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Python

“The best things in life are free!”

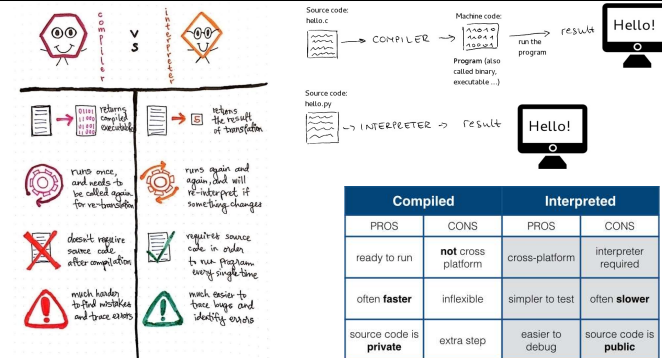
- Python is a dynamic programming language
 - Open source
 - High-level
 - Object-oriented
 - Interpreted
 - General-purpose
- Its coding structure enables programmers to articulate computing concepts in fewer lines of code
 - Simpler than C++ and Java

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Python is Interpreted



- Cython is an **optimising static compiler** for both the Python programming language and the extended Cython programming language

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...some “mottos” of Python

- Beautiful is better than ugly → be consistent!
- Complex is better than complicated → use existing libraries!
- Simple is better than complex → Keep It Simple and Stupid (KISS)!
- Flat is better than nested → avoid nested “ifs”!
- Explicit is better than implicit → be clear!
- Sparse is better than dense → separate code into modules!
- Readability counts → indenting for easy readability!
- Special cases aren’t special enough to break the rules → everything is an object!
- Errors should never pass silently → good exception handler!

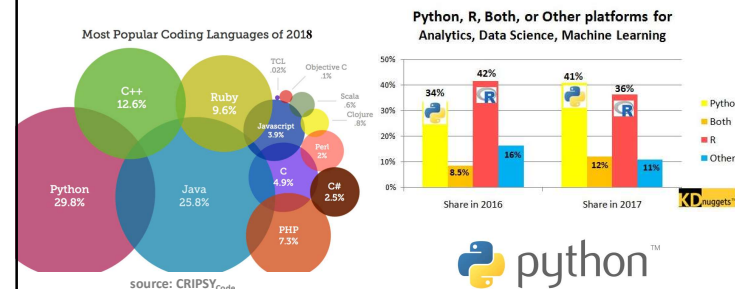
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Python: The Rising Star

- Python was officially born on February 20, 1991, with version number 0.9.0
- It has taken a tremendous growth path



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Story behind the name

Guido van Rossum, the creator of the Python language, named the language after the BBC show "Monty Python's Flying Circus"



Guido van Rossum
1956-Present

Van Rossum is best known as the author of the Python programming language.

He has also worked for Google and Drop box



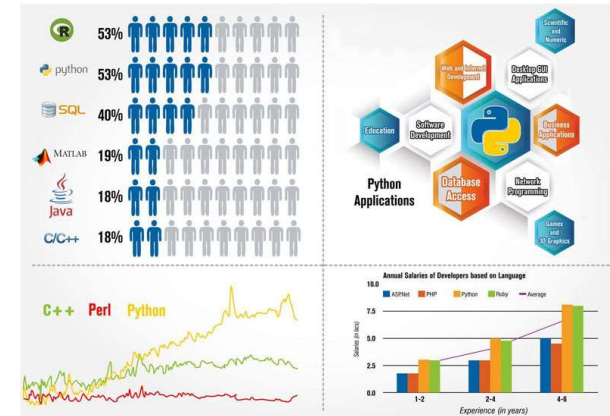
He doesn't particularly like snakes!!!

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Python Applications



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Python Versions

- ▶ 3.x is the latest version of Python
 - ▶ Pros: it has nicer and consistent functionalities
 - ▶ Cons: not all third-party modules support it
- ▶ 2.x is the most used version
 - ▶ Many frameworks still run on this version
- ▶ There are some differences into the code syntax
 - ▶ print-syntax
 - ▶ integer-division
 - ▶ Unicode
 - ▶ ...

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Installation & Running (1)

- ▶ [Windows]
 - ▶ Visit <https://www.python.org/downloads/> and download the latest version
 - ▶ Note that if your Windows version is pre-Vista, you should download Python 3.4
 - ▶ During the installation make sure you check option Add Python 3.6 to PATH
 - ▶ Alternatively, define an environmental variable manually
 - ▶ PATH → Add → C:\[user-dir]\[python-dir]\
- ▶ Running Python on Windows
 - ▶ start → run
 - ▶ In the dialog box, type cmd and press [enter] key
 - ▶ Type python and ensure there are no errors

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Installation & Running (2)

- ▶ [Mac OS X]
 - ▶ use Homebrew
 - ▶ `brew install python3`
- ▶ Running Python on Mac OS X
 - ▶ Open the terminal by pressing [Command + Space] keys
 - ▶ Type `Terminal` and press [enter] key
 - ▶ Run `python3` and ensure there are no errors

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Installation & Running (3)

- ▶ [GNU/Linux]
 - ▶ use your distribution's package manager to install Python 3, e.g. on Debian & Ubuntu
 - ▶ `sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get install python3`
- ▶ Running Python on GNU/Linux
 - ▶ Open the `Terminal` application
 - ▶ Run `python3` and ensure there are no errors

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PyCharm

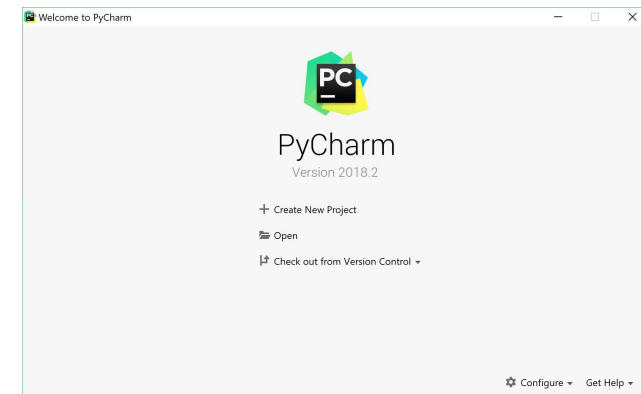
- ▶ PyCharm is a dedicated Python and Django IDE providing a wide range of essential tools for Python developers
- ▶ PyCharm permits to create a convenient environment for productive Python development
- ▶ PyCharm can be downloaded by the following link:
 - ▶ <https://www.jetbrains.com/pycharm/download/>

