# Programming with Python

**Basic Topics** 

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### An Investigation

Do you know \_\_\_\_\_?

- any other programming language
- Object-oriented
- Static Typing; Strong and Weak Typing
- Dynamic Typing
- Functor; Closure
- Functional Programming
- Web development

# Python 2 or 3?

in short.

# Python 2 or 3?

#### Python 2.x

- status quo
- 2.7 is end-of-life release
- harder for newcomers
- more third-party lib.
- 2to3.py
- backported features:
  - What's News in Python 2.6 docs.python.org/release/2.6.4/whatsnew/2.6.html
  - What's News in Python 2.7 docs.python.org/dev/whatsnew/2.7.html

#### Python 3.x

- present & future
- under active development
- easier for newcomers
- less third-party lib.
- 3to2.py
- new features:
  - What's News in Python 3.0 docs.python.org/py3k/whatsnew/3.0.html



# Python 2 or 3? (cont.)

- Use Python 3 if you can.
- Decide Python 2 or 3 by the library you will use.
- Today, we will go ahead with Python 2.
  - And introduce you to the changes in Python3.

### Environment

Is a python in your computer?

#### On Linux or Mac

- Python is *built-in* on Linux or Mac.
- All you have to do is check the version.
   Type "python" in any terminal.

```
Python 2.7.3 (default, Sep 26 2012, 21:51:14)

[GCC 4.7.2] on linux2

Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
```

#### On Windows

- Download the installer from: "http://python.org/download"
- Install it.
- Add the Python's PATH.
  - Computer → System Properties → Advanced system settings → Advanced tab → Environment Variables → System Variables → find PATH.
  - "...;C:\Python27"

#### Editor / IDE

#### The Editors

- Sublime Text 2
   www.sublimetext.com
- VIM wiki.python.org/moin/Vim
- Gnome Text Editor (gedit)
- Notepad++ notepad-plus-plus.org

- ...

#### • The IDE

- IDLE
  - Debian-base: sudo apt-get install idle
  - Windows:
     Use the Start Menu to search "IDLE"
- The others:
  - wiki.python.org/moin/PythonEditors

# The Python Shell

- Type "python" in terminal.
  - **-** >>>
  - . . .
- Leaving a shell:
  - exit()
  - Linux or Mac: Ctrl+D
  - Windows: Ctrl+Z<Enter>

### The python Command

- Enter Python shell without arguments.
- python hello.py
- python -c 'print "Hello, World!"'
- python -m SimpleHTTPServer

# hello.py

Say hello to Python.

### hello.py

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
# file: hello.py
def hello(name=None):
   _if name:\n
        return 'Hello, %s!' %
name
    else:
        return 'Hello, Python!'
```

- #! the shebang.
- # -\*- defines the encoding of this file.
- # means the comments.

- : starts a block.
- Block uses 4-space indent.
- The statements ends with n.

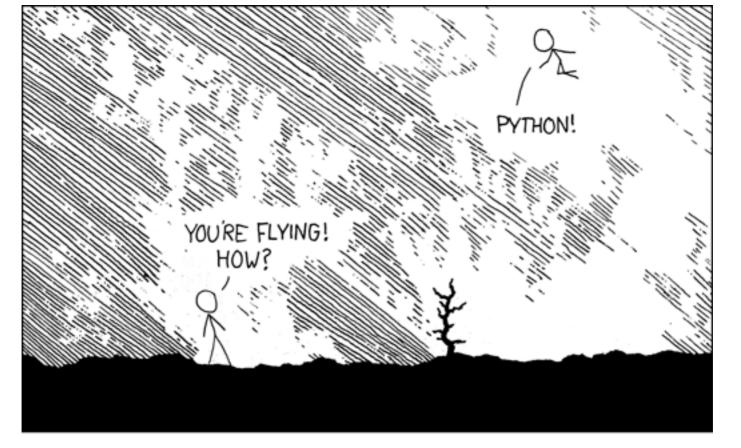
## hello.py (cont.)

