

Chapter 12

Chapter 12: Advanced Python 1 – Ultimate Notes & Explanations

Walrus Operator (:=)

V Concept:

The **Walrus operator** (:=) allows you to **assign a value** to a variable **as part of an expression** — combining assignment and condition check in one line.

Q Syntax:

```
if (n := len(my_list)) > 3:
    print(f"List is too long ({n} elements)")
```

Old Way vs New Way:

```
# Old Way
n = len(my_list)
if n > 3:
...

# With Walrus
if (n := len(my_list)) > 3:
...
```

Code:

```
# walrus.py
if(n := len([1,2,3,4,5])) > 3:
    print(f"List is too long({n} elements, expected < 3)")
else:
    print("List is shorter than 3 elements")</pre>
```

Type Hints

Concept:

Type Hints provide **information to the reader and IDEs** about what type a variable/function expects. It doesn't enforce anything but makes the code easier to understand and maintain.

Syntax:

```
def func(a: int, b: int) → int:
return a + b
```

Code:

```
# typehints.py
from typing import Tuple

n: int = 5
name: str = "Prathamesh"

def sum(a: int, b: int) → int:
    return a + b

person: tuple[int, str] = ("Prathamesh", 100)

print(sum(5, 5))
print(person, type(person))
```

Match Case (Switch Statement in Python)

Concept:

Python's match-case is similar to **switch-case** in other languages. It's more powerful, supporting **patterns**, **classes**, **destructuring**, etc.

Works only in Python 3.10+.

Code:

```
# matchcase.py

def http_status(status: int):
    match status:
    case 200:
```

```
return "OK"
    case 400:
      return "Bad Request"
    case 401:
      return "Unauthorised"
    case 404:
      return "Not Found"
    case 429:
      return "Too Many Requests"
    case 500:
      return "Internal Server Error"
    case _:
      return "Unknown Status"
print(http_status(200)) # OK
print(http_status(429)) # Too Many Requests
print(http_status(29378)) # Unknown Status
```

Dictionary Merge & Multiple File Context Managers

Concept:

- Merging dictionaries using | operator (Python 3.9+)
- Opening multiple files using single with statement

Code:

```
# dictmerge_and_contextmanager.py
dict1 = {"a": 3, "b": 4}
dict2 = {"b": 2, "c": 7}
merged = dict1 | dict2
print(merged) # {'a': 3, 'b': 2, 'c': 7}

with open("file1.txt") as f1, open("file2.txt") as f2:
    a = f1.read()
    b = f2.read()
    print("Both files are same" if a == b else "Both files are different")
```

5 Exception Handling

Concept:

Use try, except to gracefully handle errors and prevent the program from crashing.

Code:

```
# exception.py
try:
    a = int(input("Enter a number: "))
    print(f"The number is {a}")
```

```
except ValueError:
  print("Please enter a valid number")
except Exception as e:
  print("Error:", e)
print("Thank you, this program has not crashed")
```

Raising Custom Exceptions

Concept:

Use raise to manually throw exceptions when a condition violates logic or constraints.

Code:

```
# raising_exception.py
a = int(input("Enter 1st Number: "))
b = int(input("Enter 2nd Number: "))
if b == 0:
  raise ZeroDivisionError("Division by zero is not fundamentally defined")
  print(f"The value of a/b is {a/b}")
```

7 try-except-else Block

Concept:

- else block runs only if try succeeds
- · Helps to separate normal flow from error flow

Code:

```
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# try_else.py
try:
 a = int(input("Enter a number: "))
  print(f"The number is {a}")
except Exception as e:
  print(e)
  print("Thank you, this program has not crashed")
```

8 try-finally Block

Concept:

- The finally block always runs, whether an exception occurred or not.
- · Useful for cleanup, closing files, etc.

Code:

```
# try_finally.py
def main():
    try:
        a = int(input("Enter a number: "))
        print(f"The number is {a}")
        return
    except Exception as e:
        print(e)
        return
finally:
        print("I am finally, I always run")
main()
```

9 __name__ == "__main__" & Module Reuse

Concept:

- Helps differentiate if a file is run directly or imported as a module.
- · Common for reusable scripts.