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Welcome to PyCharm



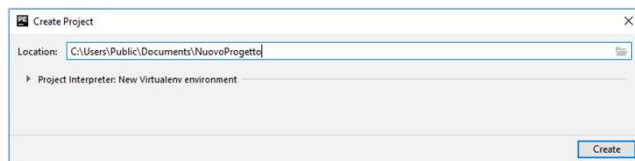
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Creating a project

- ▶ Creating a project in PyCharm:
 - ▶ Select **Create New Project**, or
 - ▶ **File** -> **New Project**
 - ▶ Define the path in which all the project's files will be stored
 - ▶ Click **Create**!



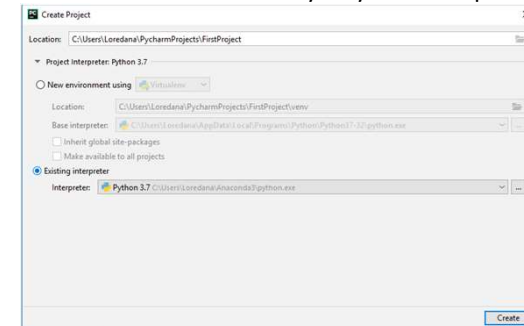
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Choosing the Interpreter

- ▶ Python is a script language, which means that your code is converted to machine code by a Python interpreter



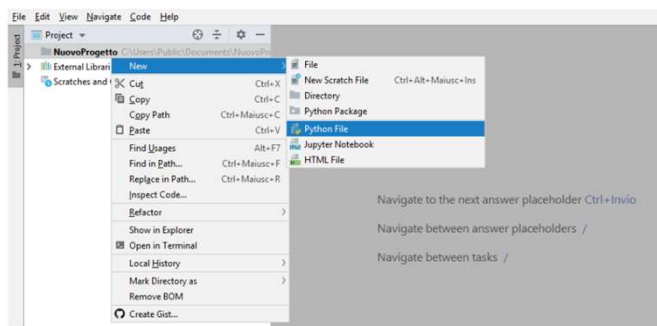
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Creating a Python File

- ▶ Select the project root in the Project tool window
- ▶ Define the file name



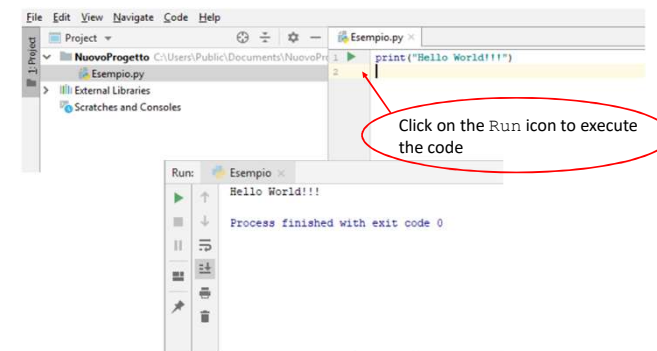
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Editing Source Code

- ▶ Python Hello World:



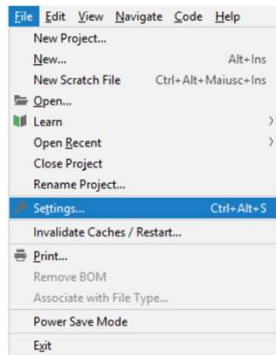
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Installing libraries (1)

- ▶ Installing libraries in PyCharm:



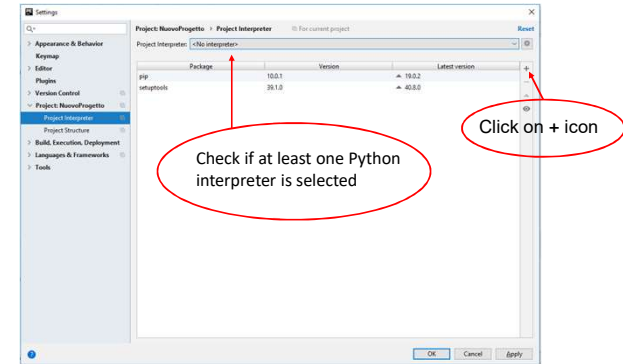
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Installing libraries (2)

- ▶ Installing libraries in PyCharm:



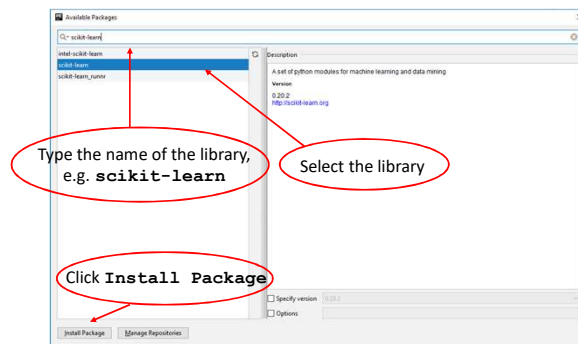
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Installing libraries (3)

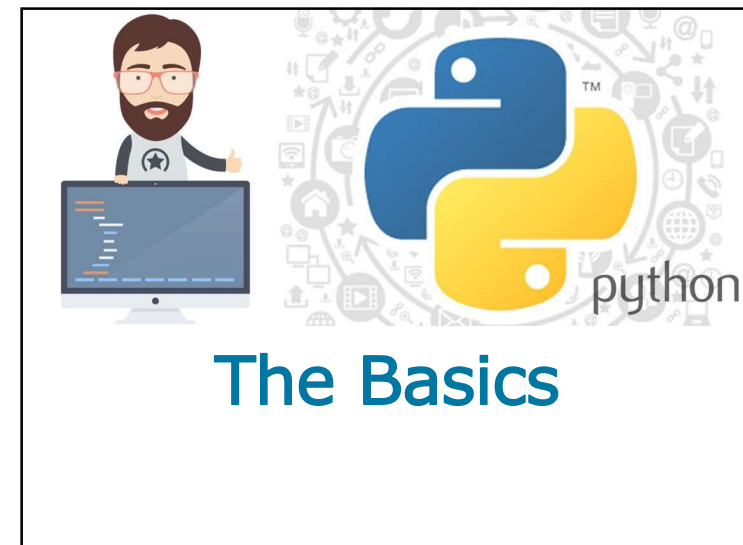
- ▶ Installing libraries in PyCharm:



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A code example

```
x = 34 - 23      # A comment.
y = "Hello"     # Another one.
z = 3.45
if z == 3.45 or y == "Hello":
    x = x + 1
    y = y + "World"    # String concat.
print (x)
print (y)
```

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Identifiers

- ▶ Identifiers help us to differentiate one entity from another one
 - ▶ Python entities such as class, functions, and variables are called identifiers
- ▶ Identifiers names
 - ▶ They can contain
 - ▶ Letters [a-z/A-Z]
 - ▶ Digits [0-9]
 - ▶ Underscore [_]
 - ▶ It cannot start with a digit
 - ▶ Python reserved keywords that cannot be used as identifiers

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Python Keywords

FALSE	class	finally	is	return
none	continue	for	lambda	try
TRUE	def	from	nonlocal	while
and	del	global	not	with
as	elif	if	or	yield
assert	else	import	pass	
break	except	in	raise	

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Indentation

- ▶ One of the most unique features of Python
 - ▶ The usage of indentation to mark blocks of code
- ```
Correct Indentation
x = 1
if x == 1:
 print ('x has a value of 1')
else:
 print ('x does NOT have a value of 1')

Wrong indentation in the else statement
x = 1
if x == 1:
 print ('x has a value of 1')
else:
 print ('x does NOT have a value of 1')
```

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## Comments

- ▶ There are two kinds of comments
  - ▶ Single line comments
  - ▶ Multiline comments

```
This is a single line comment
print ("Hello Python World") # Another one

""" This is an example of
a multiline comment"""
```

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## Multiline statement

- ▶ A Python statement can be divided in more than one line
  - ▶ It can be made either implicitly or explicitly
  - ▶ The backslash [\] explicitly marks the continuation
  - ▶ It is important to correctly indent the continued line

```
Implicit line continuation
x = ('1' + '2' +
 '3' + '4')
Explicit line continuation
y = '1' + '2' + \
 '11' + '12'
weekdays = ['Monday', 'Tuesday', 'Wednesday',
 'Thursday', 'Friday']
weekend = {'Saturday',
 'Sunday'}
```

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## Multiple statements on a single line

- ▶ Python allows multiple statements on a single line
  - ▶ The instructions' division has to be explicitly made
  - ▶ The semicolon [;] can be used to divide code statements

```
""" Code example for multi-statement on a single
line """
x = 'Hello'; print (x)
```

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## Basic Object Types (1)

- ▶ All data in a Python program is represented by objects or by relations between objects
  - ▶ Every object has an identity, a type, and a value

| Type    | Example              | Comment                 |
|---------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| none    | none                 | # singleton null object |
| boolean | true, false          |                         |
| integer | -1, 0, 1, sys.maxint |                         |
| long    | 1L, 9787L            |                         |
| float   | 3.141592654          |                         |
|         | inf, float('inf')    | # infinity              |
|         | -inf                 | # neg infinity          |
|         | nan, float('nan')    | # not a number          |

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## Basic Object Types (2)

| Type              | Example                       | Comment                             |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>complex</b>    | 2+8j                          | # note use of j                     |
| <b>string</b>     | "word", 'word'                | # use single or double quote        |
| <b>tuple</b>      | empty=()<br>(1,true,'ML')     | # empty tuple<br># unalterable list |
| <b>list</b>       | empty=[]<br>[1,true,'ML']     | # empty list<br># alterable list    |
| <b>set</b>        | empty={}<br>set(1,True,'ML')  | # empty set<br># alterable set      |
| <b>dictionary</b> | empty={}<br>{'1':'A','2':'B'} | # alterable object                  |
| <b>file</b>       | f=open('filename','rb')       |                                     |

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## Basic Object Types (3)

- ▶ When to use a specific object
- ▶ **[list]**
  - ▶ You need an ordered sequence
  - ▶ You need homogenous collections
  - ▶ Values can be changed later in the program
- ▶ **[tuple]**
  - ▶ You need an ordered sequence
  - ▶ You need homogenous collections
  - ▶ Values cannot be changed later in the program

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## Basic Object Types (4)

- ▶ When to use a specific object
- ▶ **[set]**
  - ▶ You don't have to store duplicates
  - ▶ You are not concerned about the order or the items
- ▶ **[dictionary]**
  - ▶ You need to relate values with "keys"
  - ▶ Look values up efficiently using a key

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## Basic Operators

- ▶ Operators are the special symbols that can manipulate the value of operands
- ▶ Python language supports the following operators
  - ▶ Arithmetic Operators
  - ▶ Comparison or Relational Operators
  - ▶ Assignment Operators
  - ▶ Bitwise Operators
  - ▶ Logical Operators
  - ▶ Membership Operators
  - ▶ Identity Operators

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## Arithmetic Operators

| Operator | Description                               | Example                         |
|----------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| +        | Addition                                  | $x + y = 30$                    |
| -        | Subtraction                               | $x - y = -10$                   |
| *        | Multiplication                            | $x * y = 200$                   |
| /        | Division                                  | $y / x = 2$                     |
| %        | Modulus                                   | $y \% x = 2$                    |
| **       | Exponentiation                            | $x ** b = 10^{20}$              |
| //       | Integer division rounded toward $-\infty$ | $-11 // 3 = -4$<br>$9 // 2 = 4$ |

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## Comparison or Relational Operators

| Operator | Description                            | Example              |
|----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------|
| ==       | Evaluates the equality                 | $(x==y)$ is not true |
| !=       | Evaluates the diversity                | $(x!=y)$ is true     |
| <>       | Evaluates the diversity                | $(x<>y)$ is true     |
| >        | Evaluates the majority                 | $(x>y)$ is not true  |
| <        | Evaluates the minority                 | $(x<y)$ is true      |
| >=       | Evaluates the majority or the equality | $(x>=y)$ is not true |
| <=       | Evaluates the minority or the equality | $(x<=y)$ is true     |

