

# Introduction to Python

Module 1: Part 2 Starting in a few minutes!





# **Introduction to Python**

Let's get started!

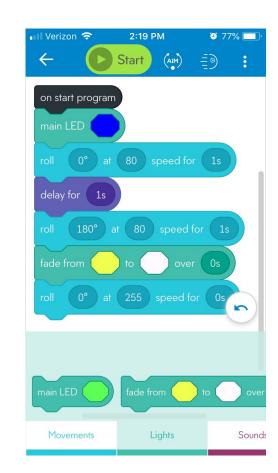






#### **Overview**

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# **Tuples**







# **Creating Tuples**

 Tuples are a data type that are similar to lists, but are immutable, and CANNOT be changed after creation

```
○ Format: (a, b, c)
```

```
# Create a tuple
t = (1, 2, 3)

# Create a tuple with different data types
t = ('one', 2, 'f', 3.14)

# Attempt to change an element in the tuple
t[0] = 4  # THIS CAUSES AN ERROR
```





### **Tuple Properties**

Tuples have many of the same properties that lists have

```
t = ('one', 2, 'f', 3.14)
# Get the length
len(t)
# Indexing
t[0]
                    # 'one'
# Slicing
t[:2]
                    # ('one', 2)
```





### **Built-In Tuple Methods**

```
t = ('one', 2, 'f', 3.14)
# Use .index() to enter a value and return the index
t.index('one')
                                # 0
# Use .count() to count the number of times a value appears
t.count('one')
```





### **Now Try This**

Create a tuple and verify with the below code:

```
my_tuple = None # INSERT CODE HERE
print(type(my_tuple))
```



#### **Dictionaries**







### **Creating Dictionaries**

 Dictionaries are a data type that store a mapping of key-value pairs

```
o Format: { key1 : value1, key2 : value2, ... }
```

```
# Create a dictionary
d = {'key1' : 'value1', 'key2': 'value2'}

# Retrieve the values by using their keys
d['key2'] # 'value2'
```





# **Indexing Dictionaries**

 Dictionaries can store different data types as their values, creating a more complex structure

```
# This dictionary holds integers and lists
d = {'key1': 123, 'key2': [12, 34, 56], 'key3': ['item0', 'item1', 'item2']}
# Retrieve the value for 'key3'
d['key3']  # ['item0', 'item1', 'item2']
# Use multiple indexing to get individual items in this list
d['key3'][0]  # 'item0'
```





#### **Dictionary Mutability**

We can change values in dictionaries

```
d = { 'key1': 123, 'key2': [12,23,33], 'key3': ['item0', 'item1', 'item2'] }
# Current value
d['key1']
                                   # 123
# Update this value
d['key1'] = d['key1'] - 100
                           # 23
print(d)
   # { 'key1': 23, 'key2': [12,23,33], 'key3': ['item0', 'item1', 'item2'] }
```





# **Empty Dictionaries**

We can initialize empty dictionaries and add values later

```
# Empty dictionary
d = \{ \}
# Create a new key-value pair
d['animal'] = 'Dog'
print(d)
                    # { 'animal': 'Dog' }
```





#### **Nested Dictionaries**

We can initialize empty dictionaries and add values later

```
# Dictionary nested inside a dictionary
d1 = { 'key1' : { 'nestkey' : 'value' } }
# Dictionary nested inside a dictionary nested inside a dictionary
d2 = { 'key1' : { 'nestkey' : { 'subnestkey' : 'value' } }
# Retrieve 'value' from d1
d1['key1']
            # { 'nestkey': 'value' }
d1['key1']['nestkey']  # 'value'
# Retrieve value' from d2
d2['key1']
d2['key1']['nestkey'] # { 'subnestkey': 'value' }
d2['key1']['nestkey']['subnestkey']
```





#### **Built-In Dictionary Methods**

```
d = \{ \text{'key1': 1,'key2': 2,'key3': 3} \}
# Method to return a list of all keys
d.keys() # ['key1', 'key2', 'key3']
# Method to return a list of all values
d.values() # [1, 2, 3]
# Method to return a list of tuples of all key-value pairs
d.items() # [('key1', 1), ('key2', 2), ('key3', 3)]
```





### **Now Try This**

Grab 'hello' from the following dictionaries using keys and indexing.

```
# Exercise 1
d1 = {'simple_key': 'hello'}

# Exercise 2
d2 = {'k1': {'k2': 'hello'} }

# Exercise 3
d3 = {'k1': [ { 'nest_key': [ 'this is deep', [ 'hello' ] ] } ] }

# Exercise 4
d4 = {'k1': [ 1, 2, { 'k2': [ 'this is tricky', { 'tough': [ 1, 2, [ 'hello' ] ] } ] } ] }
```



