

Python Grammar

A. Data types

1. single types

(1) integers & floats

booleans: True, False

(2) knowing the data type

number_of_dogs = 1	print(type(number_of_dogs))	→ <class 'int'> An integer
age_of_my_dog = 1.5	print(type(age_of_my_dog))	→ <class 'float'> A float
name_of_my_dog = "Toffee"	print(type(name_of_my_dog))	→ <class 'str'> A string

(3) data-type conversion

The number is stored as an integer	mynumber = int(5) print(mynumber)	→ 5	⚠ A problem & the safer approach
The number is stored as a float	mynumber = float(5) print(mynumber)	→ 5.0	
age = 21 print("I am " + str(age) + " years old!")			→ 21

2. collection

(1) list

a) list is used to store many things together,
the items can be of any type (OK to be different)
eg. ["John", 18, "CSE", 180]

b) navigating

is use len(listname) to find how many items in a list.

c) indices

0	1	2	3	4
73	68	78	75	80
-5	-4	-3	-2	-1

Index numbers
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c) handling of lists

- Creating a list:
`list_name = [first_thing, second_thing, ...]`
- Reading a value from the list:
`list_name[item_number]`
- Changing a value in the list:
`list_name[item_number] = new_thing`
- Inserting a value into the list:
`list_name.insert(position, new_thing)` ↳ 把 new_thing 放到 i, 后面往后移一位
- Removing something from the list (once):
`list_name.remove(thing_you_want_to_remove)`
- Adding something new at the end:
`list_name.append(thing_you_want_to_append)`
- Sorting the list: *from small to large*
`list_name.sort()`
- Reversing the order of the things in the list:
`list_name.reverse()`
- Counting something in the list:
`list_name.count(thing_you_want_to_count)`
- Searching for something in the list:
`list_name.index(thing_you_are_searching_for)`
- Adding another list at the end of the list:
`list_name.extend(another_list)`

To go through a list,

① `for i in range(len(l)):`
`print(l[i])`

② `for i in l:`
`print(i)`

d) 2-D structures

- 1D example:

```
things = ["j", "o", "k", "e", "s"]
letter_o = things[1] # the "o" in second col
```

j	o	k	e	s
---	---	---	---	---

- 2D example:

```
things =
[[ "h", "a", "r", "r", "y" ],
 [ "l", "i", "k", "e", "s" ],
 [ "j", "o", "k", "e", "s" ]]
letter_o = things[2][1]
# the "o" in the third row second column
```

h	a	r	r	y
---	---	---	---	---

l	i	k	e	s
---	---	---	---	---

j	o	k	e	s
---	---	---	---	---

Be careful! The general idea is [row] [col], not [col] [row]!

(2) tuple

a) A similar idea to lists, cannot change once created!

b) creation: use `()` instead of `[]`

c) handling

`len()`, `count()`, `index()`

→ work

`remove()`, `append()`, `sort()`, `reverse()`, `extend()` → don't work

d) string

- a string is a tuple of letters

- we can concatenate strings to create a new string:

two_words = "pretty" + "umbrellas" (exactly together)

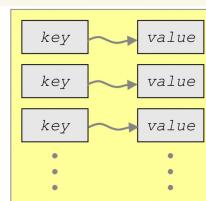
"fun" * 3 = "funfunfun"

- as long as not changed, handling of lists works

(3) dictionary

a) about dictionary

- The left side is called the *key*
- The right side is called the *value*
- We say that the key is mapped to the value



→ anything can be used for the keys or values
(eg. texts, ints, floats, etc.)

