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Intensive Intermediate Python



Course Objectives

- Reinforce Python fundamentals focusing on language mastery
- Deepen knowledge of the **Python object model**
- Explore additional core APIs such as **threading**, **networking**, and **database** modules
- Build scripts using numerous **standard library** and **third-party modules**

Course Agenda

Day 1

Virtual Environments

Language Fundamentals Review

Modularization

Documentation and Style

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Day 2

Working with Relational Databases

SQLAlchemy

OO Language Features

More with Class and Objects

Middle-tier Components (Flask)

Flask-SQLAlchemy

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Day 3

Networking APIs

Making Requests

Processing JSON, HTML

Advanced Iterating Techniques

Generators

collections, itertools

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Day 4

Advanced Functions

Closures / Decorators

Functional Programming Methods

Processes

Subprocesses

Threads / Multi-processing

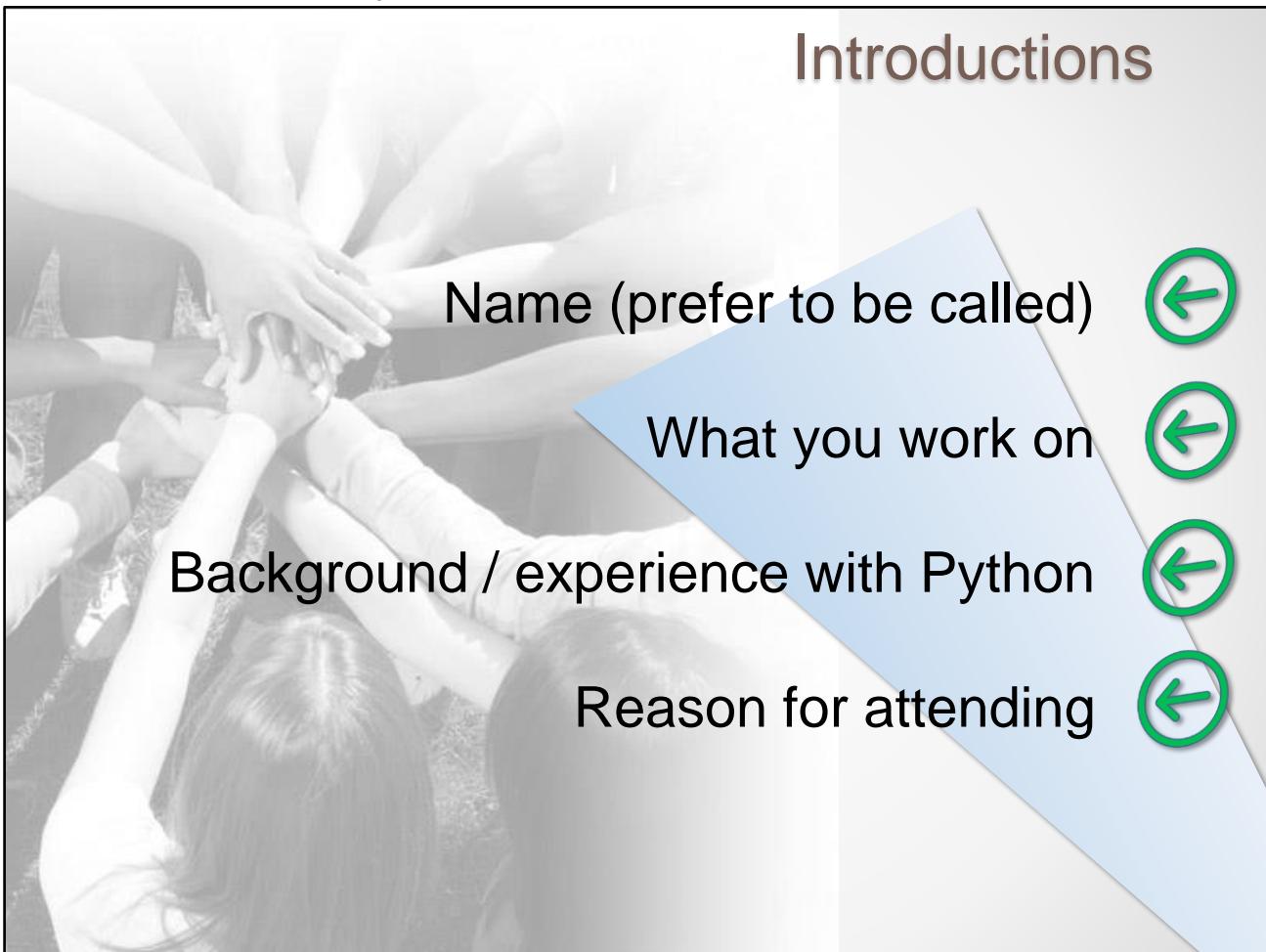
Introductions

Name (prefer to be called) 

What you work on 

Background / experience with Python 

Reason for attending 



Typical Daily Schedule*

9:00	Start Day
10:10	Morning Break 1
11:20	Morning Break 2
12:30 – 1:30	Lunch
2:40	Afternoon Break 1
3:50	Afternoon Break 2
5:00	End of Day

* Your schedule may vary, timing is approximate



Chapter 1

Python Virtual Environments

Creating and Integrating Virtual Environments

Overview

Virtual Environment Tools

venv

pipenv

Other Tools

Python Virtual Environments

- Python virtual environment and package management tools are numerous *and perhaps a little confusing*
 - ***virtualenv***
 - ***pyvenv***
 - ***venv***
 - ***pyenv***
 - ***Pipenv***
 - ***Others***
- A virtual environment *allows for managing different versions of packages* without conflicting with the primary Python installation

Don't confuse Python Virtual Environments with OS virtualization tools such as VMWare, VirtualBox, Docker, etc.

Tools to Manage Virtual Environments

- Python provides the ability to create separate installations (called virtual environments) to manage third-party packages
 - **virtualenv** was an early, popular tool commonly used for both Python 2 and 3 (*even today!*)
 - It needed to be *pip* installed
 - **pyvenv** was used in early Python 3 versions
 - It had several issues and never stepped out of *virtualenv*'s shadow and is not used now
 - **venv** became the official virtualization tool starting in Python 3.6

virtualenv is one of the oldest tools mentioned here. It was first used in 2007 and quickly became a preferred tool. Even today, many will opt to use it as it still does the job and is actively maintained. *pyvenv* never took off and was not widely adopted. It is now largely defunct. *venv* is similar to *virtualenv*. It is packaged within Python 3.6+ and therefore doesn't require any additional pip installs to use it.

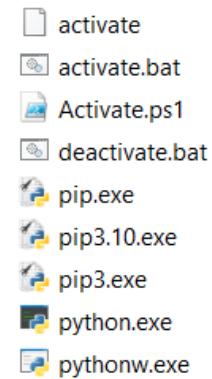
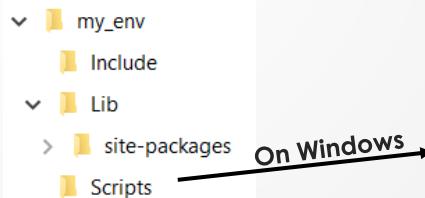
venv

The new directory gets created at the location that where the command runs

Specify `python`, `python3`, `python3.10`, etc., (as needed) when running `venv`

```
python -m venv relative_or_absolute_path
```

- Using this command within the directory you specify (`my_env` above) will create a new virtual environment within that directory
- Once created, the environment needs to become the primary one by "*activating*" it



The syntax for `virtualenv` would be: `virtualenv my_env`.

Activation, Deactivation

What actually happens
when you activate?

- To enable the virtual environment, run the `activate` command
 - On Windows: `my_env\Scripts\activate`
 - On OS X: `source ./my_env/bin/activate`
- When finished, issue the `deactivate` command to end use of the virtual environment or simply close the terminal window
- To `remove` the virtual environment, first `deactivate`, then *delete the `my_env` directory*
 - Optionally, use `rm -rf my_env` on OS X

Activation simply sets the path to the Python interpreter in the new virtual environment directory (`virtualdir/bin` or `virtualdir\Scripts`) to the beginning of the OS PATH environment variable.

Activation will only take place in the terminal (command) window you are currently using.

Your Turn! Task 1-1

Create a Virtual Python Environment

- Work from the instructions in the workbook *found in the back of the student manual*
- You will perform the following:
 - Create and activate a new virtual environment
 - *pip install* a package into it (if your network allows it)
 - Deactivate it afterwards
 - Remove it (optionally)

Locate the instructions for
this exercise in the back of
the student manual

Intensive
Intermediate
Python
Exercise Workbook

Task1-1
Creating a Virtual Environment
Overview

This exercise is designed to demonstrate how to create a virtual environment using `venv` (requires Python 3.6 or later). As an optional integration step, we'll configure it within PyCharm afterwards. Finally, and optionally, you'll remove the environment when finished.

Survey Your Environment

Begin by opening a terminal (OS X) or command window (Windows). From here onward, we'll refer to it simply as a terminal. Within the terminal, type each of these commands:

```
python -V  
python3 -V
```

and `python3.10 -V` (replace 3.10 with the appropriate version number, e.g. python3.9, python3.8, etc.)

One of these commands should have responded with the valid version of Python installed on your system. We'll use the `python` command because you will use it throughout the remaining course. Later in the course, we'll refer to the command: `pythons`, but you

Freezing and *requirements.txt*

- Use the **freeze** command to list the contents of a python's currently installed packages

```
pip freeze > requirements.txt
```

requirements.txt can be generated based on the currently installed set of packages

- *pip* can be used to install packages from a *requirements.txt* file

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

```
certifi==2021.10.8
distlib==0.3.4
filelock==3.4.2
pipenv==2022.1.8
platformdirs==2.5.0
prettytable==3.2.0
six==1.16.0
virtualenv==20.13.1
virtualenv-clone==0.5.7
wcwidth==0.2.5
```

pip freeze when used without *requirements.txt* will list the currently installed packages to the console. When installing via a *requirements.txt* file into a new virtual environment, don't forget to *activate* first.

Other Tools

- **pyenv** is a Python *version* switching tool and only runs on Unix/Linux

```
$ pyenv install 3.7.3      # installs new python version  
$ pyenv versions          # list installed versions  
$ pyenv local 3.6.5        # sets local python version
```

- **pipenv** is another package management tool designed to emulate Ruby and Node.js environments

- It must be installed in order to use it **pip install pipenv**
- Use **pipenv install** to create an environment at the location where you run the command
 - Run **pipenv shell** to activate
 - Deactivate (afterwards) by exiting the shell
 - Run **pipenv --rm** to remove the environment

pipenv installed modules are added to the `~/.virtualenvs` directory.

pipenv behaves somewhat like Ruby's `gem` or Node.js' `npm` package managers. It defines lock files that identify and manage specific versions of files that should be installed.

More on pipenv

- After creating a virtual env using `pipenv install`, a **Pipfile** and **Pipfile.lock** will exist ↪
- To save currently installed package versions to the Pipfile.lock file to reproduce later, run: `pipenv lock`
- If Pipenv.lock is present when running `pipenv install`, it will use the lock file to install packages

```
[source]
name = "pypi"
url = "https://pypi.org/simple"
verify_ssl = true

[dev-packages]
flask = "*"

[packages]
requests = "*"
pandas = "*"

[requires]
python_version = "3.10"
```

Pipfile and Pipfile.lock are analogous to Ruby's Gemfile and Gemfile.lock files. Pipfile is used to specify which dependencies should be installed in a project.

Pipfile.lock tells pipenv exactly which version of each dependency needs to be installed. Placing the lock file within source control will ensure everyone sees this file and can have proper dependencies installed. This provides consistency across all machines.

Summary

- Python supports (unfortunately) a widening number of packages and tools related to managing Python packages and environments
- For most basic needs, **venv**, will be satisfactory
- **pipenv** can provide better specific version management over venv due to the use of Pipfile and the lock file
- Other package installation and management tools that are beyond our scope include:
 - Poetry
 - Wheel
 - Conda
 - Spack

For more on the topic of package management tools:

<https://packaging.python.org/guides/tool-recommendations/>

Chapter 2

Language Concepts Review

Review of Features Previously Introduced

Overview

String Formatting

Sequences

Files and the *with* Control

Formatting Output

- The print function has the following syntax

```
print(val1, val2, ..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout)
```

sep= String value inserted between val1 and val2, etc.

end= defines char(s) to add to end of a line (i.e., line-separator character)

file= defines where output will be sent

```
print('a', 'b', 'c', sep='_')
```

a_b_c

```
for item in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
    print(item, end=' ')
```

a b c

Use *sep=* to define the string between val1 and val2. Use *end=* to define what is added to the output at the end of the printed result (the default is '\n').

String Immutability

- Python 3 strings are immutable **sequences** of Unicode characters

```
my_str = 'Python is fun'
my_str = 'Python is very fun'
```

← Creates a new string object

- The builtin **id()** function can illustrate this:

```
>>> my_str = 'Python is fun'
>>> hex(id(my_str))
'0x20661822f70'

>>> my_str = 'Python is very fun'
>>> hex(id(my_str))
'0x2066150c1c0'
```

Different address

In Python 3, strings are Unicode characters. Some characters must be escaped to use them. Escape characters include:

\\	backslash
\'	single quote (as shown in the slide)
\"	double quote
\b	backspace character (ascii)
\n	linefeed
\r	carriage return
\t	tab

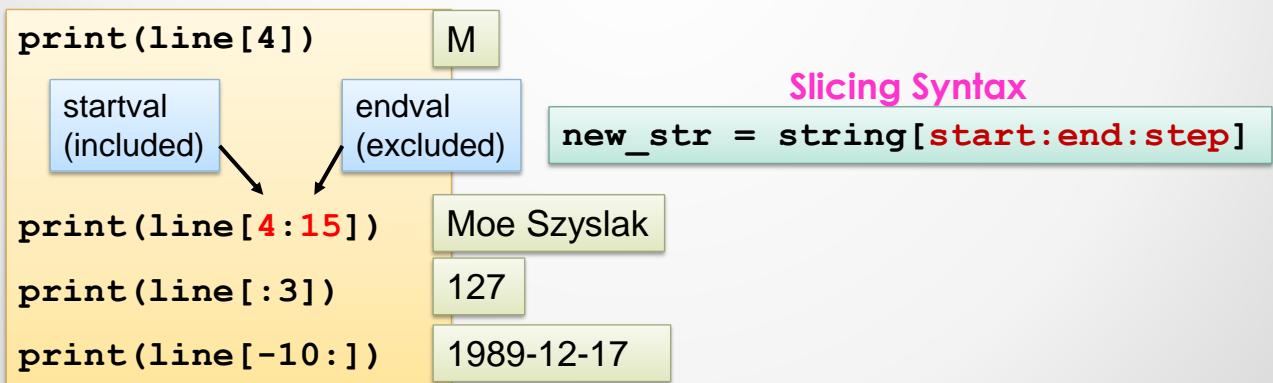
\uXXXX	16-bit Unicode character
\uXXXXXXXXXX	32-bit Unicode character
\N{name}	Unicode named character

Random Access and Slicing

- Sequences support random access (square bracket) and slicing
 - Since strings are sequences, they support it also

```
import linecache
print(linecache.getline('../resources/simpsons.csv', 129))
```

127,Moe Szyslak,Hank Azaria,Owner of Moe's Tavern, ..., 1989-12-17



ch02_basics/01_strings.py

In the top example, the `linecache` module is used to read a specific line (line 129 in this case). Note: this technique is okay for smaller files but shouldn't be used for larger sized files. For larger files, read the file iteratively and use `enumerate()` as shown in the associated source file.

Two things to note about slicing:

1. Negative values supplied will wrap around from the end.
2. Slices return new objects in memory

Helpful String Methods

- **strip()** Returns a new string with whitespace removed from each end

```
line = linecache.getline('resources/simpsons.csv', 129).strip()
```

```
127,Moe Szyslak,Hank Azaria,Owner of Moe's Tavern.,...,1989-12-17
```

- **find()**

```
line.find('Moe')  
line.find('Homer')
```

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-1

Finds the index of the first occurrence of the substring

- **split()**

Creates a list of strings based on a specified separator string

```
print(line.split(',')[2])
```

Hank Azaria

ch02_basics/01_strings.py

These are commonly used, basic string methods.

String format()

- A common way to format data is to use the **format()** method of the string class

```
{fieldname | index [!spec] [:format]}
```

```
employee = ['Bill', 'Smith', 37]
fmt_results = '{0} {1} {2}'.format(*employee)
print(fmt_results)
```

Bill Smith 37

```
employee = ['Bill', 'Smith', 37]
fmt_results = '{0:--^20} {1:-<30} {2:>8}'.format(*employee)
print(fmt_results)
```

-----	Bill-----	Smith-----	-----
20		30	8

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[!spec] refers to either:

- [!s] which executes the str() function on the value first before inserting into the string.
- [!r] which executes repr(), and
- [!a] which executes ascii()

The format specification is somewhat complex. It takes the following form:
 [[fill] align] [sign] [#] [0] [width] [,] [.precision] [type]

fill is a fill character.

align is <, >, =, or ^ to indicate left align, right-align, padding between the sign and number, or centered.

sign is +, -, or (space).

width is the minimum field width.

precision is the number of digits displayed after the decimal point.

type can be s, b, c, d, o, x, n for the type of data. s, for string, is the default.

More on the format() method: <https://docs.python.org/3/library/string.html>.

F-Strings (*Formatted Strings*)

- Starting with Python 3.6, formatted string literals may be used
 - This syntax won't work in earlier Python versions

```
first = 'Bob'
last = 'Smith'
age = 37

def show_name():
    return first + ' ' + last

print(f'{first} {last} {age:0.2f} {show_name()}'')
```

Bob Smith 37.00 Bob Smith

Specify an 'f' at the beginning of the literal

ch02_basics/02_string_format.py

A letter 'f' must precede the f-string. On a performance note, f-strings are faster than using format(), %, or + in string operations.

f-strings are preferred for Python 3.6+ or later.

Accessing Sequences

- Sequences are ordered collections of objects
 - Types include: **str, list, tuple**

```
sa_countries = [
    ('Brazil', 204_000_000), ('Columbia', 48_500_000),
    ('Argentina', 43_100_000), ('Peru', 31_100_000),
    ('Venezuela', 30_600_000), ('Chile', 18_000_000),
    ('Ecuador', 16_300_000), ('Bolivia', 10_500_000),
    ('Paraguay', 7_000_000), ('Uruguay', 3_300_000),
    ('Guyana', 747_000), ('Suriname', 560_000),
    ('French Guiana', 262_000)]
```

(Python 3.6+) Numbers
can have underscores

- Random access, slicing

```
sa_countries[2]
sa_countries[-2:]
```

('Argentina', 43100000)

[('Suriname', 56000), ('French Guiana', 262000)]

- Membership

```
'brazil'.capitalize() in
[country for country, pop in sa_countries]
```

True

ch02_basics/03_lists.py

Sequences exhibit common behaviors such as the ability to be randomly accessed, perform slicing, get concatenated with the same type, or be replicated through multiplication of a scalar value (the last two are not shown here).

The last example is looking for 'Brazil' within the data structure. It does this by using a list comprehension. The list comprehension will generate a list containing the names of each country.

Lists and Tuples

```
sa_countries = [
    ('Brazil', 204_000_000), ('Columbia', 48_500_000),
    ('Argentina', 43_100_000), ('Peru', 31_100_000)

sa_countries.append(('Falkland Islands', 3000))
sa_countries.insert(1, ('Chile', 18_000_000))
print(sa_countries)
```

```
[('Brazil', 204000000), ('Chile', 18000000),
 ('Columbia', 48500000), ('Argentina', 43100000),
 ('Peru', 31100000), ('Falkland Islands', 3000)]
```

- Generally, use lists, but when all things are equal, choose:
 - Lists when contents are all similar (homogeneous)
 - Tuples when contents are different (heterogeneous)

As an example, databases commonly return a list of tuples (each record is a tuple)

ch02_basics/03_lists.py

Use *append(value)* to add items onto the end of the list.

To add a value into the middle of a list, use *insert(position, value)* keeping in mind that sequence positions begin at zero. Due to immutability, tuples do not have *append()*, *insert()*, or several other methods that attempt to modify the data.

In addition to *append()* and *insert()*, other list operations include *index(item)*, *sort()*, *extend(list2)*, *reverse()*, *pop()*, and *remove(item)*.

The following demonstrates removing items from a list using *del*:

```
a_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
del a_list[1:3]
print(a_list) # [1, 4, 5]
```

Typed Named Tuples

- Python 3.6 introduced *typed* named tuples

```
from typing import NamedTuple
class Country(NamedTuple):
    name: str
    population: int = 0
# alternate way...
Country = NamedTuple('Country',
                     [('name', str), ('population', int)])
sa_countries = [
    Country('Brazil', 204000000),
    Country('Falkland Islands', 3000)
]
sa_countries.sort(key=lambda country: country.name)
for record in sa_countries:
    print(f'{record.name:<20}{record[1]:>15}')
```

Use inheritance notation to declare the typed NamedTuple

Specify class attributes along with types and optional default values

Both attribute and index notation are still available

ch02_basics/04b_typed_namedtuples.py

Typed NamedTuples provide a way to define a collection that still behaves like a tuple but provides dot notation to access its attributes. `typing.NamedTuple` is an improvement over the classic namedtuple type. This new version only differs in the fact that it supports types on its fields while the classic namedtuple doesn't support types.

These types are also enforced only in the IDE, not at runtime! Nevertheless, this small distinction does give the `typing.NamedTuple` an advantage over the classic one.

Output from Above:

Argentina	43100000
Bolivia	10500000
Brazil	204000000
Chile	18000000
Columbia	48500000
Ecuador	16300000
Falkland Islands	3000
French Guiana	262000
Guyana	747000
Paraguay	7000000
Peru	31100000
Suriname	560000
Uruguay	3300000
Venezuela	30600000

Dataclasses (Python 3.7+)

- Dataclasses are similar to typed named tuples except they allow attributes to be modified

```
from dataclasses import dataclass

@dataclass
class Country:
    name: str
    population: int = 0

sa_countries = [
    Country('Brazil', 204000000),
    ...
    Country('Falkland Islands', 3000)
]

sa_countries.sort(key=lambda country: country.name)

for record in sa_countries:
    print(f'{record.name:<20}{record.population:>15}')
```

Implement the dataclass by importing the decorator and placing it above the class

Dataclass in use

Index notation is **NOT** allowed here

ch02_basics/04c_dataclasses.py

Unlike namedtuples or NamedTuples, dataclasses are *mutable* and NOT indexable. They perform well, perhaps even better than namedtuples and NamedTuples which make them ideal alternatives to the classic namedtuple.

In reality, a dataclass simply provides an `__init__()` that doesn't have to be declared.

The format of that `__init__()` is:

```
def __init__(self, val1: type1, val2: type2, ...):
    self.val1 = val1
    self.val2 = val2
```

Working with Files

- Open files using the global, builtin function `open()`
 - Due to differences in platform defaults, an encoding should always be specified
- Exception handling can be used to problems that arise when working with files

```
import sys

f = None
lines = []
try:
    f = open('access_.log', encoding='utf-8')
    lines = f.readlines()
except IOError as err:
    print(err, file=sys.stderr)
finally:
    if f:
        f.close()
```

If the file is not found (let's say), `open()` fails raising an `IOError`

`file=` routes error messages to the `sys` module's `stderr`

Calling `f.close()` without checking the status of `f` first here could result in `None.close()` which is an `AttributeError`

In the example, an `IOError` can occur for failing to open the specified file. Therefore, `f` will only be conditionally valid (in the case where the file opens successfully). So, it is necessary to check the variable `f` for a value before attempting to close. The `finally` block is called whether the `open()` operation was successful or not. This makes it an appropriate location to close the file (if opened).

Initialization and Cleanup using *with*

- Proper cleanup is essential when working with external resources
 - True for files, database connections, network connections (sockets), locks on threads, and many other situations...
- *with* is a control structure that performs initialization/cleanup
 - Requires an object called a *context manager*

```
with contextmanager as obj:  
    do_work
```

A *context manager* is a special object that defines how to initialize at the beginning and cleanup afterwards

The *with* control has a few hidden features that make it very versatile but also somewhat tricky to figure out. It requires the use of a special object called a context manager. The context manager is usually a class that implements two methods (discussed shortly).

Using *with*

- The file object is a context manager
 - This makes it useable within the *with* control

```
import os
import sys

path = '../resources'
filename = 'access_.log'           Safely joins a path and filename
filepath = os.path.join(path, filename)
lines = []

try:                                The file gets closed automatically
    with open(filepath, encoding='utf-8') as f:
        lines = f.readlines()
except IOError as err:
    print(f'Error {err}', file=sys.stderr)

print(f'{len(lines)} lines read.')   100000
```

ch02_basics/05_with_files.py

This version will result in the same output and proper file closing as the previous file reading example (whether there is an exception or not). This version uses the *with* control providing a cleaner solution overall.

In addition to the *with* control, *os.path.join()* illustrates a clean way to join paths and filenames.

How *with* Works

```
import os

class SetWorkingDir:
    def __init__(self, temp_wd):
        self.new_wd = self.orig_dir = os.getcwd()
        if os.path.exists(temp_wd):
            self.new_wd = temp_wd

    def __enter__(self):
        os.chdir(self.new_wd)
        return os.getcwd()

    def __exit__(self, typ, value, traceback):
        os.chdir(self.orig_dir)

__init__() called,
__enter__() called
with SetWorkingDir('..') as temp_wd:
    print(open('temp.py', encoding="utf-8").readlines())
__exit__() called
```

Save the original working dir

Set the new one

Change to the new dir during the *with*

Restore the original dir back after the *with* ends

Paths (during *with*) will be relative to the supplied directory (*student_files*, in this case)

Relative to *student_files*, not *ch02_basics*

`ch02_basics/06_with_dissected.py`

A context manager defines both an `__enter__` and an `__exit__` method. Though classes haven't been discussed thus far, the class concept is irrelevant to this discussion. When the `with` statement is encountered, the context manager's `__enter__` method is invoked. The return value from `__enter__` is passed to the optional '`as`' clause of the `with` control.

When the block within the `with` control is finished executing, the `__exit__()` method will be invoked. The `__exit__()` method will be called no matter what (whether an exception is raised or not).

This example sets the working directory to the `student_files` directory (the parent to where it is currently executed from) at the beginning of the `with` control. At the end of the `with` control, the working directory is set back to what it was before the `with` control began. During the `with` control, all paths for files referenced can be relative to this temporary (`student_files`) working directory.

Writing to Text Files

- Use Python 3's `file=` parameter to redirect output to a file:

```
data = [
    'Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur ',
    ...
    'qui officia deserunt mollit anim id est laborum.',
]

try:
    with open('data.txt', 'w', encoding='utf-8') as f:
        for line in data:
            print(line, file=f)
except IOError as err:
    print(err, file=sys.stderr)
```

ch02_basics/07_writing.py

This example takes a list of strings and writes it to a file.

