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# Preface

It gives us immense pleasure to bring the book '*Python Programming and Problem Solving*'. The book is intended for the students in initial years of engineering and mathematics who can use this high-level programming language as an effective tool in mathematical problem solving. Python is used to develop applications of any stream and it is not restricted only to computer science.

We believe that anyone who has basic knowledge of computer and ability of logical thinking can learn programming. With this motivation, we have written this book in a lucid manner. Once you go through the book, you will know how simple the programming language is and at the same time you will learn the basics of python programming. You will feel motivated enough to develop applications using python.

Since this book has been written with consideration that reader has no prior knowledge of python programming, before going through all the chapters, reader should know what are the benefits of learning python programming. Following are some of the reasons why one should learn python language.

- Python language is simple and easy to learn. For example, it has simple syntax compared to other programming languages.
- Python is an object-oriented programming language. It is used to develop desktop, standalone and scripting applications.
- Python is also an example of free open source software. Due to its open nature one can write programs and can deploy on any of platform, i.e., (Windows, Linux, Ubuntu and Mac OS), without changing the original program.

Thus, due to the features enlisted above, python has become the most popular language and is widely used among programmers.

# Use of Python in Engineering Domains

#### **Computer Engineering**

Python is used in computer engineering

- To develop web applications
- By data scientists to analyse large amount of data

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  - In automation testing
  - To develop GUI-based applications, cryptography and network security and many more applications

## **Electronics & Telecommunication Engineering and Electrical Engineering**

- Image processing applications can be developed by using python's 'scikit-image' library
- Widely used in developing embedded applications
- Develop IOT applications using Arduino and Raspberry pi

Python can also be used in **other engineering streams** such as mechanical, chemical, and bioinformatics to perform complex calculations by making use of numpy, scipy, and pandas library.

Thus, the end user of this book can be anyone who wants to learn basics of python programming. To learn the basics, the student can be of any stream/any engineering/Diploma/BCA/MCA background and interested to develop applications using python.

# **Organization of the Book**

The book contains five units.

The first **unit** deals with problem-solving techniques and it contains **Chapter 1** that provides information on Basics of Computer Programming and Problem-solving Techniques. Problem-solving techniques include Algorithm, Flowcharts and Pseudocode.

Different data types, various operators, expressions, and assignments etc. to be used in Python are described in **Unit 2**. **Unit 2** covers two chapters, i.e. **Chapters 2** and **3**. **Chapter 2** introduces Basics of Python Programming and **Chapter 3** explains Operators and Expressions.

**Unit 3** contains four chapters covering Conditional or Decision Statements **(Chapter 4)**, Loop Control Statements **(Chapter 5)**, Functions **(Chapter 6)** and Strings **(Chapter 7)**.

The readers will be introduced to Lists (Chapter 8), Searching and Sorting Techniques (Chapter 9) and Tuple and Dictionaries (Chapter 10) in Unit 4.

Unit 5 deals with File Handling (Chapter 11) and finally covers Exception Handling, Modules and Packages (Chapter 12).

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# Visual Walkthrough

All chapters within the book have been structured into the following important pedagogical components:

- Learning Outcomes give a clear idea to the students and programmers on what they will learn in each chapter. After completion of chapter, they will able to comprehend and apply all the objectives of the chapter.
- **Introduction** explains the basics of each topic and familiarizes the reader to the concept being dealt with.



| PROGRAM 8.1 Write a prog<br>using list con<br>List1=[1,2,3,4,5]<br>print("Content of List<br>print(List1)<br>List1=[x for x in List | pram to create a list with elements 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Display even elements of the list<br>prohension.<br>L1*)<br>L1 fr xt2==0]  |
|---|--|
| print("Even elements i<br>print(List1)  | from the List1")   |
| Output<br>Content of List1  | PROGRAM 11.3 Generate 50 random numbers within a range 500 to 1000 and write them to file WriteNumRandom.txt.  |
| [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]<br>Even elements from th<br>[2, 4]  | <pre>from random import randint  # Import Random Module fpl = open("WriteNumRandom.txt", "") # Open file in write mode for x in range(51): #Iterates for 50 times x = randint(500,1000) #Generate one random number x = str(x) #Genvert Number to String fpl.write(x + " ") #Write Number to Output file fpl.close() #Finish Writing Close the file Output File</pre>  |
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• **Programs** are the highlighting feature of the chapters. Ample programs have been provided against each sub topic to effectively strengthen the learnt concepts.

• Mini Project consists of a problem statement that will compel the readers to think and make use of various concepts learnt to solve real-life problems through programming.

#### MINI PROJECT Goods Service Tax (GST) Calculator What is GST?

Goods and services tax is a comprehensive tax **levied on the manufacture**, **sale and consumption** of goods and services at a national level. This tax has substituted all indirect taxes levied on goods and services earlier by the central and state governments in India.

#### Problem Statement

We all buy various goods from a store. Along with the price of the goods we wish to buy, we also have to pay an additional tax, which is calculated as a specific percentage on the total price of the goods. This is called CST on the products.

| • | Note: Shifting the input number by N bits towards the right means the number is divided by 2 <sup>s</sup> . In short, it means $Y = N/2^s$ . |
|---|--|
|   | VVhere,<br>N = The Number<br>S = The Number of Bit Positions to Shift  |
|   | Consider the above example 4 >> 2, let us solve this using the above formula, i.e. $\gamma$ = N /2^s = 4 / 2^2 = 4 / 4                       |
|   | = 1<br>Therefore, 4 >> 2 returns 1 in Python interactive mode.   |
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 Notes have been inserted in each chapter to provide valuable insights based on programming concepts. Notes shall also act as precautionary statements for readers to solve programming problems effectively.

- A concise **Summary** has been listed at chapter-end to reiterate vital points and describes in short, the complex concepts covered within the chapter.
- **Key Terms** enlists important keywords and concepts covered within the chapter.
- Extensive **Review Questions** presented at the end of each chapter comprise Multiple Choice Questions, True False statements, Exercise Questions and Programming Assignments. This would help in analyzing the learnt information.



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# UNIT 1

 Basics of Computer Programming and Problem Solving Techniques

# Basics of Computer Programming and Problem Solving Techniques

# CHAPTER OUTLINE

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# **ILLUSTRATIVE PROBLEMS**

- A. Guess an Integer Number in a Range
- B. Insert a Card in a List of Sorted Cards
- C. Tower of Hanoi

# LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Understand the concepts of problem solving
- Understand the steps involved in algorithmic developments
- Produce the algorithms in pseudocode or flowchart to solve problems
- Understand algorithms written in a flow chart or pseudocode

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# 1.1 INTRODUCTION

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Nowadays computers have become an integral part of our lives. Computers are being used everywhere. For example, they are used for reservation of tickets, electricity bills payment, transfer of money from one account to another, weather conditions forecast, Internet search for new information, diagnosis of diseases and so on. In short, each one of us is directly or indirectly makes use of computers. So, before going to learn about python programming language, the chapter is initially going to explain about the basics of computer, different programming languages and then about installing python and running python programs.

# 1.2 WHAT IS A COMPUTER?

The term 'computer' is derived from the word 'to compute'. The word 'compute' means **to calculate**. It is an electronic device that accepts the data from the user, processes data for calculations and then generates output. All of these operations are performed by the Central Processor Unit of a computer with some speed and accuracy. To perform all this operations, it makes the uses of hardware and software. Whereas the hardware is visible physical elements of computer and software consists of set of instructions to control this hardware. The following Figure 1.1 shows the components of modern computing system.



Figure 1.1 Block diagram of modern computer system

As shown in Figure 1.1 above, the hardware of a computer system consists of three main components, viz. i) Input/Output (I/O Unit), ii) Central Processing Unit and iii) Memory Unit.

- (i) <u>Input/Output Unit:</u> The users interact with the computer with the help of various Input/Output units/devices. The input is provided to the computers using various input devices, such as, keyboard, mouse, track ball, light pen etc. Data is accepted by the computer through an input port whereas its output port is used to send the processed data to an output device. The input unit of computer converts the data that it accepts from the user to a form which is readable by the computer. The input given by the computer is immediately processed and sent to the output device of the computer. The output devices can be monitor, printer, plotters etc.
- (ii) <u>Central Processing Unit (CPU)</u>: CPU is one of the most important parts of a computer that is responsible for processing data. So, it is called as the Heart of a computer. It consists of Arithmetic Logic unit (ALU) and Control Unit (CU). The ALU performs all arithmetic operations, such as, the addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, etc. and for the logical operations, like, 'AND', 'OR', 'NOT' functions etc. The control unit produces the signals that

are needed for suitable operations of entire computer. Computer memory and the input and output devices have to be responded according to the instructions received from a program with the help of control unit of CPU.

- (iii) <u>Memory Unit</u>: The function of memory unit is to store program, data and result. Memory unit is available in the form of large number of storage cells. Each cell is capable of storing one bit of information. These cells can never read or write as individual cells. Generally, the cells are processed in group of fixed size of units called 'words'. In a broad sense, a computer memory system can be logically divided into three groups as mentioned below.
  - (a) Internal Memory: It refers to the set of registers confined to the CPU. These registers hold temporary results when a computation is in progress.
  - (b) Primary Memory: Primary memory is also called as main memory. It is a semiconductor memory in the form of Integrated Circuits (ICs) to be used to store programs, data and result on execution of program. It is a storage area in which all the programs are executed. In order to speed up the execution, all programs and data must be within the primary memory. Random access memory and Read only memory are the types of primary memory.
  - (c) Secondary Memory: Secondary memory is known as external memory or storage memory. Programs and data are kept on a long-term basis in a secondary memory. Secondary devices are preferred for keeping voluminous data. Hard disk, floppy disk, CDs, DVDs and magnetic tapes are the different forms of secondary memory.

# **1.3 INTRODUCTION TO PROBLEM SOLVING**

The computer cannot be intelligent. It cannot analyse a problem and come up with a solution. A human programmer must analyse the problem, develop instructions for solving the problem and then make use of computer to carry out the developed instructions. Thus, the common stages involved in solving problems are given below.

- 1. Problem Analysis: The problem has to be identified and understood at first.
- 2. Alternative Ways to Solve: One can see any alternative ways to solve the problem too.
- 3. **Choosing the Suitable Approach:** In order to solve the problem, the appropriate approach is to be chosen.
- 4. **Breaking Apart the Problems:** One can break apart the problems into smaller units or subtasks (or sub-modules) as much as possible.
- 5. **Developing the Algorithms:** As per respective subtasks, the algorithms are to be developed then in different stages.
- 6. **Correctness of the Algorithms:** Then one should check the designed algorithms for their correctness. In order to achieve the desired results, the existing algorithms are to be modified as well.
- 7. Calculating Efficiency: The algorithmic efficiency is to be calculated then.

Once the problem is analysed, the humans or individuals are more interested to solve it by some tools. As often, the characteristics of humans are to use tools in order to solve their problems. In their day-to-day lives, such tools are hammer, scissors and others which are basically tangible

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objects. Human being also makes the uses of mathematical equations to solve the problems. Because, the problems come in many forms as they usually require different tools. The problems, more it be larger, require the organizational tools. For example, in day-to-day life, to draw design of a house, the planner, who designs the architecture of house, uses maps, paper and scale as the tools to solve the problem of designing of house. Similarly, the programmer makes use of tools, such as, algorithm, flowchart and pseudocode to solve the problems. All such tools which are used to solve the problems are discussed in brief in the following sections.

# 1.4 ALGORITHMS

An algorithm is a method or a process to solve a problem. Informally, an algorithm is a welldefined procedure that takes the set of values as input and produces output. In other words, an algorithm is a set of steps required to solve a problem. These steps are performed on a sample data representing an instance of the problem. Thus, the algorithm can be described as a sequence of computational steps which transforms the set of input data to a set of output data through a sequence of operations. Also, an algorithm should have following properties as they are shown in Figure 1.2.



Figure 1.2 Properties of Algorithm

- 1. **Input:** It is a set of values as input data.
- 2. **Output:** This is the result of the program.
- 3. **Finiteness:** This means that the algorithm always should terminate after a finite number of steps with correct output.
- 4. **Definiteness:** This means that all the steps as taken in algorithm should be clear and unambiguous.
- 5. **Effectiveness:** For every time, the designed algorithm should be feasible to convert in a computer program.

## Example

Write an algorithm to calculate the **Greatest Common Divisor (GCD)** of two numbers A and B. Where GCD of two numbers A and B is the largest number which divides both A and B. Figure 1.3 depicts the GCD of two numbers.



Figure 1.3 Input and output Diagram Representation of GCD

#### Solution

As discussed above, the algorithm is described as step by step method in order to solve a problem. All of these steps must be performed in a sequence. Each step of the algorithm is to be labelled. The following are the steps required to find the GCD of two numbers.

- **STEP 1:** Read two positive integers and store them in **A** and **B**.
- **STEP 2:** Divide **A** by **B**. Store the remainder in **r** and quotient in **q**.
- $\odot$  **STEP 3:** If **r** is Zero then go to **Step 7**.
- **STEP 4:** Assign **B** to **A**.
- $\odot$  **STEP 5:** Assign **r** to **B**.
- STEP 6: Go to Step 2.
- **STEP 7:** Print **B** as GCD of **A** and **B**.

Let us consider two integers, **24** and **15**. The following Table 1.1 describes the use of above algorithm to calculate the GCD of two numbers.

|                              | Values of the                 | variables                |                           |                                       |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| First Number<br>( <b>A</b> ) | Second Number<br>( <b>B</b> ) | Quotient<br>( <b>q</b> ) | Remainder<br>( <b>r</b> ) | Comments                              |
| 24                           | 15                            | -                        | -                         |                                       |
| 24                           | 15                            | 1                        | 09                        | Perform Step 2.                       |
| 15                           | 15                            | 1                        | 09                        | Step 4//Assign B to A.                |
| 15                           | 09                            | 1                        | 09                        | Step 5//Assign r to B.                |
| 15                           | 09                            | 1                        | 06                        | Step 2//Divide A by B.                |
| 09                           | 09                            | 1                        | 06                        | Step 4//Assign B to A.                |
| 09                           | 06                            | 1                        | 03                        | Step 5//Assign r to B.                |
| 09                           | 06                            | 1                        | 03                        | Step 2//Divide A by B.                |
| 06                           | 06                            | 1                        | 03                        | Step 4//Assign <b>B</b> to <b>A</b> . |

Table 1.1 GCD of Two Numbers

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|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|--|
| 06                        | 03             | 1               | 03            | Step 5//Assign r to B.   |
| 06                        | 03             | 2               | 00            | Step 2// Divide A by B.  |
| Print <b>B</b> as output. |                |                 |               | Step 7//A % B == 0<br>Therefore, B will be printed as output as GCD(24, 15). |

# 1.5 BUILDING BLOCKS OF ALGORITHMS

An algorithm is a sequence of simple steps that can be followed to solve a problem. These steps must be organized in a logical and clear manner. Thus, we design algorithms using three basic building blocks, namely, **sequence (sequential control)**, **decision (selection control)** and **repetition (iteration)**.

# 1.5.1 Sequence (Sequential Control)

Sequence is an implicit form of control in which instructions are executed in the order as they are written. In short, sequence is a series of steps that are followed one after another. Thus, the program consisting of only sequential control is referred to as straight line programs where all of the instructions are executed sequentially. Figure 1.4 illustrates sequential control flow of a program.



Figure 1.4 The Sequential Control Flow of Program



#### Examples of Sequential statements are as follows.

**PROGRAM 1.1** Write an algorithm to read two numbers and find their sum.

#### Input

Two numbers Num1 and Num2

#### Output

Sum of two numbers, i.e. Num1 + Num2

## Algorithm

- STEP 1: Start.
- **STEP 2:** Read two numbers **Num1** and **Num2**.
- **STEP 3:** Calculate sum, i.e. **Total = Num1 + Num2**.
- **STEP 4:** Display **Total**.
- STEP 5: Stop.

**PROGRAM 1.2** Write an algorithm to calculate the area of a circle.

#### Input

Radius of a circle.

#### Output

Area of the circle.

#### Algorithm

- ⊙ STEP 1: Start.
- **STEP 2:** Read input **r** as radius of circle.
- STEP 3: Calculate area, i.e. Area = 3.14 \* r \* r.
- STEP 4: Display Area.
- STEP 5: Stop

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**PROGRAM 1.3** Write an algorithm to convert temperature expressed in degree Fahrenheit to degree Celsius.

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| Temperature in degree Fahrenheit.        |  |
| Output<br>Temperature in degree Celsius. |  |

- STEP 1: Start.
- **STEP 2:** Read temperature in degree Fahrenheit.
- **STEP 3:** Apply Conversion formula, i.e. (5/9) \* (degree\_farenheit 32).
- STEP 4: Display Result.
- Stop.

# 1.5.2 Decision (Selection Control)

Decision control statements are generally used to alter the flow of control in a program. The action is performed only when a particular condition is satisfied in a program. It helps the programmer to transfer the controls from one part to another of the programs. Thus, by using decision statements, the flow of program or execution of the statement cannot be set in sequence.

## Example

Write algorithm to check if input number is odd or even.

- STEP 1: Start.
- **STEP 2:** Input number, i.e. **Num1**.
- **STEP 3:** If Num1 %2 == 0. If yes, go to Step 4. Else go to Step 6.
- **STEP 4:** Print **number** is even.
- STEP 5: Go to Step 7.
- **STEP 6:** Print **number** is odd.
- **STEP 7:** End.

Thus from the above algorithm, we can conclude that the flow execution of the statement is not in sequence.

## 1.5.3 Repetition

Sometimes we may want to execute the same lines of code for several times. Then, in such cases, the repetition structure is used to repeat one or more statements for number of times.

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## Example

Write an algorithm to compute the average of ten numbers.

- ⊙ STEP 1: Start.
- STEP 2: Initialize the total = 0, avg = 0, N = 0.
- **STEP 3:** Increase the value of **N** by 1.
- **STEP 4:** Add the contents of **N** to **total**. **Steps 3 to 5 are**
- **STEP 5:** Check if **N** is greater than 10. If no, go to **Step 3**. If yes, go to **Step 6**.
- **STEP 6:** Calculate **avg**, i.e. **sum**/10.
- STEP 7: Display sum, avg and total.
- ⊙ STEP 8: End.

# 1.6. FLOWCHARTS

The flowcharts are the visual representations of the sequence of steps for solving a problem. It explains what comes first, second, third and so on. A complete flowchart enables us to organize the problems into a plan of actions. This is an easy way to solve the complex problems.

In brief, a flowchart is alternative technique for solving a problem. Instead of descriptive steps, we use pictorial representation for every step. It shows a sequence of operations. A flowchart is a set of symbols, which indicates various operations of program. For every process, there is a corresponding symbol in flowchart. Once an algorithm is written, its pictorial representation can be done using flowchart symbols. In other words, a pictorial representation of textual algorithm is done using flowcharts. Thus, in flowcharts, different actions are performed using different geometric shapes. All of these shapes are said to be **flowchart symbols**. The figures below show some commonly used flowchart symbols.

## Flow Lines

All the symbols within the flowchart are connected to each other by using arrow keys. There are four directional arrows (Figure 1.5), i.e., up, down, left and right.



Figure 1.5 Arrows within the Flowchart

executed repeatedly.

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## Start and End

The **Start** and **End** symbols indicate both the beginning and the end of the flowcharts. Only one flow line is combined with this kind of symbols. We write **START**, **STOP** or **END** within the symbols of this kind. Usually, this symbol is used twice in one flowchart, i.e. at the beginning and end.



Figure 1.6 Start and End Symbols

## **Process Symbol**

Process symbol looks like a rectangle. It is usually used for data handling. Values are assigned to the variables in this symbol. The operations mentioned within the rectangular block will have to be executed when this kind of block is entered in the flowchart. There are two flow lines connected with the process symbol. One line is incoming and the other one goes out (Figure 1.7).



Figure 1.7 Process Symbols

## Input/Output Symbols

The Input/Output symbol looks like parallelogram. It is used to input and output the data. This symbol is used when data is provided to the program for processing. There are two flow lines connected with the input/output symbol. One line comes to the symbol and other line goes from this symbol (Figure 1.8).



Figure 1.8 Input/Output Symbol

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## **Decision Symbol**

It is a diamond-shaped symbol. This symbol is used to take one of the decisions (Figure 1.9). The basic decision symbol is as follows.



Figure 1.9 Decision Symbol

Depending on the condition, the decision block selects one of the alternatives. While solving problems, one can take single, two or multiple alternatives depending upon the situations. A decision symbol with a single alternative is shown in Figure 1.10.

**Single Alternative Decision:** In this case if the condition is satisfied or true, then a set of statements will be executed otherwise control transfer to exit for the false condition.



Figure 1.10 Single Alternative Decision

**Two Alternative Decisions:** In Figure 1.11 below, two alternative paths have been shown. On satisfying the condition statement(s) pertaining to 1, the action will be executed, otherwise the other statement(s) for action 2 will be executed.




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Example:



Figures 1.11a and b Decision-based Flowchart and Example

#### **Connector Symbol**

A connector symbol has to be shown in the form of circles. It is used to establish the connection whenever it is impossible to directly join two parts in a flowchart. Quite often, two part of the flowcharts may be on two separate pages. In such cases the connectors are used to join these two parts. Figure 1.12 shows the connector symbols.

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Figure 1.12 Connector Symbols

Thus, all of the symbols as discussed above are used to represent a flowchart. Following are the some of the examples of algorithms and their representations into the flowcharts.

#### **PROBLEM STATEMENT**

Write Algorithm to calculate the sum of two numbers. Draw flow chart for the algorithm.

#### Algorithm

- ⊙ STEP 1: Start.
- STEP 2: Read two numbers, i.e. Num1 and Num2.
- **STEP 3:** Calculate the sum, i.e. **Total = Num1 + Num2.**
- STEP 4: Display Total.
- STEP 5: Stop.



Flowchart 1.1

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#### **PROBLEM STATEMENT**

Write algorithm and flow chart to find out the greater of two numbers.

#### Algorithm

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- **STEP 1:** Start.
- **STEP 2:** Input two numbers, i.e. **A** and **B**.
- STEP 3: If A > B? If Yes, go to Step 4. Else go to Step 6.
- **STEP 4:** Print 'A' is greater than 'B'.
- **STEP 5:** Go to Step 7.
- **STEP 6:** Print 'B' is greater than 'A'.
- **STEP 7:** Stop.



Flowchart 1.2

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# **PROBLEM STATEMENT**

Write and draw algorithm to find the sum of first 5 natural numbers.

# Algorithm

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- STEP 1: Start.
  STEP 2: Initialize Sum and N equal to 0.
  STEP 3: Increase the value of N by 1.
  STEP 4: Add N to Sum, i.e. Sum = Sum + N.
  STEP 5: Check if N > 5. If Yes, go to Step 6. If No, go to Step 3.
- **STEP 6:** Print Sum.
- **STEP 7:** End.



Flowchart 1.3

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# 1.7. PSEUDOCODE

A *Pseudo* language is a combination of the constructs of a programming language together with informal English statements. English language like words are used to represent the various logical steps. It is a method of describing the logic and sequence of a system. It uses keywords and constructs similar to those used in programming language, but without the strict use of syntax required by formal languages. In short, it allows the logic of system to be defined in a language independent format. In order to write the best pseudocode, the programmers should follow the following three rules.

- 1. Use capital letters for keywords which are also closely used in programming language.
- 2. Use lowercase letters for natural language descriptions.
- 3. Use indentation to show the start and end of block of statements.

# **PSEUDOCODE EXAMPLE**

Write pseudocode to add two numbers and store result into memory area called "total".

The following pseudocode is for an algorithm that accepts two numbers. These two numbers are added together and the result is stored in "total". Finally the result is displayed to the end user.

#### Pseudocode

INPUT num1 INPUT num2 Total ← num1 + num2 PRINT Total

**Explanation** In the above pseudocode, INPUT and PRINT are keywords used in python programming language, therefore, they are represented by capital letters. Whereas the non-keywords are written in lowercase.



Note: In pseudocode,  $\leftarrow$  this is an assignment operator. Instead of single equal operator (=), this  $\leftarrow$  symbol is used to assign a value.

## **PSEUDOCODE EXAMPLE**

Write pseudocode to display largest number between entered two numbers.

```
Pseudocode
INPUT num1
INPUT num2
IF num1 is greater than num2 then
    PRINT num1 is greater than num2
ELIF NUM2 is greater than NUM1 then //ELIF is else-if
    PRINT num2 is greater than num1
ELSE
    PRINT both numbers are equal
```

# ILLUSTRATIVE PROBLEMS

## A. GUESS AN INTEGER NUMBER IN A RANGE

The problem is about to guess what number a computer has in mind. Write an algorithm and flow chart that generates a random integer between the range (**a**, **b**). Where **a** is the start number and **b** is the end number. The computers generate one number between the given range. Design algorithm in such a way it prompts the user to enter numbers continuously until it matches the randomly generated number.

# Example

Suppose computer is going to select randomly generated integer from 1 to 20. The player has to guess the number that the computer chooses.

Range(1,20)

[1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,**16**,17,18,19,20]

Let us assume computer has selected random number as **"16"**. Now design an algorithm that prompts the user to guess the number selected by the computer. Your algorithm should prompt the user to enter numbers continuously until it matches the randomly generated number. The algorithm should also report if guessed number by the player is too high or too low, so the player can choose the next number intelligently.

Expected working of the game is follows.

```
    Note: Suppose computer has selected random number as 16 from the range of 1 to 20.
    Guess the number between 1 to 20:
Enter your Guess: 19
Sorry, Guess is too high.
    Enter your Guess: 10
Sorry, Guess is too low.
    Enter your Guess: 15
Sorry, Guess is too low.
    Enter your Guess: 15
Sorry, Guess is too low.
    Enter your Guess: 18
Sorry, Guess is too high.
    Enter your Guess: 16
Yes, the Guess is correct!!
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#### Algorithm

- STEP 1: Start.
- **STEP 2:** Input Start and End Number i.e. (a, b).
- **STEP 3:** Generate random number between the range(**a**, **b**).
- **STEP 4:** Prompt the user to make the guess. If guess is wrong go to then go to **Step 4.1** else go to **Step 5**.
  - **STEP 4.1:** Check if guess made by the user is too low or greater than the selected number generated by computer. If guessed number is too small then go to **Step 4.2** or else go to **Step 4.3**.

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- STEP 4.2: Print "Sorry Guess is too High" and go to Step 4.
- **STEP 4.3:** Print "Sorry Guess is too Low" and go to **Step 4.**
- **STEP 5:** Print "Yes the Guess is right!!"

#### • STEP 6: End.

The flow chart for the above algorithm is shown in Figure 1.13.



# INSERT A CARD IN A LIST OF SORTED CARDS

Inserting card in a list of sorted cards is based on the principle of inserting the cards at its correct place in a previously sorted list. It always maintains a sorted sublist in the lower portion of the list. Each new card is inserted back into the previous sublist. Thus, insertion sort, sorts a list of cards repeatedly, inserting a new card into a sorted sublist until the whole list is sorted. The example of inserting a card in a list of sorted card is as follows.

Consider unsorted list of cards with following numbers.

#### **MyCards** = [15,7,11,19,12,16,14]

Initially, the sorted sublist contains the first card in the list, i.e. 15.



Note: The shaded grey colour represent the ordered sublist of cards.

• **STEP 1:** Initially, the sorted sublist contains the first element in the list, i.e. the card 15. Now insert the next card from the list, i.e. 0 into the sublist.

| 7 | 15 | 11 | 19 | 12 | 16 | 14 |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|

• STEP 2: The sorted sublist is [7,15]. Insert card 11 into the sublist.

| 7 | 11 | 15 | 19 | 12 | 16 | 14 |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|

The sorted sublist is [7,11,15]. Insert 19 into the sublist.  $\odot$  STEP 3:

| 7 | 11 | 15 | 19 | 12 | 16 | 14 |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|

 $\odot$  STEP 4: The sorted sublist is [7,11,15,19]. Insert 12 into the sublist.

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**○ STEP 5:** The sorted sublist is [7,11,12,15,19]. Insert 16 into the sublist.

| 7 | 11 | 12 | 15 | 16 | 19 | 14 |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|

• STEP 6: The sorted sublist is [7,11,12,15,16,19]. Insert 14, into the list.

| 7 | 11 | 12 | 15 | 16 | 19 | 14 |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|

**○ STEP 7:** The sorted sublist is [7,11,12,14,16,19].

|  | 7 1 | 1 12 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 19 |
|--|-----|------|----|----|----|----|
|--|-----|------|----|----|----|----|

Thus, finally we obtained the sorted list of cards.

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#### **Pseudocode for Insertion Sort**

```
Input size of list (Number of Cards to be inserted)
Read all the cards
for i ← 1 to len(List)
        CurrentElement ← List[i]
k=i - 1
    while k>=0 and MyList[k] > CurrentElement:
        List[k+1] ← List[k]
        K ← k-1
    End while
        List[k+1] ← CurrentElement
end for
```

## C. Tower of Hanoi

The **"Tower of Hanoi"** problem is a classical problem that can be solved easily by using the concept of recursion. In this problem, there are three poles and **n** disks. Initially, the entire disks are placed on the first pole with the largest disk at the bottom and the smaller disk at the top. Player needs to move the entire disks from the first pole to the third pole with the smallest disk at the top and largest disk at the bottom. Following rules must be followed while transferring disks from one pole to other pole.

- 1. At a time only one disc may be moved.
- 2. The disc may move from any of the pole to another pole but move should consists of taking the upper disk from one of the pole and then placing it on the top of another pole.
- 3. No larger disk may be placed on the smaller disk

Consider we have three disks and three poles are **X**, **Y** and **Z**. Let us consider these three disks, first one to be the smallest disk, second one to be the disk of medium size and third one to be the largest among them. Thus, our aim is to move the disks from **X** pole to **Z** using pole Y as intermediate by obeying three conditions as mentioned above. The following Figures 1.14(a)–(h) explains the clear stepwise processes of Tower-of-Hanoi for transferring disk from pole **X** to pole **Z**.

#### Initial State



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In the above Figure 1.10(a), the three poles are displayed at their initial states. The pole X contains three disks. The pole Y and Z do not contain any disk. The stepwise representation to display all of the disks on pole X in same order is as follows.



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Figures 1.10(a)–(h) Tower of Hanoi

Finally all of the disks from the source pole, i.e. **X** to target pole, i.e. **Z** are transferred. Overall seven moves have been required to transfer these three disks. Following Table 1.2 gives the details of disk(s) at each move. While solving above problem, we have considered three disks of varying sizes, i.e.

- i. 1-Smallest disk
- ii. 2-Medium-size disk
- iii. 3-Largest size disk

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| Move Disks | From Pole | To Target Pole |
|------------|-----------|----------------|
| 1          | Х         | Z              |
| 2          | Х         | Y              |
| 1          | Z         | Y              |
| 3          | Х         | Z              |
| 1          | Υ         | Х              |
| 2          | Y         | Z              |
| 1          | Х         | Z              |

Table 1.2 Stepwise movement of Disks in TOH

Therefore,  $2^n - 1$  number of moves are required to transfer **n** disk from source pole to target pole.

#### Algorithm to solve the Problem of Tower of Hanoi is as follows.

- ⊙ STEP 1: Start.
- **STEP 2:** Read 'N' as Number of Disks.
- STEP 3: Calculate move = pow(2, n) 1.
- **STEP 4:** Call Function  $T_O_H(n, Source, Intermediate, Target)$  recursively until n = 0.
  - **STEP 4.1:** If n = 0, then go to **Step 5** else go to **Step 4.2**.
  - STEP 4.2: Call function T\_O\_H(n-1, Source, Target, Intermediate)
  - STEP 4.3: print 'Move top disk from pole' Source 'to pole' Intermediate.
  - STEP 4.4: Call function T\_O\_H(n-1, Target, Intermediate, Source).
- STEP 5: End.

#### Pseudocode – Tower of Hanoi

```
INPUT 'N' as Number of disks
Read all the disks
Consider three poles Source, Intermediate, End
Call T_O_H(N, Source, Intermediate, Target)
IF N == 0 then
        PRINT end
ELSE
Call T_O_H(n-1, Source, Target, Intermediate)
        PRINT 'Move top disk from pole' Source 'to pole' Intermediate
Call T_O_H(n-1, Target, Intermediate, Source)
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- Computer is an electronic device that accepts the data from the user, process data for calculations and generates output.
- The hardware of computer system consists of three main components, viz. Input/output (I/O Unit), Central Processing Unit (CPU) and Memory Unit.
- Computer programmer makes use of various tools, such as **algorithms**, **flowchart** and **pseudocode** to solve problems.
- An Algorithm is step-by-step procedure designed to solve a problem.
- Good algorithms should have properties, such as **Input**, **Output**, **Finiteness**, **Definiteness** and **Effectiveness**.
- A flowchart is the graphical or pictorial representation of an algorithm.
- A **Pseudo** language make use of programming language words al together with informal English statements.
- **Sequence** (Sequential Control), **decision** (selection control) and **repetition** (iteration) are the three different building blocks of algorithm.

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# **KEY TERMS**

SUMMARY

- ⇒ **Central Processing Unit (CPU):** Consist of arithmetic, logical unit and control unit.
- ⇒ Algorithm: Set of instructions designed to perform a specific task.
- ⇒ Flowchart: Graphical or pictorial representation of an algorithm
- ⇒ Pseudocode: Combination of programming keywords and formal English statements.

## **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

#### **A. Exercise Questions**

- 1. What is an algorithm? Explain in short.
- 2. Describe the memory unit of computer system in brief.
- 3. Explain building blocks of algorithm in brief.
- 4. Draw a flowchart to find the area of circle.
- 5. Write a pseudocode to find largest of three numbers.
- 6. Write an algorithm, a pseudocode and a flowchart to calculate simple interest.
- 7. Write a pseudocode to calculate sum and average of **n** numbers.
- 8. Write an algorithm, a flowchart and a pseudocode to find the area of rectangle.
- 9. Write an algorithm and flowchart to display the even numbers between 1 to 20.
- 10. Write an algorithm to find the largest of three numbers.

### **B. Multiple Choice Questions**

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- 1. Which of the following memory is used to store temporary results in registers when the computation is in progress?
  - a. Primary Memory
  - c. Internal Memory
- 2. Secondary memory is also called \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Storage Memory
  - c. Only b
- 3. CPU comprises of
  - a. ALU
  - b. Registers
  - c. Control Unit
  - d. All of the above
- 4. Pictorial representation of algorithm is defined as \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Pseudocode
  - b. Flowchart
  - c. Algorithm
  - d. None of the above
  - 5. Good algorithm should have which of the following properties?
    - a. Input
    - b. Output
    - c. Finiteness
    - d. All of the above

## C. True or False

- 1. The order in which actions are to be executed is unimportant in an algorithm.
- 2. Pseudocode is not an actual programming language.
- 3. All programs are written in terms of only three control structure sequence, control and repetition structure.
- 4. Algorithm is graphical representation of an algorithm.
- 5. Algorithm is a step-by-step procedure designed to solve a problem.
- 6. Computer analyses a problem and come up with a solution.
- 7. CPU has only one component ALU.
- 8. Main memory is made from semiconductors.
- 9. Read Only Memory is the secondary memory.
- 10. Control unit is part of a CPU.

- b. Secondary Memory
- d. None of the above
- b. External Memory
- d. Both a and b

# UNIT 2

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# **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

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- 2.16 Parameters and Arguments in a Function
- 2.17 Tuple and Tuple Assignment

# **ILLUSTRATIVE PROBLEMS**

- A. Exchange the Values of Two Variables
- B. Circulate the Values of  ${\tt N}$  Variables

# LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Install Python, write and execute programs in Python
- Describe keywords supported by Python
- Read data from the console using input function
- Assign value or data to a variable and multiple values to multiple variables at a time
- Make use of built-in data type and functions supported by Python

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# 2.1 INTRODUCTION TO COMPILER, INTERPRETER, LINKER AND LOADER

High-level languages are much easier to write than low-level languages because programs written in these are similar to instructions written in the English language. Here 'high' does not imply that the language is complicated. It means that the language is more problem oriented. Generally, high level languages are platform independent. This means that one can write a program in a high-level language and run it on different types of machines. Instructions written in high-level languages are called **statements**.

For example, a statement to calculate the square of a number can be written in a high-level language as

#### Square = number \* number

There are many high-level languages and the selection of a language is based on the purpose it is expected to fulfil. A program written in a high-level language is called **source code** or **source program**. The process of executing programs written in high-level languages is given below.

- **STEP 1:** An **interpreter** or **compiler** is used to translate a program written in a high-level language into its equivalent machine code for execution.
- **STEP 2:** A linker is used to combine the object code and the code stored in libraries into machine language.
- **STEP 3:** Finally, the machine language code generated in **Step 2** is executed.

Figure 2.1 depicts the steps on how to execute a program written in a high-level language.



Figure 2.1 Steps to execute a high-level language program

The next section describes compiler, interpreter, linker and loader in detail.

# 2.1.1 Compiler

It is the software that translates a complete program written in a high-level language into machine language. This compiled program is called **object code**. The object code is an executable code which can run as a standalone code, i.e., it does not need the compiler to be present during execution. Most of the programming languages, such as, C, C++ and Java, have their own compilers.

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# 2.1.2 Interpreter

It is also a type of software. While a compiler converts the whole source code into an equivalent object code or machine code, the interpreter reads the source code line by line and converts them into object code (i.e., a code understandable to the machine.)

## Linker

It is a software program that links different program modules and libraries in order to form a single executable program. A source code of a program is very large. It can consist of hundreds of lines of code. Before the execution of a program, all the modules of the program and the required libraries are linked together using software called a **linker**. The compiled and linked program is called the **executable code**.

# Loader

This software is used to load and relocate an executable program in the main memory during execution. The loader assigns a storage space to a program in the main memory for execution.

# 2.2 INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON

Python was developed by Guido van Rossum at National Research Institute for Mathematics and Computer Science in Netherlands in 1990. Rossum wanted the name of his new language to be short, unique and mysterious. Inspired by *Monty Python's Flying Circus*, a BBC comedy series, he named the language 'Python'. Python became a popular programming language as widely used in both industry and academia because of its simple, concise and extensive support of libraries. It is a general purpose, interpreted and object-oriented programming language. Python source code is available under General Public License (GPL) and maintained by a core development team at the same institute.

# 2.2.1 Why Python?

The COBOL, C#, C, C++ and Java are a few of the many programming languages available in the age of information and technology today. Quite often, a common question, the beginners ask while developing an application program is, 'Why to use Python when there are so many programming languages exist?' While on one hand, it may just be a matter of personal preference; there are some very well-known advantages of Python which makes it a popular programming language. These are given below.

- **1.** *Readability:* Developer's readability of code is one of the most crucial factors in programming. The longest part of any software's life-cycle is its maintenance. Therefore, if the software has a highly readable code, then it is easier to maintain. The readability also helps a programmer to reuse the existing code with ease to maintain and update software. Python offers more readability of code as compared to other programming languages.
- **2.** *Portability:* Python is platform independent, i.e., its programs run on all of the platforms. The language is designed for better portability.
- **3.** *Vast support of libraries:* Python has a large collection of in-built functionalities known as standard *library functions*. Python also supports various third-party software like, **NumPy**

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and else. The NumPy is an extension, i.e., it provides support for large, multi-dimensional arrays and matrices.

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- **4.** *Software integration:* An important aspect of Python is that it can easily extend, communicate and integrate with several other languages. For example, Python code can easily invoke the libraries of **C** and **C++** programming languages. It can also be used to communicate with **Java** and **.net** components. Python can sometimes act as an intermediary or agent between two applications.
- **5.** *Developer productivity:* Compared to other programming languages, Python is a dynamically typed language, which means there is no need to declare variables explicitly. Again, there are various other features of Python due to which the size of code written is typically smaller or half of the code written in some other languages, such as, C, C++ or Java. As the size of code is reduced quite a bit, there is less to type and debug. The amount of time needed to compile and execute is also very less as compared to other programming languages. Python programs run immediately, i.e., without taking much time to link and compile.

These benefits offered by Python make it the top-most choice for programmers to develop application software or projects with Python.

# 2.3 INSTALLING PYTHON ON WINDOWS

Python is available for almost all operating systems, such as, Windows, Mac, Linux/Unix, and so on. The complete list of different versions of Python can be found at official website of Python.org (http://www.Python.org/downloads). The step-wise details for installing Python in Windows are given below.

• STEP 1: Open an Internet browser like Internet Browser, Mozilla Firefox or Chrome. Type 'http://www.Python.org/' in the address bar and press 'Enter'. Immediately, the following page will appear (Figure 2.2).



Figure 2.2 Python home page

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• **STEP 2:** Click on Downloads and you will see the latest version of Python. Since all programs in this book are written and executed on **Python 3.4**, download **Python 3.4** version by clicking on **All Releases** under Downloads as shown in Figure 2.3.

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|                                   |   | Mac OS X               | or earlier.      | u are lealing for? Dathen can        |                                       |                   |   |
|                                   | >>> print('Hi,<br>What is your na                   | Other Platforms        | many operat      | ing systems and environments.        |                                       |                   |   |

Figure 2.3 Python download page

• **STEP 3:** After clicking on All Releases under Downloads, just browse the page at down side. You will see the list of Python releases as follows in Figure 2.4.

| Looking for a spec         | cific release? |            |                |   |
|----------------------------|----------------|------------|----------------|---|
| Python releases by version | on number:     |            |                |   |
| Release version            | Release date   |            | Click for more |   |
| Pytnon 3.4.3               | 2015-02-25     | S Download | Release Notes  | * |
| Python 2.7.9               | 2014-12-10     | 🕹 Download | Release Notes  |   |
| Python 3.4.2               | 2014-10-13     | 🕹 Download | Release Notes  |   |
| Python 3.3.6               | 2014-10-12     | S Download | Release Notes  |   |
| Python 3.2.6               | 2014-10-12     | 🕹 Download | Release Notes  |   |
| Python 2.7.8               | 2014-07-02     | 🕹 Download | Release Notes  |   |
| Python 2.7.7               | 2014-06-01     | 🕹 Download | Release Notes  |   |
| Python 3.4.1               | 2014-05-19     | S Download | Release Notes  | - |

Figure 2.4 Python release versions

- **STEP 4:** Click on Python 3.4.2 and download it.
- **STEP 5:** Open the folder where you have downloaded the Python 3.4 version pack and double click on it to start the installation (Figure 2.5).

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Figure 2.5 Python software

• STEP 6: After clicking on it, you will see the first window to set up Python 3.4.2 (Figure 2.6).



Figure 2.6 Python first setup window

• **STEP 7:** Click on Next and you will see a second window which tells you to specify the location where you want to install Python (Figure 2.7).

| Python 5.4.2 Setup     |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Select Destination Dir | ectory   |
| Python34               | VD New   |
|                        |  |
|                        |  |
| E                      |  |
|                        | Python 3.4.2 Setup Select Destination Dir Please select a directory for Cit Python34 |

Figure 2.7 Python second setup window

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By default, Python will be installed in C:\. Then click on Next to continue the installation. Just before completing the installation, it will show you the following two windows (Figures 2.8a and b).



Figures 2.8a and b Python final setup window

- **STEP 8:** Click on Finish to complete the installation.
- **STEP 9:** To check if Python is installed successfully just press windows key on Windows 7 or Windows 8 and then in the search bar, type Python as shown in Figure 2.9.



Figure 2.9 Windows 8 showing successful installation of Python

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# 2.4 PYTHON INTERACTIVE AND IDLE EXECUTION MODES

After installing Python in Windows, you can start Python in two different modes, viz. Python (Command Line) and Python (IDLE).

# 2.4.1 Starting Python (Command Line)

Python is an interpreted language. You can directly write the code into the Python interpreter or you can write a sequence of instruction into a file and then run the file.

When you execute Python expressions or statements from the command line then you are into the **interactive mode** or **interactive prompt**.

Following are the steps to start Python Command Line in Windows 7.

• **STEP 1:** Press Start button (Figure 2.10).



Figure 2.10

• **STEP 2:** Click on All Programs and then click on **Python 3.4**. After clicking on **Python 3.4**, you will see the list of options as shown in Figure 2.11.



Figure 2.11

• **STEP 3:** In this list, click on **Python (Command Line—32 bit)**. After clicking on it, you can see the **Python interactive prompt** in Python command line as shown in Figure 2.12.



Figure 2.12 Python interactive mode as Python command line window

In Figure 2.10 above, a Python command prompt contains an opening message >>>, called **command prompt**. The cursor at the command prompt waits for you to enter a Python command.

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A complete command is called as **statement**. Following are the simple commands which are executed in interactive mode of Python command line are shown in Figure 2.13.



Figure 2.13 Simple commands executed in interactive mode of Python command prompt

Thus, in Figure 2.13 above, we have written just two simple commands or statements. The first statement, i.e., **print('Hello World'**) when executed in interactive mode of Python command prompt gives the output as the entered command **'Hello World'** for this message. More details about the print and its syntax are explained later in this chapter.

The precautions to be taken while executing commands in Python interactive mode of Python command line are given as follows.

If you try to put extra space between Python prompt, i.e., >>> and the command, then it will produce an error called **Indentation Error: Unexpected Indent**. The simple example to demonstrate this error is as follows.

```
Example:
```

```
>>> print('Hello World')
File "<stdin>", line 1
print('Hello World')
```

IndentationError: unexpected indent

Thus, due to extra space between >>> and command, i.e., **print('Hello world')**, **the** Python interpreter raises an error.

To exit from command line of **Python 3.4**, you can press **Ctrl+z** and press **Enter key** or type **exit()** and press **Enter.** 

# 2.4.2 STARTING PYTHON IDLE

Launching Python **IDLE** is another way to start executing Python statements or commands in interactive mode of Python IDLE. It is a graphical integrated development environment for Python.

The Python statements or commands, which run on interactive mode of Python IDLE are called **shell**. The IDLE comes by default with the installation of Python itself. Launching Python IDLE is

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the simplest way to open a Python shell. The steps to launch Python IDLE are similar to those used to start a Python command line. Following are the steps to launch the Python IDLE.

