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Formatting Options

For reference the print() syntax:
print(objects, sep=' ', end='\n')

INTERPOLATION: Old Style formatting operator % (modulo) - to be deprecated, widely used, has bugs

Note: [in brackets] means optional, ↳ means yields or returns There are **2 syntax formats:**

(1) "a string with format/insert (%) spec(s)" % (values to insert) **or** (2) "format string" % value to format

The interpolation format string is constructed of 2 required and 4 optional parameters; "length modifier" is never used.

Start of format specifier

: alternate form, **0** : zero padded, **-** : left adjusted, **' '**(space) : space before pos numbers, **+** : a sign +/- is required

Precision starts with a decimal point followed be an integer specifying places

~~[len mod]~~ was planned but not implemented

% [(dict key)] [conversion flags] [minimum field width [*]] [precision: .## or [*]] conversion type

Mapping key in parens for a dictionary value

Examples of format strings: **%-14.4f** left adj, min 14 char, 4 decimal places, float -ing point or **%("key1")s** use dict value for a string

An integer specifying the minimum field width

i/d : signed integer dedimal; o : signed octal; x : signed hex lower case; X signed hex upper case; e flt pt exponential lower case; E flt pt exp upper case; **f : floating point decimal format**; r : string using repr(); **s : string using str()**; more @: **https://docs.python.org/2/library/stdtypes.html#string-formatting**

Examples:

```
print ("The cost of %d widgets is $% .2f each" %(10, 202.95))  ↳The cost of 10 widgets is $ 202.95 each
sft="%14.4f"   #sft is a string variable to hold the format spec statement - min field width (14), precision(.) 4 digits(4), floating point
print((sft)%(-7.51298701254) ↳        -7.5130
```

The format() FUNCTION and STRING FORMAT: recommended over interpolation. There are two forms of the format syntax, both using the same format mini-language (available in Python 3.5) in a string or string variable. For a new user, conflicting examples can play with your head. The two forms of formatting are:

(1) "format()" syntax: format(string/number,'0=+20,.3f') <-*Teal format string is mini-language.* format() form is the easiest **but does not support any replacement or substitution** fields - only string and number **format and conversion**

(2) "string format" syntax: '{:0=+20,.3f}'.format(string/number) <{}-**can** contain **replacement** fields

In the examples above, assume the statements are in a print or variable assignment and the variable number=12345.67890:

...both yield the same result - both cases use **THE SAME FORMAT SPEC** both ↳ **+000,000,012,345.679**

What the format symbols mean: '**{**: use format string (**string format only**); **0** fill number with this character; **=** pad after sign but before number; **+** use a sign; **20** required width in characters; **,** use commas to show thousands; **.3** set (3 in this case) digit precision; **f** number type, 'f' is floating point number; **}**' - close

The examples on this page used the **"format()"** form as shown in the function which generated the outputs listed. *The **"string format"** form is addressed on the **reverse** side - page 2 of this toolbox.*

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How the **mini-language** statements are ordered and structured in general: ***(Note: they must be in the order as shown below!)***

[[fill] align] [sign] [# -alt form] [0 force padding default] [width] [_ ,] [.precision] [type]

+, -(neg only) ," "space pos, - neg *1

IF align used; can be any character

<, >, ^ (centered), or = '=' forces padding after a sign

forces 0 between sign & number when no align specified; like '0='

Floats/Decimal - always have dec point; integers -> hex, oct, binary - add 0x/0o/0b; **'g'/'G' - retain any trailing zeros**

width in chars

thousands separator ,000 - can't use with 'n'

decimal places

Integer types:
b - binary; **c** - Unicode char; **d** - base 10 integer; **o** - Octal; **x** - Hex base 16 - lower cs; **X** - Hex base 16 - upper cs; **n** - like d but uses local separator definitions

Float/decimal types:
e - scientific, 'e' for exponent; **E** - 'E' for exponent; **f** - fixed point (default 6); **F** - fixed, NAN and INF; **g** - general format, rounds and formats; **n** - same as g but uses local separator definitions; **%** - percentage, * 100, adds "%"; **None** - g except 1 num > .

