

# Python ACCELERATED



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## PYTHON – Accelerated

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## Why Python?

- High-level programming language, truly portable
- Actively developed, open-source and community-driven
- Batteries included, huge code base
- Steep learning curve, easy to learn and to use
- Powerful as a scripting language
- Support both programming in the large and in the small
- Can be used interactively
- De-facto standard in some domain (e.g., data science)

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## Why “Accelerated”?

- No-nonsense Python for programmers (in any other language)
- Only 5 full days
- Not a *gentle introduction*
- Not the usual *Dummy’s guide to...*
- And no reference to Objects  
(although OO in Python is beautiful)



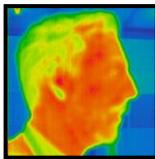
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# Who is this Giovanni Squillero, anyway?



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- Courses:
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  - Computational Intelligence
  - Futuro del Lavoro
  - Mimetic Learning
  - Computer Architectures [in Uzbekistan]

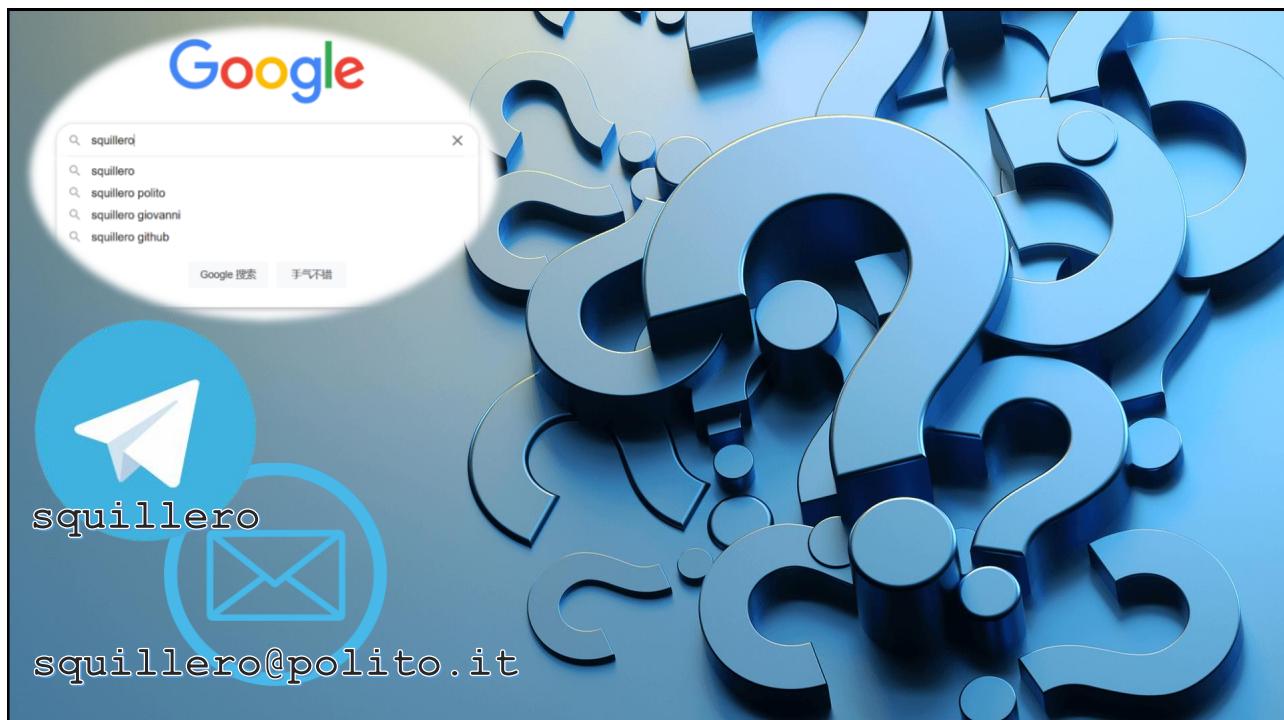
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- Current ML projects
  - Test & Validation
  - Analysis of Mass Spectra (COVID)
- Current CI projects
  - Antimicrobial susceptibility from DNA
  - *ARTificial Intelligence* (AI4MUSE)
- Research (not applied)
  - Diversity promotion in EC
  - Feature-selection is ML
  - EDA
  - Games/Economy
  - Multi-agent systems

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# Set-up



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## Material

- Official online documentation
  - <https://docs.python.org/3/>
  - <https://www.python.org/dev/peps/>
- Spare online resources
  - <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/tagged/python>
  - <https://www.google.com/search?q=python>
  - <https://pythontutor.com>
- Course repo
  - [https://github.com/squillero/python\\_the-hard-way](https://github.com/squillero/python_the-hard-way)

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# Getting Python

- Official Python downloads
  - <https://www.python.org/downloads/>
- On Linux
  - Get the default package from the distro
  - Then use **Virtualenv** (<https://virtualenv.pypa.io/>)
- On Windows and MacOS
  - Install **Anaconda** (<https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual>)
  - If size is a **real** issue, also consider **micromamba**
- If everything else fail:
  - Try **ActivePython** (<https://www.activestate.com/products/python/>)

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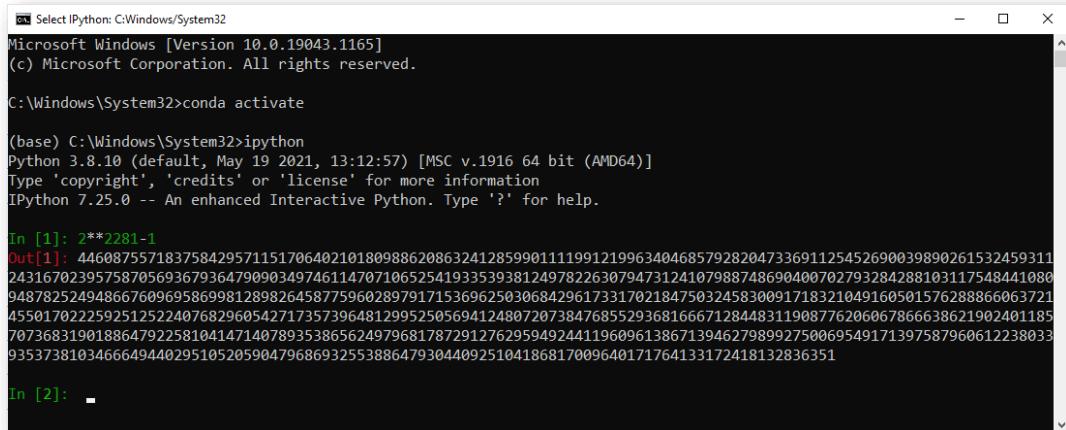
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# Getting Python

- Let's test Python calculating the 17<sup>th</sup> Mersenne prime



The screenshot shows a Windows command prompt window titled "Select IPython: C:\Windows\System32". The window displays the following Python session:

```

Select IPython: C:\Windows\System32
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.19043.1165]
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Windows\System32>conda activate
(base) C:\Windows\System32>ipython
Python 3.8.10 (default, May 19 2021, 13:12:57) [MSC v.1916 64 bit (AMD64)]
Type 'copyright', 'credits' or 'license' for more information
IPython 7.25.0 -- An enhanced Interactive Python. Type '?' for help.

In [1]: 2**2281-1
Out[1]: 4460875571837584295711517064021018098862086324128599011119912199634046857928204733691125452690039890261532459311
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In [2]: -

```

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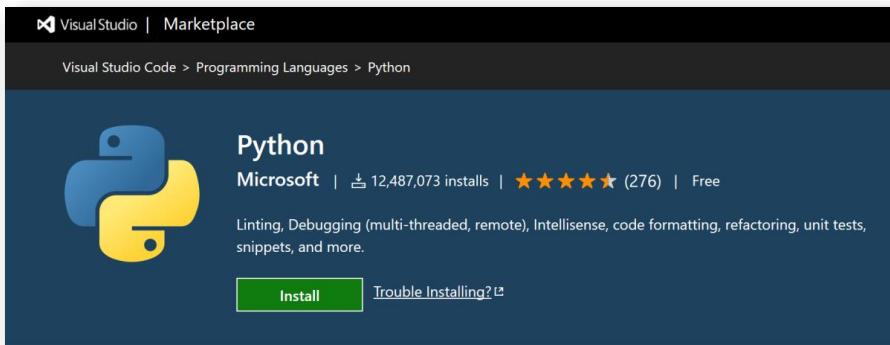
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## IDE

- Install Visual Studio Code and the Python Extension



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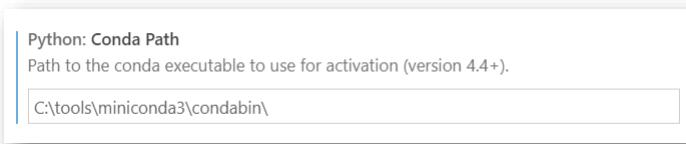
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## Visual Studio Code + Anaconda

