

1) What is Python? What are the benefits of using Python?

Python is a programming language with objects, modules, threads, exceptions, and automatic memory management. The benefits of python are that it is simple and easy, portable, extensible, build-in data structure, and it is open-source.

2) What is PEP 8?

PEP 8 is a coding convention, a set of recommendation, about how to write your Python code more readable.

3) What is pickling and unpickling?

Pickle module accepts any Python object and converts it into a string representation and dumps it into a file by using dump function. This process is called pickling. While the process of retrieving original Python objects from the stored string representation is called unpickling.

4) How is Python interpreted?

Python language is an interpreted language. Python program runs directly from the source code. It converts the source code that is written by the programmer into an intermediate language, which is again translated into machine language that has to be executed.

5) How is memory managed in Python?

Python memory is managed by Python private heap space. All Python objects and data structures are located in a private heap. The programmer does not have an access to this private heap, and the interpreter takes care of this Python private heap.

The allocation of Python heap space for Python objects is done by the Python memory manager. The core API gives access to some tools for the programmer to code.

Python also has an inbuilt garbage collector, which recycles all the unused memory and frees the memory and makes it available to the heap space.

6) What are the tools that help to find bugs or perform the static analysis?

PyChecker is a static analysis tool that detects the bugs in Python source code and warns about the style and complexity of the bug. Pylint is another tool that verifies whether the module meets the coding standard.

7) What are Python decorators?

A Python decorator is a specific change that we make in Python syntax to alter functions easily.

8) What is the difference between list and tuple?

The difference between list and tuple is that list is mutable while tuple is not. Tuple can be hashed, for example., as a key for dictionaries.

9) How are arguments passed by value or by reference?

Everything in Python is an object, and all variables hold references to the objects. The reference values are according to the functions. Therefore, you cannot change the value of the references. However, you can change the objects if it is mutable.

10) What is Dict and List comprehensions are?

They are syntax constructions to ease the creation of a Dictionary or List based on existing iterable.

11) What are built-in type does python provides?

Python provides two built-in types: 1) Mutable and 2) Immutable.

Mutable built-in types are:

- List
- Sets
- Dictionaries
- Immutable built-in types
- Strings
- Tuples
- Numbers

Immutable built-in types are:

- Strings

- Tuples
- Numbers

12) Explain namespace in Python

In Python, every name introduced has a place where it lives and can be hooked for. This is known as a namespace. It is like a box where a variable name is mapped to the object placed. Whenever the variable is searched out, this box will be searched to get the corresponding object.

13) What is lambda in Python?

It is a single expression anonymous function often used as inline function.

14) Why lambda forms in python do not have statements?

A lambda form in python does not have statements as it is used to make new function object and then return them at runtime.

15) Explain pass in Python

Pass means no-operation Python statement, or in other words, it is a place holder in a compound statement, where there should be a blank left, and nothing has to be written there.

16) In Python what are iterators?

In Python, iterators are used to iterate a group of elements, containers like a list.

17) What is the unittest in Python?

A unit testing framework in Python is known as unittest. It supports sharing of setups, automation testing, shutdown code for tests, aggregation of tests into collections, etc.

18) Explain slicing in Python?

A mechanism to select a range of items from sequence types like list, tuple, strings etc., is known as slicing.

19) What are generators in Python?

The way of implementing iterators are known as generators. It is a normal function except that it yields expression in the function.

20) What is docstring in Python?

A Python documentation string is known as docstring, it is a way of documenting Python functions, modules, and classes.

21) How can you copy an object in Python?

To copy an object in Python, you can try a `copy.copy()` or `copy.deepcopy()` for the general case. You cannot copy all objects but most of them.

22) What is negative index in Python?

Python sequences can be index in positive and negative numbers. For positive index, 0 is the first index, 1 is the second index, and so forth. For the negative index, (-1) is the last index, and (-2) is the second last index, and so forth.

23) How can you convert a number to a string?

In order to convert a number into a string, use the inbuilt function `str()`. If you want a octal or hexadecimal representation, use the inbuilt function `oct()` or `hex()`.

24) What is the difference between xrange and range?

Xrange returns the xrange object while range returns the list and uses the same memory and no matter what the range size is.

25) What is module and package in Python?