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## Assignment Operators

| Operator | Description                                              | Example                           |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| =        | Basic assignment                                         | $z=x+y$                           |
| +=       | Addition and assignment                                  | $z+=x$ (equivalent to $z=z+x$ )   |
| -=       | Subtraction and assignment                               | $z-=x$ (equivalent to $z=z-x$ )   |
| *=       | Multiplication and assignment                            | $z*=x$ (equivalent to $z=z*x$ )   |
| /=       | Division and assignment                                  | $z/=x$ (equivalent to $z=z/x$ )   |
| %=       | Modulus and assignment                                   | $z\%=x$ (equivalent to $z=z\%x$ ) |
| **=      | Exponentiation and assignment                            | $z**=x$ (equivalent to $z=z**x$ ) |
| //=      | Integer division rounded toward $-\infty$ and assignment | $z//=x$ (equivalent to $z=z//x$ ) |

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## Bitwise and Logical Operators

| Operator | Description            | Example    |
|----------|------------------------|------------|
| &        | Binary AND             | $(x\&y)$   |
|          | Binary OR              | $(x y)$    |
| ^        | Binary XOR             | $(x\^y)$   |
| ~        | Binary Ones Complement | $(\sim x)$ |
| <<       | Binary Left Shift      | $x<<2$     |
| >>       | Binary Right Shift     | $x>>2$     |

| Operator | Description | Example                              |
|----------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| and      | Logical AND | $(var1 \text{ and } var2)$           |
| or       | Logical OR  | $(var1 \text{ or } var2)$            |
| not      | Logical NOT | $\text{not}(var1 \text{ and } var2)$ |

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## Membership and Identity Operators

| Operator            | Description                                    | Example                       |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <code>in</code>     | Results TRUE if a value is in the sequence     | <code>var1 in var2</code>     |
| <code>not in</code> | Results TRUE if a value is not in the sequence | <code>var1 not in var2</code> |

| Operator            | Description                        | Example                       |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <code>is</code>     | Results TRUE for the same objects  | <code>var1 is var2</code>     |
| <code>is not</code> | Results TRUE for different objects | <code>var1 is not var2</code> |

```
Example code
var1 = 1
var2 = 2
var3 = [1,3,5]
print (var1 is not var2)
print (var1 in var3)
print (var2 not in var3)
```

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## Control Structure

- ▶ A control structure is the fundamental choice or decision-making process in programming
- ▶ A control structure is a chunk of code that analyzes values of variables and decides a direction to go based on a given condition
- ▶ In Python there are mainly two types of control structures
  - ▶ Selection
  - ▶ Iteration

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## Selection (1)

- ▶ There are two versions of the selection construct
  - ▶ if
  - ▶ if...else

```
Example code for a simple 'if' statement
var = -1
if var < 0:
 print (var)
 print("the value of var is negative")

""" If there is only a single clause then it
may go on the same line as the header statement """
if (var == -1): print("the value of var is negative")
```

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## Selection (2)

```
Example code for the 'if else' statement
var = 1

if var < 0:
 print("the value of var is negative")
 print (var)
else:
 print("the value of var is positive")
 print (var)
```

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## Selection (3)

```
Example code for nested if else statements
Score = 95

if score >= 99:
 print("A")
elif score >= 75:
 print("B")
elif score >= 60:
 print("C")
elif score >= 35:
 print("D")
else:
 print("E")
```

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## Iteration (1)

- ▶ Python provides two essential looping statements
  - ▶ for
  - ▶ while
- ▶ [for]
  - ▶ It allows us to execute code block for a specific number of times or against a specific condition until it is satisfied

```
First example of a 'for loop' statement
print("First Example")
for item in [1,2,3,4,5]:
 print('item:', item)
```

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## Iteration (2)

```
Second example of a 'for loop' statement
print("Second Example")
letters = ['A', 'B', 'C']
for letter in letters:
 print('First loop letter:', letter)

Third Example - Iterating by sequence index
print("Third Example")
for index in range(len(letters)):
 print('First loop letter:', letters[index])

Fourth Example - Using else statement
print("Fourth Example")
for item in [1,2,3,4,5]:
 print('item:', item)
else:
 print('looping over item complete!')
```

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## Iteration (3)

- ▶ [while]
  - ▶ The while statement repeats a set of code until the condition is true

```
Example code for while loop statement
count = 0
while (count < 3):
 print('The count is:', count)
 count = count + 1

Example code for a 'while with a else' statement
count = 0
while count < 3:
 print(count, 'is less than 3')
 count = count + 1
else:
 print(count, 'is not less than 3')
```

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## Reference Semantics (1)

- ▶ Assignment manipulates references
  - ▶ `x=y` does not make a copy of the object `y` references
  - ▶ `x=y` makes `x` reference the object `y` references
- ▶ [built-in data types]: integers, floats, strings
  - ▶ assignment behaves as you would expect

```
x = 3 # Creates 3, name x refers to 3
y = x # Creates name y, refers to 3
y = 4 # Creates ref for 4. Change y
print(x) # No effects on x, still ref 3
```

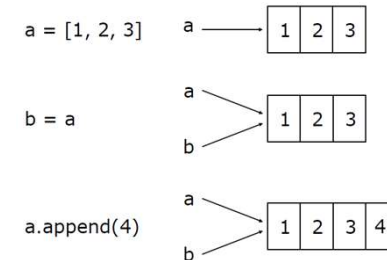
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## Reference Semantics (2)

- ▶ [other data types]: lists, dictionaries, user-defined types
  - ▶ assignment works differently
  - ▶ these data types are “mutable”



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## Lists

- ▶ Python's lists are the most flexible data type
  - ▶ It can be created by writing a list of comma separated values between square brackets
  - ▶ The items in the list need not be of the same data type

```
Create lists
list_1 = ['Statistics', 'Programming', 2016, 2017, 2018]
list_2 = ['a', 'b', 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]

Accessing values in lists
print("list_1[0]: ", list_1[0])
print("list_2[1:5]: ", list_2[1:5])

---- output ----
list_1[0]: Statistics
list_2[1:5]: ['b', 1, 2, 3]
```

