

Introduction to Python: Part 1

Basics

Python as a calculator

```
In [7]: 1 + 12
```

```
Out[7]: 13
```

```
In [8]: 24 - 3 * 4
```

```
Out[8]: 12
```

```
In [9]: (24 - 3) * 4
```

```
Out[9]: 84
```

```
In [10]: 4 / 2
```

```
Out[10]: 2.0
```

```
In [11]: 2 ** 4 # 2 to the power of 4
```

```
Out[11]: 16
```

```
In [12]: 14 > 10
```

```
Out[12]: True
```

```
In [13]: 12 + 15 == 27
```

```
Out[13]: True
```

```
In [14]: 14 % 6 # remainder of 14 divided by 6
```

```
Out[14]: 2
```

The print() function

The basic way to output is the print function

```
In [15]: print('Hello world')
```

```
Hello world
```

```
In [16]: print(1 + 2)
        print(7 - 1)
```

```
3
6
```

Atomic data types

- Boolean values (True, False)
- Integers (3, 4, 8)
- Floating-point numbers (3.1416, 5.8274)
- Letters and strings ('a', 'pqm')

Creating an object of a particular data type

```
In [17]: # Creates a boolean object
        has_insurance = True

        # Creates an integer object
        i = 24

        # Creates a floating-point number object
        cash = 28.35

        # Creates a string object
        sport = 'soccer'
```

Display the data type using the function type()

```
In [18]: print(type(has_insurance))
        print(type(i))
        print(type(cash))
        print(type(sport))
```

```
<class 'bool'>
<class 'int'>
<class 'float'>
<class 'str'>
```

Display string and integer objects simultaneously using the print() function

```
In [19]: my_number = 10
        print('My number is ' + str(10))
```

```
My number is 10
```

Built-in data structures

- Tuple: ordered sequence of objects of any type that cannot be changed (immutable)
- List: ordered sequence of objects of any type that can be changed (mutable)
- Dictionary: unordered collection of objects of any type

Tuple

- Every element rests at some position (index) in the tuple

- The index can be used to locate a particular element
- The first index begins at zero, the next is one, ect.
- Tuples are immutable, i.e., they cannot be modified

Tuples can be created by using the ()-brackets

```
In [20]: new_product = ('Apple', 'iPhone XS', 515, 1639, 'Gold')
new_product
```

```
Out[20]: ('Apple', 'iPhone XS', 515, 1639, 'Gold')
```

Values of tuples can be accessed directly

```
In [21]: new_product[0]
```

```
Out[21]: 'Apple'
```

```
In [22]: new_product[0:2]
```

```
Out[22]: ('Apple', 'iPhone XS')
```

```
In [23]: new_product[:3]
```

```
Out[23]: ('Apple', 'iPhone XS', 515)
```

```
In [24]: new_product[-1]
```

```
Out[24]: 'Gold'
```

```
In [25]: new_product[-3:]
```

```
Out[25]: (515, 1639, 'Gold')
```

Tuples are immutable, i.e., they cannot be changed

```
In [26]: new_product[0] = 'Samsung'
```

```
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TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-26-3a96041cf17d> in <module>()
----> 1 new_product[0] = 'Samsung'

TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment
```

List

- Every element rests at some position (index) in the list
- The index can be used to locate a particular element
- The first index begins at zero, the next is one, ect.

Lists can be created by using the []-brackets

```
In [27]: stocks = ['ABB', 'UBS', 'ATL']
stocks
```

```
Out[27]: ['ABB', 'UBS', 'ATL']
```

Lists can be created by using the functions `list()` and `range()`

```
In [28]: x = list(range(10))
x
```

```
Out[28]: [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

Lists can contain any type of objects, including other lists

```
In [29]: housing = ['own', 'rent']
assortment = ['Analytics', 7.5, housing]
assortment
```

```
Out[29]: ['Analytics', 7.5, ['own', 'rent']]
```

Values of lists can be accessed directly using an index

```
In [30]: stocks[0]
```

```
Out[30]: 'ABB'
```

```
In [31]: stocks[1]
```

```
Out[31]: 'UBS'
```

```
In [32]: stocks[:2]
```

```
Out[32]: ['ABB', 'UBS']
```

```
In [33]: stocks[-1]
```

```
Out[33]: 'ATL'
```

```
In [34]: stocks[-2:]
```

```
Out[34]: ['UBS', 'ATL']
```

```
In [35]: stocks[1:]
```

```
Out[35]: ['UBS', 'ATL']
```

Values can easily be appended to lists

```
In [36]: stocks.append('NOVN')
stocks
```

```
Out[36]: ['ABB', 'UBS', 'ATL', 'NOVN']
```

Values can easily be deleted from lists

```
In [37]: del x[-1]
x
```

```
Out[37]: [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]
```

```
In [38]: del x[1:3]
x
```

```
Out[38]: [0, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]
```

Values of lists can be changed

```
In [39]: x[0] = 3
x
```

```
Out[39]: [3, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]
```

Dictionary

- Every element is associated with a key
- The key can be used to retrieve an object

Dictionaries can be created by using the {}-brackets

```
In [40]: house_attributes = {'num_rooms': 4,
                             'space_square_m': 120,
                             'balcony': True}
house_attributes
```

```
Out[40]: {'balcony': True, 'num_rooms': 4, 'space_square_m': 120}
```

Values can be accessed using the key

```
In [41]: house_attributes['balcony']
```

```
Out[41]: True
```

Elements can easily be added

```
In [42]: house_attributes['num_bathrooms'] = 2
house_attributes
```

```
Out[42]: {'balcony': True, 'num_bathrooms': 2, 'num_rooms': 4, 'space_square_m': 120}
```

Values can be updated

```
In [43]: house_attributes['space_square_m'] = 130
house_attributes
```

```
Out[43]: {'balcony': True, 'num_bathrooms': 2, 'num_rooms': 4, 'space_square_m': 130}
```

Various **immutable** objects can be used as keys

```
In [44]: my_dict = {(1, 2): 10,
                  'color': 'red',
                  5: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]}
my_dict
```

```
Out[44]: {(1, 2): 10, 'color': 'red', 5: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]}
```

```
In [45]: my_dict = {[1, 2]: 10}
```

```
-----
TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-45-c9ae3a4ad8e7> in <module>()
----> 1 my_dict = {[1, 2]: 10}

TypeError: unhashable type: 'list'
```

Conditionals and loops

- if-statement
- for-statement

if-statement

- Evaluates a logical condition
- If the condition is true, then the indented statements are executed
- If the condition is not true, then the indented statements are skipped.

```
In [46]: amount = 150
if amount > 100:
    print('You purchased for more than 100 CHF. We can offer you a discount.')
```

You purchased for more than 100 CHF. We can offer you a discount.

for-statement

- Iterates over elements of a sequence in order
- The indented statements are executed for each element

Can be used to print each element of a list

```
In [47]: prices = [14, 15, 26, 33, 75]
for price in prices:
    print('The price is ' + str(price) + ' CHF')
```

The price is 14 CHF
The price is 15 CHF
The price is 26 CHF
The price is 33 CHF
The price is 75 CHF

Can be used to modify elements of a list

```
In [48]: for i in [0, 1, 4]:  
         prices[i] = prices[i] + 1  
         prices
```

Out[48]: [15, 16, 26, 33, 76]

```
In [ ]:
```