

Python Notes:

① Expression \cong values and operators

Arithmetic Operators

- ** Exponent
- % Modulus/Remainder
- // Integer division
- * Multiplication \rightarrow this can be used with string + number
- Subtraction
- + Addition \rightarrow Can be used with strings but not string + number. (concatenate)

Rules of variables \rightarrow statement

- ① Only one word
- ② Letters, numbers and '_'
- ③ Can't start with number

Comparison Operators

- = equal to
- != not equal to
- < less than

Important functions

input()	gets the input from the user
str()	transforms value to string
int()	" " " int
float()	" " " float
range()	\rightarrow iterator for loop

else it \rightarrow 'elit'

Infinite loops $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{break} \rightarrow \text{get outside the loop} \\ \text{continue} \rightarrow \text{reset the loop} \end{array} \right.$

for x in range(n) \rightarrow this range can have a specific number
something happens interval (s, b)
 \Downarrow

Values would be only s & b

A third value can be also input
that would be the value increment

Also values start from 0 and
finishes in (n-1) value

range (s, en, st)
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow$
start end step

Modules → contains extra functions apart from (input(), len(), int(), str(), float())

MUST BE IMPORTED!

Example

import random ⇒ import modules separated by commas
random.int(1, 10) → returns a random int

import random import * → allows you not put the "random." part
(not recommended)

sys.exit → exits the program

3rd party programs → pip tool → pip install <module name>

pyperclip → allows to copy & paste to clipboard

Other built in functions $\text{Abs}(n) \rightarrow$ returns Absolute value of n
 $\text{round}(n, e)$ round n to e Amount of decimals

```
def Function():  
    global eggs  $\rightarrow$  this can change the value of global eggs  
    print('Here is whatever the function does')  
    eggs += 1
```

} function body

Exception Handling

```
def div42 (divide by):  
    try: 42 / divide by  
    except ZeroDivisionError:  $\swarrow$  can have no specific error type  
        print('Error: You tried to divide by zero')
```

Types of errors - Value Error
Zero Division Error

no None ~ Null

Lists: uses $[]$ indexed from 0 to $n-1$
can contain other lists inside $[['A', 'B'], ['C', 'D']]$
can be negative values to go backwards
as $[0:0] \rightarrow$ refers to return values from 0 to 0 of the list aa.

`len(list)` will return n° of values in a list array

+ And * can be used to add lists and replicate them.

`del` → used to delete an item in an array list

- `index('str')` returns an index value of a 'string' in a list
- `insert(n, 'string')`
- `append('string')`
- `remove(str)`
- `sort()`
- `sort(reverse=True)`
- `sort(key=str.lower)`

Strings & tuples

`a[0]` → returns 1 char of string A
you can also use - , n:m, in, not in

tuples → added with () instead of []

↳ Don't intend for sequence of values to change

Regular expressions → specifying text patterns

import re

re.compile() → create regex object

call regex objects .search() → create a match object

match object .group() → get the matched string

bat Regex (r 'Bat(wo)?man') → 0 or 1

(r 'Bat(wo)*man') → 0 to many 'wo'

(r 'Bat(wo)+man') → 1 to many 'wo'

(r '(Ha){3}') → searching for HaHaHa

(r '(Ha){3,5}') → searching between 3 to 5 repetitions of Ha

↳ ? → transform it to a non greedy search

\d : Numeric digit 0 to 9

\D : Not a numeric digit

\w : letter, digit or underscore —

\s : space, tab or newline

(r '[]') → define own possible characters

(r '^') → Matching must occur At start of text

(r '\$') → Matching if string ends with the regex

(r '.*') → everything '.' is wildcard

(r '.*', re.DOTALL) → match all characters

(r', re.I) → case insensitive

• Sub ('replace', 'Phrase to replace the regex')

you can use ''' to do multiple lines and # to comment

```
(, '''(          # Here is element 1  
                # Here is element 2  
            )''', re.VERBOSE → ignore whitespace & comments
```

you can use | to use multiple properties

example (r', re.IGNORECASE | re.DOTALL | re.VERBOSE

Reading and Writing Files

os.path.abspath('.') → returns the absolute path of the pwd

os.getcwd → pwd

os.chdir(' ') → cd

path.isfile ⇒ boolean

path.isdir, isfile, exists

• path.getsize → return file size

• listdir → list a 'holders' inside

• makedirs → makedirs

Reading & Writing Files:

`open('filepath')`

- `.read()` → read the content
- `.readlines()` → read the row content
- `.close()` → closes the file
- `.open('filepath', 'w')` → writes new content on file
`'a'` → Appends after the previous content } if file doesn't exist it creates one
- `.write('content')` → adds content, doesn't add a new line

Shelve module:

`import shelve`

`shelfFile = shelve.open('mydata')`

`shelfFile['example'] = ['Ex1', 'Ex2', 'Ex3']`

`shelfFile['example']`

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shutil Module

`shutil.copy('file path', 'paste path') → cp`

`shutil.move('', '') → mv`

How to delete files:

`import os`

① { `os.unlink('single file path')`
`os.rmdir('directory path') → Needs to be empty`

② { `import shutil`
`shutil.rmtree('dir path') → deletes directory and contents`

`import send2trash`

`send2trash.send2trash('file path')`

Walking A directory Tree

for foldername, subfolder, filenames in `os.walk('root directory'):`
`print('The folder is: ' + foldername)`
`print('The subfolders in ' + foldername + ' are ' + str(subfolders))`
`print('The files in ' + foldername + ' are ' + str(filenames))`

