LESSON 01 - Building Programs With Python

These notes are a guide to the speaker, as they present the material.
SLIDE Building Programs With Python (1)
SLIDE INTRODUCTION
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SLIDE GOAL 1

- We are teaching programming, not Python per se
- We need to use some language, though
- Python is free, and likely to be usable on your machine
- Python is widely-used, and there's lots of support online
- It can be easier for novices to pick up than other languages
- You should use what is common in your area/with your colleagues
- The principles of programming are the same in other languages

SLIDE GOAL 2

- · We're using a motivating example of data analysis
- Data is in plain text, tabular (CSV)
- Data represents patients and daily measurements
- We're going to analyse the data
- We're going to visualise the data
- · We're going to get the computer to do this for us
- Automation is key: fewer human mistakes, easier to apply to other datasets, and share with others (transparency)

SLIDE SETUP

SLIDE SETTING UP - 1 - DEMO

- We want a neat (clean) working environment
- Change directory to desktop (in terminal or Explorer)
- Create directory python-novice-inflammation
- Change your working directory to that directory

SLIDE SETTING UP - 2 - DEMO

- We need to acquire our data (and also a little code that can help us)
- Copy .zip files from repository (or online!) PUT IN ETHERPAD
- Extract files (command-line or in Explorer)

SLIDE GETTING STARTED

SLIDE STARTING JUPYTER DEMO

• Start Jupyter from the command-line

SLIDE JUPYTER LANDING PAGE DEMO

- Landing page is a file browser, like Explorer/Finder
- Point out Python (.py) files, .zip files, and directories)
- Point out directory (data), and how the file symbols are different.
- Point out New button.

SLIDE CREATE A NEW NOTEBOOK **DEMO**

- Click on New -> Python 3
- Point out that there may or may not be other options in the student's installation
- Indicate the new features on the empty notebook:
 - The notebook name: Untitled
 - Checkpoint information
 - The menu bar (File Edit etc.) just like Word or Excel
 - An indication of which kernel you're using/language you're in
 - Icon view (just like Word or Excel)
 - An empty cell with In []:

SLIDE MY FIRST NOTEBOOK DEMO

• Give the notebook the name variables

SLIDE CELL TYPES DEMO

- Jupyter documents are comprised of cells
- A cell can be one of several types we'll focus on two:

Markdown: text, with the opportunity for formatting
Change the first cell type to Markdown
 The box colour changes from green to blue The In [] prompt disappears
SLIDE MARKDOWN TEXT DEMO
Markdown lets us enter formatted text
 Headers are preceded by a hash: # The level of header is determined by the number of hashes: # Italics are shown by enclosing text in single asterisks: *italic* Typewriter text/code is shown by enclosing in backticks: ``` LaTeX can be entered within dollar signs \$
 Press Shift + Enter to execute a cell The cell is rendered, and a new cell appears beneath the executed cell
SLIDE ENTERING CODE DEMO
 Mathematical statements can be entered directly into a code cell ENTER 1+2
 Before the cell is executed, note that the In [] prompt has no value in it Note that the code is colour syntax-highlighted EXECUTE THE CELL
 Note that after execution, the In [] prompt now has a number in it to indicate the order in which cells are executed Note also that because there is no place to put the output, a value has been returned as OUT [1], showing the result of the calculation A new code cell is created beneath the executed cell. ASK THE LEARNERS GO THROUGH THE EXERCISE
SLIDE EXERCISE 01
SLIDE MY FIRST VARIABLE
TYPE THE MARKDOWN IN A CELL AND EXECUTE

• Code : code in the current kernel/language

- This is to keep the notebook as an example of literate programming (and a handy reference for the students)
- You can think of a variable as a labelled box, containing a data item
 - Here, we have a box labelled Name this is the variable name
 - We've put the value Samia into the box
 - LET'S DO THIS FOR REAL IN PYTHON
 - To assign a value we use the equals sign
 - The variable name/box label goes on the left, and the data item goes on the right
 - Character strings, or strings, are enclosed in quotes
 - Executing the cell assigns the variable
 - So now, if we refer to the variable Name, we get the value that's in the box: Samia

SLIDE WORKING WITH VARIABLES

• Lead the students through the code:

```
weight_kg = 55
print(weight_kg)
2.2 * weight_kg
print("weight in pounds", 2.2 * weight_kg)
weight_kg = 57.5
print("weight in kilograms is now:", weight_kg)
```