BUT: Cannot use a list as key.

```
animals = {  
    "ant": "a small insect with 6 legs",  
    "dog": "an animal with 4 legs that goes woof",  
    "cat": "an animal with 4 legs that goes miaow"  
}  
result=animals["ant"]  
print(result)
```

The dictionary doesn't have
to be in alphabetical order!

b) retrieve

`david_data = heads["David"] // width = david[2]`

c) handling a dictionary

• creating

```
heads = {"David": (589, 106, 48, 63),
         "Gibson": (474, 102, 44, 58),
         "Paul": (522, 162, 55, 68)}
} x position of top left corner y position of top left corner width height
```

• delete

```
>>> print(heads)
{'David': (589, 106, 48, 63), 'Gibson':
 (474, 102, 44, 58), 'Paul': (522, 162,
 55, 68)}
>>> del heads["Paul"]
>>> print(heads)
{'David': (589, 106, 48, 63), 'Gibson':
 (474, 102, 44, 58)} Paul' data is gone!
```

• adding

```
>>> print(heads)
{'David': (589, 106, 48, 63), 'Gibson':
 (474, 102, 44, 58), 'Paul': (522, 162,
 55, 68)}
>>> heads["Sean"] = (628, 146, 46, 58)
>>> print(heads)
{'David': (589, 106, 48, 63), 'Gibson':
 (474, 102, 44, 58), 'Paul': (522, 162,
 55, 68), 'Sean': (628, 146, 46, 58)}
```

• change value

```
>>> print(heads)
{'David': (589, 106, 48, 63), 'Gibson':
 (474, 102, 44, 58), 'Paul': (522, 162,
 55, 68)}
>>> heads["David"]=(588, 104, 48, 57)
>>> print(heads)
{'David': (588, 104, 48, 57), 'Gibson':
 (474, 102, 44, 58), 'Paul': (522, 162,
 55, 68)} Changed
```

d) going through a dictionary

```
for key in heads.keys(): print(key)
for value in heads.values(): print(value)
for key, value in heads.items(): print(key, value)
```

* Slicing Notation

a) name_of_list_or_tuple [Start:End:Step]

Let's assume we have a list x, which looks like this:

```
x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
      0 1 2 3 4
```

Here are some examples of slicing:

- x[0:3] returns [1, 2, 3]
- x[0:5:2] returns [1, 3, 5]
- x[3:] returns [4, 5] FYI: negative indices have a special meaning in python so x[-1:-1] won't work
- x[:3] returns [1, 2, 3]
- x[4:0:-1] returns [5, 4, 3, 2] ↪ return i Where is the first item?

• Instead of using -1 as the end number you can return the reversed list of x like this:

x[4::-1]

or simply omit both the start and end numbers:

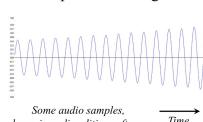
x[::-1]

```
slice4.py - /V/DRIVE/MYHOME/ressiter/Documents/slice4.py
File Edit Format Run Options Window Help
x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
print(x[4::-1])
print(x[::-1])
```

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

b) application: Digital Audio

- A sound file consists of a sequence of values, called audio samples (a sample is simply a number)
- These audio samples can be positive or negative
 - The sequence of values forms the shape of the sound wave, which represents the sound



Accessing Precise Sections

- Digital audio uses a fixed number of samples for each second
- In the COMP1021 WAV files, 44100 samples are used for every second of audio
- Access the first second of the audio samples[44100]
- Access the third second of the audio samples[44100*2:44100*3]
- Access the third second of the audio backwards samples[44100*3:44100*2:-1]

B. Basic Grammar and Functions

1. Calculating

1) operators

Arithmetic Operators

- Basic operators: + - / * %
- 'Advanced' operators:
 - $**$ means 'to the power of'
 - // means 'do division, return the integer result'
 - $-x$ means the same as ' $-1 * x$ '

```
response = input("Are you alive? (yes/no)")  
response = response == "yes"
```

2**3
8
3**2
9
3//3
1
4//3
1
5//3
1
6//3
2
7//3
2
8//3
2
x=10
-x
-10

Comparison Operators

Reminder

- For comparing two values:
 - $a < b$ returns True if a is less than b
 - $a \leq b$ returns True if a is less than or equal to b
 - $a > b$ returns True if a is greater than b
 - $a \geq b$ returns True
 - if a is greater than or equal to b
 - $a == b$ returns True if a is equal to b
 - $a != b$ returns True if a is not equal to b
- All of them return False otherwise

