

# Python Automation Training Session

## Dec 2022

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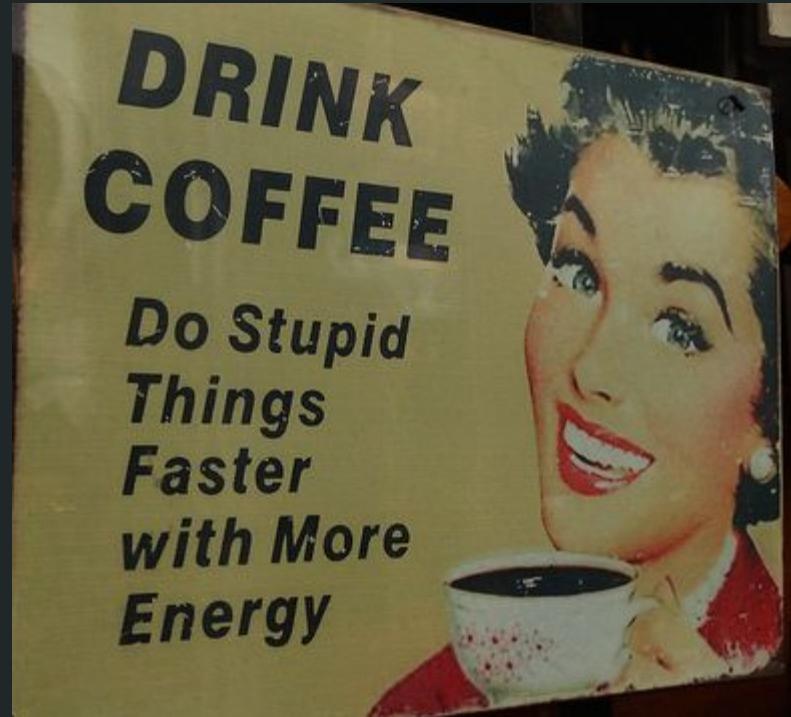
# General:

Virtual-Training Day

Dec 12th, Day2 (Mon) / 9AM - 4:30PM  
Central

Focused/Minimize Distractions

*The exercises are important.*



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# Day2 Training Schedule

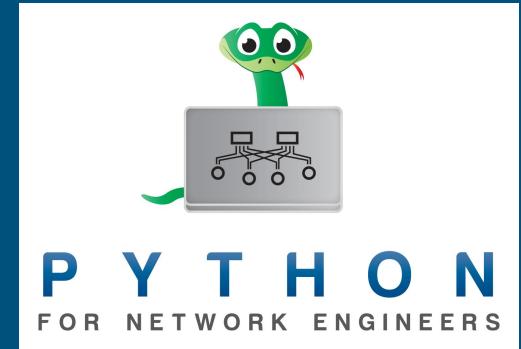
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Python Review

Python Fundamentals:

- \* Lists
- \* Booleans
- \* Conditionals
- \* Files
- \* Loops
- \* Dictionaries
- \* Exceptions

VS Code Debugging



# Environment Check

VS Code → Open

Recent

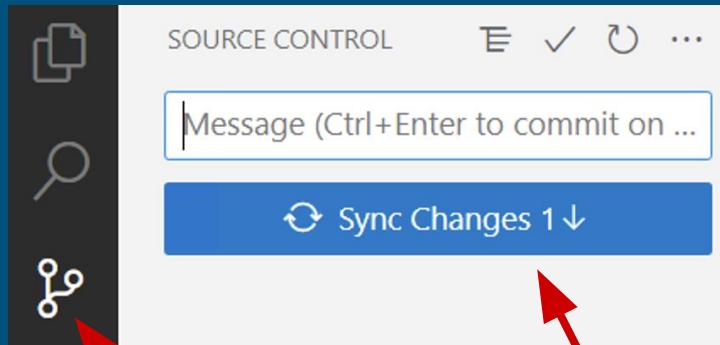
pynet-ons-dec22 ~/CODE

Terminal → New Terminal

```
PS C:\Users\Administrator\CODE\pynet-ons-dec22> & c:/Users/Administrator/CODE/pynet-ons-dec22/.venv/Scripts/Activate.ps1  
(.venv) PS C:\Users\Administrator\CODE\pynet-ons-dec22>
```

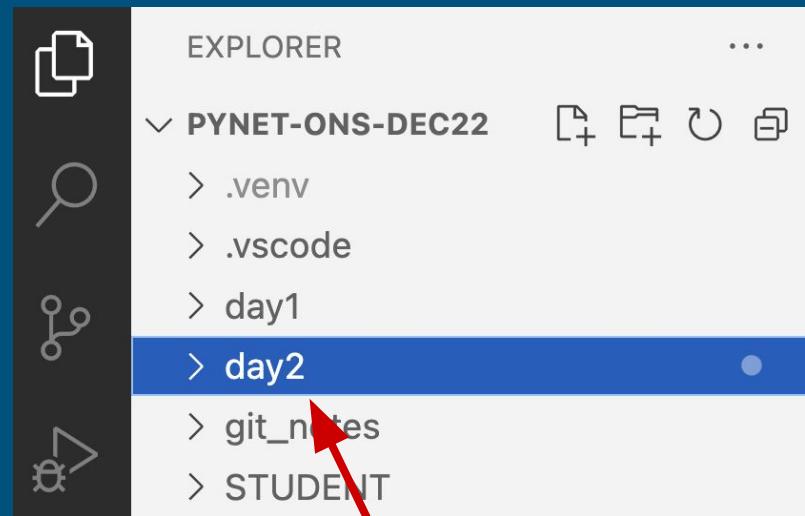
Virtual Environment Active

# Environment Check



Select Git

Sync Changes



Should have a day2 folder.

# Python Review

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input/print

Assignment

Numbers

f-Strings

Variable Names

Lists

Strings

String  
Methods

# List Exercise1

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Exercises:  
./day1/py\_lists/lists\_ex1.txt

- a. Create a list with five strings
- b. Use append to add two strings to the list
- c. Use pop to remove the first element
- d. Find the length of the list
- e. Sort the list
- f. Access index-0 (my\_list[0]) and assign it a new value.

## List Exercise2

Exercises:  
./day1/py\_lists/lists\_ex2.txt

- Create two lists named list1 and list2 containing various strings, integers, and floats.
- Create a list3 by concatenating list1 and list2 together.
- Use rich.print to print out this list3.
- Instead of using list concatenation now directly modify list1 by using list1.extend(list2)
- Pop off the very first element of list3 and save it to a variable named first\_element. Print out this variable. Also verify list3 has changed (i.e. no longer has the first element).

Join - Not a list method, but uses lists.

Back to Lists.

