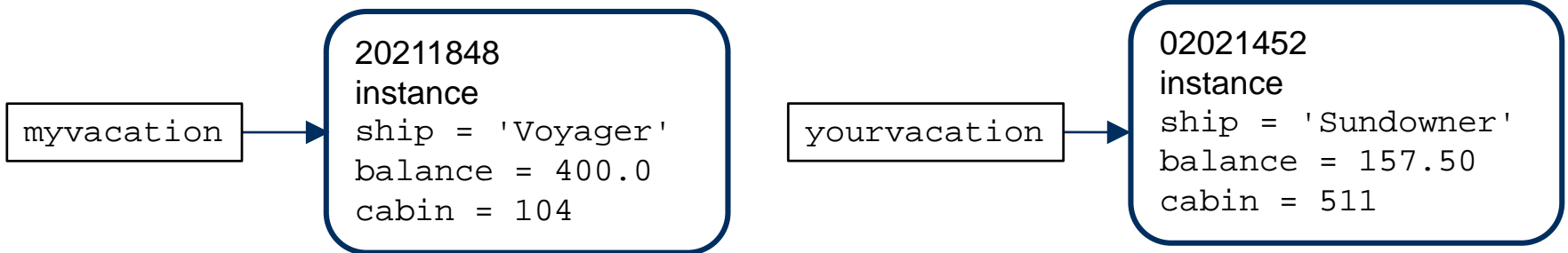
# Modifying Instance Attributes

## ➤ Assigned into the instance namespace

- Affects only that instance

```
myvacation.balance = 400.0
```

```
myvacation.cabin = 104
```



# Methods

## ➤ Functions bound to a class

- Created by a `def` statement within the `class` statement
- Provide the interface for the class
- Are available for any instance

```
class Cruise(object):  
    ''' This class describes a cruise. '''  
    def __init__(self, ship=None, balance=0.0, cabin=0):  
        self.ship = ship  
        self.balance = balance  
        self.cabin = cabin  
  
    def dine(self, amount):  
        self.balance += amount
```

Attribute  
names

Modifies the  
instance attribute



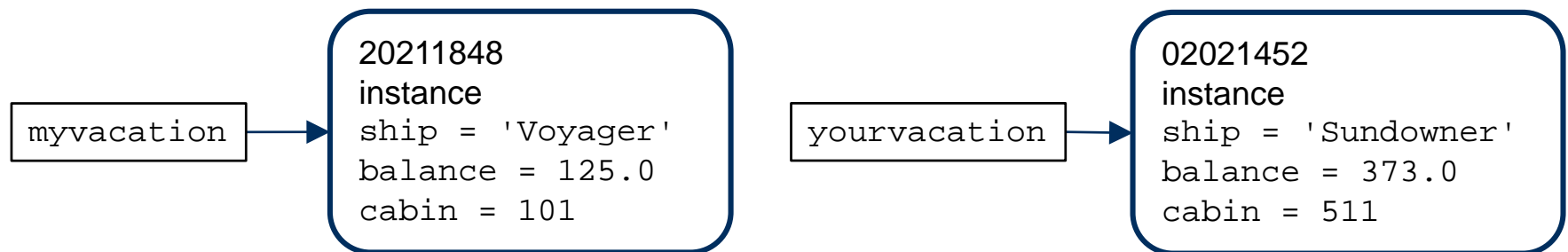
# Methods Illustrated

## ➤ Called as *instance.method(args)*

- Python changes to *class.method(instance, args)*

```
myvacation = Cruise(ship='Voyager', cabin=101)
yourvacation = Cruise(ship='Sundowner',
                      balance=157.50, cabin=511)

myvacation.dine(125.0)
yourvacation.dine(215.50)
```



# Class Variables

- Variables encapsulated within a class
- Accessed through class name qualification

```
class Cruise(object):  
    def __init__(self, ship=None, balance=0.0, cabin=0):  
        self.ship = ship  
        self.balance = balance  
        self.cabin = cabin  
    discountcabins = (101, 102, 105, 106, 109, 110)  
    def discount(self):  
        if self.cabin in Cruise.discountcabins:  
            self.balance -= 50.0
```

Class variable

Check instance attribute  
for membership in a class  
variable





*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 5.1: Classes and Initialization*



- **Classes and Instances**
- **Inheritance**
- **Additional Classes and Methods**



# Class Hierarchy

## ➤ Describe the *Is A* relationship

- Derived/subclass is an extension of the parent/base class
  - Subclass performs class/type specific operations

## ➤ Syntax:

```
class BaseClass(object):  
    ...  
class SubClass1(BaseClass):
```

```
class Trip(object):  
    ...  
class Cruise(Trip):  
    ...  
class Flight(Trip):  
    ...
```

Both inherit from Trip class



# Class Inheritance

## ➤ Methods and attributes from the parent class are available in subclasses

```
class Trip(object):
    def __init__(self, departday=None, arriveday=None):
        self.departday = departday
        self.arriveday = arriveday
    def print_departure(self):
        print 'Trip leaves on', self.departday

class Cruise(Trip):
    def print_schedule(self):
        print 'Cruise', self.departday, 'to', self.arriveday

class Flight(Trip):
    def print_arrival(self):
        print 'Flight arrives on', self.arriveday
```



# Inheritance Hierarchy

➤ Subclasses *without* `__init__()` call the parent class `__init__()`

```
voyage = Cruise(departday='Friday', arriveday='Monday')  
voyage.print_departure()  
voyage.print_schedule()
```

Method within Cruise

Method inherited from Trip

Trip leaves on Friday  
Cruise Friday to Monday

```
flthome = Flight(departday='Monday', arriveday='Monday')  
flthome.print_departure()  
flthome.print_arrival()
```

Method within Flight

Trip leaves on Monday  
Flight arrives on Monday



# Subclass Instance Initialization

```
class Trip(object):  
    def __init__(self, departday=None, arriveday=None):  
        self.departday = departday  
        self.arriveday = arriveday
```

```
class Cruise(Trip):  
    def __init__(self, ship=None, departday=None,  
                  arriveday=None):  
        self.ship = ship  
        Trip.__init__(self, departday=departday,  
                       arriveday=arriveday)
```

Assign ship attribute only

```
class Flight(Trip):  
    def __init__(self, plane=None, departday=None,  
                  arriveday=None):  
        self.plane = plane  
        self.departday = departday  
        self.arriveday = arriveday
```

Assign all attributes in Flight constructor



# Subclass Extension

- Subclasses may add additional attributes
- Subclasses *with* `__init__()` may call the parent class `__init__()`
  - Not called automatically

```
voyage = Cruise(departday='Friday', arriveday='Monday',  
               ship='Sea Breeze')
```

```
flthome = Flight(departday='Monday', arriveday='Monday',  
                plane='CRJ')
```

```
print voyage.departday
```

```
print voyage.ship
```

```
print flthome.departday, flthome.plane
```

From Trip class

From Cruise class

From Flight class

Friday  
Sea Breeze  
CRJ Monday



# The `super()` Function

## ➤ Returns an object that delegates methods to a parent class

- Without explicitly naming the parent class

## ➤ `super(class, object)`

- `class` is the subclass name
- `object` is an instance of that subclass

```
class Parent(object):
    def __init__(self, ...

class Subclass(Parent):
    def __init__(self, ..
        super(Subclass, self).__init__( ...
```

Calls the  
constructor from  
its parent class





# Subclass Instance Initialization Using `super()`

```
class Trip(object):
    def __init__(self, departday=None, arriveday=None):
        self.departday = departday
        self.arriveday = arriveday

class Cruise(Trip):
    def __init__(self, ship=None, departday=None,
                 arriveday=None):
        self.ship = ship
        super(Cruise, self).__init__(departday=departday,
                                     arriveday=arriveday)

class Flight(Trip):
    def __init__(self, plane=None, departday=None,
                 arriveday=None):
        self.plane = plane
        self.departday = departday
        self.arriveday = arriveday
```

Assigned in parent class

Assigned in the subclass



# Subclass Attributes

## ➤ Hide the same named attributes of the parent class

```
voyage = Cruise(departday='Friday', arriveday='Monday',  
                ship='Sea Breeze')  
print voyage.departday, voyage.ship
```

Friday Sea Breeze

Inherited from Trip

```
flthome = Flight(departday='Monday', arriveday='Monday',  
                 plane='CRJ')  
print flthome.departday, flthome.plane
```

Monday CRJ

Hide same named  
attribute in Trip



# Overriding Methods

- **Single operation name may replace the same named operation from a parent class**
- **Attribute lookup order determines which is found first**

```
class Trip(object):  
    def __init__(self, departday=None, arriveday=None):  
        self.departday = departday  
        self.arriveday = arriveday  
  
    def print_departure(self):  
        print 'Trip leaves on', self.departday  
  
class Cruise(Trip):  
    def print_departure(self):  
        print 'Cruise', self.departday, 'to', self.arriveday
```

Trip objects  
call this method

Cruise objects  
call this method



# Overriding Methods

## ➤ Instances find the `departure()` method from their class hierarchy

```
vacation = Trip(departday='Sunday', arriveday='Monday')  
vacation.print_departure()
```

Trip leaves on Sunday

```
day1 = Cruise(departday='Monday', arriveday='Monday')  
day1.print_departure()
```

Cruise Monday to Monday

```
day2 = Cruise(departday='Tuesday', arriveday='Tuesday')  
day2.print_departure()
```

Cruise Tuesday to Tuesday

```
plans = [vacation, day1, day2]  
for plan in plans:  
    plan.print_departure()
```

Trip leaves on Sunday  
Cruise Monday to Monday  
Cruise Tuesday to Tuesday



# Extending Methods

## ➤ Methods in subclass perform type-specific operations

- Parent class provides common operations
- `super()` may be used to access the parent's methods

Trailing comma  
suppresses  
print's newline

```
class Trip(object):
    def __init__(self, departday=None, arriveday=None):
        ...
    def print_trip(self):
        print 'Schedule is', self.departday, self.arriveday,

class Cruise(Trip):
    def __init__(self, ship=None, departday=None,
                 arriveday=None):
        ...
    def print_trip(self):
        super(Cruise, self).print_trip()
        print 'Ship is', self.ship
```

Call method in parent class

Handle class specific task



# Extending Methods

```
class Flight(Trip):
    def __init__(self, plane=None, departday=None,
                  arriveday=None):
        ...
    def print_trip(self):
        super(Flight, self).print_trip()
        print 'Plane is', self.plane

travels = [Cruise(departday='Friday', arriveday='Saturday',
                  ship='Moonbeam'),
           Flight(departday='Wednesday', arriveday='Friday',
                  plane='CRJ')]

for travel in travels:
    travel.print_trip()
```

Call method in subclass

**Schedule is Friday Saturday Ship is Moonbeam**  
**Schedule is Wednesday Friday Plane is CRJ**



# Multiple Inheritance

## ➤ Class inherits from more than one parent class

- Precedence specified in the `class` statement in left-to-right order

```
class Person(object):  
    name = 'Bob'  
    age = 27
```

```
class City(object):  
    name = 'New York'  
    zip = 10002
```

```
class Meeting(Person, City):  
    day = 'Monday'
```

```
interview = Meeting()  
print interview.age  
27
```

```
print interview.zip  
10002
```

```
print interview.day  
Monday
```

```
print interview.name  
Bob
```



# Overloaded Operators

- Operator implementation is based on the type of its arguments
- Implemented with special methods named as `__method__()`
- Class method `__add__` will be called if `+` is used by an instance
  - `num1 + num2` is implemented as `num1.__add__(num2)`





# Overloaded Operators Example

## ➤ Intercept the overloaded + operator and assign a new meaning

- Add a value to each reference in the Listmgr object
- Return a new list

```
class Listmgr(object):  
    def __init__(self, initial_list):  
        self.initial_list = initial_list  
  
    def __add__(self, value):  
        retlist = []  
        for element in self.initial_list:  
            retlist.append(element + value)  
        return retlist
```

Internal `__add__()`  
intercepts + operator

Returns a list

```
nums = Listmgr([100, 50, 250])  
ans = nums + 5
```

[105, 55, 255]



# Hands-On Exercise 5.2

*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 5.2: Inheritance*



- **Classes and Instances**
- **Inheritance**
- **Additional Classes and Methods**



➤ **Able to perform pre- and post-function processing**

➤ **Wrapper function**

- Receives a function as an argument
- Returns a function

➤ ***@decorator\_name***

```
def logit(original_fun):  
    def new_fun():  
        print 'Start logging'  
        original_fun()  
        print 'Stop logging'  
    return new_fun
```

```
@logit  
def print_status():  
    print 'Processing'
```

```
print_status()
```

Start logging  
Processing  
Stop logging

Equivalent to:

`print_status = logit(print_status)`



## ➤ Functions that operate on the class itself

- Use `cls` as first parameter as a reference to the class

```
class Cruise(object):
    discount = 0.5
    @classmethod
    def adjust_discount(cls, num):
        cls.discount = num
class Sunsetsail(Cruise):
    pass

print 'Cruise', Cruise.discount
print 'Sunsetsail', Sunsetsail.discount
Cruise.adjust_discount(.10)
Sunsetsail.adjust_discount(.25)
print 'Cruise', Cruise.discount
print 'Sunsetsail', Sunsetsail.discount
```

Decorator identifying  
the class method

```
Cruise 0.5
Sunsetsail 0.5

Cruise 0.1
Sunsetsail 0.25
```



## ➤ Functions contained within a class

- Do not operate on an instance
  - No `self` parameter

```
class Cruise(object):  
    discount = 0.5  
    @staticmethod  
    def adjust_discount(num):  
        Cruise.discount = num  
class Sunsetsail(Cruise):  
    pass
```

Decorator  
identifying the  
static method

```
print 'Cruise', Cruise.discount  
print 'Sunsetsail', Sunsetsail.discount  
Cruise.adjust_discount(.10)  
Sunsetsail.adjust_discount(.25)  
print 'Cruise', Cruise.discount  
print 'Sunsetsail', Sunsetsail.discount
```

```
Cruise 0.5  
Sunsetsail 0.5
```

```
Cruise 0.25  
Sunsetsail 0.25
```



- **Class that cannot be instantiated**
  - Must be inherited by a concrete subclass
- **May contain abstract methods**
  - Must be implemented by the subclass



➤ Provides tools to implement Abstract Base Classes (ABCs)

- ABCMeta—metaclass for ABCs
  - Metaclasses set up classes
- abstractmethod—decorator function that requires abstract methods are overridden

```
from abc import ABCMeta, abstractmethod
```

```
class Trip(object):
```

```
    __metaclass__ = ABCMeta
```

```
    @abstractmethod
```

```
    def show_msg(self):
```

```
        pass
```

Abstract method

```
class Cruise(Trip):
```

```
    def show_msg(self):
```

```
        print 'Anchors aweigh'
```

Subclass must provide this method

```
night_trip = Cruise()
```

```
night_trip.show_msg()
```

Anchors aweigh





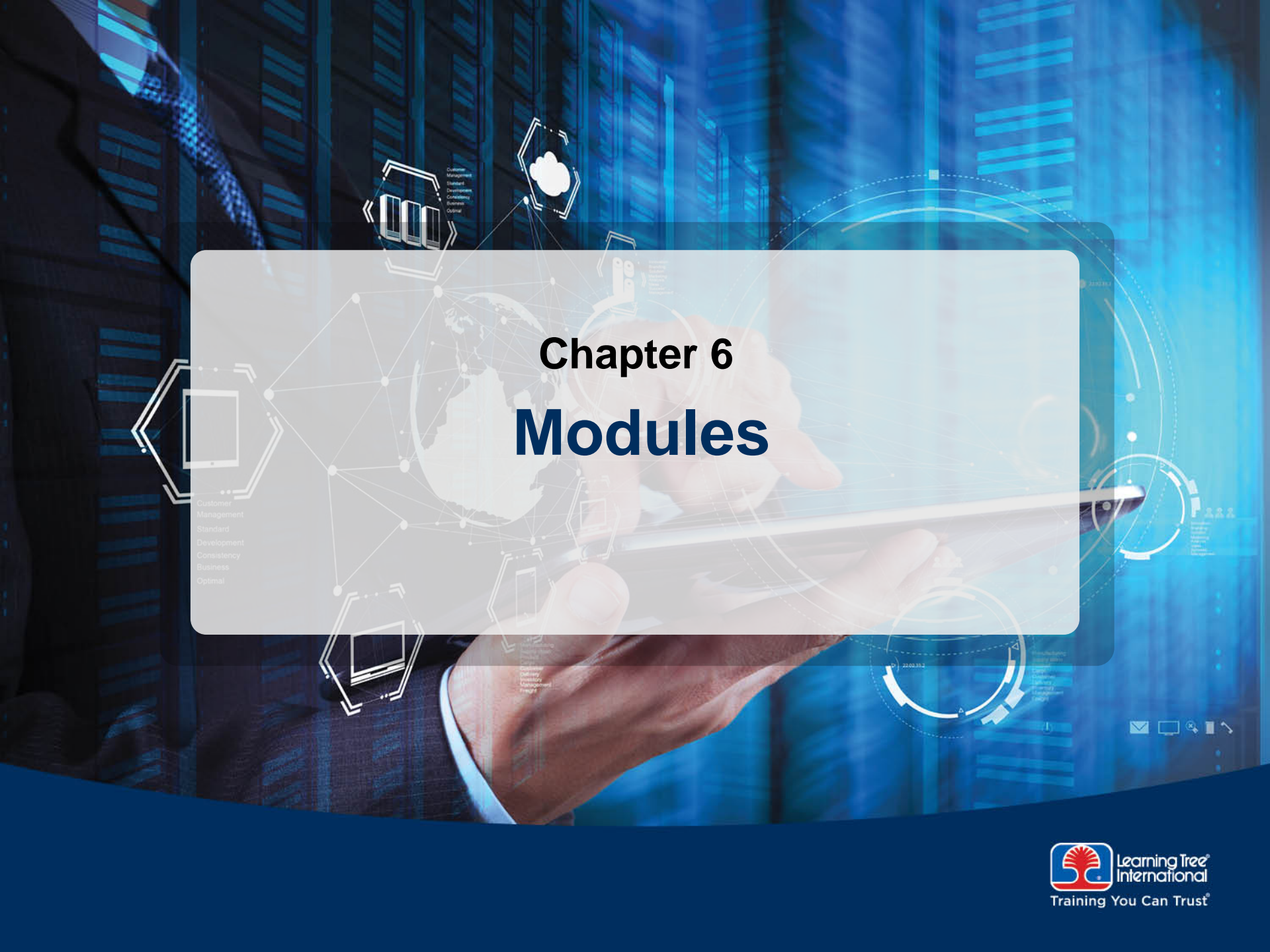
# Chapter Summary

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**You are now able to**

- **Define a class**
- **Create subclasses through inheritance**
- **Attach methods to classes**
- **Overload operators**





