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# Jupyter and Variables

Day 1 – Introduction to Python

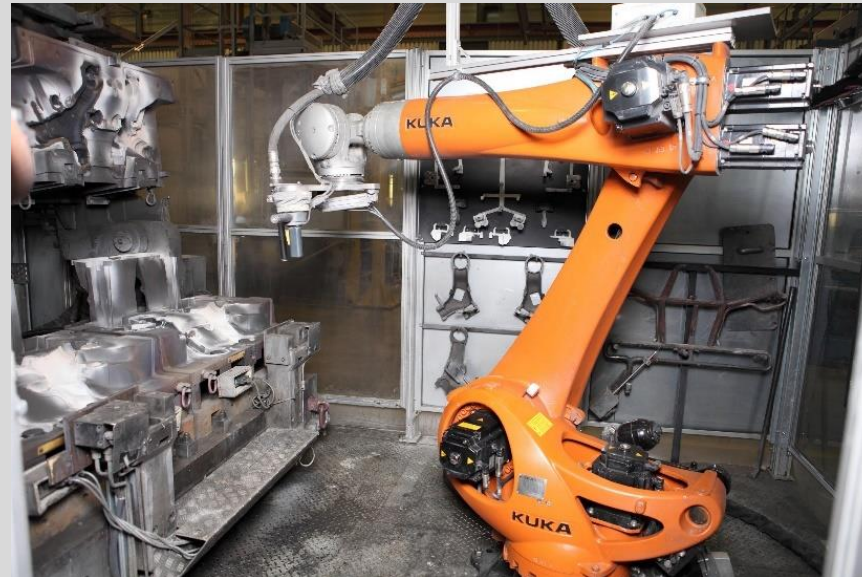


# What is programming?

- Programming → act of giving **very clear instructions** to a computer
- Programming languages: Perl, Python, JAVA, C++, R, BASIC, etc.
- The programmer RULES



