



Interview Questions : Arithmetic Operators in Python



Objective:

To assess a candidate's understanding of Python's arithmetic operators, including their syntax, behaviour, and application in real-world problem-solving. This includes evaluating knowledge of operator precedence, differences between similar operators (e.g., `/` vs `//`), and the ability to write clean, logical code using these operators in practical scenarios.



Beginner-Level Questions

1. What are the different arithmetic operators available in Python?
2. What is the difference between `/` and `//` in Python?
3. What does the `%` operator do? Give an example.
4. How does Python handle division when dividing two integers?
5. What is the result of `2 ** 3 ** 2`? Why?



Intermediate-Level Questions

6. Write a program to check if a number is even or odd using arithmetic operators.
7. How would you extract the digits of a number using `//` and `%` ?
8. Write a function to calculate the sum and product of the digits of a given number.
9. Explain how you would convert total minutes into hours and minutes using arithmetic operators.
10. What is the output of `7 // 3`, `7 / 3`, and `7 % 3` ? Explain.



Advanced-Level Questions

11. Can arithmetic operators be overloaded in Python? If yes, how?
12. Write a function to compute the result of a custom arithmetic expression:

$$(a^2 + b^2) / (c + 1) \setminus]$$

13. Design a function that computes the compound interest using exponentiation.
14. Create a function to convert a total number of seconds into a readable HH:MM:SS format.
15. How would you handle division by zero in Python when using `/`, `//`, and `%` ?

