

Scripting for Data Science in Python and R

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Unit 1 - II. an introduction to python

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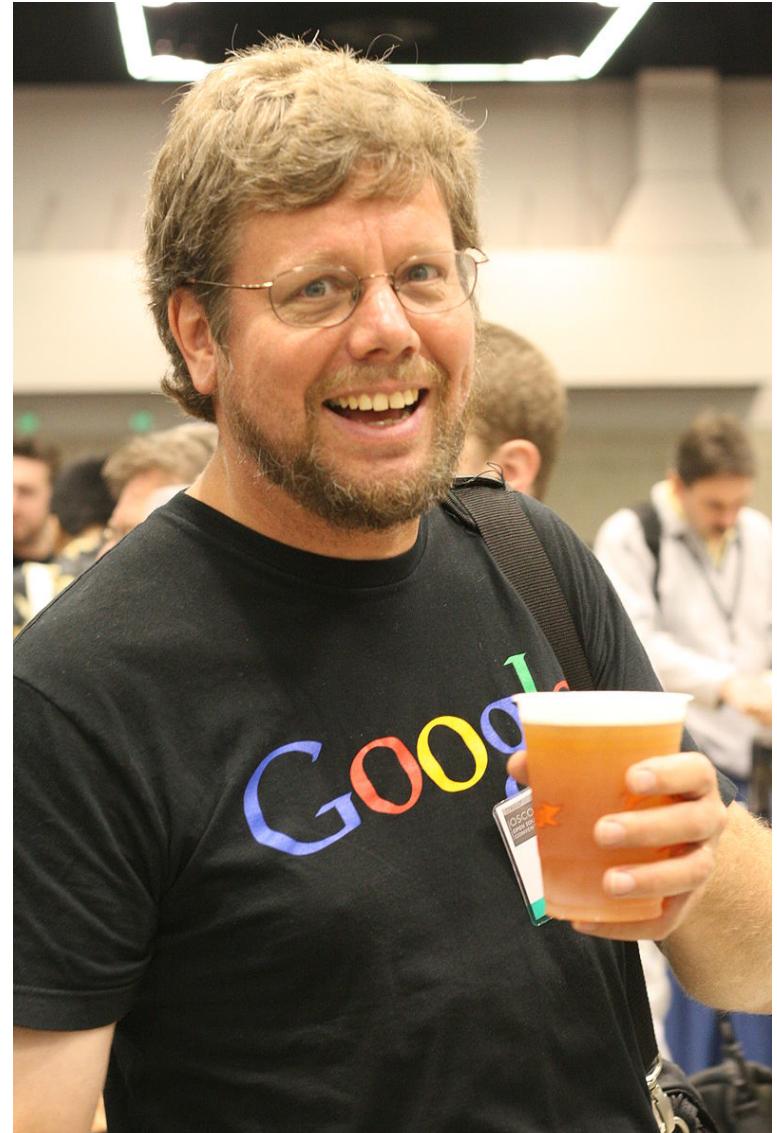
python

- Guido van Rossum

From wikipedia:

Over six years ago, in December 1989, I was looking for a "hobby" programming project that would keep me occupied during the week around Christmas. My office ... would be closed, but I had a home computer, and not much else on my hands. I decided to write an interpreter for the new scripting language I had been thinking about lately: a descendant of ABC that would appeal to Unix/C hackers. I chose Python as a working title for the project, being in a slightly irreverent mood (and a big fan of Monty Python's Flying Circus).

-Guido van Rossum in 1996



python



- appears in every programming top-ten list
 - hacker news
 - dice job list
 - book sales

you
should know it!

number of tags on stack overflow



number of github projects

python disclaimers

- batteries included
- weakly typed variables (dynamic)
- its an interpreter (kinda)
 - loops are slow
 - until they are not (compile it)
- can't use parallel instructions natively
 - unless you use IPython
- can be the glue for your different codebases

python releases

- 1.0 (up to 1.6)
 - basic python, complex numbers, lambdas
- 2.0 (still used, but it's the beginning of the end)
 - unified types, made completely object-oriented
- 3.0 (still actively developed)
 - eliminate multiple paradigms (kinda)
 - 2.x not necessarily compatible with 3.x

installation

- on **mac** or **linux**:
 - open a terminal
 - do nothing
 - OS X and linux ship with python
 - ...but you probably want to install python 3
- on **windows**, **mac**, or **linux**
 - go to <https://www.python.org> and get python 3 on your system
 - but you will want access to the **packages**
 - something like anaconda or pip
 - allows you to install most any python package that is registered

hello world

- from interpreter
- from script
- from jupyter



exercise

- install python 3 on your machine
 - try using anaconda first!
- run “hello world” examples

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Unit 1 - III. python basics

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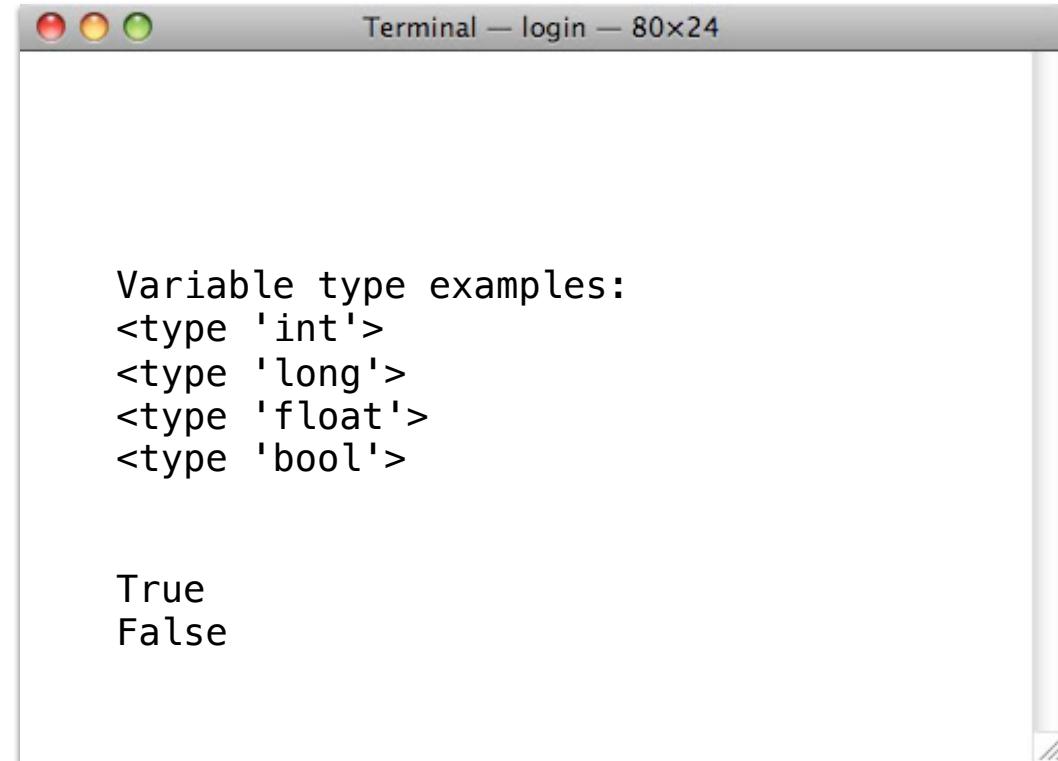
comments, variables, types

```
# this is a comment
# place this at the top of python file to enable running as >>./filename.py
! /usr/bin/python
# otherwise you can run with >>python filename.py
# this command can be run from a terminal/cmd window
```

```
int_val = 8
long_val = 23423423235L
float_val = 2.0
bool_val = True

print "Variable type examples:"
print type(int_val)
print type(long_val)
print type(float_val)
print type(bool_val)

# testing for the type of a variable
print isinstance(float_val,float)
print isinstance(float_val,int)
```



```
Terminal — login — 80x24

Variable type examples:
<type 'int'>
<type 'long'>
<type 'float'>
<type 'bool'>

True
False
```

arithmetic and casting

```
print "\nArithmetic examples:"  
print 8 / 3  
print float(8) / 3  
print float(8) / float(3)
```

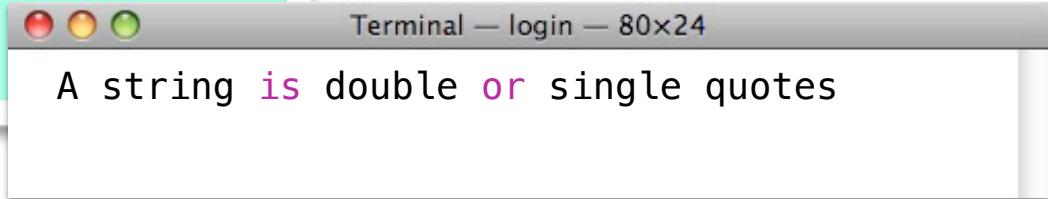
```
print True and False # logicals  
print 8 == 3 # logical equality  
print 5 <= 6 # logical comparison
```

```
print 2.0*4.0 # multiplication  
print 65%6 # remainder, modulus  
print 3**4 # 3 to the fourth power
```

```
Terminal — login — 80x24  
Arithmetic examples:  
2  
2.66666666667  
2.66666666667  
  
False  
False  
True  
  
8.0  
5  
81
```

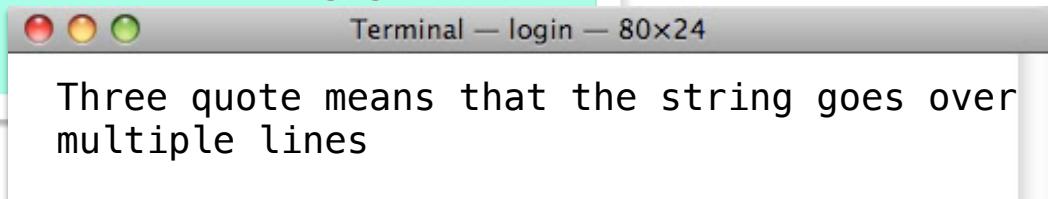
strings and string operations

```
str_val = "A string is double or single quotes"  
print str_val
```



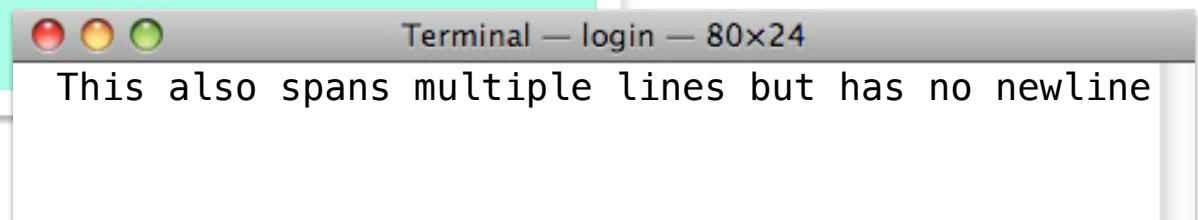
A string is double or single quotes

```
str_val_long = '''Three quote means that the string goes over  
multiple lines'''  
print str_val_long
```



Three quote means that the string goes over
multiple lines

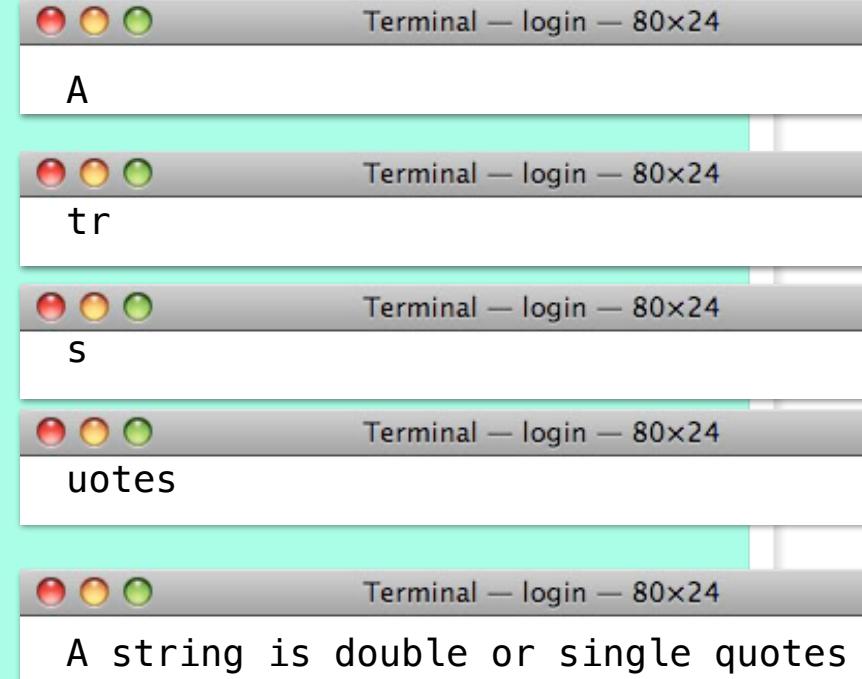
```
str_val_no_newline = '''This also spans multiple lines \  
but has no newline'''  
print str_val_no_newline
```