# Chapter 6

# Modules

Customer  
Management  
Standard  
Development  
Consistency  
Business  
Optimal

# Chapter Objectives

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**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

- **Create new modules**
- **Access additional modules**
- **Use the standard library**



## ➤ **Module Overview**

- **`import` and Namespace**
- **`from` and Namespace**
- **The Standard Library**



- **Highest-level programming unit**
  - Modules have classes and functions
  - Functions have statements
  - Statements have expressions
- **Library providing a set of services**
  - Included functions provide each service
- **Single container of reusable code**
  - One place to manage changes
  - May be shared with other modules
    - Reduces repetition



# Module Files

## ➤ Could be

- Source code file, `mod.py`, or byte code file, `mod.pyc`
- Dynamically linked library, `mod.dll` or `mod.so`
  - Extension modules



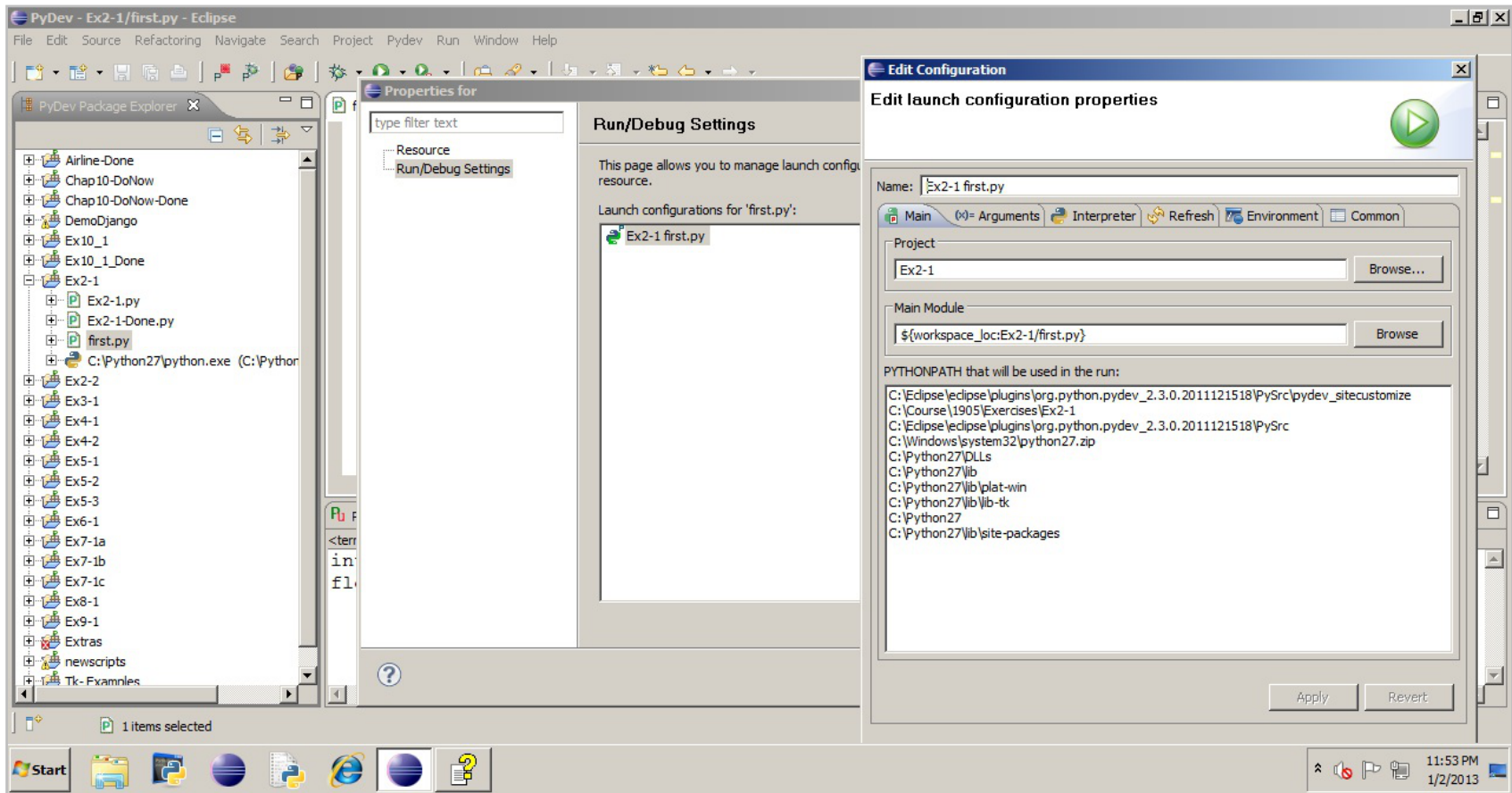
## ➤ Located by a Python search in

- The current directory
- One of the directories contained in `PYTHONPATH`
- The standard library
- Directories specified in `.pth` files
  - Contain pathnames to module files



# PYTHONPATH in Eclipse

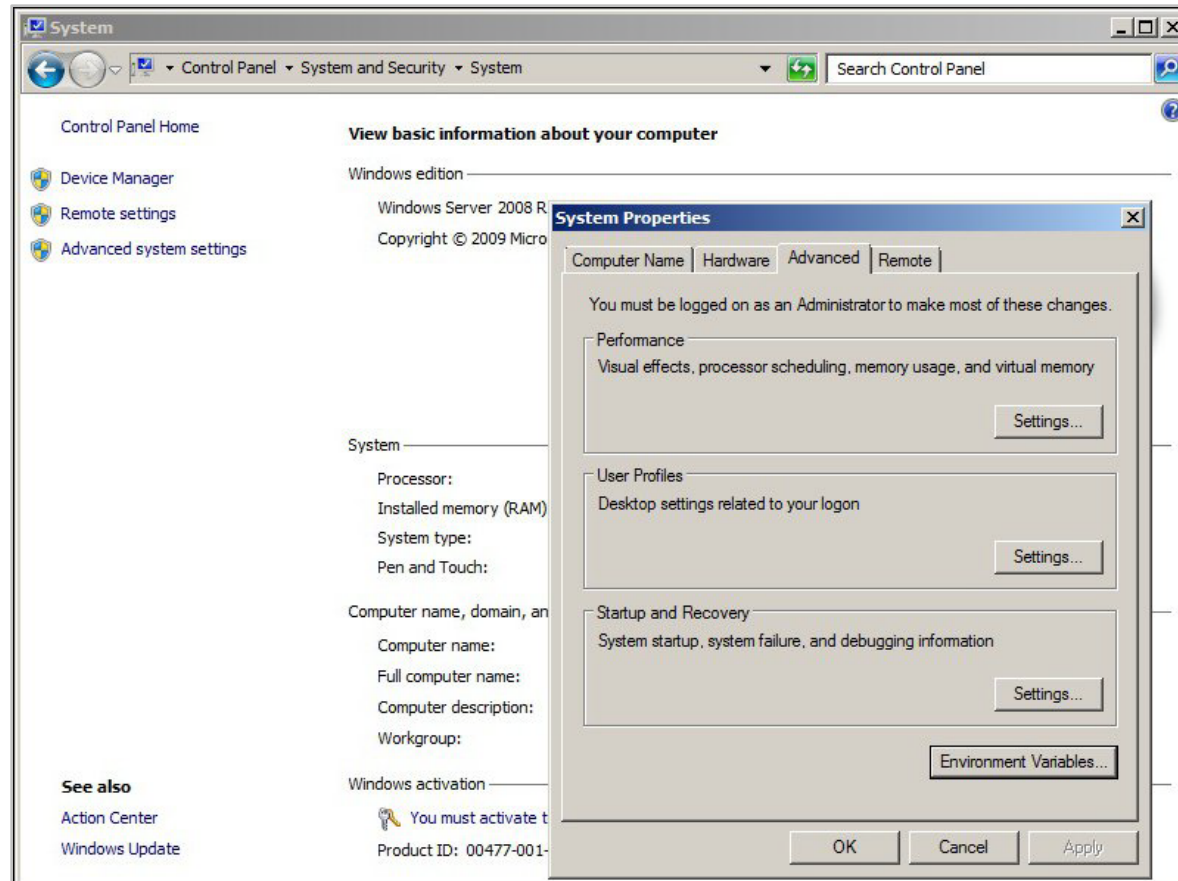
- Choose the Properties option for a source-code file
  - Run/Debug Settings





# PYTHONPATH in Windows Server 2008

- From Control Panel | System and Security | System
  - Environment Variables





- **Module Overview**
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# The import Statement

- **Syntax:** `import modulename`
- **Creates an object of the module's contents**
- **Enables access to the *modulename*'s classes and functions**
- **Possibly creates the `.pyc` byte code file**
  - If the corresponding `.py` file is newer, recompile the `.pyc`
- **Executed once per process**
  - Later `imports` of same module name use the existing object



# Module Execution

- All unenclosed statements are executed
- Attributes are created
  - functions or objects
- Occurs in a separate namespace
- Creates a module object
  - Based on the file name

Attribute

```
"""
A simple module
"""
print 'starting mod1'
name = 'Guido'

def printname(count):
    print name * count
```

mod1.py

Statements  
execute

```
>>> import mod1
starting mod1
>>> mod1
<module 'mod1' from 'mod1.pyc'>
```

Module object created



# Module Attributes

- **Reside within the module namespace**
- **Are accessed through a qualified name**
  - *module.attribute*

```
>>> mod1.name  
'Guido'  
>>> mod1.printname(3)  
GuidoGuidoGuido
```



# Multiple imports

## ➤ Qualified attributes reference the proper module

```
"""
A simple module
"""
print 'starting mod1'
name = 'Guido'

def printname(count):
    print name * count
```

mod1.py

```
"""
Another simple module
"""
print 'starting mod2'
import mod1

def printname():
    print mod1.name, 'in mod2'
```

mod2.py

```
>>> import mod1
starting mod1
>>> import mod2
starting mod2
>>> mod1.printname(1)
Guido
>>> mod2.printname()
Guido in mod2
```

Qualified



# Chained imports

- **Imported file contains an import statement**
  - A imports B; B imports C
- **Require two levels of qualification to get embedded attributes**
  - From A, use *B.C.attribute*

```
"""
A simple module
"""
print 'starting mod1'
name = 'Guido'

def printname(count):
    print name * count
```

mod1.py

C

```
"""
Another simple module
"""
print 'starting mod2'
import mod1

def printname():
    print mod1.name, 'in mod2'
```

mod2.py

B

```
>>> import mod2
starting mod2
starting mod1
>>> mod2.mod1.name
'Guido'
```

A

Two levels of  
qualification



# The `import` as Statement

## ➤ Syntax: `import modulename as name`

- Access contents using *name* instead of *modulename*
- Identifier *name* is not restricted by operating system file name

```
"""  
A simple module  
"""  
print 'starting mod1'  
name = 'Guido'  
  
def printname(count):  
    print name * count
```

```
>>> import mod1 as m  
starting mod1  
>>> m.printname(2)  
GuidoGuido
```



# Examining Namespace

## ➤ The `dir()` function displays names of module attributes

- The `__dict__` attribute is a dictionary of a module's objects

```
>>> import math
>>> dir()
['__builtins__', '__doc__', '__name__', '__package__', 'math']
>>> __name__
'__main__'
>>> dir(math)
['__doc__', '__name__', '__package__', 'acos', 'acosh' ...
>>> math.__name__
'math'
>>> for key, value in math.__dict__.items():
...     print key, '\t ==>', value
...
pow          ==> <built-in function pow>
fsum          ==> <built-in function fsum>
cosh          ==> <built-in function cosh> ...
```

Examine the current module

Name of the Python program in execution

Examine the math module

Name of the math module





# Testing the `__name__` Attribute

- When a module is executed as a program, the `__name__` attribute is set to `'__main__'`
- When imported as a module, the `__name__` attribute is set to the module name
- May be tested to execute embedded module testing code

```
def main_program():  
    ...    # logic to test a module  
    ...    # when executed as a program  
    ...  
  
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    main_program()
```



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# from Statement

- **Copies named attribute into the current namespace**
  - No attribute qualification needed
- **Syntax: *from module import attributes***

```
"""  
A simple module  
"""  
print 'starting mod1'  
name = 'Guido'  
  
def printname(count):  
    print name * count
```

```
>>> from mod1 import printname  
starting mod1  
>>> printname(2)  
GuidoGuido
```

Unqualified  
name

Single  
attribute



# from Statement

## ➤ `from module import *`

- Imports all attributes into the current namespace
- Not a best practice
  - May corrupt the namespace

```
"""
A simple module
"""
print 'starting mod1'
name = 'Guido'

def printname(count):
    print name * count
```

```
>>> from mod1 import *
starting mod1
>>> printname(3)
GuidoGuidoGuido
>>> name
Guido
```

All attributes

Unqualified



# Namespace Corruption

- **Affects same named objects within the namespace**
  - Later assignments replace previous values
- **`from module import *` is discouraged in Python style guide**
  - PEP 8



```
>>> name = 'Lars'
>>> name
'Lars'
>>> from mod1 import *
starting mod1
>>> name
'Guido'
```

name in  
current  
namespace  
changed

```
"""
A simple module
"""
print 'starting mod1'
name = 'Guido'

def printname(count):
    print name * count
```



# Hands-On Exercise 6.1

*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 6.1: Modules*



# Packages

- **Directory hierarchy of module files**
- **Allow module hierarchy to follow the directory structure**
  - Instead of flat structure of modules
  - Group related modules as needed
    - System architecture, service, Python version, etc.
- **Packages are usually downloaded as compressed archives**
  - Extraction into a directory structure provides
    - README file for instructions
    - `setup.py` file for installation
    - Package `python` files
- **Packages installation**

```
python setup.py install
```



# Downloading Packages

- **Python Package Index is a package repository with tutorials**
  - For downloading and installing
  - For creating and uploading
  - <http://pypi.python.org/pypi>
- **pip is a fundamental tool for package management**
  - Installs packages and dependencies from the repository
  - Removes packages and dependencies

```
pip install packagename
```





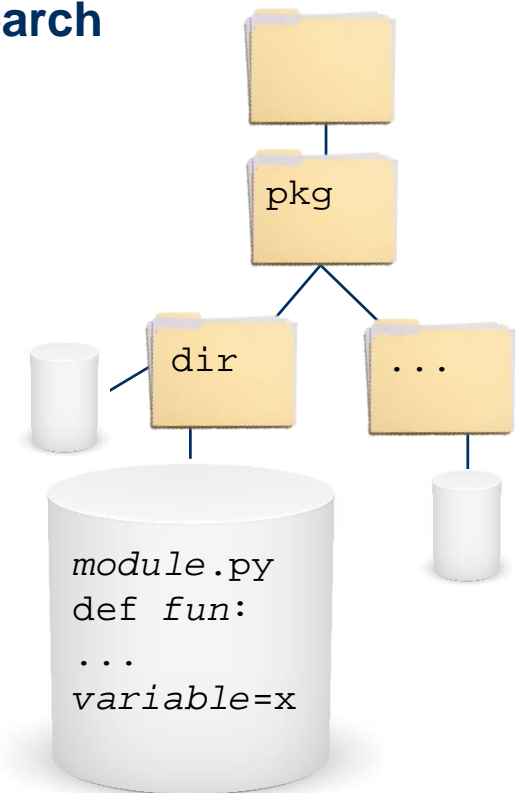
# Package Directory Structure

- **Base directory of the package must be in the Python search path**
- **Multiple levels of subdirectories are allowed**
- **Each subdirectory must also contain**
  - Its `.py` or `.pyc` module files
  - An `__init__.py` file
    - Executes when that directory's modules are first imported



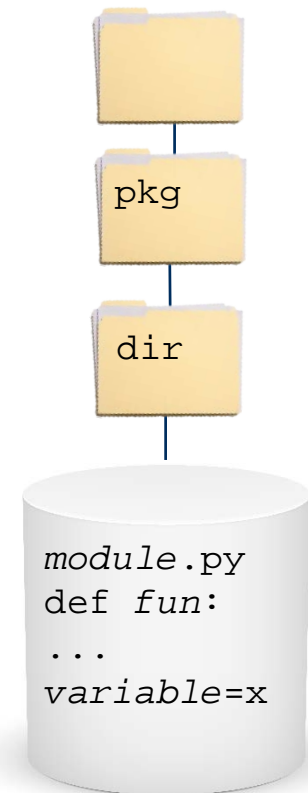
# Package import

- **Syntax:** `import pkg.dir`
- **Each . separates a level of directory structure**
  - No operating-system–specific separators allowed
- ***pkg* must be beneath a root directory within the search path**
- ***dir* must have the `__init__.py` file**
  - May be an empty file
- **Runs the code in all `__init__.py` files within the path**
  - Creates an object of the module's contents
- **Each directory becomes a namespace**



# Accessing Package Modules

- **`import pkg.dir.module`**
  - Names must be fully qualified
    - `pkg.dir.module.fun( )`
    - `pkg.dir.module.variable`
- **`from pkg.dir import module`**
  - Names may be qualified by module
    - `module.fun( )` or `module.variable`
- **`from pkg.dir.module import fun`**
  - Unqualified names are allowed
    - `fun( )`



- **Module Overview**
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- **Collection of modules that come with Python**
- **Not part of the language itself**
- **Interfaces to access common utilities**
  - Operating system
    - File system and utilities
  - Database access
  - Date and time information and measurement
  - GUI and network application development
  - Regular expression pattern matching
  - Archiving and compression
  - And more!



