Python Cheatsheet

Python is a versatile programming language used for various applications.

1. Basic Syntax and Data Types

Printing and Comments

- print("Hello, World!"): Prints output to the console.
- # This is a comment: Single-line comment.
- "This is a multi-line comment": Multi-line comment.

Variables and Data Types

- x = 10: Assigns a value to a variable.
- type(x): Returns the data type of a variable.
- a, b = 5, 10: Multiple assignments.
- del x: Deletes a variable.
- int(), float(), str(), bool(): Type conversions.
- isinstance(x, int): Checks data type.
- complex(2, 3): Creates a complex number.
- bin(10), hex(255), oct(8): Converts numbers to binary, hexadecimal, and octal.
- id(x): Returns memory address of a variable.

2. Data Structures

Lists (Ordered, Mutable)

- **lst = [1, 2, 3]:** Creates a list.
- lst.append(4): Adds an element.
- **lst.pop():** Removes and returns the last element.
- lst.sort(): Sorts the list.
- lst.reverse(): Reverses the list.
- lst.insert(1, 10): Inserts an element at an index.
- lst.remove(2): Removes the first occurrence of an element.
- **lst.count(3):** Counts occurrences of an element.
- lst.index(3): Finds index of an element.

• len(lst), max(lst), min(lst), sum(lst): Common list operations.

Tuples (Ordered, Immutable)

- tup = (1, 2, 3): Creates a tuple.
- tup.count(1): Counts occurrences of an element.
- tup.index(2): Finds index of an element.
- tuple(lst): Converts list to tuple.

Dictionaries (Key-Value Pairs, Unordered)

- **d = {'a': 1, 'b': 2}:** Creates a dictionary.
- d['a']: Accesses a value.
- **d.keys():** Returns all keys.
- d.values(): Returns all values.
- **d.items():** Returns key-value pairs.
- d.get('a', 0): Gets a value with a default.
- d.update({'c': 3}): Updates the dictionary.
- **d.pop('b'):** Removes a key.
- dict.fromkeys(['a', 'b'], 0): Creates dictionary with default values.

Sets (Unordered, Unique Items)

- **s = {1, 2, 3}:** Creates a set.
- **s.add(4):** Adds an element.
- **s.remove(2):** Removes an element.
- s.union({5, 6}): Combines sets.
- s.intersection({1, 2}): Finds common elements.
- **s.difference({1}):** Finds unique elements in s.

3. Control Flow

Conditional Statements

- if x > 0: print("Positive"): If statement.
- elif x == 0: print("Zero"): Else-if statement.
- **else: print("Negative"):** Else statement.

Loops

• **for i in range(5):** print(i) - For loop.

- while x > 0: x -= 1: While loop.
- break, continue, pass: Loop control statements.
- enumerate(lst): Iterates with index.
- zip(lst1, lst2): Iterates over two lists.

4. Functions and Modules

- **def func(a, b):** return a + b Defines a function.
- lambda x: x * 2: Anonymous function.
- import math: Imports a module.
- from math import sqrt: Imports a specific function.
- **dir(math):** Lists module attributes.
- globals(), locals(): Access global and local variables.

5. Object-Oriented Programming

- class Person: Defines a class.
- **def** __init__(self, name): Constructor.
- **self.name = name**: Instance variable.
- p = Person("Alice"): Object instantiation.
- class Employee(Person): Inheritance.
- **super().__init__()**: Calls parent constructor.
- @staticmethod, @classmethod: Defines static and class methods.

6. Exception Handling

- try: x = 1 / 0 except ZeroDivisionError: print("Error") Exception handling.
- finally: print("Done"): Executes always.
- raise ValueError("Invalid"): Manually raises an exception.

7. File Handling

- with open('file.txt', 'r') as f: data = f.read(): Reads a file.
- f.write("Hello"): Writes to a file.
- f.close(): Closes the file.

• open('file.txt', 'w'): Opens file in write mode.

8. Advanced Topics

List Comprehensions

- [x**2 for x in range(10)]: Creates a list with squares.
- {x: x**2 for x in range(5)}: Dictionary comprehension.

Decorators

- @decorator def func(): pass Defines a decorator.
- **@property** Creates a read-only attribute.

Generators

- def gen(): yield 1 Defines a generator.
- **next(gen())** Retrieves the next value from a generator.

Threading and Multiprocessing

- **import threading** Multi-threading support.
- import multiprocessing Parallel processing support.

Regular Expressions

- **import re** Regex support.
- re.match(pattern, string) Matches pattern.
- re.findall(r'\d+', text) Extracts numbers.

JSON Handling

- **import json** JSON support.
- **json.dumps(data)** Converts Python object to JSON.
- **json.loads(json_string)** Converts JSON to Python object.

Official documentation: $\underline{\text{https://docs.python.org/3/}}$