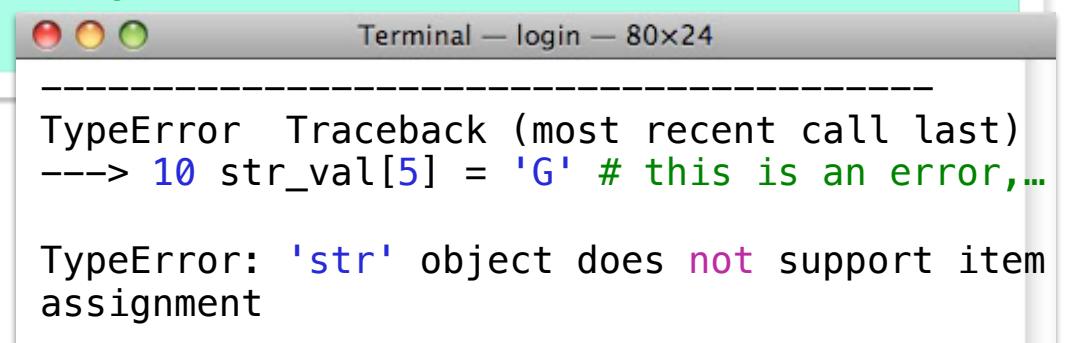
This also spans multiple lines but has no newline

strings and string operations

```
# string can be accessed in a variety of  
different ways  
print str_val[0] # initial element "0th" element  
  
print str_val[3:5] # elements 3 and 4, but not 5  
  
print str_val[-1] # the last element in the  
string  
  
print str_val[-5:] # the last five elements  
  
print str_val[0:5] + str_val[5:] # print the  
first five elements, then from the fifth and on  
  
str_val[5] = 'G' # this is an error, strings are  
immutable once they are set
```



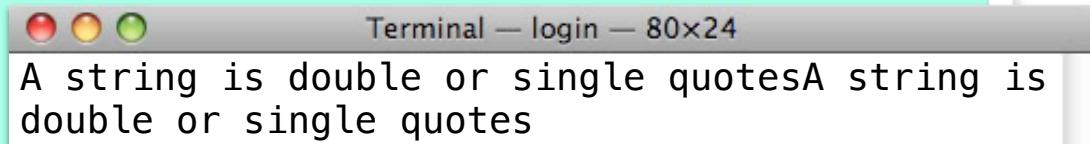
The image shows five separate terminal windows stacked vertically. Each window has a title bar reading "Terminal — login — 80x24". The windows display the following text:
1. The letter "A"
2. The letters "tr"
3. The letter "s"
4. The letters "uotes"
5. The text "A string is double or single quotes"



The image shows a single terminal window with a title bar reading "Terminal — login — 80x24". The window displays a traceback for a `TypeError`. The error message is:
```python  
TypeError: Traceback (most recent call last)  
---> 10 str\_val[5] = 'G' # this is an error,...  
  
TypeError: 'str' object does not support item assignment  
```

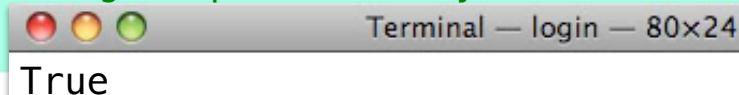
strings and string operations

```
# some common operations for strings  
print str_val*2 # multiply is like adding many times, here it repeats the string
```



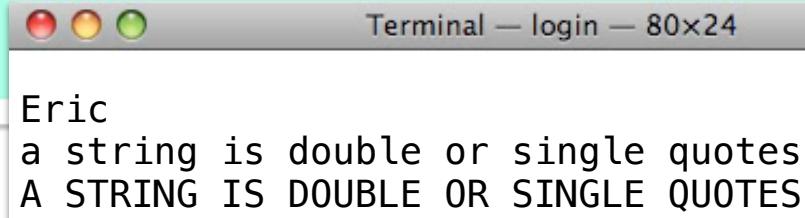
A string is double or single quotes
A string is double or single quotes

```
print 'Python' > 'Java' # compare the strings alphabetically
```



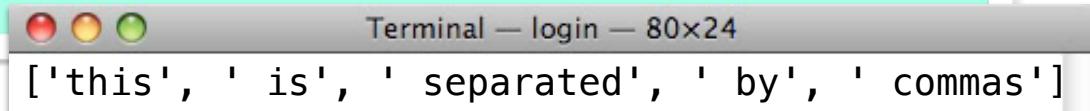
True

```
print "eric".capitalize() # the dot operator works like most other OOP languages  
print str_val.lower()  
print str_val.upper()
```



Eric
a string is double or single quotes
A STRING IS DOUBLE OR SINGLE QUOTES

```
print "this, is, separated, by, commas".split(',') # this results is returned as a  
list, which we need to talk about!
```



['this', ' is', ' separated', ' by', ' commas']

calculator example 1

- build the interpreter



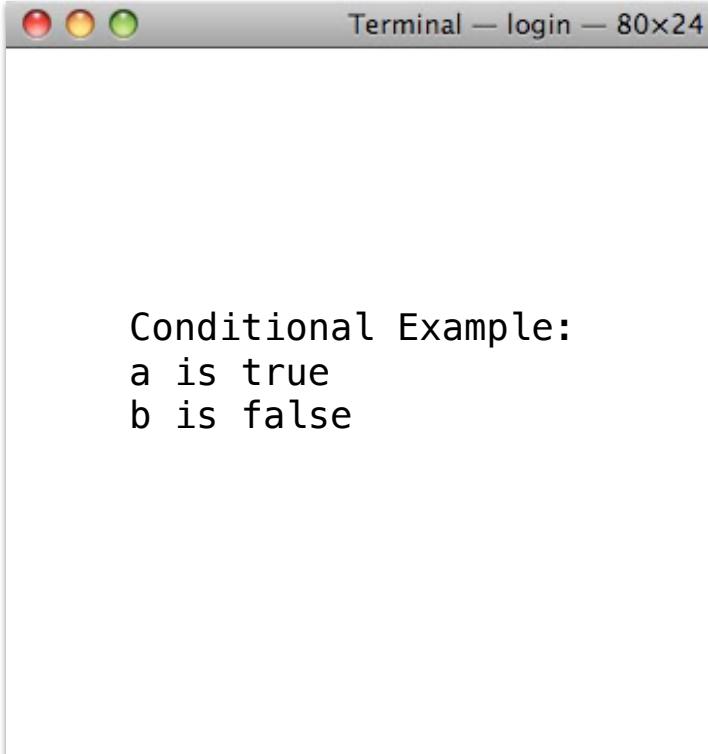
conditionals

```
# conditional example
print "\nConditional Example:"

a, b = True, False

if a:
    print "a is true"
elif a or b:
    print "b is true"
else:
    print "neither a or b are true"

# conditional assignment
val = "b is true" if b else "b is false"
print val
```

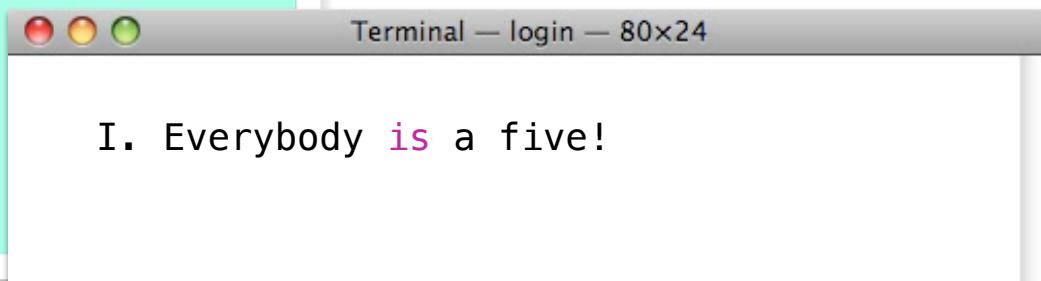


The terminal window shows the command "Terminal — login — 80x24" at the top. The output of the script is displayed below:

```
Conditional Example:
a is true
b is false
```

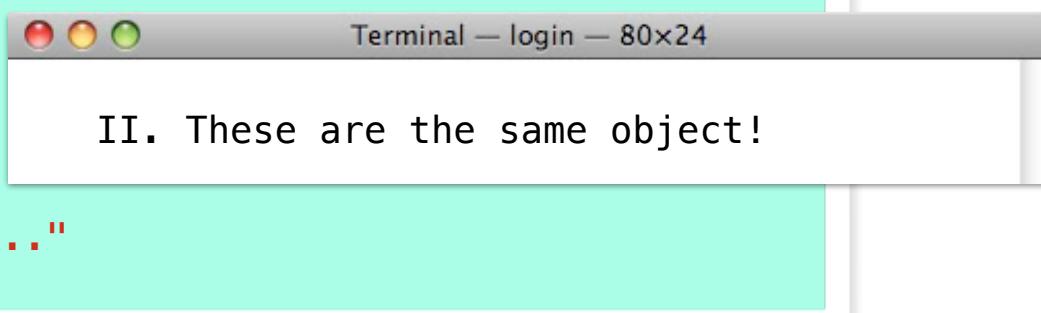
conditionals

```
# I. the traditional == works as expected
a=5
b=5
if a==b:
    print "I. Everybody is a five!"
else:
    print "I. Wish we had fives..."
```



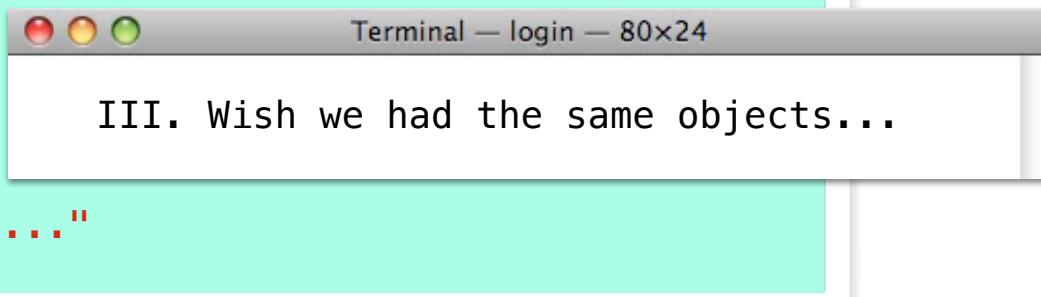
A terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24" with three red, yellow, and green window control buttons at the top. The window contains the text "I. Everybody is a five!" in black font.

```
# II. the "is" function is for object comparison, much like comparing pointers
a=327676
b=a
if a is b:
    print "II. These are the same object!"
else:
    print "II. Wish we had the same objects..."
```



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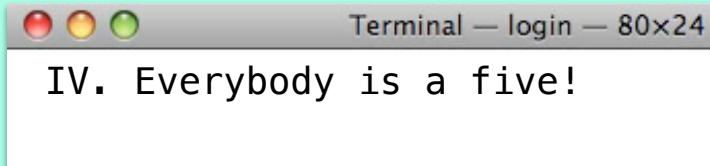
```
# III. while these have the same value, they are not the same memory
a=327676
b=327675+1
if a is b:
    print "III. These are the same object!"
else:
    print "III. Wish we had the same objects..."
```



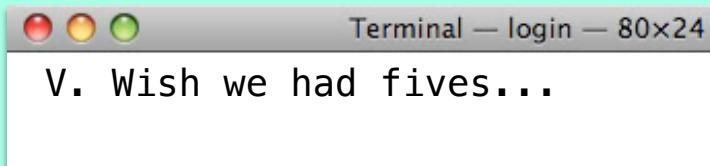
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conditionals

