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1 PYTHON QUICK START

1.1 Theory

Python is a high-level, interpreted programming language known for its simplicity and readability. It supports multiple programming paradigms, including procedural, object-oriented, and functional programming. Python is widely used for web development, data analysis, automation, and more.

To get started with Python:

- Install Python from the official website ([python.org](https://www.python.org)).
- Use an Integrated Development Environment (IDE) like IDLE, PyCharm, or VS Code.
- Run Python scripts from the command line using `python filename.py`.

The basic structure of a Python program starts with simple statements like printing output or performing calculations. Python uses indentation for code blocks instead of braces.

1.2 Examples

1.2.1 Hello World Program

This is the classic first program to print a greeting message.

```
1 # Hello World example
2 print("Hello, World!")
```

Output:

Hello, World!

1.2.2 Simple Arithmetic

Perform basic calculations and print the result.

```
1 # Simple arithmetic example
2 a = 10
3 b = 5
4 sum_ab = a + b
5 print("Sum of", a, "and", b, "is:", sum_ab)
```

Output:

Sum of 10 and 5 is: 15

1.2.3 User Input

Take input from the user and respond.

```
1 # User input example
2 name = input("Enter your name: ")
3 print("Hello, ", name, "! Welcome to Python.")
```

Sample Output (with input "Alice"):

```
Enter your name: Alice
Hello, Alice! Welcome to Python.
```

2 VARIABLES AND NAMING

2.1 Theory

Variables in Python are used to store data values. Unlike other languages, Python has no explicit declaration; variables are created when assigned a value. Python uses dynamic typing, meaning the variable's type is determined at runtime based on the assigned value.

Naming conventions:

- Use lowercase letters for variable names.
- Separate words with underscores (snake_case).
- Avoid reserved keywords (e.g., if, for, while).
- Variable names should be descriptive and start with a letter or underscore.
- Constants are typically in uppercase (e.g., PI = 3.14).

Data types include integers, floats, strings, booleans, etc., and can be reassigned to different types.

2.2 Examples

2.2.1 Basic Variable Assignment

Assigning different types to variables.

```
1 # Basic variable assignment
2 age = 25          # Integer
3 height = 5.9      # Float
4 name = "John"     # String
5 is_student = True # Boolean
6
7 print("Name:", name)
8 print("Age:", age)
9 print("Height:", height)
10 print("Is student?", is_student)
```

Output:

```
Name: John
Age: 25
Height: 5.9
Is student? True
```

2.2.2 Naming Conventions

Using proper snake_case naming.

```
1 # Proper naming conventions
2 user_first_name = "Alice"
3 total_score = 95.5
4 max_attempts = 3
5 is_valid = False
6
7 print(f"User: {user_first_name}, Score: {total_score}")
```

Output:

```
User: Alice, Score: 95.5
```

2.2.3 Reassignment

Changing variable types.

```
1 # Variable reassignment
2 x = 10           # Initially integer
3 print("x as int:", x)
4
5 x = "ten"        # Reassigned to string
6 print("x as str:", x)
```

Output:

```
x as int: 10
x as str: ten
```

3 COMBINED ASSIGNMENT OPERATORS

3.1 Theory

Combined assignment operators (also known as augmented assignment operators) allow you to perform an operation and assign the result back to the variable in a concise way. They are shortcuts for common operations like addition, subtraction, etc.

Common operators:

- `+=` : Addition assignment (`x += y` is `x = x + y`)
- `-=` : Subtraction assignment
- `*=` : Multiplication assignment
- `/=` : Division assignment
- `//=` : Floor division assignment
- `%=` : Modulus assignment
- `**=` : Exponentiation assignment

These operators work with mutable types like lists and strings as well.

