The *Best Python Cheat Sheet

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Keyword

| and | continue | for | match ① | True |
|--------|----------|--------|----------------|-------|
| as | def | from | None | try |
| assert | del | global | nonlocal | type |
| async | elif | if | not | while |
| await | else | import | or | with |
| break | except | in | pass | yield |
| caseO | False | is | raise | _0 |
| class | finally | lambda | return | |

1Soft keywords

Built-in

Built-in functions

| abs(number) | Absolute value of number | bytes() | New bytes object from byte-integers, |
|--------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|
| <pre>aiter(async_iterable)</pre> | Asynchronous iterator for an asynchronous iterable | callable(object) | True if object is callable |
| all(iterable) | True if all elements of iterable are true (all([]) is True) | chr(i) | One character string for unicode ordinal i (0 <= i <= 0x10ffff) |
| any(iterable) | True if any element of iterable is true | classmethod(func) | Transform function into class method |
| ascii(object) | (any([]) is False) A string with a | compile(source,) | Compile source into code or AST object |
| | printable representation of an object | <pre>complex(real=0, imag=0)</pre> | Complex number with the value real + imag*1j |
| bin(number) | Convert integer number to binary string | delattr(object, name) | Delete the named attribute, if object allows |
| bool(object) | Boolean value | dict() | Create new dictionary |
| <pre>breakpoint(*args, **kwds)</pre> | Drop into debugger via sys.breakpointhook(*a rgs, **kwds) | dir([object]) | List of names in the local scope, or objectdir() or attributes |
| bytearray() | New array of bytes from byte-integers, string, bytes, object with buffer API | | |

| <pre>divmod(x, y) enumerate(iterable,</pre> | Return (quotient x//y, remainder x%y) Enumerate object as | <pre>isinstance(object, cls_or_tuple)</pre> | True if object is instance of given class(es) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|
| start=0) | (n, item) pairs with n initialised to start value | <pre>issubclass(cls, cls_or_tuple)</pre> | True if class is subclass of given class(es) | |
| eval(source, | Execute Python | iter(object,) | Iterator for object | |
| globals=None, locals=None) | expression, string or code object from | len(object) | Length of object | |
| , | compile() | list() | Create list | |
| exec(source, globals=None, | Execute Python statements, string or | locals() | Dictionary of current local symbol table | |
| <pre>locals=None) filter(func,</pre> | code object from compile() Iterator yielding | <pre>map(func, *iterables)</pre> | Apply function to every item of iterable(s) | |
| iterable) | items where | may(kay-funa) | | |
| | <pre>func(item) is true, or bool(item) if func is None</pre> | max(…, key=func) | Largest item of iterable or arguments, optional key function extracts | |
| float(x=0) | Floating point number | | value | |
| <pre>format(object, format_spec='')</pre> | Formatted representation | memoryview(object) | Access internal object data via buffer protocol | |
| frozenset() | New frozenset object | min(…, key=func) | Smallest item of | |
| <pre>getattr(object, name[, default])</pre> | Get value of named attribute of object, else default or raise exception | | iterable or arguments, optional key function extracts value | |
| globals() | Dictionary of current module namespace | <pre>next(iterator[, default])</pre> | Next item from iterator, optionally return default | |
| hasattr(object, name) | True if object has named attribute | | instead of StopIteration | |
| hash(object) | Hash value of object (see | object() | New featureless object | |
| halm() | objecthash()) | oct(number) | Convert integer to | |
| help() | Built-in help system | (6:7) | octal string | |
| hex(number) | Convert integer to lowercase hexadecimal | open(file,) | Open file object | |
| id(object) | string Return unique integer | ord(chr) | Integer representing Unicode code point of character | |
| () | identifier of object | pow(base, exp, | Return base to the | |
| import(name,) | Invoked by the import statement | mod=None) | power of exp | |
| <pre>input(prompt='')</pre> | Read string from | print(value,) | Print object to text stream file | |
| | stdin, with optional prompt | property() | Property decorator | |
| int() | Create integer from number or string | range() | Generate integer sequence | |
| number of sering | | repr(object) | String representation of object for debugging | |

| reversed(sequence) | Reverse iterator sum(iterable, | | Sums items of |
|---|---|----------------------------------|--|
| <pre>round(number, ndigits=None)</pre> | Number rounded to ndigits precision after decimal point | start=0) | iterable, optionally adding start value |
| , | | super(…) | Proxy object that |
| set() | New set object | | delegates method calls to parent or |
| setattr(object, name, | | | sibling |
| value) | value by name | tuple(iterable) | Create a tuple |
| slice() | Slice object representing a set of indices | type() | Type of an object, or build new type |
| sorted(iterable, key=None, reverse=False) | New sorted list from the items in iterable | <pre>vars([object])</pre> | Return objectdict or locals() if no argument |
| staticmethod(func) | Transform function into static method | zip(*iterables, strict=False) | Iterate over multiple iterables in |
| str() | String description of object | 301 100-1 d136) | parallel, strict requires equal length |
| | | | |

Operator

| Precedence (high->low) | Description |
|--|---|
| (,) [,] {, } {:, } | tuple, list, set, dict |
| s[i] s[i:j] s.attr f() | index, slice, attribute, function call |
| await x | await expression |
| +x, -x, ~x | unary positive, negative, bitwise NOT |
| x ** y | power |
| x * y, x @ y, x / y, x // y, x % y | multiply, maxtrix multiply, divide, floor divide, modulus |
| x + y, $x - y$ | add, substract |
| x << y x >> y | bitwise shift left, right |
| x & y | bitwise and |
| x ^ y | bitwise exclusive or |
| x y | bitwise or |
| x <y x="" x<="y">y x>=y x==y x!=y</y> | comparison, |
| x is y x is not y | identity, |
| x in s x not in s | membership |
| not x | boolean negation |
| x and y | boolean and |
| x or y | boolean or |
| if else | conditional expression |
| lambda | lambda expression |
| := | assignment expression |
| | |

| Assignment | Usually equivalent |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| | • • |
| a = b | Assign object b to label a |
| a += b | a = a + b |
| a -= b | a = a - b |
| a *= b | a = a * b |
| a /= b | a = a / b (true division) |
| a //= b | a = a // b (floor division) |
| a %= b | a = a % b |
| a **= b | a = a ** b |
| a &= b | a = a & b |
| a = b | a = a b |
| a ^= b | a = a ^ b |
| a >>= b | a = a >> b |
| a <<= b | a = a << b |