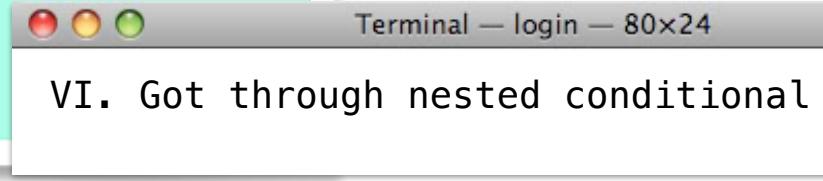
```
# IV. you would expect this to say wish we had fives,  
# but small integers like this are cached so right now they do point to the same  
memory  
a=5  
b=4+1  
if a is b:  
    print "IV. Everybody is a five!"  
else:  
    print "IV. Wish we had fives..."
```



```
# V. but if we change the memory, that caching gets released  
b = b*2.0  
b = b/2.0  
if a is b:  
    print "V. Everybody is a five!"  
else:  
    print "V. Wish we had fives..."
```



```
# you can also perform nested conditionals, like bounding  
if 5 < 8 < 6: # not true because 8 is not less than 6  
    print 'VI. How did we get here'  
elif 4 < 18 < 22:  
    print "VI. Got through nested conditional"
```

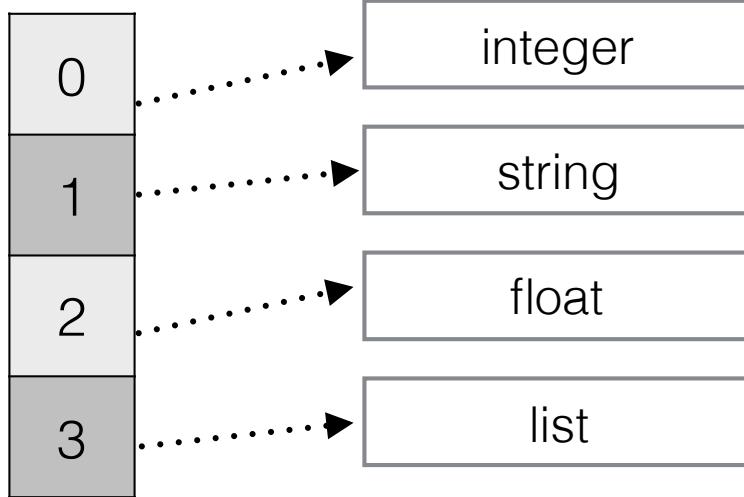


calculator example 2

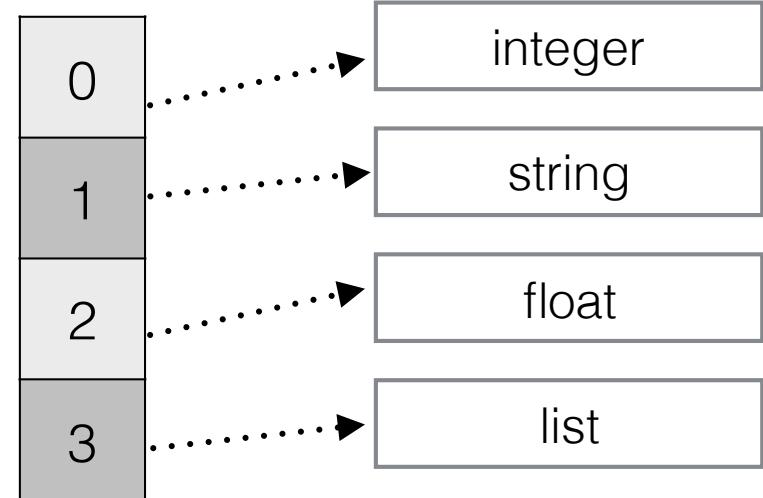
- build conditionals statements



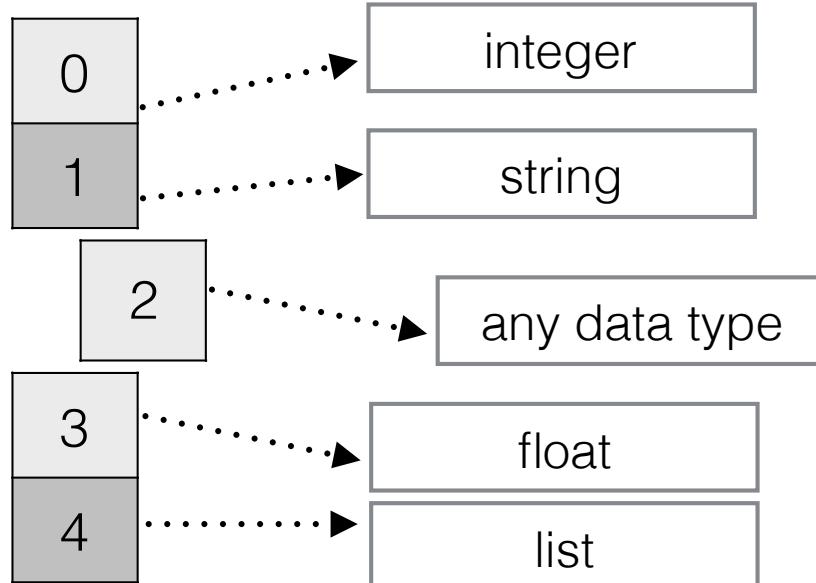
python lists and tuples



a list can be changed

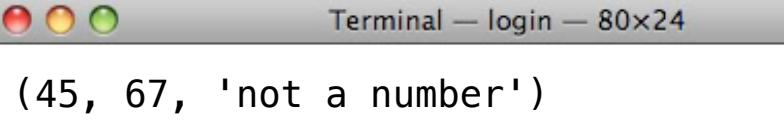


a tuple is
immutable



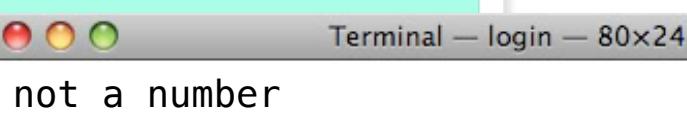
python tuples

```
# tuples are immutable lists and are designated by commas  
# you can store ANYTHING inside a tuple, its basically a complex object container  
a_tuple = 45, 67, "not a number"  
print a_tuple
```



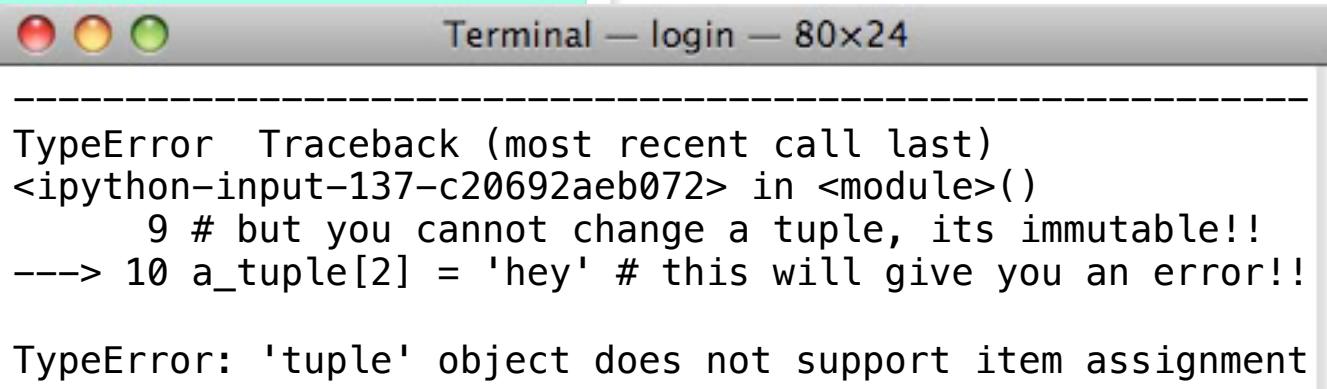
Terminal — login — 80x24
(45, 67, 'not a number')

```
# you can access a tuple with square brackets  
print a_tuple[2]
```



Terminal — login — 80x24
not a number

```
# but you cannot change a tuple, it's immutable!!  
a_tuple[2] = 'hey' # this will give you an error!!
```



Terminal — login — 80x24

TypeError Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-137-c20692aeb072> in <module>()
 9 # but you cannot change a tuple, its immutable!!
---> 10 a_tuple[2] = 'hey' # this will give you an error!!

TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment

python lists

```
# A List is one of the most powerful tools in python from which
# most abstract types get created and implemented
# a list is very much like the mutable version of a tuple
# it can hold any type of information
a_list = [45, 67, "not a number"]

# we can add to a list through the append function
a_list.append("A string, appended as a new element in the list")
print a_list
[45, 67, 'not a number', 'A string, appended as a new element in the list']
```

```
# Lists can have other lists in them
tmp_list = ["a list", "within another list", 442]
a_list.append(tmp_list)
print a_list
[45, 67, 'not a number', 'A string, appended as a new element in the list',
['a list', 'within another list', 442]]
```

```
# all of the indexing we learned from before still works with lists
print a_list[-1]
print a_list[-2:]

['a list', 'within another list', 442]
['A string, appended as a new element in the list', ['a list', 'within another
list', 442]]
```

stacks and queues

```
# list as a stack
print "\nStack Example:"
list_example = []
list_example.append('LIFO')

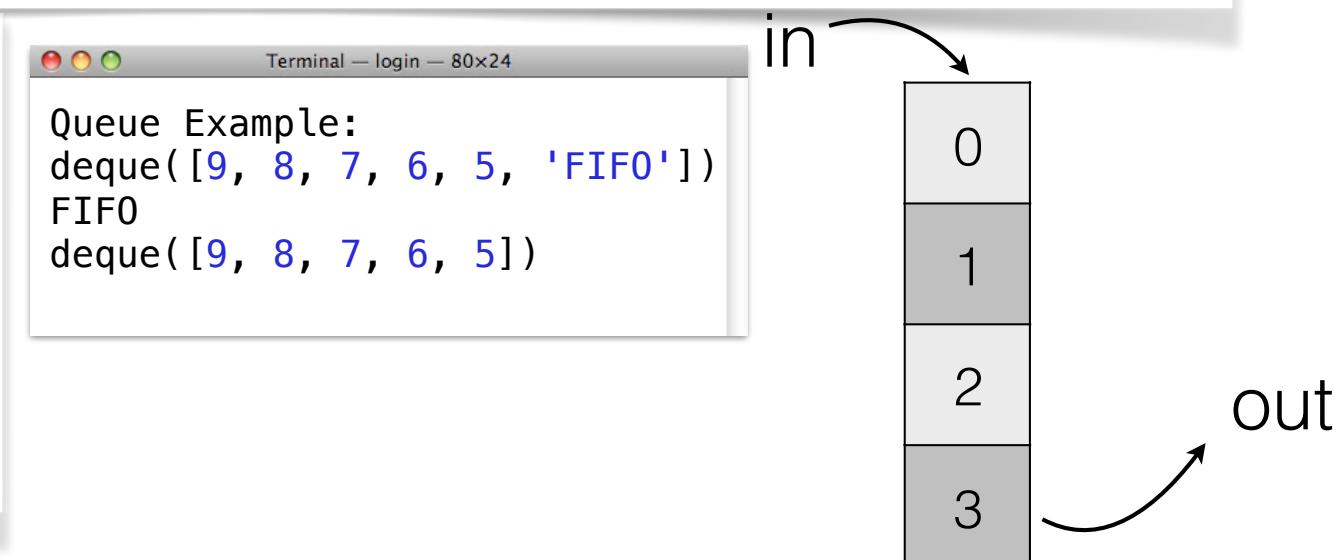
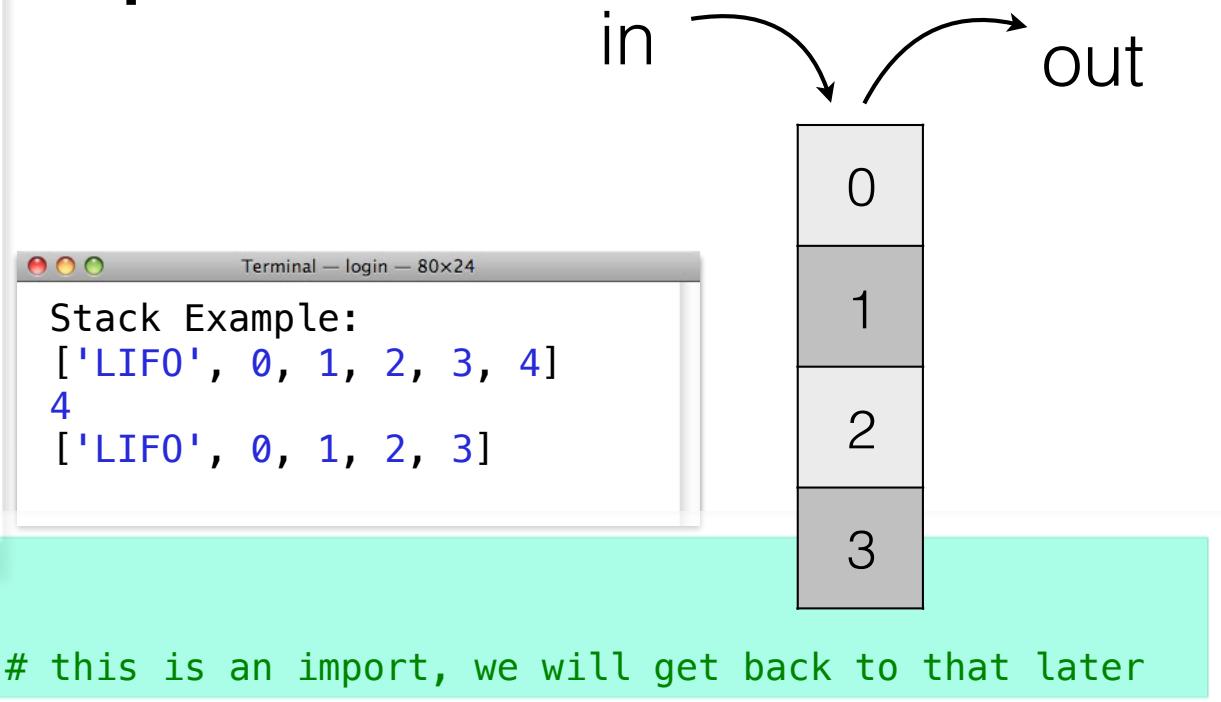
for i in range(0, 5):
    list_example.append(i)

print list_example
val = list_example.pop()
print val
print list_example
```

```
# list as a queue
print "\nQueue Example:"
from collections import deque # this is an import, we will get back to that later
```

