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(Python Programming Overview)



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Basics of Python programming

- This is not a comprehensive python language class
- •Will focus on parts of the language that is worth attention and useful in data science
- •Two parts:
 - Basics today
 - More advanced –as we go (like Pandas, NumPy etc.)
- •Comprehensive Python language reference and tutorial available on python.org

Formatting

- •Many languages use curly braces to delimit blocks of code. **Python uses indentation.** Incorrect indentation causes error.
- •Comments start with #
- •Colons start a new block in many constructs, e.g. function definitions, if-then clause, for, while

```
for i in [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]:
    # first line in "for i" block
    print (i)
    for j in [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]:
        # first line in "for j" block
        print (j, end=' ') # end=' ' for horizontal print
        # last line in "for j" block
        print (i + j)
    # last line in "for i" block print "done looping
    print (i)
print ("done looping")
```

Variables

- Variables are created the first time it is assigned a value
 - No need to declare type
 - Types are associated with objects not variables
 - X = 5
 - X = [1, 3, 5]
 - X = 'python'
 - Assignment creates references, not copies

```
X = [1, 3, 5]

Y = X

X[0] = 2

Print(Y) \# Y \text{ is } [2, 3, 5]
```

Assignment

• You can assign to multiple names at the same time

$$x, y = 2, 3$$

To swap values

$$x, y = y, x$$

Assignments can be chained

$$x = y = z = 3$$

•Accessing a name before it's been created (by assignment), raises an error

Operators: Arithmetic

```
•a = 5 + 2 # a is 7

•b = 9 - 3. # b is 6.0

•c = 5 * 2 # c is 10

•d = 5**2 # d is 25

•e = 5 % 2 # e is 1

•f = 7 / 2 # f = 3.5

•g = 7 // 2 # g = 3
```

Built in numerical types: int, float, long, complex

String - 1

•Strings can be delimited by matching single or double quotation marks

```
single quoted string = 'data science'
double quoted string = "data science"
escaped string = 'Isn\'t this fun'
another_string = "Isn't this fun"

real long string = 'this is a really long string. \
It has multiple parts, \
but all in one line.'
```

Use triple quotes for multi line strings

```
multi line string = """This is the first line.
and this is the second line
and this is the third line"""
```

String - 2

• Strings can be concatenated (glued together) with the + operator, and repeated with *

```
s = 3 * 'un' + 'ium' # s is 'unununium'
```

 Two or more string literals (i.e. the ones enclosed between quotes) next to each other are automatically concatenated

```
s1 = 'Py' 'thon'
s2 = s1 + '2.7'
```

Input and Output

```
>>>person = input('Enter your name: ')
>>>print('Hello', person)
```

List - 1

```
integer list = [1, 2, 3]
    heterogeneous list = ["string", 0.1, True]
     list of lists = [ integer list, heterogeneous list, [] ]
    list length = len(integer list) # equals 3
     list sum = sum(integer list) # equals 6
• Get the i-th element of a list
     x = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
      zero = x[0] # equals 0, lists are 0-indexed
     one = x[1] # equals 1
     nine = x[-1] # equals 9, last element
     eight = x[-2] # equals 8, for next-to-last element
 Get a slice of a list
      one to four = x[1:5] # [1, 2, 3, 4]
      first three = x[:3] # [0, 1, 2]
      last three = x[-3:] # [7, 8, 9]
      three to end = x[3:] # [3, 4, ..., 9]
      without first and last = x[1:-1] # [1, 2, ..., 8]
      copy of x = x[:] \# [0, 1, 2, ..., 9]
      another copy of x = x[:3] + x[3:] # [0, 1, 2, ..., 9]
```

List - 2

• Check for memberships

```
x = 1 in [1, 2, 3] # True X = 0 in [1, 2, 3] # False
```

Concatenate lists

```
x = [1, 2, 3]
y = [4, 5, 6]
x.extend(y) # x is now [1,2,3,4,5,6]

x = [1, 2, 3]
y = [4, 5, 6]
z = x + y # z is [1,2,3,4,5,6]; x is unchanged.
```

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List - 3

Modify content of list

```
x = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
x[2] = x[2] * 2 # x is [0, 1, 4, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
x[-1] = 0 # x is [0, 1, 4, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 0]
x[5:8] = [] # x is [0, 1, 4, 3, 4, 8, 0]
del x[:2] # x is [4, 3, 4, 8, 0]
del x[:] # x is []
del x # referencing to x hereafter is a NameError
```

Strings can also be sliced. But they cannot modified (they are immutable)

```
s = 'abcdefg'
a = s[0] # 'a'
x = s[:2] # 'ab'
y = s[-3:] # 'efg'
s[:2] = 'AB' # this will cause an error
s = 'AB' + s[2:] # str is now ABcdefg
```

The range() function

start: Starting number of the sequence.