- When Visual Studio Code is used with Anaconda, specifying the correct path may be useful
- Open “Settings”, search for “conda”



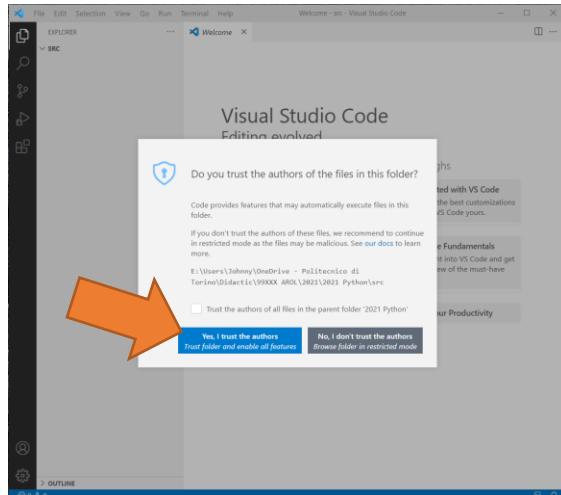
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## Open a “directory”



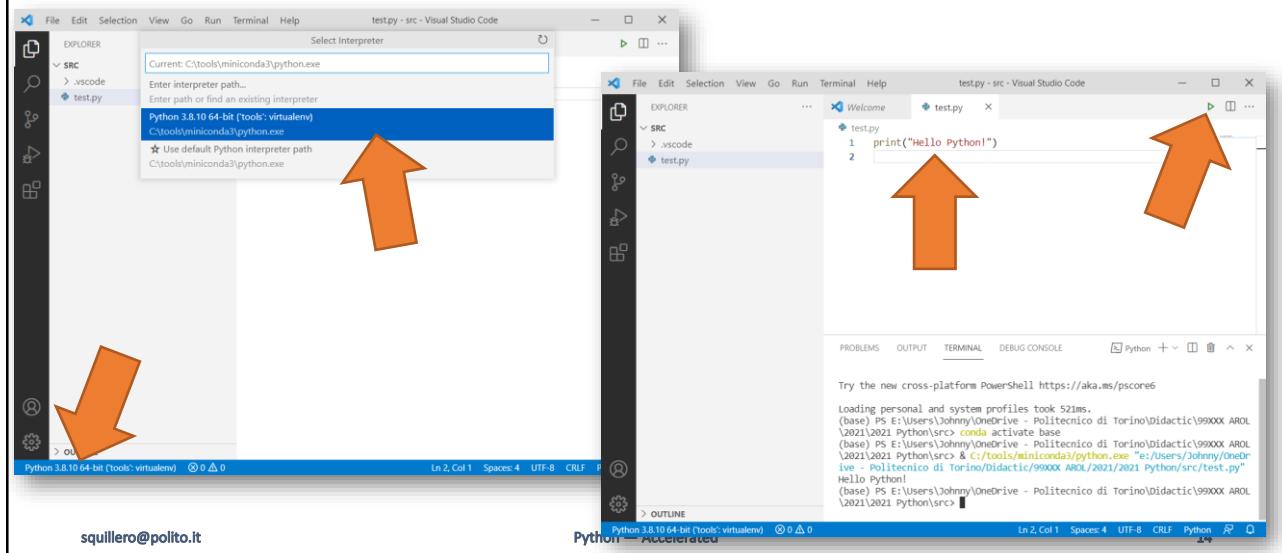
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## Set interpreter & Press play



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```
a = 23
if a == 23:
    print("Whoa!")
    a = a / 2
print(a)
```

The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code window with a Python debugger session. The title bar says "Kick off". The code editor shows a file named "test.py" with the following content:

```
a = 23
if a == 23:
    print("Whoa!")
    a = a / 2
print(a)
```

An orange arrow points from the left towards the debugger interface. The debugger sidebar shows variables, locals, and breakpoints. The terminal below shows the command line and the output of the script.

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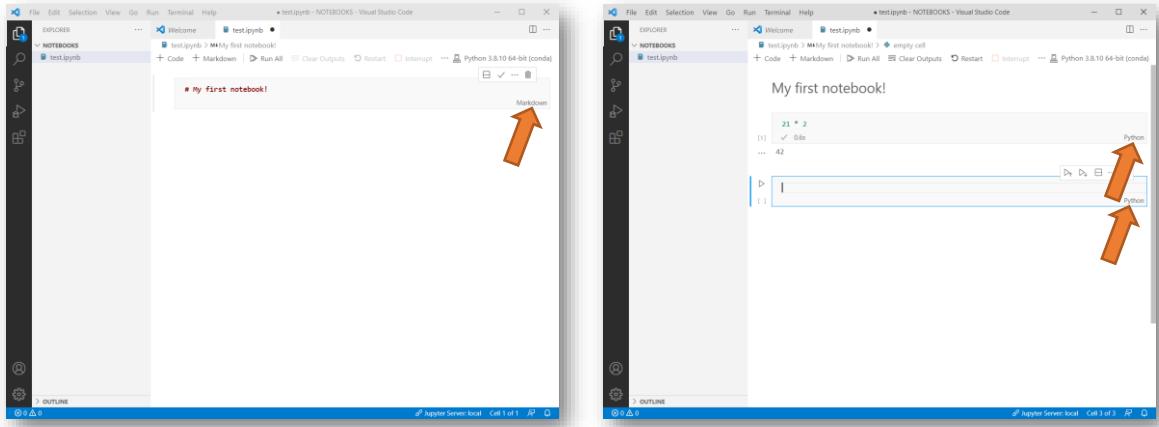
## Jupyter Notebook

Name ends in **.ipynb**

The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code window with a Jupyter Notebook file named "test.ipynb" selected in the sidebar. A large orange box highlights the file name with the text "Name ends in .ipynb". The main area of the window shows the "Welcome - NOTEBOOKS - Visual Studio Code" screen.

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# My first notebook



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## Execution order...

```

[1]: foo = 42
      ✓ 0.4s
[2]: 
[3]: 
[4]: foo += 1
      bar = 23
      ✓ 0.3s
[5]: bar += 10
      ✓ 0.2s
[6]: print(foo, bar)
      ✓ 0.3s
... 44 23
  
```

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# Data Types



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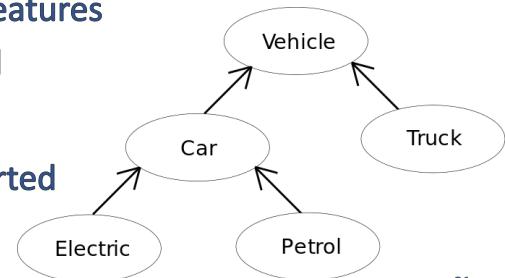
## Data Model

- Python is a **strongly-typed, dynamic, object-oriented** language
  - Objects are Python's abstraction for data
  - Code is also represented by objects
  - Every object has an **identity**
    - The identity never changes once it has been created — `is`, `id()`
  - Every object has a **type** and a **value**

# Object Oriented Paradigm (in 1 slide)

- An **object** contains both **data** and **code**
- An **objects** is the instance of a **class** (class ↔ type)
- Subclass hierarchy
  - A class **inherits** the structure from its parent(s)
  - The child class may **add** or **specialize** features
  - **isinstance(x, Car)** is **True** if **x** is a **Petrol**
- **Polymorphism**
  - caller ignores which class in the supported hierarchy it is operating on

Button
- xsize
- ysize
- label_text
- interested_listeners
- xposition
- yposition
+ draw()
+ press()
+ register_callback()
+ unregister_callback()



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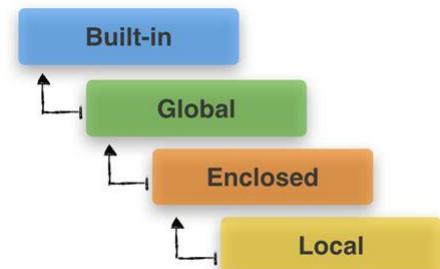
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# Naming & Binding

- Names refer to objects
  - `foo = 42`  
foo is a name (not a “variable”)
- The scope defines the visibility of a name
- When a name is used, it is resolved using the nearest enclosing scope



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# Standard Type Hierarchy

- Number
  - Integral
    - Integers (`int`)
    - Booleans (`bool`)
  - Real (`float`)
  - Complex (`complex`)
- Caveat:
  - Numbers are **immutable**

```
foo = 42
bar = True
baz = 4.2
qux = 4+2j
```

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# Standard Type Hierarchy

- Sequences
  - Immutable
    - String (`str`)
    - Tuples (`tuple`)
    - Bytes (`bytes`)
  - Mutable
    - Lists (`list`)
    - Byte Arrays (`bytearray`)

```
foo = "42"
bar = (4, 2)
baz = bytearray([0x04, 0x02])
qux = [4, 2]
tud = b'\x04\x02'
```

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## Standard Type Hierarchy

- **Mutable Sequences vs. Immutable Sequences**



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## Standard Type Hierarchy

- Set Types
  - Sets (**set**)
  - Frozen Sets (**frozenset**)
- Caveat:
  - Sets are **mutable**, frozen sets are **immutable**