- **STEP 1:** Press the Start button.
- **STEP 2:** Click on All Programs and then click on Python 3.4. After clicking on **Python 3.4**, you will see the list of options as shown in Figure 2.14.



Figure 2.14

• STEP 3: Click on IDLE (Python 3.4 GUI—32 bit). After clicking on it, you can see the Python interactive prompt, i.e., an interactive shell as follows in Figure 2.15.



Figure 2.15 Python IDLE-Interactive shell

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In Figure 2.12 above, a Python interactive shell prompt contains an opening message >>>, called **shell prompt.** The cursor at the shell prompt waits for you to enter a Python command. A complete command is called a **statement**. As soon as you write a command and press Enter, the **Python interpreter** will immediately displays result.

Following (shown in Figure 2.16) are few simple commands which are executed in interactive mode, i.e., interactive shell of Python IDLE.

Python 3.4.2 Shell



Figure 2.16 Running Commands in Python IDLE's interactive shell

**Note:** Hereafter all of the commands given as examples in upcoming chapters of this book are executed in Python 3.4 IDLE's interactive mode, i.e. the interactive shell prompt.

# 2.5 EXECUTING PYTHON PROGRAMS

The previous section explained the installation of Python 3 in Windows. This section will describe how to execute Python programs in script mode on Windows. All of the programs as written in this book have been written and executed on Windows. Once IDLE is launched in Windows, a programmer can write programs in script mode.

Running Python program from a script file is known as running python in **script mode**. You can write sequence of instructions in one file and execute them. The steps required to write Python programs in Python IDLE's script mode are given as follows.

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• **STEP 1:** In Python IDLE's—Shell Window, click on **File** and then click on **New File** or just click **Ctrl+N** (Figure 2.17).



Figure 2.17 Python IDLE file menu bar

As soon as you click on New File, the window shown below will open (Figure 2.18).

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Figure 2.18 Python script mode

You can write series of instructions and run it to view the output.

# 2.5.1 Writing First Python Program in Script Mode

Use the following steps to create and run your first Python program.

• **STEP 1:** Writing Python Code in script mode

Let us consider the simple program to print the messages "Hello Welcome to Python", "Awesome Python!" and "Bye" on the console. The statements required to print the above messages are as follows.

```
print('Hello Welcome to Python')
print("Awesome Python!")
```

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Once you write the above statements in Python script mode, they will look like as

 \*Untitled\*

 File Edit Format Run Options Windows Help

 print('Hello Welcome to Python')

 print('Awesome Python!')

 print('Bye')

 Series of

 Python

 Commands in

 Script Mode

Figure 2.19 Writing program in Python script mode

• **STEP 2:** Save the above code written in script mode by some name

In Figure 2.19 above, we can see the name **\*Untitled**. If you don't save the above code by some specific name, then by default Python interpreter will save it by the name **Untitled.py**. In this name, **py** indicates the code is written in Python language. The **\*** in front of Untitled indicates that the program is not still saved. To identify the purpose of program, you should give it a proper name. Follow the steps given below to save the program.

• **STEP 2.1:** Click on File and then click on Save button or press Ctrl+S. Then you will see the default installation folder (Python34) to save the file (Figure 2.20).

| À Save As                               |                    |                           |                    | 23           |  |  |  |  |
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| Recent Places                           | DLLs               |                           | 18/09/2016 6:55 PM | File fol     |  |  |  |  |
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|   | Save as type:      | Python files (*.py,*.pyw) | •                  | Cancel       |  |  |  |  |

Figure 2.20 Saving a Python program



given in Figure 2.19.

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• **STEP 2.2:** Write the name of your Python program: As it is your first Python program, you can save it as **MyFirstProgram.** Once you write the name of file, click on Save button. After clicking on Save button, you can see the name of file on the top, i.e., it will be displayed on title bar of the Python script window as given in Figure 2.21.





• **STEP 2.3:** Executing a Python program: A Python program is executed only after you save it with a specific file name. Thus, to run the above Python program, click on **Run and** then click on **Run Module** (shown in Figure 2.22) or you can directly press **Ctrl+F5** to run the Python program.

| MyFirstProgram.py - C:/Python34/MyFirstProgram.py (3.4.2) |              |                 |             |                |                 |              |
|---|--------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| <u>F</u> ile  | <u>E</u> dit | F <u>o</u> rmat | <u>R</u> un | <u>Options</u> | <u>W</u> indows | <u>H</u> elp |
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| pri   | nt ("2       | Awesome         | Ру          | thon Shell     |                 |              |
| pri   | nt ('H       | Bye')           | Cł          | neck Modul     | e Alt+X         |              |
|   |              |                 | Ru          | ın Module      | F5              |              |
|   |              |                 | _           |                |                 | -            |

Figure 2.22 Executing Python program

Thus, after clicking on **Run Module** you can see the output of program if it is written correctly (**Figure 2.23**).



Figure 2.23 Output of a Python program in Python IDLE's interactive shell prompt

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Note: Hereafter all of the Python programs given as examples in the forthcoming chapters of this book are executed in Python 3.4 IDLE's script mode.

# 2.6 VALUES AND TYPES

Programming languages contain data in terms of input and output and any kind of data can be presented in terms of **value**. Here value can be of any form, like literals, containing numbers, characters and strings. Suppose, we have written 'Hello World' in single quotes, but we don't know the type of value in it. To know the exact type of any value, Python offers an in-built method called **type**.

The syntax to know the type of any value is **type(value)**.

# Example

```
>>> type('Hello World')
<class 'str'>
>>> type(123)
<class 'int'>
```

Thus, when the above examples are executed in Python interactive mode, return type of value is passed to the in-built function type().

All features in Python are associated with an **object**. It is one of the primitive elements of Python. Further, all kinds of objects are classified into **types**. One of the easiest types to work with is numbers and the native data types supported by Python are string, integer, floating point and complex numbers.

The following section details the basic data types supported by Python.

# 2.6.1 Integer

From simple Mathematics, we know that an integer is a combination of positive and negative numbers including (zero) **0**. In a program, integer literals are written without commas and a leading minus sign to indicate a negative value. Following is an example of simple integer literals displayed in Python interactive mode.

# Example

```
>>> 10
10
>>> 1220303
1220303
>>> -87
-87
```

Integer literals can be octal or hexadecimal in format. All of the above examples are of decimal type integers. Decimal integers or literals are represented by a sequence of digits in which the first digit is non-zero. To represent an **octal**, **00**, i.e., a zero and a lower or uppercase letter **O** followed by a sequence of digits from **0** to **7** is used. An example of octal literals is given as follows.

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| L | - | Υ. | J |

#### Example

>>> 0012 10 >>> 00100 64

**Note:** In Python version 2.6 or earlier, octal literals were represented by the leading letter **O**, followed by a sequence of digits. In Python 3.0, octal literals have to be accompanied by a leading **Oo**, i.e., a zero and a lower or uppercase letter O.

In the previous section, we have learnt about representation of numbers as default **decimal (base 10)** notation and octal **(base 8)** notation. Similarly, numbers can also be represented as hexadecimal **(base 16)** notation using **0x** (zero and the letter x) followed by a sequence of digits. Simple examples of hexadecimal literals displayed in Python interactive mode are given as follows:

### Example

```
>>> 0x20
32
>>> 0x33
51
```

Note: Integer in Python 2.6 (int and long)—In Python 2.6, there are two types of integers. One of 32 bits and another having unlimited precession. Python 2.6 automatically converts integers to long integers if the value of the integer overflows 32 bits.

**Integers in Python 3.0 (Only int type)**—In Python 3.0, the normal int and long integer have been merged. Hence, there is only one type called integer.

# The int Function

The int function converts a string or a number into a whole number to integer. The int function removes everything after the decimal point. Consider the following example.

## Example

```
>>> int(12.456)
12
```

The following example converts a string to an integer.

#### Example

```
>>> int('123')
123
```

# 2.6.2 Floating Point Number

The value of  $\pi$  (3.14) is an example of a real number in mathematics. It consists of a whole number, decimal point and fractional part. The length of real numbers has infinite precession, i.e., the digits in the fractional part can continue forever. Thus, Python uses floating point numbers to represent

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real numbers. A floating-point number can be written using a **decimal notation** or **scientific notation**. Some examples of floating point numbers displayed in Python interactive mode are given as follows:

# Example

```
>>> 3.7e1
37.0
>>> 3.7
3.7
>>> 3.7*10
37.0
```

The above example shows the representation of floating point number **37.0** in both decimal and scientific manner. Scientific notations are very helpful because they help programmers to represent very large numbers. Table 2.1 shows decimal notations in scientific notation format.

Table 2.1 Example of floating point numbers

| Decimal Notation | Scientific Notation | Meaning         |
|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 2.34             | 2.34e0              | $2.34 * 10^{0}$ |
| 23.4             | 2.34e1              | $2.34 * 10^{1}$ |
| 234.0            | 2.34e2              | $2.34 * 10^2$   |

# The float Function

The float function converts a string into a floating-point number. A programmer can make use of float to convert string into float. Consider the following example.

# Example

```
>>>float('10.23')
10.23
```

# 2.6.3 String Type

A string literal or string in Python can be created using single, double and triple quotes. A simple example of type as string is given as follows:

# Example

```
>>> D = 'Hello World'
>>> D
'Hello World'
>>> D="Good Bye"
>>> D
'Good Bye'
>>> Sentence
'Hello, How are you? Welcome to the world of Python Programming. It is just the
beginning. Let us move on to the next topic.'
```

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>>> Sentence
'Hello, How are you? Welcome to the world of Python Programming. It is just the
beginning. Let us move on to the next topic.'
>>> p='''Hello'''
>>> p
'Hello'
```

In the previous examples, we presented string literals in three different formats, viz. single quote, double quote and triple single quotes. The triple single quotes are used to write a multiline string.

# The str Function

The str function is used to convert a number into a string. The following example illustrates the same.

### Example

```
>>> 12.5 #Floating Point Number
12.5
>>> type(12.5)
<class `float'>
>>> str(12.5) #Convert floating point number to string
`12.5'
```

# 2.6.4 Lists

A list is a sequence of values called **items** or **elements**. The elements can be of any types. The structure of a list is similar to the structure of a string. A programmer can use a list's constructor to create a list. Consider the following example.

## Example: Create a list using the constructor of the list class

- a. Create an empty list.
  L1 = list();
- b. Create a list with any three integer elements, such as 10, 20 and 30. L2 = list([10,20,30])
- c. Create a list with three string elements, such as "Apple", "Banana" and "Grapes". L3 = list(["Apple", "Banana", "Grapes"])
- d. Create a list using built-in range() function.
  L4 = list(range(0,6)) #create a list with elements from 0 to 5
- e. Create a list with built-in characters X, Y and Z.
  L5 = list("xyz")

## Example: Creating a list without using the constructor of the list class

a. Create a list with any three integer elements, such as 10, 20 and 30. L1 = [10, 20, 30]

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# 2.6.5 Complex Number

A complex number is a number that can be expressed in the form  $\mathbf{a}+\mathbf{b}\mathbf{j}$ , where  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are real numbers and  $\mathbf{j}$  is an imaginary unit. Simple example of complex numbers displayed in Python interactive mode is given as follows:

## Example

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```
>>> 2+4j
(2+4j)
>>> type(2+4j)
<class `complex'>
>>> 9j
9j
>>> type(9j)
<class `complex'>
```

# 2.6.6 Boolean Data Type

The Boolean data type, i.e. represented in Python as of type **bool**. It is a primitive data type having one of two values, viz. **True** or **False**. Internally the **True** value is represented as 1 and **False** as 0. Consider the following example and check the type of **True** and **False** on Python interactive mode.

```
>>> type(True)
<class `bool'>
>>> False
False
>>> type(False)
<class `bool'>
```

The Boolean type is used to compare the two values. For example, when relational operators, such as, == , != , <= , >= are used in between two operands, then it returns the value in terms of **True** or **False**.

## Example

```
>>> 5 == 4
False
>>> 5 == 5
True
>>> 4 < 6
True
>>> 6 > 3
True
```

# 2.7 PYTHON KEYWORDS

The keywords are the reserved words. All of these keywords have been assigned to the fixed meaning and they cannot be used as identifiers or variables. The Table 2.2 below displays the entire list of keywords supported by Python.

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| and      | def     | for    | is       | raise  |
|----------|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| as       | del     | from   | lambda   | return |
| assert   | elif    | global | nonlocal | try    |
| break    | else    | if     | not      | while  |
| class    | except  | import | or       | with   |
| continue | finally | in     | pass     | yield  |

Table 2.2 List of Python keywords for Python version 3.0

# 2.8 IDENTIFIER/VARIABLE

Identifier is the name used to find a variable, function, class or other objects. All identifiers must obey the following rules.

An identifier:

- Is a sequence of characters that consists of letters, digits and underscore
- Can be of any length
- Starts with a letter which can be either lower or uppercase
- Can start with an underscore '\_'
- Cannot start with a digit
- Cannot be a keyword.

Some examples of valid identifiers are Name, Roll\_NO, A1, \_Address etc.

Python gives a **syntax error** if a programmer writes an invalid identifier. Some examples of invalid identifiers are First Name, 12Name, for, Salary@.

If we type the invalid identifiers, given above in Python interactive shell, it will show an error as these are invalid.

## Example

```
>>> First Name
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
>>> 12Name
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
>>> for
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
```

# 2.9 THE print() FUNCTION

In Python, a function is a group of statements that are put together to perform a specific task. The task of **print** function is to display the contents on the screen. The syntax of **print** function is:

```
Syntax of print() function:
print(argument
```
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The argument of the print function can be a value of any type int, str, float etc. It can also be a value stored in a variable. Simple examples of **print()** function executed in interactive mode of Python are given as follows.

## Example

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```
Display messages using print()
>>> print('Hello Welcome to Python Programming')
Hello Welcome to Python Programming
>>> print(10000)
10000
>>>print("Display String Demo")
Display String Demo
```

Suppose you want to print a message with quotation marks in the output as

#### print("The flight attendant asked, "May I see your boarding pass?")

If you try to run the above statement as is, Python will show an error. For Python, the second quotation mark is the end of the string and hence it does not know what to do with the rest of the characters. To overcome this problem, Python has a special notation to represent a special character. This special notation consists of a **backslash** (\) followed by a letter or a combination of digits and is called an **escape sequence**. Using **backslash**, the special characters within **print** can be written as shown below.

#### Example

```
>>> print("The flight attendant asked,\"May I see your boarding pass?\" ") The flight attendant asked, "May I see your boarding pass?"
```

In the above example, we have used backslash before the quotation marks to display the quotation marks in the output.

Table 2.3 illustrates a list of escape sequences used in Python.

| Character Escape Sequence | Name            |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| V                         | Single Quote    |
| \"                        | Double Quote    |
| \n                        | Linefeed        |
| \f                        | Formfeed        |
| \r                        | Carriage return |
| \t                        | Tab             |
| W                         | Backslash       |
| \b                        | Backspace       |

 Table 2.3
 Python escape sequences



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| $\sim$ |  |
| •      | Note: The syntax of print function is different in Python 2.X. It is<br>print arguments<br>Python 2.X does not use an additional parenthesis. If you try to execute the print statement without<br>parenthesis, in Python 3, it will raise a syntax error. |
|        | Example:<br>>>> print 'Hello World'<br>Syntax Error: Missing parentheses in call to 'print'<br>Python programs are case sensitive. Python raises an error if a programmer tries to replace print by<br>print.  |
|        | <pre>Example:<br/>&gt;&gt;&gt; Print('hi')<br/>Traceback (most recent call last):<br/>File "<pyshell#3>", line 1, in <module><br/>Print('hi')</module></pyshell#3></pre>   |
|        | NameError: name 'Print' is not defined   |

## 2.9.1 The print() Function with end Argument

Consider a simple program of a print statement.

**PROGRAM 2.1** Write a program to display the messages "Hello", "World" and "Good Bye". Each of the three messages should get displayed on a different line.

```
print(`Hello')
print(`World')
print(`Good Bye')
```

## Output

Hello World Good Bye

In the above program, we have displayed each message in a different line. In short, the print function automatically prints a **linefeed(\n)** to cause the output to advance to the next line. However, if you want to display the messages **"Hello"**, **"World"** and **"Good Bye"** in one line without using a single print statement, then you can invoke the **print** function by passing a special argument named end=". The following program illustrates the use of the end argument within the print function.

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**PROGRAM 2.2** Write a basic program to make use of the end key and display the messages "Hello", "World" and "Good Bye" in one line.

```
print('Hello',end=' ')
print('World',end=' ')
print('Good Bye')
Output
```

Hello World Good Bye

## 2.10 ASSIGNING VALUE TO A VARIABLE

In Python, the equal sign (=) is used as the assignment operator. The statement for assigning a value to a variable is called an **assignment statement**. The syntax used to assign value to a variable or identifier is:

#### Variable = expression

In the above syntax, expression may contain information in terms of values, even some time expression may contain operands with operators which evaluates to a value.

Let us consider the following example of assigning and displaying the value of a variable in Python interactive mode.

#### Example

```
>>> Z = 1
                                   #Assign value 1 to variable Z
>>> 7
                                   #Display value of Z
1
>>> radius = 5
                                   #Assign value 5 to the variable radius
>>> radius
                                   #Display value of variable radius
5
>>> R = radius + Z
                                   #Assign the addition of radius and Z to R
>>> R
                                   #Display value of Variable R
6
>>> E = (5 + 10 * (10 + 5))
                                   #Assign the value of the expression to E
>>> E
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```

This example explains how a variable can be used to assign a value and how a variable can be used on both the sides of = operator. As given in the above example:

#### R = radius + Z

In the above assignment statement, the result of **radius+Z** is assigned to R. Initially the value assigned to Z is 1. Once Python executes the above statement, it adds the most recent value of Z and assigns the final value to a variable R.

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Note: To assign a value to a variable, you must place the variable name to the left of the assignment operator. If you write in the following manner, Python will display an error.
>>> 10 = X
Syntax Error: can't assign to literal
In Mathematics, E = (5 + 10 \* (10 + 5)), denotes an equation, but in Python E = (5 + 10 \* (10 + 5)) is an assignment statement that evaluates the expression and assigns the result to E.

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## 2.11 WRITING SIMPLE PROGRAMS IN PYTHON

How can a simple program to calculate the area of a rectangle be written in Python?

We know that a program is written in a step-wise manner. Consider the initial steps given as follows:

• **STEP 1:** Design an algorithm for the given problem.

An algorithm describes how a problem is to be solved by listing all the actions that need to be taken. It also describes the order in which the series of actions need to be carried out. An algorithm helps a programmer to plan for the program before actually writing it in a programming language. Algorithms are written in simple English language along with some programming code.

• **STEP 2:** Translate an algorithm to programming instructions or code.

Let us now write an algorithm to calculate the area of a rectangle.

## Algorithm to Calculate the Area of a Rectangle

- a. Get the length and breadth of the rectangle from the user.
- **b.** Use the relevant formula to calculate the area.

## Area = Length \* Breadth

**c.** Finally display the area of the rectangle.

This algorithm can be written as code as shown in Program 2.3.

**PROGRAM 2.3** Write a program to calculate the area of a rectangle.

```
Length = 10
breadth = 20
print(' Length = ',length,' Breadth = ',breadth)
area = length * breadth
print(' Area of Rectangle is = ',area)
```

## Output

```
Length = 10 Breadth = 20
Area of Rectangle is = 200
```

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**Explanation** In the above program, two variables, viz. length and breadth are initialized with values 10 and 20, respectively. The statement **area = length × breadth** is used to compute the area of the rectangle.

Here the values of the variables are fixed. However, a user may want to calculate the area of different rectangles with different dimensions in future. In order to get the values according to the user's choice, a programmer must know how to read the input values from the console. This is described in the next section.

## 2.12 THE input() FUNCTION

The input() function is used to accept an input from a user. A programmer can ask a user to input a value by making use of **input()**.

input() function is used to assign a value to a variable.

## **Syntax**

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```
Variable_Name = input()
OR
Variable Name = input(`String')
```

## 2.12.1 Reading String from the Console

A simple program of **input()** function to read strings from the keyboard is given below.

**PROGRAM 2.4** Read string from the Console.

```
Str1 = input('Enter String1:')
Str2 = input('Enter String2: ')
print(' String1 = ',Str1)
print(' String2 = ',Str2)
Output
Enter String 1: Hello
Enter String 2: Welcome to Python Programming
    String1 = Hello
    String2 = Welcome to Python Programming
```

**Explanation** The **input()** function is used to read the string from the user. The string values entered from the user are stored in two separate variables, viz. **Str1** and **Str2**. Finally all the values are printed by making use of **print()** function.

Let us also check what happens if by mistake the user enters digits instead of characters. Program 2.5 illustrates the same.

**PROGRAM 2.5** Write a program to enter digits instead of characters.

```
print('Please Enter the Number:')
X = input()
print('Entered Number is: ',X)
print('Type of X is:')
print(type(X))
Output
Please Enter the number:
60
```

Entered Number is: 60 Type of X is: <class `str'>

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**Explanation** We know that Python executes statements sequentially. Hence, in the above program the first print statement is printed, i.e. 'Please Enter the Number.' But when it runs the second statement, i.e. X = input() the programming execution stops and waits for the user to type the text using the keyboard. The texts that the user types are not committed until he/she presses Enter. Once the user enters some text from the keyboard, the value gets stored in an associated variable. Finally, the entered value is printed on the console. The last statement is used to check the type of value entered.

Note: The input function produces only string. Therefore, in the above program even if the user enters a numeric, i.e. integer value, Python returns the type of input value as string.

In the above program, how does a programmer read integer values using the input function? Python has provided an alternative mechanism to convert existing string to **int**. A programmer can use **int** to convert a string of digits into an integer. Program 2.6 illustrates the use of **int** and **input()**.

**PROGRAM 2.6** Write a program to demonstrate the use of int and input function.

```
print(' Please Enter Number')
Numl = input()  #Get input from user
print(' Numl = ',Numl)  #Print value of Numl
print(type(Numl))  #Check type of Numl
print(' Converting type of Numl to int ')
Numl = int(Numl)  #Convert type of Numl from str to int
print(Numl)  #print the value of Numl
print(type(Numl)) #Check type of Numl
```

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#### Output

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```
Please Enter Number
12
Num1 = 12
<class `str' >
Converting type of Num1 to int
12
<class `int' >
```

**Explanation** The above program asks the user for input. The user has entered the input as 12 but it is of type str. By making use of int, i.e. the statement **Num1 = int(Num1)**, it converts the existing type to int.

We can minimise the number of lines in a program directly by making use of **int** before **input** function. A shorter version of the above program is given in Program 2.7.

**PROGRAM 2.7** Write a program to demonstrate the use of int before input.

```
Num1 = int(input(' Please Enter Number:'))
print(' Num1 = ',Num1) #Print the value of Num1
print(type(Num1)) #Check type of Num1
```

#### Output

```
Please Enter Number:
20
Num1 = 20
<class `int' >
```

**PROGRAM 2.8** Write a program to read the length and breadth of a rectangle from a user and display the area of the rectangle.

```
print(' Enter Length of Rectangle:', end=' ')
Length = int(input())  #Read Length of Rectangle
print(' Enter Breadth of Rectangle:', end=' ')
Breadth = int(input())  #Read Breadth of Rectangle
Area = Length * Breadth  #Compute Area of Rectangle
print('----Details of Rectangle-----')
print(' Length = ',Length)  #Display Length
print(' Breadth = ',Breadth) #Display Breadth
print(' Area of rectangle is :',Area)
```

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#### Output

```
Enter Length of Rectangle: 10
Enter Breadth of Rectangle: 20
-----Details of Rectangle-----
Length = 10
Breadth = 20
Area of rectangle is: 200
```

**Note:** A programmer can make use of any type to convert the string into a specific type.

```
Example:
X = int(input())
                       #Convert it to int
X = float(input())
                       #Convert it to float
```

PROGRAM 2.9 Write a program to add one integer and floating type number.

```
print('Enter integer number: ',end='')
Num1 = int(input()) # Read Num1
print('Enter Floating type number:',end='')
Num2 = float(input()) #Read Num2
print(' Number1 = ', Num1) #Print Num1
print(' Number2 =',Num2) #Print Num2
sum = Num1 + Num2 #Calculate Sum
print(' sum = ', sum) #Display Sum
Output
```

```
Enter integer number: 2
Enter Floating type number:2.5
Number1 = 2
Number2 = 2.5
sum = 4.5
```

Note: Python 3 uses input() method to read the input from the user. Python 2 uses **raw input** () method to read the input from the user. In subsequent programs in this chapter we are going to use **input()** method only as all programs are executed in Python 3.

#### 2.13 THE eval() FUNCTION

The full form of **eval** function is to evaluate. It takes a string as parameter and returns it as if it is a Python expression. For example, if we try to run the statement eval('print("Hello")') in Python interactive mode, it will actually run the statement print("Hello").

## Example

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```
>>> eval(`print("Hello")')
Hello
```

The eval function takes a string and returns it in the type it is expected. The following example illustrates this concept.

## Example

```
>>> X = eval('123')
>>> X
123
>>> print(type(X))
<class `int'>
```

## 2.13.1 Apply eval() to input() Function

In previous section, we learnt about the input() function in detail. We know that the **input()** function returns every input by the user as string, including numbers. And this problem was solved by making use of **type** before **input()** function.

## Example

```
X = int(input('Enter the Number'))
```

Once the above statement is executed, Python returns it into its respective type.

By making use of **eval()** function, we can avoid specifying a particular type in front of input() function. Thus, the above statement,

```
X = int(input('Enter the Number'))
can be written as:
```

```
X = eval(input('Enter the Number'))
```

With respective to the above statement, a programmer does not know what values a user can enter. He/she may enter a value of any type, i.e. int, float, string, complex etc. By making use of eval, Python automatically determines the type of value entered by the user. Program 2.10 demonstrates the use of eval().

**PROGRAM 2.10** Write a program to display details entered by a user, i.e. name, age, gender and height.

```
Name = (input('Enter Name :'))
Age = eval(input('Enter Age :')) #eval() determine input type
Gender = (input('Enter gender:'))
Height = eval(input('Enter Height:')) #eval() determine input type
print(' User Details are as follows: ')
print(' Name: ',Name)
print(' Age: ',Age)
print(' Gender: ',Gender)
print(' Height ',Height)
```



#### Output

```
Enter Name: Donald Trump
Enter Age: 60
Enter Gender: M
Enter Height: 5.9
User details are as follows:
Name: Donald Trump
Age: 60
Gender: M
Height: 5.9
```

**Explanation** In the above program we have used **eval()** in front of **input()** function as:

Age = eval(input('Enter Age :'))

The above statement reads the input as a string and converts a string into a number. After the user enters a number and presses Enter, the number is read and assigned to a variable name.

## 2.14 COMMENTING IN PYTHON

Comments in Python are preceded by a hash symbol (#) on a line and called a **line comment**. Three consecutive single quotation marks " are used to give multiple comments or comments on several lines at once and called **paragraph comment**.

When the Python interpreter sees **#**, it ignores all the text after **#** on the same line. Similarly, when it sees the triple quotation marks ''' it scans for the next ''' and ignores any text in between the triple quotation marks. Thus, **multi lines** can be commented by making use of triple quotes.

The following program demonstrates the use of comment statements in Python.

#### Learn How to Comment in Python

```
print('I Learnt How to Comment in Python')
''' Amazing tool
in python called Comment'''
print('Bye')
Output
L Learnt Here to Comment in Pathem
```

I Learnt How to Comment in Python Bye

**Explanation** As explained above, Python ignores all the text in a statement if it is preceded by the # symbol. When the above program is executed, it ignores all the text followed by the # symbol and triple quotation marks.

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## 2.15 MODULES AND FUNCTIONS

It is difficult to prepare and maintain a large-scale program and the identification of the flow of data subsequently gets harder to understand. The best way to create a programming application is to divide a big program into small modules and repeatedly call these modules.

With the help of functions, an entire program can be divided into small independent modules (each small module is called a function). This improves the code's readability as well as the flow of execution as small modules can be managed easily.

**Function Definition** A function is a self-contained block of one or more statements that performs a special task when it is called. The syntax for function is given as follows:



Figure 2.24 Syntax of Function

The syntax of python function contains a **header** and **body**. The function header begins with "**def**" keyword. The def is a reserved word that signifies the beginning of function definition. The name of the function is followed by the def keyword. The function header may contain zero or more number of parameters. These parameters are called **formal parameters**. If it contains more than one parameter, then all the parameters are separated by commas. The function body is a block of statements. The statement within function body defines the action that the function has to perform.

A simple example for creating a function is explained in the following program.

## **PROGRAM 2.11** Write a program to create a function having a name to **display** and print the message "Welcome to Python Programming" inside the function.

```
def display():
print("Welcome to Python Programming ")
Display() #call function
```

## Output

Welcome to Python Programming

**Explanation** In the above program, function having name **display()** is created. This function takes no parameters. The body of function contains only one statement. Finally function **display()** is called to print the message **"Welcome to Python Programming"** within the block of function.

## 2.16 PARAMETERS, ARGUMENTS IN A FUNCTION

Parameters are used to give input to a function. They are specified with the pairs of parentheses in the function definition. When programmer calls the function, then the values are also passed to the functions. In the function, **parameters** are defined by the names that appear in function definition. Whereas, the **arguments** are the values actually passed to a function when they have been called. Thus, parameters define what type of arguments a function can accept. Let us consider the following example given in Figure 2.25 of passing parameters to a function and differentiate between argument and parameter.

## Example



In Figure 2.25 above, printMax(num1, num2) has two parameters, viz. **num1** and **num2**. The parameters, **num1** and **num2**, are called here formal parameters. The function is invoked by calling the name of function, i.e. printMax(10, 20), where 10, 20 are the actual parameters. The actual parameters are also called as arguments and the **num1** and **num2** are the parameters of the function.



**Note:** With more Details about functions, their arguments and parameters, it has been described in detail later in Chapter 6.

## 2.17 TUPLE AND TUPLE ASSIGNMENT

A tuple is an in-built data type in Python. In order to create a tuple, the elements of tuples are enclosed in parentheses instead of square brackets. All of the elements of a tuple are separated by commas. Once a tuple has been created, we cannot add or delete elements or even shuffle their orders. Hence, the tuples are immutable. Since tuples are inflexible, their length has also been fixed. A new tuple must be created by growing or shrinking an earlier one.

## Example: Defining a tuple

```
T1 = () #Creates an empty tuple
T2 = (12,34,56,90) #Creates a tuple with 4 elements
T3 = (`a','b','c','d','e') #Creates a tuple of 5 characters
T4 = `a','b','c','d','e' #Creates a tuple without parenthesis
```

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Note: #To create a tuple of a single element, it should be followed by a comma.
>>> T1=(4,)
>>> type(T1)
<class `tuple'>
Is it possible to create a tuple of a single element without a comma?
>>> T1=(4)
>>> type(T1)
<class `int'>

## 2.17.1 Tuple Assignment

Tuple assignment is a unique feature of Python language. It has the ability to have a tuple on the left hand side of an assignment statement. It allows you to assign tuples of variable on the left of an assignment and to assign the values from a tuple on the right side of the assignment.

## Example on Tuple Assignment

```
>>> T1 = ('Virat',5554,9588)
>>> (Name, Run_Scored_Test, Run_ODI_Scored) = T1
>>> Name
'Virat'
>>> Run_Scored_Test
5554
>>> Run_ODI_Scored
9588
```

In the above example, we have three sequences of elements. Thus, we have assigned the first element to variable 'Name', second element to variable 'Run\_Scored\_Test' and third element to 'Run\_ODI\_Scored' respectively.

## **ILLUSTRATIVE PROBLEMS**

A. Exchange the Values of Two Variables

## Assigning Value to Multiple Variables

Consider the following example where a value has been assigned to multiple variables.

## Example

| >>> | Ρ | = ( | Q = | R | = | 100 | #Assign  | 100 to | Ρ, | Q and R  |   |
|-----|---|-----|-----|---|---|-----|----------|--------|----|----------|---|
| >>> | Ρ |     |     |   |   |     | #Display | value  | of | Variable | Ρ |
| 100 |   |     |     |   |   |     |          |        |    |          |   |
| >>> | Q |     |     |   |   |     | #Display | value  | of | Variable | Q |
| 100 |   |     |     |   |   |     |          |        |    |          |   |
| >>> | R |     |     |   |   |     | #Display | Value  | of | Variable | R |
| 100 |   |     |     |   |   |     |          |        |    |          |   |

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In the above example, we have assigned value 100 to **P**, **Q** and **R**. The statement P = Q = R = 100 is equivalent to

$$P = 100$$
$$Q = 100$$
$$R = 100$$

#### **Multiple Assignments**

Python supports simultaneous assignments to multiple variables. The syntax of multiple assignments is

Var1, Var2, Var3, ..... = Exp1, Exp2, Exp3, ..... ExpN

In the above syntax, Python simultaneously evaluates all of the expressions on the right and assigns them to a corresponding variable on the left. Consider the following statements to swap the values of the two variables  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$ . The common approach to swap the contents of the two variables is shown as follows:

```
>>> P = 20
>>> Q = 30
>>> Temp = P  #Save value of variable P into a variable Temp
>>> P = Q  #Assign value of Q to P
>>> Q = Temp  #Assign the value of Temp to Q
#After exchanging the value of P, and Q are as follows.
>>> P
30
>>>
>>> Q
20
```

In the above code, we have used the following statements to swap the values of the two variables **P** and **Q**.

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Temp} = P \\ P = Q \\ Q = \text{Temp} \end{array}$ 

However, by using the concept of multiple assignments, you can simplify the task of swapping two numbers.

```
>>> P, Q = Q, P #Swap P with Q & Q with P
```

Thus, the entire code to swap two numbers using multiple assignments is as follows:

```
>>> P = 20  #Initial Values of P and Q
>>> Q = 30
>>> P
20
>>> Q
30
>>> P, Q = Q, P  #Swap values of P and Q
>>> P  #Display value of P
30
>>> Q  #Display Value of Q
20
```

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## B. CIRCULATE THE VALUES OF N VARIABLES

Consider the following example where a value has been assigned to multiple variables.

- A = 10
- B = 20
- C = 30

Thus after circulating the values of **A**, **B** and **C** will be as follows.

- A = 30B = 10
- C = 20

Thus, the entire code to circulate numbers on Python interactive mode is as follows.

#### #Before Circulation

>>> A = 10 >>> B = 20 >>> C = 30 >>> A >>> 10 >>> B >>> 20 >>> C >>> 30 #Code for Circulation >>> T = C >>> C = B #Assign value of B to C >>> B = A #Assign value of A to B #Assign value of T to A >>> A = T #After Circulation >>> A #Print the value of A >>> 30

>>> B #Print the value of B
>>> 10
>>> C #Print the value of C
>>> 20

However, by using the concept of multiple assignments, you can simplify the task of circulating numbers.

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- SUMMARY
- Programs written in high-level languages are similar to instructions written in English language.
- An interpreter or compiler is used to translate a program written in a high-level language into an equivalent machine code for execution.
- An interpreter reads the source code line by line and converts it into object code.
- A compiler is a software which translates an entire program written in a high-level language into machine language at one go.
- A loader is software used to load and relocate the executable program in the main memory during execution.
- Python offers a built-in method called **type** to know the exact type of any value.
- Keywords are reserved words.
- Keywords cannot be used as identifiers or variables.
- An identifier is a name used to identify a variable, function, class or other objects.
- print() function is used to display contents on the screen.
- input() function is used to accept input from the user.
- The # symbol is used to comment a single line in Python.
- Triple single quotation *""* marks are used to comment multiple lines in Python.

## KEY TERMS

- ⇒ High-level Language: Programs are written in a manner similar to writing instructions in English language.
- ⇒ **Interpreter:** It reads source code line by line and converts it into object code.
- $\Rightarrow$  Compiler: It is a software which translates an entire program written in a high-level language into machine language at one go.
- ⇒ **Identifier:** It helps to identify a variable.
- ⇒ **input()**: It is used to accept data from the user.
- ⇒ **print()**: It prints contents on the screen.
- ⇒ type(): It is used to know the exact type of any value.

## **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

#### A. Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ is used to translate a program written in a high-level language into its equivalent machine code.
  - b. Linker a. Compiler
  - c. Loader d. Both a and b
- **2.** \_\_\_\_\_\_ is used to relocate executable programs to the main memory during execution.
  - a. Linker
  - c. Interpreter

- b. Compiler
- d. Loader

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| 3. | What is the correct syntax for the print sta                          | tement in Python 3.0?                                  |
|    | a. print()  | b. print   |
|    | c. input()  | d. None of the above                                   |
| 4. | Which of the following is not a valid ident                           | ifier?   |
|    | a. A_   | bA   |
|    | c. 1a   | d1   |
| 5. | Which of the following is an invalid state                            | nent?  |
|    | a. $w_{,}X_{,}Y_{,}Z = 1,00,000,0000$                                 | b. WXYZ = 1,0,00,000                                   |
|    | c. W X Y Z =10 10 11 10   | d. W_X_Y = 1,100,1000                                  |
| 6. | Which type of error will occur while exec                             | uting the following statement?                         |
|    | Name = MyName   |  |
|    | a. Syntax Error   | b. Name Error  |
|    | c. Type Error   | d. Value Error   |
| 7. | What will be printed if we write print() st<br>PriNt("Hello Python!") | atement as   |
|    | a. Hello Python   | b. Syntax Error  |
|    | c. Name Error   | d. Both a and b  |
| 8. | Which of the following is a valid input()                             | statement?   |
|    | a. x = input(Enter number:)   | b. X = Input(Enter number:)                            |
|    | <pre>c. X = input('Enter number:')</pre>                              | d. X = Input('Enter Number:')                          |
| 9. | What will be the output of the following s                            | tatement if the user has entered 20 as the value of x. |
|    | <pre>x = input('Enter Number:')</pre>                                 |  |
|    | print(10+x)   |  |
|    | a. 1010   | b. 20  |
|    | c. 30   | d. Error   |

#### B. True or False

- 1. We can execute Python on Windows.
- 2. We cannot comment on multiple lines in a Python program.
- 3. Python is an interpreted language.
- 4. Keywords can be used as identifiers or variables.
- 5. An identifier is a name used to identify a variable, function etc.

#### **C. Exercise Questions**

- 1. What is a compiler?
- 2. What is an interpreter?
- 3. Differentiate between a compiler and an interpreter.
- 4. What is a linker?
- 5. What is a loader?
- 6. Explain the use of end keyword with a suitable example.
- 7. Explain in brief all the data types supported by Python.
- 8. Explain different types of comments supported by Python along with examples?



## **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Write a program to display the statement given below in two different lines.

"I am using Python" and "It's my First Assignment"

2. Write a program to display the statements given below.

ohhh!!! What a Python language is!!! It's Easy! Get Started.

3. Write a program to display the pattern given below.



- 4. Write a program to read and store the name of three different cities in three different variables and print all the contents of variables on the console.
- 5. Write a program to prompt the user to enter and display their personal details, such as, name, address and mobile number.
- 6. By making use of five different print statements, write a program to print 'A' to 'F' in one single line.
- 7. Write a program to read the radius of a circle and print the area of the circle.
- Translate the following algorithm into Python code.
   Step 1: Initialize variable named Pounds with value 10.
   Step 2: Multiply Pounds by 0.45 and assign it to a variable Kilogram.
   Step 3: Display the value of variable Pounds and Variable.

# **Operators and Expressions**

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## **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

- 3.1 Introduction
- 3.2 Operators and Expressions
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- 3.5 Changing Precedence and Associativity of Arithmetic Operators
- 3.6 Translating Mathematical Formulae into Equivalent Python Expressions
- 3.7 Bitwise Operator
- 3.8 The Compound Assignment Operator

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Perform simple arithmetic operations
- Explain the difference between division and floor division operators
- Use unary, binary and bitwise operators, and perform multiplication and division operations using bitwise left and right shift operators
- Evaluate numeric expressions and translate mathematical formulae into expressions
- Recognise the importance of associativity and operator precedence in programming languages

## 3.1 INTRODUCTION

An operator indicates an operation to be performed on data to yield a result. In our day to day life, we use various kinds of operators to perform diverse data operations. Python supports different



operators which can be used to link variables and constants. These include arithmetic operators, Boolean operators, bitwise operators, relational operators and simple assignment and compound assignment operators.

Table 3.1 lists basic operators in Python with their symbolic representation

Table 3.1Types of operators

| Type of Operator                                    | Symbolic Representation |
|---|-------------------------|
| Arithmetic Operators                                | +, - , / ,// *, %, %%   |
| Boolean Operators                                   | and, or, not            |
| Relational Operators                                | >, <, <=, >= ,!=        |
| Bitwise Operators                                   | &,   , ^, >> , << , ~   |
| Simple Assignment and Compound Assignment Operators | = , +=,*=,/=,%=,**=     |

## 3.2 OPERATORS AND EXPRESSIONS

Most statements contain expressions. An expression in Python is a block of code that produces a result or value upon evaluation. A simple example of an expression is 6 + 3. An expression can be broken down into operators and operands. Operators are symbols which help the user or command computer to perform mathematical or logical operations. In the expression 6 + 3, the '+' acts as the operator. An operator requires data to operate and this data is called **operand**. In this example, 6 and 3 are the operands.

The following sections describe the various kinds of operators and their usage. The expressions given in the examples are executed in Python interactive mode.

## 3.3 ARITHMETIC OPERATORS

There are two types of arithmetic operators in Python, viz. binary and unary (as shown in Fig. 3.1).



Figure 3.1 Types of arithmetic operators

## 3.3.1 Unary Operators

Unary arithmetic operators perform mathematical operations on one operand only. The '+' and '-' are two unary operators. The unary operator minus (-) produces the negation of its numeric

| Operators a | nd | Exp | res | sio | ns |    |    |    |    |    |
|-------------|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|             |    | ••  | ••  | ••  | •• | •• | •• | •• | •• | •• |

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operand. The unary operator plus (+) returns the numeric operand without change. Table 3.2 gives the details of unary operators.

| Unary Operator | Example                                   | Description   |
|----------------|---|---|
| +              | +X<br>(+X returns the same value, i.e. X) | Returns the same value that is provided as input                                      |
| -              | -X<br>(-x returns the negation of x)      | Negates the original value so that the positive value becomes negative and vice versa |

Table 3.2 Unary operators

## **Examples of Unary Operators**

```
>>> x=-5 #Negates the value of X
>>> x
-5
>>> x=+6 #Returns the numeric operand, i.e. 6, without any change
>>> x
6
```

## Some More Complex Examples of Unary Operators

```
>>> +-5
-5
```

In the above expression +-5, the first '+' operator represents the unary plus operation and the second '-' operator represents the unary minus operation. The expression +-5 is equivalent to +(-(5)), which is equal to -5.

```
>>> 1--3 #Equivalent to 1-(-3)
4
>>> 2---3 #Equivalent to 2-(-(-3))
-1
>>> 3+--2 #Equivalent to 3+(-(-2))
5
```

## 3.3.2 Binary Operators

Binary operators are operators which require two operands. They are written in **infix** form, i.e. the operator is written in between two operands.

## The Addition (+) Operator

The '+' operator in Python can be used with binary and unary form. If the addition operator is applied in between two operands, it returns the result as the arithmetic sum of the operands. Some examples of addition operators executed in Python interactive mode are given as follows:

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## Example

```
>>> 4+7 #Addition
11
>>>5+5 Addition
10
```

Table 3.3. explains the syntax and semantics of the addition operator in Python, using its three numeric types, viz. **int, float and complex.** 

Table 3.3 Addition operator

| Syntax                      | Example             |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| (int, int)-> int            | 2+4 returns 6       |
| (float, float)->float       | 1.0+4.0 returns 5.0 |
| (int, float)->float         | 1+2.0 returns 3.0   |
| (float, int)->float         | 2.0+1 returns 3.0   |
| (complex, complex)->complex | 3j+2j returns 5j    |

## The Subtraction (-) Operator

The '-' operator in Python can be used with binary and unary form. If the subtraction operator is applied in between two operands, the result is returned as the arithmetic difference of the operands. Some examples of subtraction operators executed in Python interactive mode are given as follows:

## Example

```
>>> 7-4 #Subtraction
3
>>>5-2 #Subtraction
3
```

Table 3.4 explains the syntax and semantics of the subtraction operator in Python, using its three numeric types, viz. **int, float and complex**.

| Syntax                      | Example             |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| (int, int)-> int            | 4-2 returns 2       |
| (float, float)->float       | 3.5-1.5 returns 2.0 |
| (int, float)->float         | 4-1.5 returns 2.5   |
| (float, int)->float         | 4.0-2 returns 2.0   |
| (complex, complex)->complex | 3j-2j returns 1j    |

 Table 3.4
 Subtraction operator

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**PROGRAM 3.1** Read the cost and selling price of an object and write a program to find the profit earned by a seller (in rupees). The selling price is greater than the cost price.

