

Python Notes – Part 1 (Basics, Memory, Data Types)

1. Introduction to Python

- **High-level Language** → Easy to read & write (close to human language).
- **Interpreted** → Executes line by line (no need of compilation).
- **Dynamically Typed** → No need to declare variable type, Python decides at runtime.
- **Cross-platform** → Works on Windows, Linux, macOS.
- **Object-Oriented + Functional** → Supports both paradigms.

📖 Created by **Guido van Rossum** in 1991.

2. Python Execution & Memory Model

How Python Code Runs

1. **Write Code (.py file)**
2. **Python Interpreter** converts code into **Bytecode (.pyc)**.
3. **Python Virtual Machine (PVM)** executes bytecode.

📖 Example:

```
print("Hello Python")
```

- `print("Hello Python")` → Converted into bytecode → Executed by PVM.
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Memory Management in Python

- **Automatic Memory Management** handled by **Python Memory Manager**.
- **Key components:**
 - **Stack Memory** → Stores function calls, local variables.
 - **Heap Memory** → Stores objects, dynamic memory.
 - **Garbage Collector** → Frees unused objects.

📖 Example of Garbage Collection:

```
import gc  
  
x = [1, 2, 3]
```

```
y = x
del x
print(y)  # still accessible
del y
gc.collect()  # unused memory cleaned
```

- **Reference Counting** → Each object has a count of references. When count = 0 → destroyed.
 - **Generational Garbage Collection** → Objects are divided into **young, old generations** → frequent short-lived objects cleared quickly.
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3. Variables in Python

- Variables are **references** (labels) to objects in memory.
- No need to declare type → decided at runtime.

```
x = 10          # integer
y = "Hello"     # string
z = [1, 2, 3]   # list
```

👉 **id() function** → Returns memory address.

```
a = 10
b = 10
print(id(a), id(b))  # same address (integer caching for small numbers)
```

4. Data Types in Python

Built-in Data Types

1. **Numeric Types** → int, float, complex

```
a = 5          # int
b = 3.14        # float
c = 2 + 3j      # complex
```

2. **Sequence Types** → list, tuple, range

```
lst = [1, 2, 3]      # list (mutable)
tpl = (1, 2, 3)       # tuple (immutable)
rng = range(5)        # 0 to 4
```

3. **Text Type** → str

```
s = "Python"
```

4. **Set Types** → set, frozenset

```
s = {1, 2, 3}
fs = frozenset([1, 2, 3]) # immutable
```

5. Mapping Type → dict

```
d = {"name": "Prince", "age": 21}
```

6. Boolean Type → bool

```
is_valid = True
```

7. Binary Types → bytes, bytearray, memoryview

```
b = b"hello"          # immutable
ba = bytearray(b)      # mutable
mv = memoryview(b)     # memory efficient
```

Type Conversion

- **Implicit (Type Casting by Python)**

```
x = 10
y = 2.5
z = x + y    # 12.5 (int → float automatically)
```

- **Explicit (Manual Casting)**

```
a = int("10")      # 10
b = float("3.14")   # 3.14
c = str(100)        # "100"
```

Important Notes about Python Data Types

- **Mutable vs Immutable**
 - Mutable → list, dict, set, bytearray
 - Immutable → int, float, str, tuple, frozenset, bytes
- **Everything in Python is an Object**
Even numbers, functions, and classes are objects.

🔗 Example:

```
print(type(10))      # <class 'int'>
print(type("Hello")) # <class 'str'>
```



Python Notes – Part 2 (Operators)

1. What are Operators?

Operators are **symbols** that perform operations on variables/values.

Example:

```
a = 10
b = 3
print(a + b)    # 13
```

2. Types of Operators in Python

(A) Arithmetic Operators

Used for basic math operations:

```
a = 10
b = 3

print(a + b)    # Addition → 13
print(a - b)    # Subtraction → 7
print(a * b)    # Multiplication → 30
print(a / b)    # Division (float) → 3.3333
print(a // b)   # Floor Division → 3
print(a % b)    # Modulus (remainder) → 1
print(a ** b)   # Exponentiation → 1000 (10^3)
```

(B) Relational / Comparison Operators

Used to compare values → returns **True/False**.

```
a = 5
b = 10

print(a == b)   # False
print(a != b)   # True
print(a > b)    # False
print(a < b)    # True
print(a >= b)   # False
print(a <= b)   # True
```

(C) Logical Operators

Used for **boolean logic**.

```
x = True
y = False

print(x and y)  # False
print(x or y)   # True
print(not x)    # False
```

🔗 Works with non-boolean values too:

```
print(0 and 5)    # 0    (because 0 is False)
print(5 and 0)    # 0
print(5 and 10)   # 10
print(0 or 5)     # 5
```

(D) Bitwise Operators

Work on binary representation of numbers.

```
a = 6    # (110 in binary)
b = 3    # (011 in binary)

print(a & b)    # AND → 2 (010)
print(a | b)    # OR  → 7 (111)
print(a ^ b)    # XOR → 5 (101)
print(~a)       # NOT → -7 (inverts bits)
print(a << 1)   # Left Shift → 12 (1100)
print(a >> 1)   # Right Shift → 3 (011)
```

(E) Assignment Operators

Used to assign values.

```
x = 5
x += 3    # x = x + 3 → 8
x -= 2    # x = x - 2 → 6
x *= 2    # x = x * 2 → 12
x /= 3    # x = x / 3 → 4.0
x //= 2   # x = x // 2 → 2.0
x %= 2    # x = x % 2 → 0.0
x **= 3   # x = x ** 3 → 0.0
```

(F) Identity Operators

Used to compare **memory location** (whether two variables refer to the same object).

```
a = [1, 2, 3]
b = [1, 2, 3]
c = a

print(a is b)    # False (different objects in memory)
print(a is c)    # True  (same object reference)
print(a is not b) # True
```

(G) Membership Operators

Used to check membership in sequences (list, tuple, str, set, dict).

```
lst = [1, 2, 3, 4]

print(2 in lst)      # True
print(5 in lst)      # False
print(5 not in lst)  # True
```

3. Operator Precedence (Priority Order)

When multiple operators are used, Python follows **precedence rules**.

Precedence Table (highest → lowest)

1. **Parentheses** `()`
2. **Exponent** `**`
3. **Unary** `+, -, ~`
4. **Multiplication** `*`, **Division** `/`, **Floor** `//`, **Modulus** `%`
5. **Addition** `+`, **Subtraction** `-`
6. **Bitwise Shift** `<<, >>`
7. **Bitwise AND** `&`
8. **Bitwise XOR** `^`
9. **Bitwise OR** `|`
10. **Comparison** `(==, <, >, etc.)`
11. **Logical NOT** `not`
12. **Logical AND** `and`
13. **Logical OR** `or`
14. **Assignment** `(=, +=, etc.)`

👉 Example:

```
expr = 2 + 3 * 4 ** 2
# 4 ** 2 = 16
# 3 * 16 = 48
# 2 + 48 = 50
print(expr)  # 50
```

4. Special Notes

- **Chained Comparison:**

```
x = 10
print(5 < x < 15)  # True (equivalent to 5 < x and x < 15)
```

- **is vs ==:**
 - `==` → Compares **values**
 - `is` → Compares **identity** (memory address)
- `a = 1000`
- `b = 1000`
- `print(a == b) # True`

```
o print(a is b) # False (different memory for large integers)
```

Python Notes – Part 3 (Control Flow)

1. What is Control Flow?

Control flow decides **how code is executed**:

- **Decision Making** → if, elif, else
 - **Loops** → for, while
 - **Loop Control** → break, continue, pass, else with loop
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2. Conditional Statements