Python



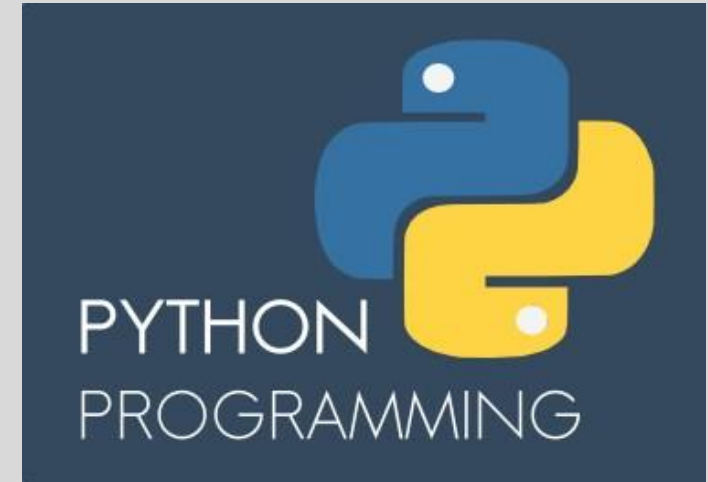
Functions and Scripts



Running a program

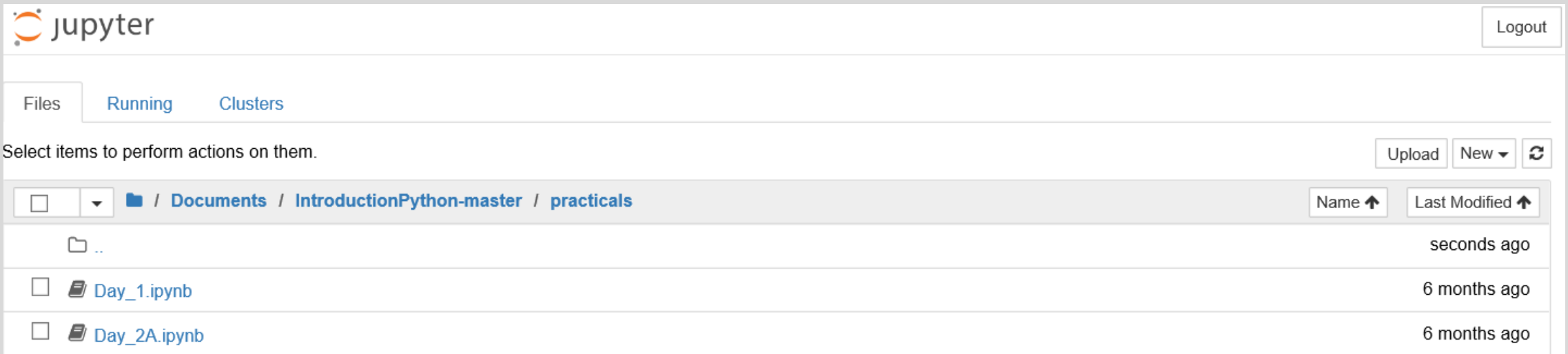
# Python

- Why choose to learn Python as a programming language?
- Robust
- Flexible
- Relatively easy to learn and use
- Free
- Fast
- Documentation:
  - Official Python 3 docs: <https://docs.python.org/3/>
  - **Google**
- Online books and tutorials! (yes, even youtube...)



# Jupyter Notebook

- Jupyter is a script editor and much more (see <https://jupyter.org/>)
- Start Jupyter, thru Start or Anaconda navigator, this also starts Python. A page opens in your browser where you can navigate to the exercises (the .ipynb files)
- Open the file Day\_1.ipynb



The screenshot displays the Jupyter Notebook web interface. At the top left is the Jupyter logo, and at the top right is a 'Logout' button. Below the header, there are three tabs: 'Files' (selected), 'Running', and 'Clusters'. A message states 'Select items to perform actions on them.' To the right of this message are buttons for 'Upload', 'New' (with a dropdown arrow), and a refresh icon. The file explorer shows the current path as '/ Documents / IntroductionPython-master / practicals'. It lists three items: '..' (parent directory), 'Day\_1.ipynb', and 'Day\_2A.ipynb'. Each item has a checkbox on the left and a timestamp on the right. The 'Day\_1.ipynb' and 'Day\_2A.ipynb' files are marked as '6 months ago'.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	..	seconds ago
<input type="checkbox"/>	Day_1.ipynb	6 months ago
<input type="checkbox"/>	Day_2A.ipynb	6 months ago

# Jupyter Notebook

Open the file Day\_1.ipynb

Save .ipynb  
file

Add new cell

Restart

The screenshot shows the Jupyter Notebook interface for a file named 'Day\_1-2\_Variables-and-loops'. The top bar includes the Jupyter logo, the file name, and the status 'Last Checkpoint: a few seconds ago (unsaved changes)'. On the right, there is a Python logo, a 'Logout' button, and a 'Trusted' status indicator next to 'Python 2'. The main menu bar contains 'File', 'Edit', 'View', 'Insert', 'Cell', 'Kernel', 'Widgets', and 'Help'. Below the menu is a toolbar with icons for saving, adding a new cell, deleting a cell, copying, pasting, undo, redo, and running code. A green circle highlights the 'File' menu, and a green arrow points from the 'Save .ipynb file' text to it. A red circle highlights the '+' icon in the toolbar, with a red arrow pointing from the 'Add new cell' text to it. A yellow lightning bolt icon points to the 'Restart' button in the top right. The notebook content area is divided into three sections: a 'Variables' section with a list of instructions, a 'Code cell' containing Python code, and an 'Exercise:' section with a list of tasks. Red brackets on the right side group these sections into 'Comments' (for Variables and Exercise) and 'Code cell' (for the code block).

Jupyter Day\_1-2\_Variables-and-loops Last Checkpoint: a few seconds ago (unsaved changes)

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Trusted Python 2

Save .ipynb file

Add new cell

Restart

**Variables**

- Lets make a variable:
- Execute the code by pressing ctrl + enter
  - Name: first\_name
  - Value: john

**Code cell**

```
In [2]: # Write here your code
first_name = "john"
print first_name
```

john

**Exercise:**

- Print your surname using a new variable.
- Can you print both your first and surname?