```
SP=eval(input('Enter the Selling Price of an Object:'))
CP=eval(input('Enter the Cost Price of an Object:'))
print('-----')
print(' Selling Price = ',SP)
print(` Cost Price =',CP)
print ('-----')
             #Formula to Calculate Profit
Profit=SP - CP
print(' Profit Earned by Selling = ', Profit)
Output
Enter the Selling Price of an Object: 45
Enter the Cost Price of an Object: 20
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Selling Price = 45
Cost Price = 20
Profit Earned by Selling = 25
```

**Explanation** At **the** start of the program, the selling price and cost price of the object is read using eval. The statement, **Profit = SP - CP** is executed to calculate the profit earned by the seller.

## The Multiplication (\*) Operator

The '\*' operator in Python can be used only with binary form. If the multiplication operator is applied in between two operands, it returns the result as the arithmetic product of the operands. Some examples of multiplication operators executed in Python interactive mode are given as follows:

## Example

| >>> 7*4 | #Multiplication |
|---------|-----------------|
| 28      |                 |
| >>>5*2  | #Multiplication |
| 10      |                 |

Table 3.5 explains the syntax and semantics of the multiplication operator in Python, using its three numeric types, viz. **int, float and complex**.

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#### Table 3.5 Multiplication operator

| Syntax                      | Example             |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| (int, int)-> int            | 4*2 returns 8       |
| (float, float)->float       | 1.5*3.0 returns 4.5 |
| (int, float)->float         | 2*1.5 returns 3.0   |
| (float, int)->float         | 1.5* 5 returns 7.5  |
| (complex, complex)->complex | 2j*2j returns -4+0j |

**PROGRAM 3.2** Write a program to calculate the square and cube of a number using \* operator.

## The Division (/) Operator

The *'*/' operator in Python can be used only with binary form. If the division operator is applied in between two operands, it returns the result as the arithmetic quotient of the operands. Some examples of division operators executed in Python interactive mode are given as follows:

## Example

Table 3.6 explains the syntax and semantics of the division operator in Python, using its three numeric types, viz. **int, float and complex.** 

#### Table 3.6 Division (/) operator

| Syntax                      | Example             |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| (int, int)-> float          | 25/5 returns 5.0    |
| (float, float)->float       | 0.6/2.0 returns 0.3 |
| (int, float)->float         | 4/0.2 returns 20.0  |
| (float, int)->float         | 1.5/2 returns 0.75  |
| (complex, complex)->complex | 6j/2j returns 3+0j  |

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**Note:** When the division (/) operator is applied on two **int** operands, Python returns a **float** result.

**PROGRAM 3.3** Write a program to calculate simple interest (SI). Read the principle, rate of interest and number of years from the user.

```
P=eval(input(`Enter principle Amount in Rs = `)) #Read P
ROI=eval(input(`Enter Rate of Interest = `)) #Read ROI
years=eval(input('Enter the Number of years =')) #Read years
print(' Principle = ',P)
print(' Rate of Interest = ',ROI)
print(' Number of Years = ',years)
SI = P*ROI*Years/100
                                #Calculate SI
print('Simple Interest = ',SI)
Output
Enter Principle Amount in Rs = 1000
Enter Rate of Interest = 8.5
```

Enter the Number of Years = 3 Principle = 1000 Rate of Interest = 8.5Number of Years = 3Simple Interest = 255.0

**PROGRAM 3.4** Write a program to read a temperature in Celsius from the user and convert it into Fahrenheit.

```
Celsius =eval(input('Enter Degree is Celsius:'))#Read Celsius from User
print('Celsius = ', Celsius) #Print Celsius
Fahrenheit = (9 / 5) * Celsius + 32 # Convert Celsius to Fahrenheit
print(' Fahrenheit = ', Fahrenheit) # Print Fahrenheit
```

(Contd.)



#### Output

```
Enter Degree is Celsius: 23
Celsius = 23
Fahrenheit = 73.4
```

**Note:** Formula to convert Celsius into Fahrenheit is: Fahrenheit = (9/5)\*Celsius + 32

## The Floor Division (//) Operator

The '*ll*' operator in Python can be used only with binary form. If the floor division operator is applied in between two operands, it returns the result as the arithmetic quotient of the operands. Some examples of floor division operators executed in Python interactive mode are given as follows:

## Example

```
>>> 4//2 # Floor Division
2
>>> 10//3
3 #Floor Division
```

Table 3.7 explains the syntax and semantics of the floor division operator in Python, using its numeric types, viz. **int and float.** 

#### Table 3.7 Floor division (//) operator

| Syntax                | Example               |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| (int, int)-> int      | 25//5 returns 5       |
| (float, float)->float | 10.5//5.0 returns 2.0 |
| (int, float)->float   | 11//2.5 returns 4.0   |
| (float, int)->float   | 4.0//3 returns 1.0    |

**Note:** a. From the above example, it is clear that when the floor division (//) operator is applied on two int operands, Python returns an int result.

b. In the second example 10.5//5.0, the result returned is 2.0. However, if 10.5/5.0 returns 2.1, it means the floor division operator has been applied on two float operands. Hence, it returns the result in float but ignores the decimal number after the decimal point.

## The Modulo (%) Operator

When the second number divides the first number, the modulo operator returns the remainder. The % modulo operator is also known as the remainder operator. If the remainder of x divided by y is zero then we can say that x is divisible by y or x is a multiple of y.

Consider the following example.



In the above example, **14** % **4** returns **3** as the remainder. Thus, the left-side operand, i.e. 14 is the dividend and the right-side operand, i.e. 4 is the divisor. Some more examples of the modulo operator executed in Python interactive mode are given below.

#### Example

```
>>> 10 % 4  # 10 is divided by 4 returns remainder as 2
2
>>> 13%5
3
```

Table 3.8 explains the syntax and semantics of the modulo (%) operator in Python, using its numeric types, viz. int and float.

Table 3.8 Modulo (%) operator

| Syntax                | Example                |  |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|
| (int, int)-> int      | 25%4 returns 1         |  |
| (float, float)->float | 2.5 % 1.2 returns 0.10 |  |
| (int, float)->float   | 13%2.0 returns 1.0     |  |
| (float, int)->float   | 1.5 % 2 returns 1.5    |  |

```
Note: Mathematically, X%Y is equivalent to X - Y * (x//Y)

Example: 14%5 returns 4

Therefore,

14%5 = 14 - 5*(14//5)

= 14 - 5* (2)

= 14 - 10

= 4
```

**Use of % Modulo Operator in Programming** The modulo operator, i.e. the remainder operator is very useful in programming. It is used to check if a number is even or odd, i.e. if number % 2 returns zero then it is an even number and if number % 2 == 1 then it is an odd number.

**PROGRAM 3.5** Write a program to read the weight of an object in grams and display its weight in kilograms and grams, respectively.

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#### Example

**Input:** Enter the weight of the object in grams: 2,500 **Output:** Weight of the object (kilograms and grams): 2 kg and 500 g

**Note:** 1 kilogram = 1,000 grams

```
W1 = eval(input(`Enter the Weight of Object in grams:')) #Input Weight
print(` Weight of Object = `,W1,' grams') # Print Weight
W2 = W1 // 1000 #Calculate No of kg
W3 = W1 % 1000 #Calculate No of g
print(` Weight of Object = `,W2,' kg and `,W3,' g')
```

## Output

```
Enter the Weight of Object in g : 1250
Weight of Object = 1250 g
Weight of Object = 1 kg and 250 g
```

**PROGRAM 3.6** Write a program to reverse a four-digit number using % and // operators.

```
Num=eval(input('Enter four-digit number: '))
print('Entered number is:',num)
r1=num%10
q1=num//10
r2=q1%10
q2=q1//10
r3=q2%10
q3=q2//10
r4=q3%10
print('Reverse of ',num,'is:',r1,r2,r3,r4)
Output
Enter four-digit number: 8763
Entered number is: 8763
```

Reverse of 8763 is: 3 6 7 8

**Explanation** In the above program, initially the number is read from the user. For instance, the number read through the user is **8763**. To reverse the contents of the number, initially the operation (**8763** % **10**) gives a remainder **3**. To display the second digit 6, the number has to be divided by 10. Hence, (**8763**//**10**) gives **876**. After obtaining the quotient as **876**, the modulus operation (**876%10**) is performed again to obtain the digit **6**. This process is continued three times to obtain the reverse of the four-digit number entered by the user.

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#### The Exponent \*\* Operator

The '\*\*' exponent operator is used to calculate the power or exponent of a number. To compute  $x^{Y}(X \text{ raised to } Y)$ , the expression is written as X\*\*Y. The exponent operator is also called **power operator**.

## Example

>>> 4\*\*2 #Calculate Square of a Number 4
16
>>> 2\*\*3 #Calculate Cube of a Number 2
8

Table 3.9 explains the syntax and semantics of the exponent (\*\*) operator in Python, using its numeric types, viz. **int and float.** 

Table 3.9 Exponent(\*\*) operator

| Syntax                | Example              |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| (int, int)-> int      | 2**4 returns 16      |
| (float, float)->float | 2.0**3.0 returns 8.0 |
| (int, float)->float   | 5**2.0 returns 25.0  |
| (float, int)->float   | 4.0 **3 returns 64.0 |

**PROGRAM 3.7** Write a program to calculate the distance between two points. The formula for computing distance is

 $\sqrt{(X2-X1)^2 + (Y2-Y1)^2}$ 

We can use Z<sup>\*\*</sup>0.5 to compute the square root of the expression  $\sqrt{Z}$ . The program below prompts the user to read the coordinates of the two points and compute the distance between them.

```
print('Point1')
X1 = eval(input('Enter X1 coordinate:')) #Read X1
Y1 = eval(input('Enter Y1 coordinate:')) #Read Y1
print('point2')
X2 = eval(input('Enter X2 coordinate: ')) #Read X2
Y2 = eval(input('Enter Y2 coordinate: ')) #Read Y2
L1=(X2-X1)**2 + (Y2-Y1)**2 #Computer inner expression
Distance = L1**0.5 #Compute Square root.
print('Distance between two point is as follows')
print('(',X1,Y1,')','(',X2,Y2,')=', Distance)
```

## Output

Point1 Enter X1 Coordinate :4 Enter Y1 Coordinate :6 78..

point2 Enter X2 Coordinate: 8 Enter Y2 Coordinate: 10 Distance between the two points is as follows ( 4 6 ) ( 8 10 )= 5.656854249492381

**PROGRAM 3.8** Write a program to display the following table.

| Y | X**Y                  |
|---|-----------------------|
| 2 | 100                   |
| 3 | 1000                  |
| 4 | 10000                 |
| 5 | 100000                |
|   | Y<br>2<br>3<br>4<br>5 |

| print(`X  | \t | Y \ | tΣ | (**Y')   |
|-----------|----|-----|----|----------|
| print(`10 | \t | 2   | \t | `,10**2) |
| print(`10 | \t | 3   | \t | `,10**3) |
| print(`10 | \t | 4   | \t | `,10**4) |
| print(`10 | \t | 5   | \t | `,10**5) |

## Output

| Х  | Y | X**Y  |
|----|---|-------|
| 10 | 2 | 100   |
| 10 | 3 | 1000  |
| 10 | 4 | 10000 |
| 10 | 5 | 10000 |

## 3.4 OPERATOR PRECEDENCE AND ASSOCIATIVITY

Operator precedence determines the order in which the Python interpreter evaluates the operators in an expression.

Consider the expression **4+5\*3**.

Now, you may ask so how does Python know which operation to perform first? In the above example **4+5\*3**, it is important to know whether **4+5\*3** evaluates to 19 (where the multiplication is done first) or 27 (where the addition is done first).

The default order of precedence determines that multiplication is computed first so the result is 19. As an expression may contain a lot of operators, operations on the operands are carried out according to the priority, also called the precedence of the operator. The operator having higher priority is evaluated first.

Table 3.10 gives the list of operator precedence in the descending order. The operators on the top rows have higher precedence and the operators on the bottom rows have lower precedence. If a row contains multiple operators, it means all the operators are of equal priority or precedence.

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Table 3.10 Operator precedence

| Precedence | Operator                  | Name  |
|------------|---------------------------|---|
|            | **                        | Exponential   |
|            | +,-,~                     | Plus, Minus, Bitwise not                                  |
|            | *,/,//,%                  | Multiplication, division, integer division, and remainder |
|            | +, -                      | Binary Addition, Subtraction                              |
|            | << ,>>>                   | Left and Right Shift                                      |
|            | &                         | Bitwise AND   |
|            | ^                         | Bitwise XOR   |
|            |                           | Bitwise OR  |
|            | <,<=,>,>=                 | Comparison  |
|            | ==, !=                    | Equality  |
|            | =,%=,/=,//=,-=,+=,,*=,**= | Assignment Operators                                      |
|            | is, is not                | Identity Operators  |
|            | in, not in                | Membership Operator                                       |
|            | Not                       | Boolean Not   |
|            | And                       | Boolean and   |
| •          | Or                        | Boolean or  |

## 3.4.1 Example of Operator Precedence

Consider arithmetic operators \*, /, // and %, which have higher precedence as compared to operators + and -.

#### Example

4+5\*3-10

As compared to + and \* operators, the \* operator has higher priority. Hence, the multiplication operation is performed first. Therefore, above expression becomes,

4+15-10

Now in above expression, + and – have the same priority. In such a situation, the leftmost operation is evaluated first. Hence, the above expression becomes

19 - 10

Consequentially, subtraction is performed last and the final answer of the expression will be 9.

## 3.4.2 Associativity

When an expression contains operators with equal precedence then the associativity property decides which operation is to be performed first. Associativity implies the direction of execution and is of two types, viz. left to right and right to left.

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(i) Left to Right: In this type of expression, the evaluation is executed from the left to right.

4 + 6 - 3 + 2

In the above example, all operators have the same precedence. Therefore, associativity rule is followed (i.e. the direction of execution is from the left to right).

The evaluation of the expression 4+6-3+2 is equivalent to

=((4+6)-3)+ 2= ((10)-3)+ 2 =(7)+2 = 9

(ii) Right to Left: In this type of expression, the evaluation is executed from the right to left.

X = Y = Z = Value

In the above example, assignment operators are used. The value of Z is assigned to Y and then to X. Thus, the evaluation starts from the right.

## Example of Associativity

(i) When operators of the same priority are found in an expression, precedence is given to the leftmost operator.

$$Z = 4 * 6 + 8 // 2$$

In the above expression \* is evaluated first, even though \* and // have the same priorities. The operator \* occurs before // and hence the evaluation starts from the left. Therefore, the final answer for the above expression is 28.

The examples so far illustrated how Python uses associativity rules for evaluating expressions. Table 3.11 shows the precedence and associativity for arithmetic operators.

| Table 3.11 Associativity table for arithmetic operator | ſS |
|--|----|
|--|----|

| Precedence | Operators | Associativity          |
|------------|-----------|------------------------|
| Highest    | 0         | Innermost to Outermost |
|            | **        | Highest                |
|            | *,/,//,%  | Left to Right          |
| Lowest     | + -       | Left to Right          |

## 3.5 CHANGING PRECEDENCE AND ASSOCIATIVITY OF ARITHMETIC OPERATORS

One can change the precedence and associativity of arithmetic operators by using (), i.e. the parentheses operator. The () operator has the highest precedence among all other arithmetic

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operators. It can be used to force an expression to evaluate in any order. Parentheses operator () also makes an expression more readable.

Some examples of parentheses operator executed in Python interactive mode are given as follows:

#### Example

```
>>> z=(5+6)*10
>>> z
110
```

## Explanation

In the above example, z is initialized with one expression (5+6)\*10. The sub expression (5+6) is evaluated first, followed by the multiplication operation.

## Some More Complex Examples

```
>>> A= 100 / (2*5)
>>> A
10.0
>>> B= 4 + (5 * (4/2) + (4 + 3))
>>> B
21.0
```

**PROGRAM 3.9** Write a program to find the area and perimeter of a rectangle using (), i.e. the parenthesis operator.

```
Length = eval(input('Enter the Length of Rectangle:'))
Breadth = eval(input('Enter the Breadth of Rectangle:'))
print('- - - - - - - - - ')
print(' Length = ', Length)
print(' Breadth = ',Breadth)
print('- - - - - - - ')
print(' Area = ', Length * Breadth)
print(' Perimeter = ',2 * (Length + Breadth))
Output
Enter the Length of Rectangle: 10
Enter the Breadth of Rectangle: 20
_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
Length = 10
Breadth = 20
_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
Area = 200
Perimeter = 60
```

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**Explanation** In the above program, the values of variables length and breadth of the rectangle are initially read from the user. Then using the multiplication \* operator, the area of the rectangle is computed. Finally, in order to compute the perimeter, the addition of length and breadth is performed and the result is multiplied by 2.

Note: Area of Rectangle = Length \* Breadth Perimeter of Rectangle = 2 \* (Length + Breadth)

## 3.6 TRANSLATING MATHEMATICAL FORMULAE INTO EQUIVALENT PYTHON EXPRESSIONS

Consider the following quadratic equation written in normal arithmetic manner.

$$\frac{-b\pm\sqrt{b^2-4ac}}{2a}$$

The steps required to convert this quadratic equation into its equivalent Python expression are given as follows:

• **STEP 1:** The numerator and denominator are computed first to find the roots of the quadratic equation. Division between the numerator and denominator is performed as the last step. Hence, we can write the above expression as:

Numerator/Denominator

• **STEP 2:** The denominator is just 2a, so we can rewrite the formula as:

Numerator/((2 \*a ))

• **STEP 3:** Now we can split the numerator into two parts, i.e. left and right as follows:

(Left+Right)/((2 \*a ))

• **STEP 4:** Substitute –b for left. There is no need to put parenthesis for –b because unary operator has higher precedence than binary addition. Hence, the above equation becomes:

(-b+Right )/((2 \*a ))

• **STEP 5:** The right contains the expression inside the square root. Therefore, the above equation can be rewritten as:

(-b+sqrt(expression)/((2 \*a ))

• **STEP 6:** But the expression inside the square root contains two parts left and right. Hence, the above equation is further rewritten as

(-b+sqrt(left-right)/((2 \*a))

• **STEP 7:** Now the left part contains the expression b\*\*2 and the right part contains the expression 4\*a\*c. There is no need to put parenthesis for b\*\*2 because the exponent operator has

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higher precedence than the \* operator since the expression 4\*a\*c is present on the right side. The above equation can be rewritten as

(-b+sqrt(b\*\*2-4\*a\*c)/((2 \*a ))

Thus, we have converted the mathematical expression into a Python expression. While converting an equation into a Python expression, one needs to only remember the rules of operator precedence and associativity.

**PROGRAM 3.10** Write the following numeric expression in Python and evaluate it.

$$\frac{2+8P}{2} - \frac{(P-Q)(P+Q)}{2} + 4^* \frac{(P+Q)}{2}$$

Consider the value of variables P and Q as 4 and 2, respectively.

```
Q = 2

Z = ( 2 + 8 * P) / 2 - ((P-Q)*(P+Q))/2 + 4 * ((P+Q)/2)

print('( 2 + 8 * P) / 2 - ((P-Q)*(P+Q))/2 + 4 * ((P+Q)/2)')

print(' Where P = ',P,' and Q = ', Q)

print(' Answer of above expression = ',Z)
```

#### Output

P = 4

(2 + 8 \* P) / 2 - ((P-Q)\*(P+Q))/2 + 4 \* ((P+Q)/2)Where P = 4 and Q = 2 Answer of above expression = 23.0

**Explanation** In the above program, initially the equation

$$\frac{2\!+\!8P}{2}\!-\!\frac{(P\!-\!Q)(P\!+\!Q)}{2}\!+\!4^*\frac{(P\!+\!Q)}{2}$$

is translated into a Python expression as

(2 + 8 \* P) / 2 - ((P - Q) \* (P + Q))/2 + 4 \* ((P + Q)/2).

Once the expression is converted into a Python expression, the values of P and Q are substituted by the Python interpreter and finally the expression is evaluated considering Python precedence and associativity rules.

## 3.7 BITWISE OPERATOR

Python has six bitwise operators for bitwise manipulation. The bitwise operator permits a programmer to access and manipulate individual bits within a piece of data. Table 3.12. shows various bitwise operators supported by Python.

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#### Table 3.12 Bitwise operators

| Operator | Meaning     |
|----------|-------------|
| &        | Bitwise AND |
|          | Bitwise OR  |
| A        | Bitwise XOR |
| >>>      | Right Shift |
| <<       | Left Shift  |
| ~        | Bitwise NOT |

## 3.7.1 The Bitwise AND (&) Operator

This operator performs **AND** operation on input bits of numbers. The Bitwise **AND** operator is represented as **'&'**. The **'&'** operator operates on two operands bit-by-bit. Table 3.13. explains the AND operator.

| Table 3.13 | AND c | perator |
|------------|-------|---------|
|------------|-------|---------|

| Input |   | Output |
|-------|---|--------|
| Х     | Υ | X & Y  |
| 0     | 0 | 0      |
| 0     | 1 | 0      |
| 1     | 0 | 0      |
| 1     | 1 | 1      |

We can conclude from this table that the output is obtained by multiplying the input bits.

## **Example of AND Operator**

Working of the bitwise operator is given as follows:

```
1 and 3 are converted into their equivalent binary format
                 0
                         0
                               0
                                      1
                                             (one)
           &
                 0
                         0
                            1
                                      1
                                             (Three)
             _____
Bitwise operation (0 & 0) (0 & 0) (0 & 1) (1 & 1)
         Result 0
                         0
                                 0
                                      1
                                              (One)
           Decimal equivalent of (0 \ 0 \ 1) = 1
            Therefore, 1 \& 3 = 1
```


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**PROGRAM 3.11** Write a program to read two numbers from the user. Display the result using bitwise & operator on the numbers.

```
num1 = int(input(`Enter First Number: `))
num2 = int(input(`Enter Second Number: `))
print(num1,' & `,num2,' = `, num1 & num2)
```

# Output

#Test Case 1 Enter First Number: 1 Enter Second Number: 3 1 & 3 = 1 #Test Case 2 Enter First Number: 5 Enter Second Number: 6 5 & 6 = 4

# 3.7.2 The Bitwise OR (|) Operator

This operator performs bitwise OR operation on the numbers. The bitwise OR operator is represented as '|'. It also operates on two operands and the two operands are compared bit-by-bit. Table 3.14 explains the '|' (OR) operator.

| Table 3.14 | Bitwise O | R operator |
|------------|-----------|------------|
|------------|-----------|------------|

| Inp | put | Output |
|-----|-----|--------|
| Х   | Y   | X   Y  |
| 0   | 0   | 0      |
| 0   | 1   | 1      |
| 1   | 0   | 1      |
| 1   | 1   | 1      |

We can conclude from this table that the output is obtained by adding the input bits.

# Examples of Bitwise '|' (OR) Operator

```
>>> 3 | 5
7 # The bitwise | operator on 3 and 5 returns 7
>>> 1 | 5
5 # The bitwise | operator on 1 and 5 returns 5
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Working of the bitwise OR('|') operator is given as follows:

Working of expression 3 | 5 is as below. Initially 3 and 5 are converted into their equivalent binary format 0 0 1 1 (Three) 0 1 0 1 (Five) Bitwise operation (0 | 0) (0 | 1) (1 | 0) (1 | 1) ------Result 0 1 1 1 (seven) Decimal Equivalent of  $(0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1) = 7$ Therefore  $3 \mid 5 = 7$ 

**PROGRAM 3.12** Write a program to read two numbers from the user. Display the result using bitwise | operator on the numbers.

```
numl = int(input('Enter First Number: '))
num2 = int(input('Enter Second Number: '))
print(num1,' | ',num2,' = ', num1 | num2)
```

#### Output

```
#Test Case 1
Enter First Number: 3
Enter Second Number: 5
3 | 5 = 7
#Test Case 2
Enter First Number: 6
Enter Second Number: 1
6 | 1 = 7
```

# 3.7.3 The Bitwise XOR (^) Operator

This operator performs bitwise exclusive or XOR operation on the numbers. It is represented as '^. The '^' operator also operates on two operands and these two operands are compared bit-by-bit. Table 3.15. explains the '^' (XOR) operator.

| Іпрі | ıt | Output |
|------|----|--------|
| Х    | Y  | X ^ Y  |
| 0    | 0  | 0      |
| 0    | 1  | 1      |
| 1    | 0  | 1      |
| 1    | 1  | 0      |

We can conclude from this table that the output is logic one when one of the input bits is logic one.

### Examples of Bitwise XOR (^) Operator

```
>>> 3 ^ 5
6 # The bitwise ^ operator on 3 and 5 returns 6
>>> 1 ^ 5
4 # The bitwise ^ operator on 1 and 5 returns 4
```

Working of the bitwise XOR (' $^{\prime}$ ) operator is given as follows:

Working of expression 3 ^ 5 is as below. Initially 3 and 5 are converted into their equivalent binary format 0 0 1 1 (Three) ~ 1 0 1 0 (Five) -----Bitwise operation (0 ^ 0) (0 ^ 1) (1 ^ 0) (1 ^ 1) Result 0 1 1 0 (Six) Decimal Equivalent of  $(0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0) = 6$ Therefore 3  $^{1} = 6$ 

**PROGRAM 3.13** Write a program to read two numbers from the user. Operate bitwise ^ operator on them and display the result.

```
num1 = int(input('Enter First Number: '))
num2 = int(input('Enter Second Number: '))
print(num1,' ^ ',num2,' = ', num1 ^ num2)
Output
#Test Case 1
```

Enter First Number: 3

```
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```
Enter Second Number: 5

3 ^ 5 = 6

#Test Case 2

Enter First Number: 1

Enter Second Number: 2

1 ^ 2 = 3
```

# 3.7.4 The Right Shift (>>) Operator

The right shift operator is represented as >>. It also needs two operands. It is used to shift bits to the right by *n* position. Working of the right shift operator (>>) is explained as follows:

### Example

```
>>>4 >> 2 # The input data 4 is to be shifted by 2 bits towards the right side
1
>>>8>>2
2
```

## Explanation

Consider the expression  $4 \gg 2$ . Initially, the number 4 is converted into its corresponding binary format, i.e. 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 Binary 4 🔶 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 Bit Index -The input data 4 is to be shifted by 2 bits towards the right side. The answer in binary bits would be 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 Binary 1 🔶 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 Bit Index 🔸 **Note:** Shifting the input number by N bits towards the right means the number is divided by 2<sup>s</sup>. In short, it means  $Y = N/2^{s}$ . Where, N = The NumberS = The Number of Bit Positions to Shift Consider the above example 4 >> 2. Let us solve this using the above formula, i.e.  $y = N/2^{s}$  $= 4 / 2^{2}$ = 4 / 4= ] Therefore, 4 >> 2 returns 1 in Python interactive mode.

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**PROGRAM 3.14** Write a program to shift input data by 2 bits towards the right.

```
N = int(input('Enter Number: '))
S = int(input('Enter Number of Bits to be shift Right: '))
print(N,' >> ',S,' = ', N >> S)
Output
Enter Number: 8
Enter Number: 8
Enter Number of Bits to be shift Right: 2
8 >> 2 = 2
```

# 3.7.5 The Left Shift (<<) Operator

The left shift operator is represented as <<. It also needs two operands. It is used to shift bits to the left by N position. The working of the left shift operator is given as follows:

#### Example

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```
>>> 4 << 2 # The input data 4 is to be shifted by 2 bits towards the left side
16
>>> 8 << 2 # The input data 8 is to be shifted by 2 bits towards the left side
32</pre>
```

### Explanation

Consider the expression  $4 \ll 2$ . Initially, the number 4 is converted into its corresponding binary format, i.e.  $0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0$   $0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0$   $8 \ 7 \ 6 \ 5 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 1 \ 0$ Binary 4  $\leftarrow$ The input data 4 is to be shifted by 2 bits towards the left side. The answer in binary bits would be  $0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0$ Binary 16  $\leftarrow$   $8 \ 7 \ 6 \ 5 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 1 \ 0$ Bit Index  $\leftarrow$ Bit Index  $\leftarrow$ 

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|    | Note: Shifting the input number by N bits towards the left side means the number is multiplied by $2^s$ .<br>In short, it means $Y = N^* 2^s$ . |
|    | N = The Number  |
|    | S = The Number of Bit Positions to Shift<br>Consider the above example 4 << 2. Let us solve this using the above formula, i.e.                  |
|    | $y = N * 2^{s}$<br>= 4 * 2 <sup>2</sup>   |
|    | = 4 * 4<br>= 16   |
|    | Therefore, 4 << 2 returns 16 in Python interactive mode.  |

**PROGRAM 3.15** Write a program to shift input data by four bits towards the left.

```
N = int(input('Enter Number: '))
S = int(input('Enter Number of Bits to be shift Left: '))
print(N,' << ',S,' = ', N << S)
Output
Enter Number: 4</pre>
```

Enter Number of Bits to be shift Left: 2 4 << 2 = 16

# 3.8 THE COMPOUND ASSIGNMENT OPERATOR

The operators +, \*, //, /, % and \*\* are used with the assignment operator (=) to form the compound or augmented assignment operator.

### Example

Consider the following example, where the value of a variable X is increased by 1.

X = X + 1

Python allows a programmer to combine the assignment and addition operator. Thus, the above statement X = X + 1 can also be written as

X + = 1

The **+=** operator is called the addition operator. A list of all other compound assignment operators is given in Table 3.16.

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| Operator | Example | Equivalent | Explanation  |
|----------|---------|------------|--|
| +=       | Z+=X    | Z=Z+X      | Add the value of Z to X  |
| -=       | Z-=X    | Z=Z-X      | Subtract X from Z  |
| *=       | Z*=X    | Z=Z*X      | Multiplies the value of X, Y and stores the result in Z                                      |
| /=       | Z/=X    | Z=Z/X      | Performs floating point division operation and stores the result in Z                        |
| //=      | Z//=X   | Z=Z//X     | Performs normal integer floor division and stores the result in Z                            |
| **=      | Z**=X   | Z=Z**X     | The value of variable X is raised to Z and the result is stored in variable $\boldsymbol{Z}$ |
| %=       | Ζ%=Χ    | Z=Z%X      | The Z modulo X operation is performed.   |

 Table 3.16
 Compound assignment operators

**PROGRAM 3.16** Write a program using compound assignment operators to calculate the area of a circle.

```
radius = eval(input('Enter the Radius of Circle: ')) #Read Radius
print(' Radius = ',radius) #Display Radius
area = 3.14
radius **=2 #Radius = Radius ** 2
area*=radius #Area=Area*Radius
print(' Radius of Circle is = ',area) #Print area
Output
Enter the Radius of Circle: 2
Radius = 2
Radius of Circle is = 12.56
```

Thus, to perform various operations in the above program we have to make use of compound assignment operators such as \*\*=, and \*=.

# MINI PROJECT Goods Service Tax (GST) Calculator

#### What is GST?

Goods and services tax is a comprehensive tax **levied on the manufacture**, **sale and consumption of goods and services** at a national level. This tax has **substituted all indirect taxes** levied on goods and services earlier by the central and state governments in India.

#### **Problem Statement**

We all buy various goods from a store. Along with the price of the goods we wish to buy, we also have to pay an additional tax, which is calculated as a specific percentage on the total price of the goods. This is called GST on the products.

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## Model of GST Using an Example

The GST has two components, viz. one which is levied by the central government (referred to as central GST or **CGST**), and one levied by the state government (referred to as state GST or **SGST**). The **rates** for central GST and state GST are given as follows:

| Type of Tax | Tax Rate |
|-------------|----------|
| CGST        | @9%      |
| SGST        | @9%      |

#### Example

Invoice of a product

| Particulars            | GST on Particulars |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Cost of Production     | 5,000              |
| Add: CGST @ 9%         | 450                |
| Add: SGST @ 9%         | 450                |
| Total Cost of Product: | ₹5,900             |

### Formula to Calculate Total Cost

(CGST Tax Rate on product) + (SGST Tax Rate on product)

**Note:** Make use of proper operators to solve the above problem.

### Algorithm

- **STEP 1:** Read Cost of Production
- **STEP 2:** Input the CGST tax rate
- **STEP 3:** Input the SGST tax rate
- STEP 4: Calculate and print the total cost of the product.

#### Program

```
CP = float(input('Enter the Cost of Product:'))
CGST = float(input('Enter tax % imposed by Centre, i.e. CGST:'))
SGST = float(input('Enter tax % imposed by State, i.e. SGST:'))
total = 0
Amount_CGST = ((CGST/100) * CP)
Amount_SGST = ((SGST/100) * CP)
total = CP + Amount_CGST + Amount_SGST
print('Total Cost of Product: Rs ',total)
```

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| Output                                      |
|---|
| Enter the Cost of Product: 5000             |
| Enter tax % imposed by Centre, i.e. CGST: 9 |
| Enter tax % imposed by State, i.e. SGST: 9  |
| Total Cost of Product: Rs. 5900.0           |

In the above example, we have calculated final cost of the product based on the tax rate.

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SUMMARY

**KEY TERMS** 

- Python supports various operators such as Arithmetic, Boolean, Relational, Bitwise and compound Assignment Operator.
- Unary Operator perform operation on one operand only whereas Binary operator requires two operands.
- The Divison(\) operator applied on two operands returns a float value.
- Modulo (%) operator return s remainder when first number is divided by the second.
- Exponent (\*\*) operator calculates power of number.
- Operator precedence determines the order in which python evaluates the operators in an expression.
- Associativity gives direction of execution, i.e. left to right or right to left.

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#### ⇒ Arithmetic Operators: Binary and Unary Operators

- ⇒ **Bitwise Operators:** and (&), or (|), xor (^), left shift (<<) and right shift (>>)
- ⇒ Augmented Assignment Operator: Operators used with the assignment operator
- ⇒ **Operator Precedence:** Determines the order in which the Python interpreter evaluates an expression
- ⇒ Associativity: Determines which operation is to be performed first.
- **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

#### A. Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. What will be the output of the following expression if it is executed in Python interactive mode?
  - 16 % 3
  - a. 5 b. 1
  - c. 0 d. -1
- 2. What will be the output of the following program?

```
X=5
Y=5
print(X/Y)
```

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Problem Solving and Python Programming . .. .. .. .. .. .. .. . . . . . . a. 1 b. 1.0 c. 0.1 d. None of the above 3. What will be the output of the following statement? print(15 + 20 / 5 + 3 \* 2 - 1) a. 19.0 b. 19 d. 24.0 c. 12.0 4. What will be the output of the following program? A=7B=4C=2print(a//b/c)a. 0.85 b. 0 c. 0.5 d. 0.0 5. Which one of the following operators belongs to floor division? a. % b. / d. None of the above c. // 6. What will be the output of the following expression? 4\*1\*\*2 a. 16 b. 4 c. 8 d. 1 7. What will be the output of the following program? X=4.6 Y = 15Z=X//Yprint(Z) a. 0 b. 0.0 c. 0.30 d. None of the above 8. Operators with the same precedence are evaluated in which of the following orders? b. Right to Left a. Left to Right c. Unpredictable d. None of the above 9. What will be the output, if the input data 5 is shifted towards the left by 2 bits? a. 20 b. 10 c. 1 d. 25 10. Which of the following have the highest precedence in an expression? a. Addition b. Multiplication c. Exponent d. parenthesis **B. True or False** 

- 1. Operators operate on operands.
- 2. Binary operators operate on at least two operators.
- 3. The '-' operator in Python can be used with binary and unary form.
- 4. 4.5-1.5 returns 3.0.

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- 5. The unary arithmetic operator performs mathematical operations on more than one operand.
- 6. The operator precedence determines the order in which the Python interpreter operates the operators in an expression.
- 7. Associativity implies the direction of execution of an expression.
- 8. Shifting the input number by N bits towards the left means the number is divided by 2<sup>s</sup>.
- 9. Shifting the input number by N bits towards the right means the number is divided by 2<sup>s</sup>.
- 10. The right shift operator is represented as >>.
- 11. The () operator has the highest precedence among all other arithmetic operators.

#### **C. Exercise Questions**

1. State the results of the following expressions.

| Expression | Results |  |
|------------|---------|--|
| 40/8       |         |  |
| 40//8      |         |  |
| 50%5       |         |  |
| 3%2        |         |  |
| 3**3       |         |  |

2. State the output of each of the following expression, if each expression is independent. Assume the value of X as 4.

| Expression | Output |
|------------|--------|
| X +=10     |        |
| X -=4      |        |
| X *=6      |        |
| X **=2     |        |
| X %=2      |        |
| X /=2      |        |

- 3. Values assigned to different variables are
  - A = 10
  - B = 20
  - C = 40
  - D = 4
  - E = 5

Evaluate each of the following Python expression.

- (i) (A + B) \* C
- (ii) A + (B E)
- (iii) A\*B/E
- (iv) C/B//5
- (v) C+(A\*E)/(B-A)

4. Convert the following expressions into their shortest form.

| Expression          | Equivalent Expression |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| $Z = Z^* \ 10 + 4$  |                       |
| A = A % 20          |                       |
| $B = B^{**} 10 + 2$ |                       |
| C = C / 3           |                       |

5. Find the output of each expression given below if Python executes each expression separately. Initially the value of **X** = **4** 

| Expression | Output |
|------------|--------|
| X=X<<2     |        |
| X=X>>2     |        |
| X=x>>3     |        |
| X=X<<3     |        |

6. Determine the hierarchy of operations and evaluate the following expressions.

$$X = 4/2^{*}2 + 16/8 + 5$$

$$Y = 3*4/2+2/2+6-4+4/2$$

7. Convert the following equations into their corresponding Python expressions.

(a) 
$$\frac{2XY}{C+10} - \frac{X}{4(Z+D)}$$
 (b)  $Z = \frac{\frac{10Y(ab+C)}{d} - 0.8 + 2b}{(x+a)\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)}$ 

8. The programmer has to find out the area of a rectangle but he/she has one constraint, viz. he/she has to take the value of the length and breadth of the rectangle from the user. The programmer has written the following program but he/she is unable to detect the bug in the program. Go through the following program to find the bug and then rewrite the whole program.

```
area=0
```

```
length = 0
breadth = 0
area= length * breadth
length=eval(input(`Enter the Length of Rectange:'))
breadth=eval(input(`Enter the Breadth of Rectangle:'))
print(`Area of Rectange = `,area)
```

9. Evaluate the expression, (X + Y - abs(X - Y))//2, when

X = 4 and Y = 6X = 5 and Y = 4

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# **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. Write a program to read the marks of 5 subjects through the keyboard. Find out the aggregate and percentage of marks obtained by the student. Assume maximum marks that can be obtained by a student in each subject as 100.
- 2. Write a program to read a four-digit number through the keyboard and calculate the sum of its digits.
- 3. Write a program to read the distance between any two cities in kilometer (km) and print the distances in meters (m), centimeters (cm) and miles.

**Note:** 1 km = 1000 meter

1 km = 100000 centimeter

1 km = 0.6213 miles

4. Write a program to read the weight of an object in kilogram and print its weight in pound and tonne.

**Note:** 1 kg = 2.20 pound

1 kg = 0.001 tonne

5. Read a distance in meters and a time in seconds through the keyboard. Write a program to calculate the speed of a car in meter/second.

**Note:** Speed =  $\frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}}$ 

6. Write a program to read the radius of a sphere from the user and calculate the volume of the sphere.

**Note:** Volume of sphere =  $4/3^{*}3.14^{*}r^{3}$ 

7. An ATM contains Indian currency notes of 100, 500 and 1000. To withdraw cash from this ATM, the user has to enter the number of notes he/she wants of each currency, i.e. of 100, 500 and 1000. Write a program to calculate the total amount withdrawn by the person from the ATM in rupees.

# UNIT 3

- Decision Statements
- Loop Control Statements

- Functions
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# **Decision Statements**

# 4

# **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

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# **LEARNING OUTCOMES -**

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Describe Boolean expressions and **bool** data type
- Perform operations on numbers and strings using Boolean and Relational operators (>, <,>=, <= and !=)
- Write a simple decision making statement and its implementation with if statement, two-way decision making statements and their implementation with if else statement, nested statements and their implementation with if statements and multi-way decision making statements and their implementation with if-elif-else statements
- Explain and use conditional expressions to write programs
- Write non-sequential programs using Boolean expressions

# 4.1 INTRODUCTION

So far, we have seen programs that contain a sequence of instructions. These programs are executed by the compiler line by line, in the way the program line appears. The control flow in



such programs is sequential. Control flow refers to the order in which program statements are executed, i.e. when the execution of one statement is complete, the computer control passes to the next statement in the code. This process is similar to reading the text, figures and tables on a page of a book.

In monolithic programs, instructions are executed sequentially one by one in the order in which they come into sight in the program. Of course, this is a fundamental programming concept for beginners to develop simple programs. It is not advisable to have a sequential program writing style for solving every problem. Quite often, it is advantageous in a program to alter the sequence of the flow of statements depending upon the circumstances. In real-time applications, there are a number of situations where a programmer has to change the order of execution of statements based on certain conditions. Therefore, when a programmer desires the control flow to be non-sequential then he/she may use control structures or decision statements. Thus, decision making statements help a programmer in transferring the control from one statement to another in the program. In short, a **programmer decides which statement is to be executed based on a condition**. Decision making statements use conditions which are similar to **Boolean expressions**.

After reading this chapter, a programmer is expected to take up real life problems/applications and implement with Python programming containing conditional statements. Programmer may think the programming pattern for preparation of mark sheet, grade sheet, preparation of electricity bill for residential and commercial consumers, Railway tariff based on distances, simple calculations of interest on deposits for banking problems, etc. Of course, unlimited problems are existing in the nature for which a programmer is expected to give programming solution.

# 4.2 BOOLEAN TYPE

Python has a type called '**bool**'. The bool has only two values, viz. **true** and **false**. The term, 'Boolean' comes from the name of the British mathematician, George Boole. In the 1840s, Boole showed that the classical rules of logic could be expressed in purely mathematical form using only two values, viz. true and false. The simplest Boolean expression in Python is True and False. In Python interactive shell, a programmer can check if the type of two values, viz. true and false belong to the type '**bool'** in the following manner:

```
>>> True
True
True
>>> False
False
>>> type(True)
<class `bool'> #The Value True belongs to the class type bool
>>> type(False)
<class `bool'> #The Value False belongs to the class type bool
```

Note: There are only two Boolean values, **True** and **False**. Capitalisation of the first letter is important for these values and so **true** and **false** are not considered Boolean values in Python. As illustrated, the Python interpreter will show an error if a programmer checks the type of 'true' or 'false'.

```
>>> type(true)
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<pyshell#10>", line 1, in <module>
type(true)
NameError: name `true' is not defined
```

# 4.3 BOOLEAN OPERATORS

The **and**, **or** and **not** are the only three basic Boolean operators. Boolean operators are also called **logical operators**. The not operator has the highest precedence, followed by **and** and then **or**.

# 4.3.1 The not Operator

The **not** operator is a unary operator. It is applied to just one value. The **not** operator takes a single operand and negates or inverts its Boolean value. If we apply the not operator on an expression having false value then it returns it as true. Similarly, if we apply the not operator on an expression having true value then it returns it as false.

# Example

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Use of the not operator on a simple Boolean expression in Python, i.e. true and false.

```
>>> True
True
S>> not True
False
S>> False
False
>>> not False
True
```

# 4.3.2 The and Operator

The **and** is a binary operator. The and operator takes two operands and performs left to right evaluation to determine whether both the operands are true. Thus, and of Boolean operand is **true** if and only if both operands are **true**. Table 4.1 explains the add operator.

| Х     | Ŷ     | X and Y |
|-------|-------|---------|
| True  | True  | True    |
| True  | False | False   |
| False | True  | False   |
| False | False | False   |

|  | Table | 4.1 | The | and | operator |
|--|-------|-----|-----|-----|----------|
|--|-------|-----|-----|-----|----------|

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```



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# Example

Evaluation of the **and** operator in Python interactive mode.

```
>>> True and True
True
>>> True and False
False
>>> False and True
False
>>> False and False
False
```

# 4.3.3 The or Operator

The **or** of two Boolean operands is true if at least one of the operands is true. Table 4.2 explains the **or** operator.

#### Table 4.2 The or operator

| X     | Ŷ     | X or Y |
|-------|-------|--------|
| True  | True  | True   |
| True  | False | True   |
| False | True  | True   |
| False | False | False  |

### Example

Evaluation of the or operator in Python interactive mode.

