

## IT Tools and Practices

### \* PEP in python \*

- 1) What is PEP?
- PEP Stands for Python ENhancement PROposal. A PEP is a design document providing information on to the Python community , or describing a new feature for Python or its Processes or environment . The PEP Should Provide a concise technical Specification of the feature and a rationale for the feature .

### \* Code Lay-out \*

- \* use 4 spaces per indentational level .

continuation lines should align wrapped elements either vertically using Python's implicit line joining inside parentheses , brackets and braces , or using a hanging indent . When using a hanging indent the following should be considered ; there should be no arguments on the first line and further indentation should be used to clearly distinguish itself as a continuation line .

# correct :

# Aligned with opening  
delimiter .

Foo =

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long - function - name (var-one, var-two,  
var-three, var-four)

# Add 4 Spaces

(an extra level of indentation)  
to distinguish arguments from the rest.

def long - function - name (var-one, var-two,  
var-three, var-four);

print (var-one)

# Hanging indents should add a level.

foo = long - function - name (var-one, var-two,  
var-three, var-four)

# wrong:

# Arguments on first line for hidden when no  
padding using vertical alignment.

Foo =

long - function - name (var-one, var-two, var-three,  
var-four)

# further indentation required as indentation  
is not distinguishable.

def long - function - name (var-one, var-two, var-three,  
var-four):

print (var-one)

\* The 4-space rule is optional for continuation lines.  
optional:

# Hanging indents \*may\* be indented to other than 4 spaces

```
foo = long_function_(var-one, var-two,
                     var-three, var-four)
```

When the conditional part of an if-Statement is long enough (to require that it be written across multiple lines, it's worth character keyword (ie. if) plus a single, plus a single space, plus an opening parenthesis creates a natural 4-space indent for the subsequent lines of the multiline conditional. This can produce a visual conflict with the indent state of code posted inside the if- statement most(), which would also naturally be indented to - 4 spaces.

This PEP takes no explicit position on how to further visually distinguish such conditional lines from the nested suite inside the if-statement. acceptable options in this situation include, but are not limited to:

# No extra indentation.

```
if (this - is - one thing and that is - another
thing do - something())
```

# Add a comment, which will provide some distinction in editors

# Supporting Syntax

highlighting.

```
if (this - is - one - thing and that - is - another - thing);
```

# Since both conditions are true, we can frobulate.

do - something()

# Add some extra indentation on the condition continuation line.

if (this - is - one - thing and

that - is - another - thing);

do - something()

The closing brace} braces/paranthesis on multiline constructs may either line up under the first non-white-space character of the last line of list, as in:

my - list - [

1, 2, 3,

4, 5, 6,

]

`result =`  
`some - function - that - takes - arguments (a; b; c;`  
`d; e; f; )`

or it may be lined up under the first character  
of the line that starts the multiline construct,  
as in:

```
my - list = [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,
```

`result =`  
`some - function - that - takes - arguments (`  
`a; b; c;`  
`d; e; f; )`

#### \* Tabs or Spaces?

Spaces are the preferred indentation method.

Tabs should be used solely to remain consistent  
with code that is already indented with tabs.

Python disallows mixing tabs and spaces for  
indentation

#### \* Maximum line length

Limit all lines to a maximum of 79 characters.

for flowing long blocks of text with fewer structural restrictions, the line length should be limited to 72 characters.

Limiting the required editor window width makes it possible to have several files open side by side, and works well when using code review tools that present the two various in adjacent columns.

The default wrapping in most tools disrupts the visual structure of the code, making it more difficult to understand. The limits are chosen to avoid wrapping in editors with the window width set to 80, even if the tool places a marker glyph in the final column when wrapping lines. Some web based tools may not offer dynamic line wrapping at all.

### \* Source file Encoding

Code in the core Python distribution should always use UTF-8, and should not have an encoding declaration.

All identifiers in the Python standard library must use ASCII-only identifiers, and should use English words feasible.

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## \* IMPORTS.

Imports should usually be on separate lines:

# correct:

import os

import sys

# wrong:

import sys, os

It's okay to say this though

# correct:

from SubProcess import subprocess

Popen, PIPE

- Imports are always put at the top of the file, just after any module comments and docstrings, and before module globals and constants.

Imports should be grouped in the following order

- 1) Standard library imports
- 2) Related third Party imports.
- 3) Local application/library specific imports.

