# Object-Oriented Programming (Python) Data Types, Casting, Operators

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# **Objectives**

- Discuss differences in programming paradigms
- Discuss the lab: dynamic typing
- Revise variable usage
- Use the different Python data types

# Comparison POP and OOP

### POP

- Top down approach
- Records
- Procedure
- Module
- Program execution is main concern during design phase
  - Intuitive design
- Breaks a problem or task down into smaller sub-tasks and routines
- Difficult to maintain when changes are implemented

### OOP

- Modular approach
- Object
  - Basic unit of OOP
- Method
  - Methods are part of an object
- Class
- Recycling/Reusing of code
- Design strong connection with UML
- Typically allows for more complicated programs while using less code
- Considered better for security applications

# From the lab: Python Dynamic Typing

### Static (Java, C++)

- Variable doesn't need to be defined before used
- Static has to do with the explicit initialisation or declaration of a variable
- Variable needs to be initialized before used

### **Dynamic (Python)**

- Variable must be defined before used
- Does not require explicit declaration of variable.

# **Example of Dynamic Typing**

### Static declaration in C

```
int num, sum;
// explicit declaration num = 5;
// now use the variables
Num = 5;
sum = 100;
sum = sum + num;
```

### **Dynamic declaration in Python**

```
Num = 100
// directly declared and used
```

· Can you think of pros and cons with dynamic typing?

# Transition from one Language to Another

- At varying times in your career you will be required to change languages
  - Our industry moves quickly
- Picking up a new language quickly is a valuable skill that we will practice in this course
  - Picking up the syntax is relatively easy
  - You can learn enough to be 'dangerous' in one week
  - Proficiency relies on you mastering the aspects of the new language that the previous one didn't provide
  - Make your code look "Pythonic" rather than C written in Python!

# Comparing Python to Python

### Pythonish

```
i = 0
while i < len(myItems):
print(myItems.get(i)) i += 1</pre>
```

### **Pythonic**

```
for item in my_items:
print(item)
```

### Revision on variables

- Names given to data
- Store information
- Also for manipulation of information
- Examples:
  - Age of a person: user\_age = 30
  - Name of a person: user name = 'Bianca'
  - Or user\_age, user\_name = 30, 'Bianca'

# Naming Variables

- Allowed are only certain letters
  - o a-z and A-Z
- Numbers
- Underscores
- First character cannot be a number
  - o user\_name
  - o user name2
  - NOT 2user Name

- Two conventions:
  - Camel Case: myName
  - Underscore: my\_name

Underscore is recommended in Python!

- Cannot use reserved names, for example print, if, else, while
- Case sensitive userName and UserName are not the same

# Assigning Values to Variables

Using the assignment operator =

```
x = 3
y = 2
x = y
print ("x = ", x)
print ("y=", y)
helloworld x
/Users/bianca.schoenphelan/PycharmPro:
x = 2
y = 2
Process finished with exit code 0
```

# **Basic Operators**

Symbol	Operation	Example x=5, y=2	Result
+	Addition	x + y	7
o <del>≡</del>	Subtraction	x - y	3
*	Multiplication	x * y	10
1	Division	x/y	2.5
//	Floor division	x // y	2
%	Modulo	x % y	1
**	Exponent	x ** y	25

## More operators:

# Data Types

# Data Types

- Integer, example: user\_age = 30
- Float, example: user\_height = 1.55
- String, example: user\_name = 'Bianca', user\_age = '30'
  - Many built in functions for String operations, example:

```
print('Bianca'.UPPER)

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Process finished with exit code 0
```

# **Data Types: String**

String

```
variable_name = 'initial Value' Of
variable_name = "initial Value"
```

- We can concatenate substrings with +
- Example:

```
my_name = 'Bianca'
conjunction = 'and'
his_name = 'Don'
print(my_name+conjunction+his_name)
```

Strings are considered immutable. What does that mean?

