

# Introduction to Python for Apache Spark ©Simplilearn. All rights reserved. simpl<sub>i</sub>learn

## **Learning Objectives**

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Define Python and its features
- Identify the benefits of Python
- List the frequently used libraries in Python
- Execute a Python script in different modes
- Describe variables, operators, and conditional and looping statements in Python





Introduction to Python



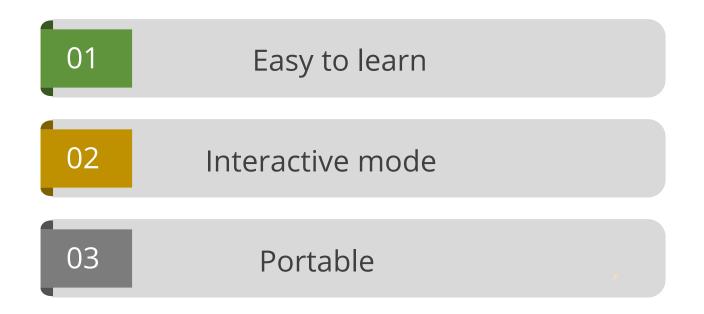
# What Is Python?

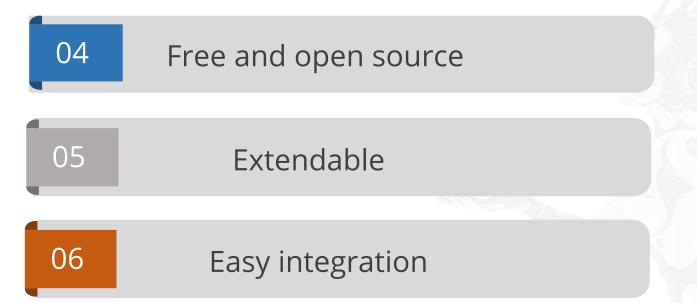


- Python is a general-purpose, object-oriented, and high-level interpreted programming language.
- It was designed by Guido van Rossum in 1991.
- It is used for web development, scripting, web scraping, and data analytics.

# **Features of Python**

The features of Python are:





## **Features of Python**

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**Easy to learn:** Python is an easy-to-learn programming language with a straightforward structure and a well-defined syntax.

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**Interactive mode**: Python has support for an interactive mode that allows interactive testing and debugging of code snippets.

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**Portable**: Python can run on a wide variety of hardware platforms and has the same interface on all the platforms.



## **Features of Python**

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**Free and open source:** Python is an open-source programming language that is easy to learn and is freely available.

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**Extendable:** Python allows the interpreter to use low-level modules. Adding or customizing these modules can help the programmers increase the efficiency of their tools.

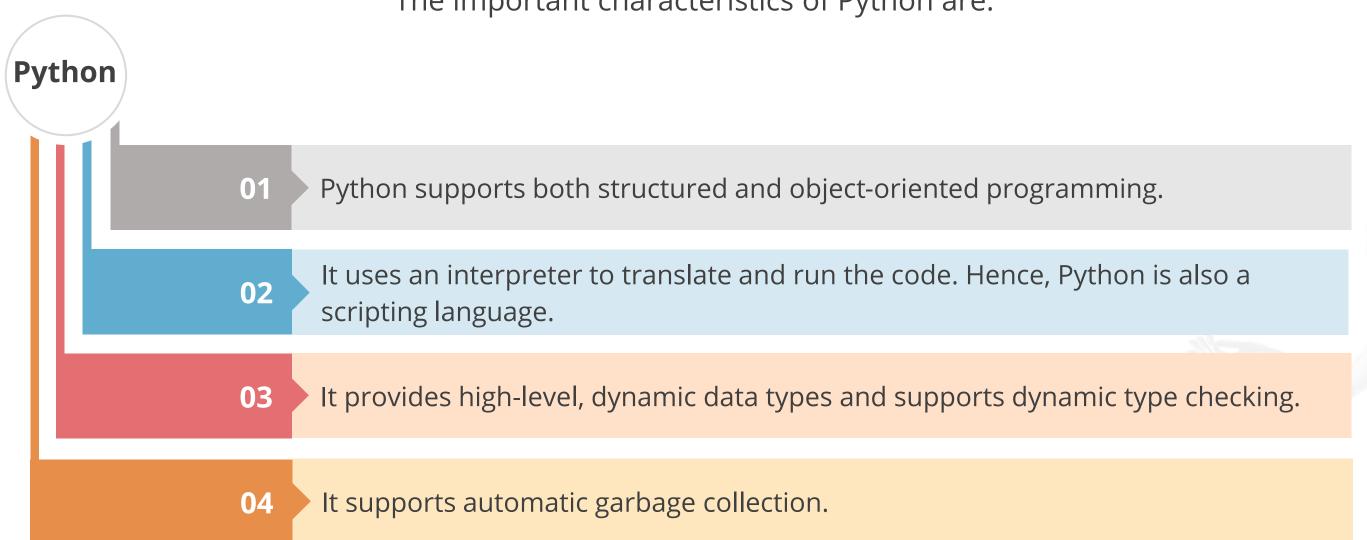
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**Easy integration:** Python can be easily integrated with other programming languages, such as C, C++, and Java.