In Python, module is the way to structure a program. Each Python program file is a module, which imports other modules like objects and attributes.

The folder of Python program is a package of modules. A package can have modules or subfolders.

26) What are the rules for local and global variables in Python?

Here are the rules for local and global variables in Python:

Local variables: If a variable is assigned a new value anywhere within the function's body, it's assumed to be local.

Global variables: Those variables that are only referenced inside a function are implicitly global.

27) How can you share global variables across modules?

To share global variables across modules within a single program, create a special module. Import the config module in all modules of your application. The module will be available as a global variable across modules.

28) Explain how can you make a Python Script executable on Unix?

To make a Python Script executable on Unix, you need to do two things,

Script file's mode must be executable, and the first line must begin with # (#!/usr/local/bin/python)

29) Explain how to delete a file in Python?

By using a command `os.remove(filename)` or `os.unlink(filename)`

30) Explain how can you generate random numbers in Python?

To generate random numbers in Python, you need to import command as

```
import random
random.random()
```

This returns a random floating-point number in the range [0,1)

31) How can you access a module written in Python from C?

You can access a module written in Python from C by following method,

```
Module = PyImport_ImportModule("<modulename>");
```

32) What is the use of // operator in Python?

It is a Floor Division operator, which is used for dividing two operands with the result as a quotient showing only digits before the decimal point. For instance, $10//5 = 2$ and $10.0//5.0 = 2.0$.

33) Mention five benefits of using Python

Here are the five benefits of using Python:

- Python comprises of a huge standard library for most Internet platforms like Email, HTML, etc.
- Python does not require explicit [memory management](#) as the interpreter itself allocates the memory to new variables and free them automatically
- Provide easy readability due to use of square brackets
- Easy-to-learn for beginners
- Having the built-in data types saves programming time and effort from declaring variables

34) Mention the use of the split function in Python

The use of the split function in Python is that it breaks a string into shorter strings using the defined separator. It gives a list of all words present in the string.

35) Explain Flask and its benefits

Flask is a web micro framework for Python based on “Werkzeug, Jinja 2 and good intentions” BSD licensed. Werkzeug and jinja are two of its dependencies.

Flask is part of the micro-framework. Which means it will have little to no dependencies on external libraries. It makes the framework light while there is a little dependency to update and less security bugs.

36) What is the difference between Django, Pyramid, and Flask?

Flask is a “microframework” primarily build for a small application with simpler requirements. In a flask, you don’t have to use external libraries. Flask is ready to use.

Pyramids are built for larger applications. It provides flexibility and lets the developer use the right tools for their project. The developer can choose the database, URL structure, templating style, and more. Like Pyramid, Django can also be used for larger applications. It includes an ORM.

37) What is Flask-WTF and what are their features?

Flask-WTF offers simple integration with WTForms. Features include for Flask WTF are:

- Integration with WTFforms
- Secure form with CSRF token
- Global CSRF protection
- Internationalization integration
- Recaptcha supporting
- File upload that works with Flask Uploads

38) Explain what is the common way for the Flask script to work?

The common way for the flask script to work is:

- Either it should be the import path for your application
- Or the path to a Python file

39) Explain how you can access sessions in Flask?

A session basically allows you to remember information from one request to another. In a flask, it uses a signed cookie so the user can look at the session contents and modify. The user can modify the session if only it has the secret key Flask.secret_key.

40) Is Flask an MVC model, and if yes give an example showing MVC pattern for your application?

Basically, Flask is a minimalistic framework that behaves same as MVC framework. So MVC is a perfect fit for Flask, and the pattern for MVC we will consider for the following example

```
from flask import Flask
app = Flask(__name__)
```

```
@app.route("/")
```

```
Def hello():
```

```
return "Hello World"
```

```
app.run(debug = True)
```

In this code your,

- Configuration part will be

```
from flask import Flask
```

```
app = Flask(__name__)
```

- View part will be

```
@app.route("/")
```

```
Def hello():
```

```
    return "Hello World"
```

- While you model or main part will be

```
app.run(debug = True)
```

41) Explain database connection in Python Flask?

Flask supports database-powered applications (RDBS). Such a system requires creating a schema, which requires piping the schema.sql file into a sqlite3 command. So you need to install sqlite3 command in order to create or initiate the database in Flask.

