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Python Installation & Setup

Installing Python on Windows

To install Python on Windows, visit the official Python website at python.org/downloads. Download the latest version (e.g., Python 3.11). Run the installer and ensure you check the box for Add Python to PATH before clicking "Install Now".

Verify the installation by opening Command Prompt and running:

python --version

Command

This should display the installed Python version (e.g., Python 3.11.4).

Installing Python on macOS

Download the macOS installer from python.org/downloads. Run the installer and follow the prompts. Alternatively, use Homebrew for a more streamlined installation:

brew install python

Command

Verify the installation by opening Terminal and running:

nvthon3 --version

Command

Note: Use python3 to avoid conflicts with the system Python (Python 2).

Installing Python on Linux

Most Linux distributions come with Python pre-installed. To install or upgrade Python, use your package manager. For Ubuntu/Debian, run:

sudo apt update

Command

For Fedora, use:

sudo dnf install python3

Command

Verify the installation:

python3 --version

Command

Setting Up a Python Development Environment

A good Integrated Development Environment (IDE) enhances Python development. Popular choices include:

- **Visual Studio Code (VS Code):** Lightweight, with Python extensions for linting, debugging, and IntelliSense. Download from <u>code.visualstudio.com</u>.
- PyCharm: Feature-rich IDE for professional developers, available at jetbrains.com/pycharm.

For VS Code, install the Python extension and configure it to use your Python interpreter:

Using Python Virtual Environments

Virtual environments isolate project dependencies. Create a virtual environment using:

python3 -m venv myenv

Command

Activate it:

• Windows:

myenv\Scripts\activate

Command

macOS/Linux:

source myenv/bin/activate

Command

Deactivate by running:

deactivate

Command

Installing and Managing Packages with pip

pip is Python's package manager. Install a package (e.g., requests) with:

pip install requests

Command

List installed packages:

pip list

Command

Upgrade a package:

nin install --ungrade requests

Command

Use requirements.txt to manage dependencies:

requirements.txt
requests==2.28.1

Install from requirements.txt:

nin install -r requirements tyt

Command

Challenging Questions

Question 1: What happens if you forget to check "Add Python to PATH" during Windows installation, and how can you fix it?

Show Answer

Question 2: Why might pip install a package globally instead of in a virtual environment, and how can

you ensure it installs in the virtual environment?

Show Answer

Question 3: What is the output of the following command in a virtual environment, and why?

pip list

Command

Assume the virtual environment was just created and no additional packages were installed.

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Python Variables Explained

What Are Variables in Python

Variables in Python are named containers that store data values, acting as references to objects in memory. They allow you to store and manipulate data such as numbers, strings, or lists.

```
Python
# Example: Storing different types of data
name = "Alice" # String
age = 25  # Integer
height = 5.6  # Float
print(name, age, height)
```

Variable Naming Rules and Conventions

Python enforces specific rules and recommends conventions for naming variables:

- Rules:
 - Names must start with a letter or underscore ().
 - Names can include letters, numbers, and underscores.
 - Names are case-sensitive (e.g., age and Age are distinct).
 - Cannot use Python keywords (e.g., if , for).
- Conventions (PEP 8):
 - Use lowercase with underscores (e.g., user_name).
 - Avoid single-character names except for counters (e.g., i in loops).
 - Choose descriptive names for clarity.

```
Python

# Valid variable names

user_name = "Bob"
   _count = 10

total_price2 = 99.99

# Invalid variable names

# 2price = 50  # Starts with a number

# my-var = 5  # Contains hyphen
```

Dynamic Typing in Python

Python uses dynamic typing, so you don't need to declare a variable's type, and its type can change during execution.

```
Python
# Example: Variable type changes
x = 10  # x is an integer
print(type(x)) #
x = "Hello"  # x is now a string
print(type(x)) #
```

Variable Assignment and Reassignment

Variables are assigned using the = operator. Reassignment allows changing a variable's value or type.

```
# Assignment
```

```
score = 100
print(score) # Output: 100

# Reassignment
score = 200
print(score) # Output: 200

# Multiple assignments
a, b, c = 1, 2, 3
print(a, b, c) # Output: 1 2 3
```

Scope of Variables (Local vs Global)

Variable scope defines where a variable is accessible:

- Local: Defined inside a function, accessible only within it.
- Global: Defined outside functions, accessible everywhere.
- Use the global keyword to modify a global variable inside a function.

```
# Global variable
x = 10

def my_function():
    # Local variable
    y = 5
    print(f"Inside function: x = {x}, y = {y}")

my_function()
print(f"Outside function: x = {x}") # y is not accessible here

# Modifying global variable
def update_global():
    global x
    x = 20
    print(f"Updated x inside function: {x}")

update_global()
print(f"Outside function: x = {x}")
```

Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of the following code?
```

```
Python

a = 10

b = a

a = 20

print(b)

Show Answer
```

Question 2: What is wrong with this code, and how can it be fixed?

```
Python
def increment():
    counter += 1

counter = 0
```

```
increment()
print(counter)

Show Answer

Question 3: Predict the output of this code:

x = 5
def outer():
    x = 10
    def inner():
        nonlocal x
        x = 15
    inner()
    print(x)

outer()
print(x)
```

Show Answer

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Python Data Types

Integers (int): Properties and Operations

Integers are whole numbers without a fractional part, with unlimited precision in Python. They support arithmetic operations like addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

```
Python

# Integer operations

a = 10

b = 3

print(a + b) # Output: 13

print(a // b) # Output: 3 (floor division)

print(a ** b) # Output: 1000 (exponentiation)
```

Floats: Precision and Floating-Point Arithmetic

Floats represent numbers with decimal points. They are subject to floating-point precision issues due to IEEE 754 standards.

Strings (str): Creation, Methods, and Formatting

Strings are sequences of characters, created using single or double quotes. They are immutable and support various methods and formatting options.

```
Python

# String creation and methods

text = "Hello, Python!"

print(text.upper()) # Output: HELLO, PYTHON!

print(text[0:5]) # Output: Hello

name = "Alice"

print(f"Hi, {name}") # Output: Hi, Alice (f-string formatting)
```

Lists: Creation, Indexing, Slicing, and Mutability

Lists are ordered, mutable collections of items, allowing mixed data types. They support indexing, slicing, and modification.

```
Python
# List operations
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
print(fruits[1]) # Output: banana
fruits.append("date") # Add item
print(fruits[1:3]) # Output: ['banana', 'cherry'] (slicing)
fruits[0] = "avocado" # Modify item
print(fruits) # Output: ['avocado', 'banana', 'cherry', 'date']
```

Tuples: Immutability and Use Cases

Tuples are ordered, immutable collections, often used for fixed data or as dictionary keys. They are created with parentheses.

```
Python
# Tuple operations
point = (3, 4)
print(point[0]) # Output: 3
# point[0] = 5 # Error: tuples are immutable
coords = (1, 2, 3)
x, y, z = coords # Unpacking
print(x, y, z) # Output: 1 2 3
```

Dictionaries (dict): Key-Value Pairs and Operations

Dictionaries store key-value pairs, where keys are unique and immutable. They allow fast lookups and modifications.

```
Python
# Dictionary operations
person = {"name": "Bob", "age": 30}
print(person["name"])  # Output: Bob
person["city"] = "Paris"  # Add key-value pair
print(person.get("age"))  # Output: 30
del person["city"]  # Remove key-value pair
print(person)  # Output: {'name': 'Bob', 'age': 30}
```

Sets: Uniqueness, Set Operations (Union, Intersection)

Sets are unordered collections of unique items, ideal for membership testing and set operations like union and intersection.

```
Python
# Set operations
set1 = {1, 2, 3, 3}  # Duplicates ignored
set2 = {3, 4, 5}
print(set1)  # Output: {1, 2, 3}
print(set1 | set2)  # Output: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5} (union)
print(set1 & set2)  # Output: {3} (intersection)
set1.add(6)  # Add item
print(set1)  # Output: {1, 2, 3, 6}
```

Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?
```

```
Python

a = [1, 2, 3]

b = a

b[0] = 10

print(a)
```

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Question 2: Why does this code produce unexpected output, and how can it be fixed to add 0.3 accurately?

