

# Assignment-1

Notes from videos

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## 1 Positron

### 1.1 Getting Started with Positron: A Quick Tour

#### 1.1.1 Folder from Git

File-New Folder from Git-enter the http (e.g.: <https://github.com/posit-dev/posit-conf-2025-positron-assistant-demo.git>)

Underlined packages are not installed

#### 1.1.2 Install Packages

1. In the terminal, enter `uv venv` to create virtual environment
2. Enter `.venv\Scripts\activate`
3. e.g. `uv pip install -r requirements.txt` or `uv pip install jupyter`

#### 1.1.3 For Help `help()`

e.g.: In the console, enter `help(p9.theme_minimal)`

### 1.2 Your First Python Project in Positron

```
import pandas as pd  
  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```

data_url = 'https://raw.githubusercontent.com/rfordatascience/tidytuesday/main/data/2025/2025-07-01/week1.csv'

df = pd.read_csv(data_url, parse_dates=["date"])

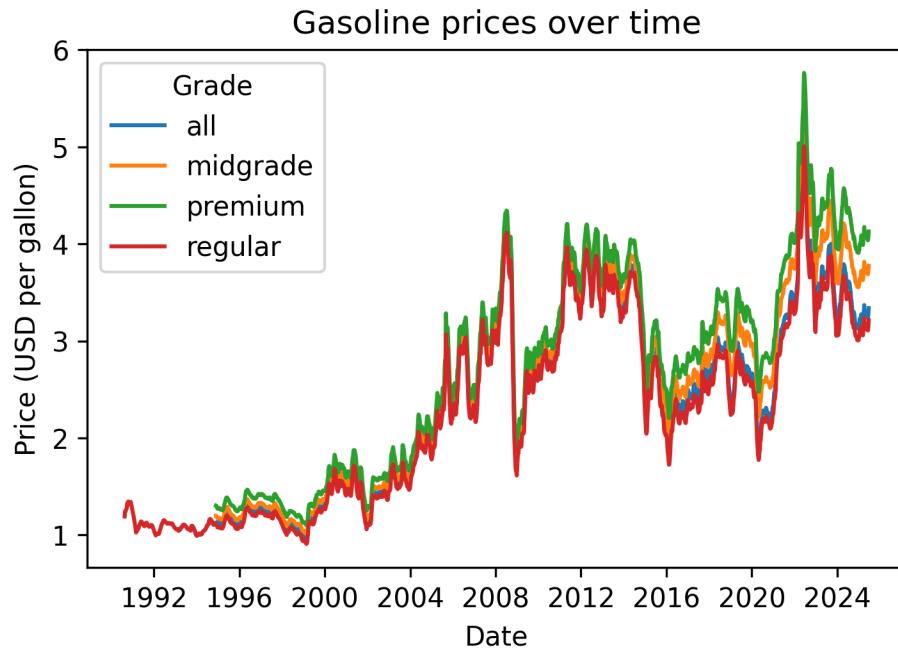
filtered = df[
    (df["fuel"] == "gasoline") &
    (df["formulation"] == "all")
]

filtered = filtered.sort_values("date")

for grade, group in filtered.groupby("grade"):
    plt.plot(group["date"], group["price"], label=grade)

plt.title("Gasoline prices over time")
plt.xlabel("Date")
plt.ylabel("Price (USD per gallon)")
plt.legend(title="Grade")

```



### 1.2.1 Push to Github

#### (1) Source Control

- **Source Control** on the leftside
- Enter a message and then commit
- click the cloud button to upload a branch

#### (2) Posit Publisher

- **Posit Publisher** on the leftside
- Can enter url to deploy on my own server

## 2 Python

### 2.1 Strings - Working with Textual Data

```
# print hello world

print('Hello World')


my_message1 = 'Crispy\'s World'

print(my_message1)


my_message = "Crispy's World"

print(my_message)
```