Comments

Code cell

Comments

# Running a script

- Example, what can python do?
  - Open `First_example_what_can_python_do.ipynb`
  - Run (ctrl+enter) the first cell (twice if needed)
  - Let's see what happened



## Python 3 Cheat Sheet

Latest version on :  
<https://perso.limsi.fr/poinat/python:memento>

### Base Types

integer, float, boolean, string, bytes

```
int 783 0 -192 0b010 0o642 0xF3
float 9.23 0.0 -1.7e-6
bool True False
str "One\Two"
bytes b"toto\xfe\775"
```

Multi-line string:  
escaped new line  
escaped tab

hexadecimal octal

immutables

### Container Types

ordered sequences, fast index access, repeatable values

```
list [1,5,9] ["x",11,8.9] ["mot"]
tuple (1,5,9) 11,"y",7.4 ("mot",)
```

Non modifiable values (immutables) expression with only commas → tuple

key containers, no a priori order, fast key access, each key is unique

```
dict {"key": "value"} dict (a=3,b=4,k="v")
collection set {"key1", "key2"} {1,9,3,0} set
frozenset immutable set empty
```

### Identifiers

for variables, functions, modules, classes... names

a..zA..Z followed by a..zA..Z\_0..9

diacritics allowed but should be avoided

language keywords forbidden

lower/UPPER case discrimination

a toto x7 y\_max BigOne

8y and for

### Variables assignment

= assignment ⇒ binding of a name with a value

1) evaluation of right side expression value

2) assignment in order with left side names

x=1.2+8\*sin(y)

a=b=c=0 assignment to same value

y,z,r=9,2,-7.6,0 multiple assignments

a,b=b,a values swap

a,\*b=seq unpacking of sequence in

\*a,b=seq item and list

x+=3 increment ⇒ x=x+3

x-=2 decrement ⇒ x=x-2

x=None undefined ⇒ constant value

del x remove name x

### Conversions

type(expression)

```
int("15") → 15
int("3f",16) → 63
int(15.56) → 15
float("-11.24e8") → -1124000000.0
round(15.56,1) → 15.6
bool(x) False for null x, empty container x, None or False x: True for other x
str(x) → "..." representation string of x for display (cf. formatting on the back)
chr(64) → '@' ord('@') → 64
repr(x) → "..." literal representation string of x
bytes([72,9,64]) → b'H\te'
list("abc") → ['a','b','c']
dict([(3,"three"),(1,"one")]) → {'1': 'one', '3': 'three'}
set(["one","two"]) → {'one','two'}
separator str and sequence of str → assembled str
''.join(['toto','12','pswd']) → 'toto:12:pswd'
str splitted on whitespaces → list of str
"words with spaces".split() → ['words','with','spaces']
str splitted on separator str → list of str
"1,4,8,2".split(",") → ['1','4','8','2']
sequence of one type → list of another type (via list comprehension)
[int(x) for x in ('1','29','-3')] → [1,29,-3]
```

### Sequence Containers Indexing

for lists, tuples, strings, bytes...

```
negative index -5 -4 -3 -2 -1
positive index 0 1 2 3 4
lst=[10,20,30,40,50]
positive slice 0 1 2 3 4 5
negative slice -5 -4 -3 -2 -1
```

Items count

```
len(lst) → 5
```

Individual access to items via lst[index]

```
lst[0] → 10
lst[-1] → 50
lst[1] → 20
lst[-2] → 40
```

On mutable sequences (List), remove with del lst[3] and modify with assignment lst[4]=25

Access to sub-sequences via lst[start slice: end slice: step]

```
lst[: -1] → [10,20,30,40]
lst[1: -1] → [20,30,40]
lst[:2] → [10,20,30]
lst[1:2] → [20,30]
```

Missing slice indication → from start / up to end.

On mutable sequences (List), remove with del lst[3:5] and modify with assignment lst[1:4]=[15,25]

### Boolean Logic

Comparisons: < > <= >= == != (boolean results)

a and b logical and both simultaneously

a or b logical or one or other or both

pitfall: and or return value of a or b (under short-circuit evaluation).

ensure that a and b are booleans.

not a logical not

True False True and False constants

### Statements Blocks

parent statement:

```
statement block 1...
statement block 2...
```

next statement after block 1

configure editor to insert 4 spaces in place of an indentation tab.

