

Tutorial III: Introduction to Python

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Sage-Days 55

Arithmetic

```
1 2+2
```

4

```
1 (50-5*6)/4
```

5

```
1 7/3 #integer division returns the floor
```

2

Assigning values

```
1 width = 5*9  
2 print width
```

45

```
1 x=y=z=0 #you can assign values simultaneously  
2 print (x,y,z)
```

(0,0,0)

Basic Data Types

```
1 1.5 #float
```

1.5

```
1 3 #int
```

3

```
1 2^40 #long
```

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```
1 'hello world' #string
```

hello world

List Data Type

```
1 l=[]           #empty list
2 l.append(1)    #add an element to the end of the list
3 l.append(3)
4 l
5 [1, 3]
6 l.insert(0,5) #add 5 in entry 0
7 l
8 [0, 1, 3]
9 l.pop()        #get and remove the last entry
10 3
11 l.delete(0)   #delete the 0th entry
12 l
13 [1]
```

List Data Type

```
1 l=[1,2,3,4] #create and assign a list  
2 l
```

[1,2,3,4]

```
1 l[0] #access the 1st element of the list
```

1

```
1 l+[5,6,7] #append [5,6,7] to the list 'l'
```

[1,2,3,4,5,6,7]

```
1 l[1:3] #access a sublist of a list
```

[2,3,4]

More Lists

```
1 l=[n for n in range(10)] #construct a list  
2 l
```

```
[0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]
```

```
1 len(l)    #number of elements in the list
```

```
10
```

```
1 l[1] = 10 #assign a value to a place in the list  
2 l
```

```
[0,10,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]
```

For loops

```
1 for n in range(3): #same as range(0, 3)
2     print n
```

0
1
2

```
1 for n in range(2, 5, 2): #increment by 2
2     print n
```

2
4

For loops

```
1 l=[2,3,5,7,11,13]
2 for p in l: #loop through the elements of a list
3     print p,
```

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13

```
1 l=['cat', 'dog', 'mouse']
2 for w in l:
3     print (w,len(w))
```

cat 3
dog 3
mouse 5

while loops

```
1 n=0
2 while n < 3:
3     print n
4     n=n+1
```

0
1
2

```
1 a,b=0,1
2 while b < 100:
3     print b, # ',,' suppresses the newline
4     a,b = b, a+b
```

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1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 55 89

if statements

```
1 x = int(input('Please enter an integer: ')) #42
2 if x < 0:
3     x = 0
4     print('Negative changed to zero')
5 elif x == 0:
6     print('Zero')
7 elif x == 1:
8     print('Single')
9 else:
10    print('More')
```

functions

```
1 def mysign(n):
2     """
3         returns the sign of the input n
4     """
5     if n ==0:
6         return('zero')
7     if n > 0:
8         return('positive')
9     return('negative')
10
11 mysign(10)
```

positive

Functions

```
1 def primelist(N=20):
2     """
3         returns a list of primes less than or equal to
4             N
5     """
6     P = []
7     for n in range(N+1):
8         if n.is_prime(): #this is a sage function
9             P.append(n)
10    return(P)
11 primelist(17)
```

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17

```
1 primelist() #uses the default N=20
```

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19

Default value warning

```
1 def f (a, L= [ ] ) :
2     L.append (a)
3     return L
4
5 print (f (1) )
6 print (f (2) )
7 print (f (3) )
```

[1]

[1, 2]

[1, 2, 3]

Default value warning

```
1 def f(a, L=None):
2     if L is None:
3         L=[]
4     L.append(a)
5     return L
6
7 print(f(1))
8 print(f(2))
9 print(f(3))
```

[1]
[2]
[3]

key word arguments

```
1 def store(kind, *args, **kwds):
2     print "This is a", kind, "store."
3     for a in args:
4         print a,
5     print \n #new line
6     keys = sorted(kwds.keys())
7     for kw in keys:
8         print(kw, ":", kwds[kw])
9
10 store('cheese', 10, 12, 'goat', shopkeeper="Jane Doe",
11        client="John Doe")
```

This is a cheese store

10 12 goat

shopkeeper : Jane Doe

client : John Doe

Dictionaries

Dictionaries are key:value pairs

```
1 tel = {'jack': 4098, 'sape': 4139}  
2 tel['guido'] = 4127  
3 tel
```

'sape': 4139, 'guido': 4127, 'jack': 4098

```
1 tel['jack']
```

4098

```
1 list(tel.keys())
```

['sape', 'guido', 'jack']

```
1 'guido' in tel
```

True

Other data types

- ➊ Tuple: (1,2,3) - immutable
- ➋ Set: {1,2,3,3} - unordered, no duplicate elements

Classes and member functions

```
1 class myclass:  
2     i=10  
3  
4     def mymember (name) :  
5         print "hello", name, ". "  
6  
7 X=myclass ()  
8 X.i
```

10

```
1 X.mymember ('Bob')
```

hello Bob.

A couple things to be aware of for Sage

- ➊ In python `^` is 'XOR' you need to use `**` for exponentiation.
- ➋ 1 is an 'int', `Integer(1)` is a Sage/GMP integer.
- ➌ 'set' is a python set, 'Set' is a Sage set.

Exercises

- ➊ <http://projecteuler.net/problems>
- ➋ http://www.ling.gu.se/~lager/python_exercises.html
- ➌ Tutorial: <http://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/>