Hello World

Crispy's World

Crispy's World

```
print(len(my_message1))

print(len(my_message))
```

14

14

```
print(my_message[0])  # the 1st  
  
print(my_message[6])  # the 7th, which is ""  
  
# print(my_message[15]) string index out of range  
  
print(my_message[0:6])  # include [0] but not include [6]  
  
print(my_message[:6])  
  
print(my_message[6:])
```

C

'

Crispy

Crispy

's World

```
print(my_message.lower())  
  
print(my_message.upper())  
  
print(my_message.count("s"))  
  
print(my_message.find("s"))  # it only returns the first 's', which is [3]
```

crispy's world

CRISPY'S WORLD

2

3

```
my_message.replace("World", "Universe")  
  
print(my_message)  
  
new_message = my_message.replace("World", "Universe")  
  
print(new_message)
```

Crispy's World

Crispy's Universe

```
greeting = "Hello"

name = "Crispy"

message = greeting + name

print(message)

message = greeting + ", " + name

print(message)

message = greeting + ", " + name + ". Welcome!"

print(message)

message = "{} , {} . Welcome!".format(greeting, name)

print(message)
```

HelloCrispy

Hello, Crispy

Hello, Crispy. Welcome!

Hello, Crispy. Welcome!

```
message = f'{greeting}, {name}. Welcome!'

print(message)

message = f'{greeting}, {name.upper()}. Welcome!'

print(message)
```

Hello, Crispy. Welcome!

Hello, CRISPY. Welcome!

```
print(dir(name)) # Show functions that can be applied to it

# print(help(str))
```

```
print(help(str.lower))
```

```
['__add__', '__class__', '__contains__', '__delattr__', '__dir__', '__doc__', '__eq__', '__format__', '__ge__', '__getattribute__', '__gt__', '__hash__', '__init__', '__le__', '__lt__', '__ne__', '__new__', '__reduce__', '__reduce_ex__', '__repr__', '__str__', '__subclasshook__', 'capitalize', 'casefold', 'center', 'count', 'encode', 'endswith', 'expandtabs', 'ljust', 'lower', 'lstrip', 'rjust', 'rstrip', 'startswith', 'strip', 'swapcase', 'title', 'upper', 'zfill']
```

Help on method descriptor lower:

```
lower(self, /) unbound builtins.str method
```

```
    Return a copy of the string converted to lowercase.
```

None

## 2.2 Integers and Floats - Working with Numeric Data

```
num=3
```

```
print(type(num))
```

```
<class 'int'>
```

```
num=3.14
```

```
print(type(num))
```

```
<class 'float'>
```

```
# Arithmetic Operators:
```

```
# Addition:      3 + 2
```

```
# Subtraction:   3 - 2
```

```
# Multiplication: 3 * 2
```

```
# Division:      3 / 2
```

```
# Floor Division: 3 // 2
```

```
# Exponent:      3 ** 2
```

```
# Modulus:       3 % 2
```

```
print(3 + 2)
print(3 - 2)
print(3 * 2)
print(3 / 2)
print(3 // 2)
print(3**2)

print(3 % 2)
print(2 % 2)
print(3 % 2)
print(4 % 2)
print(5 % 2)

print(3 * 2 + 1)
```

5  
1  
6  
1.5  
1  
9  
1  
0  
1  
0  
1  
7

```
num = 1  
  
num = num+1  
  
print(num)  
  
  
num = 1  
  
num *= 10  
  
print(num)
```

2

10

```
print(abs(-3))  
  
print(round(3.75))  
  
print(round(3.75, 1))
```

3

4

3.8

```
# Comparisons:  
  
# Equal:          3 == 2  
  
# Not Equal:      3 != 2  
  
# Greater Than:   3 > 2  
  
# Less Than:      3 < 2  
  
# Greater or Equal: 3 >= 2  
  
# Less or Equal:   3 <= 2  
  
  
num_1 = 3  
num_2 = 2
```

```
print(num_1 == num_2)

print(num_1 != num_2)

print(num_1 > num_2)

print(num_1 < num_2)

print(num_1 >= num_2)

print(num_1 <= num_2)
```