.split() takes a string and from that creates a list based on a separator character(s)

```
In [62]: ip_addr = "192.168.10.1"
```

```
In [63]: ip_addr.split(".")
Out[63]: ['192', '168', '10', '1']
```

join() takes a separator string and feeds in a list. Puts separator between each list entry.



```
In [65]: fields
Out[65]: ['192', '168', '10', '1']
```

```
In [66]: ".".join(fields)
Out[66]: '192.168.10.1'
```



# List Slices - Enough with the lists already.

List slices is a way to create new lists from parts of an existing list.

```
In [67]: my_list  
Out[67]: [1, 'hello', [22], None, 2.7, 'new string', 'zzz']
```

```
In [68]: my_list[1:3] ← List slice.  
Out[68]: ['hello', [22]]
```

First index is included.

Second index is excluded.

# List Slices - Dynamically create new lists.

No first index = start at the beginning of the list.



```
In [69]: my_list[:3]  
Out[69]: [1, 'hello', [22]]
```

Another way to copy a list.



```
In [72]: my_list[:]  
Out[72]: [1, 'hello', [22], None, 2.7, 'new string', 'zzz']
```

```
In [71]: my_list[4:]  
Out[71]: [2.7, 'new string', 'zzz']
```



No last index = go to the end of the list.

# List Slices - Can use negative indices.

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Remember second number of list slice is excluded (so here the last entry in list is dropped from the new list).



```
In [81]: my_list[4:-1]
Out[81]: [2.7, 'new string']
```



# String Slices - You Can Slice Strings Also

Same slicing rules apply: first index included, second index excluded.



```
In [1]: ip_addr = "192.168.223.77"
```

```
In [2]: ip_addr[:3]
Out[2]: '192'
```

```
In [4]: ip_addr[:-3]
Out[4]: '192.168.223'
```

# Tuple - An Immutable List



Parenthesis, not brackets



```
In [82]: my_tuple = (1, "hello", 22, None, 2.7)
```

```
In [83]: type(my_tuple)  
Out[83]: tuple
```

```
In [92]: my_tuple[2]  
Out[92]: 22
```



Still access using indices using [] notation.

# Tuple - An Immutable List



Cannot assign new values.



```
In [102]: my_tuple[2] = 44
-----
TypeError                                     Traceback (most
Cell In[102], line 1
----> 1 my_tuple[2] = 44

TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment
```

Cannot append(), extend(),  
pop()



```
In [103]: my_tuple.append(88)
-----
AttributeError                               Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[103], line 1
----> 1 my_tuple.append(88)

AttributeError: 'tuple' object has no attribute 'append'
```

# List Exercise3

---

Exercises:  
./day2/py\_lists/lists\_ex3.txt

1. In your Python program, create the following string.

```
sentence = "This is a sentence consisting of eight words."
```

2. Use the `split()` method to create a new variable containing a list of the words in the sentence.

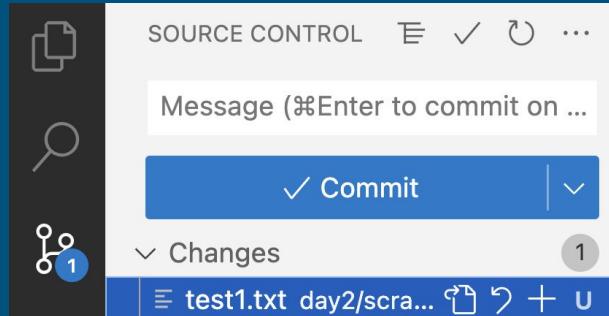
3. Change the first element of your newly created list to be all lower case.

4. Change the last element of your newly created list to be just "words" i.e. no period at the end.

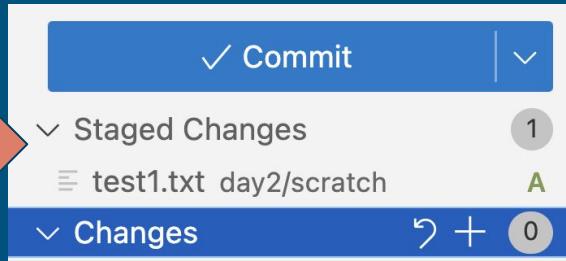
5. Check whether the word "eight" exists in the list.

