

## Lecture 2

## Unit 2

# STRINGS

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# STRINGS

- Accessing Strings
- Basic Operations
- String slices
- Function and Methods

# STRINGS INTRODUCTION

- A string is a sequence of characters.
- Strings are amongst the most popular types in Python. We can create them simply by enclosing characters in quotes. Python treats single quotes the same as double quotes.
- Creating strings is as simple as assigning a value to a variable.

# STRINGS INTRODUCTION

- When a string contains numbers it is still a string.

For example:

```
var1 = 'Hello World!'
```

```
var2 = "Python Programming"
```

```
var3 = """Python  
Programming"""
```

# ACCESSING STRINGS

- Python does not support a character type; these are treated as strings of length one thus also considered a substring.
- To access substrings use the square brackets for slicing along with the index or indices to obtain your substring.

# ACCESSING STRINGS

## □ Example:

- `var1 = 'Hello World!'`
- `var2 = "Python Programming"`
- `print "var1[0]: " var1[0]`
- `print "var2[1:5]: " var2[1:5]`

## □ This will produce following result:

- `var1[0]: H`
- `var2[1:5]: ytho`

# STRING OPERATIONS

- concatenate with + or neighbors
  - `word = "Help" + "x"`
  - `word = "Help" "a"`
- subscripting of strings
  - `Hello[2]` 1
  - slice: `Hello[1:2]` el
  - `word[-1]` last character
  - `len(word)` 5
- immutable: cannot assign to subscript

# SLICING STRINGS

```
>>> str = 'Monty Python'
```

M	o	n	t	y		P	y	t	h	o	n
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

- The string position starts at zero
- We can also look at any continuous section of a string using a colon operator

```
>>> print str[0:4] # Mont
```



# SLICING STRINGS

- The second number is one beyond the end of the slice - “up to but not including”  

```
>>> print str[6:7] # P
```
- If the second number is beyond the end of the string it stops at the end  

```
>>> print str[6:20] # Python
```
- Slicing reverse  

```
>>> print(str[-6:]) # Python
```

# STRINGS: Functions and Methods

- Python has a number of string functions which are in the string library
- These functions are already built into every string - we invoke them by appending the function to the string variable

```
var1 = 'Hello World!'
dir(var1)
```

# STRINGS: Functions and Methods

- These functions do not modify the original string instead they return a new string that has been altered

- |               |                |               |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. capitalize | 6. endswith    | 11. index     |
| 2. casefold   | 7. expandtabs  | 12. isalnum   |
| 3. center     | 8. find        | 13. isalpha   |
| 4. count      | 9. format      | 14. isdecimal |
| 5. encode     | 10. format_map | 15. isdigit   |

# STRINGS: Functions and Methods

16. isidentifier	26. lstrip	36. split
17. islower	27. maketrans	37. splitlines
18. isnumeric	28. partition	38. startswith
19. isprintable	29. replace	39. strip
20. isspace	30. rfind	40. swapcase
21. istitle	31. rindex	41. title
22. isupper	32. rjust	42. translate
23. join	33. rpartition	43. upper
24. ljust	34. rsplit	44. zfill
25. lower	35.rstrip	

# STRINGS: Methods 1 of 20

1. `capitalize`
2. `casefold`
3. `center`
4. `count`
5. `encode`
6. `endswith`
7. `expandtabs`
8. `find`
9. `format`
10. `format_map`
11. `index`
12. `isalnum`
13. `isalpha`
14. `isdecimal`
15. `isdigit`

```
>>> str="hello"
```

```
>>> str.capitalize() # 'Hello'
```

```
>>> str="hello PYTHON"
```

```
>>> str.casefold() # 'hello python'
```

```
>>> str.center(24) # width  
'    hello PYTHON    '
```

```
>>> str.center(24,'*') # fillchar  
'*****hello PYTHON*****'
```