String: s - string format, can be ommited

8M+ variations of possible **numeric formats** not counting multiple values for fill, width, and precision. A few output examples: aNum=12345.6789 and bNum= -12345.6721 and format string myForm shown in red below. Output resulting from **printnums** unless otherwise noted. (Output with print() yields: 12345.6789 -12345.6721)

Function to generate the results:

```
def printnums (aNum,bNum,myForm):
    print("Column Border ->|" + format \
(aNum, myForm) + "|" + format \
(bNum, myForm) + "|")
```

Format string<- myForm=this string	Yields	Description
".3f"	Column Borders ->|12345.679|-12345.672|	fixed, 3 places, float
",.2f"	Column Borders ->|12,345.68|-12,345.67|	comma sep, fixed, 2 places, float
"15,.2f"	Column Borders ->| 12,345.68| -12,345.67|	width=15, comma sep, fixed, 3 places, float
"^15,.3f"	Column Borders ->| 12,345.679 | -12,345.672 |	center, width=15, comma, fixed, 3 places, float
^15,e"	Column Borders ->| 1.234568e+04 | -1.234567e+04 |	center, set width (15), scientific
"~^15,.0f"	Column Borders ->|~~~~12,346~~~~|~~~~-12,346~~~~|	fill ~, ctr, width=15, commas, 0 dec places, float
"+,.0f"	Column Borders ->|+12,346|-12,346|	sign, comma sep, fixed, no dec places, float
"_=+15,.0f"	Column Borders ->|+_____12,346|-_____12,346|	pad _ after sign, sign, comma, no dec plcs, float
	The following examples use aNum=17 and bNum=256	
"x^10d"	Column Borders ->|xxxx17xxxx|xxx256xxxx|	fill w/ x, center, width=10, integer (base 10)
">#12X"	Column Borders ->| 0X11| 0X100|	right align, width=12, hex (uppercase)
"b"	Column Borders ->|10001|100000000|	Binary conversion

*1 With sign: + sign all, - neg only, space force leading space on + and sign neg

String Format() functions continued on reverse side.

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"string. format()" form syntax: Ordering or Substituting text and numbers in statements

Substitution, ordering or format: this syntax is in 3 PARTS: Part 1 is **either** a way to identify which value is referenced by the literal or data container between the parens of .format(), for example '{1}' to select the 2nd value, **or** a format spec designated by following the opening '**{**' with '**:**' ; for example '**{:**0=+20,.3f}'. Part2 is the command - .format(). Part 3 is the literal strings or data containers referenced inside the .format parens. Look at it like this -

print string with {selection values}[{x}{x}...].format(-*/**- source for seletion/insertion)

a string with embeded values in {} brackets holding a selection index or format specification {: in mini-language

".format"

literal values; a **tuple** to unpack preceeded by a single *; **multiple** tupel items coded in the print string: [tup#[item#]]; a **dictionary** to reference for keys coded in print string, preceeded by **

Examples using the order and replacement functions of str.format()

Objects to use in the following examples

```
OrderString = '{1}, {0}, {2}';StoogeTuple= ('Larry','Moe','Curley')
ShirtTuple=('red','white','blue','purple') #{index-of-tuple-in-format-list[index of item]}
StoogeDict={'Straightman':'Larry', 'Numskull':'Moe', 'Foil':'Curley', 'Looser':'Don'}
PetDict={1 : "cow", 2 : "dog", 3 : "goldfish"}
class Flowers(object):
    def __init__(self, center, petals):
        self.center=center
        self.petals=petals
Daisy = Flowers("black","yellow")

#  Simple selection and ordering of values with literals
aPrintString = "The tourney ranking: {1}, {3}, {0}".format /
('Larry','Moe','Curley','Donald')
print(aPrintString)  The tourney ranking is: Moe, Donald, Larry
#  String holding substitution/replacement selections
print('The tourney rank is: '+  OrderString.format /
('Abe','Bob','Cal','Don'))  The tourney rank is: Bob, Abe, Cal
#  Named items
print("Winners: {FirstPlace}, {SecondPlace}".format /
(FirstPlace= "Bob", SecondPlace="Don"))  Winners: Bob, Don
#  Use * to unpack a single tuple (but not a list)
print("The stooges are: {2}, {1}, and {0}.".format /
(*StoogeTuple))  # note * & sub syntax
  The stooges are: Curley, Moe, and Larry.
#  Use the {0[value index]} without having to use *
print("My favorite stooge is {0[0]}.".format(StoogeTuple))
  My favorite stooge is Larry.
```

