Python Basics

Computing for Data Analytics (CPSC 4800)

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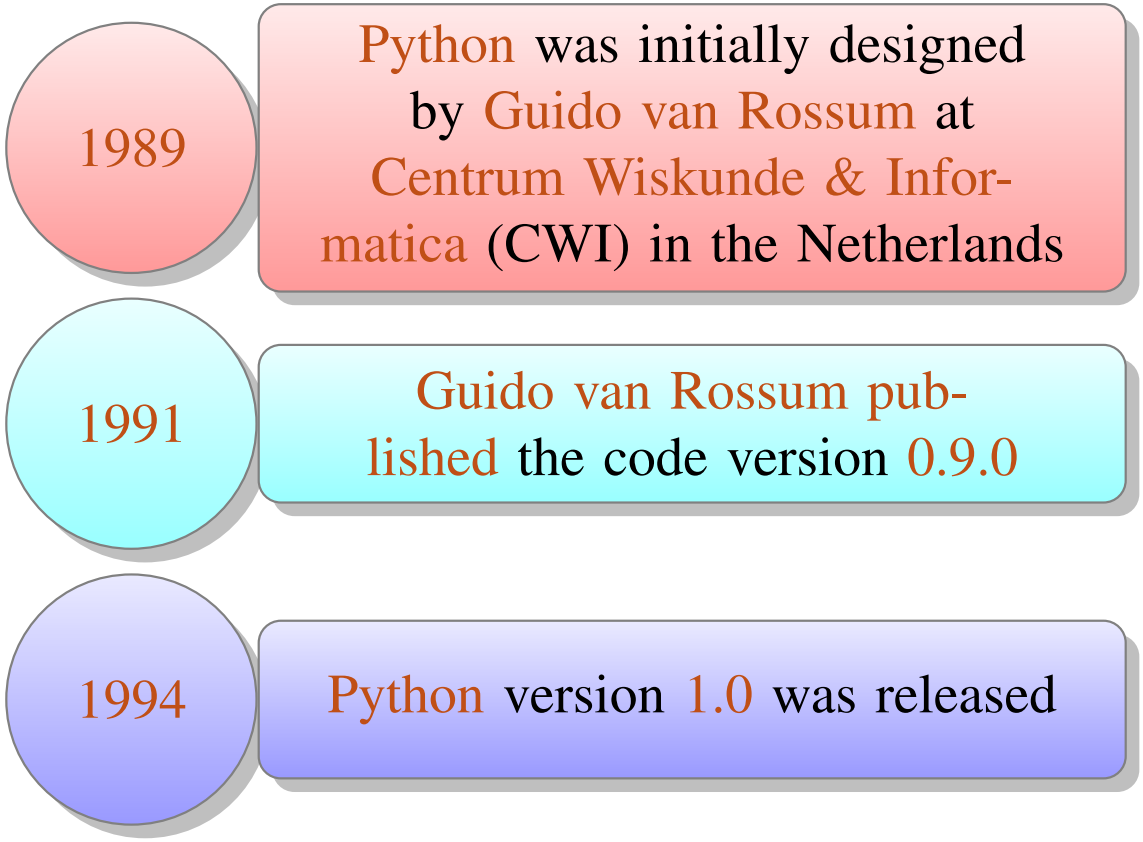
Lesson's Outline

Learning Objectives

✎ Upon completion of this lesson, you will learn:

- ❒ Python identifiers and naming conventions
- ❒ Python builtin data types
- ❒ Python different comments
- ❒ Python expressions and statements
- ❒ Python operations