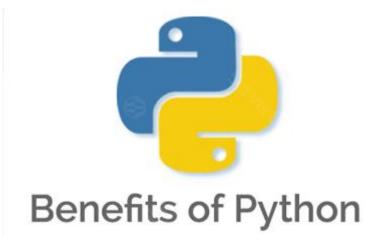


## **Characteristics of Python**

The important characteristics of Python are:



## **Benefits of Python**



- **1. Beginner's language:** Python is great for beginners as it allows the user to create programs from simple text processing.
- 2. Interpreted: Python is processed at runtime by the interpreter and there is no need to compile the code.
- **3. Interactive:** It is possible to directly interact with the interpreter and write programs.
- **4. Object-oriented:** This programming style encapsulates code inside objects.



**Modes of Python** 



## **Python: Modes**

Python can work in the following two modes:

Batch script mode

- In this mode, all statements of a particular program can be written in one file.
- Then, the entire file is executed in one go.

Interpreter mode

- In this mode it is possible to submit each line of code separately and work on the code as a whole.
- Python includes an interpreter that can be used for this purpose.



## **Modes: Batch Script Mode Steps**

```
Example: counter.py
//Creating a new python file command//
vi counter.py
counter = 0
while counter < 5:
 print ('Counter Value = ', counter)
 counter = counter + 1
//Run the python file command//
python counter.py
Output:
('Counter Value = ', 0)
('Counter Value = ', 1)
('Counter Value = ', 2)
('Counter Value = ', 3)
('Counter Value = ', 4)
```

## Steps to perform:

- Log in to the Webconsole and create a Python file with the .py extension
- Click on the letter "I" to enter the insert mode
- Type an expression or a statement
- To save and exit batch script mode, click on the "esc" key and type ":wq"
- Run the Python file to check the output

**Step 1**: Log in to the **Webconsole** and run the command given below to create a new Python file



**Step 2**: Click on "i" on your keyboard to enter the insert mode



**Step 3**: Enter a Python code

```
counter = 0
while counter < 5:
    print ('Counter Value = ', counter)
    counter = counter + 1</pre>
```

**Step 4**: To save and exit, click on the **"esc"** key and type **":wq"** 

```
counter =
while counter < 5:
    print ('Counter Value = ', counter)
counter = counter + 1
```

**Step 5**: Run the Python script to view the output

```
simplilearn@ip-10-0-31-8 ~]$ python counter.py
('Counter Value = ', 0)
('Counter Value = ', 1)
('Counter Value = ', 2)
('Counter Value = ', 3)
('Counter Value = ', 4)
```

## **Modes: Interpreter Mode Steps**

```
python
>> print("hello")
Output:
Hello
>> print("Simplilearn")
Output:
Simplilearn
```

## **Steps to perform:**

 Open the Python shell or interpreter in Webconsole by typing the given command

### **Command:**

python

- Type an expression or a statement and click on "enter"
- Every expression and statement that is typed is evaluated and executed immediately

## **Interpreter Mode: Steps**

**Step 1**: Log in to the **Webconsole** and run the command given below to enter interpreter mode

```
implilearn@ip-10-0-31-8 ~]$ python
Python 2.7.5 (default, Apr 2 2020, 13:16:51)
[GCC 4.8.5 20150623 (Red Hat 4.8.5-39)] on linux2
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>>
```

**Step 2**: Enter an expression and click on enter to execute it and view the output

```
>>> print("Simplilearn")
Simplilearn
>>>
```