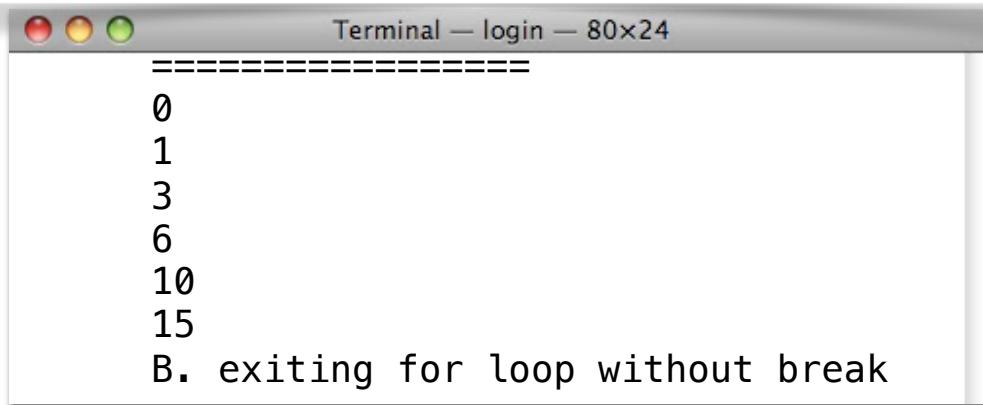
```
q_example = deque()
q_example.appendleft("FIFO")
for i in range(5, 10):
    q_example.appendleft(i)

print q_example
val = q_example.pop()
print val
print q_example
```



python loops

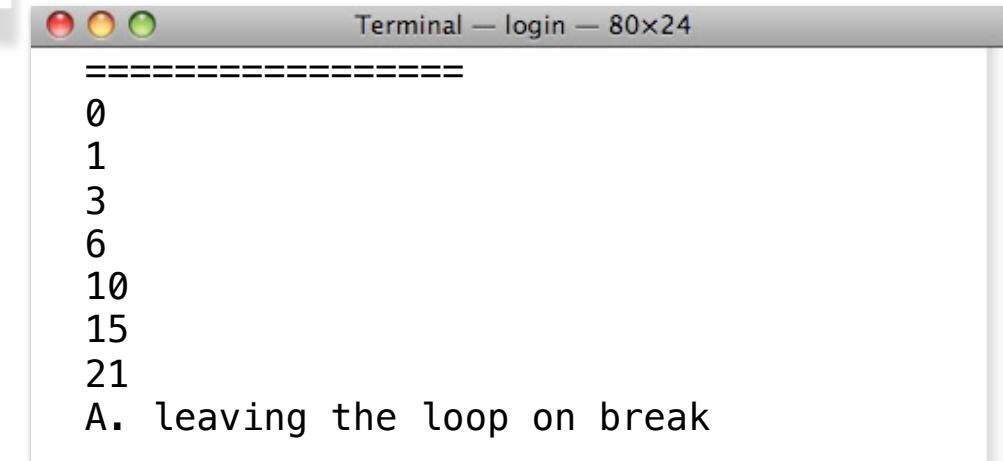
```
import random
print '====='
val = 0
for i in range(0, random.randint(1, 10) ):
    val += i
    print val
    if val>20:
        print ' A. leaving the loop on break'
        break # break out of loop
else: # this else belongs to the for loop
    print 'B. exiting for loop without break'
```



Terminal — login — 80x24

```
=====
0
1
3
6
10
15
B. exiting for loop without break
```

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



Terminal — login — 80x24

```
=====
0
1
3
6
10
15
21
A. leaving the loop on break
```

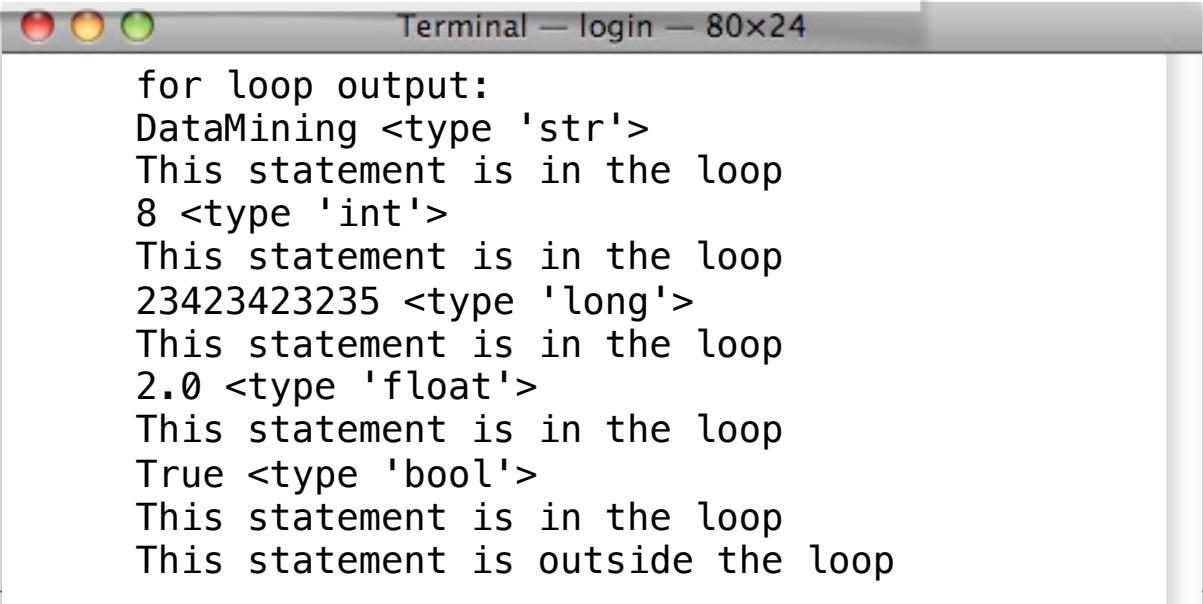
python loops

```
#=====
# for loop example with list
print "\nfor loop output:"

list_example = [int_val, long_val, float_val, bool_val]
list_example.insert(0, "DataMining")

# notice that the loop ends with a colon and
# is designated by the tab alignment
for val in list_example:
    print str(val) + ' ' + str(type(val))
    print "This statement is in the loop"

print "This statement is outside the loop"
```

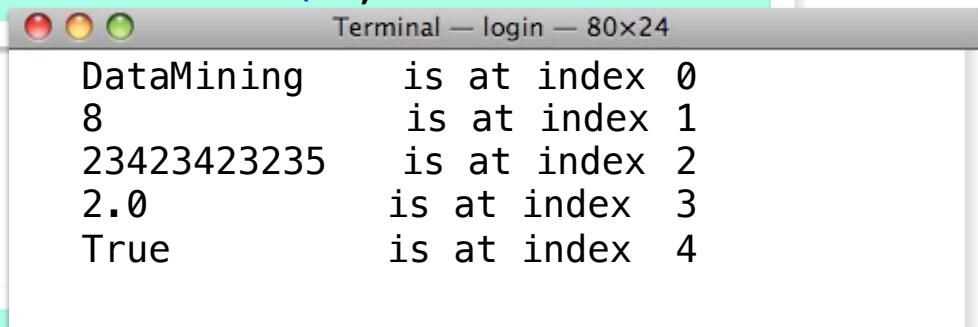


A screenshot of a Mac OS X terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24". The window contains the output of a Python script. The output shows the contents of a list named "list_example" which includes the string "DataMining" at index 0, followed by integers 8, 23423423235, and floating-point numbers 2.0 and True. Each item is printed on a new line, preceded by its type information (str, int, long, float, or bool). A final message "This statement is outside the loop" is also printed.

```
for loop output:
DataMining <type 'str'>
This statement is in the loop
8 <type 'int'>
This statement is in the loop
23423423235 <type 'long'>
This statement is in the loop
2.0 <type 'float'>
This statement is in the loop
True <type 'bool'>
This statement is in the loop
This statement is outside the loop
```

python loops with lists

```
# you can also get the index using the enumerate example
for index, val in enumerate(list_example):
    print str(val), '\t is at index \t', index
```

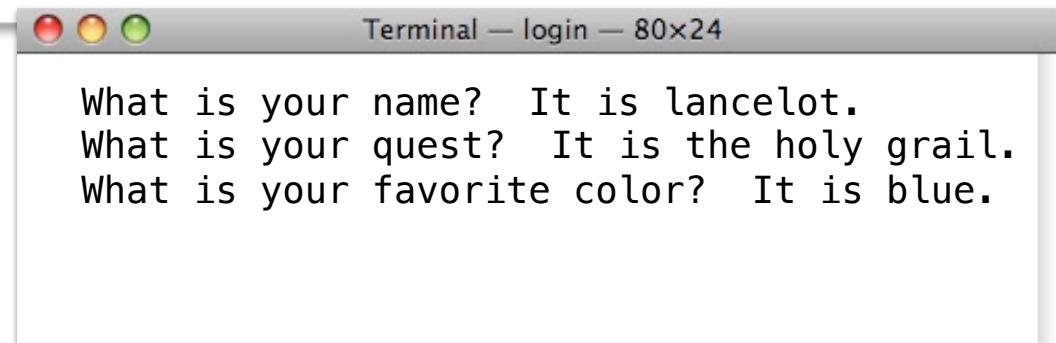


A terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24" showing the output of the provided Python code. The output lists five items from the list and their corresponding indices:

```
DataMining      is at index 0
8                is at index 1
23423423235   is at index 2
2.0              is at index 3
True             is at index 4
```

```
# this is a classic example for zipping, provided by the official python tutorial
# notice the references to Monty Python
```

```
# say you have two lists of equal size that you would like to
# loop through without indexing, you can use the "zip" function
questions = ['name', 'quest', 'favorite color']
answers = ['lancelot', 'the holy grail', 'blue']
for q, a in zip(questions, answers):
    print 'What is your %s? It is %s.' % (q, a)
```



A terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24" showing the output of the provided Python code. The program asks three questions and prints the answers, demonstrating the use of the zip function:

```
What is your name? It is lancelot.
What is your quest? It is the holy grail.
What is your favorite color? It is blue.
```

building a functional calculator

- using reverse polish notation
- stacks
- user input



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pythonic

- many different coding “styles”
- “best” styles get the distinction of “pythonic”
 - ill-formed definition
 - changes as the language matures
- pythonic code is:
 - simple and readable
 - uses dynamic typing when possible
- ...or to quote Tim Peters...

python zen

```
>>> import this
```

The Zen of Python, by Tim Peters

type this

Beautiful is better than ugly.
Explicit is better than implicit.
Simple is better than complex.
Complex is better than complicated.
Flat is better than nested.
Sparse is better than dense.
Readability counts.
Special cases aren't special enough to break the rules.
Although practicality beats purity.
Errors should never pass silently.
Unless explicitly silenced.
In the face of ambiguity, don't guess.
but, don't assume that means
There should be one-- and preferably only one--
way to do it.
Although that way may not be obvious at first,
it is not a **serious** tool.
Now is better than never.
Although never is often better than **right** now.
If the implementation is hard to explain, it's a bad idea.
If the implementation is easy to explain, it may be a good idea.
Namespaces are one honking great idea -- let's do more of those!