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Python Operators

Arithmetic Operators (+, -, *, /, //, %, **)

Arithmetic operators perform mathematical operations on numbers (integers or floats).

```
Python
a = 10
b = 3
print(a + b)  # Output: 13 (addition)
print(a - b)  # Output: 7 (subtraction)
print(a * b)  # Output: 30 (multiplication)
print(a / b)  # Output: 3.33333333333333335 (division)
print(a // b)  # Output: 3 (floor division)
print(a % b)  # Output: 1 (modulus)
print(a ** b)  # Output: 1000 (exponentiation)
```

Comparison Operators (==, !=, >, <, >=, <=)

Comparison operators compare values and return a boolean (True or False).

```
Python
x = 5
y = 10
print(x == y)  # Output: False (equal to)
print(x != y)  # Output: True (not equal to)
print(x > y)  # Output: False (greater than)
print(x < y)  # Output: True (less than)
print(x >= 5)  # Output: True (greater than or equal to)
print(y <= 10)  # Output: True (less than or equal to)</pre>
```

Logical Operators (and, or, not)

Logical operators combine boolean expressions to evaluate conditions.

```
Python

a = True

b = False

print(a and b) # Output: False (both must be True)

print(a or b) # Output: True (at least one must be True)

print(not a) # Output: False (negates the boolean)
```

Bitwise Operators (&, |, ^, ~, <<, >>)

Bitwise operators manipulate individual bits of integers.

```
Python

x = 10  # Binary: 1010

y = 4  # Binary: 0100

print(x & y)  # Output: 0 (AND, 0000)

print(x | y)  # Output: 14 (OR, 1110)

print(x ^ y)  # Output: 14 (XOR, 1110)
```

```
print(~x) # Output: -11 (NOT, inverts bits)
print(x << 2) # Output: 40 (left shift, 101000)
print(x >> 2) # Output: 2 (right shift, 0010)
```

Assignment Operators (=, +=, -=, etc.)

Assignment operators assign values to variables, often combining with arithmetic or bitwise operations.

```
Python

x = 5

x += 3  # Equivalent to x = x + 3

print(x)  # Output: 8

x *= 2  # Equivalent to x = x * 2

print(x)  # Output: 16

x //= 4  # Equivalent to x = x // 4

print(x)  # Output: 4
```

Membership and Identity Operators (in, not in, is, is not)

Membership operators check for presence in sequences, while identity operators compare object identity.

```
Python
fruits = ["apple", "banana"]
print("apple" in fruits)  # Output: True
print("orange" not in fruits) # Output: True

a = [1, 2]
b = [1, 2]
c = a
print(a is b)  # Output: False (different objects)
print(a is c)  # Output: True (same object)
print(a is not b) # Output: True
```

Challenging Questions

Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?

```
Python x = 5
y = 2
print(x ** y % 3)
```

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Question 2: Why does this code produce an unexpected result, and how can it be fixed to evaluate the condition correctly?

```
Python
x = 10
if x > 5 or 15:
    print("Condition met")
else:
    print("Condition not met")
```

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Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

```
Python

a = 12  # Binary: 1100

b = 10  # Binary: 1010

print(a & b)

print(a | b)

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```

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Python Control Flow

Conditional Statements (if, elif, else)

Conditional statements allow you to execute code based on conditions using if, elif, and else.

```
Python
# Conditional example
score = 85
if score >= 90:
    print("Grade: A")
elif score >= 80:
    print("Grade: B")
else:
    print("Grade: C")
# Output: Grade: B
```

Loops: for and while Loops

Loops iterate over sequences (for) or until a condition is met (while).

```
# For loop
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
for fruit in fruits:
    print(fruit)
# Output: apple
#    banana
#    cherry

# While loop
count = 1
while count <= 3:
    print(count)
    count += 1
# Output: 1
#    2
#    3</pre>
```

Break, Continue, and Pass Statements

break exits a loop, continue skips to the next iteration, and pass is a placeholder that does nothing.

```
Python

# Break and continue

for i in range(5):
    if i == 3:
        break
    if i == 1:
        continue
    print(i)

# Output: 0
```

```
# 2

# Pass
for i in range(2):
    pass # Placeholder, no action
```

Nested Control Structures

Nested structures combine conditionals and loops within each other for complex logic.

```
Python
# Nested loop and conditional
for i in range(3):
    if i % 2 == 0:
        for j in range(2):
            print(f"i={i}, j={j}")
# Output: i=0, j=0
# i=0, j=1
# i=2, j=0
# i=2, j=1
```

Exception Handling (try, except, finally)

Exception handling manages errors using try, except, and finally blocks.

```
Python
# Exception handling
try:
    num = int(input("Enter a number: "))
    print(10 / num)
except ValueError:
    print("Invalid input, please enter a number")
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("Cannot divide by zero")
finally:
    print("Execution complete")
# Example input: 0
# Output: Cannot divide by zero
# Execution complete
```

Logical and Comparison Operators

Logical operators (and , or , not) and comparison operators (== , != , > , etc.) evaluate conditions.

```
# Logical and comparison operators
x = 10
if x > 5 and x < 15:
    print("x is between 5 and 15")
# Output: x is between 5 and 15
print(not x == 10) # Output: False</pre>
```

Comprehensions (List, Dictionary)

Comprehensions provide a concise way to create lists or dictionaries using loops and conditionals.

```
Python
# List comprehension

squares = [x**2 for x in range(5)]
```

```
print(squares) # Output: [0, 1, 4, 9, 16]

# Dictionary comprehension
numbers = {x: x*2 for x in range(3)}
print(numbers) # Output: {0: 0, 1: 2, 2: 4}
```

Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?
```

```
Python

for i in range(5):

   if i % 2 == 0:
      print(i)

   else:
      continue
```

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Question 2: What is wrong with this code, and how can it be fixed to handle the error?

```
Python
numbers = [1, 2, "3", 4]

total = 0

for num in numbers:
   total += num
print(total)
```

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Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

```
Python evens = [x for x in range(10) if x % 2 == 0] print(evens)
```

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Python Functions & Lambda Functions

Defining and Calling Functions

Functions are defined using the def keyword and called by their name followed by parentheses.

```
Python

def greet(name):
    return f"Hello, {name}!"

print(greet("Alice")) # Output: Hello, Alice!
```

Function Parameters (Positional, Keyword, Default)

Functions can take positional, keyword, and default parameters for flexibility.

```
Python

def calculate_total(price, tax=0.05):
    return price * (1 + tax)

# Positional
print(calculate_total(100))  # Output: 105.0

# Keyword
print(calculate_total(price=100, tax=0.1))  # Output: 110.0

# Default
print(calculate_total(200))  # Output: 210.0
```

Return Statements and Multiple Returns

Functions use return to send back values. Multiple values can be returned as a tuple.

```
Python

def divide_and_remainder(a, b):
    quotient = a // b
    remainder = a % b
    return quotient, remainder

q, r = divide_and_remainder(10, 3)
print(q, r) # Output: 3 1
```

Variable Scope in Functions

Variables defined inside a function are local; global variables can be accessed but modified only with the global keyword.

```
Python

x = 10

def modify():
    global x
    x = 20
    y = 5  # Local
    print(f"Inside: x={x}, y={y}")
```

```
modify()
print(f"Outside: x={x}") # Output: Outside: x=20
```

Lambda Functions: Syntax and Use Cases

Lambda functions are anonymous, single-expression functions defined with the lambda keyword, often used for short operations.

```
Python
square = lambda x: x ** 2
print(square(5)) # Output: 25

# Sorting with lambda
pairs = [(1, 'one'), (3, 'three'), (2, 'two')]
pairs.sort(key=lambda x: x[1])
print(pairs) # Output: [(1, 'one'), (3, 'three'), (2, 'two')]
```