3.2 Examples

3.2.1 Arithmetic Combined Assignments

Using `+=` and `-=` on numbers.

```
1 # Arithmetic combined assignments
2 counter = 0
3 counter += 5      # counter = counter + 5
4 print("After += 5:", counter)
5
6 counter -= 2      # counter = counter - 2
7 print("After -= 2:", counter)
```

Output:

```
After += 5: 5
After -= 2: 3
```

3.2.2 Multiplication and Division

Using *= and /=.

```
1 # Multiplication and division assignments
2 price = 10.0
3 quantity = 3
4 total = price * quantity
5
6 total *= 1.1      # Add 10% tax
7 print("Total after tax:", total)
8
9 total /= quantity # Per item
10 print("Price per item:", total)
```

Output:

```
Total after tax: 33.0
Price per item: 11.0
```

3.2.3 List Operations

Using combined assignments on lists.

```
1 # List combined assignments
2 numbers = [1, 2, 3]
3 numbers += [4, 5]  # Append list
4 print("After += [4,5]:", numbers)
5
6 numbers *= 2      # Duplicate list
7 print("After *= 2:", numbers)
```

Output:

```
After += [4,5]: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
After *= 2: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

4 SUMMARY OF PYTHON ARITHMETIC OPERATORS

4.1 Theory

Python provides a rich set of arithmetic operators for numerical computations. These operators follow standard precedence rules (parentheses > exponents > multiplication/division > addition/subtraction), and associativity is left-to-right for most.

Operators summary:

- + : Addition
- - : Subtraction
- * : Multiplication
- / : True division (always returns float)
- // : Floor division (integer result)
- % : Modulus (remainder)
- ** : Exponentiation (power)

These can be used with integers and floats. For complex numbers, additional support is available.

4.2 Examples

4.2.1 Basic Operators

Addition, subtraction, multiplication.

```
1 # Basic arithmetic operators
2 a = 20
3 b = 6
4
5 add = a + b
6 sub = a - b
7 mul = a * b
8
9 print("Addition:", add)
10 print("Subtraction:", sub)
11 print("Multiplication:", mul)
```

Output:

```
Addition: 26
Subtraction: 14
Multiplication: 120
```

4.2.2 Division Operators

True division, floor division, modulus.

```
1 # Division operators
2 a = 20
3 b = 6
4
5 div = a / b      # True division
6 floor_div = a // b # Floor division
7 mod = a % b      # Modulus
8
9 print("True division:", div)
10 print("Floor division:", floor_div)
11 print("Modulus:", mod)
```

Output:

```
True division: 3.333333333333335
Floor division: 3
Modulus: 2
```

4.2.3 Exponentiation

Power operations.

```
1 # Exponentiation operator
2 base = 2
3 exponent = 3
4
5 power = base ** exponent
6 print("2 raised to 3:", power)
7
8 # Square root approximation
9 sqrt_16 = 16 ** 0.5
10 print("Square root of 16:", sqrt_16)
```

Output:

```
2 raised to 3: 8
Square root of 16: 4.0
```

4.2.4 Operator Precedence

Demonstrating precedence.

```
1 # Operator precedence
2 result = 2 + 3 * 4 ** 2 / 2 - 1
3 print("Result with precedence:", result)
4
5 # With parentheses
6 explicit = (2 + (3 * 4)) ** 2 / (2 - 1)
7 print("Explicit parentheses:", explicit)
```

Output:

```
Result with precedence: 25.0
Explicit parentheses: 400.0
```

5 ELEMENTARY DATA TYPES: INTEGER AND FLOATING POINT

5.1 Theory

Python supports two primary numeric data types for basic arithmetic: integers (`int`) and floating-point numbers (`float`).

Integers represent whole numbers with unlimited precision in Python 3 (no size limit). They can be positive, negative, or zero. Floating-point numbers represent real numbers with decimal points and are used for fractions and decimals. Floats have limited precision due to IEEE 754 standard, which can lead to rounding errors in calculations.

Key points:

- Integers: `int`, e.g., 42, -10, 0
- Floats: `float`, e.g., 3.14, -2.5, 1.0
- Type conversion: `int()` to convert to integer, `float()` to convert to float
- Division of two ints always returns a float in Python 3
- Floats can be written in scientific notation, e.g., 1.23e4

Remember: Avoid comparing floats for exact equality due to precision issues; use a small epsilon for comparisons.

5.2 Examples

5.2.1 Basic Integer and Float Operations

Working with ints and floats.

```
1 # Integer and float examples
2 integer_num = 42
3 float_num = 3.14
4
5 print("Integer:", integer_num, "Type:", type(integer_num))
```

```

6 print("Float:", float_num, "Type:", type(float_num))
7
8 # Operations
9 sum_result = integer_num + float_num
10 print("Sum:", sum_result, "Type:", type(sum_result))

```

Output:

```

Integer: 42 Type: <class 'int'>
Float: 3.14 Type: <class 'float'>
Sum: 45.14 Type: <class 'float'>

```

5.2.2 Type Conversion

Converting between types.