Code (module.py):

```
def name():
    print("I am class from module.py")

name()
print(__name__) # "__main__" if run directly

if __name__ == "__main__":
    print("We are directly running this code")

else:
    print("We are not directly running this code")
```

Code (main.py):

```
from module import name
name() # Output: I am class from module.py
```

10 global Keyword

Concept:

- Used to declare a global variable inside a function
- · Allows updating it in global scope

Code:

```
# global.py
def fun():
    global a
    a = 434

fun()
print(a) # Output: 434
```

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enumerate() Function

Concept:

· Simplifies iterating over lists with indices

Code:

```
# ennumerate.py
I = [3443, 45, 5, 4]

for index, item in enumerate(I):
    print(f"The number at index {index} is {item}")
```

List Comprehension

Concept:

- Shorter syntax to create new lists using loops
- · Very clean and Pythonic

Code:

```
# list_comprehension.py
myList = [2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
squaredList = [i * i for i in myList]
print(squaredList)
```

Chapter 12: Advanced Python 1 — Deep Dive Notes



"Assignment expressions: saving one line at a time."

What Is It?

Introduced in **Python 3.8**, the **walrus operator** allows you to **assign a value** to a variable **within an expression**. Saves memory, boosts readability.

When To Use:

- · In loops when filtering
- · While checking the result of a function
- To reduce redundancy

Real-World Use:

```
while (line := input("Enter a line: ")) != "exit":
    print(f"You typed: {line}")
```

Pros:

- · Removes redundant assignments
- Keeps logic compact

X Cons:

· Can harm readability if overused in complex conditions

2. Type Hints (typing module)

"Python becomes semi-typed — the best of both worlds."

Q What Are Type Hints?

Python is dynamically typed, but **type hints** (introduced in PEP 484) let you annotate functions and variables with **expected types**.

Example:

from typing import List, Tuple, Dict

```
def process(scores: List[int]) → float:
  return sum(scores) / len(scores)
```

Why Use?

- · Improves code readability
- Helps with editor autocomplete (IntelliSense)
- · Makes code easier to understand for teams

Tools That Use It:

- mypy for type checking
- Pyright , Pylance in VSCode
- Big in large-scale Python systems (ML pipelines, APIs)

💫 3. Match Case (Pattern Matching)

Python's take on switch-case, but more powerful!

What Is It?

Introduced in Python 3.10, it allows structural pattern matching — not just values, but shapes and data structures.

Deep Match Example:

```
def greet(person):
  match person:
    case {"name": str(name), "age": int(age)}:
       return f"Hello {name}, age {age}!"
```

◆ Real Use:

- · Processing JSON or API responses
- Handling abstract syntax trees
- · Smart decision trees

4. Dictionary Merge (| operator)

Python finally got dictionary union!

Syntax:

dict3 = dict1 | dict2

Behavior:

- Merges dicts
- If keys overlap, right dict wins

X Advanced Use:

config = default_config | user_config | env_config

3. Context Managers (Multiple files)

Clean resource management with with statement

Why Use?

Avoids:

- · Open file locks
- Memory/resource leaks
- Manual .close()

Multi-context Example:

```
with open("a.txt") as a, open("b.txt") as b:
```

Custom Context Manager:

```
class Custom:
  def __enter__(self): print("Entered")
  def __exit__(self, *args): print("Exited")
with Custom():
  print("Inside block")
```

6. Exception Handling: try-except-else-finally

Bulletproof your code

Why So Many Blocks?

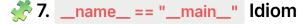
- try: Run risky code
- except: Handle error
- else: Run if no error
- finally: Always run (cleanup/logging)

Real Use:

- · File operations
- · Database queries
- Network calls

Raising Custom Errors:

```
if not valid:
  raise ValueError("Invalid Input!")
```



Makes Python scripts reusable as modules

Purpose:

When a Python file is run:

- Its __name__ becomes "__main__"
- If it's imported, __name__ is the file name

Best Practice:

```
def main():
    ...

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

8. Global Variable Usage

Carefully used for shared state

Global Pitfall:

Too much use of global leads to spaghetti code. But in simple scripts or quick hacks, it's fine.

