Python Programming Data types and variables

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Is Data the new Oil of the Digital Economy?



- Your personal info
 - Age
 - Name
 - Current Job
 - Address
 - Mobile Number
- Your sharing
 - o Images, videos, posts
- Your connections / interactions
- A lot of data!
 - What is the data type?!

Data type: We vs Programming

Value	We call it	Data Type
52 (I am 52 years old)	Number	Integer
12. 7 (The baby is 12.7 kg)	Number	Floating point
Computer	Word	String / Sequence of characters
Male of Female?	Status of 2 things	Boolean (2)

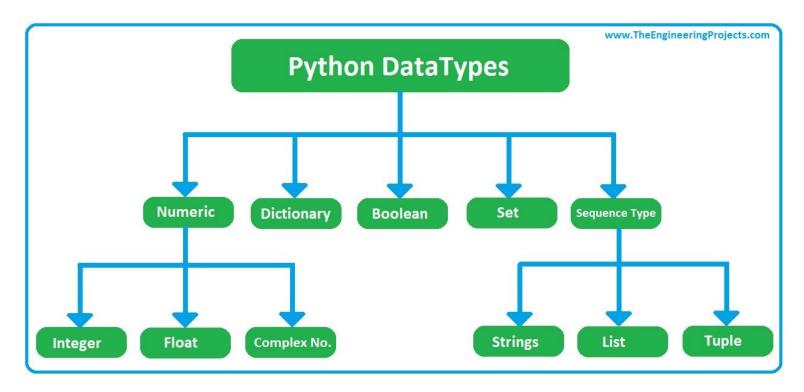
Data types: integer, floating point, string

- integer
 - o 10, 200, 100, 200, 1000000
- Floating point (has .)
 - o 10.5, 200.0, 2000000.1
- String
 - o 'Hello', "World", '2000', "3000", 'مرحبا

Data type: Boolean

- Some things are of two types only. E.g. a person is Male of Female?
 - Programmers call them boolean. Their values are true or false
 - E.g. Male is True, Femail is False (or the opposite)
 - E.g. coin is head or tail. We can think head is true and tail is false
 - E.g. Light can be on or off. <u>Computers</u> "understand" on and off.
 - On = True
 - Off = False

More data types later



The need for names!

- Let say we want to build a program for hospital
 - We need to refer to patients
 - One of them is called "Mostafa". He is 55 years old. He has 2 children!
 - We also has a Doctor: who has name, salary, address, etc
- How can we represent this information?
 - We need to put them in memory when the program starts
 - We need to have names to refer to them?
 - E.g. I want to know mostafa's age?



Computer Memory Like Streets



- Each home has street address (location)
 - Name and number
 - o 37 John Street
 - \circ 37 = location
 - John = Name
- There are people in the home
 - People have types
 - Male, Femal, Child

Computer Memory (RAM)

- Think of it as boxes
- Each box has
 - Address location
 - Type (e.g. integer or floating point)
 - Name: E.g. age, name or salary
- We call it variable
 - A box in the memory

Location	Name/Value	Data Type
1	EMPTY	NA
2	Age = 55	Integer
3	Weight = 92.5	Floating point
4	Gender = Male	Boolean
5	Name = "Mostafa"	String

So

- Age = 52
- Variable
 - Name (aka identifier) = Age
 - Value = 52
 - Datatype = Integer
 - Memory address = Somewhere in RAM

"Acquire knowledge and impart it to the people."

"Seek knowledge from the Cradle to the Grave."