



Introduction To Python

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Outline: Session I

- What is Python
- Why Python
- Python Interpreter
- Applications of Python in Data Science
- Installation of Python
- Writing your first python code
- Python as a Calculator
- Overview of Jupyter Notebook
- Running Python Code

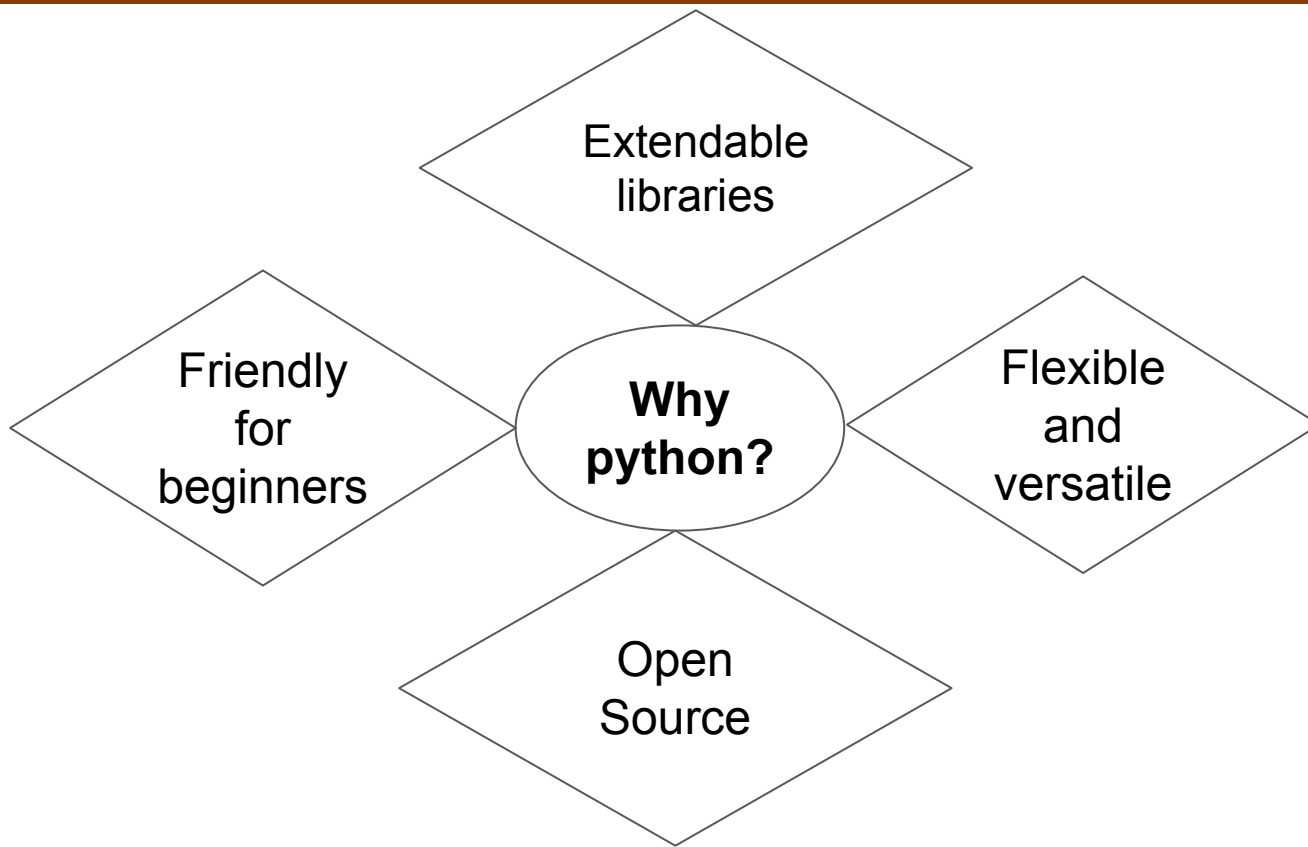
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What is python

