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# 1 Introduction

This report reviews the solutions to the Python exercises along with the relevant mathematical explanations.

## 2 Python Code

Presented here is the Python code corresponding to the assignment:

### 2.1 Q1. Basic Data Types

*#1 Create two variables: 'x = 5' (integer) and 'y = 2.5' (float).*

```
x = 5
```

*#2 Perform the following operations and print the result:*

```
y = 2.5
```

*#3 Add 'x' and 'y'.*

```
print(x+y)
```

*#4 Subtract 'x' from 'y'*

```
print(y-x)
```

*#5 Multiply 'x' by 'y'*

```
print(x*y)
```

*#6 Raise 'x' to the power of 2.*

```
print(x**2)
```

*#7 Use floor division ('//') to divide 'x' by 2.*

```
print(x//2)
```

### 2.2 Q2. Lists

*#1 Create a list 'my\_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]'.*

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

*#2 Replace the third element with "hello".*

```

my_list = [1, 2, "Hello", 4, 5]
#3 Add the element ""world"" to the end of the list.
my_list = [1, 2, "Hello", 4, "World"]
#4 Remove the first element from the list.
my_list = [2, "Hello", 4, "World"]
#5 Print the final list.
print(my_list)

```

## 2.3 Q3. Dictionaries

```

#1 Create a dictionary 'student_scores' with the following key-value pair
student_scores = {'Alice': 85, 'Bob': 90, 'Charlie': 78}
#2 Add a new student 'David' with a score of '88'.
student_scores['David'] = 88
#3 Update 'Alice''s score to '95'.
student_scores['Alice'] = 95
#4 Delete 'Charlie' from the dictionary.
del student_scores['Charlie']
#5 Print the final dictionary.
print(student_scores)

```

## 2.4 Q4. Functions

```

#1a Define a function 'calculate_area' that calculates the area of a rect
def calculate_area(width, height):
    #1b Formula for the area of a rectangle: Area = width * height
    return width * height

#2 Call the function with 'width = 5' and 'height = 10'
result = calculate_area(5, 10)

```

```
# Print the result  
result
```

## 2.5 Q5. Classes and Inheritance

*#1 Create a class 'Animal' with methods '\_\_init\_\_' and 'speak'*

```
class Animal:  
    def __init__(self, name):  
        self.name = name  
  
    def speak(self):  
        print("The■animal■speaks")
```

*#2 Create a subclass 'Dog' that inherits from 'Animal' and overrides 'speak'*

```
class Dog(Animal):  
    def speak(self):  
        print("Woof!■Woof!")
```

*#3 Create an instance of 'Dog' with the name 'Buddy' and call its 'speak' method*

```
dog = Dog("Buddy")  
dog.speak() #print "Woof! Woof!"
```

## 3 Mathematical Explanation

Task 4: The equation used to determine the area of a rectangle is:

$$A = \text{width} \times \text{height}$$

where  $A$  represents the area, and the width and height are the rectangle's dimensions.

## 4 Conclusion

This assignment was a great opportunity for me to practice both Python and LaTeX. I was able to work with basic Python concepts like data types, lists, dictionaries, and functions, and also explore object-oriented programming with classes. At the same time, I learned how to use LaTeX to present my code in a clean and organized way. Overall, it helped me improve my understanding of programming and technical writing. It was a good challenge, and I feel more confident now in both areas after completing it.