### Maths

angles in radians

```
from math import sin, pi
sin(pi/4) → 0.707...
cos(2*pi/3) → -0.4999...
sqrt(81) → 9.0
log(e**2) → 2.0
ceil(12.5) → 13
floor(12.5) → 12
```

modules math, statistics, random.

usual order of operations

decimal, fractions, numpy, etc. (cf. doc)

### Modules/Names Imports

module truc ⇒ file truc.py

```
from monmod import nom1,nom2 as fct
```

direct access to names, renaming with as

```
import monmod ⇒ access via monmod.nom1...
```

modules and packages searched in python path (cf sys.path)

### Conditional Statement

statement block executed only if a condition is true

```
if logical condition:
    statements block
```

Can go with several elif, elif... and only one final. Else the block of first true condition is executed.

```
if age < 18:
    state = "Kid"
elif age > 65:
    state = "Retired"
else:
    state = "Active"
```

with a var x:

```
if bool(x) == True: ⇒ if x:
if bool(x) == False: ⇒ if not x:
```

Signaling an error:

```
raise Exception(...)
```

Errors processing:

```
try:
    normal processing block
except Exception as e:
    error processing block
```

finally block for final processing in all cases.

### Exceptions on Errors

normal processing block

error processing block

finally block for final processing in all cases.

Using a cheat-sheet is not cheating!

### Conditional Loop Statement

statements block executed as long as condition is true

```
while logical condition:
    statements block
```

initializations before the loop

```
while i < 100:
    s = s + i**2
    i = i + 1
    print("sum:", s)
```

make condition variable change!

### Iterative Loop Statement

statements block executed for each item of a container or iterator

```
for var in sequence:
    statements block
```

Go over sequence's values

```
s = "Some text"
for i in range(len(s)):
    if s[i] == "e":
        cnt = cnt + 1
    print("found", cnt, "e")
```

Go over sequence's index

```
lst = [11,18,9,12,23,4,17]
for idx in range(len(lst)):
    if val > 15:
        last.append(val)
    last[idx] = 15
print("modified:", last, "-last:", last)
```

Go simultaneously over sequence's index and values:

```
for idx, val in enumerate(lst):
```

### Generic Operations on Containers

len(c) → items count

min(c) max(c) sum(c)

sorted(c) → list sorted copy

val in c → boolean, membership operator in (absence not in)

enumerate(c) → iterator on (index, value)

zip(c1, c2...) → iterator on tuples containing c1 items at same index

all(c) → True if all c items evaluated to true, else False

any(c) → True if at least one item of c evaluated true, else False

Specific to ordered sequences containers (lists, tuples, strings, bytes...)

reversed(c) → reversed iterator

c\*5 → duplicate

c+c2 → concatenate

c.index(val) → position

c.count(val) → events count

import copy

copy.copy(c) → shallow copy of container

copy.deepcopy(c) → deep copy of container

### Operations on Lists

lst.append(val) add item at end

lst.extend(seq) add sequence of items at end

lst.insert(idx, val) insert item at index

lst.remove(val) remove first item with value val

lst.pop([idx]) → value remove & return item at index idx (default last)

lst.sort() lst.reverse() sort / reverse list in place

### Operations on Dictionaries

d[key]=value

d.clear()

d[key] → value

del d[key]

d.update(d2) update/add associations

d.keys() → iterable views on

d.values() → iterable views on

d.items() → keys/values/associations

d.pop(key, default) → value

d.popitem() → (key, value)

d.get(key, default) → value

d.setdefault(key, default) → value

### Operations on Sets

Operators:

1 → union (vertical bar char)

& → intersection

< > → difference/symmetric diff.

< > > > → inclusion relations

Operators also exist as methods.

s.update(s2)

s.copy()

s.add(key)

s.remove(key)

s.discard(key)

s.clear()

s.pop()

### Files

storing data on disk, and reading it back

```
f = open("file.txt", "w", encoding="utf8")
```

file variable

name of file

opening mode

encoding of chars for text files

cf. modules os, os.path and pathlib

writing

```
f.write("coucou")
f.readlines()
f.readline()
f.close()
```

reading

```
f.read()
f.readlines()
f.readline()
f.close()
```

Very common: opening with a guarded block (automatic closing) and reading loop on lines of a text file.

```
with open(...) as f:
    for line in f:
        # processing of line
```

### Function Definition

function name (identifier)

named parameters

```
def fct(x,y,z):
    """documentation"""
    # statements block, res computation, etc.
    return res
```

parameters and all variables of this block exist only in the block and during the function call (think of a "black box")

Advanced: def fct(x,y,z,\*args,a=3,b=5,\*\*kwargs):

\*args variable positional arguments (→ tuple), default values.

