

## Introduction

# Welcome

## Verify Your PC is Ready

- You should have already completed the Lab PC Setup for Workshop.
- Your PC should include the following:
  - Python installed and verified
  - Postman installed
  - JSONView installed
- Verify that your PC is ready to complete the tasks of the workshop.





## Code and Communities of Practice

# Code

## Power of Code

Coding is a huge base...to build off of...to go in the direction [you] want to.

Chris Bosh

NBA All-Star

Everybody... should learn how to program a computer... because it teaches you how to think.

Steve Jobs Founder, Apple [Coding] is the closest thing we have to a superpower.

Drew Houston
Dropbox Creator

Great coders are today's rock stars.

will.i.am

Black Eye Peas Creator

## The Power of Code



# Communities of Practice

## Communities of Practice (CoPs)

Communities of practice are groups of people who share a concern or a passion for something they do and learn how to do it better as they interact regularly.

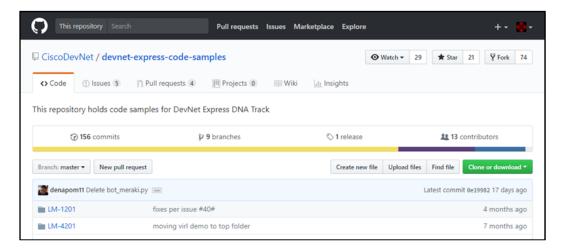
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## CoPs for Programmers - GitHub

GitHub is the open source software version control system started by Linus Torvalds, the creator of

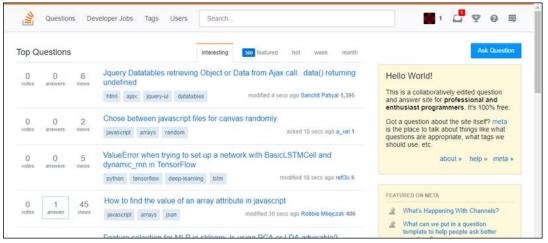
Linux.





## CoPs for Programmers - Stack Overflow

Stack Overflow maintains a library of detailed answers to every question about programming.





## CoPs for Programmers - Cisco DevNet

Cisco DevNet offers support to developers and programmers who want to build Cisco-enable applications or use Cisco APIs to enhance and manage their networks



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# **Python Basics**

# Python Interpreter

## Start Python

#### Windows

```
C:\> python
Python 3.6.3 (v3.6.3:2c5fed8, Oct 3 2017, 17:26:49) [MSC v.1900 32 bit
(Intel)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>>
```

#### Mac or Linux

```
$ python3
Python 3.5.2 (default, Aug 18 2017, 17:48:00)
[GCC 5.4.0 20160609] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>>
```

## Use Interactive Interpreter as a Calculator

```
$ python3
Python 3.5.2 (default, Aug 18 2017, 17:48:00)
[GCC 5.4.0 20160609] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> 2+3
>>> 10-4
>>> 2*4
>>> 20/5
>>> 3**2
```

## Use Interpreter to print Hello World

- Strings can be enclosed with single quotes or double quotes.
- To remove the single quotes in the output, use the print command.

```
>>> "Hello World!"
'Hello World!'
>>> 'Hello World!'
'Hello World!'
>>> print("Hello World!")
Hello World!
```

## Quit the Interpreter and Start IDLE

- Python includes the Integrated Development Environment (IDLE)
- Windows open IDLE from the Start menu
- Mac or Linux open IDLE from the command line.