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#  The '[0[]] structure enables us to select from multiple tuples
print("I saw {0[1]} in a {1[2]} shirt.".format(StoogeTuple, /
ShirtTuple))  I saw Moe in a blue shirt.
#  Use ** to access dictionary values by their keys
print("The stooges are: {Straightman}, {Foil}, {Numskull}. /
".format(**StoogeDict))  # note ** "dictionary is external"
 The stooges are: Larry, Curley, Moe.
#  Select a single dictionary item
print("My favorite stooge is {Foil}.".format(**StoogeDict))  /
   My favorite stooge is Curley.
#  A single dictionary item using the {x[]} format and keyword
print("One stooge is {0[Foil]}.".format(StoogeDict))
  One stooge is Curley.
#  Select multiple items from mutiple dictionaries using keywords
print("It look like {1[Straightman]} has a {0[1]} and a {0 /
[2]}".format(PetDict, StoogeDict))
  It look like Larry has a cow and a dog
#  Refer to an object's attribute  # combine with your class - very powerful
print("Its petals are bright {0.petals}.".format(Daisy))
  Its petals are bright yellow.
#  using !r and !s - example borrowed from
https://docs.python.org/3/library/string.html#formatspec
print("repr() shows quotes: {!r}; str() doesn't: {!s}".format /
('test1', 'test2'))  #best possible example we could imagine
  repr() shows quotes: 'test1'; str() doesn't: test2
```

Built-in String Format Methods

.capitalize() *-1st letter*
.center(width[, fillchar *default: space*])
.ljust(width[, fillchar]) *–justify*
.rjust(width[, fillchar]) *-right justify*
.upper() *-converted to uppercase*
.lower( ) *-convert to lowercase*
.strip([chars]) *-remove leading and trailing chars*
.lstrip([chars]) *–remove leading chars*
.rstrip([chars]) *-remove trailing chars*
.title() *-return a titlecased version*
.zfill(width) *– left fill with 0 to width*
.swapcase()

Template strings: A simple substitution function imported from the string module. (from string import Template) To keep it simple: (1) use the Template function to build a variable with named objects preceded by $ to be replaced with subs, (2) then use substitute(map object, **kwds) on that variable to define replacement values and build the string. (*$$ escapes and yields $*)

Template strings are easy, but VERY slow to execute!

```
from string import Template
stoogeDict= {"L":"Larry", "M":"Moe", "C":"Curley"}
funnyStr= Template("$C handed the goat to $L and butted $M.")
funnyStr= funnyStr.substitute(stoogeDict)
print(funnyStr)
 Curley handed the goat to Larry and butted Moe.
....put together more suscintley
print(Template("$M and $C butted $L's goat.").substitute
(stoogeDict))
 Moe and Curley butted Larry's goat.
```

.format dates: the easy way

```
import datetime
d = datetime.datetime(2018, 1, 19);
print('{:%m/%d/%Y}'.format(d))
  01/19/2018
```

New in version 3.6: f-strings - formatted string literals - prefixed with f/F - much like string. format() above

https://docs.python.org/3/reference/lexical_analysis.html#f-strings (2.4.3 Formatted string literals) ALSO: see PEP 498

(literal_char | "{{" | "}}" | replacement_field) *

Text except }, {, or NULL

Replaced with single brace

"{" f_expression ["!" conversion] [":" format_spec] "}"

See mini-language described in format() Like - format(string/number,'0=+20,.3f') exlplained on side 1.

f_expression : (conditional_expression | "*" or_expr) ("," conditional_expression | "," "*" or_expr)* [","]
(NO BACKSLASHES IN EXPRESSION PARTS; LAMBDAS IN ( ))

"s" | "r" | "a"
str(), repr(), ascii()

(literal_char | NULL | replacement_field)*

```
nametup = ("Larry","Curley","Moe")
myindex, Name, width, value = 2, "Curley", 12,
12345.6789

print(f"He said his name is {nametup[myindex]}.")
print(f"{Name.upper(): ^12}")
import decimal
introString = "The format is: $"
print(f"{introString}{value: {width},.2f}")
```

```
 He said his name is Moe.
   CURLEY
 The format is: $   12,345.68

state, subpart, subpart2 = 'Mississippi', 'iss', 'x'
lamstate = lambda state: state if subpart in state else
"unknown"

print(f"Going to {(lamstate(state)).upper():^20}!")
```

```
print(f"Bound for {state if subpart in state else
'unknown'}!")
print(f"Going to {state if subpart2 in state else
'unknown'}!")

 Going to    MISSISSIPPI    !
 Bound for Mississippi!
 Going to unknown!
```