Higher-Order Functions (map, filter, reduce)

Higher-order functions like map , filter , and reduce take functions as arguments for processing iterables.

```
# Map: Apply function to each item
numbers = [1, 2, 3]
squares = list(map(lambda x: x ** 2, numbers))
print(squares) # Output: [1, 4, 9]

# Filter: Select items based on condition
evens = list(filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0, numbers))
print(evens) # Output: [2]

# Reduce: Combine items
sum_all = reduce(lambda x, y: x + y, numbers)
print(sum_all) # Output: 6
```

Challenging Questions

Show Answer

```
Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?
```

```
Python

def outer():
    x = 10
    def inner():
        nonlocal x
        x += 5
        return x
    return inner()
```

Question 2: Why does this code produce an error, and how can it be fixed?

```
def multiply(x, y=2):
    return x * y

print(multiply(y=3, 5))

Show Answer

Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4]
result = list(map(lambda x: x * 2, filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0, numbers)))
Python
```

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Python Lists and Tuples

Lists: Creating Lists

Lists are ordered, mutable collections created using square brackets [] or the list() constructor.

```
Python

fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]

numbers = list(range(3))

print(fruits) # Output: ['apple', 'banana', 'cherry']

print(numbers) # Output: [0, 1, 2]
```

Lists: Accessing Elements via Indexing and Slicing

Access list elements using zero-based indexing or slicing to extract sublists.

```
Python

fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "date"]

print(fruits[1])  # Output: banana

print(fruits[-1])  # Output: date (last element)

print(fruits[1:3])  # Output: ['banana', 'cherry']

print(fruits[:2])  # Output: ['apple', 'banana']
```

Lists: Modifying Lists (Mutability)

Lists are mutable, allowing changes to elements, addition, or removal of items.

```
Python

fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]

fruits[0] = "avocado"  # Modify element

fruits.append("date")  # Add to end

print(fruits)  # Output: ['avocado', 'banana', 'cherry', 'date']
```

Lists: Common List Methods

Lists have methods like append, remove, pop, and more for manipulation.

```
Python
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 2]
numbers.append(4)  # Add 4 to end
numbers.remove(2)  # Remove first 2
popped = numbers.pop() # Remove and return last item (4)
numbers.sort()  # Sort in place
print(numbers)  # Output: [1, 3]
print(popped)  # Output: 4
```

Tuples: Creating Tuples

Tuples are ordered, immutable collections created using parentheses () or the tuple() constructor.

```
Python

point = (3, 4)

colors = tuple(["red", "blue"])
```

```
print(point) # Output: (3, 4)
print(colors) # Output: ('red', 'blue')
```

Tuples: Accessing Elements via Indexing and Slicing

Like lists, tuples support indexing and slicing to access elements.

```
Python

coords = (10, 20, 30, 40)

print(coords[0])  # Output: 10

print(coords[-2])  # Output: 30

print(coords[1:3])  # Output: (20, 30)
```

Tuples: Immutability and Its Implications

Tuples cannot be modified after creation, ensuring data integrity but limiting flexibility.

```
Python
point = (1, 2)
# point[0] = 3 # Error: tuples are immutable
new_point = point + (3,) # Create new tuple
print(new_point) # Output: (1, 2, 3)
```

Tuples: Use Cases

Tuples are used for fixed data, as dictionary keys, or when immutability is desired.

```
Python
# Tuple as dictionary key
locations = {(0, 0): "Origin", (1, 2): "Point A"}
print(locations[(1, 2)]) # Output: Point A

# Fixed data
rgb = (255, 128, 0)
r, g, b = rgb # Unpacking
print(r, g, b) # Output: 255 128 0
```

Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?
```

```
Python lst = [1, 2, 3]
lst2 = lst
lst.append(4)
print(lst2)
```

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Question 2: Why does this code raise an error, and how can it be fixed to modify the tuple?

```
Python tup = (1, 2, 3) tup[1] = 4
```

Show Answer

Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

lst = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
print(lst[1:4:2])

Show Answer

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1.8 String and Dictionaries

Python Strings and Dictionaries

Strings: Creating Strings

Strings are created using single quotes ', double quotes ", or triple quotes ''' for multiline strings.

```
Python

single = 'Hello'

double = "World"

multiline = '''Line 1

Line 2'''

print(single) # Output: Hello

print(multiline) # Output: Line 1

# Line 2
```

Strings: Accessing Characters via Indexing and Slicing

Strings support zero-based indexing and slicing to access characters or substrings.

```
Python

text = "Python"

print(text[0])  # Output: P

print(text[-1])  # Output: n

print(text[1:4])  # Output: yth

print(text[:3])  # Output: Pyt
```

Strings: Immutability

Strings are immutable, meaning their characters cannot be changed after creation.

```
Python

text = "Python"

# text[0] = "J" # Error: strings are immutable

new_text = "J" + text[1:] # Create new string

print(new_text) # Output: Jython
```

Strings: Common String Methods

Strings offer methods like upper , lower , strip , split , and join for manipulation.

```
Python

text = " Hello, World! "

print(text.upper())  # Output: HELLO, WORLD!

print(text.strip())  # Output: Hello, World!

print(text.split(","))  # Output: [' Hello', ' World! ']

words = ["Python", "is", "fun"]

print(" ".join(words))  # Output: Python is fun
```

Strings: String Formatting

Strings can be formatted using f-strings, the format() method, or the % operator.

```
Python

name = "Alice"

age = 25

print(f"{name} is {age}")  # f-string: Alice is 25

print("{} is {}".format(name, age)) # format(): Alice is 25

print("%s is %d" % (name, age)) # % operator: Alice is 25
```

Dictionaries: Creating Dictionaries

Dictionaries are unordered collections of key-value pairs, created using curly braces {} or dict().

```
Python
person = {"name": "Bob", "age": 30}
scores = dict(math=90, science=85)
print(person) # Output: {'name': 'Bob', 'age': 30}
print(scores) # Output: {'math': 90, 'science': 85}
```

Dictionaries: Accessing and Modifying Key-Value Pairs

Access values using keys; modify or add key-value pairs directly.

```
Python
person = {"name": "Bob", "age": 30}
print(person["name"])  # Output: Bob
person["age"] = 31  # Modify value
person["city"] = "Paris"  # Add new pair
print(person)  # Output: {'name': 'Bob', 'age': 31, 'city': 'Paris'}
```

Dictionaries: Dictionary Methods

Dictionary methods like get , keys , values , items , and pop facilitate operations.

```
Python
person = {"name": "Bob", "age": 30}
print(person.get("city", "Unknown")) # Output: Unknown
print(person.keys()) # Output: dict_keys(['name', 'age'])
print(person.values()) # Output: dict_values(['Bob', 30])
print(person.items()) # Output: dict_items([('name', 'Bob'), ('age', 30)])
person.pop("age") # Remove key-value pair
print(person) # Output: {'name': 'Bob'}
```

Dictionaries: Immutability for Keys

Dictionary keys must be immutable (e.g., strings, numbers, tuples), but values can be any type.

```
Python

coords = {(0, 0): "Origin", (1, 2): "Point A"}

print(coords[(0, 0)]) # Output: Origin

# Invalid: lists cannot be keys

# d = {[1, 2]: "Invalid"} # Error: unhashable type: 'list'
```

Dictionaries: Iteration over Dictionaries

Iterate over keys, values, or key-value pairs using loops.