(A) **if Statement**

Executes block only if condition is **True**.

```
x = 10
if x > 5:
    print("x is greater than 5")
```

(B) **if-else**

Executes one block if condition true, otherwise another.

```
x = 3
if x % 2 == 0:
    print("Even")
else:
    print("Odd")
```

(C) **if-elif-else**

Used for multiple conditions.

```
marks = 85

if marks >= 90:
    print("Grade A")
elif marks >= 75:
    print("Grade B")
```

```
elif marks >= 50:
    print("Grade C")
else:
    print("Fail")
```

(D) Nested if

if inside another if.

```
x = 15
if x > 10:
    if x < 20:
        print("x is between 10 and 20")
```

(E) Short-hand if

One-line if.

```
x = 5
if x > 0: print("Positive")
```

Shorthand with else:

```
x = 10
print("Even") if x % 2 == 0 else print("Odd")
```

3. Loops in Python

(A) for Loop

Used to iterate over **sequence (list, tuple, str, range, dict, set)**.

```
for i in range(5):
    print(i)
# Output: 0 1 2 3 4
```

Iterating over list:

```
for fruit in ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]:
    print(fruit)
```

(B) while Loop

Runs until condition becomes **False**.

```
x = 1
while x <= 5:
    print(x)
```



```
x += 1
```

(C) Loop with **else**

Rare feature in Python → **else** runs if loop ends **normally** (not by **break**).

```
for i in range(5):
    print(i)
else:
    print("Loop finished")
x = 0
while x < 3:
    print(x)
    x += 1
else:
    print("While loop finished")
```

4. Loop Control Statements

(A) **break**

Terminates the loop immediately.

```
for i in range(10):
    if i == 5:
        break
    print(i)
```

Output → 0 1 2 3 4

(B) **continue**

Skips current iteration and goes to next.

```
for i in range(5):
    if i == 2:
        continue
    print(i)
```

Output → 0 1 3 4

(C) **pass**

Placeholder (does nothing).

```
for i in range(3):
```

```
pass    # used when code is not written yet
```

5. Nested Loops

Loop inside loop.

```
for i in range(3):
    for j in range(2):
        print(i, j)
```

6. Useful Functions with Loops

- `range(start, stop, step)`

```
for i in range(2, 10, 2):
    print(i)
# Output: 2 4 6 8
```

- `enumerate()` → get index with value

```
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
for index, fruit in enumerate(fruits):
    print(index, fruit)
```

- `zip()` → iterate two lists together

```
names = ["Prince", "Aman", "Ravi"]
scores = [90, 85, 88]

for name, score in zip(names, scores):
    print(name, score)
```

7. Special Notes for Interviews

1. `while True` → infinite loop until `break`.
2. `for-else` and `while-else` → unique to Python.
3. `break` skips the `else` block, but `continue` does not.
4. Python **does not have switch-case** (but can use `dict` for alternatives).

🔗 Example of switch alternative:

```
def switch_example(choice):
    return {
        1: "One",
        2: "Two",
        3: "Three"
    }.get(choice, "Invalid")

print(switch_example(2))    # Two
```

✓ Now you have strong notes on **Control Flow**:

- if, elif, else, nested if, shorthand if
- for & while loops with else
- break, continue, pass
- Loop helpers (range, enumerate, zip)

Python Notes – Part 4 (Functions + Collections: List, Tuple, Set, Dict)

1. Functions in Python

What is a Function?

A function is a **block of reusable code** that performs a task.

Syntax:

```
def function_name(parameters):  
    """docstring (optional)"""  
    # body  
    return value
```

(A) Defining & Calling Functions

```
def greet(name):  
    return f"Hello, {name}!"  
  
print(greet("Prince"))  # Hello, Prince!
```

(B) Types of Function Arguments

1. Positional Arguments

```
def add(a, b):  
    return a + b  
  
print(add(2, 3))  # 5
```

2. Default Arguments

```
def greet(name="Guest"):\n    return f"Hello, {name}"\n\nprint(greet())          # Hello, Guest\nprint(greet("Aman"))    # Hello, Aman
```

3. Keyword Arguments

```
def student(name, age):\n    print(name, age)\n\nstudent(age=20, name="Prince")
```

4. Variable-length Arguments

- `*args` → multiple positional arguments (tuple)
- `**kwargs` → multiple keyword arguments (dict)

```
def add(*args):\n    return sum(args)\n\nprint(add(1, 2, 3, 4))  # 10\n\ndef details(**kwargs):\n    print(kwargs)\n\ndetails(name="Prince", age=21)\n# {'name': 'Prince', 'age': 21}
```

(C) Return Statement

```
def square(x):\n    return x * x
```

(D) Anonymous Functions (Lambda)

One-liner functions.

```
square = lambda x: x*x\nprint(square(5))  # 25
```

(E) Scope of Variables

- **Local** → inside function
- **Global** → outside function
- Use `global` keyword to modify global variable.

```
x = 10\n\ndef func():\n    global x\n    x = 20
```

```
func()
print(x) # 20
```

(F) Recursion

Function calling itself.

```
def factorial(n):
    if n == 0:
        return 1
    return n * factorial(n-1)

print(factorial(5)) # 120
```

2. Collections in Python (Data Structures)

(A) List

- **Ordered, Mutable, Allows duplicates**

```
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
print(fruits[0]) # apple
fruits[1] = "mango" # modification allowed
print(fruits) # ['apple', 'mango', 'cherry']
```

List Methods:

```
lst = [1, 2, 3]
lst.append(4) # [1, 2, 3, 4]
lst.insert(1, 5) # [1, 5, 2, 3, 4]
lst.remove(2) # remove value
lst.pop() # remove last element
lst.sort() # sort ascending
lst.reverse() # reverse list
lst.extend([7, 8]) # add multiple
```

List Comprehension:

```
squares = [x*x for x in range(5)]
print(squares) # [0, 1, 4, 9, 16]
```

(B) Tuple

- **Ordered, Immutable, Allows duplicates**

```
tpl = (1, 2, 3, 2)
print(tpl[0]) # 1
```

```
print(tpl.count(2)) # 2
```

👉 Used when data should not be changed.

👉 Tuples are faster than lists.

(C) Set

- **Unordered, Mutable, No duplicates**

```
s = {1, 2, 3, 3}
print(s) # {1, 2, 3}
```

Set Operations:

```
a = {1, 2, 3}
b = {3, 4, 5}

print(a.union(b)) # {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}
print(a.intersection(b)) # {3}
print(a.difference(b)) # {1, 2}
```

👉 Useful for mathematical operations and removing duplicates.