\* Absolute imports are recommended, as they are usually more readable and tend to be better behaved if the imports system is

incorrectly configured.

```
import myPkg.sibling  
from myPkg import sibling  
from myPkg.Sibling import  
example
```

However, explicit relations imports are an acceptable alternative to absolute imports, especially when dealing with complex package layouts where using absolute imports would be unnecessary.

```
from . import sibling  
from .Sibling import  
example
```

Standard literary code should avoid complex package layout and always use absolute imports.

When importing a class from a class-containing module, it's usually okay to spell this;

```
from my_class import myClass  
from foo.bar.your_class import yourClass
```

If this spelling causes local name clashes, then spell them explicitly:

```
import my class
import foo.bar.yourclass
```

and used "my class", "MyClass" and  
"foo.bar.yourclass", "yourclass".

## \* module level dunder names

module level "dunders" such as - \_\_all\_\_,  
\_\_author\_\_, \_\_version\_\_, etc.  
should be placed after the module docstring  
but before any import statements except for  
- future-import. Python mandates that future  
imports must appear in the module before  
any other code except docstrings:

""" This is the example

module.

This module class stuff.

```
from __future__ import
barry-as-future
--- all --> [ 'a', 'b', 'c' ]
--- version --> '0.1'
--- author --> 'cardinal
Biggles'
```

```
import os
import sys
```



## String quotes

In Python, single-quoted strings and double-quoted strings are the same. This PEP does not make a recommendation for this. Pick a rule and stick to it. When a string contains single or double quote characters, however, use the other one to avoid backslashes in the string. It improves readability.

For triple-quoted string, ~~It's~~ always use double quote characters to be consistent with theasString convention in PEP 287.



## White space in Expressions and Statements Peculiarities

Avoid extraneous whitespace in the following situations:

- Immediately inside Parentheses, brackets or braces:

# Correct:

`SPam (ham[1], {eggs:2})`

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# wrong:

spam (ham[1], eggs[2])

\* Between a trailing comma and a following close parenthesis and (P:1) and (E:1) and [E:P:1] and

# correct:

foo = (10,)

# wrong:

bar = (0,)

\* Immediately before a comma, semicolon, or colon:

# correct:

if x = -y : print(x,y): x,

y = y, x

# wrong:

if x = -y ; print(x,y);

x, y = y, x

\* However, in a slice the colon acts like a binary operator, and should have equal amount on either side. In an extended slice, both colons must have the same amount.

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of spacing applied.

Exception: when a slice parameter is on  
the space is omitted!

# Correct:

ham [1:9], ham [1:9:3],

ham [;9:3], ham [1:;3],

ham [1:9:]

ham [lower:upper],

ham [lower:upper:],

ham [lower::step]

ham [lower+offset:upper+step]

upper + offset])

ham[:upper-fn(x):

Step - fn(x)], ham[:

Step - fn(x)]

ham [lower + offset: upper + offset])

# Wrong:

ham [lower + offset :upper + offset])

ham [1:9], ham[1:9],

ham [1:9:3]

ham [lower: upper])

ham [: upper])

\* Immediately before the open parenthesis  
that starts the argument list of a function  
all !

# Correct:  
spam(1)

# Wrong:  
spam(1)

\* Immediately before the open parenthesis  
that starts an indexing or slicing

# Correct:

`det['key'] = 1st [Index]`

# Wrong:

`det['key'] = 1st [Index]`

\* More than one space around an assignment  
(or other) operator to align it with another.

# Correct:

`x = 1`

`y = 2`

`long-variable = 3`

# Wrong:

`x = 1`

`y = 2`

`long-variable = 3`

## \* Descriptive: naming styles

There are a lot of different naming style. It helps to be also to recognizing what naming style is being used, independently from what they are use for.

The following naming styles are commonly distinguished:

- 1) b(single lowercase letter)
- 2) B(single uppercase letter)
- 3) lowercase
- 4) lower-case - with - underscore
- 5) upper case
- 6) upper - case - with - underscore
- 7) capitalized words for (apwords), or camel case so named because of the bumpy look of its letters.  
This is also sometimes known as Study caps.

- \* mixed case (differs from capitalized words by initial lowercase character)
- \* capitalized - words - with - underscores (ugly!)
 