#### Windows

```
Start > Python 3.6 > IDLE (Python 3.6 32-bit).
```

#### Mac or Linux

```
>>> "Hello World!"
'Hello World!'
>>> 'Hello World!'
'Hello World!'
>>> quit()
$ idle3
```

### **IDLE** Benefits

- Provides color coding
- Includes a text editor for writing programs
- Quickly save and run programs

```
Python 3.5.2 Shell
File Edit Shell Debug Options Window Help
Python 3.5.2 (default, Aug 18 2017, 17:48:00)
[GCC 5.4.0 20160609] on linux
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> 2+5
>>> print("Hello World!")
Hello World!
>>>
                                                                         Ln: 8 Col: 4
```

## Activity - Write, Save, and Run Your First Program

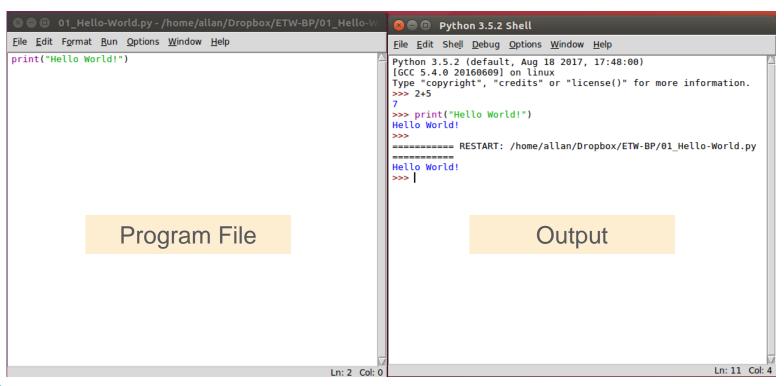
- In IDLE, click File > New File (Ctrl+N) to open an Untitled script file.
- Save the file as 01\_hello-world.py in your GitHub project directory.
- 3. Enter the following in the script:

```
print("Hello World!")
```

- 4. Save the script; click File > Save (Ctrl+S)
- 5. Run the script; click Run > Run Module (F5)



## First Program and Output





# Data Types, Variables, and Conversions

## **Basic Data Types**

- The four basic data types we will use are:
  - Integer
  - Float
  - String
  - Boolean
- Use the type() command to determine the data type.

```
>>> type (98)
<class 'int'>
>>> type (98.6)
<class 'float'>
>>> type("Hi!")
<class 'str'>
>>> type (True)
<class 'bool'>
```

## **Boolean Comparison Operators**

Operator	Meaning
>	Greater than
<	Less than
==	Equal to
!=	Not equal to
>=	Greater than or equal to
<=	Less than or equal to

```
>>> 1<2
True
>>> 1>2
False
>>> 1==1
True
>>> 1'=1
False
>>> 1>=1
True
>>> 1<=1
True
```

## Creating and Using a Variable

- Use a single equal sign to assign a value to a variable.
- A variable can then be called for other operations.

```
>>> x=3
>>> x*5
15
>>> "Cisco"*x
'CiscoCiscoCisco'
```

## Concatenate Multiple String Variables

 Concatenation is the process of combining multiple strings.

```
>>> str1="Cisco"
>>> str2="Networking"
>>> str3="Academy"
>>> space=" "
>>> print(str1+space+str2+space+str3)
Cisco Networking Academy
>>>
```

 Concatenation does not work for different data types.

```
>>> x=3
>>> print("This value of X is " + x)
Traceback (most recent call last):
   File "<pyshell#27>", line 1, in <module>
      print("This value of X is " + x)
TypeError: Can't convert 'int' object to str
implicitly
```

Use the str()
 command to
 convert the data
 type to a string.

```
>>> x=3
>>> print("The value of x is " + x)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#27>", line 1, in <module>
    print("This value of X is " + x)
TypeError: Can't convert 'int' object to str
implicitly
>>> print("The value of x is " + str(x))
The value of x is 3
>>>
```

 The type for the variable x is still an integer.

```
>>> x=3
>>> print("The value of x is " + x)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#27>", line 1, in <module>
    print("This value of X is " + x)
TypeError: Can't convert 'int' object to str
implicitly
>>> print("The value of x is " + str(x))
The value of x is 3
>>> type(x)
<class 'int'>
```

 To convert the data type, reassign the variable to the new data type.

```
>>> x=3
>>> print("The value of x is " + x)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#27>", line 1, in <module>
    print("This value of X is " + x)
TypeError: Can't convert 'int' object to str
implicitly
>>> print("The value of x is " + str(x))
The value of x is 3
>>> type(x)
<class 'int'>
>>> x=str(x)
>>> type(x)
<class 'str'>
```