False

True

True

False

True

False

```
num_1 = "100"

num_2 = "200"  # as str

print(num_1 + num_2)
```

```
num_1 = int(num_1)

num_2 = int(num_2)

print(num_1 + num_2)
```

100200

300

### 2.3 Lists, Tuples, and Sets

- A list is ordered, mutable (can change), and allows duplicates.
- A tuple is ordered, immutable (cannot change), and allows duplicates. Faster than lists.
- A set is unordered, mutable, and contains no duplicates. Fast for membership test.

- A dictionary is Unordered (insertion-ordered since Python 3.7, but conceptually key-based), mutable, keys must be hashable, values can be anything

## 6. Quick containment matrix

Container ↓ contains →	list	tuple	set	dict
list	✓	✓	✓	✓
tuple	✓	✓	✓	✓
set	✗	✓ *	✗	✗
dict (keys)	✗	✓ *	✗	✗
dict (values)	✓	✓	✓	✓

\* tuple must contain only hashable elements

Figure 1: containing relationship

### 2.3.1 Lists

```
courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]

print(courses)

print(courses[0])

print(courses[3])

print(courses[-1]) # convenient to get the last one

print(courses[0:2]) # include [0] but not include [2]

print(courses[2:])
```

['History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci']

History

CompSci

CompSci

['History', 'Math']

```

['Physics', 'CompSci']

courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]
courses.append("Art")
print(courses)

courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]
courses.insert(0, "Art")
print(courses)

courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]
courses_2 = ["Art", "Education"]
courses.insert(0, courses_2)
print(courses)

courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]
courses_2 = ["Art", "Education"]
courses.extend(courses_2) # or courses_2.extend(courses)
print(courses)

courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]
courses.remove("Math")
print(courses)

['History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci', 'Art']
['Art', 'History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci']
[['Art', 'Education'], 'History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci']
['History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci', 'Art', 'Education']

```

```
['History', 'Physics', 'CompSci']

courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]

popped = courses.pop()

print(popped)

print(courses)
```

CompSci

```
['History', 'Math', 'Physics']

courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]

courses.reverse()

print(courses)
```

```
courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]

courses.sort() # Alphabet

print(courses)
```

```
nums = [1, 4, 3, 5, 2]

nums.sort() # assending

print(nums)
```

```
courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]

courses.sort(reverse=True)

print(courses)
```

```
nums = [1, 4, 3, 5, 2]

nums.sort(reverse=True)

print(nums)
```

```
['CompSci', 'Physics', 'Math', 'History']

['CompSci', 'History', 'Math', 'Physics']

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

['Physics', 'Math', 'History', 'CompSci']

[5, 4, 3, 2, 1]

# These methods above will change the original item

# To avoid changing:
```

```
courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]

sorted_courses = sorted(courses)

print(courses)
```

```
['History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci']
```

```
nums = [1, 4, 3, 5, 2]

print(min(nums))

print(max(nums))

print(sum(nums))
```

```
courses = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]

print(courses.index("CompSci")) # courses[3]

print("Math" in courses) # True or False
```

1

5

15

3

True

```
for item in courses: # we can name it by any names we want, not just 'item'  
    print(item)  
  
for index, course in enumerate(courses, start=1):  
    print(index, course)
```

History

Math

Physics

CompSci

1 History

2 Math

3 Physics

4 CompSci

```
course_str = "-".join(courses)  
print(course_str)
```

History-Math-Physics-CompSci

```
new_list = course_str.split("-")  
print(new_list)
```

['History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci']