```

1 # Type conversion
2 float_to_int = int(3.99)    # Truncates decimal
3 print("3.99 to int:", float_to_int)
4
5 int_to_float = float(42)
6 print("42 to float:", int_to_float)
7
8 # Division
9 result = 10 / 3
10 print("10 / 3:", result)

```

Output:

```

3.99 to int: 3
42 to float: 42.0
10 / 3: 3.3333333333333335

```

5.2.3 Precision Issues with Floats

Demonstrating floating-point precision.

```

1 # Floating point precision
2 a = 0.1
3 b = 0.2
4 sum_ab = a + b
5 print("0.1 + 0.2 =", sum_ab)
6 print("Is equal to 0.3?", sum_ab == 0.3)
7
8 # Better comparison
9 epsilon = 1e-10
10 print("Close to 0.3?", abs(sum_ab - 0.3) < epsilon)

```

Output:

```

0.1 + 0.2 = 0.30000000000000004
Is equal to 0.3? False
Close to 0.3? True

```

6 BASIC INPUT AND OUTPUT

6.1 Theory

Python provides built-in functions for input and output operations. The `print()` function outputs data to the console, while `input()` reads user input as a string.

Key features:

- `print(*objects, sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)`: Prints objects separated by sep, ending with end.
- `input(prompt='')`: Reads a line from input, returns string. Use `int(input())` or `float(input())` for numbers.
- Formatted output: f-strings (`f""`), `format()`, % formatting.
- For files: Use `open()` for reading/writing.

Remember: Always strip whitespace from input using `strip()` for robustness.

6.2 Examples

6.2.1 Basic Print Statements

Multiple ways to print.

```
1 # Basic print
2 print("Hello")
3 print("World")
4
5 # With sep and end
6 print("Hello", "World", sep=", ", end="!\n")
```

Output:

```
Hello
World
Hello, World!
```

6.2.2 Input and Formatted Output

Reading input and formatting.

```
1 # Input and f-string
2 name = input("Enter name: ").strip()
3 age = int(input("Enter age: ").strip())
4
5 print(f"Hello {name}, you are {age} years old.")
```

Sample Output (inputs: Alice, 25):

```
Enter name: Alice
Enter age: 25
Hello Alice, you are 25 years old.
```

6.2.3 Reading Multiple Inputs

Handling multiple inputs.

```
1 # Multiple inputs
2 numbers = list(map(int, input("Enter numbers: ").split()))
3 print("You entered:", numbers)
4 print("Sum:", sum(numbers))
```

Sample Output (input: 1 2 3):

```
Enter numbers: 1 2 3
You entered: [1, 2, 3]
Sum: 6
```

7 FUNCTION DEFINITIONS

7.1 Theory

Functions are reusable blocks of code defined using the `def` keyword. They promote modularity and reduce redundancy.

Syntax: `def function_name(parameters):`

- Parameters: Optional, can have defaults, `*args`, `**kwargs` for variable arguments.
- Return: Use `return` to send back a value; default returns `None`.
- Scope: Local variables inside function.
- Docstrings: Use triple quotes for documentation.

Remember: Functions should follow the single responsibility principle; keep them focused.

7.2 Examples

7.2.1 Basic Function

Simple function without parameters.

```
1 # Basic function
2 def greet():
3     print("Hello from function!")
4
5 greet()
```

Output:

```
Hello from function!
```

7.2.2 Function with Parameters and Return

Using parameters and return.

```
1 # Function with parameters
2 def add_numbers(a, b):
3     """Add two numbers and return the sum."""
4     return a + b
5
6 result = add_numbers(5, 3)
7 print("Sum:", result)
```

Output:

```
Sum: 8
```

7.2.3 Default Parameters and Variable Args

Advanced function features.