```
>>> True or True
True
>>> True or False
True
>>> False or True
True
>>> False or False
False
```

# 4.4 USING NUMBERS WITH BOOLEAN OPERATORS

A programmer can use numbers with Boolean operators in Python. One such example is given as follows:

# Example

```
>>> not 1
False
```

**Explanation** Here, Python uses the Boolean operator **not** on the numbers and treats all numbers as **True**. Therefore, by writing **not 1**, Python substitutes 1 as **True** and evaluates **not True**, which returns **False**. Similarly, **not** is used before 5 and Python substitute **True** in place of 5 and it again evaluates the expression **not True**, which returns **False**. But in case of the numbers 0 and 0.0, Python treats them as **False**. Therefore, while evaluating **not 0**, it substitutes **False** in place of 0 and again evaluates the expression **not False**, which returns **True**.

# 4.5 USING STRING WITH BOOLEAN OPERATORS

Like numbers, a programmer can use strings with Boolean operators in Python. One such example is given as follows:

# Example

```
>>> not `hello'
False
>>> not `'
True
```

**Explanation** Here, Python uses the Boolean operator **not** on string. The expression **not hello** returns **True** since Python treats all strings as **True**. Therefore, it substitutes **True** in place of 'hello' and again reevaluates the expression **not True**, which returns **False**. However, if it is an empty string, Python will treat it as **False**. Therefore, it substitutes **False** in place of an empty string "and reevaluates the expression **not False**, which in turn returns **True**.

# 4.6 BOOLEAN EXPRESSIONS AND RELATIONAL OPERATORS

A Boolean expression is an expression that is either true or false. The following example compares the value of two operands using the == operator and produces the result true if the values of both the operands are equal.

# Example

```
The == operator compares two values and produces a Boolean value.
>>> 2==2
True
```



Note: The comparison operator == contains two equal signs. Whereas the assignment operator = contains only one equal sign.

From the above example, it is clear how we can compare two values or two operands. Thus, == is one of the Python relational operators. Other relational operators supported in Python are given in Table 4.3.

| Table 4.3 | Relational | operators |
|-----------|------------|-----------|
|-----------|------------|-----------|

| Operator | Meaning                  | Example | Python Return Value |
|----------|--------------------------|---------|---------------------|
| >        | Greater than             | 4>1     | True                |
| <        | Less than                | 4<9     | True                |
| >=       | Greater than or equal to | 4>=4    | True                |
| <=       | Less than or equal to    | 4<=3    | True                |
| !=       | Not equal to             | 5!=4    | True                |

**PROGRAM 4.1** Write a program to prompt a user to enter the values of the three different variables and display the output of the following expressions.

- a. p>q>r
- b. p<q<r
- p<q and q<z c.
- d. p<q or q<z

```
p,q,r=eval(input('Enter Three Numbers:'))
print(' p =',p,' q = ',q,' r = ',r)
print('(p > q > r) is ', p > q >r)
print('(p < q < r)) is ', p < q < r)
print(' (p < q) and (q < r) is ', (p < q) and (q < r))
print(' (p < q) or (q < r) is ', (p < q) or (q < r))
```

#### Output

Enter Three Numbers:1,2,3  $p = 1 \quad q = 2 \quad r = 3$ (p > q > r) is False (p < q < r) is True (p < q) and (q < r) is True (p < q) or (q < r) is True



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Note: An expression always returns a value and a statement does not return any value. A statement may include one or more than one expression.

# 4.7 DECISION MAKING STATEMENTS

Python supports various decision-making statements. These are:

- 1. if statements
- 2. if-else statements
- 3. Nested if statements
- 4. Multi-way if-elif-else statements

# 4.7.1 The if Statements

The **if** statement executes a statement if a condition is true. The syntax for if statement is shown in Figure 4.1.

| if condition:<br>statement(s) | OR | if condition:<br>Block |
|-------------------------------|----|------------------------|
|-------------------------------|----|------------------------|

Figure 4.1 Syntax for if statement

### Details of the if Statement

The keyword **if** begins the **if** statement. The condition is a Boolean expression which determines whether or not the body of **if** block will be executed. A colon (:) must always be followed by the condition. The block may contain one or more statements. The statement or statements are executed if and only if the condition within the **if** statement is true. The flow chart for **if** statement is given in Figure 4.2.



Figure 4.2 Flowchart for if statement

# Points to Remember

- (a) The statement(s) must be indented at least one space right of the if statement.
- (b) In case there is more than one statement after the **if** condition, then each statement must be indented using the same number of spaces to avoid indentation errors.

The statement(s) within the if block are executed if the Boolean expression evaluates to true.

**PROGRAM 4.2** Write a program that prompts a user to enter two integer values. Print the message **'Equals'** if both the entered values are equal.

### **Flow Chart**



```
num1=eval(input("Enter First Number: "))
num2=eval(input("Enter Second Number: "))
if num1-num2==0:
    print("Both the numbers entered are Equal")
Output
Enter First Number: 12
Enter Second Number: 12
Both the numbers entered are Equal
```

**Explanation** In the above program, the two numbers are provided by a user. The statement within the if block is executed if and only if the Boolean expression num1 – num2 evaluates to True.

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**Precautions** Sometimes a program may contain only one statement within the if block. In this case a programmer can write the block of code in two different ways.

(a) Consider the code given as:

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Number=eval(input("Enter the Number: "))
if Number>0:
 Number = Number \* Number

This code can also be written as:

Number=eval(input("Enter the Number: "))

if Number>0:Number = Number \* Number

(b) The above code **cannot** be written as:

Number=eval(input("Enter the Number: "))
if Number>0:
Number = Number \* Number

The above code does not run and displays an error called **indentation error**. Thus, Python determines which statement makes a block using indentation.

**PROGRAM 4.3** Write a program which prompts a user to enter the radius of a circle. If the radius is greater than zero then calculate and print the area and circumference of the circle.

```
from math import pi
Radius=eval(input("Enter Radius of Circle: "))
if Radius>0:
    Area=Radius*Radius*pi
    print(" Area of Circle is = ",format(Area,".2f"))
    Circumference=2*pi*Radius
    print("Circumference of Circle is = ",format(Circumference,".2f"))

Output
Enter Radius of Circle: 5
    Area of Circle is = 78.54
Circumference of Circle is = 31.42
```

# 4.7.2 The if-else Statement

The execution of the **if** statement has been explained in the previous programs. We know, the **if** statement executes when the condition following **if** is true and it does nothing when the condition is false. The **if-else** statement takes care of a true as well a false condition. The syntax for **if-else** statement is given in Figure 4.3.

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Figure 4.3 Syntax for if-else statement

# Details of if-else Statement

The **if-else** statement takes care of both true and false conditions. It has two blocks. One block is for **if** and it may contain one or more than one statements. The block is executed when the condition is true. The other block is for **else**. The **else** block may also have one or more than one statements. It is executed when the condition is false. A colon (:) must always be followed by the condition. The keyword **else** should also be followed by a colon (:) The flow chart for **if-else** statement is given in Figure 4.4.



Figure 4.4 Flow chart for if-else statement

**PROGRAM 4.4** Write a program to prompt a user to enter two numbers. Find the greater number.

```
num1=int(input("Enter the First Number:"))
num2=int(input("Enter the Second Number:"))
if num1>num2:
    print(num1,"is greater than ",num2)
else:
    print(num2,"is greater than ",num1)
```

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|----------------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                            |                     | 🔿     |
| Output                     |                     |       |
| Enter the First Number:100 |                     |       |
| Enter the Second Number:43 |                     |       |
| 100 is greater than 43     |                     |       |

**Explanation** The above program prompts a user to read any two numbers. The two numbers entered are stored in variables num1 and num2, respectively. If the value of num1 is greater than num2 is checked using the **if** condition. If the value of num1 is greater then the message 'num1 is greater than num2' is displayed. Otherwise, the message 'num2 is greater than num1' is displayed.

**PROGRAM 4.5** Write a program to calculate the salary of a medical representative considering the sales bonus and incentives offered to him are based on the total sales. If the sales exceed or equal to ₹1,00,000 follow the particulars of Column 1, else follow Column 2.

| Column 1                 | Column 2                |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Basic = ₹4000            | Basic = ₹4000           |
| HRA = 20% of Basic       | HRA = 10% of Basic      |
| DA = 110 % of Basic      | DA = 110 % of Basic     |
| Conveyance = ₹500        | Conveyance = ₹500       |
| Incentive = 10% of Sales | Incentive = 4% of Sales |
| Bonus = ₹1000            | Bonus = ₹500            |

```
Sales=float(input('Enter Total Sales of the Month:'))
if Sales >= 100000:
    basic = 4000
    hra = 20 * basic/100
    da = 110 * basic/100
    incentive = Sales * 10/100
    bonus = 1000
    conveyance = 500
else:
    basic = 4000
    hra = 10 * basic/100
    da = 110 * basic/100
    incentive = Sales * 4/100
    bonus = 500
    conveyance = 500
salary= basic+hra+da+incentive+bonus+conveyance
print('Salary Receipt of Employee ')
```



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```
print(' Total Sales = ',Sales)
print(' Basic = ',basic)
print(' HRA = ', hra)
print('DA = ', da)
print(' Incentive = ', incentive)
print(' Bonus = ', bonus)
print(' Conveyance = ', conveyance)
print(' Gross Salary = ',salary)
Output
Enter Total Sales of the Month:100000
Salary Receipt of Employee
 Total Sales = 100000.0
 Basic = 4000
 HRA = 800.0
 DA = 4400.0
 Incentive = 10000.0
```

**Explanation** The program calculates the salary of a medical representative according to the total sale of products. The basic salary is the same but other allowances and incentives change according to the total sales. If the total sale is more than ₹1,00,000 the rate of allowances and incentive is calculated as per Column 1, else as per Column 2. The if condition checks the given figure of total sale. If the total sale is more than ₹1,00,000 the first block following the if statement is executed, otherwise the else block is executed.

### Points to Remember

Bonus = 1000 Conveyance = 500

Gross Salary = 20700.0

- (a) Indentation is very important in Python. The **else** keyword must properly line up with the if statement.
- (b) If a programmer does not line up **if** and **else** in exactly the same columns then Python will not know that **if** and **else** will go together. Consequentially, it will show an indentation error.
- (c) Both statements within the if block and else block must be indented and must be indented the same amount.

**PROGRAM 4.6** Write a program to test whether a number is divisible by 5 and 10 or by 5 or 10.

```
num=int(input('Enter the number:'))
print('Entered Number is: ',num)
```

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```
if (num % 5 == 0 and num % 10==0):
    print (num, ' is divisible by both 5 and 10')
if(num \& 5 == 0 \text{ or } num \& 10 == 0):
    print (num, 'is divisible by 5 or 10')
else:
    print(num,' is not divisible either by 5 or 10')
Output
#Test Case 1:
Enter the number:45
Entered Number is: 45
45 is divisible by 5 or 10
#Test Case 2:
Enter the number:100
Entered Number is: 100
100 is divisible by both 5 and 10
100 is divisible by 5 or 10
```

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**Explanation** In the above program, the number is read from the user. The Boolean expression num % 5 == 0 and num % 10==0 checks whether the number is divisible by both 5 and 10. Again the Boolean expression num % 5 == 0 or num % 10 == 0 is used to check if the number entered is divisible either by 5 or by 10.

Note: Conditional or Short Circuit AND Operator: If one of the operands of an AND operator is false, the expression is false. Consider two operands OP1 and OP2. When evaluating OP1 and OP2, Python first evaluates OP1 and if OP1 is True then Python evaluates the second operand OP2. Python improves the performance of the AND operator, i.e. if the operand OP1 is False, it does not evaluate the value of the second operand OP2. The AND operator is also referred to as conditional or short circuit AND operator.

Conditional or Short Circuit OR Operator: We have seen in Table 4.2 that even if one of the operands of an OR operator is True, the expression is True. Python improves the performance of the OR operator. Consider two operands OP1 and OP2 and the expression OP1 or OP2. While evaluating the expression OP1 or OP2, Python first evaluates OP1. If OP1 is False, it evaluates OP2. If OP1 is True, it does not evaluate OP2. The OR operator is also referred to as conditional or short circuit OR operator.

# 4.7.3 Nested if Statements

When a programmer writes one **if** statement inside another **if** statement then it is called a **nested if** statement. A general syntax for **nested if** statements is given as follows:

```
if Boolean-expression1:
    if Boolean-expression2:
        statement1
```

```
else:
statement2
else:
statement3
```

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In the above syntax, if the Boolean-expression1 and Boolean-expression2 are correct then statement1 will execute. If the Boolean-expression1 is correct and Boolean-expression2 is incorrect then statement2 will execute. And if both Boolean-expression1 and Boolean-expression2 are incorrect then statement3 will execute.

A program to demonstrate the use of **nested if** statements is given as follows:

**PROGRAM 4.7** Write a program to read three numbers from a user and check if the first number is greater or less than the other two numbers.

```
num1=int(input("Enter the number:"))
num2=int(input("Enter the number:"))
if num1>num2:
    if num1>num2:
        print(num1," is greater than ",num2,"and ",num3)
else:
        print(num1," is less than ",num2,"and",num3)
print("End of Nested if")
Output
Enter the number:12
```

Enter the number:34 Enter the number:56 12 is less than 34 and 56 End of Nested if

**Explanation** In the above program, three numbers—num1, num2 and num3—are provided from the user through a keyboard. Initially, the **if** condition with Boolean expression **num1>num2** is checked if it is true and the then other nested **if** condition with Boolean expression **num2>num3** is checked. If both the **if** conditions are true then the statements following the second if statement are executed.

# 4.7.4 Multi-way if-elif-else Statements

The syntax for **if-elif-else** statements is given as follows:

```
If Boolean-expression1:
    statement1
    elif Boolean-expression2 :
```

```
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         statement2
     elif Boolean-expression3 :
          statement3
         _ _ _ _ _ _
         - - - - - - - - --
elif Boolean-expression n :
     statement N
else ·
     Statement(s)
```

In this kind of statements, the number of conditions, i.e. Boolean expressions are checked from top to bottom. When a true condition is found, the statement associated with it is executed and the rest of the conditional statements are skipped. If none of the conditions are found true then the last else statement is executed. If all other conditions are false and if the final else statement is not present then no action takes place.

Write a program to prompt a user to read the marks of five different subjects. Calculate the **PROGRAM 4.8** Write a program to prompt a user to read the marks and display the message according to the range of percentage given in table.

| Percentage             | Message      |
|------------------------|--------------|
| per > = 90             | Distinction  |
| per > = 80 && per < 90 | First Class  |
| per > = 70 && per < 80 | Second Class |
| per > = 60 && per < 70 | First Class  |
| per <60                | Fail         |

```
Subject1=float(input("Enter the Marks of Data-Structure:"))
Subject2=float(input("Enter the Marks of Python:"))
Subject3=float(input("Enter the Marks of Java:"))
Subject4=float(input("Enter the Marks of C Programming:"))
Subject5=float(input("Enter the Marks of HTML:"))
sum=Subject1+Subject1+Subject3+Subject4+Subject5
per=sum/5
print("Total Marks Obtained", sum, "Out of 500")
print("Percentage = ",per)
if per>=90:
    print("Distinction")
else:
    if per>=80:
         print(" First Class")
```

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```
else:
    if per>=70:
        print("Second Class")
else:
        if per>=60:
            print("Pass")
        else:
            print("Fail")
Output
```

```
Enter the Marks of Data-Structure: 60
Enter the Marks of Python: 70
Enter the Marks of Java: 80
Enter the Marks of C Programming: 90
Enter the Marks of HTML: 95
Total Marks Obtained 385.0 out of 500
Percentage = 77.0
Second Class
```

**Explanation** In the above program, the marks of five subjects are entered through a keyboard. Their sum and average is calculated. The percentage obtained is stored in the variable '**per**'. The obtained percentages are checked with different conditions using if-else blocks and the statements are executed according to the conditions.



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The flowchart for multi-way if-else-if statements for the above program is given in Figure 4.6.

Figure 4.6 Flowchart for multi-way if-else-if statements

**PROGRAM 4.9** Write a program to prompt a user to enter a day of the week. If the entered day of the week is between 1 and 7 then display the respective name of the day.

```
Day=int(input("Enter the day of week:"))
if day==1:
    print(" Its Monday")
elif day==2:
    print("Its Tuesday")
elif day==3:
    print("Its Wednesday")
elif day==4:
    print("Its Thursday")
elif day==5:
    print("Its Friday")
elif day==6:
    print("Its Saturday")
elif day==7:
    print(" Its Sunday")
else:
    print("Sorry!!! Week contains only 7 days")
```

```
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#### Output

```
Enter the day of week: 7
Its Sunday
```

**PROGRAM 4.10** Write a program that prompts a user to enter two different numbers. Perform basic arithmetic operations based on the choices.

```
num1=float(input("Enter the first number:"))
num2=float(input("Enter the Second number:"))
print("1) Addition ")
print("2) Subtraction ")
print("3) Multiplication ")
print("4) Division ")
choice = int(input("Please Enter the Choice:"))
if choice==1:
    print(" Addition of ",num1,"and",num2,"is:",num1+num2)
elif choice==2:
    print(" Subtraction of ",num1,"and",num2,"is:",num1-num2)
elif choice==3:
    print(" Multiplication of ",num1,"and",num2,"is:",num1*num2)
elif choice==4:
    print(" Division of ",num1,"and",num2,"is:",num1/num2)
else:
    print("Sorry!!! Invalid Choice")
Output
```

```
Enter the first number:15
Enter the Second number:10
1) Addition
2) Subtraction
3) Multiplication
4) Division
Please Enter the Choice:3
Multiplication of 15.0 and 10.0 is: 150.0
```

# 4.8 CONDITIONAL EXPRESSIONS

Consider the following piece of code.

```
if x%2==0:
```

x = x \* x

```
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```

else:

...

x = x\*x\*x

In the above code, initially, x is divided by 2. If x is divisible by 2 then the square of the number is assigned to variable x, else the cube of the number is assigned. To improve the performance of simple if-else statements, Python provides a conditional expression. Using this conditional expression, the code above can be rewritten as:

x=x\*x if x % 2 == 0 else x\*x\*x

Therefore, the general form of conditional expression is:

 $\mathtt{Expression}_1 \texttt{if} \texttt{ condition } \texttt{else} \texttt{ Expression}_2$ 

Expression<sub>1</sub> is the value of the conditional expression if the condition is true.

Condition is a normal Boolean expression that generally appears in front of an if statement.

Expression<sub>2</sub> is the value of the conditional expression if the condition is false.

Consider the program without conditional expression given as follows:

**PROGRAM 4.11** Write a program to find the smaller number among the two numbers.

```
num1=int(input('Enter two Numbers:'))
num2=int(input('Enter two Numbers:'))
if num1 < num2:
    min=num1
    print('min = ',min)
else:
    min=num2
    print('min = ',min)
Output</pre>
```

```
Enter two Numbers: 20
Enter two Numbers: 30
min = 20
```

The same program can be written using conditional expression as follows:

```
num1=int(input('Enter two Numbers:'))
num2=int(input('Enter two Numbers:'))
min = print('min = ',num1) if num1 < num2 else print('min = ',num2)
Output
Enter two Numbers: 45
Enter two Numbers: 60
min = 45</pre>
```

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Note: Many programming languages, such as Java, C++ have a '?:', i.e. ternary operator. This is a conditional operator. The syntax for the '?:' ternary operator is:

#### Boolean expression? if\_true\_return\_value1: if\_false\_return\_value2

The ternary operator works like **if-else**. If the Boolean expression is true, it returns value1 and if the Boolean expression is false, it returns the second value.

Python does not have a ternary operator. It uses a conditional expression.

# MINI PROJECT Finding the Number of Days in a Month

This mini project will make use of programming features such as **if statement** and **elif** statements. It will help a programmer to know the number of days in a month.

Hint: If entered the month is 2 then read the corresponding year. To know the number of days in month 2 check if the entered year is a leap year. If leap then **num\_days = 29** or not leap then **num\_days = 28** for month 2, respectively.

Leap year: A leap year is divisible by 4 but not by 100 or divisible by 400.

#### Algorithm

- **STEP 1:** Prompt the month from the user.
- STEP 2: Check if the entered month is 2, i.e. February. If so then go to Step 3, else go to Step 4.
- **STEP 3:** If the entered month is **2** then check if the year is a **leap** year. If it is a leap year then store **num\_days** = 29, else **num\_days** = 28.
- **STEP 4:** If the entered month is one of the following from the list (1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 12) then store **num\_days** = 31. Or if the entered month is from the list (4, 6, 9, 11) then store **num\_days** = 29. If the entered month is different from the range (1 to 12) then display message "Invalid Month".
- **STEP 5:** If the input is valid then display the message as "there are **N** number of days in the month **M**".

#### Program

**#Number of Days in a Month** 

print('Program will print number of days in a given month')

#init

flag = 1 # Assumes user enters valid input

#Get month from the user
month = (int(input(`Enter the month(1-12):')))

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```
# Check if entered month = 2 i.e. February
if month == 2:
        year = int(input('Enter year:'))
        if (year % 4 == 0) and (not(year % 100 == 0)) or (year % 400 == 0):
                num days = 29
        else:
                num days = 28
# if entered month is one from (jan, march, may, july, august, october, or
december)
elif month in (1,3,5,7,8,10,12):
        num days = 31
# if entered month is one from (April, June, September November,)
elif month in (4, 6, 9, 11):
       num days = 30
else:
        print('Please Enter Valid Month')
        flaq = 0
#Finally print num days
if flag == 1:
        print('There are ',num days, 'days in', month,' month')
Output (Case 1)
Program will print number of days in a given month
Enter the month(1-12):2
Enter year: 2020
There are 29 days in 2 month
Output (Case 2)
Program will print number of days in a given month
Enter the month(1-12):4
There are 30 days in 4 month
```

Thus, the above case study helps the user to know the number of days for the entered year.

- A Boolean expression contains two values, viz. True and False.
- True and False are of type 'bool'.

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• The and, or and not are the three basic Boolean operators.

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- The not operator has highest precedence, followed by and and then or.
- A programmer can use strings with Boolean operators.
- The == operator compares two values and produces a Boolean value.
- Python supports various relational Operators such as, >, <, >=, <= and !=.
- Applying relational operators on numbers and characters yields a Boolean value.
- Python Supports various decision statements, such as if, if-else and multi-way if-elif-else statements.
- Python does not have a ternary operator. It uses a a conditional expression instead.

- **KEY TERMS**
- ⇒ Boolean Expressions: An expression whose value is either True or False.
- ⇒ Logical Operators: Comprise the and, or and not operators.
- ⇒ Relational Operators: Comparison of two values with relational operators, such as <, <=, >, >=, != and
   == operators. One of the operators among them is used while comparing two operands.
- ⇒ **Conditional Expression:** Evaluates expression based on condition.
- ⇒ Conditional or Short Circuit AND Operator: Improves performance. Python avoids executing the second operand in case the first operand is false.
- ⇒ Conditional or Short circuit OR Operator: Improves performance. Python avoids executing the second operand in case the first operand is true.

# **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

#### A. Multiple Choice Questions

1. What will be the output of following program after the execution of the following code?

```
x = 0
   v = 0
   if x > 0:
       y = y + 1
   else:
       if x < 0:
            y = y + 2
       else:
           y = y + 5
  print(Y = ', y)
    a. 1
                                                 b. 0
    c. 2
                                                 d. 5
2. What will be stored in num after the execution of the following code?
   i=10
```

j=20 k=30
**Decision Statements** . .. .. .. .. .. .. .. . .. . . . •• if j>k: if i > j: num = i else: num = j else: if i > k: num = i else: num = k print(`Num = `,num) a. 10 b. 20 c. 30 d. None of the above 3. Which of the following Python logical expressions can determine whether x and y are greater than z? a. x & y > zb. (x > z) & (y > z)c. (y > z) & (x > y)d. Both b and c e. All of the above 4. Evaluate the following Python expression and tell the value in terms of true and false. b. i=5 a. i=5 i=10 k=15 k=15 print( k % i < k / i) print(i == k / j)5. What will be the output of the following code fragment assuming num is 10? num=10 if num == 20: print(`Apple') print('Grapes') print('No Output') a. Apple b. Grapes c. Apple Grapes d. No Output 6. What will be the output of the following program? P=int(True) q=int(False) print('P = ',p)print('q = ',q)a. Error b. p=0 q=1 c. p=True q=False d. p = 1 and q = 07. Evaluate the following Boolean expressions. Consider the value of P, Q and R as 4, 5 and 6, respectively. a. P > 7b. P < 7 and Q > 2c. P == 1 d. P > 2 || Q > 6

8. What will be the output of the following program if the value stored in variable num is 19?

```
if num % 2 == 1:
    print(num,' is odd number')
print(num,' is even number `)
```

9. Consider the two different blocks of codes a) and b) given as follows. State which of the following codes is better and why.

```
a.
  weight = 10
  if weight>=55:
     print(' The person is eligible for Blood Donation ')
  if weight<55:
     print(' The person is not eligible for Blood Donation')
b.
  weight = 10
  if weight>=55:
     print(' The person is eligible for Blood Donation ')
  else:
     print(' The person is not eligible for Blood Donation')
```

10. What will be the output of the following program?

### **B. True or False**

- 1. In monolithic programs, the instructions are executed sequentially one by one.
- 2. There are only three Boolean values.
- 3. The and, or and not are only three basic Boolean operators.
- 4. The not operator is a binary operator.
- 5. In Python, a programmer cannot use numbers along with Boolean operators.
- 6. A Python programmer can use strings with Boolean operators.
- 7. The if statement executes a statement if the condition is true.
- 8. The == operator compares two values and produces a Boolean value.
- 9. With if-elif-else statements, the number of Boolean expressions is checked from top to bottom. When a true condition is found, the statement associated with it is executed.
- 10. Integer equivalent of True is 0.

### **C. Exercise Questions**

- 1. Write the following statement in terms of if-else statement in Python.
  - a. If temperature is greater than 50 then temperature is hot, otherwise temperature is cold.
  - b. If age is greater than 18 then fare is \$400, otherwise fare is \$200.
- 2. Write the Boolean expressions for the following statements.
  - a. If age is greater than 5 and less than 10.
  - b. If age is less than 3 and greater than 70, display the message "No Air Fare".
- 3. What are Boolean operators? Explain each operator.
- 4. Is it necessary to change the flow control in a program?
- 5. What are the different ways in which the flow control can be changed in Python?
- 6. List few Boolean expressions with relational operators.
- 7. Give the syntax for if\_else statement.
- 8. Illustrate the nested if statements with a suitable example.
- 9. What is a conditional expression?
- 10. Draw and explain multi-way if-elif-else statements.

## **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. Write a program to prompt (input) year and check if it is a leap year.
- Write a program to calculate an Internet browsing bill. Use the conditions specified as follows:
   a. 1 Hour ₹20
  - b. ½ Hour ₹10
  - c. Unlimited hours in a day ₹100

The owner should enter the number of hours spent on browsing.

3. Write nested if statements to print the appropriate message depending on the value of the variables temperature and humidity as given as follows. Assume that the temperature can only be warm and cold and the humidity can only be dry and humid.

| if temperature is | if humidity is | Print this activity |
|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Warm              | Dry            | Play Basketball     |
| Warm              | Humid          | Play Tennis         |
| Cold              | Dry            | Play Cricket        |
| Cold              | Humid          | Swim                |

4. Write a program to calculate the square of only those numbers whose least significant digit is 5.

**Example:** Enter the number: 25

Square: 25\*25 = 625

5. Consider a college cricket club in which a student can enroll only if he/she is less than 18 and greater than 15 years old. Write a program using the not operator.

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# Loop Control Statements

# **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

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- 5.6 The break Statement
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# **LEARNING OUTCOMES -**

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Write programs using for and while loop to repeat a sequence of instructions
- Write a program and perform a task until a condition is satisfied
- Use loops to traverse the sequence of characters in string or traverse the sequence of integers
- Apply the syntax and working of **range()** function
- Control the execution of programs using break or continue statement

# 5.1 INTRODUCTION

In our day-to-day life, we perform certain tasks repeatedly. It can be tedious to perform such tasks using pen and paper. For instance, teaching multiplication tables to multiple classes can become easier if the teacher uses a simple computer program with loop instructions instead of pen and paper.

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Let us try to understand the concept of control statements in this context. Suppose a programmer wants to display the message, "I Love Python" 50 times. It would be tedious for him/her to write the statement 50 times on a computer screen or even on paper. This task can become very easy, quick and accurate if the programmer completes it using loop instructions in a computer programming language. Almost all computer programming languages facilitate the use of control loop statements to repeatedly execute a block of code until a condition is satisfied.

Consider the example to print the statement, "I Love Python" 50 times. Assume that the programmer doesn't know the concept of control statements and writes the code in the following manner.

### Example

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In the above example, the print statement is written for displaying the message 50 times. This can be done more easily using loop in Python. Loops are used to repeat the same code multiple times. Python provides two types of loop statements, viz. **while** and **for** loops. The **while** loop is a **condition controlled** loop. It is controlled by true or false conditions. The **for** loop is a **count controlled** loop which repeats for a specific number of times.

After understanding the concept of loop, a programmer can take up any challenging application in which statements/actions are to be repeated several times.

# 5.2 THE while LOOP

The **while** loop is a loop control statement in Python and frequently used in programming for repeated execution of statement(s) in a loop. It executes a sequence of statements repeatedly as long as a condition remains true. The syntax for while loop is given as follows:

```
while test-condition:
#Loop Body
statement(s)
```

# 5.2.1 Details of while Loop

The reserved keyword **while** begins with the **while** statement. The test condition is a Boolean expression. The colon (:) must follow the test condition, i.e. the **while** statement be terminated with a colon (:). The statement(s) within the while loop will be executed till the condition is true, i.e. the condition is evaluated and if the condition is true then the body of the loop is executed. When the

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condition is false, the execution will be completed out of the loop or in other words, the control goes out of the loop. The flowchart in Fig. 5.2 shows the execution of the while loop.

# 5.2.2 Flowchart for while Loop

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Figure 5.1 Flowchart of while loop

**PROGRAM 5.1** Write a program to print the numbers from one to five using the while loop.

```
count=0 #initialize the counter
while count<=5:
                                            # Test condition
                                            # print the value of count
     print("Count = ", count)
     count=count+1
                                            # Increment the value of count by 1
Output
Count =
         0
Count =
         1
Count =
         2
         3
Count =
Count =
         4
Count =
         5
```

**Explanation** In the above program, initially the value of a variable **count** is initialised to 0. The loop checks whether the value of the count is less than 5 (**count<=5**). If the condition is **true**, it executes the part of the loop that contains the statements to be repeated in order to display the value of **count** and it increments the value of **count** by 1. It repeatedly executes the statements within the loop until **count<=5**. The loop terminates when the value of **count** reaches 6.

**Note:** Precaution is to be taken while writing statements within the while loop.

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Consider the program as shown in Figure 5.2.

```
count=0count=0while count<=5:</td>while count<=5:</td>print("Count = ",count)print("Count = ",count)count=count+1count=count+1(a) Good Code(b) Bad Code
```

Figure 5.2 Precautions regarding the while loop

In Figure 5.2 (a) the value of count is initially set to 0. Then it increments to 2, 3, 4 and 5. When the value of count becomes 6, the condition **count<=5** is false and the loop exits.

Consider the Figure 5.2 (b) where the loop is mistakenly written as:

```
count=0
while count<=5:
    print("Count = ",count)
count=count+1</pre>
```

The above code is called **bad code** because the entire loop body must be indented inside the loop. Since the statement **count=count+1** is not in the loop body, the loop executes for infinite number of times. And because the value of count is always 0, the condition **count <=5** is always true.

**Note:** All statements within the while block must be indented with the same number of spaces.

**PROGRAM 5.2** Write a program to add 10 consecutive numbers starting from 1 using the while loop.

```
count=0 #initialize the counter
sum=0 #initialize sum to zero
while count<=10: #test condition if true
    sum= sum +count #add sum + count
    count=count+1 #increase the value of count by
1
print("Sum of First 10 Numbers = ",sum) #print sum
Output
Sum of First 10 Numbers = 55</pre>
```

**PROGRAM 5.3** Write a program to find the sum of the digits of a given number.

For example, if a user enters 123. The program should return (3+2+1), i.e. 6 as the sum of all the digits in a number.

```
num=int(input("Please Enter the number:"))#Read Number from Userx=num#Assign value of num to x
```

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```
sum=0
rem=0
while num>0:
    rem=num % 10
    num=num // 10
    sum=sum + rem
print("Sum of the digits of an entered number ",x," is = ",sum)
Output
Please Enter the number: 12345
Sum of the digits of an entered number 12345 is = 15
```

**Explanation** The integer number is read from the user through the keyboard and it is stored in variable num. Initially, the value of sum and rem are initialised to 0. Unless and until the value of num>0 the statements within the loop continue to be executed. The modulus operator, i.e. **num%10** and the division operator, i.e. **num//10** are used frequently to obtain the sum of the numbers entered.

# 5.2.3 Some More Programs on while Loop

**PROGRAM 5.4** Write a program to display the reverse of the number entered.

For example, if a user enters 12345. The program should return (54321), i.e. the reverse of the number entered.

```
num =int(input("Please Enter the number: "))
x=num
rev=0
while num>0:
    rem=num % 10
    num=num // 10
    rev=rev*10+rem
print("Reverse of a entered number ",x," is = ",rev)
Output
Please Enter the number: 8759
```

Reverse of a entered number 8759 is = 9578

**PROGRAM 5.5** Write a program to print the sum of the numbers from 1 to 20 (1 and 20 are included) that are divisible by 5 using the while loop.

| count=1 |  |  |
|---------|--|--|
| sum=0   |  |  |

| while count<=20:   |
|--|
| if count%5 == 0:   |
| sum=sum+count  |
| count=count+1  |
| print("The Sum of Numbers from 1 to 20 divisible by 5 is: ",sum) |
| Output   |
| The Sum of Numbers from 1 to 20 divisible by 5 is: 50            |

**PROGRAM 5.6** Write a program using the while loop to print the factorial of a number.

Factorial of 6 = 6\*5\*4\*3\*2\*1 = 720

```
Num=int(input("Enter the number:"))
fact=1
ans=1
while fact<=num:
    ans=ans*fact
    fact=fact+1
print("Factorial of",num," is: ",ans)
Output</pre>
```

```
Enter the number:6
Factorial of 6 is: 720
```

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**Note:** The factorial of a number is defined as the product of all the numbers from 1 to n.

**PROGRAM 5.7** Write a program to check whether the number entered is an Armstrong number or not.

 $153 = 1^3 + 5^3 + 3^3 = 153$ 

```
num=int(input("Please enter the number: "))
sum=0
x=num
while num>0:
    d=num%10
    num=num // 10
    sum=sum+(d*d*d)
```

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```
if(x==sum):
    print("The number ", x ,"is Armstrong Number")
else:
    print(" The number ", x ,"is not Armstrong Number")
Output
```

Please enter the number: 153 The number 153 is Armstrong Number

**Note:** An Armstrong number is a number which is equal to the sum of the cube of its digits.

# 5.3 THE range() FUNCTION

There is a inbuilt function in Python called **range()**, which is used to generate a list of integers. The range function has one, two or three parameters. The last two parameters in **range()** are optional.

The general form of the range function is:

```
range(begin, end, step)
```

The 'begin' is the first beginning number in the sequence at which the list starts.

The 'end' is the limit, i.e. the last number in the sequence.

The 'step' is the difference between each number in the sequence.

# 5.3.1 Examples of range() Function

## Example 1

```
Create a list of integers from 1 to 5.
>>> list(range(1,6))
[1,2,3,4,5]
```

range(1,6) function is used in the above example. It generates a list of integers starting from 1 to 5. Note that the second number, i.e. 6 is not included in the elements of this list. By default, the difference between the two successive numbers is one.

Note: The above range (1,6) is equivalent to range(6). The output of both the range functions will be the same.

# Example 2

Create a list of integers from 1 to 20 with a difference of 2 between two successive integers.

```
>>> list(range(1,20,2))
[1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19]
```

range(1,20,2) function is used in the above example. It generates a list of integers starting from 1 with a difference of two between two successive integers up to 20.

Table 5.1 shows different examples of the **range()** function with relevant outputs.

| Example of Range Function | Output                       |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| range(5)                  | [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]              |
| range(1,5)                | [1, 2, 3, 4]                 |
| range(1,10,2)             | [1, 3, 5, 7, 9]              |
| range(5,0,-1)             | [5, 4, 3, 2, 1]              |
| range(5,0,-2)             | [5, 3, 1]                    |
| range (-4,4)              | [-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3] |
| range (-4,4,2)            | [-4, -2, 0, 2]               |
| range(0,1)                | [0]                          |
| range(1,1)                | Empty                        |
| range(0)                  | Empty                        |

 Table 5.1
 Examples of range() function

# 5.4 THE for LOOP

The **for** loops in Python are slightly different from the **for** loops in other programming languages. The Python for loop iterates through a sequence of objects, i.e. it iterates through each value in a sequence, where the sequence of object holds multiple items of data stored one after another.

In the forthcoming chapters, we will study various sequence type objects of Python, such as string, list and tuples. The syntax of for loop is given as follows:

for var in sequence:
 statement(s)
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# 5.4.1 Details of for Loop

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The **for** loop is a Python statement which repeats a group of statements for a specified number of times. As described in the syntax, the keywords **for** and **in** are essential keywords to iterate the sequence of values. The variable **var** takes on each consecutive value in the sequence and the statements in the body of the loop are executed once for each value. A simple example of for loop is:

```
for var in range(m,n):
    print var
```

As discussed in Section 5.3, the function **range(m, n)** returns the sequence of integers starting from m, m+1, m+2, m+3...... n-1.

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**PROGRAM 5.8** Use for loop to print numbers from 1 to 5.

```
for i in range(1,6):
    print(i)
print("End of The Program")
Output
1
2
3
4
5
End of The Program
```

**Explanation** In the above program, the sequence of numbers from 1 to 5 is printed. These numbers are generated using the inbuilt **range()** function. The expression **range(1, 6)** creates an object known as an iterable. This allows the for loop to assign the values 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 to the iteration variable *i*. During the first iteration of the loop, the value of i is 1 within the block. During the second iteration, the value of *i* is 2 and so on.

PROGRAM 5.9 Display capital letters from A to Z.

```
print(" The Capital Letters A to Z are as follows:")
for i in range(65,91,1):
    print(chr(i),end=" ")
Output
The Capital Letters A to Z are as follows:
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
```

**Explanation** The **range()** function contains three different parameters, viz. (**begin**, **end**, **step**\_ **size**). As in the above program, the range function contains the values 65, 90 and 1. It indicates to print the characters whose ASCII value starts from 65 and ends at 90. Therefore, the statement print(chr(i),end="") is used to print equivalent character value of ASCII value.

# 5.4.2 Some More Programs on for Loop

**PROGRAM 5.10** Use for loop to print numbers from 1 to 10 in the reverse order.

```
print("Numbers from 1 to 10 in Reverse Order: ")
for i in range(10,0,-1):
    print(i,end=" ")
print("\n End of Program")
```

#### Output

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```
Numbers from 1 to 10 in Reverse Order:
10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
End of Program
```

**PROGRAM 5.11** Write a program to print squares of the first five numbers.

```
for i in range(1,6):
   square=i*i
   print("Square of ",i," is: ",square)
print("End of Program")
Output
Square of 1 is: 1
Square of 2 is: 4
Square of 3 is: 9
Square of 4 is: 16
Square of 5 is: 25
End of Program
```

**PROGRAM 5.12** Write a program to print even numbers from 0 to 10 and find their sum.

```
sum=0
print("Even numbers from 0 to 10 are as follows")
for i in range(0, 11, 1):
   if i%2==0:
        print(i)
        sum=sum+i
print("Sum of Even numbers from 0 to 10 is = ",sum)
Output
Even numbers from 0 to 10 are as follows
0
2
4
6
8
10
Sum of Even numbers from 0 to 10 is = 30
```

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**PROGRAM 5.13** Write a program to calculate the sum of numbers from 1 to 20 which are not divisible 2, 3 or 5.

```
Sum=0
print ("Numbers from 1 to 20 which are not divisible by 2,3,or 5")
for i in range(1, 20):
    if i%2==0 or i%3==0 or i%5==0:
        print("")
    else:
        print(i)
        sum=sum+i
print("Sum of Even numbers from 1 to 10 is = ",sum)
Output
Numbers from 1 to 20 which are not divisible by 2, 3, and 5
1
7
11
13
17
19
```

Sum of Even numbers from 1 to 10 is = 68

**PROGRAM 5.14** Write a program that prompts a user to enter four numbers and find the greatest number among the four numbers entered.

```
Num1=int(input("Enter the first Number:"))
num2=int(input("Enter the first Number:"))
num3=int(input("Enter the first Number:"))
num4=int(input("Enter the first Number:"))
sum=num1+num2+num3+num4
print("The sum of Entered 5 Numbers is = ",sum)
for i in range(sum):
    if i==num1 or i==num2 or i==num3 or i==num4:
        Large=i
print(" Largest Number = ",Large)
print("End of Program")
Output
```

```
Enter the first Number: 4
Enter the first Number: 3
Enter the first Number: 12
```

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```
Enter the first Number: 2
The sum of Entered 5 Numbers is = 21
Largest Number = 12
End of Program
```

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**PROGRAM 5.15** Write a program to generate a triangular number.

If the number entered is 5, its triangular number would be (1+2+3+4+5) = 15.

```
Num=int(input("Please enter the Number: "))
Triangular_Num=0
for i in range(Num,0,-1):
    Triangular_Num=Triangular_Num+i
print(" Triangular Number of ",Num," is = ",Triangular_Num)
Output
Please enter the Number: 10
```

Triangular Number of 10 is = 55

Note: A triangular number is nothing but the summation of 1 to the given number.

**PROGRAM 5.16** Write a program to print Fibonacci series up to 8.

```
First_Number = 0
Second_Number = 1
Fibonacii Series = 0 1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 55
```

```
First_Number=int(input("Please enter First Number:"))
Second_Number=int(input("Please enter First Number:"))
Limit=int(input(" Number of Fibonacci Numbers to be Print: "))
print(First_Number,end=" ")
for i in range(Limit+1):
    sum=First_Number+Second_Number
    First_Number=Second_Number
    Second_Number=sum
    print(sum,end=" ")
```

(Contd.)



### Output

```
Please enter First Number:0
Please enter First Number:1
Number of Fibonacci Numbers to be Print: 8
0 1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 55
```

# 5.5 NESTED LOOPS

The **for** and **while** loop statements can be nested in the same manner in which the if statements are nested. Loops within the loops or when one loop is inserted completely within another loop, then it is called **nested loop**.

**PROGRAM 5.17** Write a program to demonstrate the use of the nested for loop.

```
for i in range(1,4,1):
                                     #Outer Loop
    for j in range(1,4,1):
                                     #Inner Loop
        print("i = ",i," j = ",j," i + j =",i + j)
print("End of Program")
Output
i = 1 j = 1 i + j = 2
i = 1 j = 2 i + j = 3
i = 1 i = 3 i + i = 4
i = 2 j = 1 i + j = 3
i = 2 j = 2 i + j = 4
i = 2 j = 3 i + j = 5
i = 3 j = 1 i + j = 4
i = 3 j = 2 i + j = 5
i = 3 j = 3 i + j = 6
End of Program
```

**Explanation** In the above program, we have used two loops. One is the outer loop and the other is the inner loop. The inner loop 'j' terminates when the value of j exceeds 3. Whereas, outer loop 'i' terminates when the value of i exceeds 3.

**PROGRAM 5.18** Write a program to display multiplication tables from 1 to 5.

```
Print("Multiplication Table from 1 to 5 ")
for i in range(1,11,1):
    for j in range(1,6,1):
    #Inner Loop
```

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print(format(i \* j,"4d"),end=" ") print() print("End of Program") Output Multiplication Table from 1 to 5 End of Program

**Explanation** The program contains two for loops. The 'j' for loop is the innermost for loop and the 'i' for loop is the outermost for loop. The outermost loop 'i' executes for 10 times. For each value of 'i', the innermost loop 'j' executes 5 times. At the same time for each value of 'i', the product i'j is carried out. To align the numbers properly, the program formats the product of i'j using **format(i\*j,"4d")**. The digit **4d** within **format()** specifies a decimal integer format with width 4.

# 5.5.1 Some More Programs on Nested Loops

**PROGRAM 5.19** Write a program to display the pattern of stars given as follows:

```
*
     *
              *
     *
         *
     *
         *
     *
*
print(" Star Pattern Display")
num=7
x=num
for i in range(1, 6, 1):
   num=num-1;
    for j in range(1,num,1):
         print(" * ", end=" ")
       x=num-1
```

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print() print("End of Program") Output Star Pattern Display \* \* \* \* \* \* \* 4 \* \* \* \* \*

End of Program

**PROGRAM 5.20** Write a program to display the pattern of stars given as follows:

```
*
*
    *
*
*
     *
     *
print(" Star Pattern Display")
num=1
x=num
for i in range(1, 6, 1):
   num=num+1;
   for j in range(1,num,1):
        print(" * ",end=" ")
        x=num+1
    print()
print("End of Program")
Output
Star Pattern Display
 *
 *
 *
     *
          *
 *
 *
     *
          *
              *
End of Program
```

**PROGRAM 5.21** Write a program to display the pattern of numbers given as follows:

1 1 2

```
Loop Control Statements
```

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1 2 3
1 2 3 4
1 2 3 4 5

```
print(" Number Pattern Display")
num=1
x=num
for i in range(1,6,1):
    num=num+1;
    for j in range(1,num,1):
        print(j, end=" ")
        x=num+1
    print()
print("End of Program")
```

# Output

Number Pattern Display 1 1 2 1 2 3 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 5 End of Program

# **PROGRAM 5.22** Write a program to display the pattern of numbers given as follows:

```
1
1
2
1 2
1 2 3
1 2 3 4
1 2 3
1 2 3
1 2
1

print(" Number Pattern Display")
num=1
x=num
for i in range(1,5,1):
    num=num+1;
```

```
for j in range(1,num,1):
    print(j, end=" ")
    x=num+1
```

print()

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num=5
x=num
for i in range(1,5,1):
 num=num-1;
 for j in range(1,num,1):
 print(j, end=" ")
 x=num-1
 print()
Output
Number Pattern Display
1

1 1 2 1 2 3 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 1 2 3 1 2 3

# 5.6 THE break STATEMENT

The keyword **break** allows a programmer to terminate a loop. When the break statement is encountered inside a loop, the loop is immediately terminated and the program control automatically goes to the first statement following the loop. The flowchart for break is shown in Figure 5.3.



Figure 5.3 Flowchart for break statement

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The working of break in while and for loop is shown as follows:

### Working of break in while loop:

### Working of break in for loop:

for var in sequence:
 body of for
 if condition:
 break
 body of for
 statement(s)

**PROGRAM 5.23** Write a program to demonstrate the use of the break statement.

```
print("The Numbers from 1 to 10 are as follows:")
for i in range(1,100,1):
    if(i==11):
        break
else:
        print(i, end=" ")
Output
The Numbers from 1 to 10 are as follows:
```

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

**Explanation** The above program prints the numbers from 0 to 10 on the screen. The loop terminates because 'break' causes immediate exit from the loop.

**PROGRAM 5.24** Check if the number entered is prime or not.

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```
flag=1
if(flag==1):
    print(num," is Prime ")
else:
    print(num," is not prime ")
Output
#Test case 1:
Enter the Number:23
23 is Prime
```

**#Test case 2:** Enter the Number:12 12 is not prime

**Explanation** The number is read from the user through the keyboard. A prime number should be divisible by 1 and itself. Therefore, the variable 'i' is iterated from 2 to one less than the number entered. Each value of 'i' is used to check if 'i' can divide the number entered.

# 5.7 THE continue STATEMENT

The **continue** statement is exactly opposite of the **break** statement. When **continue** is encountered within a loop, the remaining statements within the body are skipped but the loop condition is checked to see if the loop should continue or exit. Flowchart for continue statements is shown in Figure 5.4.



Figure 5.4 Flowchart for continue statement

The working of **continue** in while loop is shown as follows:

Alternatively, the working of **continue** in for loop is shown as follows:

```
→ for var in sequence:

body of for

if condition:

continue

body of for

statement(s)
```

The difference between **break** and **continue** is given in Table 5.2.

| Table 5.2 Difference between break and continue | functions |
|---|-----------|
|---|-----------|

| Break                                 | Continue   |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Exits from current block or loop.     | Skips the current iteration and also skips the remaining statements within the body. |
| Control passes to the next statement. | Control passes at the beginning of the loop.   |
| Terminates the loop.                  | Never terminates the loop.   |

**PROGRAM 5.25** Demonstrate the use of **continue** keyword.

```
for i in range(1,11,1):
    if i == 5:
        continue
    print(i, end=" ")
Output
1 2 3 4 6 7 8 9 10
```

**Explanation** In each iteration in the above program, the value of the variable 'i' is checked. If the value of 'i' is 5 then continue statement is executed and the statements following the continue statement are skipped.

