Review of Python Basics
(version 3.x)

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https://www.anaconda.com/download/

Data Types

type	description	mutable ?	indexing?
int	integer number	NO	N.A.
float	real number within a finite range	NO	N.A.
string	a sequence of characters	NO	character-indexing
list	a sequence of objects	YES	element-indexing
tuple	a sequence of objects	NO	element-indexing
range	a sequence of integers	NO	element-indexing
set	a collection of unique objects	YES	N.A.
dictionary	a collection of key : value pairs	YES	N.A.

int

- an **int** number in Python can represent any integer of any length

```
In [1]: int('1')
Out[1]: 1

In [2]:
int('100000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000100000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000010000000000
0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000
000000000000000')
Out[2]:
10000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000010000000000000000
0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000
0000000000
```

int(string) is a function that can convert a string to an integer (int)

float

- **float** numbers in Python can only represent a subset of real numbers
- In a 64-bit computer, a float number has 64-bits

type	min	max
float	-1.7976931348623157e+308	1.7976931348623157e+308

```
In [1]: float('-1.7976931348623157e+308')
Out[1]: -1.7976931348623157e+308

In [2]: float('-1.7976931348623157e+400')
Out[2]: -inf
```

```
In [1]: float('1.7976931348623157e+308')
Out[1]: 1.7976931348623157e+308

In [2]: float('1.7976931348623157e+400')
Out[2]: inf
```

string

- A string is a sequence of **char**acters
- Any characters on the computer keyboard can be put into a string

S = "Python"

Char	P	y	t	h	o	n
Non-negative Index	0	1	2	3	4	5
Negative Index	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1

get a character by index

```
S[0]
'P'

S[-6]
'P'
```

```
S[1]
'y'

S[-5]
'y'
```

```
S[2]
't'

S[-4]
't'
```

```
S[3]
'h'

S[-3]
'h'
```

```
S[4]
'o'

S[-2]
'o'
```

```
S[5]
'n'

S[-1]
'n'
```

string

- Obtain a Sub-string of a String (a.k.a. slicing)

S = "Python Data"

P	y	t	h	o	n		D	a	t	a
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
-11	-10	-9	-8	-7	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1

Non-negative Index →

Negative Index →

S[0:6] is "Python"

S[7:11] is "Data"

S[-11:-5] is "Python"

S[-4:-1] is "Dat"

string

- a string is **immutable**

S = "Python"

try to modify a character

S[0] = "a"

Error Message from Python

```
Traceback (most recent call last):

  File "<ipython-input-8-ad7ba156e6d6>", line 1, in <module>
    S[0] = 'a'

TypeError: 'str' object does not support item assignment
```

Loop Over a String: many choices …

many choices to loop over a string S…

a **while** loop

4 kinds of **for** loop

use whichever you like/need

```python
S = "apple"
n = 0
while n < len(S):
    print("S[" + str(n) + "] is " + S[n])
    n = n + 1
# %%
S = "apple"
for letter in S:
    print("letter is", letter)
# %%
S = "apple"
for n in range(0, len(S)):
    print("S[" + str(n) + "] is " + S[n])
# %%
S = "apple"
IndexList = [1, 2 ,3]
for n in IndexList:
    print("S[" + str(n) + "] is " + S[n])
# %%
S = "apple"
for n, letter in enumerate(S):
    print("S[" + str(n) + "] is " + letter)
```

list

- A list is a sequence of objects/elements

- An element of a list can be any object in Python

(1) int	`x1 = [1, 2, 3]`
(2) float	`x2 = [1.0, 2.0, 3.0]`
(3) string	`x3 = ["Programming", "in", "Python"]`
(4) list	`x4 = [x1, x2, x3]`
(5) function	`x5 = [print, int, str]`

- A list is also called a container

list

S = ['P', 'y', 't', 'h', 'o', 'n']

Element	P	y	t	h	o	n
Non-negative Index	0	1	2	3	4	5
Negative Index	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1

get an element
by index

S[0]
'P'

S[-6]
'P'

S[1]
'y'

S[-5]
'y'

S[2]
't'

S[-4]
't'

S[3]
'h'

S[-3]
'h'

S[4]
'o'

S[-2]
'o'

S[5]
'n'

S[-1]
'n'

list

- Obtain a Sub-list of a List (a.k.a. slicing)

S = ['P', 'y', 't', 'h', 'o', 'n', ' ' , 'D', 'a', 't', 'a']

P	y	t	h	o	n		D	a	t	a
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
-11	-10	-9	-8	-7	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1

Non-negative Index →

Negative Index →

S[0:6] is ['P', 'y', 't', 'h', 'o', 'n']   S[7:11] is ['D', 'a', 't', 'a']

S[-11:-5] is ['P', 'y', 't', 'h', 'o', 'n']   S[-4:-1] is ['D', 'a', 't']

list

- a list is **mutable**

S = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

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modify an **element**

modify a **sub-list**

S[0] = 10

S[0:2] = [10, 11]

now, the list is

now, the list is

S is [10, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

S is [10, 11, 2, 3, 4, 5]