Python History



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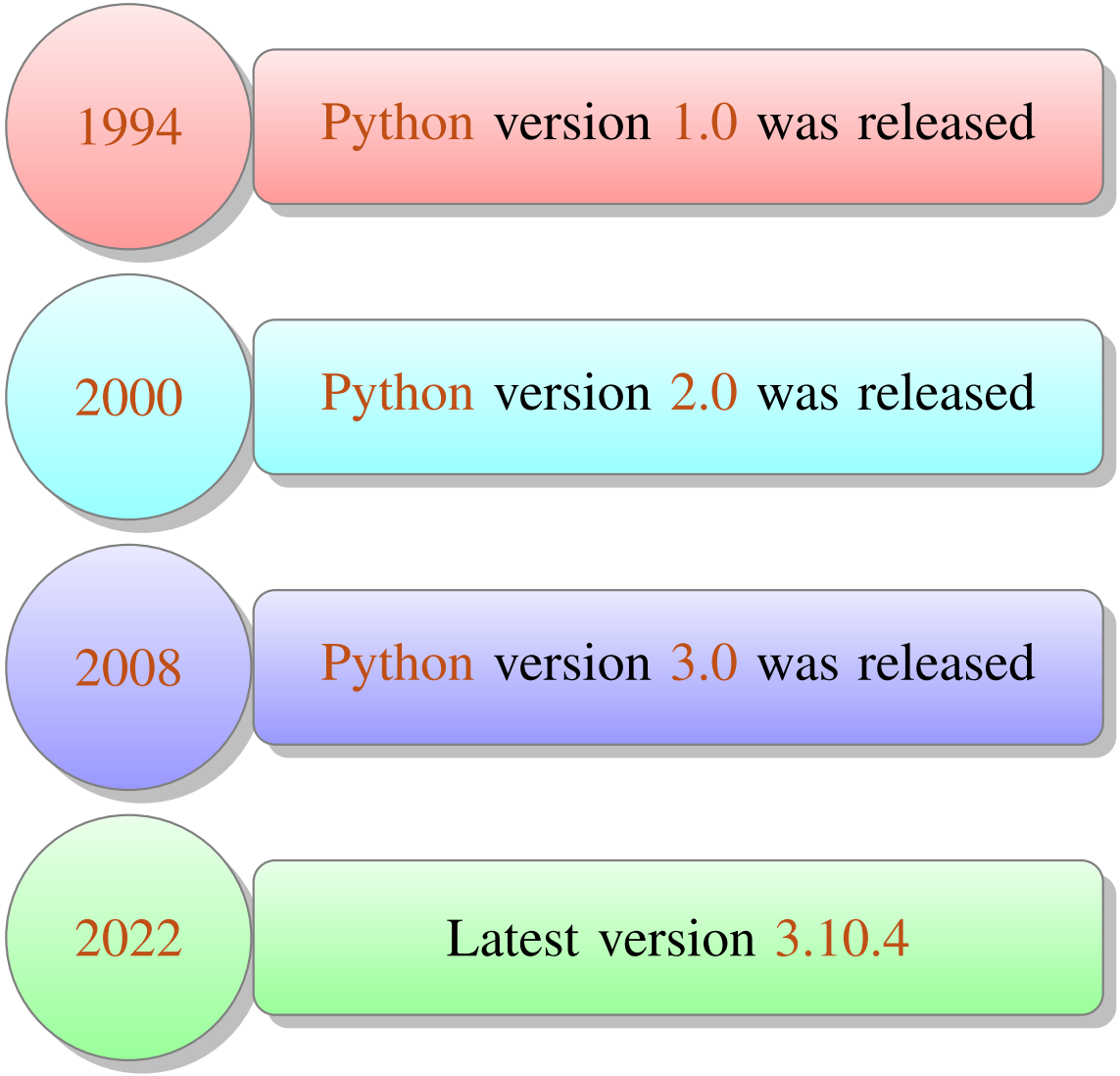


Python Features

- Python is a multi-paridigm language
  - ❒ Object-Oriented
  - ❒ Structured
  - ❒ Functional
- ➦ Python provides simple syntax[a]
- ➦ Python is highly extensible through modules
- ➦ Python as interpreted language is easy to test code[b]

[a] Simple is Better than Complex Python 's design principle.
[b] Python does not require the compilation step.