# STRINGS: Methods 2 of 20

1. ~~capitalize~~
2. ~~casefold~~
3. ~~center~~
4. **count**
5. encode
6. **endswith**
7. expandtabs
8. find
9. format
10. format\_map
11. index
12. isalnum
13. isalpha
14. isdecimal
15. isdigit

```
>>> str="hello PYTHON"
```

```
>>> str.count('o') #substring : 1
```

```
>>> str.count('O',0,5)
```

```
# start, end : 0
```

```
>>> string = 'python!'
```

```
# string.endswith(suffix[, start[, end]])
```

```
>>> string.endswith('!') # True
```

```
>>> string.endswith('.') # False
```

# STRINGS: Methods 3 of 20

- 1. ~~capitalize~~
- 2. ~~casefold~~
- 3. ~~center~~
- 4. ~~count~~
- 5. **encode**
- 6. ~~endswith~~
- 7. ~~expandtabs~~
- 8. ~~find~~
- 9. ~~format~~
- 10. ~~format\_map~~
- 11. ~~index~~
- 12. ~~isalnum~~
- 13. ~~isalpha~~
- 14. ~~isdecimal~~
- 15. ~~isdigit~~

```
>>> string = 'python!'
```

```
# encode to default Utf-8 Encoding
```

```
>>> string.encode() b'pyth\xc3\xb6n!'
```

```
# ignore error
```

```
>>> string.encode("ascii", "ignore")
```

```
    b'pythn!'
```

```
# replace error
```

```
>>> string.encode("ascii", "replace")
```

```
    b'pyth?n!'
```

# STRINGS: Methods 4 of 20

- 1. ~~capitalize~~
- 2. ~~casefold~~
- 3. ~~center~~
- 4. ~~count~~
- 5. ~~encode~~
- 6. ~~endswith~~
- 7. **expandtabs**
- 8. **find**
- 9. format
- 10. format\_map
- 11. index
- 12. isalnum
- 13. isalpha
- 14. isdecimal
- 15. isdigit

```
>>> str="Hi i am in\t#INDIA"
```

```
>>> str.expandtabs() # tab size 8  
'Hi i am in    #INDIA'
```

```
>>> str.expandtabs(2) # tab size 2  
'Hi i am in  #INDIA'
```

```
>>> data=str.find('#')
```

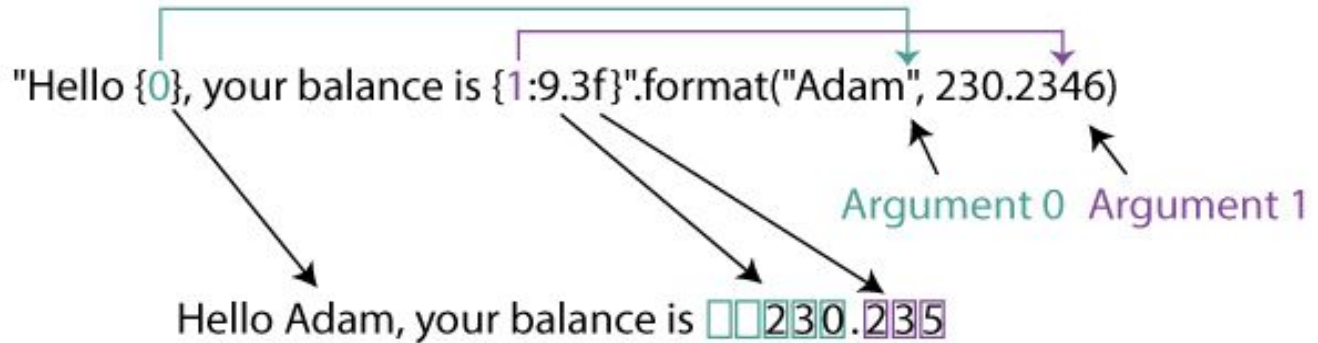
```
>>> data           # 11
```

```
>>> str[data+1:]   # INDIA
```