- Assign an integer (assignment is the same for all data items)
- Print weight kg to see its value
- Variables can be substituted by name wherever a value would go
- The print() function will take more than one argument, separated by commas, and print them
- Reassigning to the same variable overwrites the old value
- Changing the value of one variable does not change the values of other variables
- Lead students through the code

```
print(weight_kg)
weight_lb = 2.2 * weight_kg
print('weight in kilograms:', weight_kg, 'and in pounds:', weight_lb)
weight_kg = 100
print('weight in kilograms:', weight_kg, 'and in pounds:', weight_lb)
```

Although we changed the value in weight_kg , we did not change weight_lb when we did so

• The solution is 3 **SLIDE** EXERCISE 03 (5MIN) • The code prints Hopper Grace **SLIDE WHO'S WHO IN MEMORY?** • In a Jupyter notebook or iPython terminal, %whos will list the variables that are in memory, and their contents. **SLIDE DATA ANALYSIS SLIDE START A NEW NOTEBOOK** • Create a new notebook, and give it the name analysis **SLIDE EXAMINE THE DATA** Use the terminal (head from this morning) head data/inflammation-01.csv · Describe plain text, csv format State that we'll use the numpy library **SLIDE PYTHON LIBRARIES** Python contains many basic and general functions and tools • Specialised tools are packaged in libraries • We can call on libraries with the import statement, when we need them Importing a library is like getting a new piece of equipment out of the locker and onto the lab bench Libraries add functionality to your current Python instance SLIDE JUPYTER MAGIC Jupyter provides another way to load libraries, through magics • Do the pylab magic • Import numpy and seaborn

Note that warnings about fonts may be normal.

SLIDE NUMPY , SEABORN , PYLAB

- numpy is a library that provides functions and pethods to work with arrays and matrices, such as those in your dataset
- seaborn is a library that enables attractive graphs and statistical summaries
- pylab is a library that mimics MatLab in Python, providing a number of useful tools for numerical operations and visualisation

SLIDE LOAD DATA

- The numpy library gives us a function called loadtxt() that loads tabular data from a file
- It's used as numpy.loadtxt()
- Dotted notation tells us that loadtxt() belongs to numpy
- loadtxt() expects two arguments or parameters
- The parameter fname takes the path to the file we want to load
- The parameter delimiter takes the character that we think separates columns in that file
- Python will accept double- or single-quotes around strings
- · Execute the line in a cell

SLIDE LOADED DATA

- Since we didn't ask Python to do anything with the data, it just shows it to us.
- The data display is truncated by default *ellipses* (...) show rows and columns that were excluded for space

- Significant digits are not shown
- NOTE that integers in the file have been converted to floating point numbers
- Ask the learners to assign the matrix to a variable called data

SLIDE WHAT IS OUR DATA? LIVE DEMO

Take the learners through the code:

```
1 type(data)
2 print(data.dtype)
3 print(data.shape)
```

- type(data) is a numpy.ndarray an n-dimensional array
- print(data.dtype) tells us that the values in the array are 64-bit floating point numbers
- print(data.shape) tells us that there are 60 rows and 40 columns in the dataset

- When we created data we didn't just create the array, we also created information about the array, called *members* or *attributes*
- This information belongs to data so is accessed in the same way as a module function, through dotted notation

SLIDE INDEXING ARRAYS

- Take learners through making notes in the notebook
- To get a single element from the array, index using square bracket notation row first, then column
- In Python we index from zero, so the first element is data[0, 0]
- Do the two print() examples

```
print('first value in data:', data[0, 0])
print('middle value in data:', data[30, 20])
```

SLIDE SLICING ARRAYS

- Take learners through making notes in the notebook
- To get a section from the array, index using *square bracket* notation but specify start and end points, separated by a colon
- The slice 0:4 means start at index zero and go up to, but not including, index 4. So it takes elements 0, 1, 2, 3 (four elements)
- Do the two print() examples

```
1 | print(data[0:4, 0:10])
2 | print(data[5:10, 0:10])
```

SLIDE MORE SLICES. PLEASE!