Assignment expression

Assign and return value using the walrus operator.

```
if matching := pattern.search(data):
    do_something(matching)

count = 0
while (count := count + 1) < 5:
    print(count)

>>> z = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> [x for i in z if (x:=i**2) > 10]
[16, 25]
```

Assignment unpacking

Unpack multiple values to a name using the splat operator.

Flow control

```
for item in <iterable>:
[else:
                           # if loop completes without break
    ...]
while <condition>:
[else:
                          # if loop completes without break
break
                           # immediately exit loop
                          # skip to next loop iteration
continue
return[ value]
                          # exit function, return value | None
yield[ value]
                          # exit generator, yield value | None
assert <expr>[, message] # if not <expr> raise AssertionError([message])
```

```
if <condition>:
    [elif <condition>:
        ...]*
[else:
        ...]
    <expression1> if <condition> else <expression2>
with <expression>[ as name]: # context manager
        ...
```

Context manager

A with statement takes an object with special methods:

- __enter__() locks resources and optionally returns an object
- $= _-exit_-()$ releases resources, handles any exception raised in the block, optionally suppressing it by returning True

```
class AutoClose:
    def __init__(self, filename):
        self.filename = filename
    def __enter__(self):
        self.f = open(self.filename)
        return self.f
    def __exit__(self, exc_type, exception, traceback):
        self.f.close()
```

```
>>> with open('test.txt', 'w') as f:
...     f.write('Hello World!')
>>> with AutoClose('test.txt') as f:
...     print(f.read())
Hello World!
```



```
match <expression>:
    case <pattern>[ if <condition>]: # conditional match, if "guard" clause
    ...
    case <pattern1> | <pattern2>: # OR pattern
    ...
    case _: # default case
    ...
```

Match case pattern

| 1/'abc'/True/None/math.pi | Value pattern, match literal or dotted name |
|--|---|
| <name></name> | Capture pattern, match any object and bind to name |
| - | Wildcard pattern, match any object |
| <type>()</type> | Class pattern, match any object of that type |
| <type>(<attr>=<pattern name>,)</pattern name></attr></type> | Class pattern, match object with matching attributes |
| <pre><pattern> <pattern> []</pattern></pattern></pre> | Or pattern, match any of the patterns left to right |
| [<pattern>[,[, *args]]</pattern> | Sequence pattern (list tuple), match any sequence with matching items (but not string or iterator), may be nested |
| <pre>{<value_pattern>: <pattern>[,[, **kwds]]}</pattern></value_pattern></pre> | Mapping pattern, match dictionary with matching items, may be nested |
| <pre><pattern> as <name></name></pattern></pre> | Bind match to name |
| <builtin>(<name>)</name></builtin> | Builtin pattern, shortcut for <builtin>() as <name> (e.g. str, int)</name></builtin> |

- Class patterns
 - Do not create a new instance of the class
 - Accept positional parameters if class defines __match_args_ special attribute (e.g. dataclass)
- Sequence patterns support assignment unpacking
- Names bound in a match statement are visible after the match statement

Scope

Scope levels:

| Builtin | ltin Names pre-assigned in Function (local builtins module | Function (local) | Names defined in current function |
|------------------------|--|--|---|
| Module (global) | Names defined in current module Code in global scope cannot access local variables | te access to module and enclosing function names by default, assignment creates a new local name global <name> global <name> global <name> grants</name></name></name> | |
| Enclosing (closure) | Names defined in any enclosing functions | _ | read/write access to specified module name nonlocal <name> grants read/write access to specified name in closest enclosing function defining that name</name> |
| | | Generator expression | Names contained within generator expression |

| Comprehension | Names contained within comprehension | Instance | Names contained within a specific instance |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|----------|---|
| Class | Names shared across all instances | Method | Names contained within a specific instance method |

- globals() return dict of module scope variables
- locals() return dict of local scope variables

```
>>> global_name = 1
>>> def read_global():
        print(global_name)
        local_name = "only available in this function"
>>> read_global()
1
>>> def write_global():
        global global_name
        global_name = 2
>>> write_global()
>>> print(global_name)
>>> def write_nonlocal():
        closure_name = 1
        def nested():
            nonlocal closure_name
. . .
            closure_name = 2
. . .
        nested()
        print(closure_name)
. . .
>>> write_nonlocal()
```

```
class C:
    class_name = 1
    def __init__(self):
        self.instance_name = 2
    def method(self):
        self.instance_name = 3
        C.class_name = 3
        method_name = 1
```

Sequence

Operations on sequence types (Bytes, List, Tuple, String).

| x in s | True if any s[i] == x |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| x not in s | True if no s[i] == x |
| s1 + s2 | Concatenate s1 and s2 |
| s * n, n * s | Concatenate n copies of s |
| s.count(x) | Count of s[i] == x |
| len(s) | Count of items |
| min(s) | Smallest item |
| max(s) | Largest item |

| <pre>s.index(x[, start[, stop]])</pre> | <pre>Smallest i where s[i] == x, start/stop bounds search</pre> |
|---|---|
| reversed(s) | <pre>Iterator on s in reverse order (for string: reversed(list(s)))</pre> |
| <pre>sorted(s, cmp=func, key=getter, reverse=False)</pre> | New sorted list |

