Introduction to



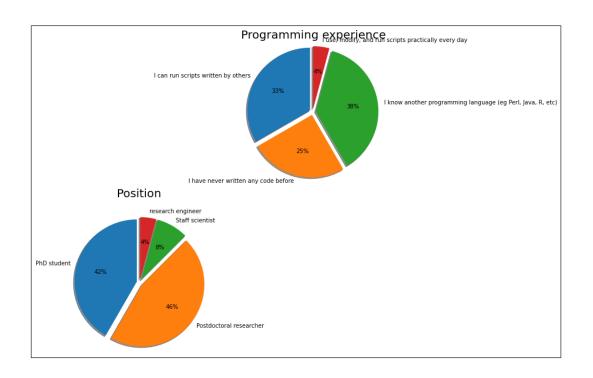
with Application to Bioinformatics

- Day 1

Who we are

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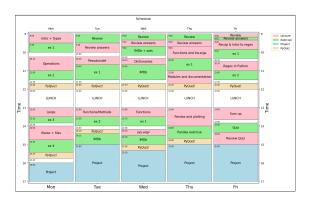
Who you are



Practical issues

- Course website: https://uppsala.instructure.com/courses/71521
- Course lectures streamed from Uppsala to Umeå
- TAs on each site
- Short lectures with many breaks
- Schedule times are approximate

Schedule



To start with

• Have everyone managed to find the HackMD?

Check

- Has everyone managed to install Python?
- Have you managed to run the test script?
- Have you installed notebooks? (optional)

What is programming?

Wikipedia:

"Computer programming is the process of building and designing an executable computer program for accomplishing a specific computing task"

What can we use it for?

Endless possibilities!

- reverse complement DNA
- custom filtering of VCF files
- plotting of results
- all excel stuff!

Why Python?

Typical workflow

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Python versions

Old versions	Python 3
Python 1.0 - January 1994	Python 3.0 - December 3, 2008
Python 1.0 - January 1994	Python 3.1 - June 27, 2009
Python 1.2 - April 10, 1995	Python 3.2 - February 20, 2011
Python 1.3 - October 12, 1995	Python 3.3 - September 29, 2012
Python 1.4 - October 25, 1996	Python 3.4 - March 16, 2014
Python 1.5 - December 31, 1997	Python 3.5 - September 13, 2015
Python 1.6 - September 5, 2000	Python 3.6 - December 23, 2016
Python 2.0 - October 16, 2000	Python 3.7 - June 27, 2018
Python 2.1 - April 17, 2001	Python 3.8 - October 14, 2019
Python 2.2 - December 21, 2001	Python 3.9 - October 5, 2020
Python 2.3 - July 29, 2003	Python 3.10 - October 4, 2021
Python 2.4 - November 30, 2004	
Python 2.5 - September 19, 2006	
Python 2.6 - October 1, 2008	

Python 2.7 - July 3, 2010

Course content

- Core concepts about Python syntax: Data types, blocks and indentation, variable scoping, iteration, functions, methods and arguments
- Different ways to control program flow using loops and conditional tests
- Regular expressions and pattern matching
- Writing functions and best-practice ways of making them usable
- Reading from and writing to files
- Code packaging and Python libraries
- How to work with biological data using external libraries.

Learning outcomes

At the end of the course, you should be able to:

- Use variables and exlain how operators work
- Process data using loops
- Separate data using if/else statements
- Use functions to read and write to files
- Describe their own approach to a coding task
- Understand the difference between functions and methods
- Be able to read the documentation for built-in functions/methods
- Give examples of use cases for dictionaries
- Write data to a simple dictionary
- Understand the concept and syntax of a function

Learning outcomes, cont.

At the end of the course, you should be able to:

- Write basic functions for processing data
- Describe pandas dataframes
- Give examples of how to use pandas for processing data
- Explain how regex can be used
- Define the python syntax for regex
- Combine basic concepts to create functional stand-alone programs to process data
- Write file processing Python programs that produce output to the terminal and/or external files
- Explain how to debug and further develop your skills in Python after the course

Some good advice

- 5 days to learn Python is not much
- Amount of information will decrease over days
- Complexity of tasks will increase over days
- Read the error messages!
- Save all your code

How to seek help:

- Google
- Ask your neighbour
- Ask an assistant

You will look like this:



Day 1

- Types and variables
- Operations
- Loops
- if/else statements

```
In [8]:

# A simple Loop that adds 2 to a number
i = 0
while i < 10:
    u = i + 2
    print('u is' + str(u))
    i += 1</pre>
```

```
u is2
u is3
u is4
u is5
u is6
u is7
u is8
u is9
u is10
u is11
```