# Formatting Strings with %

- We can change the look of a String by manipulating the output with the % operator
- "string to be formatted" % (values or variable to be inserted to string, separated by comma)
  - There are 3 parts to this operation
  - Round bracket part to the operation is known as a tuple
- Example:

```
message = ("The price of this %s smartphone is %d EUR and the exchange rate to British Pound is %4.2f to 1 EUR" % (brand, 555, exchange_rate)
```

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The price of this Samsung smartphone is 555 EUR and the exchange rate to British Pound is 1.12 to 1 EUR

Placeholder

Process finished with exit code 0

### Placeholders and Formatters

- Placeholders will be replaced with values
- %s formatter represents a string
- %d formatter represents an integer
  - We can include spaces in the representation with giving a number of spaces
  - o Example: print("%10d"%(12))

```
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Process finished with exit code 0
```

### **Formatters**

- %f formats decimal numbers, example uses 4.2f:
  - 4 = total length
  - 2 = decimal positions
  - What does the following do:

```
print("%7.2f"%(1.123))
```

# format() method

- "string to be formatted".format(values or variables to be inserted into string, separated by comma)
- No more %s %d %f for placeholders, but now {}
- Example:

```
$ message = "The price of this {0:s} smartphone is
{1:d} EUR and the exchange rate to British Pound is
{2:4.2f} to 1 EUR".format(brand, 555,
exchange_rate)
$ print(message)
```

/Users/bianca.schoenphelan/PycharmProjects/TestProject1/venv/bin/python /Users/bianca.schoenphelan/PycharmProje

The price of this Samsung smartphone is 555 EUR and the exchange rate to British Pound is 1.12 to 1 EUR

Process finished with exit code 0

# String functions

There are many string functions available

```
myString = 'mystring'
   myString.
          m strip(self, chars)
                                                                           str
          m splitlines(self, keepends)
                                                                           str
          m split(self, sep, maxsplit)
                                                                           str
          m replace(self, old, new, count)
                                                                           str
          m join(self, iterable)
                                                                           str
          m isupper(self)
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          m isspace(self)
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          m isalpha(self)
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ode 1
          m isalnum(self)
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          Press ^. to choose the selected (or first) suggestion and insert a dot afterwards >> T
erminal
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```

# Some examples: count

- count(sub,[start,[end]])
  - Start and end are optional parameters
  - Return the number of times the substring sub appears in a string
  - Function is case sensitie
- What does the following do:

```
    print('this is a string'.count('s'))
    print('this is a string'.count('s',4))
    print('this is a string'.count('s',4, 10))
    print('This is a string'.count('T'))
```

# More examples: endswith

- endswith(suffix,[start,[end]])
  - Returns true if the string ends with a specified suffix, otherwise returns false
  - Suffix can also be a tuple of suffixes
  - Function is case sensitive
- What does the following do:

```
    print('Postman'.endswith('man'))
    print('Postman'.endswith('man', 3))
    print('Postman'.endswith('man', 2, 6))
    print('Postman'.endswith('man', 2, 7))
    print('Postman'.endswith('man', 'ma', 2, 6))
```

# String examples: find/index

- find/index(sub,[start,[end]])
  - Returns the index in a string, where the first occurrence of the substring is found
  - find() returns -1 if sub not found
  - index() returns ValueError if sub not found
- What does the following do:
- 1. print('This is a string'.find('s'))
- 2. print('This is a string'.find('s',4))
- 3. print('This is a string'.find('s',7,11))
- 4. print('This is a string'.find('o'))
- 5. print('This is a string'.index('o'))

# More string functions

Alphanumeric is either a letter or a number.

- isalnum()
  - Returns true if all characters in a string are alphanumeric, and there is at least one character (false or otherwise)
  - Does not include whitespaces
- What does the following do:

```
    print('abc123'.isalnum())
    print('a b c 1 2 3'.isalnum())
    print('abc'.isalnum())
    print('123'.isalnum())
```

# More string functions cont'd

- isalpha()
  - Returns true if all characters in the string are alphabetic and there is at least one character (true or otherwise)
- What does the following do:
- 1. print('abc'.isalpha())
- 2. print('abc123'.isalpha())
- 3. print('123'.isalpha())
- 4. print('a b c'.isalpha())

# More string functions cont'd

- isdigit()
  - Returns true if all characters in the string are digits,
     and there is at least one character (true or otherwise)
- What does the following do:

```
1. print('123'.isdigit())
```

- 2. print('123abc'.isdigit())
- 3. print('abc'.isdigit())
- 4. print('1 2 3'.isdigit())

All decimals are digits, but not all digits are decimals.

isnumeric is TRUE if we feed it a digit from any language Python recognises.