Indexing

Select items from sequence by index or slice.

```
>>> s = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
                       # 0-based indexing
>>> s[0]
0
                       # negative indexing from end
>>> s[-1]
4
>>> s[slice(2)]
                       # slice(stop) - index from 0 until stop (exclusive)
[0, 1]
>>> s[slice(1, 5, 3)] # slice(start, stop[, step]) - index from start to stop
(exclusive), with optional step size (+|-)
[1, 4]
>>> s[:2]
                       # slices are created implicitly when indexing with ':'
[start:stop:step]
[0, 1]
>>> s[3::-1]
                       # negative step
[3, 2, 1, 0]
>>> s[1:3]
[1, 2]
>>> s[1:5:2]
[1, 3]
```

Comparison

- A sortable class should define $_eq_-()$, $_lt_-()$, $_gt_-()$, $_le_-()$ and $_ge_-()$ special methods.
- With functools @total_ordering decorator a class need only provide $__eq__()$ and one other comparison special method.
- Sequence comparison: values are compared in order until a pair of unequal values is found. The comparison of these two values is then returned. If all values are equal, the shorter sequence is lesser.

```
from functools import total_ordering

@total_ordering
class C:
    def __init__(self, a):
        self.a = a
    def __eq__(self, other):
        if isinstance(other, type(self)):
            return self.a == other.a
        return NotImplemented
    def __lt__(self, other):
        if isinstance(other, type(self)):
            return self.a < other.a
        return NotImplemented</pre>
```

Tuple

Immutable hashable sequence.

| s = (1, 'a', 3.0) s = 1, 'a', 3.0 | Create tuple |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| s = (1,) | Single-item tuple |
| s = () | Empty tuple |
| (1, 2, 3) == (1, 2) + (3,) | Add makes new tuple |
| (1, 2, 1, 2) == (1, 2) * 2 | Multiply makes new tuple |

Named tuple

Tuple subclass with named items. Also typing.NamedTuple.

```
>>> from collections import namedtuple
>>> Point = namedtuple('Point', ('x', 'y')) # or namedtuple('Point', 'x y')
>>> p = Point(1, y=2)
Point(x=1, y=2)
>>> p[0]
1
>>> p.y
```

List

Mutable non-hashable sequence.

| <pre>s = [1, 'a',</pre> | <pre>s.extend(it) s[len(s):len(s)] = it</pre> | Add items from iterable to end | |
|---|---|---|---|
| $\frac{\text{list(range(3))}}{\text{s[i]} = x}$ | Replace item index i with | s.insert(i, x) s[i:i] = [x] | Insert item at index i |
| | X | s.remove(x) | Remove first item where |
| s[<slice>] = it</slice> | Replace slice with iterable | <pre>del s[s.index(x)]</pre> | s[i] == x |
| <pre>del s[<slice>] s[<slice>] = []</slice></slice></pre> | Remove slice | y = s.pop([i]) | Remove and return last item or indexed item |
| s.append(x) s += x s[len(s):len(s)] = [x] | Add item to end | s.reverse() | Reverse items in place |
| | | s.sort(cmp=func, key=getter, reverse=False) | Sort items in place, default ascending |

List comprehension

Dictionary

Mutable non-hashable key:value pair mapping.

| <pre>dict() {}</pre> | Empty dict | dict(**kwds) | Create from keyword arguments |
|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| <pre>dict(<sequence mappin g="">) {'d':4, 'a':2}</sequence mappin></pre> | Create from key:value pairs | <pre>dict(zip(keys, values))</pre> | Create from sequences of keys and values |

| <pre>dict.fromkeys(keys, value=None)</pre> | Create from keys, all set to value |
|--|------------------------------------|
| d.keys() | Iterable of keys |
| d.values() | Iterable of values |
| d.items() | Iterable of (key, value) pairs |
| d.get(key, default=None) | Get value for key, or default |
| <pre>d.setdefault(key, default=None)</pre> | Get value for key, add if missing |

| d.pop(key) | Remove and return value for key, raise KeyError if missing |
|---|--|
| <pre>d.popitem()</pre> | Remove and return (key, value) pair (last-in, first-out) |
| d.clear() | Remove all items |
| d.copy() | Shallow copy |
| d1.update(d2) d1 = d2 3.9+ | Add/replace key:value pairs from d2 to d1 |
| $d3 = d1 \mid d2 \boxed{3.9+}$ $d3 = \{**d1, **d2\}$ | Merge to new dict, d2 trumps d1 |

```
# defaultdict(<callable>) sets default value returned by callable()
import collections
collections.defaultdict(lambda: 42) # dict with default value 42
```

Dict comprehension

```
# {k: v for k, v in <iterable>[ if <condition>]}
>>> {x: x**2 for x in (2, 4, 6) if x < 5}
{2: 4, 4: 16}</pre>
```

Set

Mutable (set) and immutable (frozenset) sets.

| set() | Empty set |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| {1, 2, 3} | <pre>Create (note: {} creates empty dict - sad!)</pre> |
| set(iterable) {*iterable} | Create from iterable |
| <pre>frozenset(iterable=No ne)</pre> | Create frozen set |
| len(s) | Cardinality |
| v in s v not in s | Test membership |
| s1.issubset(s2) | True if s1 is subset of s2 |
| s1.issuperset(s2) | True if s1 is superset of s2 |
| s.add(v) [mutable] | Add element |
| s.remove(v) [mutable] | Remove element (KeyError if not found) |
| s.discard(v) [mutable] | Remove element if present |
| s.pop() [mutable] | Remove and return arbitrary element (KeyError if empty) |

| s.clear() [mutable] | Remove all elements |
|--|---|
| <pre>s1.intersection(s2[, s3]) s1 & s2</pre> | New set of shared elements |
| s1.intersection_updat e(s2) [mutable] | Update elements to intersection with s2 |
| s1.union(s2[, s3]) s1 s2 | New set of all elements |
| <pre>s1.difference(s2[, s3]) s1 - s2</pre> | New set of elements unique to s1 |
| <pre>s1.difference_update(s2) [mutable]</pre> | Remove elements intersecting with s2 |
| <pre>s1.symmetric_differen ce(s2) s1 ^ s2</pre> | New set of unshared elements |
| <pre>s1.symmetric_differen ce_update(s2) [mutable]</pre> | Update elements to symmetric difference with s2 |
| s.copy() | Shallow copy |
| <pre>s.update(it1[, it2]) [mutable]</pre> | Add elements from iterables |