```
foo = {4, 2}  
bar = frozenset({4, 2})
```

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## Standard Type Hierarchy

- Mappings
  - Dictionaries (`dict`)

```
foo = {'Giovanni':23, 'Paola':18}
```

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## Standard Type Hierarchy

- None (`NoneType`)

```
foo = None
```

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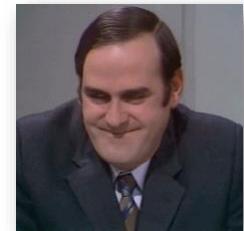
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## Standard Type Hierarchy

- NotImplemented
- Ellipsis (...)
- Callable types
- Modules
- Custom classes
- Class instances
- I/O objects
- Internal types



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## Basic Syntax



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## Style (TL;DR)

- `module_name`
- `package_name`
- `ClassName`
- `method_name`
- `ExceptionName`
- `function_name`
- `GLOBAL_CONSTANT_NAME`
- `global_var_name`
- `instance_var_name`
- `function_parameter_name`
- `local_var_name`



<https://github.com/squillero/style>

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## Style

- Source file is UTF-8, all Unicode runes can be used
- Single underscore is a valid name (`_`)
- Safe rule:
  - Use only printable standard ASCII characters for names
  - Don't start names with single/double underscore unless you really know what you are doing
  - Append an underscore not to clash with keywords or common names, e.g., `int_` and `list_`

無 = 0
_ = 42

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# Style

- Use an automatic formatter
  - Suggested: **yapf** or **autopep8** or **black**

Python > Formatting: Provider  
Provider for formatting. Possible options include 'autopep8', 'black', and 'yapf'.  
yapf

Python > Formatting: Yapf Args  
Arguments passed in. Each argument is a separate item in the array.  
--style  
{based\_on\_style: google, column\_limit=100, blank\_line\_before\_module\_docstring=true}  
Add Item

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## Style: black vs. yapf

```
def main():
    random.seed(SEED)
    sequence = list()

    while len([
        i
        for i in range(len(sequence) - SEQUENCE_LENGTH + 1)
        if sequence[i:i + SEQUENCE_LENGTH] == sequence[-SEQUENCE_LENGTH:]
    ]) < 2:
        sequence.append(random.randint(MIN_RANDOM, MAX_RANDOM))

    print(f"Sequence length: {len(sequence)} -> Repeated pattern: {sequence[-SEQUENCE_LENGTH:]}")
```



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## Comments

- Comments starts with hash (#) and ends with the line
- (Multi-line) (doc)strings might be used to comment/document the code in specific contexts

```
# This is a comment
"""

This is a multi-line docstring,
that may also help documenting the code
"""

```

## Basic I/O: print

- Type `print()` in Visual Studio Code and wait for help

```
print()
(*values: object, sep: str | None = ..., end: str | None = ..., file: SupportsWrite[str] | None = ..., flush: bool = ...) -> None

print(value, ..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)
Prints the values to a stream, or to sys.stdout by default. Optional keyword arguments:
file: a file-like object (stream); defaults to the current sys.stdout.
sep: string inserted between values, default a space.
end: string appended after the last value, default a newline.
flush: whether to forcibly flush the stream.
```

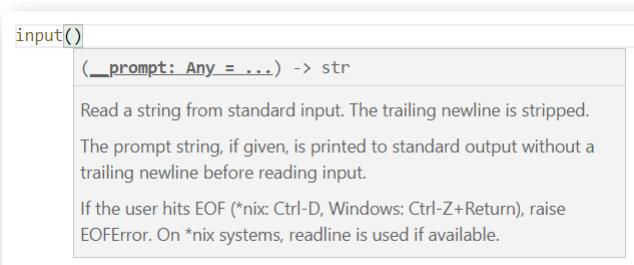
## Pythonic Approach

- Functions are simple and straightforward
- Specific “named arguments” can be optionally used to tweak the behavior

```
print("Foo", "Bar")
print("Foo", "Bar", file=sys.stderr, sep='|')
```

## Basic I/O: `input`

- Type `input()` in Visual Studio Code and wait for help



# Indentation

- Python uses indentation for defining { blocks }
- Both tabs and spaces are allowed
  - consistency is required, let alone desirable

```

1  for item in range(10):
2      print('I')
3      print('am')
4      print('a')
5      if item % 2 == 0:
6          print('funny')
7          print('and')
8          print('silly')
9      else:
10         print('dull')
11         print('and')
12         print('serious')
13     print('block')
14     print('used')
15     print('as')
16     print('example.')
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```

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# Constructors

- Standard object constructors can be used to create empty/default objects, or to convert between types

```

foo = int()           # the default value for numbers is 0
bar = float("4.2")
baz = str(42)

```

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# Numbers

- Operators almost C-like:

$+$	$-$	$*$	$/$	$\%$	$//$
$+=$	$-=$	$*=$	$/=$	$%=$	$//=$

- Caveats:

$/$  always returns a floating point

$//$  always returns an integer — although not always of class `int`

Mod ( $\%$ ) always returns a result — even with a negative or float

- No self pre/post inc/dec-rement:  $++$   $--$

(numbers are immutable, names are not variables)

# Numeric operations

Operation	Result	Notes
<code>x + y</code>	sum of <code>x</code> and <code>y</code>	
<code>x - y</code>	difference of <code>x</code> and <code>y</code>	
<code>x * y</code>	product of <code>x</code> and <code>y</code>	
<code>x / y</code>	quotient of <code>x</code> and <code>y</code>	
<code>x // y</code>	floored quotient of <code>x</code> and <code>y</code>	(1)
<code>x % y</code>	remainder of <code>x / y</code>	(2)
<code>-x</code>	<code>x</code> negated	
<code>+x</code>	<code>x</code> unchanged	
<code>abs(x)</code>	absolute value or magnitude of <code>x</code>	
<code>int(x)</code>	<code>x</code> converted to integer	(3)(6)
<code>float(x)</code>	<code>x</code> converted to floating point	(4)(6)
<code>complex(re, im)</code>	a complex number with real part <code>re</code> , imaginary part <code>im</code> . <code>im</code> defaults to zero.	(6)
<code>c.conjugate()</code>	conjugate of the complex number <code>c</code>	
<code>divmod(x, y)</code>	the pair <code>(x // y, x % y)</code>	(2)
<code>pow(x, y)</code>	<code>x</code> to the power <code>y</code>	(5)
<code>x ** y</code>	<code>x</code> to the power <code>y</code>	(5)

# Real-number operations

Operation	Result
<code>math.trunc(x)</code>	$x$ truncated to <code>Integral</code>
<code>round(x[, n])</code>	$x$ rounded to $n$ digits, rounding half to even. If $n$ is omitted, it defaults to 0.
<code>math.floor(x)</code>	the greatest <code>Integral</code> $\leq x$
<code>math.ceil(x)</code>	the least <code>Integral</code> $\geq x$

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# Bitwise operations

Operation	Result	Notes
<code>x   y</code>	bitwise <i>or</i> of $x$ and $y$	(4)
<code>x ^ y</code>	bitwise <i>exclusive or</i> of $x$ and $y$	(4)
<code>x &amp; y</code>	bitwise <i>and</i> of $x$ and $y$	(4)
<code>x &lt;&lt; n</code>	$x$ shifted left by $n$ bits	(1)(2)
<code>x &gt;&gt; n</code>	$x$ shifted right by $n$ bits	(1)(3)
<code>~x</code>	the bits of $x$ inverted	

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# Sequences

- Ordered data structure
  - Support positional access
  - Are iterable
- Among the different sequences, the most popular are
  - Lists: mutable, heterogenous
  - Tuples: immutable, heterogenous
  - Strings: immutable, homogenous

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# Sequence operations

Operation	Result
<code>x in s</code>	True if an item of <code>s</code> is equal to <code>x</code> , else False
<code>x not in s</code>	False if an item of <code>s</code> is equal to <code>x</code> , else True
<code>s + t</code>	the concatenation of <code>s</code> and <code>t</code>
<code>s * n or n * s</code>	equivalent to adding <code>s</code> to itself <code>n</code> times
<code>s[i]</code>	<code>i</code> th item of <code>s</code> , origin 0
<code>s[i:j]</code>	slice of <code>s</code> from <code>i</code> to <code>j</code>
<code>s[i:j:k]</code>	slice of <code>s</code> from <code>i</code> to <code>j</code> with step <code>k</code>
<code>len(s)</code>	length of <code>s</code>
<code>min(s)</code>	smallest item of <code>s</code>
<code>max(s)</code>	largest item of <code>s</code>
<code>s.index(x[, i[, j]])</code>	index of the first occurrence of <code>x</code> in <code>s</code> (at or after index <code>i</code> and before index <code>j</code> )
<code>s.count(x)</code>	total number of occurrences of <code>x</code> in <code>s</code>