# Review Git in VS Code - Adding File

Git Adding a File

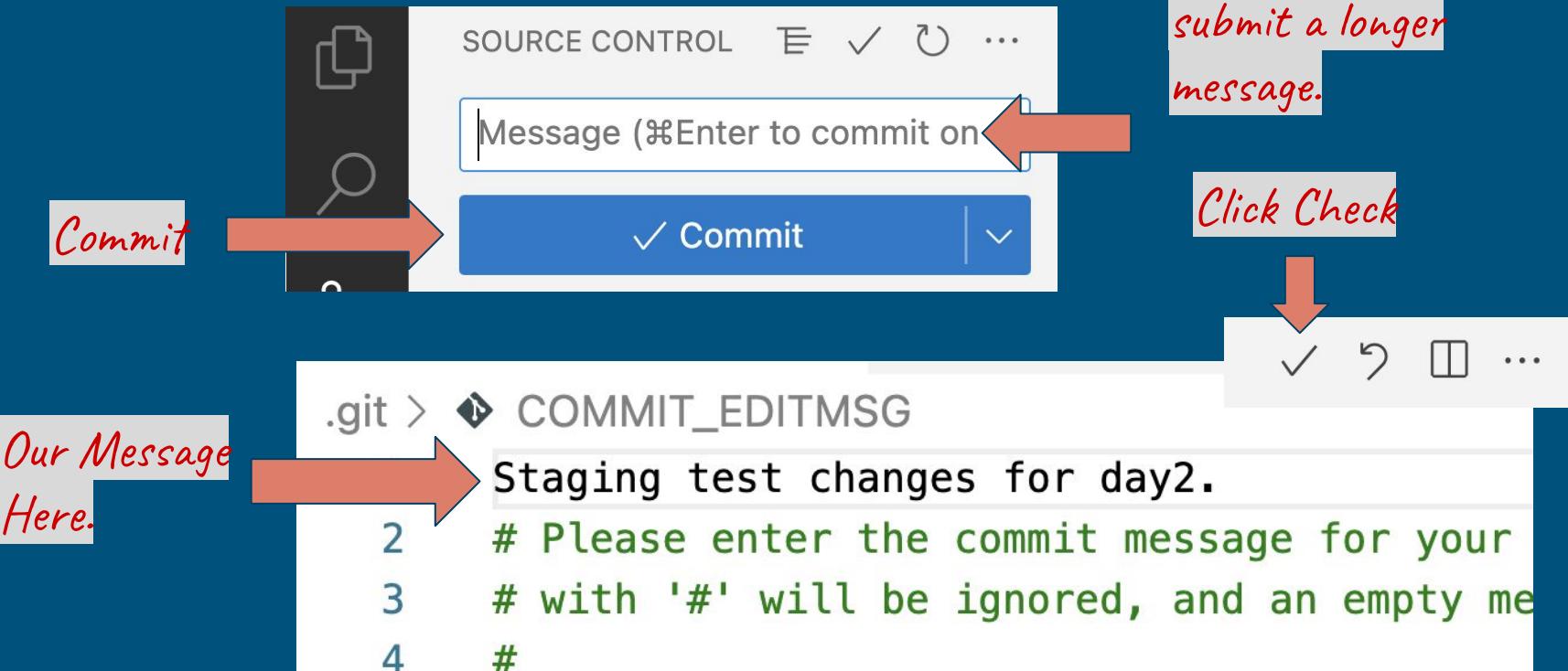


Staged Changes

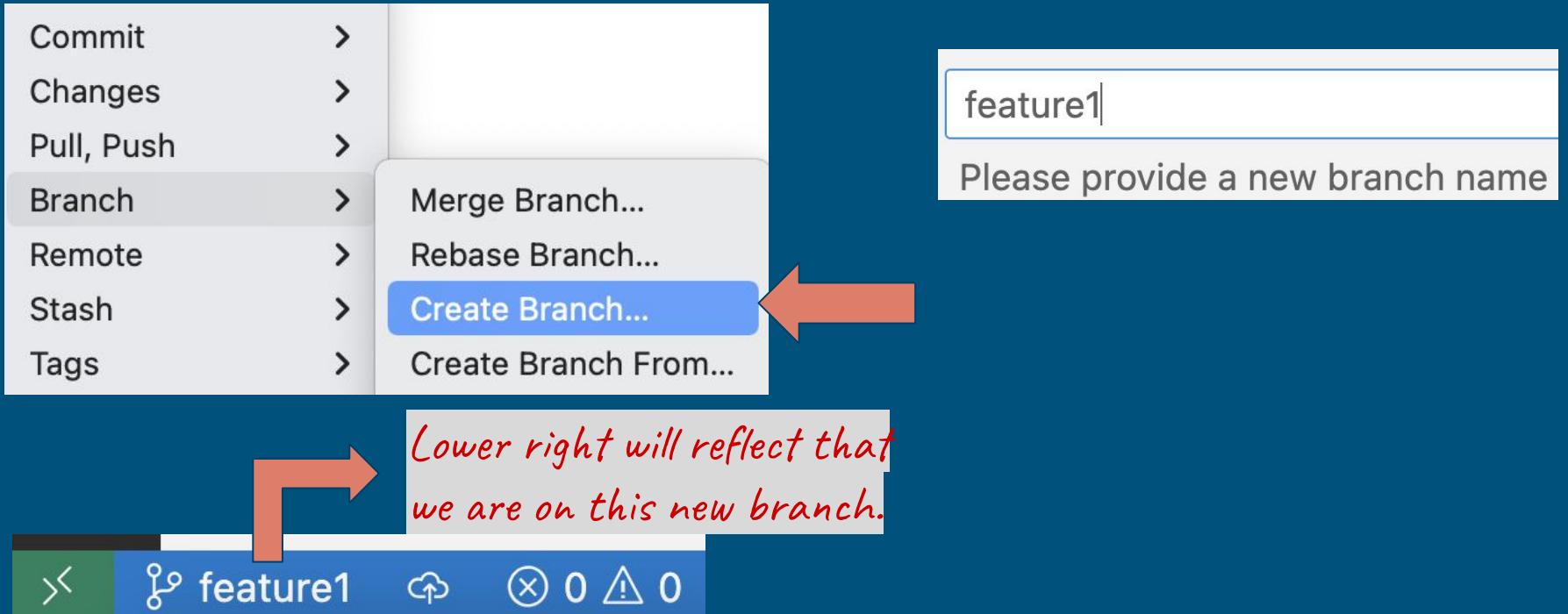


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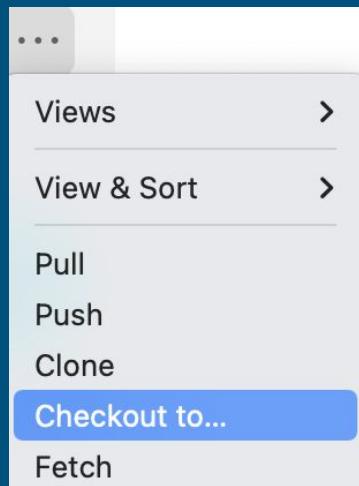
# Review Git in VS Code - Commit



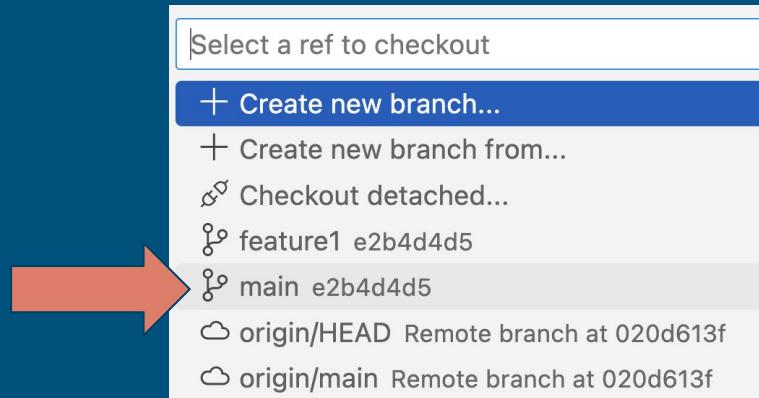
# Review Git in VS Code - Create Branch.



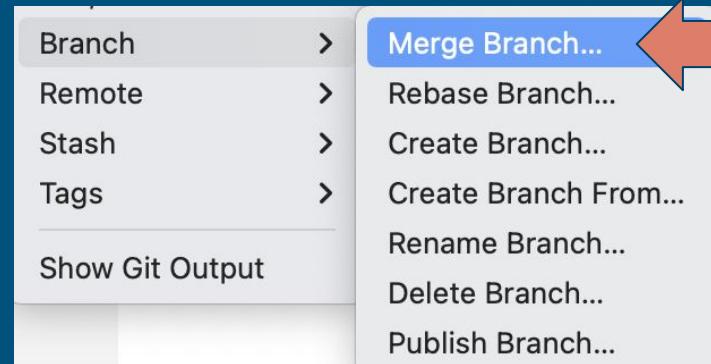
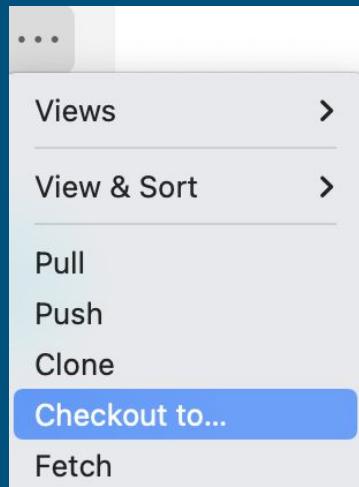
# Review Git in VS Code - Switching Branches.



Select Checkout to...



# Review Git in VS Code - Merge Process



Pick the branch that you want to merge into.

Select Checkout to...

