

CS 38003 PYTHON PROGRAMMING

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BASICS

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

- ▶ Programming Languages can be classified into:
 - ▶ High-level languages: designed to be used and understood by humans.
 - ▶ Low-level language: computer hardware can only understand a very low level language known as machine language.
- ▶ High-level languages need to be translated into machine language that the computer can execute.

COMPILING VS. INTERPRETING

- ▶ Compilers convert programs written in a high-level language into the machine language of some computer.
- ▶ An interpreter analyzes and executes the source code instruction by instruction.
- ▶ The source program is not translated into machine language all at once.

COMPILING VS. INTERPRETING

▶ Compiling

- ▶ Once program is compiled, it can be executed over and over without the source code or compiler.
- ▶ Compiled programs generally run faster since the translation of the source code happens only once.

▶ Interpreting

- ▶ the source code and interpreter are needed each time the program runs.
- ▶ Programs developed in interpreted languages could be more flexible since they are developed and run interactively.

PYTHON

- ▶ Python is a general purpose Language. Created by Guido Van Rossum in 1990.
- ▶ It is high-level, dynamic, object-oriented and multiplatform.
- ▶ It is one of the few scripting languages that has been used successfully in large projects.
- ▶ It offers flexibility, elegance and power.

WHY PYTHON?

- ▶ Python programs are more compact than other languages because:
 - ▶ High-level data types allow complex operations in a single statement.
 - ▶ No variable declaration is necessary.
 - ▶ Rich, built-in collection types: Lists, Tuples, Dictionaries, etc.
- ▶ It is very useful in fast prototyping.
- ▶ It receives massive support by the community by providing various useful libraries.
- ▶ Makes programmers focus more on the application rather than coding.

WORKING WITH PYTHON

- ▶ To open Python interpreter on a shell:

```
$ python
```

```
Python 3.6.9 (default, Jul 17 2020, 12:50:27)
```

```
[GCC 8.4.0] on linux
```

```
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
```

```
>>>
```

- ▶ To run a script via command line:

```
$ python filename.py
```

- ▶ To open Jupyter notebook

```
$ jupyter notebook
```


ELEMENTS OF PROGRAMS

- ▶ Names (identifiers): Names are given to variables, functions, etc.
- ▶ Every identifier must begin with a letter or underscore (“_”), followed by any sequence of letters, digits, or underscores.
- ▶ Case sensitive.
- ▶ Reserved keywords should not be used as identifiers, e.g., `print`, `and`, `del`, `for`, `if`, `raise`, `...`, etc.
- ▶ No data type is needed when declaring a variable.
- ▶ No return type is needed when declaring a function.

Operators: `+- * / % ** // << >> & | ^ ~ ...`, etc.

LITERALS

- ▶ 456 integer
- ▶ 3.25 float
- ▶ 45j Imaginary
- ▶ 'String' String Literal
- ▶ "String" String Literal that can contain '
- ▶ """String""" String Literal that can contain " and '

SIMPLE PROGRAM

```
# reading the temp from the user and converting it to a float
c = float(input('Enter temp: '))
```

```
# converting the temp from c to f
f = (9.0/5.0 * c) + 32
```

```
# printing out both temps
print('Temp in c = ', c, 'Temp in f = ', f)
```

```
Enter temp: 37.5
```

```
Temp in c = 37.5 Temp in f = 99.5
```

DATA TYPES

BASIC PYTHON DATA TYPES

- ▶ Integer : A whole number: 2, 10.
 - ▶ Use `int(x)` to convert x to integer.

Float : Representing the decimals: 1.5, 10.3.

- ▶ Use `float(x)` to convert x to float.
- ▶ String : Any sequence of characters enclosed by string quotes: 5', "abc".
 - ▶ Use `str(x)` to convert x to string.

Boolean : Takes only two values: True, False.