get this

python is quirky

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s way to do it.
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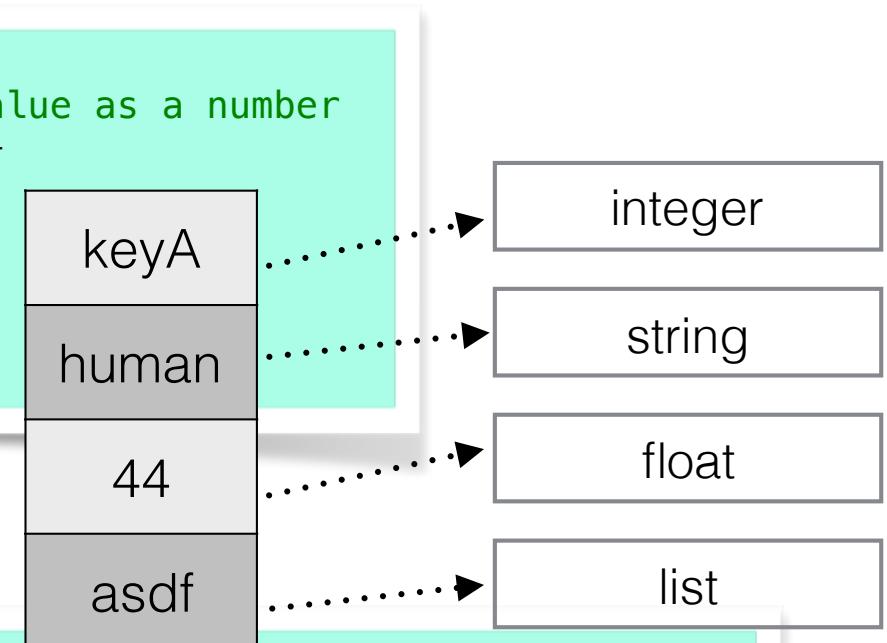
pythonic conventions

- too many to go over
 - check out: <http://legacy.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/>
- name variables with underscore: `this_is_my_variable`
- use indentation to increase clarity
- one space before and after = i.e., `x = 5`
- space mathematics well `hypot2 = x*x + y*y`

more pythonic: dictionaries

```
# Dictionaries map keys to values.  
# Here we set up a key as a string and the value as a number  
num_legs = { 'dog': 4, 'cat': 4, 'human': 2 }  
  
# You access Subscripts via the "key"  
print num_legs  
print num_legs['dog']  
print num_legs['human']
```

Terminal — login — 80x24
{'dog': 4, 'human': 2, 'cat': 4}
4
2

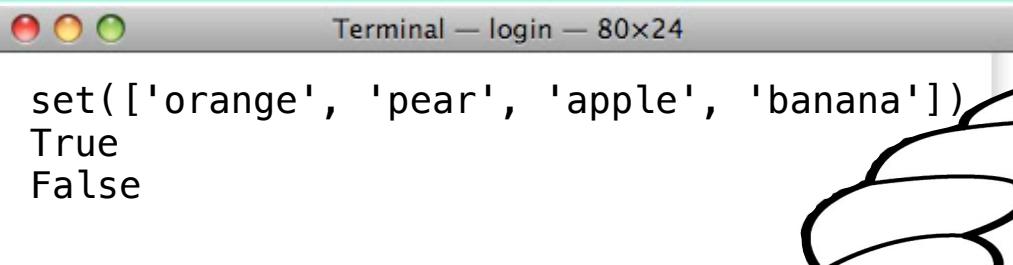


```
# Entries can be added, updated, or deleted.  
# Again, these are just containers for any memory type  
num_legs['human'] = 'two'  
num_legs['bird'] = 'two and some wings'  
num_legs[45] = 'a key that is not a string' # notice that key is not a string  
# the key just needs to be some immutable memory  
  
del num_legs['cat']  
print num_legs
```

{'bird': 'two and some wings', 45: 'a key that is not a string', 'dog': 4,
'human': 'two'}

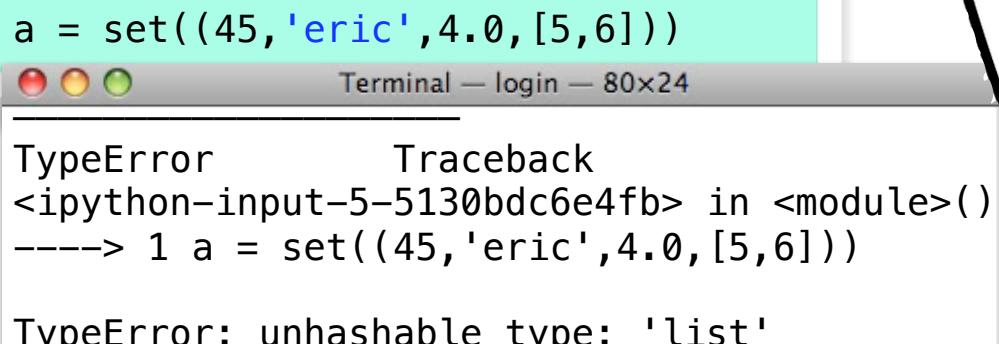
more pythonic: sets

```
# Sets, taken from the Python sets tutorial
# https://docs.python.org/2/tutorial/datastructures.html#sets
basket = ['apple', 'orange', 'apple', 'pear', 'orange', 'banana']
fruit = set(basket) # create a set without duplicates
print fruit
print 'orange' in fruit # fast membership testing
print 'crabgrass' in fruit
```

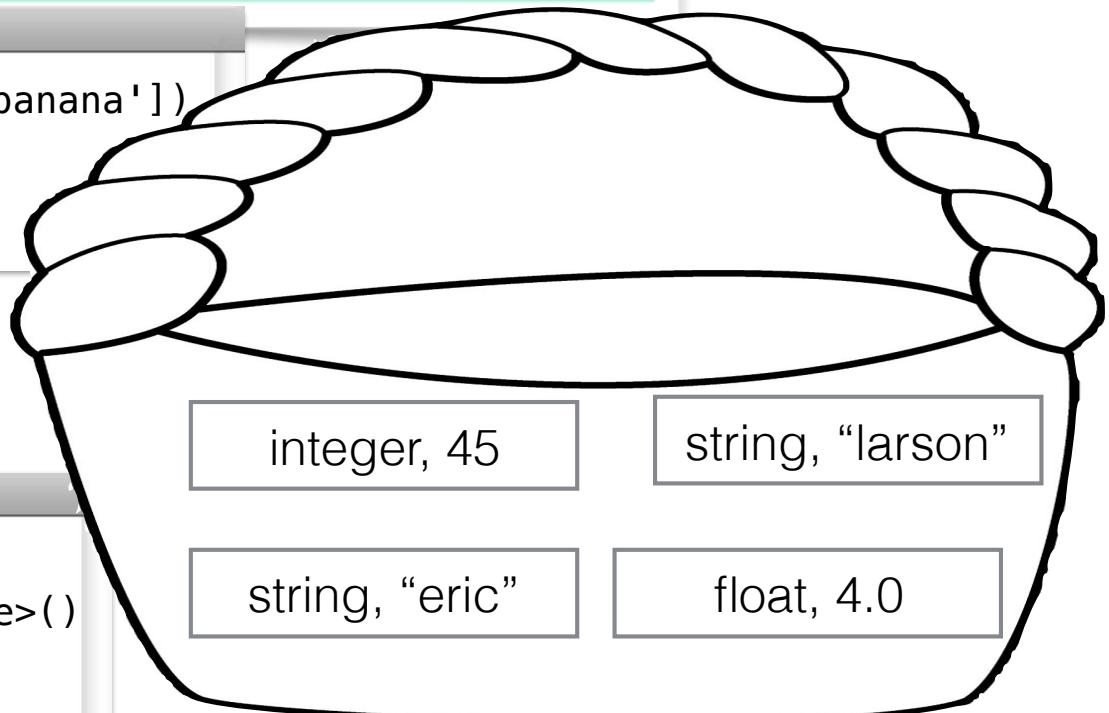


```
Terminal — login — 80x24
set(['orange', 'pear', 'apple', 'banana'])
True
False
```

```
a = set((45, 'eric', 4.0, [5,6]))
```



```
Terminal — login — 80x24
=====
TypeError      Traceback
<ipython-input-5-5130bdc6e4fb> in <module>()
----> 1 a = set((45, 'eric', 4.0, [5,6]))
TypeError: unhashable type: 'list'
```



a basket of **hashable** data

more pythonic: sets

```
# Demonstrate set operations on unique letters from two words
a = set('abracadabra')
b = set('alacazam')
a.add('!') # also add the some punctuation
```

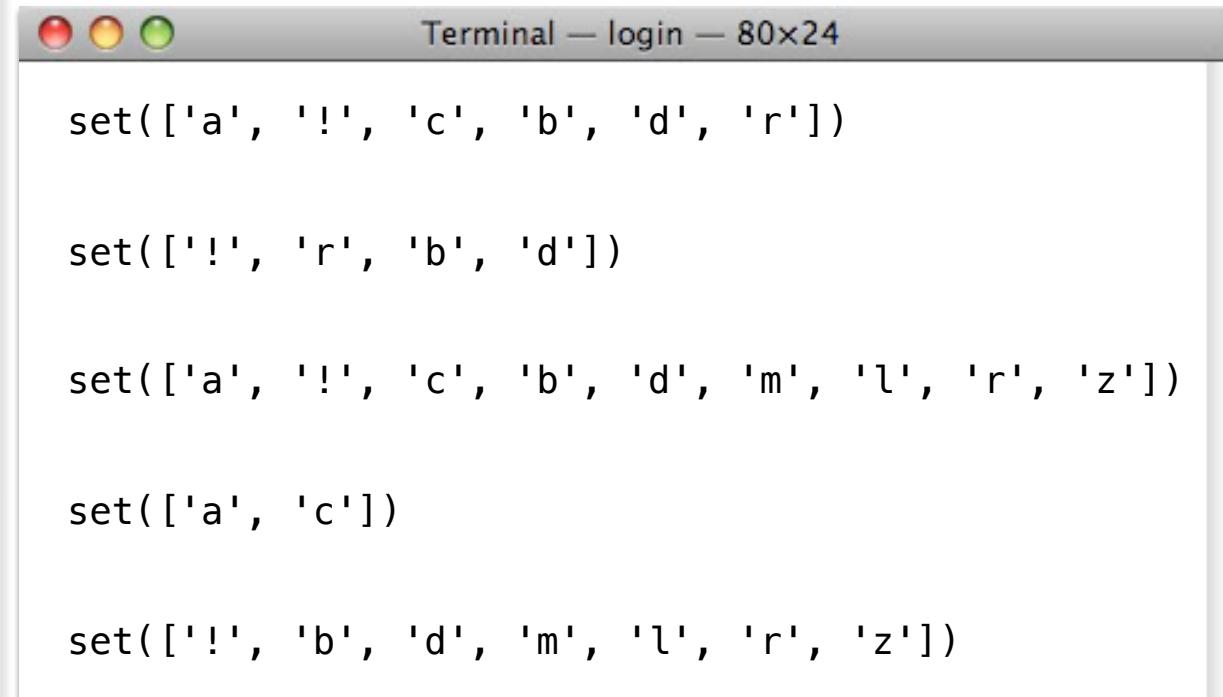
```
# set operations
print a    # unique letters

print a - b # in a but not in b

print a | b # either a or b

print a & b # both a and b

print a ^ b # a or b, not both
```



A screenshot of a Mac OS X terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24". The window shows the output of a Python script demonstrating set operations. The output consists of six lines of text, each starting with "set([" and ending with "])". The first line contains 'a', '!', 'c', 'b', 'd', and 'r'. The second line contains '!', 'r', 'b', and 'd'. The third line contains 'a', '!', 'c', 'b', 'd', 'm', 'l', 'r', and 'z'. The fourth line contains 'a' and 'c'. The fifth line contains '!', 'b', 'd', 'm', 'l', 'r', and 'z'.

```
set(['a', '!', 'c', 'b', 'd', 'r'])

set(['!', 'r', 'b', 'd'])

set(['a', '!', 'c', 'b', 'd', 'm', 'l', 'r', 'z'])

set(['a', 'c'])

set(['!', 'b', 'd', 'm', 'l', 'r', 'z'])
```

more pythonic: immutable sets

```
a_immutable = frozenset(a)
a_immutable.add('e')  # the set is immutable, so we cannot add to it, this will
give an error!
```