### 2.3.2 Tuples

```
# Mutable  
  
list_1 = ["History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci"]  
list_2 = list_1
```

```
print(list_1)

print(list_2)

list_1[0] = "Art"

print(list_1)

print(list_2) # list_2 equals to list_1 so it would change as list_1 change
```

```
['History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci']
```

```
['History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci']
```

```
['Art', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci']
```

```
['Art', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci']
```

```
# Immutable
```

```
tuple_1 = ("History", "Math", "Physics", "CompSci")
```

```
tuple_2 = tuple_1
```

```
print(tuple_1)
```

```
print(tuple_2)
```

```
# tuple_1[0] = "Art"
```

```
# TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment
```

```
('History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci')
```

```
('History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci')
```

### 2.3.3 Sets

```
# Sets

cs_courses = {'History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci'}

print(cs_courses)

cs_courses = {'History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci', 'Math'}

print(cs_courses)

print('Math' in cs_courses)
```

```
{'Math', 'History', 'CompSci', 'Physics'}
```

```
{'Math', 'History', 'CompSci', 'Physics'}
```

```
True
```

```
cs_courses = {'History', 'Math', 'Physics', 'CompSci'}

art_courses = {'History', 'Math', 'Art', 'Design'}


print(cs_courses.intersection(art_courses))

print(cs_courses.difference(art_courses))

print(cs_courses.union(art_courses))
```

```
{'Math', 'History'}
```

```
{'CompSci', 'Physics'}
```

```
{'Design', 'Art', 'History', 'Physics', 'Math', 'CompSci'}
```

```
# Empty Lists

empty_list = []

empty_list = list()
```

```

# Empty Tuples

empty_tuple = ()

empty_tuple = tuple()

# Empty Sets

#empty_set = {} # This isn't right! It's a dict

empty_set = set()

```

## 2.4 Dictionaries - Working with Key-Value Pairs

```

student = {'name': 'Crispy', 'age': 25, 'courses': ['Math', 'CompSci']}

print(student)

print(student['courses'])

# print(student['phone']) # KeyError: 'phone'

print(student.get('phone'))

print(student.get('phone', 'Not Found')) # 'Not Found' is a desired return for None

student['phone'] = '555-5555-5555'

print(student.get('phone', 'Not Found'))

student.update({'name': 'Jane', 'age': 26, 'phone': '666-6666-6666'})

print(student)

student = {'name': 'Crispy', 'age': 25, 'courses': ['Math', 'CompSci']}

del student['age']

print(student)

student = {'name': 'Crispy', 'age': 25, 'courses': ['Math', 'CompSci']}

```

```
age = student.pop('age')

print(student)

print(age)
```

```
{'name': 'Crispy', 'age': 25, 'courses': ['Math', 'CompSci']}
```

```
['Math', 'CompSci']
```

```
None
```

```
Not Found
```

```
555-5555-5555
```

```
{'name': 'Jane', 'age': 26, 'courses': ['Math', 'CompSci'], 'phone': '666-6666-6666'}
```

```
{'name': 'Crispy', 'courses': ['Math', 'CompSci']}
```

```
{'name': 'Crispy', 'courses': ['Math', 'CompSci']}
```

```
25
```

```
student = {'name':'Crispy', 'age':25, 'courses':['Math','CompSci']}

print(len(student))

print(student.keys())

print(student.items())
```

```
3
```

```
dict_keys(['name', 'age', 'courses'])
```

```
dict_items([('name', 'Crispy'), ('age', 25), ('courses', ['Math', 'CompSci'])])
```

```
for key in student:

    print(key)
```

```
name
```

```
age
```

```
courses
```

```
for key,value in student.items():
    print(key,value)
```

```
name Crispy
age 25
courses ['Math', 'CompSci']
```