# STRINGS: Methods 5 of 20

1. ~~capitalize~~
2. ~~casefold~~
3. ~~center~~
4. ~~count~~
5. ~~encode~~
6. ~~endswith~~
7. ~~expandtabs~~
8. ~~find~~
9. **format**
10. format\_map
11. index
12. isalnum
13. isalpha
14. isdecimal
15. isdigit



```
>>> str="Hi {0}, Today is  
{1}".format("PYTHON","Good Day")
```

```
>>> str
```

```
'Hi PYTHON, Today is Good Day'
```

# STRINGS: Methods 6 of 20

- ~~1. capitalize~~
- ~~2. casefold~~
- ~~3. center~~
- ~~4. count~~
- ~~5. encode~~
- ~~6. endswith~~
- ~~7. expandtabs~~
- ~~8. find~~
- ~~9. format~~
- 10. **format\_map**
- 11. index
- 12. isalnum
- 13. isalpha
- 14. isdecimal
- 15. isdigit

```
>>> point = {'x':4,'y':-5}
```

```
>>> print('{x} {y}'.format(**point))
```

```
>>> print('{x} {y}'.format_map(point))
```

# Both gives same output 4 -5

# str.format(\*\*mapping) copies the dict

# str.format\_map(mapping) makes a new dictionary during method call.

# STRINGS: Methods 7 of 20

- ~~1. capitalize~~
- ~~2. casefold~~
- ~~3. center~~
- ~~4. count~~
- ~~5. encode~~
- ~~6. endswith~~
- ~~7. expandtabs~~
- ~~8. find~~
- ~~9. format~~
- ~~10. format\_map~~
- 11. index
- 12. isalnum
- 13. isalpha
- 14. isdecimal
- 15. isdigit

**# str.index(sub[, start[, end]] )**

```
>>> str = 'Hi i am in\t#INDIA'
```

```
>>> str.index('in')           # 8
```

```
>>> str.index('in',8)        # 8
```

```
>>> str.index('IN',8,-3)     # 12
```

```
>>> str.index('i',2,30)      # 3
```

```
>>> str[1:2].isalnum()      # True
```

```
>>> str[1:2].isalpha()#     True
```

```
>>> str.isalpha()           # False
```

# STRINGS: Methods 8 of 20

- ~~11. index~~
- ~~12. isalnum~~
- ~~13. isalpha~~
- 14. isdecimal
- 15. isdigit
- 16. isidentifier
- 17. islower
- 18. isnumeric
- 19. isprintable
- 20. isspace
- 21. istitle
- 22. isupper
- 23. join
- 24. ljust
- 25. lower

```
>>> str = 'Hi i am in\t#INDIA'
```

```
>>> str.isdecimal()      # False
```

```
>>> str.isdigit()       # False
```

# The superscript and subscripts are considered digit characters but not decimals.

```
>>> str[9:10].isidentifier() # True
```

```
>>> str[1:-5].islower()    # True
```

# STRINGS: Methods 9 of 20

~~11. index~~  
~~12. isalnum~~  
~~13. isalpha~~  
~~14. isdecimal~~  
~~15. isdigit~~  
~~16. isidentifier~~  
~~17. islower~~  
18. **isnumeric**  
19. isprintable  
20. isspace  
21. istitle  
22. isupper  
23. join  
24. ljust  
25. lower

```
str = '1242323'
print(str.isnumeric())      # True
#str = '²3455'
str = '\u00B23455'
print(str.isnumeric())      # True
# str = '½'
str = '\u00BD'
print(str.isnumeric())      # True
s='python12'
print(s.isnumeric())        # False
```

# STRINGS: Methods 10 of 20

19.	isprintable
20.	isspace
21.	istitle
22.	isupper
23.	join
24.	ljust
25.	lower
26.	lstrip
27.	maketrans
28.	partition
29.	replace
30.	rfind
31.	rindex
32.	rjust
33.	rpartition

```
>>> str = ''
>>> str.isprintable() # True
>>> str = '\n'
>>> str.isprintable() # False
>>> str = "
>>> str.isprintable()# True
>>> str = ' \t'
>>> str.isspace()      # True
>>> str = 'Monty @ Python'
>>> str.istitle()      # True
```