\*\*kwargs variable named arguments (→ dict)

### Function Call

r = fct(3,i+2,2\*i)

storage/use of returned value

one argument per parameter

this is the use of function name with parentheses which does the call

Advanced: \*sequence \*\*dict

### Operations on Strings

```
s.startswith(prefix[start,end])
s.endswith(suffix[start,end])
s.strip([chars])
s.count(sub,start,end)
s.partition(sep)
s.index(sub,start,end)
s.find(sub,start,end)
s.is...() tests on chars categories (ex. s.isalpha())
s.upper() s.lower() s.title() s.swapcase()
s.capitalize() s.center(width,fill)
s.ljust(width,fill) s.rjust(width,fill) s.zfill(width)
s.encode(encoding) s.split(sep) s.join(seq)
```

### Formatting

formatting directives

values to format

```
"modele{ } { } {}".format(x,y,z) → str
```

Selection:

```
{selection:formatting!conversion}
```

Examples:

```
"{:+2.3f}".format(45.72793)
"{}+45.728".format(45.72793)
"{1:>10s}".format(8,"toto")
"({x:1})".format(x="I'm")
"({x:1})".format(x="I'm")
```

Formatting:

```
fill char alignment sign mini width . precision-max width type
```

< > ^ ~ + - space 0 at start for filling with 0

integer: b binary, c char, d decimal (default), o octal, x or X hexa...

float: e or E exponential, f or F fixed point, g or G appropriate (default), string: s ...

Conversion: s (readable text) or r (literal representation)

# Variables

- Variables are used to store information or data.
  - *Like a box where you can put stuff in.*
- **Variables have a name and a value.**
  - `variable_name = value`
  - `Whatever = "whatever"`
- **Some rules/conventions for naming variables:**
  - Variable names can contains alphabetic characters (a-Z), numbers (0-9) and underscores (\_).
  - The first character cannot be a number.
  - Variable names are case-sensitive.
- Please give variables a sensible name and use "\_" to separate words.
  - `First_name`
  - `dna_sequence`





# Variables - Types

- **Strings**

- “This is a string”

- **Numbers**

- Integers → 1, 5, 200, etc.
- Floats → 1.2, 5.25, 200.1, etc.

- **Booleans**

- True or False

# Strings - Methods

- All types have build in methods to manipulate them.
- For example:  
`my_string.upper()` - returns the string in uppercase

```
first_name = "john"  
print (first_name.upper())  
  
JOHN
```

```
Apple = "john"  
print (Apple.upper())  
  
JOHN
```

# Strings - Methods

- `string.lower()` - returns the string in lowercase
- `string.upper()` - returns the string in uppercase
- `string.capitalize()` - returns the string capitalized
- `string.count("x")` - counts the number of occurrences of x in string
- `string.find("x")` - returns the position of the first occurrence of character x
- `string.replace("a", "b")` - replaces all occurrences of a with b in the string
- `string.split("x")` - Splits the string at each case of character x
- And more: <https://docs.python.org/3/library/stdtypes.html#text-sequence-type-str>

# Strings - Methods

- Cheat-sheet page 2

## Operations on Strings

**s.startswith**(*prefix*[,*start*[,*end*]])

**s.endswith**(*suffix*[,*start*[,*end*]])   **s.strip**(*[chars]*)

**s.count**(*sub*[,*start*[,*end*]])   **s.partition**(*sep*) → (*before*,*sep*,*after*)

**s.index**(*sub*[,*start*[,*end*]])   **s.find**(*sub*[,*start*[,*end*]])

**s.is...**() tests on chars categories (ex. **s.isalpha**())

**s.upper**()   **s.lower**()   **s.title**()   **s.swapcase**()

**s.casefold**()   **s.capitalize**()   **s.center**(*[width,fill]*)

**s.ljust**(*[width,fill]*)   **s.rjust**(*[width,fill]*)   **s.zfill**(*[width]*)

**s.encode**(*encoding*)   **s.split**(*[sep]*)   **s.join**(*seq*)



# Strings - Methods

+ Concatenate a string

```
"ABC" + "DEF" = "ABCDEF"
```

\* Repetition of a string

```
"ABC" * 2 = "ABCABC"
```

[n] Slice, returns n<sup>th</sup> value (Python counts from 0)

```
"ABCDEF"[3] = "D"
```

