Queries:

1. What is @classmethod?
2. What is @staticmethod?
3. When to use @classmethod and @staticmethod?
4. Why are strings immutable in Python?
5. Is python interpreted or compiled language?
6. When to use a tuple and when to use a list?

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**Some basic concepts:**

**What is Python**:

* Interpreted:
* Object Oriented (but not completely)
* High level
* Dynamic Typing

**Why Python**:

* Rapid Application Development
* Simple
* Easy to learn
* Readable
* Reduces cost of program maintenance Vs Java:
* slower to execute compared to java why?
* Takes less time to develop
* Programs are 3-5 times shorter than equivalent java programs

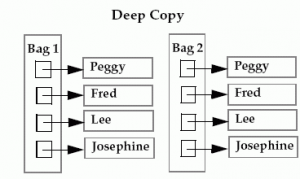
**Python shell**:

* use help() to get details about inbuilt things in python.
* Python scripts are written in text files with extension .py

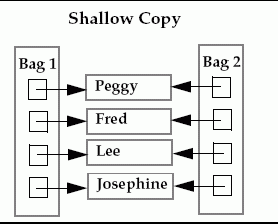
**Python errors**:

* Name error: When we are using some thing that does not exist. (‘Name <> is not defined)
* Type error : Giving a wrong argument to a function or we are trying to do something that is not supported.
* for example: len(5) will give- TypeError: object of type 'int' has no len()
* Syntax error :
* Value error : The value that we wanted is not available.
* keyerror: fetching value for dictionary using a key that does not exist.
* Attribute Error: ‘string’.contains(’t’)
* AttributeError: 'str' object has no attribute 'contains'

**Deep Copy vs Shallow Copy:**

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* In case of deep copy, a copy of object is copied in other object. It means that **any changes** made to a copy of object **do not reflect** in the original object.
* In python, this is implemented using “**deepcopy()**” function.

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* In case of shallow copy, a reference of object is copied in other object. It means that **any changes**made to a copy of object **do reflect** in the original object.
* In python, this is implemented using “**copy()**” function.

Example:

Import copy

a = [1, 2, [3, 4]]

Shallow = copy.copy(a)

Deep = copy.deepcopy(a)

a[2][0] = 4

a[0] = 0

a 🡪 [1, 2, [4, 4]]

b 🡪 [1, 2, [4, 4]]

c 🡪 [1, 2, [4, 4]]

The difference between shallow and deep copying is only relevant for compound objects (objects that contain other objects, like lists or class instances):

* A *shallow copy* constructs a new compound object and then (to the extent possible) inserts *references* into it to the objects found in the original.
* A *deep copy* constructs a new compound object and then, recursively, inserts *copies* into it of the objects found in the original.

BOOLEAN

* number 0 in any form where being empty string or object are false.
* so anything that is empty or 0 is false
* everything else is true.
* bool(None) is also False
* We don’t have === in python like we have in javascript

STRING

* sequence of characters.
* contains a-z, 0-9, @#$%$ etc.
* it should defined in double or single quotes.
* use escape sequence backslash ‘\’ to ignore something after it.
* We can use backslash to print the string in the new line in the code (not in the output though).

text = “some text \

in next line”

* Built in methods for string:
* len(string)
* string.lower()
* string.upper()
* str(something) : converts something in string form
* string.replace(replace, with , count)
* string[1:6] - to get the substring from a string.
* string[0basedStartRange:1basedEndRange:Steps] - steps refer to the skip in the getting the substring.
* print (“SantoshPILLAI”[0:8:2])
* output: Snoh
* string[StartIndex:] - Starts printing after start index till the end as no end index is provided.
* string[-1:] - minus indexing starts from the end.
* string[::] - prints the string as it is.
* string[::-1] prints the reverse of the string.
* String formating:
* There are 2 ways:
* print ("My name is " + text3) print ("My name is %s and previously it was %s" %(text3, text2))

here %s is like a place holder that will be replaced by values in %() in the same order.