```
def set_value():
    global config
    config = "dark-mode"
```

9. enumerate()

Elegant way to get index + value in a loop

```
for i, item in enumerate(["apple", "banana"]):
print(i, item)
```

Clean Alternative To:

```
index = 0
for item in items:
...
index += 1
```

2 10. List Comprehensions

Fast and readable list creation

Syntax:

```
squares = [x * x \text{ for } x \text{ in range(10) if } x \% 2 == 0]
```

Advanced:

```
matrix = [[i * j for j in range(3)] for i in range(3)]
```

📌 Bonus: Dict Comprehension



Real-World Usage Tips

Feature	Use-Case		
Walrus Operator	Input loops, lazy evaluation		
Type Hints	API design, large codebases		
Match Case	Data routing, config parsing		
Dict Merge	Chaining config or overrides		
Context Managers	Database, file handling, sockets		
try/except/else/finally	Error-proof systems		
name == "main"	Build CLI tools, test files		
global	Lightweight config or state in scripts		
enumerate()	Index-aware iteration (e.g., UI rendering)		
List Comprehension	Data transformation, cleaning		

Bonus Insights

🧠 In Interviews:

- You might be asked:
 - "Explain how context managers work behind the scenes."
- OR:
 - "When would you use raise instead of return?"
- OR:

P In Projects:

- Writing reusable modules? Use __main__.
- Building CLI tools? Use type hints + exception handling.
- Working on APIs? Match-case + exception blocks.

✓ Summary (TL;DR)

Concept	Skill
Walrus	One-liner assignments
Type Hints	Code clarity & safety
Natch-Case	Clean decision logic
nict Merge	Combine configs

Context Manager	Safe file & resource handling
	Error-proof logic
* Raise	Intentional crashes
Enumerate	Indexed loops
☑ List Comp	Fast & clean list creation

Advanced Python: Deep Dive — Level 2 Concepts

Beyond Basics: Real Power, Real Use Cases

1. Iterable vs Iterator vs Generator

All loops rely on this trio. If you understand this, you understand Python's looping core.

➤ Iterable

Any object capable of returning its members one at a time.

Examples:

```
[1, 2, 3], "Hello", (1, 2), range(10)
```

➤ Iterator

An object with __next_() and __iter_() methods.

```
I = [1, 2, 3]
it = iter(I)
print(next(it)) # Output: 1
```

➤ Generator

A lazy iterator: does not store all values in memory, creates them on the fly using yield.

```
def gen():
  for i in range(3):
     yield i
g = gen()
print(next(g)) # Output: 0
```

Real Use:

- Efficient memory handling (e.g., reading large files, training models)
- · Streams and pipelines (data processing)

2. Decorators (with and without parameters)

Functions that modify other functions — like plugins for code.

Q Basic Decorator:

```
def my_decorator(func):
    def wrapper():
        print("Before call")
        func()
        print("After call")
    return wrapper

@my_decorator
def say_hello():
    print("Hello!")
say_hello()
```

Decorator With Arguments:

```
def repeat(n):
    def decorator(func):
        def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        for _ in range(n):
            func(*args, **kwargs)
        return wrapper
    return decorator

@repeat(3)
    def greet(name):
        print(f"Hi {name}")
greet("Prathamesh")
```

Used in:

- Flask/Django routes
- Logging, authentication
- Time measurement

3. Lambda, map() , filter() , reduce()

Functional programming techniques that let you write ultra-compact, readable logic.

Q Lambda (Anonymous Functions)

```
square = lambda x: x**2
print(square(5)) # 25
```

map()

```
nums = [1, 2, 3]
doubled = list(map(lambda x: x*2, nums))
```

filter()

```
evens = list(filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0, nums))
```

q reduce() (from functools)

```
from functools import reduce product = reduce(lambda x, y: x * y, [1, 2, 3, 4]) # Output: 24
```

- Useful in:
- · Data processing pipelines
- · One-liner transformations
- · Pandas-style logic in pure Python

4. Closures and Factory Functions

A closure is when a function remembers the values from its enclosing scope.