# STRINGS: Methods 11 of 20

- 19. ~~isprintable~~
- 20. ~~isspace~~
- 21. ~~istitle~~
- 22. isupper
- 23. join
- 24. ljust
- 25. lower
- 26. lstrip
- 27. maketrans
- 28. partition
- 29. replace
- 30. rfind
- 31. rindex
- 32. rjust
- 33. rpartition

```
>>> str = 'Monty @ Python'
>>> str.isupper()      # False
>>> lst=['1','2','3','4','5']
>>> ch='- '
>>> ch.join(lst)       # '1-2-3-4-5'
>>> str.ljust(20,'*')
'Monty @ Python*****'
>>> str.lower()
'monty @ python'
```

# STRINGS: Methods 12 of 20

26.	<code>lstrip</code>
27.	<code>maketrans</code>
28.	<code>partition</code>
29.	<code>replace</code>
30.	<code>rfind</code>
31.	<code>rindex</code>
32.	<code>rjust</code>
33.	<code>rpartition</code>
34.	<code>rsplit</code>
35.	<code>rstrip</code>
36.	<code>split</code>
37.	<code>splitlines</code>
38.	<code>startswith</code>
39.	<code>strip</code>
40.	<code>swapcase</code>

```
>>> str = 'Monty @ Python'
```

```
>>> str.lstrip()
```

```
'Monty @ Python '
```

```
>>> str.rstrip()
```

```
' Monty @ Python'
```

```
>>> str.strip()
```

```
'Monty @ Python'
```

```
>>> str.strip().strip('on')
```

```
'Monty @ Pyth'
```



# STRINGS: Methods 13 of 20

- 27. maketrans
- 28. partition
- 29. replace
- 30. rfind
- 31. rindex
- 32. rjust
- 33. rpartition
- 34. rsplit
- ~~35.rstrip~~
- 36. split
- 37. splitlines
- 38. startswith
- ~~39.strip~~
- 40. swapcase
- 41. title
- 42. translate
- 43. upper
- 44. zfill

```
>>> str = 'Monty @ Python'
```

```
>>> str.rjust(20,'*')
```

```
*****Monty @ Python'
```

```
>>> str.replace("@","Hello")
```

```
'Monty Hello Python'
```

```
>>> str.swapcase()
```

```
'mONTY @ pYTHON'
```

```
>>> str.upper()
```

```
'MONTY @ PYTHON'
```

# STRINGS: Methods 14 of 20

- 27. maketrans
- 28. partition
- ~~29. replace~~
- 30. rfind
- 31. rindex
- ~~32. rjust~~
- 33. rpartition
- 34. rsplit
- ~~35.rstrip~~
- 36. split
- 37. splitlines
- 38. startswith
- ~~39. strip~~
- ~~40. swapcase~~
- 41. title
- 42. translate
- ~~43. upper~~
- 44. zfill

# maketrans() creates a mapping of the character's Unicode ordinal to its corresponding translation.

```
>>> str1 = "aeiou"
```

```
>>> str2 = "12345" #must have  
same len
```

```
>>> str.maketrans(str1, str2)  
{97: 49, 101: 50, 105: 51, 111: 52,  
117: 53}
```

# STRINGS: Methods 15 of 20

- 27. maketrans
- 28. partition
- ~~29. replace~~
- 30. rfind
- 31. rindex
- ~~32. rjust~~
- 33. rpartition
- 34. rsplit
- ~~35.rstrip~~
- 36. split
- 37. splitlines
- 38. startswith
- ~~39. strip~~
- ~~40. swapcase~~
- 41. title
- 42. translate
- ~~43. upper~~
- 44. zfill

```
>>> strt = str.maketrans(str1, str2)
```

```
>>> str = "this is string  
example....wow!!!"
```

```
>>> print (str.translate(strt))  
th3s 3s str3ng 2x1mpl2....w4w!!!
```

```
>>> str3 = "ae"
```

```
>>> strt = str.maketrans(str1, str2,  
str3)
```

```
>>> print (str.translate(strt))  
th3s 3s str3ng xmpl....w4w!!!
```