Set comprehension

```
# {x for x in <iterable>[ if <condition>]}
>>> {x for x in 'abracadabra' if x not in 'abc'}
{'r', 'd'}
```

Bytes

Immutable sequence of bytes. Mutable version is bytearray.

```
Create from ASCII
b'<str>'
                                               <bytes> =
                                                                  Return bytes even if only
                  characters and x00-xff
                                               <bytes>[<slice>]
                                                                 one element
bytes(<ints>)
                  Create from int sequence
                                               list(<bytes>)
                                                                  Return ints in range 0 to
                                                                  255
                  Create from string
bytes(<str>,
'utf-8')
                                               <bytes_sep>.join
                                                                 Join byte_objs sequence
<str>.encode('ut
                                               (<byte_objs>)
                                                                 with bytes_sep separator
f-8')
                                               str(<bytes>,
                                                                  Convert bytes to string
<int>.to_bytes(1
                  Create from int
                                               'utf-8')
                  (order='big'|'little')
ength, order,
                                               <bytes>.decode('
signed=False)
                                               utf-8')
bytes.fromhex('<
                  Create from hex pairs
                                               int.from_bytes(b
                                                                  Return int from bytes
                                                                  (order='big'|'little')
hex>')
                  (can be separated by
                                               ytes, order,
                  whitespace)
                                               signed=False)
<int> = <bytes>
                  Return int in range 0 to
                                               <br/><bytes>.hex(sep=
                                                                 Return hex pairs
[<index>]
                  255
                                               bytes_per_sep=2)
```

```
def read_bytes(filename):
    with open(filename, 'rb') as f:
        return f.read()

def write_bytes(filename, bytes_obj):
    with open(filename, 'wb') as f:
        f.write(bytes_obj)
```

Function

Function definition

```
# var-positional
def f(*args): ...
                                                                                                                 # f(1, 2)
def f(x, *args): ...
                                                                                                             # f(1, 2)
def f(*args, z): ...
                                                                                                               \# f(1, z=2)
# var-keyword
def f(**kwds): ...
                                                                                                                 \# f(x=1, y=2)
def f(x, **kwds): ...
                                                                                                              \# f(x=1, y=2) | f(1, y=2)
def f(*args, **kwds): ... # f(x=1, y=2) | f(1, y=2) | f(1, 2)
def f(x, *args, **kwds): ... # f(x=1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, 2, z=
3)
def f(*args, y, **kwds): ... # f(x=1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, y=2, z=3)
# positional-only before /
                                                                                                                   # f(1, 2) | f(1, y=2)
def f(x, /, y): ...
def f(x, y, /): ...
                                                                                                                   # f(1, 2)
# keyword-only after *
def f(x, *, y): ...
                                                                                                                  \# f(x=1, y=2) | f(1, y=2)
def f(*, x, y): ...
                                                                                                              \# f(x=1, y=2)
```

Function call

```
args = (1, 2)  # * expands sequence to positional arguments
kwds = {'x': 3, 'y': 4}  # ** expands dictionary to keyword arguments
func(*args, **kwds)  # is the same as:
func(1, 2, x=3, y=4)
```

Class

Instantiation

```
class C:
    """Class docstring."""
    def __init__(self, a):
        """Method docstring."""
        self.a = a
    def __repr__(self):
        """Used for repr(c), also for str(c) if __str__ not defined."""
        return f'{self.__class__._name__}({self.a!r})'
    def __str__(self):
        """Used by str(c), e.g. print(c)"""
        return str(self.a)
    @classmethod
    def get_class_name(cls): # passed class rather than instance
        return cls.__name__
    @staticmethod
    def static(): # passed nothing
        return 1
>>> c = C(2) \# instantiate
# under the covers, class instantiation does this:
obj = cls.__new__(cls, *args, **kwds)
if isinstance(obj, cls):
    obj.__init__(*args, **kwds)
```

Instance property

```
class C:
    @property
    def f(self):
        if not hasattr(self, '_f'):
            return
            return self._f
    @f.setter
    def f(self, value):
        self._f = value
```

Class special methods

| Operator | Method |
|--|---|
| self + other | add(self, other) |
| other + self self += other | radd(self, other) iadd(self, other) |
| self - other | sub(self, other) |
| other - self | rsub(self, other) |
| self -= other | isub(self, other) |
| <pre>self * other other * self</pre> | mul(self, other) rmul(self, other) |
| self *= other | imul(self, other) |
| self @ other | matmul(self, other) |
| other @ self | rmatmul(self, other) |
| self @= other | imatmul(self, other) |
| self / other other / self | truediv(self, other) rtruediv(self, other) |
| self /= other | itruediv(self, other) |
| self // other | floordiv(self, other) |
| other // self | rfloordiv(self, other) |
| <pre>self //= other self % other</pre> | ifloordiv(self, other)mod(self, other) |
| other % self | rmod(self, other) |
| self %= other | imod(self, other) |
| self ** other | pow(self, other) |
| other ** self self **= other | rpow(self, other)ipow(self, other) |
| self << other | lshift(self, other) |
| other << self | rlshift(self, other) |
| self <<= other | ilshift(self, other) |
| self >> other | rshift(self, other) |
| other >> self self >>= other | rrshift(self, other) irshift(self, other) |
| self & other | and(self, other) |
| other & self | rand(self, other) |
| self &= other | iand(self, other) |
| self other other self | or(self, other) ror(self, other) |
| self = other | ior(self, other) |
| self ^ other | xor(self, other) |
| other ^ self | rxor(self, other) |
| <pre>self ^= other divmod(self, other)</pre> | ixor(self, other)divmod(self, other) |
| divmod(self, other) | divmod(self, other) rdivmod(self, other) |
| | / / |