Python Features

- Python has builtin support for
  - Data Science
  - Security
  - Web Programming
  - Databases

REPL Environment

Read Evaluate Print Loop (REPL)

- An interactive interpreter that allows fast experimentation with a programming language
  - ➦ interpreted (scripting) languages
    - ✔ `Python, JavaScript, Ruby, Perl, .........`
- Unlike compiled languages
  - ➦ `C, C++, Java, C#, .........`
    - ✔ `Require compilation step`

REPL Environment

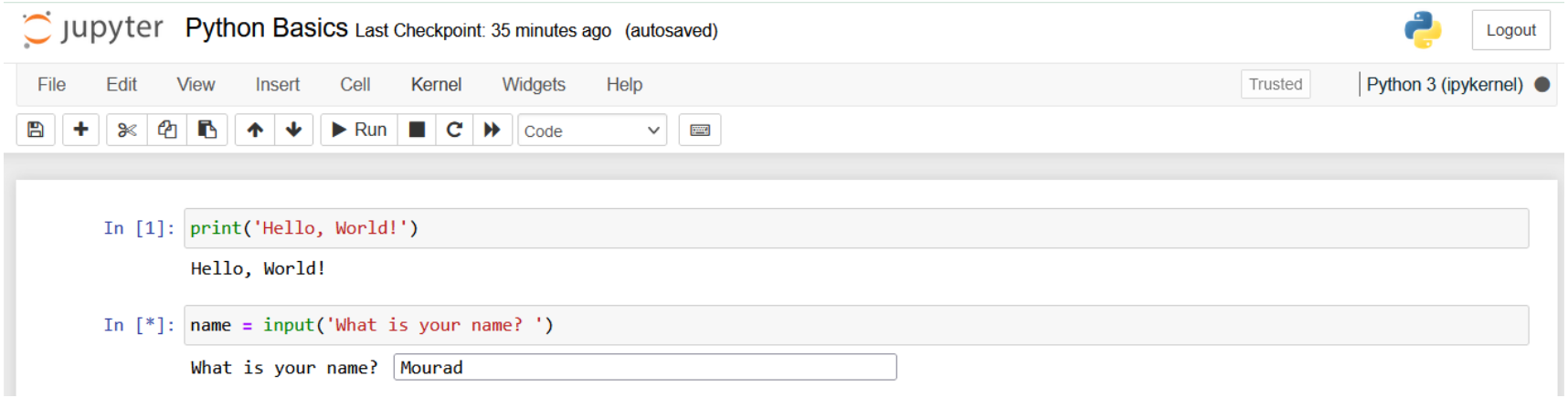
- Python provides two REPL environments
  - ➦ Interactive shell
  - ➦ Jupyter notebook
- Interactive shell is a command-line interface (CLI)
- Jupyter notebook is a graphical user interface (GUI)

CLI REPL

```
$ python
Python 3.9.1 (tags/v3.9.1:1e5d33e, Dec  7 2020, 17:08:21) [MSC v.1927
64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.

>>> print('Hello World!')
Hello World!
>>> name = input('What is your name? ')
What is your name? Mourad
>>> print(f'Welcome {name} to Computing for Data Analystics (CPSC 4800
) course')
Welcome Mourad to Computing for Data Analystics (CPSC 4800) course
>>> 5**2
25
>>> 4800//2
2400
>>> 51/4
12.75
```

GUI REPL


jupyter Python Basics Last Checkpoint: 35 minutes ago (autosaved)
Logout
File Edit View Insert Cell Kernel Widgets Help
Trusted
Python 3 (ipykernel)
Run
Code
In [1]: print('Hello, World!')
Hello, World!
In [*]: name = input('What is your name? ')
What is your name? Mourad

Integrated Development Environment (IDE)

IDE

- An Integrated Development Environment (IDE)
  - a software that assists programmers in
    - ✔ developing, running & testing programs
- An Integrated Development Environment (IDE) includes
  - Text Editor
  - Debugger
  - Automation Tools
  - IntelliSense

Python IDEs

Microsoft Visual Studio

- Visual Studio IDE

Spyder

- Spyder IDE

Python IDEs

Microsoft Visual Studio

- Visual Studio IDE

PyCharm

- PyCharm IDE

Integrated Development Environment (IDE)

IDE

- Type the following in an REPL environment

```
print('Hello, World!')
```

- Run the line/cell[a] from the REPL environment
- Use an IDE's text editor to create a source file `hello_world.py`
- Run the source file

```
python hello_world
```

[a] Press enter in the shell, and click the run button in the Jupyter notebook.