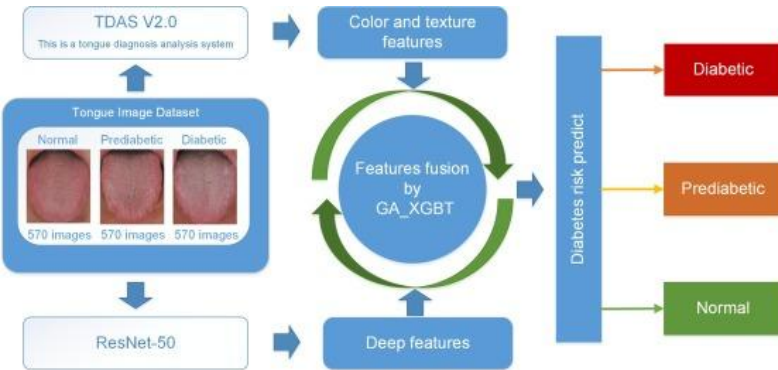
- Python is a general-purpose, high-level, interpreted, object-oriented programming language.

Why python?

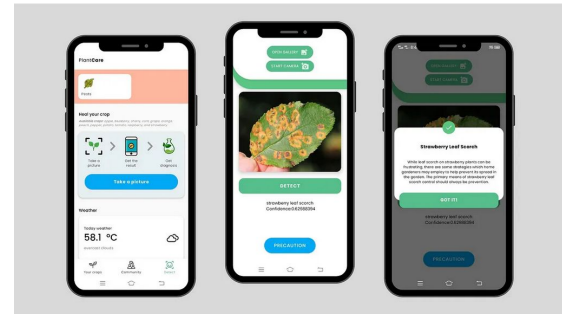


Applications of python in data science

Healthcare



Agriculture



Gaming



Politics and Governance

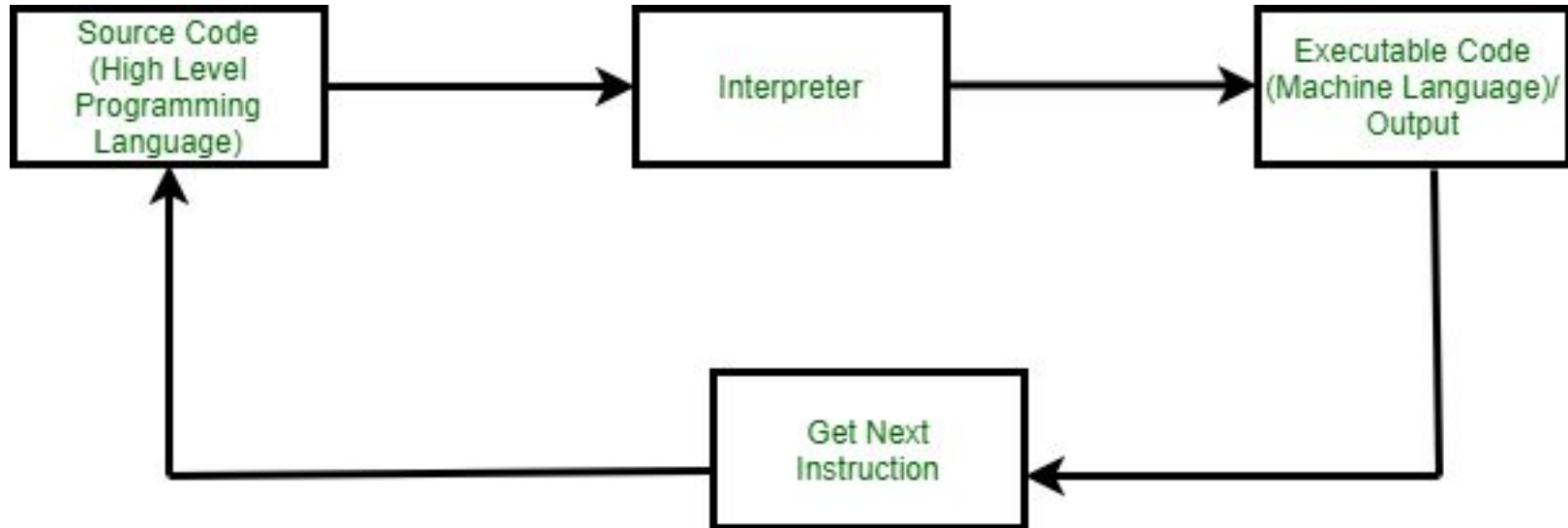


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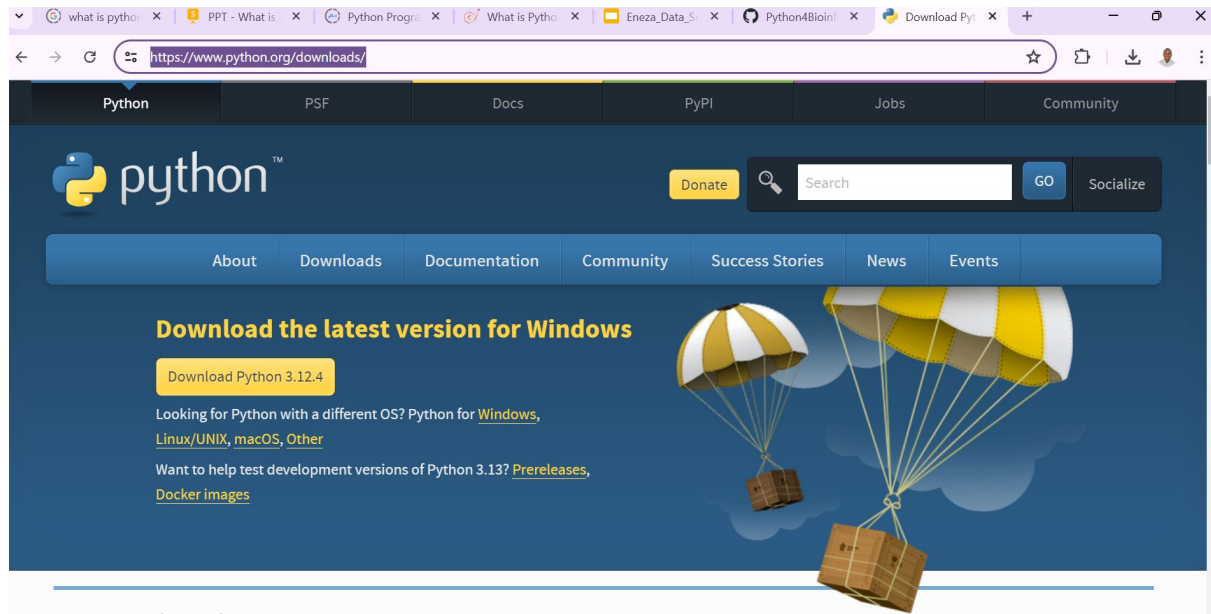
Python interpreter

- Python is an interpreted language because it executes line-by-line instructions
- Bridge the gap between what a human programmer writes and what the machine understands and thus executes



Installing python

>> <https://www.python.org/downloads/>



Checking whether python has been installed

```
>>> python  
>>> python 3
```

```
boni@DESKTOP-F0TRJ7B:~$ ls  
boni@DESKTOP-F0TRJ7B:~$ python  
Python 3.10.12 (main, Nov 20 2023, 15:14:05) [GCC 11.4.0] on linux  
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.  
>>>
```

NOTE: 'python' should be typed in small letters!
Can you tell the python version?

Your first python code

```
>>> print('Hello world')
```

```
Python 3.9.12 (main, Apr 5 2022, 06:56:58)
[GCC 7.5.0] :: Anaconda, Inc. on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> print('Hello, World!')
Hello, World!
>>> print('My name is Bonface')
My name is Bonface
>>> █
```

Basic Python syntax >>>

Syntax is a Set of rules for a particular programming language

- Indentation of code block

```
Color=["red", "blue", " green" ]  
for color in colors:  
    print(color)
```

- Variables: no spaces, case sensitive

```
max_num=90
```

- Strings enclosed with double or single quotation marks

```
Var1='Hello world'  
var2 'Hello world'
```

- The new line symbol is '\'
- Comments start with a #

```
add=20+50+\n    60+70
```

```
# print my name  
print("my name")
```

Other Basic Rules

- **Python is Case sensitive**

Example:

input:

```
PRINT('hello world!')
```

Output:

NameError: name 'PRINT' is not defined

- **Indexing in python starts from 0: ATGC**

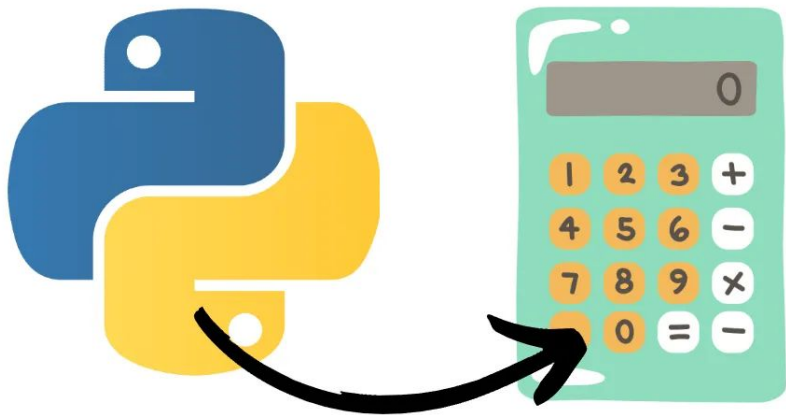
Example

```
my_dna=['ATGC']
```

```
My_dna[0]
```

Output: A

Using Python as a calculator



Multiply

```
>>> 3*3
```

```
9
```

Add

```
>>> 3+3
```

```
6
```

Divide

```
>>> 4/2
```

```
2
```

Installation of Jupyter Notebook

JupyterLab

Install JupyterLab with `pip`:

```
pip install jupyterlab
```

Note: If you install JupyterLab with conda or mamba, we recommend using [the conda-forge channel](#).

Once installed, launch JupyterLab with:

```
jupyter lab
```

Jupyter Notebook

Install the classic Jupyter Notebook with:

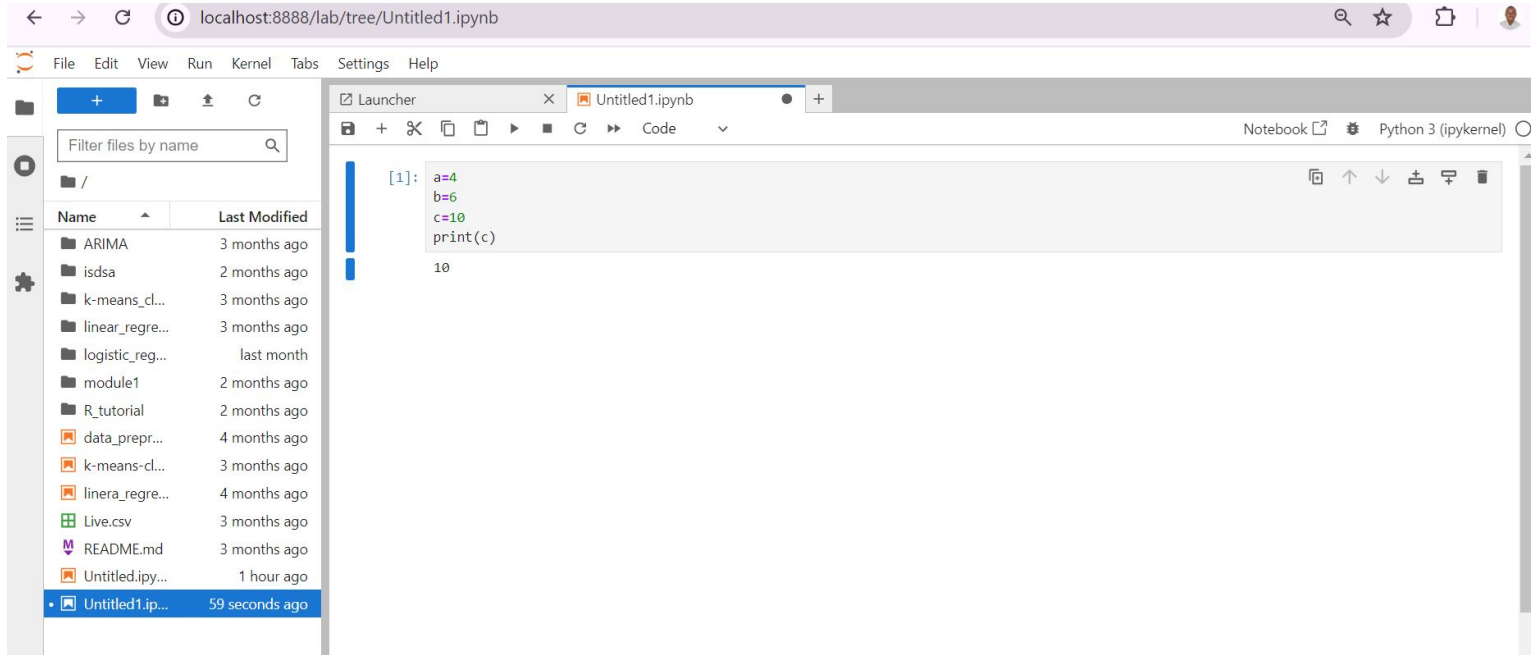
```
pip install notebook
```

To run the notebook:

```
jupyter notebook
```

Jupyter Notebook

- Jupyter Notebook is used to create interactive notebook documents that can contain live code, equations, visualizations, media and other computational output