range([start], stop[, step])

```
stop: Generate numbers up to, but not including this number.
step: Difference between each number in the sequence.

for i in range(5):
    print (i) # will print 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 (in separate lines)
for i in range(2, 5):
    print (i) # will print 2, 3, 4

for i in range(0, 10, 2):
    print (i) # will print 0, 2, 4, 6, 8

for i in range(10, 2, -2):
    print (i) # will print 10, 8, 6, 4
```

Ref to lists

• What are the expected output for the following code?

```
a = list(range(10))
b = a
b[0] = 100
print(a)
        [100, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]

a = list(range(10))
b = a[:]
b[0] = 100
print(a)
        [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

Tuples

- •Similar to lists, but are immutable
- \bullet a_tuple = (0, 1, 2, 3, 4)
- •Other_tuple = 3, 4
- •Hetergeneous tuple = ('john', 1.1, [1, 2])
- •Can be sliced, concatenated, or repeated a tuple[2:4] # will print (2, 3)
- Cannot be modified a tuple[2] = 5

Note: tuple is defined by comma, not (), which is only used for convenience. So a = (1) is not a tuple, but a = (1,) is.

TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment

Dictionaries

• A dictionary associates values with unique keys

```
empty dict = {}

empty dict2 = dict()  # less Pythonic

grades = { "Joel" : 80, "Tim" : 95 }  # dictionary literal
```

Access/modify value with key

```
joels_grade = grades["Joel"]  # equals 80

grades["Tim"] = 99  # replaces the old value
grades["Kate"] = 100  # adds a third entry
num_students = len(grades)  # equals 3
```

Dictionaries - 2

•Check for existence of key

```
joel has grade = "Joel" in grades # True
kate has grade = "Kate" in grades # False
```

Use "get" to avoid keyError and add default value

```
joels grade = grades.get("Joel", 0)  # equals 80
kates_grade = grades.get("Kate", 0)  # equals 0
```

Get all items

```
all_keys = grades.keys()  # return a list of all keys
all values = grades.values() # return a list of all values
all pairs = grades.items() # a list of (key, value) tuples
```

zip

•Useful to combined multiple lists into a list of tuples

```
list(zip(['a', 'b', 'c'], [1, 2, 3], ['A', 'B', 'C']))

Out: [('a', 1, 'A'), ('b', 2, 'B'), ('c', 3, 'C')]
```

```
names = ['James', 'Tom', 'Mary']
grades = [100, 90, 95]
list(zip(names, grades))
Out: [('James', 100), ('Tom', 90), ('Mary', 95)]
```

Control flow - 1

•if-else

if 1 > 2:
 message = "if only 1 were greater than two..."

elif 1 > 3:
 message = "elif stands for 'else if'"

else:
 message = "when all else fails use else (if you want to)"

print (message)

Comparison

Operation Meaning strictly less than < less than or equal <= > strictly greater than greater than or equal >= equal == != not equal object identity is is not negated object identity

```
a = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
b = a
c = a[:]
a == b
Out: True
a is b
Out: True
a == c
Out: True
a is c
Out: False
```

Control flow - 2

•loops x = 0while x < 10: print (x, "is less than 10") x += 1 for x in range(10): if x == 3: continue # go immediately to the next iteration if x == 5: break # quit the loop entirely print (x)

Functions - 1

• Functions are defined using *def*

```
def double(x):
    """this is where you put an optional docstring
    that explains what the function does.
    for example, this function multiplies its
    input by 2"""
    return x * 2
```

You can call a function after it is defined

```
z = double(10) # z is 20
```

You can give default values to parameters

```
def my_print(message="my default message"):
    print (message)

my_print("hello") # prints 'hello'
my print() # prints 'my default message'
```

Functions - 2

•Sometimes it is useful to specify arguments by name

```
def subtract(a=0, b=0):
    return a - b

subtract(10, 5) # returns 5
subtract(0, 5) # returns -5
subtract(b = 5) # same as above
subtract(b = 5, a = 0) # same as above
```

Use of Tuples

•Useful for returning multiple values from functions

```
def sum_and_product(x, y):
    return (x + y),(x * y)
sp = sum_and_product(2, 3)  # equals (5, 6)
s, p = sum_and_product(5, 10) # s is 15, p is 50
```

• Tuples and lists can also be used for multiple assignments

```
x, y = 1, 2
[x, y] = [1, 2]
(x, y) = (1, 2)
x, y = y, x
```

Modules

- •Certain features of Python are not loaded by default
- •In order to use these features, you'll need to import the modules that contain them.
- •E.g.
 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
 import numpy as np
 import pandas as pd

Module math

Command name	Description
abs (value)	absolute value
ceil(value)	rounds up
cos (value)	cosine, in radians
floor(value)	rounds down
log(value)	logarithm, base <i>e</i>
log10 (value)	logarithm, base 10
max(value1, value2)	larger of two values
min(value1, value2)	smaller of two values
round(value)	nearest whole number
sin(value)	sine, in radians
sqrt(value)	square root

Constant	Description
е	2.7182818
pi	3.1415926

```
# preferred.
import math
math.abs(-0.5)
```

```
#This is fine
from math import abs
abs(-0.5)
```