Using `pathlib.Path`

- Many `pathlib.Path` object methods replace `os` functions

<code>pathlib.Path()</code>	<code>os</code> Module	Comment
<code>p = Path('..')</code>		Create Path object
<code>p / 'file.txt'</code>	<code>os.path.join(dir, fn)</code>	Joins a dir & fn
<code>p.is_file(), p.is_dir()</code>	<code>os.path.isfile(item), os.path.isdir(item)</code>	Is it a file or directory?
<code>p.exists()</code>	<code>os.path.exists(item)</code>	Does it exist?
<code>p.resolve()</code>	<code>os.path.abspath(item)</code>	Absolute path
<code>[f for f in p.iterdir()]</code>	<code>os.listdir(dir)</code>	List contents of dir
<code>p.name</code>	<code>os.path.basename(item)</code>	Filename only
<code>p.parent</code>	<code>os.path.dirname(item)</code>	Containing directory

The table above shows some (near) equivalents between the `Path()` object and methods within `os` and `os.path`. In the table, `fn`=filename, `dir`=directory, and `item`=path+filename.

Variations on Ways to Read From Files

```
from pathlib import Path

path = Path('../resources')

filename = 'access_.log'
filepath = path / filename
```

Creates a `pathlib.Path()` object

`filepath` is a new `Path()` object with the filename appended

Using `open(Path_obj)`

```
with open(filepath, encoding='utf-8') as f:
    lines = f.readlines()
```

`Path()` objects may be used within `open()`

Using `Path().open()`

```
with filepath.open(encoding='utf-8') as f:
    lines = f.readlines()
```

`Path` objects come with an `open()` method

Using `Path().read_text()`

`Path().read_text()` closes the file automatically

```
lines = filepath.read_text(encoding='utf-8').split('\n')
```

ch02_basics/08_with_pathlib.py

For brevity, the exception handling was not shown.

The `read_text()` method of the `Path()` object will automatically close the file. This approach will result in one extra (blank) line at the end of the file. It can be removed with `Path().read_text().split('\n')[:-1]`. `read_text()` is suitable for smaller to medium sized files but not for larger datafiles as it will attempt to read the file into a single string within memory.

Your Turn! Task 2-1

Part 1

Reading From Files (part 1 of 3)

- cities15000.txt contains *population* and *elevation* info related to cities around the world

```
3041563 Andorra la Vella    Andorra la Vella    ALV,Ando-la-Vyey,Andora,Andora la Vela,Andora la Velja,Andora lja Vehl
290594 Umm al Qaywayn   Umm al Qaywayn   Oumm al Qaiwain,Oumm al Qaiwain,Um al Kawain,Um al Quweim,Umm al Qaiwain,Umm al
291074 Ras al-Khaimah   Ras al-Khaimah   Julfa,Khaimah,RKT,Ra's al Khaymah,Ra's al-Chaima,Ras al Khaima,Ras al Khaimah,I
291696 Khawr Fakkān     Khawr Fakkan     Fakkan,Fakkān,Khawr Takkān,Khawr Fakkān,Khawr al Fakkan,Khawr al Fakkān,Khor F
292223 Dubai      Dubai      DXB,Dabei,Dibai,Dibay,Doubayi,Dubae,Dubai,Dubai emiraat,Dubaija,Dubaj,Dubajo,Dubajus,Dubay,
```

- Your task is to read elevation and population info from this file
 - Note: This file is a *tab-separated value* file not a csv!
- Work from *task2_1_starter.py*
 - Use a *with* control and *Path* object
 - Read records into a *City* typed NamedTuple

Read data into the provided cities sequence

cities15000.txt is data sourced from geonames.org. Files provided are raw data as found on geonames.org.

cities15000.txt contains city information for all cities with populations greater than 15000.

Note: the population field is the 15th one in the record (14th starting from 0), e.g., record[14] is the population field. The elevation field is the 17th field (16th starting from 0).

Working with Sequences

```
sa_countries = [
    ('Brazil', 204000000),
    ('Columbia', 48500000),
    ('Argentina', 43100000),
    ('Peru', 31100000)
]
```

- `len()`
- `max()`

```
print(len(sa_countries),
      len(sa_countries[0]),
      len(sa_countries[0][0]))
```

4, 2, 6

<code>print(max([1973, 2001, 2015, 2013, 1994]))</code>	2015
<code>print(max(sa_countries, key=lambda country: country[1])[0])</code>	Brazil

- A similar function exists for `min()`

`key=` can define how to calculate `max` by population
(`key=` is discussed shortly)

These functions are all global. They do not have to be imported to be used.

`min()` and `max()` also support a `key` function that can be supplied as an argument to define what biggest or smallest means in sequences where custom behavior is needed.

Consider the following example that uses a dictionary:

```
weights = {'Paul': 195, 'Mary': 165, 'Tom': 182}
print(min(weights.keys(), key=lambda key: weights[key]))
```

Note the key as an argument to `min()`.

The result displays 'Mary'.

Additional Iterating Techniques

```
from pathlib import Path
filepath = Path('../resources/sa_countries.csv')
sa_countries = []

with filepath.open(encoding='utf-8') as f:
    for line in f:
        sa_countries.append(line.strip().split(','))
print(sa_countries)
```

[['Brazil', 'Columbia', 'Argentina', 'Peru', 'Venezuela',
'Chile', 'Ecuador', 'Bolivia', 'Paraguay', 'Uruguay',
'Guyana', 'Suriname', 'French Guiana', 'Falkland Islands'],
[204000000, 48500000, 43100000, 31100000,
30600000, 18000000, 16300000, 10500000,
7000000, 3300000, 747000, 560000, 262000, 3000]]

```
for value in enumerate(reversed(sa_countries[0])):
    print(value)
```

(0, 'Falkland Islands')
(1, 'French Guiana')
(2, 'Suriname')
(3, 'Guyana')
...
(10, 'Peru')
(11, 'Argentina')
(12, 'Columbia')
(13, 'Brazil')

```
for country, pop in zip(*sa_countries):
    print(f'{country:<20}{pop:>15}')
```

Brazil	204000000
Columbia	48500000
Argentina	43100000
...	

ch02_basics/09_iterating.py

These handy and globally available functions accept a sequence and return values in a different way.

`enumerate()` and `zip()` take an iterable while `reversed()` takes a sequence.

What's the difference?

Sequences are all iterable, but not all iterables are sequences. A dictionary is iterable but not a sequence. `zip()` will end when the SHORTEST iterable completes.

Sorting

```
sa_countries = [
    ('Brazil', 204000000),
    ('Columbia', 48500000),
    ('Argentina', 43100000),
    ('Peru', 31100000)
]
```

- Use **sort()** for simple, in-place sorting:

For lists only

```
sa_countries.sort()
print(sa_countries)
```

```
[ ('Argentina', 43100000),
  ('Brazil', 204000000),
  ('Columbia', 48500000),
  ('Peru', 31100000) ]
```

- Use **sorted()** to return a new sequence

Works for any iterable

```
new_countries = sorted(sa_countries)
print(new_countries)
```

```
[ ('Argentina', 43100000),
  ('Brazil', 204000000),
  ('Columbia', 48500000),
  ('Peru', 31100000) ]
```

ch02_basics/10_sorting.py

To sort in descending order, use *reverse=True*. See the example in the file.

When determining whether to use **sort()** or **sorted()** consider your needs. If a new list is desired with the original remaining intact, then use **sorted()**. However, if the added overhead of creating a new list doesn't make sense when simply modifying the one in memory will suffice then use **sort()**. Performance-wise, both are about the same.

Sorting with a Key

- Use **key=** to sort in a specialized way
 - Write a function to define how to sort
 - One item at a time from the collection is passed into the function, it should return a value to sort by

```
def sort_by_population(country):
    return country[1] Returns the population field
```

```
sa_countries.sort(key=sort_by_population)
print(sa_countries)
```

[('Peru', 31100000),
 ('Argentina', 43100000),
 ('Columbia', 48500000),
 ('Brazil', 204000000)]

```
new_ctys = sorted(sa_countries,
                  key=sort_by_population,
                  reverse=True)
```

[('Brazil', 204000000),
 ('Columbia', 48500000),
 ('Argentina', 43100000),
 ('Peru', 31100000)]

```
print(new_ctys)
```

ch02_basics/10_sorting.py

Often the default sort method is not what is needed. To overrule the default sort used, supply a function that defines how to sort. This function can be provided using the *key=* parameter within *sort()* or *sorted()*. The value provided for *key=* should either be the name of a function (without the parentheses) or a lambda (mentioned next). The *key=* function should return a value defining how the record should be sorted. The original elements in the collection are not transformed, they are only sorted.

Lambdas

- Lambdas are *inline-functions*
 - For quick, short, throw away uses such as sorting, closures, functional programming

```
funcName = lambda <arguments> : <ret_val>
```

- The following uses a lambda to sort a list of tuples by the second field

```
sa_countries.sort(  
    key=lambda country: country[1],  
    reverse=True)  
  
print(sa_countries)
```

[('Brazil', 204000000),
 ('Columbia', 48500000),
 ('Argentina', 43100000),
 ('Peru', 31100000)]

ch02_basics/10_sorting.py

Lambda limitations:

- <ret_val> must be equivalent to what a *legal return value* would be. This means you may not have entire statements (e.g., x = 10) in the lambda.
- No variable assignments and no *if* or *for* loops allowed.

This example sorts a list of tuples using a lambda. It sorts records in descending order of their population (`reverse=True`) by using the `key=` parameter. The lambda receives one tuple at a time, upon which it returns `country[1]` or the population field. This means that it will sort by the population.

List Comprehensions

- List comprehensions provide convenient way to create a list from another iterable

```
newlist = [ expression for var in iterable test_condition ]
```

```
larger = [country for country, pop in sa_countries
          if pop >= 20_000_000]
print(larger)
```

['Brazil', 'Columbia', 'Argentina', 'Peru', 'Venezuela']

```
from pathlib import Path
city_names = []
filepath = Path('../resources/cities15000.txt')
if filepath.exists():
    city_names = [line.split('\t')[1]
                  for line in filepath.open(encoding='utf-8')]
print(city_names)
```

['les Escaldes', 'Andorra la Vella', 'Umm al Qaywayn', ...]

ch02_basics/11_listcomps.py

The first example uses a list comprehension to create a new list containing countries with populations over 20 million.

The second example reads only the city names from cities15000.txt into a list.

Your Turn! Task 2-2

Part 2

Sorting and Max (*part 2 of 3*)

- Determine
 - *the most populous city* in the world
 - the highest city (elevation) in this list
- Continue working from your previous solution (task2_1_starter.py) or work from task2_2_starter.py
- *After getting it working, can you do it using the max() function?*
 - Which way is better?

Creating Dictionaries

- Dictionaries are collections of name/value pairs
 - Ordered*, mutable, iterable
 - Supports len() and in comparisons

* dicts before Py 3.6 are unordered (see footnotes)

Keys must be immutable

```
dict1 = {
    key1 : value1,
    key2 : value2,
    ...
}
```

Values can be anything

`my_dict = {}` or `my_dict = dict()` empty dicts

```
country = { 'name': 'Brazil', 'population': 204000000 }
country = dict(name='Brazil', population=204000000)
```

Dictionaries are useful data structures as they provide a means to store any kind of data yet access that data via a key. Because dictionary keys must be unique, attempting to add an entry to a dictionary where the key already exists will replace the value with the new value.

Note on order within dicts: If you are writing tools that will run in mixed Python environments, it is best to treat dictionaries as unordered. Any Python 3.5 or earlier environment that runs the code will fail if order is assumed in a dictionary.

Accessing Dictionaries

```
country = { 'name': 'Brazil', 'population': 204000000 }
```

- Use `get(key)` to retrieve values

```
country.get('population')  
country.get('capital')  
country.get('capital', 'N/A')
```

204000000
None
N/A

- Direct access can generate a `KeyError`
 - Can be handled using exception handling

```
try:  
    capital = country['capital']  
except KeyError:  
    capital = '(unknown)'
```

ch02_basics/13_dicts.py

Access a dictionary by using the `get()` method and by optionally supplying a second value as a fallback value if the key is not present.

Modifying and Iterating Dictionaries

```
country = { 'name': 'Brazil', 'population': 204000000 }
```

- Adding dictionary entries

```
country['capital'] = 'Brasilia'
```

- Iterating a dictionary returns the keys

```
for key in country:  
    print(f'{key}: {country[key]}')
```

```
name: Brazil / capital: Brasilia / population: 204000000
```

- Iterating a dictionary's values

```
for value in country.values():  
    print(value, end=' ') Brazil 204000000 Brasilia  
else:  
    print()
```

ch02_basics/13_dicts.py

Accessing a dictionary in a *for* loop will return the keys. `country.keys()`, provides "a view" of the keys of the dictionary.

Iterating Dictionaries

- Accessing both key and value while iterating

```
for key, val in country.items():
    print(f'Key: {key}, Value: {val}', end=' ')
```

Key: name, Value: Brazil Key: population, Value: 204000000
 Key: capital, Value: Brasilia

Other dict methods

```
dict.copy()
dict.clear()
dict.fromkeys([key_seq])
dict.pop(key, def)
dict.setdefault(key, def)
dict.update(d2)
```

ch02_basics/13_dicts.py

fromkeys() returns a dictionary based on the supplied sequence of keys

setdefault() returns the value for the key or if not found, will add the key and set the value to the default provided

update() merges d2 onto d1

Note about dictionary views:

dict.items(), dict.keys(), and dict.values() all return "views" that are iterable. A view is a read-only iterable, however if the dict the view refers to is changed, the view is changed also.

Functions (and *pathlib*)

- Functions must be defined before being called

```
from pathlib import Path

def check_files(path='...', filename=' '):
    p = Path(path)
    results = p / filename
    return results.exists()

print(check_files('../ch02_basics', '01_strings.py'))
print(check_files())
print(check_files(filename='01_strings.py',
                  path='../ch02_basics'))
```

Provide *default arguments* to add flexibility for users when calling your functions

The function returns True or False on whether a file exists

True
True
True

ch02_basics/14_functions.py

Functions must be defined (or imported) before they can be called. Parameters passed into the function call must also match what is declared in the function definition.

The / operator is defined for the Path class. It merely creates a step in a path. The results object (on the left of the equation) is also a Path object.

Multiple Positional Arguments

- To define a function in which the number of parameters passed are unknown, use the * character

```
def check_all_files(path='...', *files):
    p = Path(path)
    results = all([(p / x).exists() for x in files])
    return results

print(check_all_files('.../ch02_basics',
                     '01_strings.py', '03_lists.py'))
```

The Python `all(iterable)` function returns `True` if `all` items evaluate to `True`

```
print(check_all_files('.../ch02_basics', '01_strings.py',
                     '03_lists.py', '04_not_there.py'))
```

True

False

ch02_basics/14_functions.py

In the example above, the function returns `True` if all filenames provided exist.

As a convenience feature for those who call your functions, you may elect to write the function to be flexible. Python provides a way to pass as many arguments as needed using the * notation. For this to work properly, the `*files` argument MUST be supplied last. It cannot appear before any other positional arguments and only ONE multiple positional argument can be supplied.

Multiple Keyword Arguments

```
def check_all_files_extra(path='...', *files, **kwargs):
    p = Path(path)
    results = [(p / x).exists() for x in files]
    if 'individual' in kwargs and kwargs['individual'] is True:
        return results
    return all(results)

print(check_all_files_extra('..../ch02_basics', '01_strings.py',
                           '03_lists.py'))
```

True

```
print(check_all_files_extra('..../ch02_basics', '01_strings.py',
                           '03_lists.py', '04_not_there.py',
                           individual=True))
```

[True, True, False]

```
print(check_all_files_extra('..../ch02_basics', '01_strings.py',
                           '03_lists.py', '04_not_there.py',
                           individual=False))
```

False

ch02_basics/14_functions.py

When numerous or an unknown number of additional parameters may be passed into a function, you can optionally capture these as keyword arguments in a dictionary. Here, that dictionary has been called *kwargs*, short for keyword arguments. This is a common name to use (though not required) in Python.

In the example, a single keyword argument is supplied. It is not a declared parameter and therefore needs to be viewed within the *kwargs* dictionary.

Your Turn! Task 2-3

Part 3

Add a Search Capability (*part 3 of 3*)

- Create a *search capability* that accepts a city name (or partial name) and *returns valid matches and populations* of each city

Enter the (partial) name of the city: <i>Los Angeles</i>			
name	population	elevation	country
East Los Angeles	126,496	63	US
Los Angeles	3,971,883	96	US

- Continue working from your previous part 2 solution (task2_1_starter.py or task2_2_starter.py) or you can work from task2_3_starter.py

Summary

- While Python is recognized as being a very readable and easy to learn language, it is evident that Python is deeper and more complex the more we look under the hood
- Python continues to evolve including new function features (type hints), dictionary rules (ordered), Path objects, and much more
 - Exercise care when using these features as they are not typically backward compatible with earlier versions

Chapter 3

Modules

More with Modules and Importing

Overview

Import Techniques

Python's "Main" Function

Relative Imports

Modules

- Modules are **namespaces** in Python
 - Each **.py** file represents a module
 - **Functions, variables, classes** are contained within modules
 - These **attributes** must be imported to use them
- A module's location can be determined after importing

```
import pathlib
print(pathlib.__file__)
```

<PYTHONHOME>/lib/pathlib.py

- Most standard library modules are found in the **PYTHONHOME/lib** directory

What are these other files I see?

.pyc - compiled bytecode files when a module is first imported

.pyo - optimized bytecode files

.pyd - Windows only, compiled modules containing Python source code

Your source files are converted into bytecode (lower-level instructions) for use within the Python virtual machine.

.pyc files, once created, do not have to be created again and therefore improve loading and execution times on subsequent uses.

.pyo files are similar but are created with the -O flag is run `python -O myfile.py`. It's not common to run the -O flag.

.pyd files are encountered on Windows. They are somewhat like DLLs except they contain Python modules. They are compiled on Windows and placed into a directory in your `sys.path`. They are then imported like any other module. It is not common to create .pyd files.

Import Techniques

- There are several ways to import a module:

```
import pathlib
p1 = pathlib.Path('x/y/z.foo.py').name
```

z.foo.py

```
import pathlib as pl
p2 = pl.Path('x/y/z.foo.py').parent
```

x\y

```
from pathlib import Path
p3 = Path().cwd() / Path('x/y/z.foo.py')
p4 = Path('x/y/z.foo.py').absolute()
p5 = Path('/x/y/z.foo.py').resolve()
```

C:\student_files\x\y\z.foo.py
C:\student_files\x\y\z.foo.py
C:\x\y\z.foo.py

```
from pathlib import Path as P
p6 = P('/x/y/z.foo.py').suffixes
```

['.foo', '.py']

- Use `dir(object)` to list an object's top-level items

`dir(pathlib)`
`dir(p1)`

ch03_modularization/01_importing.py

There are a number of different ways available to import modules. There are no performance differences between each approach as they all require reading the module entirely. The choice of import technique is largely a matter of preference at the time.

The values for p2, p3, p4, and p5 are shown with Windows-based results. For Unix/Linux expect forward-slashes to be used:

x\y
/students_files/x/y/z.foo.py
/students_files/x/y/z.foo.py
/x/y/z.foo.py

To determine the top-level items of a module, issue the `dir()` command after importing the module.

More on Importing

- Place module imports each on their own line:

```
import linecache
from os import getcwd, listdir, mkdir
import sys

import numpy as np
from pandas import read_csv, read_sql
import requests

import mymodule
from mymodule import foo
from mymodule2 import bar
```

Creates top-level variables
within this module

Standard library modules

Third-Party modules

Custom modules

Top-level variable ***is not*** created for the module
using the `from ... import ...` technique

The layout for importing is defined in PEP 8. It is worth noting that when organizing *import module* vs *from module import item*, PEP 8 does not define any rules (it only defines having the three sections as illustrated in the slide).

Some tools that auto organize imports will do it slightly differently by placing the *from module import item* type import at the bottom of each section. This is up to the user. Our convention will be to import and alphabetize each section by module name regardless of import mechanism used (as demonstrated in this slide).

Defining a Main

- The "name" of a module is determined by looking at the `__name__` attribute
 - If a module is imported, `__name__` is set to its **fully qualified filename (without file extension)**
 - If it is run directly, `__name__` is set to `__main__`

```
import ch03_modularization.main_example.two_ways as two
print(two.identify())
```

ch03_modularization.main_example.two_ways

`two_ways.py`

```
def identify():
    return __name__

if __name__ == '__main__':
    print(f'Running directly! Module __name__: {identify()}')
    print('This will not be seen when the module is imported')
```

Running directly. Module __name__: __main__
This will not be seen when the module is imported

ch03_modularization/main_example/driver.py and two_ways.py

Test this out by running driver.py and then running two_ways.py. How does two_ways.py behave differently each time?

Relative Imports

- Generally, it is best not to rely heavily on relative imports
 - Relative imports *must use from*

The **import** keyword can not be used with relative path notation

main.py

```
import ch03_modularization.relative_mods.dir1.a
```

a.py

```
from .b import foo
print(foo)

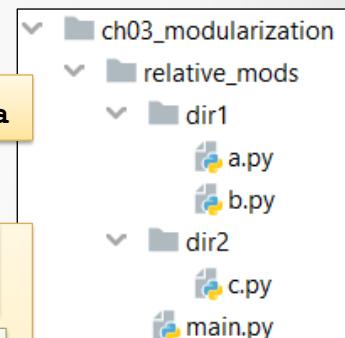
from ..dir2 import c
print(c.foo)
from ..dir2.c import foo
print(foo)

from ...relative_mods.dir1.b import foo as foo2
print(foo2)
```

This is b.py
You are in b.py

This is c.py
You are in c.py
You are in c.py

You are in b.py



Use **.** or **..** or **...**

You can only go up as high as your main.py source file

ch03_modularization/relative_mods/main.py (also dir1/a.py, dir1/b.py, and dir2/c.py)

It is best to view and run these files directly to see the results on your own.

You can not run the a.py module directly or you will get an import error, as in:
ImportError: attempted relative import with no known parent package

This occurs because relative imports use the `__name__` and `__package__` to resolve the starting location. When a module is run directly, these values are `__main__` and `None` respectively. If we run a.py directly, `__name__` and `__package__` will be `__main__` and `None`, and therefore we won't have any info as to the starting package. So, when using relative imports, make sure you have a top-level module (like main.py) to run other modules that have relative references!

You can only use as many dots (e.g., `....`) as levels up to your main file that you originally ran first.

Resolving Modules

- Python programs locate modules by looking at the **sys.path** variable

```
import sys
print(sys.path)
```

```
['C:\\temp\\python\\student_files',
'C:\\temp\\python39\\python39.zip',
'C:\\temp\\python39\\DLLs',
'C:\\temp\\python39\\lib', 'C:\\temp\\python39',
'C:\\temp\\python39\\lib\\site-packages',
'C:\\temp\\python39\\lib\\site-packages\\win32',
'C:\\temp\\python39\\lib\\site-packages\\win32\\lib',
'C:\\temp\\python39\\lib\\site-packages\\Pythonwin']
```

A sample sys.path on Windows

Python will automatically prepend the PYTHONPATH env variable to sys.path

Ways to get Python to recognize your own custom modules:

In Windows cmd shell, use: `set variable=value`
(e.g., `set PYTHONPATH=c:\\module_location`).
Only lasts for that cmd session.

In Windows, select: Control Panel > System > Advanced System Settings > Advanced Tab > Environment Variables > User Variable > New... > PYTHONPATH, then add `c:\\module_location`. This is a permanent fix.

In OS X terminal, `export variable=value`
(e.g., `export PYTHONPATH=~/module_location`).
Only lasts only for that terminal session.

In OS X, in a terminal run `sudo nano ~/.profile` (or `.bashrc` or `.bash_profile`) in your home directory. Add `export PYTHONPATH=~/module_location`
This will be a permanent fix.

In each case, substitute `module_location` for a valid location.

Installing Third-Party Modules (*pip*)

- Most third-party packages can be installed using **pip** (python package installation tool)
 - Packages are typically installed from PyPI (Python Package Index Repository)

`pip list`

Lists installed packages

`pip freeze > requirements.txt`

Output installed packages to file: requirements.txt

`pip install package`

Examples:

`pip install pyyaml`
`pip3 install pyyaml`
`pip3.10 install pyyaml``pip3 install package``pip3.10 install package``python -m pip install package`

Another way to run pip

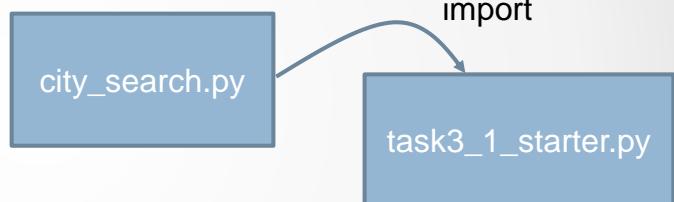
`pip uninstall package`To use pip, ensure its location appears on your path:
<PYTHONHOME>/Scripts (Windows)
<PYTHONHOME>/bin (Unix/Linux)

You should always check the version of pip before executing it. Use `pip -V` to do this. Checking the version will reveal which pip tool you are about to execute. You may find that you are about to use the wrong pip utility. If it is the wrong one, you may need to try different combinations of the pip command until you find the desired one (pip3, pip3.9, pip.3.8, etc.).

Your Turn! Task 3-1

Creating Functions

- Refactor `task2_3_starter` using functions and modules
- Consider creating functions such as
 - `read_data(filename)`
 - `search(cityname)`
 - `largest()`
 - `highest()`
- Move functions into the `city_search.py` module
 - Modify the `search()` to return a list of `City` objects
 - (Optional) Use `PrettyTable` to display City search results (requires pip installing PrettyTable)



Use your completed `task2_3_starter.py` to help complete `city_search.py` and `task3_1_starter.py`

Requires
being able
to pip install
PrettyTable

Summary

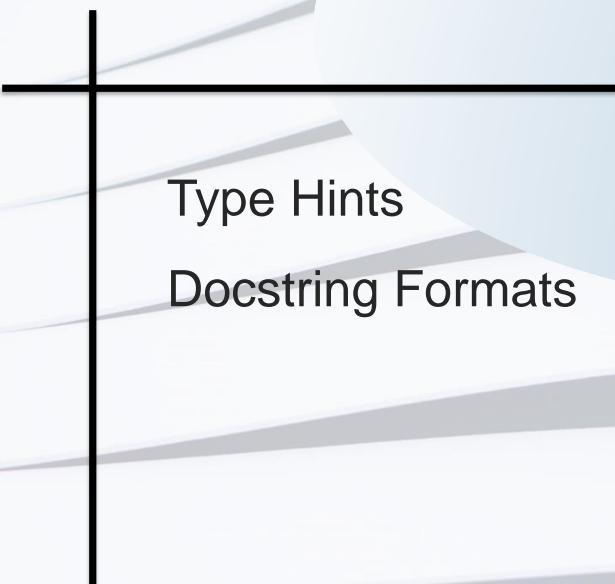
- **Modules** are Python's primary organizational unit
 - Create modules according to functionality (e.g., a module should do one thing well)
- Modules are imported according to the order identified in `sys.path`
 - If module names are not unique, the first one found in `sys.path` will be imported
- **Relative imports** only need to be used when you are distributing packaged software
 - And even then, use it sparingly

Chapter 4

Documentation and Style

Documenting Your Code

Overview



Type Hints
Docstring Formats

Type Hints (Annotations)

- Function type hints provide the ability to inform users of a desired type
 - Useful in IDEs or type checkers such as Pylint or for documentation

```
from typing import Any, Union

def display_info(name: str, age: int, spouse: str,
                 *children: Any, parents: list,
                 **other_family: Union[str, int]) -> dict:
    return display_info.__annotations__

results = display_info('John', 40, 'Sally', 'Tim', 'Sam',
                      parents=['Martha', 'Frank'], sister='Amy')
print(results)
```

{'name': <class 'str'>, 'age': <class 'int'>, 'spouse': <class 'str'>, 'children': typing.Any, 'parents': <class 'list'>, 'other_family': typing.Union[str, int], 'return': <class 'dict'>}

ch04_style/01_annotations.py

Annotations (type hints) are only allowed in Python 3 not Python 2. Use them liberally! The arrow `-> dict` statement identifies the return value.