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## Adding and Updating Values

```
Adding new value to list
list_1 = ['c', 'b', 'a', 3, 2, 1]
print("list_1 values: ", list_1)
list_1.append(2019)
print("list_1 values post append: ", list_1)

---- output ----
list_1 values: ['c', 'b', 'a', 3, 2, 1]
list_1 values post append: ['c', 'b', 'a', 3, 2, 1, 2019]

Updating existing value of list
print("list_1 values: ", list_1)
print("Index 2 value: ", list_1[2])
list_1[2] = 2015
print("Index 2's new value : ", list_1[2])

---- output ----
Values of list_1: ['c', 'b', 'a', 3, 2, 1, 2019]
Index 2 value : a
Index 2's new value : 2015
```

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## Deleting Values

```
Deleting list elements
list_1=['c','b',2015,3,2,1,2019]
print("list_1 values: ", list_1)
del list_1[5]
print("After deleting value at index 5: ", list_1)

---- output ----
list_1 values: ['c', 'b', 2015, 3, 2, 1, 2019]
After deleting value at index 5: ['c', 'b', 2015, 3, 2, 2019]
```

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## Basic Operations on Lists (1)

```
Example code
list_1=['c','b',3,2,1]
print("Length: ", len(list_1))
print("Concatenation: ", [1,2,3] + [4,5,6])
print("Repetition: ", ['Hello'] * 4)
print("Membership: ", 3 in [1,2,3])
print("Iteration: ")
for x in [1,2]: print(x)

---- output ----

Length: 5
Concatenation: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
Repetition: ['Hello', 'Hello', 'Hello', 'Hello']
Membership: True
Iteration:
1
2
```

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## Basic Operations on Lists (2)

```
list_1=['Statistics','Programming',2016,2017,2018]
Negative sign will count from the right
print("slicing: ", list_1[-2])
""" If you don't specify the end explicitly, all
elements from the specified start index will be printed """
print("slicing range: ", list_1[1:])
Comparing elements of lists
print("Compare two lists: ", cmp([1,2,3,4], [1,2,3]))
print("Max of list: ", max([1,2,3,4,5]))
print("Min of list: ", min([1,2,3,4,5]))

---- output ----
slicing : 2017
slicing range: ['Programming', 2015, 2017, 2018]
Compare two lists: 1
Max of list: 5
Min of list: 1
```

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## Basic Operations on Lists (3)

```
Example code
print("Count number of 1: ", [1,1,2,3,4,5].count(1))
list_1=['Statistics','Programming',2015,2017,2018]
list_2=['a','b',1,2,3,4,5,6,7]
list_1.extend(list_2)
print("Extended: ", list_1)
print("Index for : ", list_1.index("Programming"))
print(list_1)
print("pop last item: ", list_1.pop())
print("pop the item with index 2: ", list_1.pop(2))

---- output ----
Count number of 1 in list: 2
Extended: ['Statistics', 'Programming', 2015, 2017, 2018, 'a', 'b', 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]
Index for Programming : 1
['Statistics', 'Programming', 2015, 2017, 2018, 'a', 'b', 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]
pop last item in list: 7
pop the item with index 2: 2015
```

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## Basic Operations on Lists (4)

```
Example code
list_1 = ['Statistics', 'Programming', 2017,
 2018, 'a', 'b', 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
list_1.remove("b")
print("removed b from list: ", list_1)
list_1.reverse()
print("Reverse: ", list_1)
list_1 = ['a', 'b', 'c', 1, 2, 3]
list_1.sort()
print("Sort ascending: ", list_1)
list_1.sort(reverse=True)
print("Sort descending: ", list_1)

---- output ----
removed b from list: ['Statistics', 'Programming', 2017, 2018, 'a', 1, 2,
3, 4, 5, 6]
Reverse: [6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 'a', 2018, 2017, 'Programming', 'Statistics']
Sort ascending: [1, 2, 3, 'a', 'b', 'c']
Sort descending: ['c', 'b', 'a', 'a', 3, 2, 1]
```

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## List Comprehension vs For Loop

- ▶ Separate the letters of the word `human` and add the letters as items of a list

```
For Loop code
h_letters = []
for letter in 'human':
 h_letters.append(letter)
print(h_letters)

List Comprehension
h_letters = [letter for letter in 'human']
print(h_letters)
```

```
---- output ----
['h', 'u', 'm', 'a', 'n']
```

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## List Comprehension

- ▶ Syntax

```
[expression for item in list]
```

[expression for item in list]  
[letter for letter in 'human']

- ▶ List Comprehension can identify when it receives a string or a tuple and works on it like a list
- ▶ Not every loop can be rewritten as list comprehension

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## Conditionals in List Comprehension

- ▶ List comprehensions can utilize conditional statement to modify existing list

```
List Comprehension with conditionals
number_list = [x for x in range(20) if x % 2 == 0]
print(number_list)

List Comprehension with nested if
num_list = [y for y in range(100) if y%2==0 if y%5==0]
print(num_list)

List Comprehension with if...else
obj = ['Even' if i%2==0 else 'Odd' for i in range(10)]
print(obj)
```

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# Outline

- ▶ The Basics
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  - ▶ Class Definition
  - ▶ Final Tips



## Tuple

- ▶ A Python tuple is a sequences or series of immutable Python objects very much similar to the lists
- ▶ Differences between lists and tuples
  - ▶ Unlike list, the objects of tuples cannot be changed
  - ▶ Tuples are defined by using parentheses

```
Creating a tuple
tuple_1 = ()
tuple_2 = (1,)
tuple_3 = ('a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 1, 2, 3)
```

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## Accessing and Deleting Tuples

```
Accessing items in tuple
print("3rd item of Tuple: ", tuple_3[2])
print("First 2 items of Tuple: ", tuple_3[0:2])

---- output ----
3rd item of Tuple: c
First 3 items of Tuple ('a', 'b')

Deleting tuple
print("Same tuple : ", tuple_3)
del tuple_3
print(tuple_3) # Will throw an error message
```