[x:y] Range slice, returns the x<sup>th</sup> to y<sup>th</sup> value

```
"ABCDEF"[2:4] = "CD"
```

Not an operator but very useful: **len()** Gives the length of a string

```
len("ABCDEF") = 6
```

# Index and Slicing

- Python uses an index to select specific elements.

Index	0	1	2	3	4	5
String "ABCDEF"	A	B	C	D	E	F

- `"ABCDEF"[start:to:step]`

```
"ABCDEF"[3] = "D"
```

```
"ABCDEF"[2:4] = "CD"
```

```
"ABCDEF"[1:6:2] = "BDF"
```

- Practice!

# Index and Slicing

- Cheat-sheet page 1

for lists, tuples, strings, bytes...

## Sequence Containers Indexing

<i>negative index</i>	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	
<i>positive index</i>	0	1	2	3	4	
<b>lst=[10, 20, 30, 40, 50]</b>						
<i>positive slice</i>	0	1	2	3	4	5
<i>negative slice</i>	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	

Items count  
`len(lst) → 5`

👉 index from 0  
(here from 0 to 4)

Individual access to **items** via `lst[index]`

`lst[0] → 10`     $\Rightarrow$  first one    `lst[1] → 20`  
`lst[-1] → 50`     $\Rightarrow$  last one    `lst[-2] → 40`

On mutable sequences (`list`), remove with  
`del lst[3]` and modify with assignment  
`lst[4] = 25`

Access to **sub-sequences** via `lst[start slice:end slice:step]`

`lst[: -1] → [10, 20, 30, 40]`    `lst[:: -1] → [50, 40, 30, 20, 10]`    `lst[1:3] → [20, 30]`    `lst[:3] → [10, 20, 30]`  
`lst[1: -1] → [20, 30, 40]`    `lst[:: -2] → [50, 30, 10]`    `lst[-3: -1] → [30, 40]`    `lst[3:] → [40, 50]`  
`lst[: :2] → [10, 30, 50]`    `lst[:] → [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]` shallow copy of sequence

Missing slice indication  $\rightarrow$  from start / up to end.

On mutable sequences (`list`), remove with `del lst[3:5]` and modify with assignment `lst[1:4] = [15, 25]`

# Strings – Special Characters & Comments

- Tabs: \t
- Newlines: \n
- Quotes: \"
- Backslash: \\

```
print ("Tab\tTab\nSecond Line\nPrint out a \"backslash\" : \\")
    Tab  Tab
    Second Line
    Print out a "backslash" : \
```

Comments start with: #

- Useful for: Explaining code, disable parts of the script



# Numbers

- Two types of numbers

Integers: 1, 5, etc.

Floats: 1.5, 5.2, etc.

5 → integer

5.0 → float

- Simple math using numbers (x = 5.0 and y = 2.0) :

Addition:                   +       x + y = 7.0

Subtraction:               -       x - y = 3.0

Division:                   /       x / y = 2.5

Multiplication:           \*       x \* y = 10.0

Power:                   \*\*       x \*\* y = 25.0

Modulo (remainder):      %       x % y = 1.0       (2+2=4; 5-4 = 1)

- Python uses the standard order of operations

5 \* (2 + 1) = 15

5 \* 2 + 1 = 11

# Numbers

- Math cheat-sheet page 1

👉 *floating numbers... approximated values*

Operators: + - \* / // % \*\*  
Priority (...)      × ÷      ↑      ↑      a<sup>b</sup>  
                         integer ÷      ÷ remainder

@ → matrix × *python3.5+numpy*

(1+5.3)\*2→12.6

abs(-3.2)→3.2

round(3.57, 1)→3.6

pow(4, 3)→64.0

👉 *usual order of operations*

*angles in radians*

**Maths**

```
from math import sin, pi...
```

```
sin(pi/4)→0.707...
```

```
cos(2*pi/3)→-0.4999...
```

```
sqrt(81)→9.0      √
```

```
log(e**2)→2.0
```

```
ceil(12.5)→13
```

```
floor(12.5)→12
```

modules *math, statistics, random,*  
*decimal, fractions, numpy, etc. (cf. doc)*

