



# INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON

Lecture 3 (week-2)

# OVERVIEW

Brief History of Python

Basic Datatypes

- Numbers
- Strings
- Lists
- Tuples
- Dictionaries

Variables

Control Structures

Functions

# BRIEF HISTORY OF PYTHON

Invented in the Netherlands, early 90s by Guido van Rossum

Named after Monty Python

Open sourced from the beginning

Considered a **scripting** language, but is much more

Scalable, object-oriented and functional from the beginning

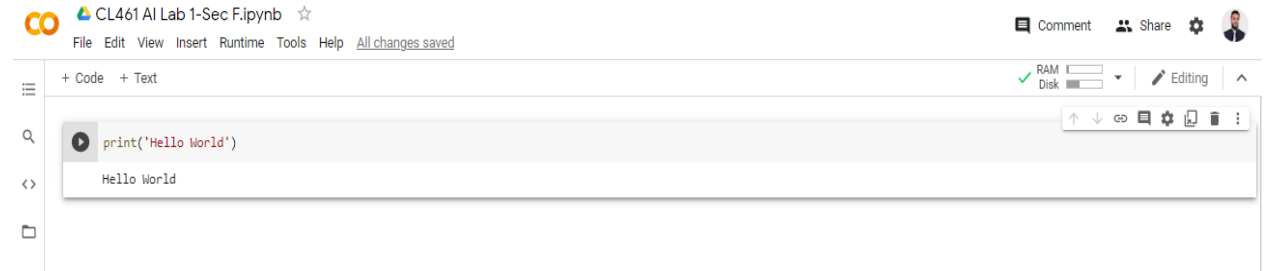
Used by Google from the beginning

Increasingly popular

**“Python is an experiment in how much freedom programmers need. Too much freedom and nobody can read another's code; too little and expressiveness is endangered.”**

**- Guido van Rossum**

# ONLINE PYTHON INTERPRETER



Working on [Google Collab](https://colab.research.google.com/) to run Python programs.

## Instructions:

- Visit the following link: <https://colab.research.google.com/>
- Sign in using your nu email id
- You will be directed to ‘Welcome to Colaboratory’ page.
  - Go to **File->New Notebook**.
  - Write your first Python program by typing the following statement in the first cell
  - `Print(‘Hello world’)`
  - Execute this cell by clicking the play button on the left of the cell or by pressing **Ctrl+Enter**.

# BASIC DATATYPES

Numbers

String

List

Tuple

Dictionary

Sr#	Categories	Data Type	Examples
1	Numeric Types	int	-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, int(20)
2		float	-1.25, -1.0, --0.5, 0.0, 0.5, 1.0, 1.25, float(20.5)
3		complex	1j, complex(1j)
4	Text Sequence Type	str	'a', 'Hello!', str("Hello World")
5	Boolean Type	bool	True, False, bool(5)
6	Sequence Types	list	["apple", "banana", "cherry"], list(("apple", "banana", "cherry"))
7		tuple	("apple", "banana", "cherry"), tuple(("apple", "banana", "cherry"))
8		range	range(6)
9	Mapping Type	dict	{"name" : "John", "age" : 36}, dict(name="John", age=36)
10	Set Types	set	{"apple", "banana", "cherry"}, set(("apple", "banana", "cherry"))
11		frozenset	frozenset({"apple", "banana", "cherry"})
12	Binary Sequence Types	bytes	b"Hello", bytes(5)
13		bytearray	bytearray(5)
14		memoryview	memoryview(bytes(5))

# NUMBERS

Number data types store numeric values. Number objects are created when you assign a value to them. For example

```
var1 = 1
```

The usual suspects

- 12, 3.14, 0xFF, (-1+2)\*3/4\*\*5, abs(x), 0<x<=5

C-style shifting & masking

- 1<<16, x&0xff, x|1, ~x, x^y

# OPERATORS

## Math Operators

Operators	Operation	Example
<b>**</b>	<b>Exponent</b>	<b>2 ** 3 = 8</b>
<b>%</b>	<b>Modulus/Remainder</b>	<b>22 % 8 = 6</b>
<b>//</b>	<b>Integer division</b>	<b>22 // 8 = 2</b>
<b>/</b>	<b>Division</b>	<b>22 / 8 = 2.75</b>
<b>*</b>	<b>Multiplication</b>	<b>3 * 3 = 9</b>
<b>-</b>	<b>Subtraction</b>	<b>5 - 2 = 3</b>
<b>+</b>	<b>Addition</b>	<b>2 + 2 = 4</b>

