

LECTURE 1

Introduction to Python programming language

ABOUT ME

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COURSE CONTENT

- Understand and utilize Python;
- Understand basic data types and data structures in Python.
- Introductory concepts of Python, Getting data into Python (Familiarize and load data files into Python, basic data manipulation);
- Sub-setting, Basic statistical calculations;
- Visualize datasets using low-level and high-level plots in Python.
- Concept of Array and matrix, Inference, random sampling;
- Regression, Programming with Python;
- Writing python functions, Control structures.

MAPPING COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOS) WITH THE TEACHING-LEARNING & ASSESSMENT STRATEGY

CLO Description	Domain/Level	Assessment Tool
Understand basic data structures in Python	Understand	Term and Final Examination
Getting data into Python (data imporexport)	t,Analyze	Term and Final Examination
Visualize datasets using plots	Understand	Term and Final Examination
Writing Python functions, Control structures	Apply	Assignment, Term and Final Examination

ABOUT PYTHON

- Development started in the 1980's by Guido van Rossum.
 - Only became popular in the last decade or so.
- Python 2.x old version, but Python 3.x is the current version of Python.
- Interpreted, very-high-level programming language.
- Supports a multitude of programming paradigms.
 - OOP, functional, procedural, logic, structured, etc.
- General purpose.
 - Very comprehensive standard library includes numeric modules, crypto services, OS interfaces, networking modules, GUI support, development tools, etc.

PHILOSOPHY

From The Zen of Python (https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0020/)

Beautiful is better than ugly.

Explicit is better than implicit.

Simple is better than complex.

Complex is better than complicated.

Flat is better than nested.

Sparse is better than dense.

Readability counts.

Special cases aren't special enough to break the rules.

Although practicality beats purity.

Errors should never pass silently.

Unless explicitly silenced.

In the face of ambiguity, refuse the temptation to guess.

There should be one-- and preferably only one -- obvious way to do it.

Although that way may not be obvious at first unless you're Dutch.

Now is better than never.

Although never is often better than right now.

If the implementation is hard to explain, it's a bad idea.

If the implementation is easy to explain, it may be a good idea.

Namespaces are one honking great idea -- let's do more of those!

NOTABLE FEATURES

- Easy to learn.
- Supports quick development.
- Cross-platform.
- Open Source.
- Extensible.
- Embeddable.
- Large standard library and active community.
- Useful for a wide variety of applications.



THE PROGRAMMING CYCLE FOR PYTHON

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GETTING STARTED

Before we can begin, we need to actually install Python!

https://www.python.org/download/releases/3.0/ https://docs.anaconda.com/anaconda/install/windows/