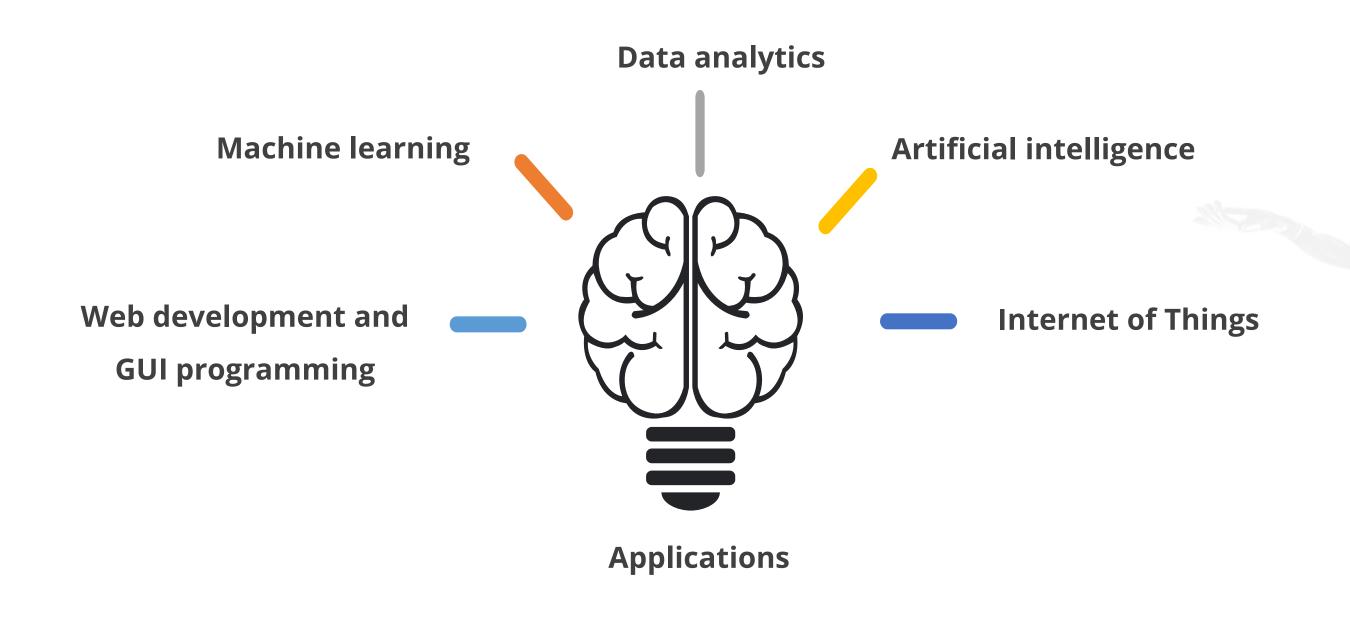


**Applications of Python** 



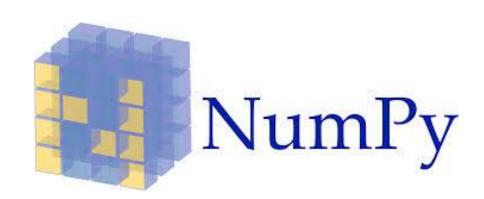
## **Applications of Python**

Python has various applications in multiple fields including:



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## **Frequently Used Libraries In Python**





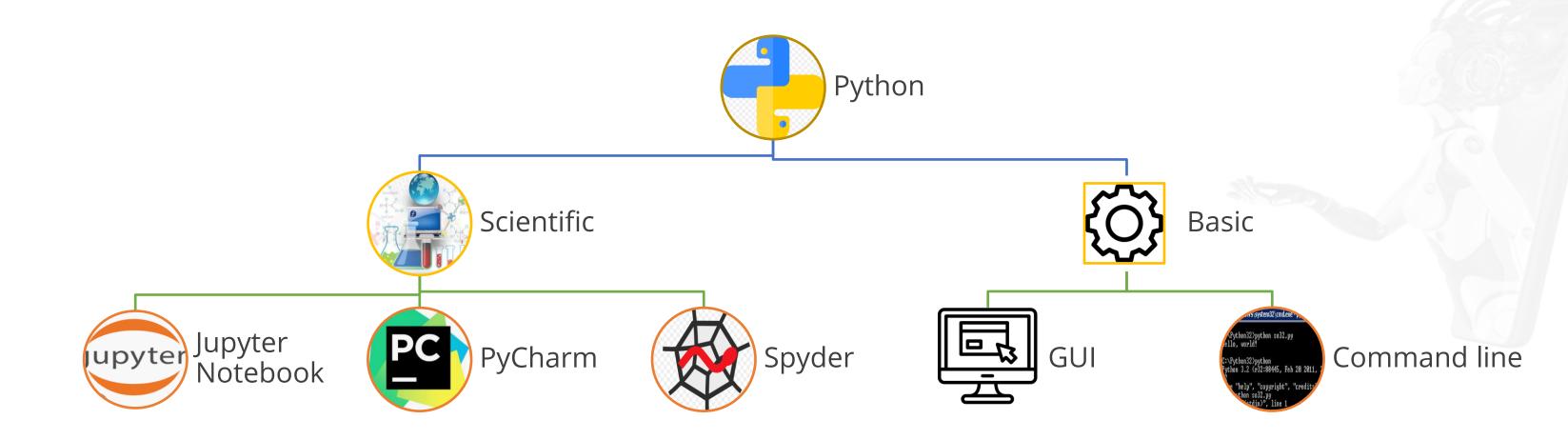






## **Python: Environments**

Python has IDLE (integrated development and learning environment), which supports both basic and scientific learning environments. Codes are written in and outputs are generated from IDLE.



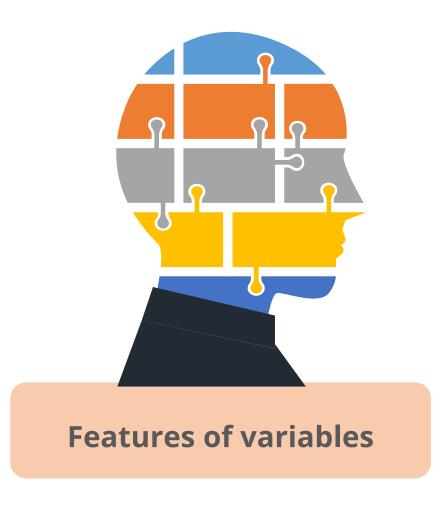


Variables in Python



## **Variables: Features**

A Python variable is a reserved memory location to store values.



- A variable can hold a value or a string.
- A variable name should have some meaning.

Example: age = 20

age is the variable name that indicates the age of a person.

- A variable's name must start with a letter or an underscore.
- An assignment statement creates new variables and gives them values.