Flask allows to request database in three ways

- **before_request():** It is called before a request and pass no arguments
- **after_request():** It is called after a request and pass the response that will be sent to the client
- **teardown_request():** It is called in a situation when exception is raised, and response is not guaranteed. They are called after the response has been constructed. They are not allowed to modify the request, and their values are ignored.

42) If you have multiple Memcache servers, and one of them fails that contain data, will it try to get them?

The data in the failed server won't get removed, but there is a provision for auto-failure, which you can configure for multiple nodes. Fail-over can be triggered during any kind of socket or Memcached server level errors and not during normal client errors like adding an existing key, etc.

43) Explain how you can minimize the Memcached server outages in your Python Development?

- When one instance fails, several of them goes down, this will put a larger load on the database server when lost data is reloaded as the client make a request. To avoid this, if your code has been written to minimize cache stampedes, then it will leave a minimal impact
- Another way is to bring up an instance of memcached on a new machine using the lost machine's IP address

- Code is another option to minimize server outages as it gives you the liberty to change the Memcached server list with minimal work
- Setting timeout value is another option that some Memcached clients implement for Memcached server outage. When your Memcached server goes down, the client will keep trying to send a request till the time-out limit is reached.

44) Explain what is Dogpile effect? How can you prevent this effect?

Dogpile effect is referred to the event when cache expires, and websites are hit by the multiple requests made by the client at the same time. This effect can be prevented by using a semaphore lock. In this system, when the value expires, the first process acquires the lock and starts generating a new value.

45) Explain how memcached should not be used in your Python project?

Here are the ways you should not use memcached in your Python project:

- Memcached common misuse is to use it as a data store and not as a cache
- Never use Memcached as the only source of the information you need to run your application. Data should always be available through another source as well
- Memcached is just a key or value store and cannot perform query over the data or iterate over the contents to extract information.
- Memcached does not offer any form of security either in encryption or authentication.

46) What is Python If Statement?

Python if Statement is used for decision-making operations. It contains a body of code that runs only when the condition given in the if statement is true. If the condition is false, then the optional else statement runs, which contains some code for the else condition.

When you want to justify one condition while the other condition is not true, then you use Python if-else statement.

Python if Statement Syntax:

```
if expression
    Statement
else
```

Statement

Let's see an example of Python if else Statement:

```
def main():
    x,y =2,8

    if(x < y):
        st= "x is less than y"
    print(st)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

47) Explain While loop in Python with example

While loop does the exact same thing what “if statement” does, but instead of running the code block once, they jump back to the point where it began the code and repeat the whole process again.

The syntax of while loop is as follows:

```
while expression
    Statement
```

The example of while loop is as follows:

```
x=0
#define a while loop
while(x <4):
    print(x)
    x = x+1
```

48) What is enumerate() in Python?

Enumerate() in Python is a built-in function used for assigning an index to each item of the iterable object. It adds a loop on the iterable objects while keeping track of the current item and returns the object in an enumerable form. This object can be used in a for loop to convert it into a list by using list() method.

Example of enumerate() is as follows:

Suppose we want to do numbering for our month (Jan, Feb, Marc,June), so we declare the variable i that enumerate the numbers while m will print the number of month in list.

```
#use a for loop over a collection
Months = ["Jan","Feb","Mar","April","May","June"]
for i, m in enumerate (Months):
    print(i,m)
```

```
# use the break and continue statements

#for x in range (10,20):
#if (x == 15): break
#if (x % 5 == 0) : continue
#print x
```

49) How can you use for loop to repeat the same statement over and again?

You can use for loop for even repeating the same statement over and again. Here in the example, we have printed out the word “guru99” three times.

Example:

To repeat the same statement a number of times, we have declared the number in variable i (i in 123). So when you run the code as shown below, it prints the statement (guru99) that many times the number declared for our the variable in (i in 123).