**PROGRAM 5.26** Read the string "Hello World" from the user. Make use of **continue** keyword and remove space.

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```
str1=str(input("Please Enter the String: "))
print(" Entered String is : ", str1)
print(" After Removing Spaces, the String becomes:")
for i in str1:
    if i==" ":
        continue
    print(i, end="")

Output
Please Enter the String: Hello World
Entered String is : Hello World
After Removing Spaces, the String becomes:
HelloWorld
```

**Explanation** The string str1 is read from the user. Each character of entered string is iterated through the variable 'i'. The statement **if** i ==" ": is used to check if the entered string contains any space. If it contains space, the **continue** statement is executed and the rest of the statements following the **continue** statement are skipped. Finally, we obtain the string without spaces.

## MINI PROJECT Generate Prime Numbers using Charles Babbage Function

Charles Babbage discovered the first calculating machine to print prime numbers for a given equation. This mini project will make use of **if**, **if**-**else**, **if**-**elif** and for loop concepts of programming.

Let us consider the formula used by Charles Babbage:

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{X}^2 + \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{41}$$

The above formula generates a sequence of values for T, which happen to be prime numbers. Thus, calculate the sequence of prime numbers T for the values of x starting from 0 to 5. The following table contains prime numbers generated by the Charles Babbage function.

| D2 | D1 | $T = X^2 + X + 41$ | (Value of X) |
|----|----|--------------------|--------------|
|    |    | 41                 | 0            |
| 2  | 2  | 43                 | 1            |
| 2  | 4  | 47                 | 2            |
| 2  | 6  | 53                 | 3            |
| 2  | 8  | 61                 | 4            |
| 2  | 10 | 71                 | 5            |

Table 5.3 Evaluation of Charles Babbage function

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In Table 5.3, we have calculated prime numbers for all the values of x, i.e. from 0 to 5 using the Charles Babbage function. The D1 is the first difference column and  $D^2$  is the second difference column.

### **Program Statement**

Write a program to generate prime number using the Charles Babbage formula, ( $T = X^2 + X + 41$ ). The output should be as shown in Table 5.3

### Algorithm

- **STEP 1:** Since we want 5 values of x, i.e. from 0 to 5. Iterate x as i 5 times.
- **STEP 2:** For each value of i, assign the value to x.
- STEP 3: Calculate the value of T for the value of x
- STEP 4: If the value of i is equal to 0 then print the values of T and i.
- **STEP 5:** If the value of i is greater than 0 and less than 2 then print the values of D, T and i. Else go to Step 6
- STEP 6: Print value of D2, D, T and i.

### Program

```
x = 0;
print(`{}\t{}\t{}\t{}'.format(`D2','D1','T','X'))
print(`-----')
for i in range(0,5):
  x = i
  T = (x*x) + x + 41
  if(i == 0):
     print(\left\{ \right\} , format(T,i))
  elif(i > 0 and i < 2):
     a = ((x-1)*(x-1) + (x-1) + 41)
     print( \t{}\t{}\t{}\t{},t{}) 
  else:
     a = ((x-1) * (x-1) + (x-1) + 41)
     b = ((x-2) * (x-2) + (x-2) + 41)
     c = (T - a) - (a - b)
```

Thus, the above program generates all the prime numbers for all the values of x, i.e. from 0 to 5 for the given equation  $T = x^2 + x + 41$ . The **format()** method is used to print data in a well-formatted manner.

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# SUMMARY

- Loop is the process of executing a set of statements for fixed number of times.
- Iteration refers to one time execution of a statements within a loop.
- Python supports two types of loop control statements, i.e. for loop and while loop.
- While loop is condition controlled loop.
- for loop is count controlled loop and it execute statements within the body of loop for fixed number of times.
- The break and continue keywords can be in the loops.
- The break statement exits from the current block or loop and control passes to the next statement.
- The continue statement skips the current iteration and also skips the remaining statements within the body of a loop.

## **KEY TERMS**

- ⇒ while Loop: Condition controlled loop
- ⇒ for Loop: Count controlled loop
- ⇒ **range()**: Generates a list of integers
- ⇒ **nested Loop:** Loop within a loop
- ⇒ break Statement: The break statement within a loop helps a programmer to terminate the loop immediately
- ⇒ continue Statement: Skips the current iteration and also skips the remaining statement within the body.

## **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

### A. Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. How many times will a loop with header for count in range(5): execute statements in its body?
  - a. 5 times b. 4 times
  - c. 6 times d. 3 times
- 2. What will be the output of the following program?

```
count = 35
for x in range(0,10):
    count = count - 1
    if x == 2:
        break
print(count)
a. 35 b. 32
c. 35,34,33 d. 34,33,32
```

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3. What will be the output of the following program?

```
Z = 1
       while Z<5:
            if Z % 7 == 0:
                break
            Z = Z + 2
       print(Z)
   a. 5
                                               b. 3
                                               d. 2
   c. 4
4. What will be the output of the following program?
       My str = "I LOVE PHYTHON"
       count = 0
       for char in my str:
            if char == "O":
                 continue
            else:
                count = count + 1
       print(count)
   a. 10
                                               b. 9
   c. 11
                                               d. 12
5. What will be the output of the following program?
       my_str = "I LOVE PYTHON"
       count = 0
       for char in my_str:
            count = count + 1
            if char == "E":
                break
       print (count)
   a. 11
                                               b. 13
                                               d. 12
   c. 10
6. What will be the output of the following program?
       i = 1
       for x in range(1,4):
            for y in range(1,3):
                 i = i + (i * 1)
       print(i)
   a. 32
                                               b. 62
   c. 63
                                               d. 64
```

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7. What will be the output of the following program?
```

```
count = 0
        for x in range (1,3):
            for y in range (4,6):
               count = count + (x * y)
        print (count)
                                                 b. 27
    a. 32
    c. 57
                                                 d. 64
8. What will be the output of the following program?
        i = 0
        for x in range (1,3):
            i = 0
            for y in range (-2,0):
               j = j + y
               i = i + j
        print (i)
                                                 b. -10
    a. 10
    c. 0
                                                 d. None of the above
9. By default, while is:
    a. Condition control statement
                                                 b. Loop control statement
    c. Both a and b
                                                 d. None of the above
10. What will be the output of the following program?
        Count = 0
        num = 10
        while num > 8:
             for y in range(1,5):
                  count = count + 1
             num = num - 1
        print(count)
                                                 b. 8
    a. 10
    c. 12
                                                 d. 11
```

### B. True or False

- 1. Python facilitates the use of control statements to change the flow of execution of programs.
- 2. The while loop is not a keyword supported by Python.
- 3. A loop cannot repeatedly execute a block of statements for a specified number of times.
- 4. A loop cannot be nested.
- 5. The continue statement is a keyword.
- 6. The break statement is used to terminate from the loop.
- 7. The break statement is not a keyword.
- 8. The while statement is terminated by a semicolon (;).

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9. The meaning of while(1) implies it is true.

10. Indentation does not play a major role for the statements within the body of a loop.

### **C. Exercise Questions**

- 1. Give the syntax for control statements supported by Python.
- 2. Explain the working of the while loop with a flowchart.
- 3. What happens if we create a loop that never ends?
- 4. What is meant by nested loops?
- 5. Find the bugs in the following programs.

- 6. Is it possible to nest the while loop within for loops?
- 7. When is the break statement used?
- 8. When is the continue statement used?
- 9. Convert the following for loop into while loop.

```
for i in range(50,0,-2):
    print(i,end=' `)
```

- 10. Answer the following questions.
  - a. How many times will the following loop execute and what will be its output for both the programs, a and b?

```
sum=0
                                       sum=0
for i in range(20, 0, -2):
                                       for i in range(20, 0, -2):
    sum=sum+i
                                            sum=sum+i
    print(i)
                                            print(i)
    if i==14:
                                            if i==14:
        continue
                                                break
print(sum)
                                       print(sum)
                (a)
                                                        (b)
```

11. Convert the following while loop into for loop

```
i=0
s=0
while i<=50:
    if i%7==0:
        s = s+i
        i = i+7
print(s)</pre>
```

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# **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Write a program that asks for input n and prints a sequence of powers of 5 from 5^0 to 5^n in separate lines.

**Note:** The input number n should be positive.

Example: Input: N=4 Output: 1 5 25 125 625

2. Write a program to display the following table.

| Kilogram | Gram |
|----------|------|
| 1        | 1000 |
| 2        | 2000 |
| 3        | 3000 |

**Note:** 1 kilogram = 1000 grams

- 3. Write a program to display the numbers of a series 1, 4, 9, 16, 25,.....n by using for loop.
- 4. Write a program using the while loop, which prints the sum of every fifth number from 0 to 500 (including both 0 and 500).
- 5. Write a program using the while loop to read the positive integer and count the number of decimal digits in a positive integer.
- Write a program to read the password from a user. If the user types the correct password, i.e. "Python" then display the message, "Welcome to Python Programming".
   Note: Only three attempts are allowed to enter the right password.

7. Write programs for the following series using the while loop.

- a.  $x+x^2/2!+x^3/3!+..n$
- b.  $1+x+x^2+x^3+...x^n$
- 8. Consider a scenario where a son eats five chocolates every day. The price of each chocolate is different. His father pays the bill to the chocolate vendor at the end of every week. Develop a program that can generate the bills for the chocolates and send to the father. Also state which loop will be used to solve this problem.

# Functions

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# **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

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- 6.4 Parameters and Arguments in a Function
- 6.5 The Local and Global Scope of a Variable
- 6.6 The return Statement
- 6.7 Recursive Functions
- 6.8 The Lambda Function

# **LEARNING OUTCOMES** ·

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Describe the necessity and importance of functions in programming languages
- Invoke functions with actual parameters and write a program by invoking a function using keyword or positional arguments
- Use local and global scope of a variable appropriately
- Define recursive function and its implementation with programs
- Write functions that return multiple values with programs

# 6.1 INTRODUCTION

It is difficult to prepare and maintain a large-scale program and the identification of the flow of data subsequently gets harder to understand. The best way to create a programming application is to divide a big program into small modules and repeatedly call these modules.



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With the help of functions, an entire program can be divided into small independent modules (each small module is called a function). This improves the code's readability as well as the flow of execution as small modules can be managed easily.

# 6.2 SYNTAX AND BASICS OF A FUNCTION

A function is a self-contained block of one or more statements that performs a special task when called. The syntax for function is given as follows:

The syntax for the Python function contains a **header** and **body**. The function header begins with the **'def'** keyword. The def keyword signifies the beginning of the function's definition. The name of the function is followed by the def keyword. The function header may contain zero or more number of parameters. These parameters are called **formal parameters**. If a function contains more than one parameter then all the parameters are separated by commas. A function's body is a block of statements. The statements within the function's body define the actions that the function needs to perform.

A simple example for creating a function is explained in the following program.

**PROGRAM 6.1** Write a program to create a function having a name, display. Print the message, "Welcome to Python Programming" inside the function.

```
def Display():
    print("Welcome to Python Programming ")
Display() #call function
Output
Welcome to Python Programming
```

**Explanation** In the above program, a function having the name **display()** is created. This function takes no parameters. The body of the function contains only one statement. Finally, function **display()** is called to print the message **"Welcome to Python Programming"** within the block of the function.

PROGRAM 6.2 Write a program to prompt the name of a user and print the welcome message, "Dear Name\_ of\_user Welcome to Python Programming!!!" Functions

```
def print_msg():
    str1=input("Please Enter Your Name:")
    print("Dear ",str1," Welcome to Python Programming ")
print_msg() #call function

Output
Please Enter Your Name: Virat
Dear Virat Welcome to Python Programming
```

**Explanation** The function named **print** \_ **msg()** is created. Initially, the function **print** \_ **msg()** is called and the control of the program passes to the called function **print** \_ **msg()**. The function reads the name of the user by making use of the **input** reserved keyword and finally the welcome message is printed.

# 6.3 USE OF A FUNCTION

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A programmer wants to find the sum of numbers starting from 1 to 25, 50 to 75 and 90 to 100. Without functions, he/she will write the code in the following manner.

**PROGRAM 6.3** Write a program to add the sum of digits from 1 to 25, 50 to 76 and 90 to 101 using three different for loops.

```
sum=0
for i in range(1,26):
    sum=sum+i
print('Sum of integers from 1 to 25 is:',sum)
sum=0
for i in range(50,76):
    sum=sum+i
print('Sum of integer from 50 to 76 is:',sum)
sum=0
for i in range(90,101):
    sum=sum+i
print('Sum of integer from 90 to 100 is:',sum)
Output
Sum of integers from 1 to 25 is: 325
Sum of integer from 50 to 76 is: 1625
```

Sum of integer from 90 to 100 is: 1045

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The programmer has created the above code. Observe that the code to compute the sum of numbers is conventional. However, there is a slight difference in the range of numbers, i.e. starting integers and ending integers. Here, all the three for loops contain a different range, i.e. from 1 to 26, 50 to 76 and 90 to 101. Thus, by observing the above code, we can say that it would be better if we could simply write the common code once and then use it repeatedly. A programmer can accomplish this by defining function and using it repeatedly. The code above can be simplified and written using functions as shown in Program 6.4.

**PROGRAM 6.4** Write a program to illustrate the use of functions.

```
def sum(x,y):
    s=0;
    for i in range(x,y+1):
        s=s+i
    print(`Sum of integers from `,x,' to `,y,' is `,s)
    sum(1,25)
    sum(50,75)
    sum(90,100)
```

**Explanation** The function named sum is created with two parameters '**x**' and '**y**'. Initially, the function invokes the first function call, i.e. **sum(1, 25)** to compute the sum of numbers from 1 to 25. After computing the sum of numbers from 1 to 25 the control passes to the next function call, i.e. **sum(50, 75)**. After computing the sum of integers from 50 to 75, the third function is finally called, i.e. **sum(90,100)**.

Thus, a programmer can effectively make use of functions to write this program.

- a. If a programmer wants to perform a task repetitively, then it is not necessary to re-write the particular block of the program repeatedly. A particular block of statements can be shifted in a user-defined function. The function defined can be then called any number of times to perform a task.
- b. Large programs can be reduced to smaller ones using functions. It is easy to debug, i.e. find out the errors in it and hence, it also increases readability.

# 6.4 PARAMETERS AND ARGUMENTS IN A FUNCTION

Parameters are used to give inputs to a function. They are specified with a pair of parenthesis in the function's definition. When a programmer calls a function, the values are also passed to the function.

While parameters are defined by names that appear in the function's definition, arguments are values actually passed to a function when calling it. Thus, parameters define what types of arguments a function can accept.

Let us consider the example of passing parameters to a function given as follows and use it to differentiate between argument and parameter.

|                                     | Functions               | (155) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| <br>Exampla                         |                         |       |
| Example                             |                         |       |
| <pre>def printMax(num1,num2):</pre> |                         |       |
| Statemen1                           | ]                       |       |
| Statemen2                           | #Define a Function      |       |
|                                     | }                       |       |
|                                     |                         |       |
| StatementN                          | J                       |       |
|                                     |                         |       |
| printMax(10,20)                     | Call a function(Invoke) |       |

In the above example, printMax(num1, num2) has two parameters, viz. **num1** and **num2**. The parameters **num1** and **num2** are also called formal parameters. A function is invoked by calling the name of the function, i.e. printMax(10,20), where 10, 20 are the actual parameters. Actual parameters are also called arguments. **num1** and **num2** are the parameters of a function. Program 6.5 demonstrates the use of parameters and arguments in a function.

**PROGRAM 6.5** Write a program to find the maximum of two numbers.

```
def printMax(num1,num2): #Function Definition
   print(" num1 = ", num1)
   print(" num2 = ",num2)
    if num1>num2:
        print("The Number ",num1," is Greater than ",num2)
   elif num2>num1:
        print("The Number ",num2," is Greater than ",num1)
    else:
        print(" Both Numbers ",num1,",and",num2,"are equal")
printMax(20,10)
                 #call to function printMax
Output
num1 =
        2.0
num2 = 10
The Number 20 is Greater than 10
```

**Explanation** In the above program we have defined a function printMax(). The function contains two parameters, viz. **num1** and **num2**. The function **printMax()** is called by passing the values as arguments to the function. The statement **printMax(10, 20)** causes the value of 10 and 20 to be assigned to parameters **num1** and **num2**, respectively. Finally, based on the values of **num1** and **num2** within the function, greatest of the two numbers is calculated and displayed.

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**PROGRAM 6.6** Write a program to find the maximum of two numbers.

```
def calc_factorial(num):
    fact=1
    print(" Entered Number is: ",num)
    for i in range(1,num+1):
        fact=fact*i
    print("Factorial of Number ",num," is = ",fact)
number=int(input("Enter the Number:"))
calc_factorial(number)
```

### Output

Enter the Number:5 Entered Number is: 5 Factorial of Number 5 is = 120

# 6.4.1 Positional Arguments

Consider the question—If there are more than one parameters, how does Python know which argument in the call statement has to be assigned to which parameter?

The answer is quite simple. The parameters are assigned by default according to their position, i.e. the first argument in the call statement is assigned to the first parameter listed in the function definition. Similarly, the second argument in the call statement is assigned to the second parameter listed in the function's definition and so on.

Consider a simple example to demonstrate the use of positional arguments.

### Example

```
def Display(Name,age):
    print("Name = ",Name,"age = ",age)
Display("John",25)
Display(40,"Sachin")
```

In the above example, the evaluation of statement **Display("John",25)** prints the result as Name = John and age = 25. However, the statement **Display(40,"Sachin")** has a different meaning. It passes 40 to name and Sachin to age. It means the first argument binds to the first parameter and the second argument binds to the second parameter. This style of matching up arguments and parameter is called **positional argument style** or **positional parameter style**.

In the above example, the function definition Display(Name, age) contains two parameters. Thus, the call is made to function Display() by passing exactly two parameters.
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What will be the output of the following program?

```
def Display(Name,age):
    print("Name = ",Name,"age = ",age)
Display("John")
Output
Prints the error message
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "C:\Python34\keyword_1.py", line 3, in <module>
Display("John")TypeError: Display() missing 1 required positional
argument: 'age'
```

**Explanation** In the above program, there is no output due to an error. The third line of the program contains the statement Display("John"), i.e. the statement has made a call to function Display(name, age). As the function call contains lesser number of arguments as compared to the function definition, Python will report a missing argument error.

**Note:** Python will show an error when an incorrect number of arguments are passed to the function call. The arguments must match the parameters in order, number and type as defined in the function.

### 6.4.2 Keyword Arguments

An alternative to positional argument is keyword argument. If a programmer knows the parameter name used within the function then he/she can explicitly use the parameter name while calling the function. A programmer can pass a keyword argument to a function by using its corresponding parameter name rather than its position. This can be done by simply typing **Parameter\_name = value** in the function call.

Syntax to call a function using keyword argument is:

Name\_of\_Function(pos\_args,keyword1=value,keyword2=value2......)

**PROGRAM 6.7** Write a simple program on keyword argument.

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**Explanation** Thus, in the above program, the statement **Display(age=25,Name="John")** passes the value 25 to the parameter 'age' and 'John' to the parameter 'Name'. It means arguments can appear in any order using keyword arguments.

### **Precautions for Using Keyword Arguments**

1. A positional argument cannot follow a keyword argument. **Example:** Consider the function definition,

```
def Display(num1,num2):
```

Thus, a programmer can invoke the above Display() function as:

Display(40,num2=10)

But, he/she cannot invoke the function as:

Display(num2=10,40)

because the positional argument 40 appears after the keyword argument num2=10.

2. A programmer cannot duplicate an argument by specifying it as both, a positional argument and a keyword argument.

Example: Consider the function definition,

def Display(num1,num2):

Thus, a programmer cannot invoke the above Display() function as

Display(40,num1=40) #Error

because he/she has specified multiple values for parameter num1.

### 6.4.3 Parameter with Default Values

Parameters within a function's definition can have default values. We can provide default value to a parameter by using the assignment (=) operator.

**PROGRAM 6.8** Write a program to illustrate the use of default values in a function's definition.

```
def greet(name,msg="Welcome to Python!!"):
    print(" Hello ",name,msg)
greet("Sachin")
Output
```

#### Hello Sachin Welcome to Python!!

In the above example, the function greet() has the parameter **name**. The parameter **name** does not have any default value and is mandatory during a function call. On the other hand, the parameter **msg** has a default value as "**Welcome to Python!!**". Hence, it is optional during

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a function call. If a value is provided, it will overwrite the default value. Here are some valid function calls to this function.

#### #Test case 1

>>> greet("Amit")

#### Output

Hello Amit Welcome to Python!!

#### #Test case 2

>>> greet("Bill Gates","How are You?")

#### Output

Hello Bill Gates How are You?

The above example has two test cases. In the first test case, only one argument is passed to the function greet() during the function call. And the second parameter is not passed. In such a case, Python uses the default value of a parameter specified during function definition. But in case of test case 2, both the parameters greet("Bill Gates","How are You?") are passed during the function call. In such a situation, the new argument value overwrites the default parameter value.

Note: During a function's definition, any number of parameters in a function can have default values. But once we have a default value to a parameter, all the parameters to its right must also have default values. For example, if we define a function's definition as:

def greet(msg="Welcome to Python!!", name): #Error

Python will give the error as:

Syntax Error: Non-default argument follows default argument

**PROGRAM 6.9** Write a program to calculate the area of a circle using the formula:

#### Area of Circle = $pi^{*}(r)^{2}$

Declare the default parameter value of pi as 3.14 and radius as 1.

#### Output

radius= 1

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```
The area of Circle = 3.14
radius= 5
The area of Circle = 78.5
```

What will be the output of the following program?

```
def disp_values(a,b=10,c=20):
    print(" a = ",a," b = ",b,"c= ",c)
disp_values(15)
disp_values(50,b=30)
disp_values(c=80,a=25,b=35)
```

#### Output

a = 15b = 10c = 20a = 50b = 30c = 20a = 25b = 35c = 80

**Explanation** In the above program, the function named **disp\_values** has one parameter without a default argument value, followed by two parameters with default argument values.

During the first function call **disp\_values(15)**, parameter a gets the value 15 and parameters b and c get the default values 10 and 20, respectively.

During the function call disp\_values(50,b=30), parameter a gets the value 50, parameter b gets the value 30, i.e. the value of b is overwritten and parameter c gets the default value 20.

During the function call disp\_values(c=80,a=25,b=35), the default values of parameters b and c are replaced by the new values 35 and 80, respectively.

### 6.5 THE LOCAL AND GLOBAL SCOPE OF A VARIABLE

Variables and parameters that are initialised within a function including parameters, are said to exist in that function's local scope. Variables that exist in local scope are called **local variables**. Variables that are assigned outside functions are said to exist in global scope. Therefore, variables that exist in global scope are called **global variables**.

**PROGRAM 6.10** Write a program to show local scope vs global scope.

```
p = 20 #global variable p
def Demo():
    q = 10 #Local variable q
    print(`The value of Local variable q:',q)
    #Access global variable p within this function
    print(`The value of Global Variable p:',p)
Demo()
```

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```
#Access global variable p outside the function Demo()
print('The value of global variable p:',p)
Output
The value of Local variable q: 10
The value of Global Variable p: 20
The value of global variable p: 20
```

**Explanation** In the above example, we have created one **local variable** 'q' and one **global variable** 'p'. As global variables are created outside all functions and are accessible to all functions in their scope, in the above example as well the global variable 'p' is accessed from the function **Demo()** and it is also accessed outside the function.

### Local Variables Cannot be Used in Global Scope

**PROGRAM 6.11** Write a program to access a local variable outside a function.

```
def Demo():
    q = 10     #Local variable q
    print(`The value of Local variable q:',q)
Demo()
#Access local variable q outside the function Demo()
print(`The value of local variable q:',q)    #Error
Output
The value of Local variable q: 10
Traceback (most recent call last):
    File "C:/Python34/loc1.py", line 6, in <module>
    print(`The value of local variable q:',q)    #Error
NameError: name `q' is not defined
```

**Explanation** The local variable 'q' is defined within the function Demo(). The variable 'q' is accessed from the function Demo(). The scope of a local variable lies within the block of the function, i.e. it starts from its creation and continues up to the end of the function. Therefore, any attempt to access the variable from outside of the function causes an error.

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**Note:** Accessing a local variable outside the scope will cause an error.

### 6.5.1 Reading Global Variables from a Local Scope

Consider the following program where global variables are read from a local scope.



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**PROGRAM 6.12** Write a program where global variables are read from a local scope.

```
def Demo():
    print(S)
S='I Love Python'
Demo()
Output
```

I Love Python

**Explanation** Before calling the function **Demo()**, the variable 's' is defined as a string, "I Love Python". However, the body of the function Demo() contains only one statement **print(s)** statement. As there is no local variable 's' defined within the function Demo(), the **print(s)** statement uses the value from the global variable. Hence, the output of the above program will be 'I Love Python'.

### 6.5.2 Local and Global Variables with the Same Name

What will be the output of the above program if we change the value of 's' inside the function Demo()? Will it affect the value of the global variable? Program 6.13 demonstrates the change in value 's' within the function Demo().

**PROGRAM 6.13** Write a program to change the value 's' within the function.

```
def Demo():
    S='I Love Programming'
    print(S)
S='I Love Python'
Demo()
print(S)
Output
I Love Programming
I Love Python
```

**Explanation** As we know, the scope of a local variable lies within the block of a function. Initially, the value of 's' is assigned as 'I Love Python'. But after calling the function Demo(), the value of 's' is changed to 'I Love Programming'. Therefore, the print statement within the function Demo() will print the value of the local variable 's', i.e. 'I Love Programming'. Whereas the print statement after the Demo() statement, will print the old value of the variable 's', i.e. 'I Love Python'.

### 6.5.3 The Global Statement

Consider a situation where a programmer needs to modify the value of a global variable within a function. In such a situation, he/she has to make use of the **global** statement. The following program demonstrates the use of the **global** statement.

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**PROGRAM 6.14** Write a program without using the global statement.

```
a = 20
def Display():
    a = 30
    print(' The value of a in function:',a)
Display()
print('The value of an outside function:',a)
Output
```

The value of a in function: 30 The value of an outside function: 20

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**Explanation** In the above program, we have assigned the value of an outside function as 20. By chance, a programmer uses the same name, i.e. 'a' inside the function. But in this case the variable 'a' within the function is local to the function. Therefore, any changes to the value associated with the name inside the function will change the value of the local variable itself and not the value of the global variable 'a'.

PROGRAM 6.15 Write a program using the global statement.

```
a = 20
def Display():
    global a
    a = 30
    print(' The value of a in function:',a)
Display()
print('The value of an outside function:',a)
Output
```

The value of a in function: 30 The value of an outside function: 30

**Explanation** The program demonstrates the use of the **global** keyword. The **global** keyword has been used before the name of the variable to change the value of the local variable. Since the value of the global variable is changed within the function, the value of 'a' outside the function will be the most recent value of 'a'.

### 6.6 THE return STATEMENT

The return statement is used to **return a value from the function**. It is also used to return from a function, i.e. break out of the function.

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**PROGRAM 6.16** Write a program to return the minimum of two numbers.

```
def minimum(a,b):
    if a<b:
        return a
    elif b<a:
        return b
    else:
        return "Both the numbers are equal"
print(minimum(100,85))</pre>
```

#### Output

8 is minimum

**Explanation** The minimum function returns the minimum of the two numbers supplied as parameters to a function minimum. It uses simple if..elif..else statement to find the minimum value and then returns that value.

**PROGRAM 6.17** Write a function calc\_Distance(x1, y1, x2, y2) to calculate the distance between two points represented by Point1(x1, y1) and Point2 (x2, y2). The formula for calculating distance is:

Distance =  $\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$ 

```
import math
def calc_Distance (x1, y1, x2, y2):
    print(" x1 = ",x1)
    print(" x2 = ",x2)
    print(" y1 = ",y1)
    print(" y2 = ",y2)
    dx=x2-x1
    dx=math.pow(dx,2)
    dy=y2-y1
    dy=math.pow(dy,2)
    z = math.pow((dx + dy), 0.5)
    return z
print("Distance = ",(format(calc_Distance(4,4,2,2),".2f")))
Output
    w1 = 4
```

x1 = 4 x2 = 2 y1 = 4 y2 = 2 Distance = 2.83 Functions

**PROGRAM 6.18** For a quadratic equation in the form of ax<sup>2</sup>+bx+c, the discriminant D, is b<sup>2</sup> - 4ac. Write a function to compute the discriminant D, that returns the following output depending on the discriminant D.

if D > 0: The Equation has two Real Roots if D = 0: The Equation has one Real Root if D < 0: The Equation has two Complex Roots

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```
def quad D(a,b,c):
    d=b*b-4*a*c
    print("a = ",a)
    print("a = ",b)
    print("a = ", c)
    print("D = ",d)
    if d>0:
        return "The Equation has two Real Roots"
    elif d<0:
        return "The Equation has two Complex Roots"
    else:
        return "The Equation has one Real Root"
print(quad D(1,2,5))
Output
a =
    1
a = 2
a = 3
D = -8
The Equation has two Complex Roots
```

**Note:** The return statement without a value is equivalent to return 'None'. Where, 'None' is a special type in Python that represents nothingness.

**PROGRAM 6.19** Write a program to pass the radius of a circle as a parameter to a function **area\_of\_circle()**. Return the value **none** if the value of the radius is negative or return the area of the circle.

```
def area_of_Circle(radius):
    if radius<0:
        print(" Try Again, Radius of circle cannot be Negative ")
        return
    else:
        print("Radius = ",radius)</pre>
```

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```
return 3.1459*radius**radius
print("Area of Circle =",area_of_Circle(2))
Output
Radius = 2
```

**Explanation** In the above program, the user has to pass the radius of the circle as a parameter to the function area\_of\_circle(). If the radius of the circle is positive then it calculates and returns the area of the circle. Whereas, if the entered radius of the circle is negative, it returns a none value, i.e. it returns nothing.

What will be the output of the above program?

Area of Circle = 12.5836

```
def calc_abs(x):
    if x<0:
        return -x
    elif x>0:
        return x
print(calc_abs(0))
Output
```

None

**Explanation** The above piece of code is incorrect because when the user has passed the value 0 as a parameter to the function calc\_abs(), the value of x happened to be 0. Then neither condition is true and the function ends without executing any return statement. In such a situation, the function returns a special value called **None**.

### 6.6.1 Returning Multiple Values

It is possible to return multiple values in Python.

**PROGRAM 6.20** Write a function calc\_arith\_op(num1, num2) to calculate and return at once the result of arithmetic operations such as addition and subtraction.

#Return multiple values

```
def calc_arith_op(num1, num2):
```

```
return num1+num2, num1-num2
```

print(" ",calc\_arith\_op(10,20))

Output

(30, -10)

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**Explanation** In the above program, two parameters, viz. num1 and num2 are passed to a function calc\_arith\_op(). Within the body of the function, the single return statement computes the addition and subtraction of the two numbers. Finally, the single return statement returns the result of both the arithmetic operations, viz. addition and subtraction.

### 6.6.2 Assign Returned Multiple Values to Variable(s)

It is also possible for a function to perform certain operations, return multiple values and assign the returned multiple values to a multiple variable.

**PROGRAM 6.21** Write a program to return multiple values from a function.

```
def compute(numl):
    print("Number = ",numl)
    return numl*numl, numl*numl*numl
square,cube=compute(4)
print("Square = ",square,"Cube = ",cube)
```

### Output

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Number = 4 Square = 16 Cube = 64

**Explanation** The number is passed to the function compute(). The return statement calculates the square and cube of a passed number. After computation, it returns both the values simultaneously. The returned square of a number is assigned to a variable square and the returned cube of a number is assigned to a variable cube.

### 6.7 RECURSIVE FUNCTIONS

So far, we have seen that it is legal for one function to call another function. In programming, there might be a situation where a function needs to invoke itself. Python also supports the recursive feature, which means that a function is repetitively called by itself. Thus, a function is said to be recursive **if a statement within the body of the function calls itself**.

Let us consider a simple example of recursion. Suppose we want to calculate the factorial value of an integer. We know that the factorial of a number is the product of all the integers between 1 and that number, i.e. n! is defined as n \* (n-1)!.

Consider the following example.

Formula to calculate the factorial of a number  $(n)! = n^*(n-1)!$ 

$$5!=5^{*}(4)!$$
  
= 5\*4\*(3)!  
= 5\*4\*3\*(2)!  
= 5\*4\*3\*2\*(1)  
= 120

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**PROGRAM 6.22** Calculate the factorial of a number using recursion.

```
def factorial(n):
    if n==0:
        return 1
    return n*factorial(n-1)
print(factorial(5))
Output
120
```

**Explanation** In the above program, factorial() is a recursive function. The number is passed to function factorial(). When the function factorial is executed, it is repeatedly invoked by itself. Every time a function is invoked, the value of 'n' is reduced by one and multiplication is carried out. The recursion function produces the number 5, 4, 3, 2 and 1. The multiplication of these numbers is carried out and returned. Finally, the print statement prints the factorial of the number.

**PROGRAM 6.23** Write a recursive function which computes the n<sup>th</sup> Fibonacci number. Fibonacci numbers are defined as:

```
\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Fib}(0)=1,\\ \mbox{Fib}(1)=1\\ \mbox{Fib}(n)=\mbox{Fib}(n-1)+\mbox{Fib}(n-2). \end{array}
```

Write this as a Python code and then find the 8<sup>th</sup> Fibonacci number.

```
def fib(n):
    if n==0:
        return 1
    if n==1:
        return 1
    return fib(n-1)+fib(n-2)
print(" The Value of 8th Fibonacci number = ",fib(8))
Output
The Value of 8th Fibonacci number = 34
```

### 6.8 THE LAMBDA FUNCTION

Lambda functions are named after the Greek letter  $\lambda$  (lambda). These are also known as **anonymous functions**. Such kind of functions are not bound to a name. They only have a code to execute that which is associated with them. The basic syntax for a lambda function is:

Name = lambda(variables): Code

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Let us consider a simple example which calculates the cube of a number using simple concepts of a function.

```
>>> def func(x):
    return x*x*x
>>> print(func(3))
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**Without the lambda function** Now we will calculate the cube of a number using the lambda function.

```
>>> cube = lambda x: x*x*x #Define lambda function
>>> print(cube(2)) #Call lambda function
8
```

**Using the lambda function** Thus, in the above example, both the functions **func()** and **cube()** do exactly the same thing. The statement **cube = lambda** *x***:** *x*\**x*\**x* creates a **lambda** function called cube, which takes a single argument and returns the cube of a number.

Note: (a) A lambda function does not contain a return statement.
 (b) It contains a single expression as a body and not a block of statements as a body.

## MINI PROJECT Calculation of Compound Interest and Yearly Analysis of Interest and Principal Amount

This mini project will use programming features, such as **decision**, **control statements** and **functions** to calculate the interest deposited for a principal amount for some period of time '**n**' at some interest '**r**'.

#### **Explanation and Calculation of Compound Interest**

Compound interest is the addition of interest to the initial principal amount and also to the accumulated interest over preceding periods of a deposit or loan.

Compound interest is different from simple interest. In simple interest, there is no interest on interest. Simply interest is added to the principal amount.

The formula to calculate annual compound interest including principal amount is

$$\mathbf{CI} = P * \left(1 + \frac{r}{t}\right)^{tn} - P$$

where,

P = Principal investment amount

r = Annual interest rate

n = Number of years the money is invested

t = Number of times the interest is compounded per year



The formula to calculate interest if it is compounded once per year is

 $I = P * (1 + r)^n - ---- \{A\}$ 

Thus, 'I' gives future values of an investment or loan which is compound interest plus the principal. So, we are going to use formula 'A'.

### Example

Let principal (*P*) amount = ₹10,000

Rate (R) of interest = 5

Number of Years = 7

Value of compound interest per year (t) = 1

We will use the above formula 'A' to calculate the interest accumulated each year.

| Year | Starting Balance | Interest | Ending Balance |
|------|------------------|----------|----------------|
| 1    | 10000.00         | 500.00   | 10500.00       |
| 2    | 10500.00         | 525.00   | 11025.00       |
| 3    | 11025.00         | 551.25   | 11576.25       |
| 4    | 11576.25         | 578.81   | 12155.06       |
| 5    | 12155.06         | 607.75   | 12762.82       |
| 6    | 12762.82         | 638.14   | 13400.96       |
| 7    | 13400.96         | 670.05   | 14071.00       |

#### Algorithm to Calculate Compound Interest

- **STEP 1:** Read the principal amount, rate of interest and number of years the amount is to be deposited. (Assuming interest is compounded once per year).
- **STEP 2:** Pass the principal, rate of interest and the number of years to the function named **Calculate\_Compund\_Interest()**.
- **STEP 3:** Iterate **for loop** for 'n' number of times to calculate interest generated per year by using the formula for compound interest as discussed above.
- **STEP 4:** Display the final compound interest.

**PROGRAM STATEMENT** Write a program to calculate compound interest for principal amount as ₹10,000, at rate of interest as 5% and number of years the amount is deposited as 7 years.

```
def Calculate_Compund_Interest(p,n,r):
    print(`StartBalance\t','\tInterest\t','Ending Balance')
    total = 0
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      x = r/100
      tot = 0
      for i in range(1, n+1):
            z \text{ new} = p*(1 + x) **i - p
            z \text{ old} = p*(1 + x)**(i-1) - p
            tot = tot + (z new - z old)
            if(i == 1):
                  print((0:.2f), end='')
                  print(`\t{0:.2f}\t'.format(z new - z old),end='')
                  print(`\t\t{0:.2f}\t'.format(z new+p))
            else:
                  print(`{0:.2f}\t'.format(p+z old),end='')
                  print('\t{0:.2f}\t'.format(z new - z old ),end='')
                  print(`\t\t{0:.2f}\t'.format(z new+p))
      print(`Total Interest Deposited:Rs{0:.2f}'.format(tot))
p = int(input('Enter the Principal amount:'))
r = int(input('Enter the rate of interest:'))
n = int(input(`Enter number of year:'))
Calculate Compund Interest(p,n,r)
Output
Enter the Principal amount:10000
Enter the rate of interest:5
Enter number of year:7
Start Balance
                   Interest Ending Balance
10000.00
           500.00
                         10500.00
10500.00
           525.00
                          11025.00
11025.00
            551.25
                          11576.25
11576.25
            578.81
                          12155.06
12155.06
            607.75
                          12762.82
12762.82
                          13400.96
            638.14
13400.96
            670.05
                         14071.00
```

Total Interest Deposited: Rs 4071.00

In the above program, initially principal amount, rate of interest and number of years are read from the user. The same values are passed as a parameter to the function **Calculate Compund** Interest(). The for loop is iterated for **n** number of times to calculate the annual interest generated per year. The difference between **Z\_new** and **Z\_old** in above program gives the interest generated per year. At last, the compound interest is displayed.



### SUMMARY

**KEY TERMS** 

- A function is a self-contained block of one or more statements that perform a special task when called.
- A function's definition in Python begins with the def keyword followed by the function's name, parameter and body.
- The function header may contain zero or more number of parameters.
- Parameters are the names that appear in a function's definition.
- Arguments are the values actually passed to a function while calling a function.
- Arguments to a function can be passed as positional or keyword arguments.
- The arguments must match the parameters in order, number and type as defined in the function.
- A variable must be created before it is used.
- Variables defined within the scope of a function are said to be local variables.
- Variables that are assigned outside of functions are said to be global variables.
- The return statement is used to return a value from a function.
- Functions in Python can return multiple values.
- Python also supports a recursive feature, i.e. a function can be called repetitively by itself.

- ⇒ The def Keyword: Reserved word to define a function
- ⇒ **Positional Arguments:** By default, parameters are assigned according to their position
- ⇒ **Keyword Arguments:** Use syntax keyword = Value to call a function with keyword arguments
- ⇒ Local and Global Scope of a Variable: Describes two different scopes of a variable
- ⇒ **The Return Keyword:** Used to return single or multiple values
- ⇒ Lambda: An anonymous function

### **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

#### A. Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. A variable defined outside a function is referred to as
  - a. Local variable
  - c. Global variable d. N
- 2. Which of the following function headers is correct?
  - a. def Demo(P, Q = 10):
    - c. def Demo(P=10,Q)
- 3. What will be the output of the following program?

```
x = 10
def f():
    x= x + 10
    print(x)
f()
```

- b. Only variable
- d. None of the above
- b. def Demo(P=10,Q = 20):
- d. Both a and c

Functions . .. .. .. .. .. .. .. . .. a. 20 b. 10 c. Error: Local variable X referenced before assignment d. None of the above 4. What will be the output of the following program? def Func A(P = 10, Q = 20): P = P + Q0 = 0 + 1print(P, Q) Func A(Q = 20, P = 10)a. Error: P and Q are not defined. b. 2010 c. 10 20 d. 30 21 5. What will be the output of the following program? Def test(): x=10 # Main Program # x = 11 test() print(x) a. 10 b. 11 d. None of the above c. Garbage value 6. If a function does not return any value, then by default which type of value is returned by the function? b. double a. int c. str d. None 7. What will be the output of the following program? def test(): global x x = 'A'# Main Program # x = 'Z' test() print(x) a. Z b. A c. Garbage value d. None of the above 8. What will be the output of following program? def test(x): x = 200# Main Program # x = 100test(x)

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print(x)

Problem Solving and Python Programming . .. .. .. .. a. 100 b. Garbage value c. 200 d. None of the above 9. What will be the output of the following program? def test(x): p = 90# Main Program # p = 50print(test(p)) a. 90 b. 50 d. None c. Error 10. What will be the output of the following program? def evaluate\_expression\_1(Z): Z = Z + 5def evaluate expression 2(Z): print(`Hello') return Z return Z value = 10print(evaluate expression 1(value)) a. Hello 10 b. 10 c. 15 Hello d. 15 11. What will be the output of the following program? def evaluate expression 1(): global x x = x - 5def evaluate\_expression\_2(): global x return x + 3return evaluate\_expression 2() # Main Program # x = 10print(evaluate\_expression\_1()) a. 5 b. 8 c. 10 d. 13 12. What will be the output of the following program? def perform multiplication(Num1, Num2): Num2 = Num1 \* Num2 return Num1, Num2

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```
# Main Program #
Num2, Num1 = perform_multiplication(5,4)
print(Num1, Num2)
a. 5,4 b. 5,20
```

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c. 20, 5 d. 4, 5
```

13. What will be the output of the following program?

```
def Display(Designation, Salary):
```

```
print("Designation = ",Designation, "Salary = ",Salary)
Display("Manager",25000)
Display(300000,'Programmer')
```

- a. Error: Type Mismatch
- b. Manger 25000300000 Programmer
- c. 300000 Programmer Manger 25000
- d. None of the above

#### B. True or False

- 1. A function divides a program in small independent modules.
- 2. The syntax of Python function contains a header and body.
- 3. The function header begins with the definition keyword.
- 4. Parameters are used to give inputs to a function.
- 5. Parameters are specified with a pair of parenthesis in the function's definition.
- 6. In a function, parameters are defined by the names that appear in the function's definition.
- 7. Arguments are values actually passed to a function when calling it.
- 8. The return statement is used to return a value from a function.
- 9. A function invoking itself is called a recursive function.
- 10. A function is said to be recursive if a statement within the body of the function calls itself.

#### C. Exercise Questions

- 1. What are the advantages of functions?
- 2. What does a function do?
- 3. Write the definition of a function.
- 4. Write the syntax for a function.
- 5. Differentiate between user-defined and library-defined functions.
- 6. How does a function work? Explain how arguments are passed and results are returned?
- 7. What are arguments? How are arguments passed to a function?
- 8. What is the use of a return statement?
- 9. Is it possible to return multiple values from a function?
- 10. What are local and global variables?

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### **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Write a function **eval\_Quadratic\_Equa(a, b, c, x)** which returns the value of any quadratic equation of form

```
ax^2 + bx + c
```

- Write a function calc\_exp(base, exp) which computes the exponent of any number, i.e. base<sup>exp</sup>. The function should take two values as base, which can be float or integer. Exp will be an integer greater than 0.
- 3. Write a function **Calc\_GCD\_Recurr(a**, **b**) which calculates the GCD recursively of two numbers. The function should take two positive integers and should return one integer as GCD.

**Note:** The greatest common divisor (GCD) of two positive integers is the largest integer that divides each of them without a remainder.

```
Example:
gcd(12, 2) = 2
gcd(6, 12) = 6
gcd(9, 12) = 3
```

4. Write a function **reverse\_number()** to return the reverse of the number entered. Example:

Reverse\_number(1234) displays 4321

- 5. A four-digit integer is entered through the keyboard. Write a function to calculate the sum of the four-digit number both without recursion and using recursion.
- 6. A positive integer is entered through the keyboard. Write a function factors(num) to obtain the factors of the given numbers.
- 7. Write a program to define function **dec\_bin(num)** to convert the existing decimal number into its equivalent binary number.

# Strings

### **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

- 7.1 Introduction
- 7.2 The str class
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- 7.5 Traversing String with for and while Loop
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- 7.7 The String Operators
- 7.8 String Operations

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Create and use string in programming
- Write programs to access characters within a string using index operators, including accessing characters via negative index
- Use str[start : end] slicing operator to get a substring from larger strings
- Use various inbuilt functions of strings, such as len(), min() and max() functions
- Apply inbuilt operators on strings +, \* and compare two different strings using >,>=, <, <=, ==,!= operators
- Use various methods of strings such as capitalise(), upper(), lower(), swapcase(), and replace() to convert string from one form to another
- Search substrings from a given string using various methods of string such as find(), rfind(), endswith(), startwith()
- Format strings by using ljust(), rjust(), centre(),format() functions

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### 7.1 INTRODUCTION

Characters are building blocks of Python. A program is composed of a sequence of characters. When a sequence of characters is grouped together, a meaningful string is created. Thus, a string is a sequence of characters treated as a single unit.

In many languages, strings are treated as arrays of characters but in Python a string is an object of the **str** class. This string class has many constructors.

The next section describes constructors and how to access strings.

### 7.2 THE str CLASS

Strings are objects of the str class. We can create a string using the constructor of str class as:

```
S1=str() #Creates an Empty string Object
S2=str("Hello") #Creates a String Object for Hello
```

An alternative way to create a string object is by assigning a string value to a variable.

### Example

```
S1 = "" # Creates a Empty String
S2= "Hello" # Equivalent to S2=str("Hello")
```

All the characters of a string can be accessed at one time using the index operator. This has been explained in Section 7.4.

### 7.3 BASIC INBUILT PYTHON FUNCTIONS FOR STRING

Python has several basic inbuilt functions that can be used with strings. A programmer can make use of **min()** and **max()** functions to return the largest and smallest character in a string. We can also use **len()** function to return the number of characters in a string.

The following example illustrates the use of the basic function on strings.

