

Introduction to Python for Discrete Mathematics

BRIDGING PROGRAMMING WITH
MATHEMATICAL LOGIC



Unlocking the Power of Discrete Mathematics with Python

- Logic
 - Boolean
 - Bitwise
 - Predicate
- Sets
- Functions
- Graphs
- Combinatorics
- Algorithms

Importance of Python:

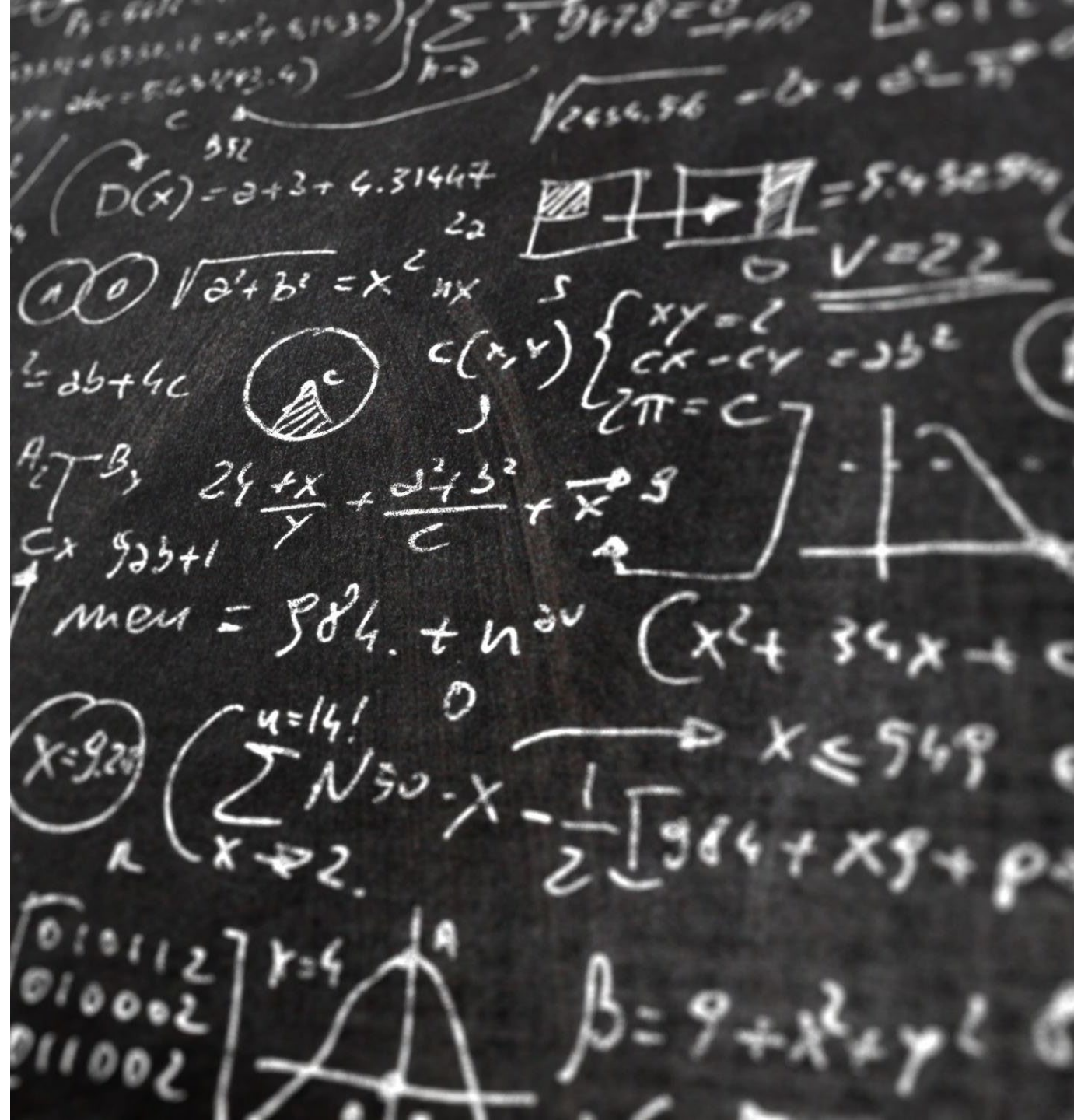
SIMPLICITY AND READABILITY:
PYTHON'S SYNTAX CLOSELY
RESEMBLES STANDARD
MATHEMATICAL NOTATION, MAKING IT
AN IDEAL TOOL FOR DEMONSTRATING
DISCRETE MATHEMATICS CONCEPTS.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF
DISCRETE MATH THEORIES THROUGH
CODING, MAKING ABSTRACT
CONCEPTS MORE TANGIBLE AND
UNDERSTANDABLE.



