Introduction to



with Application to Bioinformatics

- Day 4

Start by doing today's quiz

Go to Canvas, Modules -> Day 4 -> Review Day 3

~20 minutes

In what ways does the type of an object matter?

• Questions 1, 2 and 3

In what ways does the type of an object matter?

- Each type store a specific type of information
 - int for integers,
 - float for floating point values (decimals),
 - str for strings,
 - list for lists,
 - dict for dictionaries.
- Each type supports different operations, functions and met

• Each type supports different **operations**

```
In []: 30 > 2000
In []: '30' > '2000'
In []: 30 > int('2000')
In []: '12345'[2]
In []: 12345[2]
```

• Each type supports different functions

```
In []: max('2000')
In []: max(2000)
In []: import math math.cos(3.14)
In []: math.cos('3.14')
```

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• How to find what methods are available: Python documenta

```
In [ ]: dir('ACTG') # list all attributes
```

Convert string to number

• Questions 4, 5 and 6

```
In []: float('2000')
In []: float('0.5')
In []: float('1e9')
```

Convert to boolean: 1, 0, '1', '0', '', $\{\}$

• Question 7

```
In []: bool(1)
In []: bool(0)
In []: bool('0')
In []: bool('')
In []: bool({}')
```

• Python and the truth: true and false values

```
In []: values = [1, 0, '', '0', '1', [], [0]]
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• if x is equivalent to if bool(x)

Container types, when should you use which? (Question 8)

- lists: when order is important
- dictionaries: to keep track of the relation between keys and
- **sets**: to check for membership. No order, no duplicates.

```
In []: genre_list = ["comedy", "drama", "drama", "sci-fi"
genre_list

In []: genres = set(genre_list)
genres

In []: genre_counts = {"comedy": 1, "drama": 2, "sci-fi": genre_counts

In []: movie = {"rating": 10.0, "title": "Toy Story"}
movie
```

Python syntax (Question 9)

Converting between strings and lists

• Question 10

```
In [ ]: list("hello")
In [ ]: '_'.join('hello')
```

TODAY

- More on functions:
 - scope of variables
 - positional arguments and keyword arguments
 - return statement
- Reusing code:
 - comments and documentation
 - importing modules: using libraries
- Pandas explore your data!

More on functions: scope - global vs local variable

Global variables can be accessed inside the function

```
In []: HOST = 'global'

def show_host():
    print(f'HOST inside the function = {HOST}')

show_host()
print(f'HOST outside the function = {HOST}')
```

• Change in the function will not change the global variable

```
In []: HOST = 'global'

def change_host():
    HOST = 'local'
    print(f'HOST inside the function = {HOST}')

def app2():
    print(HOST)

print(f'HOST outside the function before change = change_host()
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Take away: be careful when using global variables. Do not use it unare doing.

More on functions: return statement

A function that counts the number of occurences of 'C' in the a

```
In []: def cytosine_count(nucleotides):
    count = 0
    for x in nucleotides:
        if x == 'c' or x == 'C':
            count += 1
    return count

count1 = cytosine_count('CATATTAC')
count2 = cytosine_count('tagtag')
print(count1, "\n", count2)
```

Functions that return are easier to repurpose than those that p

• Functions without any return statement returns None

```
In []: def foo():
    do_nothing = 1

result = foo()
print(f'Return value of foo() = {result}')
```

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• Use return for all values that you might want to use later

Small detour: Python's value for missing values:

- Default value for optional arguments
- Implicit return value of functions without a return statem
- None is None, not anything else

```
In []: None == 0
In []: None == False
In []: None == ''
In []: bool(None)
In []: type(None)
```

Keyword arguments

```
In [ ]: fh = open('../files/fruits.txt', mode='w', encodi
In [ ]: sorted([1, 4, 100, 5, 6], reverse=True)
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• It increases the clarity and readability

The order of keyword arguments does not matte

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Can be used in both ways, with or without keywo

• if there is no ambiguity

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• Positional arguments must be in front of keyword argument

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- arguments before / must be specified with position
- arguments after * must be specified with keyword

How to define functions taking keyword argumer

• Just define them as usual:

Defining functions with default arguments

```
In []: def format_sentence(subject, value, end='.'):
    return 'The ' + subject + ' is ' + value + end
    print(format_sentence('lecture', 'ongoing'))
    print(format_sentence('lecture', 'ongoing', '...')
```

Defining functions with optional arguments

• Convention: use the object None

