

Tutorial II

Intermediate Python Programming

2 – Numbers.

Learning Goals/Objectives

Be able to read, comprehend, trace, adapt and create Python code that uses:

- *Data types & casting* - understanding the different data formats that variables & lists use, and how to convert between them.
- **Random** - how to generate random numbers and use them in programs
- **Modulo** - how to calculate the remainder of an integer division and why this is useful

Data Types

What is a data type?

- A **data type** is a setting for a **variable**. It tells the variable what sort of data it will store.
- At the moment, we have only used two data types, the **string** and the **int**.
 - What type of data does a **string** store?
 - What type of data does an **int** store?

Data Types in Python

String - Text

Int - Whole numbers

Float - Numbers with decimals.

(also called *Real* in other coding languages)

Type - How To Code

The **type()** function returns the data type of some data or a variable

Put the data in the brackets as a parameter.

```
type(5.4)
```

```
num1 = 5  
print(type(num1))
```

OR put the variable containing the data in the brackets as a parameter.

Programming – **Casting** (Changing One Data Type To Another)

```
int(data/variable)  
float(data/variable)  
str(data/variable)
```

Programming – Casting **Int**

```
x = int(1)
```

```
# x will be 1
```

```
y = int(2.8)
```

```
# y will be 2
```

```
z = int("3")
```

```
# z will be 3
```


Programming – Casting **Float**

<code>x = float(1)</code>	<code># x will be 1.0</code>
<code>y = float(2.8)</code>	<code># y will be 2.8</code>
<code>z = float("3")</code>	<code># z will be 3.0</code>
<code>w = float("4.2")</code>	<code># w will be 4.2</code>

Programming – Casting **String**

```
x = str("s1")
```

```
# x will be 's1'
```

```
y = str(2)
```

```
# y will be '2'
```

```
z = str(3.0)
```

```
# z will be '3.0'
```

Casting - How To Code

Casting lets us convert one data type into another.

1. Put the name of the data type you want to convert **to**.

2. Put the data OR the variable in brackets as the parameter.

```
int(data/variable)  
float(data/variable)  
str(data/variable)
```

Task - Predict & Run

```
1  # Task
2
3  # Add comments to the code to predict what the code does and what the output will be.
4
5  data1 = 2.9
6  data2 = "Hello World!"
7  data3 = 6
8
9  print(type(data1))
10 print(type(data3))
11 print(type(data2))
12
13 data1 = data1 + 0.1
14
15 print(type(data1))
16
17 data3 = float(data3)
18 data1 = int(data1)
19
20 print(type(data1))
21 print(type(data3))
--
```

Task - Investigate & Modify

```
2
3  num1 = int(input("Enter a number"))
4  num2 = float(input("Enter another number"))
5
6  total = num1 * num2
7
8  print(total)
9
10  # What does the 'int' before 'input' make the program do?
11
12  # What does the 'float' before 'input' make the program do?
13
14  # What data type will the output be?
15
16
17  #Task - Modify
18
19  #Adapt the code to:
20
21  # Get both inputs as floats
22  # Convert the total to an int before it is output.
23
```

<https://repl.it/@MrAColley/2202-Type-and-Cast-Investigate-and-Modify>



Task - Make

```
1  # Task - Make
2
3  #Write a program to calculate the area of a rectangle.
4
5  # Get input for height & width as floats.
6
7  #Multiply the height & width to calculate the area.
8
9  #Output the area as part of a sentence.
10
11 #Extra challenge - create this as a function with a suitable name
    that takes fixed height & width as its parameters.
12
13 # Extra extra challenge - create this as a function with a suitable
    name that takes user input as its parameters.
14
```

Random Numbers

Random Numbers in Python

Python has lots of pre-written features & functions that we can use. Often, these features are grouped together and called **libraries**. To use a library we have to **import** it (you only have to do this once). It is common practice to put all of your imports at the **top** of your code.

→ The library we are going to use for random numbers is called **random**

Random- How To Code

The `randint(x,y)` function takes 2 parameters.
x is the lowest random number that can be picked. y is the largest.
The program will pick a number between these two limits.