Goals

- **Understand Basic Python Programming:** Familiarity with Python syntax and the ability to write simple programs.
- **Apply Python to Solve Discrete Math Problems:** Using Python to explore and solve problems in logic, set theory, graph theory, etc.
- **Develop Logical Thinking and Problem-Solving Skills:** Enhancing analytical skills through the lens of discrete mathematics and programming.



Python Data Types vs. Discrete Logic

- **Bool (Boolean)**
 - Represents True or False.
 - Used for logical operations and decision-making.
 - Discrete Logic Comparison: Corresponds to truth values in propositional logic.
- **Int (Integer)**
 - Represents whole numbers (positive, negative, zero).
 - No fractional part.
 - Discrete Logic Comparison: Aligns with the set of integers (\mathbb{Z}) in mathematics.
- **Float (Floating-Point Number)**
 - Represents decimal numbers.
 - Subject to precision and rounding errors.
 - Discrete Logic Comparison: Approximates real numbers (\mathbb{R}), useful in continuous math, not directly related to discrete logic but essential for numerical computations.



Python Strings

Basics of Strings

- Sequence of characters enclosed in quotes ('hello', "world").
- Immutable: once created, the content cannot be changed.

Creating Strings

- Single, double, or triple quotes for multi-line strings.
- Example: `my_string = "Hello, Python!"`

Accessing Characters

- Indexed from 0 for forward indexing, -1 for reverse.
- Example: `my_string[0]` (first character), `my_string[-1]` (last character).

Slicing Strings

- Extract substrings using `:` operator.
- Syntax: `[start:stop:step]`
- Example: `my_string[1:5]` extracts "ello".

String Operations

- Concatenation: `+` to join strings.
- Repetition: `*` for repeating strings.
- Example: `"Hello " + "World" → "Hello World"`, `"Hi" * 3 → "HiHiHi"`

Common String Methods

- `.upper()`, `.lower()`: Case conversion.
- `.strip()`: Removes whitespace from both ends.
- `.find()`, `.replace()`: Search and replace substrings.
- `.split()`: Splits string into a list based on a delimiter.

String Formatting

- Old style: `%` operator.
- `.format()` method: more versatile.
- F-strings (Python 3.6+): embed expressions `f"Hello, {name}!"`

Escape Sequences

- Use backslash `\` for special characters: `\n` (newline), `\t` (tab).
- Example: `"First line.\nSecond line."`

Python Print

Output to Console

Comma separated or concatenated (+)
strings

```
print("Hello, world!")
```

```
print("The answer is", 42)
```

```
print("Sum: " + str(7 + 5))
```



Python input() function

Used to read a string from standard input (usually, the keyboard).

Pauses program execution and waits for the user to type something.

Once the user presses Enter, input() captures the input as a string.

Syntax: variable = input(prompt)

prompt (optional): A string presented to the user.

```
# string input
```

```
name = input("Enter your name: ")
```

```
# integer input
```

```
age = int(input("Enter your age: "))
```

```
# float input
```

```
distance=float(input("Enter distance"))
```

Problem: Greeting and Age Calculation

Objective: Write a Python script that does the following:

Instructions

Prompt the user to input their name using `input()`.

Prompt the user to input their birth year and convert this input into an integer.

Calculate the age by subtracting the birth year from the current year.

Use the `print()` function to display a greeting that includes their name and age.



Problem: Greeting and Age Calculation

Objective: Write a Python script that does the following:

Step 1: Ask for the user's name

```
name = input("What is your name? ")
```

Step 2: Ask for the birth year and convert to integer

```
birth_year = int(input("What year were you born? "))
```

Step 3: Calculate age

```
current_year = 2023
```

```
age = current_year - birth_year
```

Step 4: Print the greeting message

```
print(f"Hello, {name}! You are {age} years old in {current_year}.")
```

If Statements

Executes code based on an expression (condition) being true.
Fundamental for decision-making in programming.

Condition: Any expression that evaluates to True or False. Can include comparisons, logical operations, etc.

Indentation

- Python uses indentation to define scope.
- Code block under if must be indented.

```
x = 10
if x > 0:
    print("x is positive")
elif x < 0:
    print("x is negative")
else:
    print("x is zero")
```



If Statement

Problem: Movie Ticket Pricing

Objective: Write a Python script to calculate the price of a movie ticket based on the age of the customer and whether it's a weekday or weekend. The pricing is as follows:

Children under 13: \$10

Adults (13 to 59): \$15 on weekdays, \$20 on weekends

Seniors (60 and over): \$12

Assumptions:

Assume "weekday" for Monday to Friday and "weekend" for Saturday and Sunday.

The user will input their age and the day of the week.

Instructions:

Prompt the user to input their age.

Prompt the user to input the day of the week (e.g., "Monday", "Tuesday", ... "Sunday").

Use if statements to determine the ticket price based on the user's age and the day of the week.