Hello World Program

- Use a text editor to create a source file `hello_world.py`

```
print('Hello, World!')
```

Python Keywords

Keywords

- Python keywords are reserved words
- Python keywords have specific meaning in the Python language
  - ➦ Cannot be used by programmer
- Python is case-sensitive language

Python Keywords

Keywords

- Python has 33 keywords

1	and	12	FALSE	23	nonlocal
2	as	13	finally	24	not
3	assert	14	for	25	or
4	break	15	from	26	pass
5	class	16	global	27	raise
6	continue	17	if	28	return
7	def	18	import	29	TRUE
8	del	19	in	30	try
9	elif	20	is	31	while
10	else	21	lambda	32	with
11	except	22	None	33	yield

Python Identifiers

Identifiers

- An identifier is a programmer-defined name
  - used in the Python code/script
- A valid Python identifier is a series of characters consisting of
  - letters a to z and A to Z
  - digits 0, 1 to 9
  - underscore _
    - ✔ CANNOT be a Python keyword
    - ✔ CANNOT start with a digit
    - ✔ CAN have any length

Class Activity

✎ Identify valid Python identifiers

① `4You`
② *_NumberOfBytes*
③ *xyz999*
④ *private*
⑤ *firstName*
⑥ *room location*
⑦ *Xy49Ztyew*
⑧ *class*
⑨ *SimpleEncryption*
⑩ *PI*

Chinese Proverb

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Involve Me & I Learn

Naming Conventions

Identifiers

- An identifier should be descriptive and readable
- An identifier should comply with the Python style guide
  - Python Enhancement Proposal (PEP 8)[a]

[a] `https://peps.python.org/pep-0008/`

Naming Convention	Example
lowercase	`computingfordataanalytics`
UpperCamelCase	`ComputingForDataAnalytics`
lowerCamelCase	`computingForDataAnalytics`
UPPERCASE_WITH_UNDER_SCORE	`COMPUTING_FOR_DATA_ANALYTICS`
lowercase_with_under_score	`computing_for_data_analytics`

Python Enhancement Proposal (PEP 8)

Module

- A Python module[a] is
  - a Python source file

[a] It is called a package in other programming languages.

Identifier	Naming Convention	Example
Module	lowercase_with_underscores	`hello_world.py`

Class Activity

✎ Which of the following name conventions is more readable for combined words

① lowercase
② lowerCamelCase
③ UpperCamelCase
④ Upper_Case

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Class Activity

✎ Which name convention is used for each of these identifiers?

① NumberOfBytes
② MAXIMUM_CAPACITY
③ computeFiveNumberStatistics()
④ SimpleEncryption
⑤ get_total()
⑥ NumberOfRequests

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Data Types

- Python has two ways of storing data
  1. variable
     - ➦ refers to a memory location that has a value that can change during program execution

```
1 pep_8_url = 'https://peps.python.org/pep-0008/'
2 course_credit =
3 is_transferable = True
```

  2. constant
     - ➦ refers to a memory location that has a value that does NOT change during program execution

```
1 PI =
2 EULER_NUMBER =
```

Constant

- Constants are usually declared in a module
  - a separate source file and then imported

```
1 # declared in source file constant.py
2 PI =
3 EULER_NUMBER =
```

- Constants are imported to another module
  - by using the import keyword

Python Enhancement Proposal (PEP 8)

Identifier	Naming Convention	Example
Module	lowercase_with_underscores	`hello_world.py`
Variable	lowercase_with_underscores	`pep_8_url`
Constant	UPPERCASE_WITH_UNDER_SCORE	`EULER_NUMBER`

