

Lesson 2

**Astro Scholars 2022** 

#### **REVIEW**

#### What is programming?

A process to write code, instructions to tell a computer, application, or software how to perform.

#### **Jupyter Notebooks**

A web-based interactive computing platform that combines live code, equations, visualizations and narrative text.

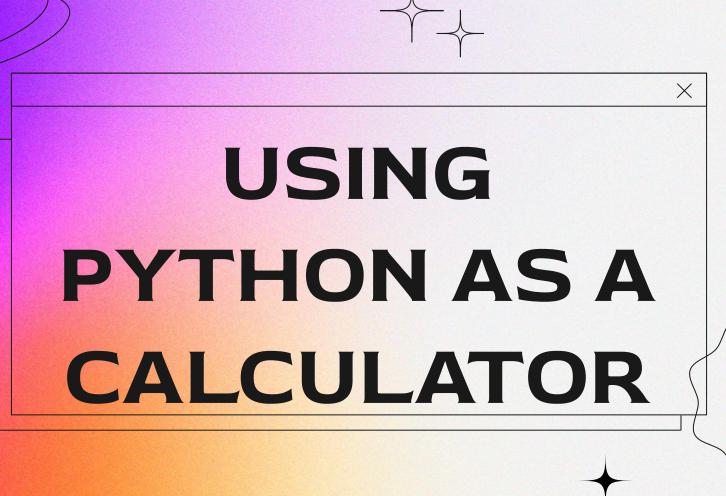
#### Why use Python?

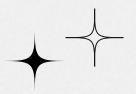
It is an interpreted language

with syntax that is easy to
read and write.

## Write Python in Different Environments

You can write Python programs from many different environments, like the terminal or Jupyter Notebook.



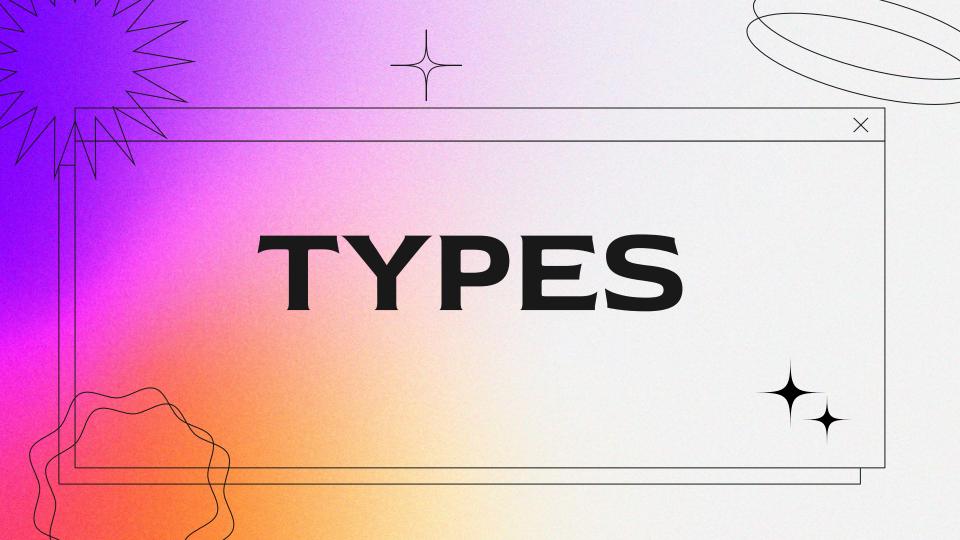


### Open up Day 2 Jupyter Notebook



#### ORDER OF OPERATIONS

- P Parentheses
- E Exponents
- M Multiplication
- D Division
- A Addition
- S Subtraction



#### **DATA TYPES**

Variables can store data of different types, and different types can do different things.

**Text Type** 

string

**Sequence Type** 

list, tuple, range

**Boolean Type** 

bool

**Numeric Type** 

integer, float,
 complex

**Mapping Type** 

dictionary

And more!







#### **USEFUL TOOLS FOR ITERATION**

- Check the length of an object to see how many elements it has
  - o len
- Index an object to access specific elements by using square brackets
  - o object[index] will return the element located at this index in the object
- Python counts elements starting from 0!
  - An object that has len (object) = 3 will have indices 0, 1, 2
- Slice an object to access multiple elements at once
  - object[start:stop] will return values from start to stop EXCLUSIVE of stop

#### **RESOURCES**

Read more about the libraries we imported today:

Numpy: <a href="https://numpy.org/">https://numpy.org/</a>

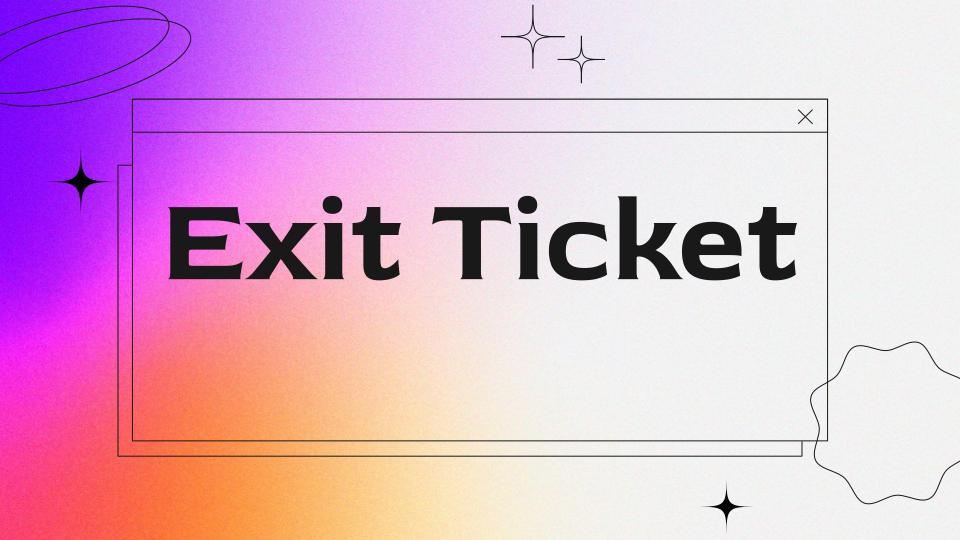
Scipy: <a href="https://scipy.org/">https://scipy.org/</a>

Matplotlib: <a href="https://matplotlib.org/">https://matplotlib.org/</a>

Astropy: <a href="https://www.astropy.org/">https://www.astropy.org/</a>

And the Python types we worked with:

https://www.w3schools.com/python/default.asp





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