

Objectives

- Define variables in Python
- Perform simple calculations using basic arithmetic operators
- Define and manipulate the given string in Python

Technical contents

- Use of arithmetic expressions
- String manipulation

To solve during the lab

1. Write a program that prompts the user for two integers and then prints

- The sum
- The difference
- The product
- The average
- The distance (absolute value of the difference)
- The maximum (the larger of the two)
- The minimum (the smaller of the two)

Hint: Python defines `max` and `min` functions that accept a sequence of values, each separated with a comma. E.g., `max(10,5)` return 10.

2. Write a program that reads a five-digit positive integer and breaks it into a sequence of individual digits. For example, the input 16384 is displayed as

1 6 3 8 4

3. Write a program that initializes a string variable and prints the first three characters, followed by three periods, and then the last three characters. For example, if the string is initialized to "Mississippi", then print `Mis...ppi`.

4. The following pseudocode describes how a bookstore computes the price of an order from the total price and the number of the books that were ordered.

- a. Read the total book price and the number of books.
- b. Compute the tax (7.5 percent of the total book price).
- c. Compute the shipping charge (\$2 per book).
- d. The price of the order is the sum of the total book price, the tax, and the shipping charge.
- e. Print the price of the order.

Translate this pseudocode into a Python program. The total price of the books and the number of books should be saved in two constant variables.

To solve at home

5. Find at least three *compile-time* errors in the following program.

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int x = 2
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print(x, squared is, x * x)
xcubed = x *** 3
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6. The following pseudocode describes how to turn a string containing a ten-digit phone number (such as "4155551212") into a more readable string with parentheses and dashes, like this: "(415) 555-1212".
- a. *Take the string consisting of the first three characters and surround it with "(" and ")" ". This is the area code.*
 - b. *Concatenate the area code, the string consisting of the next three characters, a hyphen, and the string consisting of the last four characters. This is the formatted number.*

Translate this pseudocode into a Python program that reads a telephone number into a string variable, computes the formatted number, and prints it.