* print(“My name is {} and previously it was {}”.format(text3, text2))
* Concatenation:
* We can add 2 strings using a + operator.
* If any of the operand is not a string then we have to convert it into a string using ‘str’ function else we get a type error.
* In python a string is any bit of characters between quotes
* Quotes:
  + “test” is valid string
  + ‘test’ is also a valid string.
  + We can use both single and double strings to represent a variable.
  + “He’s right” is valid string.
  + ‘He’s right’ will give error. So we can use the escape character to let python ignore a quote.
* Strings can also be used in triple quotes.
* “”” this is string”””
* ‘’’ this is string ‘’’
* The str() function to covert anything to a string.
* We can do multiply operation on strings for some formatting.
* “—“ \* 20
  + we can add dynamic values to string using format function
* print ( "this is {} {}" .format(4, 10))
  + Strings have to start and stop with the same quote symbol, either single (') or double (") or triple (''' or """) quotes.
* You also don't want to use that same quote symbol inside the string unless you escape with with backslash (\).
* Strings can be combined with the plus sign (+) which is known as concatenation.
* Strings can also be combined using string formatting which uses two braces ({}) as placeholders and the .format() method. You provide a bit of data to .format() for every placeholder in your string. For example:“My {} is {}".format("name", "Kenneth")
* This string has two placeholders so we have to give two new things to .format().
* You can also multiply strings by an integer. This will result in the string's content being repeated as many times as the value of the integer. "hi" \* 3 would create "hihihi".
* And, finally, you can create a string from another value by using the str() function.
* We can not something from a string directly as strings are immutable. So convert string to a list, delete the item and then convert back to a string
* IMPORTANT:
  + Strings are immutable.
  + s = ‘Santosh’ s[0] = ‘b’ will give error.
* Reason for string immutability:
  + One is performance: knowing that a string is immutable makes it easy to lay it out at construction time — fixed and unchanging storage requirements.
  + String can be used in Dict as keys.
  + Makes working with strings threadsafe.

Why is python slower than Java?

What is the init.py file?

* + Init.py file in a directory tells the python interpreter to use this directory as a python package directory.
  + This helps us in importing or using modules across different python directories.
  + For example:
* package**/**
* \_\_init\_\_.py
* file.py
* file2.py
* file3.py
* subpackage**/**
* \_\_init\_\_.py
* submodule1.py
* submodule2.py

because of using init.py files, file.py can use submodule1.py, present in a different packages,

What goes inside \_\_init\_\_.py

\_\_init\_\_.py can be an empty file but it is often used to perform setup needed for the package(import things, load things into path, etc).

Advanced Data type:

Python Collections:

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**List:**similar to arrays

* **data type to store more than one value in one variable**
* **Element are stored in a order called index of the elements**
* elements are added inside square brackets
* car[“maruti” , “Honda”, “BMW”]
* changing values in a list
* car[0] = “Tata”
* List buildin methods:
* len(cars) : gets the length of the list
* cars.append(“benz”) : add item at the end.
* cars.insert(index, “suzuki”): add item at a certain position. We need to know the index in advance.
* cars.index(“Honda”) : get index position of an item.
* cars.pop() : removes the last element of the list and gives it back to us. It either takes no argument (then remove the last element) or we can provide a specific index to it.
* del cars[index] - removes the item based on the index
* cars.remove(“Tata”) : removes the given item from the list.
* cars[0basedStartIndex:1basedendIndex] : to slice the list.
* Slicing can be used with both list and strings
* cars.sort() : sorts the list in some specific order based on the type of data in the list. All types should be same for using this method.
* Extending our list:
* We can combine out list just like combining two Strings
* our\_list = [1, 2, 3, 4,]
* our\_list = our\_list + [5, 6, 7]
  + [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]
* our\_list = our\_list.append([8, 9, 10])
  + [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, [8, 9, 10]]
* extends method:
* using + sign to add lists is not that clean. So ‘extend’ method is a better approach. Its faster for bigger lists. Extend method extends the list by appending elements from the iterable.
* our\_list = [1, 2, 3]
* our\_list = our\_list.extend(range (4, 10000))
* Inserting items:
* We can use insert method to insert an item into a list at a specific location.
* our\_list = [1, 2, 3]
* our\_list.insert(0, 0) # insert(index, value)
* [0, 1, 2, 3]
* SLICING:
* [start:stop:step]
* Copy list into another:
* myList2 = [5, 4, 3, 2, 1] myList3 = myList[:] #creates a copy of the myList myList3.sort() print (myList2); print (myList3)
* Slicing limited part of the data:
* Deleting or Replacing slices:
* myList = [1, 2, 3, ‘a’, ‘b’, ‘c’, 7]
* myList[3:6] = [4, 5, 6]
* When replacing a slice with another iterable, they need NOT be the same size.
* >>>myList = [1, 2, 3, "a", "b" , "c", 7]
* >>>myList[3:6] = [4, 5, 6]
* >>>myList
* [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]
* >>>myList[3:6] = [9, 10]
* >>>myList
* [1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 7]

**Dictionary:** In python dictionaries are hashtable implemetation.

* data type to store more than one value in a variable.
* elements are added inside curly braces.
* elements are added in key value pairs {key:value}
* there is no indexed. elements are not ordered and can’t be accessed via index (like in list).
* Elements can be accessed based on mapping using the keys.

