



The iScale Data Science Notes

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Lecture - 2

Variables & Data Types in Python

Creating a variable

```
In [1]: x = 5  
print(x)
```

5

```
In [2]: x = 5  
y = "apple"  
z = 10.23  
print(x)  
print(y)  
print(z)
```

5
apple
10.23

```
In [3]: %whos
```

Variable	Type	Data/Info
x	int	5
y	str	apple
z	float	10.23

Rules for Python variables:

- 1)A variable name must start with a letter or the underscore character
- 2)A variable name cannot start with a number
- 3)A variable name can only contain alpha-numeric characters and underscores (A-z, 0-9, and _)
- 4)Variable names are case-sensitive
(age, Age and AGE are three different variables)
- 5)A variable name cannot be any of the Python keywords.

A variable name must start with a letter or the underscore character

```
In [4]: a = 3  
print(a)
```

3

```
In [5]: apple_box = 2  
print( apple_box)
```

2

```
In [6]: _ = 3  
print(_)
```

3

```
In [7]: _a = 6  
print(_a)
```

6

A variable name cannot start with a number

```
In [8]: 1 = 23  
print(1)
```

Cell In[8], line 1

```
1 = 23  
^
```

SyntaxError: cannot assign to literal here. Maybe you meant '==' instead of '='?

```
In [9]: 1 == 23  
print(1)
```

1

```
In [10]: 1_apple = 23  
print(1_apple)
```

Cell In[10], line 1

```
1_apple = 23  
^
```

SyntaxError: invalid decimal literal

variable name can only contain alpha-numeric

```
In [11]: a_1 = 34  
print(a_1)
```

```
34
```

```
In [12]: abc123xyz = 3.5  
print(abc123xyz)
```

```
3.5
```

```
In [13]: &$% = 3  
print(&$%)
```

```
Cell In[13], line 1  
    &$% = 3  
    ^  
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
```

```
In [14]: abc&$% = 3  
print(&$%)
```

```
Cell In[14], line 1  
    abc&$% = 3  
    ^  
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
```

Variable names are case-sensitive (age, Age and AGE are three different variables)

```
In [15]: age = 20  
Age = 24  
AGE = 18  
print(age)  
print(Age)  
print(AGE)
```

```
20  
24  
18
```

Data Types in Python

```
In [16]: a = 2
b = 1.5
c = " My name is swati"
print(a)
print(type(a))
print(b)
print(type(b))
print(c)
print(type(c))
```

```
2
<class 'int'>
1.5
<class 'float'>
My name is swati
<class 'str'>
```

```
In [17]: b = [1,2,3,4]
print(b)
print(type(b))
```

```
[1, 2, 3, 4]
<class 'list'>
```

```
In [18]: c = (1,2,3)
print(c)
print(type(c))
```

```
(1, 2, 3)
<class 'tuple'>
```

```
In [19]: num = 2+4j
print(num)
print(type(num))
```

```
(2+4j)
<class 'complex'>
```

```
In [20]: num1 = True
print(num1)
print(type(num1))
```

```
True
<class 'bool'>
```

```
In [21]: num2 = False
print(num2)
print(type(num2))
```

```
False
<class 'bool'>
```

A variable name cannot be any of the Python keywords.

```
In [22]: print = 12  
         print(print)
```

```
-----  
TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
Cell In[22], line 2  
      1 print = 12  
----> 2 print(print)  
  
TypeError: 'int' object is not callable
```

```
In [23]: int = 2  
         print(int)
```

```
-----  
TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
Cell In[23], line 2  
      1 int = 2  
----> 2 print(int)  
  
TypeError: 'int' object is not callable
```

Practice Questions

Question 1

Imagine you're working on a customer management system, and you have the first name and last name of a customer stored as separate variables. You're developing a customer management system for a retail store. In your database, you have the first name and last name of a customer stored as separate variables: `first_name = "John"` and `last_name = "Doe"`. How would you concatenate these strings to form the full name "John Doe" for the customer's profile

```
first_name = "John"  
last_name = 'Doe'  
  
full_name = first_name + " " + last_name  
print(full_name)
```