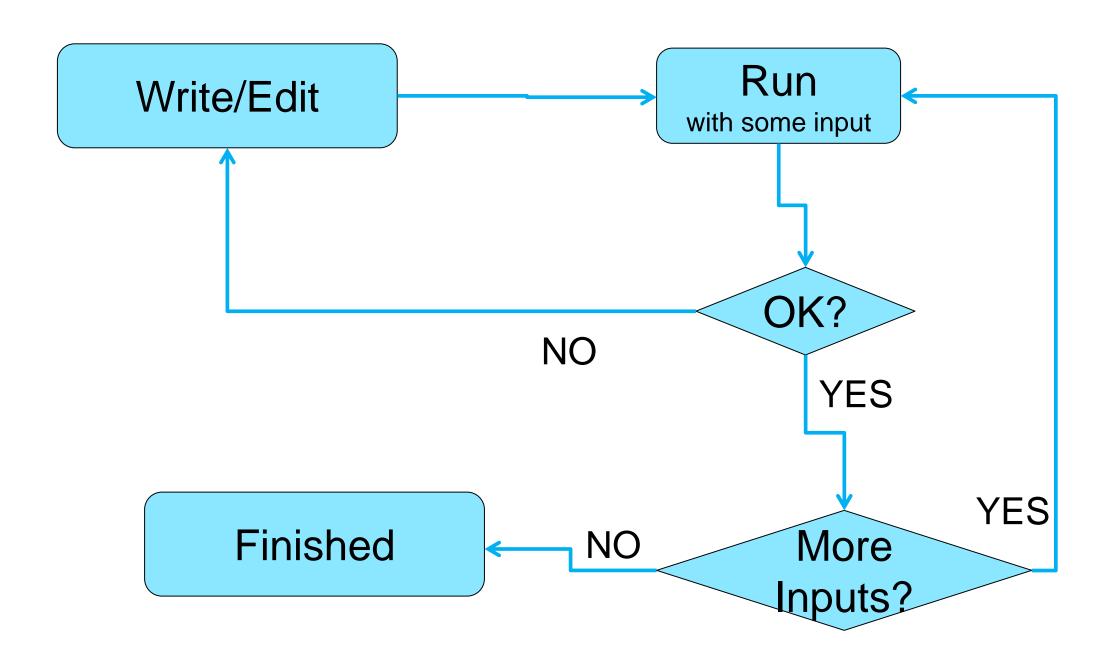
Python IDE

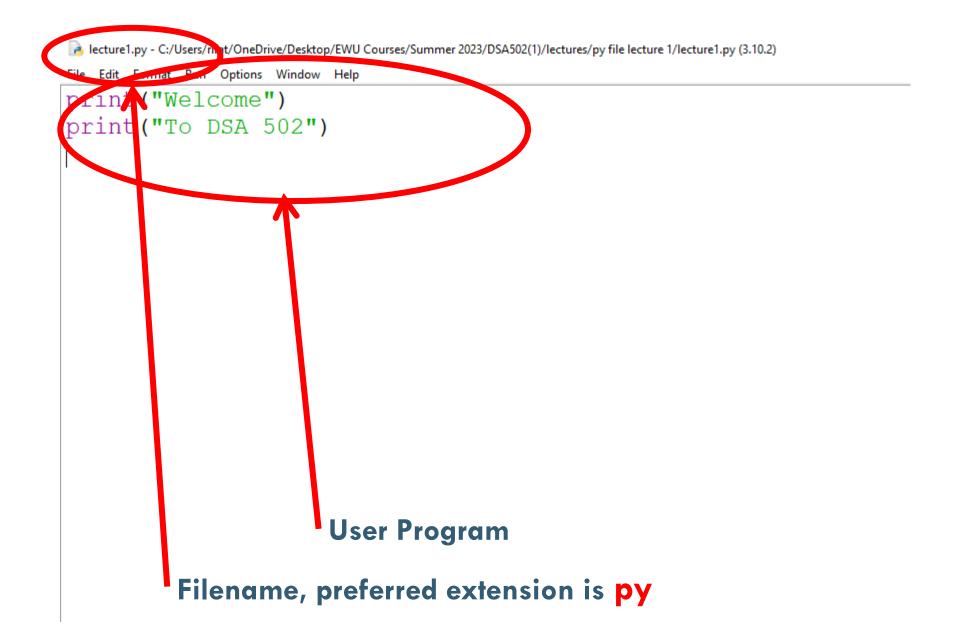
https://www.jetbrains.com/pycharm/

Online python editors

https://replit.com/

https://colab.research.google.com/





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Command Prompt - jupyter notebook