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Comment

All lines starting with # is interpreted by python as a comment and are not executed. Comments are important for documenting code and considered good practise when doing all types of programming

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```

Literals

All literals have a type:

• Strings (str) 'Hello' "Hi"

• Integers (int) 5

• Floats (float) 3.14

• Boolean (bool) True or False

Literals define values

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```
In [9]:
                    'this is a string'
                    "this is also a string"
                           # here we can put a comment so we know that this is an integer
                    3.14 # this is a float
                    True # this is a boolean
                    type(True)
Out[9]:
                    bool
```

Collections

list

```
In [10]:
                      [3, 5, 7, 4, 99]
                                        # this is a list of integers
                      ('a', 'b', 'c', 'd') # this is a tuple of strings
                      {'a', 'b', 'c'} # this is a set of strings
                      {'a':3, 'b':5, 'c':7} # this is a dictionary with strings as keys and integers as values
                      type([3, 5, 7, 4, 99])
Out[10]:
```

What operations can we do with different values?

That depends on their type:

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Туре	Operations		
int	+ - / ** % //		
float	+ - / * % //		
string	+		

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    u is 8
    u is 9
    u is 10
    u is 11
```

Identifiers

Identifiers are used to identify a program element in the code.

For example:

- Variables
- Functions
- Modules
- Classes

Variables

Used to store values and to assign them a name.

Examples:

- i = 0
- counter = 5
- snpname = 'rs2315487'
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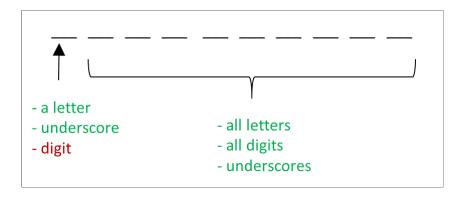
```
In [12]:

width = 23564
height = 20

snpname = 'rs56483 '
snplist = ['rs12345', 'rs458782']
snpname * 3
```

```
Out[12]: 'rs56483 rs56483 '
```

How to correctly name a variable



Allowed: Not allowed:

Var_name 2save _total *impo

with_digit_2 With spaces

dkfsjdsklut (well, allowed, but NOT recommended)

NO special characters:

$$+\ -\ *\ \$\ \%\ ; :\ ,\ ?\ !\ \{\ \}\ (\)\ <\ >\ ''\ '\ |\ \backslash\ /\ @$$

Reserved keywords

False	class	finally	is	return
None	continue	for	lambda	try
True	def	from	nonlocal	while
and	del	global	not	with
as	elif	if	or	yield
assert	else	import	pass	
break	except	in	raise	

These words can not be used as variable names

Summary

- Comment your code!
- Literals define values and can have different types (strings, integers, floats, boolean)
- Values can be collected in lists, tuples, sets, and dictionaries
- The operation that can be performed on a certain value depends on the type
- Variables are identified by a name and are used to store a value or collections of values
- Name your variables using descriptive words without special characters and reserved keywords
- → Notebook Day_1_Exercise_1 (~30 minutes)

NOTE!

How to get help?

- Google and Stack overflow are your best friends!
- Official python documentation
- Ask your neighbour
- Ask us

Python standard library

Built-in Functions					
abs()	delattr()	hash()	memoryview()	set()	
all()	dict()	help()	min()	setattr()	
any()	dir()	hex()	next()	slice()	
ascii()	divmod()	id()	object()	sorted()	
bin()	enumerate()	input()	oct()	staticmethod()	
bool()	eval()	int()	open()	str()	
breakpoint()	exec()	isinstance()	ord()	sum()	
bytearray()	filter()	issubclass()	pow()	super()	
bytes()	float()	iter()	print()	tuple()	
callable()	format()	len()	property()	type()	
chr()	frozenset()	list()	range()	vars()	
classmethod () getattr()	locals()	repr()	zip()	
compile()	globals()	map()	reversed()	import()	
complex()	hasattr()	max()	round()		

Example print() and str()

```
# A simple loop that adds 2 to a number
i = 0
while i < 10:
    u = i + 2
    print('u is '+str'u))
    i += 1

u is 2
u is 3
u is 4
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u is 6
u is 7
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```

Note!

Here we format everything to a string before printing it

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```
In [13]:
```

```
width = 5
height = 3.6
snps = ['rs123', 'rs5487']
snp = 'rs2546'
active = True
nums = [2,4,6,8,4,5,2]
```

sum(nums)