## **Types of Values Stored in a Variable**

Python can store values of different types in a variable:

# **String**Stores text

Name = "Adam"
print(Name)
Output : Adam

# **Int**Stores real numbers

```
Example: num.py

Age = 11
print(Age)

Output : 11
```

# **Float**Stores decimal values

```
Pi_value = 3.142
print(Pi_value)

Output : 3.142
```



## **Types of Values Stored in a Variable**

Python can store values of different types in a variable:

### Boolean

Stores true or false values

# Example: bool.py Is\_python = True print(Is\_python) Output :True

#### List

Stores multiple values of any type in one variable

```
Example: list.py

My_list = ["a","b",123]
print(My_list)

Output : ['a','b',123]
```

## **Dictionary**

Stores data as a keyvalue pair

```
phone_dict={}
phone_dict['john']
={987654}
print(phone_dict)
output :
{'john': set([987654])}
```



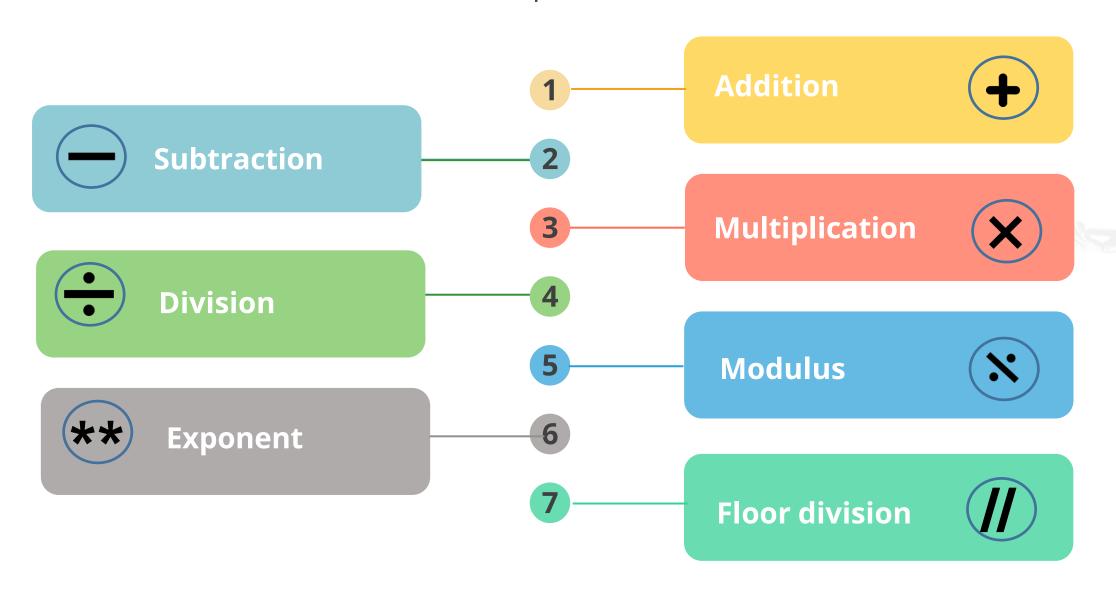
**Operators in Python** 



## **Operators in Python**

Operators are special symbols that represent computation. The values that an operator acts on are called operands.

## The different operators are:



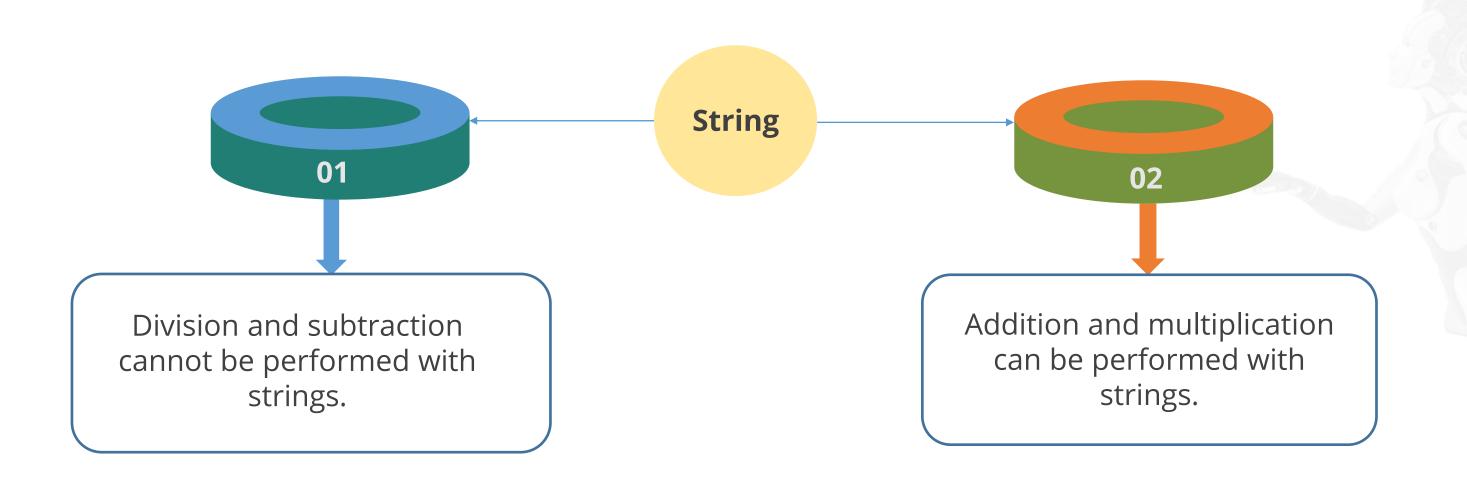
# **Arithmetic Operators**

The following table contains the list of operators and their descriptions with examples.

Operator	Description	Example
+ Addition	Adds multiple operands and generates a result	a+b
- Subtraction	Subtracts the right-hand operand from the left-hand operand	a-b
* Multiplication	Multiplies values on either side of the operator	a*b
/ Division	Divides the left-hand operand by the right-hand operand	a/b
% Modulus	Divides the left-hand operand by the right-hand operand and returns a reminder	a%b
** Exponent	Returns an exponential (power) calculation on operators	a**b
// Floor division	Represents the division of operands where the result is the quotient, that is, the digits after the decimal point are removed	a//b

# **Operations on Strings**

All arithmetic operations cannot be performed on strings.