```
if name == ' main ':
    import sys

if len(sys.argv) >= 2:
    print
hello(sys.argv[1])
    else:
    print hello()
```

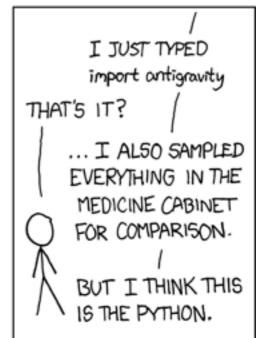
\_\_name\_\_\_, the name of module.

- import is important.
  - The usage:
- import sys
- from sys import argv
- ... as alias









### The print Statement

```
print 'End with a new line char.'
print 'Print', 'multiple', 'strings.'
print 'End with a space.',
print # print a new line char
```

## The print function in Python 3

```
print('End with a new line char.')
print('Print', 'multiple', 'strings.')
print('End with a space.', end=' ')
print() # print a new line char
print('End with a space.', end='')
print('a', 'b', 'c', seq=',')
```

# Common Types

Without it we can do noting

### Common Types

#### Numeric

- Integer 100
- Float 10.0
- Long 100L
- Complex 1+1j
- Boolean True, False

#### Sequence

- String ""
- Unicode u""
- List [,]
- Tuple (,)



# Common Types (cont.)

- Mapping
  - Dictionary {:}
- Set
  - Set { , }
  - Frozen Set
     forzenset(...)

## Integer, Float and Long

```
3+3
3-3
3*3
6/2*(1+2)
→ int
(as long in C)
```

```
• divmod(5, 2)
 → tuple (not numeric)
• 5/2
 → int (truncated)
• 5.0/2
 → float
 (as double in C)
• 5.0//2
 → float (floored)
• 2**1000
 → long (∞ precision)
```

## Integer and Float in Python 3

```
3+33-3
• 3*3
• 3/3
• 6/2*(1+2)
  → int
  (∞ precision)
```

```
• divmod(5, 2)
 → tuple (not numeric)
• 5/2
 → float
• 5.0/2
 → float
 (as double in C)
• 5.0//2
 → float (floored)
• 2**1000
 → int (∞ precision)
```

### Note: The Variables

$$\bullet$$
  $\times$  = 1

$$^{\bullet}$$
 x + 1

$$\rightarrow$$
 2

• 
$$x = 1$$
•  $x + 1$ 
•  $y = 2$ 

$$\rightarrow$$
 3

$$\rightarrow$$
 5

- bin(y)
  - → '0b101'
- bin(y | 0b011)
  - → '0b111'

## A Trap of the Integer

- weight = 49
  height = 163
- bmi = weight / (height / 100) \*\* 2
- bmi
  - → 49
- (height / 100)

# A Trap of the Integer (cont.)

- weight = 49.0
   height = 163.0
- bmi = weight / (height / 100) \*\* 2
- bmi
  - → 18.442545824080696

## Complex

- 1j \* complex(0,1)
- 3 + 1j\*3(3+1j)\*3
- (1+2j)/(1+1j)
  - → complex

- a = 3.0 + 4.0j
- float(a)
  - → TypeError
- a.real
  - → 3.0
- a.imag
  - $\rightarrow$  4.0
- abs(a) # = sqrt(a.real\*\*2 +a.imag\*\*2)

#### Boolean

- not False
- True and True
- False or True

- False +1 → 1
- True +1 → 2

#### Comparison:

- -10 < 100
- -10 < 10.0
- -10 <= 10.0
- -10 == 10.0
- 10 != 10.0
- -x is y

# String and Unicode

```
§'...' is equal to "..."
 String (immutable seq.)
     '中文'
_ '嗨, \nPython!'
    r'嗨, \nPython!'
 Unicode (immutable seq.)
    u'嗨, \nPython!'
   ur'嗨, \nPython!'
```

```
Functions
- ord( 'A')
- chr(65)
- ord(u'中')
- unichr(20013); chr(20013)
Decoding (String → Unicode)
- '中文'.decode('utf-8')
- unicode( '中文', 'utf-8')
Encoding (Unicode → String)
- u'中文'.encode('utf-8')
- str(u'中文')
- str(u'中文', 'utf-8')
```

# Bytes and String in Python 3