```
for subject, score in scores.items():
    print(f"{subject}: {score}")
# Output: math: 90
# science: 85
```

Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?
```

```
Python

text = "python"

new_text = text[:2] + text[2].upper() + text[3:]

print(new_text)
```

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Question 2: Why does this code raise an error, and how can it be fixed to access the value safely?

```
Python
d = {"name": "Alice"}
print(d["age"])
```

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Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

```
Python

d = {"a": 1, "b": 2}

d2 = d

d2["a"] = 10

print(d)
```

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Python Sets

Creating Sets

Sets are unordered collections of unique elements, created using curly braces {} or the set() constructor.

```
numbers = {1, 2, 3}
fruits = set(["apple", "banana", "apple"])
print(numbers) # Output: {1, 2, 3}
print(fruits) # Output: {'apple', 'banana'}
```

Uniqueness Property

Sets automatically remove duplicates, ensuring each element appears only once.

```
Python items = {1, 1, 2, 2, 3}

print(items) # Output: {1, 2, 3}

mixed = set([1, "hello", 1, "hello"])

print(mixed) # Output: {1, 'hello'}
```

Set Operations

Sets support operations like union, intersection, difference, and symmetric difference.

```
Python

set1 = {1, 2, 3}

set2 = {3, 4, 5}

print(set1 | set2)  # Union: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}

print(set1 & set2)  # Intersection: {3}

print(set1 - set2)  # Difference: {1, 2}

print(set1 ^ set2)  # Symmetric difference: {1, 2, 4, 5}
```

Common Set Methods

Sets provide methods like add , remove , discard , and pop for manipulation.

```
numbers = {1, 2, 3}
numbers.add(4)  # Add element
print(numbers)  # Output: {1, 2, 3, 4}
numbers.remove(2)  # Remove element (raises KeyError if not found)
print(numbers)  # Output: {1, 3, 4}
numbers.discard(5)  # Remove if present, no error
popped = numbers.pop()  # Remove and return arbitrary element
print(popped)  # Output: e.g., 1
print(numbers)  # Output: e.g., {3, 4}
```

Membership Testing and Iteration

Sets are optimized for membership testing and can be iterated over.

```
Python
fruits = {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}
print("apple" in fruits) # Output: True
print("orange" not in fruits) # Output: True
for fruit in fruits:
    print(fruit)
# Output: apple
# banana
# cherry
```

Interesting Programs Using Sets

Program 1: Duplicate Remover

This program takes a list of user inputs and removes duplicates using a set.

```
Python

def remove_duplicates():
    user_input = input("Enter items (space-separated): ").split()
    unique_items = set(user_input)
    return list(unique_items)

result = remove_duplicates()
print("Unique items:", result)
# Example input: apple apple banana cherry
# Output: Unique items: ['apple', 'banana', 'cherry']
```

Program 2: Common Elements Finder

This program finds common elements between two lists using set intersection.

```
Python

def find_common_elements(list1, list2):
    return list(set(list1) & set(list2))

list1 = [1, 2, 3, 4]
list2 = [3, 4, 5, 6]
common = find_common_elements(list1, list2)
print("Common elements:", common) # Output: Common elements: [3, 4]
```

Program 3: Unique Word Counter

This program counts unique words in a sentence by converting it to a set.

```
Python

def count_unique_words(sentence):
    words = sentence.lower().split()
    unique_words = set(words)
    return len(unique_words)

sentence = "The cat and the dog and cat"
count = count_unique_words(sentence)
print("Unique word count:", count) # Output: Unique word count: 4
```

Challenging Questions

Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?

```
set1 = {1, 2, 3, 4}
set2 = {3, 4, 5}
print(set1 - set2)
print(set2 - set1)

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Question 2: Why does this code raise an error, and how can it be fixed?

numbers = {1, 2, 3}
numbers.remove(4)

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Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

set1 = {1, 2, 3}
set2 = set1.copy()
set2.add(4)
print(set1)
print(set2)

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```

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Python Assignments: Strings, Dictionaries, and Sets

Level 1 Assignments

Below are five beginner-friendly assignments on Strings, Dictionaries, and Sets. Each includes a creative twist to make them engaging. Try solving them to practice your Python skills!

Assignment 1: Secret Message Decoder (Strings)

Description: Write a program that takes a secret message as input and decodes it by extracting every second character starting from the first one (index 0). The message is guaranteed to be at least 2 characters long.

Twist: If the decoded message contains the word "hello" (case-insensitive), print "Special Greeting: Hello found!"; otherwise, print the decoded message.

Example:

- Input: "hpealnlod" → Output: "Special Greeting: Hello found!"
- Input: "sptayctkoy" → Output: "saty"

Hint: Use string slicing and the lower() method.

Assignment 2: Treasure Map Coordinates (Dictionaries)

Description: Create a program that stores a treasure map as a dictionary with tuple coordinates (x, y) as keys and location names as values. The program should take a coordinate as input (e.g., "1,2") and print the location name if it exists, or "Unknown location" if it doesn't.

Twist: If the coordinates form a square (x == y), print "Treasure Chest!" instead of the location name.

Example:

- Input: "1,2" → Output: "Cave"
- Input: "3,3" → Output: "Treasure Chest!"
 Input: "4,5" → Output: "Unknown location"

Hint: Use tuple keys and the get() method.

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Assignment 3: Unique Potion Ingredients (Sets)

Description: Write a program that takes a space-separated list of potion ingredients as input and prints the unique ingredients in sorted order.

Twist: If the number of unique ingredients is exactly 3, print "Perfect Potion!" before the list.

Example:

- Input: "herb root herb leaf" → Output: Perfect Potion! ['herb', 'leaf', 'root']
- Input: "root root leaf" → Output: ['leaf', 'root']

Hint: Use a set to remove duplicates and convert to a sorted list.

Assignment 4: Word Mixer Formatter (Strings)

Description: Write a program that takes two words as input and combines them by alternating their characters (e.g., "cat" and "dog" \rightarrow "cdaotg"). If the words are of different lengths, append the remaining characters of the longer word.

Twist: Format the output as an f-string in the form "Mixed word: {result}" and convert the result to uppercase.

Example:

- Input: "cat dog" → Output: Mixed word: CDAOTG
- Input: "hi there" → Output: Mixed word: HTIHERE

Hint: Use string indexing and loops.

Assignment 5: Common Friends Finder (Sets)

Description: Write a program that takes two space-separated lists of names (friends of two people) and finds the common friends using set intersection. Print the common friends in sorted order.

Twist: If there are no common friends, print "No common friends, time to introduce them!"

Example:

- Input: "Alice Bob Charlie" and "Bob Charlie Dave" → Output: ['Bob', 'Charlie']
- Input: "Alice Bob" and "Charlie Dave" → Output: No common friends, time to introduce them!

Hint: Use set().intersection() or the & operator.

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Python Assignments: Strings, Dictionaries, and Sets (Level 2)

Level 2 Assignments

Below are five intermediate-level assignments on Strings, Dictionaries, and Sets. These challenges combine multiple concepts, handle edge cases, and include creative twists to test your Python skills. Perfect for learners comfortable with basic Python!

Assignment 1: Palindrome Sentence Analyzer (Strings)

Description: Write a program that takes a sentence as input and determines if it forms a palindrome when considering only alphabetic characters (ignoring spaces, punctuation, and case). Return the cleaned string (lowercase, alphabetic characters only) and whether it's a palindrome.

Twist: If the cleaned string is a palindrome and has more than 5 characters, append " - Epic Palindrome!" to the output.

Example:

- Input: "A man, a plan, a canal: Panama" → Output: "amanaplanacanalpanama is a palindrome Epic Palindrome!"
- Input: "race a car" → Output: "raceacar is not a palindrome"
- Input: "deked" → Output: "deked is a palindrome"

Hint: Use string methods like lower(), isalpha(), and slicing.

Assignment 2: Inventory Manager (Dictionaries)

Description: Create a program that manages an inventory dictionary with item names as keys and quantities as values. The program takes a space-separated input of item names and updates the inventory: add 1 to the quantity if the item exists, or add the item with quantity 1 if it doesn't. Handle invalid inputs (e.g., empty strings).

Twist: If an item's quantity reaches exactly 5, mark it as "Fully Stocked" in the output instead of showing the number.

Example:

- Input: "apple banana apple" (initial inventory: {"apple": 3, "orange": 4}) → Output: {"apple": 5, "orange": 4, "banana": 1} → "apple: Fully Stocked, orange: 4, banana: 1"
- Input: "banana" → Output: "Invalid input: empty item name"

Hint: Use get() and dictionary iteration.

inventory = {"apple": 3, "orange": 4}

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Assignment 3: Set-Based Anagram Grouper (Sets)

Description: Write a program that takes a space-separated list of words and groups them by their anagrams using sets. Output a dictionary where keys are sorted character strings (representing the anagram) and values are sets of words that are anagrams of each other.

Twist: If a group has exactly two anagrams, prefix the group's output with "Twin Anagrams: ".

Example:

- Input: "cat act dog god" → Output: {"act": Twin Anagrams: {"cat", "act"}, "dgo": Twin Anagrams: {"dog", "god"}}
- Input: "cat hat mat" → Output: {"aht": {"hat"}, "amt": {"mat"}, "act": {"cat"}}

Hint: Use sorted() on word characters to create a key and sets to store anagrams.

Assignment 4: Custom String Encoder (Strings)

Description: Write a program that takes a string and encodes it by replacing each vowel (a, e, i, o, u, case-insensitive) with its position in the string (1-based indexing). Non-vowel characters remain unchanged.

Twist: If the encoded string contains three or more digits in a row, append " - Number Overload!" to the output.

Example:

- Input: "hello" → Output: "h2ll4 Number Overload!" (e→2, o→5)
- Input: "python" \rightarrow Output: "p2th3n" (o \rightarrow 2, y \rightarrow 3)

Hint: Use string iteration, lower(), and check for consecutive digits.

Assignment 5: Social Network Analyzer (Sets)

Description: Create a program that takes a dictionary of users and their friend sets, and a pair of user names as input. Output the union, intersection, and symmetric difference of their friend sets. Handle cases where a user doesn't exist.

Twist: If the intersection is empty, suggest a mutual friend from the symmetric difference (if any) to connect them.

Example:

- Input: "Alice Bob" (network: {"Alice": {"Charlie", "Dave"}, "Bob": {"Dave", "Eve"}}) → Output: Union: {"Charlie", "Dave", "Eve"}, Intersection: {"Dave"}, Symmetric Difference: {"Charlie", "Eve"}
- Input: "Alice Charlie" (network: {"Alice": {"Dave"}, "Charlie": {"Eve"}}) → Output: Union: {"Dave", "Eve"}, Intersection: {}, Symmetric Difference: {"Dave", "Eve"} Suggest mutual friend: Dave

Hint: Use set operations $(| , \&, ^)$ and get().