Python Built-in Data Types

Category Type	Identifiers	Example
Text/String	`str`	`pep_8_url = 'https://peps.python.org/pep-0008/`
Numeric	`int, float, complex`	`course_credit =`
Boolean	`bool`	`is_transferable = True`
Sequence	`list,tuple,range`	`vowels= 'a' 'e' 'i' 'o' 'u'`
Mapping	`dict`	`course= 'code' 'CPSC 4800' 'credit'`
Set	`set`	`my_set=  'CPSC 4800'  True`

Python Built-in Data Types

Category Type	Identifiers	Example
Text/String	`str`	`pep_8_url = str 'https://peps.python.org/pep-0`
Numeric	`int, float, complex`	`course_credit = int`
Boolean	`bool`	`is_transferable = bool True`
Sequence	`list,tuple,range`	`vowels=list 'a' 'e' 'i' 'o' 'u'`
Mapping	`dict`	`course=dict code='CPSC 4800' credit=`
Set	`set`	`my_set=set 'CPSC 4800' True`

Python Data Types

Dynamically Type

- Python is dynamically type language
  - Does not have to declare the type of the variable explicitly
  - Data type can be inferred from the declaration
- To check the data type in Python:
  - `type()`

```
course= 'title' 'Computing for Data Analytics' 'code' 'CPSC 4800' 'credit'
type course
#output -> <class 'dict'>
```

Python Data Types

Dynamically Type

- Python type is attached to the value of the variable
  - The value of the variable can change its type
  - The variable is a container

Homework

- To compute the minimum size in bytes for int data type, you use the following code

```
import sys
int_size = sys getsizeof int
```

- Complete the following Python program to compute the minimum size of all Python data types

```
import sys
int_size = sys getsizeof int
float_size = sys getsizeof float
print f'Minimum Size of Data Types'
print f'==========================='
print f'Minimum size of int type is {int_size} bytes'
print f'Minimum size of float type is {float_size} bytes'
```

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Python Script/Program

- Python source file `.py`[a] consists of
  1. comments
     - ✔ used to document your script
  2. statements
     - ✔ instructions to the computer to carry out some tasks

[a] Jupyter notebook has the extension .ipynb.

Python Comments

- It is a good programming practice to use comments in your program[a]
- Three types of Python comments
  - in-line comments
  - block comments
  - documentation string comments
- Comments should be complete sentences that explain the logic of the code

[a] Follow PEP 8 for Python Style Guide.

In-Line Comment

- An In-line comment is single-line comment
  - ➦ can be at the same line as the statement or by itself
- in-line comment should be preceded by the hash symbol

```
import pandas # This is an line comment
```

Block Comment

- A block comment is multiline comment that
  - spreads over two or more lines
- Eachline is preceded by the hash symbol

```
# A block comment first line
# A block comment second line
# A block comment third line
```

Documentation String Comment

- A documentation string comment is a multiline comment that
  - spans over two or more lines
- A documentation string comment should be enclosed by
  - three single quotes, i.e., '''

```
'''
This is a documentation string comment
'''
```

Python Statements

Python Statement

- Python does not requires statement termination printable character
  - ➦ such as semi-colon (;)
- Python statement end with the end of the line
- To split a statement over multiple lines
  - ➦ backslash (\) can be used

```
welcome = 'Welcome to Computing for Data Analytics (CPSC 4800)\n\
at Langara College\n\
summer 2022'
print welcome
```

Python Statements

Python Statement

- Semi-colon (;) can be used to separate
  - multiple statements on the same line

```
x=5;y=10;print(f'(x,y)=({x},{y})')
```

- This should be avoided
  - to make your code readable

Python Block Statement

- Block or compound statement refers to
  - ➦ two or more statements that is grouped together

```
1 for x in range(100000):
2     if x == 100:
3         print(f'x={x}')
4         break
5     print(f'x={x}')
```

- Python uses identation to identify block statement

Python Expressions

- An expression is anything that evaluates to a value
- Simple expression consists of a single item
- Complex expressions are constructed from simple expressions using operators