| Operator | Method | |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| -self | neg(self) | |
| +self | pos(self) | |
| abs(self) | abs(self) | |
| ~self | invert(self) [bitwise] | |
| self == other | eq(self) [default 'is', requireshash] | |
| self != other | ne(self) | |
| self < other | lt(self, other) | |
| self <= other | le(self, other) | |
| self > other | gt(self, other) | |
| self >= other | ge(self, other) | |
| item in self | contains(self, item) | |
| bool(self) | bool(self) | |
| <pre>if self: if not self:</pre> | | |
| | hytee (colf) | |
| <pre>bytes(self) complex(self)</pre> | bytes(self)complex(self) | |
| float(self) | float(self) | |
| int(self) | | |
| round(self) | int(self) round(self[, ndigits]) | |
| math.ceil(self) | ceil(self) | |
| math.floor(self) | floor(self) | |
| math.trunc(self) | trunc(self) | |
| dir(self) | dir(self) | |
| format(self) | format(self, format_spec) | |
| hash(self) | hash(self) | |
| iter(self) | iter(self) | |
| len(self) | len(self) | |
| repr(self) | repr(self) | |
| reversed(self) | reversed(self) | |
| str(self) | str(self) | |
| self(*args, **kwds) | call(self, *args, **kwds) | |
| self[] | getitem(self, key) | |
| self[] = 1 | setitem(self, key, value) | |
| del self[…] | delitem(self, key) | |
| other[self] | index(self) | |
| self.name | <pre>getattribute(self, name)getattr(self, name) [if AttributeError]</pre> | |
| self.name = 1 | setattr(self, name, value) | |
| del self.name | delattr(self, name) | |
| with self: | enter(self)exit(self, exc_type, exc_value, traceback) | |
| await self | await(self) | |

Decorator

Decorator syntax passes a function or class to a callable and replaces it with the return value.

```
def show_call(obj):
    Decorator that prints obj name and arguments each time obj is called.
    def show_call_wrapper(*args, **kwds):
        print(obj.__name__, args, kwds)
        return obj(*args, **kwds)
    return show_call_wrapper
@show_call # function decorator
def add(x, y):
    return x + y
# is equivalent to
add = show_call(add)
>>> add(13, 29)
add (13, 29) {}
42
@show_call # class decorator
class C:
    def __init__(self, a=None):
        pass
# is equivalent to
C = show_call(C)
>>> C(a=42)
C () {'a': 42}
```

```
# decorators optionally take arguments
def show_call_if(condition):
    Apply show_call decorator only if condition is True.
    return show_call if condition else lambda obj: obj
@show_call_if(False)
def add(x, y):
    return x + y
# is equivalent to
add = show_call_if(False)(add)
>>> add(13, 29)
42
@show_call_if(True)
def add(x, y):
    return x + y
>>> add(13, 29)
add (13, 29) {}
42
>>> add.__name__
'show_call_wrapper' # ugh! decorated function has different metadata
# @wraps decorator copies metadata of decorated object to wrapped object
# preserving original attributes (e.g. __name__)
from functools import wraps
def show_call_preserve_meta(obj):
    @wraps(obj)
    def show_call_wrapper(*args, **kwds):
        print(obj.__name__, args, kwds)
        return obj(*args, **kwds)
    return show_call_wrapper
@show_call_preserve_meta
def add(x, y):
    return x + y
>>> add.__name__
'add'
```

Iterator

An iterator implements the $_iter__()$ method, returning an iterable that implements the $_next__()$ method. The $_next__()$ method returns the next item in the collection and raises StopIteration when done.

```
class C:
    def __init__(self, items):
        self.items = items

def __iter__(self):
    """Make class its own iterable."""
    return self

def __next__(self):
    """Implement to be iterable."""
    if self.items:
        return self.items.pop()
    raise StopIteration
```

```
>>> c = C([13, 29])
>>> it = iter(c)  # get iterator
>>> next(it)  # get next item
29
>>> for item in c: # iterate over C instance
... print(item)
13
```

Generator

A function with a *yield* statement returns a generator iterator and suspends function processing. Each iteration over the generator iterator resumes function execution, returns the next yield value, and suspends again.

```
def gen():
    """Generator function"""
    for i in [13, 29]:
       yield i
>>> q = qen()
                     # next value
>>> next(g)
>>> for item in gen(): # iterate over values
       print(item)
. . .
13
29
                     # list all values
>>> list(gen())
[13, 29]
def parent_gen():
   yield from gen() # delegate yield to another generator
>>> list(parent_gen())
[13, 29]
```

Generator expression

```
# (<expression> for <name> in <iterable>[ if <condition>])
>>> g = (item for item in [13, 29] if item > 20)
>>> list(g)
[29]
```

String

Immutable sequence of characters.

| Illina Cabic Sequence Of | onar actor c. |
|---|--|
| <substring> in s</substring> | True if string contains substring |
| <pre>s.startswith(<prefix> [, start[, end]])</prefix></pre> | True if string starts with <i>prefix</i> , optionally search bounded substring |
| <pre>s.endswith(<suffix>[, start[, end]])</suffix></pre> | True if string ends with <i>suffix</i> , optionally search bounded substring |
| s.strip(chars=None) | Strip whitespace from both ends, or passed characters |
| s.lstrip(chars=None) | Strip whitespace from left end, or passed characters |
| s.rstrip(chars=None) | Strip whitespace from right end, or passed characters |
| s.ljust(width, fillchar=' ') | Left justify with fillchar |
| s.rjust(width, fillchar=' ') | Right justify with fillchar |
| <pre>s.center(width, fillchar=' ')</pre> | Center with fillchar |
| s.split(sep=None, maxsplit=-1) | Split on whitespace, or sep str at most maxsplit times |
| s.splitlines(keepends =False) | <pre>Split lines on [\n\r\f\v\x1c- \x1e\x85\u2028\u2029] and \r\n</pre> |
| <separator>.join(<strings>)</strings></separator> | Join sequence of strings with separator string |
| s.find(<substring>)</substring> | Index of first match or -1 |
| s.index(<substring>)</substring> | Index of first match or raise ValueError |