Example.

myDict1={"Name":"Santosh" , "Age" : "26"}

* Nesting dictionary:

employee= {‘emp1’:{‘name’: ‘Santosh’, ‘age’:26} ,‘emp2’ :{‘name’ : ‘Test’ , ‘age’ : 80}}

print (employee)

print (employee['emp1']) print (employee['emp1']['name'])

* Dictionary builtin Methods:

1. myDict1.keys() - gets all the keys inside the the dictionary as a list
2. del myDict(“key\_Name”) - deletes a key value pair from the dictionary
3. myDict[“key”] = “value” - adding/updating a single key in dictionary.
4. myDict.update( {key1: value1 , key2: value 2} ) - adds/updating multiple key value pairs
5. myDict1.values() - gets all the values inside the dictionary as a list
6. myDict1.items() - gets all the items inside the dictionary as tuple.
7. myDict1.clear() - clears the dictionary for all its elements.
8. myDict1.pop(“Age”) - pops up the key value pair from the dictionary based on the key provided as argument.

* Unpacking a dictionary:

we can unpack a dictionary that is get data out of using \*\* symbol

for example

myDict2 = { 'name' : 'Santosh' , 'age' : 26 , 'profession' : 'Engineer'}  print (" My name is {name}. I am {age} years old and I am an {profession} by profession ".format(\*\*myDict2))

* Looping through a dictionary

Unlike strings and lists, dictionary does not have a set order

We can loop over both values and keys present inside a dictionary

my\_dict = { ‘key1’: ‘value1, …..}

for keys in my\_dic.keys()t:

print(keys) —prints the keys

print(my\_dict[keys]) — prints the values based on the keys

for value in my\_dict.values():

print value — prints the values.

for key, value in my\_dict.items():

* We can’t slice a dictionary as values are not ordered.

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**Tuple: similar to List but they can’t be changed.**

* similar to lists but are immutable
* values can’t be changed.
* values are entered in round brackets.
* Memory efficient.
* my\_tuple = (1, 2, 3)
* its not the parenthesis that make a tuple, a tuple.its the commas
* my\_tuple = 1, 2, 3 is also a tuple.
* parenthesis make it easier to recognise tuples in the code.

**Tuple builtin methods:**

my\_tuple.index(1) : to get the index.

my\_tuple[1:

Converting list to tuple using tuple method:

my\_tuple = tuple([1,2, 3])

**Uses of tuplet**

* tuples have fixed size and memory so it reduces the memory usage.
* We can do simultaneous assignment using tuples,

a, b = 1, 2

This is also related to how packing and unpacking works.

Common use case is swapping variables:

a, b = b , a

* we can using tuple as return values of function to return multiple values at the same time.
* We can unpack a tuple using \* symbol
* Tuples are immutable, that is we can not change the value inside it. But we can still add a mutable object inside a tuple and then change that.

mytup = (1, ‘string’ , [1, 2, 3])

mytup[2][1]= 4

mytup =

(1, ’string’ [1, 4, 3])

We can update a mutable value inside a string but not delete it completely.

**Enumerate:**

* This methods takes an iterable and gives us each value in it and its index position.

 for index, value in enumerate(range(1, 100)): print("{} {}".format(index+1, value))

**Sets:Collection of unique elements.**

* Created using curly braces.- {1, 2, 3} is a Set.
* A blank set is treated as a dictionary. So in that case we need to use a set method.
* Adding to Set. (add)
* Sets are mutable like list so we can add to it using:

a= {1, 2, 3}

a.add(4)

* Updating set: (update)

We can update the Set with more values using update method:

a.update({5, 6} , {7, 8})

{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 }

* Deleting from Set: (remove , discard, pop)

We can delete using remove() method. It takes the item that we want to remove.

a.remove(8)

if the item we want to remove does not exist, then we will get a key error.

discard method also removes the value, but it does not give any key error if the value is not present.

pop method removes the last element and returns it.