- If we don't specify a start for the slice, Python assumes the first element is meant (element zero)
- If we don't specify an end for the slice, Python assumes the last element is meant
- To get the top-right corner of the array, we can specify data[:3, 36:]
- · Demo the code

```
1    small = data[:3, 36:]
2    print('small is:')
3    print(small)
```

SLIDE EXERCISE 04

• The value is oxy, number 3

SLIDE ARRAY OPERATIONS

- Arithmetic operations on array s are performed elementwise.
- · Demo the code
- Operations with scalars act elementwise
- Operations with two arrays are elementwise

```
doubledata = data * 2.0
print('original:')
print(data[:3, 36:])
print('doubledata:')
print(doubledata[:3, 36:])
```

SLIDE NUMPY FUNCTIONS

- numpy provides functions that can perform *more complex* operations on arrays
- Some of these operations include statistical summaries: .mean(), .min(), .max() etc.
- Demo code
- These operations give summaries of the whole array
- The data array also has these summary functions

```
print(numpy.mean(data))
maxval, minval, stdval = numpy.max(data), numpy.min(data), numpy.std(data)
print('maximum inflammation:', maxval)
print('minimum inflammation:', minval)
print('standard deviation:', stdval)
maxval, minval, stdval = data.max(), data.min(), data.std()
print('maximum inflammation:', maxval)
print('minimum inflammation:', minval)
print('standard deviation:', stdval)
```

SLIDE SUMMARY BY PATIENT

- What if we want to get summaries patient-by-patient (row-by-row)?
- Demo code
- We can extract a single row into a variable, and calculate the mean
- We can also apply the numpy function directly, without creating a variable
- NOTE: that comments are preceded with a hash # and can be placed after a line of code
- EXPLAIN: why leaving comments is good (can do that in all code not just Jupyter notebooks)

```
patient_0 = data[0, :] # Row zero only, all columns
print('maximum inflammation for patient 0:', patient_0.max())
print('maximum inflammation for patient 0:', numpy.max(data[0, :]))
print('maximum inflammation for patient 2:', numpy.max(data[2, :]))
```

SLIDE SUMMARY OF ALL PATIENTS

- But what if we want to know about all patients at once?
- Or what if we want an average inflammation per day?
- Writing one line per row, or per column, is likely to lead to mistakes and typos
- · We can instead specify which axis a function applies to
- Specifying axis=0 makes the function work on columns (days)
- Specifying axis=1 makes the function work on rows (patients)

SLIDE NUMPY OPERATIONS ON AXES

· Demo the code

```
print(numpy.max(data, axis=1))
print(data.mean(axis=0))
```

SLIDE VISUALISATION

SLIDE VISUALISATION

- Start a new markdown cell
- Outline how visualisation is a large topic that deserves more attention
- Show off the SSI course materials

SLIDE MATPLOTLIB

- There's no "official" plotting library or graphics library in Python
- matplotlib is the de facto standard
- lots of tools are built on matplotlib
- We imported seaborn, which makes matploltlib output a bit more publication-ready
- We used %pylab inline, which puts matplotlib output in the notebook
- Demo code

```
import matplotlib.pyplot
image = matplotlib.pyplot.imshow(data)
```

SLIDE MATPLOTLIB .IMSHOW()

- The .imshow() function converts matrix values into an image
- Here, small values are white, and large values are black (8you can change this colour scheme...*)
- From the image, we cna see inflammation rising and falling over a 40-day period for all patients.

SLIDE MATPLOTLIB .PLOT()

- .plot() shows a conventional line graph
- · We're going to use it to plot the average inflammation level on each day of the study
- We'll create the variable ave inflammation and use numpy.mean() on axis 0 of the data
- We plot the data with matplotlib
- Demo the code

```
1  ave_inflammation = numpy.mean(data, axis=0)
2  ave_plot = matplotlib.pyplot.plot(ave_inflammation)
```

- Ask students if the data looks reasonable?
- The data does not look reasonable. Biologically, we expect a sharp rise in inflammation, followed by a slow tail-off

SLIDE INVESTIGATING DATA

- Since our plot of <code>.mean()</code> values looks artificial, let's check on other statistics to see if we can see what's going on.
- NOTE we're not defining a variable, this time
- Demo code

- Ask students if the data looks reasonable?
- The data looks very artificial. The maxima are completely smooth, but the minima are a step function.
- NOTE we would not have noticed this without visualisation