- ▶ Use `bool(x)` to convert x to boolean.
- ▶ Containers:
 - ▶ That hold any data type: Lists [1, 2, 3, 'a', 'xyz']

- ▶ User defined data types: Classes

BASIC PYTHON DATA TYPES

`input("prompt message")` is used to read data from user

```
>>> applicant = input("Enter the applicant's name: ")
```

```
Enter the applicant's name: John
```

```
>>> interviewer = input("Enter the interviewer's name: ")
```

```
Enter the interviewer's name: Emily
```

```
>>> time = input("Enter the appointment time: ")
```

```
Enter the appointment time: 2:00 PM
```

```
>>> print (interviewer, "will interview", applicant, "at", time)
```

```
Emily will interview John at 2:00 PM
```

The default data type of input data is String

PRINTING

- ▶ Printing to console is done by using the function `print`
- ▶ The data type of `print` output is String

```
>>> print (123)
123
```

```
>>> print ('123')
123
```

```
>>> x = 10
>>> print ('x = ', x)
x = 10
```

```
>>> print (2+6)
8
```

```
>>> print (50)
50
```

ARITHMETIC OPERATIONS

- ▶ Arithmetic operators inherit their definitions from the data types of operands e.g., `int`, `floating point`.
- ▶ Operations on `float` produce `float`.
- ▶ Operations on `int` produce `int` (except for `/`).
- ▶ What if one operand is `int` and the other is `float`?

ARITHMETIC OPERATIONS

```
>>> 7.5/2
```

```
3.75
```

```
>>> 5/2
```

```
2.5
```

```
>>> 5.0/2
```

```
2.5
```

```
>>> 5.0//2
```

```
2.0
```

```
>>> 5//2
```

```
2
```

```
>>> 10%3
```

```
1
```

```
>>> 10.0%3
```

```
1.0
```

DATA TYPE CONVERSION

```
>>> sname = input("Enter the student's name: ")
```

```
Enter the student's name: Ally
```

```
>>> print ('name: ', sname, type(sname))
```

```
name:  Ally <class 'str'>
```

```
>>> grade1 = input('Enter grade1: ')
```

```
Enter grade1: 10
```

```
>>> print ('grade1: ', grade1, type(grade1))
```

```
grade1:  10 <class 'str'>
```

```
>>> grade1_int = int(grade1)
```

```
>>> print ('grade1_int: ', grade1_int, type(grade1_int))
```

```
grade1_int:  10 <class 'int'>
```

DATA TYPE CONVERSION

```
>>> grade2 = input('Enter grade2: ')\nEnter grade2: 10.5
```

```
>>> grade2_float = float(grade2)\n>>> print ('grade2_float: ', grade2_float, type(grade2_float))\ngrade2_float: 10.5 <class 'float'>
```

```
>>> grade2_int = int(grade2_float)\n>>> print ('grade2_int: ', grade2_int, type(grade2_int))\ngrade2_int: 10 <class 'int'>
```

```
>>> total = grade1_int + grade2_float\nprint('total: ', total, type(total))\ntotal: 20.5 <class 'float'>
```

EXPRESSIONS

- ▶ An expression is a combination of one or more constants, variables, operators and functions.
- ▶ Standard mathematical precedence rules apply.

```
>>> ( ( 2 ** 4 ) + 4 ) + 2
```

```
22
```

```
>>> 4 / 2 ** 2
```

```
1.0
```

BOOLEANS

- ▶ Booleans are truth values.
- ▶ **False** an expression that is untrue.
- ▶ **True** an expression that is true.
- ▶ All **None** values are considered **False** by Python.
- ▶ **None** is the equivalent of 'null' in Java or C.
- ▶ Any other value (**Int**, **Float**, **Bool** or **String**) is **True**.

EXAMPLES

```
>>> bool(0)
```

```
False
```

```
>>> bool(1)
```

```
True
```

```
>>> bool(123)
```

```
True
```

```
>>> bool(0.5)
```

```
True
```

```
>>> bool(-1)
```

```
True
```

```
>>> bool('a')
```

```
True
```

```
>>> bool('')
```

```
False
```

```
>>> bool([])
```

```
False
```

```
>>> bool({})
```

```
False
```

```
>>> bool(None)
```

```
False
```

BOOLEAN EXPRESSIONS

- ▶ == equality
- ▶ != inequality
- ▶ > greater than
- ▶ >= greater than or Equal
- ▶ < less than
- ▶ <= less than or

COMBINING BOOLEAN EXPRESSIONS

- ▶ Python provides several logical operators for conditions.
 - ▶ **and** (all must be **True**)
 - ▶ **or** (either must be **True**)
 - ▶ **not** (must not be **True**)
- ▶ **xor** (ONLY one must be **True**)
- ▶ These operators allow combining different conditions together.
- ▶ Bit operations similar are similar to java' s:
 - ▶ **&** (and), **|** (or), **~**(not)

THANK YOU!
