

Python

Python Comparisons

- = Assignment
- == Test of equality
- != Test of inequality
- > Greater than
- >= Greater than or equal to
- < Less than
- <= Less than or equal to

Python String Operations

<code>len(s)</code>	Get # characters in string
<code>s.lower()</code>	Convert to lowercase
<code>s.upper()</code>	Convert to uppercase
<code>s1 + s2</code>	Concatenate
<code>x in s</code>	Check if character is in string
<code>s.count(x)</code>	Count occurrences of character(s)
<code>s.startswith(x)</code>	Checks if string starts with character(s)
<code>s.endswith(x)</code>	Checks if string ends with character(s)
<code>s.split(x)</code>	Split string on character(s)
<code>x.join(list)</code>	Join list of strings on character(s)
<code>s.find(x, i)</code>	Returns position of character(s); (starts search at 'i', if specified)

Python Special String Characters

\ Escape character
\t Tab
\n New line

Python Printing and Formatting

We've explored four approaches to printing:

```
print("text", s)
```

Separate items with commas

```
print("text " + s)
```

Concatenate items directly

```
print(f"text {s}")
```

Use implicit formatting

```
print("text {}".format(s='s'))
```

Use explicit formatting

Python String Formatting

We format with syntax like:

```
{field_name:format_spec}
```

where `format_spec` takes the following form:

```
[[fill]align][width][,][.precision][type]
```

↓
character(s)
to use for
fill/padding

↓

align

<

left align

>

right align

^

center align

↓
total

digits

↓

comma-
separated
thousands

↓
decimal
digits

↓

type

f

float

%

percent

e

exponential

Python String Formatting

As an example, if we type

```
{x : y^z.wf}
```

We will format x to be a center-aligned (^) float (f) with w decimal digits of precision. The printed string will have z digits total, and any extra space will be filled with y .

Python String Indexing and Slicing

<code>s[i]</code>	Return character at position <code>i</code>
<code>s[-i]</code>	Return character at position <code>i</code> from the right
<code>s[i:]</code>	Return characters from <code>i</code> (<i>inc</i>) onwards
<code>s[:j]</code>	Return characters up to <code>j</code> (<i>exc</i>)
<code>s[i:j]</code>	Return characters from <code>i</code> (<i>inc</i>) to <code>j</code> (<i>exc</i>)

inc = inclusive, *exc* = exclusive

Recall:

- String indexing starts at position 0.
- We can use the same indexing and slicing approach with lists/tuples.

Python Strings

Some other things to remember about strings:

- Strings are case sensitive
- We can create a multi-line string with blockquotes, e.g. :
`"""string"""` or `'''string'''`
- We can use `>` or `<` to do string comparisons;
order is determined by dictionary order, where:
numbers `<` uppercase letters `<` lowercase letters

Python Boolean Variables

Recall the rules for Boolean combinations:

True and True	=	True
True and False	=	False
False and False	=	False

True or True	=	True
True or False	=	True
False or False	=	False

not True	=	False
not False	=	True

Python if-else Statements

`if cond:` Execute if condition is True

`elif cond:` Execute if condition is True,
and no preceding 'if' statement was executed

`else:` Execute if no preceding 'if' statement was executed
("catch-all")

Recall:

- Indentation determines the lines affected by the 'if' statement
- We can nest 'if' statements

Python List Functions

<code>len(list)</code>	Get # elements in list
<code>sorted(list)</code>	Return sorted list
<code>max(list)</code>	Return maximum element
<code>min(list)</code>	Return minimum element
<code>sum(list)</code>	Sum all (numeric) list elements
<code>list.pop(i)</code>	Remove item at specified position**
<code>list.insert(i, x)</code>	Insert item at specified position**
<code>list.append(x)</code>	Append an item to list**
<code>list1.extend(list2)</code>	Append another list**
<code>list1 + list2</code>	Add two lists together
<code>x in list</code>	Check if item is in list
<code>list.index(x)</code>	Get the index of item
<code>list.count(x)</code>	Count appearances of item in list

** Modifies in place.