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## Looping over sequences

```

giovanni = "Giovanni Adolfo Pietro Pio Squillero"

for letter in giovanni:
    print(letter)

for index in range(len(giovanni)):
    print(index, giovanni[index])

for index, letter in enumerate(giovanni):
    print(index, letter)

```

- Caveat: **range()** is a class designed to efficiently generate indexes; the full constructor is:  
`class range(start, stop[, step])`

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## Looping over multiple sequences

```

for a, b in zip('GIOVANNI', 'XYZ'):
    print(f"{a}:{b}")
✓ 0.3s
G:X
I:Y
O:Z

```

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## Lists and Tuples

- A list is a heterogenous, mutable sequence
- A tuple is a heterogenous, immutable sequence
- A list may contain tuples as elements, and vice versa
- Only lists may be sorted, but all iterable may be accessed through **sorted()**

```

birthday = [["Giovanni", 23, 10], ["Paola", 18, 5]]
print(birthday[0])

birthday_alt = [("Giovanni", 23, 10), ("Paola", 18, 5)]
print(birthday_alt[1][2])

birthday_alt.sort()
print(birthday_alt)

foo = (23, 10, 18, 5)
print(sorted(foo))

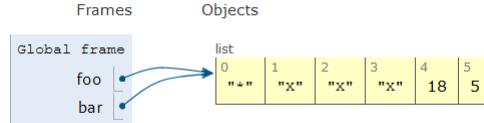
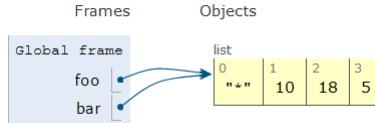
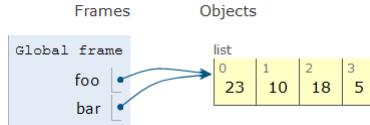
```

## Sort vs. Sorted

- **sorted(foo)** returns a list containing all elements of foo sorted in ascending order
- **bar.sort()** modify bar, sorting its elements in ascending order
- Named options
  - **key**
  - **reverse** (Boolean)

# Slices & Name binding

```
foo = [23, 10, 18, 5]
bar = foo
bar[0] = '*'
foo[1:2] = list("XXX")
```



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# Mutable-sequence operations

Operation	Result
<code>s[i] = x</code>	item <i>i</i> of <i>s</i> is replaced by <i>x</i>
<code>s[i:j] = t</code>	slice of <i>s</i> from <i>i</i> to <i>j</i> is replaced by the contents of the iterable <i>t</i>
<code>del s[i:j]</code>	same as <code>s[i:j] = []</code>
<code>s[i:j:k] = t</code>	the elements of <code>s[i:j:k]</code> are replaced by those of <i>t</i>
<code>del s[i:j:k]</code>	removes the elements of <code>s[i:j:k]</code> from the list
<code>s.append(x)</code>	appends <i>x</i> to the end of the sequence (same as <code>s[len(s):len(s)] = [x]</code> )
<code>s.clear()</code>	removes all items from <i>s</i> (same as <code>del s[:]</code> )

<code>s.copy()</code>	creates a shallow copy of <i>s</i> (same as <code>s[:]</code> )
<code>s.extend(t) or s += t</code>	extends <i>s</i> with the contents of <i>t</i> (for the most part the same as <code>s[len(s):len(s)] = t</code> )
<code>s *= n</code>	updates <i>s</i> with its contents repeated <i>n</i> times
<code>s.insert(i, x)</code>	inserts <i>x</i> into <i>s</i> at the index given by <i>i</i> (same as <code>s[i:i] = [x]</code> )
<code>s.pop() or s.pop(i)</code>	retrieves the item at <i>i</i> and also removes it from <i>s</i>
<code>s.remove(x)</code>	remove the first item from <i>s</i> where <code>s[i]</code> is equal to <i>x</i>
<code>s.reverse()</code>	reverses the items of <i>s</i> in place

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## Conditions over Sequences

- Use **any()** or **all()** to check that some/all elements in a sequence evaluates to **True**

```
print(foo)
print(any(foo))
print(all(foo))
✓ 0.4s
[False, False, False, False, False, True]
```

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## Strings

- Strings are immutable sequences of Unicode runes

```
string1 = "Hi!, I'm a \"string\""
string2 = 'Hi!, I\'m also a "string"'"

beatles = """John Lennon
Paul McCartney
George Harrison
Ringo Starr"""

bts = '''RM
진
슈가
제이홉
지민
뷔
정국'''
```



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# Strings

- The complete list of functions is huge
- Official documentation
  - <https://docs.python.org/3/library/stdtypes.html#textseq>
  - <https://docs.python.org/3/library/stdtypes.html#string-methods>

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# String formatting

- Several alternatives available
- Use f-strings!

```
discoverer = 'Leonhard Euler'
number = 2**31-1
year = 1772

print(f'Mersenne primes discovered by {discoverer} in {year}: {number:,}' +
      f' ({len(str(number))} digits.)')
✓ 0.3s
```

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Mersenne primes discovered by Leonhard Euler in 1772: 2,147,483,647 (10 digits).

- More info:

[https://docs.python.org/3/reference/lexical\\_analysis.html#f-strings](https://docs.python.org/3/reference/lexical_analysis.html#f-strings)  
<https://docs.python.org/3/library/string.html#format-spec>

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## Notable `str` methods

```
[11] "Giovanni Adolfo Pietro Pio".split()
    ✓ 0.2s
... ['Giovanni', 'Adolfo', 'Pietro', 'Pio']

[12] str.split("Giovanni Adolfo Pietro Pio")
    ✓ 0.3s
... ['Giovanni', 'Adolfo', 'Pietro', 'Pio']
```

- Caveat:  
`"bar".foo()` vs. `str.foo("bar")`

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## More notable `str` methods

```
[6] "Giovanni" + " Whoa!" * 3
    ✓ 0.4s
... 'Giovanni Whoa! Whoa! Whoa!'

▷ "|" .join(list('Giovanni'))
[8] ✓ 0.3s
... 'G|i|o|v|a|n|n|i'

[9] 'Pio' in 'Giovanni Adolfo Pietro Pio Squillero'
    ✓ 0.3s
... True
```

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## All `str` methods

```
capitalize() casefold() center(width[, fillchar])
count(sub[, start[, end]])
encode(encoding="utf-8", errors="strict")
endswith(suffix[, start[, end]]) expandtabs(tabsize=8)
find(sub[, start[, end]]) format(*args, **kwargs)
format_map(mapping) index(sub[, start[, end]]) isalnum()
isalpha() isascii() isdecimal() isdigit() isidentifier()
islower() isnumeric() isprintable() isspace() istitle()
isupper() join(iterable) ljust(width[, fillchar]) lower()
lstrip([chars]) partition(sep) removeprefix(prefix, /)
removesuffix(suffix, /) replace(old, new[, count])
rfind(sub[, start[, end]]) rindex(sub[, start[, end]])
rjust(width[, fillchar]) rpartition(sep)
rsplit(sep=None, maxsplit=-1) rstrip([chars])
split(sep=None, maxsplit=-1) splitlines([keepends])
startswith(prefix[, start[, end]]) strip([chars]) swapcase()
title() translate(table) upper() zfill(width)
```

## Dictionary

- Heterogeneous associative array
  - Keys are required to be *hashable*, thus immutable
- Syntax similar to sequences, but no positional access

```
stone = dict()
stone['23d1364a'] = 'Mick'
stone['5465ba78'] = 'Brian'
stone['06cc49dd'] = 'Ian'
stone['c2f65729'] = 'Keith'
stone['713c0a4e'] = 'Ronnie'
stone['3ed50ef3'] = 'Charlie'

print(stone['3ed50ef3'])
```

# Dictionary Keys and Values

```
stone.keys()
✓ 0.3s
dict_keys(['23d1364a', '5465ba78', '06cc49dd', 'c2f65729', '713c0a4e', '3ed50ef3'])

stone.values()
✓ 0.6s
dict_values(['Mick', 'Brian', 'Ian', 'Keith', 'Ronnie', 'Charlie'])

stone.items()
✓ 0.3s
dict_items([('23d1364a', 'Mick'), ('5465ba78', 'Brian'), ('06cc49dd', 'Ian'),
('c2f65729', 'Keith'), ('713c0a4e', 'Ronnie'), ('3ed50ef3', 'Charlie')])
```

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# For loops and Dictionaries

- When casted to a list or to an iterator, a dictionary is the sequence of its keys (preserving the insertion order)

```
for s in stone.keys():
    print(f"{s} -> {stone[s]}")

for s in stone:
    print(f"{s} -> {stone[s]}")

for k, v in stone.items():
    print(f"{k} -> {v}")
```