```
def outer(x):
    def inner(y):
        return x + y
    return inner

add5 = outer(5)
print(add5(3)) # 8
```

- Real Use:
- Function factories (like @retry , @cache)
- · Encapsulation without using classes

5. Metaclasses

The class of a class. Rare but powerful.

What They Are:

- In Python, everything is an object.
- Classes themselves are instances of metaclasses.

```
class Meta(type):

def __new__(cls, name, bases, dct):
```

```
print(f"Creating class {name}")
  return super().__new__(cls, name, bases, dct)

class MyClass(metaclass=Meta):
  pass
```

- Use in:
- Frameworks (like Django's ORM)
- · Customizing class behavior
- Singleton, autoloading, etc.

6. Contextlib for Custom Context Managers

Build your own with statements — super clean and Pythonic.

```
from contextlib import contextmanager

@contextmanager
def open_file(name):
    f = open(name)
    try:
        yield f
    finally:
        f.close()

with open_file("test.txt") as f:
    data = f.read()
```

- Real Use:
- Managing DB connections, network sockets
- Replacing long try...finally chains

7. args and *kwargs — and Argument Unpacking

Flexible function definitions for dynamic or unknown input.

Example:

Riso useful in:

```
def show(*args, **kwargs):
    print(args) # Tuple
    print(kwargs) # Dict
show(1, 2, 3, name="Prathamesh", age=17)
```

```
data = {"name": "P", "age": 17}
def intro(name, age): ...
intro(**data)
```

a 8. Dynamic Imports and importlib

You can import modules during runtime! 🤚

```
import importlib

module_name = "math"
math = importlib.import_module(module_name)
print(math.sqrt(25))
```

- Used in:
- · Plugin systems
- · Lazy loading large codebases
- · Dynamic toolkits

9. Dunder Methods (_str_ , _repr_ , _len_ , _getitem_)

Python allows operator overloading and customization using "double underscore" methods.

```
class MyList:
    def __init__(self, data): self.data = data
    def __getitem__(self, i): return self.data[i]
    def __len__(self): return len(self.data)

ml = MyList([1,2,3])
print(len(ml)) # 3
print(ml[0]) # 1
```

- You can define:
- _add_ , _mul_ , _contains_ , etc.

💡 10. Property Decorator (@property)

Define a method that acts like an attribute.