- Use "{:.2f}".format to display a float to two decimal places.
- Change the 2 to increase or decrease decimal places.

```
>>> pi = 22/7
>>> print(pi)
3.142857142857143
>>> print("{:.2f}".format(pi))
3.14
>>>
```

# Lists and Dictionaries

## Lists

- A list is an ordered list of items.
  - Create a list using the brackets [] and enclosing each item in the list with quotes.
  - Use the type() command to verify the data type.
  - Use the len() command return the number of items in a list.
  - Call the list variable name to display it's contents.

```
>>> hostnames=["R1","R2","R3","S1","S2"]
>>> type (hostnames)
<class 'list'>
>>> len(hostnames)
>>> hostnames
['R1', 'R2', 'R3', 'S1', 'S2']
```

## Lists

- Use the index to refer to an item and manipulate the list
  - The first item in a list is indexed as zero, the second is indexed as one, and so on.
  - The last item can be referenced with index [-1]
  - Replace an item by assigning a new value to the index.
  - Use the del() command to remove an item from a list.

```
>>> hostnames=["R1","R2","R3","S1","S2"]
>>> type (hostnames)
<class 'list'>
>>> len(hostnames)
>>> hostnames
['R1', 'R2', 'R3', 'S1', 'S2']
>>> hostnames[0]
'R1'
>>> hostnames[-1]
'S2'
>>> hostnames[0]="RTR1"
>>> hostnames
['RTR1', 'R2', 'R3', 'S1', 'S2']
>>> del hostnames[3]
>>> hostnames
['RTR1', 'R2', 'R3', 'S2']
>>>
```

## **Dictionaries**

- A list of unordered key/value pairs
  - Create a dictionary using the braces { }
  - Each dictionary entry includes a key and a value.
  - Separate key and values with a colon.
  - Use quotes for keys and values that are strings.

```
>>> ipAddress =
{"R1":"10.1.1.1", "R2":"10.2.2.1", "R3":"10.3.3
.1"}
>>> type(ipAddress)
<class 'dict'>
```

## **Dictionaries**

- Use the key to refer to an entry
  - The key is enclosed with brackets [].
  - Keys that are strings can be referenced using single or double quotes.
  - Add a key/value pair by setting the new key equal to a value.
  - Use key in dictionary command to verify if a key exist in the dictionary

```
>>> ipAddress =
{"R1":"10.1.1.1", "R2":"10.2.2.1", "R3":"10.3.3
.1"}
>>> type(ipAddress)
<class 'dict'>
>>> ipAddress
{'R1': '10.1.1.1', 'R2': '10.2.2.1', 'R3':
'10.3.3.1'}
>>> ipAddress['R1']
'10.1.1.1'
>>> ipAddress["S1"]="10.1.1.10"
>>> ipAddress
{'R1': '10.1.1.1', 'R2': '10.2.2.1', 'R3':
'10.3.3.1', 'S1': '10.1.1.10'}
>>> "R3" in ipAddress
True
>>>
```

#### Activity - Troubleshoot List and Dictionary Code

- Open 02\_list-dicts.py.
- 2. Run the code.
- 3. Troubleshoot the code until the script runs without errors.
- 4. What errors did you fix in the script?



## User Input



### The Input Function

The input()

 function provides
 a way to get
 information from
 the user.

```
>>> firstName = input("What is your first
name? ")
What is your first name? Bob
>>> print("Hello " + firstName +"!")
Hello Bob!
>>>
```

# Activity - Create a Script to Collect Personal Information

- Open a blank script file and save it in your GitHub project directory as 03\_personal-info.py.
- 2. Create a script that asks for four pieces of information such as: first name, last name, location, and age.
- Create a variable for a space: space = " "
- 4. Add a print statement that that combines all the information in one sentence.
- 5. Run the script and troubleshoot any errors.