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## Sets

- Sets can be seen as dictionaries without values
- When casted to a list or to an iterator, a set is the sequence of its elements (not preserving the insertion order)
- The standard set operations can be used: **add**, **remove**, **in**, **not in**, **<= (issubset)**, **<**, **- (difference)**, **&**, **|**, **^ (symmetric\_difference)**, ...

```
foo = set("MAMMA")
bar = set("MIA")
print(foo | bar)
✓ 0.5s
```

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## Copy and Delete

- **del**: delete things
  - A whole object: **del foo**
  - An element in a list: **del foo[1]**
  - An element in a dictionary: **del foo['key']**
  - An element in a set: **del foo['item']**
- **copy**: Shallow copy an object (list, dictionary, set, ...)
  - Example: **foo = bar.copy()**
  - More Pythonic alternatives may exist, e.g.: **foo = bar[:]**

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# Conditional Execution

- Generic form

  - **if [elif [... elif]]] [else]**

```
if answer == "yes" or answer == "YES":
    print("User was positive")
elif answer == "no" or answer == "NO":
    print("User was negative")
else:
    print("Dunno!?)")
```

- Caveats

  - C-Like relational operators: **== != < <= > >=**
  - Human-readable logic operators: **not and or**
  - Numeric intervals: **if 10 <= foo < 42:**
  - Special operators: **is / in**
  - Truth Value Testing: **if name:**

# While loop

- Vanilla, C-like **while**

```
foo = 117
while foo > 0:
    print(foo)
    foo //= 2
```

## Non-structured Statements

- **continue** and **break**
- **else** with **while** and **for**

```

foo = 0
bar = int(input("Start @ "))
baz = int(input("Break @ "))
while foo < 20:
    foo += 1
    if foo < bar:
        continue
    if foo == baz:
        break
    print(foo)
else:
    print("Natural end of the loop!")

```

## pass

- The **pass** statement does nothing
- It can be used when a statement is required syntactically but the program requires no action

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# Functions

- Keyword **def**

```
def countdown(x):
    if not isinstance(x, int) or x <= 0:
        return False
    while x > 0:
        x /= 2
        print(x)
    return True

print(countdown("10"))
print(countdown(10))
```

- Caveat:
  - Names vs. Variables

## More caveats

- Functions are first-class citizen
- Function names are just “names”
- Remember scope!
- No **return** statement is equivalent to a **return None**



```
def foo():
    print("foo")

if input() == "crazy":
    def foo():
        print("crazy")

foo()
```

```
foo = input()
def bar():
    print(f"bar:{foo}")

bar()
foo = "Giovanni!"
bar()
```

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## Docstrings

- A docstring is a string literal that occurs as the first statement in a function (or module, or class, or method) definition
  - It is shown by most IDEs for helping coders
  - It becomes the **\_\_doc\_\_** special attribute of that object

```
def foo(x):
    """My FOO function"""
    pass
```

(x) -> None
My FOO function
foo()

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# Keyword and Default Arguments

- Remember scope and name binding
- Arguments may be optional if a default is provided
- Keyword arguments can be in any order

```

foo = 1
bar = 2
baz = 3

def silly_function(bar, baz=99):
    print(foo, bar, baz)

silly_function(23)
silly_function(23, baz=10)
silly_function(baz=10, bar=23)

```

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# Positional vs. Keyword Arguments

- Arguments preceding the ‘/’ are positional-only and cannot be specified to using keywords
- Arguments following the ‘\*’ must be specified using keywords
- Arguments between ‘/’ and ‘\*’ might be either positional or keyword

```

def foo(x, y, /, foo=1, bar=2, *, baz=3):
    print(f"POSITIONAL: x={x}; y={y}")
    print(f"foo={foo}; bar={bar}")
    print(f"KEYWORD ONLY: baz={baz}")

```

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✓ 0.3s

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## \*args and \*\*kwargs

- When a formal parameter is in the form **\*name** it receives a tuple with all the remaining positional arguments

```
def foo(x, y, *args):
    print(f"POSITIONAL: x={x}; y={y}")
    print(f"{type(args)} = {args}")

foo(23, 10, 18, 5)
✓ 0.2s
```

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```
POSITIONAL: x=23; y=10
<class 'tuple'> = (18, 5)
```

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## \*args and \*\*kwargs

- When a formal parameter is in the form **\*\*name** it receives a dictionary with all the remaining keyword arguments
- The argument **\*\*name** must follow **\*name**

```
def foo(x, y, *args, foo, **kwargs):
    print(f"args: {type(args)} = {args}")
    print(f"kwargs: {type(kwargs)} = {kwargs}")

foo(23, 10, 18, 5, foo='foo', bar='bar', baz='baz')
✓ 0.2s
```

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```
args: <class 'tuple'> = (18, 5)
kwargs: <class 'dict'> = {'bar': 'bar', 'baz': 'baz'}
```

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## True Pythonic Scripts

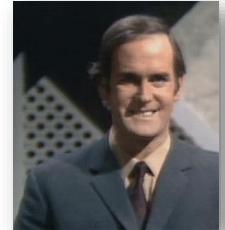
- Define all global ‘constants’ first, then functions
- Test \_\_name\_\_

```
GLOBAL_CONSTANT = 42

def foo():
    pass

def main():
    print(foo)
    pass

if __name__ == '__main__':
    # parse command line
    # setup logging
    main()
```



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## Callable Objects

- Names can refer to functions (*callable* objects)
- Functions are first class citizen

```
def foo(bar):
    print(f"foo{bar}")

qux = foo
qux('123')
✓ 0.3s
```

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## Lambda Keyword

- Lambda expressions are short (1 line), usually simple, and anonymous functions. They can be used to calculate values

```
foo = lambda x: 2**x
foo(10)
✓ 0.3s
1024
```

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- or perform simple tasks

```
foo = lambda x: print(f"foo{str(x)}")
foo(10)
✓ 0.3s
foo10
```

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## Lambda Keyword

- Lambda expressions are quite useful to define simple, scratch functions to be used as argument in behavioral parametrization, e.g., as **key** for the **sort()** function

```
sorted_keys = sorted(my_dict, key=lambda k: my_dict[k])
```

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# Closures and Scope

- Consider how names are resolved

```
foo = 42
func = lambda x: foo + x
print(func(10))
foo = 1_000
print(func(10))
✓ 0.3s
```

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# Closures and Scope

- Consider how names are resolved

```
def make_inc(number):
    return lambda x: number + x

i10 = make_inc(10)
i500 = make_inc(500)

print(i10(1), i500(1))

✓ 0.4s
```

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# List Comprehensions & Generators



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## List Comprehensions

- A concise way to create lists

```
[x for x in range(10)]  
✓ 0.4s
```

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```
[x for x in range(50) if x % 3 == 0]  
✓ 0.3s
```

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```
[(x, x**y) for x in range(2, 4) for y in range(4, 7)]  
✓ 0.4s
```

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## Generators

- Like list comprehension, but elements are not actually calculated unless explicitly required by **next()**

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```
foo = (x**x for x in range(100_000))
foo
✓ 0.3s
```

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```
for x in range(3):
    print(f"next(foo): {next(foo)}")
✓ 0.3s
```

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```
for x in range(3):
    print(f"next(foo): {next(foo)}")
✓ 0.4s
```

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## Generators

- Can be quite effective inside **any()** or **all()**

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```
any([n % 23 == 0 for n in range(1, 1_000_000_000)])
✓ 63.8s
```

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True

```
any(n % 23 == 0 for n in range(1, 100_000_000))
✓ 0.3s
```

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True

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## Generators

- Can be used to create lists and sets

```
numbers = set(a*b for a in range(11) for b in range(11))
print("All integral numbers that can be expressed as a*b with a and b less than 10: " +
      '\n'.join(str(_) for _ in sorted(numbers)))
✓ 0.3s
```

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All integral numbers that can be expressed as a\*b with a and b less than 10: 0 1 2 3 4 5  
6 7 8 9 10 12 14 15 16 18 20 21 24 25 27 28 30 32 35 36 40 42 45 48 49 50 54 56 60 63 64  
70 72 80 81 90 100

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# Modules



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# Modules

- Python code libraries are organized in modules
- Names in modules can be imported in several way

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```
import math
print(math.sqrt(2))
✓ 0.4s
1.4142135623730951
```

```
from math import sqrt
from cmath import sqrt as c_sqrt
print(sqrt(2), c_sqrt(-2))
✓ 0.4s
1.4142135623730951 1.4142135623730951j
```

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# Notable Modules

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```
import logging

logging.basicConfig(
    level=logging.INFO,
    format='%(asctime)s %(levelname)s: %(message)s',
    datefmt=['%H:%M:%S'],
)

logging.debug("For debugging purpose")
logging.info("Verbose information")
logging.warning("Watch out, it looks important")
logging.error("We have a problem")
logging.critical("Armageddon was yesterday, now we have a real problem...")
✓ 0.8s
```

```
[12:07:40] INFO: Verbose information
[12:07:40] WARNING: Watch out, it looks important
[12:07:40] ERROR: We have a problem
[12:07:40] CRITICAL: Armageddon was yesterday, now we have a real problem...
```