- dictionaries can be used to return regression outcomes

## 2.5 Conditionals and Booleans - If, Else, and Elif Statements

```
if True:
    print('Conditional was True')
```

```
Conditional was True
```

```
if False:
    print('Conditional was True')

# nothing will be returned if False
```

```
language = "python"

if language == "python":
    print("Conditional was True")

# `language == 'python'` equals to `True`
```

```
Conditional was True
```

```
# Comparisons:
# Equal:      ==
```

```

# Not Equal:      !=
# Greater Than:   >
# Less Than:     <
# Greater or Equal: >=
# Less or Equal:  <=
# Object Identity: is

language = "python"

if language == "python":
    print("Language is Python")
else:
    print("No match")

language = "JAVA"

if language == "python":
    print("Language is Python")
elif language == "JAVA":
    print("Language is JAVA")
else:
    print("No match")

language = "R"

if language == "python":
    print("Language is Python")
elif language == "JAVA":
    print("Language is JAVA")
else:
    print("No match")

```

```
Language is Python
```

```
Language is JAVA
```

```
No match
```

```
# and  
  
# or  
  
# not  
  
  
user = "Admin"  
  
logged_in = True  
  
if user == "Admin" and logged_in:  
    print("Admin Page")  
  
else:  
    print("Bad Creds")  
  
  
logged_in = False  
  
if not logged_in:  
    print("Please log in")  
  
else:  
    print("Welcome")
```

```
Admin Page
```

```
Please log in
```

```
# Difference between `==` and `is`  
  
a = [1, 2, 3]  
  
b = [1, 2, 3]  
  
print(a == b)
```

```
print(a is b)

print(id(a))
print(id(b))
print(id(a) == id(b))
```

True

False

1969617668480

1971277121088

False

```
# False Values:

# False

# None

# Zero of any numeric type

# Any empty sequence. For example, '', (), [].

# Any empty mapping. For example, {}.
```

```
condition = False # same as `None`, `0`, `'', `[], `{}, ...
```

```
if condition:
```

```
    print("Evaluated to True")
```

```
else:
```

```
    print("Evaluated to False")
```

```
# False will lead to else
```

Evaluated to False

```
condition = "Test" # not False means True

if condition:

    print("Evaluated to True")

else:

    print("Evaluated to False")
```

Evaluated to True

## 2.6 Loops and Iterations - For/While Loops

```
nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

for num in nums:

    print(num)
```

1  
2  
3  
4  
5

```
nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

for num in nums:

    if num == 3:

        print('Found!')

        break # break statement: to stop the loops

    print(num)
```

1

```
2
```

```
Found!
```

```
nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

for num in nums:
    if num == 3:
        print('Found!')
        continue # continue statement: continue to the next iteration
    print(num)
```

```
1
```

```
2
```

```
Found!
```

```
4
```

```
5
```

```
# Nested list

nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

for num in nums:
    for letter in "abc":
        print(num, letter)

# Give all the combinations
```

```
1 a
```

```
1 b
```

```
1 c
```

```
2 a
```

```
2 b
```

```
2 c
```

```
3 a
```

```
3 b
```

```
3 c
```

```
4 a
```

```
4 b
```

```
4 c
```

```
5 a
```

```
5 b
```

```
5 c
```

```
for i in range(10): # from 0 to 9 (10 not included)
```

```
    print(i)
```

```
0
```

```
1
```

```
2
```

```
3
```

```
4
```

```
5
```

```
6
```

```
7
```

```
8
```

```
9
```

```
for i in range(1,11): # include 1 but not 11
```

```
    print(i)
```

```
1
```

```
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
```

loop will stop only until a certen condition is met or we hit a break

```
x = 0

while x < 10: # a certen condition is met
    print(x)
    x += 1
```

```
0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
```

```
x = 0

while x < 10:

    if x == 5:

        break # hit a break

    print(x)

    x += 1
```

```
0
1
2
3
4
```

```
x = 0

while True: # create an infinite loop

    if x == 5:

        break # we must have a break statement otherwise it won't stop

    # In those cases, use `Ctrl+C` to stop

    print(x)

    x += 1
```

```
0
1
2
3
4
```