(D) Dictionary

- **Key-Value Pairs, Mutable, Keys unique**

```
student = {"name": "Prince", "age": 21}
print(student["name"]) # Prince
student["age"] = 22
print(student)
```

Dictionary Methods:

```
d = {"a": 1, "b": 2}
print(d.keys()) # dict_keys(['a', 'b'])
print(d.values()) # dict_values([1, 2])
print(d.items()) # dict_items([('a', 1), ('b', 2)])
print(d.get("a")) # 1
d.update({"c": 3})
d.pop("b") # removes key
```

👉 Nested Dictionary:

```
students = {
    1: {"name": "Prince", "age": 21},
    2: {"name": "Aman", "age": 20}
}
print(students[1]["name"]) # Prince
```

(E) Other Useful Types

1. **frozenset** → immutable set

```
fs = frozenset([1, 2, 3])
```


2. **range** → sequence generator

```
for i in range(3, 10, 2):  
    print(i)    # 3, 5, 7, 9
```

3. **collections module** → deque, defaultdict, Counter, OrderedDict, namedtuple
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3. Choosing Between List, Tuple, Set, Dict

- **List** → ordered collection when duplicates allowed & frequent updates.
 - **Tuple** → ordered & immutable (safe for constants, faster lookups).
 - **Set** → unique elements, fast membership test, math operations.
 - **Dict** → key-value mapping (like JSON).
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 Now you have detailed notes on:

- Functions (arguments, return, lambda, recursion, scope)
 - Collections: List, Tuple, Set, Dict (+ methods & use cases)
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Python Notes – Part 5 (Strings)

1. What is a String?

- A **sequence of characters** enclosed in single ' ', double " ", or triple quotes '''
''' / """ """.
- Strings are **immutable** → once created, cannot be changed.

```
s1 = 'hello'  
s2 = "world"  
s3 = '''multi  
line'''
```

2. Accessing Characters

- Indexing (0-based)
- Negative Index → from end

```
s = "Python"
print(s[0])    # P
print(s[-1])   # n
```

3. String Slicing

```
s = "Python"
print(s[0:4])  # Pyth
print(s[:4])   # Pyth
print(s[2:])   # thon
print(s[::-1]) # nohtyP (reverse)
```

🔗 Syntax: `s[start:end:step]`

- start → index to begin (default 0)
 - end → index to stop (exclusive)
 - step → jump (default 1)
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4. String Operations

```
a = "Hello"
b = "World"

print(a + b)      # Concatenation → HelloWorld
print(a * 3)      # Repetition → HelloHelloHello
print("H" in a)   # True
print("z" not in a) # True
```

5. String Methods

Case Conversion

```
s = "python"
print(s.upper())   # PYTHON
print(s.lower())   # python
print(s.title())   # Python
print(s.capitalize()) # Python
print(s.swapcase()) # PYTHON → python, python → PYTHON
```

Search & Replace


```
s = "hello world"
print(s.find("world"))    # 6
print(s.index("world"))   # 6 (error if not found)
print(s.replace("world", "Python")) # hello Python
```

Checking

```
s = "Python123"
print(s.isalpha())    # False
print(s.isdigit())    # False
print(s.isalnum())    # True
print(" ".isspace())  # True
```

Strip (remove spaces/characters)

```
s = "  hello  "
print(s.strip())    # hello
print(s.lstrip())   # "hello "
print(s.rstrip())   # "  hello"
```

Splitting & Joining

```
s = "apple,banana,cherry"
lst = s.split(",")    # ['apple', 'banana', 'cherry']
print("-".join(lst))   # apple-banana-cherry
```

Alignment

```
s = "Python"
print(s.center(10, "*")) # **Python**
print(s.ljust(10, "-"))  # Python----
print(s.rjust(10, "-"))  # ----Python
```

6. String Formatting

Old Style (% operator)

```
name = "Prince"
age = 21
print("My name is %s and I am %d years old" % (name, age))
```

str.format()

```
print("My name is {} and I am {}".format(name, age))
print("My name is {1} and I am {0}".format(age, name))
```

f-Strings (Python 3.6+)

```
print(f"My name is {name} and I am {age}")
print(f"Next year I will be {age+1}")
```

7. ♦ Raw Strings

Prefix `r` → ignores escape sequences.

```
print(r"Line1\nLine2") # prints \n literally
```

8. ♦ Escape Characters

```
print("Hello\nWorld") # new line
print("Hello\tWorld") # tab
print("He said \"Hi\"") # quotes
```

9. ♦ Unicode & Encoding

Python strings are **Unicode** by default.

```
s = "हिंदी"
print(s.encode("utf-8")) # b'\xe0\xa4\xb9\xe0\xa4xbf...'
```

10. ♦ Advanced: Regular Expressions (regex)

Regex is used for **pattern matching** (via `re` module).

```
import re

s = "My phone is 9876543210"
pattern = r"\d{10}" # match 10 digits
match = re.search(pattern, s)

if match:
    print("Found:", match.group()) # Found: 9876543210
```

Common Regex Patterns:

- `\d` → digit
 - `\w` → word char (a-z, A-Z, 0-9, `_`)
 - `\s` → whitespace
 - `.` → any char
 - `^` → start, `$` → end
 - `+` → one or more, `*` → zero or more, `?` → optional
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11. ♦ String Interning (Optimization)

Python optimizes memory by reusing some strings.

```
a = "hello"
b = "hello"
print(a is b)    # True (same memory for literals)
```

☑ Now you have complete notes on **Strings**:

- Creation, slicing, operations
 - Methods (search, replace, strip, split, join, align)
 - Formatting (`%`, `.format()`, f-strings)
 - Escape sequences & raw strings
 - Regex basics (interview favorite)
 - String immutability & interning
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Python Notes – Part 6 (Modules & Packages)

1. What is a Module?

- A **module** is simply a Python file (`.py`) containing functions, classes, or variables.
- It allows **code reusability** and better organization.

📁 Example: `math.py`, `os.py`, or your own file.

2. Importing a Module

Basic Import

```
import math
print(math.sqrt(16))    # 4.0
```

Import Specific Function

```
from math import sqrt, pi
print(sqrt(25))         # 5.0
print(pi)               # 3.14159...
```

Import with Alias

```
import math as m
print(m.factorial(5)) # 120
```

Import All (not recommended in large projects)

```
from math import *
print(sin(90)) # works without math.
```

3. Common Built-in Modules

math

```
import math
print(math.ceil(2.3)) # 3
print(math.floor(2.9)) # 2
print(math.gcd(12, 15)) # 3
```

random

```
import random
print(random.randint(1, 10)) # random int
print(random.choice([1, 2, 3])) # random element
```

datetime

```
import datetime
now = datetime.datetime.now()
print(now.strftime("%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S"))
```

os

```
import os
print(os.getcwd()) # current directory
os.mkdir("test") # create folder
```

sys

```
import sys
print(sys.version) # Python version
print(sys.path) # search paths
```

statistics

```
import statistics
data = [10, 20, 30, 40]
print(statistics.mean(data)) # 25
print(statistics.median(data)) # 25
```

4. Creating a Custom Module

Step 1: Create `mymodule.py`

```
def add(a, b):  
    return a + b  
  
def greet(name):  
    return f"Hello, {name}"
```

Step 2: Use it in another file

```
import mymodule  
  
print(mymodule.add(5, 3))      # 8  
print(mymodule.greet("Prince")) # Hello, Prince
```

5. What is a Package?

- A **package** is a **collection of modules** inside a folder.
- Must contain an `__init__.py` file (can be empty).

📁 Example Structure:

```
mypackage/  
    __init__.py  
    module1.py  
    module2.py
```

Using a Package:

```
from mypackage import module1  
from mypackage.module2 import func
```

6. Installing External Packages with `pip`

Python has **PyPI (Python Package Index)** → huge collection of libraries.