Print the ticket price.

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```
# Step 1: Ask for the user's age
age = int(input("Enter your age: "))
```

```
# Step 2: Ask for the day of the week
day = input("Enter the day of the week: ").lower()
# Convert to lowercase to handle mixed case inputs
```

```
# Step 3: Determine and print the ticket price
```

```
if age < 13:
```

```
    print("Ticket Price: $10")
```

```
elif age >= 13 and age <= 59:
```

```
    if day in ["saturday", "sunday"]:
```

```
        print("Ticket Price: $20")
```

```
    else:
```

```
        print("Ticket Price: $15")
```

```
else: # Seniors
```

```
    print("Ticket Price: $12")
```

Python For Loops: Iterating with Ease

Purpose of For Loops

Used to repeat (iterate) over a sequence (such as string, list or set) and execute a block of code for each item.

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

```
for i in range(len(fruits)): # for loop  
    print(fruits[i])
```

Python For Loops:

Problem: For each loop

Initialize a list of numbers.

Use a for loop to iterate through the list and calculate the sum.

Calculate the average by dividing the sum by the number of items in the list.

Print the results.

```
# Step 1: Initialize a list of numbers
```

```
numbers = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
# Step 2: Use a for loop to calculate the sum
```

```
total_sum = 0
```

```
for number in numbers:
```

```
    total_sum += number
```

```
# Step 3: Calculate the average
```

```
average = total_sum / len(numbers)
```

```
# Step 4: Print the sum and the average
```

```
print(f"Sum: {total_sum}, Average: {average}")
```

Python Functions

Blocks of reusable code designed to perform a specific task.

Parameters: Variables listed inside the parentheses in the function definition.

Arguments: Values passed to the function when it is called.

```
def function_name(parameters):  
    # code block  
  
function_name(arguments)  
  
def add(a, b):  
    return a + b  
  
print(add(1,4))
```

Truth Tables in Python

Generating truth tables in Python involves systematically evaluating and displaying the truth values of logical expressions for all possible combinations of their inputs. Here's a step-by-step guide on how to create a function to generate truth tables for basic logical operators.

```
def truth_table_AND():
    print("A\tB\tA AND B")
    for A in [True, False]:
        for B in [True, False]:
            print(f"{A}\t{B}\t{A and B}")

def truth_table_OR():
    print("A\tB\tA OR B")
    for A in [True, False]:
        for B in [True, False]:
            print(f"{A}\t{B}\t{A or B}")
```

Truth Tables in Python

Custom Logical Expression

```
def truth_table_custom(expression):  
    print("A\tB\tResult")  
    for A in [True, False]:  
        for B in [True, False]:  
            result = eval(expression)  
            print(f"{A}\t{B}\t{result}")
```

Example usage:

```
expression = "not A and B or A and not B"
```

Exclusive OR (XOR) simulation

```
truth_table_custom(expression)
```

Truth Tables in Python

Problem: Generate a truth table for the expression (A AND B) OR C.

```
def generate_truth_table():  
    print("A\tB\tC\t(A AND B) OR C")  
    for A in [True, False]:  
        for B in [True, False]:  
            for C in [True, False]:  
                result = (A and B) or C  
                print(f"{A}\t{B}\t{C}\t{result}")  
  
generate_truth_table()
```

Verifying Equivalence with Truth Tables

Consider the following two statements:

Statement 1:

$A \wedge B$ (A AND B)

Statement 2:

$\neg(\neg A \vee \neg B)$ (Not (Not A OR Not B))

These statements are logically equivalent based on De Morgan's Laws, which state that the negation of a disjunction is equivalent to the conjunction of the negations.

```
def verify_equivalence():  
    print("A\tB\tA AND B\t $\neg(\neg A \vee \neg B)$ \tEquivalent")  
    for A in [True, False]:  
        for B in [True, False]:  
            s1 = A and B  
            s2 = not (not A or not B)  
            equivalent = s1 == s2  
            print(f"{A}\t{B}\t{s1}\t{s2}\t{equivalent}")  
  
verify_equivalence()
```


Verifying Equivalence with a Function

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```
def check_equivalence_all():
    # Initialize a flag to track equivalence across all cases
    all_equivalent = True

    # Iterate through all combinations of A and B
    for A in [True, False]:
        for B in [True, False]:
            s1 = A and B
            s2 = not (not A or not B)

            # Check if there's any case where they are not equivalent
            if s1 != s2:
                all_equivalent = False
                break # No need to check further if any case is not equivalent

    if not all_equivalent:
        break # Break the outer loop as well if any case is not equivalent

    # Print only if all cases are equivalent
    if all_equivalent:
        print("True")
    else:
        print("False") # Optionally, indicate explicitly when not equivalent

check_equivalence_all()
```