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## Basic Operations on Tuples (1)

```
Example code
tuple = ('a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 1, 2, 3)
print("Length of Tuple: ", len(tuple))
tuple_concat = tuple + (7, 8, 9)
print("Concatenate tuples: ", tuple_concat)
print("Repetition: ", (1, 'a', 2, 'b') * 3)
print("Membership check: ", 3 in (1, 2, 3))
print("Iteration: ")
for x in [1, 2, 3]: print(x)

---- output ----

Length of Tuple: 7
Concatinated Tuple: ('a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9)
Repetition: (1, 'a', 2, 'b', 1, 'a', 2, 'b', 1, 'a', 2, 'b')
Membership check: True
1
2
3
```

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## Basic Operations on Tuples (2)

```
Negative sign will retrieve item from right
print("slicing: ", tuple_concat[-2])
print("slicing range: ", tuple_concat[2:])
Max and Min
print("Max of the tuple:", max((1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10)))
print("Min of the tuple:", min((1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10)))

----- output -----
slicing: 8
slicing range: ('c', 'd', 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9)
Max of the tuple: 10
Min of the tuple: 1
```

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## Set

- ▶ Sets are the implementations of mathematical sets
- ▶ Three key characteristics of set are the following
  - ▶ The collection of items is not ordered
  - ▶ No duplicate items will be stored: each item is unique
  - ▶ Sets are mutable: the items of it can be changed

```
Creating a set
languages = set()
print(type(languages), languages)
languages = {'Python', 'R', 'SAS', 'Julia'}
print(type(languages), languages)
set of mixed datatypes
mixed_set = {'Python', (2.7, 3.4)}
print(type(mixed_set), mixed_set)
```

----- output -----  
<class 'set'> set()  
<class 'set'> {'Python', 'R', 'Julia', 'SAS'}  
<class 'set'> {'Python', (2.7, 3.4)}

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## Accessing and Updating Sets

```
Accessing set elements
print(list(languages)[0])
print(list(languages)[0:3])

add an element
languages.add('C')
print(languages)
add multiple elements
languages.update(['Java', 'SPSS'])
print(languages)
add list and set
languages.update(['Ruby', 'C++'], {'Data Science', 'AI'})
print(languages)
```

----- output -----  
<class 'set'> {'R', 'Julia', 'Python', 'SAS'}  
R  
['R', 'Julia', 'Python']  
  
<class 'set'> {'Python', 'Julia', 'R', 'SAS'}  
{'Julia', 'Python', 'R', 'SAS', 'C'}  
{'Julia', 'SPSS', 'Python', 'R', 'SAS', 'Java', 'C'}  
{'Julia', 'Ruby', 'SPSS', 'Python', 'Data Science', 'C++', 'R', 'SAS', 'AI', 'Java', 'C'}

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## Removing Items from Set

```
remove an element
languages.remove('AI')
print(languages)

""" discard an element, although AI has already been
removed discard will not throw an error """
languages.discard('AI')
print(languages)

pop will remove a random item from set
print('Removed:', (languages.pop()), 'from', languages)
```

----- output -----  
<class 'set'> {'SPSS', 'Ruby', 'SAS', 'Java', 'Julia', 'C++', 'C', 'AI', 'Data Science', 'R', 'Python'}  
{'SPSS', 'Ruby', 'SAS', 'Java', 'Julia', 'C++', 'C', 'Data Science', 'R', 'Python'}  
{'SPSS', 'Ruby', 'SAS', 'Java', 'Julia', 'C++', 'C', 'Data Science', 'R', 'Python'}  
Removed: SPSS from {'Ruby', 'SAS', 'Java', 'Julia', 'C++', 'C', 'AI', 'Data Science', 'R', 'Python'}

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## Set Operations

```
A = {1,2,3,4,5}
B = {4,5,6,7,8}
Set Union
print('Union of A | B', A|B) # Use | operator
print('Union of A and B', A.union(B)) # Alternative
Set Intersection
print('Intersection of A & B', A&B) # Use & operator
print('Intersection of A and B', A.intersection(B))
Set Difference
print('Difference of A - B', A-B) # Use - operator
print('Difference of A and B', A.difference(B))
```

----- output -----  
Union of A | B {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8}  
Union of A and B {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8}  
Intersection of A & B {4, 5}  
Intersection of A and B {4, 5}  
Difference of A - B {1, 2, 3}  
Sym Difference of A and B {1, 2, 3}

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## Basic Operations on Sets (1)

```
languages = {'Python', 'R', 'SAS', 'Julia'}
Return a shallow copy of a set
lang = languages.copy()
print("Languages : ", languages)
print("Lang : ", lang)
Add an element in languages
languages.add('Java')
print("Languages : ", languages)
print("Lang : ", lang)
l=languages
Add an element in languages
l.add('C')
print("Languages : ", languages)
print("L : ", l)
```

----- output -----  
Languages : {'R', 'Python', 'SAS', 'Julia'}  
Lang : {'R', 'Python', 'SAS', 'Julia'}  
Languages : {'Julia', 'Java', 'SAS', 'R', 'Python'}  
Lang : {'R', 'Python', 'SAS', 'Julia'}  
Languages : {'C', 'Julia', 'Java', 'SAS', 'R', 'Python'}  
L : {'C', 'Julia', 'Java', 'SAS', 'R', 'Python'}

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## Basic Operations on Sets (2)

```
A = {2,1,3,4,5}
B = {4,5,6,7,8}
#Binary operations
print(A.isdisjoint(B)) #True for non intersecting sets
print(A.issubset(B))
print(A.issuperset(B))
#Unary operations
print("Sorting: ", sorted(A)) #Return a new sorted list
print("Sum: ", sum(A)) #Return the sum of all items
print("length: ", len(A))
print("Min: ", min(A))
print("Max: ", max(A))
```

----- output -----  
False  
False  
False  
Sorting: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]  
Sum: 15  
length: 5  
Min: 1  
Max: 5

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## Dictionary

- ▶ The Python dictionary will have a key and value pair for each item that is part of it
- ▶ The key characteristic of dictionary are the following
  - ▶ The key and value should be enclosed in curly braces
  - ▶ Each key and value is separated using a colon [:]
  - ▶ Each item is separated by commas [,]
  - ▶ Keys are unique within a specific dictionary and must be immutable data types: strings, numbers, tuples
  - ▶ Values can take duplicate data of any type