Any and Union are defined in the typing module (see next slide). Union says that it can hold either int or string types (mostly for illustration here).

Newer Type Hints

- The **typing** module provides help when declaring additional types

```
from typing import List, Tuple
from dataclasses import dataclass

my_list: List[int] = [1, 2, 3]
my_list.append('hello')

Group = Tuple[str, str, str, str]
```

Variable annotation - Declared as a list that holds int types

Py3.9+ allows list[int] to be used directly

Causes any competent IDE or linter to flag this (e.g., PyCharm)

```
@dataclass
class Members:
    names: Group

c = Members(names=('John', 'Paul', 'George', 'Ringo'))

c = Members('Taylor')
```

Group is a **type alias**, making it easier to define elsewhere

names attribute of **Members** dataclass should only contain four strings

Flagged by the IDE or linter

ch04_style/01_annotations.py

In Python 3.6, variable annotations were introduced. These allow for variables and classes to be annotated (not just functions and function arguments).

The typing module contains numerous types to assist with type hint declarations. Additionally, the collections module has a submodule, called abc, that has abstract types, such as Sequence, Callable, Collection, Iterable, and more.

Starting with Python 3.9+, the container types themselves may specify generic types without the need to import the typing module (as in, list[int]).

Linting Tools

- To assist with code quality checking several tools can be installed:
 - flake8
 - pylint
 - pycodestyle (formerly pep8)
 - Several others

pip install flake8

```
>flake8  
.\\01_annotations.py:3:80: E501 line too long (80 > 79 characters)  
.\\01_annotations.py:26:1: E302 expected 2 blank lines, found 1  
.\\01_pep8.py:1:10: E401 multiple imports on one line  
.\\01_pep8.py:2:1: F811 redefinition of unused 'os' from line 1  
.\\01_pep8.py:2:1: F401 'os' imported but unused  
.\\01_pep8.py:3:1: F811 redefinition of unused 'sys' from line 1  
.\\01_pep8.py:3:1: F401 'sys' imported but unused  
.\\01_pep8.py:8:80: E501 line too long (83 > 79 characters)
```

Runs against a single file or a directory

Flake8 is generally a little more thorough than the others. It allows for ignoring rules (e.g., --ignore E401, E501) or examining only specific rules (e.g., --select F401).

Docstring Formats

- Docstrings are placed at the top of modules, within classes, and within functions
 - There are different docstring formats (see source file)
 - Most common: **reStructuredText (reST) (PEP 287)**
 - Other documentation formats include:
 - NumPy • Epytext
 - Google • Custom

```
C:/student_files/ch04_style/03_doc_styles.py
def reStructuredText_style(arg1: int,
                          arg2: object) -> list
```

This is the reST style. It supports HTML and LaTeX formats.

Note

Parameters

Params: arg1 – this is the first argument
arg2 – this is the second argument

Returns: the list of input arguments



```
def reStructuredText_style(arg1, arg2):
    """

```

This is the reST style. It supports HTML and LaTeX.

.. note:: Parameters
:param arg1: this is the first argument
:type arg1: int
:param arg2: this is the second argument
:type arg2: typing.Any
:returns: the list of input arguments
:rtype: list
"""\n return [arg1, arg2]

ch04_style/03_doc_styles.py

Use formats, like restructuredText, to create documentation in other formats such as HTML.

Documentation Generation

- Numerous tools exist for generating documentation in Python

- Sphinx

Most commonly used

pip install sphinx

- Pdoc - one of the most versatile tools

pip install pdoc3

- Pydoctor - Epytext (default) and reST support

- Doxxygen - support for many languages

- Others

The screenshot shows the GitHub page for the Requests library. At the top, there's a 'Star' button with 43,973 stars. Below it is a search bar labeled 'Search the doc'. The main title is 'Requests: HTTP for Humans™'. It says 'Release v2.25.0. (Installation)' and provides download links for various Python versions. A note below states 'Requests is an elegant and simple HTTP library for Python, built for human beings.' A section titled 'Behold, the power of Requests:' contains a code snippet:

```
>>> r = requests.get('https://api.github.com/user', auth=('user', 'pass'))
```

A blue box at the bottom right of the screenshot contains the text: 'The *requests* (third-party module) documentation is generated using Sphinx'.

Inspect Module

- While not a common tool, Python's `inspect` module can examine underlying code fragments

```
from itertools import chain
import inspect

def my_func(a, b=1, c=2, *d, e, f=3, **g) -> list:
    frame = inspect.currentframe()
    args, varargs, varkwargs, locls = inspect.getargvalues(frame)

    print(f'args={args}')
    print(f'varargs={varargs}')
    print(f'varkwargs={varkwargs}')

    return [(i, locls[i])
            for i in chain(args, varargs, varkwargs)]
print(f'all results={my_func(10, 20, e=40, x=50)}')
```

args=['a', 'b', 'c', 'e', 'f']
 varargs=d
 varkwargs=g
 all results=[('a', 10), ('b', 20), ('c', 2),
 ('e', 40), ('f', 3), ('d', ()), ('g', {'x': 50})]

ch04_style/04_inspect.py

This example shows that we can inspect all kinds of information within a function. The `inspect` module allows us to view the current stack frame and then use it to obtain various pieces of information about the function. While this module is generally not necessary, it can be useful when creating tools that are "inspecting" code provided by the user. As such, a nice implementation to use here is a decorator. Decorators are discussed in a later chapter.

Summary

- Function and variable [annotations](#) have become an important part of the language and should be used frequently
- With a dynamically typed language, documentation is key for users to understand your code
 - Pick a style that works best for you
- Generate documentation using tools such as [Sphinx](#)

Chapter 5

Relational Databases

Python Database API

Overview

Database API

SQLite

SQLAlchemy

Python Database API 2.0

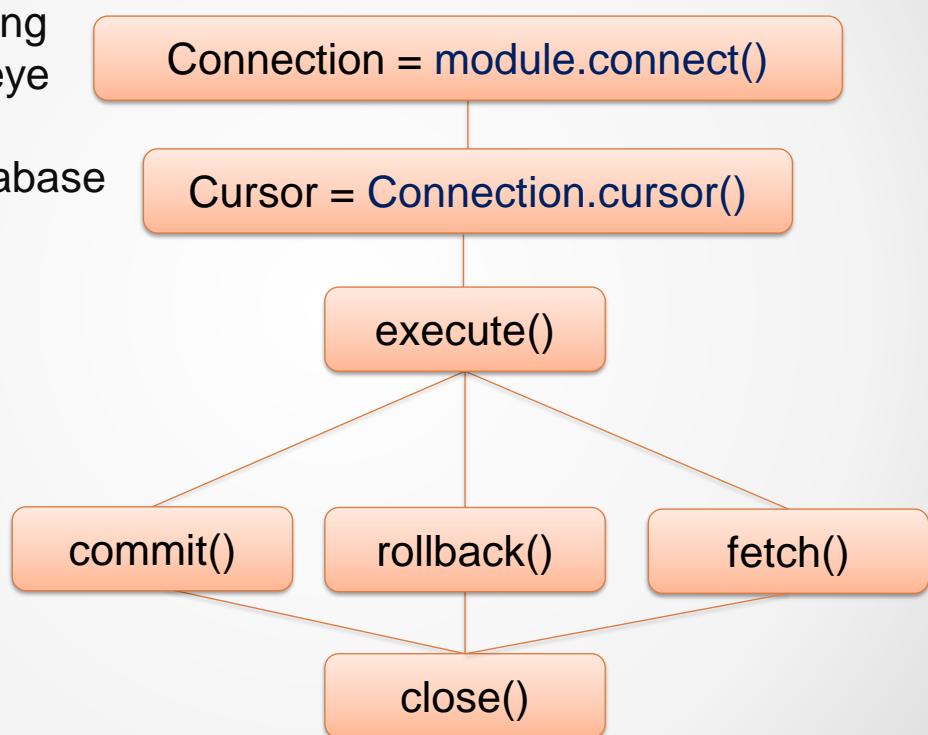
- The **Python DB API 2.0** (PEP 249) defines a common interface for modules to connect to and work with relational databases
- The interface defines:
 - Connection Objects and Transactions
 - Cursors Object Operations
 - Input, Output Data Types
 - Error Handling
 - Two-Phase Commits

There is no standard library module (except SQLite3).
Vendors or third-parties provide drivers for their databases

The Python Database API 2.0 is Python's version of Java's JDBC. It defines the interface for working with a driver that communicates with a specific database.

API Overview

- The following is a birds-eye view of a typical database interaction



Working with Various Databases

- Different databases require different modules to be installed

Database	Module	Install
MySQL	Connector Python Driver (Oracle official)	pip install mysql-connector-python
MS SQL Server	PyODBC Driver	pip install pyodbc
PostgreSQL	Psychopg2 Driver	pip install psycopg2
IBM DB2	IBM_DB Driver	pip install ibm_db
Oracle	cx_Oracle Driver	pip install cx_Oracle

- Modules will follow the Python DB standard

```
import cx_Oracle

conn = cx_Oracle.connect(user='scott', password='tiger',
                         dsn='182.100.212.18:1521/server')
cursor = conn.cursor()
```

Keep in mind that each system is different, and you may need to activate a virtual environment and/or issue pip-specific commands, such as pip3, pip3.9, etc. Also, depending on your installation, you may need to run pip using sudo.

Notice how connecting to Oracle involves the steps mentioned in the birds-eye view on the previous slide. Only the parameters to the connect() method will differ between databases.

Connections

- Each DB module features a `connect()` method that returns a `Connection` object
 - Parameters supplied will be database-specific

```
import mysql.connector

conn = mysql.connector.connect(
    host='localhost',
    user='c_eastwood',
    password='few$More'
)
cursor = conn.cursor()
```

To work with a database,
the driver module must be installed:
`pip install mysql-connector-python`

- Connection object methods:
 - `cursor()`- Obtains a cursor object
 - `commit()/rollback()`
 - `close()` - closes connection

Other vendor methods
may exist, but these are
defined by the spec

For MySQL, there are several prominent drivers. MySQLdb and MySQL Connector. MySQLdb lost favor since it didn't properly support Python 3 and gave rise to drop-in replacements such as mysqlclient and PyMySQL. However, the official driver respected by Oracle is the MySQL Connector driver.

Cursor Methods

- **Cursors** are used for fetch and execution
 - Once execute() is complete, the cursor will be at the start of the result set
 - Cursors methods and attributes include
 - execute(sql, params)
 - executemany(sql, [params])
 - callproc(name, params)
 - fetchone()
 - fetchmany(size=cursor.arraysize)
 - fetchall()
 - rowcount
 - description

Atomicity - all parts of a transaction succeed or fail together

Consistency - the database will always be consistent

Isolation - no transactions can interfere with another

Durability - once the transaction is committed, it won't be lost

Working with SQLite

- **SQLite** is an in-process relational database that is embedded into Python
 - To use it, simply `import sqlite3`
 - Like other RDBMS, it follows the Python DB API
- Connect using `sqlite3.connect()`

```
import sqlite3

conn = sqlite3.connect('schools.db')
cursor = conn.cursor()
cursor.execute('select fullname, city, state from schools \
               where state="CO"')
results = cursor.fetchmany(size=3)
print(results)
```

```
[('Fort Lewis College', 'Durango', 'CO'), ('Lamar Community College', 'Lamar',
 'CO'), ('Colorado College', 'Colorado Springs', 'CO')]
```

ch05_database/01_quick_fetch.py

Execute Methods

- **execute(sql, params)** – executes the specified SQL

```
data = ('Bob', 100.0, 0.05, 'C')
cursor.execute(
    "INSERT INTO accounts(name,balance,rate,acct_type) VALUES \
    (?, ?, ?, ?)", data)
```

- **executemany(sql, [params])** – execute SQL repeatedly against all sequence params

```
data = [(100, 'John Smith', 5500.0, 0.025, 'C'),
        (101, 'Sally Jones', 6710.11, 0.025, 'C'),
        (102, 'Fred Green', 2201.73, 0.035, 'S'),
        (103, 'Ollie Engle', 187.30, 0.025, 'S'),
        (104, 'Gomer Pyle', 12723.10, 0.015, 'C')]

cursor.executemany("INSERT INTO accounts \
    (name, balance, rate, acct_type) VALUES \
    (?, ?, ?, ?, ?)", data)
```

ch05_database/02_execute.py

Fetching Data

- `fetchone()`, `fetchmany` and the `cursor` itself retrieve records after an `execute()` query

```
import sqlite3
import sys

state = 'CO'
try:
    conn = sqlite3.connect('course_data.db')
    cursor = conn.cursor()
    cursor.execute('SELECT fullname, city, state FROM schools \
                    WHERE state=?', (state,))

    print(cursor.fetchone())
    print(cursor.fetchmany(size=3))

    for sch in cursor:
        print(f'Name: {sch[0]}, ({sch[1]}), {sch[2]})')

except sqlite3.Error as err:
    print(f'Error: {err}', file=sys.stderr)
```

This query retrieves 11 records

First tuple returned

List of three tuples returned

Remaining 7 records returned Access columns by position

ch05_database/03_fetching_rows.py

This solution reads back records from the database. Once the cursor is executed, rows can be retrieved using fetch methods. `fetchone()` returns the first record in the record set. `fetchmany(size=3)` returns the next three records as a list of tuples (since we are re-using the same cursor it continues where we left off). Finally, the for-loop over the cursor returns the remaining seven records.

Optimizing `cursor.execute()`

- The cursor is an iterator to the result set
 - No records are actively obtained until a `fetchXXX()` method is invoked, or
 - The cursor is iterated over

```
conn = None
page_size = 10
try:
    conn = sqlite3.connect('course_data.db')
    cursor = conn.cursor()
    cursor.execute('SELECT fullname, city, state FROM schools')
    records = cursor.fetchmany(size=page_size)
    while records:
        print(f'{len(records)} records processed.')
        records = cursor.fetchmany(size=page_size)
finally:
    if conn:
        conn.close()
```

Use `fetchmany()` to process
`page_size` records at a time

ch05_database/03_fetching_rows.py

Fetching multiple rows at a time can be faster than working with individual records. In the example above, 10 records at a time are fetched and processed before another set of 10 are retrieved.

Closing Connections

- Connections should be closed when done
 - A *finally* block can accomplish this

```
conn = None
page_size = 10
try:
    conn = sqlite3.connect('course_data.db')
    cursor = conn.cursor()
    cursor.execute('SELECT fullname, city, state FROM schools')
    records = cursor.fetchmany(size=page_size)
    while records:
        print(f'{len(records)} records processed.')
        records = cursor.fetchmany(size=page_size)
finally:
    if conn:
        conn.close()
```

ch05_database/03_fetching_rows.py

To ensure a connection is closed, we can place the close() call in a finally block. This way, whether there is an exception or not, the connection will be closed.

Using *with*

- You might expect the *with* control to close database connections automatically
 - However, *with* behaves differently per database
 - It is not defined in the Python DB API specification

```
import mysql.connector
with mysql.connector.connect(host='localhost',
                             user='c_eastwood',password='few$More') as conn:
    cursor = conn.cursor()
    ...
    
```

The mysql.connector driver uses the *with* control to **close** the connection

Module	How with behaves:
cx_Oracle	Closes the connection
ibm_db	Not supported
pyodbc	Commit/Rollback
psycopg2	Commit/Rollback

With behaves differently depending on the database

Different database modules will behave differently when using the with control. MySQL will close the connection at the end of the with.

When using the sqlite3 module, *with* is used to automatically commit or rollback the transaction depending on whether an error occurs internally or not. Worth noting however, the connection is not closed by the with control.

Using *with* in SQLite

- In SQLite, *with* will perform commit and rollbacks

```
data = (110, 'Amber Willis', 3200.0, 0.025, 'C')

try:
    with sqlite3.connect('course_data.db') as conn:
        cursor = conn.cursor()
        cursor.execute('INSERT INTO accounts(id, name, balance, \
                        rate, acct_type) VALUES (?,?,?,?,?)', data)
        print('Record inserted into accounts')
except sqlite3.Error as err:
    print('Record not inserted into accounts', file=sys.stderr)
    print(f'Error: {err}', file=sys.stderr)
finally:
    if conn:
        conn.close()
```

The *with* will *commit()* if no errors occur at the end, otherwise it will *rollback()* if an error occurs

The connection is not automatically closed by the *with* control using sqlite3

ch05_database/04_inserting_with.py

Different database modules will behave differently when using the *with* control. MySQL will close the connection at the end of the *with*.

When using the *sqlite3* module, it is used to automatically commit or rollback the transaction depending on whether an error occurs internally or not. Worth noting however, the connection is not closed by the *with* control.

Closing Connections

- The `contextlib` module provides utilities for working with the `with` control

`closing()` adapts any object that has a `close()` method to work in a `with` control

```
from contextlib import closing

data = (110, 'Amber Willis', 3200.0, 0.025, 'C')

with closing(sqlite3.connect('course_data.db')) as conn:
    try:
        cursor = conn.cursor()
        cursor.execute('INSERT INTO accounts(id, name, balance, \
                        rate, acct_type) VALUES (?,?,?,?,?)', data)
        conn.commit()
    except sqlite3.Error as err:
        conn.rollback()
        print(f'Error: {err}', file=sys.stderr)
```

Wrapping the connection in `closing()` will automatically invoke its `close()` method *but now not automatically commit/rollback*

ch05_database/05_with_closing.py

In this version, the connection object will be closed for us at the end of the `with`. `closing()` is a utility that can work with any object as long as it has a `close()` method.

Accessing Data Using Column Names

```
from contextlib import closing
import sqlite3

state = 'CO'

with closing(sqlite3.connect('course_data.db')) as conn:
    conn.row_factory = sqlite3.Row
    cursor = conn.cursor()

    cursor.execute('SELECT fullname, city, state FROM schools \
                    WHERE state=?', (state,))
    for sch in cursor:
        print(f'{sch["fullname"]} ({sch["city"]}), {sch["state"]}')
```

sqlite3.Row is a class that allows accessing fields by column name

ch05_database/06_fetching_rows_column_names.py

This version uses a Row class instead of a tuple for the returned records. This allows fields to be accessed using column names instead of positions.

ORM with SQLAlchemy

- Object-relational mapping is the act of converting Python objects to database relations
 - Several Python tools support ORM capabilities
 - The most popular tool in Python is called **sqlalchemy**
- Steps to working with SQLAlchemy
 - 1) *Initialize* SQLAlchemy providing connection info
 - 2) Define how **models (classes) map** to the database
 - 3) Perform database work within a **session**

`pip install sqlalchemy`

ORM tools are popular for mapping between Python objects and databases. SQLAlchemy can do this with little effort typically without the use of any manually created SQL.

SQLAlchemy Basics

- Step 1. Initialize SQLAlchemy using
`create_engine(dburl)`

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine, Column
from sqlalchemy.orm import sessionmaker, declarative_base
from sqlalchemy.types import String

db = create_engine('sqlite:///course_data.db', echo=True)
```

Prepares to connect to the db. No actual connection occurs at this point

Other databases will have slightly different connection URLs

```
create_engine('postgresql://user:pswd@localhost:1542/schools')
```

ch05_database/07_schools_sqlalchemy.py

The `create_engine()` call doesn't actually connect to the database. It does, however, prepare a pool of connections and establish the dialect to be used.

Different databases will feature different connection URLs passed to `create_engine()`.

SQLAlchemy Class Mapping

- Step 2. Define table-to-class mappings

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine, Column
from sqlalchemy.orm import sessionmaker, declarative_base
from sqlalchemy.types import String

Base = declarative_base()
```

Dynamically creates the base class for your classes to inherit from

```
class School(Base):
    __tablename__ = 'schools'
    school_id = Column(String(30), primary_key=True)
    fullname = Column(String(50))
    city = Column(String(50))
    state = Column(String(15))
    country = Column(String(50))
```

Table name in database

This class defines what attributes of the School class map to what columns of the schools table

```
db = create_engine('sqlite:///course_data.db', echo=True)
```

ch05_database/07_schools_sqlalchemy.py

SQLAlchemy allows for sophisticated mappings between your classes and the database relations. You can map one-to-one, many-to-many, one-to-many, and many-to-one relationships within your classes.

Use Column() definitions to map to attributes within your class. Other column types may be specified, such as Integer, Boolean, and Numeric. A one-to-many relationship could be modeled as follows:

```
class School(Base):
    __tablename__ = 'schools'
    school_id = Column(String(30), primary_key=True)
    students = relationship('Student')

class Student(Base):
    __tablename__ = 'students'
    student_id = Column(String, ForeignKey('schools.school_id'))
```

SQLAlchemy Sessions

- Step 3. Use a **Session** to perform work
 - Sessions mark transactional boundaries
 - sessionmaker** uses the engine to configure the Session

```
Session = sessionmaker(bind=db)

with Session() as session:   Begin a transaction
    firstSchool = session.query(School).first()
    print(firstSchool.fullname, firstSchool.country)
                                Abilene Christian University USA

    firstSchool.country = 'U.S.'
    session.commit()          Modify the country attribute
                                Commit the transaction. Performs a SQL UPDATE

with Session() as session:
    school = session.query(School).first()
    print(school.fullname, school.country)
                                Queries the database
                                again and verifies the
                                changes made

                                Abilene Christian University U.S.
```

ch05_database/07_schools_sqlalchemy.py

The Session class is created dynamically by the sessionmaker() function based on the database engine object that is handed to it.

There are dozens of session methods and attributes including:

add(obj) - adds a new object into the session for SQLAlchemy to insert into the database and to track changes on

delete(obj) - deletes an object that has been previously retrieved from the database

query() - the main method for performing queries against the database

commit()/rollback() - save or discard the changes made

get(class, id) - retrieve an object by primary key

Complete SQLAlchemy Interaction

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine, Column
from sqlalchemy.orm import sessionmaker, declarative_base
from sqlalchemy.types import String

Base = declarative_base()

class School(Base):
    __tablename__ = 'schools'
    school_id = Column(String(30), primary_key=True)
    fullname = Column(String(50))
    city = Column(String(50))
    state = Column(String(15))
    country = Column(String(50))

db = create_engine('sqlite:///course_data.db', echo=True)
Session = sessionmaker(bind=db, autocommit=True)

with Session.begin() as session:
    firstSchool = session.query(School).first()
    print(firstSchool.fullname, firstSchool.country)
    firstSchool.country = 'U.S.'
```

ch05_database/07_schools_sqlalchemy.py

A complete picture can be seen of the SQLAlchemy schools table database interaction.

Your Turn! Task 5-1

- Query the `schools` table within `course_data.db`
 - A function called `get_location(school_name)` queries the database returning the `name, city, and state` of schools that match or partially match the `school_name` provided

Sample Output:

```
School name (or partial name): loy
Matches for loy:
Loyola University Chicago (Chicago, IL))
Loyola Marymount University (Los Angeles, CA))
Loyola College in Maryland (Baltimore, MD))
Loyola University New Orleans (New Orleans, LA))
```

- A starter file, called `task5_1_starter.py` in the `ch05_database` folder has been provided for you
- *Complete the provided `get_location()` function*
- Retrieve results into a `list of data classes`

Note: The database should already exist, however, if it doesn't, run `08_create_schools_db.py` to repair it.

Summary

- Python doesn't have a single module when working with a database
 - A different module is required for each database
- The [Python DB API](#) defines basic operations to perform on the database
 - Vendors are free to provide additional operations to enhance interactions with their database
- [SQLAlchemy](#) is a popular tool for mapping relations to objects within Python

Chapter 6

Classes and Objects

OO the Python Way

Overview

Classes Review

Properties

Constructors

Inheritance

Multiple Inheritance

Classes Review (1 of 2)

```

from typing import NamedTuple, List

City = NamedTuple('City', [('name', str), ('population', int),
                           ('elevation', int), ('country', str)])


class CitySearch:
    def __init__(self, filepath: str):
        self.cities = []
        self.filepath = filepath
        self._read_data()

    def _read_data(self):
        with open(self.filepath, encoding='utf-8') as f:
            for line in f:
                fields = line.strip().split('\t')
                name = fields[1]
                country = fields[8]
                population = int(fields[14])
                elevation = int(fields[16])
                city = City(name, population, elevation, country)
                self.cities.append(city)

```

self *must* always be defined as the first argument in the constructor

ch06_01_review.py

This example illustrates a Python class. It contains several methods, including `__init__()` and `_read_data()`. The class is used to "instantiate" an object. The instantiation occurs on the next slide (part 2 of 2). This part of the class reads the data from the file when the `__init__()` invokes the `_read_data()` method.

The constructor must always define a variable called `self`. `self` represents the current object being constructed.

Classes Review (2 of 2)

... continued from previous slide...