IN[1]: ———— Python Shell Prompt

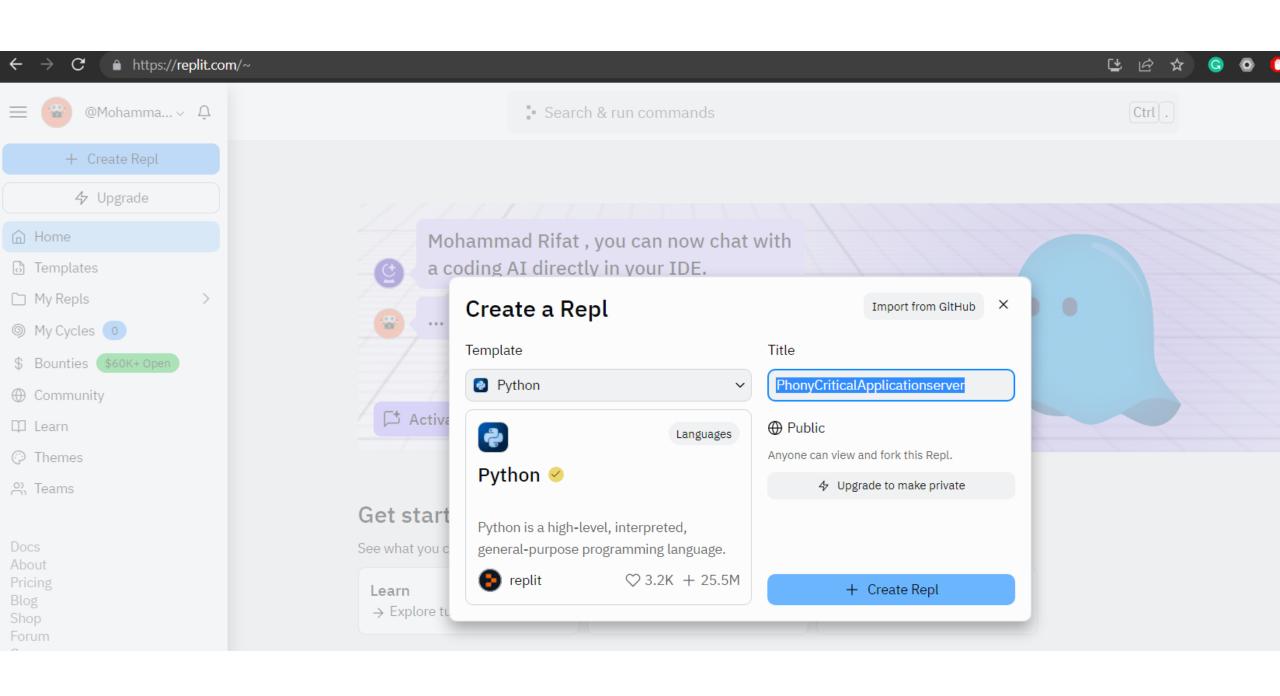
Welcome

to Acads

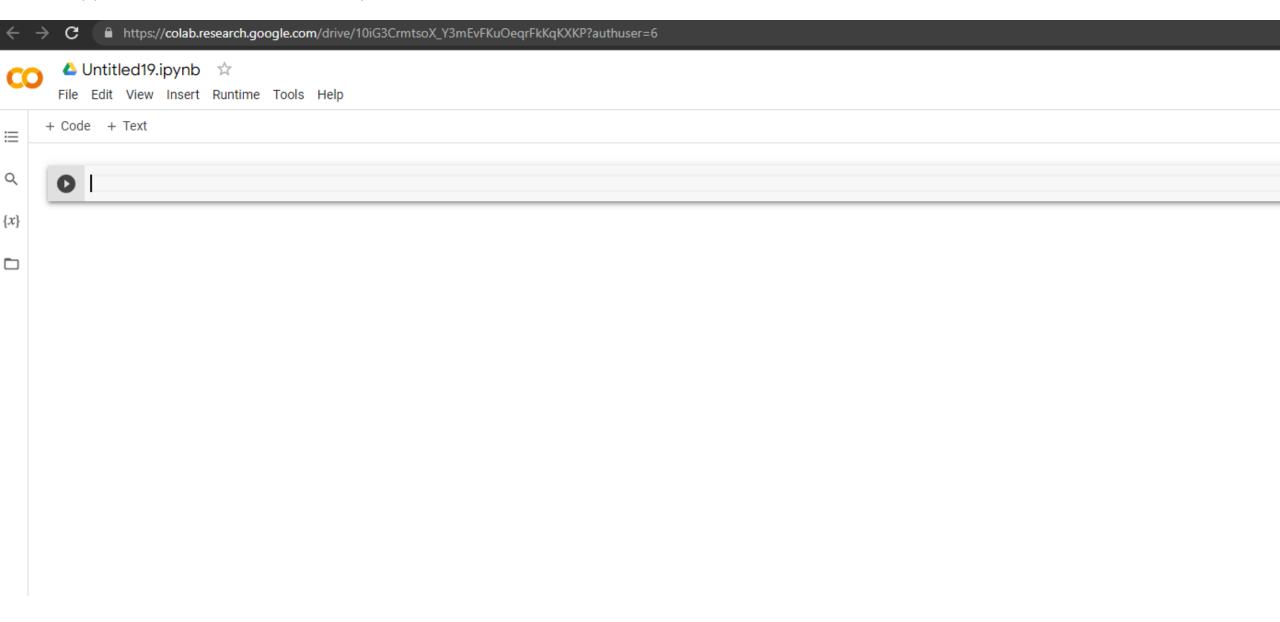
IN[2]:



PYTHON SHELL IS INTERACTIVE



https://colab.research.google.com/



INTERACTING WITH PYTHON PROGRAMS

Python program communicates its results to user using print

Most useful programs require information from users

Name and age for a travel reservation system

Python 3 uses input to read user input as a string (str)

FIRST PYTHON PROGRAM

```
""" First Python Program Just to see if we can run python3 successfully """ name = "Rifat" print("Welcome "+name+"\n")
```

INPUT

Take as argument a string to print as a prompt

Returns the user typed value as a string

details of how to process user string later

```
IN[1]: age = input('How old are you?')
IN[2]:
IN[3]:
```

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ELEMENTS OF PYTHON

A Python program is a sequence of definitions and commands (statements)

Commands manipulate objects

Each object is associated with a Type

Type:

- A set of values
- A set of operations on these values

Expressions: An operation (combination of objects and operators)

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TYPES IN PYTHON

int

Bounded integers, e.g. 732 or -5

float

Real numbers, e.g. 3.14 or 2.0

long

Long integers with unlimited precision

str

Strings, e.g. 'hello' or 'C'

TYPES IN PYTHON

Scalar

- •Indivisible objects that do not have internal structure
- •int (signed integers), float (floating point), bool (Boolean), NoneType
 - NoneType is a special type with a single value
 - The value is called None

Non-Scalar

- Objects having internal structure
- str (strings)

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Strings

```
In [ ]:    my_string = "Python is my favorite programming language!"

In [ ]:    my_string

In [ ]:    type(my_string)

In [ ]:    len(my_string)
```

Respecting PEP8 with long strings

```
In []:
    long_story = (
        "Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit."
        "Pellentesque eget tincidunt felis. Ut ac vestibulum est."
        "In sed ipsum sit amet sapien scelerisque bibendum. Sed "
        "sagittis purus eu diam fermentum pellentesque."
    )
    long_story
```

str.replace()

If you don't know how it works, you can always check the help:

```
In [ ]: help(str.replace)
```

This will not modify my_string because replace is not done in-place.

```
In [ ]: my_string.replace("a", "?")
    print(my_string)
```

You have to store the return value of replace instead.

```
In [ ]:
    my_modified_string = my_string.replace("is", "will be")
    print(my_modified_string)
```

str.join()

```
In [ ]:
         pandas = "pandas"
         numpy = "numpy"
         requests = "requests"
         cool python libs = ", ".join([pandas, numpy, requests])
In [ ]:
         print(f"Some cool python libraries: {cool_python_libs}")
        Alternative (not as Pythonic and slower):
In [ ]:
         cool_python_libs = pandas + ", " + numpy + ", " + requests
         print(f"Some cool python libraries: {cool python libs}")
         cool python libs = pandas
         cool_python_libs += ", " + numpy
         cool_python_libs += ", " + requests
         print(f"Some cool python libraries: {cool_python_libs}")
```

str.upper(), str.lower(), str.title()

```
In [ ]:
         mixed_case = "PyTHoN hackER"
In [ ]:
         mixed_case.upper()
In [ ]:
         mixed_case.lower()
         mixed_case.title()
        str.strip()
In [ ]:
         ugly_formatted = " \n \t Some story to tell "
         stripped = ugly_formatted.strip()
         print(f"ugly: {ugly_formatted}")
         print(f"stripped: {stripped}")
```

str.split()

print(binaries)

```
In []: sentence = "three different words"
    words = sentence.split()
    print(words)

In []: type(words)

In []: secret_binary_data = "01001,101101,11100000"
```

binaries = secret_binary_data.split(",")

Calling multiple methods in a row

```
In [ ]:
    ugly_mixed_case = " ThIS LooKs BAd "
    pretty = ugly_mixed_case.strip().lower().replace("bad", "good")
    print(pretty)
```

Note that execution order is from left to right. Thus, this won't work:

```
In [ ]:
    pretty = ugly_mixed_case.replace("bad", "good").strip().lower()
    print(pretty)
```

Escape characters

```
In []: two_lines = "First line\nSecond line"
    print(two_lines)

In []: indented = "\tThis will be indented"
    print(indented)
```