```
for i in '123':
    print ("guru99",i,)
```

50) What is Tuple Matching in Python?

Tuple Matching in Python is a method of grouping the tuples by matching the second element in the tuples. It is achieved by using a dictionary by checking the second element in each tuple in python programming. However, we can make new tuples by taking portions of existing tuples.

Syntax:

```
Tup = ('Jan','feb','march')
```

To write an empty tuple, you need to write as two parentheses containing nothing-

```
tup1 = ();
```

51) Explain Dictionary in Python with example

A Dictionary in Python is the unordered and changeable collection of data values that holds key-value pairs. Each key-value pair in the dictionary maps the key to its associated value making it more optimized. A Dictionary in python is declared by enclosing a comma-separated list of key-value pairs using curly braces({}). Python Dictionary is classified into two elements: Keys and Values.

Syntax for Python Dictionary:

```
Dict = { ' Tim': 18,  xyz,.. }
```

Example:

```
Dict = {'Tim': 18,'Charlie':12,'Tiffany':22,'Robert':25}  
print((Dict['Tiffany']))
```

52) How can you copy the entire dictionary to a new dictionary?

You can also copy the entire dictionary to a new dictionary. For example, here we have copied our original dictionary to the new dictionary name “Boys” and “Girls”.

Example:

```
Dict = {'Tim': 18,'Charlie':12,'Tiffany':22,'Robert':25}  
Boys = {'Tim': 18,'Charlie':12,'Robert':25}  
Girls = {'Tiffany':22}  
studentX=Boys.copy()  
studentY=Girls.copy()  
print(studentX)  
print(studentY)
```

53) How can you Update Python Dictionary?

You can update a dictionary by adding a new entry or a key-value pair to an existing entry or by deleting an existing entry. Here in the example, we will add another name, “Sarah” to our existing dictionary.

Example:

```
Dict = {'Tim': 18,'Charlie':12,'Tiffany':22,'Robert':25}  
Dict.update({"Sarah":9})  
print(Dict)
```

54) Give example of dictionary items() method

```
Dict = {'Tim': 18,'Charlie':12,'Tiffany':22,'Robert':25}  
print("Students Name: %s" % list(Dict.items()))
```

55) How can you sort elements in Python dictionary?

In the dictionary, you can easily sort the elements. For example, if we want to print the name of the elements of our dictionary alphabetically, we have to use for loop. It will sort each element of the dictionary accordingly.

Example:

```
Dict = {'Tim': 18,'Charlie':12,'Tiffany':22,'Robert':25}  
Boys = {'Tim': 18,'Charlie':12,'Robert':25}  
Girls = {'Tiffany':22}  
Students = list(Dict.keys())  
Students.sort()
```

```
for S in Students:
    print(":".join((S,str(Dict[S]))))
```

56) Give an example of Dictionary len() and Python List cmp() method

Dictionary len() Example:

```
Dict = {'Tim': 18,'Charlie':12,'Tiffany':22,'Robert':25}
print("Length : %d" % len (Dict))
```

cmp() Example:

```
Boys = {'Tim': 18,'Charlie':12,'Robert':25}
Girls = {'Tiffany':22}
print cmp(Girls, Boys)
```

57) What are all dictionary methods:

Here is the list of dictionary methods:

- copy()
- update()
- items()
- sort()
- len()
- cmp()
- Str()

58) Explain Arithmetic operators with example

Arithmetic Operators perform various arithmetic calculations like addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, %modulus, exponent, etc. There are various methods for arithmetic calculation in Python, like you can use the eval function, declare variable & calculate, or call functions.

Example: For arithmetic operators, we will take a simple example of addition where we will add two-digit 4+5=9

```
x= 4
y= 5
print(x + y)
```

59) Give example of logical operators

Example of logical operators:

```
a = True
b = False
print(('a and b is',a and b))
print(('a or b is',a or b))
```

```
print(('not a is',not a))
```

60) Explain membership operators with example

These operators test for membership in a sequence such as lists, strings, or tuples. Two membership operators are used in Python. (in, not in). It gives the result based on the variable present in a specified sequence or string.

Example:

For example here, we check whether the value of x=4 and value of y=8 is available in list or not by using in and not in operators.