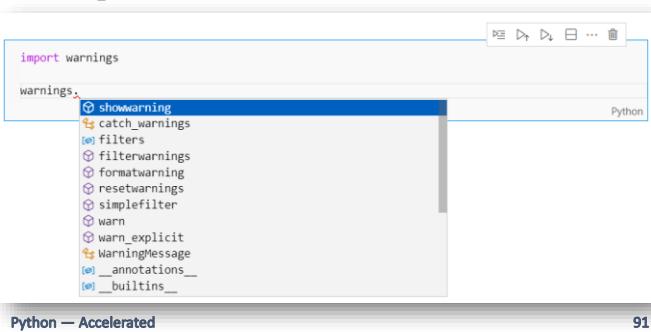
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## Notable Modules

- Warnings that alert the user of some important condition that doesn't warrant raising an exception and terminating the program (e.g., uses of a obsolete feature)
- Caveat: **logging** vs. **warnings**

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## Notable Modules

- Mathematical functions, use **cmath** for complex numbers

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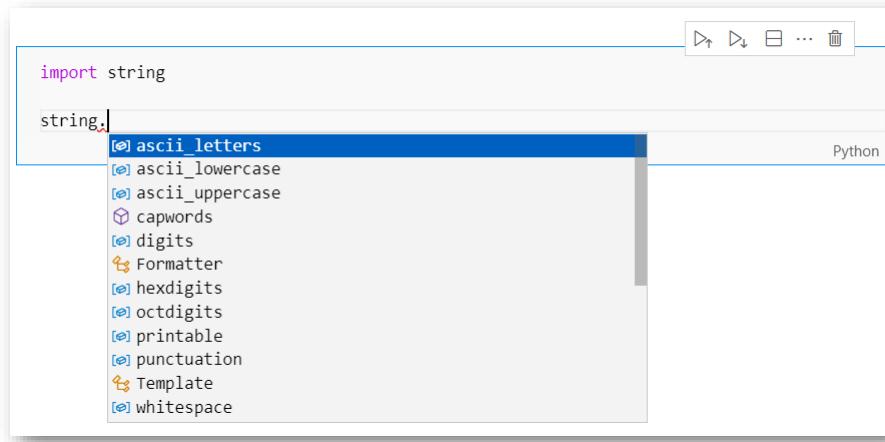
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## Notable Modules

- Common string operations and constants



The screenshot shows a code editor window with the following code:

```
import string

string.
```

A tooltip window displays the contents of the `string` module's `__all__` list:

- [e] ascii\_letters
- [e] ascii\_lowercase
- [e] ascii\_uppercase
- [i] capwords
- [e] digits
- [e] Formatter
- [e] hexdigits
- [e] octdigits
- [e] printable
- [e] punctuation
- [e] Template
- [e] whitespace

The tooltip has a "Python" label in the bottom right corner.

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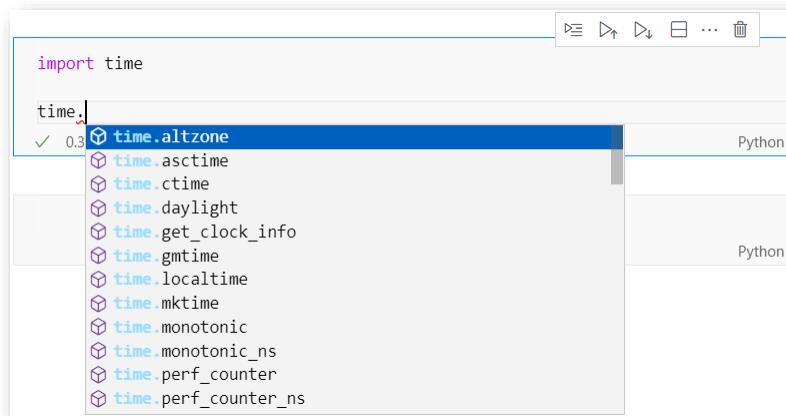
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## Notable Modules

- Various time-related functions



The screenshot shows a code editor window with the following code:

```
import time

time.
```

A tooltip window displays the contents of the `time` module's `__all__` list:

- ✓ 0.3 [e] time.altzone
- [i] time.asctime
- [i] time.ctime
- [i] time.daylight
- [i] time.get\_clock\_info
- [i] time.gmtime
- [i] time.localtime
- [i] time.mktime
- [i] time.monotonic
- [i] time.monotonic\_ns
- [i] time.perf\_counter
- [i] time.perf\_counter\_ns

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## Notable Modules: `time`

- `perf_counter` / `perf_counter_ns`
  - Clock with the highest available resolution to measure a short duration, it does include time elapsed during sleep and is system-wide
  - Only the difference between the results of two calls is valid
- `process_time` / `process_time_ns`
  - Sum of the system and user CPU time of the current process. It does not include time elapsed during sleep
  - Only the difference between the results of two calls is valid

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## Notable Modules: `time`

- Measure performances:
  - Use `process_time` in a script
  - Use `%timeit` in a notebook

```
%timeit fibonacci_numbers = [n for n, _ in zip(fibonacci(), range(100))]
```

✓ 7.9s

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9.76 µs ± 8.35 ns per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 100000 loops each)

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## Notable Modules: **time**

- **sleep**

- Suspend execution of the calling thread for the given number of seconds.

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## Notable Modules

- Data pretty printer, sometimes a good replacement for **print**
  - Notez bien: tons of customizations importing the whole module

```
from pprint import pprint

numbers = [set(y+x**y for y in range(x)) for x in range(1, 10)]
pprint(numbers)
✓ 0.4s
```

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## Notable Modules

- Miscellaneous operating system interfaces

```
import os
os.getcwd()
0.5s
'e:\\\\Users\\\\Johnny\\\\Repos\\\\python_the-hard-way'
```

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os.

- abort**
- access
- add\_dll\_directory
- altsep
- chdir
- chmod
- close
- closerange
- cpu\_count
- curdir
- defpath
- device\_encoding

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## Notable Modules

- System-specific parameters and functions

```
import sys
sys.
0.5s
sys.addaudithook
```

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sys.

- sys.addaudithook**
- api\_version
- argv
- audit
- base\_exec\_prefix
- base\_prefix
- breakpointhook
- builtin\_module\_names
- byteorder
- call\_tracing
- callstats
- copyright

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## Notable Modules

- Regular expression operations

```
import re
^
re.
✓ re.A
<module 're' (built-in)>
  ▾ re.ASCII
  ▾ re.compile
  ▾ re.copyreg
  ▾ re.DEBUG
  ▾ re.DOTALL
  ▾ re.enum
  ▾ re.error
  ▾ re.escape
  ▾ re.findall
  ▾ re.finditer
  ▾ re.fullmatch
```

The screenshot shows a code editor interface with a sidebar containing the Python logo and the word "Python". The main area displays the following code:

```
import re
```

The code editor highlights the `re.A` method in blue, indicating it is selected or the cursor is positioned there.

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## Notable Modules

- Real Python programmers do not love double loops
- Use **itertools** for efficient looping

Examples	Results
<code>product('ABCD', repeat=2)</code>	AA AB AC AD BA BB BC BD CA CB CC CD DA DB DC DD
<code>permutations('ABCD', 2)</code>	AB AC AD BA BC BD CA CB CD DA DB DC
<code>combinations('ABCD', 2)</code>	AB AC AD BC BD CD
<code>combinations_with_replacement('ABCD', 2)</code>	AA AB AC AD BB BC BD CC CD DD

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## More `itertools`

- Infinite loops
  - `count`, `cycle`, `repeat`
- Terminating on the shortest sequence
  - `accumulate`, `chain`, `chain.from_iterable`, `compress`, `dropwhile`, `filterfalse`, `groupby`, `islice`, `starmap`, `takewhile`, `tee`, `zip_longest`

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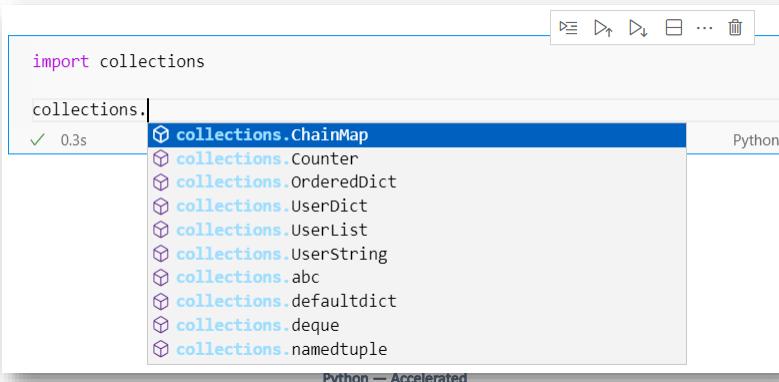
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## Notable Modules

- The module `collection` contains specialized container datatypes providing alternatives to Python's general purpose built-in containers



```
import collections

collections.
```