Loop Over a List: many choices

many choices to loop over a list S

a **while** loop

4 kinds of **for** loop

use whichever you like/need

```python
S = ['tic', 'tac', 'toe', 'rock', 'paper', 'scissors']
n = 0
while n < len(S):
    print("element " + str(n) + " is", S[n])
    n = n + 1
# %%
S = ['tic', 'tac', 'toe', 'rock', 'paper', 'scissors']
for element in S:
    print("element is " + element)
#%%
S = ['tic', 'tac', 'toe', 'rock', 'paper', 'scissors']
for n in range(0, len(S)):
    print("element " + str(n) + " is " + S[n])
#%%
S = ['tic', 'tac', 'toe', 'rock', 'paper', 'scissors']
IndexList = [3, 4, 5]
for n in IndexList:
    print("element " + str(n) + " is " + S[n])
# %%
S = ['tic', 'tac', 'toe', 'rock', 'paper', 'scissors']
for n, element in enumerate(S):
    print("element " + str(n) + " is " + element)
```

tuple

- A tuple is a sequence of objects (similar to a list)
- An element of a tuple can be any object in Python
- A tuple is **immutable**

(1) int

```
x1 = (1, 2, 3)
```

(2) float

```
x2 = (1.0, 2.0, 3.0)
```

(3) string

```
x3 = ("Tuple", "is", "similar", "to", "List")
```

(4) list

```
x4 = ([1, 2, 3], ['a', 'b', 'c'])
```

(5) tuple

```
x5 = (x1, x2, x3 ,x4)
```

(6) function

```
x6 = (print, int, str)
```

range

- a range object is created by the function range(a, b, c)
- a range object is often used in a for loop

```python
x=[1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
for n in range(1, len(x)):
    x[n] = 2*x[n-1]


print(x)
```

Output

```
[1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512]
```

set

- A set is an unordered collection of distinct objects
- The objects of a set are called elements

Example: Set1 = {3, 5, 6, 7, 1} = {1, 3, 5, 6, 7}

Set Operation: **union**
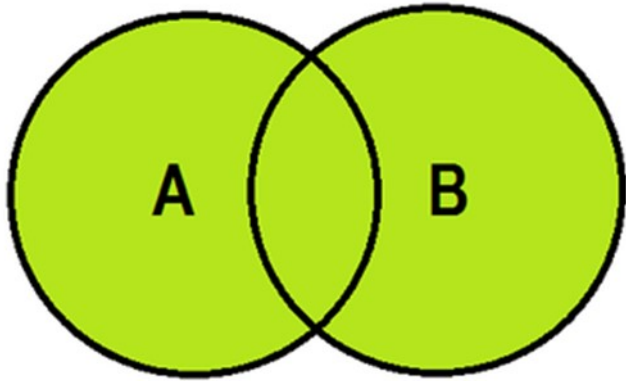
A.union(B) or A|B

x in the set C=A|B
x **in** A **or** x **in** B

```
In [1]: A = {1, 2, 3}

In [2]: B = {2, 3, 4}

In [3]: C = A.union(B)

In [4]: C
Out[4]: {1, 2, 3, 4}
```

```
In [5]: D = A | B

In [6]: D
Out[6]: {1, 2, 3, 4}
```

Set Operation: **intersection**
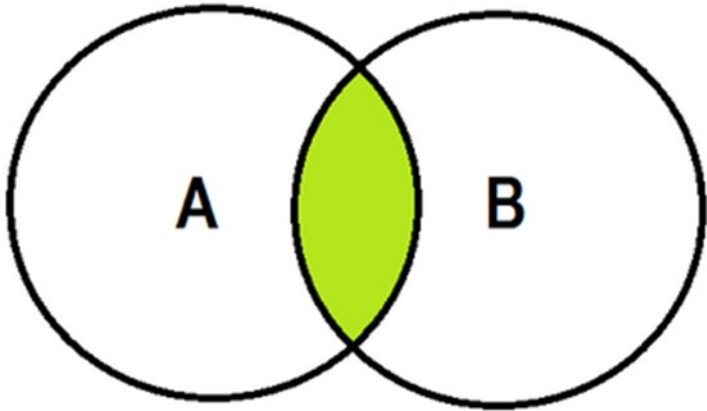
A.intersection(B) or A&B

x in the set C=A&B
x **in** A **and** x **in** B

```
In [1]: A = {1, 2, 3}

In [2]: B = {2, 3, 4}

In [3]: C = A.intersection(B)

In [4]: C
Out[4]: {2, 3}
```
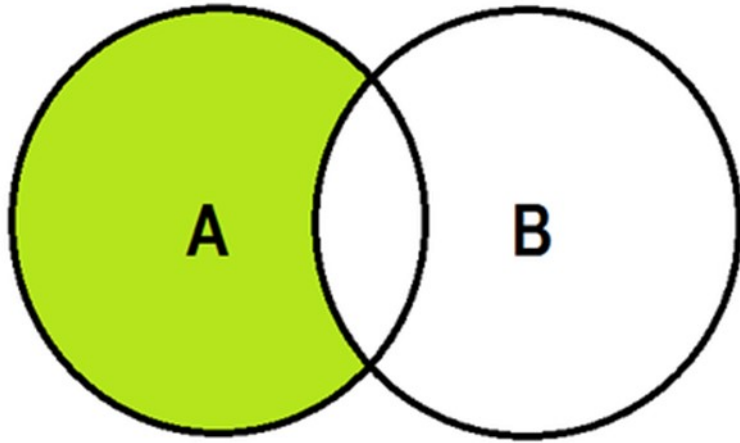
```
In [5]: D = A & B

In [6]: D
Out[6]: {2, 3}
```