* **We can also perform following math operations on Sets**

**Union: Returns all the elements in both the sets (discarding the duplication).**

set1 = {1, 2, 3}

set2 = {3, 4, 5}

set1.union(set2)

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set1 | set2

{1, 2, 3, 4, 5}

**- Union is similar to update but it does not change the original set.**

**- Difference: to find elements in one set that is not present in the other set.**

set1.difference(set2) —> {1, 2, 3}

set2.difference(set1) —> {3, 4, 5}

The difference operation is - symbol

set1 - set2 —> {1, 2}

set2- set1 —> {4, 5}

**Symmetric difference : to get combination of elements that are present in both the sets and discarding the common elements.**

set1.symmetric\_difference(set2) —> {1, 2, 4, 5}

set2 ^ set1 —> {1, 2, 4, 5}

Intersection: Get the element present in both the sets.

Set1.intersection(set2) —> {3}

set2 & set1 —> {3}

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**Comparators:**

* == : refers to equality and is know as equality operator.
* != : not equal to
* < : less than
  + : greater than
* <= : less than equal to
* >= : greater than equal to.

**Boolean comparators**

* and : returns true if both are true. If the first is false, then it returns false without executing the second operator.
* or : return true of any of the expression is true. if first is true then it does not evaluate the second expression.
* Not: Returns the opposite the result returned by the expression.
* The order of precedence is Not or and.

**Conditional Statement:**

* if ,elif and else
* in Keyword

Checks for containment. That is whether a certain value is another value.

2 in test[1, 2, 3]

It returns a boolean.

This is mostly used with if statement and in for loop

It can also be used as :

if something not in something else

if not something in something else

**Taking user input:**

We can take inputs from the user using the input method.

age = int(input(“whats your age? “)

**Looping statements:**

while

for

- for something in SomethingElse

here something is variable created on the fly which takes the values inside ‘SomethingElse

break: to break out of the loop

continue: to break of the current iteration.

While- else

**Iterating over multiple list:**

This can be done using built in method ‘zip’ . It works in pair. so it will stop after completing the shorter list.

l1=[1, 2, 3]

l2 = [4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]

for a , b in zip(l1, l2):

print (a)

print (b)

out: 1 2 3 4 5 6

It loops three time only as that is the limit of the first loop.

**Rang function**:

Built in function

creates a sequence of number.

this is not saved in memory so there is not load on our computer.So this can be used to create a list of millions of number without affecting the computer memory

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Methods:

A function used inside a class is a method.

building blocks in any programming language

a reusable piece of code that does some task.

syntax : def methodname(arguments) :

def stands for define.

syntax should end with a colon.

Naming convention: use all small case separated by underscore or use camel casing

Always write the doc code about what the method does.

doc code is written as the first thing inside the method. just type “ “ “ and then hit enter and it will be done automatically in pycharm .

Positional parameters:

These are optional parameters and are used to assign default values when no values are passed in the method call.

def sum (n1=2, n2=3)

we can simple call the method without any arguments as we are using optional parameters in the method call.

sum()

We can also change the positions using positional parameters using positional parameters.

sum (n2=3 , n1=2)

We can also change the number of arguments passed like.

sum (n2=3)

Some built in functions:

max() - reruns the maximum from the given argument

min() - returns the minimum form the given arguments

abs() - returns the absolute value of the given value

type() - returns the type of the given value, whether its a string or list or something else.

We can pass multiple arguments to a method using following syntax:

def someMethod(\*args):

someMethod(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)

Variable Scope:

A variable declared inside a method can’t be used outside the method.

If two variables have same name and one has global and other has local scope, then changing the locally scoped variable won’t change the global one.

use keyword ‘global’ in side the method, to ensure that you are using the global variable and in this cases, the changes made the variable in sided the method will affect the global variable as well.

Range Function:

When:

Used when want to perform an action X number of times, where you may or may not care about the index.