- Install package:

```
pip install requests
```

- Use package:

```
import requests  
res = requests.get("https://api.github.com")  
print(res.status_code)  # 200
```

- Upgrade package:

```
pip install --upgrade requests
```

- List installed packages:

```
pip list
```

7. Virtual Environments

Used to isolate project dependencies.

```
# Create virtual environment
python -m venv myenv

# Activate (Windows)
myenv\Scripts\activate

# Activate (Linux/Mac)
source myenv/bin/activate

# Deactivate
deactivate
```

8. Standard vs Third-Party vs Custom

- **Standard Modules** → come with Python (os, math, sys)
 - **Third-Party Modules** → install using pip (numpy, pandas, flask)
 - **Custom Modules** → your own .py files
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9. Interview Notes

1. **Difference between module & package**
 - Module = single .py file
 - Package = folder with `__init__.py` containing multiple modules
2. **Why use virtual environment?**
 - To avoid dependency conflicts between projects.
3. **`__name__ == "__main__"` usage**
 - Used to check if a file is run directly or imported as a module.

```
# mymodule.py
def hello():
    print("Hello!")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    hello()
```

 Now you have strong notes on **Modules & Packages**:

- Importing modules (ways)
- Built-in modules (math, os, sys, datetime, etc.)
- Creating custom modules & packages

- `pip` and virtual environments
 - `__name__ == "__main__"`
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Python Notes – Part 7 (File Handling)

1. What is File Handling?


- File handling allows you to **create, read, write, update, and delete** files.
 - Python provides built-in functions for file handling using the `open()` function.
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2. Opening a File

```
file = open("example.txt", "r")
```

Modes in `open()`

Mode	Meaning
"r"	Read (default), error if file doesn't exist
"w"	Write (overwrite, creates file if not exist)
"a"	Append (adds data at end, creates file if not exist)
"x"	Create (error if file exists)
"b"	Binary mode (e.g., images, pdfs)
"t"	Text mode (default)

 Example:

```
f = open("data.txt", "w")    # write mode
f.write("Hello, Prince!")
f.close()
```

3. Reading from a File

```
f = open("data.txt", "r")
print(f.read())           # read entire file
print(f.readline())       # read one line
print(f.readlines())      # read all lines as list
f.close()
```

4. Writing to a File

```
f = open("data.txt", "w")
f.write("This will overwrite the file.\n")
f.write("Second line.\n")
f.close()
```

5. Appending to a File

```
f = open("data.txt", "a")
f.write("This will add at the end.\n")
f.close()
```

6. Using `with` Statement (Best Practice)

- Automatically closes the file.

```
with open("data.txt", "r") as f:
    content = f.read()
    print(content)
```

7. File Pointer

- After reading, the file pointer moves forward.
- Use `f.seek(0)` to move back to the beginning.

```
f = open("data.txt", "r")
print(f.read(5))    # first 5 chars
f.seek(0)
print(f.read())     # full content
f.close()
```

8. Working with JSON

- JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) is used for APIs & configs.

```
import json

# Python dict → JSON
data = {"name": "Prince", "age": 21}
json_str = json.dumps(data)
print(json_str)    # '{"name": "Prince", "age": 21}'

# JSON → Python dict
parsed = json.loads(json_str)
print(parsed["name"])    # Prince
```



```
# Write JSON to file
with open("data.json", "w") as f:
    json.dump(data, f)

# Read JSON from file
with open("data.json", "r") as f:
    d = json.load(f)
    print(d)
```

9. Working with CSV

- CSV (Comma Separated Values) → used in data handling.

```
import csv

# Writing CSV
with open("students.csv", "w", newline="") as f:
    writer = csv.writer(f)
    writer.writerow(["Name", "Age"])
    writer.writerow(["Prince", 21])
    writer.writerow(["Rahul", 22])

# Reading CSV
with open("students.csv", "r") as f:
    reader = csv.reader(f)
    for row in reader:
        print(row)
```

10. Deleting & Checking Files

```
import os

# Delete file
if os.path.exists("data.txt"):
    os.remove("data.txt")
else:
    print("File does not exist.")

# Remove folder
os.rmdir("testfolder")
```

11. File Handling Errors

Always handle exceptions:

```
try:
    f = open("unknown.txt", "r")
    print(f.read())
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File not found!")
finally:
    f.close()
```

12. Interview Notes

1. **Difference between `w` and `a` mode?**
 - `w`: overwrite file, `a`: append at the end.
2. **Why use `with open()`?**
 - Auto closes file (context manager).
3. **Difference between `read()`, `readline()`, `readlines()`?**
 - `read()`: whole content
 - `readline()`: single line
 - `readlines()`: list of all lines
4. **What is `seek()` and `tell()`?**
 - `seek(pos)`: move file pointer
 - `tell()`: current position

✓ Now you know everything about **File Handling in Python**:

- Opening, reading, writing, appending
- `with` statement
- JSON & CSV handling
- File deletion & exception handling

Python Notes – Part 8 (Object-Oriented Programming – OOP)

1. What is OOP?

- **Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)** is a programming paradigm based on **objects** and **classes**.
- Helps in **code reusability, modularity, maintainability**.

👉 Key principles: **Encapsulation, Inheritance, Polymorphism, Abstraction**

2. Class and Object

Defining a Class

```
class Car:
    def __init__(self, brand, model):
        self.brand = brand    # instance variable
        self.model = model

    def show(self):
        print(f"Car: {self.brand}, Model: {self.model}")
```

Creating an Object

```
c1 = Car("Tesla", "Model X")
c1.show()    # Car: Tesla, Model: Model X
```

3. __init__ Constructor

- Special method called automatically when object is created.
- Used for **initializing attributes**.

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

4. Instance vs Class Variables

```
class Dog:
    species = "Mammal"    # class variable

    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name    # instance variable

d1 = Dog("Tommy")
print(d1.species)    # Mammal
print(d1.name)    # Tommy
```

5. Methods in Class

- **Instance Methods** → Work with objects (`self`)
- **Class Methods** → Work with class (`@classmethod, cls`)
- **Static Methods** → Utility functions (`@staticmethod`)

```
class Math:
    def add(self, a, b):    # instance method
        return a + b

    @classmethod
    def info(cls):    # class method
        return "This is Math class."

    @staticmethod
```

```

def pi():
    return 3.14

m = Math()
print(m.add(2, 3))    # 5
print(Math.info())    # class method
print(Math.pi())      # 3.14

```

6. Encapsulation

- Wrapping data & methods together.
- **Access Modifiers:**
 - Public (`self.name`) → default
 - Protected (`self._name`) → convention (use carefully)
 - Private (`self.__name`) → not directly accessible

```

class Person:
    def __init__(self, name, age):
        self._name = name    # protected
        self.__age = age     # private

    def get_age(self):
        return self.__age

p = Person("Prince", 21)
print(p._name)              # accessible but not recommended
print(p.get_age())          # use getter

```

7. Inheritance

- Allows a class to **inherit** methods & attributes from another class.

```

class Animal:
    def speak(self):
        print("Animal speaks")

class Dog(Animal):    # inherits Animal
    def bark(self):
        print("Dog barks")

d = Dog()
d.speak()    # Animal speaks
d.bark()     # Dog barks

```

 Types of Inheritance:

- Single (one parent → one child)
- Multiple (child inherits from multiple parents)
- Multilevel (grandparent → parent → child)
- Hierarchical (one parent → multiple children)

8. Method Overriding

```
class Animal:
    def sound(self):
        print("Animal sound")

class Dog(Animal):
    def sound(self):    # overriding
        print("Bark")

d = Dog()
d.sound()    # Bark
```

9. Polymorphism

- **Poly = many, Morph = forms**
- Same function name, different behavior.

```
class Cat:
    def sound(self):
        print("Meow")

class Dog:
    def sound(self):
        print("Bark")

for animal in (Cat(), Dog()):
    animal.sound()
```

10. Abstraction

- Hiding implementation details, showing only essentials.
- Achieved using **Abstract Base Class (ABC)**.

```
from abc import ABC, abstractmethod

class Shape(ABC):
    @abstractmethod
    def area(self):
        pass

class Circle(Shape):
    def __init__(self, r):
        self.r = r
    def area(self):
        return 3.14 * self.r * self.r

c = Circle(5)
print(c.area())    # 78.5
```

11. Special (Magic/Dunder) Methods

- Methods starting & ending with `__`.

```
class Book:
    def __init__(self, title):
        self.title = title

    def __str__(self):
        return f"Book: {self.title}"

b = Book("Python Basics")
print(b)    # Book: Python Basics
```

👉 Common dunder methods:

- `__init__` → constructor
 - `__str__` → string representation
 - `__len__` → length of object
 - `__add__` → overloading + operator
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12. Operator Overloading

```
class Number:
    def __init__(self, val):
        self.val = val

    def __add__(self, other):
        return self.val + other.val

n1 = Number(5)
n2 = Number(10)
print(n1 + n2)    # 15
```

13. Interview Notes

1. **Four pillars of OOP?**
 - Encapsulation, Inheritance, Polymorphism, Abstraction
2. **Difference between `@classmethod` and `@staticmethod`?**
 - `classmethod`: works with class (`cls`)
 - `staticmethod`: works independently
3. **Access specifiers in Python?**
 - Public, Protected (`_var`), Private (`__var`)
4. **Does Python support multiple inheritance?**
 - Yes (Method Resolution Order - MRO used).
5. **What is `super()` keyword?**
 - Used to call parent class methods/constructors.

