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# Introduction to Python

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# Agenda

- Introduction to programming
- Introduction to Jupyter Notebook
- Programming:
  - Variables
  - Data types
  - Lists
  - For-loops
  - Dictionaries
  - Functions
  - Currency converter

Your expectations?

# Introduction to programming

What is a program?

- *“A sequence of instructions, written to perform a specific task on a computer”* - Wikipedia
- The instructions has to be written in a language that the computer can understand, **a programming language**
  - Ex: Java, JavaScript, C++, Python

# Introduction to programming

## Why learn Python?

- Python is the fastest-growing major programming language today
- Syntax is simple and easy to learn
- Versatile language:
  - Web development
  - Data science
  - Machine learning
  - Game development
  - ...and much more!
- Widely used in the industry, both in large and small companies
- Extremely popular with a huge community of developers who can support you



Let's move around :)

# Introduction to Jupyter Notebook

What is it?

- A very popular and powerful tool that combines:
  - Code
  - Rich text
  - Images
  - Mathematical equations
  - Plots
  - Interactive figures and widgets

...and much more, into a single document.



# Introduction to Jupyter Notebook

Let's try it out!

1. Download .ipynb file from <https://github.com/mykys>
2. Open the file in <https://jupyter.org/try>



# Introduction to Jupyter Notebook

## Exercise

### 1. Add new cell

- a. `[+]`
- b. `esc + a`
- c. `esc + b`

### 2. Remove cell

- a. `[scissor]`
- b. `esc + dd`

### 3. Run cell

- a. `Shift + enter`

# Python

## Data types

- int : 10
- float : 10.5
- String : “Pink”
- boolean : True

# Python

## What is a variable?

- a reserved memory location to store values
- a variable name can be anything - the more descriptive, the better :)
  - `x = 30` | `age = 30`
- good to remember when naming variables:
  - the name should start with a letter
  - cannot start with a number
  - alpha-numeric characters (A-z & 0-9) and underscores
  - case sensitive, Age and AGE are different
- snake case is preferred
  - `pink_programming` | `PinkProgramming` | `pinkProgramming`

# Python

## What is a variable?

- how much memory being reserved depends on what value you want to store
- no need to declare (create) a variable explicitly
- the equal sign (=) is used to assign a value to a variable
  - `age = 30` | variable to the left and value to the right
- the value of a variable can change
  - `age = 40`

**Exercise:** Create four variables and assign values of different types to them (1a-c)

# Python

How do we use variables?

**Exercise:** Explore with arithmetic operators  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $*$ ,  $/$ ! (2)

# Python

## Lists

- a data structure that can store a collection of items
- defined using square brackets [item1, item2, item3, ....]
- each item is separated with a comma
- index (position) starts from 0,1,2,...,n

**Exercise:** Get the first, second and last value from the list fruits (ex)

**Exercise:** Create a new list with names of your friends. Repeat the exercise above.  
(3a-b)

# Python

## Lists

- count number of items in the list : `len([...])`
- add an item to the end of the list : `append(item)`
- insert an item at a given position : `insert(position, item)`
- remove the first occurrence of this item : `remove(item)`

These are some of the basic functions. More can be found in the documentation :)

**Exercise:** Try some of the basic functions implemented for lists (4a-f)

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## For-loops

- useful when we want to go through every item in i.e. a list

**Exercise:** Print each name in your list of names.

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## Dictionaries

- a data structure that can store a collection of key-value pairs
- defined using curly brackets {key1 : value1, key2 : value 2, ...}
- a colon (:) separates each key from its associated value
- each key-value pair is separated with a comma

**Exercise:** Get the capital of other countries using the dictionary *countries* (6a)

# Python

## Dictionaries

- add a new key-value pair : `countries["germany"] = "berlin"`
- update existing key-value pair : `countries["sweden"] = "malmo"`
- remove existing key-value pair : **`del`** `countries["sweden"]` (delete key)

### Exercise: (6b-g)

- Add a new key-value pair to *countries*
- Update existing key-value pair
- Remove existing key-value pair

# Python

## Dictionaries

**Exercise:** Print all countries and capitals in your dictionary *countries*

# Python

## Functions

- What is a function?
  - a block of code that will run when being called
- Why do we want to use functions?
  - reuse code
  - a function usually performs one action, i.e. add two numbers
- How do we create a function?
  - See Jupyter Notebook

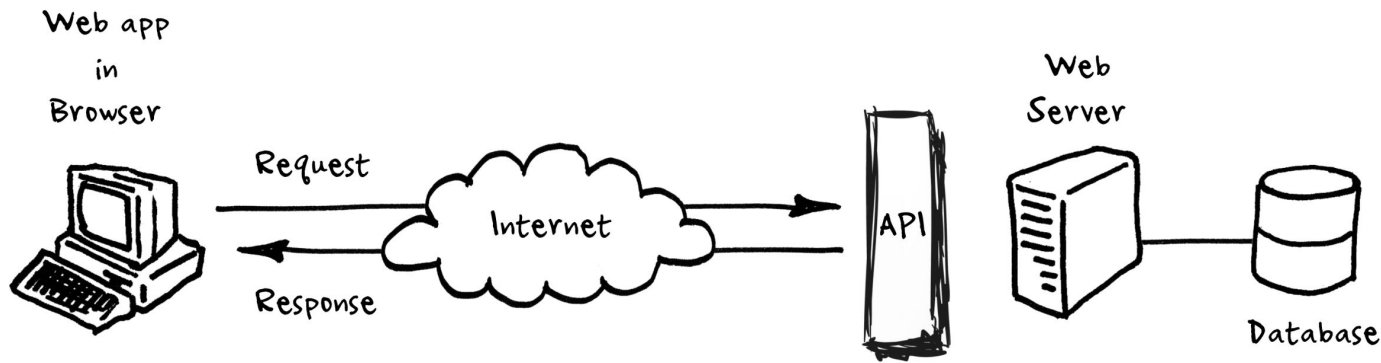
**Exercise:** Create three functions that can subtract, multiply and divide two numbers.

# Currency converter

# API

## Application Programming Interface

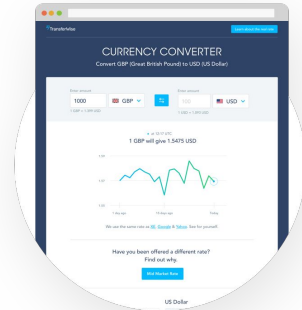
- What exactly is it?
  - API allows applications to communicate with one another.



# API

## Application Programming Interface

- Why do we want to use API's?
  - Imagine, you want to build a currency converter application and need access to the latest conversion rates from SEB...





# API

How do we use it?

1. Go to <https://developer.sebgroup.com/>
2. Click on **API Products**
3. Click on **Documentation** for *Foreign Exchange Rates*
4. Important information:
  - The url address to access the exchange rates
  - An APIKey is needed for an input parameter called header
  - Parameters to get specific exchange rates:
    - listed\_currency | the currency to convert *from*
    - unit\_currency | the currency to convert *to* (only SEK is supported)

# Currency converter

Create a function to convert USD into SEK

- **import** requests
  - standard API library in Python
  - a library is a set of functions someone else has written
- **headers**
  - additional information to your API call
    - APIKey
    - Data format

# Public APIs

<https://github.com/public-apis/public-apis>

How do you feel?

Thank you for your participation! :)