Select a branch to merge from

feature1 feature1

main main

origin/HEAD origin/HEAD

origin/main origin/main

# Writing to a file/reading from a file:

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```
with open(file_name, "w") as f:  
    f.write(output)
```

*Exercise*

```
with open(file_name) as f:  
    output = f.read()
```

Exercises:  
.day2/py\_files/files\_ex1.txt



# Booleans

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```
In [7]: var1 = True  
In [8]: type(var1)  
Out[8]: bool
```

*True or False - not strings,  
booleans are their own type.*

```
my_value = None  
  
val1 = True  
val2 = False  
  
if val1 and val2:  
    print("Hello")  
  
if val1 or val2:  
    print("World")  
  
if my_value is None:  
    print("Whatever")
```

# Booleans

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```
In [13]: var2  
Out[13]: False
```

```
In [14]: not var2  
Out[14]: True
```



Logical complement.

```
In [9]: var1  
Out[9]: True
```

```
In [10]: var2  
Out[10]: False
```

```
In [11]: var1 and var2  
Out[11]: False
```

```
In [12]: var1 or var2  
Out[12]: True
```

Logical and - both  
must be True

Logical or - either  
variable must be True

Truish

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```
In [18]: if "some string":  
...:     print("Hello")  
...:
```

What happens if we use a non-boolean as a  
conditional expression?

```
In [19]: if 22:  
...:     print("Hello")  
...:
```

Truish

```
In [20]: bool("some string")  
Out[20]: True
```

```
In [21]: bool("")  
Out[21]: False
```

Every other string  
is True.

Null-string is False.

```
In [22]: bool(22)  
Out[22]: True
```

```
In [23]: bool(0)  
Out[23]: False
```

For each data type, Python  
defines some value as the zero  
or null-value and treats that  
as False (when evaluated in a  
boolean context).

```
In [24]: bool(["element"])  
Out[24]: True
```

```
In [25]: bool([])  
Out[25]: False
```

Every other value is True

# None

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```
In [26]: var1 = None
```

Python has a "null" value named None which is its own type.

```
In [27]: type(var1)  
Out[27]: NoneType
```

Unsurprisingly, if you evaluate None in a boolean context, it returns False.

```
In [28]: bool(var1)  
Out[28]: False
```

# Making Choices - Conditionals



An expression that evaluates to True or False.

Terminates with a colon

If statement.

```
my_var = "some line of text"  
if "line of" in my_var:  
    print()  
    print("Condition evaluated to true.")  
    print("Executing indented block.")  
    print("Can be many lines.")  
    print()
```

Indented block

# Making Choices - Conditionals

If statement.

Expression  
True

Expression  
False

```
my_var = 7
if my_var == 22:
    print()
    print("Condition evaluated to true.")
    print("Executing indented block.")
    print("Can be many lines.")
    print()
else:
    print()
    print("Conditional evaluated to False")
    print()
```

Comparison  
operator

Terminates  
with a colon

# Making Choices - Chaining "ifs"

First True expression will be the one that executes (otherwise the "else" section will execute).

Only one indented block will executed.

```
my_list = [22, 42, "hello", "world", "whatever"]

if "something" in my_list:
    print()
    print("Found something")
    print()

elif "hello" in my_list:
    print()
    print("Found hello")
    print()

elif "nothing" in my_list:
    print()
    print("Found nothing")
    print()

else:
    print("Strings not detected")
```

# Comparison Operators

==	Equal
!=	Not Equal
>	Greater Than
>=	Greater Than or Equal
<	Less Than
<=	Less Than or Equal

```
In [14]: a < b  
Out[14]: True
```

```
In [15]: a > b  
Out[15]: False
```

```
In [3]: a = 2
```

```
In [4]: b = 7
```

```
In [5]: a == b
```

```
Out[5]: False
```

```
In [8]: a  
Out[8]: 2
```

```
In [9]: b  
Out[9]: 7
```

```
In [10]: a != b  
Out[10]: True
```

```
In [16]: a = "hello"
```

```
In [17]: b = "hello"
```

```
In [18]: a == b
```

```
Out[18]: True
```

# Logical and

Both expressions must be True for the if-statement to execute.



```
my_var = 22
if my_var >= 10 and my_var <= 100:
    print("\nValue is between 10 and 100\n")
```

## Logical or

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Either expression can be True (and then if-statement will execute).



```
my_var = 42
if my_var == 10 or my_var == 42:
    print("\nmy_var is either 10 or 42\n")
```

# "Not" Expression

*not (expression) flips expression from True to False and vice versa.*

```
my_var = False
if not my_var:
    print("\nmy_var is False\n")
```

```
In [1]: a = True
In [2]: not a
Out[2]: False
```

# Conditional Exercise 1

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Exercises:  
./day2/py\_conditionals/ex1.txt

1. Prompt to enter an IP address. Save this to a variable named ip\_addr.
2. Check if "192.168" is a part of the IP address (substring in broader string). Don't worry about whether at the beginning, middle, or end of the IP address.
3. If "192.168" is a part of the IP address, then print "The IP Address is Correct".
4. If "192.168" is not a part of the IP address, then print out "Invalid IP Address" and include the incorrect IP address as part of the message.

# Conditional Exercise2

Exercises:  
./day2/py\_conditionals/ex2.txt

1. Create a variable named os\_version with the following value:

```
os_version = "15.4(2)T1"
```

2. Using the .split() method, extract the major version 15 and the minor version 4. Note, you potentially will have to use split()twice to extract the minor version.

3. Check if the major version is version 16 or greater. Print a message if this is True.

4. If that fails (i.e. major version is less than 16), then check if the major version is 15, and the minor version is 2 or greater (i.e. 15.2 or greater). Print a message if this is True.

5. If neither of these conditions are true, print a message indicating that the os\_version is invalid.

```
/* Note, you will likely need to cast the string as integers using int(my_var) */
```

```
In [1]: my_var = "15"  
In [2]: int(my_var)  
Out[2]: 15
```

# For Loops

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Similar to a "foreach" in powershell.

```
In [6]: octets
Out[6]: ['192', '168', '223', '77']

In [7]: for entry in octets:
....:     print(entry)
....:
192
168
223
77
```

Each time through the loop "entry" will get one of the elements of the "octets" list (one after the other).

# For Loops

---

```
In [10]: sentence = "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times"
```

```
In [11]: words = sentence.split()
```

```
In [12]: for word in words:  
....:     print(word)  
....:
```

```
It  
was  
the  
best  
of
```

# Let's break out of this loop.

Create a list of the words in the sentence.

```
In [22]: sentence  
Out[22]: 'It was the best of times, it was the worst of times'
```

```
In [23]: words = sentence.split()
```

Loop over the list of words.

```
In [24]: for word in words:  
...:     if "best" == word:  
...:         break  
...:     print(word)  
...:
```

If the word "best" is ever encountered,  
immediately end the loop.