✓ Now you know **OOP in Python**:

- Classes, objects, constructor
 - Instance, class, static methods
 - Encapsulation, inheritance, polymorphism, abstraction
 - Dunder methods & operator overloading
 - Interview-ready explanations
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Python Notes – Part 9 (Error & Exception Handling)

1. What is an Exception?

- An **exception** is an error that occurs **during program execution** and interrupts the normal flow.
- Example: dividing by zero, accessing invalid index, opening a missing file.

```
print(10 / 0)    # ZeroDivisionError
```

2. Errors vs Exceptions

- **Errors** → problems in the program itself (e.g., syntax error).
- **Exceptions** → runtime problems that can be handled.

```
# Error (syntax issue)
if True
    print("Hello")    # ✗ SyntaxError

# Exception (runtime issue)
print(10 / 0)        # ✗ ZeroDivisionError
```

3. Handling Exceptions with `try-except`

```
try:
    x = 10 / 0
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("You cannot divide by zero.")
```

👉 Multiple Except:

```
try:
    num = int("abc")
except ValueError:
    print("Invalid number")
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("Divide by zero error")
```

👉 Catch Any Exception:

```
try:
    print(10 / 0)
except Exception as e:
    print("Error:", e)
```

4. else and finally with Try

- else: runs if no exception occurs
- finally: always runs (cleanup, closing files, etc.)

```
try:
    num = 10 / 2
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("Divide by zero")
else:
    print("Success:", num)
finally:
    print("Always executed")
```

5. Raising Exceptions

You can raise exceptions manually using `raise`.

```
def withdraw(amount):
    if amount > 1000:
        raise ValueError("Insufficient balance")
    else:
        print("Withdrawal successful")

withdraw(1200)    # Raises ValueError
```

6. Custom Exceptions

Create your own exception class by inheriting from `Exception`.

```
class MyError(Exception):
    pass

try:
    raise MyError("Something went wrong!")
except MyError as e:
```



```
print("Caught:", e)
```

7. Common Built-in Exceptions

- `ValueError` → wrong value type
 - `TypeError` → wrong type
 - `IndexError` → list index out of range
 - `KeyError` → dict key missing
 - `ZeroDivisionError` → divide by zero
 - `FileNotFoundError` → missing file
 - `ImportError` → module not found
 - `AttributeError` → attribute not found
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8. Nested Try-Except

```
try:
    f = open("data.txt")
    try:
        content = f.read()
        print(content)
    except:
        print("Error while reading file")
    finally:
        f.close()
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File not found")
```

9. Best Practices

1. Catch specific exceptions instead of `Exception`.
2. Use `finally` for cleanup (closing files, DB connections).
3. Don't swallow exceptions silently (always log or print).
4. Use **custom exceptions** for application-specific errors.
5. Group exceptions if multiple are handled same way:

```
try:
    x = int("abc")
except (ValueError, TypeError) as e:
    print("Error:", e)
```

10. Interview Notes

1. **Difference between error and exception?**
 - Error = syntax/logic issue; Exception = runtime issue.
2. **What is `finally` block used for?**

- Executes always, even if error occurs (cleanup).
 - 3. **Can Python have multiple `except`?**
 - Yes, to handle different exceptions separately.
 - 4. **Why use custom exceptions?**
 - To make errors meaningful in large applications.
 - 5. **What happens if exception not handled?**
 - Program crashes and Python prints traceback.
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✓ Now you know **Error & Exception Handling in Python:**

- `try-except-else-finally`
 - Raising & creating custom exceptions
 - Common exceptions (`ValueError`, `KeyError`, etc.)
 - Best practices & interview questions
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Python Notes – Part 10 (Iterators, Generators & Decorators)

1. Iterators in Python

An **iterator** is an object that allows iteration (looping) over elements one at a time.

🔑 Behind the scenes, Python uses `iter()` and `next()`.

Example

```
nums = [1, 2, 3]
it = iter(nums)    # get iterator
print(next(it))    # 1
print(next(it))    # 2
print(next(it))    # 3
# next(it) -> StopIteration
```

Custom Iterator

```
class Counter:
    def __init__(self, start, end):
        self.current = start
        self.end = end

    def __iter__(self):
        return self
```

```

def __next__(self):
    if self.current <= self.end:
        val = self.current
        self.current += 1
        return val
    else:
        raise StopIteration

for num in Counter(1, 5):
    print(num)    # 1 2 3 4 5

```

2. Generators

A **generator** is a simpler way to create iterators using `yield` keyword.

- Saves memory (lazy evaluation → generates values one by one).
- Used for large datasets, streams, APIs.

Example

```

def my_gen():
    yield 1
    yield 2
    yield 3

g = my_gen()
print(next(g))    # 1
print(next(g))    # 2

```

🔗 Looping:

```

for val in my_gen():
    print(val)

```

3. Generator Expressions

Like list comprehensions but use `()` instead of `[]`.

```

gen = (x*x for x in range(5))
print(next(gen))    # 0
print(next(gen))    # 1
print(list(gen))    # [4, 9, 16]

```

4. Difference: Iterator vs Generator

Feature	Iterator	Generator
Implementation	Class with <code>__iter__</code> , <code>__next__</code>	Function with <code>yield</code>
Memory	Can use more memory	Memory efficient (lazy eval)

Feature	Iterator	Generator
Ease of use	More code	Simple to write

5. Decorators

A **decorator** is a function that modifies the behavior of another function without changing its code.

📌 Uses `@decorator_name` above a function.

Basic Example

```
def my_decorator(func):
    def wrapper():
        print("Before function")
        func()
        print("After function")
    return wrapper

@my_decorator
def say_hello():
    print("Hello, Prince!")

say_hello()
```

🔗 Output:

```
Before function
Hello, Prince!
After function
```

6. Decorators with Arguments

```
def repeat(n):
    def decorator(func):
        def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
            for _ in range(n):
                func(*args, **kwargs)
        return wrapper
    return decorator

@repeat(3)
def greet(name):
    print("Hello", name)

greet("Prince")
```

7. Function Decorators in Practice

- **Logging**
- **Authentication**
- **Timing Execution**

```
import time

def timer(func):
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        start = time.time()
        result = func(*args, **kwargs)
        end = time.time()
        print(f"{func.__name__} executed in {end-start:.5f} sec")
        return result
    return wrapper

@timer
def calc_square(n):
    return [i*i for i in range(n)]

calc_square(100000)
```