| s.lower() | To lower case |
|--|---|
| s.upper() | To upper case |
| s.title() | To title case (The Quick Brown Fox) |
| s.capitalize() | Capitalize first letter |
| <pre>s.replace(old, new[, count])</pre> | Replace old with new at most count times |
| s.translate() | Use str.maketrans(<dict>) to generate table</dict> |
| <pre>chr(<int>)</int></pre> | Integer to Unicode character |
| ord(<str>)</str> | Unicode character to integer |
| s.isdecimal() | True if [0-9], [0-8] or [9-1] |
| s.isdigit() | True if isdecimal() or [231] |
| s.isnumeric() | True if isdigit() or [¼¼¾零〇一…] |
| s.isalnum() | True if isnumeric() or [a-zA-Z] |
| s.isprintable() | True if isalnum() or [!#\$%] |
| s.isspace() | True if [\t\n\r\f\v\x1c- \x1f\x85\xa0] |
| head, sep, tail = s.partition(<separato r="">)</separato> | Search for separator from start and split |
| head, sep, tail = s.rpartition(<separat or="">)</separat> | Search for separator from end and split |
| <pre>s.removeprefix(<prefi x="">) 3.9+</prefi></pre> | Remove <i>prefix</i> if present |
| <pre>s.removesuffix(<suffi x="">) 3.9+</suffi></pre> | Remove <i>suffix</i> if present |

String escape

| Sequence | Escape |
|-------------------|--------|
| Literal backslash | \\ |
| Single quote | \ ' |
| Double quote | \" |
| Backspace | \b |
| Carriage return | \r |

| Sequence | Escape |
|----------------|-----------|
| Newline | \n |
| Tab | \t |
| Vertical tab | \v |
| Null | \0 |
| Hex value | \xff |
| Octal value | \077 |
| Unicode 16 bit | \uxxxx |
| Unicode 32 bit | \Uxxxxxxx |
| Unicode name | \N{name} |

String formatting

| Format | f-string | Output |
|---------------------------|---|----------------------|
| Escape curly braces | f"{{}}" | '{}' |
| Expression | f"{6/3}, {'a'+'b'}" '{}, {}'.format(6/3, 'a'+'b') | '2, ab' |
| Justify left | f'{1:<5}' | '1 ' |
| Justify center | f'{1:^5}' | ' 1 ' |
| Justify right | f'{1:>5}' | ' 1' |
| Justify left with char | f'{1:.<5}' | '1' |
| Justify right with char | f'{1:.>5}' | '1' |
| Trim | f"{'abc':.2}" | 'ab' |
| Trim justify left | f"{'abc':6.2}" | 'ab ' |
| ascii() | f'{v!a}' | ascii(v) |
| repr() | f'{v!r}' | repr(v) |
| str() | f'{v!s}' | str(v) |
| Justify left repr() | f"{'abc'!r:6}" | "'abc' " |
| Date format | f'{today:%d %b %Y}' | '21 Jan 1984' |
| Significant figures | f'{1.234:.2}' | '1.2' |
| Fixed-point notation | f'{1.234:.2f}' | '1.23' |
| Scientific notation | f'{1.234:.2e}' | '1.230e+00' |
| Percentage | f'{1.234:.2%}' | '123.40%' |
| Pad with zeros | f'{1.7:04}' | '01.7' |
| Pad with spaces | f'{1.7:4}' | ' 1.7' |
| Pad before sign | f'{123:+6}' | ' +123 ' |
| Pad after sign | f'{123:=+6}' | '+ 123' |
| Separate with commas | f'{123456:,}' | '123,456' |
| Separate with underscores | f'{123456:_}' | '123_456' |
| f' {1+1=}' | f'{1+1=}' | '1+1=2' (= prepends) |
| Binary | f'{164:b}' | '10100100' |
| Octal | f'{164:o}' | '244' |
| Hex | f'{164:X}' | ' A4 ' |
| chr() | f'{164:c}' | 'ÿ' |

Regex

Standard library $\it re$ module provides Python regular expressions.

```
>>> import re
>>> my_re = re.compile(r'name is (?P<name>[A-Za-z]+)')
>>> match = my_re.search('My name is Douglas.')
>>> match.group()
'name is Douglas'
>>> match.group(1)
'Douglas'
>>> match.groupdict()['name']
'Douglas'
```

| Regex | syntax |
|-------|--------|
|-------|--------|

| • | Any character (newline if DOTALL) |
|------------|---|
| ٨ | Start of string (every line if MULTILINE) |
| \$ | End of string (every line if MULTILINE) |
| * | 0 or more of preceding |
| + | 1 or more of preceding |
| ? | 0 or 1 of preceding |
| *?, +?, ?? | Same as *, + and ?, as few as possible |
| {m, n} | m to n repetitions |
| {m,n}? | m to n repetitions, as few as possible |
| [] | Character set: e.g. '[a-zA-Z]' |
| [^] | NOT character set |
| \ | Escape chars '*?+&\$ ()', introduce special sequences |
| \\ | Literal '\' |

| | Or |
|--|--|
| () | Group |
| (?:) | Non-capturing group |
| (? P <name>)</name> | Named group |
| (?P=name) | Match text matched by earlier group |
| (?=) | Match next, non-consumptive |
| (?!) | Non-match next, non-consumptive |
| (?<=) | Match preceding, positive lookbehind assertion |
| (?)</th <th>Non-match preceding, negative lookbehind assertion</th> | Non-match preceding, negative lookbehind assertion |
| (? (group)A B) | Conditional match - A if group previously matched else B |
| (?letters) | Set flags for RE ('i','L', 'm', 's', 'u', 'x') |
| (?#) | Comment (ignored) |