Zip files: Requires to create a 'ZipFile' object → `zipfile.ZipFile('filepath')`

`import zipfile`

`exampleZip = zipfile.ZipFile('example.zip')`

`exampleZip.namelist()` → lists the files contained

`fileInfo = exampleZip.getinfo('file contained')` → creates information object

`fileInfo.file_size` → get the uncompressed size

`, compress_size` → get the compressed size

`exampleZip.close()` → stops using the object

`exampleZip.extractall()` → extract all the files contained

`exampleZip.extract('filename', 'extract location')`

How to create a zipfile:

`import zipfile`

`newZip = zipfile.ZipFile('new.zip', 'w')` → writable

`newZip.write('filename', compress_type = zipfile.ZIP_DEFLATED)` → Add file

`newZip.close()`

`raise exception("This is an error message")` → throws an exception

Sanity check

`Assert False, 'This is an error message'`

logging Module

Import logging

```
logging.basicConfig(level=logging.DEBUG, format='%(asctime)s - %(levelname)s  
- %(message)s')
```

```
logging.debug('logging message')
```

Web Scrapping:

Modules: web browser → opens a browser page
requests → downloads files and web pages
beautiful soup → parses HTML
selenium → launches & controls a web browser

`web browser.open('web address')`

requests module:

- requires external installation (pip install requests)

`res = requests.get('web address')`

`res.status_code` → return status of website

`res.text` → text of the website

400 → Not found

200 → found

`bad res.raise_for_status()` → raises the possible error code in case of
failed download

`playfile = open('file name', 'wb')`

↳ open in binary (required for webtext)

for chunk in res.iter_content(nobytes)

`playfile.write(chunk)`

} for loop to pass chunks of
the data scrapped (avoid errors)

Scrapping HTML (beautifulsoup4 module)

pip install beautifulsoup4

import bs4

→ beautifulsoup4

import requests


```
res = requests.get('url/address')  
soup = bs4.BeautifulSoup(res.text)
```

Selenium Module:

```
from selenium import webdriver  
browser = webdriver.Firefox()  
type(browser) → browser starts up
```

PyPDF2:

```
pdfFile = open('pdf location')  
reader = PyPDF2.PdfFileReader(pdfFile)  
reader.numPages → return number of pages of the PDF  
page = reader.getPage(n) returns the page n of the pdf  
page.extractText() extract the text of the page object
```

CSV And JSON

```
import csv
oF = open('example.csv')
oR = csv.reader(oF)
oD = list(oR)
```

} Reader

```
import csv
oF = open('output.csv', 'w', newline='')
oW = csv.writer(oF)
oW.writerow(['insert', 'data', 'here'])
oF.close()
```

} Writer

```
import json
jsonObject = json.loads(jsonString) → this takes a string and loads it as python values
```

jsonObject = json.dumps(values) → translate python values as a json string

Time Module

```
import time
```

time.time() → number of seconds since January 1st 1970

```
import profile
cProfile.run(command/function) → gives time status of a command/function executed
```

time.sleep

round(variable, no of decimals) → rounds a float to a certain no of decimals

Datetime Module:

import datetime

datetime.datetime.now() → current datetime

dt = datetime.datetime(2015, 10, 21, 16, 29, 0) → creates a datetime object
(dt.year, dt.month, dt.hour, dt.minute, dt.second)

delta = datetime.timedelta(days=11, hours=10, minutes=9, seconds=8) → represents duration rather than moments

delta.days delta.seconds delta.microseconds → returns the value

delta.total_seconds() → returns the total amount expressed in seconds

str(delta) → transforms into str.

* timedelta values can be added with each other

while datetime.datetime.now() < Halloween 2016: → condition that does not
time.sleep(1) execute till

strftime() → from datetime object to string

%Y → Year with century

%m → number month

%d → day of the month

%A → full week day

%y → year without century

%B → name month

%w → nth day of the week

ex: dt.strftime('%A %B %d %y %I:%M %p')

converting str to datetime \rightarrow `.strftime('date string', 'string format')`
Threading: (uses the same notation as str time)

`import threading`
`threadObj = threading.Thread(target = <Method Name>)` \rightarrow This allows more than 1 method to be executed at the same time
`threadObj.start()`

Threading

Passing arguments to the threaded method executed:

`threadObj = threading.Thread(target = <Method Name>, args = [<Arguments>])`

** You need to be aware of concurrency issues when multithreading

`multipleThreads = []` #list of all the threaded objects

for `i` in range(0, <No of Items>, <items per thread>):

`multipleThread = threading.Thread(target = <Method Name>, args = (i, i + <No of Items>))`

`multipleThreads.append(multipleThread)`

`multipleThread.start()`

for `multipleThread` in `multipleThreads`:

`multipleThread.join()`

`print("Done")`

} This waits for the threads to stop

Sub process:

`import subprocess`

`subprocess.Popen(<Program location>, <Argument text file>)` \rightarrow ^{optional} program

`subprocess.call("command")` \rightarrow performs a command in the shell

`subprocess.Popen(<python location>, <python script location>)`

Useful Methods
`.poll` `.wait`

open a default program:

import subprocess

subprocess.Popen(['start', '<file location>'], shell=True) → Windows

subprocess.Popen(['open', '<file location>']) → Unix

Sending Email & Text Msg:

SMTP → Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (Protocol used to send email)

IMAP → Protocol to retrieve Email sent back