## **Operations on Strings**

The operations that can be performed on strings are explained below.

"+" is used to concatenate strings

```
Example: concat.py:

a = "Hello"
b = "World!!"
a+b
Output: "Hello World!!"
```

"\*" performs repetition on strings

```
Example: repeat.py:

a = "Hello"
a*3
Output: "HelloHelloHello"
```

## **Order of Operands**

### **Solution**

#### **Problem**

What should be done when an expression has multiple operands?

## **Example**:

2\*3+1

**Solution:** 7



Precedence order is followed

- 1. Parentheses: Top precedence ((1+1)\*8 = 16)
- **2. Exponentiation:** Next highest precedence

$$((1+1) ** (5-2) = 8)$$

3. Multiplication and Division: Same precedence

$$(25/2 * 3.14 = 39.25)$$

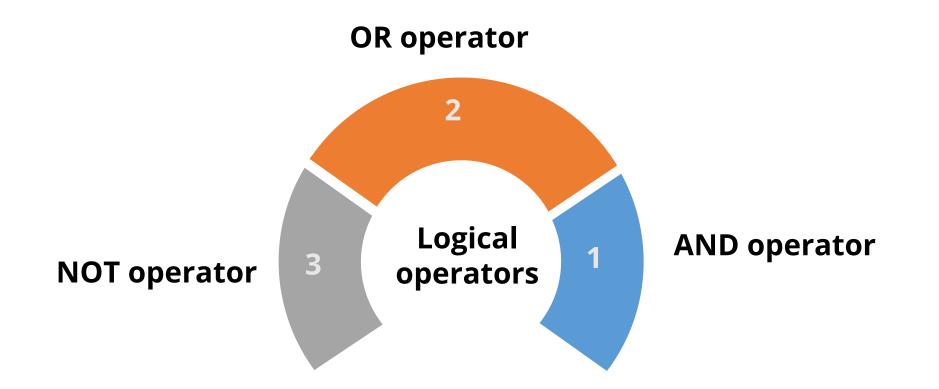
#### Note:

- Operators with the same precedence are evaluated from left to right
- **PEMDAS**: Parentheses, exponents, multiplication, division addition, and subtraction



# **Logical Operators in Python**

Logical operators are used with Boolean expressions or variables.



## **Logical Operators: AND Operator**

When all variables are true, the logical *AND* operator is employed to provide a true result.

```
Example: bool.py:

a = True
b = True
c = False

a and b
Output:
True

a and c
Output:
False
```

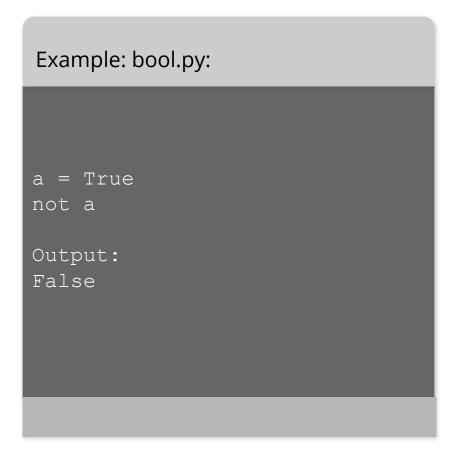
# **Logical Operators: OR Operator**

When one of the variables is true, the logical *OR* operator is employed to provide a true result.

```
Example: bool.py
a = True
b = True
c = False
a or b
Output:
True
a or c
Output:
 True
```

# **Logical Operators: NOT Operator**

A *NOT* operator returns the opposite of a value.



# **Variable Comparison in Python**

It is possible to check equality and inequality between two variables in Python.

## **Equality (==)**

```
Example: equality.py:

a = 10
b = 10
a==b
Output:
True

c = 5
a == c
Output:
False
```

## Inequality (!= or <>)

```
Example: inequality.py:

a = 10
b = 10
a!=b
Output:
False

c = 5
a != c
Output:
True
```

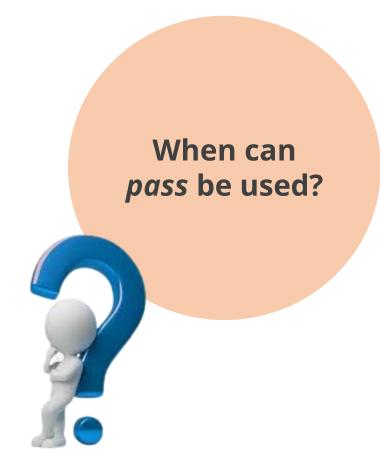


**Control Statements in Python** 



## **Pass in Control Statements**

A *pass* statement is a null operation with no code to execute and can be used as a place holder for a code.



- 1. It can be used when the user does not know what code to write inside the loop.
- 2. It can be used when the user does not wish to write any code for execution.
- 3. It can be used when empty code is not allowed, such as in loops, function definitions, and class definitions.
- 4. It can be used with conditional statements.