## Comparison Operators

Operator	Meaning
<b>==</b>	<b>Equal to</b>
<b>!=</b>	<b>Not equal to</b>
<b>&lt;</b>	<b>Less than</b>
<b>&gt;</b>	<b>Greater Than</b>
<b>&lt;=</b>	<b>Less than or Equal to</b>
<b>&gt;=</b>	<b>Greater than or Equal to</b>



# Bitwise Operators

Operator	Example	Meaning
&	a & b	Bitwise AND
	a   b	Bitwise OR
^	a ^ b	Bitwise XOR (exclusive OR)
~	~a	Bitwise NOT
<<	a << n	Bitwise left shift
>>	a >> n	Bitwise right shift

# STRINGS

- `"hello"+"world"` `"helloworld"` # concatenation
- `"hello"*3` `"hellohellohello"` # repetition
- `"hello"[0]` `"h"` # indexing
- `"hello"[-1]` `"o"` # (from end)
- `"hello"[1:4]` `"ell"` # slicing
- `len("hello")` `5` # size
- `"hello" < "jello"` `1` # comparison
- `"e" in "hello"` `1` # search

# LISTS

Represent ordered sequences of values of Mixed types.

Mutable

Flexible arrays.

Examples:

- `items = [32, 100.25, "Apple"]`
- `a = [98, "bottles of beer", ["on", "the", "wall"]]`
- `del a[-1] # -> [98, "bottles", "of", "beer"]`

# MORE LIST OPERATIONS

```
>>> a = range(5)          # [0,1,2,3,4]
```

```
>>> a.append(5)           # [0,1,2,3,4,5]
```

```
>>> a.pop()               # [0,1,2,3,4]
```

```
>>> a.insert(0, 42)       # [42,0,1,2,3,4]
```

```
>>> a.pop(0)              # [0,1,2,3,4]
```

```
>>> a.reverse()           # [4,3,2,1,0]
```

```
>>> a.sort()              # [0,1,2,3,4]
```

# TUPLES

A tuple is another sequence data type that is similar to the list. A tuple consists of a number of values separated by commas.

Unlike lists, however, tuples are enclosed within parentheses.

Often used for functions that have multiple return values.

The **main differences** between lists and tuples are:

- Lists are enclosed in brackets ( [ ] ) and their elements and size can be changed,
- tuples are enclosed in parentheses ( ( ) ) and cannot be updated (immutable).
- Tuples can be thought of as read-only lists.

# TUPLE (CONT'D)

Examples:

- `t = (1, 2, 3)`

Only 2 functions used

Count()

- `thistuple = (1, 3, 7, 8, 7, 5, 4, 6, 8, 5)`  
`x = thistuple.count(5) # 2`

Index()

- `x = thistuple.index(8) # 3`

# DICTIONARIES

**Hash tables, "associative arrays"**

- `d = {"duck": "eend", "water": "water"}`

Lookup:

- `d["duck"] -> "eend"`
- `d["back"]` # raises `KeyError` exception

Delete, insert, overwrite:

- `del d["water"]` # `{"duck": "eend"}`
- `d["back"] = "rug"` # `{"duck": "eend", "back": "rug"}`
- `d["duck"] = "duik"` # `{"duck": "duik", "back": "rug"}`

# DICTIONARIES

Keys, values, items:

- `d.keys()` -> `["duck", "back"]`
- `d.values()` -> `["duik", "rug"]`
- `d.items()` -> `[("duck", "duik"), ("back", "rug")]`

Presence check:

- `d.has_key("duck")` -> `1`; `d.has_key("spam")` -> `0`

Values of any type; keys almost any

- `{"name": "Guido", "age": 43, ("hello", "world"): 1, 42: "yes", "flag": ["red", "white", "blue"]}`



# DICTIONARIES VS LISTS

Dictionaries and lists **share** the following characteristics:

- Both are mutable.
- Both are dynamic. They can grow and shrink as needed.
- Both can be nested. A list can contain another list. A dictionary can contain another dictionary. A dictionary can also contain a list, and vice versa.