➤ Contains functions and variables that are used by Python itself

<code>sys.version</code>	String of Python version
<code>sys.path</code>	List containing search path for modules
<code>sys.modules</code>	Dictionary of currently loaded modules
<code>sys.platform</code>	String of operating system type
<code>sys.executable</code>	String of pathname to Python interpreter

```
>>> sys.version
'2.7.2 (default, Jun 12 2011, 15:08:59) [MSC v.1500 64 bit
(AMD64)]'
>>> sys.path[0]
'C:\\Python27\\Lib\\idlelib',
>>> sys.path[9]
'C:\\Python27\\lib\\site-packages']
```



- Are passed into the program when it is started

**`sys.argv`**

List of command-line argument strings passed

```
import sys

print 'arg count is', len(sys.argv)
for word in sys.argv:
    print 'found', word
```

`argtest.py`

```
C:\> C:\Python27\python argtest.py this is it
arg count is 4
found argtest.py
found this
found is
found it
```



- Contains functions and variables used to portably query and interact with processes within the operating system

<code>os.environ</code>	Dictionary of environment variables
<code>os.getpid()</code>	Function returning an integer process ID
<code>os.kill()</code>	Function terminating a process
<code>subprocess.call()</code>	Function executing an operating-system command

```
>>> os.environ['PYTHONPATH'].split(';')  
['C:\\Python27', 'c:\\Python27\\Lib\\site-packages\\django']  
>>> subprocess.call(['ping', 'localhost'])
```





## ➤ The `subprocess.Popen()` class handles process creation

```
>>> import subprocess
>>> pipe = subprocess.Popen(['ping', 'localhost'], shell=True,
...                          stdout=subprocess.PIPE)
>>> for pingline in pipe.stdout:
...     print pingline
...
```

Pinging WIN2008\_64 [::1] with 32 bytes of data:  
Reply from ::1: time<1ms  
Reply from ::1: time<1ms  
Reply from ::1: time<1ms  
Reply from ::1: time<1ms  
Ping statistics for ::1:  
Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),

Output shortened



## ➤ Contain functions and variables used to

- Manage the file system

<code>os.sep</code>	String of directory path component separator
<code>os.getcwd()</code>	Returns a string of the current directory
<code>os.chdir()</code>	Changes the current directory
<code>os.listdir()</code>	Returns a list of directory contents
<code>os.mkdir()</code>	Creates a directory
<code>os.rmdir()</code>	Removes a directory
<code>os.remove()</code>	Removes a file

- Query the file system

<code>os.path.isdir()</code>	Returns a Boolean, tests if path is a directory
<code>os.path.isfile()</code>	Returns a Boolean, tests if path is a file
<code>os.path.getsize()</code>	Returns the size in bytes



## ➤ Provides pattern matching on file names

<b>?</b>	Matches any single character
<b>[ ... ]</b>	Matches any single character in the set
<b>*</b>	Matches any number of any character

## ➤ glob( ) function returns a list of matching file names



```
>>> import os, glob, subprocess
>>> orig = r'C:\Course\1905\Data'
>>> backup = r'C:\Course\1905\backupcsv'
>>> os.mkdir(backup)
>>> os.chdir(orig)
>>> for file in glob.glob('*.csv'):
...     subprocess.call(['copy', file, backup], shell=True)
```



<code>^, \$</code>	Anchor pattern to beginning or ending of line
<code>.</code>	Any single characters
<code>[ ], [ ^ ]</code>	Any single character in set or not in set
<code>*</code>	Zero or more of preceding regular expression
<code>+</code>	One or more of preceding regular expression
<code>?</code>	Zero or one of preceding regular expression
<code> </code>	Or
<code>( )</code>	Group
<code>\</code>	Following character is not special



## ➤ Alternate method to describe select text patterns

<code>\d</code>	Any single base-10 digit
<code>\D</code>	Any single character not a base-10 digit
<code>\w</code>	Any single alphanumeric character
<code>\W</code>	Any single nonalphanumeric character
<code>\s</code>	Any single whitespace character



- **Python uses \ as part of escape sequences in strings**
  - `'\n'` for newline, `'\t'` for tab
- **Escape sequence `\\` represents a single backslash**
- **Regular expression containing backslash must be escaped**
  - `'\\d'` matches a digit
  - `'\\\\'` matches a literal backslash
  - `'\\+'` matches one or more backslashes
- **Raw strings do not honor escape sequences**
  - Specified as `r'string'`
    - `r'\d'` matches a digit
    - `r'\\'` matches a literal backslash
    - `r'\\+'` matches one or more backslashes



## ➤ Provides pattern-matching functions

- Regular expressions are symbolic notation to match text patterns
  - May contain regular characters and special characters

## ➤ `match(pattern, string)`

- Finds the *pattern* at the beginning of the *string* argument
- Returns a `match` object with `start()` and `end()` methods that return the indices

## ➤ `search(pattern, string)`

- Finds the *pattern* anywhere in the *string* argument
- Returns a `match` object with `start()` and `end()` methods





```
>>> import re
>>> course = 'This is Python Programming'
>>> ans = re.match(r'[A-Z]\w+', course)
>>> ans.start()
0
>>> ans.end()
4
>>> ans = re.search(r'[Pp]\w+', course)
>>> course[ans.start():ans.end()]
Python
```

String slice




➤ `findall(pattern, string)`

- Finds all occurrences of the *pattern*
- Returns a list of matching strings

```
>>> data = 'This is the perfect Python Programming string'
>>> re.findall(r'[Pp]\w+', data)
['perfect', 'Python', 'Programming']
```



1. Access the Python interpreter console using the  button
2. Import the regular expression module and make the following assignment:

```
>>> import re
>>> text = 'http://127.0.0.1:8000/cgi-bin/helloworld.py'
```

3. Use regular expression functions to match and display the following strings:
  - a. One or more consecutive letters
  - b. One or more consecutive digits
  - c. Only the consecutive digits immediately following a colon, ':'



```
>>> text = 'http://127.0.0.1:8000/cgi-bin/helloworld.py'

>>> re.findall(r'[a-zA-Z]+', text)
['http', 'cgi', 'bin', 'helloworld', 'py']

>>> re.findall(r'[0-9]+', text)
['127', '0', '0', '1', '8000']
>>> re.findall(r'\d+', text)
['127', '0', '0', '1', '8000']

>>> loc = re.search(r':[0-9]', text)
>>> re.findall(r'\d+', text[loc.start():])
['8000']
```



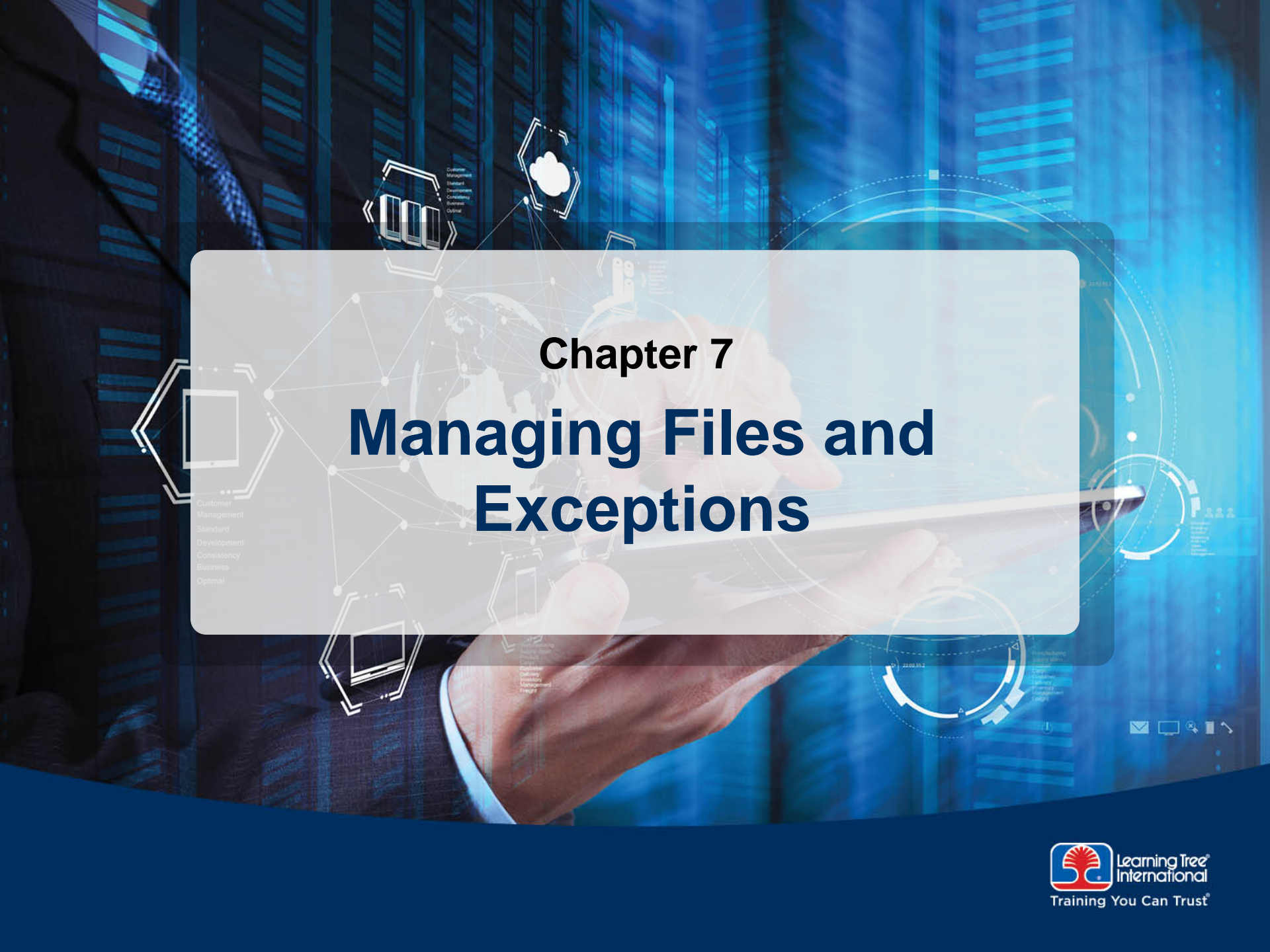
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**You are now able to**

- **Create new modules**
- **Access additional modules**
- **Use the standard library**





# Chapter 7

## Managing Files and Exceptions

# Chapter Objectives

**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

- **Handle and raise exceptions**
- **Perform I/O with multiple types of files**

I/O = input/output



## ➤ Exceptions

- Files
- `pickle` and `shelve`





# Keyboard Input

- The `raw_input('prompt')` function returns one line from standard input
  - Converted into a string with `\n` removed

```
def print_age_in_days(years):  
    print 'Your age in days is more than', 365 * int(years)  
  
age = raw_input('Enter your age: ')  
print_age_in_days(age)
```

Prompt

Line that caused  
the exception

```
Enter your age: fifteen  
Your age in days is more than  
Traceback (most recent call last):  
  File "<pyshell#192>", line 2, in <print_age_in_days>  
    print 'Your age in days is more than', 365 * int(years)  
ValueError: Invalid literal for int() with base 10 'fifteen'
```



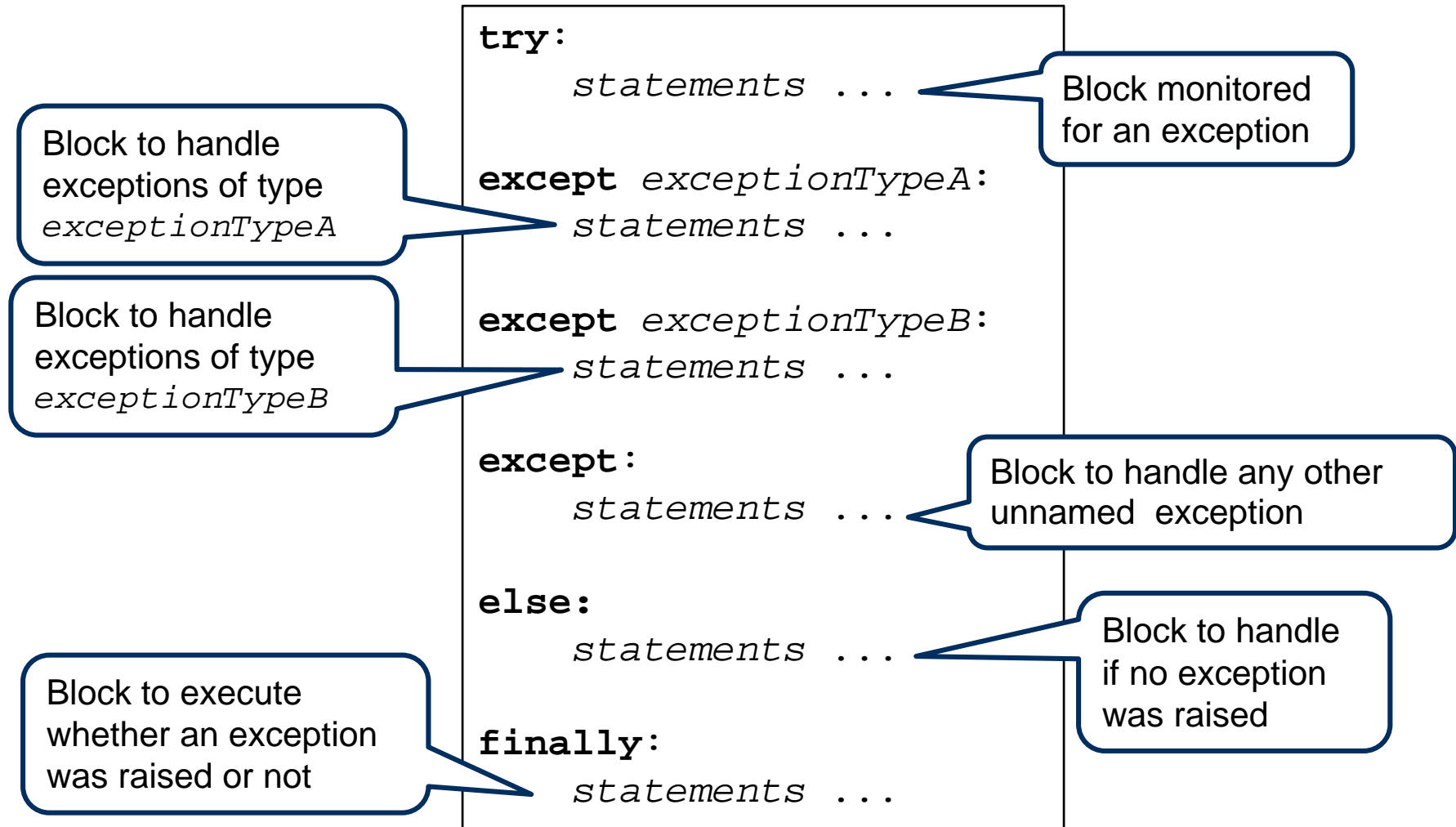
# Exceptions

- **Are errors generated at runtime**
- **May be raised by Python itself or manually from within a program**
- **Cause a change in the control flow of a program**
  - Default action is immediate termination
    - Includes a stack trace of the calls leading to the exception
- **It is the programmer's responsibility to provide code to handle exceptions**
- **Python's exception-handling capabilities**
  - Simplify coding
  - Increase robustness
  - Provide a uniform approach to handling errors across application code



# The try Statement

➤ General structure of exception-handling code is as follows:



# Handling a Single Exception

- Statements within the `try` block are executed and monitored for an exception
- On exception, control passes to the appropriate `except` block
  - Associated with the most enclosing `try`

```
def print_age_in_days(years):  
    print 'Your age in days is more than', 365 * int(years)  
  
try:  
    age = raw_input('Enter your age: ')  
    print_age_in_days(age)  
except ValueError:  
    print 'You did not input the age as an integer'
```

1 Call function within try

2 Raises ValueError exception

3 Branch to except for that exception



# Handling Multiple Exception Types

- If present, multiple `except` blocks are checked sequentially
- `except(exceptionA, exceptionB)` defines a single block for multiple exceptions
- `except:` defines a block for any unnamed exception

```
def print_age_in_days(years):  
    print 'Your age in days is more than', 365 * int(years)  
  
try:  
    age = raw_input('Enter your age: ')  
    print_age_in_days(age)  
except ValueError:  
    print 'You did not input the age as an integer'  
except EOFError:  
    print 'End of file from standard input'  
except:  
    print 'Non Value or EOF error occurred'
```

For any unnamed  
exception type



# The else and finally Clauses

- **else:** defines a block that is executed if no exceptions are raised
  - Follows all except clauses
    - Must have at least one except
- **finally:** defines a block that is always executed
  - Whether an exception was raised or not

```
def print_age_in_days(years):  
    print 'Your age in days is more than', 365 * int(years)  
  
try:  
    age = raw_input('Enter your age: ')  
    print_age_in_days(age)  
except ValueError:  
    print 'You did not input the age as an integer'  
else:  
    print age, 'was successfully converted to integer'  
finally:  
    print 'Input test complete'
```

Block always  
executes

No exception raised



# Exception Instances

- **Exception instances are assigned by except *ExceptionType* as *name***
- *name.args* references a tuple given to the *ExceptionType* constructor

```
def print_age_in_days(years):  
    print 'Your age in days is more than', 365 * int(years)  
  
try:  
    age = raw_input('Enter your age: ')  
    print_age_in_days(age)  
except ValueError as ve:  
    print 'You did not input the age as an integer'  
    print 'Value Error handled', ve.args  
else:  
    print age, 'was successfully converted to integer'  
finally:  
    print 'Input test complete'
```




# The raise Statement

## ➤ Initiates the named exception

- Which may be handled or not

```
import string
def print_age_in_days(years):
    for digit in years:
        if digit not in string.digits:
            raise ValueError('Cannot convert', digit, years)
    print 'Your age in days is more than', 365 * int(years)

try:
    age = raw_input('Enter your age: ')
    print_age_in_days(age)
except ValueError as ve:
    print 'You did not input the age as an integer'
    print 'Value Error handled', ve.args
```



Enter your age: **fifteen**

You did not input the age as an integer

Value Error handled, ('Cannot convert', 'f', 'fifteen')





# Hands-On Exercise 7.1

*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 7.1: Exceptions*



- **Exceptions**

- **Files**

- `pickle and shelve`



## ➤ Built-in object type

- Has methods to handle reading, writing, and positioning within the file

## ➤ Reference contents of many types

- Character
- Numeric
- Class object



# The open and close Statements

- **Open a file syntax:** `object = open('pathname' [, 'mode'])`
- **Returns a file**
- **Specifies an opening *mode***
  - 'r' —Opened for reading at the beginning
    - Default mode
  - 'w' —Opened for writing at the beginning
  - 'a' —Opened for writing at the end
  - Additional '+' with mode opens for both reading and writing operations
- **Specifies a file's content type within the *mode***
  - Text is the default
  - 'b' specifies binary
- **Close a file syntax:** `object.close()`
  - Releases open file reference



Optional



# Opening Files and Exceptions

## ➤ An `IOError` exception is raised when opening to

- Read a file that does not exist
- Read or write a file without appropriate access rights

## ➤ `IOError` exception attributes include

- `errno`—Error message number, `args[0]`
- `strerror`—Error message string, `args[1]`
- `filename`—Filename used when the exception was raised

```
try:
    infile = open('Incorrectfilename')
except IOError as ioe:
    print 'Unable to open the file'
    print 'Error number', ioe.args[0],
    print 'Message', ioe.args[1],
    print 'Filename in error', ioe.filename
```

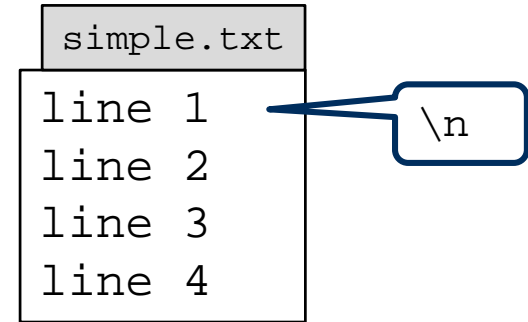
If `open()` failed,  
`close()` is not needed