# **Pass in Control Statements**

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Pass can be used when the user does not know what code to write inside the loop.

```
n = 7
for i in range(n):

#Pass can be used as a placeholder
  pass
```



02

# **Pass in Control Statements**

Pass can be used when the user does not wish to write any code for execution.

```
if 1 + 1 == 2:
    print("Coding is fun")
    pass
    print("Hello")

Output:
Coding is fun
Hello
```



## **Pass in Control Statements**

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The user can use *pass* where empty code is not allowed, such as loops, function definitions, and class definitions.

```
def simplilearnFunction():
    pass

#This function will not give any output and will pass this function
```

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# **Pass in Control Statements**

Pass statement can be used with conditional statements.

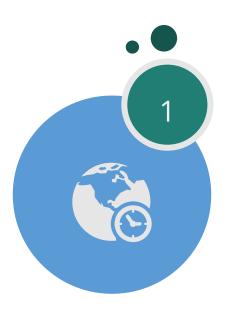
```
Example: pass4.py:
my_list=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd']
for i in my_list:
    if(i == 'a'):
        pass
    else:
        print(i)
Output:
```



## **Conditional Statements**

Control or conditional statements allow one to check the conditions and change the behavior of a program.

### Conditional statements have these abilities:



It can run a selected section of the program.



Conditions can control the flow of a program.



The different conditions can cover different scenarios.



# **Conditional Statements: Types**

The different types of conditional statements are:

#### "if" clause

```
x=5
if x > 0:
  print "x is positive"

Output:
  x is positive
```

### "if-else" clause

```
Example:
   age= 20
   if age > 18:
      print "Person is an adult."
   else:
      print "Person is not an adult."

Output:
   Person is an adult.
```

# **Conditional Statements: Types**

The different types of conditional statements are:

#### "if-elif" clause

### "if-elif else" clause

```
marks= 2
if marks > 90:
        print "A grade"
elif marks >= 80:
        print "B grade"
elif marks >= 6:
        print "C grade"
else:
        print "Fail"

Output:
Fail
```

# **Conditional Statements: Types**

The different types of conditional statements are:

### **Nested if**

```
location = 'US'
age= 20
if location == 'US':
   if age > 18:
       print "Person is an adult from US"
   else:
       print "Person is not an adult from US"

Output:
Person is an adult from US
```



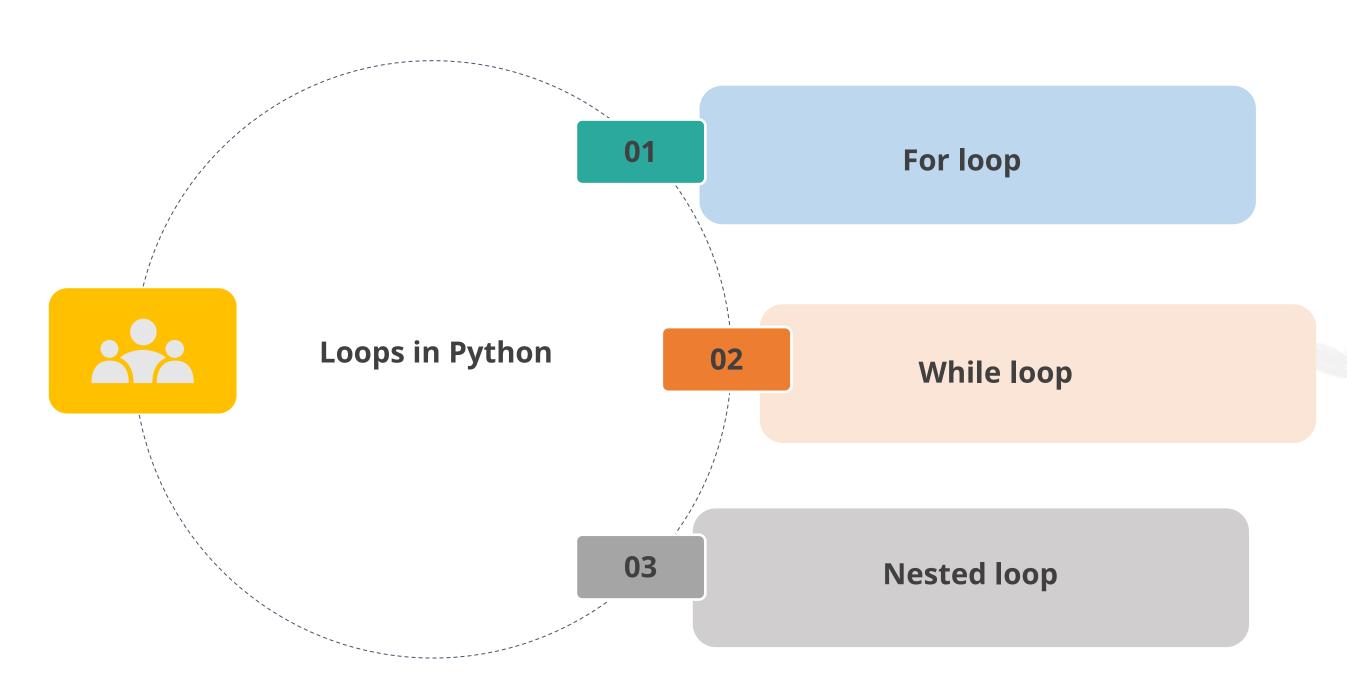


**Loop Statements in Python** 



# **Loops in Python**

A loop statement can execute a statement or group of statements many times.