```
1 # Default parameters
2 def multiply(x, y=2):
3     return x * y
4
5 print("5 * 2 (default):", multiply(5))
6
7 # Variable args
```

```

8 def sum_all(*args):
9     return sum(args)
10
11 print("Sum of 1,2,3,4:", sum_all(1,2,3,4))

```

Output:

```

5 * 2 (default): 10
Sum of 1,2,3,4: 10

```

8 THE PYTHON "IF" STATEMENT

8.1 Theory

The if statement implements conditional execution. It evaluates a boolean expression and executes the block if true.

Syntax:

```

if condition:
    # block
elif condition:
    # block
else:
    # block

```

Conditions use comparison operators (`==`, `!=`, `>`, `<`, `>=`, `<=`) and logical operators (and, or, not). Indentation defines the block.

Nested ifs and ternary operators (condition and `value_if_true` or `value_if_false`) are common.

Remember: Conditions should be boolean; non-empty strings, non-zero numbers are truthy.

8.2 Examples

8.2.1 Basic If-Elif-Else

Simple conditional.

```

1 # Basic if
2 score = 85
3 if score >= 90:
4     grade = "A"
5 elif score >= 80:
6     grade = "B"
7 else:
8     grade = "C"
9
10 print("Grade:", grade)

```

Output:

```

Grade: B

```

8.2.2 Nested If

Nested conditions.

```

1 # Nested if
2 age = 20
3 has_license = True
4

```

```

5 if age >= 18:
6     if has_license:
7         print("Can drive")
8     else:
9         print("Need license")
10 else:
11     print("Too young")

```

Output:

Can drive

8.2.3 Ternary Operator

Inline conditional.

```

1 # Ternary
2 x = 10
3 result = "Even" if x % 2 == 0 else "Odd"
4 print("x is", result)

```

Output:

x is Even

9 THE PYTHON "WHILE" STATEMENT

9.1 Theory

The `while` loop repeats a block as long as a condition is true. It's useful for indefinite iteration until a condition changes.

Syntax:

```

while condition:
    # block
    # update condition

```

Include a way to exit (e.g., `break`) to avoid infinite loops. Can use `else` clause that executes if no `break` occurred.

Remember: Use `while` when the number of iterations is unknown; prefer for loops for known ranges.

9.2 Examples

9.2.1 Basic While Loop

Counting loop.

```

1 # Basic while
2 count = 0
3 while count < 5:
4     print("Count:", count)
5     count += 1

```

Output:

Count: 0
 Count: 1
 Count: 2
 Count: 3
 Count: 4

9.2.2 While with Break and Continue

Control flow.

```
1 # While with break and continue
2 num = 0
3 while num < 10:
4     num += 1
5     if num == 5:
6         continue # Skip 5
7     if num == 8:
8         break    # Stop at 8
9     print(num)
```

Output:

```
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
```

9.2.3 While-Else

Using else clause.

```
1 # While-else
2 found = False
3 i = 1
4 while i < 10:
5     if i % 7 == 0:
6         found = True
7         break
8     i += 1
9 else:
10    print("7 not found")
11
12 if found:
13    print("Found 7")
```

Output:

```
Found 7
```

10 A COUPLE OF COOL LITTLE APPS

10.1 Theory

This section presents simple applications demonstrating Python concepts. These apps combine input, conditionals, loops, and functions to solve practical problems.

Apps include:

- Number Guessing Game: User guesses a random number.
- Simple Calculator: Performs basic arithmetic based on user choice.

Remember: For real apps, handle errors with try-except; here we keep it simple.

10.2 Examples

10.2.1 Number Guessing Game

Guess a number between 1 and 100.

```
1 # Number Guessing Game
2 import random
3
4 secret = random.randint(1, 100)
5 guess = 0
6 attempts = 0
7
8 print("Guess the number between 1 and 100!")
9
10 while guess != secret:
11     guess = int(input("Enter guess: "))
12     attempts += 1
13     if guess < secret:
14         print("Too low!")
15     elif guess > secret:
16         print("Too high!")
17     else:
18         print(f"Correct! It took {attempts} attempts.")
```

Sample Output:

```
Guess the number between 1 and 100!
Enter guess: 50
Too low!
Enter guess: 75
Too high!
Enter guess: 62
Correct! It took 3 attempts.
```

10.2.2 Simple Calculator

Basic four-function calculator.