Regex special sequences

| \ <n></n> | Match by integer group reference starting from 1 |
|-----------|--|
| \A | Start of string |
| \b | Word boundary (see flag: ASCII LOCALE) |
| \B | Not word boundary (see flag: ASCII LOCALE) |
| \d | Decimal digit (see flag: ASCII) |
| \D | Non-decimal digit (see flag: ASCII) |

| \s | <pre>Whitespace [\t\n\r\f\v] (see flag: ASCII)</pre> |
|----|---|
| \S | Non-whitespace (see flag: ASCII) |
| \w | Alphanumeric (see flag: ASCII LOCALE) |
| \W | Non-alphanumeric (see flag: ASCII LOCALE) |
| ١Z | End of string |

Regex flags

Flags modify regex behaviour. Pass to regex functions (e.g. $re.A \mid re.ASCII$) or embed in regular expression (e.g. (?a)).

| | 2000 | | |
|---|--|---|---|
| (?a) A ASCII | ASCII-only match for \w, \W, \b, \B, \d, \D, \s, \S (default | (?m) M MULTILINE | Match every new line, not only start/end of string |
| (?i) I IGNORECASE | is Unicode) Case insensitive matching | (?s) S DOTALL | <pre>'.' matches ALL chars, including newline</pre> |
| (?L) L LOCALE | Apply current locale for \w, \W, \b, \B (discouraged) | (?x) X VERBOSE | Ignores whitespace outside character sets |
| | | DEBUG | Display expression debug info |
| Regex functions | | | |
| <pre>compile(pattern[, flags=0])</pre> | Compiles Regular Expression Obj | <pre>findall(pattern, string)</pre> | Non-overlapping matches as list of groups or tuples (>1) |
| escape(string) | Escape non- alphanumerics | finditer(pattern, | Iterator over non- |
| match(pattern, | Match from start | string[, flags]) | overlapping matches |
| string[, flags]) | Match from Start | sub(pattern, repl, | Replace count first leftmost non- overlapping; If repl is function, called |
| <pre>search(pattern, string[, flags])</pre> | Match anywhere | string[, count=0]) | |
| <pre>split(pattern, string[, maxsplit=0])</pre> | Splits by pattern, keeping splitter if | | with a MatchObj |
| | grouped | <pre>subn(pattern, repl, string[, count=0])</pre> | Like sub(), but returns (newString, numberOfSubsMade) |
| Regex object | Г1 | 1-+(-+ | 01:+/) f+: |
| flags | Flags | <pre>split(string[, maxsplit=0])</pre> | See split() function |
| groupindex | {group name: group number} | findall(string[, | See findall() function |
| pattern | Pattern | pos[, endpos]]) | |
| <pre>match(string[, pos][, endpos])</pre> | <pre>Match from start of target[pos:endpos]</pre> | <pre>finditer(string[, pos[, endpos]])</pre> | See finditer() function |
| <pre>search(string[, pos] [, endpos])</pre> | Match anywhere in target[pos:endpos] | <pre>sub(repl, string[, count=0])</pre> | See sub() function |
| | | <pre>subn(repl, string[, count=0])</pre> | See subn() function |
| Regex match object | and to operate or match | ro DE abias | ·+ |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | sed to search or match | re RE objec | ; L |
| endpos endpos match | passed to search or | | |

| group([g1, g2,]) | g2,]) One arg, result is a string Multiple args, result is tuple | span(group) | <pre>(start(group), end(group)); (None, None) if group didn't contibute</pre> |
|---------------------|---|-------------|---|
| | If gi is 0, returns the entire matching string If 1 <= gi <= 99, returns string matching group (None if no such group) May also be a group name Tuple of match groups Non-participating groups are None String if len(tuple)==1 | string | String passed to match() or search() |
| , , | Indices of start & end of group match (None if group exists but didn't contribute) | | |

Number

| bool([object]) True, False | Boolean, seebool special method |
|---|--|
| <pre>int([float str bool]) 5</pre> | Integer, seeint special method |
| float([int str bool]) 5.1, 1.2e-4 | Float (inexact, compare with math.isclose(<float>, <float>) Seefloat special method</float></float> |
| complex(real=0, imag=0) 3 - 2j, 2.1 + 0.8j | Complex, seecomplex special method |
| fractions.Fraction(<numerator>, <denominator>)</denominator></numerator> | Fraction |
| <pre>decimal.Decimal([str int])</pre> | <pre>Decimal (exact, set precision: decimal.getcontext().prec = <int>)</int></pre> |
| <pre>bin([int]) 0b101010 int('101010', 2) int('0b101010', 0)</pre> | Binary |
| hex([int]) 0x2a int('2a', 16) int('0x2a', 0) | Hex |

Mathematics

Also see built-in functions abs, pow, round, sum, min, max.

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Statistics

from statistics import mean, median, variance, stdev, quantiles, groupby

Random

```
>>> from random import random, randint, choice, shuffle, gauss, triangular, seed
>>> random() # float inside [0, 1)
0.42
>>> randint(1, 100) # int inside [<from>, <to>]
42
>>> choice(range(100)) # random item from sequence
42
```

Time

The datetime module provides immutable hashable date, time, datetime, and timedelta classes.