```
It  
was  
the
```

# Continue Instead

If the word "best" is ever encountered, immediately jump back to the top of the for-loop (and work on the next entry).

"best" is missing (i.e.  
skipped over)

```
In [25]: for word in words:  
....:     if "best" == word:  
....:         continue  
....:     print(word)  
....:
```

```
It  
was  
the  
of  
times,  
it  
was  
the  
worst  
of  
times
```

# Enumerate - What if I need the indices.

```
In [27]: octets  
Out[27]: ['192', '168', '223', '77']
```

```
In [28]: for entry in enumerate(octets):  
...:     print(entry)
```

```
(0, '192')  
(1, '168')  
(2, '223')  
(3, '77')
```

"enumerate" returns a  
two-element tuple.

The second element is the value  
of the list at that index.

The first element is the index.

# Enumerate coupled with unpacking.

```
In [30]: for i, val in enumerate(octets):  
    ...:     print(f"{i} --> {val}")  
    ...:  
0 --> 192  
1 --> 168  
2 --> 223  
3 --> 77
```

"i" is the index.

Immediately unpack what is returned by enumerate.

"val" is the corresponding value.

# Exercise1: For Loops

---

1. Create a list containing the values 1-49, hint:  
`list(range(1,50))`
  
2. Loop over this list, printing each value
  
3. Use continue to skip over 13 (not print it)
  
4. Break when you hit 39 (stop printing after this  
and exit the loop).

Exercises:  
`./day2/py_loops/loops_ex1.txt`

# Exercise:

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Exercises:  
./day2/py\_strings/strings\_ex1.txt

Read in the “aruba\_show\_ap\_database.txt” file.

Process the data such that all of the header and footer information is excluded.

In other words, only print out the tabular data from the file.  
Your output should look as follows:

library-1	sjc	225	10.10.10.13	Up 8m:29s	Rc2	10.5.200.21	0.0.0.0
library-1	sjc	225	10.10.10.10	Down	Rc2	10.5.200.21	0.0.0.0
library-2	sjc	225	10.10.10.12	Down	Rc2	10.5.200.21	0.0.0.0
rm135-1	sjc	135	10.10.10.9	Down	Rc2	10.5.200.21	0.0.0.0
rm135-2	sjc	135	10.10.10.11	Down	Rc2	10.5.200.21	0.0.0.0
rm137-1	sjc	225	192.168.1.1	Up 1h:2m:05s	R	10.5.200.21	0.0.0.0
rm137-2	sjc	225	10.10.10.8	Down	Rc2	10.5.200.21	0.0.0.0

# While Loops

```
In [2]: i = 1  
  
In [3]: while i <= 10:  
...:     print(i)  
...:     i += 1  
...:
```

```
1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10
```

Some expression: keep doing the loop  
"while" this thing is True.

You have to ensure  
that your loop  
eventually ends.

Keep looping until event.

Stay in the loop indefinitely.

```
In [4]: i = 1  
In [5]: while True:  
....:     print(i)  
....:     if i == 10:  
....:         break  
....:     i += 1  
....:
```

```
1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10
```

Break out of loop  
upon this event.

# Continue still works (as expected)

```
In [8]: i = 1
```

```
In [9]: while True:  
....:     if i == 5:  
....:         i += 1  
....:         continue  
....:     print(i)  
....:     if i == 10:  
....:         break  
....:     i += 1  
....:
```

```
1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10
```

Don't print if 5 (i.e. jump back to the top of the while loop).

Still need to make sure that we end the loop.

## Exercise2: While Loops

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1. Use a while loop and a counter variable i.
2. Initialize i to an initial value of 0
3. Stay in the while loop until i is greater than 49
4. Increment i each time through the while loop
5. Print out i (except don't print out i when it is 13).

Exercises:

`./day2/py_loops/loops_ex2.txt`

# Dictionaries

You use curly-braces to declare a dictionary.

```
In [10]: person = {  
....:     "name": "Kirk Byers",  
....:     "address": "100 Whatever Lane",  
....:     "city": "San Francisco",  
....:     "state": "CA",  
....:     "zip_code": "94105",  
....:     "phone_number": "415-867-5309"  
....: }
```

Key-Value Pairs

AKA: hashes or hash-maps

# Dictionaries - Accessing Values.

```
In [11]: person["name"]  
Out[11]: 'Kirk Byers'
```

```
In [12]: person["zip_code"]  
Out[12]: '94105'
```



Back to square-brackets!

Provide the key; retrieve the value.

Lookup is very fast—even for very large dictionaries:  $O(1)$  – i.e. on average the lookup will take the same time regardless of dictionary size.

# Dictionaries - Accessing a Key that doesn't exist.



```
In [16]: person["country"]
```

```
KeyError
```

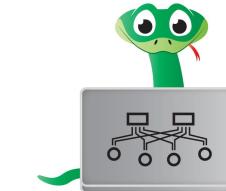
```
Cell In[16], line 1
```

```
----> 1 person["country"]
```

```
KeyError: 'country'
```



We get back a *KeyError* exception.



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# Dictionaries - Accessing a Key that doesn't exist using get()



Use the "get()" method.



```
In [17]: result = person.get("country")
```

```
In [18]: print(result)
```

```
None
```

If the given key doesn't exist, then don't generate an Exception instead just return None.

# Dictionaries - Accessing a Key that doesn't exist using get()



Can change the default value that is returned from None to something else.



```
In [3]: result = person.get("country", "US")
```

```
In [4]: print(result)  
US
```

# Dictionaries - We can also .pop() keys

```
In [22]: ip_addresses = {  
....:     "sf": "10.18.22.1",  
....:     "la": "10.19.1.1",  
....:     "chi": "10.20.100.1",  
....:     "nyc": "10.21.254.1"  
....: }
```

*pop() using the key*

```
In [23]: sf_addr = ip_addresses.pop("sf")
```

*The corresponding  
value is returned.*

```
In [24]: sf_addr  
Out[24]: '10.18.22.1'
```

```
In [25]: ip_addresses  
Out[25]: {'la': '10.19.1.1', 'chi': '10.20.100.1', 'nyc': '10.21.254.1'}
```

*And removed from  
the dictionary.*

# Dictionaries - Looping over dictionaries.

```
In [28]: ip_addresses = {  
....:     "sf": "10.18.22.1",  
....:     "la": "10.19.1.1",  
....:     "chi": "10.20.100.1",  
....:     "nyc": "10.21.254.1"  
....: }  
  
In [29]: for k in ip_addresses:  
....:     print(k)  
....:  
sf  
la  
chi  
nyc
```

What do we get back when loop over a dictionary?

# Dictionaries - Are dictionaries inherently ordered?



```
In [30]: ip_addresses = {  
....:     "sf": "10.18.22.1",  
....:     "la": "10.19.1.1",  
....:     "chi": "10.20.100.1",  
....:     "nyc": "10.21.254.1"  
....: }
```

```
In [31]: ip_addresses["wdc"] = "10.22.2.1"
```

```
In [32]: for k in ip_addresses:  
....:     print(k)  
....:
```

```
sf  
la  
chi  
nyc  
wdc
```

They are now...as of Python 3.7  
dictionaries are ordered based on  
insertion order.

# Dictionary (loops) - What if I want the values and not the keys?