```
def largest(self) -> City:
    return max(self.cities, key=lambda city: city.population)

def highest(self) -> City:
    return max(self.cities, key=lambda city: city.elevation)

def search(self, name: str) -> List[City]:
    results = []
    for item in self.cities:
        if name.lower() in item.name.lower():
            results.append(item)
    return results

c = CitySearch('../resources/cities15000.txt')
print(c.search('los angeles'))
```

[City(name='East Los Angeles', population=126496, elevation=63, country='US'),
 City(name='Los Angeles', population=3971883, elevation=96, country='US')]

ch06_oo_01_review.py

In this example, the object called 'c' is being created. In the constructor, the 'c' object is what `self` is referring to. While theoretically `self` can be renamed to something else, in Python, we **never** do this.

Note that in other languages you might be tempted to use the `new` operator. But Python doesn't define a `new` operator. So, this statement:

`c = new City()` is actually `c = City()` in Python

Methods and Self

```

class CitySearch:
    def __init__(self, filepath: str):
        self.cities = []
        self.filepath = filepath
        self._read_data()

    def _read_data(self):
        ...
        ...

    def largest(self) -> City:
        return max(self.cities, key=lambda city: city.population)

    def highest(self) -> City:
        return max(self.cities, key=lambda city: city.elevation)

    def search(self, name: str) -> List[City]:
        ...

c = CitySearch('../resources/cities15000.txt')
print(c.highest().name)

```

self, should always be the first parameter

Instances may invoke the methods defined in the class, but shouldn't specify self in the call

ch06_01_review.py

Methods added to a class should always specify the self argument first. When calling a method, you DO NOT specify self.

When a method is invoked, such as c.highest(), behind the scenes, Python will re-organize the call into CitySearch.highest(c).

Instances as Dictionaries

- Object instances are usually backed by dictionaries

```
class City:  
    def __init__(self, name, country='', population=0, elevation=-1):  
        self.name = name  
        self.country = country  
        self.population = population  
        self.elevation = elevation  
  
    def __str__(self):  
        return self.name  
  
data = linecache.getline('../resources/cities15000.txt',  
                        22237).strip().split('\t')  
c = City(data[1], data[8], data[14], data[15])  
  
print(c.__dict__['name'])  
print(vars(c)['name'])
```

New York City	New York City
---------------	---------------

ch06_oo/02_as_dicts.py

Under typical circumstances, objects are backed by dictionaries. This means that under the hood, there is a dictionary as the basis for that instance's implementation. Certain tools, such as the json module's dumps() method will depend upon this concept.

The __dict__ property can allow instances to behave like dictionaries when properties are referenced as strings through the dictionary.

Defining Properties

```

class City:
    def __init__(self, name, country='', population=0, elevation=-1):
        self.name = name
        self.country = country
        self.population = population
        self.elevation = elevation

    @property
    def population(self):
        return self._population

    @population.setter
    def population(self, pop):
        self._population = 0
        if pop > 0:
            self._population = pop

    @property
    def elevation(self):
        return self._elevation

    @elevation.setter
    def elevation(self, elev):
        self._elevation = 0
        if -400 < elev < 30000:
            self._elevation = elev

```

→ Setters are invoked

Use `@property` to define the "getter"

`@prop.setter` is the syntax to define a setter

The "private" property is set in the setter

Properties represent Python's version of getters and setters

ch06_oo/03_properties.py

Notice that within the constructor the setter methods are actually invoked. This way if a City object is created and an invalid elevation or population is passed into it, it will still invoke the validation within the setter. Properties provide an ability perform setter, getter, and deleter interactions.

```

@property
def foo(self):
    return self._foo

```

```

@foo.setter
def foo(self, foo):
    self._foo = foo

```

```

@foo.deleter
def foo(self):
    del(self._foo)

```

Using Properties

- Use the properties as if they were typical attributes
 - Performing assignments will execute the setter methods

```
c = City('New York City', 'USA', 8175133)  
  
c.elevation = 10  
print(c.population)  
  
c = City('Cloudland', 'New Zealand', -30, 35500)  
print(c)
```

8175133
Cloudland 0 0

Invokes elevation() setter
Invokes population() getter
Constructor invokes setters and
therefore these values will be invalid

Here, the property is used by performing an assignment (c.elevation = 10). The assignment invokes the property setter defined in the class.

Class Attributes

- Variables created at the class level are called *class attributes*
 - They should be modified via the class

```
class RaceCar:
    MAX_SPEED = 245

    def __init__(self, speed):
        self.current_speed = speed

    def speed_up(self, amt):
        self.current_speed += amt
        if self.current_speed > self.MAX_SPEED:
            self.current_speed = RaceCar.MAX_SPEED

car1 = RaceCar(200)
car2 = RaceCar(230)
car1.speed_up(30)
car2.speed_up(50)
print(car1.current_speed, car2.current_speed,
      car1.MAX_SPEED, car2.MAX_SPEED)
```

Class attributes can be accessed by both the class AND the instance

Do not modify MAX_SPEED through the instance, as in self.MAX_SPEED = 255

230 245 245 245

ch06_oo/04_attributes.py

As the note in the lower right on the slide indicates, you should be sure not to modify the class attribute through the instance. This will cause the instance add an acceleration attribute to itself while the class-level attribute will still exist separately, unchanged.

Static Methods

- Python defines static methods using the **@staticmethod** decorator

```
import urllib.request

class Page:
    @staticmethod
    def page_load(url):
        with urllib.request.urlopen(url) as f:
            results = f.read()

    return results

webpage = 'https://www.google.com'
print(Page.page_load(webpage))
```

*What does this **@staticmethod** decorator do?*
It allows the instance to call the method without a self passed, as in:
`p = Page()
p.page_load(url)`

Do not specify *self* when creating a static method. Call is accomplished directly via **Class.methodname()** or **instance.methodname()**

ch06_oo/05_static.py

Decorators are discussed in a later chapter. In order to use a static method (via an instance), we use the **@staticmethod** decorator.

Note: **@classmethod** also exists within Python, however, this is less commonly encountered.

Inheritance: Classic Constructor Call

```

class Contact:
    def __init__(self, name='', address='', phones=None):
        self.name = name
        self.address = address
        self.phones = phones

    def __str__(self):
        return f'{self.name} {self.address} {self.phones}'


class BusinessContact(Contact):
    def __init__(self, name='', address='', phones=None,
                 email='', company='', position=''):
        Contact.__init__(self, name, address, phones)
        self.email = email
        self.company = company
        self.position = position

bc = BusinessContact('John Smith', '123 Main St.',
                     {'work': '(970) 322-9088', 'home': '(970) 455-2390'})
print(bc) John Smith 123 Main St. {'work': '(970) 322-9088', 'home': '(970) 455-2390'}

```

Call to object's base class constructor is required if initialization of base class attributes is needed

Calls the parent constructor

ch06_oo/06_inheritance_classic.py

To ensure that instance attributes are properly set, your derived (child) class should call the base class constructor. There are two ways to do this. The classic approach, shown here, calls the parent constructors directly. This approach has the disadvantage of referencing the name of the parent class within the subclass.

Inheritance: Using `super()` - Preferred

```

class Contact:
    def __init__(self, name='', address='', phones=None):
        self.name = name
        self.address = address
        self.phones = phones

    def __str__(self):
        return f'{self.name} {self.address} {self.phones}'


class BusinessContact(Contact):
    def __init__(self, name='', address='', phones=None,
                 email='', company='', position=''):
        super().__init__(name, address, phones)
        self.email = email
        self.company = company
        self.position = position

bc = BusinessContact('John Smith', '123 Main St.',
                     {'work': '(970) 322-9088', 'home': '(970) 455-2390'})
print(bc) John Smith 123 Main St. {'work': '(970) 322-9088', 'home': '(970) 455-2390'}

```

super() invokes the parent constructor

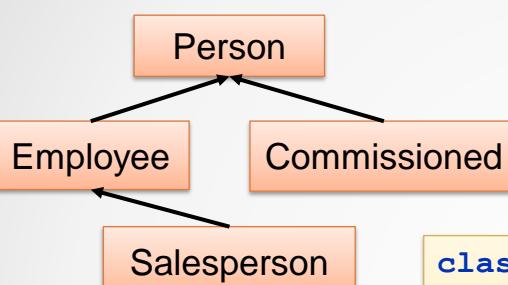
ch06_oo/07_inheritance_super.py

By default, `super()` will automatically assume arguments of the current class and the `self` object.

In other words:

(Py3) `super() = super(CurrentClass, self)` <--`super()` will look to the immediate parent class to perform the call to the function that follows. `self` refers to the object that will be worked on. With single inheritance, the use of `super()` is preferred.

Multiple Inheritance (Explicit) (1 of 2)



Python classes support having multiple parents

```

class Person:
    def __init__(self, name, age):
        self.name = name
        self.age = age
  
```

```

class Employee(Person):
    def __init__(self, name, age,
                 salary, dept):
        Person.__init__(self, name, age)
        self.salary = salary
        self.dept = dept
  
```

```

class Commissioned:
    def __init__(self, rate):
        self.comm_rate = rate

    def __str__(self):
        return f'Rt: {self.comm_rate}'
  
```

ch06_oo/08_multiple_inherit_explicit.py

Multiple Inheritance (Explicit) (2 of 2)

Specify both base classes

```
class Salesperson(Employee, Commissioned):
    def __init__(self, name, age, salary, region,
                 dept='Sales', rate=0.02):
        Employee.__init__(self, name, age, salary, dept)
        Commissioned.__init__(self, rate)
        self.region = region

    def __str__(self):
        emp_str = Employee.__str__(self)
        comm_str = Commissioned.__str__(self)
        return f'{emp_str}, {comm_str} - Reg: {self.region}'
```

s = Salesperson('William', 37, 99275.00, 'Northeast')

print(s)

William (37) Sal: 99275.0 Dept: Sales, Rate: 0.02 - Reg: Northeast

Use the classic (explicit) technique
to call both constructors

ch06_oo/08_multiple_inherit_explicit.py

To illustrate multiple inheritance in Python, consider the following relationship.

Salesperson inherits from Employee and Commissioned. In order to properly call all the base class constructors directly, you can use the explicit approach (shown on this slide), or you may use the approach using super(). This approach is preferred over the use of super() for multiple inheritance.

Multiple Inheritance Using super()

```
class Employee(Person):
    def __init__(self, name, age, salary, dept, **kwargs):
        super().__init__(name, age, **kwargs)
        self.salary = salary
        self.dept = dept
```

**kwargs captures the extra parameters sent to the other constructor

```
class Commissioned:
    def __init__(self, rate, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.comm_rate = rate
```

Only one super() call can exist, so both constructors must be called at once

```
class Salesperson(Employee, Commissioned):
    def __init__(self, name, age, salary, region,
                 dept='Sales', rate=0.02):
        super().__init__(name=name, age=age, salary=salary,
                         dept=dept, rate=rate)
        self.region = region
```

```
s = Salesperson('William', 37, 99275.00, 'Northeast')
```

ch06_09_multiple_inherit_super.py

For brevity, the complete class definitions are not shown.

We only get one call to super() in the Salesperson `__init__`. Yet we have to send both parents the needed arguments. Therefore, we send all arguments to both parents at once. The arguments that belong to the other parent will be placed into kwargs and not used. Therefore, kwargs must be provided in both constructors for super() to be successful. Because this requires "touching" (going back and re-writing) both parent classes to support a `**kwargs` argument, it makes it impractical, "hackey," and in some cases not even possible. Therefore, use the explicit approach, previously discussed, for multiple inheritance.

Other Magic Methods

- Python classes support many magic methods

<code>__str__(self)</code>	<code>__ge__(self, other)</code>	<code>__iter__(self)</code>
<code>__abs__(self)</code>	<code>__get__(self, instance, owner)</code>	<code>__truediv__(self, other)</code>
<code>__add__(self, other)</code>	<code>__getattr__(self, item)</code>	<code>__ixor__(self, other)</code>
<code>__and__(self, other)</code>	<code>__getattribute__(self, item)</code>	<code>__le__(self, other)</code>
<code>__bool__(self)</code>	<code>__getitem__(self, item)</code>	<code>__len__(self)</code>
<code>__bytes__(self)</code>	<code>__gt__(self, other)</code>	<code>__long__(self)</code>
<code>__call__(self, *args, **kwargs)</code>	<code>__hash__(self)</code>	<code>__lshift__(self, other)</code>
<code>__cmp__(self, other)</code>	<code>__hex__(self)</code>	<code>__lt__(self, other)</code>
<code>__coerce__(self, other)</code>	<code>__iadd__(self, other)</code>	<code>__mod__(self, other)</code>
<code>__complex__(self)</code>	<code>__iand__(self, other)</code>	<code>__mul__(self, other)</code>
<code>__contains__(self, item)</code>	<code>__idiv__(self, other)</code>	<code>__ne__(self, other)</code>
<code>__del__(self)</code>	<code>__ifloordiv__(self, other)</code>	<code>__neg__(self)</code>
<code>__delattr__(self, item)</code>	<code>__ilshift__(self, other)</code>	<code>__new__(cls, *args, **kwargs)</code>
<code>__delete__(self, instance)</code>	<code>__imod__(self, other)</code>	<code>__oct__(self)</code>
<code>__delitem__(self, key)</code>	<code>__imul__(self, other)</code>	<code>__or__(self, other)</code>
<code>__delslice__(self, i, j)</code>	<code>__index__(self)</code>	<code>__pos__(self)</code>
<code>__divmod__(self, other)</code>	<code>__init__(self)</code>	<code>__pow__(self, power, module)</code>
<code>__enter__(self)</code>	<code>__int__(self)</code>	<code>__rand__(self, other)</code>
<code>__eq__(self, other)</code>	<code>__invert__(self)</code>	<code>__rdiv__(self, other)</code>
<code>__exit__(self, exc_type, exc_val, exc_tb)</code>	<code>__ipow__(self, other)</code>	<code>__rdivmod__(self, other)</code>
<code>__floordiv__(self, other)</code>	<code>__irshift__(self, other)</code>	<code>__reduce__(self)</code>
<code>__format__(self, format_spec)</code>	<code>__isub__(self, other)</code>	<code>__reduce_ex__(self, *a, **kw)</code>

Many of these are rarely implemented.

Implementing Magic Methods

```
class Contact:  
    def __init__(self, name='', address='', phone ''):  
        self.name = name  
        self.address = address  
        self.phone = phone  
  
    def __eq__(self, second):  
        if type(self) is not type(second):  
            return False  
        elif self.name == second.name and  
                self.address == second.address:  
            return True  
        else:  
            return False  
c1 = Contact('John Smith', '123 Main St.', '(970) 322-9088')  
c2 = Contact('John Smith', '123 Main St.', '(970) 421-8032')  
c3 = Contact('John Smith', '321 Main St.', '(970) 421-8032')  
  
print(c1 == c2)  True  
print(c2 == c3)  False
```

Magic methods reference:
<https://rszalski.github.io/magicmethods/>

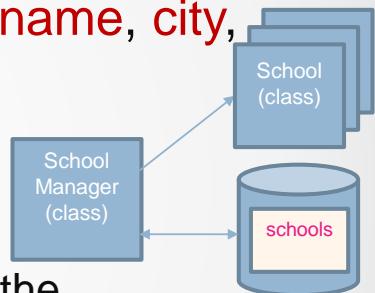
ch06_oo/10_magic_methods_again.py

Magic methods are each implemented differently. This example shows how to implement the `__eq__` method which allows instances to be directly compared to each other. Other magic methods will serve very different purposes.

Your Turn! Task 6-1

Working with Classes

- Work from [ch06_oo/task6_1_starter.py](#) to create a *School* class containing `school_id`, `fullname`, `city`, and `state`, and `country` attributes
- Create a second class, *SchoolManager*, containing `__init__()`, and `find()` methods
 - The `SchoolManager find()` should search the `fullname`, `city`, `state`, or `country` columns
 - Test the `SchoolManager` as follows:



```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    print(SchoolManager('course_data.db').find('Loyola',
                                                column='fullname'))
    print(SchoolManager('course_data.db').find('ID',
                                                column='state', sort_by='fullname'))
```

Summary

- Classes in Python have numerous differences from classes found in other languages:
 - They behave as a kind of **namespace** (code holders)
 - **self** is not implicit, but must be declared in methods
 - There are **no** public or private keywords
 - **Properties** can be defined to provide a form of setter/getter capability
 - Classes **support** multiple inheritance and `super()`
 - Dozens of **magic methods** tailor their behavior

Chapter 7

WSGI and Flask Frontend

Introduction to Flask

Overview

What is WSGI?

Flask Introduction

Web Apps with Flask

Flask as an API Server

Web Server Gateway Interface: WSGI

- WSGI is a specification that defines the interaction between web server and applications
 - Provides a means for vendors to create servers using a consistent API
- WSGI compliant tools implement a "server" and "application" interface
 - To create your own WSGI server (not common), use the `wsgiref` module from the standard library...

WSGI (Sample)

```
from wsgiref.simple_server import make_server

hostname = 'localhost'
port = 8051

def application(environ, start_response):
    response_body = '<html><body><h1>Request received. \
                      </h1></body></html>'
    status = '200 OK'
    headers = [
        ('Content-Type', 'text/html'),
        ('Content-Length', str(len(response_body)))
    ]
    start_response(status, headers)
    return [response_body.encode()]

httpd = make_server(hostname, port, application)
print(f'Server running on http://{hostname}:{port}...')

httpd.handle_request()           # serves one request
# httpd.serve_forever()         # serves continuously
```

ch07_frontend/01_wsgi.py

This example illustrates the structure (format) of the WSGI specification. Typically, normal users will not encounter this API. Instead, server vendors, or those desiring to create a framework for building and using web applications, will incorporate this spec.

Python Web Frameworks

- A number of Python frameworks already exist that implement WSGI
 - Basic Frameworks
 - Bottle
 - Flask
 - CherryPy
 - FastAPI
 - Full-stack Frameworks
 - Django
 - web2py
 - TurboGears
 - Pylons
 - Zope
 - Wheezy

For more frameworks:
<http://wiki.python.org/moin/WebFrameworks>

Framework Comparisons

- Comparing the two most popular frameworks

Flask

- Common as an API host
- Learning curve: shallow
- Ships bare bones, but pluggable
- Hundreds of plugins exist
- Easy to implement as an API host
- Can serve web apps, but less common for this
- Flask Implementations: Pinterest, Twilio, Netflix,

Django

- Common for web app hosting
- Learning curve: steep
- Fully featured out-of-the-box
- Plugins, less extensive than Flask
- Can be an API (Django Rest Framework) but not as common as Flask
- Common to implement Django frontend (e.g., serving Angular/React, etc.) while using Flask as an API
- Django Implementations: Instagram (on AWS), numerous others

The list of companies and sites using both are numerous.

<https://www.djangoproject.com/>

<https://careerkarma.com/blog/companies-that-use-flask/>

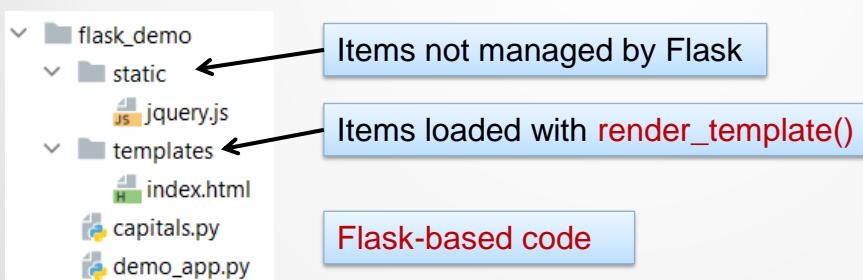
Flask Introduction

- A lightweight, extensible, WSGI web application framework (BSD license)
- A flask application should contain the following structure



<https://flask.palletsprojects.com>

pip install flask



Quick overview:
<https://flask.palletsprojects.com/en/1.1.x/quickstart/>

Flask typically installs within seconds using pip. Once installed, you can begin running the Flask server and building web applications with it.

Routes

- `@app.route()` decorator defines which functions are called for which URLs
- Decorator defines URL to function mappings

`demo_app.py`

```
from flask import Flask, render_template, jsonify, Response
from capitals import capitals

app = Flask(__name__)

@app.route('/')
def main_page():
    return render_template('index.html')

app.run(host='localhost', port=8051)
```

`Flask calls your function when a GET request matching http://localhost:8051/ is received`

`render_template() returns the contents of this file as a string of HTML`

ch07_frontend/flask_demo/demo_app.py

More with Routes

- Add additional methods and routes as more requests are needed

```
@app.route('/state/<name>', methods=['GET'])
def get_capital(name):
    try:
        resp = jsonify(state=name, capital=capitals[name])
    except KeyError:
        resp = jsonify(state=name, capital='not found')

    return Response(resp.data, status=200,
                    mimetype='application/json')
```

<name> allows for any value to be submitted
(e.g., http://localhost:8051/state/**Colorado**)

name is injected (by Flask) from the variable
in the URL as an argument to your function

Converts keywords into JSON-based properties

Sends a JSON-based response back to the client

ch07_frontend/flask_demo/demo_app.py

More with Routes

```
@app.route('/state', methods=['GET'])
def list_states():
    resp = jsonify(names=[state for state in capitals], foo='bar')
    return Response(resp.data, status=200,
                    mimetype='application/json')
```

{"foo": "bar",
 "names": ["Alabama", "Alaska", "Arizona", ..., "Wyoming"]}

- Our app:

State Name Enter valid state name

State Name

Nebraska's capital is Lincoln.

ch07_frontend/flask_demo/demo_app.py

The Main Web Page

```
<div>
    <form id="stateSearch">
        <label for="name">State Name</label><input type="text" id="name">
        <input type="submit" value="Search">
    </form>
</div>
<div id="results"></div>
<script type="text/javascript">
    var url = '/state/';

    $('#stateSearch').submit(function(evt) {
        evt.preventDefault();
        var name = $('#name').val();
        if (name.length > 0)
            $.ajax({url: url+name,
                    dataType : 'json',
                    success: function(results){
                        $('#results').append('<p>' + results.state +
                            '\'s capital is ' + results.capital +'.</p>') }
                });
    });
</script>
```

Simple browser (client) code
communicates with the
server using jQuery and Ajax

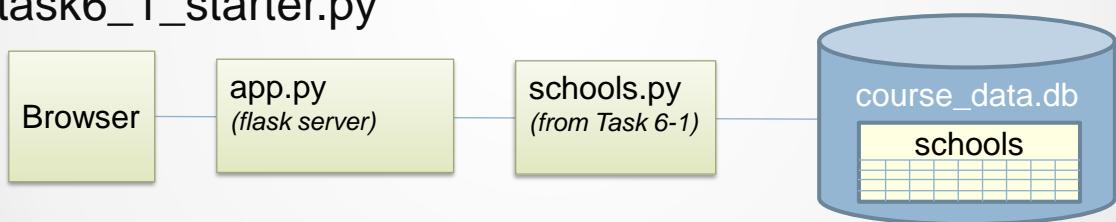
Partial listing of templates/index.html

Your Turn! Task 7-1

Working with Flask

- Complete the Flask-based application:
 - Locate the `ch07_frontend/starter/app.py` folder
- `schools.py` is now the completed version of `task6_1_starter.py`

Refer to this file for additional instructions



School:

Results for poly:

localhost:8051

California Polytechnic State University, Pomona (Pomona, CA)
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo (San Luis Obispo, CA)
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Blacksburg, VA)

Summary

- Flask is a WSGI compliant web-based framework designed to easily create interactive client-to-Python applications
- It supports much more than we have discussed, including:
 - Web Forms (`flask-wtf` plugin)
 - Database ORM Integration (`flask-sqlalchemy` plugin)
 - Security and User Management (`flask-login` plugin)
 - Many other plugins

Chapter 8

Networking Client Tools

Making Requests and Processing Results

Overview

Creating Network Requests

requests

Processing Data

HTML

JSON

urllib

- The urllib is used to make network requests

urllib is broken across four modules

urllib.request - urlopen() and Request
 urllib.response - read() and readline()
 urllib.parse - URL building/parsing tools
 urllib.error - Error handlers

```
from urllib.error import URLError
from urllib.parse import urlencode
from urllib.request import urlopen, Request

query_str = {'value': 'foo', 'column': 'fullname',
             'sort_by': 'state'}
url = 'http://localhost:8051/school?' + urlencode(query_str)

try:    http://localhost:8051/school?value=Loyola&column=fullname&sort_by=state
        with urlopen(url) as f:
            results = f.read().decode()
            print(f.status, f.reason)
            print(results)
    except (URLError, UnicodeDecodeError) as err:
        print(f'Error: {err}', file=sys.stderr)

{"column":"fullname","error_msg":"","results":["Foothill
College (Los Altos Hills, CA)","sort_by":"state","value":"foo"}
```

with closes the connection afterward

200
OK

ch08_network_apis/01_urlopen.py

Over the years, the urllib module has lost favor and is largely replaced by the requests module (upcoming slide).

Example using urllib.parse.urlparse():

```
from urllib.parse import urlparse
result = urlparse('https://docs.python.org/3/library/index.html')
print(result)
```

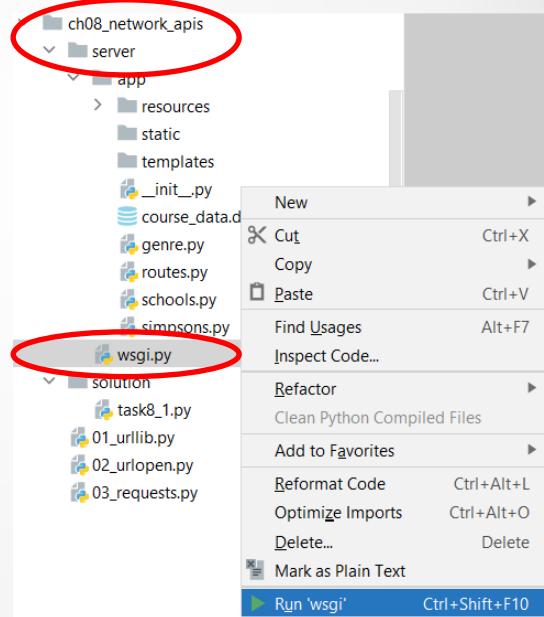
Output:

```
ParseResult(scheme='https', netloc='docs.python.org',
            path='/3/library/index.html', params='', query='', fragment='')
```

How to Run the Example

- Our Flask server from the previous chapter now supports additional requests
 - To run our server, from within PyCharm, right-click and Run the `wsgi.py` file within `ch08_network_apis/server`

You will need to approve when PyCharm prompts to allow the server to run



Working with the Server

- With the server running, the following URL are valid

```
http://localhost:8051/school?value=Loyola&column=fullname&sort_by=state
```

Sample output:

```
{"column": "fullname", "error_msg": "",  
 "results": ["Loyola Marymount University (Los Angeles, CA)",  
             "Loyola University Chicago (Chicago, IL)",  
             "Loyola University New Orleans (New Orleans, LA)",  
             "Loyola College in Maryland (Baltimore, MD)"],  
 "sort_by": "state", "value": "Loyola"}  
}
```

```
http://localhost:8051/simpsons?char_name=burns
```

Sample output:

```
{"name": "burns",  
 "results": [{"actor": "Christopher Collins (early season 1), Harry Shearer",  
             "episode_debut": "\"Simpsons Roasting on an Open Fire\"",  
             "name": "Charles Montgomery Burns",  
             "original_air_date": "1989-",  
             "role": "Owner of the Springfield Nuclear Power Plant."}]}
```

These URLs are available with the shown query strings (parameters) when the ch08_network_apis/server/wsgi.py server has been started.

The Python *requests* Module

- A popular Python 3rd party tool, called **requests**, is ideally suited for constructing web application network requests

`pip install requests`

- Typical usage syntax

```
import requests
```

```
req = requests.get('http://someURL')
req = requests.post('http://someURL', data={'key': 'value'})
req = requests.put('http://someURL', data={'key': 'value'})
req = requests.delete('http://someURL')
req = requests.head('http://someURL')
req = requests.options('http://someURL')
```

Useful req object attributes:

```
req.text
req.json()
req.cookies
req.content
req.url
req.status_code
req.headers
req.request.headers
req.request.body
```

While requests must be installed, it is very much worth it and is one of the best modules in all of Python.

Using Requests

```
feed = 'https://api.stackexchange.com/2.2/search?
        intitle=python&site=stackoverflow'
data_dict = requests.get(feed).json()
for question in data_dict.get('items', []):
    print(question.get('title'))
```

Google Speech Recognition Library in Python has Extremely Slow Times
 How to call a python function that returns a different number of objects
 Drop the value that matches the string from list in python

...
 Asynchronous execution of Python subprocess.Popen with wait()
 If statement combined with or statement to compare list elements in Python

- Alternate way (adding params later)

```
feed = 'https://api.stackexchange.com/2.2/search'
query_str = {'intitle': 'python', 'site': 'stackoverflow'}
data_dict = requests.get(feed, params=query_str).json()
print([question.get('title')
      for question in data_dict.get('items', [])])
```

ch08_network_apis/03_requests.py

The example shows how requests can make an HTTP get request, retrieve JSON-based data, and convert it to a Python dictionary using the .json() method.

request.get() supports an optional **params** argument that can be a dict, list, or string of query parameters to send in the request.

Requests and Basic Authentication

- Requests supports most types of authentication schemes including custom schemes
- It can make requests to perform **Basic Authentication** using the following syntax:

```
import requests
from requests.auth import HTTPBasicAuth

page = 'https://jigsaw.w3.org/HTTP/Basic/'

auth = HTTPBasicAuth('guest', 'guest')
page_text = requests.get(page, auth=auth).text

print(page_text)
```

ch08_network_apis/03_requests.py

Use the `HTTPBasicAuth` class in the `requests.auth` submodule to set up a Basic Authentication challenge. Requests will take care of the rest for you.

BeautifulSoup to Parse Results

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML//EN">
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Basic Authentication test page</title>
  <!-- Changed by: Yves Lafon, 22-Feb-1999 -->
  </head>

  <BODY BGCOLOR="white">
    <P>
      <A HREF=""><IMG SRC="/icons/jigsaw" ALT="Jigsaw" BORDER="0"
      WIDTH="212"
          HEIGHT="49"></A><IMG SRC="/icons/jigpower.gif" WIDTH="94"
      HEIGHT="52" ALT="Jigsaw Powered !"
          BORDER="0" ALIGN="Right">

    <P>
    <HR>
    <P>Your browser made it!
    </body>
  </html>
```

The following is the result following the Basic Auth request

```
soup = BeautifulSoup(page_text,
                     'html.parser')
print(soup.select('p')[2].text)
```

ch08_network_apis/03_requests.py

BeautifulSoup even handled the malformed HTML.