```
>>> a = "PYTHON"
>>> len(a) #Return length i.e. number of characters in string a
6
>>> min(a) #Return smallest character present in a string
'H'
>>> max(a) #Return largest character present in a string
'Y'
```

### 7.4 THE index [] OPERATOR

As a string is a sequence of characters, the characters in a string can be accessed one at a time through the index operator. The characters in a string are **zero based**, i.e. the first character of the string is stored at the 0<sup>th</sup> position and the last character of the string is stored at a position one less than that of the length of the string. Figure 7.1 illustrates how a string can be stored.



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Figure 7.1 Accessing characters in a string using the index operator

#### Example

```
>>> S1="Python"
>>>S1[0] #Access the first element of the string.
'p'
>>>S1[5] #Access the last element of the String.
'n'
```

Note: Consider a string of length 'n', i.e. the valid indices for such string are from 0 to n-1. If you try to access the index greater than n-1, Python will raise a 'string index out of range' error. The following example illustrates the same.

```
>>> a='IIT'
>>> a[3]
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#1>", line 1, in <module>
  a[3]
IndexError: string index out of range
```

### 7.4.1 Accessing Characters via Negative Index

The negative index accesses characters from the end of a string by counting in backward direction. The **index** of the last character of any non-empty string is always **-1**, as shown in Figure 7.2.



Figure 7.2 Accessing characters in a string using negative index

#### Example

```
>>> S="PYTHON"
>>> S[-1]#Access the last character of a String `S'
`N'
>>> S[-2]
`O'
>>> S[-3]
`H'
>>> S[-4]
```

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```
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'T'

>>> S[-5]

'Y'

>>> S[-6] #Access the First character of a String 'S'

'P'
```

```
Note:

    S[-n] == S[Length _ of(S)-n]

Example:

    S="IIT-Bombay"

    >>> S[-3]

    >>>'b'
```

### Explanation

S[-3] == S[Len(S) - 3] = S[10 - 3] = S[7].

Thus, S[-3]==S[7] prints the character stored at index 7 counting in a forward direction or we can say it prints the character stored at index -3 counting in backward direction from the string S.

### 7.5 TRAVERSING STRING WITH for AND while LOOP

A programmer can use the for loop to traverse all characters in a string. For example, the following code displays all the characters of a string.

**PROGRAM 7.1** Write a program to traverse all the elements of a string using the for loop.

```
S="India"
for ch in S:
    print(ch,end="")
Output
```

India

**Explanation** The string 'India' is assigned to the variable S. The for loop is used to print all the characters of a string S. The statement '**for ch in S**:' can read as 'for each character **ch** in **S** print **ch**'.

**PROGRAM 7.2** Write a program to traverse every second character of a string using the for loop.

```
S="ILOVEPYTHONPROGRAMMING"
for ch in range(0,len(S),2):#Traverse each Second character
    print(S[ch],end=" ")
Output
I O E Y H N R G A M N
```

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### 7.5.1 Traversing with a while Loop

A programmer can also use the while loop to traverse all the elements of a string. The following example illustrates the use of the while loop to traverse all the characters within a string using the while loop.

**PROGRAM 7.3** Write a program to traverse all the elements of a string using the while loop.

```
S="India"
index=0
while index<len(S):
    print(S[index],end="")
    index=index+1
Output
India</pre>
```

**Explanation** The while loop traverses a string and displays each character. The condition index<len(S) is checked in each iteration. When the value of an index is equal to the length of the string, the condition is false and the body of loop is not executed. The last character accessed is one less than that of that of the length of the string.

### 7.6 IMMUTABLE STRINGS

Character sequences fall into two categories, i.e. mutable and immutable. Mutable means changeable and immutable means unchangeable. Hence, strings are immutable sequences of characters.

Consider the following example. Let's see what happens if we try to change the contents of the string.

### Example

```
Str1="I Love Python"
Str1[0]="U"
print(Str1)
```

ERROR: TypeError: `str' object does not support item assignment

### Explanation

In the above example, we have assigned the string "I Love Python" to Str1. The index [] operator is used to change the contents of the string. Finally, it shows an error because the strings are **immutable**, which means one cannot change the existing string.

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|     | Note: If you want to change the existing string, the best way is to create a new string that is a variation of the original string. |
|     | Strl="I Love Python"  |
|     | Str2="U"+Str1[1:]   |
|     | print(Str2)   |
|     | Output  |
|     | U Love Python   |

Consider the following two similar strings. "Hello" is assigned to two different variables as:

Str1="Hello" Str2="Hello"

In the above example both the variables, str1 and str2 have the same content. Thus, Python uses one object for each string which has the same content as shown in Figure 7.3. str1 and str2 refers to the same string object, whereas str1 and str2 have the same ID number.

Figure 7.3 String with the same contents share the similar id

### 7.7 THE STRING OPERATORS

String contains the slicing operator and the slicing with step size parameter is used to obtain the subset of a string. It also has basic concatenation '+', 'in' and repetition '\*' operators. The next section describes string operators in more detail.

### 7.7.1 The String Slicing Operator [start: end]

The slicing operator returns a subset of a string called **slice** by specifying two indices, viz. **start** and **end**. The syntax used to return a subset of a string is:

```
Name_of_Variable_of_a_String[Start_Index: End_Index]
```

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### Example

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```
>>> S="IIT-BOMBAY"
>>> S[4:10]#Returns a Subset of a String
'BOMBAY'
```

The S[4:10] returns a subset of a string starting from start index, i.e. 4 to one index less than that of end parameter of slicing operation, i.e. 10 - 1 = 9.

### 7.7.2 String Slicing with Step Size

In the above section, we learnt how to select a portion of a string. But how does a programmer select every second character from a string?

This can be done using **step size**. In slicing, the first two parameters are **start index** and **end index**. We need to add a third parameter as **step size** to select the characters from a string with step size.

### Syntax

```
Name_of_Variable_of_a_String[Start_Index:End_Index:Step_Size]
```

### Example

```
>>>S="IIT-BOMBAY"
>>> S[0:len(S):2]
>>>'ITBMA'
```

### Explanation

Initially we have assigned a string "IIT-Bombay" to S. The statement **S[0:len(S):2]** indicates us to select the portion of a string which starts at index 0 and ends at index 10, i.e. the length of the string "IIT-BOMBAY". The step size is 2. It means that we first extract a slice or a portion of the string which starts with the index 0, ends with the index 10 and selects every other second character from the string S.

#### Some More Complex Examples of String Slicing

```
>>> S="IIT-MADRAS"
>>> S[::]#Prints the entire String
`IIT-MADRAS'
>>> S[::-1]
`SARDAM-TII'#Display the String in Reverse Order
>>>S="IIT-MADRAS"
>>> S[-1:0:-1]#Access the characters of a string from index -1
>>> 'SARDAM-TI'
>>>S="IIT-MADRAS"
>>> S[-1:0:-1]#Access the characters of a string from index -1
>>> 'SARDAM-TI'
```



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```
>>> S[:-1]
#start with the character stored at index 0 & exclude the last character stored
at index -1.
`IIT-MADRA'
```

### 7.7.3 The String +, \* and in Operators

 The + Operator: The concatenation operator '+' is used to join two strings. Example:

```
>>> S1="IIT " #The String "IIT" assigned to S1
>>> S2="Delhi"#The String "Delhi" assigned to S1
>>> S1+S2
'IIT Delhi'
```

2. The \* Operator: The multiplication (\*) operator is used to concatenate the same string multiple times. It is also called **repetition operator**.

#### **Example:**

```
>>> S1="Hello"
>>> S2=3*S1#Print the String "Hello" three times
>>> S2
'HelloHelloHello'
```

Note: S2=3\*S1 and S2=S1\*3 gives same output

**3.** The in and not in Operator: Both Operators in and not in are used to check whether a string is present in another string.

**Example:** 

```
>>> S1="Information Technology"
#Check if the string "Technology" is present in S1
>>> "Technology" in S1
True
#Check if the string "Technology" is present in S1
>>> "Engineering" in S1
False
>>> S1="Information Technology"
# Check if the string "Hello" is not present in S1
>> "Hello" not in S1
True
```

**PROGRAM 7.4** Write a program to print all the letters from word1 that also appear in word2.

```
Example: Word1 = USA North America word2= USA South America
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#Print the letter that appear in word1 &also appears in word2

#### Output

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USA orth America

#### Solution

word1="USA North America"
word2="USA South America"
print("word1=",word1)
print("word2=",word2)
print("The words that appear in word1 also appears in word2")
for letter in word1:
 if letter in word2:
 print(letter,end="")

#### Output

word1= USA North America word2= USA South America The words that appear in word1 also appears in word2 USA orth America

### Explanation

In the above program, the string "USA North America" is assigned to word1 and the string "USA South America" is assigned to the String word2. In the for loop, each letter of word1 is compared with all the letters of word2. If a letter of word1 appears in word2 then the particular letter is printed. A programmer can read the above for loop as **for each letter in the first word, if it appears in the second word then print that letter.** 

### 7.8 STRING OPERATIONS

The str class provides different basic methods to perform various operations on a string. It helps to calculate the **length of a string**, to retrieve the individual characters from the given string and to compare and concatenate the two different strings.

### 7.8.1 String Comparison

Operators such as ==,<,>,<=,>=and != are used to compare the strings. Python compares strings by comparing their corresponding characters.

#### Example

```
>>> S1="abcd"
>>> S2="ABCD"
>>> S1>S2
True
```



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### Explanation

The string 'abcd' is assigned to the string S1 and the String 'ABCD' is assigned to S2. The statement S1 > S2 returns True because Python compares the numeric value of each character. In the above example, the numeric value, i.e. ASCII value of 'a' is 97 and ASCII numeric value of 'A' is 65. It means 97 > 65. Thus, it returns True. However, character by character comparison goes on till the end of the string.

### Some More Examples of String Comparison

```
>>> S1="abc"
>>> S2="abc"
>>> S1==S2
True
>>> S1="ABC"
>>> S2="DEF"
>>> S1>S2
False
>>> S1="AAA"
>>> S2="AAB"
>>> S2>S1
True
>>> S1="ABCD"
>>> S2="abcd".upper()
>>> S2
'ABCD'
>>> S1>S2
False
>>> S1>=S2
True
```

### 7.8.2 The String .format() Method()

In Python 2 and 3, programmers can include % s inside a string and follow it with a list of values for each %.

### Example

>>> "My Name is %s and I am from %s"%("JHON","USA")
'My Name is JHON and I am from USA'

In the above example, we have seen how to format a string using % (modulus) operator. However, for more complex formatting, Python 3 has added a new string method called **format()** method. Instead of % we can use {0}, {1} and so on. The syntax for format() method is:

```
template.foramt(P0,P1,....., k0=V0,K1=V1...}
```

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whereas the arguments to the .format() method are of two types. It consists of zero or more positional arguments  $P_i$  followed by zero or more keyword arguments of the form,  $K_i=V_i$ .

### Example

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```
>>> `{} plus {} equals {}'.format(4,5,'Nine')
'4 plus 5 equals Nine'
```

### Explanation

The format() method is called on the string literal with arguments 4,5 and 'nine'. The empty {} are replaced with the arguments in order. The first {} curly bracket is replaced with the first argument and so on. By default, the index of the first argument in format always start from **zero**. One can also give a position of arguments inside the curly brackets. The following example illustrates the use of index as argument inside the curly bracket.

### Example

>>>"My Name is {0} and I am from {1}".format("Milinda","USA")
'My Name is Milinda and I am from USA'

### Explanation

The format() method contains various arguments. In the above example, the format() method has two arguments, viz. "Milinda" and "USA". The index of the first argument of the format() method always starts from 0. Therefore, {0} replaces the 0<sup>th</sup> argument of the format. Similarly {1} replaces the first argument of the format.

### Keyword Argument and format() Method

We can also insert text within curly braces along with numeric indexes. However, this text has to match keyword arguments passed to the format() method.

### Example

```
>>> "I am {0} years old.I Love to work on {PC} Laptop".format(25,PC="APPLE")
'I am 25 years old.I Love to work on APPLE Laptop'
```

### 7.8.3 The split() Method

The split() method returns a list of all the words in a string. It is used to break up a string into smaller strings.

### Example

Consider the following example where names of different programming languages such as C, C++, Java and Python is assigned to a variable Str1. Applying **split()** method on str1 returns the **list** of programming languages.

```
>>Str1="C C++ JAVA Python"#Assigns names of Programming languages to Str1
>>>Str1.split()
['C,C++,JAVA,Python']
```

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PROGRAM 7.5 Consider a input string that has a list of names of various multinational companies, such as TCS, INFOSYS, MICROSOFT, YAHOO and GOOGLE. Use split method and display the name of each company in a different line.

```
TOP_10_Company="TCS, INFOSYS, GOOGLE, MICROSOFT, YAHOO"
Company=TOP_10_Company.split(",")
print(Company)
for c in Company:
    print(end="")
    print(c)

Output
['TCS', 'INFOSYS', 'GOOGLE', 'MICROSOFT', 'YAHOO']
TCS
INFOSYS
GOOGLE
MICROSOFT
YAHOO
```

**Note:** The **split()** method can be called without arguments. If it is called without a delimiter, then by default the space will act as a delimiter.

### 7.8.4 Testing String

A string may contain digits, alphabets or a combination of both of these. Thus, various methods are available to test if the entered string is a digit or alphabet or is alphanumeric. Methods to test the characters in a string are given in Table 7.1.

Table 7.1 The str class methods for testing its characters

| Methods of str Class for Testing its Character | Meaning   |
|--|---|
| bool isalnum()                                 | Returns True if characters in the string are      |
| Example:                                       | alphanumeric and there is at least one character. |
| >>>S="Python Programming"                      |   |
| >>>S.isalnum()                                 |   |
| False  |   |
| >>> S="Python"                                 |   |
| >>>S.isalnum()                                 |   |
| True   |   |
| >>> P="1Jhon"                                  |   |
| >>>P.isalnum()                                 |   |
| True   |   |

| String   | s (189)   |
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| bool isalpha()<br>Example:                       | Returns True if the characters in the string are alphabetic and there is at least one character |
| >>> S="Programming"                              |   |
| <pre>&gt;&gt;S.isalpha()</pre>                   |   |
| True   |   |
| >>> S="1Programming"                             |   |
| >>>S.isalpha()                                   |   |
| False  |   |
| <pre>bool isdigit()</pre>                        | Returns True if the characters in the string  |
| Example:   | contain only digits.  |
| >>> Str1="1234"                                  |   |
| >>> Strl.isdigit()                               |   |
| True   |   |
| >>> Str2="123Go"                                 |   |
| >>> Str2.isdigit()                               |   |
| False  |   |
| bool islower()                                   | Returns True if all the characters in the string  |
| Example:   | are in lowercase.   |
| >>> S="Hello"                                    |   |
| True   |   |
| bool isupper()                                   | Returns True if all the characters in the string  |
| Example:   | are in uppercase.   |
| >>> S="HELLO"                                    |   |
| >>>S.isupper ()                                  |   |
| True   |   |
| <pre>bool isspace()</pre>                        | Returns true if the string contains only white  |
| Example:   | space characters.   |
| >>> S=" "  |   |
| >>>S.isspace()                                   |   |
| True   |   |
| >>> Strl="Hello Welcome to Programming<br>World" |   |
| >>> Strl.isspace ()                              |   |
| False  |   |

### 7.8.5 Searching Substring in a String

Table 7.2 contains methods provided by the str class to search the substring in a given string.



### Table 7.2 Methods to search a substring in a given string

| Methods of str Class for Searching the Substring in a Given String   | Meaning  |
|--|--|
| <pre>bool endswith(str Str1) Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; S="Python Programming" &gt;&gt;&gt;S.endswith("Programming") True</pre>   | Returns true if the string ends with the substring Str1.   |
| <pre>bool startswith(str Str1) Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; S="Python Programming" &gt;&gt;&gt;S.startswith("Python") True</pre>  | Returns true if the string starts with the substring Str1.   |
| <pre>int find(str Str1) Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Str1="Python Programming" &gt;&gt;&gt; Str1.find("Prog") 7#Returns the index from where the string "Prog" begins &gt;&gt;&gt; Str1.find("Java") -1#Returns -1 if the string "Java" is not found in the string str1</pre> | Returns the lowest index where<br>the string Str1 starts in this string<br>or returns -1 if the string Str1 is<br>not found in this string.  |
| <pre>int rfind(str Str1) Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Str1="Python Programming" &gt;&gt;&gt; Str1.rfind("o") 9#Returns the index of last occurrence of string "o" in Str1</pre>   | Returns the highest index where<br>the string Str1 starts in this string<br>or returns -1 if the string Str1 is<br>not found in this string. |
| <pre>int count(str S1) Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Strl="Good Morning" &gt;&gt;&gt; Strl.count("o") 3</pre>  | Returns the number of occurrences of this substring.   |

### 7.8.6 Methods to Convert a String into Another String

A string may be present in lower case or upper case. The string in lower case can be converted into upper case and vice versa using various methods of the str class. Table 7.3 contains various methods to convert a string from one form to another.

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 Table 7.3
 Methods to convert string from one form to another

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| Methods of Str Class to Convert a String from One Form to Another  | Meaning   |
|--|---|
| <pre>str capitalize() Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Str1="hello" &gt;&gt;&gt; Str1.capitalize ()</pre>   | Returns a copy of the string<br>with only the first character<br>capitalised.   |
| <pre>str lower() Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Strl="INDIA" &gt;&gt;&gt; Strl.lower () 'india'</pre>   | Returns a copy of the string with all the letters converted into lower case.  |
| <pre>str upper() Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Strl="iitbombay" &gt;&gt;&gt; Strl.upper() 'IITBOMBAY'</pre>  | Returns a copy of the string with all the letters converted into upper case.  |
| <pre>str title() Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Str1="welcome to the world of programming" &gt;&gt;&gt; Str1.title() 'Welcome To The World Of Programming'</pre>  | Returns a copy of the string with<br>the first letter capitalised in each<br>word of the string.  |
| <pre>str swapcase() Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Strl="IncreDible India" &gt;&gt;&gt; Strl.swapcase () 'iNCREdIBLE iNDIA'</pre>   | Returns a copy of the string which<br>converts upper case characters<br>into lower case characters and<br>lower case characters into upper<br>case characters.  |
| <pre>str replace (str old, str new [,count]) Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; S1="I have brought two chocolates, two cookies and two cakes" #Replace the old string i.e "two" by new string i.e. "three". &gt;&gt;&gt; S2=S1.replace("two","three") #Replace all occurrences of old string "two" by "three" &gt;&gt;&gt; S2 'I have brought three chocolates, three cookies and three calles/</pre> | Returns a new string that<br>replaces all the occurrences of the<br>old string with a new string. The<br>third parameter, i.e. the count is<br>optional. It tells the number of<br>old occurrences of the string to be<br>replaced with new occurrences of<br>the string. |

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Q. Replace two chocolates and two cookies by three chocolates and
three cookies.
>>> S1="I have brought two chocolates, two cookies
and two cakes"
>>> S1.replace("two","three",2)
#Replace only first 2 occurrences of old string
"two" by "three"
'I have brought three chocolates, three cookies and
two cakes'
```

#### Stripping Unwanted Characters from a String 7.8.7

A common problem when parsing text is leftover characters at the beginning or end of a string. Python provides various methods to remove white space characters from the beginning, end or both the ends of a string.



**Note:** Characters such as ", \f,\r, and \n are called white space characters.

Methods to strip leading and trailing white space characters are given in Table 7.4.

 Table 7.4
 Methods to strip leading and trailing white space characters

| Methods of str Class for Stripping White Space Characters  | Meaning  |
|--|--|
| <pre>str lstrip() Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Scentence1=" Hey Cool!!." &gt;&gt;&gt; Scentence1#Display Scentence1 ' Hey Cool!!.'#Before Stripping left white space &gt;&gt;&gt; Scentence1.lstrip()#Remove left white space characters 'Hey Cool!!.'#After Stripping left white space characters Example:</pre> | Returns a<br>string with the<br>leading white<br>space characters<br>removed.  |
| <pre>&gt;&gt;&gt;Bad_Sentence=" \t\tHey Cool!!."<br/>&gt;&gt;&gt;Bad_Sentence#print Bad_Scentence before removing whitespace<br/>` \t\tHey Cool!!.'<br/>&gt;&gt;&gt;Bad_Sentence.lstrip()#Print Bad_Sentence after removing<br/>`Hey Cool!!.'</pre>  |  |
| <pre>str rstrip() Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; Scentence1="Welcome!!!\n\n\ " &gt;&gt;&gt; Scentence1.rstrip()#Remove trailing white space character 'Welcome!!!\n\n\'#After Removing white space character</pre>  | Returns a<br>string with the<br>trailing white<br>space characters<br>removed. |
Strings •• str strip() Returns a string **Example:** with the leading and trailing white >>> Str1=" Hey, How are you!!!\t\t\t " characters space >>> Str1#Print string str1 before stripping removed. ' Hey, How are you!!!\t\t\t ' >>> Str1.strip() **#Print after Stripping** 'Hey, How are you!!!' **Example:** >>> s1="@Cost Prize of Apple Laptop is at Rs = 20 Dollars \$\$\$\$" >>> s1#Before removing unwanted characters @ and \$ '@Cost Prize of Apple Laptop is at Rs = 20 Dollars \$\$\$\$' >>> s1.strip(`@\$') 'Cost Prize of Apple Laptop is at Rs = 20 Dollars '#After Removing

**Note:** Stripping does not apply to any text in the middle of a string. It only strips the white space characters from the beginning and end of a string.

#### Example

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```
>>> S1="Python Programming"
>>> S1#Print S1 before stripping
'Python Programming'
>>> S1.strip()
'Python Programming'#Print S1 after stripping
```

In the above example, there are multiple spaces between the two string "Python" and "Programming". Even though after applying strip() method on S1, The string S1 remain unchanged. The white space characters are not removed from the string S1.

#### 7.8.8 Formatting String

 Table 7.5
 Methods to format a string

| Methods of str Class for Formatting Characters         | Meaning   |
|--|---|
| str center(int width)<br>Example                       | Returns a copy of the string centered in a field of the |
| >>> S1="APPLE MACOS"                                   | given width.  |
| #Place the string S1 in the center of a string with 11 |   |
| characters   |   |
| >>> S1.center(15)                                      |   |
| 'APPLE MACOS'  |   |

Example:

**Example:** 

characters. >>> S1.rjust(15) 'APPLE MACOS'

str rjust(int width)

>>> S1="APPLE MACOS"

str ljust(int width) Returns a string left justified in a field of the given width. >>> S1="APPLE MACOS" #Place the string S1 at the left of a string with 15 characters. >>> S1.ljust(15) 'APPLE MACOS'

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Returns a string right justified in a field of the given width.

#### Some Programs on String 7.8.9

**PROGRAM 7.6** Write the function countB(word) which takes a word as the argument and returns the number of 'b' in that word.

```
def countB(word):
 print (word)
 count = 0
 for b in word:
     if (b == b'):
         count = count + 1
 return count
print(" Number of 'b' = ", countB("abbbabbaaa"))
```

#Place the string S1 at the right of a string with 15

#### Output

abbbabbaaa Number of b' = 5

**PROGRAM 7.7** Write the function count\_Letter(word, letter) which takes a word and a letter as arguments and returns the number of occurrences of that letter in the word.

```
def count Letter(word,letter):
 print("Word = ",word)
 print("Letter to count = ",letter)
 print("Number of occurrences of `",letter,"' is =",end="")
 count = 0
for i in word:
```

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if (i == letter):
    count = count + 1
return count
x=count_Letter('INIDA','I')
print(x)
```

#### Output

```
Word = INIDA
Letter to count = I
Number of occurrences of ` I ` is =2
```

**PROGRAM 7.8** Write the function modify\_Case(word) which changes the case of all the letters in a word and returns the new word.

```
def modify_Case(word):
    print("Original String = ",word)
    print("After Swapping String = ",end="")
    return word.swapcase()
print(modify_Case("hi Python is intresting, isn't it ? "))
Output
Original String = hi Python is intresting, isn't it ?
```

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After Swapping String = HI PYTHON IS INTRESTING, ISN'T IT ?
```

**PROGRAM 7.9** A string contains a sequence of characters. Elements within a string can be accessed using an index which starts from 0. Write the function getChar(word, pos) which takes a word and a number as arguments and returns the character at that position.

```
def getChar(word,pos):
    print("Word = ",word)
    print("Character at Position ",pos," = ",end="")
    counter = 0
    for i in word:
        counter = counter + 1
        if (counter == pos):
            return i
print(getChar("Addicted to Python ",3))
Output
```

```
Word = Addicted to Python
Character at Position 3 = i
```

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**PROGRAM 7.10** Write a function Eliminate\_Letter(word, letter) which takes a word and a letter as arguments and removes all the occurrences of that particular letter from the word. The function will return the remaining letters in the word.

```
def Eliminate_Letter(word,Letter):
    print("String = ",word)
    print("After Removing Letter : ",Letter)
    print("String = ",end="")
    newstr = ''
    newstr = ''
    newstr = word.replace(Letter,"")
    return newstr
#Sample test
x = Eliminate_Letter(' PYTHON PROGRAMMING','P')
print(x)
```

#### Output

```
String = PYTHON PROGRAMMING
After Removing Letter: P
String = PYTHON ROGRAMMING
```

**PROGRAM 7.11** Write the function countVowels(word) which takes a word as an argument and returns the vowels ('a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u') in that word.

```
def countVowels(word):
    print(" Word = ",word)
    word = word.lower()
    return {v:word.count(v) for v in 'aeiou'}
print(countVowels("I Love Python Programming"))
```

#### Output

```
Word = I Love Python Programming
{`u': 0, `i': 2, `o': 3, `e': 1, `a': 1}
```

**PROGRAM 7.12** Write the function UpperCaseVowels(word) which returns the word with all the vowels capitalised.

```
def UpperCaseVowels(word):
    new= `'
    print("string = ",word)
    print(" After Capitializing Vowels")
    print("String = ",end="")
    for i in word:
```

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if(i == `a' or i == `e' or i == `i' or i == `o' or i == `u' ):
 new = new + i.upper()
 else:
 new = new + i
 return new
#Sample run
x = UpperCaseVowels(`aehsdfiou')
print(x)
Output
string = aehsdfiou

```
string = aehsdfiou
After Capitializing Vowels
String = AEhsdfIOU
```

**PROGRAM 7.13** Write the function replacevowels(word) which removes all the vowels ('a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u') in a word and returns the remaining letters in the word.

```
def removeVowels(word):
    new = `'
    print("String =",word)
    print("String After Removing Vowels =",end="")
    for i in word:
        if(i!= `a' and i!= `e' and i!= `i' and i!= `o' and i!= `u'):
            new = new + i
        return new
#Sample run
x = removeVowels(`abceiodeuf')
print(x)
```

#### Output

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String = abceiodeuf
String After Removing Vowels =bcdf

**PROGRAM 7.14** Write the function isReverse(word1, word2) which takes two words as arguments and returns True if the second word is the reverse of the first word.

```
def isReverse(word1,word2):
    print("First Word = ",word1)
    print("Second Word = ",word2)
    if(word1 == word2[::-1]):
        return True
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else:
    return False
x = isReverse('Hello','olleH')
print(x)print(x)
```

#### Output

```
First Word = Hello
Second Word = olleH
True
```

**PROGRAM 7.15** Write a function mirrorText(word1, word2) which takes two words as arguments and returns a new word in the following order: word1word2word2word1.

```
def mirrorText(word1, word2):
    print("String1 = ",word1)
    print("String2 = ",word2)
    print("Mirror String = ",end="")
    return word1+word2+word2+word1
x = mirrorText('PYTHON','STRONG')
print(x)
```

#### Output

String1 = PYTHON
String2 = STRONG
Mirror String = PYTHONSTRONGSTRONGPYTHON

#### MINI PROJECT Conversion of HexDecimal Number into its Equivalent Binary Number

Table 7.6. contains conversion of a hexadecimal number into its equivalent binary number.

| Hexadecimal Number | Equivalent Binary Number | Equivalent Decimal Number |
|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1                  | 0001                     | 1                         |
| 2                  | 0010                     | 2                         |
| 3                  | 0011                     | 3                         |
| 4                  | 0100                     | 4                         |
| 5                  | 0101                     | 5                         |
| 6                  | 0110                     | 6                         |

Table 7.6 Hexadecimal into equivalent binary form

|     | Strings |    |
|-----|---------|----|
| 7   | 0111    | 7  |
| 8   | 1000    | 8  |
| 9   | 1001    | 9  |
| 'A' | 1010    | 10 |
| 'B' | 1011    | 11 |
| 'C' | 1100    | 12 |
| 'D' | 1101    | 13 |
| Έ′  | 1110    | 14 |
| ′F′ | 1111    | 15 |

#### **Program Statement**

Write a program to convert a hexadecimal number entered as a string into its equivalent binary format.

Note: Use **ord()** to obtain the ASCII value of a character.

#### Sample Input

Please Enter Hexadecimal Number: 12FD

#### Output

Equivalent Binary Number is 0001 0010 1111 1101

#### Algorithm

- STEP 1: Read the hexadecimal number as string from the user.
- STEP 2: Pass 'h', i.e. the number as string to function named 'hex\_to\_bin(h)'
- STEP 3: Inside function hex\_to\_bin(h), traverse each character of string 'h'.

Check if the character inside the string contains values in between 'A' and 'F'. Then add 10 to the difference between ASCII values, i.e. (ord('ch') - ord('A')) + 10 and pass the obtained sum 'X' as string to function **dec\_bin(X)**.

• **STEP 4:** Calculate the equivalent binary number of x and print the same.

```
def dec_bin(x): #Decimal to Binary
    k=[]
    n=x
    while (n>0):
        a=int(float(n%2))
        k.append(a)
```

```
n = (n - a) / 2
      k.append(0)
      string=""
      for j in k[::-1]:
            string=string+str(j)
      if len(string)>4:
            print(string[1:],end=' `)
      elif len(string)>3:
            print(string,end=' `)
      elif len(string)>2:
            print(`0'+string,end=' `)
      else:
            print(`00'+string,end=' `)
def hex to bin(h): #Hexdeciaml Number 'h' passed to function
      print(`',end='')
      for ch in range(len(h)):
            ch = h[ch]
            if A' \leq ch \leq F':
                  dn = 10 + (ord(ch) - ord(`A'))
                   dec bin(dn)
            else:
                   dn = (ord(ch) - ord('0'))
                   dec bin(dn)
n=input('Please Enter Hexadecimal Number:')
print('Equivalent Binary Number is as follows:')
hex to bin(n)
Output
Please Enter Hexadecimal Number:12FD
Equivalent Binary Number is as follows:
```

0001 0010 1111 1101

In the above program, initially the number as string is read from the user and passed to the function **hex\_to\_bin()**. The function traverses all the characters. For each character it converts into its equivalent decimal form 'X', the equivalent decimal number 'X' is passed to the function **dec\_bin(X)**, to calculate the binary of a number. Thus, finally we obtain an equivalent binary number for a given hexadecimal number.

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SUMMARY

- String is the object of the str class.
- String object is immutable.
- The index[] operator is used to access individual characters in a string.
- You can use the for loop and the while loop to traverse the contents of a string.
- Various string methods can be used to manipulate strings and perform various operations such as conversion of lower to uppercase, reversal, concatenation, comparison, search and replacement of string elements.

**KEY TERMS** 

- ⇒ The index[] Operator: Access character
- ⇒ The +, \* and in Operator: Concatenate, repetition, check characters in a string
- ⇒ Slicing str[start: end] Operation: Obtain substring
- ⇒ Comparison Operators: ==,!= , >=, <=
- ⇒ Immutable Strings: Cannot change the existing string
- ⇒ The split() Method: Returns a list of words
- ⇒ The format() Method: Format string, i.e. left justify, right justify or center
- ⇒ **Testing String:** Check if the string contains digits, numbers or alphanumeric characters.

#### **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

#### A. Multiple Choice Questions

1. What will be the output of the following program? S1="Welcome to JAVA Programming" S2=S1.replace("JAVA","Python") print(S1) print(S2) a. Welcome to JAVA Programming b. Welcome to Python Programming c. Welcome to Java Python Programming d. None of the above 2. What will be the output of the following program? Str1 = "Hello" Str2=Str1[:-1] print(Str2) a. olle b. Hello d. Hell c. el 3. What will be the output of the following program? Str1= "The Sum of  $\{0:b\}$  and  $\{1:b\}$  is  $\{2:b\}$ ".format(2,2,4) print(Str1)

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a. The Sum of 10 and 10 is 0100 b. The Sum of 2 and 2 is 100 c. The Sum of 10 and 10 is 100 d. The Sum of 2 and 2 is 4 4. What will be the output of the following program? Str1="ABBCCDEEBBFFERBBJJUIBB" print(Str1.count("BB"),end=' ') print(Str1.count("BB",1),end=' ') print(Str1.count("BB",2),end=' ') print(Str1.count("BB",3),end='') a. 4433 b. 4343 c. 3434 d. 4443 5. What will be the output of the following program? Str1="Python Programming" Str1[0]="J" print(Str1) b. Jython a. Jython Programming d. Error c. Jython Jrogramming 6. What will be the output of the following program? S="Programming" for char in S: print(char, end="") a. Programming b. Programming d. None of the above c. Error 7. What will be the output of the following program? S="ILOVEWORLD" for ch in range(0,len(S),3): print(S[ch],end=" ") a. IVOD b. IOWL d. ILOV c. IVWL 8. What will be the output of the following program? def countbc(word): print (word) count = 0for bc in word: if (bc == bc'): count = count + 1return count print(" Number of 'bc' = ",countbc("abcbabcaaa")) a. 0 b. 10 d. 1 c. 2 9. How would you print 'UK' for the given list? Countries = ['India', 'USA', 'UK']

|     |   | Strings                         |
|-----|---|---------------------------------|
| ••  |   | • •• •• •• •• •• •• •• •• •• •• |
|     | a. Countries[2]                             | b. Countries[-1:]               |
|     | c. Both a and b                             | d. Only a                       |
| 10. | What will be the output of the following pa | rogram?                         |
|     | $a = ' t t \tau n'$                         |                                 |
|     | <pre>print(a.strip())</pre>                 |                                 |
|     | a. Python\n                                 | b. Python\n\n                   |
|     | c. Python                                   | d. \t\tPython                   |
| 11. | Which of the following is the equivalent of | f s[:-1]?                       |
|     | a. s[:len(s)]                               | b. s[len(s):]                   |
|     | c. s[::]                                    | d. S[:-1]                       |
|     |   |                                 |

#### B. True or False

- 1. We cannot create an empty string.
- 2. The negative index accesses characters from the beginning of a string.
- 3. A programmer cannot use the for loop to traverse all characters in a string.
- 4. It is impossible to traverse every third character of a string using the for loop.
- 5. A programmer can only use the while loop to traverse all characters in a string.
- 6. Mutable strings mean changeable strings.
- 7. The slicing operator returns a subset of a string.
- 8. The + operator concatenates two strings.
- 9. The > is the comparison operator in strings.
- 10. The format() is one of the methods used in strings.
- 11. The isdigit() is used to test for integers.
- 12. Python provides various methods to remove white space characters.
- 13. Strings cannot be formatted.
- 14. The rjust(int width) returns a string right justified in a field of the given width.
- 15. The is Reverse(word1, word2) is used in Python.

#### **C. Exercise Questions**

- 1. What is a string?
- 2. How to create a string using a constructor of the str class?
- 3. What is an index operator? How does it help in accessing characters? Give an example.
- 4. Consider Str1, Str2, Str3, Str4 the four different strings given as
  - Str1="Welcome to Python Programming"

Str2 ="Welcome to Python Programming"

Str3=Str1

Str4="to"

What are the results of the following expressions?

- a. len(Str1)
- b. Str1[-7]
- c. Str1[-3-1]
- d. Str3==Str1

- e. Str1[5:10]
- f. Str1.count('m')
- g. Str1[8].capitalize()
- h. Str1+" "+Str1

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- 5. Write a procedure to traverse every third character of a string.
- 6. How can all the elements of a string be traversed using the while loop?
- 7. What is meant by immutable strings?
- 8. What is the use of the slicing operator?
- 9. How is a subset of a string obtained?
- 10. How is step size in a string used?
- 11. List the comparison operators in a string. Create a table indicating comparison operators and their meaning.
- 12. What is the use of the format () method?
- 13. How can a string be broken?
- 14. Explain the various methods to test if the strings entered contain digits or alphabets or alphanumerics.
- 15. What do you mean by formatting a character?

## **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. Write a program to read string and display 'Total number of uppercase and lowercase letters'.
- 2. Write the function Echo\_Word(word) which takes a word as the argument and returns a word that repeats itself based on the number of letters in the word.
- 3. Write the function Reverse\_Word(word) which returns the word in the reverse order.
- 4. Write the function startEndVowels(word) which returns True if the word starts and ends with vowels.
- 5. Write the function getVowels(word) which takes a word as an argument and returns the vowels ('a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u') in that word.
- 6. Write a program to read a string containing binary digits and convert it into its equivalent decimal integer.

# UNIT 4

• Lists

- Tuples and Dictionaries
- List Processing: Searching and Sorting

## Lists

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## **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

- 8.1 Introduction
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- 8.13 Splitting a String in List
- 8.14 Passing List to a Function
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#### LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Explain the necessity and importance of 'list' in programming languages
- Create a list of different and mixed types
- Write programs to access the elements of a list using the positive index operator and the negative index operator
- Explain list slicing with different features and programs
- Use various operators, such as +, \* and in operators on lists
- Understand the concepts of Mutability and List Aliasing and Cloning
- Create a new list from an existing list, learn to pass a list to a function and write programs to return lists from a function

## 8.1 INTRODUCTION

We need to store variables of the same data type on many occasions. For example, the currency notes used in daily life in India are of denominations Rs. 5, 10, 20, 100, 5000 and 2000. In case, if the programmer wants to display all these six currency notes, then by normal way of programming, the programmer may print it by reading all the currency notes in six different variables. But, by making uses of lists, the programmer can use just single variable to store all of the elements of same type or different type and print it using single variable. Similarly, in day-to-day life applications, we can make use of the lists to display the list of top 100 countries in the world, the list of students qualifying GRE exams, a shopping list of grocery store and many more.

In Python, a list is a sequence of values called **items** or **elements**. The elements can be of any types. The structure of list is similar to the structure of a string. More details about the lists in Python are explained as follows.

## 8.2 CREATING LISTS

The **List** class define lists. The programmer can use list's constructor to create a list. The following example will give you a clear idea to create a list using the constructor of list class.

#### Example: Creating a list using constructor of list class

a. Create an Empty List.
L1 = list();

- b. Create a list with any three integer elements, such as, 10, 20 and 30. L2 = list([10,20,30])
- c. Create a list with three string elements, such as, "Apple", "Banana" and "Grapes".
  L3 = list(["Apple", "Banana", "Grapes"])
- d. Create a list using built-in range() function.
  L4 = list(range(0,6)) # create a list with elements from 0 to 5
- e. Create a list with built-in characters X, Y and Z. L5=list("XYZ")

#### Example: Creating a list without using the constructor of list class

- a. Create a list with any three integer elements, such as, 10, 20 and 30. L1=[10,20,30]
- b. Create a list with three string elements, such as, "Apple", "Banana" and "Grapes". L2 = ["Apple", "Banana", "Grapes"]

Note: A list can contain the elements of mixed type. Example:

```
L3=list(["Jhon","Male",25,5.8])
```

The above example creates a list L3, which is of mixed type. It contains elements of different types, such as, string, float and integer.

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## 8.3 ACCESSING ELEMENTS OF A LIST

The elements of a list are identified by their positions. The **index[]** operator is used to access the elements of a list. The following syntax is used to access the elements of a list.

#### **Syntax**

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```
Name_of_Variable_of_a_List[index]
```

#### Example

**Explanation** The above example L1 creates a list of five elements.

L1 = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]

Where L1 is the reference variable of a list.



Figure 8.1 The list has five elements with index from 0 to 4

Note: a. The list retains its original order.

b. The list is an ordered set of elements enclosed in square brackets and separated by commas.c. The index of a non-empty list always starts from zero.

## 8.4 NEGATIVE LIST INDICES

The negative index accesses elements from the end of the list counting in backward direction. The **index** of last element of any non-empty list is always **-1**, as shown in Figure 8.2.





Accessing the elements of a list using a negative index.

#### Example

```
>>> List1=[10,20,30,40,50,60] #Create a List
>>> List1[-1] #Access Last element of a List
60
>>> List1[-2] #Access the Second last element of List
50
>>> List1[-3] #Access the Third last element of List
40
>>>List1[-6] #Access the First Element of the List
10
```

Note: List[-n] == List[Length\_of(List)-n]
Example:
>>>List1=[10,20,30,40,50,60]
>>>List1[-3]
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#### Explanation:

List1[-3] ==List1[Len(List1)-3]=List1[6-3]=List1[3].

Thus, List1[-3]==List1[3] prints the element stored at index 3 counting in a forward direction from the list or we can say it prints the element stored at index -3 counting in a backward direction from the list.

## 8.5 LIST SLICING [START: END]

The slicing operator returns a subset of a list, called **slice** by specifying two indices, i.e. **start** and **end.** The following syntax is used to return the subset of a list.

Name\_of\_Variable\_of\_a\_List[Start\_Index: End\_Index]

#### Example

```
>>> L1=([10,20,30,40,50]) #Create a List with 5 Different Elements
>>> L1[1:4]
20,30,40
```

The L1[1:4] returns the subset of list starting from the start index 1 to one index less than that of end index, i.e. 4-1=3.

#### Example

```
>>> L1=([10,20,30,40,50]) #Create a List with 5 Different Elements
>>> L1[2:5]
[30, 40, 50]
```

In the example above, L1 creates a list of five elements. The index operator L1[2:5] returns all the elements stored between the index 2 and the one less than the end index, i.e. 5-1=4.

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## 8.6 LIST SLICING WITH STEP SIZE

So far, we have learnt how to select a portion of a list. In this section, we will explore how to select every alternate second or third element of a list using **step size**. In slicing, the first two parameters are **start index** and **end index**. Thus, we need to add a third parameter as **step size** to select a list with step size.

#### Syntax

```
List_Name[Start_Index:End_Index:Step_Size]
```

## Example

```
>>>MyList1=["Hello",1,"Monkey",2,"Dog",3,"Donkey"]
>>>New_List1=MyList1[0:6:2]
print(New_List1)
['Hello', 'Monkey', 'Dog']
```

**Explanation** Initially, we have created a list named **Mylist1** with five elements. The statement **MyList1[0:6:2]** indicates to select the portion of list which starts on index 0 and ends at index 6 with the step size as 2. It means that we, first, extract a section or slice of the list which starts at the index 0 and ends with index 6 and then selects every other second element.

### Example

```
>>> List1=["Python",450,"C",300,",C++",670]
>>> List1[0:6:3] #Start from Zero and Select every Third Element
['Python', 300] #Output
```

## 8.6.1 Some More Complex Examples of List Slicing

```
>>> List1=[1,2,3,4] #List with Four Elements
>>> MyList1[:2] #Access first two elements of the List.
[1, 2]
>>> MyList1[::-1] #Display List in Reverse Order
[4, 3, 2, 1]
#Start index with -1 and End Index with 0 and step size with -1
>>> MyList1[-1:0:-1]
[4, 3, 2]
```

## 8.7 PYTHON BUILT-IN FUNCTIONS FOR LISTS

Python provides various built-in functions that can be used with lists. Some of these are listed in Table 8.1.

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| Tabl | e 8.1 | In-built | functions | that | can | be | used | with | the | lists |
|------|-------|----------|-----------|------|-----|----|------|------|-----|-------|
|------|-------|----------|-----------|------|-----|----|------|------|-----|-------|

| In-built Functions | Meaning                                      |
|--------------------|--|
| Len()              | Returns the number of elements in a list.    |
| Max()              | Returns the element with the greatest value. |
| Min()              | Returns the element with the lowest value.   |
| Sum()              | Returns the sum of all the elements.         |
| random.shuffle()   | Shuffles the elements randomly.              |

#### Example

#Creates a List to store the names of Colors and return size of list.

