

Experiment 1: Understand program flow control in Python

Requirement: Laptop or Desktop with Python installed

Theory

INTRODUCING PYTHON

Python is a powerful yet easy-to-use programming language developed by Guido van Rossum, first released in 1991. With Python, you can quickly write a small project. But Python also scales up nicely and can be used for mission-critical, commercial applications. If you check out any Python documentation, you may notice an alarming number of references to spam, eggs, and the number 42. These references all pay homage to Monty Python, the English comedy troupe that inspired Python's name. Even though Guido van Rossum named Python after the group, the official mascot of the language has become the python snake. (Which is really for the best, since it would be pretty hard to fit six British comedians' faces on a program icon anyway.) There are a lot of programming languages out there. What's so great about Python?

Python Is Easy to Use

The major goal of any programming language is to bridge the gap between the programmer's brain and the computer. Most of the popular languages you've probably heard of, like Visual Basic, C#, and Java, are considered high-level languages, which means that they're closer to human language than machine language. And they are. But Python, with its clear and simple rules, is even closer to English. Creating Python programs is so straightforward that it's been called "programming at the speed of thought." Python's ease of use translates into productivity for professional programmers. Python programs are shorter and take less time to create than programs in many other popular languages.

Python Is Powerful

Python has all the power you'd expect from a modern programming language. By the end of this book, you'll be able to write programs that employ a GUI, process files, and use a variety of data structures. Python is powerful enough to attract developers from around the world as well as companies such as Google, IBM, Industrial Light + Magic, Microsoft, NASA, Red Hat, Verizon, Xerox, and Yahoo!. Python is also used as a tool by professional game programmers. Electronic Arts, 2K Games, and the Disney Interactive Media Group all publish games that incorporate Python

Python Is Object-Oriented

Object-oriented programming (OOP) is a modern approach to solving problems with computers. It embodies an intuitive method of representing information and actions in a program. It's certainly not the only way to write programs, but, for large projects, it's often the best way to go.

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Languages like C#, Java, and Python are all object-oriented. But Python does them one better. In C# and Java, OOP is not optional. This makes short programs unnecessarily complex, and it requires a bunch of explanation before a new programmer can do anything significant. Python takes a different approach. In Python, using OOP techniques is optional. You have all of OOP's power at your disposal, but you can use it when you need it. Got a short program that doesn't really require OOP? No problem. Got a large project with a team of programmers that demands OOP? That'll work too. Python gives you power and flexibility.

Python Is a “Glue” Language

Python can be integrated with other languages such as C, C++, and Java. This means that a programmer can take advantage of work already done in another language while using Python. It also means that he or she can leverage the strengths of other languages, such as the extra speed that C or C++ might offer, while still enjoying the ease of development that's a hallmark of Python programming.

Python Runs Everywhere

Python runs on everything from a Palm to a Cray. And if you don't happen to have a supercomputer in the den, you can still run Python on Windows, Macintosh, or Linux machines. And that's just the top of the list. Python programs are platform independent, which means that regardless of the operating system you use to create your program, it'll run on any other computer with Python. So if you write a program on your PC, you can e-mail a copy to your friend who runs Linux or to your aunt who has a Mac, and the program will work (as long as your friend and aunt have Python installed on their computers).

Python Has a Strong Community

Most programming languages have a dedicated newsgroup, but Python also has something called the Python Tutor mailing list, a more informal way for beginning programmers to ask those first questions. The list is at <http://mail.python.org/mailman/listinfo/tutor>. Although the list is called Tutor, anyone, whether novice or expert, can answer questions. There are other Python communities focused on different areas, but the common element they share is that they tend to be friendly and open. That only makes sense since the language itself is so approachable for beginners.

Python Is Free and Open Source

Python is free. You can install it on your computer and never pay a penny. But Python's license lets you do much more than that. You can copy or modify Python. You can even resell Python if you want (but don't quit your day job just yet). Embracing open-source ideals like this is part of what makes Python so popular and successful.