8. Built-in Decorators

- @staticmethod
- @classmethod
- @property

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

    @property
    def name(self):
        return self._name    # getter

    @name.setter
    def name(self, value):
        self._name = value    # setter

p = Person("Prince")
print(p.name)    # Prince
p.name = "Rahul"
print(p.name)    # Rahul
```

9. Interview Notes

1. **Difference between iterator and generator?**
 - Iterator → uses `__iter__` & `__next__`.
 - Generator → uses `yield`, memory efficient.
2. **Why use generators?**
 - For large data streams → saves memory.
3. **What is a decorator?**

- A function that modifies another function's behavior.
 - 4. **Can decorators take arguments?**
 - Yes, using nested functions.
 - 5. **Real-life use cases of decorators?**
 - Logging, authentication, caching, execution time measurement.
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✓ Now you know:

- Iterators (`iter`, `next`, custom)
 - Generators (`yield`, generator expressions)
 - Decorators (basic, with args, built-in, real-world uses)
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Python Notes – Part 11 (Multithreading, Multiprocessing & Async)

1. Why Concurrency & Parallelism?

- **Concurrency** → Multiple tasks progress **together** (not necessarily at same time).
- **Parallelism** → Multiple tasks run **at the same time** (on multiple cores).

🔑 Python provides:

- **Threading** → lightweight, good for I/O tasks
 - **Multiprocessing** → real parallelism, good for CPU-heavy tasks
 - **Asyncio** → async programming for scalable I/O
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2. Multithreading in Python

Python's `threading` module allows running multiple threads.

Example

```
import threading
import time

def print_numbers():
    for i in range(5):
        print("Number:", i)
        time.sleep(1)
```

```
def print_letters():
    for ch in "ABCDE":
        print("Letter:", ch)
        time.sleep(1)

t1 = threading.Thread(target=print_numbers)
t2 = threading.Thread(target=print_letters)

t1.start()
t2.start()

t1.join()
t2.join()
print("Done")
```

✂ Output interleaves numbers & letters.

◆ GIL (Global Interpreter Lock)

- Python threads **don't run in parallel on multiple cores** due to GIL.
 - Good for **I/O-bound tasks** (network requests, file read/write).
 - Not efficient for **CPU-heavy tasks** (math, image processing).
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3. ◆ Multiprocessing in Python

The multiprocessing module bypasses GIL and uses multiple processes.

Example

```
import multiprocessing
import time

def square(n):
    print(f"Square of {n}: {n*n}")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    nums = [2, 3, 4, 5]
    processes = []
    for n in nums:
        p = multiprocessing.Process(target=square, args=(n,))
        processes.append(p)
        p.start()

    for p in processes:
        p.join()
```

✂ Each process runs **truly in parallel**.

◆ Multiprocessing Pool

```
from multiprocessing import Pool

def cube(n):
    return n**3

if __name__ == "__main__":
    with Pool(4) as p:
        result = p.map(cube, [1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
    print(result)  # [1, 8, 27, 64, 125]
```

4. ◆ AsyncIO in Python

For **asynchronous programming** (non-blocking, scalable).
Best for **network requests, APIs, real-time applications**.

Example

```
import asyncio

async def task(name, delay):
    await asyncio.sleep(delay)
    print(f"Task {name} completed")

async def main():
    await asyncio.gather(
        task("A", 2),
        task("B", 1),
        task("C", 3)
    )

asyncio.run(main())
```

✧ Runs tasks concurrently → output order depends on delay.

5. ◆ Comparing Approaches

Feature	Threading	Multiprocessing	AsyncIO
Best for	I/O-bound	CPU-bound	I/O-bound (scalable)
Parallelism	Limited (GIL)	Yes	Cooperative
Complexity	Easy	Moderate	Requires async/await
Memory	Shared	Separate memory	Shared

6. ◆ Real-World Use Cases

- **Threading** → Downloading multiple files, handling requests, GUI apps
 - **Multiprocessing** → Image processing, ML model training, simulations
 - **AsyncIO** → Web scraping, chat servers, API calls
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7. Interview Notes

1. **What is GIL?**
 - Global Interpreter Lock → only one thread runs at a time in Python interpreter.
 - Affects **CPU-bound threads**, but **not I/O-bound tasks**.
 2. **When to use threading vs multiprocessing?**
 - Threading → I/O-bound (web requests, file I/O)
 - Multiprocessing → CPU-bound (math, ML, image processing)
 3. **Difference between concurrency and parallelism?**
 - Concurrency = tasks handled together (time-sharing).
 - Parallelism = tasks run simultaneously (multi-core).
 4. **What is asyncio?**
 - Async framework in Python for non-blocking tasks using `async/await`.
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✓ Now you know:

- Multithreading (I/O-bound tasks)
 - Multiprocessing (CPU-bound tasks, Pool)
 - AsyncIO (`async/await`)
 - GIL & Interview insights
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Python Notes – Part 12 (Important Built-in Modules: `collections`, `itertools`, `functools`)

1. `collections` Module

Provides **specialized data structures** beyond basic lists, sets, and dicts.

Common Classes

1. **Counter** → Counts frequency of elements.

```
from collections import Counter
```

```
nums = [1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3]
count = Counter(nums)
print(count)          # Counter({3: 3, 2: 2, 1: 1})
print(count.most_common(1)) # [(3, 3)]
```

2. **defaultdict** → Provides default values for missing keys.

```
from collections import defaultdict

dd = defaultdict(int)
dd["a"] += 1
dd["b"] += 2
print(dd) # defaultdict(<class 'int'>, {'a': 1, 'b': 2})
```

3. **deque** → Fast append/pop from both ends.

```
from collections import deque

d = deque([1, 2, 3])
d.appendleft(0)
d.append(4)
print(d) # deque([0, 1, 2, 3, 4])
```

4. **namedtuple** → Tuple with named fields.

```
from collections import namedtuple

Point = namedtuple("Point", "x y")
p = Point(10, 20)
print(p.x, p.y) # 10 20
```

5. **OrderedDict** → Maintains insertion order (Python 3.7+ dict already does this).

```
from collections import OrderedDict

od = OrderedDict()
od["a"] = 1
od["b"] = 2
print(od) # OrderedDict([('a', 1), ('b', 2)])
```

2. **itertools Module**

Helps with **iterators & combinatorics**.

Common Functions

1. **count()** → Infinite counter

```
from itertools import count

for i in count(5, 2): # start=5, step=2
    if i > 15: break
    print(i, end=" ") # 5 7 9 11 13 15
```

2. **cycle()** → Cycles through values infinitely

```
from itertools import cycle

c = 0
for item in cycle("AB"):
    print(item, end=" ")
    c += 1
    if c == 6: break # A B A B A B
```

3. **repeat()**

```
from itertools import repeat

for x in repeat(5, 3):
    print(x) # 5 5 5
```

4. **combinations() & permutations()**

```
from itertools import combinations, permutations

items = [1, 2, 3]
print(list(combinations(items, 2))) # [(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 3)]
print(list(permutations(items, 2))) # [(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 3),
(3, 1), (3, 2)]
```

5. **product()**

```
from itertools import product

print(list(product([1, 2], ['a', 'b'])))
# [(1, 'a'), (1, 'b'), (2, 'a'), (2, 'b')]
```

6. **accumulate()**

```
from itertools import accumulate

nums = [1, 2, 3, 4]
print(list(accumulate(nums))) # [1, 3, 6, 10]
```

3. **functools Module**

Provides **higher-order functions** (functions that work with other functions).

Common Functions

1. **reduce()** → Reduces iterable to a single value.

```
from functools import reduce

nums = [1, 2, 3, 4]
product = reduce(lambda x, y: x*y, nums)
print(product)  # 24
```

2. **lru_cache()** → Memoization for optimization.

```
from functools import lru_cache

@lru_cache(maxsize=None)
def fib(n):
    if n < 2: return n
    return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)

print(fib(30))  # Faster due to caching
```

3. **partial()** → Fixes certain arguments of a function.