Dictionaries **differ** from lists primarily in how elements are accessed:

- List elements are accessed by **their position** in the list, via indexing.
- Dictionary elements are accessed **via keys not by numerical index**.

# VARIABLE

No need to declare

Need to assign (initialize)

- use of uninitialized variable raises exception

Not typed

if friendly:

```
greeting = "hello world"
```

else:

```
greeting = 12
```

***Everything*** is a "variable":

- Even functions, classes, modules

# REFERENCE SEMANTICS

## Assignment manipulates references

- $x = y$  **does not make a copy** of  $y$
- $x = y$  makes  $x$  **reference** the object  $y$  references

Very useful; but beware!

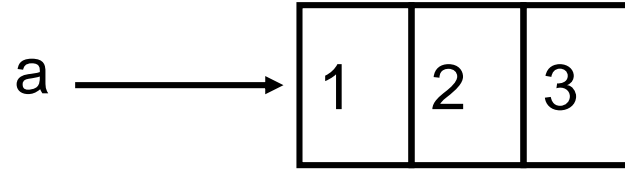
Example:

```
▶ a=[1,2,3]
  b=a
  print("b=",b)
  a.append(4)
  print("b=",b) # reference to object
```

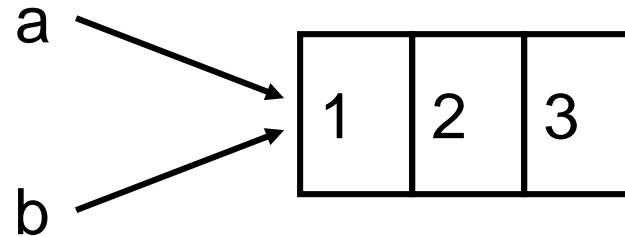
```
↳ b= [1, 2, 3]
   b= [1, 2, 3, 4]
```