Logical Operators

Reminder

- Logical operators work with Boolean values, i.e. True or False
 - $a \text{ and } b$ if both condition a and condition b are True, the result is True; otherwise, it's False
 - $a \text{ or } b$ if either condition a or condition b is True, the result is True; otherwise, it's False
 - $\text{not } a$ if a is True, then the result is False; if a is False, then the result is True

2) precedence

- Highest precedence -

Increasing precedence ↑

()
 $**$
 $-x, +x$
 $*, /, \%, //$
 $+, -$
 $<, >, \leq, \geq, !=, ==$
 in, not in
 logical not
 logical and
 logical or
 - Lowest precedence -

} So if you use
brackets ()
they override
everything

Operators for Lists, Tuples and Strings

- These operators are used by lists, tuples and strings:
 - $x + y$ concatenates (=put together) two lists, tuples or strings
 - $x * n$ concatenates n copies of x
 - $a \text{ in } x$ returns True if a is in collection x and False otherwise
 - $a \text{ not in } x$ returns False if a is in collection x and True otherwise

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More on Operators

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Using 'in' with Strings

- Using the `in` operator you can test for a string inside another string, like this:

```
if "shark" in "baby shark dance":  
    print("yes")
```

→ yes

Using Other Things as True/False

- Any number other than 0 means True
 - 0 means False
- An empty list [], tuple () or string "" means False
 - Non-empty list/ tuple/ string means True

2. input and output

1) `x = input("Your question here?")` • the inputed content is always a str.
• need to convert it necessary: `x = int(x)`

2) print()

a) `print(..., end="x")`, print x in the end, (default = "\n")

b) `print("a" + "b")`, print things after normal "+" ! only for the same data type to do so!

c) `print("a", "b")`, a space in the middle.

3. conditional statement.

1) statements: if, if-else, if-elif, nested if.

if a > b :	if a > b :	if a > b :
.....
else:	elif c > d:	else:
.....
	else:	if c > d:

2) comparison operators: <, <=, >, >=, ==, !=

3) logical operators: () > not > and > or

4. loop statement

1) while statement

while ... condition ... :	while True:	while ... condition ... :
... statements ...	x = input("what's your choice?")	... statements ...
statements after loop	while ... condition2 ... :

2) for statement

for i in <list>:	for - in range(5):	... if the "-" is not referred to anywhere inside the loop
... statements statements ...	

eg. using loop statements and % to handle repeating patterns

3) break & continue → apply for the loop they're in

5. functions

1) how to define

- Here is an example:

```
def show_response(name):  
    if name == "Dave":  
        print("What a good name!")  
    else:  
        print("How are you?")
```

In this example, the function is expected to receive a value, stored in a variable called 'name'.

⇒ must be defined before used!

⇒ global & local variables

You need to be careful when you change a local variable:

```
def magic_trick(money):  
    if money < 1000:  
        money = money + 500
```

The local variable
is changed in this
line of code

```
money = int(input("How much do you have? "))  
magic_trick(money)  
print("You have $" + str(money) + " now!")
```

How much do you have? 500
You have \$500 now!

The global variable
money is not affected
by the change inside
the function

⇒ different approaches

If you want a global variable to be changed by a function you need to tell Python using the `global` command, for example:

```
def magic_trick():  
    global money
```

We tell Python that when we
refer to money in the
function, it means the global
variable money

```
if money < 1000:  
    money = money + 500
```

This line changes
the value of the
global variable

```
money = int(input("How much do you have? "))  
magic_trick()  
print("You have $" + str(money) + " now!")
```

⇒ returning values from a function

Returning Multiple Things

- We can return more than one thing
- E.g. the following function returns two values:

```
def get_info(current_year, year_of_birth):  
    chinese_zodiac = [  
        "Rat", "Ox", "Tiger", "Rabbit",  
        "Dragon", "Snake", "Horse", "Sheep",  
        "Monkey", "Rooster", "Dog", "Pig"  
    ]  
  
    age = current_year - year_of_birth  
    animal = chinese_zodiac[ \n        (year_of_birth - 1960) % 12 ]  
  
    return age, animal
```