SLIDE EXERCISE 05

```
1 | std_plot = matplotlib.pyplot.plot(numpy.std(data, axis=0))
```

SLIDE FIGURES AND SUBPLOTS

- Demo code
- The code needs to all go in a single cell

```
fig = matplotlib.pyplot.figure(figsize=(10.0, 3.0)) # Create a figure object
    axes1 = fig.add_subplot(1, 3, 1)
                                                           # Add three subplots
    axes2 = fig.add_subplot(1, 3, 2)
    axes3 = fig.add_subplot(1, 3, 3)
4
    axes1.set_ylabel('average')
                                                           # Label and plot the graphs
5
    axes1.plot(numpy.mean(data, axis=0))
7
    axes2.set ylabel('max')
8
    axes2.plot(numpy.max(data, axis=0))
9
    axes3.set_ylabel('min')
    axes3.plot(numpy.min(data, axis=0))
10
    fig.tight_layout()
11
                                                           # tidy the figure
```

- . This is the most demanding code you will write, so far
- · We can put all three plots we just drew into a single figure
- To do this, we use matplotlib to create a figure, and put it in a variable called fig
 - The figsize argument specifies the *width*, then the *height* of the figure being produced, in inches
- We then create three axes these are the variables that hold the individual plots
- Using the ladd subplot() function, we need to specify three things:
 - number of rows, number of columns, which cell this figure goes into
 - This might need to be drawn out on the board
- Once we've created our plot axes, we can add labels and plots to each of them in turn
- Plot axes properties are usually changed using the __set__<something>()
 - Here we're changing only the label on the y-axis
- We can plot on an axis by using its .plot() function
 - As before, we can pass the output from the numpy.max() function directly
- Finally, we'll tighten up the presentation by using fig.tight_layout() a function that moves the axes until they are visually pleasing.

SLIDE EXERCISE 06

- Note that it helps to change figsize
- Otherwise the only change is in add subplot()

```
fig = matplotlib.pyplot.figure(figsize=(3.0, 10.0)) # Create a figure object
    axes1 = fig.add_subplot(3, 1, 1)
                                                          # Add three subplots
    axes2 = fig.add_subplot(3, 1, 2)
    axes3 = fig.add_subplot(3, 1, 3)
5
    axes1.set_ylabel('average')
                                                          # Label and plot the graphs
    axes1.plot(numpy.mean(data, axis=0))
7
    axes2.set ylabel('max')
8
    axes2.plot(numpy.max(data, axis=0))
9
    axes3.set_ylabel('min')
10
    axes3.plot(numpy.min(data, axis=0))
11
    fig.tight_layout()
                                                          # tidy the figure
```

SLIDE LOOPS

SLIDE START A NEW NOTEBOOK

• Create a new notebook, and give it the name loops

SLIDE MOTIVATION

- · We wrote code that plots values of interest from our dataset
- BUT soon we're going to get dozens of datasets to analyse
- So, we need to tell the computer to repeat our plots and analysis on each dataset
- We're going to do this with for loops
- NOTE: for loops are a fundamental method for program control across nearly every programming language
- NOTE: for loops in python work just like those the learners saw in bash, but are syntactically different

SLIDE SPELLING BEE

- If we want to spell a word one letter at a time, we can index each letter in turn
- Demo code

```
1  word = "lead"
2  print(word[0])
3  print(word[1])
4  print(word[2])
5  print(word[3])
```

- But this is bad Why?
- The approach doesn't scale what if our word is hundreds of letters long?
- If our word is longer than the indices, we don't get all the data; if it's shorter, we get an error.

demonstrate with oxygen and tin

SLIDE FOR LOOPS

- for loops perform an operation for every item in a collection
- Demo code

```
word = "lead"
for char in word:
print(char)
```

- This has two advantages it's shorter code (less opportunity for error), and it's more flexible and robust it doesn't matter how long word is, the code will still spell it out one letter at a time
 - demonstrate with oxygen and tin

SLIDE BUILDING FOR LOOPS

• The general loop syntax is defined by a for statement, and a code block

```
1  for element in collection:
2      <do things with element>
```

- The for loop statement ends in a colon, :
- The code block is **indented** with a tab (\t)
 - Everything indented immediately below the for statement is part of the for loop
 - There is no command or statement to signify the end of the loop body only a change in indentation
 - This is quite different from most other languages (and some people hate Python because of it)