# CHANGING A SHARED LIST

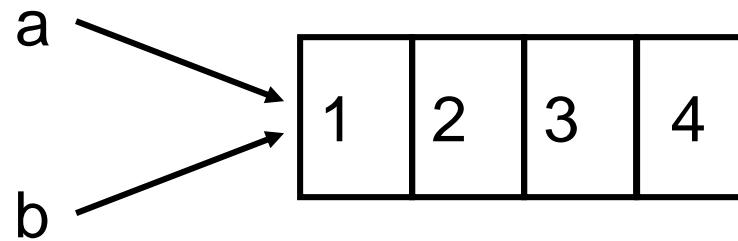
`a = [1, 2, 3]`



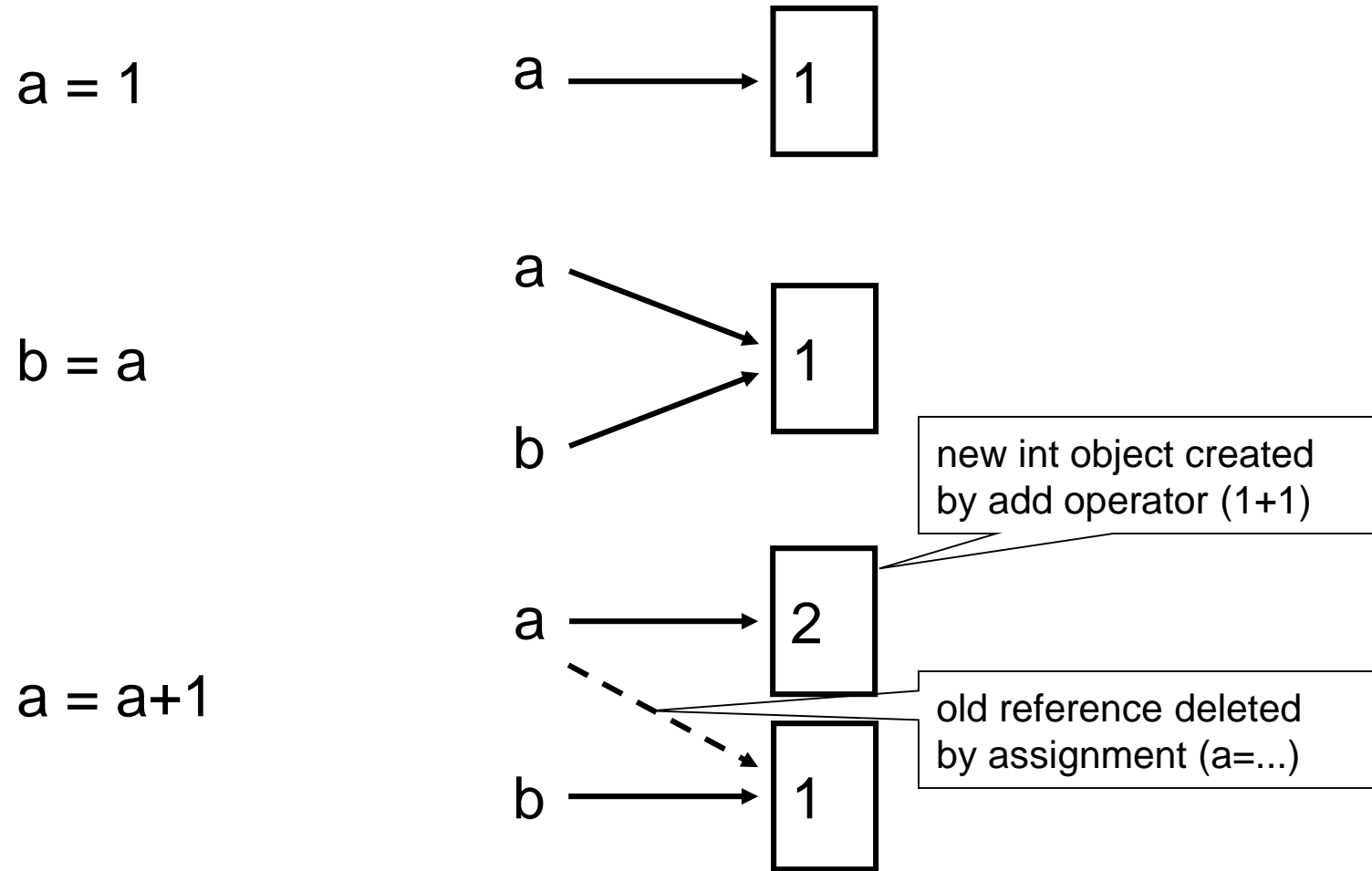
`b = a`



`a.append(4)`



# CHANGING AN INTEGER



# CONTROL STRUCTURES

*if condition:*

*statements*

*[elif condition:*

*statements] ...*

*else:*

*statements*

*while condition:*

*statements*

*for var in sequence:*

*statements*

*break*

*continue*

## GROUPING INDENTATION

In Python:

```
for i in range(20):
    if i%3 == 0:
        print i
        if i%5 == 0:
            print("Bingo!")
print("---")
```

In C:

```
for (i = 0; i < 20; i++)
{
    if (i%3 == 0) {
        printf("%d\n", i);
        if (i%5 == 0) {
            printf("Bingo!\n");
        }
    }
    printf("---\n");
}
```

# FUNCTIONS

Syntax

```
def functionname( parameters ):
    "function_docstring"
    function_suite
    return [expression]
```

Example

```
def printme( str ):
    "This prints a passed string into this function"
    print str
    return
```



# FUNCTIONS

Calling a Function: `printme("hello")`

## Function Arguments

- Required arguments
- Keyword arguments
- Default arguments
- Variable-length arguments

return statement

[https://www.tutorialspoint.com/python/python\\_functions.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/python/python_functions.htm)

# EXERCISE

Using List or dictionary, write a program that calculates CGPA of the previous semester