BeautifulSoup to Parse Results

- BeautifulSoup is a popular third-party Python add-on for parsing single HTML pages

```
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup

page = requests.get('http://www.cisco.com').text

soup = BeautifulSoup(page, 'html.parser')

print(soup.title)
print(soup.find_all('h2')) ← find_all() gives back a collection of elements

p_tags = soup.find_all('p')
print(len(p_tags))
print(p_tags[2].text)

high_priority = soup.select('.pri-0')
if len(high_priority) > 0:
    print(high_priority[0].text)
```

find_all() gives back a collection of elements

Uses CSS selector syntax to extract data from a page

ch08_network_apis/03_requests.py

Here, the Cisco home page is loaded by requests, then it is parsed within the BeautifulSoup parser. Numerous things are parsed from the document, including:

- The page title
- All of the <h2> tags on the page
- The text for the 3rd <p> tag on the page
- The text of the first element encountered with the class name of .pri-0.

Using the JSON Module

- The **json** module is a way of parsing JSON data when not using the requests module

```
import json
dict = json.loads(str)
json_str = json.dumps(dict)

data = r'''
{
    "name": "burns",
    "results": [{"actor": "Harry Shearer",
                 "episode_debut": "\"Simpsons Roasting\"",
                 "name": "Charles Montgomery Burns",
                 "original_air_date": "1989-",
                 "role": "Owner of Nuclear Power Plant."}
    ]
}
'''

result = json.loads(data)
print(result.get('results')[0].get('name')) Charles Montgomery Burns
```

ch08_network_apis/04_parsing_json.py

The example just takes the JSON data and passes into the loads() method. The result is a dictionary. To extract a piece of information like 'actor', you will need to access and drill down into the resulting dictionary.

The very bottom line works as follows:

- 1) Obtain the list associated with the results "property" in the JSON data. If there is no "results" property, fallback to a dictionary with an empty list.
- 2) We then did a .get() on the returned dictionary to retrieve the "actor."

Advanced JSON Handling

- JSON and Python type comparisons

Python Type	JSON Type
int, float	Number
str	string
list, tuple	array
dict	object
True	true
False	false
None	null

- To save a Python object as JSON to a file

```
with open('json_file_save.json', 'wt') as f:  
    json.dump(result, f)
```

dumps() converts to a string, while
dump() requires a file-like object to send the output to

ch08_network_apis/04_parsing_json.py

In an opposite way, the Python dict (result) on the previous slide is now converted back to JSON and saved to a file using dump()

Handling Non-serializable Fields

- Some JSON fields can't be converted
 - These require special handling

```
@dataclasses.dataclass
class Employee:
    first: str
    last: str
    salary: float
    hiredate: datetime.date

hired = datetime.date(1997, 10, 20)
empl = Employee('Thomas', 'Hanks', 22_000_000, hired)
```

```
json_str = json.dumps(vars(empl))
```

Error: Object of type `date`
is not JSON serializable

```
json_str = json.dumps(vars(empl), default=str)
print(json_str)
```

Works now!

```
{"first": "Thomas", "last": "Hanks", "salary": 22000000, "hiredate": "1997-10-20"}
```

ch08_network_apis/04_parsing_json.py

Here we are trying to encode the Python Employee object into a JSON format. But we are thwarted by the date field because it can't be converted (serialized). An easy fix to this problem is to use `default=str` which will convert the date to a string format first. But this doesn't give a lot of flexibility in formatting the date.

Custom Handling Non-serializable Fields

```

hired = datetime.date(1997, 10, 20)
empl = Employee('Thomas', 'Hanks', 22_000_000, hired)

class EmployeeEncoder(json.JSONEncoder):
    def default(self, obj):
        try:
            result = vars(obj)
        except (AttributeError, TypeError):
            if isinstance(obj, datetime.date):
                result = obj.strftime('%Y-%b-%d')
            else:
                result = '(unknown type)'
        return result

print(json.dumps(vars(empl), cls=EmployeeEncoder))

```

This fails on the date field

We manually define how to serialize it in the except block

```
{"first": "Thomas", "last": "Hanks", "salary": 22000000, "hiredate": "1997-Oct-20"}
```

ch08_network_apis/04_parsing_json.py

To customize the conversion on the hiredate, when the hiredate fails to serialize, the `default()` method of the `EmployeeEncoder` is invoked. Obj will represent the hiredate object. It will fail in the try block because it has no `__dict__` attribute causing `vars()` to fail. The except block will convert the obj for us and return a formatted result.

Your Turn! Task 8-1

Requests and Processing Responses

- Create a data class to encapsulate Simpsons data
- Retrieve this data from the server (it must be running) using requests
- Use the following URL

You may insert this value any way you wish

`http://localhost:8051/simpsons?char_name=Krusty`

- Insert the results into a dataclass and then write the object out to a file with the air date formatted as `%Y-%b-%d`

```
@dataclasses.dataclass
class Character:
    name: str
    actor: str
    role: str
    original_air_date: date
```

Follow the instructions within ch08_network_apis/task8_1_starter.py

Summary

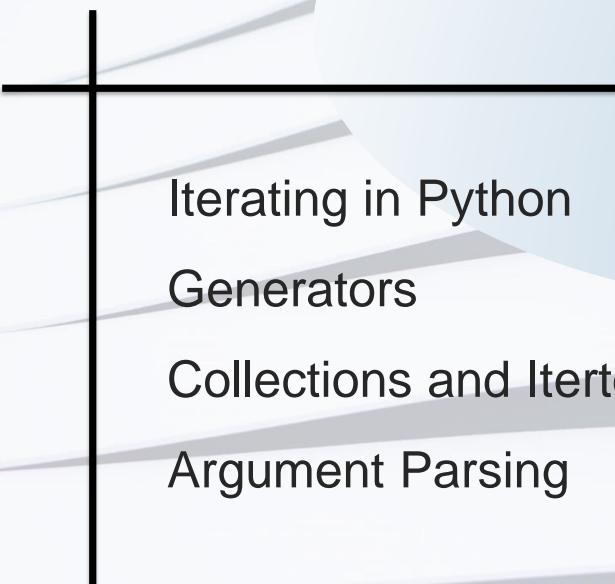
- Prefer `requests` over `urllib` whenever possible
- Use `requests` to parse JSON data whenever possible
- When parsing JSON data, be careful of fields that can't be JSON serialized
 - You will need often to deal with these manually

Chapter 9

Advanced Iterating Techniques

Additional Features and Modules to Aid with Iterating

Overview



Iterating in Python

Generators

Collections and Itertools

Argument Parsing

Creating Iterator Objects

- Python allows for creating custom iterators
 - It must meet two criteria:

```
class Something:
    def __init__(self, min=0,
                 max=5):
        self.count = min
        self.min = min
        self.max = max

    def __next__(self):
        val = self.count
        self.count += 1
        if self.count > self.max:
            raise StopIteration
        return val

    def __iter__(self):
        self.count = self.min
        return self
```

```
s = Something()
for i in s:
    print(i, end=' ')
    if i == 3:
        break

for i in s:
    print(i, end=' ')
```

0 1 2 3

0 1 2 3 4

```
s1 = Something(2, 5)
s2 = Something(10, 13)
for i in s1:
    print(i)
    for j in s2:
        print(j)
    print()
```

2
10 11 12
3
10 11 12
4
10 11 12

ch09_iterating/01_iterating.py

The two requirements when creating a class-based iterator are the implementation of `__next__()` and `__iter__()`.

`__iter__()` should return the object with the `__next__` method, which is generally the `self` (or current) object.

Special Iterators: Generators

- Special functions that return iterator objects
 - A `yield` in the function makes it return a generator
 - Invoking a generator does not begin executing it
 - Generators resume where they left off

The diagram illustrates the creation and iteration of a generator. On the left, a series of four print statements are shown:

```
print(gen.__next__())
print(gen.__next__())
print(gen.__next__())
print(gen.__next__())
```

An annotation above these statements states: `__next__()` is considered private, however, it's okay to call `next(gen)`.

In the center, the output of the first two `__next__()` calls is shown as `<class 'generator'>`. An annotation above this output states: When invoked, this function will return a generator object.

To the right, the code for the generator function is shown:

```
def a_generator(min_val, max_val):
    current_val = min_val
    while current_val <= max_val:
        yield current_val
        current_val += 1

gen = a_generator(3, 5)
print(type(gen))

for val in gen:
    print(val)
```

The output of the generator is shown as three lines: 3, 4, 5. An annotation below the last line asks: What will this bottom statement do?

ch09_iterating/02_generator.py

Generators can retrieve or return resources "on-demand" or "as-needed". They work in a similar fashion to the iterator created on the previous slide. Generators have a `__next__()` method.

How does the generator pause and resume? Internally when a function is called it creates what is called a stack frame. This stack frame is suspended (placed on "pause" if you will) and resumed when it picks up again from the `yield` statement. When the generator completes, the function has run to conclusion and the stack frame is discarded.

Retrieving One Word At a Time

- Consider the following example
 - Suppose we want to create a function that reads from a file and allows us to iterate over the results *printing one word at a time*

```
def read_words(filename='data.txt'):  
    total_words = []  
    try:  
        with open(filename, encoding='utf8') as f:  
            for line in f:  
                line_words = line.strip().split()  
                total_words.extend(line_words)  
    except IOError as err:  
        print(err, file=sys.stderr)  
  
    return total_words  
  
for word in read_words():  
    print(word)
```

What happens if
data.txt is a 30Gb file?

ch09_iterating/03_read_words.py

This example is straight forward presenting nothing we haven't learned already. It opens a file, reads all the words in it, line-by-line, and stores the results in a list. It returns the list and then uses it in a for loop to individually present the words.

One Word At a Time (Generator Version)

Presence of `yield` prevents this from being executed like a typical function

```
def read_words_generator(filename='data.txt'):
    try:
        with open(filename, encoding='utf8') as f:
            for line in f:
                line_words = line.strip().split()
                for one_word in line_words:
                    yield one_word
    except IOError as e:
        print(e)

for word in read_words_generator():
    print(word)
```

`yield` returns `one_word` and pauses execution

The generator can be passed into a for-loop. It runs to the `yield` each time and returns `one_word`

ch09_iterating/03_read_words.py

The generator-based version works more like the requirements called for. It actually returns a single word at a time instead of returning a list as in the previous example. Also, this file can be as large as we want as only one line at a time is needed within memory.

Dictionary Comprehensions

- Similar to list comprehensions, **dictionary comprehensions** create dictionaries

```
new_dict = {key:value for item in iterable if conditional}
```

```
data = {'January': 31, 'February': 28, 'March': 31, 'April': 30,
        'May': 31, 'June': 30, 'July': 31, 'August': 31,
        'September': 30, 'October': 31, 'November': 30,
        'December': 31
}
day31_months = { k:data[k] for k in data if data[k] > 30 }
print(day31_months)
```

```
{'August': 31, 'July': 31, 'December': 31, 'January':
31, 'May': 31, 'March': 31, 'October': 31}
```

ch09_iterating/04_comprehensions.py

Set Comprehensions

- Set comprehensions create sets from iterables

```
new_set = { item for item in iterable if conditional }
```

```
days_set = {days for days in data.values()}

print(days_set)
```

```
{28, 30, 31}
```

ch09_iterating/04_comprehensions.py

Generator Expressions

- **Generator expressions** are like list comprehensions
 - List comprehensions generate the entire data structure *into memory*, however
 - Generator expressions will generate values that are used on-demand (only as needed)

```
gen_exp = ( item for item in iterable if conditional )
```

```
# list comprehension
lc = [k for k in range(55) if k % 5 == 0]
# generator expression
ge = (k for k in range(55) if k % 5 == 0)

for val1, val2 in zip(ge, lc):
    print(val1, val2)
```

```
0 0
5 5
10 10
...
50 50
```

Both of these yield equal results, so what is the difference?

ch09_iterating/04_comprehensions.py

By far, the most useful in terms of performance and memory consideration is also the least well-known of this group of structures. The generator expression yields values back as needed. Therefore, the entire data doesn't need to be resident in memory all at once. The list comprehension version, on the other hand, creates everything in memory up front and then you begin working on it. So, in the example above, at the start of the for-loop, the lc variable resides entirely in memory already while ge hasn't begun doing anything yet!

Tools within *collections*

- **defaultdict()** - a dict that doesn't raise a KeyError when an invalid key is supplied

```
d = defaultdict(function)
```

- If an invalid key is supplied, it invokes the provided function and inserts the return value into the dictionary for that key

```
from collections import defaultdict  
  
d1 = defaultdict(str)  
d1['greet1'] = 'hello'  
print(d1['greet1'])  
print(d1['greet2'])
```

Works as expected

Not valid, invokes the str() constructor as a default

Initially d1 ['greet2'] will be a KeyError, so the default value from str() which is " (empty string) will be used

ch09_iterating/05_defaultdict.py

In the example above, an invalid key is supplied (greet2). However, a KeyError isn't raised. Instead, the key is added, and an empty string is provided as the value.

The Counter Class

- The Counter class is a *dict* type that can assist in tracking occurrences

```
from collections import Counter

items = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 4, 4, 3, 4, 5, 2, 0, 7, 4, 5, 6]

top_most = Counter(items).most_common(1)
print(top_most)                                [(4, 5)]

top_two_most = Counter(items).most_common(2)
print(top_two_most)                            [(4, 5), (5, 3)]

top_three_most = Counter(items).most_common(3)
print(top_three_most)                         [(4, 5), (5, 3), (2, 2)]
```

Defines how many "mosts" to return.
In this case, the top three are returned

Each returned "most" is a tuple of two values:
most, num_occurrences

ch09_iterating/06_counter.py

Counter is very easy to use. The tricky part is understanding what is returned. `most_common(int)` accepts an integer that identifies how many top items to return. `most_common(10)`, for example, returns the top 10 items. Each returned item is actually a tuple. So, `most_common(10)` returns 10 tuples. Within each tuple will be two values. The first value is the item that occurred, and the second value is how many times the value occurred.

itertools Iterators

- **itertools** provides numerous types of iterators
 - Iterators behave like generators, use them iteratively

accumulate()	-	accumulates values from an iterable
chain()	-	chains multiple iterables together returning another iterator
count(start, step)	-	increment values
cycle()	-	cycles elements, repeating when exhausted
repeat(obj, n)	-	repeats an object n times
product()	-	cartesian product
starmap()	-	similar to map, arguments can be packaged up
filterfalse()	-	iterate items only if condition is true
takewhile()	-	iterate as long as a condition is true, including items
dropwhile()	-	iterate as long as a condition is true, excluding items
zip_longest(iters, fillvalue)	iterates parallel items stopping after the longest	
compress()	-	provide individual filters on each item, drop false filter values

There are additional iterators in the `itertools` module.

Generators are iterators. Iterators are merely objects that implement `__iter__` and `__next__` (like our example at the start of the chapter). This was an iterator. Generators are forms of iterators that are created with a `yield` statement within a function.

Examples From *itertools*

```
from itertools import chain, islice, count

list1 = [1, 2, 3]
list2 = [4, 5, 6]
list3 = [7, 8, 9]
chained_list = chain(list1, list2, list3)
print(list(chained_list))
```

chain() returns an iterator, not a new list

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]

```
with Path('../resources/cities15000_info.txt')
    .open(encoding='utf-8') as f:
    for line in islice(f, 7, None):
        print(line.strip())
```

start stop

islice(iter, start, stop)
starts reading the file after the header

```
iterable = count(start=10, step=10)
while (val := next(iterable)) <= 50:
    print(val)
```

Walrus operator (Py3.8+)

10
20
30
40
50

count(start, step) iterates indefinitely until told to stop
(useful when an upper bound is not known)

ch09_iterating/07_itertools.py

Here are 3 examples of various iterators found in the *itertools* module.

The first example returns an iterator that iterates (sequentially) over multiple iterables without creating a single structure first.

The second example uses the *islice()* iterator to begin returning lines from a file starting at line seven. It reads the first seven lines (it starts at zero) but throws them out (skips them) and begins providing lines from the file starting at line 7. The *None* value represents a stop value (*None* = go until file is finished).

The last example illustrates the *count()* iterator. It iterates until it is told to stop. There is no upper bound. This can be useful when you don't know how high you need to iterate up to. This example also uses a walrus operator, which performs an assignment in the middle of an on-going expression. Here, due to the assignment syntax, the parentheses are needed around the entire expression in the *while*.

Your Turn! Task 9-1

Iterating Techniques

- Revisit *cities15000.txt* from earlier
- Use `collections.Counter`
 - Determine the *country* with the most cities from this file
 - Read column 9 (index value 8) which represents the *country_code*
 - See `task9_1_starter.py` for more info
 - Determine the 10 ten countries with the most cities over 15000 people?

Index 8 (column 9)
Count these for
each country

cities15000.txt

Frankston South AU
Sunshine West AU
Altona Meadows AU
Hurstville AU
West Pennant AU
Oranjestad AW
Mariehamn AX
Xankandi AZ

Your Turn! Task 9-2

Generators and Iterators

- Revisit *task9_1_starter.py*
- Refactor the previous exercise
 - Modify the code used to read from the file
 - Convert it to a generator
 - Do this by placing the code in a function and **yielding** back a single country code each time
 - Test it out
- Advanced: If you get it working, attempt your solution using a **generator expression**

If this were a very large file, what advantage would this version have over Task 9-1?

argparse

```
import argparse
parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
parser.add_argument('-g', '--greet',
                    help='A howdy do.', required=True)
args = parser.parse_args()

print(args.greet)
```

Argparse is a standard library module that makes it easy to work with command-line arguments

Run with no arguments

```
>python 08_argparse1.py
usage: 08_argparse1.py [-h] -g GREET
08_argparse1.py: error: the following arguments are required: -g/--greet
```

Run with -h argument

```
>python 08_argparse1.py -h
usage: 08_argparse1.py [-h] -g GREET

options:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  -g GREET, --greet GREET
                        A howdy do.
```

Run with -g argument

```
>python 08_argparse1.py -g Hello
Hello
```

Run with --greet arg

```
>python 08_argparse1.py --greet Hello
Hello
```

ch09_iterating/08_argparse1.py

This module will parse a list of arguments (usually sys.argv command-line arguments when parser.parse_args() is left empty). There are quite a number of options associated with using this module. These slides attempt only to provide the basic options. Please consult the documentation for additional configuration options.

Argparse Options (1 of 2)

```

def get_args():
    parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
    parser.add_argument('-v', '--value', nargs='*', required=True)
    parser.add_argument('-c', '--column', default='fullname')
    parser.add_argument('-s', '--sort_by', default='fullname')
    parser.add_argument('-e', '--show_error', action='store_true')

    return parser.parse_args()

args = get_args()
results, error_msg = find(args.value, args.column, args.sort_by)
if results:
    print(results)
elif args.show_error:
    print(error_msg, file=sys.stderr)

```

From our schools exercises

ch09_iterating/09_argparse2.py

From the above example:

'-v' or '--value' is required. No default value is supplied.

`nargs="*"` says to accept multiple values separated by a space. ?, +, or an integer may also be provided to indicate optional, 1 or more, or an exact number of arguments.

Though not shown, values can be typed, as in `type=int`.

`action='store_true'` means if the switch is present, save it as a boolean with the value True

Argparse Options (2 of 2)

```
>python 09_argparse2.py
usage: 09_argparse2.py [-h] -v [VALUE ...] [-c COLUMN] [-s SORT_BY] [-e]
09_argparse2.py: error: the following arguments are required: -v/--value
Run with no arguments

>python 09_argparse2.py -v loyola
Database connection opened!
Querying...
Database connection closed!
[Loyola College in Maryland (Baltimore, MD), Loyola Marymount University (Los Angeles, CA), Loyola University Chicago (Chicago, IL), Loyola University New Orleans (New Orleans, LA)]
Run with -v loyola

>python 09_argparse2.py -v nv -c state -e
Database connection opened!
Querying...
Database connection closed!
[College of Southern Nevada (Henderson, NV), University of Nevada-Las Vegas (Las Vegas, NV), University of Nevada-Reno (Reno, NV)]
Run with -v nv -c state -e

>python 09_argparse2.py -v co -c state -e -s city
Database connection opened!
Querying...
Database connection closed!
[University of Colorado (Boulder, CO), Colorado College (Colorado Springs, CO), University of Denver (Denver, CO), Fort Lewis College (Durango, CO), Colorado State University (Fort Collins, CO), Colorado School of Mines (Golden, CO), Mesa State College (Grand Junction, CO), University of Northern Colorado (Greeley, CO), Lamar Community College (Lamar, CO), Colorado State University-Pueblo (Pueblo, CO), Trinidad State Junior College (Trinidad, CO)]
Run with -v co -c state -e -s city

>python 09_argparse2.py -v nv -c foo -e
Column not allowed.
Run with -v nv -c foo -e
```

ch09_iterating/09_argparse2.py

The script is run numerous times with varying options. Each time, argparse is used to parse the arguments and perform the task.

Your Turn! Task 9-3

Argument Parsing

- Re-visit the country counting exercise (either task9-1 or task9-2)

- Use the `argparse` module
- Display the top countries based on a command-line option, as in:

```
python task9_3_starter.py -c 5
```

or

```
python task9_3_starter.py --count 5
```

if no count argument is supplied let the default be 3

Summary (1 of 3)

- Let's review the techniques we've learned for iterating

```
for item in enumerate([5, 8, 9], 10):  
    print(item[0], item[1])
```

10 5
11 8
12 9

```
for item in enumerate([5, 8, 9], 10):  
    print('({}, {})'.format(*item))
```

(10, 5)
(11, 8)
(12, 9)

```
for (count, value) in enumerate([5, 8, 9], 10):  
    print(count, value)
```

10 5
11 8
12 9

```
for count, value in enumerate([5, 8, 9], 10):  
    print(count, value)
```

10 5
11 8
12 9

ch09_iterating/11_iterating_summary.py

Summary (2 of 3)

```
for item in reversed([5, 8, 9]):  
    print(item)  
  
for item in enumerate(reversed([5, 8, 9])):  
    print(item)  
  
array1 = ['a', 'b', 'c']  
array2 = [30, 40, 50]  
for item1, item2 in zip(array1, array2):  
    print(item1, item2)  
  
from itertools import chain  
for item in chain(array1, array2):  
    print(item, end=' ')
```

9
8
5

(0, 9)
(1, 8)
(2, 5)

a 30
b 40
c 50

a b c 30 40 50

ch09_iterating/11_iterating_summary.py

Summary (3 of 3)

```
def my_generator():
    values = [1, 2, 3]
    for i in values:
        yield i
```

You can check for membership:

```
if 1 in my_generator():
    print('it\'s there!')
```

4 Ways to Run a Generator:

- 1 `for i in my_generator():
 print(i)`
- 2 `results = list(my_generator())
print(results)`
- 3 `print(*my_generator())`
- 4 `g = my_generator()
print(g.__next__())
print(next(g))
print(next(g))`

Doesn't behave like a normal function call

You cannot:

```
print(my_generator())
print(my_generator()[0])
print(len(my_generator()))
```

`len()` and indexing are not supported

ch09_iterating/12_generator_summary.py

Chapter 10

Advanced Functions



More Decorators Than You'll Know What To Do With

Overview

Closures

Decorators

Functional Programming Methods

Introducing Python Decorators

- Selling point: *what if we could modify someone's code without ever touching that original code?*
 - **Decorators** can do this (*in a way*)
- Decorators give creators the ability to take control of someone else's code, modify it, and conform it to the way they would like
- *Decorators are a little tricky to wrap your head around*, and as such, we'll ease into them by introducing some concepts related to functions...

Names of Functions Are References

```
def some_func(val):
    print(val)

some_func('Calling the function.')

another_func = some_func

another_func('Calling the function.')
```

The name of a function is a reference to that function in memory

If we create another variable, it could be made to "point" to this function also

Calling the function.
Calling the function.

ch10_adv_functions/01_decorators.py

Functions Are First-Class Objects

```
def increment(val, amount):
    return val + amount

def decrement(val, amount):
    return val - amount

def op(func, data, amt):
    result = func(data, amt)
    return result

print(op(increment, 5, 3))
print(op(decrement, 3, 2))
```

Functions can be passed
into other functions

8
1

ch10_adv_functions/02_decorators.py

Creating and Returning Functions

```
def display_width(width):
    def display(val):
        print(val[:width] + '...')
    return display

formatter = display_width(15)

data = 'This is a long string that will be truncated.'
formatter(data)
```

The display() function is created within another function

It also gets returned from the outer function

This is a long ...

ch10_adv_functions/03_decorators.py

Closures

```
from urllib.request import urlopen

def set_url(url):
    def load():
        return urlopen(url).read()
    return load

get_google = set_url('http://www.google.com')
results = get_google()
print(results)
```

load() is created and returned within set_url()

load() is called a **closure**

load() can "see" the variables of the outer function (like url)

ch10_adv_functions/04_decorators.py

Closures are functions defined within other functions. They have several interesting properties/benefits:

1. They provide a form of encapsulation (private-ness).
2. They can "see" the variables of the outer function.
3. They lead to the decorator pattern (discussed shortly).

