Variables

Python is case sensitive

```
Print "Hello World!"
```

Assignment Operator

The most common form of statements in python is an assignment statement

An assignment statement has the following form

LHS = RHS;

This is **NOT** an equation!

The = in the middle is the **ASSIGNMENT OPERATOR**

An assignment statement performs the following task

Evaluate the **RHS** and assign that value to whatever is on the **LHS**

Assigning Values to Variables

- Python variables do not need explicit declaration to reserve memory space.
 The declaration happens automatically when you assign a value to a variable.
 The equal sign (=) is used to assign values to variables.
- The operand to the left of the = operator is the name of the variable and the operand to the right of the = operator is the value stored in the variable

Lets execute the following code.

```
counter = 100  # An integer assignment
miles = 1000.0  # A floating point
name = "John"  # A string

print counter
print miles
print name
```

Multiple Assignment

 Python allows you to assign a single value to several variables simultaneously. For example –

$$a = b = c = 1$$

 Here, an integer object is created with the value 1, and all three variables are assigned to the same memory location. You can also assign multiple objects to multiple variables. For example –

$$a,b,c = 1,2,"john"$$

Assigning Values to Variables

 Python has various standard data types that are used to define the operations possible on them and the storage method for each of them.

Python has five standard data types -

- Numbers
- String
- List
- Tuple
- Dictionary

Python Numbers

 Number data types store numeric values. Number objects are created when you assign a value to them. For example –

```
var1 = 1
var2 = 10
```

 You can also delete the reference to a number object by using the del statement. The syntax of the del statement is -

```
del var1[,var2[,var3[....,varN]]]]
```

You can delete a single object or multiple objects by using the del statement.
 For example –

```
del var a, var b
```

Python Numbers

- Python supports four different numerical types –
- int (signed integers)
- long (long integers, they can also be represented in octal and hexadecimal)
- float (floating point real values)
- complex (complex numbers