```
class Circle:
def __init__(self, radius):
self._radius = radius
```

```
@property
def area(self):
    return 3.14 * self._radius ** 2

c = Circle(5)
print(c.area)
```

Use:

- Read-only attributes
- · Encapsulate logic cleanly
- Don't break object interface

Summary Table (At a Glance)

Concept	Real Use Case	Core Keyword/Idea	
Iterable vs Iterator	Efficient looping	iter ,next	
Generators	Lazy data pipelines	yield	
Decorators	Plugins, auth, logging	@decorator	
Lambda + map/filter/reduce	Compact logic in pipelines	Functional programming	
Closures	Function factories	Lexical scope	
Metaclasses	Customize class creation	type()	
contextlib	Build with -like blocks	@contextmanager	
*args/**kwargs	Flexible APIs	Var-args	
Dynamic imports	Plugin systems, optional deps	importlib	
Dunder Methods	Operator overloads, class control	_str_ , _getitem_	
@property	Clean calculated fields	@property	

30+ Common Mistakes in Advanced Python (Chapter 12)

12 #	★ Common Mistake	Nhat Goes Wrong	✓ Correct Usage or Fix
1	Using walrus in wrong context	Confusing assignment with comparison	if (n := len(lst)) > 5:
2	Forgetting parentheses with walrus	SyntaxError	if (x := some_func())
3	Using type hints as enforcement	Type hints don't enforce types	Use static type checkers like mypy
4	Using match-case without Python 3.10+	Code doesn't run on older versions	Ensure Python ≥ 3.10
5	Not handling match-case fallthrough	match only checks first match	Use case _: as default
6	Overriding built-in keywords like sum	Breaks built-in functions	Use names like calc_sum()
7	Using `dict1	dict2` in Python < 3.9	This merge operator fails

8	Reading both files from same handle	f1.read() twice = second read is empty	Read separately or reset file pointer
9	Not closing files without with	File handle leak	Always use with open()
10	Thinking try-except covers all errors	Doesn't catch syntax or indentation errors	Use carefully, not as blanket
11	Using except: without specifying error	Hides real issues	Use except ValueError: etc.
12	Raising exception without custom message	Hard to debug	raise ValueError("Custom message")
13	Misusing raise without exception	raise alone fails outside except	Use like: raise SomeError()
14	Using else block wrongly in try	Putting code that might error into else	Use else only for guaranteed safe code
15	Assuming finally stops code	Doesn't cancel crash, just runs	Use with care and understand its limits
16	Callingname instead of checking it	Confuses module execution check	Use ifname == "main":
17	Forgetting to use global keyword	Variable defined locally instead	Use global x inside function
18	Overwriting global unintentionally	Global a = 5 , local a = 10 — shadowing	Use different names or nonlocal
19	Using enumerate() without unpacking	Gets (index, item) tuple, not value	Use for i, val in enumerate(lst):
20	Using list comprehension for side effects	It's meant for building new lists	Use loops if you're not storing result
21	Using lambda for complex logic	Hard to read and debug	Use named functions instead
22	Forgetting yield in generators	No values are yielded, returns None	Use yield instead of return for each value
23	Misusing decorators with arguments	Forgetting extra wrapper layer	Use 3-level structure for param decorators
24	Confusing *args and **kwargs order	SyntaxError	def func(a, *args, **kwargs)
25	Using mutable defaults like [] in function args	Shared across function calls	Use None, then assign inside
26	Misusing @property setter/getter	Forgetting to use @ <pre>@<pre>operty>.setter</pre></pre>	Use correct decorator syntax
27	Treating oproperty like regular method	Causes confusion in calls	Call like obj.prop , not obj.prop()
28	Creating recursive decorators without base case	Infinite recursion	Always ensure a termination condition
29	Using import inside loops unnecessarily	Slows down performance	Move import statements to top of file
30	Ignoring error types while debugging	Using except Exception blindly	Log error with traceback or eclass_
31	Using walrus with expressions that return None	Assigns None and fails comparisons	Avoid: if (x := print()) > 5
32	Not using contextlib for custom context managers	Writing verboseenter /exit code	Use @contextmanager for simpler syntax

Chapter 12 – Practice Problem Notes (Advanced Python)

Problem 1 – Safe File Opening with Context Manager

```
# Open 1.txt, 2.txt, and 3.txt
# Show an error if any file doesn't exist — but the program must not crash

try:
    with (
        open('1.txt') as f1,
        open('2.txt') as f2,
        open('3.txt') as f3
    ):
        print("Opened All files")

except Exception as e:
    print("Error:", e)

print("This program has not crashed!")
```

Q Concepts Covered:

- with statement for multiple file handling
- Graceful error handling with try-except
- · Prevents crash using exception fallback

Edge Case:

One missing file breaks the entire with block

Suggestion:

Open each file individually or iterate through a list if you want to open only valid files.

Problem 2 – Print Specific Elements Using enumerate()

```
# Print 3rd, 5th, and 7th elements using `enumerate`

I = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 323, 3, 23, 23]

for index, item in enumerate(I):
    if index in [2, 4, 6]: # 3rd, 5th, and 7th elements (0-based index)
        print(item)
```

Q Concepts Covered:

- enumerate() for cleaner loop with index
- · Selective item access via index

▼ Tip: Avoid hardcoding indices if positions are dynamic — consider using range(start, stop, step).

Problem 3 – Multiplication Table Using List Comprehension

```
# List comprehension to print multiplication table of user input

user_no = int(input("Enter the number: "))

table = [user_no * i for i in range(1, 11)]

print(table)
```

Q Concepts Covered:

- List comprehension
- · Dynamic list creation

Fdge Case:

- Negative or zero input → still gives valid table
- **Example Output** for 5 → [5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50]

Problem 4 – Safe Division (a / b) with Zero Division Handling