Issues with Closures and *nonlocal*

- Closures can't easily modify variables of the outer functions

```
def outer_function():
    x = 3

    def my_closure():
        x += 1
        print(x)

    my_closure()

outer_function()
```

Error!

```
def outer_function():
    x = [3]

    def my_closure():
        x[0] += 1
        print(x[0])

    my_closure()

outer_function()
```

Works, but hacky!

```
def outer_function():
    x = 3

    def my_closure():
        nonlocal x
        x += 1
        print(x)

    my_closure()

outer_function()
```

Works!

ch10_adv_functions/05_decorators.py

The closure can access the outer function's variables; however, it cannot modify them if they are immutable. This is because it would be perceived as trying to "create" a new, local variable within the closure function.

The fix, while hacky, solves the dilemma of being unable to modify the variable of the outer function. It uses a "mutable" object whose contents can be modified without ever changing the reference to the original data structure, thus making it work the way we want. Yet it is not really ideal.

The Python keyword, *nonlocal*, provides this specific capability we need. It brings in the variable from the outer-scoped function, making it usable within our nested function.

An Undecorated Function

```
def shortener(func):
    width = 15
    def wrapper(val):
        val = val[:width] + '...'
        func(val)
    return wrapper

def display(val):
    print(val)

data = 'This is a long string that will be truncated.'
display(data)      This is a long string that will be truncated.
```

Despite the strange looking function at the top, there is nothing new happening in this example yet

ch10_adv_functions/06_decorators.py

Wrapping the Original Function

```
def shortener(func):
    width = 15
    def wrapper(val):
        val = val[:width] + '....'
        func(val)
    return wrapper

def display(val):
    print(val)

display = shortener(display)
display(data)
```

The original display() function was passed into shortener() which then returns wrapper()

This is a long ...

Display() here is actually wrapper!

ch10_adv_functions/07_decorators.py

This example shows how when wrapper is returned from shortener, display receives the returned value and therefore "becomes" the wrapper function.
In effect, we have "swapped" out (replaced) the display function for wrapper.

Applying the Decorator Syntax

```
def shortener(func):
    width = 15
    def wrapper(val):
        val = val[:width] + '...'
        func(val)
    return wrapper

@shortener
def display(val):
    print(val)

data = 'This is a long string that will be truncated.'
display(data)
```

There it is! The decorator syntax in Python. This syntax is equivalent to:
`display = short_formatter(display)`

ch10_adv_functions/08_decorators.py

We finally arrive at the Python decorator notation.

The Python Decorator Pattern

```
def decorator(some_func):  
    def wrapper(name):  
        print('This is the wrapper.')  
        return some_func(name)  
    return wrapper
```

```
@decorator  
def display(name):  
    print(f'Hi, {name}')
```

```
display('Johnny')
```

With this notation, you never had access to the original function

This is actually calling `wrapper`

ch10_adv_functions/09_decorators.py

Improper Arguments

```

def shortener(func):
    width = 15
    def wrapper(val):
        val = val[:width] + '...'
        return func(val)
    return wrapper

@shortener
def display(val):
    print(val)

@shortener
def display_info(name, address):
    print(name, address)

data = 'This is a long string that will be truncated.'
display(data)
display_info('Johnny', '124 Main St.')

```

The decorator works fine here

Yikes!--these arguments do not match
wrapper() and will cause an error when
this code runs

This is a long ...

TypeError: wrapper() takes 1 positional
argument but 2 were given

ch10_adv_functions/10_decorators.py

Decorators are usually meant to be applied to any function. This means the functions could have varying arguments. When we swap out the original function with the wrapper, the arguments may not match up properly.

Making Decorators Work Flexibly

```

def shortener(func):
    width = 15
    def wrapper(*args):
        arguments = []
        for arg in args:
            if isinstance(arg, str):
                arguments.append(arg[:width])
            else:
                arguments.append(arg)
        return func(*arguments)
    return wrapper

@shortener
def display(val):
    print(val)

@shortener
def display_info(name, address):
    print(name, address)

data = 'This is a long string that will be truncated.'
display(data)
display_info('Kiefer William Frederick Dempsey George Sutherland',
            '123 Chancellor Matheson Road')
    
```

Modifying wrapper() allows any positional arguments to be passed in

Any arguments that are strings are shortened, anything else is left as is

Our decorator now works for both of these functions

This is a long

Kiefer William 123 Chancellor

ch10_adv_functions/11_decorators.py

In this revised version, wrapper() has been refactored to support any number of positional arguments. This allows it to replace the display_info() function.

Even More Flexibly (1 of 2)

```
def shortener(func):
    width = 15
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        arguments = []
        for arg in args:
            if isinstance(arg, str):
                arguments.append(arg[:width])
            else:
                arguments.append(arg)

        key_args = {key: val[:width] for key, val in kwargs.items()
                    if isinstance(val, str)}

        return func(*arguments, **key_args)
    return wrapper

@shortener
def display(val):
    print(val)
```

wrapper() now accepts and works with any arguments

ch10_adv_functions/12_decorators.py

In this final version, our wrapper() now supports all positional and all keyword arguments. This makes it flexible enough to use with any function that we want to decorate.

Even More Flexibly (2 of 2)

```
@shortener
def display_info(name, address):
    print(name, address)

data = 'This is a long string that will be truncated.'
display(data)                                This is a long

display_info('Kiefer William Frederick Dempsey George Sutherland',
            address='123 Chancellor Matheson Road')
```

Keyword arguments are no problem now

Kiefer William 123 Chancellor

ch10_adv_functions/12_decorators.py

5 Examples of Decorators: #1

```
def trace(orig_func):
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        print(f'Calling: {orig_func.__name__}... ')
        return orig_func(*args, **kwargs)
    return wrapper

@trace
def func2(val):
    print(val)

@trace
def func1(val):
    func2(val)

func1(val='hello')
```

Calling: func1...
Calling: func2...
hello

ch10_adv_functions/13_decorators.py

This example will inform us when a function has been invoked. This version requires us to place the decorator above the function, but don't forget we can always use the alternate syntax:

```
orig = decorator(orig)
```

5 Examples of Decorators: #2

```
def count(func):
    call_count = 0

    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        nonlocal call_count
        call_count += 1
        print(f'{func.__name__}, call #{call_count}')
        return func(*args, **kwargs)
    return wrapper

@count
def func1(greeting: str = 'hi, there'):
    print(greeting)

func1('hello')
func1(greeting='howdy')
func1('hey')
func1()
```

func1, call #1
hello
func1, call #2
howdy
func1, call #3
hey
func1, call #4
hi, there

ch10_adv_functions/14_decorators.py

This example tracks the number of times a function is called. Note the use of nonlocal in order to be able to modify the variable of the outer function (call_count).

5 Examples of Decorators: #3

```

from itertools import islice
from pathlib import Path
import time

def profile(orig_func):
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        start = time.time()
        ret = orig_func(*args, **kwargs)
        finish = time.time()
        print(f'{orig_func.__name__} took
              {(finish - start):.2f}sec')
        return ret
    return wrapper

@profile
def func1(filepath):
    with Path(filepath).open(encoding='utf-8') as f:
        for count, line in enumerate(islice(f, None, None, 2)):
            print(line.strip() [:-1])
    return count

print(f'func1("../resources/access_.log") lines read.')

```

This function merely opens the file and reads every other line from it, printing the lines out in reverse

func1 took 0.45sec
49999 lines read.

ch10_adv_functions/15_decorators.py

This decorator measures the start and end time when executing a function. `func1()` in this example will read every other line from the file (via `islice`), reverse the line, and print it. The decorator measures how long this will take.

The parameters for `islice` are `islice(iterator, start, stop, step)`.

5 Examples of Decorators: #4

```
class Transactional(object):
    def __init__(self, session):
        self.session = session

    def tx(self, func):
        def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
            ret=None
            self.session.begin()
            try:
                ret = func(*args, **kwargs)
                self.session.commit()
            except Exception as err:
                print(err, file=sys.stderr)
                self.session.rollback()

            return ret
        return wrapper
```

Any method decorated with
`Transactional.tx` will begin a transaction
and then either commit() or rollback()

```
class Session:
    def begin(self):
        print('begin')

    def commit(self):
        print('commit')

    def rollback(self):
        print('rollback')
```

```
tx = Transactional(Session())
```

`@tx.tx` Replaces work with wrapper

```
def work():
    print('doing work')
work()
```

ch10_adv_functions/16_decorators.py

This example is slightly more complex than the previous ones, yet it achieves some unique and powerful features. First of all, it demonstrates the use of a class that contains a method that holds the decorator function (`tx`). Within the decorator, a transaction is begun and then committed or rolled back depending on whether an exception occurs along the way. Notice the calling of `func()` before committing. `func()` refers to our original function (or `work()` in this case).

The `begin/commit/rollback` methods aren't real here, in fact, they come from the contrived `Session` class. This class simulates our transactional behavior.

5 Examples of Decorators: #5 (1 of 2)

```

def cache_call(orig_func):
    cache = {}

    def wrapper(*args):
        if args not in cache:
            ret = orig_func(*args)
            cache[args] = ret
            wrapper.misses += 1
        else:
            wrapper.hits += 1

        return cache[args]

    wrapper.hits = 0
    wrapper.misses = 0

    return wrapper

```

The example shows a decorator that behaves like a function-level cache

The `cache_call` decorator can be used on slow functions that are called frequently with the repeated parameter sets

These track how much the cache is used

ch10_adv_functions/17_decorators.py

The example uses a decorator to cache results. When a function is called, the results are stored in a dictionary (the actual cache). Any time the function is called again, the cache can be checked to see if the arguments have already been used and if so, draw from the cache instead of calling the actual function.

This type of solution can be useful anytime a function call is expense (time consuming).

Not shown above: To avoid adding confusion, the use of the `@wraps` decorator (shown in the source file) was not included here. `@wraps` comes from the `functools` module and causes the name of the original function to be retained. In other words, our output shows the name "func1" in the output (see next slide) instead of "wrapper" because of the use of the `@wraps` decorator placed above `wrapper`. To see its usage, view the source file.

5 Examples of Decorators: #5 (2 of 2)

```
@cache_call
def func1(*args):
    return f'Calling {func1.__name__} with args: {args}'

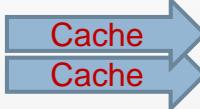
print(func1(1))
print(func1(1, 2, 3))
print(func1('hello'))
print(func1(1))
print(func1('hello'))
print(func1(1, 2))

print(f'Cache hits: {func1.hits}, cache misses: {func1.misses}')
```

Each of these calls is actually the wrapper

These will not call the original function,
instead they will draw from the cache

Calling func1 with args: (1,)
 Calling func1 with args: (1, 2, 3)
 Calling func1 with args: ('hello',)
 Calling func1 with args: (1,)
 Calling func1 with args: ('hello',)
 Calling func1 with args: (1, 2)
 Cache hits: 2, cache misses: 4



ch10_adv_functions/17_decorators.py

Our function, func1, is called six times with two of those calls using repeated arguments. This causes the cache to be hit instead of the function getting called.

Using the `functools` Cache Decorator

```
from functools import lru_cache

@lru_cache
def func1(*args, **kwargs):
    return f'Calling {func1.__name__} with:{args} and {kwargs}.'
```

print(func1(1))
print(func1(1, 2, 3))
print(func1('hello'))
print(func1(1))
print(func1('hello'))
print(func1(1, 2))
print(func1(1, 2, 'hello'))
print(func1(1, val=2, item=3))
print(func1(1, val=2))
print(func1(1, val=2, item=3))
print(func1(1, item=3, val=2))
print(func1.cache_info())

The `functools` module provides cache decorator already called
`@lru_cache()`

Calling func1 with: (1,) and {}.
Calling func1 with: (1, 2, 3) and {}.
Calling func1 with: ('hello',) and {}.
Calling func1 with: (1,) and {}.
Calling func1 with: ('hello',) and {}.
Calling func1 with: (1, 2) and {}.
Calling func1 with: (1, 2, 'hello') and {}.
Calling func1 with: (1,) and {'val': 2, 'item': 3}.
Calling func1 with: (1,) and {'val': 2}.
Calling func1 with: (1,) and {'val': 2, 'item': 3}.
Calling func1 with args: (1,) and {'item': 3, 'val': 2}.

`CacheInfo(hits=3, misses=8, maxsize=128, currsize=8)`

ch10_adv_functions/18_decorators.py

The cache decorator already exists in Python. It's called `lru_cache` and can be found in the `functools` module. It provides a `cache_info()` method for examining how much the cache is used. It is also parameterized so that it can identify how big the cache can be.

Can You Decorate a Decorator?

```

def lowercaser(func):
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        arguments = []
        for arg in args:
            if isinstance(arg, str):
                arg = arg.lower()
            arguments.append(arg)

        kwargs = {key:val.lower() for key, val in kwargs.items()
                  if isinstance(val, str)}
        return func(*arguments, **kwargs)
    return wrapper

@lowercaser
@shortener
def display_info(name, address):
    print(name, address)

display_info('Kiefer William Frederick Dempsey George Sutherland',
            address='123 Chancellor Matheson Road')

```

It is possible to apply multiple decorators by "stacking" them

kiefer william 123 chancellor

ch10_adv_functions/19_decorators.py

It is legal for a decorator to "decorate" an already decorated function. This will first decorate the original function with dec2, then it replaces dec2's wrapper with dec1's wrapper function.

Can A Class Be A Decorator?

```

from numbers import Number

class check_numeric:
    def __init__(self, func):
        self.func = func

    def __call__(self, *args, **kwargs):
        retval = 'Invalid argument supplied. Must be numeric.'

        check_args = all(isinstance(arg, Number) for arg in args)
        check_kwargs = all(isinstance(val, Number)
                           for val in kwargs.values())
        if check_args and check_kwargs:
            retval = self.func(*args, **kwargs)

        return retval

@check_numeric
def sum(x, y):
    return f'Result: {x + y}'

print(sum(10, 3.5))
print(sum(0, 'Johnny'))

```

Here, our **check_numeric** **decorator** verifies if arguments to a function are numeric

Implement the **__call__** magic method, which serves as the "wrapper"

Result: 13.5
Invalid argument supplied. Must be numeric.

ch10_adv_functions/20_decorators.py

The **__call__** method makes a class appear "invokable". When a class decorator is used, the **__init__** is still called to initialize the new object created, but the **__call__** method actually becomes the "wrapper" function. **@dec** replaces the original function with the **__call__** version.

Can You Decorate a Class?

```

def dec(cls):
    orig_init = cls.__init__      Save the class' original constructor

    def __init__(self, *args, **kwargs):
        print('doing something before')
        orig_init(self, *args, **kwargs)
        print('doing something after')

    cls.__init__ = __init__        Replace the class's
                                constructor with a new one

    return cls                   Return the modified
                                class containing the
                                modified constructor

@dec
class Foo(object):
    def __init__(self):
        print('original init')

Foo()

```

A great example of this is the `@dataclass` decorator

do something first
original init
do something last

ch10_adv_functions/21_decorators.py

This example uses a function decorator to decorate a class. It does this by passing the class to be decorated into the function, saving the class's original constructor, and changing the constructor to a new function (that invokes the original internally).

Can Decorators Take Arguments? (1 of 2)

It is possible to create decorators that accept arguments

```
class output_formatter:
    def __init__(self, mask=None, allcaps=False):
        self.mask = mask
        self.allcaps = allcaps

    def __call__(self, f):
        def wrapper(*args):
            if self.allcaps:
                args = tuple([arg.upper() for arg in args])
            if self.mask:
                args = (args[0], '*****') + args[2:]

            retval = f(*args)
            return retval

        return wrapper
```

Arguments are now passed into the decorator class which will show up in the class `__init__()`

The wrapper can "see" the **allcaps** and **mask** attributes via the `self` parameter

ch10_adv_functions/22_decorators.py

This example illustrates the use of a class decorator that accepts arguments. It allows for a mask and allcaps argument to make the arguments to the function uppercase if set to true and will mask the last name if set to True. The solution technically uses a wrapper around a wrapper. The function called `wrapper` "wraps" the original function, while the function called `__call__` wraps that `wrapper` function. The `__call__` function provides instance variables that are visible to the `wrapper` function, while the `wrapper` function can replace and invoke the original function. Think of it as two layers of wrapping to achieve the effect.

Can Decorators Take Arguments? (2 of 2)

The arguments are available in the
__call__() method through self

```
@output_formatter(mask=True, allcaps=True)
def my_func(first, last):
    print('{fn} {ln}'.format(fn=first, ln=last))

@output_formatter(False, allcaps=False)
def my_func2(first, last):
    print('{fn} {ln}'.format(fn=first, ln=last))

my_func('Bill', 'Smith')
my_func2('Bill', 'Smith')
```

BILL ****
Bill Smith

ch10_adv_functions/22_decorators.py

The *logging* Module

- Use the logging module to log output to a file (or elsewhere)
 - Import `logging` for this purpose
 - It provides many basic logging capabilities
 - Formatting of output
 - Log levels
 - Multiple output handlers
 - Set your log filename logging level (DEBUG, INFO, WARN, ERROR, CRITICAL)

```
import logging
logging.basicConfig(level=logging.DEBUG,
                    filename='/temp/logfile.log')
logging.debug('Logging started.')
```

Module-level logger used here

ch10_adv_functions/23_logging.py

Additional Configuration

- To create module-level logger

```
my_logger = logging.getLogger(__name__)
my_logger.setLevel(logging.DEBUG)
```

Logger named after
the module name

```
handler1 = logging.FileHandler('c:/temp/logfile.log')
formatter=logging.Formatter(fmt='%(asctime)s %(name)-12s
                                %(levelname)-8s %(message)s',
                                datefmt='%m-%d %H:%M:%S')
handler1.setFormatter(formatter)

my_logger.addHandler(handler1)
```

Use a *RotatingFileHandler* instead of a *FileHandler* to
configure how to swap out log files that grow large

ch10_adv_functions/23_logging.py

Loading Config From a File

- Loggers may load info from a config file

```
[loggers]
keys=root
[handlers]
keys=consoleHandler,
      fileHandler
[formatters]
keys=formatter
[logger_root]
level=DEBUG
handlers=consoleHandler,
          fileHandler
[handler_consoleHandler]
class=StreamHandler
level=DEBUG
formatter=formatter
args=(sys.stdout,)

import logging
import logging.config
logging.config.fileConfig('./logging.ini',
                         disable_existing_loggers=True)
logging.info('Loaded from ini.')

[handler_fileHandler]
class=FileHandler
level=DEBUG
formatter=formatter
args=('demo_config.log',)

[formatter_formatter]
format=%(asctime)s - %(name)s - \
        %(levelname)s - %(message)s
```

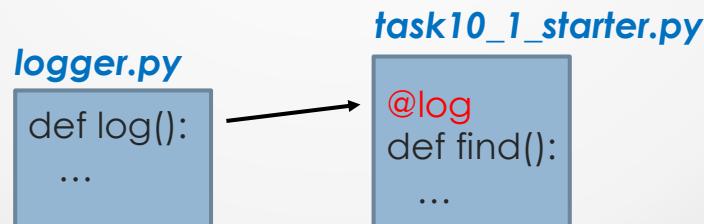
ch10_adv_functions/24_more_logging.py and logging.ini

In addition to an .ini configuration, python allows config using a dictionary, JSON data, or YAML data.

Your Turn! Task 10-1

Decorators

- Modify the database access app from Task 6-1
- Within the provided **logger.py** module, in the **ch10_adv_functions/starter** folder:
 - Configure a logger (basicConfig is sufficient)
 - Create a decorator in the same module called **log**
 - Import the **log** decorator into your main application file
 - Add the decorator above the **find()** method within your main application file (**task10_1_starter.py**)



The solution assumes the student_files directory is on your PYTHONPATH. Import references are from that point.

(Optional Topic)

Functional Programming Methods

- Python is not traditionally considered a functional programming language
 - With some support for FP, coupled with its ease of readability, Python can still be useful with the functional programming style
 - Tools include:
 - First-class functions and lambdas
 - Map, reduce, filter, any, and all
 - Short-circuiting and/or operators

Helpful Functions

- **map()** - creates a map of values as a result of passing an iterable through a specified function
- **reduce()** - causes the results of each return value to be accumulated in a result variable
- **filter()** - returns a new sequence for each True value returned from a function
- **any()** - returns True when *at least one element* is True
- **all()** - returns True when *all elements* are True

Using *map()*

map() creates an iterator that executes a function for every item in an iterable

- Syntax

```
mapobj = map(function, iterable)
results = list(mapobj)
```

Returns a map object

- Examples

```
list(map(double, [1, 2, 3]))
```



[2, 4, 6]

```
from random import shuffle

def shuffler(normal_str):
    temp_list = list(normal_str)
    shuffle(temp_list)
    return ''.join(temp_list)

mapobj = map(shuffler, ['monday', 'tuesday',
                       'wednesday', 'thursday', 'friday'])
print(list(mapobj))
```

['oymnad',
 'teusyda',
 'deedsynaw',
 'ytusrdha',
 'irfyda']

ch10_adv_functions/25_map_example.py

Note that the syntax for *map()* changed from Python 2 to Python 3. In Py2, *map()* returned a list. In Py3, it returns a map object that must be iterated over or converted to a list (as shown).

Using `reduce()`

`reduce()` repeatedly applies a function accepting two arguments returning a single result

- Syntax

```
from functools import reduce  
result = reduce(function, sequence)
```

Returns a single object

- Examples

```
reduce(lambda x,y: x+y, [1, 2, 3])
```

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```
from functools import reduce  
def sentence_maker(word1, word2):  
    return word1 + ' ' + word2  
  
results = reduce(sentence_maker, ['Four', 'score', 'and',  
                                'seven', 'years', 'ago'])  
print(results)
```

Four score and seven years ago

ch10_adv_functions/26_reduce_example.py

Note: In Python 2, `reduce()` is a global, built-in function. In Python 3, it was moved to the `functools` module.

Using `filter()`

- Syntax

`filter()` creates an iterator from an iterable whose elements pass a specified test (`boolean_function`)

```
filterobj = filter(boolean_function, iterable)
```

- Examples

```
filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0, range(1, 15, 3))
```

[4, 10]

```
months = ['January', 'February', 'March', 'April',
          'May', 'June', 'July', 'August', 'September',
          'October', 'November', 'December']
```

```
def not_ber_months(month):
    return month.lower()[-3:] != 'ber'
```

```
filter_obj = filter(not_ber_months, months)
results = list(filter_obj)
```

['January', 'February',
 'March', 'April', 'May',
 'June', 'July', 'August']

ch10_adv_functions/27_filter_example.py

Using `any()` and `all()`

- Syntax

```
bool_result = any(iterable)
```

```
bool_result = all(iterable)
```

- Examples

<code>any([0, '', ()])</code>	False
-------------------------------	-------

<code>all([1, ' ', {}])</code>	False
--------------------------------	-------

```
months = ['January', 'February', 'March', 'April',
          'May', 'June', 'July', 'August', 'September',
          'October', 'November', 'December']
```

<code>all(len(mo) < 10 for mo in months)</code>	True
<code>any(len(mo) > 8 for mo in months)</code>	True

Generator expression!



Note: `any()` returns after any evaluation is True, `all()` returns after any evaluation is False (this is called short-circuiting).

[ch10_adv_functions/28_any_all.py](#)

In the middle examples, because 0, empty string, and empty tuple all evaluate to False, the `any()` function returns False. Similarly, because 1, a string with a space evaluate to True but the empty dict evaluates to False, the `all()` function returns False.

Note the case: `all([])` returns True (any empty iterables will return True).

Summary

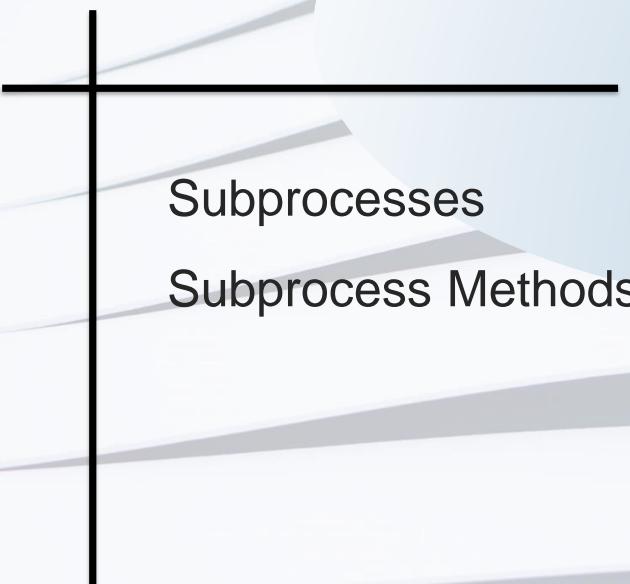
- Functions in Python are first-class objects
 - They have special capabilities that include
 - Support for **functional programming** techniques
 - The ability to be **nested** in other functions
 - Being **passed into and returned** from functions
 - **Decorating** other functions
 - Becoming **iterable** by **yielding** (making it a generator)

Chapter 11

Subprocesses

Tools To Run External Programs

Overview



Subprocesses
Subprocess Methods

Processes

- Processes are programs running on your OS
- Some programs can launch new processes
 - These new processes are separate programs that run concurrently with the original program
 - These types of processes are often called **subprocesses**

Subprocesses

- Python has a `subprocess` module that allows a Python script to launch another program
- When launched from within a Python script, the script can perform some *limited communication* with that process and *get its return code*
- Two preferred techniques exist for launching subprocesses from within a Python script
 - `run()` - should be used in most situations
 - `Popen()` - use for more complicated situations

Note: older techniques, such as `os.system()`, `os.popen()`, `os.spawn()`, `os.popen2()`, `subprocess.call()`, `subprocess.check_call()`, `subprocess.check_output()` can all be replaced by either `subprocess.run()` or `subprocess.Popen()`.

subprocess.run()

- **subprocess.run()** runs an OS command or script
 - By varying the arguments to run(), it can emulate the behavior of other methods

```
import subprocess
ret_code = subprocess.run(['echo', 'hello'])
```

run() is a *blocking operation* which means it doesn't continue until the spawned process finishes

- On Windows, the above command fails
 - For OS-specific commands on Windows (e.g., dir, pathping, etc.), use the **shell=True** argument