Time formatting

| Code | Output |
|------|---|
| %a | Day name short (Mon) |
| %A | Day name full (Monday) |
| %b | Month name short (Jan) |
| %B | Month name full (January) |
| %c | Locale datetime format |
| %d | Day of month [01,31] |
| %f | Microsecond [000000,999999] |
| %H | Hour (24-hour) [00,23] |
| %I | Hour (12-hour) [01,12] |
| %j | Day of year [001,366] |
| %m | Month [01,12] |
| %M | Minute [00,59] |
| %p | Locale format for AM/PM |
| %S | Second [00,61]. Yes, 61! |
| %U | Week number (Sunday start) [00(partial),53] |
| %W | Day number [0(Sunday),6] |
| %W | Week number (Monday start) [00(partial),53] |
| %x | Locale date format |
| %X | Locale time format |
| %y | Year without century [00,99] |
| %Y | Year with century (2023) |
| %Z | Time zone ('' if no TZ) |
| %z | UTC offset (+HHMM/-HHMM, '' if no TZ) |
| %% | Literal '%' |

Exception

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```
BaseException
                                   Base class for all exceptions

    BaseExceptionGroup

                                   Base class for groups of exceptions
  GeneratorExit
                                   Generator close() raises to terminate iteration
                                   On user interrupt key (often 'CTRL-C')
  KeyboardInterrupt
  SystemExit
                                   On sys.exit()

    Exception

                                   Base class for errors
                                   Base class for arithmetic errors
     ArithmeticError
       - FloatingPointError
                                   Floating point operation failed
        OverflowError
                                   Result too large

    ZeroDivisionError

                                   Argument of division or modulo is 0
     AssertionError
                                   Assert statement failed
     AttributeError
                                   Attribute reference or assignment failed
    - BufferError
                                   Buffer operation failed
    - EOFError
                                   input() hit end-of-file without reading data
    - ExceptionGroup
                                   Group of exceptions raised together
     ImportError
                                   Import statement failed
      Module not able to be found
                                   Base class for lookup errors
     LookupError
      └ IndexError
                                   Index not found in sequence
      └ KeyError
                                   Key not found in dictionary
     MemoryError
                                   Operation ran out of memory
      NameError
                                   Local or global name not found
      └ UnboundLocalError
                                   Local variable value not asssigned
                                   System related error
     OSError
      BlockingIOError
                                   Non-blocking operation will block

    ChildProcessError

                                   Operation on child process failed
                                   Base class for connection errors
      ConnectionError

    BrokenPipeError

                                   Write to closed pipe or socket

    ConnectionAbortedError Connection aborted

           ConnectionRefusedError Connection denied by server
                                   Connection reset mid-operation
           ConnectionResetError
       - FileExistsError
                                   Trying to create a file that already exists
       - FileNotFoundError
                                   File or directory not found
                                   System call interrupted by signal
       - InterruptedError
                                   File operation requested on a directory

    IsADirectoryError

      — NotADirectoryError
                                   Directory operation requested on a non-directory
                                   Operation has insuffient access rights

    PermissionError

        ProcessLookupError
                                   Operation on process that no longer exists
       - TimeoutError
                                   Operation timed out
     ReferenceError
                                   Weak reference used on garbage collected object
                                   Error detected that doesn't fit other categories
      RuntimeError

    NotImplementedError

                                   Operation not yet implemented
        RecursionError
                                   Maximum recursion depth exceeded
     StopAsyncIteration
                                   Iterator __anext__() raises to stop iteration
     StopIteration
                                   Iterator next() raises when no more values
      SyntaxError
                                   Python syntax error
        IndentationError
                                   Base class for indentation errors
         └─ TabError
                                   Inconsistent tabs or spaces
      SystemError
                                   Recoverable Python interpreter error
     TypeError
                                   Operation applied to wrong type object
      ValueError
                                   Operation on right type but wrong value
      └ UnicodeError
                                   Unicode encoding/decoding error

    UnicodeDecodeError

                                   Unicode decoding error
          - UnicodeEncodeError
                                   Unicode encoding error

    UnicodeTranslateError Unicode translation error

                                   Base class for warnings
     Warning
      ─ BytesWarning
                                   Warnings about bytes and bytesarrays
       - DeprecationWarning
                                   Warnings about deprecated features
       - EncodingWarning
                                   Warning about encoding problem
        FutureWarning
                                   Warnings about future deprecations for end users
                                   Possible error in module imports
        ImportWarning
        PendingDeprecationWarning Warnings about pending feature deprecations
        ResourceWarning
                                   Warning about resource use
                                   Warning about dubious runtime behavior
        RuntimeWarning
        SyntaxWarning
                                   Warning about dubious syntax
        UnicodeWarning
                                   Warnings related to Unicode

    UserWarning

                                   Warnings generated by user code
```

Execution

```
$ python [-bBdEhiIOqsSuvVWx?] [-c command | -m module-name | script | - ] [args]
$ python --version
Python 3.10.12
$ python --help[-all] # help-all [3.11+]
# Execute code from command line
$ python -c 'print("Hello, world!")'
# Execute __main__.py in directory
$ python <directory>
# Execute module as __main__
$ python -m timeit -s 'setup here' 'benchmarked code here'
# Optimise execution
$ python -0 script.py
# Hide warnings
PYTHONWARNINGS="ignore"
# OR
$ python -W ignore foo.py
# OR
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore", category=DeprecationWarning)
```

```
# module of executed script is assigned __name__ '__main__'
# so to run main() only if module is executed as script
if __name__ == '__main__':
    main()
```

Environment variables

| PYTHONHOME | Change location of standard Python libraries | PYTHONOPTIMIZE | Optimise execution (-0) |
|---------------|--|-----------------------------|--|
| | | PYTHONWARNINGS | Set warning level |
| PYTHONPATH | Augment default search path for module files | | <pre>[default/error/always/mod ule/once/ignore] (-W)</pre> |
| PYTHONSTARTUP | Module to execute before entering interactive prompt | PYTHONPROFILEIMP ORTTIME | Show module import times (-X) |

sitecustomize.py / usercustomize.py

Before __main__ module is executed Python automatically imports:

- sitecustomize.py in the system site-packages directory
- usercustomize.py in the user site-packages directory

```
# Get user site packages directory
$ python -m site --user-site

# Bypass sitecustomize.py/usercustomize.py hooks
$ python -S script.py
```