Out[13]:

31

More on operations

Operation	Result
x + y	sum of x and y
x - y	difference between x and y
x ** y	x to the power y
pow(x, y)	x to the power y
float(x)	x converted to float
int(x)	x converted to int!
len(z)	length of z if list
max(z)	maximum in list of z
min(z)	minimum in list of z

```
In [14]:
```

```
x = 4
y = 3
z = [2, 3, 6, 3, 9, 23]
pow(x, y)
```

Out[14]:

64

Comparison operators

Operation	Meaning
<	less than
<=	less than or equal
>	greater than
>=	greater than or equal
==	equal
!=	not equal

Can be used on int, float, str, and bool. Outputs a boolean.

False

```
In [15]:
                 y = 3
                 y == x
Out[15]:
```

Logical operators

Operation	Meaning
	connects two statements, both
and	conditions having to be fulfilled
	connects two statements, either
or	conditions having to be fulfilled
not	reverses and/or

Membership operators

Operation	Meaning
in	value in object
not in	value not in object

```
x = [2,4,7,3,5,9]
y = ['a','b','c']
2 in x
4 in x and 'd' in y
```

Out[16]:

False

In [17]:

```
# A simple loop that adds 2 to a number and checks if the number is even
i = 0
even = [2,4,6,8,10]
while i < 10:
    u = i + 2
    print('u is '+str(u)+'. Is this number even? '+str(u in even))
    i += 1</pre>
```

```
u is 2. Is this number even? True
u is 3. Is this number even? False
u is 4. Is this number even? True
u is 5. Is this number even? False
u is 6. Is this number even? True
u is 7. Is this number even? False
u is 8. Is this number even? True
u is 9. Is this number even? False
u is 10. Is this number even? True
u is 11. Is this number even? False
```

In [18]:

```
# A simple loop that adds 2 to a number, check if number is even and below 5
i = 0
even = [2,4,6,8,10]
while i < 10:
    u = i + 2
    print('u is '+str(u)+'. Is this number even and below 5? '+\
        str(u in even and u < 5))
    i += 1</pre>
```

```
u is 2. Is this number even and below 5? True
u is 3. Is this number even and below 5? False
u is 4. Is this number even and below 5? True
u is 5. Is this number even and below 5? False
u is 6. Is this number even and below 5? False
u is 7. Is this number even and below 5? False
u is 8. Is this number even and below 5? False
u is 9. Is this number even and below 5? False
u is 10. Is this number even and below 5? False
u is 11. Is this number even and below 5? False
```

Order of precedence

There is an order of precedence for all operators:

Operators	Descriptions
* *	exponent
*, /, %	multiplication, division, modulo
+, -	addition, substraction
<, <=, >=, >	comparison operators
==, !=, in, not in	comparison operators
not	boolean NOT
and	boolean AND
or	boolean OR

```
x = 5
y = 7
z = 2
x == 5 and y < 7 or z > 1

# and binds stronger than or
x > 4 or y == 6 and z > 3
x > 4 or (y == 6 and z > 3)
(x > 4 or y == 6) and z > 3
```

Out[19]:

False

```
In [19]:
                           x = 5
                           y = 7
                           z = 2
                           x == 5 and y < 7 or z > 1
                           # and binds stronger than or
                           x > 4 \text{ or } y == 6 \text{ and } z > 3
                           x > 4 or (y == 6 \text{ and } z > 3)
                           (x > 4 \text{ or } y == 6) \text{ and } z > 3
Out[19]:
                           False
In [20]:
                           # BEWARE!
                           x = 5
                           y = 8
                           \#xx == 6 \text{ or } xxx == 6 \text{ or } x > 2
                           x > 42 or (y < 7 and xx > 1000)
Out[20]:
                           False
```

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Out[20]:
                          False
```

Python does short-circuit evaluation of operators

More on sequences (For example strings and lists)

Lists (and strings) are an ORDERED collection of elements where every element can be accessed through an index.

Operators	Descriptions
x in s	True if an item in s is equal to x
s + t	Concatenates s and t
s * n	Adds s to itself n times
s[i]	/th item of s , origin 0
s[i:j]	slice of s from i to $j-1$
s[i:j:k]	slice of s from i to $j-1$ with step k