```
from functools import partial

def power(base, exp):
    return base ** exp

square = partial(power, exp=2)
print(square(5))  # 25
```

4. **cmp_to_key()** → Converts old-style compare functions.

```
from functools import cmp_to_key

def compare(a, b):
    return a - b

nums = [5, 2, 9]
print(sorted(nums, key=cmp_to_key(compare)))  # [2, 5, 9]
```

4. Interview Notes

- `collections.Counter` is best for frequency counting.
 - `itertools` helps in **permutation/combination problems**.
 - `functools.lru_cache` is asked often in **DP optimization**.
 - Know when to use `deque` vs `list` (`deque` is $O(1)$ at both ends).
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✓ Now you know the **powerful standard libraries** (`collections`, `itertools`, `functools`) that appear in **coding interviews** and **CP problems**.

Python Notes – Part 13 (File Handling: Text, Binary, CSV, JSON)

1. Why File Handling?

- Programs often need to **store data permanently** (not just in RAM).
 - File handling allows **reading & writing** data from/to files.
 - Python supports **Text, Binary, CSV, JSON** file handling.
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2. Basic File Operations

Python provides a built-in `open()` function.

Syntax

```
f = open("filename", "mode")
```

Common Modes

Mode	Description
'r'	Read (default, file must exist)
'w'	Write (creates new or overwrites existing file)
'a'	Append (adds at end of file)
'b'	Binary mode (e.g., images, videos)
'+'	Read & write

👉 Always close the file using `f.close()` or use `with open(...) as f`.

3. Working with Text Files

Write

```
f = open("data.txt", "w")
```

```
f.write("Hello, Prince!\n")
f.write("Python file handling is fun.")
f.close()
```

Read

```
f = open("data.txt", "r")
print(f.read())      # Reads entire file
f.close()
```

Read line by line

```
with open("data.txt", "r") as f:
    for line in f:
        print(line.strip())
```

4. File Pointer Functions

- `f.read(n)` → Reads `n` characters
 - `f.readline()` → Reads one line
 - `f.readlines()` → Returns list of lines
 - `f.tell()` → Current position of pointer
 - `f.seek(pos)` → Moves pointer to position
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5. Append Mode

```
with open("data.txt", "a") as f:
    f.write("\nThis line is appended.")
```

6. Working with Binary Files

Binary files store data as **bytes** (e.g., images, videos).

Write binary

```
with open("image_copy.png", "wb") as f:
    f.write(b"Hello Binary")  # writing raw bytes
```

Read binary

```
with open("image.png", "rb") as f:
    data = f.read()
    print(type(data))  # <class 'bytes'>
```

7. Working with CSV Files

Python has a `csv` module.

Write CSV

```
import csv

rows = [{"Name", "Age"}, {"Prince", 21}, {"Aman", 22}]
with open("students.csv", "w", newline="") as f:
    writer = csv.writer(f)
    writer.writerows(rows)
```

Read CSV

```
import csv

with open("students.csv", "r") as f:
    reader = csv.reader(f)
    for row in reader:
        print(row)
```

8. Working with JSON Files

Python has a `json` module for structured data (key-value pairs).

Write JSON

```
import json

data = {"name": "Prince", "age": 21, "skills": ["Python", "MERN"]}
with open("data.json", "w") as f:
    json.dump(data, f, indent=4)
```

Read JSON

```
import json

with open("data.json", "r") as f:
    data = json.load(f)
print(data["name"]) # Prince
```

9. Exception Handling in Files

```
try:
    with open("not_exist.txt", "r") as f:
        print(f.read())
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File not found!")
```

10. Interview Notes

1. **Difference between text & binary mode?**
 - Text = characters, encodes to Unicode.
 - Binary = raw bytes.
 2. **Why use `with open()`?**
 - It auto-closes file (context manager).
 3. **How to read large files?**
 - Use `readline()` or iterate line by line (not `read()`).
 4. **Difference between CSV & JSON?**
 - CSV = tabular data.
 - JSON = structured hierarchical data.
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✓ Now you know:

- Text, Binary, CSV, JSON file handling
 - Read, Write, Append modes
 - File pointer (`seek`, `tell`)
 - Exception handling with files
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Prince, do you want me to go **next** → **Python with Databases (SQLite + MySQL)** or **next** → **Object-Oriented Programming (OOP in Python: Classes, Inheritance, Polymorphism, etc.)**?

You said:

next

ChatGPT said:

Perfect Prince 🙌 Now let's move into a **major core concept** –

👉 **Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) in Python** – which is very important for interviews, projects, and real-world coding.

Python Notes – Part 14 (OOP in Python)

1. What is OOP?

- OOP = **Object-Oriented Programming** → focuses on objects (real-world entities) instead of just functions.
 - In Python, **everything is an object** (int, str, list, function, etc.).
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2. Class and Object

- **Class** → Blueprint/template for objects.
- **Object** → Instance of a class.

Example

```
class Student:
    def __init__(self, name, age):    # Constructor
        self.name = name
        self.age = age

    def display(self):                # Method
        print(f"Name: {self.name}, Age: {self.age}")

s1 = Student("Prince", 21)    # Object creation
s1.display()
```

3. __init__ Method (Constructor)

- Special method called when object is created.
- Used for initializing attributes.

```
class Car:
    def __init__(self, brand, model):
        self.brand = brand
        self.model = model
```

4. Attributes and Methods

- **Instance Attributes** → Belong to objects.
- **Class Attributes** → Shared among all objects.

```
class Dog:
    species = "Canine"    # Class attribute

    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name    # Instance attribute

dog1 = Dog("Tommy")
dog2 = Dog("Sheru")

print(dog1.species, dog1.name)    # Canine Tommy
print(dog2.species, dog2.name)    # Canine Sheru
```

5. Encapsulation

- Bundling **data** + **methods** together.
- Private members: `__var` (name mangling).

```
class Bank:
    def __init__(self, balance):
        self.__balance = balance    # Private

    def deposit(self, amount):
        self.__balance += amount

    def get_balance(self):
        return self.__balance

b = Bank(1000)
b.deposit(500)
print(b.get_balance())    # 1500
```

6. Inheritance

- One class **inherits** properties of another.

Example

```
class Animal:
    def speak(self):
        print("Animal speaks")

class Dog(Animal):    # Inheritance
    def speak(self):
        print("Dog barks")

dog = Dog()
dog.speak()    # Dog barks
```

Types of Inheritance

- Single
 - Multiple
 - Multilevel
 - Hierarchical
 - Hybrid
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7. Polymorphism

- Same function, different behavior.

Method Overriding

```
class Bird:
    def sound(self):
        print("Chirp")

class Parrot(Bird):
    def sound(self):
        print("Squawk")

p = Parrot()
p.sound()    # Squawk
```

Duck Typing

```
class Cat:
    def sound(self): print("Meow")

class Dog:
    def sound(self): print("Bark")

def animal_sound(animal):
    animal.sound()

animal_sound(Cat())    # Meow
animal_sound(Dog())    # Bark
```

8. Abstraction

- Hiding internal details, showing only essentials.
- Achieved using **abstract classes** in Python (abc module).

```
from abc import ABC, abstractmethod

class Shape(ABC):
    @abstractmethod
    def area(self):
        pass

class Circle(Shape):
    def __init__(self, r): self.r = r
    def area(self): return 3.14 * self.r * self.r

c = Circle(5)
print(c.area())    # 78.5
```

9. Operator Overloading

- Redefining operators for objects.