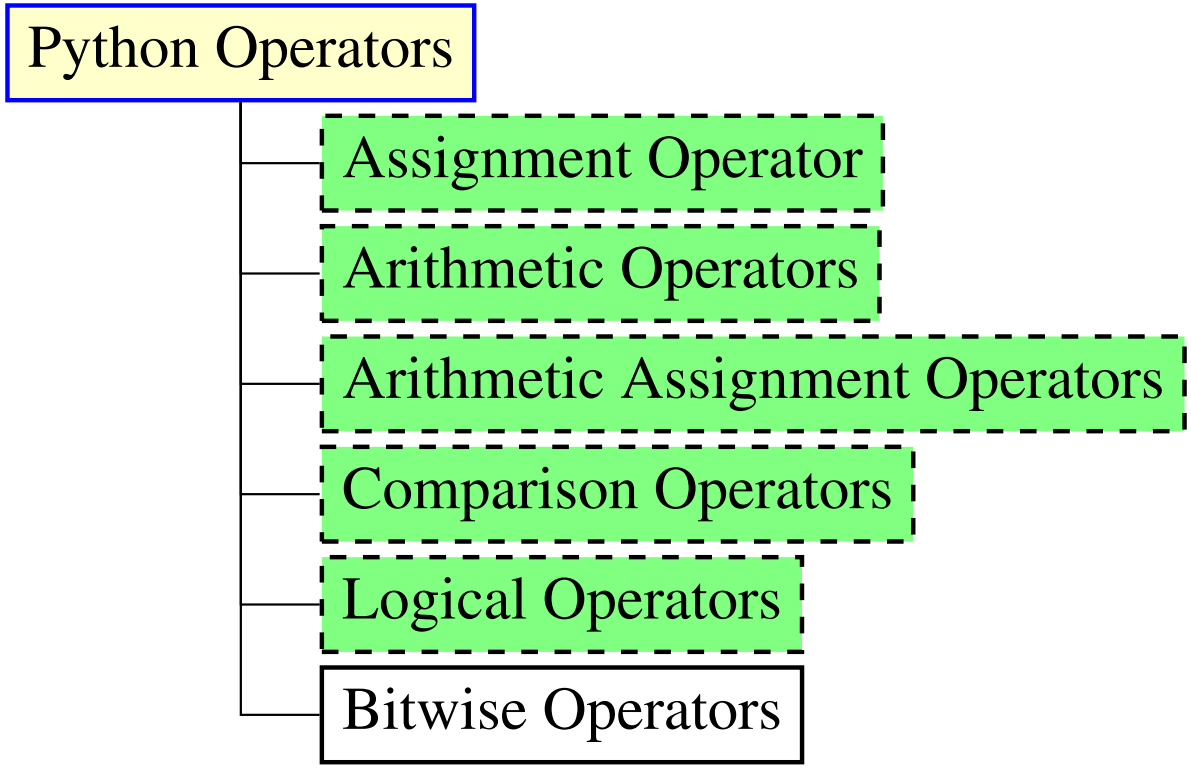
```
# The string 'Python Expression' is a simple
   expression
# evaluates to iteself
title = 'Python Expression'
MAXIMUM = 5
rate = .05
# The following complex expression
x = 100 + MAXIMUM*rate
```

Python Operators

- An operator is a symbol that instructs Python to perform some operation on one or more operands
- An operand can be any valid expression
- Three types of operators
  - Unary opearator: one operand
  - Binary opearator: two operands
  - Ternary opearator: three operands

```
1 x = 5 # (=) binary operator
2 y = -x # (-) unary operator
3 z = y ** x # (**) binary operator
4 print(f'(x,y,z)=({x},{y},{z})')
```

Python Operators



Python Assignment Operator

- Assignment operator denoted by = operands
- Assign the value of the Right Hand Side (RHS) to Left Hand Side (LHS)
  - ➦ *LHS = RHS*
- The assignment expression is evaluated to the value of LHS
- The RHS value does NOT change

```
1 x = y = z = 2**8
2 print(f'(x,y,z)=({x},{y},{z})')
```