```
>>> List1=["Red","Orange","Pink","Green"]
>>> List1
['Red', 'Orange', 'Pink', 'Green']
>>> len(List1) #Returns the Size of List
4
```

```
#Create a List, find the Greatest and Minimum value from the list.
>>> List2=[10,20,30,50,60]
>>> List2
[10, 20, 30, 50, 60]
>>> max(List2)  #Returns the greatest element from the list.
60
>>> min(List2)  #Returns the minimum element from the list.
10
```

#Create a List and Shuffle the elements in random manner. #Test Case 1

>>>import random
>>> random.shuffle(List2)
>>> List2
[30, 10, 20, 50, 60]
>>> List2
[30, 10, 20, 50, 60]

#### **#Test Case2**

>>> random.shuffle(List2)
>>> List2
[20, 10, 30, 50, 60]

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## 8.8 THE LIST OPERATOR

1. The + Operator: The concatenation operator '+' is used to join two lists.

#### Example

2. The \* Operator: The multiplication operator '\*' is used to replicate the elements of a list.

#### Example

```
>>> List1=[10,20]
>>> List1
[10, 20]
>>> List2=[20,30]
>>> List2
[20, 30]
>>> List3=2*List1 #Print each element of a List1 twice.
>>> List3
[10, 20, 10, 20]
```

**3.** The in Operator: The in operator used to determine whether an element is in a list or not. It returns true if the element is present in the list and returns false if the element is absent in the list.

#### Example

```
>>> List1=[10,20]
>>> List1
[10, 20]
>>> 40 in List1  #To Check if 40 is present in List1
False
>>> 10 in List1  #To Check if 10 is present in List1
True
```

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4. The **is** Operator: Let us execute the following two statements:

A='Python'

B='Python'

We know that both A and B refer to a string but we don't know whether they refer to the same string or else. There are two possible situations as follows.



Figure 8.3 The is operator

In the first case, A and B refer to two different objects that have same values. In second case, they refer to the same object. To understand whether two variables refer to the same object, a programmer can use the **`is'** operator.

#### Example

```
>>> A='Microsoft'
>>> B='Microsoft'
>>> A is B #Check if two variables refer to the same object
True
```

From the above example, it is clear that Python created only one string object and both A and B refer to the same object. However, when we create two lists with the same elements, Python creates two different objects as well.

#### Example

```
>>> A=[`A', `B', `C']
>>> B=[`A', `B', `C']
>>> A is B #Check if two lists refer to the same object
False
```

**Explanation** In the above example, the two lists A and B contain exactly the same number of elements. The is operator is used to check if both the variables A and B refer to the same object. But it returns False. It means that even if these two lists are same, Python creates two different objects. For the above example, the 'State' diagram is as follows.



Figure 8.4 Effect of is Operator on list

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It is important to note that in the above example, we can say that the two lists are **equivalent**, because they have the same elements. We cannot say that both lists are **identical**, because, they don't refer to the same object.

Note: 1. In case of strings, if both the variables contain same values, then both of them refer to the same object.

- object. 2. In case of a list, if two variables contain the list with the same number of elements, then both
- of the variables refer to two different objects. 3. If two objects are **identical** then they are also **equivalent**.
- 4. But if two objects are **equivalent**, then it is not necessary that they will be **identical**.
- **5.** The del Operator: The del operator stands for Delete. The del operator is used to remove the elements from the list. To delete the element of a list, the elements of the list are accessed using their index position, and the del operator is placed before them.

#### Example

```
Lst=[10,20,30,40,50,60,70]
                      #Removes 3<sup>rd</sup> element from the List
>>> del Lst[2]
>>> Lst
[10, 20, 40, 50, 60, 70]
Lst=[10,20,30,40,50,60,70]
>>> del Lst[-1]
>>> Lst
                       #Removes last element from the List
[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]
>>> Lst=[10,20,30,40,50,60,70]
>>> del Lst[2:5]
                      #Removes element from index position 2 to 4
>>> Lst
[10, 20, 60, 70]
>>> Lst=[10,20,30,40,50,60,70]
                      #Removes all the element from the List
>>> del Lst[:]
>>> Lst
[]
     Note: The del operator uses index to access the elements of a list. It gives a run-time error if the index is
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## 8.9 MUTABILITY—LIST ALIASING AND LIST CLONING

The lists are mutable but the strings are immutable. As we know **mutable** means that where we can change the contents of the lists by accessing it directly. Therefore, we can make the use of index operators, i.e. square brackets to the change the contents of list.

#### Example

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```
>>> A = ['INDIA','USA','RUSSIA']
>>> A
['INDIA', 'USA', 'RUSSIA']
>>> A[1] = 'France'
>>> A
['INDIA', 'France', 'RUSSIA']
```

## 8.9.1 List Aliasing

We know that the variables refer to the objects. If we assign one variable to another, both variables refer to the same object. Consider the following diagram explaining the concept of referencing.



Figure 8.5 Both variables refer to the same object

In Figure 8.5 above, the same list has two different names A and B, therefore, we can say that it is aliased. The changes made with one alias will affect the other. The following statements being executed on Python interactive mode will give in-depth information about aliasing.

Table 8.2 List Aliasing



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| 216   Problem Solving and Python Programming |             |               |  |
|--|-------------|---------------|--|
| print(A==B)                                  |             | True          |  |
| print(A is B)                                |             | True          |  |
| print(A)                                     |             | [10,20,30]    |  |
| print(B)                                     |             | [10,20,30]    |  |
| B[0] = 100                                   | B 100 20 30 |               |  |
| print(B)                                     |             | [100, 20, 30] |  |
| Print(A)                                     |             | [100, 20, 30] |  |

In the example above, as the same list has two different names, so we can say that it is aliased. Therefore, from the Table 8.1 above, we can conclude the changes made with one alias affect to the other.

## 8.9.2 Cloning List

If the programmer wants to modify the existing list and also wants to keep the original one, then he needs to make a copy of the list itself. Thus, the process of copying list sometimes called **cloning**. The **slice operator** is used to clone the list. If the cloning has been done, then the changes made to the one list will not affect to the original existing list. The Table 8.3 below explains the graphical step-wise execution of cloning list.

Statement Graphical Representation of statement Output A = [10, 20, 30] A-10 20 30 B = A[:]10 20 30 A-10 B-20 30 print(A == B)True False print(A is B) B[0] = 10010 20 30 A 100 20 30 Bprint(B) [100, 20, 30] Print(A) [10, 20, 30]

 Table 8.3
 List Cloning

## 8.10 LIST COMPREHENSIONS

The list comprehension is used to create a new list form existing sequences. It is a tool for transforming a given list into another list.

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#### **Example:** (Without List Comprehension)

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Create a list to store five different numbers such as 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50. Using the 'for' loop, add number 5 to the existing elements of the list.

```
>>> List1= [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
>>> List1
    [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
>>> for i in range(0,len(List1)):
List1[i]=List1[i]+5 #Add 5 to each element of List1
>>> List1 #print the List1 After Performing
    [15, 25, 35, 45, 55]
```

The above code works and thus it is fine. But the above written code is **not** the **optimal code** or the best way to write the code in Python. Using list comprehension, we can replace the loop with a single expression that produces the same result.

The syntax of list comprehension is based on set builder notation in mathematics. Whereas the set builder is a mathematical notation for describing a set by stating the property which its member should satisfy. The syntax is as follows.

#### Syntax of List Comprehension

```
[<expression> for <element> in <sequence> if <conditional>]
```

The syntax is designed to read like English as **"Compute the expression for each element in the sequence if the conditional is true**."

#### Example: (Using List Comprehension)

```
>>> List1= [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
>>> List1
    [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
>>>for i in range(0,len(List1)):
    List1[i]=List1[i]+10
>>>List1
[20, 30, 40, 50, 60]
```

#### Without list comprehension

```
>>> List1= [10,20,30,40,50]
>>> List1= [x+10 for x in List1]
>>> List1
[20, 30, 40, 50, 60]
```

#### Using list comprehension

In the above example, the output for both without list comprehension and using list comprehension is the same. But using list comprehension, it requires **less code** and also it runs faster. With reference to the above example we can say list comprehension contains:

- a. An input sequence
- b. A variable referencing the input sequence
- c. An optional expression
- d. An output expression or output variable

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Output [20, 30, 40, 50, 60]

**PROGRAM 8.1** Write a program to create a list with elements 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Display even elements of the list using list comprehension.

```
List1=[1,2,3,4,5]
print("Content of List1")
print(List1)
List1=[x for x in List1 if x%2==0]
print("Even elements from the List1")
print(List1)
```

#### Output

Content of List1 [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] Even elements from the List1 List1 [2, 4]

**Explanation** The List1 contains elements 1,2,3,4 and 5. The statement **List1=[x for x in List1 if x%2==0]** consist of an output variable x and an input sequence List1 and an expression x%2==0.

#### 8.10.1 Some More Examples of List Comprehension

**PROGRAM 8.2** Consider the following mathematical expressions.

 $\begin{aligned} A &= \{ X^2 : x \text{ in } \{ 0, \dots, 9 \} \} \\ B &= \{ X^3 : x \text{ in } \{ 0, \dots, 9 \} \} \\ C &= \{ X : x \text{ in } A \text{ and } \text{ even} \} \end{aligned}$ 

Write a program to create a list 'A' to generate squares of a number (from 1 to 10), list 'B' to generate cubes of a number (from 1 to 10) and list 'C' with those element that are even and present in list 'A'.

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```
print("ListA = ",end=" ")
A=[x**2 for x in range(11)] #Computes Square of a number X
print(A)
B=[x**3 for x in range(11)] #Computes Cube of a number X
print("ListB = ",end=" ")
print(B)
print(B)
print("Only Even Numbers from ListA = ",end=" ")
C=[x for x in A if x%2==0]
print(C)
```

#### Output

```
ListA = [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100]
ListB = [0, 1, 8, 27, 64, 125, 216, 343, 512, 729, 1000]
Only Even Numbers from ListA = [0, 4, 16, 36, 64, 100]
```

PROGRAM 8.3 Consider the list with five different Celsius values. Convert all the Celsius values into Fahrenheit.

Note: Formulae to convert Celsius Values to Fahrenheit. Fahrenheit = (9/5) \* Celsius + 32

```
print("All the elements with Celsius Value:")
print("Celsius= ",end=" ")
Celsius=[10,20,31.3,40,39.2] #List with Celsius Value
print(Celsius)
print(" Celsius to Fahrenheit Conversion ")
print("Fahrenheit = ",end=" ")
Fahrenheit=[ ((float(9)/5)*x + 32) for x in Celsius]
print(Fahrenheit)
```

#### Output

```
All the elements with Celsius Value:
Celsius= [10, 20, 31.3, 40, 39.2]
Celsius to Fahrenheit Conversion
Fahrenheit = [50.0, 68.0, 88.34, 104.0, 102.56]
```

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**PROGRAM 8.4** Consider the list with mixed type of elements, such as L1 = [1, 'x', 4, 5.6, 'z', 9, 'a', 0, 4]. Create another list using list comprehension which consists of only the integer element present within the list L1.

```
print("List With Mixed Elements")
L1 = [1, 'x', 4, 5.6, 'z', 9, 'a', 0, 4]
print(L1)
print("List With only Integer Elements:")
L2 = [ e for e in L1 if type(e) == int]
print(L2)
```

#### Output

List with Mixed Elements: [1, `x', 4, 5.6, `z', 9, `a', 0, 4] List with only Integer Elements: [1, 4, 9, 0, 4]

## 8.11 LIST METHODS

Once a list is created, we can use the methods of list class to manipulate the list. Table 8.4 below contains the methods of the list class along with examples.

Table 8.4 The methods of list along with examples

```
Methods of Lists
                                    Meaning
None append(object x)
                                    Adds an element x to the end of the list. None is the return
                                    type of the appended method.
Example:
>>> List1=['X','Y','Z']
>>> List1
['X', 'Y', 'Z']
>>> List1.append('A') #Append element 'A' to the end of the List1
>>> List1
[X', Y', Z', A']
Note: Append method is equivalent to doing:
        List1[len(List1):] = [Element Name]
Example:
>>>List1=["Red","Blue","Pink"]
>>> List1
['Red', 'Blue', 'Pink']
>>> List1[len(List1):]=['Yellow']
>>> List1
['Red', 'Blue', 'Pink', 'Yellow']
None clear()
                                    Removes all the items from the list.
```

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Example: >>> List1=["Red","Blue","Pink"] >>> List1 ['Red', 'Blue', 'Pink'] >>> List1.clear() # Removes all the elements of List >>> List1 # Returns Empty List after removing all elements [] int count(object x) Returns the number of times element x appears in the list. **Example:** >>> List1=['A','B','C','A','B','Z'] >>> List1 [`A', `B', `C', `A', `B', `Z'] #Count the number of times the element 'A' has appeared in the list >>> List1.count(`A') 2 # Thus, 'A' has appeared 2 times in List1 List copy() This method returns a shallow copy of the list. **Example:** >>> List1=["Red","Blue","Pink"] >>> List1 ['Red', 'Blue', 'Pink'] >>> List2=List1.copy() #Copy the contents of List1 to List2 >>> List2 ['Red', 'Blue', 'Pink'] **Note:** Copy() Method is equivalent to doing List2=List1[:] # Copies the content of List1 to List2 Example: >>> List1=["Red","Blue","Pink"] >>> List2=List1[:] >>> List2 ['Red', 'Blue', 'Pink'] None extend(list L2) Appends all the elements of list L2 to the list. **Example:** >>> List1=[1,2,3] >>> List2=[4,5,6] >>> List1 [1, 2, 3]>>> List2 [4, 5, 6] >>> List1.extend(List2) #Appends all the elements of List2 to List1 >>> List1 [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6] int index(object x) Returns the index of first occurrence of element x from the list. (Contd.)

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Example:
>>> List1=['A','B','C','B','D','A']
>>> List1
['A', 'B', 'C', 'B', 'D', 'A']
#Returns the index of first occurrence of element 'B' from the list1
>>> List1.index(`B')
      #Returns the index of element B
1
None insert(int index,Object X)
                                         Insert the element at given index.
                                         Note: The index of first element of a list is always zero.
Example:
>>> Lis1=[10,20,30,40,60]
>>> Lis1
[10, 20, 30, 40, 60]
>>> Lis1.insert(4,50) #Insert Element 50 at index 4
>>> Lis1
[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]
Object pop(i)
                                         Removes the element from the given position. Also it
                                         returns the removed element.
                                         Note: The parameter 'i' is optional. If it is not specified,
                                         then it removes the last element from the list.
Example:
    >>> Lis1=[10,20,30,40,60]
    >>> Lis1
    [10, 20, 30, 40, 60]
    >>> Lis1.pop(1) #Remove the element which is at index 1.
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    >>> Lis1
                  #Display List after removing the element from index 1.
    [10, 30, 40, 60]
    >>> Lis1.pop() #Remove the last element from the list
    60
    >>> Lis1
     [10, 30, 40]
                     #Display the list after removing last element
None remove(object x)
                                         Removes the first occurrence of element x from the list.
Example:
>>> List1=['A','B','C','B','D','E']
>>> List1
['A', 'B', 'C', 'B', 'D', 'E']
>>> List1.remove('B') #Removes the first occurrence of element B
>>> List1
['A', 'C', 'B', 'D', 'E']
None reverse()
                                          Reverse the element of the list.
```

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Example:
>>> List1=[`A','B','C','B','D','E']
>>> List1
[`A', `B', `C', `B', `D', `E']
>>> List1.reverse() #Reverse all the elements of the list.
>>> List1
[`E', `D', `B', `C', `B', `A']
```

Sort the elements of list.

```
Example:
>>> List1=[`G','F','A','C','B']
>>> List1
[`G', `F', `A', `C', `B'] #Unsorted List
>>> List1.sort()
>>> List1 #Sorted List
[`A', `B', `C', `F', `G']
```

Q.1 What is the output of following program?

```
my_list = ['two', 5, ['one', 2]]
print(len(my list))
```

#### Output

None sort()

3

**Explanation** ['one', 2] is one element so the overall length is 3.

#### Q.2 What is the output of the following program?

```
Mixed_List=['pet', 'dog', 5, 'cat', 'good', 'dog']
Mixed_List.count('dog')
```

#### Output

2

**Explanation** It returns the number of occurrence of "dog" in the list.

#### Q.3 What will be the output of the following program?

```
Mylist=['Red', 3]
Mylist.extend('Green')
print(Mylist)
```

#### Output

```
['Red', 3, 'G', 'r', 'e', 'e', 'n']
```

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**Explanation** Extend the list by adding each character to it.

#### Q.4 What is the output of the following program?

```
Mylist=[3, `Roses', 2,' Chocolate `]
Mylist.remove(3)
Mylist
```

#### Output

```
['Roses', 2, 'Chocolate']
```

**Explanation** Remove the item from the list whose value is 3.

## 8.12 LIST AND STRINGS

A string is a sequence of characters and list is sequence of values, but a list of characters is not the same as string. To convert from the string to a list of characters, you can use the list.

#### Example: Convert String to list of Characters

```
>>> p='Python'
>>> p
'Python'
>>> L=list(p)
>>> L
['p', 'y', 't', 'h', 'o', 'n']
```

## 8.13 SPLITTING A STRING IN LIST

In the above example, we have used the built-in function list. The list() function breaks a string into individual letters. In this section, we will explore how to split a string into word.

The str class contains the split method. It is used to split the string into words.

#### Example

```
>>> A="Wow!!! I Love Python Programming" #A Complete String
>>> B=A.split() #Split a String into Words
>>> B #Print the contents of B
['Wow!!!', 'I', 'Love', 'Python', 'Programming']
```

**Explanation** In the above example, initially we have initialized string to A as "Wow!!! I Love Python Programming". In the next line, the statement, B = A.split() is used to split the Wow!!! I Love Python Programming" into the list ['Wow!!!', 'I', 'Love', 'Python', 'Programming'].

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Note: In the above Program, we have used following two lines to split string into words:

>>> A="Wow!!! I Love Python Programming"

>>> B=A.split()
We can also write the split method as follows.

>>> A="Wow!!! I Love Python Programming".split()

It is fine to split the string without delimiter. But what will be happened if the string contains the delimiter? A string containing a delimiter can be split into words by removing the delimiter. It is also possible to remove delimiter from the strings and convert the entire string into list of words. In order to remove delimiter the **split()** method has one parameter called **split(delimiter)**. The parameter **delimiter** specifies the character to be removed from the string. The following example illustrates the use of delimiter inside the split() method.

#### Example

## 8.14 PASSING LIST TO A FUNCTION

As list is a mutable object. A programmer can pass a list to a function and can perform various operations on the list. Even one may change the contents of the list after passing a list to a function. Since a list is an object, passing a list to a function is just like passing an object to a function.

Consider the following example to print the contents of a list after the list is passed to a function.

**PROGRAM 8.5** Create a List of five elements. Pass list to a function and print the contents of the list inside the function.

```
def Print_List(Lst):
    for num in Lst:
        print(num,end=" ")
Lst=[10,20,30,40,100]
Print_List(Lst) #Invoke Function by Passing List as Parameter
Output
10 20 30 40 100
```

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**PROGRAM 8.6** Create a list of five elements. Pass the list to a function and compute the average of five numbers.

```
def Calculate_Avg(Lst):
    print(`Lst= `,Lst)
    print(` Sum = `,sum(Lst))
    avg=sum(Lst)/len(Lst)
    print(` Average = `,avg)
Lst=[10,20,30,40,3]
Calculate_Avg(Lst)
```

#### Output

```
Lst = [10, 20, 30, 40, 3]
Sum = 103
Average = 20.6
```

**PROGRAM 8.7** Write a function Split\_List(Lst, n), where list Lst is split in two parts and the length of the first part is given as n.

#### Example

```
Lst = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
Split_List(Lst, 2)
Lst1=[1,2]
Lst2=[3,4,5,6]
```

#### Solution

```
def Split_List(Lst,n) :
    list1 = Lst[:n]
    list2 = Lst[n:]
    print('First List with ',n,' elements')
    print(list1)
    print('Second List with ',len(Lst)-n,' elements ')
    print(list2)
#Sample test:
Lst = [100,22,32,43,51,64]
print('List Lst Before Splitting')
print(Lst)
Split List(Lst,4)
```

|                             | Lists |  |
|-----------------------------|-------|--|
| Output                      |       |  |
| List Lst Before Splitting   |       |  |
| [100, 22, 32, 43, 51, 64]   |       |  |
| First List with 4 elements  |       |  |
| [100, 22, 32, 43]           |       |  |
| Second List with 2 elements |       |  |
| [51, 64]                    |       |  |

## 8.15 RETURNING LIST FROM A FUNCTION

We can pass a list while invoking a function. Similarly, a function can return a list. When a function returns a list, the list's reference value is returned.

Consider the following example to pass a list to a function. After passing, reverse the elements of the list and returned the list.

**PROGRAM 8.8** Write a program to pass a list to a function

```
def Reverse_List(Lst):
    print(`List Before Reversing = `,Lst)
    Lst.reverse() #The reverse() to reverse the contents of list
    return Lst #Return List
Lst=[10,20,30,40,3]
print(`List after Reversing = `,Reverse_List(Lst))
Output
List before reversing = [10, 20, 30, 40, 3]
List after reversing = [3, 40, 30, 20, 10]
```

**PROGRAM 8.9** Write a function that accepts a positive integer k and returns a list that contains the first five multiples of k.

#### Example

The first five multiples of 3 are 3, 6, 9, 12, and 15.

#### Solution

```
def list_of_multiples(k):
    my_list=[]
    for i in range(1,6):
        res=k*i
        my_list.append(res)
```

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```
return my_list
print(list of multiples(3))
```

#### Output

[3, 6, 9, 12, 15]

#### 8.15.1 Some More Programs on List

**PROGRAM 8.10** Write a function that accepts two positive integers, viz. a and b and returns a list of all the even numbers between a and b (including a and not including b).

Example: Even Numbers between 10 and 20

```
[10,12,14,16,18]
```

**PROGRAM 8.11** Write a function is\_Lst\_Palindrome(Lst) to check whether a list is palindrome. It should return true if Lst is palindrome and false if Lst is not palindrome.

**Note:** List is palindrome if it contains the same elements in forward direction & reverse direction.

#### Example

Lst = [1,2,3,2,1] #Should return true Lst = [1,2,3] #Should return false.
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# Solution

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```
def is_Lst_Palindrome(Lst):
    r = Lst[::-1]
    for i in range (0, (len(Lst) + 1)//2):
        if r[i] != Lst[i]:
            return False
    return True
#Sample test
Lst = [1,2,3,2,1]
x = is_Lst_Palindrome(Lst)
print(Lst,"(is palindrome): ",x)
Lst1 = [1,2,3,4]
x = is_Lst_Palindrome(Lst1)
print(Lst1,"(is palindrome): ",x)
```

# Output

[1, 2, 3, 2, 1] (is palindrome): True
[1, 2, 3, 4] (is palindrome): False

**PROGRAM 8.12** Write a function check\_duplicate(Lst) that returns true if a list Lst contains duplicate elements. It should return false if all the elements in the list Lst are unique.

# Example

Lst = [4,6,2,1,6,7,4] # Should return true as 4 and 6 appears more than once. Lst = [1,2,3,12,4] # Should return false as all the elements appears only once.

# Solution

```
def check_duplicate(Lst) :
    dup_Lst = []
    for i in Lst:
        if i not in dup_Lst:
            dup_Lst.append(i)
        else:
            return True
    return False
#Sample test:
Lst = [4,6,2,1,6,7,4]
```



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```
print(Lst)
x = check_duplicate(Lst)
print(x)
Lst1 = [1,2,3,12,4]
print(Lst1)
x = check_duplicate(Lst1)
print(x

Output
[4, 6, 2, 1, 6, 7, 4]
True  #Returns true since 4 and 6 is repeated twice
[1, 2, 3, 12, 4]
False
#Returns false since no element from above list is repeated twice
```

**PROGRAM 8.13** Write a Program that prompts the user to enter the element of list and add the element to a list. Write a function maximum(Lst) and minimum(Lst) to find the maximum and minimum number from the List.

#### Example

#### Lst = [ 12,34,45,77]

#Should return 12 as Minimum and 77 as Maximum.

#### Solution

```
lst = []
for i in range(0,4):
    x = input('Enter element to add to the list:')
    x = int(x)
    lst.append(x)
print('Elements of List are as follows:')
print(lst)
def maximum(lst):
    myMax = lst[0]
    for num in 1st:
        if myMax < num:
            myMax = num
    return myMax
def minimum(lst):
    myMin = lst[0]
    for num in lst:
        if myMin > num:
            myMin = num
    return myMin
```

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```
#Sample test
y = maximum(lst)
print(`Maximum Element from List = `,y)
y = minimum(lst)
print(`Minimum Element from the List = `,y)
```

#### Output

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```
Enter element to add to the list:665
Enter element to add to the list:234
Enter element to add to the list:213
Enter element to add to the list:908
Elements of List are as follows:
[665, 234, 213, 908]
Maximum Element from List = 908
Minimum Element from the List = 213
```

**PROGRAM 8.14** Write a function Assign\_grade(Lst), that read the marks of student from the list and assign grade based on the following conditions.

if Marks >=90 then grade A if Marks >=80 && <90 then grade B if Marks >65 && < 80 then grade C if Marks > =40 && <=65 then grade D if Marks <40 then grade F

#### Example: Consider the List of Marks of five students in English Subject.

Lst=[78,90,34,56,89]

#### #Should return

Student 1 Marks 78 grade C Student 2 Marks 90 grade A Student 3 Marks 34 grade F Student 4 Marks 56 grade D Student 5 Marks 89 grade B

```
def Assign_grade(Lst):
    for Marks in Lst :
        if Marks >= 90:
            print(`Student',Lst.index(Marks) + 1,'Marks =',Marks,' grade A')
        elif Marks >=80 and Marks<90:
            print(`Student',Lst.index(Marks) + 1,'Marks =',Marks,' grade B')</pre>
```

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```
elif Marks >65 and Marks< 80 :
            print('Student',Lst.index(Marks) + 1,'Marks =',Marks,' grade C')
        elif Marks >=40 and Marks<=65:
            print('Student',Lst.index(Marks) + 1,'Marks =',Marks,' grade D')
        else:
            print('Student',Lst.index(Marks) + 1,'Marks =',Marks,' grade F')
#Sample test
Lst=[78,90,34,56,89]
print('Marks of 5 Student = ',Lst)
Assign grade(Lst)
Output
Marks of 5 Student = [78, 90, 34, 56, 89]
Student 1 Marks = 78 grade C
Student 2 Marks = 90 grade A
Student 3 Marks = 34 grade F
Student 4 Marks = 56 grade D
Student 5 Marks = 89 grade B
```

**PROGRAM 8.15** Write a function check\_duplicate(Lst) that returns true if a list Lst contains duplicate elements. It should return false if all the elements in the list Lst are unique.

#### Example

Lst = [4, 6, 2, 1, 6, 7, 4]

# Should return true as 4 and 6 appears more than once. Lst = [1,2,3,12,4]

# Should return false as all the elements appears only once.

#### Solution

```
def check_duplicate(Lst) :
    dup_Lst = []
    for i in Lst:
        if i not in dup_Lst:
            dup_Lst.append(i)
        else:
            return True
    return False
#Sample test:
Lst = [4,6,2,1,6,7,4]
print(Lst)
x = check_duplicate(Lst)
print(x)
```

Lists Lists Lst1 = [1,2,3,12,4] print(Lst1) x = check\_duplicate(Lst1) print(x) Output [4, 6, 2, 1, 6, 7, 4] True #Returns true since 4 and 6 is repeated twice [1, 2, 3, 12, 4] False #Returns false since no element from above list is repeated twice

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**PROGRAM 8.16** Write a function print\_reverse(Lst) to reverse the elements of a list.

**Note:** Reverse the contents of a list without using reverse() method of a list and without using slicing.

Lst=[12,23,4,5] # Should reverse the contents of list as follows Lst=[5,4,23,12]

#### Solution

```
def print reverse(Lst):
   print('List Before Reversing')
   print(Lst)
    lst = []
    count = 1
    for i in range(0,len(Lst)):
        lst.append(Lst[len(Lst)-count])
        count += 1
    lst = str(lst)
    lst = ` `.join(lst)
    return 1st
#Sample test:
Lst=[12,23,4,5,1,9]
x = print reverse(Lst)
print('List After Reversing')
print(x)
```

# Output

```
List before reversing
[12, 23, 4, 5, 1, 9]
List after reversing
[9, 1, 5, 4, 23, 12]
```



**PROGRAM 8.17** Write a function that accepts two positive integers, viz. a and b where a is smaller than b. It returns a list that contains all the odd numbers between a and b (including a and including b if applicable) in descending order.

# Example: Odd Numbers between 10 and 20 should create the list and print the list in descending order as follows.

[19, 17, 15, 13, 11]

Solution

```
def list_of_odd_numbers(start, end):
    output_list = []
    for number in range(start, end+1):
        #check if the number is odd
        if number % 2 == 1:
            #if true put the numbers in the output list
            output_list.append(number)
            #Sort the List
            output_list.sort()
            #Reverse the list to displat elements in descending order
            output_list.reverse()
        return output_list
    print(list_of_odd_numbers(10, 20))
    C. . .
```

Output

[19, 17, 15, 13, 11]

PROGRAM 8.18 Write a program to return prime numbers from a list.

# Solution

```
List1=[3,17,9,2,4,8,97,43,39]
print('List1= ',List1)
lst = []
print('Prime Numbers from the List are as Follows:')
for a in List1 :
    prime = True
    for i in range(2, a):
        if (a%i == 0):
            prime = False
            break
```

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if prime:
 lst.append(a)
print(lst)

#### Output

List1 = [3, 17, 9, 2, 4, 8, 97, 43, 39] Prime Numbers from the List are as follows: [3, 17, 2, 97, 43]

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# SUMMARY

- A list is a sequence of zero or more elements.
- The element within a list can be of any types.
- The list is **mutable** kind of data structure.
- A list can be initialized in different ways, i.e. with and without using constructor lists.
- The index operator is used to access elements of a list.
- The negative index accesses elements from the end of a list by counting in backward direction.
- The slicing operator and list slicing with step-size returns a subset of a list.
- Various built-in functions can be used with lists.
- The 'for' loop can be used to traverse the elements of a list.
- List comprehension can be used to create a new list from existing sequences. It is a tool for transforming a given list into another list.
- Methods, such as copy(), reverse() and sort() can be used to copy, reverse and sort the elements of a list.
- Methods, such as **append()**, **extend()**, **insert()**, **pop()** and **remove()** to add, insert and remove contents from the list.
- Proficiency in a list is impossible unless the unanswered problems are taken up for solving.
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# **KEY TERMS**

- ⇒ **The index[] Operator:** It accesses elements of a list.
- ⇒ List Slicing: It returns a subset of a list.
- ⇒ **List Comprehensions:** It creates a new list from an existing list.
- ⇒ **The split()** Method: It splits a string into words.
- ⇒ The List Built-in Method: min(), max(), shuffle(), len() and sum().

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A. Multiple Choice Questions
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1. Given: List1 = ['a', b', c', d']. What will be the output of the following statement? List1 = [x for x in List1 if ord(x) > 97]print(List1) a. ['a','b','c'] b. ['b','c','d'] c. ['a','b','c','d'] d. None of the above 2. Consider the list, L = ['a', b', c', d', e', f', g', h', i', j']. Which one of the following outputs is correct? a. >>> L[0::3] b. >>> L[0:-1] ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i'] ['a', 'c', 'f', 'i'] c. >>> L[0:2] [`a','b','c'] d. None of the above 3. Consider the list L1 containing the elements L1=[1,2,3]. What will be the output of the following statement? L1 = L1 + [4, 5, 6]a. L1 = [1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 9]b. L1 = [4,5,6]c. L1 =[5,7,9] d. L1 =[1,2,3,4,5,6] 4. What will be the output of the following statement? List1 = [[n, n + 1, n + 2] for n in range(0, 3)] a. [0,1,2] b. [[0,1,2],[0,1,2],[0,1,2]] c. [[0,1,2],[1,2,3],[2,3,4]] d. [[0,1,2],[2,3,4],[4,5,6]] 5. What will be the output of the following statement? >>> string = 'DONALD TRUMPH' >>> k = [print(i) for i in string if i not in "aeiou"] >>> print(k) a. DONALD TRUMPH b. DNLD TRMPH c. DNLD d. None of the above 6. What will be the output of the following program? def func1(L): L[0] = 'A'L1=[1,2,3] func1(L1) print(L1) a. [1,2,3] b. [1,'A','2'] c. ['A',1,2] d. ['A','1','2']

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7. What will be the output of the following statement? >>> L1=['A','B',3,4,5] >>> L1[::-1] >>> print(L1) a. [5,4,3,'B','A'] b. ['A','B',3,4,5] c. ['A',3,5] d. [5,3,'A'] 8. How will a new element be added to the empty list L1? a. L1.append(10) b. L1.add(10) c. L1.appendLast(10) d. L1.addLast(10) 9. What will be the output of the following program? list1=[10,30] list2 = list1list1[0] = 40print(list2) a. 10,30 b. 40,30 c. 10,40 d. 30,40 10. List1 = ['A','B','C'] and List2 = ['B','A','C']Is List1 == List2? a. Yes c. Cannot predict b. No d. None of the above

#### B. True or False

- 1. The list() is used to create an empty list.
- 2. The range() is used for creating a list with elements from 0 to 5.
- 3. A list can be created without using a constructor.
- 4. The elements of a list are not identified by their positions.
- 5. The negative index accesses elements from the start of a list.
- 6. List1[-1] accesses the first element of a list.
- 7. L1[2:5] returns all the elements stored between the index 2 and the one less than the end index, i.e. 5-1=4.
- 8. It is possible to access the elements of a list only in sequence.
- 9. The len() returns a number of elements in a list.
- 10. The sum() returns the sum of all the elements in a list.
- 11. It is impossible to shuffle elements randomly in a list.
- 12. The concatenation operator '+' is used to join two lists.
- 13. The multiplication operator '\*' is used to replicate the elements in a list.
- 14. The del operator is used to remove a specific element from a list.
- 15. Odd elements of a list can be displayed using list comprehension.
- 16. One can insert an element at a given index.
- 17. The pop(1) removes an element from a list which is at index 1.

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- 18. The pop() removes the last element from a list.
- 19. A string is a sequence of characters.
- 20. A programmer can pass a list to a function and perform various operations.

#### **C. Exercise Questions**

- 1. How is a list created?
- 2. Explain the different ways to create a list with suitable examples.
- 3. What is meant by slicing operation?
- 4. What is the benefit of step size in a list?
- 5. Explain the supporting inbuilt functions used to create lists.
- 6. List and clarify the operators supporting lists.
- 7. What is the use of the 'is' operator in Python?
- 8. Which operator is used to delete elements from a list?
- 9. What application is used for list comprehension?
- 10. What facilitates counting of similar elements in a list?
- 11. How are elements of a list reversed?
- 12. How is a string converted into characters?
- 13. How is an empty list and list with five integers, i.e. 10, 15, 30, 50 and 40 created?
- 14. Given: List1 = ['a','b','c','d','e'] and List2 = [1,2,3]. What is return value of each of the following statements?
  - a. List2+List1 b. List1+List2
  - c. List2\*2 d. 2\*List2
- 15. Given: List1 = [100,200,400,500]. What is return value of following statements?
  - a. min(List1) b. max(List1)
  - c. sum(List1) d. List.count(400)
  - e. List1.count(100)+List1.count(200)
- 16. Given: List1 = [12,23,45,23]. What is return value of following statements?
  - a. List1\*List1.count(23) b. List1+List1[:]
  - c. List1+List1[-1:] d. List1+List1[::]
  - e. List1+List1[::-1]
- 17. Given: List Lst = [10,23,5,56,78,90]. Evaluate the following expressions.
  - a. Lst[:]
     b. Lst[0:4]

     c. Lst[:-1]
     d. Lst[-1:]

     e. Lst[-1]
     f. Lst[::-1]
  - g. Lst[:-1:] h. Lst[:-2:]
- 18. Given: List1 = [12,45,7,89,90]. What is return value of following statements?
  - a. List1.reverse() b. List1.sort()
  - c. List1.appned(10) d. List.pop(2)
  - e. List1.clear()

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19. What is the output of following program?

```
List1=['a','b','c','d']
List2=List1
print(List1)
List1[1]='f'
print(List1)
print(List2)
```

20. Write a program to pass a list to a function and return it in the reverse order.

# **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Write a function Replicate\_n\_times(Lst,n) to replicate the elements of a list n times, i.e. to replicate the elements of a list for given number of times.

```
Example:
```

```
Lst = [1, 2, 3, 4]
Replicate_n_time(Lst,2)
Lst = [1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4]
```

2. Write a program to count the occurrences of each element within a list.

```
Example:
```

```
Lst = [1, 23, 0, 9, 0, 23]

1 occurs 1 time

23 occurs 2 times

0 occurs 2 times

9 occurs 1 times
```

3. Write the function remove\_negative(Lst) to remove negative elements and return positiv elements from a list.

#### Example:

```
Lst = [-1, 0,2,-4,12]
#Should return list with positive elements
Lst = [0,2,12]
```

4. Write a program to duplicate all the elements of a list.

Example:

```
Lst=[1,2,3]
#Should return
Lst=[1,1,2,2,3,3]
```

5. Write a program to check if an element of a list is a prime number. If it is prime, return True else return False.

Example:

```
List1=[3,17,9,2,4,8]
#Should display
List1=[True, True, False, False, False, False]
```



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# **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS (Contd.)**

6. Write a function remove\_first\_last(list) to remove first and last element from the list. Example:
List1=[10,20,30,40,50]
removeFirstAndLast(List1)
#Should return
[20, 30, 40]

7. Write a function Extract\_Even(List) to return all even numbers from a list.
Example:
List1=[1,2,3,4,5,6]
Extract\_Even(List1)
#Should return
[2,4,6]

# List Processing: Searching and Sorting

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# **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

9.1 Introduction

9.3 Introduction to Sorting

9.2 Searching Techniques

# LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Develop applications based on different searching and sorting techniques
- Explain the importance of information retrieval
- Perform program implementation on linear/sequential search method and analysis of sequential search method
- Search an element from a list using binary search
- Sort the elements of a list using different sorting techniques, such as bubble sort, selection sort, quick sort, insertion and merge sort

# 9.1 INTRODUCTION

Numerous applications are available today to search and sort objects or items. For example, many a times, official files or list of meritorious students based on marks are stored alphabetically and sorted in a descending order. Thereby, making it easier to search for a specific item from the sorted list. A common and time-consuming task is retrieval of information from large data sets, which requires extensive research. A computer can easily manage this task. It can store everything from a small collection of personal data, phonebook information, photo catalogue to more detailed



financial records, information of employees, medical records, etc. Computers are widely used to search information, music, movies, readings etc. A computer rearranges the searched information to make it easier for a user to sort what he/she needs. For example, sorting a list of contacts by name or sorting a list of movies in an alphabetical order or arranging a list of files in increasing order of size etc. To be able to perform all such activities, two fundamental operations, viz. **searching** and **sorting** are needed.

# 9.2 SEARCHING TECHNIQUES

Searching is a technique of quickly finding a specific item from a given list of items, such as a number in a telephone directory. Each record has one or more fields such as name, address and number. Among the existing fields, the field used to distinguish records is called the **key**. Imagine a situation where you are trying to find the number of a friend. If you try to locate the record corresponding to the name of your friend, the 'name' will act as the key. Sometimes there can be various mobile numbers allotted to the same name. Therefore, the selection of the key plays a major role in defining the search algorithm. If the key is unique, the records are also identified uniquely. For example, mobile number can be used as the key to search for the mobile number of a specific person. If the search results in locating the desired record then the search is said to be successful, else the search is said to be unsuccessful. Depending on way the information is stored for searching a particular record, search techniques are categorised as:

- (a) Linear or sequential search
- (b) Binary search

These search techniques are explained in detail in this chapter.

# 9.2.1 Linear/Sequential Search

In linear search, elements are examined sequentially starting from the first element. Element to be searched, i.e. the (**key element**), is compared sequentially with each element in a list. The search process terminates when the element to be searched, i.e. the key element, matches with the element present in the list or the list is exhausted without a match being found in it. If the element to be searched is found within the list, the linear search returns the index of the matching element. If the element is not found, the search returns -1.

**PROGRAM 9.1** Write a program to search an element from a list.

```
def Linear_Search(My_List,key):
    for i in range(len(My_List)):
        if(My_List[i]==key):
            #print(key,"is found at index",i)
            return i
            break
    return -1
My_List=[12,23,45,67,89]
```

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```
print("Contents of List are as follows:")
print(My_List)
key=(int(input("Enter the number to be searched:")))
L1=Linear_Search(My_List,key)
if(L1!=-1):
    print(key," is found at position",L1+1)
else:
    print(key," is not present in the List")
Output
```

```
#Test Case 1
Contents of List are as follows:
[12, 23, 45, 67, 89]
Enter the number to be searched:23
23 is found at position 2
#Test Case 2
Contents of List are as follows:
[12, 23, 45, 67, 89]
Enter the number to be searched:65
65 is not present in the List
```

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**Explanation** In the above program, we have defined the function called Linear \_ Search(). The list and element to be searched, i.e. the key, is passed to the function. The comparison starts from the first element of the list. The comparison goes on sequentially till the key element matches the element present within the list or the list is exhausted without a match being found.

# Unordered List—Analysis of Sequential Search

Table 9.1 shows that the analysis has been made with respect to the unordered list, i.e. if the content of the list is not in any order, either ascending or descending.

| Table 9.1 Se | quential se | arch analy | /sis in a | n unordered | list |
|--------------|-------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------|
|--------------|-------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------|

| Case                               | Best Case | Worst Case | Average Case |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|
| Element is present in the list     | 1         | Ν          | N/2          |
|                                    |           |            |              |
| Element is not present in the list | Ν         | Ν          | Ν            |
|                                    |           |            |              |

# Sorted List—Analysis of Sequential Search

Expected number of comparisons required for an unsuccessful search can be reduced if the list is sorted.

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# Example

List1[] = 10 15 20 25 50 60 70 80

#### Element to be searched = 30

Search should terminate here.

Assuming the elements are stored in an ascending order, the search should terminate as soon as the value of the element in the list is greater than value of the element (key) to be searched or the key (element to be searched) is found (Table 9.2).

Table 9.2 Sequential search analysis on a sorted list

|                                    | Best Case | Worst Case | Average Case |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|
| Element is present in the list     | 1         | Ν          | N/2          |
|                                    |           |            |              |
| Element is not present in the list | 1         | Ν          | N/2          |
|                                    |           |            |              |

# 9.2.2 The Binary Search

In the previous section, we learnt linear search algorithm. Linear search is convenient for a small list. What happens if the size of a list is large? Let us consider the size of the list is 1 Million  $(2^{20})$ . So, if we want to search using a sequential search algorithm then in the worst case we require  $2^{20}$  comparisons. This means that a sequential search algorithm is not suitable for a large list. Thus, we require more efficient algorithms. In this section, we will explore how binary search is a simple and efficient algorithm.

For binary search, the elements in a list must be in a sorted order. Let us consider the list is in ascending order. The binary search compares the element to be searched, i.e. the key element with the element in the middle of the list. The binary search algorithm is based on the following three conditions:

- 1. If the key is less than the list's middle element then a programmer has to search only in the first half of the list.
- 2. If the key is greater than the list's middle element then a programmer has to search only in the second half of the list.
- 3. If the element to be found, i.e. the key element is equal to the middle element in the list then the search ends.
- 4. If the element to be found is not present within the list then the it returns None or -1 which indicates the element to be searched is not present in the list.

# **Example of Binary Search**

Consider the sorted list of 10 integers given below.

10 18 19 20 25 28 48 55 62 70

Element to be searched = 48





Now we will compare the middle element which is **25** with the element that we want to search, i.e. 48.

```
Since 48>25,
```

we will eliminate the first half of the list and we will search again in the second half of the list. Now,

Low = Mid + 1 = 4 + 1 = 5 #Change the Position of Low High = 9 # High will remain as earlier.

#### Iteration 2



Now we will compare the middle element which is 55 with element we want to search, i.e. 48. Since 48 < 55,

we will search the element in the left half of the list.

Now,

Low = 5 #It will remain as it is.

**High** = Mid-1 = 7-1 **#Change the Position of High** 



Now we will compare the middle element which is **28** with the element we want to search, i.e. 48.

Since 28 < 48,

we will search the element in the right portion of the mid of the list.

Now,

Low = mid+1 = 6 #Change the Position of Low High = 6 #High will remain as it is.

#### Iteration 4

| Index           | 0  | 1  | 2  | 3              | 4        | 5       | 6     | 7     | 8  | 9  |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----------------|----------|---------|-------|-------|----|----|
| Element of List | 10 | 18 | 19 | 20             | 25       | 28      | 48    | 55    | 62 | 70 |
|                 |    |    |    |                |          | Î       | Ť     |       |    |    |
|                 |    |    |    |                |          | Low=6   | High= | Mid=6 |    |    |
|                 |    |    |    | <b>Mid</b> = ( | (Low + I | High)/2 |       |       |    |    |
|                 |    |    |    | = (            | 6        |         |       |       |    |    |

Now we will compare the middle element which is 48 with the element we want to search, i.e. 48.

Since 48=48, the number is found at index position 6.

**PROGRAM 9.2** Write a program for binary search.

```
def Binary_Search(MyList,key):
    low=0
    high=len(MyList)-1
    while low<=high:</pre>
```

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```
mid=(low+high)//2 #Find the middle index
        if MyList[mid] == key: If key matches the mid index element
            return mid
                            #If so return index
        elif key>MyList[mid]: # else if key is greater
            low=mid+1
        else:
            high=mid-1
    return -1 #If no match return -1
MyList=[10,20,30,34,56,78,89,90]
print(MyList)
key=(eval(input("Enter the number to Search:")))
x=Binary Search(MyList,key)
if(x==-1):
   print(key,"is not present in the list")
else:
   print (" The Element ", key, " is found at position ", x+1)
Output
#Test Case1
[10, 20, 30, 34, 56, 78, 89, 90]
Enter the number to Search: 20
The Element 20 is found at position 2
#Test Case 2
[10, 20, 30, 34, 56, 78, 89, 90]
Enter the number to Search: 43
43 is not present in the list
```

**Explanation** In the above program, we have defined the list with the elements [10 20 30 34 56 78 89 90]. The number to be searched is prompted from the user. The list and the number to be searched both are passed as parameters to the function. In each iteration, the value of low, middle and high is calculated. The element to be searched, i.e. the key element is compared with the middle element. Then depending on the condition, i.e. the value of the key element and the element found at the mid position, the values of low and high are changed.