# Loops







# **Types of Loops**

- Loops are used to run specific lines of code multiple times
- Types of Loops:
  - For Loop
  - While Loop





# for Loops (1)

- For Loops perform an action for every element in a sequence
  - o Format: "For every element in this iterable, do this"

```
# Iterable
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]

# For Loop
for item in my_list:
    print(item)
```





# for Loops (2)

```
# Iterable
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
total = 0
for item in my_list:
  total = total + item
print(total)
# For Loop to print all odd numbers in my_list
for item in my_list:
  if item % 2 != 0: # item cannot be divided evenly by 2
   print(item)
```





# while Loops (1)

• While loops continue as long as a condition is met

```
. . .
count = 10
while count != 0:
  print("Hi!")
  count = count - 1
# Hi!
```





### while Loops (2)

```
# Creates an empty list and appends values to the list
    until count reaches 0
count = 10
my_list = list() # Creates an empty list
while count != 0:
   my_list.append(count)
   count = count - 1
print(my_list) # [10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
```





# for / while Loop Interchangeability

```
my_list = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10]
total = 0
for num in my_list:
  total = total + num
print(total)
# Prints out the sum of all numbers in my_list (i.e 1+2+3+4+...) using WHILE
my_list = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10]
total = 0
num = 0
count = len(my_list)
while count != 0:
  total = total + my_list[num]
  num = num + 1
  count = count - 1
print(total)
```





#### break

• break : ends a loop early

```
# Prints out each element until it gets to 3
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
for item in my_list:
  if item == 3:
    break
  print(item)
```





#### continue

• continue: ignores a specific element and moves on to next

```
# Prints out every element EXCEPT 3
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
for item in my_list:
  if item == 3:
    continue
  print(item)
```





### **Now Try This**

- 1. Create a list called **alphabet** and fill with all letters of the English alphabet (i.e. ['a', 'b', 'c', ... ]). Use either a **for loop** or a **while loop** to complete the following:
  - a. Print out every 4th letter starting from 'a'. In other words, the first letter printed should be 'a', followed by 'd'.
  - b. Skip the letter '1'. ('L')
  - c. Exit the loop after the 16th letter has been printed
  - d. HINT: Use step-size to traverse the list. Example: my\_list[0::2] prints every other element. Use break or continue accordingly to exit the loop or skip a step in the loop.
- 2. s





### **Now Try This**

- 2. You are copying files from your USB to your laptop. Let the lists **usb** and **laptop** represent the two devices. Fill **usb** with at least 20 elements of any data type. Then, use either a **for loop** or a **while loop** to complete the following:
  - a. Remove an item from usb
  - b. Append that item to **laptop**
  - c. Continue (a) and (b) until the **usb** list is empty and the **laptop** list has all of the elements.
  - d. **HINT:** Use the **.pop()** and **.append()** methods to remove and add items to a list, and use **len()** to determine the number of elements.



#### **Functions**





#### **Intro to Functions**

- Functions allow us to write a chunk of code once, and run multiple times.
  - o Format:
    function\_name (arg1, arg2)
- Parameters: placeholders for variables within a function

```
list_1 = [5, 10, 20]
# Using Python's built-in function sum()
print(sum(list_1))
                                # 35
print(sum(list_1, 40))
                                 # 75
# Using Python's built-in function pow()
# pow(base, exponent)
pow(2, 6)
                                 # 64
```



# **Now Try This**

What do you think happens when you don't pass in the right amount of parameters for a function?



# **Modules and Packages**







### **Understanding Modules**

- Modules: full Python programs
  - Allow further code reusability
  - Prewritten functions can be imported for use

```
# Import the library -- Notice you don't see
any code from the math module
import math
# ceil() takes a number and rounds it up to
the nearest integer
math.ceil(3.2)
                        # 4
```





# **Exploring Built-In Modules**

- dir(): tells you what functions are in a package
- help(): provides brief description about what the function does and the parameters required

```
print(dir(math))
help(math.ceil)
```





# **Understanding Packages**

- Packages: folders to store modules or to store other packages
  - Allows further code reusability to organize multiple modules with a common theme

```
pandas.testing.assert_frame_equal()

# Package: pandas
# Module: testing
# Function: assert_frame_equal()
```





# **Takeaways**

- Solid foundation for:
  - General programming with Python
  - Using Python's data science tools and libraries
- Next week:
  - Pandas (Python data library to organize and manipulate data)





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