EXAMPLE OF TYPES

In [14]: type(500)
Out[14]: int

TYPE CONVERSION (TYPE CAST)

Conversion of value of one type to other

We are used to int ↔ float conversion in Math

- Integer 3 is treated as float 3.0 when a real number is expected
- Float 3.6 is truncated as 3, or rounded off as 4 for integer contexts

Type names are used as type converter functions

TYPE CONVERSION EXAMPLES

```
In [20]: int(2.5)
                          Note that float to int conversion
Out[20]: 2
                          is truncation, not rounding off
In [21]: int(2.3)
Out[21]: 2
In [22]: int(3.9)
                                          In [26]: str(3.14)
Out[22]: 3
                                          Out[26]: '3.14'
In [23]: float(3)
Out[23]: 3.0
                                          In [27]: str(26000)
                                          Out[27]: '26000'
In [24]: int('73')
Out[24]: 73
In [25]: int('Acads')
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<ipython-input-25-90ec37205222>", line 1, in <module>
   int('Acads')
ValueError: invalid literal for int() with base 10: 'Acads'
```

TYPE CONVERSION AND INPUT

```
In [11]: age = input('How old are you? ')
How old are you? 35
In [12]: print ('In 5 years, your age will be', age + 5)
```

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In [13]: print ('In 5 years, your age will be', int(age) + 5)
In 5 years, your age will be 40
```

OPERATORS

Arithmetic

Comparison

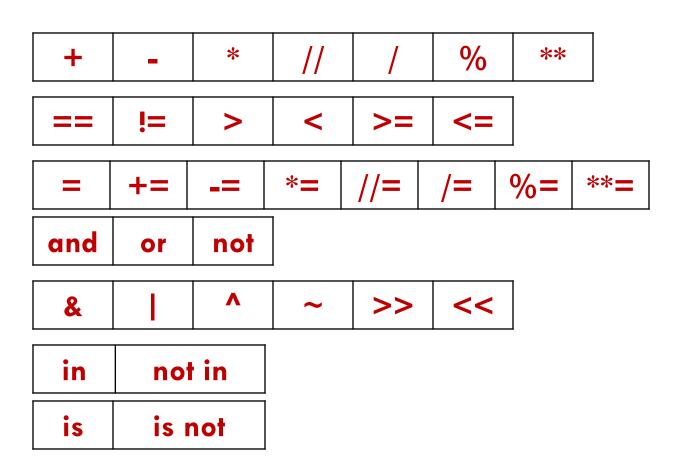
Assignment

Logical

Bitwise

Membership

Identity



VARIABLES

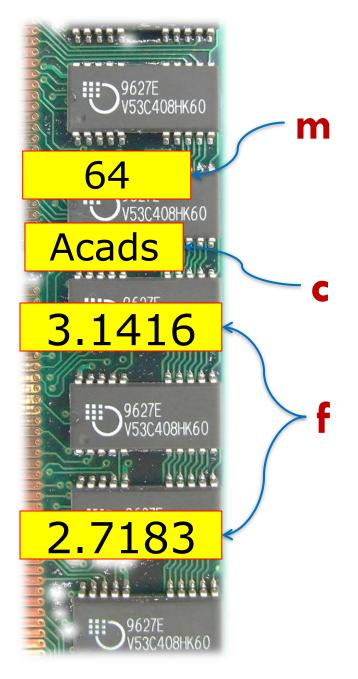
A name associated with an object

Assignment used for binding

```
m = 64;
c = 'Acads';
f = 3.1416;
```

Variables can change their bindings

```
f = 2.7183;
```



ASSIGNMENT STATEMENT

A simple assignment statement

Variable = Expression;

Computes the value (object) of the expression on the right hand side expression (RHS)

Associates the name (variable) on the left hand side (LHS) with the RHS value

= is known as the assignment operator.

MULTIPLE ASSIGNMENTS

Python allows multiple assignments

$$x, y = 10, 20$$

Binds x to 10 and y to 20

Evaluation of multiple assignment statement:

- All the expressions on the RHS of the = are first evaluated before any binding happens.
- Values of the expressions are bound to the corresponding variable on the LHS.

$$x, y = 10, 20$$

 $x, y = y+1, x+1$

x is bound to 21 and y to 11 at the end of the program