Python Arithmetic Operators

Python Binary Arithmetic Operators

Operator	Symbol	Description	Example
Addition	+	Adds its two operands	`a +b`
Subtraction	−	Subtracts the second operand from the first operand	`a -b`
Multiplication	*	Multiplies its two operands	`a *b`
Division	/	Divides the first operand by the second operand	`a/b`
Floor (Integer) Division	//	Divides the first operand by the second operand returns the integer part	`a//b`
Power	**	The first operand to the power of the second operand	`a**b`
Modulus	%	Gives the remainder when the first operand is divided by the second operand	`a % b`

Python Arithmetic Operators

Python Arithmetic Asignment Operators

Shorthand	for
a+=b	a=a+b
a-=b	a=a-b
a*=b	a=a*b
a/=b	a=a/b
a//=b	a=a//b
a**=b	a=a**b
a%=b	a=a% b

Python Comparison Operators

- Comparison or Relational operators are used to compare expressions
  - ➦ `Is x greater than 100?`
  - ➦ `Is x equal to y?`
- An expression containing a comparison operator evaluates to
  - ✔ `True` or `False`

```
1 x=1000
2 y=1e3
3 print(f'x==y is evaluated to {x==y}')
4 print(f'type(x)==type(y) is evaluated to {type(x)==type(y)}')
```

Python Comparison Operators

Operator	Description	Example
$==$	Is first operand equal to second operand?	$a == b$
$>$	Is first operand greater than second operand?	$a > b$
$<$	Is first operand less than second operand?	$a < b$
$\geq$	Is first operand greater than or equal second operand?	$a \geq b$
$\leq$	Is first operand less than or equal second operand?	$a \leq b$
$!=$	Is first operand not equal to second operand?	$a != b$

Python Logical Operators

Python Comparison Operators

- Logical operators allows to
  - ➦ combine one or more boolean expressions into a single boolean expression
- Three logical operators
  - ➦ The conjunction Logical AND denoted by `and`
  - ➦ The disjunction Logical OR denoted by `or`
  - ➦ The Negation Logical NOT denoted by `not`

```
1 x = True
2 y = False
3 print f'x and y is evaluated to {x and y}.'
4 print f'x or y is evaluated to {x or y}.'
5 print f'not x is evaluated to {not x}.'
6 print f'not y is evaluated to {not y}.'
```

Python Logical Operators

Python Logical Operators

Operator	Symbol	Example	Description
Logical AND	`and`	`exp1 and exp2`	the result is true if and only if both operands are true
Logical OR	`or`	`exp1 or exp2`	the result is true if and only one the operands is true
Logical NOT	not	`not exp`	the result is true if the operand is false,otherwise is false

Python Logical Operators

Python Operator Precedence

- Operator precedence defines rules that specify
  - ➦ the order the operations are performed
- Each operator has a specific precedence
- Operator with thhighest precedence is performed first

Arithmetic Operator Precedence		
Operator	Precedence Order	Associativity
`**`	1	`Left to right`
`+, -`	2	`Left to right`
`*, /, //, %`	3	`Left to right`
`+, -`	4	`Left to right`

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Comparison Operator Precedence		
Operator	Precedence Order	Associativity
<, <=, >, >=	1	Left to right
==,!=	2	Left to right

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Logical Operator Precedence		
Operator	Precedence Order	Associativity
`not`	1	`Left to right`
`and`	2	`Left to right`
`or`	3	`Left to right`

Python Logical Operators

Python Operator Precedence

Highest to Lowest Precedence	
Operator	Description
`()`	Grouping
`**`	Power
`-,+`	Unary Positive, Negative
`*,/,//,%`	Multiplication, division, and reminader
`+,-`	Addition, subtraction
`==`, =,>,<,>=,<=!	Comparison
`not`	Logical NOT
`and`	Logical AND
`or`	Logical OR

Class Activity

- Given the following Python variables

```
1 x = 13
2 y = 5
```

- evaluate the following Python expressions

```
1  w = 13**2/5
2  z = 13//y
3  x //=3
4  y *=w
5  a = isinstance(w,int)
6  b = isinstance(w,float)
7  c= a and b
8  d = a or b
9  e = not (w > (y*2) ) and (y > w)
10 f = (100 == 1e2) or (2**8 >= 2e2)
```

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