## If Functions and Loops

#### If/Else Function

- Open a blank script and save it as 04\_if-vlan.py.
- Create a simple if function that compares two values and prints the results.
- Run the script and troubleshoot any errors.
- Change the values to test the else print statement.

```
nativeVLAN = 1
dataVIAN = 100
if nativeVLAN == dataVLAN:
    print ("The native VLAN and the data VLAN
are the same.")
else:
    print ("This native VLAN and the data VLAN
are different.")
```

#### If/Elif/Else Function

- Open a blank script and save it as 05\_ifacl.py.
- Create a more complex if function that takes user input and includes an elif loop.
- Note that the input needs to be converted to an integer.

```
aclNum = int(input("What is the IPv4 ACL
number? "))
if aclNum >= 1 and aclNum <= 99:
    print("This is a standard IPv4 ACL.")
elif aclNum >=100 and aclNum <= 199:
    print("This is a extended IPv4 ACL.")
else:
    print ("This is not a standard or extended
IPv4 ACL.")
```

#### For Loop

- A for loop iterates through items in a list, dictionary, or other sequenced data type.
- The variable name "item" is arbitrary and can be anything the programmer chooses.

```
>>> devices=["R1","R2","R3","S1","S2"]
>>> for item in devices:
        print(item)
R1
R2
R3
S1
>>>
```

### For Loop with Embedded If

Using an If loop inside the For loop

```
>>> for item in devices:
        if "R" in item:
                 print(item)
R1
R2
R3
>>>
```

### Use a For Loop to Create a New List

- Create an empty list called switches.
- Iterate through the devices list to create the switch list.

```
>>> switches=[]
>>> for item in devices:
        if "S" in item:
                 switches.append(item)
>>> switches
['S1', 'S2']
>>>
```

#### Create a While Loop

- Open a blank script and save it as 06\_while-loop.py.
- Create a program with a while loop that counts to a user's supplied number.
  - Convert the string to an integer:x = int(x)
  - Set a variable to start the count:y = 1
  - While y <= x, print the value of y and increment y by 1.

```
x=input("Enter a number to count to: ")
x=int(x)
y=1
while y<=x:
    print(y)
    y=y+1
```

### Modify the While Loop to Use Break

- Modify the while loop to use a Boolean check and break to stop the loop.
  - Replace while y<=x with while True
  - Add an if function to break the loop when y>x.

```
x=input("Enter a number to count to: ")
x=int(x)
v=1
while True:
    print(y)
    y=y+1
    if y>x:
        break
```

### Use a While Loop to Check for User Quit

- Add another while loop to the beginning of the script which will check for a quit command.
- Add an if function to the while loop to check for 'q' or 'quit'.

```
while True:
    x=input("Enter a number to count to: ")
    if x == 'q' or x == 'quit':
        break
x=int(x)
y=1
while True:
    print(y)
    y=y+1
    if y>x:
        break
```

### File Access

#### Read an External File and Print the Contents

- Open a blank script and save it as 07\_file-access.py.
- Create a script to read and print the content of a file.
- The 'devices.txt' file should be in the same directory as your script.

```
file=open("devices.txt","r")
for item in file:
    print(item)
file.close()
```

### Remove Blank Lines from the Output

 Use strip attribute to remove the blank lines.

```
file=open("devices.txt","r")
for item in file:
    item=item.strip()
    print(item)
file.close()
```

### Copy File Content Into a List Variable

- Create an empty list.
- Use the append attribute to copy file content to the new list.

```
devices=[]
file=open("devices.txt","r")
for item in file:
    item=item.strip()
    devices.append(item)
file.close()
print(devices)
```

## Activity – Modify the Script to Add an Item to the File

- Open a new file and save it as 07\_file-access\_actvity.py.
- 2. For the **open()** function use the mode **a**, which will allow you to append a item to the **devices.txt** file.
- Inside a while True: loop, embed an input() function command that asks the user for the new device.
- 4. Set the value of the user's input to a variable named **newItem**.
- 5. Use an if statement that breaks the loop if the user types **exit** and prints the statement "**All done!**"
- 6. Use the command **file.write(newItem + "\n")** to add the new user provided device.