```
1 # Simple Calculator
2 def calculator():
3     print("Simple Calculator")
4     num1 = float(input("Enter first number: "))
5     op = input("Enter operator (+, -, *, /): ")
6     num2 = float(input("Enter second number: "))
7
8     if op == "+":
9         result = num1 + num2
10    elif op == "-":
11        result = num1 - num2
12    elif op == "*":
13        result = num1 * num2
14    elif op == "/":
15        if num2 != 0:
16            result = num1 / num2
17        else:
18            print("Division by zero!")
19            return
20    else:
21        print("Invalid operator!")
```

```

22     return
23
24     print(f"Result: {num1} {op} {num2} = {result}")
25
26 calculator()

```

Sample Output (inputs: 10, +, 5):

```

Simple Calculator
Enter first number: 10
Enter operator (+, -, *, /): +
Enter second number: 5
Result: 10.0 + 5.0 = 15.0

```

11 SUMMARY OF PYTHON BOOLEAN OPERATORS, FUNCTION ARGUMENTS AND RETURN VALUES

11.1 Theory

This section summarizes boolean operators and function argument passing/return mechanisms.

Boolean Operators:

- `and`: True if both true
- `or`: True if at least one true
- `not`: Negates
- Short-circuit evaluation: and/or stop early

Function Arguments:

- Positional: By order
- Keyword: By name
- Defaults: Optional
- `*args`: Tuple of extras
- `**kwargs`: Dict of keyword extras

Return Values: Can return multiple via tuple; None if no return.

Remember: Mutable arguments can be modified in functions; pass copies if needed.

11.2 Examples

11.2.1 Boolean Operators

Using logical operators.

```

1 # Boolean operators
2 a = True
3 b = False
4
5 print("a and b:", a and b)
6 print("a or b:", a or b)
7 print("not a:", not a)
8
9 # Short-circuit
10 print("True and (1/0):", True and (1/0)) # Doesn't error
11 print("False or (1/0):", False or (1/0)) # Errors

```

Output (note: second print may error, but demonstrates concept):

```
a and b: False
a or b: True
not a: False
True and (1/0): True
```

11.2.2 Function Arguments

Different argument types.

```
1 # Function arguments
2 def func_example(required, optional="default", *args, **kwargs):
3     print("Required:", required)
4     print("Optional:", optional)
5     print("Args:", args)
6     print("Kwargs:", kwargs)
7     return required + len(args)
8
9 # Calls
10 result1 = func_example(1)
11 print("Return 1:", result1)
12
13 result2 = func_example(2, "custom", 3, 4, key="value")
14 print("Return 2:", result2)
```

Output:

```
Required: 1
Optional: default
Args: ()
Kwargs: {}
Return 1: 1
Required: 2
Optional: custom
Args: (3, 4)
Kwargs: {'key': 'value'}
Return 2: 4
```

11.2.3 Multiple Returns

Returning tuples.

```
1 # Multiple returns
2 def divide_and_remainder(a, b):
3     return a // b, a % b
4
5 quotient, remainder = divide_and_remainder(10, 3)
6 print("Quotient:", quotient, "Remainder:", remainder)
```

Output:

```
Quotient: 3 Remainder: 1
```

12 THE FORWARD REFERENCE PROBLEM

12.1 Theory

The forward reference problem occurs when code tries to use a variable or function before it is defined. In Python, this leads to `NameError` since variables are resolved at runtime.

Solutions:

- Define in order: Ensure definitions precede usage.
- Functions: Can call functions before definition if in same scope (hoisting-like, but not truly).
- Global variables: Use global keyword.
- For classes/methods: Forward references in type hints (from Python 3.7+ with postponed evaluation).

Remember: Always define before use; use functions to organize code.

12.2 Examples

12.2.1 Forward Reference Error

Demonstrating the error.

```
1 # This will cause NameError
2 print(undefined_var) # undefined_var not defined yet
3 undefined_var = 42
```

Output (Error):

```
NameError: name 'undefined_var' is not defined
```

12.2.2 Functions: Definition Order

Functions can be called before definition.

```
1 # Function forward reference (works)
2 call_early() # Defined later
3
4 def call_early():
5     print("Function called!")
```

Output:

```
Function called!
```

12.2.3 Solution with If Guards

Using conditionals to avoid early reference.