# Reading a Text File

## ➤ File is a sequence of characters

- `'\n'` separates lines



l	i	n	e		1	\n	l	i	n	e		2	\n	...
---	---	---	---	--	---	----	---	---	---	---	--	---	----	-----

- `read()`: Returns the entire file contents as a single string
- `readline()`: Returns the next line from the file
  - Includes the `'\n'` line delimiter
  - `rstrip()` string method can remove the `'\n'`
- `readlines()`: Returns the entire file contents as a list of strings, including the `'\n'`
- `IOError` exception may be raised



# Reading a Text File Example

```
try:
    infile = open('C:/Course/1905/Data/simple.txt', 'r')
    print infile.readline().rstrip()
    print infile.readlines()
    infile.close()
except IOError as ioe:
    print 'Error number', ioe.args[0],
    print 'Message', ioe.args[1]
```

```
line 1
['line 2\n', 'line 3\n', 'line 4\n']
```



# Writing a Text File

- `write(string_ref)`: Writes a single string into a file
- `writelines(list_ref)`: Writes a list's contents into a file
- **On writing, data is cached**
  - `close()` writes the cache and releases the file object
  - `flush()` followed by `os.fsync()` writes the cache and keeps the file open
- **`IOError` exception may be raised**





# Data Handling Exceptions

## ➤ Once opened, files should be closed

```
try:
    infile = open('C:/Course/1905/Data/simple.txt', 'r')
    try:
        print infile.readline().rstrip()
        print infile.readlines()
        infile.write('line 5\n')
    except IOError:
        print 'Read or Write error on file'
    finally:
        infile.close()
except IOError as ioe:
    print 'Failed to open the file'
```

IOError exception raised writing to the file

File must be closed whether or not exception occurs



# Using with to Open and Close Files

➤ The `with` statement wraps a block of statements with methods defined by a *context manager*

- If the file is opened, it will be closed
  - Even if an exception is raised

```
try:
    with open('C:/Course/1905/Data/simple.txt','r') as infile:
        print infile.readline().rstrip()
        print infile.readlines()
        infile.write('line 5\n')
except IOError:
    print 'Read or Write error on file'
```

If `open()` was successful, `close()` is guaranteed



# Using Loops and Iterators for File Access

## ➤ The file object is iterable

```
try:
    with open('C:/Course/1905/Data/simple.txt','r') as infile:
        for dataline in infile:
            print dataline.rstrip()

except IOError:
    print 'Read or Write error on file'
```

```
line 1
line 2
line 3
line 4
```



# The Standard Streams

- **Standard streams are file objects available from the `sys` module**
    - Already opened for reading or writing when the program starts
    - Treated as text files
  - **Default to the keyboard and screen when using the Python interpreter**
1. **`sys.stdin`**
    - Provides standard input file for file methods
  2. **`sys.stdout`**
    - Provides standard output file for file methods
    - Used by `print`
  3. **`sys.stderr`**
    - Provides standard error file for file methods
    - Used for exception messages



# Reading and Writing to Standard Streams

```
>>> import sys
>>> inline = sys.stdin.readline()
Honolulu
>>> if inline:
...     sys.stdout.write(inline)
... else:
...     sys.stderr.write('No input found')
Honolulu
```

Keyboard input

Screen output



# Redirecting Streams to Files

## ➤ Assigns a disk file for use as a standard stream

- To automate testing user input
- To capture text in a log file

```
import sys
originalerr = sys.stderr
originalout = sys.stdout
errlogfile = 'C:/Course/1905/Data/errorlog.txt'
outputlogfile = 'C:/Course/1905/Data/outputlog.txt'
with open(errlogfile, 'a') as sys.stderr:
    with open(outputlogfile, 'a') as sys.stdout:
        if test_for_some_error:
            sys.stderr.write('Error\n')
        else:
            sys.stdout.write('No Error\n')

sys.stderr = originalerr
sys.stdout = originalout
```

Save the originals

Custom messages  
appended to the log file

Restore the originals



- **Exceptions**
- **Files**
- **`pickle and shelve`**



# The pickle Module

- **Allows native types to be stored and retrieved from a file**
  - Dictionaries, tuples, classes, etc.
  - Without manual text conversion
- **Performs object serialization**
  - Converts native type to and from a byte sequence for storage
- **Requires an open mode of 'b'**
  - .pkl file name extension is common
- **`pickle.load()`**
  - Reads an object from the .pkl file
- **`pickle.dump()`**
  - Writes an object to the .pkl file





# Reading and Writing With pickle

```
import pickle

airports = {
    'HNL': 'Honolulu',
    'ITO': 'Hilo',
    'GCM': 'Grand Cayman, BWI',
    'CUR': 'Curacao, Netherland Antilles'}

class Airport(object):
    def __init__(self, citycode=None, city=None):
        self.citycode = citycode
        self.city = city

airport_dict = {}
for code in airports:
    airport_dict[code] = Airport(citycode=code,
                                city=airports[code])
```

Create a dictionary  
of Airport objects



# Reading and Writing With pickle

```
with open('airports.pkl', 'wb') as outfile:  
    pickle.dump(airport_dict, outfile)
```

Serializes and  
stores the dictionary

```
airport_dict = {}  
with open('airports.pkl', 'rb') as infile:  
    airport_dict = pickle.load(infile)
```

```
print airport_dict['HNL'].city
```

Re-creates  
the dictionary  
from the file

**Honolulu**



# The `shelve` Module

- **Provides keyed access to a file's contents**
  - Keys are strings
- **Allows normal dictionary operations to**
  - Retrieve the desired values
  - Update a value
  - Add new values
- **Internally uses `pickle` for the translation**
- **Can create and access `.dbm` file**



# Reading and Writing With shelve

```
import shelve

airports = {
    'HNL': 'Honolulu',
    'ITO': 'Hilo',
    'GCM': 'Grand Cayman, BWI',
    'CUR': 'Curacao, Netherland Antilles'}

class Airport(object):
    def __init__(self, citycode=None, city=None):
        self.citycode = citycode
        self.city = city

df = shelve.open('airports.dbm', writeback=True)
for code in airports:
    df[code] = Airport(citycode=code,
                       city=airports[code])
```

Read and write  
access is allowed

Assign to the shelve object



# Reading and Writing With shelve

```
print 'From the shelve'
print df['HNL'].city
df['HNL'].city = 'Lulu'
df['NRT'] = Airport(citycode='NRT', city='Tokyo')
df.sync()
for key in df:
    ap = Airport(citycode=key, city=df[key].city)
    print ap.citycode, ap.city
df.close()
```

Writes cache back into shelve file

```
From the shelve
Honolulu
CUR Curacao, Netherland Antilles
HNL Lulu
ITO Hilo
NRT Tokyo
GCM Grand Cayman, BWI
```



*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 7.2: Managing Files*



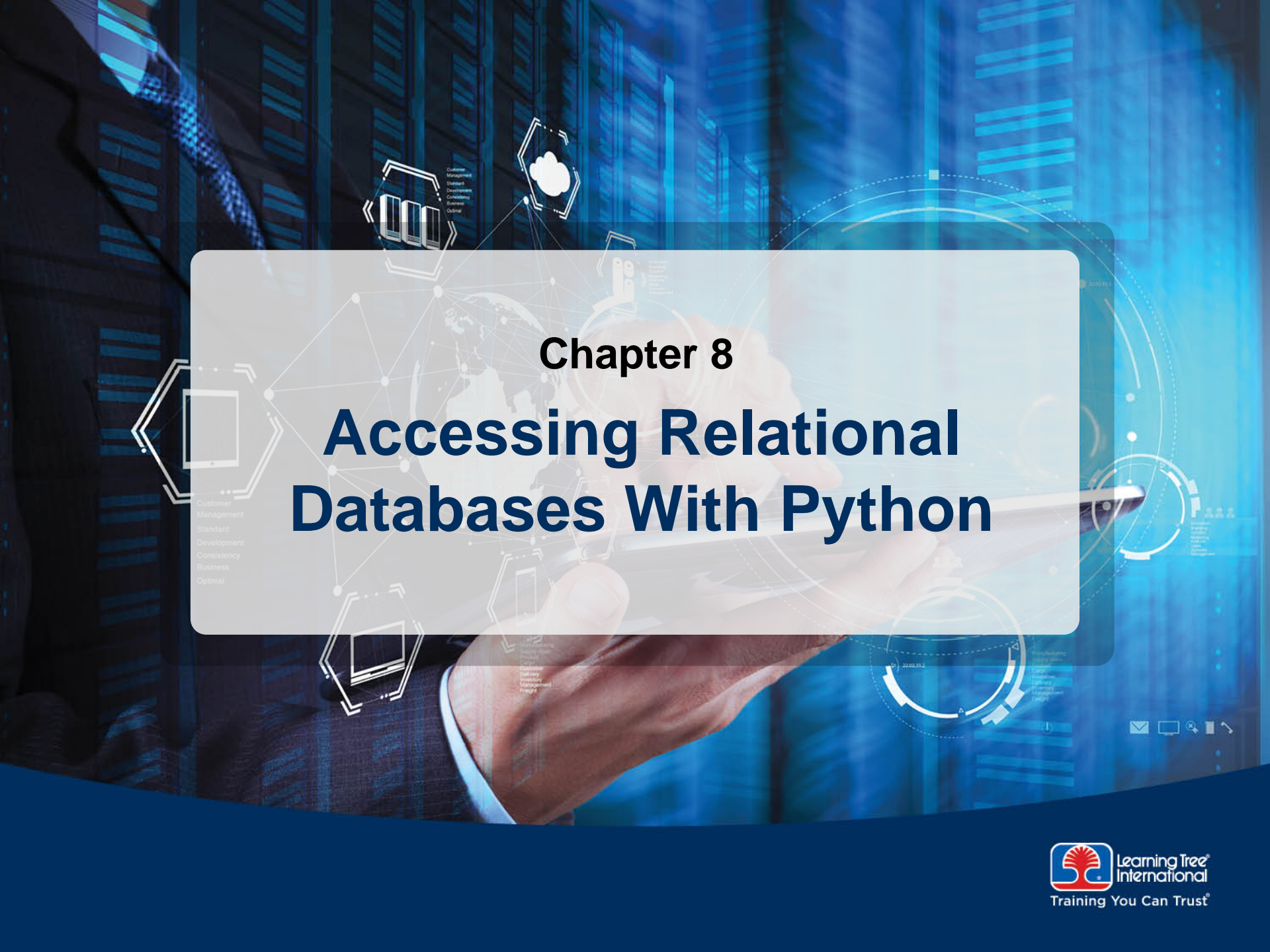
# Chapter Summary

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**You are now able to**

- **Handle and raise exceptions**
- **Perform I/O with multiple types of files**





# Chapter 8

## Accessing Relational Databases With Python



# Chapter Objectives

**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

- **Access relational databases within Python using**
  - SELECT
  - INSERT
  - UPDATE
  - DELETE



## ➤ **Relational Databases**

- **Using SQL**



# Relational Databases

## ➤ **Store data as tables**

- Rows are indexed by keys
  - Unique fields of data

## ➤ **Access by the structured query language (SQL)**

- Standard programming language

## ➤ **Are implemented by many proprietary as well as open-source products**

- Oracle, Sybase, and SQL Server are well-known commercial products
- PostgreSQL and MySQL are well-known open-source products
- SQLite comes with Python



# MySQL

- **Most popular open-source relational database**
- **Available for many operating-system platforms**
- **Has an API for many programming languages**
- **Accessible through the MySQLdb module in Python**
  - `import MySQLdb`

API = application programming interface



- **Relational Databases**

➤ **Using SQL**



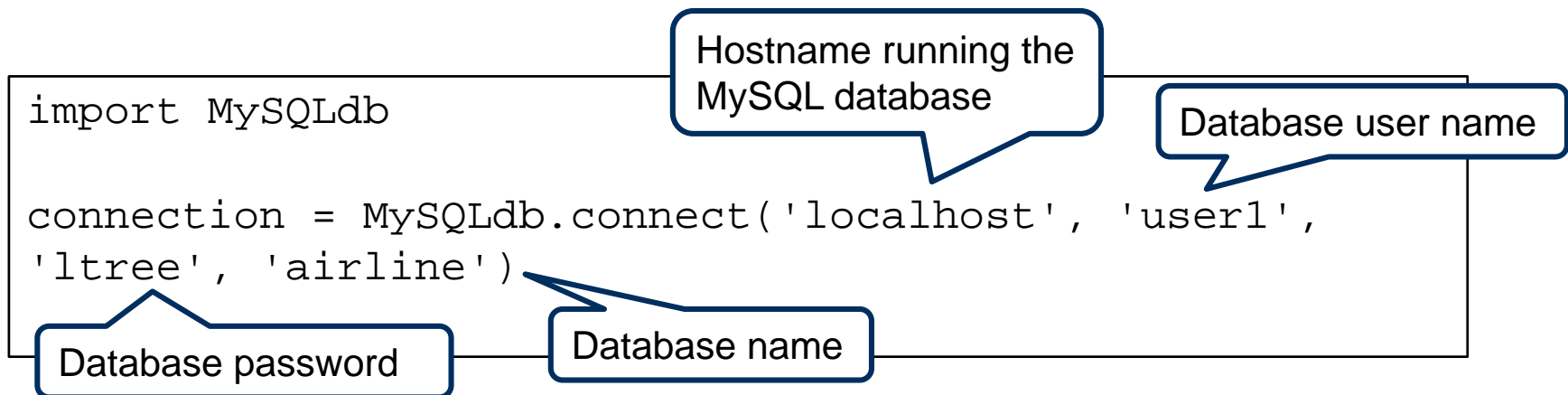
# Steps to Accessing the Database

1. **Establish a connection**
2. **Create a cursor for the data interchange**
3. **Use SQL to access the data**
4. **Close the connection**



# Step 1: Establish a Connection

- **connect ( ) initiates contact with the database**
  - Requires database name and login information
    - Format is database dependent
  - Returns a connection object
    - Or raises an `OperationalError` exception
- **Connection provides methods for data access management**
  - `close ( )`—terminates the connection
  - `commit ( )`—forces write to database store
  - `rollback ( )`—removes changes back to last `commit ( )`



## Step 2: Create a Cursor for the Data Interchange

- `cursor()` method creates cursor object
- Controlling structure for database access
- Provides `execute()` method for SQL statements
  - `ProgrammingError` is raised for invalid statement
- Provides `rowcount` attribute describing the number of rows changed or fetched

```
curs = connection.cursor()  
  
curs.execute('SQL statement')  
if curs.rowcount:
```

Cursor name

Test if any rows are affected

Calls the database for the SQL execution





## Step 3: Use SQL to Access the Data; Step 4: Close the Connection

- **SELECT** statement retrieves rows
- SQL is passed as an argument to the `execute()` method
- Returns the qualified rows into the cursor object

```
curs.execute('SELECT * FROM aircraft WHERE aircraftcode = 1')  
if curs.rowcount:
```

The columns to  
be retrieved;  
\* indicates all

Tables to be  
searched

SQL selection  
criteria

```
connection.close()
```

Terminates the  
connection



# Constructing a `SELECT` String

- **The SQL command must be a single string**
- **May be referenced by a variable**
  - Or variables concatenated

```
query = 'SELECT * FROM flights WHERE flightnum = 1587'  
  
curs.execute(query)
```



# Passing Arguments to SQL Statements

- **Prepared statements contain fixed SQL syntax and the %s parameter**
  - Value(s) substituted from the argument list

```
craftnum = (2, )  
apt = ('HNL', )  
  
curs.execute('SELECT * FROM aircraft  
              WHERE aircraftcode = %s', craftnum)  
curs.execute('SELECT * FROM airport  
              WHERE citycode = %s', apt)
```

Placeholder  
for argument



# Extracting Data From the Cursor

➤ **Database rows matching the `SELECT` criteria are available through the cursor**

- As a single tuple if only one row matched
- As a tuple of tuples if multiple rows matched

```
curs.execute('SELECT city FROM airport')  
for name in curs:  
    print 'Airport name', name
```

➤ **`fetchone()` returns the next tuple**

➤ **`fetchall()` method returns a tuple of tuples with all remaining rows**

➤ **`fetchmany(size)` method returns *size* tuples within a tuple**

➤ **Both return `None` after all rows have been returned**



# Inserting a Row

- Use the **SQL `INSERT INTO table VALUES (...)`** statement
  - Values inserted are a tuple
  - Values must meet the database field constraints
- Call the connection's `commit()` method to update the database storage

```
newplane1 = (5, 'Blimp')  
newplane2 = (6, 'Helicopter')
```

Tuples

```
curs.execute('INSERT INTO aircraft VALUES (%s, %s)',  
             newplane1)  
curs.execute('INSERT INTO aircraft VALUES (%s, %s)',  
             newplane2)
```

```
connection.commit()
```

Assigned left to right



# Updating Data

- Use the SQL **UPDATE** *table* **SET** ... **WHERE** ... statement
  - Modifies the fields specified by **SET**
    - For the rows specified by **WHERE**
- Call the connection's `commit()` method to update the database storage

```
updateplane1 = (7, 'Blimp')
updateplane2 = ('Bell430', 6)

curs.execute('UPDATE aircraft SET aircraftcode = %s
              WHERE name = %s', updateplane1)

curs.execute('UPDATE aircraft SET name = %s
              WHERE aircraftcode = %s', updateplane2)

connection.commit()
```



# Deleting Data

- Use the SQL `DELETE FROM table WHERE` statement
- Call the connection's `commit()` method to update the database storage

```
planecode = (6, )  
planetype = ('Blimp', )  
  
curs.execute('DELETE FROM aircraft  
              WHERE aircraftcode = %s', planecode)  
  
curs.execute('DELETE FROM aircraft  
              WHERE name = %s', planetype)  
  
connection.commit()
```



# Hands-On Exercise 8.1

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*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 8.1: Accessing a MySQL Database*