```
Functions
§'...' is equal to "..."
                                     - ord(b'A')
 Bytes (immutable seq.)
                                     - chr(65)
  - + 中文 -
                                     - ord( '中')
- b'嗨,\nPython!'
                                     - unichr(20013); chr(20013)
                                     Decoding (Bytes → String)
   br'嗨, \nPython!'
                                     - b'中文'.decode('utf-8')
                                     - str(b'中文', 'utf-8')
 String (immutable seq.)
                                     Encoding (String \rightarrow Bytes)
      '嗨, \nPython!
                                     - '中文'.encode('utf-8')
     r'嗨, \nPython!'
                                     - bytes( '中文')
                                     - bytes('中文', 'utf-8')
```

### Unicode Does Matter!

```
    b = '中文'
    len(b)
    → 6
    len(b.decode('utf-8'))
    → 2
```

# String and Unicode (cont.)

• They have a lot of methods:

```
capitalize center count decode encode endswith expandtabs find rfind format index rindex isalnum isalpha isdigit islower isspace istitle isupper join ljust rjust lower partition rpartition replace split rsplit splitlines startswith rstrip strip lstrip swapcase title translate upper zfill
```

• ref: docs.python.org/2/library/stdtypes.html#string-methods

# String and Unicode (cont.)

#### String formatting:

- % (modulo)
  - ref: docs.python.org/2/library/stdtypes.html#string-formatting-operations
- str.format
  - ref: docs.python.org/2/library/string.html#formatstrings

### List and Tuple

```
Tuple (seq.)
List (mutable seq.)
                               - tuple()
- []
- ['item']
                               - ('item', )
- ['s', 100, u'unicode']
                               - ('s', 100, u'unicode')
                               - tuple('abc')
- list('abc')
- 'a b c'.split(' ')
 - '\n'.join(['spam',
                               - '\n'.join(('spam',
 'eggs'])
                                  'eggs'))
-x, y = [1, 2]
                               -x, y = (1, 2)
 -x, y = [y, x]
                               -x, y = (y, x)
```

### Sequence

```
Sequence
 - x in s # performance?
 - x not in s
- s + t
- s * n, n * s
- s[i]
- s[i:j]
  - s[i:j:k]
len(s)
- s.index(x)
   s.count(x)
```

```
Mutable Seq.
-s[i] = x
-s[i:j] = t
- del s[i:j]
-s[i:j:k] = t
- s.append(x)
- s.insert(i, x)
- s.pop([i])
- s.remove(x) # performance?
- s.extend(t)
  in-place
- s.sort([cmp[, key[, reverse]]])
- s.sort([key[, reverse]]) # Py 3
- s.reverse()
```

### Sequence Comparison

- (0, 0, 0) < (0, 0, 1) • [0, 0, 0] < [0, 0, 1] • (0, ) < (0, 0) • 'ABC' < 'C' < 'Pascal' < 'Python' • (1, 2, 3) == (1.0, 2.0, 3.0)
- 'A' == 'A'
- 'A' > 65
- A' > 66
- ('A', ) > (66, )

## Sequence Comparison in Python 3

```
\bullet (0, 0, 0) < (0, 0, 1)
\bullet [0, 0, 0] < [0, 0, 1]
\bullet (0, ) < (0, 0)
'ABC' < 'C' < 'Pascal' < 'Python'</li>
\bullet (1, 2, 3) == (1.0, 2.0, 3.0)
 'A' == 'A'
 $\rightarrow{2}{\text{A'}} > 65 → TypeError
• A' > 66 → TypeError
• ('A', ) > (66, ) → TypeError
```

### Sequence (cont.)

#### Slicing and Slice object:

```
- s = range(10)
- t = s
- t[0] = 'A'
- print s
- t is s
- t is s
- t is s
```