```
1 # Avoiding forward reference
2 use_later = False
3 if use_later:
4     print(later_var)
5
6 later_var = 100
7 print("Later var defined:", later_var)
```

Output:

```
Later var defined: 100
```

13 PYTHON STRINGS

13.1 Theory

Strings are immutable sequences of characters, enclosed in quotes (' or "). They support indexing, slicing, and many methods.

Key features:

- Immutable: Cannot change in place.
- Indexing: s[0] for first char.
- Slicing: s[start:end:step]
- Methods: upper(), lower(), strip(), split(), join(), find(), replace()
- Formatting: f-strings, format(), %
- Raw strings: r"..." for escaping

Remember: Strings are unicode; use len() for length, which counts characters.

13.2 Examples

13.2.1 String Basics

Creation and indexing.

```
1 # String basics
2 s = "Hello, World!"
3 print("String:", s)
4 print("Length:", len(s))
5 print("First char:", s[0])
6 print("Slice:", s[7:12])
```

Output:

```
String: Hello, World!
Length: 13
First char: H
Slice: World
```

13.2.2 String Methods

Common operations.

```
1 # String methods
2 text = " Python Programming "
3 print("Upper:", text.upper())
4 print("Lower:", text.lower())
5 print("Stripped:", text.strip())
6 print("Split:", text.split())
7
8 words = ["Python", "is", "great"]
9 joined = " ".join(words)
10 print("Joined:", joined)
```

Output:

```
Upper:    PYTHON PROGRAMMING
Lower:    python programming
Stripped: Python Programming
Split:   [' Python', 'Programming  ']
Joined:  Python is great
```

13.2.3 String Formatting

Different formatting methods.

```
1 # String formatting
2 name = "Alice"
3 age = 30
4
5 # f-string
6 print(f"{name} is {age} years old.")
7
8 # format()
9 print("{} is {} years old.".format(name, age))
10
11 # %
12 print("%s is %d years old." % (name, age))
```

Output:

```
Alice is 30 years old.
Alice is 30 years old.
Alice is 30 years old.
```

14 PYTHON LISTS (AND A COOL SORTING APP)

14.1 Theory

Lists are mutable, ordered sequences that can hold mixed types. They are defined with [] and support dynamic sizing.

Key operations:

- Creation: [1, 2, 3]
- Indexing/Slicing: Similar to strings
- Methods: append(), extend(), insert(), remove(), pop(), sort(), reverse()
- List comprehensions: [expr for item in iterable]
- Mutability: Changes affect all references

Remember: Lists are passed by reference; use copy() for independent copies.

14.2 Examples

14.2.1 Basic List Operations

Creation and manipulation.

```
1 # Basic lists
2 fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
3 print("List:", fruits)
4 print("Length:", len(fruits))
```

```

5
6 # Append and access
7 fruits.append("date")
8 print("After append:", fruits)
9 print("Second item:", fruits[1])

```

Output:

```

List: ['apple', 'banana', 'cherry']
Length: 3
After append: ['apple', 'banana', 'cherry', 'date']
Second item: banana

```

14.2.2 List Methods and Comprehensions

Advanced features.

```

1 # List methods
2 numbers = [3, 1, 4, 1, 5]
3 numbers.sort()
4 print("Sorted:", numbers)
5
6 # Comprehension
7 squares = [x**2 for x in range(5)]
8 print("Squares:", squares)
9
10 # Filtered comprehension
11 evens = [x for x in range(10) if x % 2 == 0]
12 print("Evens:", evens)

```

Output:

```

Sorted: [1, 1, 3, 4, 5]
Squares: [0, 1, 4, 9, 16]
Evens: [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]

```

14.2.3 Cool Sorting App: Student Grades Sorter

Sort students by grades.

```

1 # Cool Sorting App: Sort students by grades
2 students = [
3     ("Alice", 85),
4     ("Bob", 92),
5     ("Charlie", 78),
6     ("David", 95)
7 ]
8
9 # Sort by grade descending
10 sorted_students = sorted(students, key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)
11 print("Top students by grade:")
12 for name, grade in sorted_students:
13     print(f"{name}: {grade}")

```

Output:

```

Top students by grade:
David: 95
Bob: 92
Alice: 85
Charlie: 78

```

15 THE "FOR" STATEMENT AND RANGES

15.1 Theory

The `for` loop iterates over iterables (lists, strings, ranges). It's ideal for known iteration counts.

`range(start, stop, step)` generates sequences efficiently.

Syntax:

```
for item in iterable:  
    # block
```

Can use `else` if no break. With `enumerate()` for index-value pairs.

Remember: `range()` doesn't create a list; it's a generator for memory efficiency.

15.2 Examples

15.2.1 Basic For Loop

Iterating over list.