Demonstrate

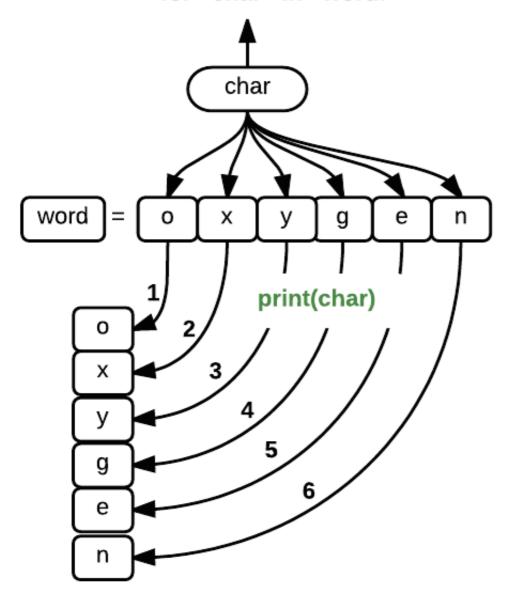
```
for char in word:
print(char)
print("I'm in the loop!")

# This is a comment
print("I'm also in the loop!")

print("Still in the loop!")
print("This line is not part of the loop")
```

word = 'oxygen'

for char in word:



- In this image, each successive character of word is placed, one at a time, in the variable char.
 - In each cycle of the loop, the contents of the variable char are printed
 - Once the code block is complete, the next cycle of the loop starts

SLIDE COUNTING THINGS

. Ask the learners what output they expect from the code below

```
1 length = 0
2 for vowel in 'aeiou':
3 length = length + 1
4 print('There are', length, 'vowels')
```

- · Demo the code
- Talk through the operations of the loop, if necessary

SLIDE LOOP VARIABLES

- The loop variable still exists once the loop is finished
- Demo code

```
1 letter = 'z'
2 for letter in 'abc':
3    print(letter)
4 print('after the loop, letter is', letter)
```

• The value of letter is c, the last updated value in the loop - not z, which would be the case if the loop variable only had scope within the loop

SLIDE RANGE()

- The range() function creates a sequence of numbers.
- The sequence depends on the number and value of arguments given
- · Demo code loop over all three options

```
1 range(3)
2 range(2, 5)
3 range(3, 10, 3)
4 for val in range(3, 10, 3):
5 print(val)
```

- A single value n gives the sequence $[0, \ldots, n-1]$
- Two values: m, n gives the sequence $[m, \ldots, n-1]$
- Three values: m, n, p gives the sequence $[m, m+p, \ldots, n-1]$ and skips [n-1] if it's not in the sequence.

• NOTE: range() returns a range type that can be iterated over.

SLIDE EXERCISE 07

```
1 result = 1
2 for val in range(3):
3    result = result * 5
4 print(result)
```

SLIDE EXERCISE 08

```
instr = "Newton"
outstr = ""
for char in instr:
    outstr = char + outstr
print(outstr)
```

SLIDE EXERCISE 09

SLIDE LISTS

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SLIDE START A NEW NOTEBOOK

SLIDE LISTS

- list s are a built-in Python datatype, denoting ordered collections of elements
- list s are defined by square brackets, and comma-separated values
- Demo code

```
1 odds = [1, 3, 5, 7]
2 print('odds are:', odds)
3 print('first and last:', odds[0], odds[-1])
4 for number in odds:
5 print(number)
```

- They can be indexed and sliced, as seen for arrays
- They can be iterated over, in loops

- list s and string s are both sequences
- BUT you can change the elements in a list, after it is created: lists are mutable
- string s are **NOT** mutable
- Demo code

```
names = ['Newton', 'Darwing', 'Turing'] # typo in Darwin's name
print('names is originally:', names)
names[1] = 'Darwin' # correct the name
print('final value of names:', names)
name = 'Darwin'
name[0] = 'd'
```

SLIDE CHANGER DANGER

- There are risks associated with modifying lists in-place
- Demo code

```
1  my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4]
2  your_list = my_list
3  my_list[1] = 0
4  print("my list:", my_list)
5  print("your list:", your_list)
```

• If two variables refer to the same list, any changes to that list are reflected in both variables.

