

2.0 Introduction to Python 3

`input('Prompt for user')`

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Identifiers:

- sequence of letters (a-z, A-Z)
- *underscores* (`_`)
- digits (0–9)
- Must start with a letter or an underscore.

Properties of objects

1. **Value:** A value such as "20", "abcdef", or 55.
2. **Type:** The type of the object, such as integer or string.
3. **Identity:** A unique identifier that describes the object.
 - a. `id()`

Numeric types: Floating-point

Floating-point number: A floating-point number is a real number, like 98.6, 0.0001, or -666.667.

Floating-point literal: A floating-point literal is written with the fractional part even if that fraction is 0, as in 1.0, 0.0, or 99.0.

Scientific notation: A floating-point literal using scientific notation is written using an `e` preceding the power-of-10 exponent, as in 6.02e23 to represent 6.02x10²³.

Overflow: Overflow occurs when a value is too large to be stored in the memory allocated by the interpreter.

- **OverflowError:** Assigning a floating point value outside of this range generates an

3.8 Module basics

Script: Programmers typically write Python program code in a file called a script.

Module: A module is a file containing Python code that can be used by other modules or scripts.

Import: A module is made available for use via the import statement.

dot notation: Once a module is imported, any object defined in that module can be accessed using dot notation.

`__name__`: Python programs often use the built-in special name `__name__` to determine if the file was executed as a script by the programmer, or if the file was imported by another module.

Math modules: `ceil()`, `floor()`, `sqrt()`, `exp()`, `pow()`, and `factorial()`

Arithmetic operators.

Arithmetic operator	Description
+	The addition operator is +, as in $x + y$.
-	The subtraction operator is -, as in $x - y$. Also, the - operator is for negation, as in $-x + y$, or $x + -y$.
*	The multiplication operator is *, as in $x * y$.
/	The division operator is /, as in x / y .
**	The exponent operator is **, as in $x ** y$ (x to the power of y).

Precedence rules for arithmetic operators.

Operator/Convention	Description	Explanation
()	Items within parentheses are evaluated first.	In $2 * (x + 1)$, the $x + 1$ is evaluated first, with the result then multiplied by 2.
unary -	- used for negation (unary minus) is next.	In $2 * -x$, the $-x$ is computed first, with the result then multiplied by 2.
* / %	Next to be evaluated are *, /, and %, having equal precedence.	(% is discussed elsewhere.)
+ -	Finally come + and - with equal precedence.	In $y = 3 + 2 * x$, the $2 * x$ is evaluated first, with the result then added to 3, because * has higher precedence than +. Spacing doesn't matter: $y = 3 + 2 * x$ would still evaluate $2 * x$ first.
left-to-right	If more than one operator of equal precedence could be evaluated, evaluation occurs left to right.	In $y = x * 2 / 3$, the $x * 2$ is first evaluated, with the result then divided by 3.

Operator/Convention	Description	Explanation
()	Items within parentheses are evaluated first	In (a * (b + c)) - d, the + is evaluated first, then *, then -.
* / % + -	Arithmetic operators (using their precedence rules; see earlier section)	z - 45 * y < 53 evaluates * first, then -, then <.
< <= > >= == !=	Relational, (in)equality, and membership operators	x < 2 or x >= 10 is evaluated as (x < 2) or (x >= 10) because < and >= have precedence over or.
not	not (logical NOT)	not x or y is evaluated as (not x) or y
and	Logical AND	x == 5 or y == 10 and z != 10 is evaluated as (x == 5) or ((y == 10) and (z != 10)) because and has precedence over or.
or	Logical OR	x == 7 or x < 2 is evaluated as (x == 7) or (x < 2) because < and == have precedence over or

Common escape sequences.

Escape Sequence	Explanation	Example code	Output
\\	Backslash (\)	<code>print('\\home\\users\\')</code>	\home\users\
\'	Single quote (')	<code>print('Name: John O\'Donald')</code>	Name: John O'Donald

\"	Double quote (")	<code>print("He said, \"Hello friend!\").")</code>	He said, "Hello friend!".
\n	Newline	<code>print('My name...\nIs John...')</code>	My name... Is John...
\t	Tab (indent)	<code>print('1. Bake cookies\n\t1.1. Preheat oven')</code>	1. Bake cookies 1.1. Preheat oven

Common data types.

Type	Notes
int()	Numeric type: Used for variable-width integers.
float()	Numeric type: Used for floating-point numbers.

Containers: sequence and mapping types.

Type	Notes
string()	Sequence type: Used for text.
list[]	Sequence type: A mutable container with ordered elements. - Can be indexed
tuple()	Sequence type: An immutable container with ordered elements. - Can be indexed
dict{}	Mapping type: A container with key-values associated elements. - Cannot be indexed

Choosing a container type

List: when data has an order, such as lines of text on a page

Tuple: if the contained data should not change

Dictionary: If order is not important, a programmer might use a dictionary to capture relationships between elements, such as student names and grades.

List basics

Adding elements to a list:

- `list.append(value)`: Adds value to the end of list. Ex: `my_list.append('abc')`

Removing elements from a list:

- `list.pop(i)`: Removes the element at index `i` from list. Ex: `my_list.pop(1)`
- `list.remove(v)`: Removes the first element whose value is `v`. Ex: `my_list.remove('abc')`

Sequence-type methods and functions

Operation	Description
<code>len(list)</code>	Find the length of the list.
<code>list1 + list2</code>	Produce a new list by concatenating <code>list2</code> to the end of <code>list1</code> .
<code>min(list)</code>	Find the element in list with the smallest value.
<code>max(list)</code>	Find the element in list with the largest value.
<code>sum(list)</code>	Find the sum of all elements of a list (numbers only).
<code>list.index(val)</code>	Find the index of the first element in list whose value matches <code>val</code> .
<code>list.count(val)</code>	Count the number of occurrences of the value <code>val</code> in list.

Tuples

Common error types.

Error type	Description	Examples
<code>SyntaxError</code>	The program contains invalid code that cannot be understood.	<code>print('Today is Monday')</code>
<code>IndentationError</code>	The lines of the program are not properly indented.	<code>print("Friday, Friday")</code>
<code>ValueError</code>	An invalid value is used – can occur if giving letters to <code>int()</code> .	<code>int("Thursday")</code>
<code>NameError</code>	The program tries to use a variable that	<code>day_of_the_week = Friday</code>

	does not exist.	
TypeError	An operation uses incorrect types – can occur if adding an integer to a string.	lyric = 99 + " bottles of pop on the wall"

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