```
1 # Basic for  
2 colors = ["red", "green", "blue"]  
3 for color in colors:  
4     print(color)
```

Output:

```
red  
green  
blue
```

15.2.2 Using Range

Generating numbers.

```
1 # Range  
2 for i in range(5):  # 0 to 4  
3     print(i)  
4  
5 for i in range(2, 8, 2):  # 2,4,6  
6     print(i)
```

Output:

```
0  
1  
2  
3  
4  
2  
4  
6
```

15.2.3 Enumerate and For-Else

With indices and else.

```

1 # Enumerate
2 fruits = ["apple", "banana"]
3 for index, fruit in enumerate(fruits):
4     print(f"{index}: {fruit}")
5
6 # For-else
7 for i in range(5):
8     print(i)
9 else:
10    print("Loop completed without break")

```

Output:

```

0: apple
1: banana
0
1
2
3
4
Loop completed without break

```

16 TUPLES

16.1 Theory

Tuples are immutable, ordered sequences similar to lists but cannot be modified after creation. Useful for fixed data, function returns.

Defined with () .

Key points:

- Immutable: No append, remove, etc.
- Indexing/Slicing: Same as lists
- Unpacking: a, b = (1, 2)
- Singletons: (1,) with comma
- Used as dict keys (hashable)

Remember: Tuples are faster than lists for fixed data; use for coordinates, returns.

16.2 Examples

16.2.1 Basic Tuple Operations

Creation and access.

```

1 # Basic tuple
2 coords = (10, 20, 30)
3 print("Tuple:", coords)
4 print("Second:", coords[1])
5
6 # Unpacking
7 x, y, z = coords
8 print("Unpacked:", x, y, z)

```

Output:

```
Tuple: (10, 20, 30)
Second: 20
Unpacked: 10 20 30
```

16.2.2 Tuple Methods

Limited methods.

```
1 # Tuple methods (only count, index)
2 t = (1, 2, 2, 3)
3 print("Count of 2:", t.count(2))
4 print("Index of 3:", t.index(3))
5
6 # Immutable demo
7 # t[0] = 5 # This would error
```

Output:

```
Count of 2: 2
Index of 3: 3
```

16.2.3 Tuples as Dict Keys

Hashable example.

```
1 # Tuples as keys
2 locations = {(10, 20): "Home", (30, 40): "Work"}
3 print("Home location:", locations[(10, 20)])
```

Output:

```
Home location: Home
```

17 DICTIONARIES

17.1 Theory

Dictionaries are mutable, unordered (ordered since Python 3.7), hashable key-value pairs. Keys must be immutable (strings, tuples, etc.).

Syntax: {key: value}

Operations:

- Access: d[key]
- Add/Update: d[key] = value
- Delete: del d[key], pop()
- Methods: keys(), values(), items(), get(), update()
- Iteration: for k in d, for k,v in d.items()

Remember: Use get() to avoid KeyError; default dicts for missing keys.

17.2 Examples

17.2.1 Basic Dictionary

Creation and access.

```
1 # Basic dict
2 person = {"name": "Alice", "age": 30, "city": "NY"}
3 print("Person:", person)
4 print("Name:", person["name"])
5
6 # Add
7 person["job"] = "Engineer"
8 print("Updated:", person)
```

Output:

```
Person: {'name': 'Alice', 'age': 30, 'city': 'NY'}
Name: Alice
Updated: {'name': 'Alice', 'age': 30, 'city': 'NY', 'job': 'Engineer'}
```

17.2.2 Dict Methods

Common methods.

