

# PYTHON III

**Built-in Data Structures, Control Flow**

# TUPLES

- Create a tuple with parentheses
- They are immutable
- Get length with `len()`
- Often used when functions return multiple values

```
In [19]: t = (1, 2, 3)
```

```
In [20]: t = 1, 2, 3  
         print(t)
```

```
(1, 2, 3)
```

```
In [21]: len(t)
```

```
Out [21]: 3
```

```
In [22]: t[0]
```

```
Out [22]: 1
```

```
In [25]: x = 0.125  
         x.as_integer_ratio()
```

```
Out [25]: (1, 8)
```

```
In [26]: numerator, denominator = x.as_integer_ratio()  
         print(numerator / denominator)
```

```
0.125
```

# DICTIONARIES

- An unordered collection of key/value pairs
- Syntax for using them is on the right

```
In [27]: numbers = {'one':1, 'two':2, 'three':3}
```

```
In [28]: # Access a value via the key  
         numbers['two']
```

```
Out [28]: 2
```

```
In [29]: # Set a new key/value pair  
         numbers['ninety'] = 90  
         print(numbers)
```

```
{'three': 3, 'ninety': 90, 'two': 2, 'one': 1}
```

# SETS

- An unordered collection of unique items
- Some set operations are on the right

```
In [30]: primes = {2, 3, 5, 7}
         odds = {1, 3, 5, 7, 9}
```

```
In [31]: # union: items appearing in either
         primes | odds           # with an operator
         primes.union(odds)     # equivalently with a method
```

```
Out [31]: {1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 9}
```

```
In [32]: # intersection: items appearing in both
         primes & odds           # with an operator
         primes.intersection(odds) # equivalently with a method
```

```
Out [32]: {3, 5, 7}
```

```
In [33]: # difference: items in primes but not in odds
         primes - odds           # with an operator
         primes.difference(odds) # equivalently with a method
```

```
Out [33]: {2}
```

```
In [34]: # symmetric difference: items appearing in only one set
         primes ^ odds           # with an operator
         primes.symmetric_difference(odds) # equivalently with a method
```

```
Out [34]: {1, 2, 9}
```

# CONTROL FLOW: CONDITIONAL STATEMENTS

if, else, elif (a combination of else and if)

```
In [2]: for N in [2, 3, 5, 7]:  
        print(N, end=' ') # print all on same line
```

2 3 5 7

```
In [3]: for i in range(10):  
        print(i, end=' ')
```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

```
In [4]: # range from 5 to 10  
        list(range(5, 10))
```

Out [4]: [5, 6, 7, 8, 9]

```
In [5]: # range from 0 to 10 by 2  
        list(range(0, 10, 2))
```

Out [5]: [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]

# FOR LOOPS

Accomplish repetitive tasks

Loop over an iterator using the `in` keyword

`range(x, y, z)`  
produces a list with values numbering from `x` to `y-1` with a step of `z`

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```

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In [3]: for i in range(10):  
        print(i, end=' ')
```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

```
In [4]: # range from 5 to 10  
        list(range(5, 10))
```

Out [4]: [5, 6, 7, 8, 9]

```
In [5]: # range from 0 to 10 by 2  
        list(range(0, 10, 2))
```

Out [5]: [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]

# WHILE LOOPS

The loop repeats  
until the condition  
is false

```
In [6]: i = 0
        while i < 10:
            print(i, end=' ')
            i += 1
```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

# BREAK AND CONTINUE

- `break` breaks out of the loop
- `continue` skips the rest of the code in the block and goes to the next iteration of the loop

```
In [7]: for n in range(20):  
        # check if n is even  
        if n % 2 == 0:  
            continue  
        print(n, end=' ')
```

```
1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 19
```

```
In [8]: a, b = 0, 1  
        amax = 100  
        L = []  
  
        while True:  
            (a, b) = (b, a + b)  
            if a > amax:  
                break  
            L.append(a)  
  
        print(L)
```

```
[1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89]
```



# LOOPS WITH ELSE BLOCK

Code in the else block runs only if break is not triggered

```
In [9]: L = []
        nmax = 30

        for n in range(2, nmax):
            for factor in L:
                if n % factor == 0:
                    break
            else: # no break
                L.append(n)
        print(L)
```

```
[2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29]
```

# AN ALTERNATIVE TO SWITCH

- Python doesn't have a switch statement
- Use a dictionary instead: store what you want to switch on as keys, and the values you want returned as values
- You can also store lambda functions as values (more next week)

```
def numbers_to_strings(argument):  
    switcher = {  
        0: "zero",  
        1: "one",  
        2: "two",  
    }  
    return switcher.get(argument, "nothing")
```

```
function(argument){  
    switch(argument) {  
        case 0:  
            return "zero";  
        case 1:  
            return "one";  
        case 2:  
            return "two";  
        default:  
            return "nothing";  
    };  
};
```

A JavaScript  
equivalent