```
- s = 'I am a str.'
-s[:-3]
- s.reverse()
  → TypeError
- s[::-1]
- ''.join(reversed(s))
- slice(None, None, -1)
```

### Mapping

```
Dict. (mutable map.)
                                       - len(d)
                                       -d[k]
 - {'A ': 1, 'B': 2, 'C': 3}
- {'A ': 1, 'B - dict({...})
                                       -d[k] = v
                                       - del d[k]
  - dict(A=1, B=2, C=3)
                                       - k in d, k not in d
                                       - d.copy()
                                       - d.get(key[, default])
- k = 'ABC'
                                       - d.setdefault(key[, default])
  - v = [1, 2, 3]
                                       - d.items(), d.keys(), d.values()
  - pairs = zip(k, v)
                                       - d.pop(key[, default)
                                       - d.update([other])
   dict(pairs)
```

#### Set

```
Set (mutable set)
- set()
- {'A', 'B', 'C'} # Py3
- set('ABC')
- set(['A','B','C'])
```

```
-len(s)
- x in s, x not in s
- s.copy()
- s.add(elem)
- s.discard(elem)
- s.pop()
- s |= other
- s &= other
- s | other | ...
- s & other & ...
- s < | <= | == | > = | > other
```

### Flow Control

in Python is grace and easy to learn.

#### The if Statement

```
if [condition 1]:
elif [condition 2]:
elif [condition 3]:
else:
[exp. if true] if [condition] else [exp. if false]
```

### Truth Value Testing

They are same as False in a boolean context:

- None
- False
- Zeros (ex. 0, 0.0, 0L, 0j)
- Empty containers (ex. '', [], {})
- \_\_nonzero\_\_() or \_\_len\_\_() returns 0 or False

## Truth Value Testing (cont.)

```
• if None ...
• if [] ...
• if [0] ...
• if [[]] ...
• if {} ...
• if {False:False} ...
```

#### The for Statement

### The for Statement in Python 3

```
for i in range(1, 3): for i in range(3, -1, -1):
    print i
```

```
s = [1, 2, 3]
t = 'xyz'

for i, j in zip(s, t):
    print i, j

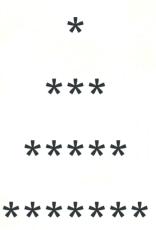
print i, j
```

- It is like for ... each in other language.
  - Note: Python hasn't other for loop.
- It can iterate all of iterable object.
  - In other words, the object which defined \_\_iter\_\_.
  - ex. sequence, mapping, set, ...

# Challenge 1: A Pyramid

Use for loop to build a pyramid on right.

- without limit.
- limit: in two lines
  - hint: string formatting



# Challenge 2-1: Count the Chars

- Use for loop to count the sentence on right.
- "Please count the characters here."

- without limit.
- limit: without if
  - hint: use get

```
{'P': 1, ...}
```

# Challenge 2-2: Collect the Chars

- the chars.
  - limit: use setdefault

Use for loop to collect "Here are UPPERCASE and lowercase chars."

```
{'c': ['C', 'c', 'c', 'c'], ...}
```

### The while Statement

```
tasks = [...]
while tasks: while 1:
```

• It leaves the loop once the tasks is empty.

- A infinite loop.
- It is better to use block mechanism in a loop.
  - ex. I/O block

### The break, continue Statement

```
loop …: loop …:

if …: break if …: continue
```

• It terminates a loop.

• It continues with the next iteration.

### The break, continue Statement (cont.)

- They do the same thing in both C and Python.
- Using break or continue is encouraged.
  - take the place of the complicated condition in a while.
  - faster, because Python is interpreted.
- Just use them.

### The pass Statement

Do nothing.

#### The else Clause on Loops

```
loop ...:
...
else:
```

- No a clause on the if statement!
- If the loop isn't broken by any break statement, the else block is executed.
- It replaces the flags we usually used.

## Challenge 3-1: The Primes

- from [2, 100).
  - without limit.
  - limit: use loop's else 79, 83, 89, 97]