# **Range Function**

The *range* function is used with the loop statements and provides a result as a list of numbers that start from zero to a given number minus one.

```
Example: Range

range (5)

Output:
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
```

# **Loops In Python: For Loop**

A for loop runs an action repeatedly. It helps to iterate over a sequence, such as a list or a string.

```
fruits = ['apple' , 'mango' , 'orange' , 'banana']
for fruit in fruits:
    print fruit

Output:
apple
mango
orange
banana
```



# **Loops In Python: While Loop**

A while loop runs an action repeatedly until the base condition is satisfied.

```
Example: While Loop

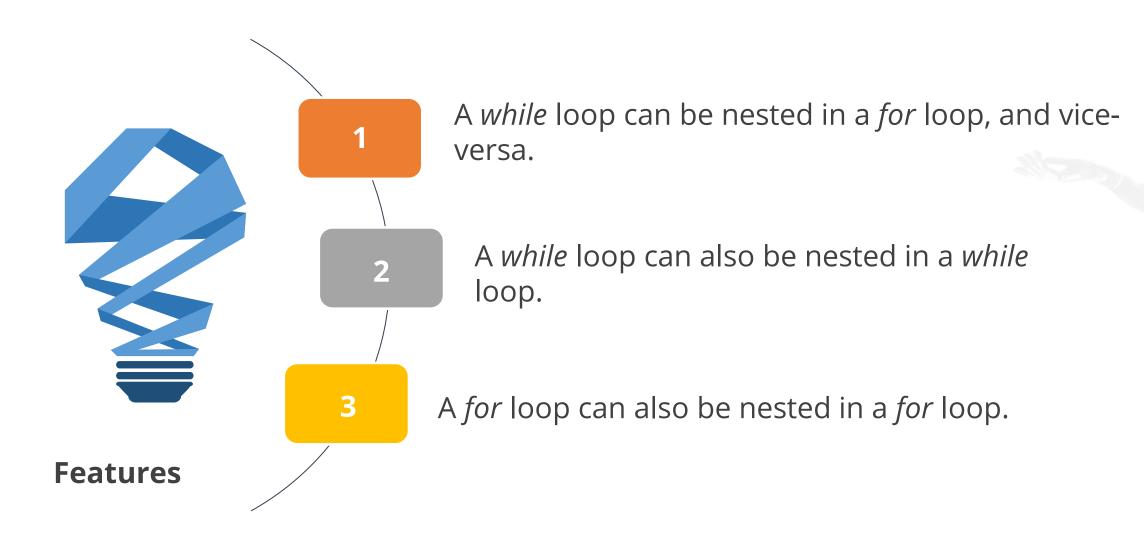
x = 0
while x <= 5:
    print x
    x = x+1
Output
0
1
2
3
4
5</pre>
```



# **Loops In Python: Nested Loop**

It is a loop that is defined inside another loop.

## Features of nested loops are:



# **Loops In Python: Nested Loop**

An example of a nested loop is given below:

```
Example: Nested Loop
adjective = ["red", "big", "tasty"]
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
for x in adjective:
  for y in fruits:
    print(x, y)
Output:
('red', 'apple')
('red', 'banana')
('red', 'cherry')
('big', 'apple')
('big', 'banana')
('big', 'cherry')
('tasty', 'apple')
('tasty', 'banana')
('tasty', 'cherry')
```



# **Assisted Practice 11.1: List Operations**



Duration: 15 mins

**Problem statement:** In this demonstration, you will learn how to work with lists.

**Objective:** This assisted practice will help you implement lists and work with them.

Tasks to be completed:

### 1. Remove empty strings from the list given below:

## 2. Write a program to insert 7000 after 6000 in the following Python list:

List2 = [10, 20, [300, 400, [5000, 6000], 500], 30, 40]

## 3. Write a program to extend the nested list by inserting a sublist:

Expected result: ['a', 'b', ['c', ['d', 'e', ['f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'j'], 'k'], 'l'], 'm', 'n']

# **Assisted Practice 11.1: List Operations**



### Task 1:

#### Remove null values from a list

- 1. Create a list
- 2. Remove the null values from *List1* and convert the result into a list
- 3. Print the result

#### Task 2:

## Write a program to insert 7000 after 6000 in the following Python list

- 1. Create a list
- 2. Append 7000 after 6000 using the append function
- 3. Print the result

# **Assisted Practice 11.1: List Operations**



### Task 3:

## Write a program to extend the nested list by inserting a sublist:

- 1. Create a list and the sublist
- 2. Extend the innermost list by appending the created sublist using the extend function

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# **Assisted Practice 11.2: Swap Two Strings**



Duration: 10 mins

**Problem Statement:** Write a Python program that takes two string inputs from the user and performs the swapping operation on the strings

**Objective:** This assisted practice will help you understand strings and their operations.

## **Sample string input:**

String\_1 = "Hello"

String\_2 = "Simplilearn"

## **Expected Swapped output:**

String\_1 = "Simplilearn"

String\_2 = "Hello"

# **Assisted Practice 11.2: Swap Two Strings**



## Steps to perform

- 1. Take the string inputs from the user and display the input strings before performing the swapping operation
- 2. Perform the swapping operation
- 3. Display the strings after the swapping operation

# **Assisted Practice 11.3: Merge Two Dictionaries**



Duration: 10 mins

**Problem Statement:** Write a Python program that takes two dictionaries as the input and merges these inputs

**Objective:** This assisted practice will help you understand dictionaries and their operations.

## **Sample input:**

Enter one item for the first dictionary:

Enter the key: "Name"

Enter the value: "Ted"

Enter one item for the second dictionary:

Enter the key: "Occupation"

Enter the value: "Architect"

### **Expected output:**

The two dictionaries have merged successfully.