# STRINGS: Methods 16 of 20

28. partition  
~~29. replace~~  
30. rfind  
31. rindex  
~~32. rjust~~  
33. rpartition  
34. rsplit  
~~35.rstrip~~  
36. split  
37. splitlines  
38. startswith  
~~39. strip~~  
~~40. swapease~~  
41. title  
~~42. translate~~

```
>>> str = 'Monty @ Python'
```

```
>>> str.partition("@") # creates tuple  
('Monty ', '@', ' Python')
```

```
>>> str.rpartition("on")  
# at last occurrence
```

```
('Monty @ Pyth', 'on', '')
```

```
>>> str.rfind('on')
```

```
# returns highest index 12
```

# STRINGS: Methods 17 of 20

- ~~28. partition~~
- ~~29. replace~~
- ~~30. rfind~~
- 31. **rindex**
- ~~32. rjust~~
- ~~33. rpartition~~
- 34. rsplit
- ~~35.rstrip~~
- 36. split
- 37. splitlines
- 38. startswith
- ~~39. strip~~
- ~~40. swapcase~~
- 41. **title**
- ~~42. translate~~

```
>>> str = 'Monty @ Python'
```

```
>>> str.rindex('n')
```

# returns highest index 13

# rfind() returns -1 if the substring is not found, whereas rindex() throws an exception.

```
>>> str='hello monty'
```

```
>>> str.title()    # 'Hello Monty'
```

# STRINGS: Methods 18 of 20

~~28. partition~~  
~~29. replace~~  
~~30. rfind~~  
~~31. rindex~~  
~~32. rjust~~  
~~33. rpartition~~  
34. **rsplit**  
~~35.rstrip~~  
36. **split**  
37. splitlines  
38. startswith  
~~39. strip~~  
~~40. swapcase~~  
~~41. title~~  
~~42. translate~~

```
>>> str = 'Monty @ Python'
```

```
>>> str.split("@")
```

```
# ['Monty ', ' Python']
```

```
>>> str.rsplit("@")
```

```
# Same output, but Fractional Slow
```

```
>>> str.split(" ",1)
```

```
# ['Monty', '@ Python']
```

```
>>> str.rsplit(" ",1)
```

```
# ['Monty @', 'Python']
```

# STRINGS: Methods 19 of 20

```
31. rindex  
32. rjust  
33. rpartition  
34. rsplit  
35. rstrip  
36. split  
37. splitlines  
38. startswith  
39. strip  
40. swapcase  
41. title  
42. translate  
43. upper  
44. zfill
```

```
>>> str='Monty\n@\rPython'
```

```
>>> str.splitlines()
```

```
['Monty', '@', 'Python']
```

```
>>> str.splitlines(True)
```

```
['Monty\n', '@\r', 'Python']
```

```
>>> str='Monty @ Python'
```

```
>>> str.splitlines()
```

```
['Monty @ Python']
```

```
>>> str.startswith('Mon') # True
```

# STRINGS: Methods 20 of 20

~~31. rindex~~  
~~32. rjust~~  
~~33. rpartition~~  
~~34. rsplit~~  
~~35.rstrip~~  
~~36. split~~  
~~37. splitlines~~  
38. startswith  
~~39. strip~~  
~~40. swapcase~~  
~~41. title~~  
~~42. translate~~  
~~43. upper~~  
44. zfill

```
>>> str='Monty\n@\rPython'
```

```
>>> str.startswith('Mon')    # True
```

```
>>> str.startswith('Tue') # False
```

```
>>> num="123"
```

```
>>> num.zfill(8)
```

```
'00000123'
```

```
>>> num.zfill(8)    # num= "+123"
```

```
'+0000123'
```



# The topic of next lecture is

- Lists
- Tuples
- Dictionaries