```
In [33]: ip_addresses  
Out[33]:  
{'sf': '10.18.22.1',  
 'la': '10.19.1.1',  
 'chi': '10.20.100.1',  
 'nyc': '10.21.254.1',  
 'wdc': '10.22.2.1'}
```

```
In [34]: for v in ip_addresses.values():  
    ...:     print(v)  
    ...:  
10.18.22.1  
10.19.1.1  
10.20.100.1  
10.21.254.1  
10.22.2.1
```

Use the `.values()` method

# Dictionary (loops) - What if I want both the key and the value?



```
In [35]: ip_addresses  
Out[35]:  
{'sf': '10.18.22.1',  
 'la': '10.19.1.1',  
 'chi': '10.20.100.1',  
 'nyc': '10.21.254.1',  
 'wdc': '10.22.2.1'}
```

Immediate unpacking into two separate variables: k and v.

```
In [36]: for k, v in ip_addresses.items():  
     ...:     print(f"{k} --> {v}")  
     ...:  
sf --> 10.18.22.1  
la --> 10.19.1.1  
chi --> 10.20.100.1  
nyc --> 10.21.254.1  
wdc --> 10.22.2.1
```

Use the .items() method

# Exercise1: Dictionaries

- 
- a. Create a dictionary representing a network device.
  - b. Assign it an ip address, a username, a password, a vendor, and a model field.
  - c. Loop over this dictionary printing out all of the keys, and values
  - d. Update the password to be a new value
  - e. Add a secret field to the dictionary
  - f. Use the `.get()` method to try to retrieve a non-existent 'device\_type' field. Return a default value of 'cisco\_ios' when the `.get()` key lookup fails.

Exercises:

`./day2/py_dict/dict_ex1.txt`

# Nesting Dictionaries

Outermost Key

```
my_devices = {  
    "sf-rtr1": {  
        "hostname": "cisco3.lasthop.io",  
        "device_type": "cisco_xe",  
        "username": "admin",  
        "password": "bogus123"  
    },  
    "chi-rtr1": {  
        "hostname": "cisco3.lasthop.io",  
        "device_type": "cisco_xe",  
        "username": "admin",  
        "password": "bogus123"  
    }  
}
```

Inner dictionary is  
the corresponding  
value.

# Nesting Dictionaries

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*Access the outer key gives us the inner dictionary.*

```
In [2]: my_devices["chi-rtr1"]
```

```
Out[2]:
```

```
{'hostname': 'cisco3.lasthop.io',
'device_type': 'cisco_xe',
'username': 'admin',
'password': 'bogus123'}
```

# Nesting Dictionaries

```
In [2]: my_devices["chi-rtr1"]
```

```
Out[2]:
```

```
{'hostname': 'cisco3.lasthop.io',
'device_type': 'cisco_xe',
'username': 'admin',
'password': 'bogus123'}
```

*Then can drill into key-value pairs of the inner dictionary. Once again read left-to-right.*

```
In [3]: my_devices["chi-rtr1"]["hostname"]
```

```
Out[3]: 'cisco3.lasthop.io'
```

```
In [4]: my_devices["chi-rtr1"]["username"]
```

```
Out[4]: 'admin'
```

# Dictionary Keys Can Also Refer to Lists.

```
In [13]: print(my_dict)
{
    'key1': ['some', 'list', 'of', 'strings'],
    'key2': 22,
    'key3': 'whatever',
    'key4': 'something else'
}
```

Use "key1" to retrieve the list.



```
In [14]: my_dict["key1"]
Out[14]: ['some', 'list', 'of', 'strings']
```

```
In [15]: my_dict["key1"] [-1]
Out[15]: 'strings'
```

Retrieve the last element of the list.



## Exercise2: Nesting Dictionaries

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- a. Create two devices with the same key-value pairs as specified in the first dictionary exercise (dict\_ex1). These two devices should be assigned to variables named: chi\_rtr1, and chi\_rtr2 respectively.
  
- b. Create a new blank dictionary named net\_devices.
  
- c. Assign the two devices created in step-a to the net\_devices dictionary using the keys "chi\_rtr1" and "chi\_rtr2" respectively (in other words create a nested dictionary).
  
- d. Use rich.print to print out your net\_devices dictionary.

Exercises:  
./day2/py\_dict/dict\_ex2.txt

# *Exercise: Strings and Dictionaries*

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Expand on "./day2/py\_strings/strings\_ex1.txt" except now process the tabular data to extract the AP name, the AP IP address, and the AP status.

Create a new dictionary where the key is the AP name and the corresponding value is the AP status.

Normalize both the AP name and the AP status to be all lower case.

Use rich to print out this new dictionary.

Exercises:

./day2/py\_strings/strings\_ex2.txt



# Exception Handling

Gracefully handle  
errors.

```
[In [2]: my_dict["no_key"]
```

```
-----  
KeyError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-2-56d0da37b330> in <module>  
----> 1 my_dict["no_key"]  
  
KeyError: 'no_key'
```

```
[In [3]: my_list = []
```

```
[In [4]: my_list[7]
```

```
-----  
IndexError                                    Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-4-352a83797fff> in <module>  
----> 1 my_list[7]  
  
IndexError: list index out of range
```



## Exception Handling

Gracefully handle  
errors.

```
[In [5]: for i in range(10):
...:     print(i)
...:     print("Indentation off")
File "<ipython-input-5-ceba4aa1ecbd>", line 3
    print("Indentation off")
^
IndentationError: unexpected indent
```

```
[In [6]: forx i in range(10):
...:     print(i)
File "<ipython-input-6-dec1f37c6ba2>", line 1
    forx i in range(10):
^
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
```



# Exception Handling

Gracefully handle  
errors.

```
[In [7]: "hello" + 12
-----
TypeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-7-e8992ec33927> in <module>
----> 1 "hello" + 12

TypeError: can only concatenate str (not "int") to str
```

```
[In [8]: open("bogus_file.txt")
-----
FileNotFoundException                      Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-8-a6a0a3b54d04> in <module>
----> 1 open("bogus_file.txt")

FileNotFoundException: [Errno 2] No such file or directory: 'bogus_file.txt'
```

## Exception Handling

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Actually handling the exception - this particular error might happen here.

```
my_ds = {}
try:
    # An error might happen here
    my_ds["invalid_key"]
except KeyError:
    # The specified error happened – what do I do about it.
    print("Handling KeyError exception")  
```

## Exception Handling

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```
my_list = []
try:
    # Another error might happen
    my_list[7]
except IndexError:
    # The error happened – handle it
    print("The given list index didn't exist")
```

# Handling Generic Exceptions

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Be careful - you could be hiding errors!

```
my_ds = {}
my_list = []
try:
    # An error might happen here
    my_ds["invalid_key"]
    my_list[7]
except Exception:
    # An error happened – keep going.
    print("Generic exception handling")
```

## Finally: Do Something in Either Case

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```
my_ds = {}
my_list = []
try:
    # An error might happen here
    my_ds["invalid_key"]
    my_list[7]
except Exception:
    # An error happened – keep going.
    print("Generic exception handling")
finally:
    print("Error or no error – print this message out")
```

You can “raise” your own exceptions.