```
network = {"Alice": {"Charlie", "Dave"}, "Bob": {"Dave", "Eve"}, "Charlie": {"Eve"}}
```

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Python File Handling

Opening and Closing Files

Using the open() Function

The open() function opens a file in a specified mode, such as read, write, or append, and supports text or binary modes.

```
Python file = open("example.txt", "r") # Open for reading file.close() # Always close the file
```

File Modes

Common file modes include: r (read), w (write, overwrites), a (append), r+ (read and write), wb (write binary).

```
Python

file = open("data.bin", "wb")  # Write binary mode

file.close()

file = open("log.txt", "a")  # Append mode

file.close()
```

Properly Closing Files with close()

Always close files using close() to free system resources, but errors can leave files open.

```
Python
file = open("example.txt", "r")
content = file.read()
file.close() # Ensure file is closed
```

Using the with Statement

The with statement automatically closes files, even if an error occurs, making it the preferred method.

```
Python
with open("example.txt", "r") as file:
    content = file.read()
# File is automatically closed after the block
print("File closed:", file.closed) # Output: File closed: True
```

Reading Files

Reading Entire Files with read()

The read() method reads the entire file content into a string.

```
Python with open("example.txt", "r") as file:

content = file.read()

print(content) # Output: Entire file content
```

Reading Line by Line with readline() or readlines()

readline() reads one line, while readlines() returns a list of all lines.

```
Python
with open("example.txt", "r") as file:
    line1 = file.readline() # First line
    lines = file.readlines() # Remaining lines as list
print(line1.strip()) # Output: First line
print(lines) # Output: ['Second line\n', 'Third line\n']
```

Iterating Over Files Line by Line

Iterate directly over a file object to read lines efficiently.

```
Python
with open("example.txt", "r") as file:
for line in file:
    print(line.strip()) # Output: Each line without trailing newline
```

Handling Large Files Efficiently

For large files, use line-by-line iteration or read(size) to avoid loading the entire file into memory.

```
Python
with open("large_file.txt", "r") as file:
    while True:
        chunk = file.read(1024) # Read 1024 bytes at a time
        if not chunk:
            break
        print(chunk, end="")
```

Writing to Files

Writing Strings with write()

The write() method writes a string to a file; it doesn't add newlines automatically.

```
Python with open("output.txt", "w") as file:
file.write("Hello, World!\n")
# File now contains: Hello, World!
```

Writing Multiple Lines with writelines()

writelines() writes a list of strings to a file without adding newlines.

```
Python
lines = ["Line 1\n", "Line 2\n", "Line 3\n"]
with open("output.txt", "w") as file:
    file.writelines(lines)
# File contains: Line 1
# Line 2
# Line 3
```

Appending to Existing Files

Use a mode to append data to the end of a file without overwriting.

```
Python with open("log.txt", "a") as file:
    file.write("New entry\n")
# Appends "New entry" to the file
```

Overwriting vs. Appending

w mode overwrites the file, creating a new one if it doesn't exist, while a mode adds to the end.

```
Python with open("data.txt", "w") as file:
    file.write("Overwritten\n") # Replaces file content
with open("data.txt", "a") as file:
    file.write("Appended\n") # Adds to existing content
# File contains: Overwritten
# Appended
```

Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?
```

```
Python
with open("test.txt", "w") as file:
    file.write("First line\nSecond line")
with open("test.txt", "r") as file:
    print(file.read(10))
```

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Question 2: Why does this code raise an error, and how can it be fixed to append safely?

```
Python
file = open("log.txt", "r")
file.write("New log entry\n")
file.close()
```

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Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

```
Python
with open("data.txt", "w") as file:
    file.writelines(["A\n", "B\n"])
with open("data.txt", "a") as file:
    file.write("C\n")
with open("data.txt", "r") as file:
    lines = file.readlines()
print(len(lines))
```

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Working with File Paths and Directories

Using the os and pathlib Modules

The os module provides functions for file and directory operations, while pathlib offers an object-oriented approach for path manipulation.

```
Python
import os
import pathlib

# os: Get current directory
print(os.getcwd()) # Output: Current working directory path

# pathlib: Create a path object
path = pathlib.Path("documents/data.txt")
print(path.name) # Output: data.txt
```

Checking if Files/Directories Exist

Use os.path.exists() or pathlib.Path.exists() to check if a file or directory exists.

```
python
import os
import pathlib

# os
print(os.path.exists("example.txt")) # Output: True/False

# pathlib
path = pathlib.Path("example.txt")
print(path.exists()) # Output: True/False
```

Creating, Renaming, and Deleting Files/Directories

```
Create directories with os.makedirs() or pathlib.Path.mkdir(), rename with os.rename(), and delete with os.remove() Or pathlib.Path.unlink().
```

```
python
import os
import pathlib

# Create directory
os.makedirs("new_folder", exist_ok=True)

# Rename file
os.rename("old.txt", "new.txt")

# Delete file
path = pathlib.Path("new.txt")
if path.exists():
```

```
path.unlink() # Delete file
```

Handling Cross-Platform Path Compatibility

Use os.path.join() or pathlib.Path to create paths compatible across Windows, Linux, and macOS.

```
python
import os
import pathlib

# os
path = os.path.join("folder", "subfolder", "file.txt")
print(path) # Output: folder/subfolder/file.txt (or folder\subfolder\file.txt on Windows)

# pathlib
path = pathlib.Path("folder") / "subfolder" / "file.txt"
print(path) # Output: folder/subfolder/file.txt
```