```
# Display a/b. Show "Infinity" if b == 0. Round to integer

try:
    a = int(input("Enter 1st Number: "))
    b = int(input("Enter 2nd Number: "))
    c = a / b
    print(int(c))
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("Infinity")
except Exception as e:
    print("Error")
print("Program not crashed")
```

Concepts Covered:

- · Exception handling with specific error types
- Safe division
- · Type conversion

Improvement:

· You can show float result or keep it rounded, based on use case.

Problem 5 – Save Multiplication Table to File

```
# Save the multiplication table into a file named table.txt

user_no = int(input("Enter the number: "))
table = [user_no * i for i in range(1, 11)]
```

print(table)

Convert list to string and write
with open("CH12_PS//table.txt", "a") as f:
 f.write(str(table) + "\n")

Q Concepts Covered:

- File writing using with open()
- · List to string conversion
- Appending mode ("a")

Edge Case:

• Ensure "CH12_PS" folder exists or FileNotFoundError will occur.

| Improvement:

Format output line-by-line using:

for i in range(1, 11): f.write(f"{user_no} x {i} = {user_no*i}\n")

Chapter 12: Advanced Python – All-in-One Summary Table

12 #	Topic / Feature	Description	Concepts Involved	! Common Mistakes	% Practice Problem(s)
1	Walrus Operator (:=)	Assignment inside expressions	Efficient loops, if checks	Using before Python 3.8, Confusing syntax	N/A
2	Type Hints / Annotations	Declare variable/function types	Clean code, IDE hinting, typing module	Thinking it enforces type (Python is dynamic)	N/A
3	Match-Case (Structural Pattern Matching)	Modern switch - like logic	Clean conditional chains	Forgetting case default	N/A
4	Dictionary Merge `		Merge two dictionaries	Shorter syntax, dict union	Overwriting values unknowingly
5	Multi-File with Context Manager	Open multiple files in one with block	Context managers	All fail if one file missing	Problem 1
6	Exception Handling	Try-except to prevent crashes	ValueError, ZeroDivisionError, etc.	Using general except: carelessly	Problem 4
7	raise Custom Exceptions	Intentionally crash if conditions fail	Input validation, design patterns	Raising without meaning, wrong exception type	N/A

12 #	Topic / Feature	Description	Concepts Involved	♠ Common Mistakes	% Practice Problem(s)
8	try-else Block	Run else if no exception	Cleaner success logic	Expecting it to always run	Problem 4
9	finally Block	Always runs — even after return	Logging, cleanup, final confirmation	Misusing return before finally	Problem 4
10	ifname == "main"	Know when file is imported vs run	Reusability, modularity	Using if name == "_main_" (typo)	module.py + main.py
11	Global Variables	Modify global from inside function	Use global keyword	Forgetting global → variable not created	global.py
12	enumerate()	Track index in	Cleaner alternative to manual counter	Index mismatch with wrong logic	Problem 2
13	List Comprehension	Compact way to create lists	One-liners, filtering, transformations	Making code unreadable, nesting too much	Problems 3 & 5
14	Writing to Files	Using with open(, "a") to store data	Appending data	Not checking file path/folder	Problem 5
15	Custom Errors	Manual exception messages	User-defined error logic	Forgetting to import or define class	Problem 4 (partially)
16	Dynamic Type Systems	Python is dynamic despite hints	Flexibility in duck typing	Assuming type enforcement	typehints.py
17	name Special Variable	Helps modularize scripts	"_main_" logic	Using as a string directly	module.py
18	Reading Multiple Files	Compare contents of 2 files	File I/O, with-as context	Reading same file twice instead of both	dictmerge_and_context.py
19	Operator Overloading	Customize +, *, etc.	Classes like vector , complex	Forgettingstr,add methods	Ch11 Problem 4, 5, 6
20	Exception Flow Control	Raise \rightarrow Try \rightarrow Catch \rightarrow Finally	Full flow of error handling	Nested exceptions not caught properly	Problems 1 & 4
21	Typing Tuple, List	Tuple[int, str] for readability	typing module	Using native tuple[] before Python 3.9	typehints.py