The new dictionary is: {'Name': 'Ted', 'Occupation': 'Architect'}

# **Assisted Practice 11.3: Merge Two Dictionaries**



## **Steps to perform**

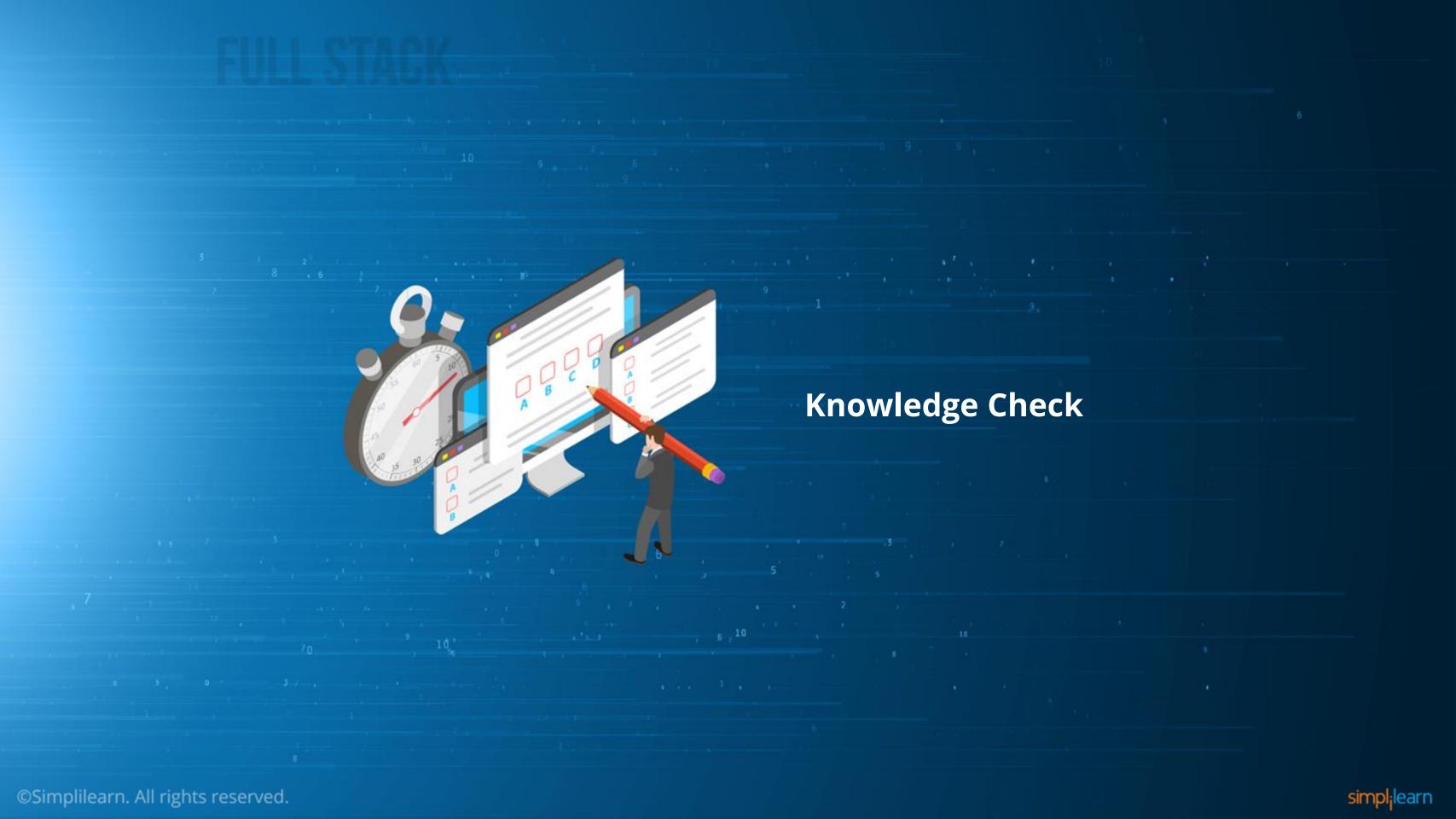
- 1. Create two empty dictionaries
- 2. Take input from the user for the first and second dictionary
- 3. Perform the merging operation using the update function

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# **Key Takeaways**

- Python is a high-level, interpreted, and object-oriented programming language.
- The frequently used libraries in Python are NumPy, pandas, SciPy, Matplotlib, and scikit-learn.
- Jupyter is an open-source and interactive web-based Python interface for data science and scientific computing.
- Python script can be in batch mode or interpreter mode.





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## Which of the following commands helps to print the version of Anaconda in Python?

- A. --version
- B. sys.version
- C. print version
- D. print sys.version





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- A. --version
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The correct answer is D

The command print sys.version helps to print the version of Anaconda in Python.



2

# Which of the following is NOT an appropriate way to print in Python?

- A. Print ('Hi')
- B. Print ("Hi")
- C. Print Hi
- D. All of the above





2

Which of the following is NOT an appropriate way to print a string in Python?

- A. print ('Hi')
- B. print ("Hi")
- C. print Hi
- D. All of the above



The correct answer is C

Print Hi is not an appropriate way to print in Python.





**Thank You**