Verifying Equivalence with a Function Simplified

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```
def is_equivalent_for_all():  
    # Iterate through all combinations of A and B  
    for A in [True, False]:  
        for B in [True, False]:  
            s1 = A and B  
            s2 = not (not A or not B)  
  
            # Return False immediately if any case is not equivalent  
            if s1 != s2:  
                return False  
  
    # If loop completes without returning, all cases are equivalent  
    return True  
  
# Call function and print its return value  
result = is_equivalent_for_all()  
print(result)
```

Bitwise Operations in Python

- Operate on binary representations of integers.
- Perform operations bit by bit over entire integer



AND (&): Sets each bit to 1 if both bits are 1.



OR (|): Sets each bit to 1 if one of two bits is 1.



XOR (^): Sets each bit to 1 if only one of two bits is 1.



NOT (~): Inverts all the bits.



Left Shift (<<): Shifts the bits to the left, filling with 0s.



Right Shift (>>): Shifts the bits to the right, discarding bits.

Bitwise Operations in Python

Examples

AND: $a \& b$

$5 \& 3$ ($0b101 \& 0b011$) $\rightarrow 1$ ($0b001$)

OR: $a | b$

$5 | 3$ ($0b101 | 0b011$) $\rightarrow 7$ ($0b111$)

XOR: $a \wedge b$

$5 \wedge 3$ ($0b101 \wedge 0b011$) $\rightarrow 6$ ($0b110$)

NOT: $\sim a$

$\sim 00000101 \rightarrow 11111010$

Bitwise Operations in Python

Examples

```
# Initialize two integers
a = 5 # binary: 101
b = 3 # binary: 011

# Bitwise AND
result_and = a & b
print(f"AND Operation: {a} & {b} = {result_and}") # Output
should be 1

# Bitwise OR
result_or = a | b
print(f"OR Operation: {a} | {b} = {result_or}") # Output should
be 7

# Bitwise XOR
result_xor = a ^ b
print(f"XOR Operation: {a} ^ {b} = {result_xor}") # Output
should be 6

# Bitwise NOT on 'a'
result_not = ~a
print(f"NOT Operation: ~{a} = {result_not}")
```

Understanding "There Exists" and "For All" in Python

"There Exists" (\exists) in Logic

- Represents the existence of at least one element in a set that satisfies a given condition.
- Expressed as " $\exists x$ such that condition(x) is true."

"For All" (\forall) in Logic

- Indicates that a condition holds for every element in a certain set.
- Expressed as " $\forall x$, condition(x) is true."

```
# Example: Check if all numbers are even
```

```
numbers = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10]
```

```
all_even = True # Assume all numbers are even initially
```

```
for number in numbers:
```

```
    if number % 2 != 0: # If any number is not even
```

```
        all_even = False # The assumption is proven false
```

```
        break # No need to check further
```

```
print(f"All numbers are even: {all_even}")
```

```
# Example: Check if there exists an odd number
```

```
numbers = [2, 4, 5, 8, 10]
```

```
exists_odd = False # Assume there are no odd numbers initially
```

```
for number in numbers:
```

```
    if number % 2 != 0: # If an odd number is found
```

```
        exists_odd = True # The assumption is proven true
```

```
        break # No need to check further
```

```
print(f"There exists an odd number in the list: {exists_odd}")
```

Understanding "There Exists" and "For All" in Python using any and all

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```
# Example: Check if there exists an odd number
```

```
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
exists_odd = any(number % 2 != 0 for number in numbers)
```

```
print(f"There exists an odd number in the list: {exists_odd}")
```

```
# Example: Check if all numbers are even
```

```
numbers = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10]
```

```
all_even = all(number % 2 == 0 for number in numbers)
```

```
print(f"All numbers are even: {all_even}")
```

Problem: Integer Pair Relationships

Given the set of integers from 1 to 10 for x and y , we want to investigate two compound statements simultaneously:

1. There Exists (\exists) an x such that for **all** y in the set, $x \cdot y$ is even.

2. For All (\forall) y , there **exists** an x such that $x+y$ is odd.

This problem explores the existence of a specific x that when multiplied by any y gives an even product, and for every y , there is some x that makes their sum odd.

```
# Range of integers
```

```
range_integers = range(1, 11)
```

```
# Condition 1: Check for an x that makes x * y even for all y
```

```
exists_x_for_all_y_even = any(all((x * y) % 2 == 0 for y in range_integers)
for x in range_integers)
```

```
# Condition 2: Check that for all y, there exists an x that makes x + y odd
```

```
all_y_exists_x_sum_odd = all(any((x + y) % 2 != 0 for x in range_integers)
for y in range_integers)
```

```
# Print results
```

```
print(f"Exists an x for all y, x*y is even: {exists_x_for_all_y_even}")
```

```
print(f"For all y, there exists an x, x+y is odd: {all_y_exists_x_sum_odd}")
```