Error Handling in File Operations

Common File-Related Exceptions

Common exceptions include FileNotFoundError, PermissionError, and IsADirectoryError.

```
Python

try:
    with open("nonexistent.txt", "r") as file:
        content = file.read()

except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File not found!")

except PermissionError:
    print("Permission denied!")
```

Using try-except to Handle File Errors

Wrap file operations in try-except blocks to handle errors gracefully.

```
Python
import os

try:
    os.remove("protected.txt")
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File does not exist.")
except PermissionError:
    print("Cannot delete: Permission denied.")
```

Best Practices for Robust File Handling

Always use the with statement, check file existence before operations, handle specific exceptions, and use pathlib for cross-platform compatibility.

```
Python
from pathlib import Path

path = Path("data.txt")
try:
    if path.exists():
        with path.open("r") as file:
        content = file.read()
    else:
```

```
print("File not found.")
except Exception as e:
   print(f"Error: {e}")
```

Working with Different File Formats

Reading and Writing Text Files

Text files are read and written using standard file operations with encoding (default is UTF-8).

```
Python
from pathlib import Path

# Write text
with Path("notes.txt").open("w", encoding="utf-8") as file:
    file.write("Hello, Python!\n")

# Read text
with Path("notes.txt").open("r", encoding="utf-8") as file:
    content = file.read()
print(content) # Output: Hello, Python!
```

Handling CSV Files (using csv module)

The csv module simplifies reading and writing CSV files.

```
# Write CSV
with open("data.csv", "w", newline="") as file:
    writer = csv.writer(file)
    writer.writerow(["Name", "Age"])
    writer.writerow(["Alice", 25])

# Read CSV
with open("data.csv", "r") as file:
    reader = csv.reader(file)
    for row in reader:
        print(row)
# Output: ['Name', 'Age']
# ['Alice', '25']
```

Working with JSON Files (using json module)

The json module handles serialization and deserialization of JSON data.

```
# Write JSON
data = {"name": "Bob", "scores": [90, 85]}
with open("data.json", "w") as file:
    json.dump(data, file, indent=4)

# Read JSON
with open("data.json", "r") as file:
    loaded_data = json.load(file)
print(loaded_data) # Output: {'name': 'Bob', 'scores': [90, 85]}
```

Basic Binary File Operations

Binary files (e.g., images) are read and written in binary mode (rb , wb).

```
Python

# Copy binary file

with open("image.png", "rb") as source:

data = source.read()

with open("copy.png", "wb") as destination:

destination.write(data)
```

Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?
```

```
Python
import os

try:
    os.makedirs("test_folder")
    with open("test_folder/file.txt", "w") as file:
        file.write("Test")
except IsADirectoryError:
    print("Directory error")
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File not found")
```

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Question 2: Why does this code raise an error, and how can it be fixed to read the CSV correctly?

```
Python
import csv

with open("data.csv", "r") as file:
   reader = csv.reader(file)
   print(reader[0])
```

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Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

```
import json
from pathlib import Path

data = {"name": "Alice", "age": 30}
path = Path("config.json")
with path.open("w") as file:
    json.dump(data, file)
with path.open("r") as file:
    loaded = json.load(file)
print(loaded["name"])
```

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Python Advanced File Handling

Buffering and Its Advantages

Buffering improves I/O performance by reducing the number of system calls. Python provides control using the open function's buffering parameter.

```
Python with open("log.txt", "w", buffering=8192) as file:

for i in range(10000):

file.write(f"Line {i}\n")
```

Reading Huge Files Efficiently

To avoid loading the entire file into memory, read line by line using a generator approach.

```
Python with open("huge_file.txt", "r") as file:

for line in file:

process(line)
```

Writing to Huge Files

Use buffered writing and flush periodically to avoid memory issues and ensure timely disk writes.

```
Python
with open("output.txt", "w") as file:
    for i in range(1000000):
        file.write(f"Record {i}\n")
        if i % 10000 == 0:
            file.flush()
```

Rotation of Data (Log Rotation)

Log rotation avoids huge log files by moving them and starting a new one. You can use shutil for manual rotation.

```
Python import shutil import os

if os.path.exists("app.log"):
```

```
shutil.move("app.log", "app.log.1")
with open("app.log", "w") as file:
    file.write("New session started\n")
```

Reading Binary Files

Use binary mode (rb) to read non-text files like images or audio data.

```
Python
with open("sample.wav", "rb") as binary_file:
   data = binary_file.read()
   print(data[:20]) # Display first 20 bytes
```

Reading from Another Machine Using SSH/SCP

You can use the paramiko or scp module to access files from a remote server.

```
Python
from paramiko import SSHClient

from scp import SCPClient

ssh = SSHClient()
ssh.load_system_host_keys()
ssh.connect("remote_host", username="user")

with SCPClient(ssh.get_transport()) as scp:
    scp.get("/remote/path/file.txt", "local_file.txt")

ssh.close()
```

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Python Regular Expressions (RegEx)

Substituting and Splitting with RegEx

Using re.sub() for Pattern Replacement

The re.sub() function replaces matches of a pattern with a specified string, useful for text manipulation.

```
Python
import re

# Replace digits with 'X'
text = "My number is 12345"
result = re.sub(r'\d', 'X', text)
print(result) # Output: My number is XXXXX
```

Using re.split() to Split Strings by Patterns

The re.split() function splits a string based on a regex pattern, allowing flexible delimiter handling.

```
Python
import re

# Split on multiple delimiters
text = "apple,banana;orange grape"
result = re.split(r'[,;\s]+', text)
print(result) # Output: ['apple', 'banana', 'orange', 'grape']
```

Practical Examples

Common use cases include anonymizing emails or splitting strings with varied delimiters.

```
# Replace email addresses
text = "Contact: alice@example.com or bob@domain.com"
result = re.sub(r'\b[\w\.-]+\@[\w\.-]+\.\w+\b', '[EMAIL]', text)
print(result) # Output: Contact: [EMAIL] or [EMAIL]

# Split on multiple delimiters
text = "one,two;three four"
result = re.split(r'[,;\s]+', text)
print(result) # Output: ['one', 'two', 'three', 'four']
```

Grouping and Capturing in RegEx

Creating Groups with Parentheses ()

Parentheses () define capture groups, allowing extraction of specific parts of a match.

```
Python
import re

# Extract area code from phone number
text = "Call: (123) 456-7890"
match = re.search(r'\((\\d{3})\)', text)
if match:
    print(match.group(1)) # Output: 123
```

Accessing Captured Groups in Matches

Captured groups can be accessed via match.group() or iterated with match.groups().

```
Python
import re

# Extract date parts
text = "Date: 2023-05-12"
match = re.search(r'(\d{4})-(\d{2})-(\d{2})', text)
if match:
    print(match.groups()) # Output: ('2023', '05', '12')
    print(match.group(2)) # Output: 05
```

Named Groups and Backreferences

Named groups use (?P...) syntax, and backreferences like \1 refer to captured groups.

```
Python
import re

# Named group for email username
text = "Email: alice@example.com"
match = re.search(r'(?P[\w\.-]+)@[\w\.-]+\.\w+', text)
if match:
    print(match.group('username')) # Output: alice

# Backreference to match repeated word
text = "hello hello world"
result = re.sub(r'\b(\w+)\s+\1\b', r'\1', text)
print(result) # Output: hello world
```

Non-Capturing Groups

Non-capturing groups (?:...) group patterns without capturing for later use.

```
Python
import re

# Non-capturing group for protocol
text = "https://example.com"
match = re.search(r'(?:http|https)://(\w+)', text)
if match:
    print(match.group(1)) # Output: example
```

Advanced RegEx Techniques

Lookaheads and Lookbehinds

Lookaheads (?=...) and lookbehinds (?<=...) assert conditions without including them in the match.