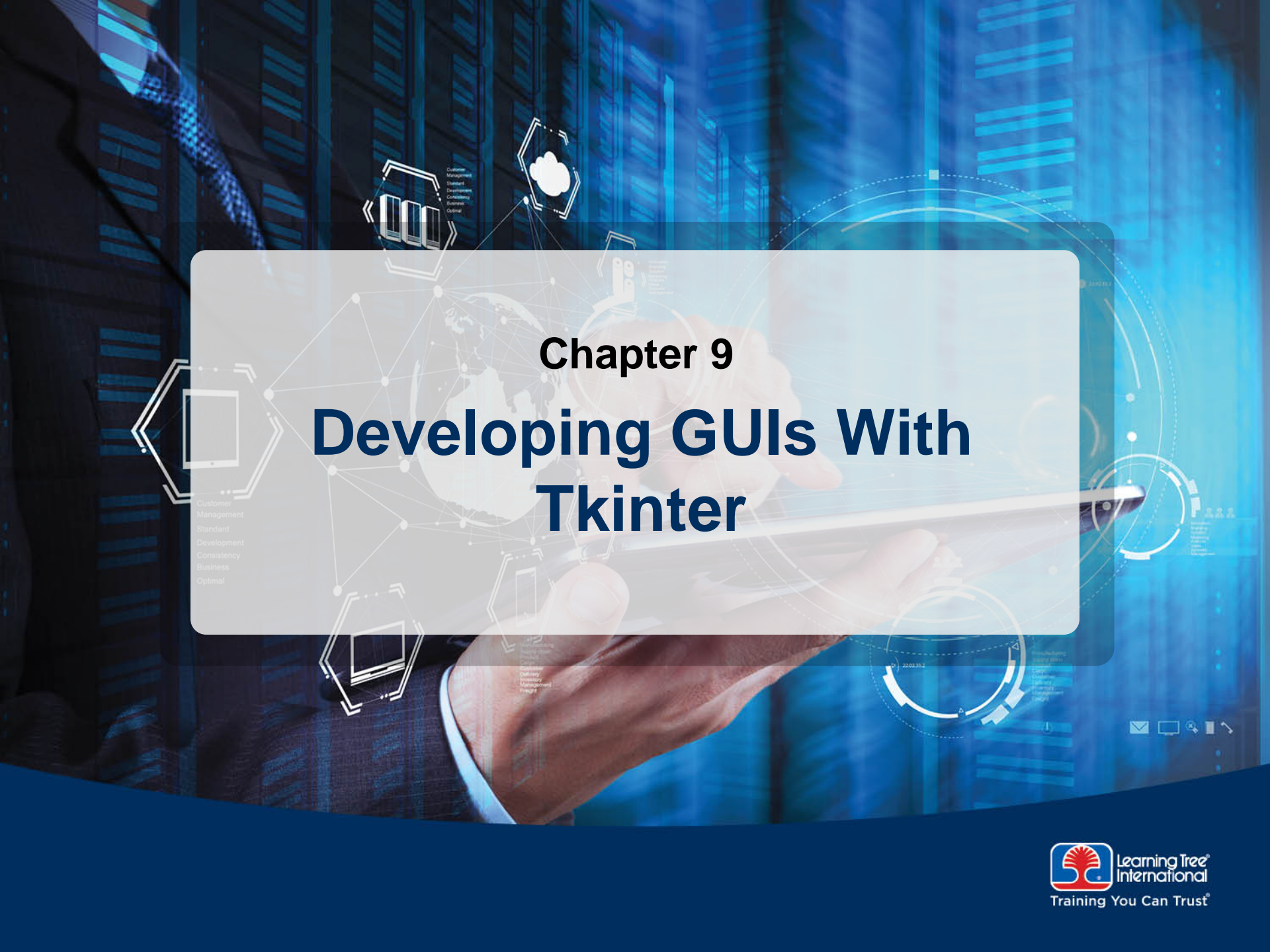


# Chapter Summary

You are now able to

- **Access relational databases within Python using**
  - SELECT
  - INSERT
  - UPDATE
  - DELETE





# Chapter 9

## Developing GUIs With Tkinter

# Chapter Objectives

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**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

- **Build interactive GUIs using Tkinter**
- **Create and display basic widgets**
- **Add callback functions**
- **Create widget classes within frames**



## ➤ Tkinter

- **Basic Widgets and Display**
- **Callbacks**
- **Entry and Radiobutton**
- **Menus**



# Tkinter

- **Standard library supplied with Python for GUI creation and management**
  - Not part of the language itself
  - Is one of several GUI development frameworks for Python
    - WxPython and QtPy are others
- **Is based on the Tk library**
  - An open-source toolkit for building portable GUIs
  - Available for other programming languages
  - Originally created with the Tcl programming language
- **Provided for Python by the Tkinter module**
  - Allows Python to
    - Control component creation and presentation
    - Handle user interaction events



**Python 3 module name is `tkinter`**



# Tkinter Portability

- **The Tk library has been ported to many operating systems**
  - Apple OS X
  - Microsoft Windows
  - UNIX or Linux using X Windows
- **Python programs using Tkinter should work on all platforms**
  - Require no changes
  - Maintain the platform-specific *look and feel*



- Tkinter
- **Basic Widgets and Display**
- Callbacks
- Entry and Radiobutton
- Menus



## A. Start Eclipse if needed

## B. Open the Tk\_examples project and its label\_buttons.py file

## C. Run the program

Bring in the module classes and functions

```
from Tkinter import Tk, Label, Button, mainloop
```

```
def setup_gui(base, prompt='Default Instructions'):
```

```
    # Steps 2 and 3. Create and pack widgets in a root window
```

```
    2 infolabel = Label(base, text=prompt, bg='white', fg='blue')
```

```
    3 infolabel.pack(side='left', expand=1, fill='both')
```

```
    execbutton = Button(base, text='Execute', fg='black')
```

```
    execbutton.pack(side='left')
```

Create widget

```
    exitbutton = Button(base, text='Exit', fg='red')
```

```
    exitbutton.pack(side='right')
```

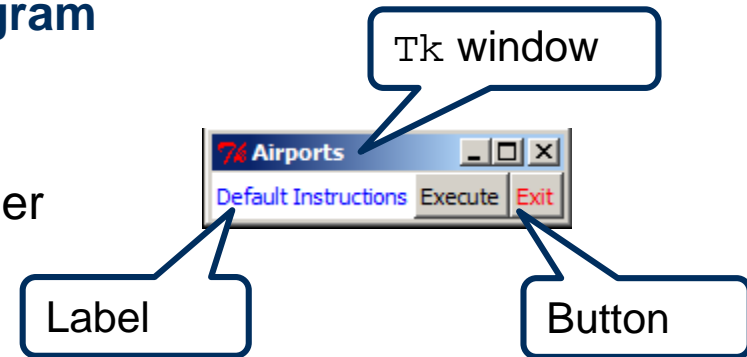
Display widget





➤ **Notice the four main parts of GUI program**

1. Create root window
2. Create widgets within a window
3. Display widgets with geometry manager
4. Start `mainloop()`



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```
# Step 1. Create the root Tk window
root = Tk()
root.title('Airports')
setup_gui(root)
```

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```
# Step 4. Start display loop
mainloop()
```

Start display loop



# Widgets

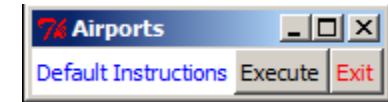
- **Standard building blocks of a GUI**
  - Labels, buttons, frames, and others
  - Provided by the Tk library as classes
- **Have attributes that describe their appearance**
  - Colors, fonts, borders, etc.
- **Created within a widget hierarchy, or tree**
  - Window manager or `root` window is the default parent
- **Assembled to present the display**
  - Geometry manager controls size and position within the layout



# Tk Class Widget

## ➤ Provide the parent objects of a widget tree

- Create empty windows where other widgets may be attached
- Provide attributes that apply to the window itself
  - `title()` method sets the window title



## ➤ Has no parent

## ➤ Is displayed by the `mainloop()` function

```
root = Tk()  
root.title('Airports')  
setup_gui(root)  
mainloop()
```

Start display loop



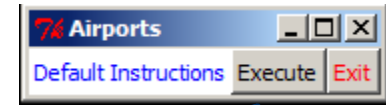
# Label and Button Widgets

## ➤ Display text strings or images

- `text` attribute references a string
- `fg` and `bg` colors

## ➤ Are part of a widget hierarchy

- First argument specifies the parent widget



Label and  
Buttons

```
def setup_gui(base, prompt='Default Instructions'):  
  
    infolabel = Label(base, text=prompt, bg='white', fg='blue')  
  
    execbutton = Button(base, text='Execute', fg='black')  
  
    exitbutton = Button(base, text='Exit', fg='red')
```

Parent widget is Tk



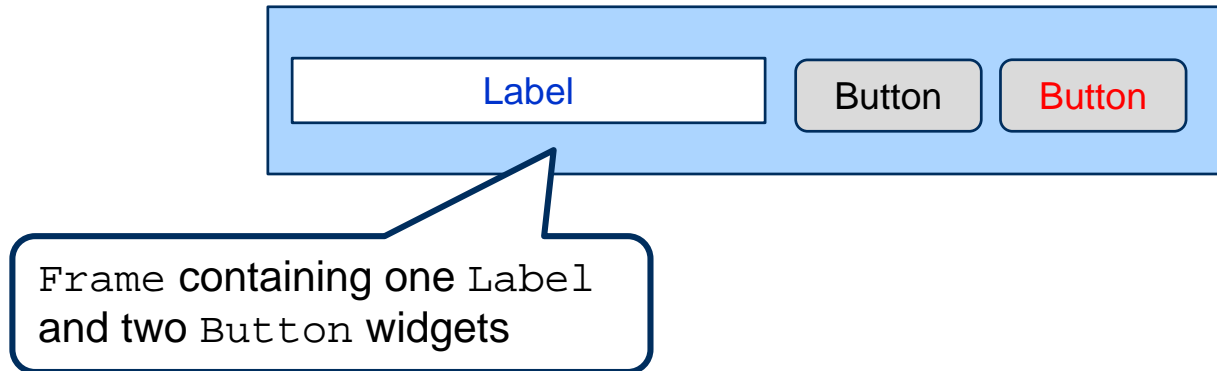
- **Function that causes widgets to display**
- **Controls the relative layout of the widgets**
  - Attributes define the location, orientation, and expansion
  - Initial size is calculated based on the contained widgets' content
- **By default, resizing with the mouse changes only the root window size**
  - Child widget resizing is controlled by the widget's `pack ( )` parameters
    - `expand` defines whether the widget grows within expanded space
      - `'yes'` or `1` are equivalent
      - `'no'` or `0` are equivalent
    - `fill` describes widget horizontal and vertical growth within expanded space
      - `'x'`, `'y'`, or `'both'`

```
infolabel.pack(side='left', expand=1, fill='both')  
  
execbutton.pack(side='left')
```

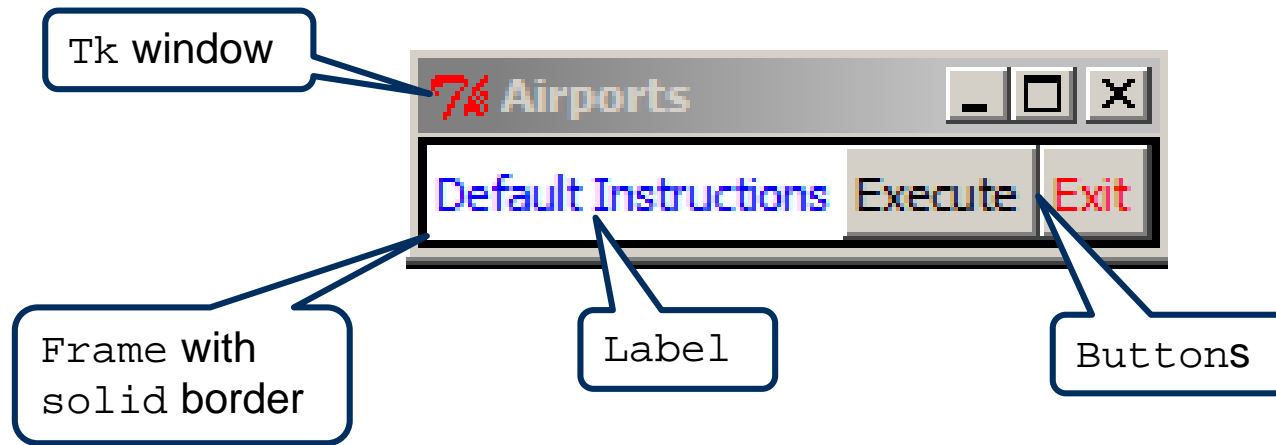


# Frame Widgets

- **Provide windows where other widgets are displayed**
  - Single Tk window may contain many frames
- **Are used to create custom classes**
  - Instances inherit common layout



# Frame Widgets



labels\_buttons\_frame.py

```
class Baseframe(Frame):  
    def __init__(self, base, prompt='Default Instructions'):  
        self.root = base  
        self.prompt = prompt  
        Frame.__init__(self, relief='solid', border=2)  
        self.pack(expand=1, fill='both')  
        self.setup_gui()
```



# Frame Widgets

```
def setup_gui(self):  
    self.promptlabel = Label(self, text=self.prompt,  
                             bg='white', fg='blue')  
    self.promptlabel.pack(side='left', expand=1,  
                          fill='both')  
    self.execbutton = Button(self, text='Execute',  
                             fg='black')  
    self.execbutton.pack(side='left')  
    self.exitbutton = Button(self, text='Exit',  
                             fg='red')  
    self.exitbutton.pack(side='right')
```

```
root = Tk()
```

```
root.title('Airports')
```

```
Baseframe(base=root)
```

Create instance

```
mainloop()
```

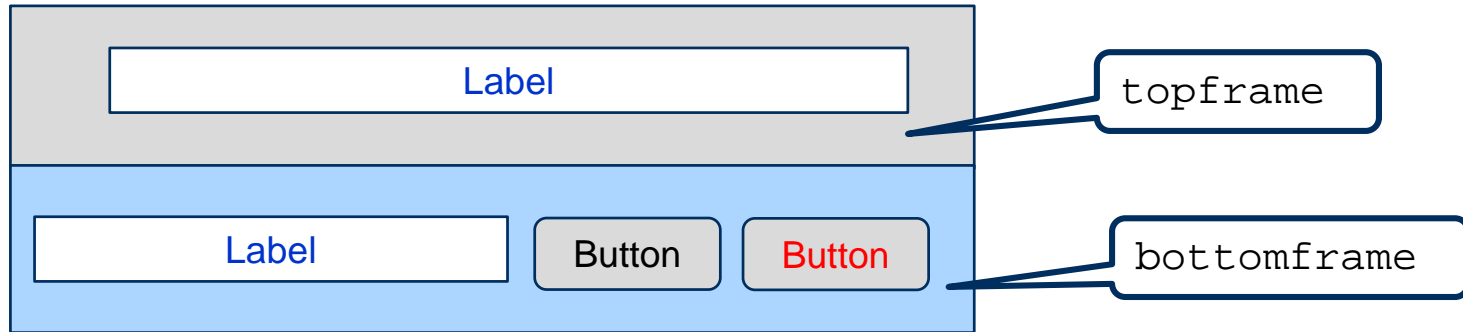




# Frames Within Frames

## ➤ Frame widgets may contain additional frames

- Control widget layouts

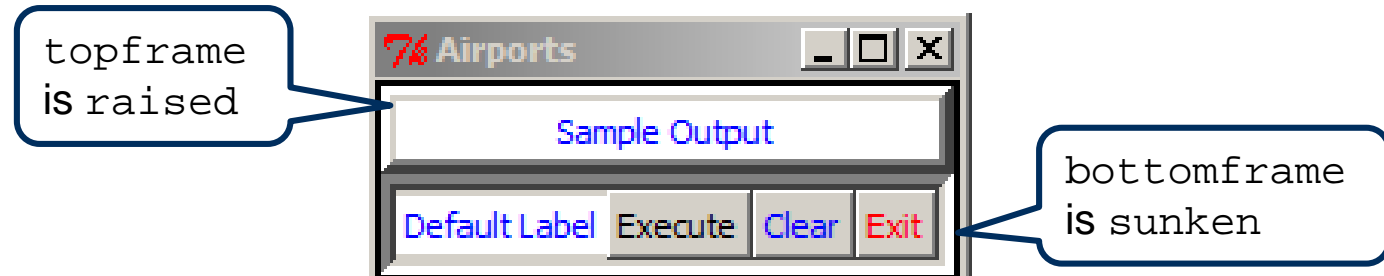


label\_buttons\_frame\_grid.py

```
class BaseFrame(Frame):  
    def __init__(self, base, prompt='Default Label'):  
        self.root = base  
        self.prompt = prompt  
        Frame.__init__(self, relief='solid', border=2)  
        self.pack(expand=1, fill='both')
```



# Frames Within Frames



```
self.topframe = Frame(self, relief='raised', border=5)
self.topframe.pack(side='top', expand=1, fill='both')

self.bottomframe = Frame(self, relief='sunken',
                           border=5)
self.bottomframe.pack(side='bottom', expand=0)
self.setup_gui()

def setup_gui(self):
    self.output = Label(self.topframe,
                        text='Sample Output',
                        bg='white', fg='blue')
    self.output.pack(side='top', expand=1, fill='both')
```



# The grid Method

## ➤ Provides horizontal and vertical geometry management

- column and row attributes
  - column=0, row=0 is upper left
- rowspan and colspan specifies height and width

```
self.promptlabel = Label(self.bottomframe,  
                          text=self.prompt,  
                          bg='white', fg='blue')  
self.promptlabel.grid(row=0, column=0,  
                      colspan=3)  
self.execbutton = Button(self.bottomframe,  
                          text='Execute', fg='black')  
self.execbutton.grid(row=0, column=3)  
self.clearbutton = Button(self.bottomframe,  
                           text='Clear', fg='blue')  
self.clearbutton.grid(row=0, column=4)  
self.exitbutton = Button(self.bottomframe, text='Exit',  
                          fg='red')  
self.exitbutton.grid(row=0, column=5)
```

Location within frame

Width



- Tkinter
- Basic Widgets and Display

## ➤ Callbacks

- Entry and Radiobutton
- Menus



# A Callback Function

➤ **The reference to the callback function is passed when the button is created**

- The `command` attribute
- The function is not executed until the button is clicked
- Control returns to `mainloop()`

`label_buttons_frame_grid_callback.py`

```
self.execbutton = Button(self.bottomframe,  
                          text='Execute', fg='black',  
                          command=self.showinfo)
```

Method

```
self.clearbutton = Button(self.bottomframe,  
                           text='Clear', fg='blue',  
                           command=self.clearinfo)
```

Method

```
self.exitbutton = Button(self.bottomframe, text='Exit',  
                          fg='red', command=self.quit)
```