```
In []: def format_sentence(subject, value, end='.', secon
    if second_value is None:
        return 'The ' + subject + ' is ' + value +
    else:
        return 'The ' + subject + ' is ' + value +
    print(format_sentence('lecture', 'ongoing'))
    print(format_sentence('lecture', 'ongoing', second))
```

Exercise 1

- Notebook Day_4_Exercise_1 (~30 minutes)
- Go to Canvas, Modules -> Day 4 -> Exercise 1 -
- Extra reading:
 - https://realpython.com/python-kwargs-and-args/
 - https://able.bio/rhett/python-functions-and-best-p

A short note on code structure

- Functions
 - e.g. sum(), print(), open()
- Modules
 - files containing a collection of functions and meth
- Documentation
 - docstring, comments

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- Cleaner code
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- Re-usability
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- Collect all related functions in one file
- Import a module to use its functions
- Only need to understand what the functions do, not how

Example of modules

How to find the right module and instructions?

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- Other libraries: install with pip install or conda ins

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• Probably easier to find the answer by searching the web or

One minute exercise

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```
In []: import urllib.request

url = "https://www.python.org/static/img/python-lo
filename = "python-logo.png" # The name you want

urllib.request.urlretrieve(url, filename)

print("Download completed.")
```

Documentation and commenting your code

```
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• This works because somebody has documented the code!

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Write documentation for both of them!

• library users (docstrings):

```
What does this function do?
```

• maintainers (comments):

```
# implementation details
```

Places for documentation

• At the beginning of the file

```
This module provides functions for ...
```

• At every function definition

```
import random
def make_list(x):
    """Returns a random list of length x."""
    li = list(range(x))
    random.shuffle(li)
    return li
```

Comments

• Wherever the code is hard to understand

```
In [ ]: my_list[5] += other_list[3] # explain why you do
```

Read more:

https://realpython.com/documenting-python-code/

https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/?#comments

Quiz time

Go to Canvas, Modules -> Day 4 -> PyQuiz 4.1 ~10 min

Lunch

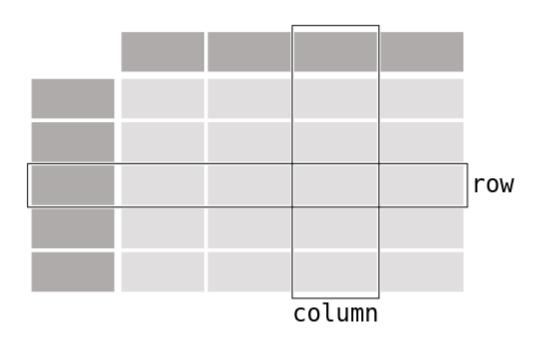
Pandas!!!

Pandas

- Library for working with tabular data
- Data analysis:
 - filter
 - transform
 - aggregate
 - plot
- Main hero: the DataFrame type

DataFrame

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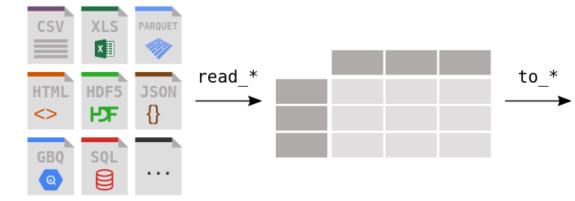


Creating a small DataFrame

```
In []: import pandas as pd
data = {
    'age': [1,2,3,4],
    'circumference': [2,3,5,10],
    'height': [30, 35, 40, 50]
}
df = pd.DataFrame(data)
df
```

Pandas can import data from many formats

- pd.read_table: tab separated values .tsv
- pd_read_csv:comma separated values _csv
- pd.read_excel: Excel spreadsheets .xlsx
- For a data frame df: df.to_table(), df.to_csv(),



Orange tree data

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- One implict index (0, 1, 2, 3)
- Columns: age, circumference, height
- Rows: one per data point, identified by their index

Read data from Excel file

```
In [ ]: df2 = pd.read_excel('../downloads/Orange_1.xlsx')
    df2
```

Overview of your data, basic statistics

```
In []: df
In []: df.shape
In []: df.describe()
In []: df.max()
```

Selecting columns from a dataframe

```
dataframe.columnname
dataframe['columnname']
```



Selecting one column

```
In []: df
In []: df_new = df.age
df_new
In []: df['age']
```

Selecting multiple columns

```
In []: df
In []: df[['age', 'height']]
```

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```

Selecting rows from a dataframe

```
In []: df
In []: df.loc[0] # select the first row
In []: df.loc[1:3] # select from row 2 to 4
In []: df.loc[[1, 3, 0]] # select row 1, 3 and 0
```

Selecting cells from a dataframe

```
In []: df
In []: df.loc[[0], ['age']]
```

Run statistics on specific rows, columns, cells

```
In [ ]: df[['age', 'circumference']].describe()
In [ ]: df['age'].std()
```

Selecting data from a dataframe by index

```
dataframe.iloc[index]
dataframe.iloc[start:stop]
```

Further reading from pandas documentation: https://pandas.pydat pandas.DataFrame.iloc.html

```
In [ ]:
```

Creating new column derived from existing colur



```
In []: import math
   df['radius'] = df['circumference'] / (2.0 * math.p
   df
```

Expand dataframe by concatenating