There's also the style of using a short unique prefix to group related names together. This is not used much in Python, but it is mentioned for completeness. For example the `os.stat()` function returns a type whose items traditionally have names like `st_mode`, `st_size`, `st_mtime` and so on.
- \* Single - Leading - underscore: "weak" internal use" indicator. Eg. from `minfo` does not import objects whose names start with an underscore.
- \* Single - trailing - underscore: used by convention to avoid conflicts with Python key word, eg. `+key`. Top level (master, class `__class__` 'classname')
- \* -double - leading - underscore: when naming a class attribute, invokes name mangling consider class `fooBar`, `_bar` becomes `_fooBar_bar` (see below)

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- \* -double- leading underscore: when naming a class (att. Yate) invokes name mangling consider class `fooBar`, `_bar` becomes `_fooBar` (See below)

- \* — double - leading - and - trailing - underscore "magic" objects or attributes that live in user - centre ied name space . E.g .
  - init — , — import — or — file — never invent such names ; only use them as documented .

#### \* Names to avoid

Never use the characters 'l' (lowercase el) , 'o' (uppercase letter oh) , or 'I' (uppercase letter eye) as single character variable names .

In some fonts , these characters are indistinct - M.i. Should from the numerals one and zero . When tempted to use 'l' , use 'L' instead .

#### \* Exception names

Because exceptions should be classes , class naming convention applies here . However , you should use the suffix " Error " on your exception names .

## \* function and variable names

function names should be lowercase, with words separated by underscores as necessary to improve readability.

variable names follow the same convention as function names

mixedcase is allowed only in contexts where that's already the prevailing style (e.g. from reading .Py), to retain backwards compatibility.

## \* function and method arguments

Always use `self` for the first argument to class method

If a function argument's name clashes with a reserved keyword, it is generally better to append a single trailing underscore rather than use an @ or spelling corruption thus `class_` is better than `class`,

## \* method names and instance variables

use the function naming rules: lowercase with words separated by underscores as necessary to improve readability.

use one leading underscore only for non-public method and instance variables.

To avoid name clashes with subclasses, use two leading underscores to invoke mangle mangling rules.

Python mangles these names with the class names if class foo has an attribute named it cannot be accessed by foo.a (An insistence user could still gain access by calling foo.

a.) Generally, double leading un-underscores should be used only to avoid name conflicts with attributes in classes designed to be subclassed.

Note: there is some controversy about the use of \_ names.

### \* constants

Constants are usually defined on a module level and written in all capital letters with underscores separating. Examples include MAX\_FLOW and TOTAL.

## \* Designing for Inheritance

Always decide whether a class's method and instance variables (collecting: "attributes") should be public or non-public. If in doubt, choose non-public; it's easier to make it public later to make a public attribute. PON - Public.

Public attributes are those that you expect related clients of yours to use, with your commitment to avoid backward incompatible changes. Non-public attributes are those are not intended to be used by third parties; you make guarantees that non-public attributes won't change or even be removed.

With this in mind, here are the Pythonic guidelines:

- 1) Public attributes should have no leading underscores.
- 2) If your public attribute name calling with a reserved keyword, append a single trailing underscore to your attribute name. This is preferable to an abbreviation or corrupted spelling.

Note 1: See the argument name `recommendation` for class methods.

\* For simple public data attributes, it is better to suppose just the attribute name without complicated accessors/mutators. However, keep in mind that Python provides an easy path to future enhancement. Should you find that a simple data attribute needs to grow functional behavior,

In that case, use properties to hide functional implementation behind simple data attribute access syntax.

Note 1: Try to keep the functional behavior side-effect free, although side-effects and caching are generally fine.

Note 2: Avoid using properties for computationally expensive operations. The attribute notation makes the caller believe that access it (relatively) cheap.

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- 6) Like linters, type checkers are optional, separate tools. Python interpreters by default should not issue any message due to type checking and should not affect their behavior based on annotations.

## \* Variable Annotations

Pep 526 introduced variable annotations. The style recommendations for them are similar to those on function annotations described above.

- 1) Annotations for module level variables, class and instance variable, and local variables should have a single space after the colon.
- 2) There should be no space before the colon.
- 3) If an assignment has a right hand side then the equality sign should have exactly one space on both sides!

# CORRECT:

Code: int

```

class Point:
    def __init__(self, x=0, y=0):
        self.coords = (x, y)
        self.label = str(x) + ", " + str(y)

    def __str__(self):
        return f'{self.label} at {self.coords}'
```

# wrong!

code: int # no space after colon

code : int # no spaces before colon.

```

class Test:
    result: int = 0 # no spaces available
                    # equality sign.
```

- \* Although the PEP 8 is accepted for Python 3.8, the variable annotation syntax is the preferred syntax for sub files on all versions of Python