Programs

Class Task-1

WAP to print favorite best flavor of your ice cream and wait for the user to exit.

```
#take user input
d = input("\n\n Enter your favorite ice cream flavor \n\n")

#print data in desired form
print("\n\nYou like",d," flavor the most in ice creams ")

#wait for user to exit
input("\n\nPress the enter key to exit.")
```

WAP to print a Quote, press Enter to display the name of the Author of the Quote, and finally press Enter to exit. (Hint: Use two print and input statements)

```
#print quote in desired form
print("\n Health is Wealth")

#print author name desired form
print("\n Anonymous")

#wait for user to exit
input("\n\nPress the enter key to exit.")
```

Program 'Game Over' 2.0"

[illegible]

Class Task-3

Program 'Fancy Credits'

```
# Fancy Credits
# Demonstrates escape sequences

print("\t\t\tFancy Credits")

print("\t\t\t \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\")
print("\t\t\t\tby")
print("\t\t\tMichael Dawson")
print("\t\t\t \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\")

print("\nSpecial thanks goes out to:")
print("My hair stylist, Henry \'The Great,\' who never says
\'can\'t.\'")

# sound the system bell

print("\a")

input("\n\nPress the enter key to exit.")
```

Class Task-4

Silly strings program (concatenation and repetition)

```
# Silly Strings
# Demonstrates string concatenation and repetition

print("You can concatenate two " + "strings with the '+' operator.")

print("\nThis string " + "may not " + "seem terr" + "ibly impressive.
" \
    + "But what " + "you don't know" + " is that\n" + "it's one
real" \
    + "l" + "y" + " long string, created from the concatenation " \
    + "of " + "twenty-two\n" + "different strings, broken across " \
    + "six lines." + " Now are you" + " impressed? " + "Okay,\n" \
    + "this " + "one " + "long" + " string is now over!")

print("\nIf you really like a string, you can repeat it.  For
example,")
print("who doesn't like pie?  That's right, nobody.  But if you
really")
print("like it, you should say it like you mean it:")
print("Pie" * 10)

input("\n\nPress the enter key to exit.")
```

Class Task-5

Creating and Using Variables

```
a = 5;

b = 3;

sum = a+b;

print("\n\n")

print("\n\nsum of a and b is ", sum)

input("\n\nPress the enter key to exit.")
```

Class Task-6

Quotation Manipulation

```
# Quotation Manipulation
# Demonstrates string methods

# quote from IBM Chairman, Thomas Watson, in 1943
quote = "      I think there is a world market for maybe five
computers."

print("Original quote:")
print(quote)

print("\nIn uppercase:")
print(quote.upper())

print("\nIn lowercase:")
print(quote.lower())

print("\nAs a title:")
print(quote.title())

print("\nWith a minor replacement:")
print(quote.replace("five", "millions of"))

print("\nWith deleted space")
print(quote.strip())

print("\nOriginal quote is still:")
print(quote)

input("\n\nPress the enter key to exit.")
```


Class Task-7

Trust_fund_bad

```
# Trust Fund Buddy - Bad
# Demonstrates a logical error

print(
    """
        Trust Fund Buddy

Totals your monthly spending so that your trust fund doesn't run out
(and you're forced to get a real job).

Please enter the requested, monthly costs.  Since you're rich, ignore
pennies
and use only dollar amounts.

    """
)

car = input("Lamborghini Tune-Ups: ")
rent = input("Manhattan Apartment: ")
jet = input("Private Jet Rental: ")
gifts = input("Gifts: ")
food = input("Dining Out: ")
staff = input("Staff (butlers, chef, driver, assistant): ")
guru = input("Personal Guru and Coach: ")
games = input("Computer Games: ")

total = car + rent + jet + gifts + food + staff + guru + games

print("\nGrand Total:", total)

input("\n\nPress the enter key to exit.")
```

Class Task-8

Trust_fund_good

```
# Trust Fund Buddy - Good
# Demonstrates type conversion

print(
    """
                                Trust Fund Buddy

Totals your monthly spending so that your trust fund doesn't run out
(and you're forced to get a real job).

Please enter the requested, monthly costs.  Since you're rich, ignore
pennies
and use only dollar amounts.

    """
)

car = input("Lamborghini Tune-Ups: ")
car = int(car)

rent = int(input("Manhattan Apartment: "))
jet = int(input("Private Jet Rental: "))
gifts = int(input("Gifts: "))
food = int(input("Dining Out: "))
staff = int(input("Staff (butlers, chef, driver, assistant): "))
guru = int(input("Personal Guru and Coach: ") )
games = int(input("Computer Games: "))

total = car + rent + jet + gifts + food + staff + guru + games

print("\nGrand Total:", total)

input("\n\nPress the enter key to exit.")
```