# Converting between types

<code>str(variable)</code>	converts variable to a string
<code>int(variable)</code>	converts variable to a integer
<code>float(variable)</code>	converts variable to a float

- Examples

```
print ("2" + "2")           22
print (int("2") + int("2")) 4
print (str(2) + str(2))     22
print (int("this does not work, why?")) ...
print (float(5) / float(2)) 2.5
print (int(5.0) / int(2.0)) 2
```

# Converting between types

• Cheat-sheet page 1

	type (expression)	Conversions
<code>int("15")</code>	<code>→ 15</code>	
<code>int("3f", 16)</code>	<code>→ 63</code>	can specify integer number base in 2 <sup>nd</sup> parameter
<code>int(15.56)</code>	<code>→ 15</code>	truncate decimal part
<code>float("-11.24e8")</code>	<code>→ -1124000000.0</code>	
<code>round(15.56, 1)</code>	<code>→ 15.6</code>	rounding to 1 decimal (0 decimal <code>→</code> integer number)
<code>bool(x)</code>	<code>False</code> for null <code>x</code> , empty container <code>x</code> , <code>None</code> or <code>False</code> <code>x</code> ; <code>True</code> for other <code>x</code>	
<code>str(x)</code>	<code>→ "..."</code>	representation string of <code>x</code> for display (cf. <i>formatting on the back</i> )
<code>chr(64)</code>	<code>→ '@'</code>	<code>ord('@') → 64</code> code $\leftrightarrow$ char
<code>repr(x)</code>	<code>→ "..."</code>	literal representation string of <code>x</code>
<code>bytes([72, 9, 64])</code>	<code>→ b'H\t@'</code>	
<code>list("abc")</code>	<code>→ ['a', 'b', 'c']</code>	
<code>dict([(3, "three"), (1, "one")])</code>	<code>→ {1: 'one', 3: 'three'}</code>	
<code>set(["one", "two"])</code>	<code>→ {'one', 'two'}</code>	
separator <code>str</code> and sequence of <code>str</code> <code>→</code> assembled <code>str</code>		
<code>':'.join(['toto', '12', 'pswd'])</code> <code>→ 'toto:12:pswd'</code>		
<code>str</code> splitted on whitespaces <code>→ list</code> of <code>str</code>		
<code>"words with spaces".split()</code> <code>→ ['words', 'with', 'spaces']</code>		
<code>str</code> splitted on separator <code>str</code> <code>→ list</code> of <code>str</code>		
<code>"1,4,8,2".split(",")</code> <code>→ ['1', '4', '8', '2']</code>		
sequence of one type <code>→ list</code> of another type (via <i>list comprehension</i> )		
<code>[int(x) for x in ('1', '29', '-3')]</code> <code>→ [1, 29, -3]</code>		



# Booleans – True or False

- Booleans are the outcome when you compare or test variables
- Often used in control flow

- Examples

**x = 2**  
**x < 3**  
**True**

**x = "yes"**  
**x == "no"**  
**False**

- Operators for comparison

< less than  
<= less than or equal to  
> greater than  
>= greater than or equal to  
== equal  
!= not equal

- Cheat-sheet page 1

## Boolean Logic

Comparisons : < > <= >= == !=  
(boolean results) ≤ ≥ = ≠

**a and b** logical and *both simultaneously*

**a or b** logical or *one or other or both*

👉 pitfall : **and** and **or** return value of **a** or of **b** (under shortcut evaluation).

⇒ ensure that **a** and **b** are booleans.