Set Operation: **difference**

A.difference(B) or A - B

x in the set C=A-B
x **in** A **and** x **not in** B

```
In [1]: A = {1, 2, 3}

In [2]: B = {2, 3, 4}

In [3]: C = A.difference(B)

In [4]: C
Out[4]: {1}
```
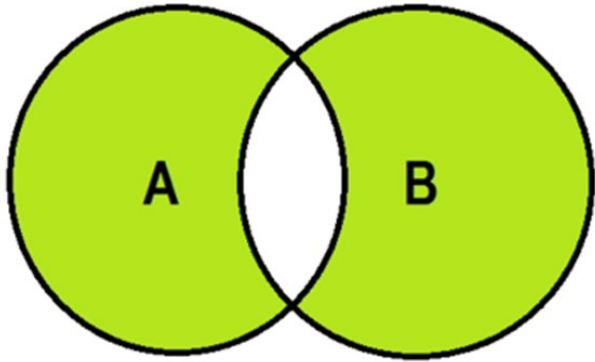
```
In [5]: D = A - B

In [6]: D
Out[6]: {1}
```

Set Operation: **symmetric difference**

A.symmetric_difference(B) or A^B

x in the set C=A^B
(x **in** A **and** x **not in** B)
or (x **in** B **and** x **not in** A)

```
In [1]: A = {1, 2, 3}

In [2]: B = {2, 3, 4}

In [3]: C = A.symmetric_difference(B)

In [4]: C
Out[4]: {1, 4}
```

```
In [5]: D = A ^ B

In [6]: D
Out[6]: {1, 4}
```

A set has no duplicate elements

define a set with duplicate numbers and strings

```
In [1]: Set1 = {1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 'a', 'a', 'b', 'b'}
```

Python removes redundant copies of the elements

```
In [2]: Set1
Out[2]: {'b', 1, 2, 'a'}
```

Use a set to remove duplicate elements in a list

```
In [1]: CourseList = ['Physics101', 'Biology101', 'Math101', 'CSC101', 'Physics101']
   ...: CourseSet = set(CourseList)

In [2]: CourseSet
Out[2]: {'Biology101', 'CSC101', 'Math101', 'Physics101'}


In [3]: CourseList = list(CourseSet)

In [4]: CourseList
Out[4]: ['CSC101', 'Math101', 'Physics101', 'Biology101']
```

dictionary

- A dictionary is a collection of ***key: value*** pairs
  x={"name"**:** "Python", "version"**:** 3.7}

- A **value** in a dictionary can be any object in Python

```python
d1 = {"int":1,
      "float": 1.0,
      "str":"string",
      "list": [1, 2, 3],
      "tuple": (3, 2, 1),
      "set": {'a', 'b', 'c'},
      "function":print,
      "dictioanry":{"key0":0, "key1":1, "key2":2}}
```

a dictionary is a mapping from **Key** to **Value**

- (Math) a mapping from x to y is a function: $y = f(x)$

map the name of a day to a number

```
f = {"Monday": 0,
     "Tuesday": 1,
     "Wednesday" : 2,
     "Thursday": 3,
     "Friday": 4,
     "Saturday": 5,
     "Sunday":6}
```

Key		Value
Monday	→	0
Tuesday	→	1
Wednesday	→	2
Thursday	→	3
Friday	→	4
Saturday	→	5
Sunday	→	6

f is the name of the dictionary object

- Access a **Value** by **Key**: **f["Monday"]** is **0**

Arguments, Parameters and Returns of a Function

function name   Parameters

use **def** to define a function

```
def f(x1, x2):
    y1 = x1 + x2
    y2 = x1 - x2
    return y1, y2
```

4 blank spaces for indentation

multiple returns

Arguments

call/**run**/**use the function** by its name and pass arguments

```
a, b = f(1, 2)
```

Conditional Execution Using an **if**, **elif**, **else** Block

an **if**, **elif**, **else** Block →

```python
if condition0:
    #code under condition0
elif condition1:
    #code under condition1
elif condition2:
    #code under condition2
else:
    #code in else section
```

- Python will check each boolean condition (**if** / **elif**) from top to bottom
- If a condition is **True**, then the code under that condition is executed, and other **elif** / **else** sections are ignored
- If every condition is **False**, then the code in the **else** section will run

Self learning reference

- You need to learn the basics **in two weeks**.

  https://www.python-course.eu/python3_course.php

- Python is easy to learn if you know some other languages

- Indentation in Python is very important !

- Use Spyder and Jupyter Notebook for Python programming

- If you have questions about programming, ask TA or me