```
In [21]:
```

Mutable vs Immutable objects

Mutable objects can be altered after creation, while immutable objects can't.

Immutable objects:

- int
- float
- bool
- str
- tuple

Mutable objects:

- list
- set
- dict

Operations on mutable sequences

Operation	Result
s[i] = x	item i of s is replaced by x
	slice of s from i to $j-1$ is replaced by the
s[i:j] = t	contents of the iterable t
del s[i:j]	removes element i to $j-1$
s[i:j:k] = t	specified element replaced by t
s.append(x)	appends x to the end of the sequence
s[i:j:k]	slice of s from i to $j-1$ with step k
s[:] or	creates a copy of s
s.copy()	creates a copy of s
s.insert(i, x)	inserts x into s at the index i
s.pop([i])	retrieves the item i from s and also removes it
s.remove(x)	retrieves the first item from s where $s[i] == x$
s.reverse()	reverses the items of s in place

```
In [22]:
```

```
s = [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]
s.insert(5,10)
#s.reverse()
s.append(10)
s
```

Out[22]: [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]

Summary

- The python standard library has many built-in functions regularly used
- Operators are used to carry out computations on different values
- Three types of operators; comparison, logical, and membership
- Order of precedence crucial!
- Mutable object can be changed after creation while immutable objects cannot be changed

→ Notebook Day_1_Exercise_2 (~30 minutes)

Loops in Python

```
In [23]:
                       fruits = ['apple','pear','banana','orange', 'grapes']
                       print(fruits[0])
                       print(fruits[1])
                       print(fruits[2])
                       print(fruits[3])
                       print(fruits[4])
                       apple
                       pear
                       banana
                       orange
                       grapes
In [24]:
                       fruits = ['apple','pear','banana','orange', 'grapes']
                       for fruit in fruits:
                           print(fruit)
                       print('done')
                       apple
                       pear
                       banana
                       orange
                       grapes
                       done
```

For loop

For loop

While loop

```
apple
pear
banana
```

orange 4

For loop

Is a control flow statement that performs a fixed operation over a known amount of steps.

While loop

Is a control flow statement that allows code to be executed repeatedly based on a given Boolean condition.

Which one to use?

For loops better for simple iterations over lists and other iterable objects

While loops are more flexible and can iterate an unspecified number of times

Example of a simple Python script

```
# A simple loop that adds 2 to a number
i = 0
while i < 10:
    u = i + 2
    print('u is '+str(u))
    i += 1
u is 2
u is 3
u is 4
u is 5
u is 6
u is 7
u is 8
u is 9
u is 10
u is 11
```

→ Notebook Day_1_Exercise_3 (~20 minutes)

Conditional if/else statements

```
Anything that evaluates to a Boolean

if condition:
    print('Condition evaluated to True')
else:
    print('Condition evaluated to False')

Indentation
```

```
In [27]:
```

```
shopping_list = ['bread', 'egg', 'butter', 'milk']

if len(shopping_list) > 3:
    print('Go shopping!')
else:
    print('Nah! I\'ll do it tomorrow!')
```

Go shopping!

In [28]:

Too tired, I'll do it later

```
In [27]:
                       shopping_list = ['bread', 'egg', 'butter', 'milk']
                        if len(shopping_list) > 3:
                            print('Go shopping!')
                            print('Nah! I\'ll do it tomorrow!')
                        Go shopping!
In [28]:
                       shopping_list = ['bread', 'egg', 'butter', 'milk']
                        tired
                                     = True
                        if len(shopping_list) > 3:
                            if not tired:
                                print('Go shopping!')
                            else:
                                print('Too tired, I\'ll do it later')
                        else:
                            if not tired:
                                print('Better get it over with today anyway')
                                print('Nah! I\'ll do it tomorrow!')
```

This is an example of a nested conditional

Too tired, I'll do it later

Putting everything into a Python script

Any longer pieces of code that have been used and will be re-used SHOULD be saved

Two options:

- Save it as a text file and make it executable
- Save it as a notebook file

Things to remember when working with scripts

- Put #!/usr/bin/env python in the beginning of the file
- Make the file executable to run with ./script.py
- Otherwise run script with python script.py

Working on files

```
apple
pear
banana
orange
fruits.txt (END)
```

```
apple
pear
banana
orange
fruits.txt (END)
```

```
In [30]:
```

```
fh = open('../files/fruits.txt', 'r', encoding = 'utf-8')
for line in fh:
    print(line)
fh.close()
```

```
apple
pear
banana
orange
```

Aditional useful methods:

'string'.strip()

#L = s.strip().split()

```
'string'.split() Splits on whitespace into list

In [31]:

s = ' an example string to split with whitespace in end '
sw = s.strip()
sw
1 = s.split()
```

Removes whitespace