Installing Jupyter Notebook using Miniconda

- It is recommended to install Jupyter Notebook through Anaconda or as an add-on to Miniconda.
- While it's possible to install Jupyter Notebook on its own, using Anaconda or Miniconda simplifies the process.

Running Python Code

Interactive mode	Script mode/Python prompts
<pre>(base) root@DESKTOP-F0TRJ7B:/mnt/c/Users/HP/Desktop# python Python 3.9.12 (main, Apr 5 2022, 06:56:58) [GCC 7.5.0] :: Anaconda, Inc. on linux Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information. >>> a=10 >>> b=12 >>> c=a+b >>> print(c) 22 >>></pre>	<pre>GNU nano 6.2 addition.py #!/usr/bin/env python3 a=10 b=12 c=a+b print(c)</pre>
<p>Above python program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- takes two inputs as a and b- Prints the sum in the third variable which is c.- It follows sequential as well as functional execution of programs <p>To escape python console: Control + D</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Create a python file e.g addition.py- Write each line of the python code using any editor (nano,Vscode..etc)- Cd to the file directory <p>Run code below?</p> <p>Python addition.py</p> <p>Output: 22</p>

Live coding

- Python console
- Check if python is installed
- Write your first code
- Use python as a calculator

Let's Recap

- Python is a high-level, interpreted programming language known for its easy-to-read syntax, dynamic typing, and versatility
- Indentation is used to define code blocks instead of braces or keywords.
- Python is case-sensitive, and variables do not require explicit declaration.
- Jupyter notebook combines code, narrative text, visualizations, and other rich media into a single document

Time for Break !



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Introduction to Python: Session II

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Outline: Session II

- What is Algorithm in python
- Assigning variables
- Python operators
- Basic data types and operations
- Data structures
- Control statements
- For loop

Algorithms in python

- Are set of instructions for solving problems programmatically

Real life example (cooking ugali) Steps to follow	Code problem example (Find mean of numbers)
Ingredients: 2 cups of maize flour 4 cups of boiling water	numbers=[1,2,3,4] Input: numbers
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Buy unga2. Bring 4 cups of water to a boil in a kettle or other pan3. Pour Unga after the water have boiled4. Stir briskly with a cooking stick5. Cook to a firm texture6. Turn the cooked ugali onto a serving plate	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Get the length of the numbers2. Get the sum of the numbers3. Divide sum by length

Assigning variables

```
a=10  
b=20  
c=a+b  
print(c)
```

A variable names a value that we want to use later in a program.

Note:

- The symbol = is pronounced “gets” not “equals”!
- Avoid using python **keywords** in naming variables e.g list=[1,2,3]

Assigning variables...

- Python allows you to assign values to multiple variables in one line:

```
>>>a,b,c=10,20,30
```

```
>>>print(a)
```

```
>>>print(b)
```

```
>>>print(c)
```

Data Types

Python data types

```
graph TD; A[Python data types] --> B[Floating point numbers]; A --> C[String]; A --> D[Integers]; A --> E[booleans];
```

Floating point
numbers
float

String
str
my_dna='ATGCT'
in , **not in** , **+** , and *****

Integers
int
+ , **-** , ***** , **/** , **//**

booleans
bool
and , **or** , **not**

Key:

Black: data type
green : python
representation
red: operators

Python operators

Arithmetic python operators

Addition (+)

```
>>> 7+2
```

9

Multiplication (*)

```
>>> 7*2
```

14

Division(/)

```
>>> 7/2
```

3.5

Floor division(//)

```
7//2
```

3

Can you check what this operator (**) do in python? E.g $3^{**}3=?$

Python operators

Relational operators



```
graph TD; A[Relational operators] --> B[Less than(<)]; A --> C[Greater than(>)]; A --> D[Equality (==)]; A --> E[Not equal to (!=)];
```

