Lab 1: Introduction to python



Objectives

- 1. Why python?
- 2. Introduction to python.

Why python?

- Python is a general-purpose interpreted, interactive, object-oriented, and high-level programming language
- Python is friendly language where syntax is simple to read and follow
- It is a fully-functional programming language that can do anything almost any other language can do
- It is a general language that does a little of everything at a good enough complexityperformance tradeoff
- It has a full suite of tools for productionizing machine learning
- There is a python package for most conceivable math functions:
 - Numerical linear algebra: Numpy
 - o General scientific computing (e.g., integration, DSP): Scipy
 - o Convex optimization: CVXOPT
 - Statistical modeling: Statsmodel, PyMC3
 - Symbolic algebra: SymPy
- Thus, Python can be used to make games, do data analysis, control robot and hardware, create GUIs, or even to create websites.

Environment setup

- You can download any of python version from here
 - o https://www.python.org/downloads/windows/
- If you are using different OS than windows then you can download your version from here
 - o https://www.python.org/downloads/ according to your OS
- After setting up python environment you can check your installation by running this command on your cmd/terminal

python -version

You should see now which python version you have installed in your machine.

Using Python IDE

Usually we use an IDE to write a code with any programming language. Python environment comes with "Python shell" you can use it to run any python command. Also you can use "Python IDLE" to write a complete python program and compile & run it. Examples

- PyCharm
- Spider

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- Jupyter Notebook
- Anaconda

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IO operations

Hello world
 In: print('hello world')
 Out: hello world
 In: 'hello world'

Out: 'hello worldTaking input

In : x = input("Enter a number")
print (x) # 5

Out: 5

Note: the received data is always treated as string so you should cast it if you need other type.

Data types and Variables

Variables are nothing but reserved memory locations to store values. It means that when you create a variable, you reserve some space in the memory.

Based on the data type of a variable, the interpreter allocates memory and decides what can be stored in the reserved memory. Therefore, by assigning different data types to the variables, you can store integers, decimals or characters in these variables

Example:

```
counter = 100  # An integer assignment
miles = 1000.0  # A floating point
name = "John"  # A string
a = b = c = 1
a, b, c = 1, 10.5, "hello"
```

Operators

In: 4/3 Out: 1 In: 4.0/3.0

In: 4/3.0

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In: int(4.0)/int(3.0)

Out: 1 In: 1+2 Out: 3 In: 2**3 Out: 8 In: 9//2 Out: 4 In: -9//2 Out: -5

In: [1,2,3]+[2,3,4]
Out: [1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4]

In: type(1),type(2.0),type([3,4]), type(True)

Out: (<class 'int'>, <class 'float'>, <class 'list'>,<class 'bool'>)

Operator	Description
**	Exponentiation (raise to the power)
~+-	Complement, unary plus and minus (method names for the last two are +@ and -@)
*/%//	Multiply, divide, modulo and floor division
+ -	Addition and subtraction
>> <<	Right and left bitwise shift
&	Bitwise 'AND'
^	Bitwise exclusive 'OR' and regular 'OR'
<= <>>=	Comparison operators
<> == !=	Equality operators
= %= /= //= -= += *= **=	Assignment operators
is is not	Identity operators
in not in	Membership operators
not or and	Logical operators

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Decision making

Example:

```
x = input("Enter the value of X \n")
y = input("Enter the value of Y \n")
if (x > y):
  print ("X is bigger than y")
else:
  print ("X is not bigger than y")
```

Lines and indentation

Python does not use braces({}) to indicate blocks of code for class and function definitions or flow control. Blocks of code are denoted by line indentation, which is rigidly enforced.

The number of spaces in the indentation is variable, but all statements within the block must be indented the same amount.

Example

```
if True:
    print ("True")
else:
    print ("False")
```

Looping

In python you can use while loops or for loops. Here's the syntax for while loop

While EXPRESSION:

BODY OF THE LOOP

And here's the syntax for "for loops"

for iterating_var in sequence:

BODY OF THE LOOP

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Example for printing a numbers from 1 to 5:

```
# with while loop

x = 1

while(x <= 5):

print (x)

x = x + 1

# with for loops

for x in range(5):

print (x+1)
```

range(n) generates an iterator to progress integers starting with 0 up to n-1.

You can use **break** statement to exit any loop or **continue** statement to skip one iteration in the loop

Functions

```
In: def power(x,y):

z = x**y

return z

In: power(2,5)

Out: 32

In: g = lambda x,y: x**y

In: g(2,5)

Out: 32

In [15]: (lambda x,y: (x**y))(2,5)

Out: 32
```

Dictionaries

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```
Let's try a decision tree for classifying fruits
         In : def classify(x):
                 decision = "
                 if x['color'] == 'green':
                   if x['size'] == 'big':
                    decision = 'watermelon'
                   elif x['size'] =='medium':
                     decision = 'apple'
                   else:
                     decision = 'other'
                 else:
                   decision = 'other'
                 return decision
         In : classify({'color':'green','size':'big'})
         Out: 'watermelon'
         In:classify({'color':'green','size':'medium'})
         Out: 'apple'
         In : classify({'color':'red','size':'small'})
         Out: 'other'
Iterators
         In : data = [
                      {'color':'green','size':'big'},
                      {'color':'yellow','shape':'round','size':'big'},
                      {'color':'red','size':'medium'},
                      {'color':'green','size':'big'},
                      {'color':'red','size':'small','taste':'sour'},
                      {'color':'green','size':'small'}
         In : results = []
             for x in data:
                      results = results + [classify(x)]
             results
         Out: ['watermelon', 'other', 'other', 'watermelon', 'other', 'other']
         In: [classify(x) for x in data]
         Out : ['watermelon', 'other', 'other', 'watermelon', 'other', 'other']
         In:list(map(classify,data))list
         Out: ['watermelon', 'other', 'other', 'watermelon', 'other', 'other']
         Let's try to count watermelon in data
         In : result = map(classify,data)
                 count = 0
                 for r in result:
                     if r == 'watermelon':
                         count = count + 1
                 print(count)
         Out: 2
         In [27]: sum([classify(x)=='watermelon' for x in data])
         Out[27]: 2
```

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```
Or similarly
In [28]: len(list(filter(lambda x: classify(x)=='watermelon', data)))
Out[28]: 2
```

Reading data from file

Example

```
filename = "hello.txt"

file = open(filename, "r")

for line in file:

print (line)
```

• File methods

- o open(fname, mode), close()
- read(),readline() and readlines()
- o write() ,writelines()
- Append ()

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