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- `collections.ChainMap`
- `collections.Counter`
- `collections.OrderedDict`
- `collections.UserDict`
- `collections.UserList`
- `collections.UserString`
- `collections.abc`
- `collections.defaultdict`
- `collections.deque`
- `collections.namedtuple`

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## Notable Modules: **collections**

<code>namedtuple()</code>	factory function for creating tuple subclasses with named fields
<code>deque</code>	list-like container with fast appends and pops on either end
<code>ChainMap</code>	dict-like class for creating a single view of multiple mappings
<code>Counter</code>	dict subclass for counting hashable objects
<code>OrderedDict</code>	dict subclass that remembers the order entries were added
<code>defaultdict</code>	dict subclass that calls a factory function to supply missing values
<code>UserDict</code>	wrapper around dictionary objects for easier dict subclassing
<code>UserList</code>	wrapper around list objects for easier list subclassing
<code>UserString</code>	wrapper around string objects for easier string subclassing

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## Notable Modules

- Generate pseudo-random numbers

```
import random

random.
```

random

- betavariate
- choice
- choices
- expovariate
- gammavariate
- gauss
- getrandbits
- getstate
- lognormvariate
- normalvariate
- paretovariate

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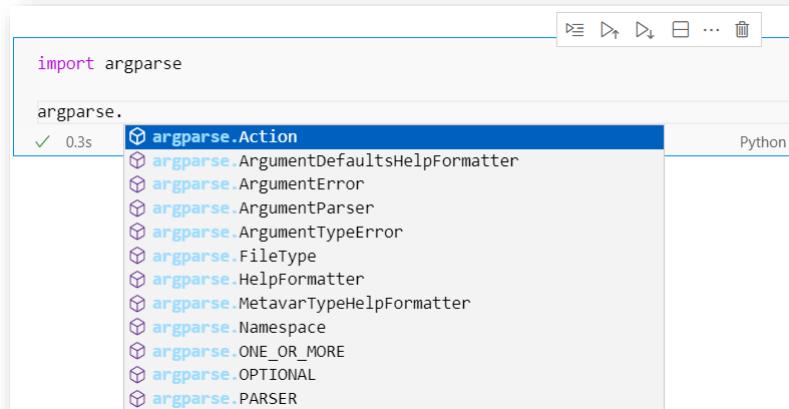
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## Notable Modules

- Parse command-line arguments



```
import argparse

argparse.
```

The screenshot shows a code editor interface with a completion dropdown open over the `argparse` module. The dropdown is titled `argparse.Action` and lists several members of the `argparse` module, including `ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter`, `ArgumentError`, `ArgumentParser`, `ArgumentTypeError`, `FileType`, `HelpFormatter`, `MetavarTypeHelpFormatter`, `Namespace`, `ONE\_OR\_MORE`, `OPTIONAL`, and `PARSER`. The `argparse.Action` item is highlighted with a blue background.

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## Notable Modules: argparse

- Quite complex and powerful
- Help and recipes available from [python.org](http://python.org)

```
parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
parser.add_argument('-v', '--verbose', action='count', default=0, help='increase log verbosity')
parser.add_argument('-d',
                   '--debug',
                   action='store_const',
                   dest='verbose',
                   const=2,
                   help='log debug messages (same as -vv)')
args = parser.parse_args()

if args.verbose == 0:
    logging.getLogger().setLevel(logging.WARNING)
elif args.verbose == 1:
    logging.getLogger().setLevel(logging.INFO)
elif args.verbose == 2:
    logging.getLogger().setLevel(logging.DEBUG)
```

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## User modules

- A Python file is a “module” and can be imported

```

file_a.py > ...
1 ✓ def foo(x):
2   |   print(f"FileA's foo({x})!")
3

file_b.py
1 import file_a
2
3 file_a.foo(23)

```

- When a file is imported, it is evaluated by the interpreter
  - All statements are executed
  - The `__name__` is set to the actual name of the file and not “`__main__`”

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## User modules

- A directory is a “module” and can be imported
- If the directory contains the file `__init__.py`, it is automatically read and evaluated by the interpreter
  - Other files may be imported using `from pkg import foo`

```

my_module > file_a.py > ...
1 def foo(x):
2   |   print(f"my_module's foo({x})!")
3

file_b.py
1 from my_module import file_a
2
3 file_a.foo(23)

```

- The files may also be imported writing appropriate `import` instructions in `__init__.py`

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# User modules

- Several alternatives, with obscure, yet important differences

```

import foo          # foo.py is a file
import mymod        # mymod is a directory containing __init__.py
from mymod import bar # mymod/bar.py is a file
from mymod.bar import quiz # quiz is a function in mymod/bar.py

```

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- ... and even more alternatives

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# Docstrings in user modules

- Docstrings can be specified as the first statement in files (e.g., `__init__.py`)

```

file_b.py
1 import my_module
2
3
my_module > __init__.py
1 """
2 Quite a nice module!
3 """

```

```

my_module > file_a.py
1 from my_module import file_a
2
3
File A's functions are here
Quick Fix... (Ctrl+.)

```

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# Exceptions



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## Exceptions

- Like (almost) all modern languages, Python implements a mechanism for handling unexpected events in a smooth way through “exceptions”

```
try:
    val = risky_code()
except ValueError:
    val = None
except Exception as problem:
    logging.critical(f"Yeuch: {problem}")
```

```
if val == None:
    raise ValueError("Yeuch, invalid value")
```

## Notable Exceptions

- **Exception**
- **ArithmetError**
  - **OverflowError, ZeroDivisionError, FloatingPointError**
- **LookupError**
  - **IndexError, KeyError**
- **OSError**
  - System-related error, including I/O failures
- **UnicodeEncodeError, UnicodeDecodeError** and **UnicodeTranslateError**
- **ValueError**

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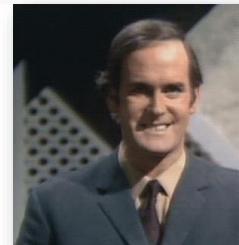
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## Assert

- Check specific conditions at run-time
- Ignored if compiler is optimizing (**-O** or **-OO**)
- Generate an **AssertionError**

```
assert val != None, "Yeuch, invalid val"
```

- Advice: Use a lot of asserts in your code



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# i/o



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## Working with files

- As simple as

```
try:
    with open('file_name', 'r') as data_input:
        # read from data_input
        pass
except OSError as problem:
    logging.error(f"Can't read: {problem}")
```

- Caveat:
  - Use **try/except** to handle errors,  
**with** to dispose resource automagically
  - Default encoding is '**utf-8**'

## Open mode

- The mode may be specified setting the named parameter **mode** to 1 or more characters

Character	Meaning
'r'	open for reading (default)
'w'	open for writing, truncating the file first
'x'	open for exclusive creation, failing if the file already exists
'a'	open for writing, appending to the end of the file if it exists
'b'	binary mode
't'	text mode (default)
'+'	open for updating (reading and writing)

## Under the hood

- If mode is not *binary*, a **TextIOWrapper** is used
  - buffered text stream providing higher-level access to a **BufferedIOBase** buffered binary stream
- If mode is *binary* and *read*, a **BufferedReader** is used
  - buffered binary stream providing higher-level access to a readable, non seekable **RawIOBase** raw binary stream
- If mode is *binary* and *write*, a **BufferedWriter** is used
  - buffered binary stream providing higher-level access to a writeable, non seekable **RawIOBase** raw binary stream

# Reading/Writing text files

- **read(size)**
  - Reads up to n bytes, default slurp the whole file
- **readline()**
  - Reads 1 line
- **readlines()**
  - Reads the whole file and returns a list of lines
- **write(text)**
  - Write text into the file, no automatic newline is added
- **tell()/seek(offset)**
  - Gets/set the position inside a file



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## Example

```
try:
    with open('input.txt') as input, open('output.txt', 'w') as output:
        for line in input:
            output.write(line)
except OSError as problem:
    logging.error(problem)
```

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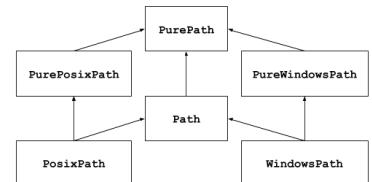
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# Paths

- To manipulate paths in a somewhat portable way across different operating systems, use either
  - `os.path`
  - `pathlib` (more object oriented)
- Standard function names, such as `basename()` or `isfile()`
- Paths are always *local* path, to force:
  - `posixpath` (un\*x)
  - `ntpath` (windoze)

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# Pickle

- Binary serialization and de-serialization of Python objects

```

import pickle

foo = get_really_complex_data_structure()
pickle.dump(foo, open('dump.p', 'wb'))
bar = pickle.load(open('dump.p', 'rb'))
  
```

- Caveats:

- File operations should be inside `try/catch`
- Use `protocol=0` to get a human-readable pickle file
- The module is not **secure!** An attacker may tamper the pickle file and make `unpickle` execute arbitrary code

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## Read CSV

- As standard file

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## Read CSV

- With the CSV module (*sniffing* the correct format)

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## Read Config

- Handle (read and write) standard config files

```
import configparser

config = configparser.ConfigParser()
config.read(os.path.join(os.getcwd(), 'data_files', 'sample-config.ini'))
print(config['Simple Values']['key'])
print('no key' in config['Simple Values'])
print('spaces in values' in config['Simple Values'])
```

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value  
False  
True

1 [Simple Values]  
2 key=value  
3 spaces in keys=allowed  
4 spaces in values=allowed as well  
5 spaces around the delimiter = obviously  
6 you can also use : to delimit keys from values

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# Linters



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## Linting?