```
Out[31]: ['an', 'example', 'string', 'to', 'split', 'with', 'whitespace', 'in', 'end']
```

```
apple
pear
banana
orange
fruits.txt (END)
```

```
In [32]:
```

```
xx = open('../files/fruits.txt', 'r', encoding = 'utf-8')
for line in xx:
    print(line.strip())
fh.close()
```

```
apple
pear
banana
orange
```

Another example

```
254
ICA
                65
Icecream
Coop
       25.45
ICA
        654.21
Pharmacy
               39.90
IKEA
        2365
ATM
        500
SevenEleven
               62.60
ICA
       278.50
Åhlens 645.20
bank_statement.txt (END)
```

How much money is spent on ICA?

Another example

```
ICA
        254
                65
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bank statement.txt (END)
```

How much money is spent on ICA?

```
In [33]:
```

```
fh = open("../files/bank_statement.txt", "r", encoding = "utf-8")

total = 0
times = 0

for line in fh:
    expenses = line.strip().split() # split line into list
    store = expenses[0] # save what store
    price = float(expenses[1]) # save the price
    if store == 'ICA': # only count the price if store is ICA
        times = times + 1
        total = total + price
fh.close()

print('Total amount spent on ICA is: '+str(total))
print(times)
```

Total amount spent on ICA is: 1186.71

Slightly more complex...

store	year	month	day	sum			
ICA	2018	08	30	254			
Icecream		2018	09	05	65		
Coop	2018	09	98	25.45			
ICA	2018	09	22	654.21			
Pharmacy		2018	09	23	39.90		
IKEA	2018	09	25	2365			
ATM	2018	09	28	500			
SevenEleven		2018	09	29	62.60		
ICA	2018	09	29	278.50			
Åhlens	2018	10	02	645.20			
<pre>bank_statement_extended.txt (END)</pre>							

How much money is spent on ICA in September?

```
In [34]:
```

```
= open("../files/bank_statement_extended.txt", "r", encoding = "utf-8")
total = 0
for line in fh:
   if not line.startswith('store'):
       expenses = line.strip().split()
       store
              = expenses[0]
              = expenses[1]
       year
       month = expenses[2]
               = expenses[3]
       day
       price = float(expenses[4])
       if store == 'ICA' and month == '09': # store has to be ICA and month september
           total = total + price
fh.close()
out = open("../files/bank_statement_results.txt", "w", encoding = "utf-8") # open a file for writing the results to
out.write('Total amount spent on ICA in september is: '+str(total))
out.close()
```

```
In [34]:
```

```
= open("../files/bank statement extended.txt", "r", encoding = "utf-8")
total = 0
for line in fh:
   if not line.startswith('store'):
        expenses = line.strip().split()
        store
               = expenses[0]
       year
                = expenses[1]
        month
              = expenses[2]
        day
                = expenses[3]
        price = float(expenses[4])
        if store == 'ICA' and month == '09': # store has to be ICA and month september
            total = total + price
fh.close()
out = open("../files/bank statement results.txt", "w", encoding = "utf-8") # open a file for writing the results to
out.write('Total amount spent on ICA in september is: '+str(total))
out.close()
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In [35]:

```
for file in os.scandir("../files/"):
    print(time.ctime(os.stat(file).st_mtime), '\t', file.name)
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Thu May 20 17:46:01 2021
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Fri Sep 30 15:40:44 2022
                                 schedule.csv
                                 somerandomfile.txt
Thu May 20 17:46:01 2021
```

```
In [34]:
```

```
= open("../files/bank statement extended.txt", "r", encoding = "utf-8")
total = 0
for line in fh:
   if not line.startswith('store'):
        expenses = line.strip().split()
        store
               = expenses[0]
       year
                = expenses[1]
        month
              = expenses[2]
        day
                = expenses[3]
        price = float(expenses[4])
        if store == 'ICA' and month == '09': # store has to be ICA and month september
            total = total + price
fh.close()
out = open("../files/bank statement results.txt", "w", encoding = "utf-8") # open a file for writing the results to
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Summary

- Python has two types of loops, For loops and While loops
- Loops can be used on any iterable types and objects
- If/Else statement are used when deciding actions depending on a condition that evaluates to a boolean
- Several If/Else statements can be nested
- Save code as notebook or text file to be run using python
- The function open() can be used to read in text files
- A text file is iterable, meaning it is possible to loop over the lines
- → Notebook Day_1_Exercise_4