```
Try to filter the primes [2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13]
                      17, 19, 23, 29, 31,
                      37, 41, 43, 47, 53,
                      59, 61, 67, 71, 73,
```

### The try Statement

```
try:
except LookupError, e:
except (IndexError, KeyError), e:
else:
finally:
```

## The try Statement in Python 3

```
try:
except LookupError as e:
except (IndexError, KeyError) as e:
else:
finally:
```

### The try Statement (cont.)

- For avoiding to catch the exception we don't expect, you should:
  - reduce your code in try block.
    - move them to **else** block.
  - make the exception precise in except statement.
    - Avoid using Exception.
    - ref: docs.python.org/2/library/exceptions.html#exception-hierarchy
- Release the resource in finally block.
  - or use context manager
  - ex. file, socket, ...
- Taise SomeError

#### The def Statement

```
f(1, 2) f(1)

f(y=2, x=1) f(x=1)

f(*(1, 2)) f(*(1, ))

f(**{'y': 2, 'x': 1}) f(**{'x': 1})
```

```
def f(*args):
    return args
```

```
def f(**kargs):
    return kargs
```

```
f(1, 2, 3)
# f(y=2, x=1) # → TypeError
f(*(1, 2, 3, 4))
# f(**{'y': 2 ,'x': 1})
# → TypeError
```

```
# f(1, 2) # → TypeError
f(x=1, y=2, z=3)
# f(*(1, 2)) # → TypeError
f(**{'x': 1, 'y': 2, 'z': 3})
```

```
def f(x, *args):
    return x, args
```

```
def f(x, **kargs):
    return kargs
```

```
f(1, 2, 3)
# f(y=2, x=1) # → TypeError
f(*(1, 2, 3, 4))
# f(**{'y': 2, 'x': 1})
# → TypeError
```

```
# f(1, 2) # → TypeError
f(x=1, y=2, z=3)
# f(*(1, 2)) # → TypeError
f(**{'x': 1, 'y': 2, 'z': 3})
```

```
def f(*args, y):
    return kargs
```

def f(\*args, \*\*kargs):
 return args, kargs

#### → SyntaxError

```
f(1, 2, 3)
f(y=2, x=1)
f(*(1, 2, 3, 4))
f(**{'y': 2, 'x': 1})
```

### The def Statement in Python 3

```
def f(*args, k):
    return kargs
```

```
def f(*args, k, **kargs):
    return args, kargs
```

```
F(1, 2, 3) f(1, 2)

# f(x=1, k=2) # \to TypeError f(x=1, f(*(1, 2, 3, 4)))

# f(**\{'x': 1, 'k': 2\})

# \to TypeError f(**\{'x': 2\})
```

```
f(1, 2, 3)
f(x=1, k=2)
f(*(1, 2, 3, 4))
f(**{'x': 1, 'k': 2})
```

```
def f(): pass
def g(): pass
d = {'x': f, 'y': g}
d['x']()
```

- Python functions are *first-class* functions.
  - It means you can pass functions as arguments, and assign functions to variables.
  - It is like the *function pointers* in C.

## An Example of Using while, try and def.

```
# file: ex try.py
def take_int(prompt='Give me a int: '):
    while 1:
        try:
            user input = int(raw input(prompt))
        except ValueError, e:
            print 'It is not a int!'
        else:
            return user input
if __name__ == '__main__':
    x = take int()
    print 'I got a int from user: %d' % x
```

```
$ python ex_try.py
Give me a int: str
It is not a int!
Give me a int: abc
It is not a int!
Give me a int: 100
I got a int from user:
100
```

### A Trap of the Default Value

```
# file: ex_defval_trap.py
def f(items=[]):
    items.append(1)
    return items
if __name__ == '__main__':
    print f() # -> [1]
    print f() # -> [1, 1]
    print f() # -> [1, 1, 1]
```

- Because the list is created when the function is defined.
- Avoid to use the mutable types as the default value.

# Challenge 4: A BMI Calculator

- BMI: Body Mass Index
  - BMI = weight (KG)  $\div$  height (M)<sup>2</sup>
  - < 18.5  $\rightarrow$  Underweight
  - [18.5, 25) → Normal weight
    - [25, 30) → Overweight
    - $>= 30 \rightarrow Obesity$
- Write a BMI calculator.
  - without limit.
  - limit: only one if
    - hint: use loop