**lint** [from Unix's `lint(1)`, named for the bits of fluff it supposedly picks from programs] 1. /vt./ To examine a program closely for style, language usage, and portability problems, esp. if in C, esp. if via use of automated analysis tools, most esp. if the Unix utility `lint(1)` is used. This term used to be restricted to use of `lint(1)` itself, but (judging by references on Usenet) it has become a shorthand for desk check at some non-Unix shops, even in languages other than C. Also as /v./ `delint`. 2. /n./ Excess verbiage in a document, as in "This draft has too much `lint`".

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## pylint

- A static code-analysis tool which looks for programming errors, helps enforcing a coding standard, sniffs for code smells and offers simple refactoring suggestions

```
conda install pylint
```

- Or

```
pip install -U pylint
```

```
(base) λ pylint ex07_random.py
*****
Module ex07_random
ex07_random.py:1:0: C0114: Missing module docstring (missing-module-docstring)
ex07_random.py:14:0: C0116: Missing function or method docstring (missing-function-docstring)

-----
Your code has been rated at 8.75/10 (previous run: 9.38/10, -0.62)
```

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## flake8

- A tool for enforcing style consistency across  

```
conda install flake8
```
- Or  

```
pip install -U flake8
```

```
(base) λ flake8 ex07_random.py
ex07_random.py:24:80: E501 line too long (99 > 79 characters)
```

```
(base) λ flake8 --max-line-length=100 ex07_random.py
```

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## bandit

- A static code-analysis tool which finds common security issues in Python code  

```
conda install -c conda-forge bandit
```
- Or  

```
pip install -U bandit
```

```
(base) λ bandit ex07_random.py
[INFO] INFO profile include tests: None
[INFO] INFO profile exclude tests: None
[INFO] INFO cli include tests: None
[INFO] INFO cli exclude tests: None
[INFO] INFO running on python 3.8.11
[INFO] INFO Unable to find qualified name for module: ex07_random.py
Run started 2021-09-05 13:48:40.508267

Test results:
+-- Issue [B311:blacklist] Standard pseudo-random generators are not suitable for security/cryptographic use. Confidence: High
   Location: ex07_random.py:22
   More info: https://bandit.readthedocs.io/en/latest/blacklists/blacklist_calls.html#B311-random
21     }) < 2:
22         sequence.append(randint(MIN_RANDOM, MAX_RANDOM))
23

Code scanned:
    Total lines of code: 19
    Total lines skipped (Ansec): 0

Run metrics:
    Total issues (by severity):
        Undefined: 0.0
        Low: 1.0
        Medium: 0.0
        High: 0.0
    Total issues (by confidence):
        Undefined: 0.0
        Low: 0.0
        Medium: 0.0
        High: 1.0
    files skipped (0):
```

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# tkinter



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An IPython session window titled "IPython: Users/giovanni". The command line shows:

```
> $ /opt/homebrew/bin/ipython
Python 3.9.6 (default, Jun 28 2021, 19:24:41)
Type 'copyright', 'credits' or 'license' for more information
IPython 7.26.0 -- An enhanced Interactive Python. Type '?' for help.

In [1]: import tkinter
In [2]: tkinter._test()
```

The window has three red circular buttons in the top-left corner. A message box is displayed in the bottom-right corner with the text:

This is Tcl/Tk version 8.6  
This should be a cedilla: ç

Buttons in the message box are "Click me!" and "QUIT".

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# Tcl/Tk

- **Tcl (Tool command language) + Tk (Interface Toolkit)**
  - Created by John Ousterhout in 1988 for Unix (X11)
  - Between 1994 and 2000 ported to Windows and macOS
  - Current stable release: 8.6.11 (January 4<sup>th</sup> 2021)
- **tkinter**
  - Originally written by Fredrik Lundh
  - Official Python binding to Tk and de-facto standard GUI
  - In 2009 Guilherme Polo added support for **ttk** widgets

```
# expr evaluates text string as an expression
set sum [expr 1+2+3+4+5]
puts "The sum of the numbers 1..5 is $sum."
```

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# tkinter

- Python interface to the Tk library
- See TkDocs and the official Tk command reference
  - <https://tkdocs.com/>
  - <https://tcl.tk/man/tcl8.6/TkCmd/contents.htm>
- Most options have been reasonably translated to keyword arguments

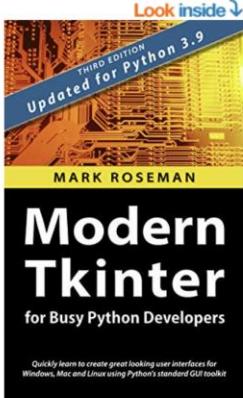
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# tkinter



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# Quick Startup

- Import all names from the main module
  - Terrible, but apparently it is “the standard way”
- Import **ttk** and use the themed Tk widgets whenever possible
- Create the root canvas
- Instantiate all your widgets
- Use **grid()** to define positions
- Let Tk care about the layout
- Run the main loop

```
from tkinter import *
from tkinter import ttk

def main():
    root = Tk()
    # your code setting up tkinter
    root.mainloop()

if __name__ == '__main__':
    main()
```

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## A slightly more complex example

- Draw a grid to place the different widgets
  - Position the widgets with `grid()`
  - Use an oldish `StringVar` to set/get values from an `Entry`
  - No need to assign names to widgets that will not be referred

```
root = tk.Tk()
root.title("Type user and password")
main_frame = ttk.Frame(root).grid()

name = tk.StringVar()
ttk.Label(main_frame, text='Name').grid(row=0, column=0, columnspan=2, sticky=tk.W)
ttk.Entry(main_frame, width=30, textvariable=name).grid(row=1, column=0, columnspan=2)

password = tk.StringVar()
ttk.Label(main_frame, text='Password').grid(row=2, column=0, columnspan=2, sticky=tk.W)
ttk.Entry(main_frame, width=30, textvariable=password, show='*').grid(row=3,
                                                               column=0,
                                                               columnspan=2)
```



- Use a `ttk.Frame` to improve aesthetic

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## A slightly more complex example

- Bind actions to `Buttons`
  - Actions can also be bound to “events” such as key pressed
  - Use lambda expressions and/or local functions
  - Run the main loop

```
def confirm():
    root.destroy()

def cancel():
    name.set(None)
    password.set(None)
    root.destroy()

ttk.Button(main_frame, text="OK", command=confirm).grid(row=4, column=0)
ttk.Button(main_frame, text="cancel", command=cancel).grid(row=4, column=1)
root.bind("<Escape>", lambda x: cancel())

root.mainloop()
return name.get(), password.get()
```

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# Alert and Confirmation Dialogs

- **messagebox**
  - `showinfo` / `showwarning` / `showerror`
  - `askyesno` / `askyesnocancel`
  - `askokcancel`
  - `askretrycancel`
- The keyword argument `icon` can be set to the strings “error”, “info”, “question”, or “warning”
- See official documentation on the Tk command  
`tk_messageBox`

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# Alert and Confirmation Dialogs

```

import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import messagebox

tk.Tk().withdraw()

user_answer = messagebox.askyesnocancel('Title', 'Another round?', icon='question')
if user_answer is True:
    pass
elif user_answer is False:
    pass
else:
    # user_answer is None
    pass

```

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## Dialog Windows

- **filedialog** (return file names as strings)
  - **askopenfilename** / **askopenfilenames**
  - **asksaveasfilename**
  - **askdirectory**
- **filedialog** (return actual file objects)
  - **askopenfile** / **askopenfiles**
  - **asksaveasfile**
- See official documentation on the Tk command  
**tk\_getOpenFile**

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## Dialog Windows

```
import os
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import filedialog

tk.Tk().withdraw()
source_files = filedialog.askopenfilenames(initialdir=os.getcwd(),
                                             filetypes=[('CSV', '*.csv'),
                                                        ('Squillero data files', '*.gx *.px'),
                                                        ('All files', '*.*')])
destination = filedialog.asksaveasfilename(initialdir=os.getcwd(),
                                             confirmoverwrite=True,
                                             filetypes=[('Squillero data files', '*.gx *.px')])

print(f"Processing {source_files} -> {destination}")
```

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## Dialog Windows

- **colorchooser** (return both the RGB components and the color hex code)

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