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ADVANCED CONCEPTS:

* + \_\_name\_\_ is a special variable that refers to the current namespace.
  + To prevent code from being executed when you import a module, put it into a function or class, or inside following if condition:

if \_\_\_name\_\_== “\_\_main\_\_”

Object Oriented Programming in Python:

* + Classes and Objects

Class are are like a block of statements that hold other things like properties and methods.

class Animal:

name = “Dog”

color = “Black

* + We can create an object or any instance of the class simply by

my\_obj = Animal()

* + To make the classes useful we write functions inside the classes, and the functions inside a class are called as methods.

class Animal :

name = “Dog”

sound = “bark”

def sound (self){

return self.sound.uppercase()

animal = Animal()

animal.sound()

>>> BARK

Every method in class, at very least, takes one argument called as ‘Self’, this is mendatory

‘Self’ represents the instance on which we are calling this method on. We don’t have to pass it when calling the function, but it should be mentioned in the method definition.

Variables defined inside a class but outside any method are class variables. All the objects have access to same copy of this method.

Variables defined inside a class method are called as instance methods.

Dunderinit( \_\_init\_\_ )

Lots of times we want our object to have certain values for their attributes when we start. This is done by \_\_init\_\_

\_\_init\_\_ is called when we create an object of our class.

This is special python methods.

this is similar to constructors in Java.

it is used the do some initialisation when class object is created ( object name = ClassName():)

\*\*kwargs: helps us to unpack the parameters send to us as a dictionary and then get the value using the key name

to get value: kwargs[key\_name]

Dunderstr( \_\_str\_\_):

This is a method that gets called when over something is converted in to a string.

Inheritance:

Means to have a parent class with subclasses, where subclass can use attributes (properties and methods of the parent class)

Syntax:

class Child (Parent):

Overloading and Overriding in python:

* + Overloading: not supported in the python.

But we can perform overloading using variable arguments as the method parameter.

Overriding:supported in python.

overridden method

Built in modules

These are just the external python files that we can include in our project in order to use their methods.

syntax

import math - this imports the complete math module into our program.

from math import sort - This imports the square root method from the math module.

Exception Handling:

There can be cases when there is an error in our program the stops the execution. Sometimes we want to accept these errors and don’t stop the execution. This is called handling the exception.

In python, we use ‘try except’ block for handling exception.

try :

some code that may raise exception

except typeofexception1:

some code to handle the exception raised

finally:

block of code that’s always executed. Used to do

some clean up actions.

Finally if mentioned, gets always executed..

a try block can have multiple except: blocks to handle different types of exception.

using only ‘except:’ will handle all the exceptions:

writing except typeofexception: will handle any specific exception.

We can also have ‘else’ with the try catch. It gets executed when there is no exception. Syntax:

try:

except:

else:

Raise keyword

The raise statement allows the programmer to force a specified exception to occur.

>>> raise NameError('HiThere')

Traceback (most recent call last):

File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>

NameError: HiThere

File I/O

Writing to a file

To read/write data to a file we need to open the file first:

my\_file = open("text1.txt" , “mode”)

We can have following ‘Modes’ to manipulate a file:

w - Write only mode

r - read only mode

r+ - read and write mode

a - append mode,

To write to a file:

my\_file.write(“Some data”)

once we are done with the file, its important to close

my\_file.close()

This close() method invokes the file objects exit() method to close it.

Reading a file:

myfile = open("text1.txt" , 'r') print(str(myfile.read())) my\_file.close()

Use readline() method to read the file line by line.

It reads only one line at a time.

myfile = open("text1.txt" , 'r') print(str(myfile.readline())) my\_file.close()

Important :Its really important that we close the file. For example, if file is not closed after last manipulation, and then we try to open it again to read, then it won’t read.

With/As keywords

using with-as keyword we can read and write into a file without having to close it manually.

Example

data = "some raw data to be displayed"  with open("text1.txt" , 'w') as with\_as\_write: with\_as\_write.write(data)  with open("text1.txt" , 'r') as with\_as\_read:  print (str(with\_as\_read.read()))

Regular Expressions:

Used to match patters with text

‘import re ‘ library for doing regex in python

re.match(r’\w’, data) - matches with the first word of the content.

re.search(r’\w’ , data) - searches in the first line.

.findall(pattern, text, flags) - Finds all non-overlapping occurrences of the pattern in the text.

• re.IGNORECASE or re.I - flag to make a search case-insensitive. re.match('A', 'apple', re.I) would find the 'a' in 'apple'.