```
# Positive lookahead: match digits followed by 'px'
text = "12px 34em 56px"
result = re.findall(r'\d+(?=px)', text)
print(result) # Output: ['12', '56']

# Positive lookbehind: match word after 'Mr.'
text = "Mr. Smith and Mr. Jones"
result = re.findall(r'(?<=Mr\.)\s*(\w+)', text)
print(result) # Output: ['Smith', 'Jones']</pre>
```

Compiling Patterns with re.compile()

Use re.compile() to precompile patterns for efficiency in repeated use.

```
python
import re

# Compile pattern for reuse
pattern = re.compile(r'\b\d{3}\b')
texts = ["123 is valid", "12 is not", "456 works"]
for text in texts:
   if pattern.search(text):
      print(f"Found in: {text}") # Output: Found in: 123 is valid
      # Found in: 456 works
```

Handling Multiline Text and Flags

Flags like re.MULTILINE and re.IGNORECASE modify regex behavior for multiline text or case sensitivity.

```
python
import re

# Match start of each line with MULTILINE
text = "start line1\nstart line2"
pattern = re.compile(r'^start', re.MULTILINE)
result = pattern.findall(text)
print(result) # Output: ['start', 'start']

# Case-insensitive match
text = "Hello WORLD"
pattern = re.compile(r'hello', re.IGNORECASE)
result = pattern.search(text)
print(result.group()) # Output: Hello
```

Debugging and Testing RegEx Patterns

Use re.finditer() to inspect matches or online tools like regex101.com for testing patterns.

Python import re

```
# Debug with finditer
text = "Dates: 2023-05-12, 2024-06-15"
pattern = re.compile(r'\d{4}-\d{2}-\d{2}')
for match in pattern.finditer(text):
    print(f"Match: {match.group()} at {match.start()}-{match.end()}")
# Output: Match: 2023-05-12 at 7-17
# Match: 2024-06-15 at 19-29
```

```
Challenging Questions
  Question 1: What will be the output of the following code, and why?
                                                                                                  Python
    import re
    result = re.sub(r'\b(\w+)@([\w\.]+)\b', r'\1@REDACTED', text)
  Show Answer
  Question 2: Why does this code produce unexpected results, and how can it be fixed?
                                                                                                  Python
    matches = re.findall(r'^line\d$', text)
  Show Answer
  Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?
                                                                                                  Python
    import re
    text = "The year is 2023, not 2024."
    pattern = re.compile(r'\b(?P\d{4})\b')
  Show Answer
```

For more information and testing RegEx patterns, visit <u>regex101.com</u>.

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Python Regular Expressions (RegEx)

Substituting and Splitting with RegEx

Using re.sub() for Pattern Replacement

The re.sub() function replaces all occurrences of a pattern with a specified string, ideal for text transformations.

```
# Replace digits with asterisks
text = "Order #12345"
result = re.sub(r'\d', '*', text)
print(result) # Output: Order #****
```

Using re.split() to Split Strings by Patterns

The re.split() function splits a string based on a regex pattern, supporting complex delimiters.

```
Python
import re

# Split on commas, semicolons, or spaces
text = "cat,dog;bird fish"
result = re.split(r'[,;\s]+', text)
print(result) # Output: ['cat', 'dog', 'bird', 'fish']
```

Practical Examples

Practical applications include masking sensitive data like emails or splitting text with multiple separators.

```
# Mask email addresses
text = "Reach me at john.doe@example.com or jane@company.org"
result = re.sub(r'\b[\w\.-]+\@[\w\.-]+\.\w+\b', '[HIDDEN]', text)
print(result) # Output: Reach me at [HIDDEN] or [HIDDEN]

# Split on multiple delimiters
text = "item1,item2;item3 item4"
result = re.split(r'[,;\s]+', text)
print(result) # Output: ['item1', 'item2', 'item3', 'item4']
```

Grouping and Capturing in RegEx

Creating Groups with Parentheses ()

Parentheses () create capture groups to isolate parts of a matched pattern for further use.

```
Python
import re

# Capture area code from phone number
text = "Phone: (415) 555-1234"
match = re.search(r'\((\\d{3})\\)', text)
if match:
    print(match.group(1)) # Output: 415
```

Accessing Captured Groups in Matches

Use match.group(n) to access the nth captured group or match.groups() for all groups.

```
Python
import re

# Extract date components
text = "Event on 2025-10-25"
match = re.search(r'(\d{4})-(\d{2})-(\d{2})', text)
if match:
    print(match.groups()) # Output: ('2025', '10', '25')
    print(match.group(1)) # Output: 2025
```

Named Groups and Backreferences

Named groups (?P...) assign names to groups, and backreferences \n reuse captured text.

```
Python
import re

# Named group for username
text = "Email: user@domain.com"
match = re.search(r'(?P[\w\.-]+)@[\w\.-]+\.\w+', text)
if match:
    print(match.group('user')) # Output: user

# Backreference to remove repeated words
text = "the the quick fox"
result = re.sub(r'\b(\w+)\s+\1\b', r'\1', text)
print(result) # Output: the quick fox
```

Non-Capturing Groups

Non-capturing groups (?:...) group patterns without storing them for capture.

```
Python
import re

# Non-capturing group for protocol
text = "http://website.com"
match = re.search(r'(?:http|https)://(\w+)', text)
if match:
    print(match.group(1)) # Output: website
```

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Lookaheads and Lookbehinds

Positive/negative lookaheads (?=...) / (?!...) and lookbehinds (?<=...) / (? assert conditions without including them in the match.

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# Positive lookahead: digits before 'cm'
text = "10cm 20px 30cm"
result = re.findall(r'\d+(?=cm)', text)
print(result) # Output: ['10', '30']

# Negative lookbehind: words not after 'no-'
text = "no-stop go run no-jump"
result = re.findall(r'(?)
```

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Flags like re.MULTILINE and re.IGNORECASE enable line-specific matching and case-insensitive searches.

```
import re

# Match line starts with MULTILINE

text = "begin line1\nbegin line2"

pattern = re.compile(r'^begin', re.MULTILINE)

result = pattern.findall(text)

print(result) # Output: ['begin', 'begin']

# Case-insensitive search

text = "Python PYTHON python"

pattern = re.compile(r'python', re.IGNORECASE)

result = pattern.findall(text)

print(result) # Output: ['Python', 'PYTHON', 'python']
```

Debugging and Testing RegEx Patterns

Use re.finditer() to inspect match details or tools like regex101.com to test and refine patterns.

```
# Inspect matches with finditer
text = "Events: 2023-01-01, 2024-02-02"
pattern = re.compile(r'\d{4}-\d{2}-\d{2}')
for match in pattern.finditer(text):
    print(f"Found {match.group()} at {match.start()}-{match.end()}")
# Output: Found 2023-01-01 at 8-18
# Found 2024-02-02 at 20-30
```

Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of this code, and why?
  import re
 result = re.sub(r'\b(\w+)@[\w\.-]+\.\w+\b', r'\1@hidden', text)
Show Answer
Question 2: Why does this code fail to match, and how can it be fixed?
  import re
 matches = re.findall(r'^data\d$', text)
Show Answer
Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?
  import re
Show Answer
```



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Introduction to Pandas

What is Pandas and Why Use It

Overview of Pandas as a Data Manipulation Library

Pandas is a powerful Python library for data manipulation and analysis, built on top of NumPy. It provides flexible data structures and tools for working with structured data.

```
python
import pandas as pd

# Example: Create a simple DataFrame
data = {'Name': ['Alice', 'Bob'], 'Age': [25, 30]}
df = pd.DataFrame(data)
print(df)
# Output:
# Name Age
# 0 Alice 25
# 1 Bob 30
```

Key Features (Series, DataFrames, Data Analysis Tools)

Pandas offers Series for 1D data, DataFrames for 2D tabular data, and tools for filtering, grouping, and merging datasets.