SLIDE LIST COPIES

• To avoid this kind of effect, you can make a *copy* of a list by *slicing* it, or using the list() function that returns a new list

Demo code

```
1    my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4]
2    your_list = my_list[:]
3    print("my list:", my_list)
4    print("your list:", your_list)
5    my_list[1] = 0
6    print("my list:", my_list)
7    print("your list:", your_list)
```

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4]
your_list = list(my_list)
print("my list:", my_list)
print("your list:", your_list)
my_list[1] = 0
print("my list:", my_list)
print("your list:", your_list)
```

SLIDE NESTED LISTS

- list s can contain any datatype, even other lists
- Imagine we have a grocery store with three shelves, and the items on the shelves are arranged with {pepper, zucchini, onion} on the top shelf, {cabbage, lettuce, garlic} on the middle shelf, and {apple, pear, banana} on the lower shelf.
- We can represent this in a *nested list*: one list per shelf, and a list that contains the three lists, to represent the grocery store.
- Demo code

```
1 x = [['pepper', 'zucchini', 'onion'],
2      ['cabbage', 'lettuce', 'garlic'],
3      ['apple', 'pear', 'banana']]
```

NOTE: This should remind you of the numpy array you loaded earlier! Work through the code below

```
1  print([x[0]])
2  print(x[0])
3  print(x[0][0])
```

SLIDE LIST FUNCTIONS

- list s are Python objects and have a number of useful functions to modify their contents
- Demo code

```
1 odds.append(9)
2 print("odds after adding a value:", odds)
3 odds.reverse()
4 print("odds after reversing:", odds)
5 print(odds.pop())
6 print("odds after popping:", odds)
```

SLIDE OVERLOADING

• Overloading refers to an operator (e.g. +) having more than one meaning, depending on the thing it operates on.

```
vowels = ['a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u']
vowels_welsh = ['a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u', 'w', 'y']
print(vowels + vowels_welsh)
counts = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10]
repeats = counts * 2
print(repeats)
```

Ask the learners what 'addition' (+) and 'multiplication' (*) do for lists

SLIDE MAKING CHOICES

SLIDE START A NEW NOTEBOOK

SLIDE CONDITIONALS

- We often want the computer to do <something> if some condition is true
- To do this, we can use an if statement
- if statements end in a colon (:) and have a *condition* the *condition* is evaluated and, if found to be true, the code block is executed

- The code block is *indented* as was the case with the for loop
- Demo code

```
1   num = 37
2   if num > 100:
3      print('greater')
4   print('done')
```

SLIDE IF-ELSE STATEMENTS

- An if statement executes code if the condition evaluates as true
- But what if the condition evaluates as false?
- The else structure is like the if structure it ends in a colon (:) and the indented code block beneath it executes if the condition is false
- Demo code

```
1   num = 37
2   if num > 100:
3      print('greater')
4   else:
5      print('not greater')
6   print('done')
```

SLIDE CONDITIONAL LOGIC

Describe flowchart

SLIDE IF-ELIF-ELSE CONDITIONALS

• We can chain conditional tests together with elif (short for else if)

- The <code>elif</code> statement structure is the same as the <code>if</code> statement structure the indented code block is executed if the condition is true, and **no previous conditions have been met**.
- Demo code

```
1   num = -3
2   if num > 0:
3       print(num, "is positive")
4   elif num == 0:
5       print(num, "is zero")
6   else:
7       print(num, "is negative")
```

NOTE: the test for equality is a double-equals!

SLIDE COMBINING CONDITIONS

- Conditions can be combined using Boolean Logic
- Operators include and , or and not
- Demo code

```
if (1 > 0) and (-1 > 0):
    print('both parts are true')
    else:
    print('at least one part is false')
```

SLIDE EXERCISE 10

• Solution: C

SLIDE MORE OPERATORS

- There are two operators you will meet and use frequently
- == (double-equals) is the quality operator, and returns True if the left-hand-side value is equal to the right-hand-side value
- in is the membership operator, and returns True if the left-hand-side value is in the right-hand-side value
- Demo code

```
1  print(1 == 1)
2  print(1 == 2)
3  print('a' in 'toast')
4  print('b' in 'toast')
5  print(1 in [1, 2, 3])
6  print(1 in range(3))
7  print(1 in range(2, 10))
```

SLIDE LIST COMPREHENSIONS

- We often want to loop over a list of elements and make a decision on the basis of whether the element meets some condition.
- List comprehensions offer a concise way to do this
- Demo code
- We can write a loop that checks letters for whether they're a vowel and, if they are, convert them to upper case and add them to a list.