• re.VERBOSE or re.X - flag that allows regular expressions to span multiple lines and contain (ignored) whitespace and comments. We can still use a explicit space in the set

escape characters:

• \w - matches an Unicode word character. That's any letter, uppercase or lowercase, numbers, and the underscore character. In "new-releases-204", \w would match each of the letters in "new" and "releases" and the numbers 2, 0, and 4. It wouldn't match the hyphens.

• \W - is the opposite to \w and matches anything that isn't an Unicode word character. In "new-releases-204", \W would only match the hyphens.

• \s - matches whitespace, so spaces, tabs, newlines, etc.

• \S - matches everything that isn't whitespace.

• \d - is how we match any number from 0 to 9

• \D - matches anything that isn't a number.

• \b - matches word boundaries. What's a word boundary? It's the edges of word, defined by white space or the edges of the string.

• \B - matches anything that isn't the edges of a word.

Two other escape characters that we didn't cover in the video are \A and \Z. These match the beginning and the end of the string, respectively. As we'll learn later, though, ^ and $ are more commonly used and usually what you actually want.

Counts: To make more effective and readable patterns

\w{3} - matches any three word characters in a row.

\w{,3} - matches 0, 1, 2, or 3 word characters in a row.

\w{3,} - matches 3 or more word characters in a row. There's no upper limit.

\w{3, 5} - matches 3, 4, or 5 word characters in a row.

\w? - matches 0 or 1 word characters.

\w\* - matches 0 or more word characters. Since there is no upper limit, this is, effectively, infinite word characters.

\w+ - matches 1 or more word characters. Like \*, it has no upper limit, but it has to occur at least once.

Sets: Matching exact characters and etc:

• [abc] - this is a set of the characters 'a', 'b', and 'c'. It'll match any of those characters, in any order, but only once each.

• [a-z], [A-Z], or [a-zA-Z] - ranges that'll match any/all letters in the English alphabet in lowercase, uppercase, or both upper and lowercases.

• [0-9] - range that'll match any number from 0 to 9. You can change the ends to restrict the set.

re.INGNORECASE or re.I tag is added as the third argument in the method to ignore the cases.

Negation: leaving a particular pattern that we don’t want.

[^abc] - a set that will not match, and, in fact, exclude, the letters 'a', 'b', and 'c'.

Groups: are defined using parenthesis ()

• ([abc]) - creates a group that contains a set for the letters 'a', 'b', and 'c'. This could be later accessed from the Match object as .group(1)

• (?P<name>[abc]) - creates a named group that contains a set for the letters 'a', 'b', and 'c'. This could later be accessed from the Match object as .group('name').

• .groups() - method to show all of the groups on a Match object.

• re.MULTILINE or re.M - flag to make a pattern regard lines in your text as the beginning or end of a string.

• ^ - specifies, in a pattern, the beginning of the string.

• $ - specifies, in a pattern, the end of the string.

Advanced Regex:

• re.compile(pattern, flags) - method to pre-compile and save a regular expression pattern, and any associated flags, for later use.

• .groupdict() - method to generate a dictionary from a Match object's groups. The keys will be the group names. The values will be the results of the patterns in the group.

• re.finditer() - method to generate an iterable from the non-overlapping matches of a regular expression. Very handy for for loops.

• .group() - method to access the content of a group. 0 or none is the entire match. 1 through how ever many groups you have will get that group. Or use a group's name to get it if you're using named groups.

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Python Testing

In development we use an approach called TDD, Test Driven Development.

Here we create our tests before we write our code.

1. Doc Test:

Something that is unique to Python.

We write a doc string just when a function starts to say what the function does.

The tests are written similar to how we right code in a python shell, using three chevron symbol.

— Running doctest:

python -m dockets test.py

-m tells python to load the doc test module. doc test module runs the doc tests written in the test.py.

If nothing comes back on running the file, then its good. noting was failed.

Disadvantage:

can’t be reused as they are bound to the code they are written on.

all ofthere comparison is done through string comparison, so it can be tricky to compare floats etc.

2. UnitTest:Testing one particular aspect (method, function, etc) is called unit Testing.

Its a package in Python to create unit tests for our tests.

Unit tests help us to write a new python file for running our tests.

This has an advantage that we can execute it a normal python file unlike DocTest.

The methods in the unitest library should start with ‘test’ else they won’t run.