Terminates frame

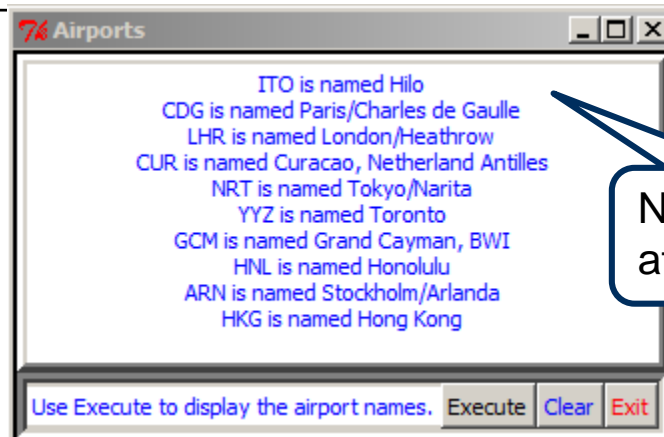


# Reconfiguring a Widget

## ➤ The `configure()` method sets instance attributes in running widgets

```
def showinfo(self):  
    outs = []  
    for key, value in city_code_dict.items():  
        outs.append('{0} is named {1}'.format(key, value))  
    outs = '\n'.join(outs)  
    self.output.configure(text=outs)  
  
def clearinfo(self):  
    self.output.configure(text='')
```

Set text attribute  
in output Label



New text  
attribute value



# ScrolledText Module

## ➤ Provides a `ScrolledText` class

- Implements a `Frame` containing a `Text` widget and vertical scrollbar
- Easier than creating them directly

## ➤ Provides methods

- `insert()` adds text within the widget
- `delete()` removes text from the widget

`label_buttons_frame_grid_callback_scrolltext.py`

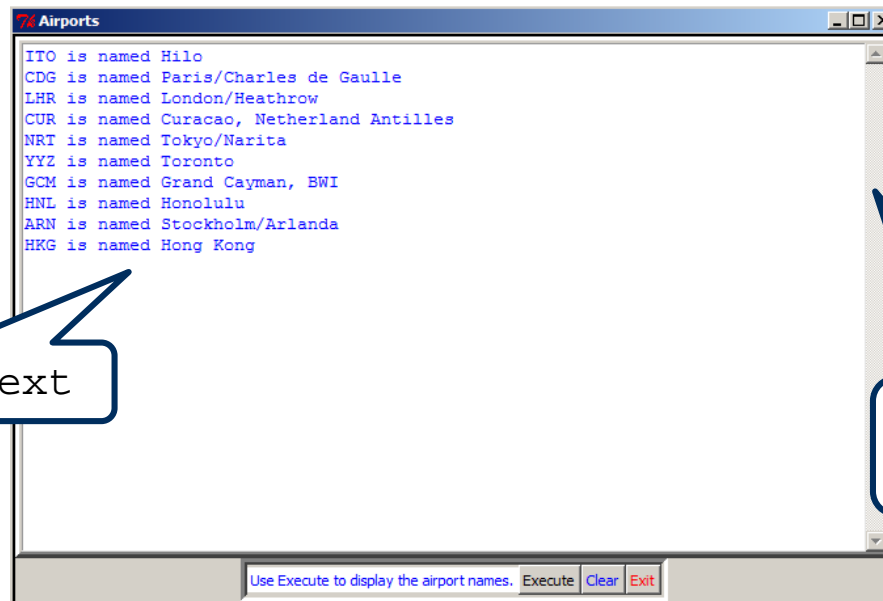
```
from ScrolledText import ScrolledText
from Tkinter import ...
...

def setup_gui(self):
    self.output = ScrolledText(self.topframe,
                               bg='white', fg='blue')
    self.output.pack(side='top', expand=1, fill='both')
    ...
```



# ScrolledText Module

```
def showinfo(self):  
    for key, value in city_code_dict.items():  
        self.output.insert('end',  
            '{0} is named {1}\n'.format(key, value))  
  
def clearinfo(self):  
    self.output.delete(1.0, 'end')
```



ScrolledText

Vertical scrollbar  
provided





- Tkinter
- Basic Widgets and Display
- Callbacks
- **Entry and Radiobutton**
- Menus



# Entry Widgets

- **Present a field for keyboard input**
- **Variable of class `StringVar` references input text**
  - Assign to `Entry` widget's `textvariable` attribute
- **Provide methods to control the input area**
  - `get()` returns the entered data
  - `set()` assigns to the input area
- **`bind()` method maps keystrokes to a function**
  - `<Return>` for Enter key
  - `func` attribute references the function



# Entry Example

Reference input string

label\_buttons\_frame\_grid\_scrolltext\_entry.py

```
self.apr = StringVar()  
self.input = Entry(self.bottomframe, textvariable=self.apr)  
self.input.bind(sequence='<Return>', func=self.showinfo)
```

```
def showinfo(self, *args):  
    airport = self.apr.get().upper()  
    if airport in city_code_dict:  
        msg = '{0} is named {1}\n'.format(airport,  
            city_code_dict[airport])
```

Retrieve input string

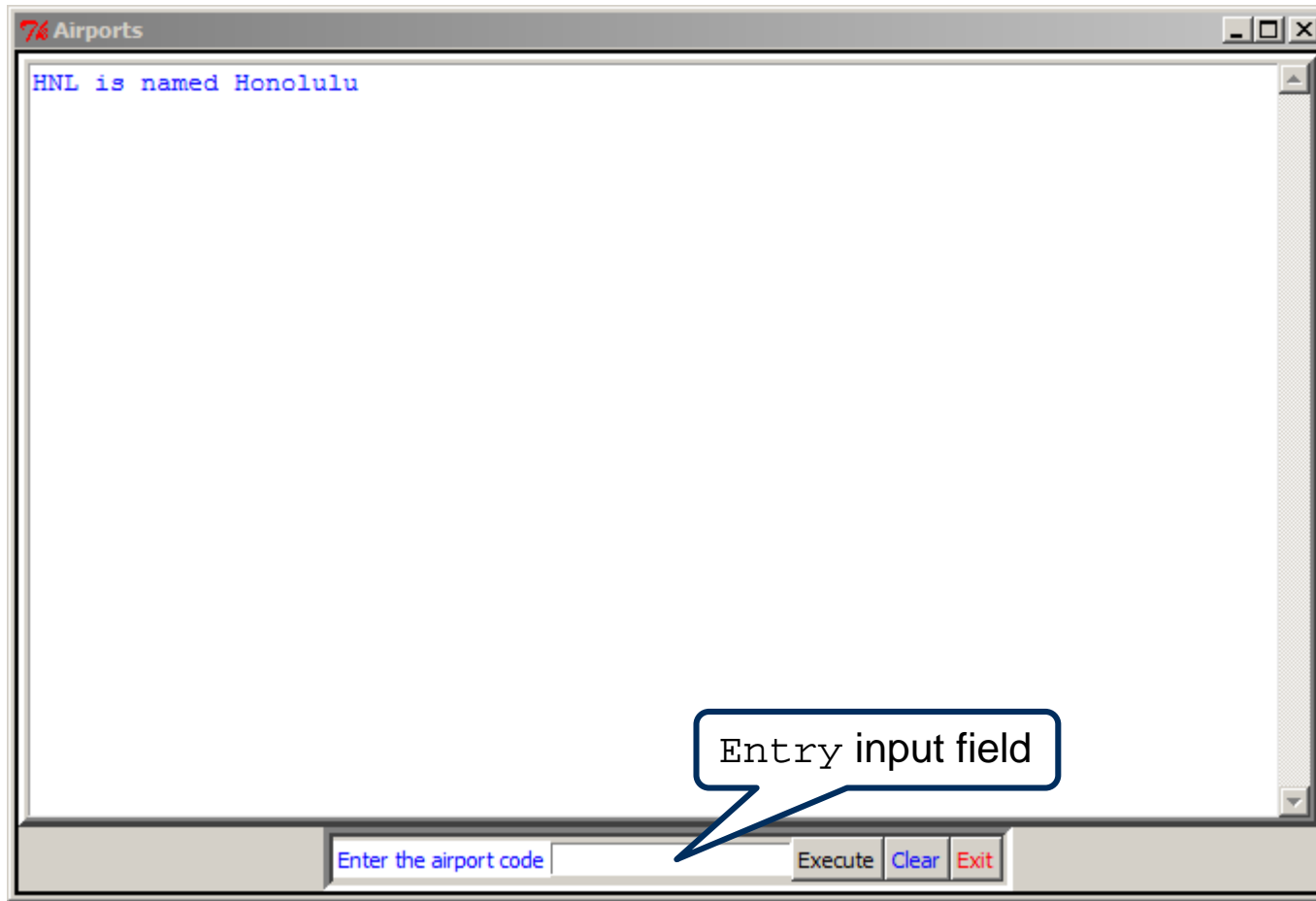
```
else:  
    msg = '{0} is not an airport we  
        serve\n'.format(self.apr.get())  
self.output.insert('end', msg)  
self.apr.set('')
```

Line wraps  
around

Reset input field  
to empty string



# Entry Example



# Radiobutton Widgets

- **A group of buttons that work together**
  - Only a single button can be selected at a time
- **Have `variable` and `value` attributes**
  - The same `variable` is used for all buttons in the group
  - The `value` setting defines the `variable`'s state for a particular selection



# Radiobutton Selection

label\_buttons\_frame\_grid\_scrolltext\_radio.py

```
self.apt = StringVar()
self.apt.set(' ')
col_num = 1
row_num = 0
for key in city_code_dict:
    rb = Radiobutton(self.bottomframe, text=key,
                     variable=self.apt, value=key)
    rb.grid(row=row_num, column=col_num)
    col_num += 1

...
def showinfo(self):
    airport = self.apt.get()
    ...
```

No button is preselected

Variable shared by  
all Radiobuttons

Assigns 'NRT'  
to self.apt

Select the airport code ☐ ITO ☐ CDG ☐ LHR ☐ CUR ☒ NRT ☐ YYZ ☐ GCM ☐ HNL ☐ ARN ☐ HKG



- Tkinter
- Basic Widgets and Display
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- Entry and Radiobutton

➤ **Menus**



# Menu Widgets

- **Have characteristics similar to Button widgets**
  - A `label` attribute that is visible
  - A `command` attribute for a callback function
- **Are attached to a parent widget**
  - `menu` attribute of parent
- **May have submenus attached**
  - `add_cascade()` method of the parent menu





# Menu Creation Steps

1. **Create top-level menu as a child of the root window**
  - Assign to the root window's `menu` attribute
  - Attachment point
2. **Create a second-level menu as a child of the top-level menu**
3. **Call the top-level menu's `add_cascade()` method to attach the second-level menu**
4. **Create selections with `add_command()` within the second-level menu**
  - Contains the `label` and `command` parameters

`label_buttons_frame_grid_scrolltext_menu.py`

```
class MenuFrame(Frame):
    def __init__(self, base, info='Default Label'):
        self.base = base
        self.info = info
        Frame.__init__(self, self.base, relief='solid',
                        border=2)
        self.pack(expand=1, fill='both')
        self.setup_gui()
```

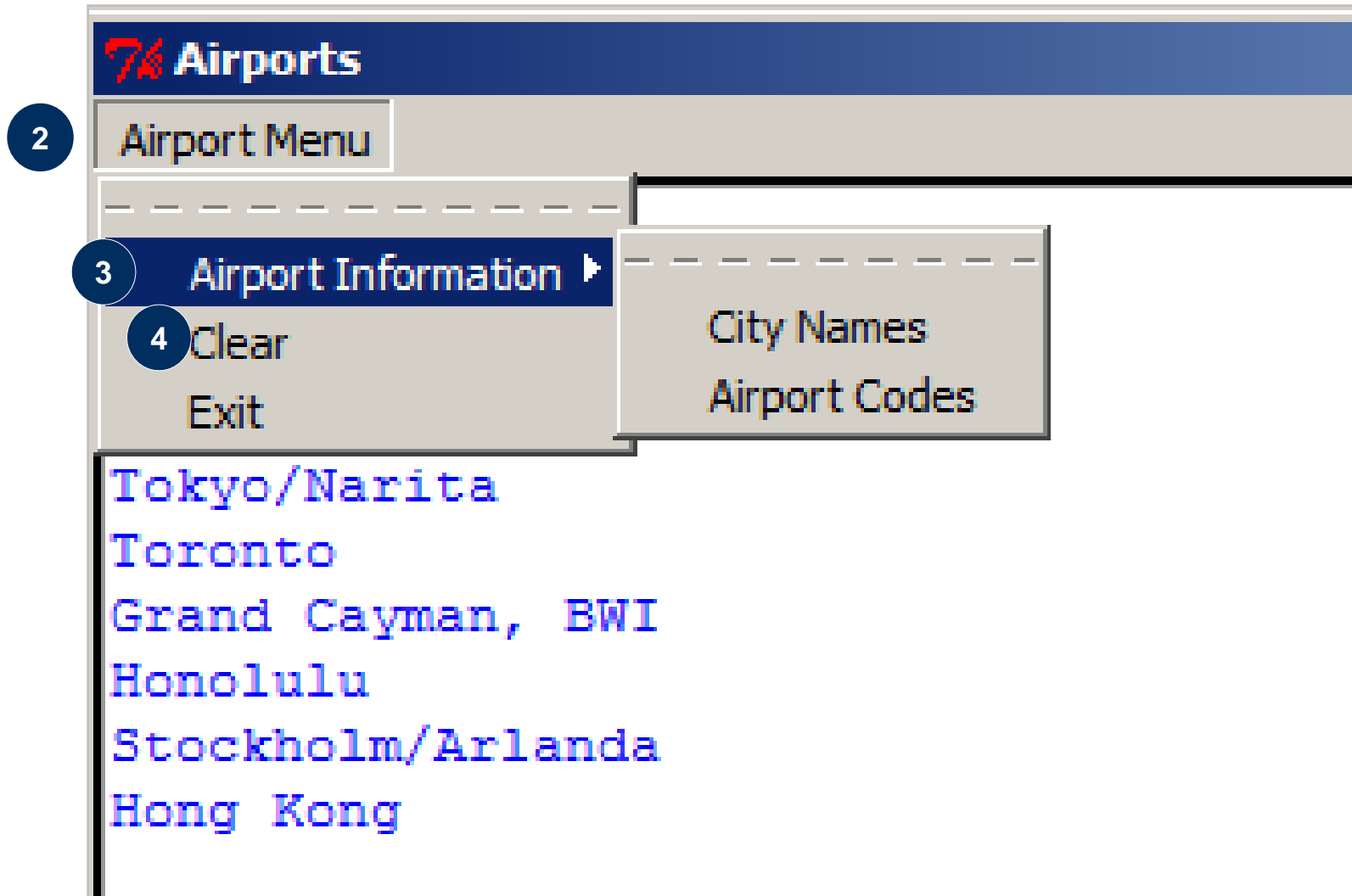


# Starting a Menu

```
def setup_gui(self):  
    self.menubar = Menu(self.base) 1  
    self.base.configure(menu=self.menubar)  
  
    self.airportmenu = Menu(self.menubar) 2  
    self.menubar.add_cascade(label='Airport Menu', 3  
                             menu=self.airportmenu)  
    self.airportinfo = Menu(self.airportmenu)  
    self.airportmenu.add_cascade(label='Airport Information',  
                                  menu=self.airportinfo)  
  
    self.airportmenu.add_command(label='Clear', 4  
                                  command=self.clearinfo)  
    self.airportmenu.add_command(label='Exit',  
                                  command=self.base.quit)  
    self.airportinfo.add_command(label='City Names',  
                                  command=self.show_values)  
    self.airportinfo.add_command(label='Airport Codes',  
                                  command=self.show_keys)
```



# Menu Example



# Hands-On Exercise 9.1

*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 9.1: GUI With Tkinter*



# Chapter Summary

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**You are now able to**

- **Build interactive GUIs using Tkinter**
- **Create and display basic widgets**
- **Add callback functions**
- **Create widget classes within frames**





# Chapter 10

# Web Application Development With Python

# Chapter Objectives

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**After completing this chapter, you will be able to**

- **Describe web application development with Python**
- **Build a Python web application using the Django framework**



- **Web Application Development**
  - **Python for Web Application Development**
  - **Working With Django**





# What Is a Web Application?

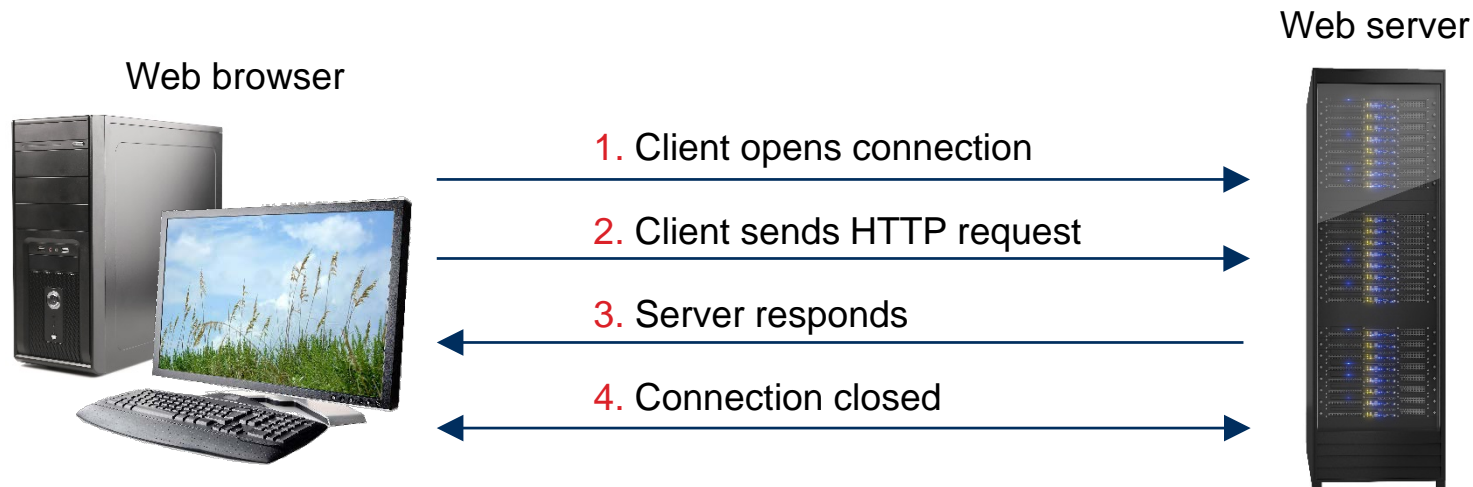
- **An application or system of applications that uses HTTP as its primary transport protocol**
- **The web is an excellent platform for application development**
  - Web browsers as the universal client
  - Web servers for HTML pages (static and dynamic)
  - Universal network access using the Internet/intranet

HTTP = Hypertext Transfer Protocol



# Hypertext Transfer Protocol

- **HTTP is the protocol for communicating on the web**
  - Stateless, TCP/IP-based protocol
  - HTTP 1.1 defined in RFC 2616, [www.faqs.org/rfcs](http://www.faqs.org/rfcs)
- **HTTP conversation initiated when user enters URL in web browser**
  - For example, `www.learningtree.com/whats_hot.html`