```
In []: df1 = pd.DataFrame({
    'age': [1,2,3,4],
    'circumference': [2,3,5,10],
    'height': [30, 35, 40, 50]
})

df1

In []: df2 = pd.DataFrame({
    'name': ['palm', 'ada', 'ek', 'olive'],
    'price': [1423, 2000, 102, 30]
})

df2
```

```
In [ ]: pd.concat([df2, df1], axis=0)
```

Selecting/filtering the dataframe by condition e.g.

- Only trees with age larger than 100
- Only tree with circumference shorter than 20

Slightly bigger data frame of orange trees

```
In [ ]: df = pd.read_table('../downloads/Orange.tsv')
    df.head(3) # can also use .head()
In [ ]: df.Tree.unique()
```

Selecting with condition

```
In [ ]: df[df['Tree'] == 1]
In [ ]: df[df.age > 500]
In [ ]: df[(df.age > 500) & (df.circumference < 100) ]</pre>
```

Small exercise 1

• Find the maximal circumference and then filter the data frame

```
In [ ]: df
```

Small exercise 2

Here's a dictionary of students and their grades:

```
students = {'student': ['bob', 'sam', 'joe'], 'grade': [1, 3, 4]}
```

Use Pandas to:

- create a dataframe with this information
- get the mean value of the grades

```
In [ ]:
```

Plotting

```
df.columnname.plot()
```

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```
In [ ]: small_df = pd.read_table('../downloads/Orange_1.ts
    small_df
```

```
In [ ]: small_df.plot(x='age', y='circumference', kind='li
# try with other types of plots, e.g. scatter
```

Tips: what if no plots shows up?

```
In [ ]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   plt.show()
In [ ]: %matplotlib inline
```

Plotting - bars

```
In [ ]: small_df[['age']].plot(kind='bar')
```

Plotting multiple columns

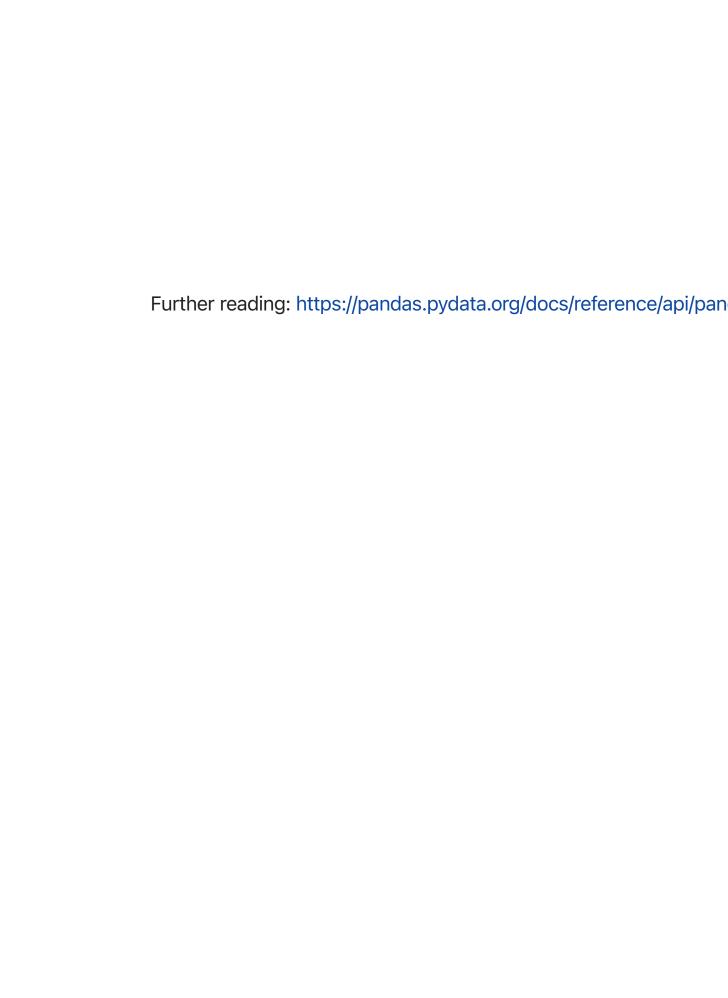
```
In [ ]: small_df[['circumference', 'age']].plot(kind='bar'
```

Plotting histogram

```
In [ ]: small_df.plot(kind='hist', y = 'age', fontsize=18)
```

Plotting box

```
In [ ]: small_df.plot(kind='box', y = 'age')
```



Exercise 2 (~30 minutes)

- Go to Canvas, Modules -> Day 4 -> Exercise 2 -
- Easy:
- Explore the Orange_1.tsv
- Medium/hard:
 - Use Pandas to read IMDB
 - Explore it by making graphs
- Extra exercises:
 - Read the pandas documentation :)
 - Start exploring your own data
- After exercise, do Quiz 4.2 and then take a break
- After break, working on the project