```
class Point:
    def __init__(self, x, y):
        self.x, self.y = x, y
```

```
def __add__(self, other):
    return Point(self.x + other.x, self.y + other.y)

p1 = Point(1, 2)
p2 = Point(3, 4)
p3 = p1 + p2
print(p3.x, p3.y)  # 4 6
```

10. Class Methods & Static Methods

Class Method

- Operates on **class** instead of instance.
- Uses `@classmethod`.

```
class Employee:
    company = "Google"

    @classmethod
    def change_company(cls, new_company):
        cls.company = new_company

e = Employee()
print(e.company)  # Google
Employee.change_company("Microsoft")
print(e.company)  # Microsoft
```

Static Method

- Independent function inside class.
- Uses `@staticmethod`.

```
class Math:
    @staticmethod
    def add(x, y):
        return x + y

print(Math.add(5, 3))  # 8
```

11. Important OOP Interview Notes

1. **Four pillars of OOP** → Encapsulation, Inheritance, Polymorphism, Abstraction.
2. **Difference between class & object?**
 - Class = Blueprint, Object = Instance.
3. **@staticmethod vs @classmethod?**
 - `staticmethod` → doesn't access class/object.
 - `classmethod` → works on class, accesses `cls`.
4. **Does Python support multiple inheritance?** → Yes.

✓ Now you know:

- Classes, Objects, Attributes
 - Encapsulation, Inheritance, Polymorphism, Abstraction
 - Operator Overloading, Static & Class methods
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Python Notes – Part 15 (Exception Handling in Python)

1. What is an Exception?


- An **exception** is an error that occurs during program execution.
- Instead of crashing, Python lets you **handle errors gracefully**.

Example (without handling):

```
x = 10
y = 0
print(x / y)    # ZeroDivisionError
```

2. Exception Handling with `try-except`

```
try:
    x = 10 / 0
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("Cannot divide by zero")
```

 Prevents program from crashing.

3. `try-except-else-finally`

- `try` → Code that may raise error
- `except` → Handles error
- `else` → Runs if no exception
- `finally` → Runs always (cleanup, closing files)

```
try:
    num = int(input("Enter number: "))
```

```
    print("Number is:", num)
except ValueError:
    print("Invalid input")
else:
    print("Conversion successful")
finally:
    print("Execution finished")
```

4. Catching Multiple Exceptions

```
try:
    a = int("abc")
except (ValueError, TypeError) as e:
    print("Error:", e)
```

5. Raising Exceptions (`raise`)

You can **manually raise errors**.

```
x = -5
if x < 0:
    raise ValueError("x cannot be negative")
```

6. Custom Exceptions

Define your own exception class (inherit from `Exception`).

```
class NegativeNumberError(Exception):
    pass

def check_number(n):
    if n < 0:
        raise NegativeNumberError("Negative not allowed")
    else:
        print("Valid:", n)

try:
    check_number(-10)
except NegativeNumberError as e:
    print("Custom Error:", e)
```

7. Common Python Exceptions

Exception	When it occurs
<code>ValueError</code>	Wrong type/value for an operation
<code>TypeError</code>	Incompatible types
<code>IndexError</code>	Index out of range

Exception	When it occurs
<code>KeyError</code>	Key not found in dict
<code>ZeroDivisionError</code>	Divide by zero
<code>FileNotFoundError</code>	File not found
<code>AttributeError</code>	Attribute not found
<code>ImportError</code>	Import module fails

8. Best Practices

- ✓ Always catch **specific exceptions** (not just `except:`).
 - ✓ Use `finally` for cleanup (e.g., closing files/db).
 - ✓ Use logging instead of `print()` in production.
 - ✓ Define **custom exceptions** for domain-specific errors.
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9. Interview Notes

1. **Difference between Error vs Exception?**
 - Error → Problem in code (syntax, logic).
 - Exception → Runtime problem (can be handled).
 2. **What does `finally` do?**
 - Always executes, used for cleanup.
 3. **Why prefer specific exceptions?**
 - To avoid hiding unexpected bugs.
 4. **Can you catch multiple exceptions in one block?**
 - Yes: `except (ValueError, TypeError):`
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✓ Now you know:

- `try-except-else-finally`
 - Raising & Custom exceptions
 - Common Python exceptions
 - Best practices & interview notes
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Python Notes – Part 16 (Python with Databases)

1. Why Database with Python?

- Storing data permanently beyond files (structured, queryable).
 - Python supports many databases: SQLite, MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB.
 - We'll focus on **SQLite (built-in)** and **MySQL (popular in real apps)**.
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2. Working with SQLite (built-in in Python)

SQLite is a **lightweight, file-based DB** (no server needed).
We use Python's `sqlite3` module.

Steps to use SQLite

1. Connect to DB
2. Create cursor
3. Execute SQL queries
4. Commit changes
5. Close connection

Example: Create Table & Insert

```
import sqlite3

# 1. Connect (creates file if not exists)
conn = sqlite3.connect("students.db")

# 2. Cursor
cur = conn.cursor()

# 3. Create table
cur.execute("""CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS student (
            id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,
            name TEXT,
            age INTEGER)""")

# 4. Insert data
cur.execute("INSERT INTO student (name, age) VALUES (?, ?)", ("Prince",
21))

# 5. Commit & close
conn.commit()
conn.close()
```

Read Data

```
import sqlite3

conn = sqlite3.connect("students.db")
cur = conn.cursor()
```



```
cur.execute("SELECT * FROM student")
rows = cur.fetchall()
for row in rows:
    print(row)

conn.close()
```

Update & Delete

```
cur.execute("UPDATE student SET age=? WHERE name=?", (22, "Prince"))
cur.execute("DELETE FROM student WHERE name=?", ("Prince",))
```

3. Working with MySQL

For larger apps, MySQL is widely used.
We use `mysql-connector-python` package.

Install

```
pip install mysql-connector-python
```

Connect to MySQL

```
import mysql.connector

conn = mysql.connector.connect(
    host="localhost",
    user="root",
    password="yourpassword",
    database="testdb"
)
cur = conn.cursor()
```

Create Table

```
cur.execute("""CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS employee (
    id INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,
    name VARCHAR(50),
    salary INT)""")
```

Insert Data

```
sql = "INSERT INTO employee (name, salary) VALUES (%s, %s)"
val = ("Prince", 50000)
cur.execute(sql, val)
conn.commit()
print(cur.rowcount, "record inserted.")
```

Read Data

```
cur.execute("SELECT * FROM employee")
for row in cur.fetchall():
    print(row)
```

Update & Delete


```
cur.execute("UPDATE employee SET salary=%s WHERE name=%s", (60000,
"Prince"))
cur.execute("DELETE FROM employee WHERE name=%s", ("Prince",))
conn.commit()
```

4. Best Practices

- Always use **parameterized queries** (**?** or **%s**) to prevent SQL Injection.
 - Always `commit()` after insert/update/delete.
 - Use **connection pooling** for large apps.
 - For ORMs (Object Relational Mapping) → use SQLAlchemy or Django ORM.
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5. Interview Notes

1. **Difference between SQLite and MySQL?**
 - SQLite → lightweight, file-based, single-user apps.
 - MySQL → client-server, handles multiple users, large-scale apps.
 2. **Why parameterized queries?**
 - Prevents SQL Injection attacks.
 3. **Steps in Python DB connection?**
 - Connect → Cursor → Execute → Commit → Close.
 4. **What is ORM?**
 - Object Relational Mapper → map Python objects to DB tables (e.g., SQLAlchemy, Django ORM).
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 Now you know how to:

- Use **SQLite** (built-in DB) with Python.
- Connect Python with **MySQL** (real-world apps).
- Perform CRUD (Create, Read, Update, Delete).
- Follow best practices & interview notes.