```
1 letters = 'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz'
2 vowels = 'aeiou'
3
4 result = []
5 for 1 in letters:
6   if 1 in vowels:
7    result.append(l.upper())
8 print(result)
```

- We can do this in a single line with a list comprehension
- Firstly, we rewrite the loop as a *list comprehension*
- By enclosing the for I in letters part of the loop in square brackets, we are asking the loop to return a list.
- By asking directly for I in the brackets, we get the loop to return each element I to us as we go round the loop

```
1 result = [1 for 1 in letters]
2 print(result)
```

• In addition to asking for each element with each cycle around the loop, we can do things with or to that element, such as convert it to upper case by calling its .upper() method/function.

```
1 result = [1.upper() for 1 in letters]
2 print(result)
```

- Finally, we can add a condition to the list comprehension so that the loop only returns values when the condition evaluates to True.
- *Here, we require that the letter in I can be found in the vowels string.

```
1 result = [l.upper() for l in letters if l in vowels]
2 print(result)
```

SLIDE ANALYSING MULTIPLE FILES

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SLIDE ANALYSING MULTIPLE FILES

• We have received several files of data from the inflammation studies, and we would like to perform the same operations on each of them.

We have learned how to open files, read in the data, visualise the data, loop over contents, and make
decisions based on that content.

• Now we need to know how to interact with the filesystem to get our data files.

SLIDE THE os MODULE

- To interact with the filesystem, we need to import the os module
- This allows us to interact with the filesystem in the same way, regardless of the operating system we
 work on
- · Do imports in notebook
- NOTE: it's usual to abbreviate imported modules, e.g. numpy to np, if they are used frequently

```
1 %pylab inline
2
3 import matplotlib.pyplot
4 import numpy as np
5 import os
6 import seaborn
```

SLIDE OS.LISTDIR

- The .listdir() function lists the contents of a directory
- Our data is in the 'data' directory
- Demo code

```
1 | print(os.listdir('data'))
```

• The list can be filtered with a for loop or list comprehension

```
files = [f for f in os.listdir('data')]
print(files)
```

- We can use the .startswith() function of the string object (all the filenames are strings) as the conditional
- We keep only filenames that start with inflammation .

```
files = [f for f in os.listdir('data') if f.startswith('inflammation')]
print(files)
```

SLIDE OS.PATH.JOIN

- The os.listdir() function only returns filenames, not the *path* (relative or absolute) to those files.
- To construct a path, we can use the os.path.join() function. This takes directory and file names, and returns a path built from them, as a string, suitable for the underlying operating system.
- This is useful for making code shareable and usable on all OS/computers
- Demo code

```
1 | print(os.path.join('data', 'inflammation-01.csv'))
```

SLIDE VISUALISING THE DATA

- Now we have all the tools we need to load all the inflammation data files, and visualise the mean, minimum and maximum values in an array of plots.
 - We can get a list of paths to the data files with os and a list comprehension
 - We can load data from a file with np.loadtxt()
 - We can calculate summary statistics with mp.mean(), np.max(), etc.
 - We can create figures with matplotlib, and arrays of figures with .add subplot()

SLIDE VISUALISATION CODE

```
filenames = [os.path.join('data', f) for f in os.listdir('data')
1
2
                  if f.startswith('inflammation')]
3
    for f in filenames:
4
5
        print(f)
6
7
        data = np.loadtxt(fname=f, delimiter=',')
8
9
        fig = matplotlib.pyplot.figure(figsize=(10.0, 3.0))
10
        axes1 = fig.add_subplot(1, 3, 1)
11
12
        axes2 = fig.add_subplot(1, 3, 2)
        axes3 = fig.add_subplot(1, 3, 3)
13
14
15
        axes1.set_ylabel('average')
        axes1.plot(np.mean(data, axis=0))
16
17
         axes2.set_ylabel('max')
18
19
        axes2.plot(np.max(data, axis=0))
20
        axes3.set_ylabel('min')
21
         axes3.plot(np.min(data, axis=0))
22
23
24
        fig.tight_layout()
25
        matplotlib.pyplot.show()
```

• Show the collapse/expand click option in the notebook