```
Python
import pandas as pd

# Series example
series = pd.Series([10, 20, 30], index=['a', 'b', 'c'])
print(series)
# Output:
# a  10
# b  20
# c  30
# dtype: int64
```

Comparison with Other Tools (e.g., NumPy, Excel)

Unlike NumPy, Pandas handles heterogeneous data and labeled axes. Compared to Excel, Pandas is programmatic, scalable, and better for large datasets.

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Pandas vs NumPy
numpy_array = np.array([1, 2, 3])
pandas_series = pd.Series([1, 2, 3], index=['x', 'y', 'z'])
print(numpy_array) # Output: [1 2 3]
print(pandas_series)
# Output:
```

```
# x 1
# y 2
# z 3
# dtype: int64
```

Installing and Setting Up Pandas

Installing Pandas Using pip or conda

Install Pandas via pip install pandas or conda install pandas in your Python environment.

```
Python
# Command line examples (not Python code)
# pip install pandas
# conda install pandas
```

Importing Pandas in Python

Import Pandas using the conventional alias pd for concise code.

```
Python
import pandas as pd

# Basic usage
df = pd.DataFrame({'A': [1, 2], 'B': [3, 4]})
print(df)
# Output:
# A B
# 0 1 3
# 1 2 4
```

Verifying Installation and Version

Check the installed Pandas version to ensure compatibility.

```
Python import pandas as pd

# Check version
print(pd.__version__) # Output: e.g., 2.2.2
```

Pandas Data Structures Overview

Introduction to Series and DataFrames

A Series is a one-dimensional labeled array, while a DataFrame is a two-dimensional table with rows and columns.

```
Python
import pandas as pd

# Series
s = pd.Series([100, 200, 300], index=['Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar'])
print(s)
```

```
# Output:
# Jan 100
# Feb 200
# Mar 300
# dtype: int64

# DataFrame
df = pd.DataFrame({'Sales': s})
print(df)
# Output:
# Sales
# Jan 100
# Feb 200
# Mar 300
```

Differences Between Series and DataFrames

A Series is like a single column with an index, while a DataFrame is a collection of Series with shared indices.

Basic Attributes (shape, dtypes, index)

Key attributes include shape (dimensions), dtypes (column data types), and index (row labels).

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Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of this code, and why?
```

```
Python
import pandas as pd

data = {'A': [1, 2, None], 'B': [4, 5, 6]}

df = pd.DataFrame(data)
print(df.dtypes)
```

Show Answer

Question 2: Why does this code raise an error, and how can it be fixed?

```
Python
import pandas as pd

series = pd.Series([1, 2, 3], index=[0, 1, 2])
print(series[3])
```

Show Answer

Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

```
Python import pandas as pd

df = pd.DataFrame({'X': [10, 20, 30], 'Y': ['a', 'b', 'c']}, index=['p', 'q', 'r'])
print(df.index)
```

Show Answer

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Pandas: Creating and Modifying Series & DataFrames

Creating Series

From Lists, Arrays, or Dictionaries

A Series is a one-dimensional labeled array that can be created from lists, NumPy arrays, or dictionaries, offering flexibility for data representation.

```
Python
# From list
# Output:
# 0 10
# 1
# 2 30
# dtype: int64
# From NumPy array
# Output:
# 0 1.5
# 2 3.5
# dtype: float64
# From dictionary
s3 = pd.Series({'a': 100, 'b': 200, 'c': 300})
# Output:
# a 100
# b
# c
# dtype: int64
```

Specifying Custom Indices

Custom indices can be set during Series creation to provide meaningful labels, enhancing data interpretability.

```
Python
import pandas as pd

# Series with custom index
s = pd.Series([5, 10, 15], index=['Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar'])
print(s)
```

```
# Output:

# Jan 5

# Feb 10

# Mar 15

# dtype: int64
```

Series Attributes (values, index, name)

Attributes like values (data as a NumPy array), index (labels), and name (Series identifier) provide metadata access.

```
Python import pandas as pd

s = pd.Series([1, 2, 3], index=['x', 'y', 'z'], name='Data')
print(s.values) # Output: [1 2 3]
print(s.index) # Output: Index(['x', 'y', 'z'], dtype='object')
print(s.name) # Output: Data
```

Creating DataFrames

From Dictionaries, Lists, or NumPy Arrays

DataFrames are two-dimensional tabular structures created from dictionaries (columns), lists (rows), or NumPy arrays for structured data.

```
Python
# From dictionary
# Output:
# Name Age
# 0 Alice 25
# 1 Bob 30
# From list of lists
df2 = pd.DataFrame([[1, 'A'], [2, 'B']], columns=['ID', 'Grade'])
# Output:
# ID Grade
# 0 1 A
# 1 2
# From NumPy array
df3 = pd.DataFrame(np.array([[10, 20], [30, 40]]), columns=['X', 'Y'])
# Output:
# X Y
# 0 10 20
# 1 30 40
```

Setting Column Names and Indices

Column names and indices can be specified during creation or modified later to align with the dataset's context.

```
python
import pandas as pd

# DataFrame with custom columns and index
df = pd.DataFrame({'Score': [85, 90], 'Status': ['Pass', 'Pass']}, index=['Test1', 'Test2'])
print(df)
# Output:
# Score Status
# Test1 85 Pass
# Test2 90 Pass
```

DataFrame Attributes (columns, index, shape)

Attributes like columns (column labels), index (row labels), and shape (dimensions) describe the DataFrame's structure.

```
Python
import pandas as pd

df = pd.DataFrame({'A': [1, 2, 3], 'B': ['x', 'y', 'z']}, index=['p', 'q', 'r'])
print(df.columns) # Output: Index(['A', 'B'], dtype='object')
print(df.index) # Output: Index(['p', 'q', 'r'], dtype='object')
print(df.shape) # Output: (3, 2)
```

Modifying Series and DataFrames

Adding or Renaming Columns/Indices

New columns can be added via assignment, and rename() updates column names or indices without altering data.

```
Python
# Add new column
df = pd.DataFrame({'A': [10, 20, 30]})
df['B'] = df['A'] * 2
# Output:
# A B
# 0 10 20
# 1 20 40
# 2 30 60
# Rename columns and indices
df = df.rename(columns={'A': 'X', 'B': 'Y'}, index={0: 'a', 1: 'b', 2: 'c'})
# Output:
# X Y
# a 10 20
# b 20 40
# c 30 60
```

Converting Data Types

Use <code>astype()</code> or specific converters to change the data types of Series or DataFrame columns for compatibility or analysis.

```
Python
import pandas as pd

# Convert data types
df = pd.DataFrame({'A': ['1', '2', '3'], 'B': [4.5, 5.5, 6.5]})
df['A'] = df['A'].astype(int)
df['B'] = df['B'].astype(int)
print(df)
# Output:
# A B
# 0 1 4
# 1 2 5
# 2 3 6
```

Copying vs. Modifying in Place

Modifications can be applied in place or on a copy using <code>copy()</code> to preserve the original data.

```
Python
# Modify in place
df = pd.DataFrame({'A': [1, 2, 3]})
df['A'] = df['A'] + 10
# Output:
# 0 11
# 1 12
# 2 13
# Create a copy
df_{copy}['A'] = df_{copy}['A'] * 2
# Output:
# A
# 0 22
# 1 24
# 2 26
print(df) # Original unchanged
# Output:
# A
# 0 11
# 1 12
# 2 13
```

Challenging Questions

```
Question 1: What will be the output of this code, and why?
```

```
Python import pandas as pd

s = pd.Series([10, 20, 30], index=['x', 'y', 'z'], name='Values')

s.index = ['a', 'b', 'c']

print(s.name)
```

Show Answer

Question 2: Why does this code produce unexpected results, and how can it be fixed?

```
Python

import pandas as pd

df = pd.DataFrame({'A': [1, 2, 3]})

df['B'] = df['A']

df['B'][0] = 10

print(df)
```

Show Answer

Question 3: What will be the output of this code, and why?

```
Python
import pandas as pd

df = pd.DataFrame({'A': ['1', '2', '3']}, index=['x', 'y', 'z'])

df['A'] = df['A'].astype(float)
print(df.dtypes)
```

Show Answer

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