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```
-----
AttributeError Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-143-1a3d1a4797db> in <module>()
      21 a_immutable = frozenset(a)
---> 22 a_immutable.add('e')
AttributeError: 'frozenset' object has no attribute 'add'
```

more pythonic: functions

```
# more functions examples
def show_data(data):
    print data

some_data = [1,2,3,4,5]
show_data(some_data)
```

you can also define default values for the functions

```
def show_data(data,x=None,y=None):
    # print the data
    print data
    if x is not None:
        print x
    if y is not None:
        print y

some_data = [1,2,3,4,5]
show_data(some_data);
show_data(some_data,x='a cool X value')
show_data(some_data,y='a cool Y value',x='a cool X value')
```

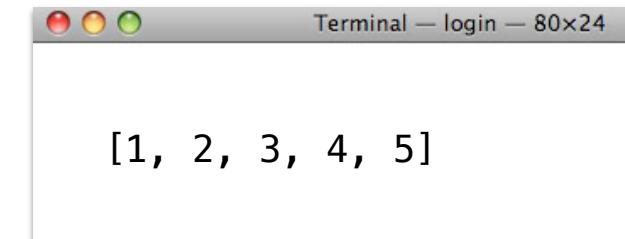
default value

as well as have multiple return types in the function

```
def get_square_and_tenth_power(x):
    return x**2,x**10

print get_square_and_tenth_power(2)
```

return a tuple



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



```
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
a cool X value
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
a cool X value
a cool Y value
```

(4, 1024)

calculator example 3

- making the code more pythonic



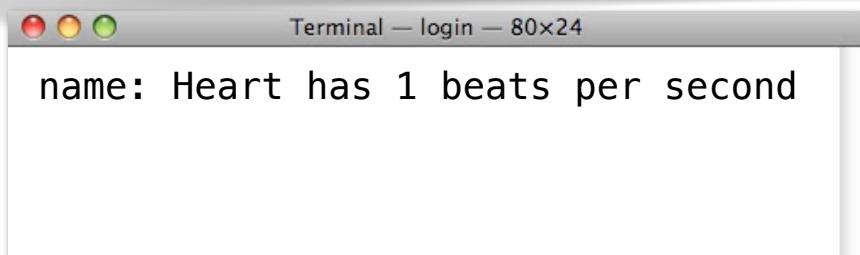
classes

```
# This is a class that inherits from a generic object
class BodyPart(object):
    # this is a class variable, shared across all instances
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name # the name attribute is unique to each instance of the class

# now define a class that sub classes from the defined BodyPart Class
class Heart(BodyPart):
    def __init__(self, rate=60, units="minute"):
        self.rate = rate
        self.units = units
        super(Heart, self).__init__("Heart")

    def print_rate(self):
        print "name: " + str(self.name) + " has " + str(self.rate) + " beats per " +
              self.units

my_heart = Heart(1, "second")
my_heart.print_rate()
```

A screenshot of a Mac OS X terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24". The window shows the command "my_heart.print_rate()" being run and its output "name: Heart has 1 beats per second".

```
name: Heart has 1 beats per second
```

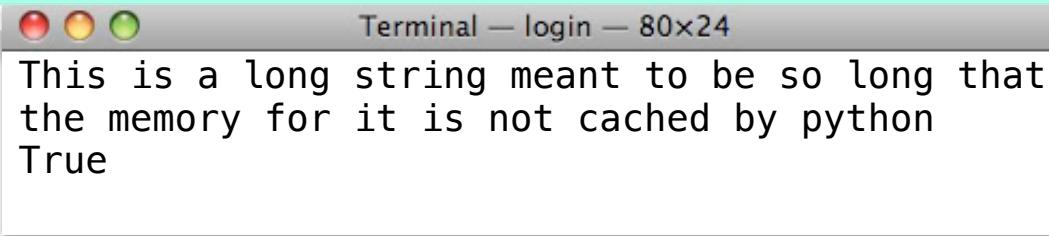
classes

```
# This is a class that inherits from a generic object
class BodyPart(object):
    kind = "This is a long string meant to be so long that the memory for it is not
           cached by python"

    # this is a class variable, shared across all instances
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name # the name attribute is unique to each instance of the class

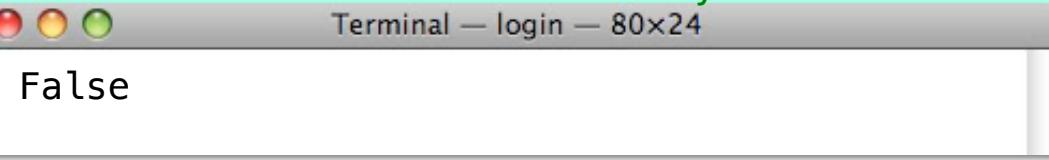
my_heart = Heart(1, "second")
generic_part = BodyPart("Foot")
print my_heart.kind
print my_heart.kind is generic_part.kind # true, these are the same memory location
```

class shared variable



```
This is a long string meant to be so long that
the memory for it is not cached by python
True
```

```
# take the following for example, these are not the same object
a = "This is a long string meant to be so long that the memory for it is not cached by
python"
b = "This is a long string meant to be so long that the memory for it is not cached by
python"
print a is b # not the same memory location
```



```
False
```

python loops with dictionaries

```
# Looping through dictionaries
print '====='
# Get all the keys.
print num_legs.keys()
for k in num_legs.keys():
    print k, "=>", num_legs[k]

print '====='
# you can also use the iter_items function
for k, v in num_legs.items():
    print k, "=>", v

print '====='
# Test for presence of a key.
for t in [ 'human', 'beast', 'cat', 'dog', 45 ]:
    print t,
    if t in num_legs:
        print '=>', num_legs[t]
    else:
        print 'is not present.'
```

The image shows three separate terminal windows, each titled "Terminal — login — 80x24". Each window displays the output of the Python code shown on the left. The first window shows the output of the first two sections of the code, which prints the keys of the dictionary. The second window shows the output of the third section, which uses the `iter_items()` method to print both keys and values. The third window shows the output of the fourth section, which attempts to print the value of the key '45' but instead prints a message indicating that it is not a string.

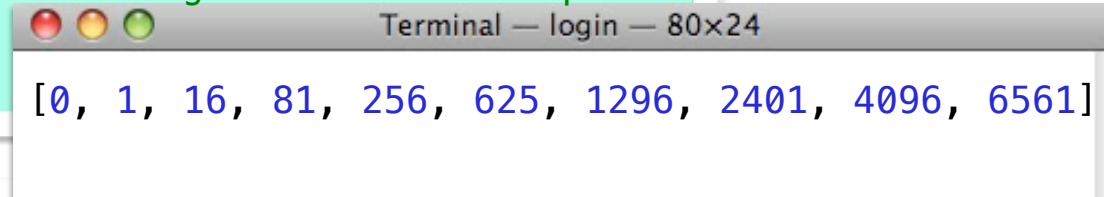
```
=====
['bird', 45, 'dog', 'human']
bird => two and some wings
45 => a key that is not a string
dog => 4
human => two

=====
bird => two and some wings
45 => a key that is not a string
dog => 4
human => two

=====
human => two
beast is not present.
cat is not present.
dog => 4
45 => a key that is not a string
```

comprehensions

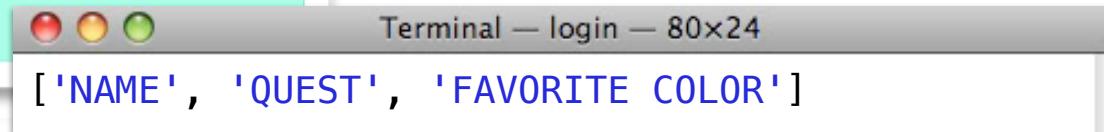
```
# imagine we want to take every element in a range to the fourth power
times_four = [x**4 for x in range(10)]
print times_four
```



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```
[0, 1, 16, 81, 256, 625, 1296, 2401, 4096, 6561]
```

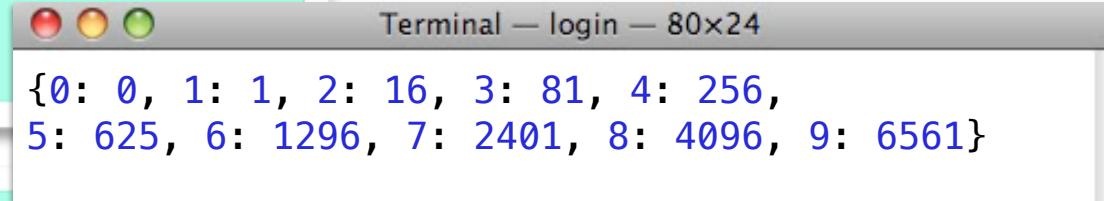
```
# you can also call functions inside a comprehension
questions = ['name', 'quest', 'favorite color']
quest_upper = [x.upper() for x in questions]
print quest_upper
```



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```
['NAME', 'QUEST', 'FAVORITE COLOR']
```

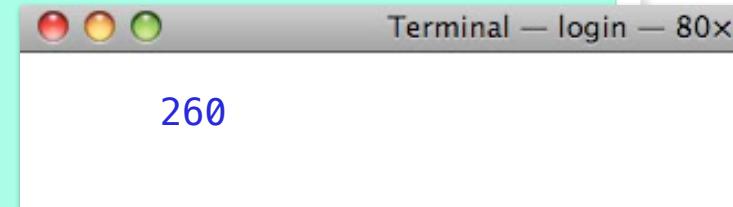
```
# you can also do comprehensions with dictionaries
times_four = {x:x**4 for x in range(10)}
# notice curly braces and key placement
print times_four
```



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```
{0: 0, 1: 1, 2: 16, 3: 81, 4: 256,
5: 625, 6: 1296, 7: 2401, 8: 4096, 9: 6561}
```

```
# Finally, all of the enumerate, zipping, and slicing we performed also applies to
# list comprehensions
x_array = [10, 20, 30]
y_array = [7, 5, 3]
# this prints the sum of the multiplication of the arrays
print sum(x*y for x,y in zip(x_array, y_array))
```



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```
260
```

calculator example 4

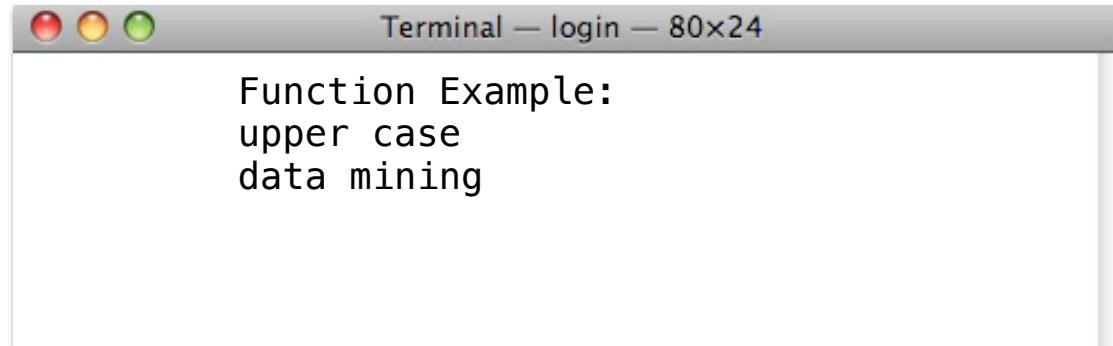
- making the code more object-oriented
- separating model and view controller



exceptions

```
# create and call a function
# the function can be defined almost anywhere in file, as long as it is defined
before it gets used
def make_strings_lowercase(str_input):
    assert isinstance(str_input, str) # test the type of input
    return str_input.lower()

# now we are back on the main execution
print make_strings_lowercase("UPPER CASE")
print make_strings_lowercase("Data Mining")
```



exception handling

example reissued from: http://sandbox.mc.edu/~bennet/python/code/exc_py.html

```
import random
i = random.randrange(0, 8)
j = random.randrange(-1, 6)
print i, j