1. Import the library (you only have to do this **once**)

```
import random
```

2. Type the name of the library, a `.` and the name of the function you want to use.

```
random.randint(1,20)
```

3. Put your upper and lower limits in the brackets as parameters.



Task - Predict & Run

```
1  # Task Predict & Run
2
3  #Add comments to explain what the code does and what the output will be.
4
5  import random
6
7  print(random.randint(1,5))
8
9  num1 = random.randint(1,10)
10
11 print("Your number was " + str(num1))
12
```

Task - Investigate & Modify

```
1  # Task - Investigate
2
3  # Answer the questions below the code.
4  import random
5
6  print("Welcome to the dice simulator!")
7
8  num1 = random.randint(1,6)
9
10 print("You rolled a " + str(num1))
11
12 # What is the term for the (1,6) values used by the randint function?
13
14 # Why are the numbers in brackets not (0,6)
15
16 # What would the effect be if the last two lines of code swapped places?
17
18 # Task - Modify
19
20 #Adapt the code so that
21
22 #It generates a second number by rolling the dice again.
23
24 #It adds the two dice rolls together.
25
26 #It outputs the total of the two dice rolls
```



Task - Make

```
1  # Task - Make
2
3  #Write a program that:
4
5  #Gets user input of two numbers.
6
7  # Extra challenge - Build in a check for the input, if the second number is lower than or
  the same as the first number then output an error message. Else continue to the next steps.
8
9  #Generates a random number between the two numbers input.
10
11 # Outputs the random number generated.
12
```

Modulus

Modulus in Python

3 MOD 1 = 3 remainder 0 → so the value returned would be 0

5 MOD 2 = 2 remainder 1 → so the value returned would be 1

14 MOD 4 = 3 remainder 2 → so the value returned would be 2

What Value Will Be Returned By....

7 MOD 6

29 MOD 4

15 MOD 5

9 MOD 7

35 MOD 4

Modulus - How To Code

The **modulus** operator returns the **remainder** of integer division.

1. Put the dividend on the left.

2. Use the % symbol for modulus.

3. Put the divisor on the right.

12 % 5

Modulus With Variables

The **modulus** operator returns the **remainder** of integer division.

```
num1 = 12  
num2 = 5  
remainder = num1 % num2
```

Task - Predict & Run

```
1  # Task - Predict & Run
2
3  # Add comments to the code to explain what it does and what the output
   # will be.
4
5  # Run the code to test your predictions.
6
7  8 % 3
8  9 % 3
9  14 % 5
10
11 remainder = 10 % 4
12 print(remainder)
13
14 num1 = 16
15 num2 = 4
16
17 remainder = num1 % num2
18 print("The remainder is " + remainder)
19
```

Task - Investigate

```
# Task - Investigate

# Answer the questions about the code below. Type your answers as comments.

num1 = int(input("Enter a number"))

print ("I will now calculate if your number is in the two times table.")

remainder = num1 % 2

if remainder == 0:
    print("Your number is in the two times table")
else:
    print("Your number is not in the two times table")

# What is the purpose of the code?

# What symbol is used for modulus?

# What would happen if the input to the program was 17?

# What would happen if the input to the program was 98?

# What is the condition in the code?

# Why can the code use 'else' instead of 'elif' and still work correctly?
```

Task - Modify

```
# Task - Modify
```

```
# Complete the code below so that:
```

```
# It gets user input into the 'name variable'
```

```
# It uses selection to output suitable messages depending on whether  
the name has an odd or even number of characters
```

```
# Remove the need for the 'nameLength' and 'nameRemainder' variables by  
using len and modulus in the condition for the selection.
```

```
name = "Dave"
```

```
nameLength = len(name)
```

```
nameRemainder = nameLength % 2
```

```
if
```

Task - Make

```
1  # Task – Make – The Love Calculator
2
3  # Write a program that:
4
5  # Gets two users to input their names.
6  # Calulates the number of characters in each name and adds them together.
7  # Calculates the modulus of the total characters in both names divided by
   3.
8  # If the modulus is 0, output a message saying that the couple are very
   compatible.
9  # If the modulus is 1, output a message saying that the couple are might
   have a chance together.
10 # If the modulus is 2, output a message saying that the couple aren't
    compatible.
```