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## Creating and Deleting Dictionary

```
Creating dictionary
dict={'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}
print('Sample dictionary: ', dict)

Accessing items in dictionary
print('Value of key Name: ', dict['Name'])

Example for deleting dictionary
del dict['Name'] # Delete specific item
print('Sample dictionary after deletion: ', dict)
dict.clear() # Delete all contents
print('Sample dictionary after clear: ', dict)
del dict # Delete the dictionary
```

----- output -----  
Sample dictionary: {'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}  
Value of key Name: Jivin  
Sample dictionary after deletion: {'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}  
Sample dictionary after clear: {}

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## Updating Dictionary

```
dict={'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}
print('Sample dictionary: ', dict)

Updating dictionary
dict['Age'] = 6.5
print('Sample dictionary after updating: ', dict)

----- output -----
Sample dictionary: {'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}
Sample dictionary after updating: {'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6.5, 'Class': 'First'}
```

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## Basic Operations on Dictionary (1)

```
dict={'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}
print("length of dict: ", len(dict))
print("Equivalent string: ", str(dict))
Create a new dictionary with keys from tuple
tuple=('name', 'age', 'sex')
dict= dict.fromkeys(tuple)
print("New Dictionary: ", str(dict))
dict['name'] = 'Jivin'
dict['age'] = 7
dict['sex'] = 'M'
print("New Dictionary: ", str(dict))
dict= dict.fromkeys(tuple, 10)
print("New Dictionary: ", str(dict))

----- output -----
length of dict: 3
Equivalent string: {'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}
New Dictionary: {'name': None, 'age': None, 'sex': None}
New Dictionary: {'name': 'Jivin', 'age': 7, 'sex': 'M'}
New Dictionary: {'name': 10, 'age': 10, 'sex': 10}
```

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## Basic Operations on Dictionary (2)

```
dict={'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}
Retrieve a value for a given key
print("Value for Age: ", dict.get('Age'))
print("Value for Sex: ", dict.get('Sex'))

""" Since the key Sex does not exist, the second
argument will be returned """
print("Value for Sex: ", dict.get('Sex', 'M'))
```

```
----- output -----
Value for Age: 6
Value for Sex: None
Value for Sex: M
```

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## Basic Operations on Dictionary (3)

```
dict={'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}
Check if key exists in dictionary
print("Age exists? ", 'Age' in dict)
print("Sex exists? ", 'Sex' in dict)
Return items of dictionary
print("Dict items: ", dict.items())
Return dictionary keys
print("Dict keys: ", dict.keys())
Return values of dict
print("Dict values: ", dict.values())

----- output -----
Age exists? True
Sex exists? False
Dict items: dict_items([('Name', 'Jivin'), ('Age', 6), ('Class', 'First')])
Dict keys: dict_keys(['Name', 'Age', 'Class'])
Dict values: dict_values(['Jivin', 6, 'First'])
```

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## Basic Operations on Dictionary (4)

```
dict={'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Class': 'First'}

""" if key does not exists, then the arguments will be
added to dict and returned"""
print("Value for Age: ", dict.setdefault('Age', None))
print("Value for Sex: ", dict.setdefault('Sex', 'M'))

Concatenate dictionaries
dict={'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6}
dict2={'Sex': 'M'}
dict.update(dict2)
print("Concatenated dicts: ", dict)

----- output -----
Value for Age: 6
Value for Sex: M
Concatenated dicts: {'Name': 'Jivin', 'Age': 6, 'Sex': 'M'}
```

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## Function (1)

- ▶ A user-defined function is a block of related code statements that are organized to achieve a single related action
- ▶ The key objective of the user-defined functions concept is to encourage modularity and enable reusability of code
- ▶ The set of rules to be followed to define a function in Python
  - ▶ The keyword `def` denotes the beginning of a function block, which will be followed by the name of the function, and open/close parentheses
  - ▶ The colon `:` has to be put to indicate the end of the function header

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## Function (2)

- ▶ Syntax

```
def function_name():
 1st block line
 2nd block line
 ...
```

- ▶ The set of rules to be followed to define a function in Python
  - ▶ Functions can accept arguments or parameters
    - ▶ Any such input should be placed within the parentheses in the header of the parameter
  - ▶ The main code statements are to be put below the function header and should be indented
    - ▶ To indicate that the code is part of the same function

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## Function (3)

- ▶ The set of rules to be followed to define a function in Python
  - ▶ Functions can return an expression to the caller
    - ▶ If `return` method is not used at the end of the function, it will act as a sub-procedure

```
Simple function
def some_function():
 print("Hello World!")

Call the function
some_function()
```

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## Function with Arguments

- ▶ Syntax

```
def function_name(parameters):
 1st block line
 2nd block line
 ...
 return [expression]

Simple function to add two numbers
def sum_two_numbers(x,y):
 return x+y

Call the function
print(sum_two_numbers(1,2))
```

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## Scope of Variables

- ▶ The availability of a variable or identifier within the program during and after the execution is determined by the scope of a variable
- ▶ There are two fundamental variable scopes in Python
  - ▶ Global variables
  - ▶ Local variables

```
x=10 # Global Variable

Simple function to add two numbers
def sum_two_numbers(y):
 return x+y

Call the function
print(sum_two_numbers(10))
```

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## Default Argument

- ▶ You can define a default value for an argument of function
  - ▶ the function will assume or use the default value in case any value is not provided in the function call for

```
Simple function to add two numbers
def sum_two_numbers(x,y=10):
 return x+y

Call the function
print(sum_two_numbers(10))
print(sum_two_numbers(10,5))
```

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## Variable Length of Functions (1)

- ▶ Python's enables us to process more arguments than you specified while defining the function
  - ▶ The \*args and \*\*kwargs is a common idiom to allow a dynamic number of arguments

```
""" The *args will provide all function parameters in
the form of a tuple"""
Simple function to loop through arguments
def sample_function(*args):
 for a in args:
 print(a)

Call the function
sample_function(1,2,3)
```

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## Variable Length of Functions (2)