**not a** logical not

**True**  
**False** } True and False constants

# Booleans – Multiple tests

- Three simple words to make more complex comparisons:

## And:

True and True	→ True
True and False	→ False
False and False	→ False

## Or:

True or True	→ True
True or False	→ True
False or False	→ False

## Not:

not True	→ False
not False	→ True

## Examples:

5 > 3 and 5 > 1

True

5 < 3 or 5 > 1

True

not 5 > 3

False

not 5 > 3 or 5 > 1

False

not (5 > 3 or 5 > 1)

False

# Exercises

- Writing a script is **solving** a problem **step by step**
- Try to understand what is happening
- Try for yourself, experiment and **play around** a bit
- When code does not work:
  - Try to understand the error message
  - Check line by line
  - Check parts in a new cell
  - Try a different approach
  - Ask a neighbor
  - Ask the teachers
- We can show and discuss some of the assignment type exercises on screen

# Loops

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# Control Flow - if / else / elif

- With if, else and elif control the execution of parts of a program.

```
if (condition):  
    <tab> do something
```

- Example:

```
x = 5  
if (x < 0):  
    print ("x is negative")  
elif (x > 0):  
    print ("x is positive")  
else:  
    print ("x is 0")
```

x is positive

# Loops!

- Can repeat code
- Two types of loops:

## While

Repeats code while a statement is true

When you want to repeat an **unknown** number of times.

## For

Runs a piece of code a fixed number of times

When you want to repeat an **known** number of times.

# Loops - while

**while** <condition>:  
    <tab> do something

Example:

```
number = float(input("Please provide a number: "))  
while number < 20:  
    print (number)  
    number += 1  
Please provide a number: 15  
15.0  
16.0  
17.0  
18.0  
19.0
```

Condition never becomes false →



# Loops - while

*beware of infinite loops!*

statements block executed *as long as* condition is true

**while** *logical condition* :  
→ statements block

`s = 0`  
`i = 1`

} initializations *before* the loop  
condition with a least one variable value (here `i`)

**while** `i <= 100` :  
    `s = s + i**2`  
    `i = i + 1`  
    `print ("sum:", s)`

👉 make condition variable change !

### Conditional Loop Statement

```
graph TD; Entry(( )) --> Decision{?}; Decision -- yes --> Process[ ]; Process --> Entry; Decision -- no --> Exit(( ));
```

### Loop Control

**break** immediate exit  
**continue** next iteration  
👉 **else** block for *normal* loop exit.

Algo:

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^{i=100} i^2$$

# Loops - for

**for** <variable> in <string>:  
    <tab> do something

Example:

```
for each_day in my_life:
    Wakeup()
    Do_something()
    Sleep()
if each_day == day_i_was_born:
    Eat_Cake()
```

Example:

```
string = "my string"
for char in string:
    print (char)
```

m  
y  
  
s  
t  
r  
i  
n  
g

Example:

```
patat = "frt"
for peer in patat:
    if (peer == "r"):
        print (peer + "ie")
    else:
        print (peer)
```

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# Loops - for

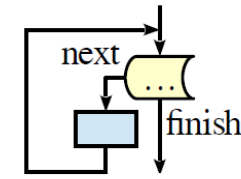
statements block executed *for each*  
item of a container or iterator

## Iterative Loop Statement

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**for** **var** **in** *sequence*:  
    *statements block*



Go over sequence's **values**

```
s = "Some text" } initializations before the loop  
cnt = 0
```

*loop variable, assignment managed by for statement*

```
for c in s:  
    if c == "e":  
        cnt = cnt + 1  
    print("found", cnt, "'e'")
```

*Algo: count  
number of e  
in the string.*

loop on dict/set  $\Leftrightarrow$  loop on keys sequences  
use *slices* to loop on a subset of a sequence

Go over sequence's **index**

- modify item at index
- access items around index (before / after)

```
lst = [11, 18, 9, 12, 23, 4, 17]  
lost = []  
for idx in range(len(lst)):  
    val = lst[idx]  
    if val > 15:  
        lost.append(val)  
        lst[idx] = 15  
print("modif:", lst, "-lost:", lost)
```

*Algo: limit values greater  
than 15, memorizing  
of lost values.*

Go simultaneously over sequence's **index** and **values**:

```
for idx, val in enumerate(lst):
```

good habit : don't modify loop variable

# Exercises



# Extra Exercises

- [www.practicepython.org](http://www.practicepython.org)

• And more!

## All Exercises

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# That was it for today

If “you need some help”:

“you can ask us some questions” while “we are still around”

elif “you want to practice some more”:

print “no problem”

else:

“save file, close jupyter” and “we see you tomorrow”