

Advanced Numbers

In this lecture we will learn about a few more representations of numbers in Python.

Hexadecimal

Using the function `hex()` you can convert numbers into a [hexadecimal](#) format:

```
In [1]: hex(246)
```

```
Out[1]: '0xf6'
```

```
In [2]: hex(512)
```

```
Out[2]: '0x200'
```

Binary

Using the function `bin()` you can convert numbers into their [binary](#) format.

```
In [3]: bin(1234)
```

```
Out[3]: '0b10011010010'
```

```
In [4]: bin(128)
```

```
Out[4]: '0b10000000'
```

```
In [5]: bin(512)
```

```
Out[5]: '0b1000000000'
```

Exponentials

The function `pow()` takes two arguments, equivalent to `x^y`. With three arguments it is equivalent to `(x^y)%z`, but may be more efficient for long integers.

```
In [6]: pow(3,4)
```

```
Out[6]: 81
```

```
In [7]: pow(3,4,5)
```

```
Out[7]: 1
```

Absolute Value

The function `abs()` returns the absolute value of a number. The argument may be an integer or a floating point number. If the argument is a complex number, its magnitude is returned.

```
In [8]: abs(-3.14)
```

```
Out[8]: 3.14
```

```
In [9]: abs(3)
```

```
Out[9]: 3
```

Round

The function `round()` will round a number to a given precision in decimal digits (default 0 digits). It does not convert integers to floats.

```
In [10]: round(3,2)
```

```
Out[10]: 3
```

```
In [11]: round(395,-2)
```

```
Out[11]: 400
```

```
In [12]: round(3.1415926535,2)
```

```
Out[12]: 3.14
```

Python has a built-in math library that is also useful to play around with in case you are ever in need of some mathematical operations. Explore the documentation [here!](#)