Less than(<)

```
>>> 6<4
```

True

Greater than(>)

```
>>> 6>9
```

False

Equality (==)

```
>>> 8==8
```

True

Not equal to (!=)

```
>>> 7!=4
```

True

You check what these operators (**) do in python: **<= and >=**

Strings

What to know about strings in python

- Sequence of characters
- index starts from 0
- Case sensitive
- Immutable

Example

```
My_fast_string='Hello word'
```

String manipulation

- Indexing
- Negative Indexing
- Splicing

```
my_dna='TGCGTAGC'
```

String Built In Functions

Use case: my_protein="ALTPPPTA"

- len()
- str()
- split()
- strip()
- reverse
- startswith()
- endswith()

Why know data types

- Know which operators to use

Data Structures in Python

[Lists]

- Group of items
- Different data types
- Mutable: items can be added or removed
- Index starts from 0

Example

```
diseases=['cancer',  
covid19,diabetes]
```

{Dictionaries}

- consists of a key and then an associated value
- Heterogeneous objects
- Mutable

Example

```
my_dict={'UUU':'Phe',AGU:  
'Ser'}
```

(Tuples)

- Allow duplicate values
- Indexed and starts from 0

Example

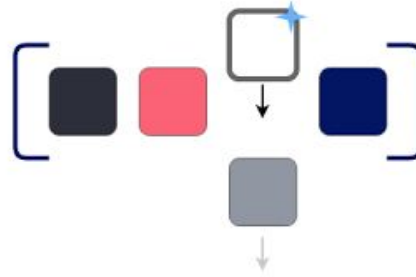
```
locus=(gene A,2000,7)
```

Why know data structures

- Acts as a guide on data **storage**, and **manipulation**

[Python Lists]

- Sequence of objects
- Comma used to separate list items



List Operators

Usage	Explanation
<code>x in lst</code>	X is an item of lst
<code>x not in lst</code>	X is not an item of lst
<code>lst + lstB</code>	Concatenation of lst and lstB
<code>lst*n, n*lst</code>	Concatenation of n copies of lst
<code>lst[i]</code>	Item at index i of lst
<code>len(lst)</code>	Number of items in lst
<code>min(lst)</code>	Minimum item in lst
<code>max(lst)</code>	Maximum item in lst
<code>sum(lst)</code>	Sum of items in lst

List Build In Functions

- len()
- max()
- min()
- reverse()
- insert()
- index()

Use case `my_list= [1,2,3,'a','b',c,7]`

{Python Dictionaries}

- General syntax: {key:value}
- Creating dictionary in python
my_dict={}
- **Build in Functions for Python dictionary**
 - get()
 - keys()


Loops

For Loop

- Iterate over items in a list, dictionary, tuple
- Used if we know how many iterations must occur

```
List=["Orange", "Pink", "Red"]  
for color in list:  
    Print(color)
```

output



```
Orange  
Pink  
Red
```

While Loop

- Loops through a series of code until a specific condition is met
- Used if we do not know how many iterations must occur

```
count = 0  
while (count < 3):  
    count = count + 1  
    print("Hello Geek")
```

output



```
Hello Geek  
Hello Geek  
Hello Geek
```


Conditional Statements

if,else, el if:

Example use case: Simulation
of how DNA makes a copy of
itself



```
[2]: #Code for DNA replication
#original DNA strand
dna_strand = "ATCGATCGTAGC"
replicated_strand = ""
# use conditional statements to replicate the DNA strand
for nucleotide in dna_strand:
    if nucleotide == 'G':
        new_strand += 'C'
    elif nucleotide == 'T':
        new_strand += 'A'
    elif nucleotide == 'A':
        new_strand += 'T'
    elif nucleotide == 'C':
        new_strand += 'G'
    else:
        new_strand += nucleotide

print("Original DNA Strand:", dna_strand)
print("Replicated DNA Strand:", replicated_strand)
```

Original DNA Strand: ATCGATCGTAGC
Replicated DNA Strand:

Practice Question

Practice Exercise

- Using strings, lists, and dictionaries concepts, find the DNA copy (replicate) of:
GTGGGATGGTTTGGGTTGGGCGTG

Practicals

- **Fork** and **clone** the github repository below
<https://github.com/kipkurui/Python4BioinformaticsV2>

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Thank you!

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