```
my_ip = "192.168.1.1"
if my_ip != "10.1.1.1":
    raise ValueError(f"You are connecting to the wrong device:\n\n{my_ip}")
```

```
(.venv) [ktbyers@pydev2 EP]$ python invalid_ip.py
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/home/ktbyers/EP/invalid_ip.py", line 3, in <module>
    raise ValueError(f"You are connecting to the wrong device:\n\n{my_ip}")
ValueError: You are connecting to the wrong device:
```

192.168.1.1

## Exceptions - Exercise 1

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- a. Create a dictionary representing a network device
- b. Assign it an ip address, a username, a password, a vendor, and a model field.
- c. Try to retrieve the 'device\_type' just by directly accessing the key (a KeyError exception will occur)
- d. Gracefully, handle the exception and print the message that the device\_type field is not found.

# Exercise

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Process the 'show\_ip\_int\_brief.txt' file and create a data structure from it.

1. Create a dictionary where the keys are the interface names
2. The corresponding values should be the “Protocol” field.
3. Use rich.print to print out your data structure.

Exercises:  
[/day2/review\\_exercises/review\\_ex1.txt](#)



# VS Code Debugging

---



```
5
6  def find_serial_number(show_ver):
7      serial_number = ""
8      for line in show_ver.splitlines():
9          if "Processor board ID" in line:
```

*Setting a breakpoint*

# *Executing the Debugger*

Run



The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code interface. On the left, there is a sidebar titled "Run & Debug" with three icons: a file (Run), a network connection (Debug), and a play button (Break). The "Debug" icon has a blue circle with the number "1" on it. A large grey arrow points from the "Run & Debug" sidebar towards the main content area. In the main content area, there is a "RUN AND ..." button with a green play icon, a dropdown menu set to "Python: ▾", a gear icon for settings, and an ellipsis "...". Below this, the "VARIABLES" section is expanded, showing the "Locals" section with the variable "show\_ver" set to "'Cisco IOS Software,...'. The "Globals" section is also listed. A red arrow points down to the "Run" button in the top right corner of the interface.

# Executing the Debugger

## Debugger Toolbar



Current  
Location



test\_code.py | pynet-ons-oct22

test\_code.py × ⚡ ⏪ ⏴ ⏵ ⏶ ⏷ ⏸ ⏹

day3 > debugging > test\_code.py > find\_serial\_number

```
1 def read_file(filename):
2     with open(filename) as f:
3         return f.read()
4
5
6 def find_serial_number(show_ver):
7     serial_number = ""
8     for line in show_ver.splitlines():
```

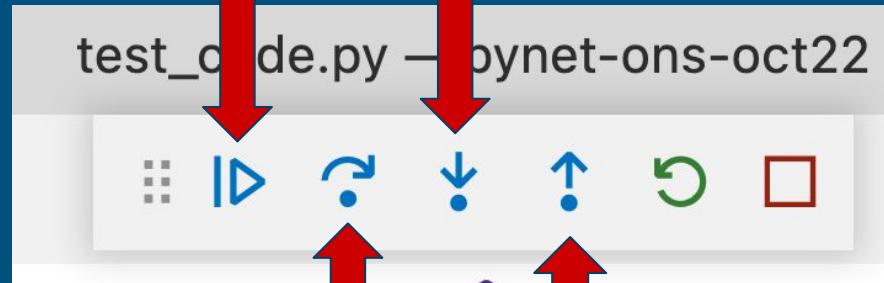


# Debugger Toolbar



Run (continue)

Step Into (step)



Step Out (up)

Step Over (next)



## Debug Console

A screenshot of the Visual Studio Code interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with four tabs: PROBLEMS, OUTPUT, DEBUG CONSOLE, and TERMINAL. The DEBUG CONSOLE tab is underlined, indicating it is active. Below the tabs, the main area displays the output of a serial connection. The text shows a variable named 'serial\_number' with the value "'FTX1512038X'". There is also a blank line starting with an arrow symbol ('→'). At the bottom of the interface, there is a red status bar with a cursor icon and some other status information.

```
→ serial_number
  'FTX1512038X'
→
```

Inspect variables

# Exercise

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Exercises:

`./day2/review_exercises/review_ex1.txt`

Process the 'show\_arp.txt' file and create a data structure from it.

1. Create a dictionary where the keys are the ip addresses and the corresponding values are the mac-addresses.
2. Create a second dictionary where the keys are the mac-addresses and the corresponding values are the ip addresses.
3. Use `rich.print` to print these two data structures to the screen.
4. Using the Python debugger set a breakpoint in your code and inspect the two dictionaries before they are printed to the screen. Use `step over` to step a few lines through the code. Add a second breakpoint and use `continue` to run until this second breakpoint is encountered.

# Exercise

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*This ends up being  
challenging*

1. Prompt a user to enter an IP address.
2. Check that the IP address has four octets and that each octet ranges between 0 and 255. If the check fails, re-prompt the user for a valid IP address.
3. Continue prompting until a valid IP address is returned (using the very simple IP check specified above).
4. Print out the IP address that was entered.
5. Test that your code works properly.

Exercises:  
`./day2/eod_exercises/exercise1.txt`

# Libraries: Two Different Import Formats

Find the "re" library

```
In [4]: import re
```

```
In [5]: re.search("pattern", "some string")
```

Process this entire  
file-line by line.

Names must be prefixed with "re."

Here is where  
Python found "re"

```
In [6]: re.__file__  
Out[6]: '/Library/Frameworks/Python.framework/Versions/3.10/lib/python3.10/re.py'
```

# Libraries: Two Different Import Formats

```
In [1]: from re import search
```

Still finds the "re" library

```
In [2]: search("pattern", "some string")
```

Still processes the entire  
file-line by line.

But this form does not require prefixing  
the name with "re."