- Python's enables us to process more arguments than you specified while defining the function
- The `*args` and `**kwargs` is a common idiom to allow a dynamic number of arguments

```
""" The **kwargs will give you the ability to handle
named or keyword arguments keyword that you have not
defined in advance """
Simple function to loop through arguments
def sample_function(**kwargs):
 for a in kwargs:
 print(a, kwargs[a])

Call the function
sample_function(name="John", age=27)
```

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## Nested Functions

- Python supports the concept of a "nested function"
- It is simply a function defined inside another function

```
Simple function to make calculus
def calculator(x,y):
 def sum(x,y):
 return x+y
 def sub(x,y):
 return x-y
 def mul(x,y):
 return x*y

 print(sum(x,y))
 print(sub(x,y))
 print(mul(x,y))

#main()
calculator(6, 5)
```

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## Generators

- Python generators are a simple way of creating iterators
- A generator is a function that returns an object (iterator) which we can iterate over (one value at a time)
- It is fairly simple to create a generator in Python
  - It is as easy as defining a normal function with `yield` statement instead of a `return` statement
  - If a function contains at least one `yield` statement it becomes a generator function
- Syntax

```
def generator_function():
 yield [expression1]
 yield [expression2]
 ...
```

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## Generators vs Functions

- The difference is that
  - a `return` statement terminates a function entirely
  - `yield` statement pauses the function saving all its states and later continues from there on successive calls
- A generator function differs from a normal function
  - Generator function contains one or more `yield` statement
  - Local variables and their states are remembered between successive calls

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## Fibonacci Generator

```
x=10 # Global Variable

Simple Fibonacci generator
def fib(n):
 a, b = 0, 1
 for i in range(n):
 yield a
 a, b = b, a+b

main
print(list(fib(x)))
```

| Fibonacci | Arithmetic   |
|-----------|--------------|
| 0         |              |
| 1         |              |
| 1         | 0 + 1 = 1    |
| 2         | 1 + 1 = 2    |
| 3         | 1 + 2 = 3    |
| 5         | 2 + 3 = 5    |
| 8         | 3 + 5 = 8    |
| 13        | 5 + 8 = 13   |
| 21        | 8 + 13 = 21  |
| 34        | 13 + 21 = 34 |

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## Why Generators are used?

- ▶ There are several reasons which make generators an attractive implementation to go for
  - ▶ Easy to Implement
  - ▶ Memory Efficient
  - ▶ Represent Infinite Stream
  - ▶ Pipelining Generators
    - ▶ Generators can be used to pipeline a series of operations

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## Class

- ▶ A class is a special data type which defines how to build a certain kind of object
- ▶ Instances are objects that are created which follow the definition given inside of the class
- ▶ Python doesn't use separate class interface definitions as in some languages
  - ▶ You just define the class, and then use it

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## Methods in Classes

- ▶ Define a method in a class by including function definitions within the scope of the class block
- ▶ There must be a special first argument **self** in all of method definitions which gets bound to the calling instance
- ▶ There is usually a special method called `__init__` in most classes

```
A class representing a student
class student:

 def __init__(self,n,a):
 self.full_name=n
 self.age=a

 def get_age(self):
 return self.age
```

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## Instantiating Objects

- ▶ There is no “new” keyword as in Java.
- ▶ Just use the class name with ( ) notation and assign the result to a variable

```
b = student("Bob", 21)
```

- ▶ `__init__` serves as a constructor for the class
- ▶ The arguments passed to the class name are given to its `__init__()` method
- ▶ An `__init__` method can take any number of arguments
- ▶ Like other functions, the arguments can be defined with default values, making them optional to the caller

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## Self

- ▶ The first argument of every method is a reference to the current instance of the class
  - ▶ By convention, we name this argument `self`
- ▶ Although you must specify `self` explicitly when defining the method, you don't include it when calling the method.
  - ▶ Python passes it for you automatically

Defining a method:  
(this code inside a class definition.)

```
def set_age(self, num):
 self.age = num
```

Calling a method:

```
>>> x.set_age(23)
```

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## Accessing to Attributes and Methods

```
>>> f = student("Bob Smith", 23)
```

```
>>> f.full_name # Access attribute
"Bob Smith"
```

```
>>> f.get_age() # Access a method
23
```

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## Attributes

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## Attributes

```
class counter:
 overall_total = 0
 # class attribute
 def __init__(self):
 self.my_total = 0
 # data attribute
 def increment(self):
 counter.overall_total = \
 counter.overall_total + 1
 self.my_total = \
 self.my_total + 1
```

```
>>> a = counter()
>>> b = counter()
>>> a.increment()
>>> b.increment()
>>> a.my_total
1
>>> a.__class__.overall_total
3
>>> b.my_total
2
>>> b.__class__.overall_total
3
```

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## Special Methods

- ▶ There are methods that exist for all classes
  - ▶ You can always redefine them
- ▶ Examples of special methods
  - ▶ `__init__`: The constructor for the class
  - ▶ `__cmp__`: Define how `==` works for class
  - ▶ `__len__`: Define how `len(obj)` works
  - ▶ `__copy__`: Define how to copy a class
  - ▶ `__repr__`: Define how to turn an instance into a string

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## Special Data Items

- ▶ Examples of special data items
  - ▶ `__doc__`: Variable for documentation string for class
  - ▶ `__class__`: Variable which gives you a reference to the class from any instance of it

```
>>> f = student("Bob Smith", 23)

>>> print f.__doc__
A class representing a student.

>>> f.__class__
<class studentClass at 010B4C6 >
```

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## Private Data and Methods

- ▶ Any attribute/method with two leading underscores in its name (but none at the end) is private and can't be accessed outside of class
- ▶ Note: Names with two underscores at the beginning and the end are for built-in methods or attributes for the class  
Variable owned by a particular instance of a class

```
class MyClass:
 def myPublicMethod(self):
 print 'public method'
 def __myPrivateMethod(self):
 print 'this is private!!'
```

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## Final Tips (1)

- ▶ Import a module

```
Import all functions from a module
from module_name import *

Import a specific function from a module
from module_name import function_name
```

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## Final Tips (2)

- ▶ Exception Handling

```
Below code will open a file
fName="vehicles.txt"
try:
 with open(fName, 'r') as f:
 print(f.readline())
except IOError as e:
 print('IO Error')
finally:
 print('File has been closed')
```

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