We normally import the ‘unittest’ module and create a class that extends ‘unittest.TestCase’ class

Sample Code:

import unittest

class SomeTest(unittest.TestCase):

def setUp(self):

# adding some initial set up.

def test\_five\_plus\_five(self): # The name of the method should start with test.

assert 5+5 = 10

def test\_one\_plus\_one(self):

assert not 1+1 =3

if \_\_name\_\_ == ‘\_\_main\_\_’:

unittest.main()

We can run this code by:

python -m unittest file\_name.py

python file\_name.py

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All testing libraries work on the concept of assertions.

An assertion tests a condition in our code that must be met.

Quantitive Assertions:

assertEqual(a, b) - passes if a and b are equal.

assertNotEqual(a, b) - passes if a and b are not equal.

assertGreater(a, b) - passes if a is greater than b

assertGreaterEqual(a,b)

assertLessEqual(a, b)

assertLess(a, b) - passes if a is less than b

assertIn()

assertNotIn()

assertIsInstance(thisThing, isAnInstnaceofThisClass)

Testing that our exceptions get raised:

assertRaises Assertion is used in this case.

How to use assertRaises:

its used a bit differently when compared to other assertions:

with self.assertRaises(ValueError): # the type of exception that we need to confirm will be raised.

someMethod()

This test will pass only if the exception that we want is raised!.

Similar to ‘assertRaises’ we have ‘assertWarns’ and ‘assertLogs’ assertions. We can use these to check if warning or Log entries are created by our code.

Using Coverage:

This is library in Python that is used to tell if we have covered every aspect of our code in a test.

Install it using : pip install coverage

‘coverage run file\_name.py’ will simply run a tests

‘coverage report’ will give an overall report of % of areas that we have covered.

‘coverage report -m’ gives us the line of codes that we missed to include in our test.

‘coverage html’ will give a simple html version of our coverage.

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Rules for Writing Python.

PEP 8 :

Python Enhancement Proposal

PEP 8 is Python's style guide. It's a set of rules for how to format your Python code to maximize its readability. Writing code to a specification helps to make large code bases, with lots of writers, more uniform and predictable, too.

Two blank lines between global function

We can run our file with ‘flake8’ to see if there are any errors related to PEP 8 convention.

DocString

A string at the beginning of the class or function that gives into about that method or class.

These very doc string are what is displayed in the help method of the shell..

import docstrings

help(docstrings.somemethod)

>> This will give us the help text.

Logging:

import logging

logging.basicConfig(filename='cc.log', level=logging.DEBUG)

logging.debug("DEBUGGED!")

The python Debugger!:

import pub

pdb.set\_trace() sets up the stoppage at a line.

We can print ’n’ or ‘next’ for next line of code

We can print ‘c’ or ‘continue’ to continue the execution

Remove the pdb line after debugging. So the most basic use of the this is inside the code as “

import pdb; pub.set\_trace() (the only place where we have semicolons in python)

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Database

Important terms:

• model - A code object that represents a database table

• SqliteDatabase - The class from Peewee that lets us connect to an SQLite database

• Model - The Peewee class that we extend to make a model

• CharField - A Peewee field that holds onto characters. It's a varchar in SQL terms

• max\_length - The maximum number of characters in a CharField

• IntegerField - A Peewee field that holds an integer

• default - A default value for the field if one isn't provided

• unique - Whether the value in the field can be repeated in the table

• .connect() - A database method that connects to the database

• .create\_tables() - A database method to create the tables for the specified models.

• safe - Whether or not to throw errors if the table(s) you're attempting to create already exist

from peewee import \*

• TextField() - a field that holds a blob of text of any size

• DateTimeField() - a field for holding a date and a time

useful Methods:

.create() - creates a new instance all at once

.select() - finds records in a table

.save() - updates an existing row in the database

.get() - finds a single record in a table

.delete\_instance() - deletes a single record from the table

.order\_by() - specify how to sort the records

if \_\_name\_\_ == '\_\_main\_\_' - a common pattern for making code only run with the script is run and not when it's imported

db.close() - not a method we used, but often a good idea. Explicitly closes the connection to the database.

.update() - also something we didn't use. Offers a way to update a record without .get() and .save(). Example: Student.update(points=student['points']).where(Student.username == student['username']).execute()

db = SqliteDatabase("challenges.db")

class Challenge(Model):

name = CharField(max\_length=100)

language = CharField(max\_length=100)

class Meta:

database = db