

## Exercises – Week 1:

### Objects, variables and operators

#### Getting Started: Pycharm IDE

##### Open PyCharm on linux lab computers

- Scroll down to bring up log in screen and log in with your UoB user name and password.
- Click activities (top left corner) to bring up the side panel.
- Click the grid of 9 dots to bring up applications.
- Choose JetBrains PyCharm
- When prompted about the user agreement click accept and read

#### Create a new project and Python file

- Click New project or File >> New project >> Pure python
- Unselect 'Create a main.py welcome script'
- Note the file location:  
/home/**UoB\_username**/PycharmProjects/**your\_projectname**/venv  
where **UoB\_username** is your UoB username and rename **your\_projectname** to be a name of your choice e.g. EMAT10007\_exercises
- Right click on the folder icon with project name next to it (top left of window).
- Choose new >> python file
- Give your file a name e.g. week\_1\_exercises.py

## Write and run code

Type some code and click the green play arrow at the top to run.

## Save your project

File >> Save all to save your wor

## Open a project you created previously

Click File >> Open >> /home/**UoB\_username**/PycharmProjects/**your\_projectname**/venv,  
Open >> New window

## Rules for naming variables

- Variable names may contain letters or numbers
- Variable names must begin with a letter
- Variable names are case sensitive (**t**ime is not the same as **T**ime)
- Some **keywords** are reserved by the Python language and cannot be used as variable names. For a full list of keywords reserved by Python, enter the following run the following comand in the editor you are using:

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help("keywords")
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- Use a consistent naming convention:
  - **snake\_case**: lower case letters, words separated by underscore (-)
  - **camel\_Case**: first letter of each word capitalised, excluding first word
  - **Pascal\_Case**: first letter of each word capitalised

## Exercise 1 - Objects and Variables

1. Create two variables, a and b and assign an integer value to each variable. Calculate the product of a and b and print the result.
2. Create two variables, c and d and assign a floating point value to each variable. Calculate the difference between c and d and store the result as a new variable, e. Print e.
3. Overwrite the value of the new variable you just created with the value  $\frac{a+b}{3}$ .
4. Find the remainder when c is divided by d and print the result..
5. Cast c as an integer
6. Cast b as a string
7. Cast a as a Boolean

8. Create a new variable, f and assign a string value to it
9. Print the last character in the string assigned to f
10. Create two variables, g and h and assign a string value to each variable. Connect the two strings using the addition (+) operator. Can you work out how to separate the two strings with a space when connecting them? .

## Exercise 2 - Arithmetic and Assignment Operators

1. Create a variable, a, with a numerical value. Reassign the value of a so it is 3 times its original value.
2. Write a program that finds the volume (V) of a sphere with diameter 30cm as 14138.9cm<sup>3</sup>, then displays the value with the correct units.  
Volume of a sphere:

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

$r$  = radius. Assume  $\pi = 3.142$

3. Find the Euclidean distance,  $d$  between two points with 3-dimensional position vectors  $\mathbf{a} = [5.0, 4.5, 2.0]$  and  $\mathbf{b} = [10.6, 11.5, 6.2]$  as 9.90 (to 2 d.p.) using

$$d = \sqrt{(x_a - x_b)^2 + (y_a - y_b)^2 + (z_a - z_b)^2}$$

## Exercise 3 - Comparison and Identity Operators

Create three variables  $x=1.2$ ,  $y=3.3$  and  $z = 4.0$ .

1. Write an expression to test if  $x$  is greater than or equal to  $y$
2. Write an expression to test if  $x$  multiplied by 3 is less than  $y$
3. Write an expression to test if the object type and value of  $x$  is the same as  $y$
4. Write an expression to test if  $x$  is less than  $y$ , and  $y$  is less than  $z$
5. Write an expression to test if  $y$  is less than both  $x$  and  $z$
6. Write an expression to test if the sum of  $x$  and 2.1 is equal to  $y$

Change the values of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  to verify that the expressions you have written still work

## Exercise 4 - Logical Operators

Create four variables  $u=2$ ,  $v=-4$ ,  $w = 1$  and  $x=5$

1. Write an expression to test if  $u$  is greater than  $v$  and  $w$  is less than  $x$
2. Write an expression to test if  $v$ ,  $w$  and  $x$  are all smaller than  $u$
3. Write an expression to test if at least one of  $v$ ,  $w$  and  $x$  are greater than  $u$ .
4. Write an expression to test if  $x$  divided by 2 is less than or equal to  $u - 1.2$
5. Write an expression to test if the value of any of the variables are negative

Change the values of  $u$ ,  $v$ ,  $w$ , and  $x$  to verify that the expressions you have written still work

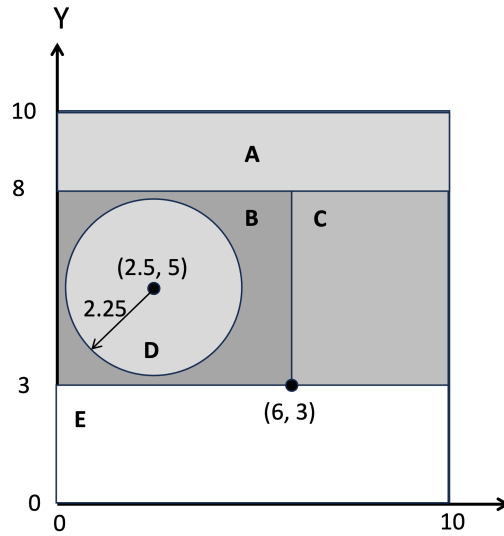


Figure 1: Map

### Exercise 5 - Putting it all together

A point lies on a map (Figure 1). Each region excludes its outer boundary. For a given point  $(x, y)$  where  $x$  and  $y$  are each a floating point number in the range  $(0, 10)$ .

Hint: The equation of a circle with centre  $(a, b)$  and radius  $r$  is:

$$r = \sqrt{(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2}$$

1. Write an expression to test if the point is in region A
2. Write an expression to test if the point is in region B
3. Write an expression to test if the point is in region C
4. Write an expression to test if the point is in region D
5. Write an expression to test if the point is in region E
6. Combine these statements in a different order to minimise the number of times you need to code each comparison explicitly.