RFC = Request for Comments

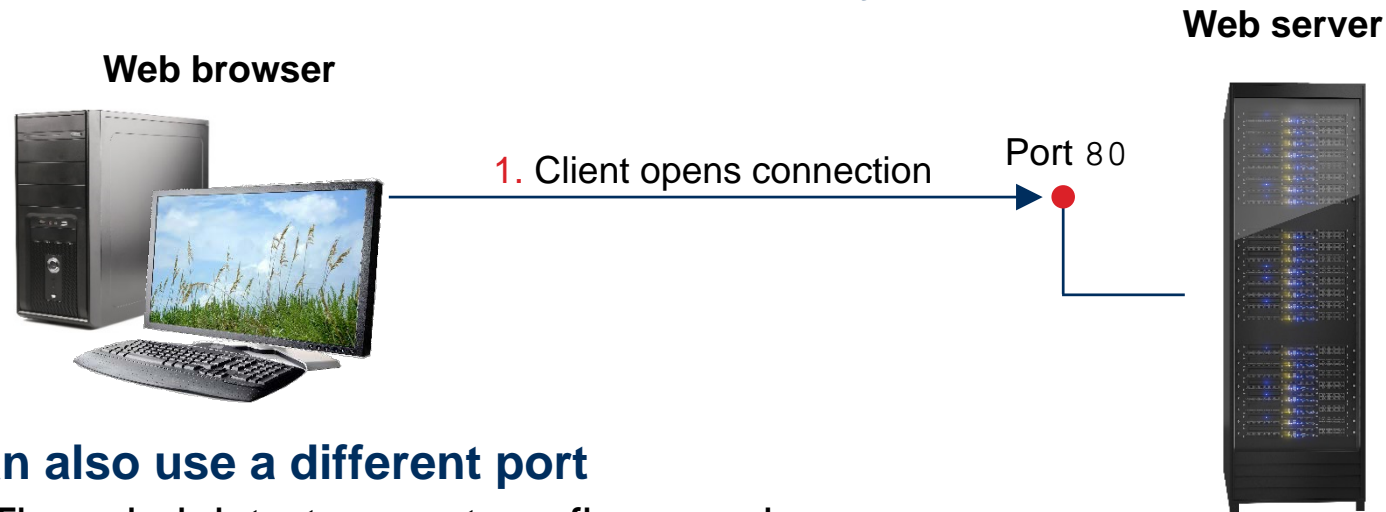
TCP/IP = Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol

URL = uniform resource locator



# Browser and Server Interaction Step 1: Client Opens Connection

- **Client opens connection to server:** [www.learningtree.com](http://www.learningtree.com)
  - Opens TCP/IP socket connection on a port
- **Web browsers send request to port 80 by default**



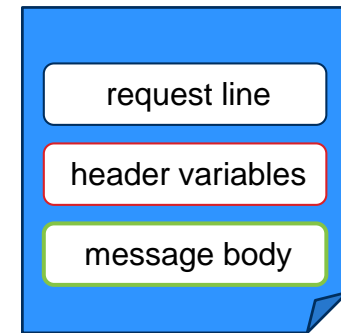
- **Can also use a different port**
  - The administrator must configure web server
  - Clients must use `http://host_name:port`
    - Example: `http://localhost:8000`



# Browser and Server Interaction Step 2: Client Sends HTTP Request

- **Web browser issues HTTP request**
- **An HTTP request message is composed of**
  - *Request line*: describes HTTP command
  - *Header variables*: browser information
  - *Message body*: contents of message
- ***Request line* is composed of method, resource name, protocol**

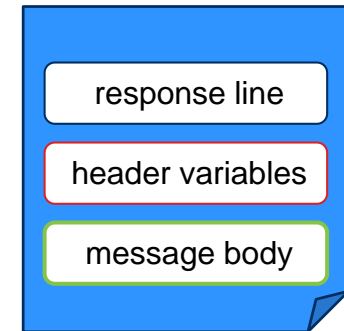
HTTP request message



# Browser and Server Interaction Step 3: Server Responds

- **Server sends an HTTP response message**
  - *Response line*: server protocol and status code
  - *Header variables*: response metadata
  - *Message body*: contents of message
- **For a successful request, the server responds with the following:**

## HTTP response message



```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: Apache/2.2 (Unix)
Last-Modified: Sun, 11 march 2012 08:39:21 GMT
Content-Length: 2608
Content-Type: text/html
... ..
<HTML>
<HEAD><TITLE>What's Hot at Learning Tree?</TITLE></HEAD>
<BODY>
  <H1> Hot Course covers ... </H1>
  ... ..
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

← Response line

← Header variables

Message body

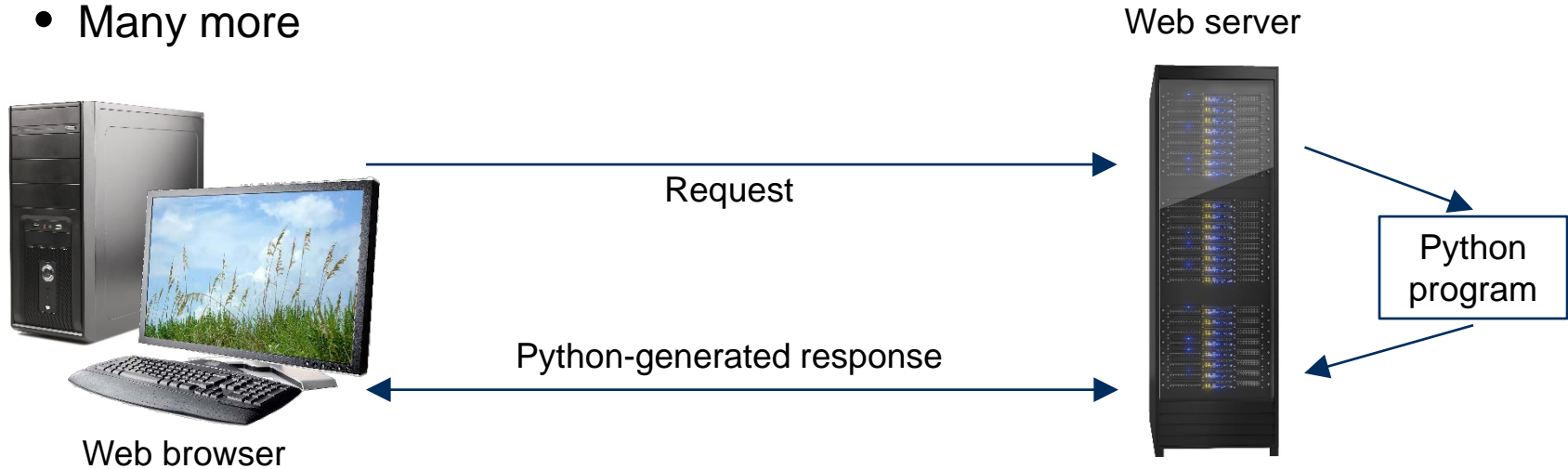


- **Web Application Development**
- **Python for Web Application Development**
- **Working With Django**



# Python for Web Application Programming

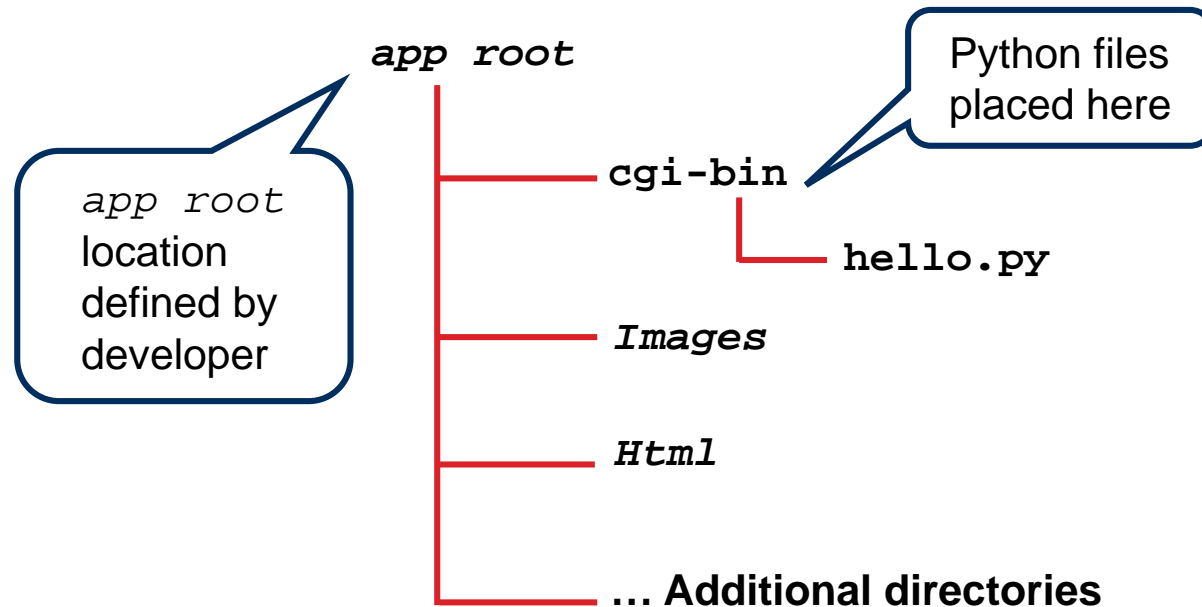
- **Web applications generate dynamic responses to user requests**
  - Use programs known as server-side scripts
  - Can be written in a variety of programming languages
    - Java, C#, Ruby, Perl, and Python
- **Python programs can be used with all major web servers**
  - Apache
  - Internet Information Services (IIS)
  - Many more



# Python Web Application Structure

## ➤ Application has a root directory

- All files should be below root
- Both static files and Python programs





# Python Web Application

- **Python program will generate HTML page**
  - Has to set content type to `text/html`
  - Program can be a mixture of text and Python code
  - Text will be sent back to client
- **Place Python program files in `cgi-bin` folder of web application**

Set  
Content-  
Type for client

```
hello.py

print "Content-Type: text/html"

print """
<html>

    <body>
        <h1>Hello</h1>
    </body>

</html>

"""
```



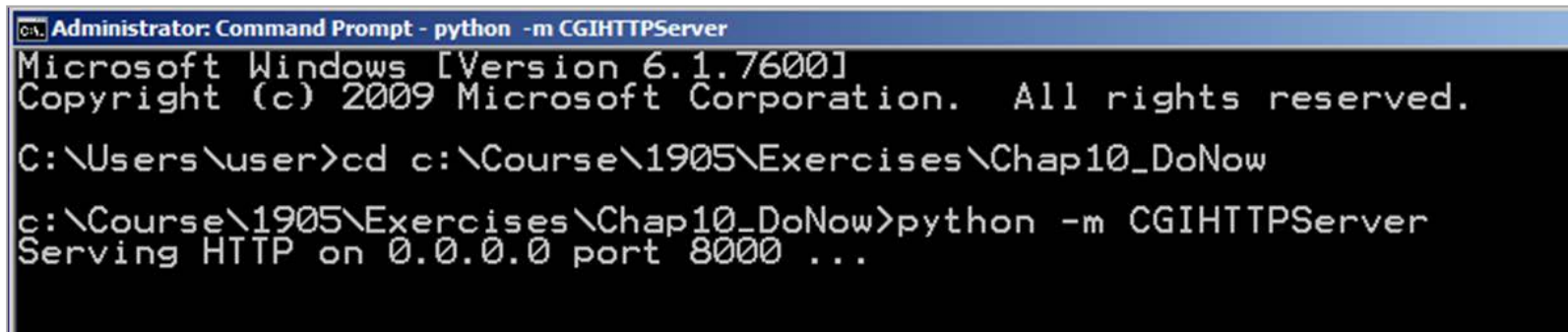
## 1. Open the Command Prompt

## 2. Navigate to the Chap10\_DoNow folder

- `cd C:\Course\1905\Exercises\Chap10_DoNow`

## 3. Start the Python web server on port 8000

- `python -m CGIHTTPServer`



```
Administrator: Command Prompt - python -m CGIHTTPServer
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C:\Users\user>cd c:\Course\1905\Exercises\Chap10_DoNow

c:\Course\1905\Exercises\Chap10_DoNow>python -m CGIHTTPServer
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 8000 ...
```

## 4. Open a browser and request your hello.py program

- `http://localhost:8000/cgi-bin/hello.py`



You will develop your first Python web application; it will display the date and time

5. In Eclipse, open the project `Chap10_DoNow`
6. Open the file `showdate.py`
  - This is located in the `cgi-bin` folder
7. Add the code that will display today's date in the browser
  - You will need to import `date` from the module `datetime`
  - Use the `today()` method to obtain the date

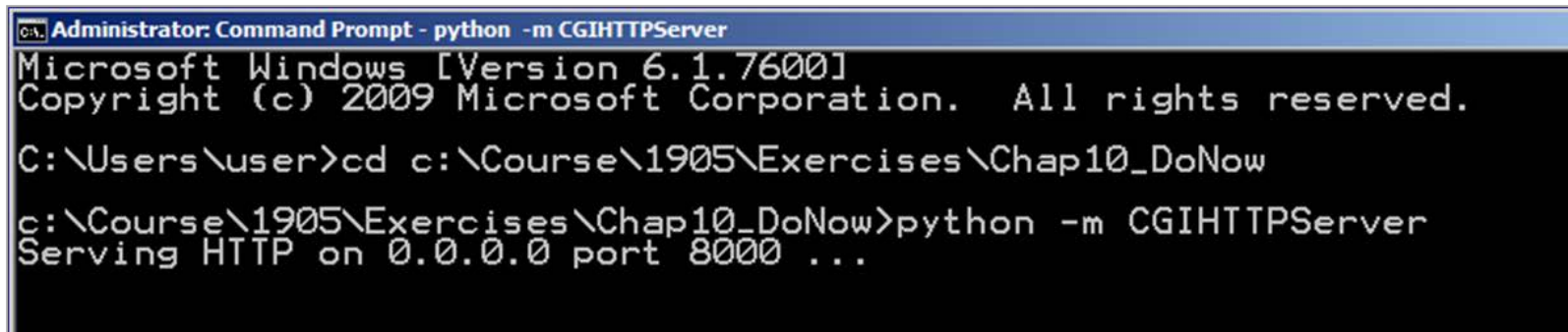
```
from datetime import date  
  
date.today()
```



## 8. Save your file

## 9. From the command prompt:

- Verify the web server is still running from the proper directory
- Restart if necessary



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c:\Course\1905\Exercises\Chap10_DoNow>python -m CGIHTTPServer
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 8000 ...
```

## 10. Open a browser and request your `showdate.py` program

- `http://localhost:8000/cgi-bin/showdate.py`

## 11. Close the Command Prompt when done



# Shortcomings of This Approach

- **Mixing code and HTML in the same file is not recommended**
  - Application becomes difficult to maintain
  - Difficult to reuse Python code and HTML
- **Solution is to separate different areas of functionality**
- **Model View Controller (MVC) design pattern**
  - Provides clean separation between control and presentation
    1. The *controller* handles the initial request
    2. The controller converts the request into commands for the *model*
    3. The model forwards data to *view*
    4. The view generates response using data forwarded by the model



- **Web Application Development**
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## ➤ Open-source project

- Originally developed at Lawrence (Kan.) Journal-World Online
- Django website: <https://www.djangoproject.com>

## ➤ Python web application development framework

- Implements a variation of MVC
- Enables developer to focus on building application functionality
  - Not infrastructure code
- Designed to enable applications to be built simply and quickly

## ➤ Django's variation on MVC uses *views* and *templates*

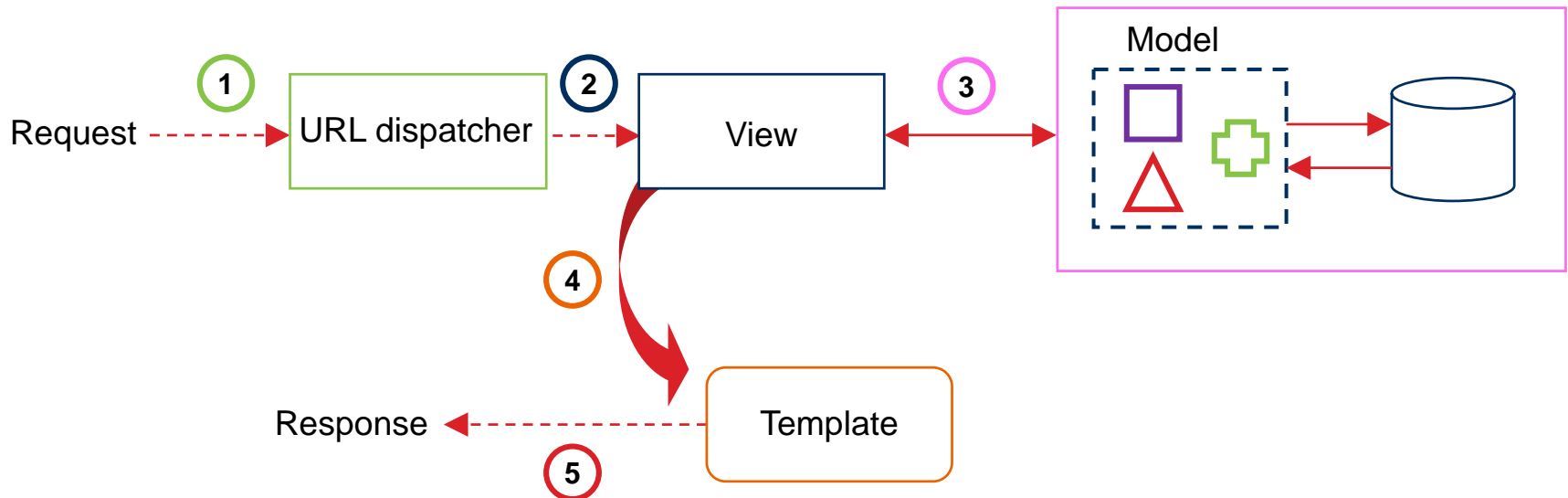
- Provide clean separation between control and presentation
  - Views are Python code files
    - Process requests and provide data for templates
  - Templates generate HTML response using view-provided data



# Django Design Pattern

## ➤ HTTP requests are processed as follows:

1. URL dispatcher module identifies appropriate view to process request
2. *View* decides what is being requested and delegates work to model
3. *Model* undertakes work and returns result to view
4. *View* selects template to be used for generating response and passes data
5. *Template* generates HTML response using view-provided data





# Building a Web Application With Django

- **Application development proceeds as follows:**
  - A. Sketch application flow
    - Data to be submitted with request
    - Data required by template to generate the response
  - B. Implement view method
    - Processes request using model
    - Pass data (if required) to template
  - C. Implement model method
    - Handle data retrieval
  - D. Implement template
    - Render HTML response
  - E. Map URL to view method