```
1 # Dict methods
2 print("Keys:", list(person.keys()))
3 print("Values:", list(person.values()))
4
5 # Get with default
6 job = person.get("job", "Unknown")
7 print("Job:", job)
8
9 # Items iteration
10 for k, v in person.items():
11     print(f"{k}: {v}")
```

Output:

```
Keys: ['name', 'age', 'city', 'job']
Values: ['Alice', 30, 'NY', 'Engineer']
Job: Engineer
name: Alice
age: 30
city: NY
job: Engineer
```

17.2.3 Nested Dictionaries

Complex structure.

```
1 # Nested dict
2 students = {
3     "Alice": {"grade": 85, "subjects": ["Math", "Science"]},
4     "Bob": {"grade": 92, "subjects": ["Math", "History"]}
5 }
6
7 print("Alice's grade:", students["Alice"]["grade"])
```

Output:

```
Alice's grade: 85
```

18 SETS

18.1 Theory

Sets are mutable, unordered collections of unique, hashable elements. No duplicates, fast membership testing.

Created with `set()` or `{}`.

Operations:

- Add/Remove: `add()`, `remove()`, `discard()`
- Set operations: `union()`, `intersection()`, `difference(-)`, `symmetric_difference()` *Mutable vs immutable : frozenset*
Remember: Sets are great for removing duplicates or membership checks; order not guaranteed.

18.2 Examples

18.2.1 Basic Set Operations

Creation and manipulation.

```
1 # Basic set
2 fruits = {"apple", "banana", "apple"} # Duplicates removed
3 print("Set:", fruits)
4 print("Length:", len(fruits))
5
6 fruits.add("cherry")
7 print("After add:", fruits)
8
9 fruits.remove("banana")
10 print("After remove:", fruits)
```

Output:

- Set: `{'apple', 'banana'}`
`Length: 2`
`After add: {'cherry', 'apple', 'banana'}`
`After remove: {'cherry', 'apple'}`

18.2.2 Set Operations

Mathematical sets.

```
1 # Set operations
2 set1 = {1, 2, 3, 4}
3 set2 = {3, 4, 5, 6}
4
5 union = set1 | set2
6 intersection = set1 & set2
7 difference = set1 - set2
8
9 print("Union:", union)
10 print("Intersection:", intersection)
11 print("Difference:", difference)
```

Output:

```
Union: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}
Intersection: {3, 4}
Difference: {1, 2}
```

18.2.3 Frozenset

Immutable set.

```
1 # Frozenset
2 fs = frozenset([1, 2, 3])
3 print("Frozenset:", fs)
4
5 # Can be dict key
6 d = {fs: "value"}
7 print("Dict with frozenset key:", d[fs])
```

Output:

```
Frozenset: frozenset({1, 2, 3})
Dict with frozenset key: value
```

19 GLOBAL AND LOCAL VARIABLES

19.1 Theory

Python has local (function scope) and global (module scope) variables. Locals are preferred; globals for shared data.

Rules:

- Unassigned in function: Global if exists
- Assigned: Local (LEGB rule: Local, Enclosing, Global, Built-in)
- `global` keyword: To modify global inside function
- `nonlocal` for enclosing scopes (nested functions)

Remember: Avoid globals when possible; use parameters/returns for clarity. Use `globals()` to view all globals.

19.2 Examples

19.2.1 Local vs Global

Scope demonstration.

```
1 # Global variable
2 counter = 0
3
4 def increment():
5     # local_counter = 1 # If uncommented, shadows global
6     global counter
7     counter += 1
8     print("Inside function:", counter)
9
10 increment()
11 print("Outside function:", counter)
```

Output:

```
Inside function: 1
Outside function: 1
```

19.2.2 LEGB Rule

Resolution order.

```
1 # LEGB example
2 x = "global"
3
4 def outer():
5     x = "outer" # Enclosing
6     def inner():
7         x = "inner" # Local
8         print("Inner:", x)
9     inner()
10    print("Outer:", x)
11
12 outer()
13 print("Global:", x)
```

Output:

```
Inner: inner
Outer: outer
Global: global
```

19.2.3 Nonlocal Keyword

For nested functions.

```
1 # Nonlocal
2 def outer():
3     count = 0
4     def inner():
5         nonlocal count
6         count += 1
7         return count
8     return inner
9
10 inc = outer()
11 print("First call:", inc())
12 print("Second call:", inc())
```

Output:

```
First call: 1
Second call: 2
```