```
Enter your height (M):
```

1.63

Enter your weight (KG):

49

- - -

Your BMI is:

18.44 (Underweight)

Ideal weight is between:

49.15 ~ 66.42



## File I/O

Open anything with the open.

## The file Object

```
f = open('input.txt') f =
print f.read()
f.seek(0)
for line in f:
    print line,
f.close()
```

## The Context Manager

```
with open('input.txt') as f:
    for line in f:
        print line,
f.close()
```

- Python 2.5↑
  - Python 2.5.x: from \_\_future\_\_ import with\_statement
  - Python 2.6↑: It is mandatory.

# Challenge 2: Count the Chars (cont.)

- limit 3: with the files

```
The path of input:
input.txt
The path of output:
output.txt
```

The result was written.

### The csv Moudle

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
# file: ex_csv.py
import csv
with open('ex_csv.csv') as f:
    for row in csv.reader(f):
        print row
```

```
1, apple
```

2, orange

3, watermelon

```
['1', ' apple']
['2', ' orange']
['3', ' watermelon']
```

### The os.path Moudle

```
# file: ex os path.pv
from os import walk
from os.path import join
def list files(path):
    paths = []
    for root, dir names, file names in walk(path):
        for file name in file names:
            paths.append(join(root, file name))
    return paths
if __name__ == '__main__':
    import sys
    from os.path import abspath, dirname
    if len(sys.argv) == 2:
        path = abspath(dirname(sys.argv[1]))
        for path in list_files(path):
            print path
    else:
        print 'It requires a path as argument.'
```

```
$ python ex_os_path.py
It requires a path as
argument.
$ python ex_os_path.py
.../1
.../b/4
.../a/2
.../a/3
```

## Documentation

The documentation is everywhere.

## The help Function

- In Python shell:
  - help(open)
  - dir(open)
  - '\n'.join(dir(open))

- In terminal:
  - \$ pydoc SimpleHTTPServer
  - \$ pydoc csv
  - \$ pydoc os.path

### Your Documentation

```
# file: ex_doc.py
'''module-level doc.'''
def f(x):
    '''A short sentence describes
this function.
    About the parameters, return
value or any other detail ...
    1 1 1
    pass
```

```
$ pydoc ex doc
Help on module ex doc:
NAME
    ex_doc - module-level doc.
FILE
/home/mosky/programming-with-python/ex_doc.py
FUNCTIONS
   f(x)
        A short sentence describes this
function.
        About the parameters, return value or
```

any other detail ...

## Scope

Where is the x?

## **Function Scope**

```
# file: ex_scope.py
x = 'global'
def f():
    if 1:
        x = 'local'
    return x
if __name__ == '__main__':
    print x
    print f()
```

```
$ python ex_scope.py
global
local
$
```

• Scopes are decided by *functions*.

### The LEGB Rule

```
# file: ex LEGB.py
global_var = 100
def f():
    enclosed var = 10
    def g():
        local_var = 1
        return sum([local_var, enclosed_var,
global_var])
    return g()
if __name__ == '__main__':
    print f() # -> 111
```

#### • return ...

- Local (in function)
- Enclosed
- Global
- Built-in

## Challenge 3-2: The Primes (cont.)

- limit 1: Sieve of Eratosthenes.
- limit 2: use set.

```
[2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47, 53, 59, 61, 67, 71, 73, 79, 83, 89, 97]
```

## Challenge 5: Mix All

You have many functions now.

Try to write a CLI program to trigger your functions.

- without limit
- limit: without if.

```
$ python mix.py pyramid
$ python mix.py primes 100
$ python mix.py bmi 1.63 49
$ python mix.py blah blah
Please check your args.
```

## Adv. Topics

There is another slide.