# try a bunch of dangerous stuff.
some = [3, 10, 0, 8, 18];
try:
    den = some[j] / i
    print "A:", den
    frac = (i + j) / den
    print "B:", frac
    if frac < 2:
        k = 3
    else:
        k = 'mike'
    print "C:", k
    print "D:", some[k]

except ZeroDivisionError:
    print "\nDivision by zero."
except TypeError, detail:
    print "\nSome type mismatch:", detail
except IndexError, detail:
    print "\nSome value is out of range:", detail
except:
    print "\nSomething else went wrong."
else:
    print "\nThat's odd, nothing went wrong."
```

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The figure displays four separate terminal windows, each showing a different execution of the Python script. The first window shows a division by zero error. The second shows an index out of range error. The third shows a type mismatch error. The fourth shows that nothing went wrong.

- Terminal 1 (top): 0 2
Division by zero.
- Terminal 2:
6 5
Some value **is** out of range: list index out of range
- Terminal 3:
4 4
A: 4
B: 2
C: mike
D:
Some type mismatch: list indices must be integers, **not** str
- Terminal 4 (bottom):
4 -1
A: 4
B: 0
C: 3
D: 8
That's odd, nothing went wrong.

exception handling

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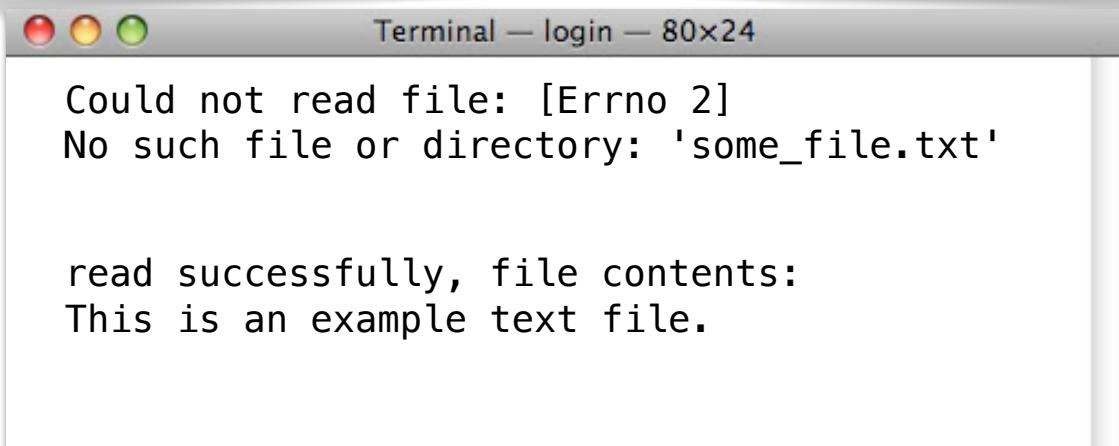
calculator example 5

- add exception handling to class
- adding inheritance for better error handling



opening a file

```
# the regular way of opening a file, lots of error checking
try:
    file = open("some_file.txt")
    data = file.read()
except IOError, detail:
    print "\nCould not read file:", detail
else:
    print "Read successfully, file contents:"
    print data
finally:
    # this always gets called, close the file if it's open
    if not file.closed:
        file.close()
```



A screenshot of a Mac OS X Terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24". The window contains the following text:

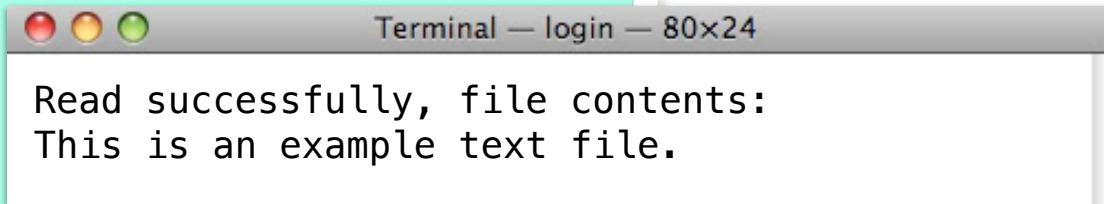
```
Could not read file: [Errno 2]
No such file or directory: 'some_file.txt'

read successfully, file contents:
This is an example text file.
```

we can get rid of this through OOP!

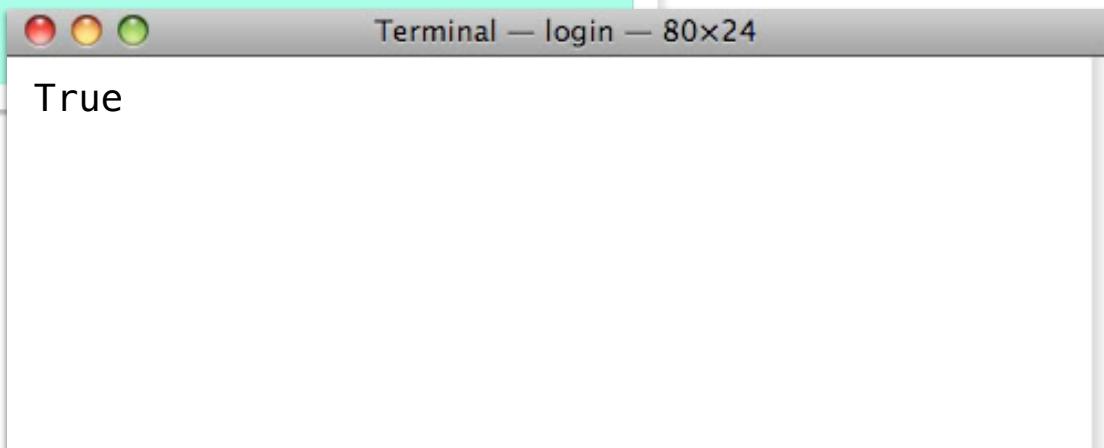
opening a file using “with”

```
with open("some_file.txt") as file:  
    data = file.read()  
    print "Read successfully, file contents:"  
    print data
```



A screenshot of a Mac OS X terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24". The window has three red, yellow, and green circular buttons at the top left. The terminal output shows the text "Read successfully, file contents:" followed by "This is an example text file.".

```
# is the file closed? Let's check  
print file.closed
```



A screenshot of a Mac OS X terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24". The window has three red, yellow, and green circular buttons at the top left. The terminal output shows the word "True".

writing a class to use “with”

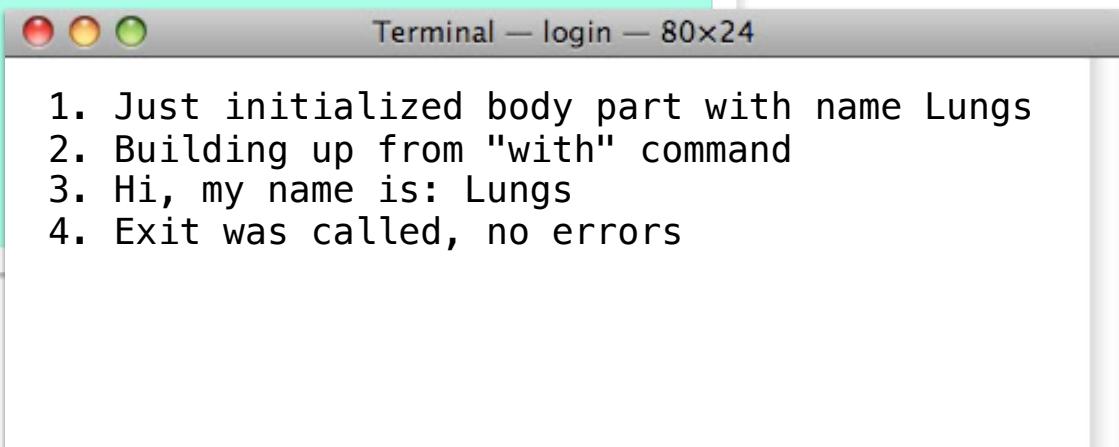
```
class BodyPart(object):
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name
        print '1. Just initialized body part with name', name

    def __enter__(self):
        print '2. Building up from "with" command'
        return self

    def __exit__(self, type, value, traceback):
        if value is not None:
            print '4. An error occurred,', value
        else:
            print '4. Exit was called, no errors'

    def print_self(self):
        # 5/0 # uncomment to raise an error
        print '3. Hi, my name is:', self.name

with BodyPart("Lungs") as bp:
    bp.print_self()
```



A screenshot of a Mac OS X terminal window titled "Terminal — login — 80x24". The window shows the execution of the provided Python code and its output. The output consists of four numbered lines of text: 1. Just initialized body part with name Lungs, 2. Building up from "with" command, 3. Hi, my name is: Lungs, and 4. Exit was called, no errors.

```
1. Just initialized body part with name Lungs
2. Building up from "with" command
3. Hi, my name is: Lungs
4. Exit was called, no errors
```

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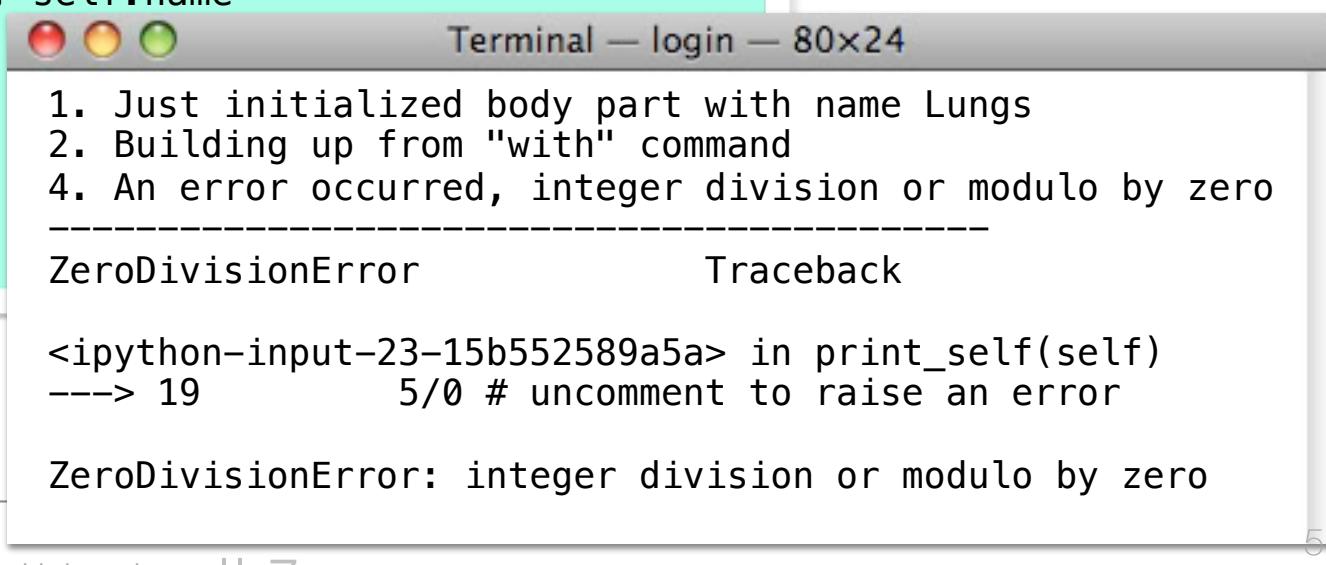
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with BodyPart("Lungs") as bp:
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```

divide by zero!



Terminal — login — 80x24

```
1. Just initialized body part with name Lungs
2. Building up from "with" command
4. An error occurred, integer division or modulo by zero
-----
ZeroDivisionError                                Traceback
<ipython-input-23-15b552589a5a> in print_self(self)
---> 19      5/0 # uncomment to raise an error

ZeroDivisionError: integer division or modulo by zero
```

calculator example 6

- adding custom functions from a user file
- possible exercises to extend your python programming knowledge



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python environments

- use the anaconda distribution to create and switch environments
- each environment is like a fresh install
- but retains links to master packages when possible

why install environments?

- don't want to mess up your system architecture
- you might want to install older versions of packages but don't want to delete currently installed versions
- you might want different versions of python!

the conda environment

1. name environment
2. tell conda what packages to install
3. switch to environment
4. install additional packages as needed

tip: if you don't switch, you are **root**

```
conda create --name MyFirstEnv numpy  
conda create --name MyPython2Env python=2 numpy scipy
```

```
source activate MyPython2Env  
conda install jupyter
```

```
source deactivate
```

conda packages

- not installed yet on conda for your operating system?
- use the conda cloud to find the right package for the right system

