# **KOLT Python**Basic Operators & Branching

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1. Recap

# **Agenda**

- 1. Recap
- 2. Basic Operators
- 3. Branching



#### **Comments**

```
# Single line comments start with a '#'
"""
Multiline comments can be written between
three "s and are often used as function
and module comments.
"""
print('Hello, stranger!')
```

Python will basically ignore comments, they are purely written **for humans**!



#### **Variables**

Туре	Explanation	Examples
int	represent integers	3, 4, 17, -10
float	represent real numbers	3.0, 1.11, -109.123123
bool	represent <b>boolean</b> truth values	True, False
str	A sequence of characters.	'Hello', ", '3'
NoneType	special and has one value, None	None

- How to create a variable? variable\_name = value
- How about types? use type()
- Can a variable change type? Yes! Just assing a new value with any type.
- What if we if want to convert a value between types, i.e, '2'→ 2



# Casting

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- int('2')  $\rightarrow$  2
- Any possible reasons for casting? -taking user input -reading numbers from a file?
- Can we cast every value to every type? NO! try int ('hello')



## Console I/O(Input/Output)

#### print(\*args, sep=' ', end='\n')

- Can take arbitrary number of arguments
- Separates elements with space by default
- Adds newline character '\n' to end by default

#### input([prompt])

- Prints the prompt to Console
- Program is paused until user enters something
- returns an str object!



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# Everything else is 'truthy'
bool(-100000) # => True
bool('False') # => True
bool(3.14) # => True
bool(int) # => True
# Nonempty data structures
bool([1, 'a', []]) # => True
bool([False]) # => True
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```
1/0 # => ZeroDivisionError
True or 1/0 # => True
False and 1/0 # => False
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These operations are applicable on Numeric types: int and float

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# **Branching**

```
if <condition>:
    <expression>
    <expression>
elif <condition>:
    <expression>
    <expression>
else:
    <expression>
    <expression>
```

- <condition> has a bool value (True or False)
- Which expressions will be evaluated in which conditions?