```
x = 4
y = 8
list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5 ];
if ( x in list ):
    print("Line 1 - x is available in the given list")
else:
    print("Line 1 - x is not available in the given list")
if ( y not in list ):
    print("Line 2 - y is not available in the given list")
else:
    print("Line 2 - y is available in the given list")
```

61) Write code to demonstrate operator precedence in Python:

```
v = 4
w = 5
x = 8
y = 2
z = 0
z = (v+w) * x / y;
print("Value of (v+w) * x/ y is ", z)
```

62) Explain arrays in Python with example

A Python Array is a collection of a common type of data structures having elements with the same data type. It is used to store collections of data. In Python programming, arrays are handled by the “array” module. If you create arrays using the array module, elements of the array must be of the same numeric type.

Example:

```
import array as myarray
abc = myarray.array('d', [2.5, 4.9, 6.7])
```

63) How can you access array elements?

You can access any array item by using its index.

The syntax is

```
arrayName[indexNum]
```

Example:

```
import array
balance = array.array('i', [300,200,100])
print(balance[1])
```

64) How can you insert elements in array?

Python array insert operation enables you to insert one or more items into an array at the beginning, end, or any given index of the array. This method expects two arguments index and value.

The syntax is

```
arrayName.insert(index, value)
```

Example:

Let us add a new value right after the second item of the array. Currently, our balance array has three items: 300, 200, and 100. Consider the second array item with a value of 200 and index 1.

In order to insert the new value right “after” index 1, you need to reference index 2 in your insert method, as shown in the below Python array example:

```
import array
balance = array.array('i', [300,200,100])
balance.insert(2, 150)
print(balance)
```

65) How can you delete elements in array?

With this operation, you can delete one item from an array by value. This method accepts only one argument, value. After running this method, the array items are re-arranged, and indices are re-assigned.

The syntax is

```
arrayName.remove(value)
```

Example:

Let's remove the value of “3” from the array

```
import array as myarray
first = myarray.array('b', [2, 3, 4])
first.remove(3)
```

```
print(first)
```

66) How can you search and get the index of a value in an array?

With this operation, you can search for an item in an array based on its value. This method accepts only one argument, value. It is a non-destructive method, which means it does not affect the array values.

The syntax is

```
arrayName.index(value)
```

Example:

Let's find the value of "3" in the array. This method returns the index of the searched value.

```
import array as myarray
number = myarray.array('b', [2, 3, 4, 5, 6])
print(number.index(3))
```

67) How can you reverse array in Python?

You can use reverse() to reverse array in Python.

Example:

```
import array as myarray
number = myarray.array('b', [1,2, 3])
number.reverse()
print(number)
```

68) Give example to convert array to Unicode

The Example to convert array to Unicode is:

```
from array import array
p = array('u', [u'\u0050',u'\u0059',u'\u0054',u'\u0048',u'\u004F',u'\u004E'])
print(p)
q = p.tounicode()
print(q)
```

69) Give an example of a class in Python

Example of class in Python

```
                # Example file for working with classes
class myClass():
    def method1(self):
        print("Guru99")

    def method2(self,someString):
        print("Software Testing:" + someString)
```



```

    def main():
    # exercise the class methods
    c = myClass ()
    c.method1()
    c.method2(" Testing is fun")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()

```

70) Explain Inheritance with example

Inheritance is a feature used in object-oriented programming; it refers to defining a new class with less or no modification to an existing class. The new class is called the derived class, and from one which it inherits is called the base. Python supports inheritance; it also supports multiple inheritances. A class can inherit attributes and behavior methods from another class called subclass or heir class.

Example of inheritance:

```

# Example file for working with classes
class myClass():
    def method1(self):
        print("Guru99")

class childClass(myClass):
    #def method1(self):
        #myClass.method1(self);
        #print ("childClass Method1")

    def method2(self):
        print("childClass method2")

def main():
    # exercise the class methods
    c2 = childClass()
    c2.method1()
    #c2.method2()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()

```

71) Give example of Python constructors

Example of Python Constructors

```

class User:
    name = ""

    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name

    def sayHello(self):

```

```
        print("Welcome to Guru99, " + self.name)

User1 = User("Alex")
User1.sayHello()
```

72) How can you access values in string?

Python does not support a character type, these are treated as strings of length one, also considered as a substring.

You can use square brackets for slicing along with the index or indices to obtain a substring.

```
var1 = "Guru99!"
var2 = "Software Testing"
print ("var1[0]:",var1[0])
print ("var2[1:5]:",var2[1:5])
```