```
import subprocess
ret_code = subprocess.run(['echo', 'hello'], shell=True)
```

ch11_threads/01_subprocess_run.py

In Python 3.5, subprocess.run() was added which effectively performs the same functionality as all of the older subprocess methods (except for Popen) by varying the arguments. The **shell=** argument appears in both run() and Popen(). The **shell=** argument is False by default which is generally the desired value. **shell=True** executes the arguments in an intermediate shell. Generally, this is not desired, but is *required for Windows OS commands*. The bottom line is, if executing a Windows-base OS command (e.g., mkdir, dir, echo, etc.) you will specify shell=True and in all other conditions, use the default (shell=False) value.

run() Variations (1 of 4)

- `subprocess.run()` with no additional arguments

```
import random
import sys

print('This is sample.py')
ret_code = random.randint(0, 1)
if ret_code:
    print('A random error occurred',
          file=sys.stderr)
sys.exit(ret_code) # will be 0 or 1
```

sample.py

This script can be run by itself.
50% of the time it will output:
This is sample.py

50% of the time it will output:
A random error occurred.
This is sample.py

```
import subprocess
result = subprocess.run(['python', 'sample.py'])
try:
    result.check_returncode()
except subprocess.CalledProcessError as err:
    print(f'Error running command: {err}',
          file=sys.stderr)
```

02_run_no_args.py

From within this
script, we launch
the one above

The return from `run()`, `result`, is a `CompletedProcess` object which has `args`, `stdout`, `stderr`, `returncode` and `check_returncode()` attributes

ch11_threads/02_run_no_args.py

In `sample.py` above, when it is invoked, it will always print "This is sample.py" to the `stdout`. Randomly it will also print "A random error occurred" to the `stderr`.

`subprocess.run()` gives back a `CompletedProcess` object.

The `check_returncode()` method either:

- returns `None` (when the external program returned 0), or
- raises a `CalledProcessError` (if it received a non-zero return code from the external program)

If you don't want to raise an exception you can also just get the `returncode` attribute directly using `result.returncode`.

run() Variations (2 of 4)

- subprocess.run(**stdout=PIPE, stderr=PIPE**)

```
result = subprocess.run(args=['python', 'sample.py'],
                       stdout=subprocess.PIPE,
                       stderr=subprocess.PIPE)
```

In order to receive any output from the external script, you must set **stdout=PIPE**

```
print(f'The program said: {result.stdout.decode()}')
print(f'Error messages: {result.stderr.decode()}')
```

Typically, **stderr=PIPE** is also set in order to receive error messages

```
result = subprocess.run(args=['python', 'sample.py'],
                       stdout=subprocess.PIPE,
                       stderr=subprocess.PIPE,
                       text=True)
```

```
print(f'The program said: {result.stdout}')
print(f'Error messages: {result.stderr}', file=sys.stderr)
```

Use **text=True** to get returned results back as strings instead of bytes

ch11_threads/03_piping.py

Setting the **text=** or **encoding=** or **universal_newlines=** arguments will cause **stdout** and **stderr** to be returned as strings instead of bytes.

In Python 3, the **universal_newlines** argument to **Popen**, when set to True, will use the **os.linesep** character to represent newline characters and will open the PIPES as text streams instead of binary streams thus causing decoding to occur automatically.

Note: when running these in PyCharm, sometimes the output can appear out of order. This is due to how the output is buffered within PyCharm. If you wish to avoid this, you can choose to *Emulate terminal in output console* by selecting it in the Run Configuration dialog. This, however, will remove the colored output for the **stderr**.

run() Variations (3 of 4)

- subprocess.run(**check=True**)

If **check=True** then run() raises a CalledProcessError immediately without even setting the result variable
Exception handling would be needed in this case

```
result = None
try:
    result = subprocess.run(args=['python', 'sample.py'],
                           stdout=subprocess.PIPE,
                           stderr=subprocess.PIPE,
                           text=True, check=True)
except subprocess.CalledProcessError as err:
    print(f'Error occurred on external process: {err}', file=sys.stderr)

if result:
    print(f'The program said: {result.stdout}')
```

ch11_threads/04_check_true.py

If **check=True** is set, then the run() method itself will raise an exception immediately when the return code from the external program is non-zero.

Note that if the command (python) is bad, an exception will be raised no matter what because the process was never created in the first place.

If an exception is raised, result will not be set to anything (it will remain a None value)

run() Variations (4 of 4)

- subprocess.run(**timeout=n**)

If **timeout=n** is used, the run() method will return back.

```
result = None
try:
    result = subprocess.run(args=['python', 'sample2.py'],
                           stdout=subprocess.PIPE,
                           stderr=subprocess.PIPE,
                           text=True,
                           check=True,
                           timeout=3)
except subprocess.CalledProcessError as err:
    print(f'Error occurred on external process: {err}', file=sys.stderr)
except subprocess.TimeoutExpired as err:
    print(f'Timeout on external process: {err}', file=sys.stderr)

if result:
    print(f'The program said: {result.stdout}')
```

sample2.py always times out

ch11_threads/05_timeout.py

When a timeout occurs (which it will if sample2.py is used), a TimeoutExpired exception occurs. When subprocess.run() is used, the child (external) process will be killed automatically by Python. When Popen() is used, the child (external) process is not automatically killed.

Popen()

- The `subprocess.Popen()` is similar to `run()` but doesn't block when executed
 - The subprocess begins running immediately, however

```
proc = Popen([command, args], shell=False, stdout=PIPE, stdin=PIPE, stderr=PIPE)
(stdout, stderr) = proc.communicate(input_data)
```

communicate() blocks until the process finishes

- `Popen()` can also be used in a *with* control
 - On exit, `stdout` and `stderr` are closed and the `wait()` method is called

`Popen()` can handle all of the same situations that `run()` can but doesn't block when executed. This means the external process executes immediately. Either call `proc.communicate()` or `proc.wait()` to cause the code to block until the external process finishes.

Examples Using Popen()

```
proc = subprocess.Popen(['python', '-V'], text=True,
                      stdout=subprocess.PIPE,
                      stderr=subprocess.PIPE)
stdout, stderr = proc.communicate()
print(f'Your python version: {stdout}')
```

Python 3.10.1

```
with subprocess.Popen(['pip', 'list', '--format=json'],
                     stdout=subprocess.PIPE,
                     stderr=subprocess.PIPE,
                     text=True) as proc:
    result = proc.stdout.readlines()

print(f'proc stdout closed?: {proc.stdout.closed}')
data = json.loads(result[0])
for package in data:
    print(f'{package["name"]}: {package["version"]}')
```

True

pip: 22.0.3
 pipenv: 2022.1.8
 prettytable: 3.2.0
 setuptools: 58.1.0
 ...

ch11_threads/06_popen.py

In the two examples above, the first simply runs the python command and checks the version. It uses communicate() to get the piped results back.

In the second example, the pip list command is executed (with results returned in a JSON format). We did this one in a with control to show that once the with control ends, the file descriptors for that process are closed. In this case, the stdout is closed as tested above. The remaining lines of code simply take the returned results from pip list and convert it to a dictionary. We then reformatted the dictionary using something called a dictionary comprehension (discussed previously).

Examples Using Popen()

```
import subprocess
import sys

cmds = {'win32': 'netstat -an',
        'darwin': 'netstat -a | grep -i "listen"',
        'linux': 'netstat | grep LISTEN',
        'linux2': 'netstat | grep LISTEN'}
command = cmds.get(sys.platform)
print('Using: ', command)
with subprocess.Popen(command.split(),
                      stdout=subprocess.PIPE,
                      stderr=subprocess.PIPE,
                      text=True) as proc:
    result = proc.stdout.readlines()
print(''.join(result))
```

```
Using: netstat -an
Active Connections
 Proto Local Address          Foreign Address      State
 TCP   0.0.0.0:445            0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING
 TCP   0.0.0.0:808            0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING
 ...
...
```

ch11_threads/06_popen.py

In the final example, we ran a command that is different for each operating system. We used the `sys` module's `platform` attribute to do a little OS detection and then provided a command based on this.

Your Turn! Task 11-1

Subprocesses

- Finish the starter file to create a **subprocess** that uses the **OS ping** utility
 - Use the **subprocess** module to execute the operating system's **ping** command

```
import subprocess
import sys

cmds = {'win32': 'ping', 'darwin': 'ping -c 4',
        'linux': 'ping -c 4', 'linux2': 'ping -c 4'}
command = cmds.get(sys.platform)

address = 'www.google.com'

# Your code here:
# Split the command into a list
# Add the address to this list
# Run the subprocess and display results
```

Note: For Unix-based systems, use the syntax: `ping -c 4 address`

Summary

- Make use of the `subprocess` module to execute commands from the operating system and view results back in the Python script
- Use `subprocess.run()` for most needs
- Vary the options to tailor the behavior of the `run()` method

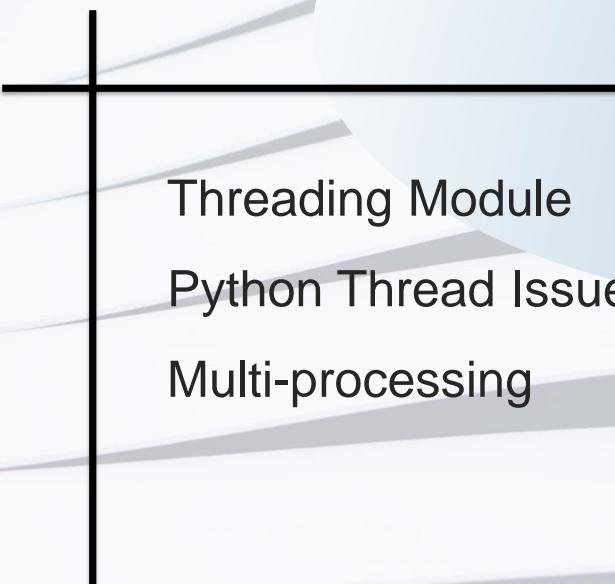
Chapter 12

Multi-threading

Multi-processing

Creating Multiple Paths of Execution

Overview



Threading Module
Python Thread Issues
Multi-processing

Thread Class Methods

- Threads provide multiple paths of execution within a program
 - This means multiple tasks can often execute faster than single threads*
- To use threads, the **Thread** class within the **threading** module is commonly used
- Other components of the threading module:



* More details on this later.

Events and Conditions are not discussed here. Events allow threads to communicate state information with other threads. The state info can be toggled between set and unset. Conditions allow two threads to synchronize properly by using wait() and notify() methods.

Threads

- The *threading* module provides several module-level functions

<code>threading.active_count()</code>	<i># of alive thread objects</i>
<code>threading.current_thread()</code>	<i>the currently executing thread object</i>
<code>threading.main_thread()</code>	<i>the main thread (program launch thread)</i>
<code>threading.enumerate()</code>	<i>list of active thread objects</i>

- Some of the *Thread* class methods

<code>Thread.run()</code>	<i>the method defining what a thread does</i>
<code>Thread.start()</code>	<i>begins the thread</i>
<code>Thread.is_alive()</code>	<i>is the thread still active? (isAlive() before Py3.8)</i>
<code>Thread.join()</code>	<i>main thread blocks until worker thread terminates</i>

Creating and Running a Thread

```

from threading import Thread
import requests

def load_data(url):
    data = None
    try:
        r = requests.get(url)
        data = r.json()
    except requests.exceptions.RequestException as err:
        print('Error: {}'.format(err))

    return data

class DataFetcher(Thread):
    def __init__(self, url, name=''):
        super().__init__(name=name)
        self.url = url

    def run(self):
        print('Results: {}'.format(load_data(self.url)))

```

The work to perform

To create a thread, subclass *Thread*, implement *run()*, and call *start()*

Called when the thread starts

m = DataFetcher('https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/feeds/json/markers/', 'Worker')
m.start() Creates (instantiates) and starts a new thread

ch12_threads/01_threading.py

Custom threads should inherit from the *Thread* class imported from the *threading* module.

The thread in this example is launched by calling the thread's *start()* method. The *run()* method is invoked indirectly (via the parent thread). The *run()* method invokes *load_data()* which obtains the remote data.

Creating Threads without Subclassing

```
from threading import Thread

import requests

url = 'https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/feeds/json/markers/'

def load_data(url):
    data = None
    try:
        r = requests.get(url)
        data = r.json()
    except requests.exceptions.RequestException as err:
        print('Error: {}'.format(err))

    return data

th = Thread(target=load_data, args=(url,))
th.start()
```

For simpler situations, threads can be created without classes

Use the **target=** attribute of the Thread class to point to your work function

ch12_threads/02_no_subclassing.py

Threads can be created without subclassing by using the target= attribute of the Thread class constructor.

Controlling Thread Resource Access

```

from threading import Thread, Lock
from time import sleep

message = ''
lock = Lock()

def set_message(msg):
    global message

    internal_message = message
    internal_message += msg
    sleep(0.3)
    message = internal_message

    print(f'Message: {internal_message}\n')

t1 = Thread(target=set_message, args=('First thread, '))
t2 = Thread(target=set_message, args=('Second thread, '))
t3 = Thread(target=set_message, args=('Third thread, '))

t1.start(); t2.start(); t3.start()
t1.join(); t2.join(); t3.join()

print(f'End Message: {message}')

```

Three threads come in at once

At the sleep(), internal_message will be the value of the last thread to hit it

Last one out of sleep() sets the global

ch12_threads/04_locks.py

In this example, each thread comes through the function, sets the *internal_message* to "" + its name. The last thread to do this sets *internal_message* to its own name. After the *sleep()* statement, *message = internal_message* will be based on the last thread to hit the *internal_message += msg* statement.

Check this and you will see the global message will only be set to one thread's name.

Note: the *start()* and *join()* calls were placed on a single line here for space purposes.

Using a Lock

```

message = ''
lock = Lock()

def set_message(msg):
    global message
    lock.acquire()
    internal_message = message
    internal_message += msg
    sleep(0.3)
    message = internal_message

    print(f'Message: {internal_message}\n')
    lock.release()

t1 = Thread(target=set_message, args=('First thread '))
t2 = Thread(target=set_message, args=('Second thread '))
t3 = Thread(target=set_message, args=('Third thread '))

t1.start(); t2.start(); t3.start()
t1.join(); t2.join(); t3.join()

print(f'End Message: {message}')

```

The lock will limit access to only one thread at a time after acquire()

Updates the global variable with no interference from the other threads now

ch12_threads/04_locks.py

When the lock is used, each thread must wait at the acquire(). One thread at a time is allowed passed acquire() and it gets the global message, assigns it to internal_message, appends its own name to internal_message, then sets the global one to the internal_message variable. No other threads will interfere now. After the release(), the next thread is allowed to repeat this process.

RLocks

- RLocks – (re-entrant locks) block only if held by another thread
 - Useful if a thread may (recursively or otherwise) re-acquire a lock that the thread has already acquired

```
lock = threading.Lock()  
lock.acquire()  
lock.acquire()           # this will block
```

```
lock = threading.RLock()  
lock.acquire()  
lock.acquire()           # this won't block
```

Semaphores allow a limited number of threads to access a resource. Useful for pools of resources (such as connections).

Using *with* on Locks

```
message = ''  
lock = RLock()  
  
def set_message(msg):  
    global message  
  
    with lock:  
        internal_message = message  
        internal_message += msg  
        sleep(0.3)  
        message = internal_message  
        print(f'Message: {internal_message}\n')  
  
t1 = Thread(target=set_message, args=('First thread ',))  
t2 = Thread(target=set_message, args=('Second thread ',))  
t3 = Thread(target=set_message, args=('Third thread ',))  
  
t1.start(); t2.start(); t3.start()  
t1.join(); t2.join(); t3.join()  
  
print(f'End Message: {message}')
```

Lock is automatically acquired and released using 'with'

ch12_threads/05_with.py

This version implements a RLock although a regular Lock would work equally well here. The *with* control performs the acquire() and release() automatically yielding the same result as the previous version.

Your Turn! Task 12-1

Threads

- Revisit the *subprocess ping task*, this time making it a multi-threaded pinger
- Create a thread per address to ping
 - Use the Thread() class rather than creating your own class
 - Example:
- Work from task12_1_starter.py
 - Either use the hints in the source file or work from the back of the student manual

```
threading.Thread(target=ping, args=(addr,)).start()
```

Name of your function

Arguments to pass into it

The Global Interpreter Lock (GIL)

- A mutual exclusion lock is held by the Python Interpreter (within a PVM)
 - Only the current thread holding the **GIL** may operate
 - The interpreter releases the lock every 100 instructions or when blocking operations occur
 - `sys.setswitchinterval(seconds)` can change this value
- Applications that feature more I/O operations may benefit more from multiple threads
- Apps that are purely computational or work intensive may lose performance due to the switching incurred by the GIL

Note: Built-in mutable objects such as lists and dictionaries are considered thread-safe because updates to these data structures are considered atomic. This means that if a list or dict is updated, the Python interpreter will not release the GIL until that update has finished.

Despite the GIL, Can Threads Still Work?

Test the example and determine for yourself

```

num_worker_threads = 20
tasks = ['http://python-requests.org', 'https://www.google.com', ...]

req_queue = Queue()          Queues implement required locking logic so
results_queue = Queue()      they can be shared by many threads
for url in tasks:
    req_queue.put(url)       URLs are placed onto a job queue (req_queue)

class WorkerThread(Thread):
    def run(self):
        while not req_queue.empty():
            url = req_queue.get()
            results_queue.put(get_data(url))
            req_queue.task_done()

for i in range(num_worker_threads):
    t = WorkerThread()
    t.start()                  Create and start the threads, run gets called automatically

```

ch12_threads/06_queue.py

In this example, 16 tasks (each independent web requests) are placed on a queue to be executed by a pool of 20 threads.

The work that each task will perform can be found in the `get_data()` function. It retrieves a web page. For brevity, it is not shown here.

Multiprocessing

- To overcome the GIL's limitations, Python 2.6+ introduced the **multiprocessing** module
- The multiprocessing module creates full processes rather than worker threads to perform multi-processing operations
 - It does this using the **Process()** class
 - Processes create their own Python virtual machines and are not bound by single CPU core limitations as threads are

The *multiprocessing* Module

```
import multiprocessing

def square(val: int):
    print(f'Square result: {val * val}')

def cube(val: int):
    print(f'Cube result: {val * val * val}')

if __name__ == '__main__':
    p1 = multiprocessing.Process(target=square, args=(4,))
    p2 = multiprocessing.Process(target=cube, args=(10,))

    p1.start()
    p2.start()

    p1.join()
    p2.join()

    print('Tasks done!')
```

View your processes in your task manager

Each process instantiation is a separate OS-level process.

Square result: 16, process id: 19716
Cube result: 1000, process id: 9416
Tasks done!

ch12_threads/07_multi_processing.py

Multiprocessing and Queues (1 of 2)

```
from multiprocessing import Process, freeze_support, Queue
from queue import Empty

from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
import requests

num_processes = 20          We'll create 20 processes to handle 16 tasks
tasks = ['http://python-requests.org', ...]

def get_data(url):
    try:
        text = requests.get(url).text
        soup = BeautifulSoup(text, 'html.parser')
        result = soup.title.text
    except (TypeError, requests.exceptions.ConnectionError) as err:
        result = err.args[0]
    return result

def create_tasks(req_queue, tasks, num_processes):
    for url in tasks:
        req_queue.put(url)
    for i in range(num_processes):      Queues up URLs
        req_queue.put('DONE')
```

ch12_threads/08_multiprocessing_queue.py

This example is similar to the threaded example previously discussed. It uses a multiprocessing queue to queue up multiple tasks. It then spawns multiple processes, 20 in this case, to handle the tasks.

Multiprocessing and Queues (2 of 2)

```

def work(req_queue, results_queue):
    while True:
        val = req_queue.get(timeout=10)
        if val == 'DONE':
            break
        results_queue.put(get_data(val))

```

Grab from the queue

Perform the work

Place results on results_queue


```

def main():
    processes = []
    req_queue = Queue()
    results_queue = Queue()
    for i in range(num_processes):
        p = Process(target=work, args=(req_queue, results_queue))
        p.start()
        processes.append(p)

    create_tasks(req_queue, tasks, num_processes)
    for p in processes:
        p.join()
    print_results(results_queue)

if __name__ == '__main__':

```

Spawn 20 processes

work() is the task each process will perform

Create the task and results queues

ch12_threads/08_multiprocessing_queue.py

This is the continuation of our multiprocessing example. The `freeze_support()` (not shown but appears in the source code) method is for Windows-based machines due to their improper support for forking and initializing processes.

The `main()` method creates a tasks queue (`req_queue`) and a results queue. URLs are stored in `req_queue` and pulled out later from within the `work()` method. The instantiation of the `req_queue` is critical. It should be instantiated before creating the processes, but it should not be loaded up with tasks until after the processes are created. `create_tasks()` is responsible for adding tasks to the `req_queue` queue, which occurs after the creation of all of the processes.

Summary

- Use the **threading** module and the Thread class to create multi-threaded apps
 - Threads in Python work fine if those threads see blocking operations
- For CPU intensive tasks, incorporate the **multiprocessing** module into apps to spawn *child processes* instead of threads
 - Multiprocessing brings additional complexities, such as how to handle resources used by all processes

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Python GUIs (*optional*)



Evaluations

- ▶ Please take the time to fill out an evaluation
- ▶ All evaluations are read and considered

Questions?



Intensive Intermediate Python

Exercise Workbook

Task1-1

Creating a Virtual Environment



Overview

This exercise is designed to demonstrate how to create a virtual environment using **venv** (requires Python 3.6 or later). As an optional integration step, we'll configure it within PyCharm afterwards. Finally, and optionally, you'll remove the environment when finished.



Survey Your Environment

Begin by opening a terminal (OS X) or command window (Windows). From here onward, we'll refer to it simply as a terminal.

Within the terminal, type each of these commands:

```
python -v
```

```
python3 -v
```

and **python3.10 -v** (replace 3.10 with the appropriate version number, e.g., python3.9, python3.8, etc.)

One of these commands should have responded with the valid version number of Python that you were expecting. **Remember this command because you will use it throughout the remaining course.** Later in the course, we'll refer to the command: **python**, but your personal command may be python3 or python3.x! So, remember it!

Check the location of the python interpreter using: **which** (use **where** on Windows). Type:

OS X: **which python** (again, this may be python3, python3.10, etc.)

Windows: **where python**

View the results. The first listing will be the Python interpreter that is invoked by default.

Also view your path environment variable. Type the following:

OS X: **echo \$PATH**

Windows: **echo %PATH%**

Examine the entry on your PATH that identifies the location of the Python interpreter that you just listed.



Create the Virtual Environment

Create a temporary directory on your system. This directory can be placed anywhere and called anything. For example, use: c:\temp on Windows (or something similar).

cd to your *temp* directory

Type the command: **python -m venv my_env**

This should take a few seconds and creates the virtual directory.

Examine the new `my_env` directory. Look inside the `bin` (or `Scripts`, on Windows) directory. Notice the interpreter. Look within the `Lib` directory and then within the `site-packages` directory.

There's not much here yet.

Type: `pip list`

You should see a list of installed packages from your main Python interpreter (again, **use `pip3` or `pip3.10`, etc.**, to match your Python command).

Again, (as a reminder) type:

OS X: `which python`

Windows: `where python`

Notice that the same (original) Python interpreter is listed first. The virtual one doesn't appear in the list. Not yet, at least...



Activate the Environment, Test `pip`

In order for your new Python environment to take effect, it must be activated. Do this by changing to the `my_env/bin` (or `my_env/Scripts` on Windows) directory. Then type:

OS X: `source ./activate.sh`

Windows: `.\\activate` (or just `activate`)

Now, type:

OS X: **which python** (again, remember, type your specific Python version if needed, e.g., python3 or python3.10)

Windows: **where python**

Notice how the directory containing your new Python interpreter is listed first on your PATH environment variable. This is what activation does!

Type: **pip list** (as we did a moment earlier). This should now list only *setuptools* and *pip*. *pip -V* reveals that you are working within your virtual environment now!

(Optional, if your network doesn't block this.) Let's install a utility into this new environment. The utility is called **prettytable**. It is a simple Python module that creates ASCII tables.

Type: **pip install prettytable**.

Perform a **pip list** again. It should be there now and you can see the installed module in your site-packages directory.



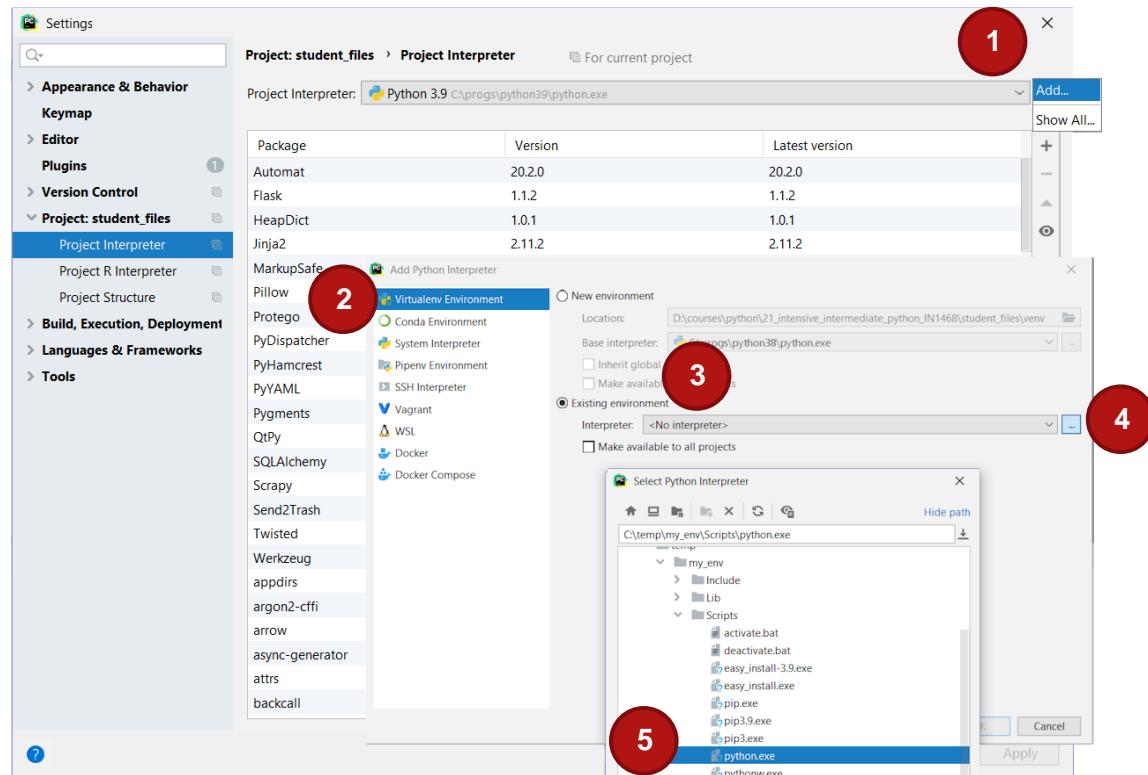
Connect the Environment within PyCharm

With the newly created virtual environment, we'll now connect it to PyCharm. First, select:

OS X: **PyCharm > Preferences**

Windows: **File > Settings**

Then, expand the **Project: student_files** item. Select **Project Interpreter**. On the right side, we'll have to point PyCharm to the newly created virtual environment. Do this as shown below:



- 1- Select the setting (cog wheel) symbol
- 2- Leave selected "Virtualenv Environment" option
- 3- Select "Existing Environment" button
- 4- Select the ... button (far to the right)
- 5- Browse to the new Interpreter location (python.exe on Windows, python or python3.x on OS X)

Click Ok twice to return to the packages screen. You should see prettytable listed here now.

Note: If you wish to test out the prettytable module, you can run the `ch01_virtual/01_prettytable.py` example in the student files. It should run.



Undo, Deactivate, and Remove (Optional)

You do not have to do this step if you wish to keep the virtual environment.

To demonstrate removing everything now, first, let's remove prettytable. From within your open terminal, type:

```
pip uninstall prettytable
```

(You don't really have to uninstall each package; this is just meant to show you how to uninstall individual packages)

Now, within PyCharm, restore the original interpreter that was selected when you first visited the Python Interpreter drop-down box. Click Ok to set it.

Next, back in the terminal window opened earlier, type:

```
deactivate.
```

Note: deactivate is not a shell script nor a file in the *Scripts* or *bin* directories. Deactivate gets created by activate as an internally available shell command. So, don't look for deactivate.sh or deactivate.bat.

Type **cd c:\temp** (or whatever your temp directory name is). This should be one level above your virtual environment directory.

Now type:

OS X: **echo \$PATH**

Windows: **echo %PATH%**

Notice how your virtual environment is no longer seen on your PATH. You may delete the *my_env* directory if you wish.

That's it!

Task2-1

Python Overview



Overview

This exercise is designed to review basic Python concepts and fill in gaps in introductory topics. In this exercise, you should read from the file `cities15000.txt`. You should then determine the highest city as well as the most populous city. Finally, you should add a search capability such that when a user inputs a city name, the results will yield a list of cities that match the search.



Create the City Named Tuple Definition

Work from `task2_1_starter.py` found in the `ch02_basics` directory. Examine the file `cities15000.txt` found in the resources folder. You will use a typed NamedTuple to store one record. Create a NamedTuple as follows:

```
header = [('name', str), ('population', int),
           ('elevation', int), ('country', str)]
City = NamedTuple('City', header)
```



Read from the File

Before reading from the file, use a Path object to wrap the working_dir variable. Change the provided line from

```
working_dir = '../resources'
```

to

```
working_dir = Path('../resources')
```

Then create a Path() object to the file itself. Change the following line from

```
city_data = 'cities15000.txt'
```

to

```
city_data = working_dir / 'cities15000.txt'
```

Now, use a **with** control to open the file. Read a record from the file. Don't forget to split it on a tab (not a comma). Read columns 1 (name), 8 (country), 14 (population), and 16 (elevation) from the split record. Values should be placed into a City NamedTuple and then appended into the cities list. All of the following will accomplish this:

```
header = [('name', str), ('population', int),
          ('elevation', int), ('country', str)]
City = NamedTuple('City', header)

with city_data.open(encoding='utf-8') as f:
    for line in f:
        fields = line.strip().split('\t')
        name = fields[1]
        country_code = fields[8]
        population = int(fields[14])
```

```
elevation = int(fields[16])
cities.append(City(name, population, elevation,
                  country_code))
```

Finally, place exception handling around the `with` control to handle any file read errors.