```
>>> print('='.isdigit())
False
>>> print('='.isnumeric())
True
```

### Similar functions

- islower()
- isspace()
- istitle()
- isupper()

# Working with many strings

- join()
  - Returns a string where the parameter provided is joined by a separator
- What does the following do:

```
seperator ='-'
my_tuple = ('a', 'b', 'c')
my_list = ['d', 'e', 'f']
my_string = "Hello World"

print(seperator.join(my_tuple))
print(seperator.join(my_list))
print(seperator.join(my string))
```

# Working with many strings cont'd

- replace(old,new[,count])
  - Returns a copy of a string with all occurrences of substring old replaced by substring new
  - Count is options, means that only these amount of instances are replaced
  - The function is case sensitive
- What does the following do:

```
1.print('This is a string'.replace('s','p'))
2.print('This is a string'.replace('s','p',2))
```

# Working with strings

- split([sep,[maxsplit]])
  - Returns a list of words in a string
  - If sep is not given, use whitespace
  - If maxsplit is given, this is the maximum number of splits performed
  - Function is case sensitive
- What does the following do:
- 1. print('This, is, a, string'.split(','))
- 2. print('This is a string'.split())
- 3. print('This, is, a, string'.split(',',2))

# More strings

- splitlines([keepends])
  - Returns a list of lines, break at boundary
  - Linebreaks are not included unless keepends is used and true
- What does the following do:
- 1. print("This is the first line. \nThis is the second
  line.".splitlines())
- 2. print("This is the first line."

  "This is the second line.".splitlines())
- 3. print("This is the first line. \nThis is the second line.".splitlines(True))

# Non printing characters

- Can be inserted directly into a string
  - New line: \n
  - Tab: \t
- Apostrophes in Names need to be escaped
  - Example: O\'Brien

# Last of the string functions for today

- strip([chars]
  - Returns a copy of a string with the leading and trailing characters char removed
  - If char is not provided, the function uses whitespaces
- What does the following do:
- 1. print(" This is a string ".strip())
- 2. print("This is a string".strip('s'))
- 3. print("This is a string".strip('g'))

# Data Types: List

- Zero-indexed
- Guarantees order or items

**List**: collection of data which are normally related, can be different data types

```
list_name = [initial values]
user_age = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70], or
user_age = [] This is an empty list. Add items using appent() method
```

- Individual items can be accessed by an index that starts with 0 (never with 1)
  - Last item in the list has the index -1, second last -2, etc
  - user\_age[-1] will return 70
- Can be assigned to a variable:

```
user_age2 = user_age
user_age3 = user_age[1:3]
user_age4 = user_age[1:6:2]
```

So called **slice** notation:
Item at the start is always *included*, item at the end is
always *excluded*. Third number
is a stepper (every 2<sup>nd</sup> item) in
range.

### Slices

```
user_age = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70]
```

- Useful defaults:
  - First number is 0, example: user\_age [ :4] returns
     values from 0 to 4-1
  - user\_age[1:] returns values from index 1 to length-1

# Working with Lists

Modify by assigning new value to an index

```
user_age[3] = 99 results in
user_age = [10, 20, 30, 99, 50, 60, 70]
```

- Add an item with append()
- o user\_age.append(100) results in
  user\_age = [10, 20, 30, 99, 50, 60, 70, 100]
- Remove an item with del
  - Del user\_age[3] results in
    user\_age = [10, 20, 30, 50, 60, 70, 100]

# Working with Lists

```
my_list = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h',
'i', 'j']
   1.del my list[2]
   print(my list)
   2.del my list[1:5]
   print(my_list)
   3.del my list[:3]
   print(my list)
   4.del my list[2:]
   print(my list)
```

## **Extending lists**

- extend()
  - Combine two lists
- What does the following do:

```
my_list1 = ['a', 'b', 'c']
my_list2 = [1, 2, 3]
my_list1.extend(my_list2)
print(my_list1)
```

## Working with lists

- in
  - True if the parameter is in the list, false otherwise
  - print('c' in my\_list1) returns true

No brackets

- insert()
  - Add an item at a particular position
- len()
  - Number of items

## Working with Lists cont'd

- pop()
  - Get an item at an index position and remove it from the list
- Example:

```
my_list1 = ['a', 'b', 'c']
member = my_list1.pop(2)
print(member)
print(my_list1)
```

Removes the last item on the list if no argument is given.

## Working with lists

- remove()
  - Removes an item from a list and requires a specific value
- Example:

```
my_list1 = ['a', 'b', 'c']
my_list1.remove('a')
print(my list1)
```

Removes the last item on the list if no argument is given.

#### So what's the difference?

- What is the difference between del, pop and remove?
  - remove: removes first matching value from the List (not a specific index location)
  - del: removes an item at a specific index location
  - pop: Removes an item at a specific index location and returns it

## Sorting lists

- reverse
- sort
- sorted
  - Returns a new sorted list without changing the original list

## **Operators and Lists**

+ operator to concatenate

```
my_list1 = ['a', 'b', 'c']
my_list2 = [1, 2, 3]
print(my_list1+my_list2)
```

\* operator to multiply

```
print(my list1*3)
```

## Data Types: Tuples

Tuples: like lists, but values cannot be changed

```
tuple_name = (values)
months_of_the_year = ('Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar')
```

- Individual values can be accessed through indexes, like we did with lists
- Delete a complete tuple with del

```
del months_of_the_year

Will produce and error if the variable name is not defined!
```

Indexes can be used the same way as with lists

## Working with Tuples

- del: deletes the whole tuple
- in: "a" in myTuple -> True
- len()
- + concatenates tuples
- \* multiplies tuples

The tuple itself does not get modified.

## Data Types: Sets

- Similar and hugely different
- Cannot contain duplicates
- Can contain mixture of types
- Are unordered!
- Example:

```
hello = set('hello')
print(hello)
-> {'l', 'h', 'e', 'o'}
```

## Data Types: Dictionary

Dictionary: collection of related data PAIRS

```
dictionary_name = {dictionaryKey : data}
customers = {"Bianca":30, "Brian":31, "Susan":32}
```

Dictionary key must be unique, error when you try

```
customers = {"Bianca":30, "Brian":31, "Bianca":21}
```

- Different python versions will behave differently here and ask you to use a constructor instead
  - Dictionaries are collections, but they are not sequences
    - There is no order
    - The order might change if the elements in the dictionary change

## Working with Dictionaries

```
print(users and age["Bianca"])
30
Modify: users and age["Bianca"] = 51
Remove: del users and age["Bianca"]
Empty: users and age.clear()
get(): returns a value for a given key
in: check if an item is in the dictionary
items(): returns a list of dictionary pairs as tuples
print(users and age.items())
dict items([('Bianca', 30), ('Brian', 40),
 ('Susan', 50), ('Lana', 'Not Available')])
```

## Working with Dictionaries

- keys(): returns a list of dictionary keys
- values(): returns a list of dictionary values
- len(): number of items in dictionary
- update()
- Example:

```
dict1 = {1: 'one', 2:'two'}
dict2 = {1: 'one', 3:'three'}
dict1.update(dict2)
print(dict1)

| helloworld |
| /Users/bianca.schoenphelan/PycharmPro |
| {1: 'one', 2: 'two', 3: 'three'}
| Process finished with exit code 0
```

# Type Casting

- When we convert a variable's data type from one data type to another we talk about type casting
- Python offers 3 built in functions for type casting:
  - int(): takes a float or appropriate string and converts it into an integer
  - float(): takes an integer or an appropriate string and converts it into a float
  - str(): converts an integer or a float into a string

## Summary

- ★ Basic Data Types
- ★ Advanced Data Types
- ★ Working with the types
- **★** Casting



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