# Step A: Sketch Application Flow

- **Our workflow will enable an STD code to be submitted**
  - Response page will display associated country name

- **Example demonstrates passing data in request**

1. URL dispatcher calls appropriate view
2. View delegates data processing to model
3. Model returns results to view
4. View passes data to template
5. HTML response is provided

`/travel/country_code`

1

`get_std_country(std_code)`

2

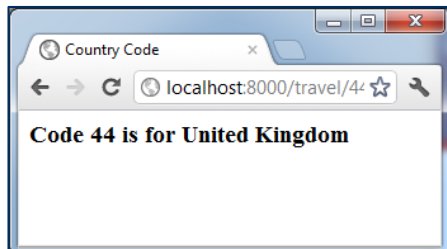
`find_code(code)`

3

4

5

`<h3>{{ std_code }} for {{ std_country }}</h3>`



STD = Subscriber Trunk Dialing



# Step B: Define View Method

- **View methods defined in `views.py`**
  - Mapped from URL by URL dispatcher module
    - Mapping defined by developer (Step E)
- **`render_to_response(templateName, viewData)` generates response**

`views.py`

```
import country_code_lookup

def get_std_country(request, std_code):
    # call model
    results = country_code_lookup.find_code(std_code)

    data_for_view = {'std_country': results,
                     'std_code': std_code}

    return render_to_response('std_country_code.html', data_for_view)
```

Template name

Used by template  
in response



# Step C: Implement Model Method

## ➤ Data handler

- Request data received from view
- Query data store
- Return results to view

country\_code\_lookup.py

```
country_codes = {'44': 'United Kingdom' ,
                  '01': 'Canada' ,
                  '33': 'France' ,
                  '46': 'Sweden' ,
                  '81': 'Japan' }

def find_code(code):
    if country_codes.get(code):
        country = country_codes[code]
    else:
        country = 'Unknown country code'
    return(country)
```

Returned to view



# Step D: Implement Template

## ➤ Templates are HTML files

- Containing `{{ variable }}` for display

std\_country\_code.html

```
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Country Code</title>
  </head>

  <body>

    <h3> Code {{ std_code }} is for {{ std_country }} </h3>

  </body>
</html>
```

Data provided by view



# Step E: Map URL to View Method

- **URLs are mapped to view methods by URL dispatcher module**
  - Mappings defined in file `urls.py`
    - Use regular expressions to match URL patterns to view methods
- **Example URL is of the form `/travel/std_code/`**
  - The `std_code` value is passed to view method

`urls.py`

```
urlpatterns = patterns('',
    url(r'^travel/$', 'travel.views.index'),

    url(r'^travel/(?P<std_code>\d+)/$', 'travel.views.get_std_country')
)
```

URL pattern to match

`std_code` variable references  
the `country_code` value  
from the URL

View method to call



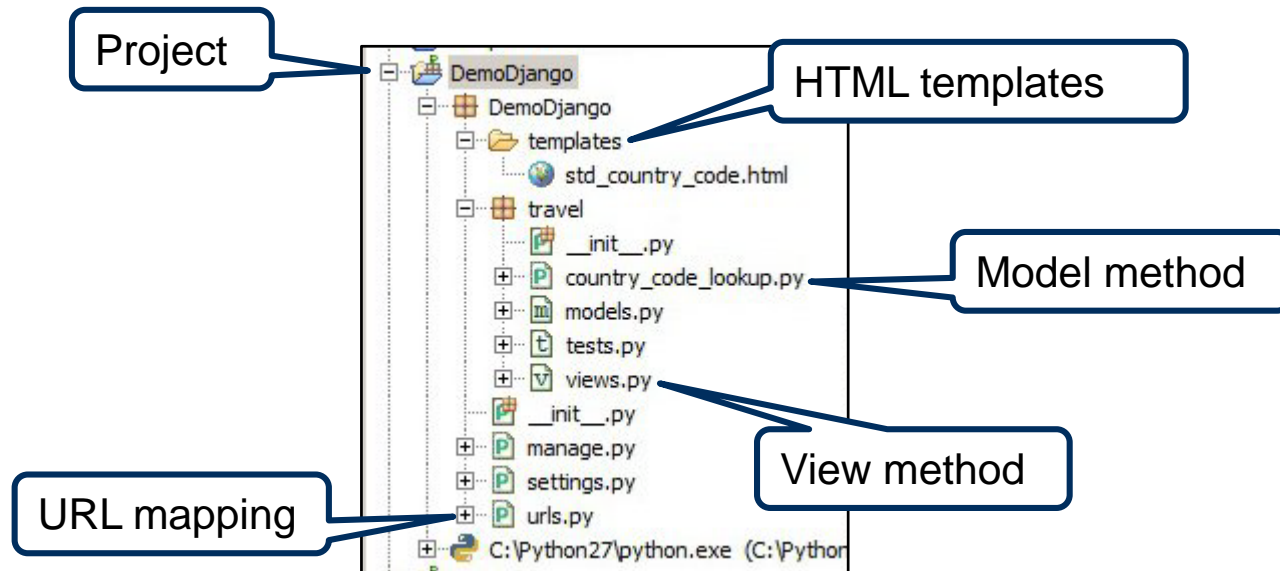
# Application Flow Summary

1. URL maps to a view
2. View invokes model for data processing
3. View passes results to template



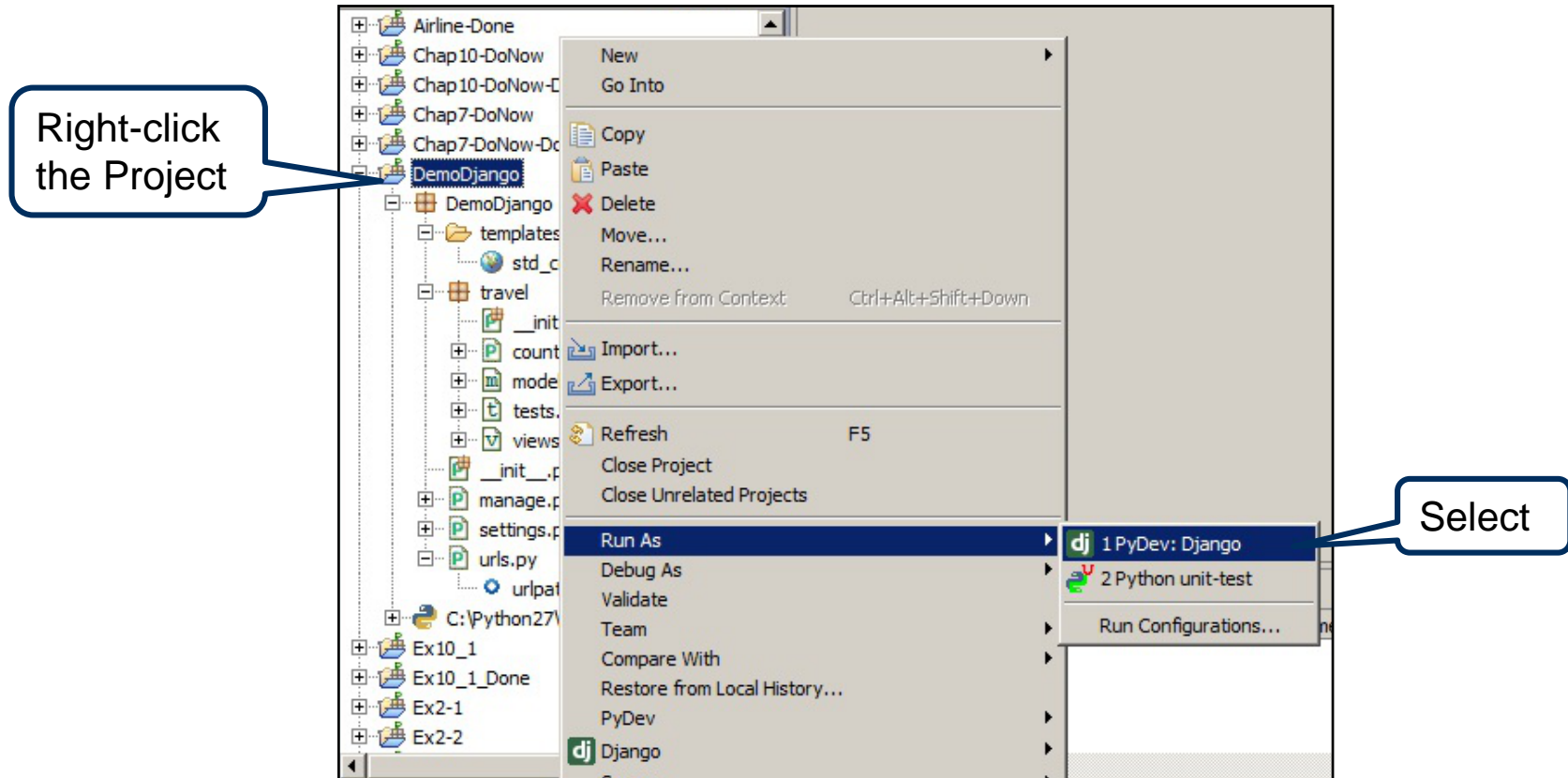
You will query a Django-powered website to look up an STD code

1. In Eclipse, open the project DemoDjango to view the project infrastructure



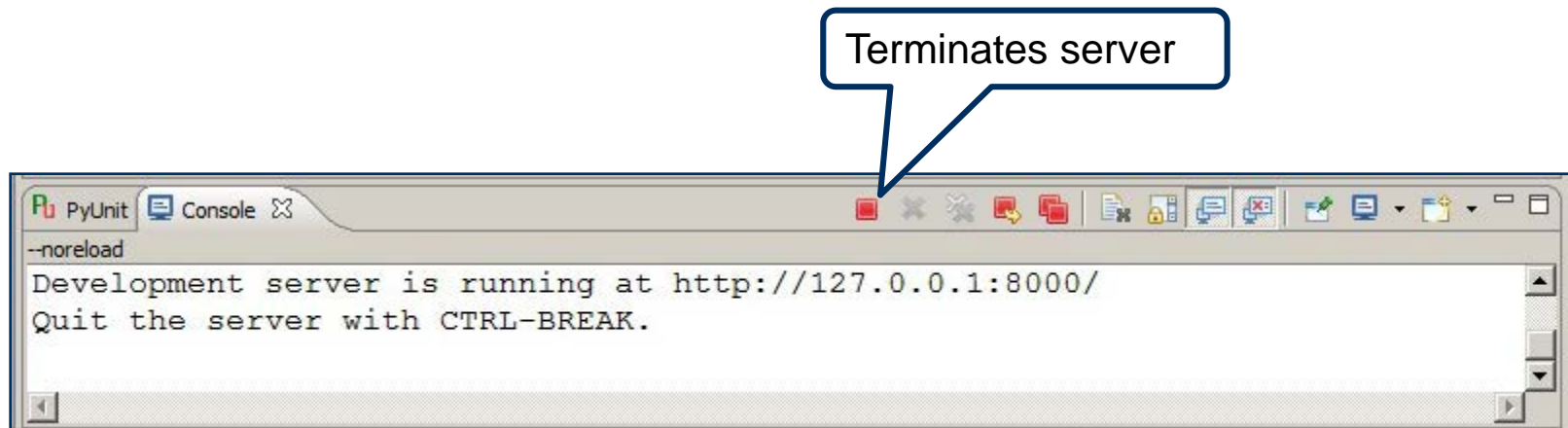


## 2. Right-click the DemoDjango project; from the pop-up menu, select Run As | PyDev: Django



## 3. The server startup message displays in Eclipse console:

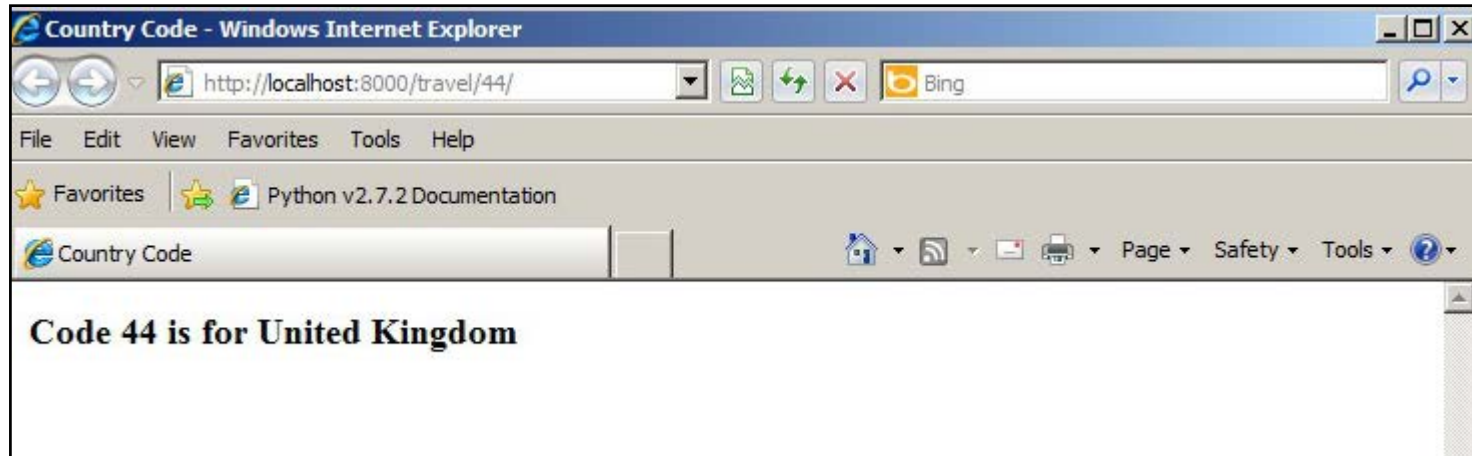
Development server is running at `http://127.0.0.1:8000/`



## 4. Open the browser, and enter the URL to request a country code

- `http://localhost:8000/travel/44`

## 5. Template displays query result



## 6. Terminate the running server

- Use Red Box on Eclipse console

# Hands-On Exercise 10.1

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*In your Exercise Manual, please refer to  
Hands-On Exercise 10.1: Web Application Development With Django*



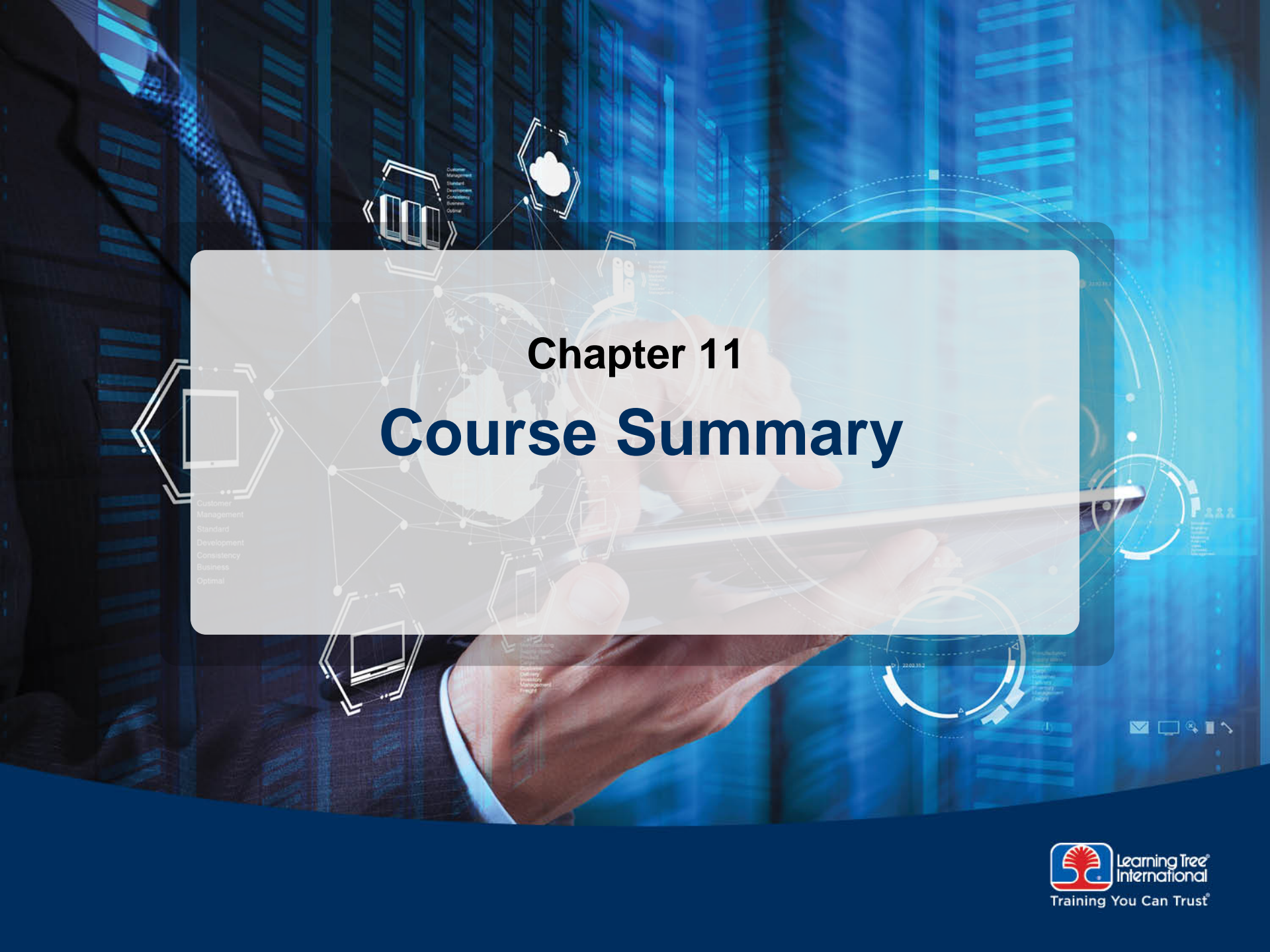
# Chapter Summary

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**You are now able to**

- **Describe web application development with Python**
- **Build a Python web application using the Django framework**





# Chapter 11

## Course Summary

Customer  
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Consistency  
Business  
Optimal

# Course Summary

**You are now able to**

- **Create, edit, and execute simple Python programs in Eclipse**
- **Use Python simple data types and collections of these types**
- **Control execution flow: conditional testing, loops, and exception handling**
- **Encapsulate code into reusable units with functions and modules**
- **Employ classes, inheritance, and polymorphism for an object-oriented approach**
- **Read and write data from multiple file formats**
- **Query relational databases using SQL statements within a Python program**
- **Display and manage GUI components, including labels, buttons, entry, and menus**
- **Create a web application with the Django framework**