```
In [3]: from re import search as my_search
```

Import in this form  
processes the file in the  
same way; it just changes  
the name references in your  
program.



# sys.path and \$PYTHONPATH

```
import sys
from rich import print

print(sys.path)
```

*How does Python find things?*

```
# Modify PYTHONPATH to get extra libraries
export PYTHONPATH=~/python-libs
export PYTHONPATH=$PYTHONPATH:~/DJANGOX/djproject/
```

```
>>> print(sys.path)
[
    '',
    '/Library/Frameworks/Python.framework/Versions/3.10/lib/python310.zip',
    '/Library/Frameworks/Python.framework/Versions/3.10/lib/python3.10',
    '/Library/Frameworks/Python.framework/Versions/3.10/lib/python3.10/lib-dynload',
    '/Users/ktbyers/GIT/pynet-ons-oct22/.venv/lib/python3.10/site-packages'
]
>>>
```



# \$PYTHONPATH and VS Code

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[https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/python/environments#\\_use-of-the-pythonpath-variable](https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/python/environments#_use-of-the-pythonpath-variable)

## Use of the PYTHONPATH variable

The `PYTHONPATH` environment variable specifies additional locations where the Python interpreter should look for modules. In VS Code, `PYTHONPATH` can be set through the terminal settings (`terminal.integrated.env.*`) and/or within an `.env` file.

# \$PYTHONPATH and VS Code

```
"python.terminal.executeInFileDir": true,  
"terminal.integrated.env.osx": {  
    "PYTHONPATH": "${workspaceFolder}/src"  
},  
"terminal.integrated.env.windows": {  
    "PYTHONPATH": "${workspaceFolder}/src"  
}  
}
```

- (.venv) \$ env | grep PYT  
PYTHONPATH=/Users/ktbyers/GIT/pynet-ons-oct22/src
- (.venv) \$ █

# \$PYTHONPATH and VS Code

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On the road to  
reusable code.

We can create a Python file and locate  
it in {workspace}/src



```
(.venv) $ cat src/test_code.py
```

```
def my_func():
    print("Hello")
```

We can import and use it (from  
anywhere on our system).

```
In [1]: from test_code import my_func
```

```
In [2]: my_func()
Hello
```

# PIP - Package Installer for Python.



- (.venv) \$ python -m pip list

Package	Version
appnope	0.1.3
astroid	2.12.11

pypi = Python Package Index

- (.venv) \$ python -m pip show rich

Name: rich  
Version: 12.6.0  
Summary: Render rich text, tables, progress bars, syntax highlighting, markdown and more to the terminal  
Home-page: <https://github.com/willmcgugan/rich>  
Author: Will McGugan  
Author-email: willmcgugan@gmail.com  
License: MIT  
Location: /Users/ktbyers/GIT/pynet-ons-oct22/.venv/lib/python3.10/site-packages  
Requires: commonmark, pygments  
Required-by: pdbr

# PIP - Package Installer for Python.



- (.venv) \$ python -m pip uninstall rich  
Found existing installation: rich 12.6.0  
Uninstalling rich-12.6.0:  
  Would remove:  
    /Users/ktbyers/GIT/pynet-ons-oct22/.venv/lib/python3.10/site-packages/rich-12.6.0.dist-info/\*  
    /Users/ktbyers/GIT/pynet-ons-oct22/.venv/lib/python3.10/site-packages/rich/\*  
Proceed (Y/n)? y  
Successfully uninstalled rich-12.6.0
  
- (.venv) \$ python -m pip install rich==12.6.0  
Collecting rich==12.6.0  
  Using cached rich-12.6.0-py3-none-any.whl (237 kB)  
Requirement already satisfied: pygments<3.0.0,>=2.6.0 in ./venv/lib/python3.10/site-packages (from rich==12.6.0) (2.13.0)  
Requirement already satisfied: commonmark<0.10.0,>=0.9.0 in ./venv/lib/python3.10/site-packages (from rich==12.6.0) (0.9.1)  
Installing collected packages: rich  
Successfully installed rich-12.6.0

# PIP - Package Installer for Python.

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- (.venv) \$ python -m pip freeze  
appnope==0.1.3  
astroid==2.12.11  
asttokens==2.0.8  
backcall==0.2.0  
black==22.10.0



# PIP - Package Installer for Python.



- (.venv) \$ python -m pip install -r ./requirements-dev.txt  
Requirement already satisfied: ipython in ./venv/lib/python3.10/site-packages  
s-dev.txt (line 1)) (8.5.0)  
Requirement already satisfied: pdbr in ./venv/lib/python3.10/site-packages (fr  
ev.txt (line 2)) (0.7.3)

```
(.venv) [ktbyers@pydev2 netmiko]$ python -m pip install -e .  
Obtaining file:///home/ktbyers/netmiko  
  Preparing metadata (setup.py) ... done  
Requirement already satisfied: setuptools>=38.4.0 in ./venv/lib/pyt  
o
```

```
(.venv) [ktbyers@pydev2 netmiko]$ pip list | grep netmiko  
netmiko          4.1.2      /home/ktbyers/netmiko
```

# Exercise

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1. Read the contents of "show\_vlan.txt". This is from an Arista vEOS switch.
2. Using either `readlines()` or `splitlines()` loop over the contents of this file. Skip the header information.
3. Create a new dictionary where the key is the `vlan_id`. The corresponding value should be a dictionary containing the following key-value pairs: `vlan_name`, `vlan_status`, and `ports`. The `ports` key should refer to a list of ports.
4. Use `rich.print` to print out your final data structure. Your final data structure should be similar to the following:

```
{  
    '1': {'vlan_name': 'default', 'vlan_status': 'active', 'ports': ['Cpu', 'Et1']},  
    '2': {'vlan_name': 'VLAN0002', 'vlan_status': 'active', 'ports': ['Et2']},  
    '3': {'vlan_name': 'VLAN0003', 'vlan_status': 'active', 'ports': ['Et3']},  
    '4': {'vlan_name': 'VLAN0004', 'vlan_status': 'active', 'ports': ['Et4']},  
    '5': {'vlan_name': 'VLAN0005', 'vlan_status': 'active', 'ports': ['Et5']},  
    '6': {'vlan_name': 'VLAN0006', 'vlan_status': 'active', 'ports': ['Et6']},  
    '7': {'vlan_name': 'VLAN0007', 'vlan_status': 'active', 'ports': ['Et7']}
```

Exercises:

[./day2/eod\\_exercises/exercise2.txt](#)

# List Exercise 4

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Exercises:  
./day2/py\_lists/lists\_ex4.txt

1. Use `list(range(1,50))` to create a new list named `my_list`.
2. Add "hello" and "world" onto the end of the list (as two new elements).
3. Change index-0 to be "whatever". Use `rich.print()` to print out your current list.
4. Create a new list using a list slice where the new list is the last three elements of `my_list`. Use `rich.print()` to print out this new list.
5. Make a second new list using a list slice where this list is the first seven elements of `my_list`. Print out this new list.

## Python Linters



### *Auto formatting with Python Black*

#### Pylint or pycodestyle

Consistency and conventions make your life easier.

*Finds obvious errors. Finds problems you might not  
be aware of.*

`pylint my_file.py`

`pycodestyle my_file.py`

`pylama my_file.py`



# Python Linters and VS Code



```
1  {
2      "python.linting.enabled": true,
3      "python.formatting.provider": "black",
4      "python.formatting.blackPath": "black",
5      "python.linting.pycodestyleEnabled": true,
6      "python.linting.pycodestylePath": "pycodestyle",
7      "python.linting.pycodestyleArgs": [
8          "--max-line-length=100"
9      ],
10     "editor.formatOnSave": true,
11 }
```