```
try:

    # your with control from above goes here

except IOError as err:
    print(f'Error: {err}', file=sys.stderr)
```

Test it out and verify that no errors arise.

That's it for now. We'll revisit this exercise shortly.

Task2-2 Finding Largest Elevation and Population

Python Overview



Overview

This is a continuation of the previous exercise (Task 2-1) in which you already read from a file and captured the elevation and population data of cities around the world.

This time, you should determine the highest city as well as the most populous city. You may continue from your previous solution (`task2_1_starter.py`) or you can optionally work from the `task2_2_starter.py` file which is a completed version of Task 2-1.



Get the Largest City

To get the largest city, you can use the `sort()` or `sorted()` function. The `sorted()` function uses a key to determine how to sort. The `population` attribute in each `City` named tuple can be used to sort key the sequence. By sorting from largest to smallest, the largest population will be the 0th record.

```
header = [('name', str), ('population', int), ('elevation', int), ('country', str)]
City = NamedTuple('City', header)

try:
    with city_data.open(encoding='utf-8') as f:
        for line in f:
```

```

        fields = line.strip().split('\t')
        name = fields[1]
        country_code = fields[8]
        population = int(fields[14])
        elevation = int(fields[16])
        cities.append(City(name, population, elevation,
country_code))
    except IOError as err:
        print(f'Error: {err}', file=sys.stderr)

print(f'{len(cities)} cities read.')

largest = sorted(cities, reverse=True
                  key=lambda city: city.population,) [0]

```



Get the Highest City

Can you repeat the process from step 1 in a similar way to determine the highest city (city with the highest elevation)?

Use a lambda similar to the one in step 1 except use the elevation attribute of the City NamedTuple instead.

Note: (Optional) Results are in meters, if you wish to view results in feet, multiple the value by 3.28.



Display the Results for Steps 1 and 2

Display the results from the previous steps.

```
print(f'Largest city: {largest.name}, {largest.country} with:  
    {largest.population:,} people')  
print(f'Highest city: {highest.name}, {highest.country} at:  
    {highest.elevation} meters ({highest.elevation * 3.28}  
    feet) ')
```



(Optional) Solve It Using the max() Function

The **max()** function could be used to retrieve the results as well.

Can you do it? Hint: Pass the cities list and use key= much the same way as steps 1 and 2. The result is a named tuple.

```
print(max(cities, key=lambda city: city.population).name)  
print(max(cities, key=lambda city: city.elevation).name)
```

Test out your solution so far. We'll return to this task again shortly!

Task2-3 Implementing a Search Feature

Python Overview

Overview



This is a continuation of the previous exercise (Task 2-2) in which you already determined the city with the highest elevation and largest population.

This time, you should create a capability for searching for cities by inputting the city name or partial name. You may continue from your previous solution (`task2_1_starter.py` or `task2_2_starter.py`) or you can optionally work from `task2_3_starter.py` now.



User-Defined City Population Search

Prompt the user to supply the name (or partial name) of a city. Lowercase the user's input and then use this to search the list of named tuples. Save the results of the matches for display.

```
search = input('Enter the (partial) name of the city: ')
results = [city for city in cities
           if search.casefold() in city.name.casefold()]
```

Display the results. Here we used Python's expand operator with `.format()` for convenience since f-strings can't be used with this operator (*).

```
if results:
    print('{0:<35}{1:>15}{2:>15}{3:>10}'
          .format(*[h[0] for h in header]))
    for city in results:
        print('{0:<35}{1:>15,}{2:>15,}{3:>10}'.format(*city))
else:
    print('No cities found.')
```

Test the solution.

Task3-1

Functions and Modules



Overview

This exercise continues from Task 2-3. In this exercise, you will refactor the previous solution by creating functions and a module to place those functions into. The task3_1_starter.py file serves as the driver and will import this new module invoking the functions from it. No new functionality is introduced. The only changes will be structural.



Create the read_data() Function

Open `ch03_modularization/city_search.py`. Some design decisions will need to be made such as where to define the list of cities and the named tuple. We will define our list of cities as `_cities` inside the module. We'll define our typed NamedTuple inside of the function. Most of the rest of the code transfers over from `task2_3_starter.py` as written previously. Here is our `read_data()` function:

```
from typing import NamedTuple

_cities = []

def read_data(fullname):
    City = NamedTuple('City', [('_name', str),
                               ('population', int),
                               ('elevation', int),
                               ('country', str)])

    with open(fullname, encoding='utf-8') as f:
        for line in f:
```

```
fields = line.strip().split('\t')
name = fields[1]
country = fields[8]
population = int(fields[14])
elevation = int(fields[16])
city = City(name, population, elevation, country)
_cities.append(city)
```



Define Your largest() Function

Beneath `read_data()`, create a new function. There are several ways to write this function, keep the body of the function the same as how it was accomplished in Task 2-3. Simply move this code over and into the `largest()` function definition. Do this as follows (your code may vary slightly):

```
def largest():
    return sorted(_cities, key=lambda city: city.population,
reverse=True)[0]
```



Repeat for the highest() Function

Can you repeat step 2 except this time with the code to determine the highest city? Write a `highest()` function and move your code into it. Here's an example (yours may vary slightly):

```
def highest():
    return sorted(_cities, key=lambda city: city.elevation,
reverse=True)[0]
```



Complete the search() Function

Create a function within city_search.py called search() that accepts a name.

Move your code related to the search functionality from Task2-3 into this function. It should look a little bit like the following:

```
def search(name):
    results = []
    for item in _cities:
        if name.lower() in item.name.lower():
            results.append(item)
    return results
```



Check for Errors

Now is a good time to look over this module and see if you have any syntax errors. The next step is to complete the driver file. Open **task3_1_starter.py**.



Add the city_search Import

Within task3_1_starter.py add the import needed to import city_search.py.

```
import ch03_modularization.city_search as cs
```

or

```
import city_search as cs

working_dir = '../..../resources'
data_file = 'cities15000.txt'
```



Call the read_data() Function

Call the read_data() function passing the fullpath to the file.

```
fullname = Path(working_dir) / data_file

cs.read_data(fullname)
```



Call the largest() and highest() Functions

Call the largest() and highest() functions. Retrieve and display the values. Keep in mind the format of the return value may be a City namedtuple or you may have returned a string or int.

```
print(cs.largest().name)
print(cs.highest().name)
```



Call the search() Function

Call The search() function passing the desired city search term.
Obtain your results. The search phrase is up to you.

```
results = cs.search('new')
```



Display the Results

Display the results from step 9 in any fashion you deem appropriate.
Here's one way which is similar to how we did it in Task 2-3:

```
if not results:
    print('No cities found.')
else:
    for city in results:
        print('{0:<35}{1:>15,}{2:>15,}{3:>10}'.format(*city))
```

That's it!--Test it all out!

Task5-1

Python DB API 2.0 and Data Classes



Overview

This exercise works with a pre-defined database for access to the school data. It also uses data classes as an underlying data holder.



Create the School Data Class

Define a School data class as shown:

```
from dataclasses import dataclass

@dataclass
class School:
    name: str
    city: str
    state: str
```



Create a Function to Access the Database

Create a function to open a connection, query the database and return a list of data class records as follows:

```
def get_location(school_name):
    results = []
    try:

        # work with database (next step)

    except sqlite3.Error as err:
        print(f'Error working with database: {err}',
              file=sys.stderr)
    return results
```

Within the try block, connect to the database and allow rows to be accessed by their name. We'll use the `closing()` function of the `contextlib` module as discussed in the chapter notes.

```
with closing(sqlite3.connect(data_sourcefile)) as conn:  
    # this is completed as described below...
```

Above the function call, define our SQL string:

```
SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL =  
'SELECT fullname, city, state FROM schools WHERE fullname like ?'
```

```
def get_location(school_name):  
    results = []
```

Within the `with` control, obtain the cursor and perform the query:

```
def get_location(school_name):  
    results = []  
  
    with closing(sqlite3.connect(data_sourcefile)) as conn:  
        cursor = conn.cursor()  
        cursor.execute(SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL,  
                       ('%' + school_name + '%',))
```

Iterate over the cursor, instantiate School data class object instances from the results, add the data class to the results:

```
with closing(sqlite3.connect(data_sourcefile)) as conn:
    cursor = conn.cursor()
    cursor.execute(SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL,
                   ('%' + school_name + '%',))
    for sch in cursor:
        results.append(School(*sch))
```

Prompt the user for a school name (or partial name) and query the results by calling get_location():

```
def get_location(school_name):
    results = []
    with closing(sqlite3.connect(data_sourcefile)) as conn:
        cursor = conn.cursor()
        cursor.execute(SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL,
                       ('%' + school_name + '%',))
        for sch in cursor:
            results.append(School(*sch))

    return results

search_name = input('School name (or partial name): ')
results = get_location(search_name)

print(f'Matches for {search_name}:')
for school in results:
    print(f'{school.name} ({school.city}, {school.state}))')
```

Test your results.

As a reference, below is an example of our completed get_location() function:

```
SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL =  
    'SELECT fullname, city, state FROM schools WHERE fullname like ?'  
  
def get_location(school_name):  
    results = []  
    try:  
        with closing(sqlite3.connect(data_sourcefile)) as conn:  
            cursor = conn.cursor()  
            cursor.execute(SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL,  
                           ('%' + school_name + '%',))  
            for sch in cursor:  
                results.append(School(*sch))  
    except sqlite3.Error as err:  
        print(f'Error working with database: {err}',  
              file=sys.stderr)  
  
    return results
```

Task6-1

Python Classes



Overview

This exercise creates two classes: a School and a SchoolManager class. Both classes are to be created within the task6_1_starter.py file. The SchoolManager class will define two methods: `__init__()` and `find()` and will be used to perform a search against an SQLite database. The database file is called `course_data.db` and is found within the `ch06_oo` chapter. The schools table can be found within this database.



Create the School Class

Within `ch06_oo/task6_1_starter.py` create a School class that contains a `school_id`, `fullname`, `city`, `state`, and `country` attributes.

```
class School:
    def __init__(self, school_id, fullname, city, state,
                 country):
        self.school_id = school_id
        self.fullname = fullname
        self.city = city
        self.state = state
        self.country = country

    def __str__(self):
        return f'{self.fullname} ({self.city}, {self.state})'

    __repr__ = __str__
```



Examine the SchoolManager Class

Examine the SchoolManager class that has been started for you already:

```
class SchoolManager:  
    SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL = 'SELECT school_id, fullname, city,  
                          state, country FROM schools WHERE column like ?'  
  
    PERMITTED_SEARCH_COLUMNS =  
        ['fullname', 'city', 'state', 'country']
```

Notice the two SQL-related strings are defined at the class level. Also, notice the WHERE clause contains a variable (column) that will need to be replaced by one of the values in the PERMITTED_SEARCH_COLUMNS list. This is to prevent SQL injection.



Build Upon the SchoolManager Class

Add the following methods to the SchoolManager class: `__init__()`, and `find()` as follows:

```
class SchoolManager:  
    ...  
    def __init__(self, db_filename):  
        pass  
  
    def find(self):  
        pass
```



Complete the `__init__()` Method

Remove the pass statement, pass in the database filename and save it.

```
class SchoolManager:  
    ...  
    def __init__(self, db_filename):  
        self.db_filename = db_filename  
  
    def find(self):  
        pass
```



Build Out the `find()` Method

Remove the pass statement within `find()`. Add (and return) a list representing the results that we will eventually get. Of course, at this point, the list will be empty.

Complete the `find()` method signature, passing the 3 required items as shown below. Value represents the search term. Column represents the column we will search on. Sort_by represents the column to sort on.

```
class SchoolManager:  
    ...  
    def __init__(self, db_filename):  
        self.db_filename = db_filename  
  
    def find(self, value, column='fullname',  
            sort_by='fullname'):  
  
        results = []  
  
        # to be filled in next  
  
        return results
```



Complete the Database Interaction

Now comes the heart of the code. Within find(), check the column name provided by the user that we want to search on and see if it is in the list of valid column names. Again, this is to prevent SQL inject attacks, only "approved" column names can be supplied.

```
def find(self, value, column='fullname',
        sort_by='fullname'):

    results = []

    if column in self.PERMITTED_SEARCH_COLUMNS:
        self.SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL =
            self.SELECT_SQL.replace('column', column)

    return results
```

Then, connect to and query from the database. This part will be similar to what we encountered in task5_1_starter.py:

```
def find(self, value, column='fullname',
        sort_by='fullname'):

    results = []

    if column in self.PERMITTED_SEARCH_COLUMNS:
        self.SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL =
            self.SELECT_SQL.replace('column', column)

    with closing(sqlite3.connect(self.db_filename)) as conn:
        cursor = conn.cursor()
        params = ('%' + value + '%',)

        cursor.execute(self.SELECT_SQL, params)
```

```
        for record in cursor:
            results.append(School(*record))

    return results
```



Sort Results within the find() Method

Sort the results according to the `sort_by` parameter of the `find()` method.

```
def find(self, value, column='fullname',
        sort_by='fullname'):

    results = []

    if column in self.PERMITTED_SEARCH_COLUMNS:
        self.SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL =
            self.SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL.replace('column', column)

    with closing(sqlite3.connect(self.db_filename)) as conn:
        cursor = conn.cursor()
        params = ('%' + value + '%',)

        cursor.execute(self.SELECT_SCHOOLS_SQL, params)

        for record in cursor:
            results.append(School(*record))

    results.sort(key=lambda s: vars(s).get(sort_by))

    return results
```



Test it Out!

Run the module. The if block at the bottom should execute successfully.

Task7-1

Flask



Overview

This exercise will incorporate a web-based server using the Flask framework. It will return a list of schools given a search term sent from a Browser. The search functionality in the browser uses the search() function from the previous exercise.



Import the schools.py Module

At the appropriate location within

ch07_frontend/starter/app.py, import the SchoolManager class from the schools.py module.

```
from ch07_frontend.starter.schools import SchoolManager
```



Call the find() Method

At the location specified for step 2 within the app.py file, instantiate the SchoolManager and call the find() method as shown. Get the returned school objects and convert them into a list of school strings.

```
results = [str(school) for school in SchoolManager(database)
           .find(school_name)]
```



Return JSON-based Results

Just before the return statement of the get_schools() method, invoke the jsonify() method passing two keyword arguments into it: school_name and schools.

```
@app.route('/school/<school_name>', methods=['GET'])
def get_schools(school_name):
    results = None
    try:
        results = [str(school) for school in
                   SchoolManager(database).find(school_name)]
    except Exception as err:
        results = err.args

    resp = jsonify(schools=results, school_name=school_name)
    return Response(resp.data, status=200,
                    mimetype='application/json')
```

To test out your solution, first run app.py and then browse to <http://localhost:8051> in your browser.

Task8-1

requests and JSON



Overview

This exercise requires making an HTTP GET request to our running Flask server, retrieving JSON data and parsing it. The parsed data will be in the form of a Python dictionary. We'll take that dictionary and convert it to a list of data classes. Finally, we'll take the data classes and persist them to a file in the form of JSON data.

Some steps, such as the Encoder, have been accomplished already.



Make Sure the Server is Running

It's a short and simple step, but necessary. Within the **ch08_network_apis/server** folder, right-click on **wsgi.py** and select Run...

The server should now be running.



Build the Data Class

Open **ch08_network_apis/task8_1_starter.py**. Follow the template provided on the slide to build the data class at the location for step 2 in the source file.

```
@dataclasses.dataclass  
class Character:  
    name: str  
    actor: str  
    role: str  
    original_air_date: datetime.date
```



Make a Request to the Server

The URL for making requests has been given to us. Embed it into a `requests.get()` call. Don't forget to convert the returned JSON response into a dict type using the `.json()` method:

```
char_name = input('Enter partial Simpsons character name: ')
url = f'http://localhost:8051/simpsons?char_name={char_name}'

data = requests.get(url).json()
```



Write the List of Data Classes Out to a File

You may choose the filename, but `.json` is a good file extension. Place the filename into an `open()` call. Set the write mode flag '`w`' and put the `open()` call into a `with` control.

Now, within the `with` control, invoke `json.dump()` passing the data, the file handle, and the encoder class.

```
with open('simpsons_data.json', 'wt') as f:
    json.dump(results, f, cls=CharacterEncoder)
    print('Write complete. Open file to view results.')
```

That's it!



Test it Out!

To test it, run the starter file and watch for a file to get created in the same directory where the starter file is running.

Task9-1

Using the collections Module & Counter



Overview

In this exercise, you will use the `collections.Counter` class to determine which country has the most cities (with a population over 15000).



Add the Country Code to the cities dict

Read records from the file adding the country column for each city record to a list:

```
cities = []

with open(datafile, encoding='utf8') as cities_file:
    for line in cities_file:
        cities.append(line.strip().split('\t')[8])
```



Calculate Country with Most 15k Cities

Use the collection module's `Counter` class to find the most common country in the list.

Display your results.

```
most_common = Counter(cities).most_common(10)
print(most_common)
```

That's it!

Task9-2

Using Generators



Overview

This exercise will refactor the previous exercise (Task 9-1). It will modify the previous solution by incorporating a generator function. The generator function will be used to read the country code.



Create and Utilize the Read File Generator

Work from either your completed task9_1_starter.py file or you may work from the provided task9_2_starter.py file.

Modify the previous code that read from the cities15000.txt. **Move it into a function.** Have this function **yield** the country_code. Try this on your own first, if you get stuck, look to the next page for the solution.

Once complete, invoke the generator by passing it into the Counter() constructor. Again, try this on your own before referring to the next page.

```
def country_generator(filename):
    with open(filename, encoding='utf8') as cities_file:
        for line in cities_file:
            yield line.strip().split('\t')[8]
```

Invoke the generator and run it to conclusion as follows:

```
most_common =
Counter(country_generator(datafile)).most_common(5)
print(most_common)
```



Test It Out

No other changes should be needed. You should be able to test out the solution now.

That's it!

Task9-3

Using argparse



Overview

This exercise will incorporate the argparse module for use with your Task 9-2 solution. It adds the ability to retrieve a specified number of "mosts" from the Counter by indicating how many "mosts" to get as a command line argument. Your previous solution should be refactored to accept the following two command-line syntaxes now:

```
python task9_3_starter.py -c 5
```

or

```
python task9_3_starter.py --count 5
```

Note: you may work from your task9_2_starter.py solution if you wish.



Define argparse Arguments

Import the argparse module. Create the solution to allow -c and --count command-line arguments. You should create a function called get_args() as follows:

```
def get_args():
    parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
    parser.add_argument('-c', '--count', default='3', type=int,
                        help='The number of countries to retrieve')
    return parser.parse_args()
```



Invoke the Function

Invoke the previously defined function to retrieve values:

```
args = get_args()
```



Use the Arguments to Display Results:

Using the args object from step 2, use it to display <count> number of results. Do this as follows by modifying your final lines of code to use `args.count`:

```
most_common = Counter(country_generator(datafile))
               .most_common(get_args().count)

print(most_common)
```

That's it! Test out your solution.

Task10-1

Logging and Decorators



Overview

This exercise will incorporate the logging module as well as utilize decorators. In this task, you will create a `@log` decorator and then apply it to our earlier Task6-1 exercise. The exercise has been reproduced in this chapter folder, so you do not need to return to the earlier chapter folder to work on it.



Define the Logger

Open the `ch10_adv_functions/starter/logger.py` file. Define a `basicConfig()` logger:

```
logging.basicConfig(filename='./logfile.log',
                    level=logging.DEBUG)
```



Create a `@log` Decorator

In the same file, create a function that will serve as the decorator. Call it `log()`.

Within the decorator, add a function that will log whenever a function (that is decorated) is called. You can write a simple decorator:

```

def log(orig_func):
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        ret = orig_func(*args, **kwargs)
        logging.info(f'{orig_func.__name__}() called.')
    return wrapper

```

or you can process and log the arguments to the call (optional):

```

def log(orig_func):
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        ret_val = orig_func(*args, **kwargs)

        arguments = []
        for arg in args:
            if not isinstance(arg, str):
                arguments.append(type(arg).__name__)
            else:
                arguments.append(arg)

        for kw, val in kwargs.items():
            if not isinstance(val, str):
                arguments.append(type(val).__name__)
            else:
                arguments.append(f'{kw}={val}')

        logging.info(f'{orig_func.__name__}() called. \
                    Arguments: {" ".join(arguments)}. \
                    Return value: {ret_val}')
    return ret_val
return wrapper

```



Decorate the find() Method within schools.py

As our last step, we'll apply the decorator we created. First, we need to import it. Open the

`ch10_adv_functions/starter/task10_1_starter.py` file. Up near the top of the file, add the import as shown:

```
from ch10_adv_functions.solution.logger import log
```

Next, we'll apply our decorator as shown:

```
@log
def find(self, value: str, column: str = 'fullname', sort_by:
str = 'fullname'):
    results = [
        ...
    ]
```

Test out your solution by starting the server and running the `task10_1_starter.py` file (this is the client). Look for a log file created, called `logfile.log` in the same directory. Open and view the log file.

That's it!

Task11-1

A Ping Subprocess



Overview

This task uses the operating system ping utility via a subprocess within Python. It detects your operating system and selects the appropriate command format. You'll need to add the address to your command and then run subprocess.run().

Begin by opening task11_1_starter.py from the ch11_subprocesses folder within PyCharm. In the following steps, place your code at the locations marked in the source code.



Split the Command String

The source code already pulls the appropriate OS ping command out of the dictionary for you. You should split that command into a list of strings:

```
command = command.split()
```



Add the Ping Address to the Command

Add the address to the command list of strings and then display your command list before using it.

```
command.append(address)  
print('Using: ', command)
```



Call subprocess.run(), Display Results

As our last step, invoke the subprocess.run() method. Provide the args=, stdout=, stderr=, and text= arguments.

```
result = subprocess.run(args=command, text=True,
                       stdout=subprocess.PIPE,
                       stderr=subprocess.PIPE)
```

Display your results. Ping should send all results to stdout but we can check for errors by looking at the result.returncode.

```
if not result.returncode:
    print(result.stdout)
else:
    print('Error: ', result.stdout, file=sys.stderr)
    print(result.stderr, file=sys.stderr)
```

That's it! Test it out!

Task12-1

A Multi-threaded Pinger



Overview

This task continues from the subprocess task (Task 11-1). This time, however, you will modify the solution to become a multi-threaded pinger. To ensure instructions flow properly, work from the provided task12_1_starter.py file within the ch12_threads folder.

Begin by opening task12_1_starter.py from the ch12_threads folder within PyCharm. In the following steps, place your code at the locations marked in the source code.



Create the Function Definition

At the location mentioned for step 1, write the function stub.

```
def ping(address):  
    # to be filled in on the next step
```



Complete the Contents of the Function

The contents of this function are nearly the same as the code we wrote for Task 11-1. As such, this code has been given to us in the comments section at the top of the module (within the Step 2 section). Obtain this code and place it within our new function. For reference, the completed function is shown below.

```

def ping(address):
    ping_command = command.copy()
    ping_command.append(address)
    print(f'Ping using: {ping_command}')
    result = subprocess.run(args=ping_command, text=True,
                           stdout=subprocess.PIPE, stderr=subprocess.PIPE)

    if not result.returncode:
        print(result.stdout)
    else:
        print('Error: ', result.stdout, file=sys.stderr)
        print(result.stderr, file=sys.stderr)

```



Create the Threads

Now it's time to call the ping() function repeatedly (once for each thread we create). We'll create one thread for each address to work with. Remove the pass statement at the bottom of the file and create the thread in the for loop as shown below:

```

addresses = ['www.google.com', 'www.cisco.com',
             'www.im_a_fake_address.com']
for addr in addresses:
    threading.Thread(target=ping, args=(addr,)).start()

```

That's it! Test it out!