```
eclarson$ anaconda search -t conda rpy2
```

Packages:

Name	Version	Package Types	Platforms
Richarizardd/rpy2	2.5.6	conda : Python interface to the R language (embedded R)	win-64
andywocky/rpy2	2.5.6	conda : Python interface to the R language (embedded R)	osx-64
asmeurer/rpy2	2.7.0	conda : Python interface to the R language (embedded R)	linux-64, linux-32, osx-64
bce/rpy2		conda : Python interface to the R language (embedded R)	linux-64
bioconda/rpy2	2.7.8	conda : Python interface to the R language (embedded R)	linux-64, osx-64
r-old/rpy2	2.4.2	conda : Python interface to the R language (embedded R)	linux-64
r/rpy2	2.8.2	conda : Python interface to the R language (embedded R)	linux-64, win-32, win-64, linux-32
ralexx/rpy2	2.7.6	conda : Python interface to the R language (embedded R)	osx-64

```
eclarson$ conda install -c r rpy2
```

jupyter notebooks and conda environments



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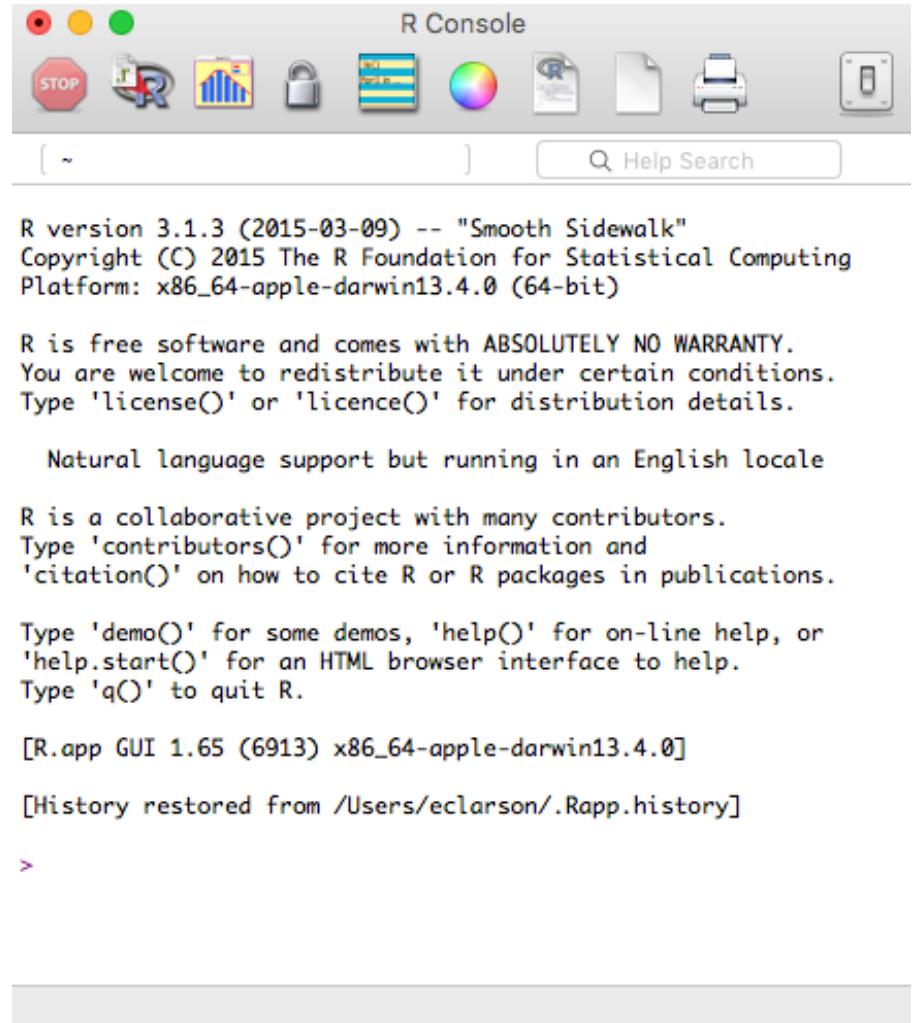
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Unit 3 - III. basic R syntax

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installing R

- download and install from
 - <https://www.r-project.org>
 - use a CRAN mirror
- can use console
 - this is a “Session”
 - session has workspace
 - all memory saved in workspace
 - *a lot like jupyter does*



R version 3.1.3 (2015-03-09) -- "Smooth Sidewalk"
Copyright (C) 2015 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing
Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin13.4.0 (64-bit)

R is free software and comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY.
You are welcome to redistribute it under certain conditions.
Type 'license()' or 'licence()' for distribution details.

Natural language support but running in an English locale

R is a collaborative project with many contributors.
Type 'contributors()' for more information and
'citation()' on how to cite R or R packages in publications.

Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.

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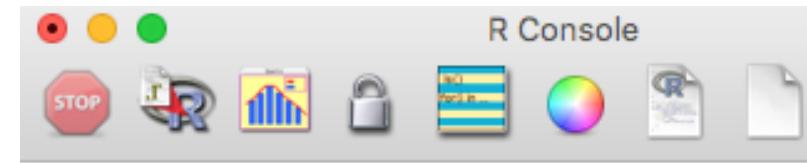
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comments, variables, types in R



```
> x = 10 # this is assignment
> class(x) # what is the type of x?
[1] "numeric"
>
> y = as.integer(10)
> class(y)
[1] "integer"
> z = 10 + 0i
> class(z)
[1] "complex"
>
> j = sqrt(-1)
Warning message:
In sqrt(-1) : NaNs produced
> j = sqrt(as.complex(-1))
> j
[1] 0+1i
```

Comment given by #



```
> u=TRUE
> v=FALSE
> class(u)
[1] "logical"
> u&v
[1] FALSE
> u|v
[1] TRUE
> !v
[1] TRUE

> fname="Eric"
> lname="Larson"
> paste(fname,lname)
[1] "Eric Larson"
```

vectors in R

- Denoted by “c”



```
> vec = c(10,5,7)
> class(vec)
[1] "numeric"
> length(vec)
[1] 3

-- combs_vec[1]
[1] "a"
> combs_vec[0]
character(0)
```

The R Console window shows the following R code and its output:

```
> str_vec = c("a","b","c")
> num_vec = c(10,5,7)
> comb_vec = c(str_vec,num_vec)
> comb_vec
[1] "a"   "b"   "c"   "10"  "5"   "7"
> comb_vec[-2]
[1] "a"   "c"   "10"  "5"   "7"
> series = c(1.0,5.6,3600)
> names(series) = c("Day","Temp","Sec")
> series
  Day    Temp     Sec
  1.0    5.6 3600.0
```

A callout box points from the text "remove second element" to the square bracket index [-2] in the line `comb_vec[-2]`.

conditionals and loops in R



```
> x = 1:10
> z = c()
> for(xi in 1:10) {
+   if(x[i] < 5) {
+     z = c(z, x[i] - 1)
+   } else {
+     z = c(z, x[i] / 2)
+   }
+ }
> z
[1] 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0
```



```
> if(1==0) {
+   print(1)
+ } else {
+   print(2)
+ }
[1] 2
```

highly similar to python syntax

defining functions R



```
> myfct = function(x1, x2=5) {  
+   z1 = x1/x1  
+   z2 = x2*x2  
+   myvec = c(z1, z2)  
+   return(myvec)  
+ }  
> myfct  
function(x1, x2=5) {  
  z1 = x1/x1  
  z2 = x2*x2  
  myvec = c(z1, z2)  
  return(myvec)  
}  
> myfct(x1=2, x2=5)  
[1] 1 25  
> myfct(2, 5)  
[1] 1 25  
> myfct(x2=5, x1=2)  
[1] 1 25
```



```
> myfct2 = function(x1=5, opt_arg) {  
+   if(missing(opt_arg)) { #missing?  
+     z1 = 1:10  
+   } else {  
+     z1 = opt_arg  
+   }  
+   cat("my function returns:", "\n")  
+   return(z1/x1)  
+ }
```

installing and using libraries in R



calling R from python: Rpy2

using R to extend the calculator



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introduction to numpy

- numpy (numb-pie)
- written in c++ with python wrapper
 - fast but expressive
 - open source, produced by Travis Oliphant
- base for almost all scientific python modules including:
 - scipy, scikit-learn, pandas, scikit-image, opencv, matplotlib, and many more...



Travis Oliphant - CEO

- PhD 2001 from Mayo Clinic in Biomedical Engineering
- MS/BS degrees in Elec. Comp. Engineering
- Creator of **SciPy** (1999-2009)
- Professor at BYU (2001-2007)
- Author of **NumPy** (2005-2012)
- Started **Numba** (2012)
- Founding Chair of **Numfocus / PyData**
- Previous PSF Director

a review of linear algebra

some common operations in linear algebra

basic numpy operations



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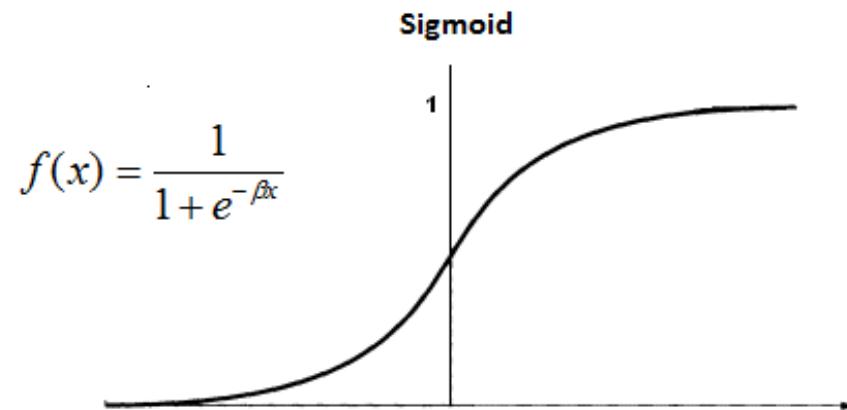
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optimization with scipy/numpy

bonus: basic visualization in matplotlib
adding interactive widgets to notebooks



curve fitting a sigmoid



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Unit 5 - II. putting it all together in python

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extended example

analyzing the New York Times in **python**



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Unit 6 - II. data.frames and S4 classes in R

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lists and data frames in R

- similar to pandas series and data frame



```
> v = list(bob=c(2, 3, 5),  
           john=c("aa", "bb"))
```

```
> v  
$bob  
[1] 2 3 5
```

```
$john  
[1] "aa" "bb"
```

```
> v$bob  
[1] 2 3 5
```

```
> v$what  
NULL
```

```
> n = c(2, 3, 5)  
> s = c("aa", "bb", "cc")  
> b = c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE)
```

```
> df = data.frame(n, s, b)  
> df
```

	n	s	b
1	2	aa	TRUE
2	3	bb	FALSE
3	5	cc	TRUE

```
> mtcars[1, 2]
```

```
[1] 6
```

```
> mtcars["Mazda RX4", "cyl"]
```

```
[1] 6
```

S4 classes in R

- S4 classes are the preferred method of class creation in R
- Caveat: object oriented in R is **awkward**
 - **not a strong suit** of the language
 - actually... it was an **afterthought** made to fit current design
 - its incredibly **convoluted**, and you should **not be happy** with the overall implementation
 - as a programmer it makes me want to 

S4 classes in R: initialization

- step one: define class name and properties

```
# now let's create an S4 object of the article
Article <- setClass("Article", slots=list(data='list',keys='character'))
```

- step two: create initializer, if necessary

```
#override the default initializer
setMethod(f="initialize",
          signature="Article",
          definition=function(.Object,data){
            .Object@data <- data # keep the data
            .Object@keys <- names(data)
            return(.Object)
          })
```

- class “Article” is now ready to use if you want:

```
a <- Article(some_article)
```



S4 classes in R: class methods

- step three: define class method as a **global function** 😞

```
#create a new function and define it
setGeneric('getParam',
           def=function(object,
                       param='type_of_material') {standardGeneric('getParam')})
```

- step four: define function

```
setMethod(f='getParam',signature='Article',
          definition=function(object,param){
            if(param %in% object@keys){
              return(object@data[[param]])
            }
            else{
              return(c(''))
            }
          })
})
```

- calling class methods, you need to provide the class instance 😞

```
a <- Article(some_article)
getParam(a,'lead_paragraph')
```

S4 classes in R: inheritance

- step five: define a subclass of Article

```
ArticleWithMedia <- setClass("ArticleWithMedia",
                           slots=list(data='list',keys='character',media='list'),
                           contains="Article")
```

- step six: initializing inherited class

```
setMethod(f="initialize",
          signature="ArticleWithMedia",
          definition=function(.Object,data){
            .Object@media <- vector("list", length(data$multimedia))
            for(i in 1:length(data$multimedia)){
              .Object@media[i] <- NYMedia(data$multimedia[[i]])
            }
            # now call the inherited initializer for the class
            callNextMethod(.Object,data)
          })
```

- you have **no control** over initialization hierarchy 😞



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