Two values are
returned in this
example

Getting Multiple Results

- To get the two results from the function we use two variables, like this:

```
year = int(input("Hi, what is the current year? "))  
birthyear = int(input("When is your year of birth? "))  
  
yourage, youranimal = get_info(year, birthyear)  
  
print("You are", yourage)  
print("Your animal is", youranimal)
```

Hi, what is the current year? 2021
When is your year of birth? 2001
You are 20
Your animal is Snake

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Stopping a Function Using Return

The complete program:

```
def donate(money):  
    if money <= 0:  
        return  
  
    print("How much do you donate? -5000")  
    print("Finished!")  
  
    print("How much do you donate? 100")  
    print("Thank you! You are so generous!")  
    print("Finished!")  
  
    print("Thank you! You are so generous!")
```

```
donation = int(input("How much do you donate? "))  
donate(donation)  
print("Finished!")
```

If the return command is executed
then the function immediately
finishes, and Python continues with
any code under the place where the
function was executed

6. range problem.

- Here are more examples of using the step value:
`range(0, 10, 3)` returns 0, 3, 6 and 9
`range(-1, -10, -2)` returns -1, -3, -5, -7 and -9
- Here are some unusual examples of using `range()`:
`range(10, 1)`
returns nothing because the default step value is 1
`range(-10, 1, -1)`
returns nothing because the step value is -1
`range(0, 10, 0)`
results in an error because the step value must not be zero

number of rounds:

$$\lceil \frac{y-x}{d} \rceil$$

7. random problem

```
import random
import string

# 随机整数:
print random.randint(1,50)

# 随机选取0到100间的偶数:
print random.randrange(0, 101, 2)

# 随机浮点数:
print random.random()
print random.uniform(1, 10)

# 随机字符:
print random.choice('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz@#$%^&*()')

# 多个字符中生成指定数量的随机字符:
print random.sample('zyxwvutsrqponmlkjihgfedcba', 5)

# 从a-zA-Z0-9生成指定数量的随机字符:
ran_str = ''.join(random.sample(string.ascii_letters + string.digits, 8))
print ran_str

# 多个字符中选取指定数量的字符组成新字符串:
print
''.join(random.sample(['z','y','x','w','v','u','t','s','r','q','p','o','n','m','l','k','j','i','h','g','f','e','d','c','b','a'], 5))

# 随机选取字符串:
print random.choice(['剪刀', '石头', '布'])

# 打乱排序
items = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 0]
print random.shuffle(items)
```

& text file handling

1) special characters

a) 't' 向上取整至 ≮

b) '\n' 换行,会被默认加在 print() 末尾

2) writing the file

```
filename=turtle.textinput("Save jigsaw positions", \
    "What is the jigsaw filename you want to create?")
myfile = open(filename, "wt") # Open the file for writing
# Use any name to 'point' to the file
# Now we go through each turtle in the list of turtles
for thisTurtle in allTurtles:
    # Make a string for one turtle, in the right format
    one_line = str(thisTurtle.xcor()) + "\t" + \
        str(thisTurtle.ycor()) + "\n"
    # Save the string to the file
    myfile.write(one_line)
    # Close the file
myfile.close()
```

It's possible to have several files open
at the same time, so you need to say
which file you are referring to

& reading the file

```
filename=turtle.textinput("Load jigsaw positions", \
    "What is the jigsaw filename you want to load?")
myfile = open(filename, "r") # Open the file for reading
# You can use any variable name to
# point to 'the file, it doesn't have to be
# the same one used before
turtleIndex=0
for line in myfile:
    # Handle each line, one by one
    line = line.rstrip() # Remove the end-of-line
    items = line.split("\t") # Separate the two items
    x=float(items[0]) # Convert x to a float
    y=float(items[1]) # Convert y to a float
    allTurtles[turtleIndex].goto(x, y) # Move turtle
    turtleIndex=turtleIndex+1 # Increase the index,
                            # for the next turtle
myfile.close() # We have finished, now close the file
```

* Other things

- use "\t" at the end of line \Rightarrow the code continues on following line
- # for single-line annotation " ... " "..." for multi-line annotation
- $x, y = a, b \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x=a \\ y=b \end{cases}$
- use "control + enter" to continue codes in IDLE