#### Searching a List of Words from a Dictionary is Similar to Binary Search

The binary search algorithm works in a manner similar to searching a word from a dictionary. Let us assume we want to search for a word starting with a particular letter, say 'L'. Next, we open the dictionary. If the page we have opened contains the word starting with 'L' then we have found what we are looking for. But if the page we have opened contains words starting from 'G' then we have to search again. So far, to find our word starting from 'L' we will not search the left



part of the dictionary anymore, i.e. words starting from A to G. Hence, we will eliminate this part without looking anymore.

Next, we will search the remaining right side of the dictionary, i.e. from H to Z. As before, we will open any page from H to Z and check the words appearing on that page. If the opened page contains words starting from L, our search is successful. If not, we check the words appearing on the page and if they start with a letter which comes after 'L' in the alphabetical order then we eliminate this second part and continue searching in the remaining part.

We will repeat this process in the remaining part, i.e. open a page check again. As the process is repeated, the size of the dictionary to be searched keeps reducing by about half each time until the word is not found on the current page.

# 9.3 INTRODUCTION TO SORTING

Consider a situation where a user wants to pick up a book from a library but finds that the books are stacked in no particular order. In this situation, it will be very difficult to find any book quickly or easily. However, if the books were placed in some order, say alphabetically, then a desired title could be found with little effort. As in this case, sorting is used in various applications in general to retrieve information efficiently.

Sorting means rearranging the elements of a list, so that they are organised in some relevant order. The order can be either ascending or descending. Consider a list L1, in which the elements are arranged in an ascending order in a way that  $L1[0] < L1[1] < \dots < L1[N]$ .

# Example

If a list is declared and initialised as:

L1 = [9, 3, 4, 2, 1]

The sorted list in an ascending order can be:

L1 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 9]

Form the above example, it is clear that sorting is a process of converting an unordered set of elements into an ordered set.

# 9.3.1 Types of Sorting

Sorting algorithms are divided into two main categories, viz.

- 1. Internal sorting
- 2. External sorting

If all the records to be sorted are kept internally in the main memory then they can be sorted using internal sort. However, if a large number of records are to be sorted and kept in secondary storage then they have to be sorted using external sort.

1. *Internal sorting algorithms:* Any sorting algorithm which uses the **main memory** exclusively during sorting is called an **internal sort algorithm**. It takes advantage of the random access nature of the main memory. Internal sorting is faster than external sorting.

2. *External sorting algorithms:* External sorting is carried on **secondary storage**. Therefore, any sorting algorithm which uses external memory, such as tape or disk during sorting is called **external sort algorithm**. It is carried out if the number of elements to be stored is too large to fit in the main memory. Transfer of data between secondary and main memory is best done by moving blocks of contiguous elements.

The various sorting algorithms are Bubble sort, Selection sort, Insertion sort, Quick sort and Merge sort. Details of implementation of all these sorting algorithms are given ahead in this chapter.

# 9.3.2 Bubble Sort

Bubble sort is the simplest and oldest sorting algorithm. Bubble sort sorts a list of elements by repeatedly moving the largest element to the highest index position of the list. The consecutive adjacent pair of elements in both the lists is compared with each other. If the element at lower index is greater than the element at higher index then the two elements are interchanged so that the element with the smaller value is placed before the one with a higher value. The algorithm repeats this process till the list of unsorted elements is exhausted. This entire procedure of sorting is called bubble sort. The algorithm derives its name as bubble sort because the smaller elements bubble to the top of the list.

# Example of Bubble Sort

Consider the elements within a list as:

L1 = [30, 50, 45, 20, 90, 78]

Sort the list using bubble sort.

# Solution

#### Iteration 1

| 30 | 40 | 45 | 20 | 90 | 78 | ] No Exchange |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|---------------|
| 30 | 40 | 45 | 20 | 90 | 78 | ] No Exchange |
| 30 | 40 | 45 | 20 | 90 | 78 | Exchange      |
| 30 | 40 | 20 | 45 | 90 | 78 | ] No Exchange |
| 30 | 40 | 20 | 45 | 90 | 78 | Exchange      |
| 30 | 40 | 20 | 45 | 78 | 90 | Output of b   |
|    |    |    |    |    |    |               |

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Output of bubble sort after the first iteration. But still the output is not in a sorted order. Repeat the above steps for iteration 2.



#### Iteration 2

Apply bubble sort to the output of the first iteration.

| ] No Exchange | 90 | 78 | 45 | 20 | 40 | 30 |
|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Exchange      | 90 | 78 | 45 | 20 | 40 | 30 |
| ] No Exchange | 90 | 78 | 45 | 40 | 20 | 30 |
| ] No Exchange | 90 | 78 | 45 | 40 | 20 | 30 |
| Output of b   | 90 | 78 | 45 | 40 | 20 | 30 |
| D             |    |    | ,  |    |    |    |

Output of bubble sort after the second iteration. But still the output is not in a sorted order. Repeat the above steps for iteration 3.

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#### Iteration 3

Apply bubble sort to the output of the second iteration.

|               | -  |    |    |    |    |    |
|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Exchange      | 90 | 78 | 45 | 40 | 20 | 30 |
| ] No Exchange | 90 | 78 | 45 | 40 | 30 | 20 |
| No Exchange   | 90 | 78 | 45 | 40 | 30 | 20 |
| No Exchange   | 90 | 78 | 45 | 40 | 30 | 20 |
| ] No Exchange | 90 | 78 | 45 | 40 | 30 | 20 |

Thus, in third iteration itself we have obtained a sorted list of elements in an ascending order.

# Working of Bubble Sort

In the above example, the working of bubble sort can be generalised as:

- In each iteration, the first element of the list, i.e. L[1] is compared with the second element of the list, i.e. L[2] then L[2] is compared with L[3], L[3]is compared with L[4] and so on. Finally, L[N-1] is compared with L[N]. This process is continued till we obtain the list in a sorted order.
- 2. In the second iteration, L[1] is compared with L[2], L[2]is compared with L[3] and so on. Finally, L[N-2] is compared with L[N-1]. The iteration 2 just requires N-2 comparisons. Therefore, at the end of the second iteration, the second biggest element is placed at the second highest index position of the list.
- **3.** Similarly, the above process is continued for the subsequent iterations. Therefore, in the last iteration we obtain all the elements within the list in a sorted order.

**PROGRAM 9.3** Write a program to implement bubble sort.

```
def Bubble_Sort(MyList):
    for i in range(len(MyList)-1,0,-1):
        for j in range(i):
            if MyList[j]>MyList[j+1]:
               temp, MyList[j]=MyList[j], MyList[j+1]
               MyList[j+1] = temp
MyList = [30, 50, 45,1,6,3,20, 90, 78]
print(`Elements of List Before Sorting: `, MyList)
Bubble_Sort(MyList)
print(`Elements of List After Sorting: `,end='')
print(MyList)
Coutput
Elements of List Before Sorting: [30, 50, 45, 1, 6, 3, 20, 90, 78]
Elements of List After Sorting: [1, 3, 6, 20, 30, 45, 50, 78, 90]
```

**Explanation** In the above program, the unsorted list is declared and initialised. The same list is passed as an argument to the function bubble sort. The list slicing operation is used to iterate through the loop. Each element is compared with its adjacent element and interchanged if the first element is greater than the second. Swapping of elements is done using Python's simultaneous assignment as shown.

```
if MyList[j]>MyList[j+1]:
    temp,MyList[j]= MyList[j],MyList[j+1]
    MyList[j+1] = temp
```

Therefore, the above code is used to swap two elements. The above code is equivalent to the code below. Thus, a programmer should make use of the code above since it reduces the number of code lines.

```
if MyList[j]>MyList[j+1]:
    temp = MyList[j]
    MyList[j]= MyList[j+1]
    MyList[j+1] = temp
```

# 9.3.3 Selection Sort

Consider a list of 10 elements list[0], list[1,.....list[N-1]. First you will search for the position of the smallest element from list[0] to list[N-1] and then interchange the smallest element with list[0]. Now you will search for the position of the second smallest element from list[1] to list[n-1] and then interchange that smallest element with list[1]. This process continues till the end and finally we obtain the sorted list. The whole process of selection sort will be as shown.

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#### Iteration 1

- 1. Search the smallest element from list[0] to list[N-1].
- 2. Interchange list[0] with the smallest element.

Result: list[0] is sorted.

#### Iteration 2

1. Search the smallest element from list[1] to list[N-1].

2. Interchange list[1] with the smallest element.

Result: list[0],list[1] is sorted.

#### Iteration N-1

- 1. Search the smallest element from list[N-1] to list[N-1].
- 2. Interchange list[N-1] with the smallest element.

Result: list[0].....list[N-1].

# **Example of Selection Sort**

Consider the unsorted list of 8 elements as

[74, 34, 42, 13, 87, 24, 64, 57]

# Operation

| the smallest<br>. swap it with<br>.t element within | <b>▼</b><br>74 | 34             | 42      | ¥<br>13        | 87 | 24       | 64 | 57 |  |
|---|----------------|----------------|---------|----------------|----|----------|----|----|--|
| the smallest<br>swap it with                        | 13             | <b>∀</b><br>34 | 42      | 74             | 87 | ¥<br>24  | 64 | 57 |  |
| naining list.<br>the smallest<br>. swap it with     | 13             | 24             | ¥<br>42 | 74             | 87 | <b>4</b> | 64 | 57 |  |
| naining list.<br>the smallest<br>. swap it with     | 13             | 24             | 34      | <b>∀</b><br>74 | 87 | ¥<br>42  | 64 | 57 |  |

Select 13 as element and 74 as the firs the list.

Select 24 as element and 34 in the ren

Select 34 as element and 42 in the ren

Select 42 as element and 74 in the remaining list.

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|---|--|----|----|----|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Select 57 as the smallest element and swap it with  | 13                                     | 24 | 34 | 42 | <b>¥</b><br>87 | 74             | 64             | <b>*</b><br>57 |
| 87.<br>Select 64 as the smallest<br>element and swap it with<br>74 in the remaining list. | 13                                     | 24 | 34 | 42 | 57             | <b>∀</b><br>74 | <b>♦</b><br>64 | 87             |
| Final Sorted List   | 13                                     | 24 | 34 | 42 | 57             | 74             | 64             | 87             |

Note: Selection sort repeatedly selects the smallest element and swaps it with the first element in the remaining list.

**PROGRAM 9.4** Write a program for selection sort.

```
def Selection Sort(MyList):
    #i - Outer Loop
    #j - Innner Loop
    #k - Index of the smallest Element
    for i in range(len(MyList)-1):
        k=i
              #i th element is assumed to be smallest
        for j in range(i+1,len(MyList)):
            if(MyList[j]<MyList[k]):</pre>
                k=i
        if (k!=i):
            temp=MyList[i]
            MyList[i] = MyList[k]
            MyList[k]=temp
MyList=[12,34,2,7,45,90,89,9,1]
print('Elements before Sorting')
print (MyList)
Selection Sort(MyList)
print('Elements After Sorting')
print(MyList)
Output
Elements before Sorting
[12, 34, 2, 7, 45, 90, 89, 9, 1]
Elements After Sorting
[1, 2, 7, 9, 12, 34, 45, 89, 90]
```



# 9.3.4 Insertion Sort

Insertion sort is based on the principle of inserting an element in its correct place in a previously sorted list. It always maintains a sorted sublist in the lower portion of the list. Each new element is inserted back into the previous sub list. Thus, insertion sort sorts a list of elements repeatedly by inserting a new element into a sorted sublist until the whole list is sorted. An example of insertion sort is given below.

# Example

Consider the unsorted list as

MyList = [15,0,11,19,12,16,14]

Initially, the sorted sublist contains the first element in the list, i.e. 15



Finally, we obtain the sorted list of elements in Step 7.

**PROGRAM 9.5** Write a program to implement insertion sort.

```
def Insertion Sort(MyList):
    for i in range(1,len(MyList)):
        CurrentElement=MyList[i]
        k=i-1
        while k>=0 and MyList[k]>CurrentElement:
            MyList[k+1] = MyList[k]
            k=k-1
        MyList[k+1]=CurrentElement
MyList=[12,23,5,2,21,1,4]
print('Elements before Sorting')
print (MyList)
Insertion Sort (MyList)
print('Elements After Sorting')
print (MyList)
Output
Elements before Sorting
```

[12, 23, 5, 2, 21, 1, 4] Elements After Sorting [1, 2, 4, 5, 12, 21, 23]

#### 9.3.5 Quick Sort

Quick sort is one of the fastest internal sorting algorithms. It is based on the following three main strategies:

- 1. Split or Partition: Select a random element called **pivot** from the sequence of elements to be sorted. Suppose the selected element is X, where X is any number. Now split (divide) the list into the two small lists, viz. Y and Z such that:
  - All the elements of the first part Y are less than the selected element pivot.
  - All the elements of the second part Z are greater than the selected element pivot.
- 2. Sort the sub-arrays.
- 3. Merge (join/concatenate) the sorted sub-array.

The split divides the lists into two smaller sublists. When these sublists are ultimately sorted recursively using quick sort these sublists are called conquered. Therefore, the quick sort algorithm is also so called the **divide and conquer algorithm**.

Suppose there are N elements as a[0], a[1], a[2],.....a[N-1]. The steps for using the quick sort algorithm are given below.

• STEP 1: Select any element as the pivot. For example, select the element stored at the first position in a list as the pivot element. Although there are many ways to choose the

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pivot element, we will use the first item from the list. It helps to split a list into two parts.

#### Pivot = a[First] //Select Pivot Element

where the value of First is 0.

• **STEP 2:** Initialize the two pointers i and j.

i = First+1 (The first (low) index of a list)

j = Last (The last (upper) index of a list)

• **STEP 3:** Now increase the value of i until we locate an element that is greater than the pivot element.

while i<=j and a[i] <= Pivot

i++

• **STEP 4:** Decrease the value of j until we find a value less than the pivot element.

while i<=j and a[j]>=Pivot

j--

- **STEP 5:** If i<j interchange i a[i] and a[j].
- **STEP 6:** Repeat Steps 2 to 4 until i>j.
- **STEP 7:** Interchange the selected data element pivot and a[j].

# Example

Consider the elements of a list as 50, 30, 10, 90, 80, 20, 40 and 60.

• **STEP 1:** Select the pivot element.

| 0  | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 50 | 30 | 10 | 90 | 80 | 20 | 40 | 60 |

From the above Step 1 it is clear that we have selected the first element as the **pivot value**, i.e. **50**.

• **STEP 2:** Initialize the two pointers i and j.

The goal of selecting the pivot element is to place the elements less than the pivot towards the left and the elements greater than the pivot towards the right.





Now we have got the value of i and j, i.e. the index values are 3 and 6, respectively. As i<j, swap(a[i], a[j]).

After swaping a[i] and a[j], the content of the list becomes



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|---|-------------|-----------|--------|----------|--------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
|   | 0           | 1         | 2      | 3        | 4                  | 5                   | 6        | 7        |  |  |  |  |
|   | 50          | 30        | 10     | 40       | 80                 | 20                  | 90       | 60       |  |  |  |  |
| <j, swap<="" td=""><td>(a[i], a[j]</td><td>) after s</td><td>swappi</td><td>ng the o</td><td>↑<br/>i<br/>contents</td><td>∱<br/>j<br/>s of list</td><td>are as :</td><td>follows.</td><td>The value of a[j] is 90. As a[j]:<br/>50, decrease the pointer j by<br/>The new value of a[j] is 20 at<br/>A[j] is not greater than pive<br/>i.e. 50. Hence, don't move t<br/>pointer j towards the left. The</td></j,> | (a[i], a[j] | ) after s | swappi | ng the o | ↑<br>i<br>contents | ∱<br>j<br>s of list | are as : | follows. | The value of a[j] is 90. As a[j]:<br>50, decrease the pointer j by<br>The new value of a[j] is 20 at<br>A[j] is not greater than pive<br>i.e. 50. Hence, don't move t<br>pointer j towards the left. The |  |  |  |
|   | 50          | 30        | 10     | 40       | 20                 | 80                  | 90       | 60       | we have found the final val<br>of i and j.   |  |  |  |
|   |             |           |        |          | 1                  | 1                   |          |          |  |  |  |  |
|   |             |           |        |          | i                  | j                   |          |          | After, swapping we have t<br>move the pointer i towards th   |  |  |  |
|   | 0           | 1         | 2      | 3        | 4                  | 5                   | 6        | 7        | left and j towards the right.  |  |  |  |
|   | 50          | 30        | 10     | 40       | 20                 | 80                  | 90       | 60       | Now 20<50 (pivot), so increate the value of i by 1 towards t   |  |  |  |
|   |             |           |        |          |                    | <b>↑</b><br>i, j    |          |          | right.<br>The new index value of i is 5.<br>80>50 stop moving i towar<br>the right and find the ind  |  |  |  |
|   | 0           | 1         | 2      | 3        | 4                  | 5                   | 6        | 7        | value of j.  |  |  |  |
|   | 50          | 30        | 10     | 40       | 20                 | 80                  | 90       | 60       |  |  |  |  |
|   |             |           |        |          |                    | ↑                   |          |          |  |  |  |  |
|   |             |           |        |          |                    | i, j                |          |          |  |  |  |  |
|   | 0           | 1         | 2      | 3        | 4                  | 5                   | 6        | 7        |  |  |  |  |
|   | 50          | 30        | 10     | 40       | 20                 | 80                  | 90       | 60       |  |  |  |  |
|   |             |           |        |          | <b>↑</b>           | <b>↑</b>            |          |          | As A[j], i.e. 80 is greater the pivot, i.e. 50, move the point   |  |  |  |
|   |             |           |        |          | 1                  | 1                   |          |          | towards the left.  |  |  |  |

From the above condition, it is clear that i crosses j. Thus, we stop at the point where the value of j becomes less than i. Therefore, the position of j is now the **split point**, i.e. the partition point.

As j < i Swap(pivot, a[j])

After swapping,



From the above example, it is clear that 50 is placed in its proper position. Elements less than 50 are placed towards the left and those greater than 50 are placed towards the right. Now apply the same method recursively for the two sublists, viz. **Y(20, 30, 10, 40)** and **Z(80,90,60)**.

**PROGRAM 9.6** Write a Python program to sort elements of a list using **quick sort**.

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```
def quickSort( MyList ):
    """ Sorts an array or list using the recursive quick sort algorithm. """
    print('Elements of List are as follows')
    print(MyList)
    n = len( MyList )
    Rec Quick Sort( MyList, 0, n-1 )
def Rec Quick Sort( MyList, first, last ):
    """ The recursive implementation. """
    if first < last:
        pos = Partition( MyList, first, last )
        """ Split the List into two sublists Left and Right. """
        Rec Quick Sort( MyList, first, pos - 1 )
        Rec Quick Sort( MyList, pos + 1, last )
def Partition(MyList, first, last ):
    """ Partitions the sublists or subarrays using the first key as the pivot.
\\////
   pivot = MyList[first] #Select the Pivot element
    # Find the pivot position and move the elements around the pivot.
    i = first + 1
    j = last
    while i < j :
        # Find the first key larger than the pivot.
        while i <= j and MyList[i] <= pivot :</pre>
            i = i + 1
 #Find the key from the list that is smaller than or equal to the pivot.
        while j >= i and pivot <= MyList[j] :</pre>
            j = j - 1
        # Swap the two keys if we have not completed this partition.
        if i < j :
            temp= MyList[i]
            MyList[i] = MyList[j]
            MyList[j] = temp
```

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```
# Put the pivot in the proper position.
    #Swap pivot with MyList[j]
    temp=MyList[first]
    MyList[first] = MyList[j]
    MyList[j] = temp
    # Return the index position to partition into left and right
    return j
MyList=[50, 30, 10, 90, 80, 20, 40, 60];
quickSort(MyList)
print('Elements of List after Sorting Using Quick Sort')
print (MyList)
Output
Elements of List are as follows
[50, 30, 10, 90, 80, 20, 40, 60]
Elements of List after Sorting Using Quick Sort
[10, 20, 40, 30, 50, 60, 80, 90]
```

# 9.3.6 Merge Sort

As discussed in the previous sections all sorting algorithms are mainly used for internal sorting where the data to be sorted fits in the main memory. When the data to be sorted resides in a file or on a disk and does not fit in the available memory, the merge sort method is used. Merge sort is a well-known and efficient method for external sorting.

Like quick sort, merge sort is also based on three main strategies:

- (a) Split the list into two sub lists (**Split or Divide**): Split implies partitioning the n elements of a list into two sublists, where each sublist contains n/2 elements.
- (b) Sort sublists (Conquer): Sorting two sub-arrays recursively using merge sort.
- (c) Merge the sorted sublists (**Combine**): Combine implies merging two sorted sublists, each of size n/2, to produce a sorted list of n elements.

# Example of Merge Sort

Consider the following elements within a list.

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Figure 9.1 Example of merge sort

The list in Figure 9.1 has 8 elements. The index of the first element is i=0 and the index of the last element is j=7. In order to divide the above list around the middle element, the index of the middle element is found, i.e. mid=(i+j)/2.

Therefore, i = 0 and j = 7

Mid = 
$$(i + j)/2 = (0+7)/2 = 3$$
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Merge sort is applied recursively to the left part of the list from i = 0 to j = 3. After sorting of the left half of the list, the right half of the list is sorted from i = 4 to j = 7 recursively using merge sort. After sorting the left half of the list from i = 0 to j = 3 and right half of the list from i=4 to j=7, the two lists are merged to produce a single sorted list.

#### Merging Operation in Merge Sort

A fundamental operation in the merge sort algorithm is merging of two sorted lists. The merging algorithm takes two sorted lists a[] and b[], i.e. (left and right list) as the input and the third list c[] as the output list. Each element of a list, i.e. (LeftList) a[i] is compared with the elements of the (**RightList**) b[j]. The smaller element among a[i] and b[j] is copied to the output list c[k]. When either of the input list is exhausted, the remainder of the other list is copied to the output list c.

In the above example, we obtained two sorted sublists, viz. a[] as the left list and b[] as the right list, as shown.





• **STEP 8:** In Step 7, the list b[] is exhausted. Therefore, the remaining elements of the list a[] are added to the output list.



Finally, in Step 8, all the elements of the list are sorted.

**PROGRAM 9.7** Write a program to implement merge sort.

```
def mergeSort(MyList):
   if len(MyList)>1:
        mid = len(MyList)//2
        leftList = MyList[:mid]
        rightList = MyList[mid:]
      '''Merge sort to the left part of the list from 0 to mid-1.'''
        mergeSort(leftList)
'''Merge sort to the right part of the list from mid to len(List)'''
        mergeSort (rightList)
        i = 0
        j = 0
        k=0
        `'' Merge Two Sorted List i.e. LeftList and RightList'''
        while i < len(leftList) and j < len(rightList):</pre>
            if leftList[i] < rightList[j]:</pre>
                 MyList[k] =leftList[i]
                 i=i+1
            else:
                 MyList[k]=rightList[j]
                 j=j+1
            k=k+1
        while i < len(leftList):
            MyList[k] = leftList[i]
```

(Contd.)

```
i=i+1
    k=k+1
    while j < len(rightList):
        MyList[k]=rightList[j]
        j=j+1
        k=k+1

MyList = [54,26,93,17,77,31,44,55,20]
print('List Before Sorting',MyList)
mergeSort(MyList)
print('List After Sorting',MyList,end='')

Output
List Before Sorting [24, 11, 9, 2, 17, 16, 14, 3]
List After Sorting [2, 3, 9, 11, 14, 16, 17, 24]</pre>
```

**Explanation** In the above program, initially the list of elements are declared. The list is passed as argument to the function mergesort(). If the list contains more than one element then the index of the middle element is calculated and the existing list is divided into two parts. Once the merge sort function is invoked on the left and right part of the list, the rest of the code is responsible for merging the two smaller sorted lists into a larger sorted list.

While merging the two sorted lists, the elements of the left list are compared with the elements of the right list. The elements with smaller values are placed in the output list. The process continues till we obtain the sorted list.

# MINI PROJECT Sorting Based on the Length of Each Element

This mini project will use programming features, such as **lists**, **functions** and **sorting algorithms** to sort the sequence of elements from a list based on some conditions.

**PROBLEM STATEMENT** Sort list according to the length of the elements. Assume that the elements within the list are of type integers.

# Input

Elements of a list (before sorting) based on the length of the element are

[23, 10, 4566, 344, 123, 121]

# Output

Elements of a list (after sorting) based on the length of the elements are

[23, 10, 344, 123, 121, 4566]
## Algorithm

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- **STEP 1:** Define the list with n number of elements of your choice.
- STEP 2: Pass the list to the function Bubble\_Sort()
- **STEP 3:** Calculate the length of each element by calling **calc()** function.
- **STEP 4:** In each iteration, compare the length of each element with the length of the neighbouring element and swap the elements accordingly.
- **STEP 5:** Print the sorted list according to the length of each element.

#### Program

```
def calc(n):
               #Function to Calculate length of an element
      C = 0
      while n > 0:
            n = n//10
            C = C + 1
      return c #return length of an element
def Bubble Sort(MyList):
    for i in range(len(MyList)-1,0,-1):
          for j in range(i):
                if calc(MyList[j]) > calc(MyList[j+1]):
                        temp,MyList[j]=MyList[j],MyList[j+1]
                        MyList[j+1] = temp
MyList = [23,10,4566,344,123,121]
print('List before sorting based on length of each element:')
print (MyList)
Bubble Sort (MyList)
print('List after Sorting based on length of each element:')
print(MyList)
Output
List before sorting based on length of each element:
[23, 10, 4566, 344, 123, 121]
List after Sorting based on length of each element:
[23, 10, 344, 123, 121, 4566]
```

Thus, this program will help a user to sort the elements of a list based on the length of each element.

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- Binary search is faster than linear search. However, data within a list must be in a sorted order while using binary search to search the elements within a list.
- Sorting is a method which rearranges the elements of a list, so that they are kept in some relevant order. The order can be either ascending or descending.

**KEY TERMS** 

**REVIEW QUESTIONS** 

- ⇒ Linear Search: Searches sequentially
- ⇒ Binary Search: Divides a sorted list in two parts until an element is found
- ⇒ **Bubble Sort:** Adjacent elements of a list are compared frequently
- ⇒ Selection Sort: Selects the smallest element and swaps it with the first element in the remaining list
- ⇒ **Insertion Sort:** Inserts a new element into a previously sorted list
- ⇒ Quick Sort: Sorting of elements within the list is based on selection of a pivot element

#### A. Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. Which sorting algorithm selects the smallest element from a list and interchanges it with the first position?
  - a. Insertion sort
  - c. Bubble sort

- b. Selection sortd. Ouick sort
- 2. Insertion sort is based on which principle?
  - a. Inserting an element at the correct place in a previously unsorted list.
  - b. Inserting an element at the correct place in a previously sorted list.
  - c. Cannot predict
  - d. None of the above
- 3. Quick sort is also known as:
  - a. Merge sort b. Partition and exchange sort
  - c. Shell sort d. None of the above
- 4. Which sorting algorithm is of divide and conquer type?
  - a. Bubble sort b. Insertion sort
  - c. Selection sort d. Quick sort
- 5. The worst case while searching an element in linear search is \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Element is present in the middle of the list
  - b. Element is present at the last
  - c. Element is not present in the list at all
  - d. Element is present at the first position

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6. A pivot element to partition unsorted list is used in: a. Selection sort b. Merge sort c. Insertion sort d. Quick sort 7. Which strategy is used by merge sort? a. Divide and conquer b. Divide d. None of the above c. Greedy approach 8. If a list is sorted or nearly in a sorted order then which algorithm gives a better performance? a. Selection sort b. Insertion sort c. Quick sort d. Merge sort 9. Which search algorithm requires the list to be in a sorted order? a. Linear search b. Binary search c. Both a and b d. None of the above 10. The best case while searching an element in a binary search is \_ a. Element found at first position b. Element found at last position c. Element found at middle position d. None of the above

#### B. True or False

- 1. In linear search, the elements are examined sequentially starting from the first element.
- 2. In binary search, the elements in a list must be in a sorted order.
- 3. Any sort algorithm that uses the main memory exclusively during sorting is called an internal sort algorithm.
- 4. Binary search algorithm compares an element to be searched with the last element of a list in each iteration.
- 5. Internal sorting is slower than external sorting.
- 6. Insertion sort is based on the principle of inserting the elements at their correct place in a previously sorted list.
- 7. Insertion sort always maintains a sorted sublist in the lower portion of a list.
- 8. Quick sort divides a list into two smaller sublists.
- 9. In selection sort, the smallest element from an array is obtained and placed at the last position of the array.
- 10. Internal memory is used for external sort algorithm.

#### **C. Exercise Questions**

- 1. Write the steps to implement the binary search method.
- 2. Sort the following list in the ascending order using selection sort: 55, 58, 90, 33, 42, 89, 59, 71.
- 3. Explain sequential searching and give its time analysis.
- 4. What is sorting and searching? List the different types of searching and sorting techniques.



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## **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. Write a Python program to implement bubble sort.
- 2. Write a Python program to implement quick sort.
- 3. Sort recursive elements using selection sort.
- 4. Write a Python program to find the desired element in a list using binary search.
- 5. Write a Python program to implement merge sort.

# **Tuples and Dictionaries**

## **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

10.1 Introduction to Tuples10.2 Dictionaries

## **LEARNING OUTCOMES -**

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After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Create tuples and dictionaries and explain their necessity and importance in programming
- Create dictionaries and add, retrieve, modify and delete the values of dictionaries
- Traverse the contents of tuples and dictionaries using the 'for' loop function

## 10.1 INTRODUCTION TO TUPLES

Tuples work exactly like lists. A tuple contains a sequence of items of many types. The elements of tuples are fixed. Once a tuple has been created, we cannot add or delete elements or even shuffle their order. Hence, the tuples are immutable. This means that once created, they cannot be changed. Since the tuples are immutable, their length is also fixed. A new tuple must be created to grow or shrink an existing one.

## 10.1.1 Creating Tuples

A tuple is an in-built data type in Python. In order to create a tuple, the elements of tuples are enclosed in the parentheses instead of the square brackets. All of the elements of a tuple are separated by commas.

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#### Example: Defining a tuple

```
Note: #To create a tuple of single element, it should be followed by comma.
>>> T1=(4,)
>>> type(T1)
<class `tuple'>
Is it possible to create a tuple of single element without Comma?
>>> T1=(4)
>>> type(T1)
<class `int'>
```

## Point to Remember

A single value in parentheses is not a tuple.

#### The tuple() Function

As in the above section, we have seen how to create a tuple. For example an empty tuple is created using the empty parentheses.

```
>>> t1=() #Create Empty tuple
>>> t1 #Print Empty tuple
()
>>> type(t1) #Check the type of t1
<class `tuple'>
```

An alternate way of creating a tuple is by using the tuple() function.

#### Example

```
>>> tl=tuple() #Create Empty tuple using tuple() function
>>> t1  #Print tuple t1
()
```

If the argument to a tuple() function is a sequence, i.e. string, list or a tuple, then the result is a tuple with the elements of the sequence.

## 10.1.2 In-built Functions for Tuples

Python provides various in-built functions that can be used with the tuples. Some of these are shown in Table 10.1.

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| In-built Functions | Meaning                                       |
|--------------------|---|
| len()              | Returns the number of elements in the tuple   |
| max()              | Returns the element with the greatest value   |
| min()              | Returns the element with the minimum value    |
| sum()              | Returns the sum of all the elements of tuple  |
| index(x)           | Returns the index of element x                |
| count(x)           | Returns the number of occurrence of element x |

 Table 10.1
 In-built functions that can be used with tuples

#### Example

```
>>> t1=("APPLE")
>>> len(t1) #Return the length of tuple t1
5
>>> max(t1) #Return Element from tuple with Maximum Value
'P'
>>> min(t1) #Return Element from tuple with Minimum Value
'A'
>>> t1.index('A')
0
>>> t1.count('P')
2
```

## 10.1.3 Indexing and Slicing

Since tuples are like lists, the indexing and slicing of tuples is also similar to that of lists. The index[] operator is used to access the elements of a tuple.

#### Example

| t[0]        | t[1]         | t[2]        | t[3]  | t[4]     | t[5]  | • | Positive Index |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------|----------|-------|---|----------------|
| Р           | Y            | Т           | Н     | 0        | Ν     |   |                |
| t[-6]       | t[-5]        | t[-4]       | t[-3] | t[-2]    | t[-1] |   | Negative Index |
| >>> t=('P'  | ,'Y','T','H' | ','O','N')  |       | #Create  | Tuple |   |                |
| >>>t        |              |             |       | #Print T | uple  |   |                |
| >>>(`P', `` | Y', `T', `F  | H', 'O', 'N | 1,)   |          |       |   |                |
| >>> t[0]    |              |             |       |          |       |   |                |
| 'P'         |              |             |       |          |       |   |                |
| >>> t[5]    |              |             |       |          |       |   |                |
| 'N'         |              |             |       |          |       |   |                |
| >>> t[-1]   |              |             |       |          |       |   |                |
| 'N'         |              |             |       |          |       |   |                |
| >>> t[-6]   |              |             |       |          |       |   |                |
| 'P'         |              |             |       |          |       |   |                |
|             |              |             |       |          |       |   |                |

## **Tuple Slicing Example**

```
>>> t=('P','Y','T','H','O','N') #Create Tuple
>>>t #Print Tuple
>>>('P', 'Y', 'T', 'H', 'O', 'N')
>>>t[0:] #Print the contents of tuple t starting from index 0
('P', 'Y', 'T', 'H', 'O', 'N')
>>> t[0:3] #Print the contents of tuple t starting from 0 to 2
('P', 'Y', 'T')
```

**Note:** More details of slicing can be found in Chapter 8: Lists.

## 10.1.4 Operations on Tuples

Tuples don't support all of the methods which are supported by the lists. A tuple supports the usual sequence operations supported by a list.

- 1. The + Operator: The concatenation + operator is used to join two tuples. >>>(1,2)+(3,4) #The concatenation operator (1, 2, 3, 4)
- 2. The \* Operator: The multiplication operator is used to replicate the elements of tuple.
  >>> (1,2)\*3 #The Repetition Operator
  (1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2)

## Passing Variable Length Arguments to a Tuple

We can pass the variable number of parameters to a function. An argument which begins with the \* in function definition, there it gathers all of the arguments into a tuple.

**PROGRAM 10.1** Write a program to create a function create\_tup() which accepts a variable number of arguments and prints all of them.

```
def create_tup(*args):
    print(args)
```

#### Output

Run the above program from interactive mode of Python.

```
>>> create_tup(1,2,3,4)
(1, 2, 3, 4)
>>> create_tup(`a','b')
(`a', `b')
```

The in-built **sum()** function takes two parameters to add the elements within it.

How can we create a function that takes variable arguments and adds all the elements present in it?

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The following program creates the function **sum\_all()** which accepts a variable number of arguments and displays the sum of all the arguments.

**PROGRAM 10.2** Write a program to create a function sum\_all() to accept a variable number of arguments and display thesum of all the elements present in it.

```
def sum_all(*args):
    t=()
    s=0
    for i in args:
        s=s+i
    print(s)
```

#### Output

```
#Running the above program on the python interactive mode.
>>>sum_all(10,20,30,40) #Function sum_all with variable arguments
100
>>> sum_all(1,2,3)
6
```

## 10.1.5 Lists and Tuples

A tuple can also be created from a list. This is illustrated in following example.

## Example

```
>>> List1=[1,2,3,4]
                      #Create List
>>> print(List1)
                      #Print List1
[1, 2, 3, 4]
>>> type(List1)
                      #Print the type of variable List1
<class `list'>
>>> t1=tuple(List1)
                      #Convert List to tuple
>>> t1
                      #print t1
(1, 2, 3, 4)
>>> type(t1)
                      #Check type of t1 after converting List to Tuple
<class `tuple'>
```

#### Traverse Tuples from a List

A tuple assignment can be used in the `for' loop to traverse a list of tuples.



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**PROGRAM 10.3** Write a Program to traverse the tuples from a list.

```
T=[(1, "Amit"),(2, "Divya"),(3, "Sameer")]
for no, name in t:
    print(no, name)

Output
1 Amit
2 Divya
3 Sameer
```

## 10.1.6 Sort the Tuples

If a programmer wants to sort a tuple, he/she can use the inbuilt sort() method. A tuple does not contain any method named 'sort'. Therefore, to sort a tuple, a programmer will have to first convert a tuple into a list. After conversion, he/she can use sort() method for lists and then again convert the sorted list into a tuple.

```
>>> t1=(7,2,1,8)
                   #Create Tuple t1
>>> t1
                   #Print t1
(7, 2, 1, 8)
>>> L1=list(t1)
                   #Convert Tuple t1 to List
>>> L1
                   #Print L1
[7, 2, 1, 8]
>>> L1.sort()
                   #Sort List
                   #Convert Sorted List to Tuple
>>> t2=tuple(L1)
                   #Print sorted tuple
>>> t2
(1, 2, 7, 8)
```

## 10.1.7 Tuple Assignment

Tuple assignment is a unique feature of python language. It has the ability to have a tuple on the left hand side of an assignment statement. It allows you there to assign the tuples of variable laying on the left to be assigned with the values from a tuple laying on the right side of the same assignment.

## Example on Tuple Assignment

```
>>> T1 = ('Virat', 5554, 9588)
>>> (Name, Run_Scored_Test, Run_ODI_Scored) = T1
>>> Name
'Virat'
>>> Run_Scored_Test
5554
>>> Run_ODI_Scored
9588
```

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In above example, we have the elements having with three sequences. Thus, we have assigned the first element to variable 'Name', second element to variable 'Run\_Scored\_Test' and the third element assigned to 'Run\_ODI\_Scored'.

## 10.1.8 Tuple as Return values

In many other programming languages, we cannot return multiple values from a function, but python has the ability to return multiple values from a function call. The following program demonstrates about the return multiple values to the caller.

**PROGRAM 10.4** Write a program to demonstrate the return multiple values to the caller.

```
def Return_Multiple_Values(a,b):
    sum1 = a + b
    diff = a - b
    mul = a * b
    div = a / b
    return sum1,diff,mul,div
```

```
ans = Return Multiple_Values(20,10)
```

print(ans)

print(type(ans))

#### Output

30, 10, 200, 2) <type `tuple'>

## 10.1.9 The zip() and Inverse zip(\*) Function

#### The zip() Function

The **zip()** is an in-built function in Python. It takes items in sequence from a number of collections to make a list of tuples, where each tuple contains one item from each of the collections. The function is often used to group items from a list which has the same index.

## Example

```
>>> A1=[1,2,3]
>>> A2="XYZ"
>>> list(zip(A1,A2)) #Zip List A1 and A2
[(1, `X'), (2, `Y'), (3, `Z')]
```

**Explanation** The result of list (**zip(A1,A2**)) is a list of tuples where each tuple contains an index-wise element from each list as a pair.



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#### Example

```
>>> L1=['Laptop', 'Desktop', 'Mobile'] #Create List1
>>> L2=[40000, 30000, 15000] #Create List2
>>> L3=tuple((list(zip(L1,L2)))) #Group item from Lists 1 and 2
#print L3
(('Laptop', 40000), ('Desktop', 30000), ('Mobile', 15000))
```

Note: If the sequences are not of the same length, then the result of zip() has the length of the shorter sequence.

#### Example:

```
>>> a="abcd" #Sequence of length 4
>>> b=[1,2,3] #Sequence of length 3
>>> list(zip(a,b)) #Zip() on a and b returns list of tuples
[(`a', 1), (`b', 2), (`c', 3)]
```

**PROGRAM 10.5** Consider two lists, viz. Lists L1 and L2. Here, L1 contains a list of colours and L2 contains their colour code as:

```
L1=['Black','White','Grey']
L2=[255,0,100]
```

Display the contents as follows.

```
('Black',255)
('white',0)
('Grey',100)
```

#### Solution

```
L1=['Black','White','Grey'] #Create List L1
L2=[255,0,100] #Create List L2
for Colour, Code in zip(L1,L2): #Use of zip in for loop
    print((Colour,Code))
Output
('Black', 255)
```

('White', 0) ('Gray', 100)

#### The Inverse *zip(\*)* Function

The \* operator is used within the **zip()** function. The \* operator unpacks a sequence into positional arguments. A simple example of the \* operator on positional arguments is given as follows.

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**PROGRAM 10.6** Demonstrate the use of the \* operator on positional arguments.

```
def print_all(Country,Capital):
    print(Country)
    print(Capital)
#Run the above program on interactive mode of Python
Output
>>> args=("INDIA","DELHI")
>>> print_all(*args)
INDIA
DELHI
```

**Explanation** In Program 10.6 above, the function **print\_all()** is created. When \*args are assessed to the function print\_all, its values are *unpacked* into the function's positional arguments arg1 to Country and Capital to arg2.

The function zip(\*) also performs the same operation, i.e. unpacks a sequence into positional arguments.

**PROGRAM 10.7** Demonstrate the use of the zip(\*) function.

```
X=[("APPLE",50000),("DELL",30000)] #List of tuples
Laptop,Prize=zip(*X) #Unpacking Values
print(Laptop)
print(Prize)
Output
('APPLE', 'DELL')
(50000, 30000)
```

**Explanation** In Program 10.7 above, initially the list is created. List x contains a sequence of tuples. The function zip(\*) is used to unpack the values of x.

#### More Examples on *zip(\*)* Function

```
#Transpose of a matrix
>>> Matrix=[(1,2),(3,4),(5,6)]
>>> Matrix
[(1, 2), (3, 4), (5, 6)]
>>> x=zip(*Matrix)
>>> tuple(x)
((1, 3, 5), (2, 4, 6))
```

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## **10.2 DICTIONARIES**

## 10.2.1 Need of Dictionaries

In the previous chapter, we learnt about a Python data structure called **list**. Lists organises their elements by position and this kind of structuring is useful when we want to locate elements in a specific order, i.e. locate either first, last element or visit each element in a sequence.

There may be situation where a programmer is not so much interested in the position of the item or element in the structure but in association of that element with some other elements in the structure.

For example, to look up Amit's phone number, we are just interested in his number from the phonebook and don't care much where the number is located in the phonebook. It means that the name of the person is associated with his phone number.

## 10.2.2 Basics of Dictionaries

In Python, a dictionary is a collection that stores the values along with the keys. The sequence of such key and value pairs is separated by the commas. These pairs are sometimes called **entries** or **items**. All entries are enclosed in curly brackets { and }. A colon separates a key and its value. Sometimes, the items within dictionaries are also called associative arrays because they associate a key with a value.

## Phonebook Example

```
{"Amit":"918624986968", "Amol":"919766962920"}
```

## **Country Code Information**

```
{"India": "+91","USA":"+1","Singapore": "+65"}
```

The above phone book example is kept in dictionary as follows The simple structure of the dictionary is shown in Figures 10.1a and b.



Figures 10.1a and b Dictionary-structure and example

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Keys are like an index operator in a dictionary. A key can be of any type. Therefore, a dictionary maps a set of objects, i.e. keys to another set of objects, which is the values. It is a mapping of unique keys to values, i.e. each key is mapped to one value. Also, the dictionaries do not contain any duplicate keys.

## 10.2.3 Creating a Dictionary

We can create a dictionary by enclosing the items inside a pair of curly brackets {}. One way to start a dictionary is to create an empty dictionary first and then add items to it.

## **Creating Empty Dictionary**

## Example

```
>>> D1 = {} #Create Empty Dictionary
>>> D1 #Print Empty Dictionary
{}
>>> type(D1) #Check the type of D1
<class `dict'>
```

Note: Python uses curly brackets for sets and dictionaries. Therefore to create an empty dictionary we use {} and to create empty set we use the function **set(**).

## Creating Dictionary with Two Items

To create dictionary of two items, The item should be in the form of **key:value** and be separated by commas.

## **Example: Creating Dictionary of Two Items**

```
>>> P={"Amit": "918624986968", "Amol": "919766962920"}
>>> P #Display P
{'Amit': '918624986968', 'Amol': '919766962920'}
```

## **Creating Dictionaries in Four Different Ways**

## Example

```
#Way 1:
>>> D1={`Name':'Sachin','Age':40}
>>> D1
{`Name': `Sachin', `Age': 40}
```

#### #Way 2:

```
>>> D2={}
>>> D2['Name']='Sachin'
>>> D2['Age']=40
>>> D2
{'Name': 'Sachin', 'Age': 40}
```



#### #Way 3: >>> D3=dict(Name='Sachin',Age=40) >>> D3 {'Name': 'Sachin', 'Age': 40}

#### #Way 4:

```
>>> dict([('name','Sachin'),('age',40)])
{'age': 40, 'name': 'Sachin'}
```

**Explanation** In the example above, we have created dictionaries in four different ways. We can select the first way if we know all the contents of a dictionary in advance. We can use the second way if we need to add one field at a time. The third way requires all of the keys to string. The fourth way is good if we want to build the keys and values at runtime.

## 10.2.4 Adding and Replacing Values

To add a new item to a dictionary, we can use the subscript[] operator. The syntax to add and an item to a dictionary is:

```
Dictionary_Name[key] = value
```

#### Example

```
P["Jhon"]="913456789087"
```

In the example above, the name of the dictionary is P. We are adding the phone number of "Jhon" into our phonebook. The "Jhon" will act as the key and the phone number of Jhon will be its value.

#### #Running the above example in Python Interactive mode

```
#Create Dictionary of Phonebook
P={"Amit":"918624986968", "Amol":"919766962920"}
>>> P #Display P
{'Amit': '918624986968', 'Amol': '919766962920'}
```

```
#Add another element to the existing Dictionary of Phonebook P
>>> P["Jhon"]="913456789087" #Add New element
>>> P
{'Jhon': `913456789087', `Amit': `918624986968', `Amol': `919766962920'}
```

**Note:** If a key is already present in a list then it replaces the old value for the said key with the new value.

#### Example

```
P={"Amit":"918624986968", "Amol":"919766962920"}
>>> P #Display P
{'Amit': '918624986968', 'Amol': '919766962920'}
```

#### **Retrieving Values**

The subscript[] can also be used to obtain the value associated with a key. The syntax is:

Dictinoary\_Name[Key] #Retrieve the value associated with the key.

#### Example

```
P={"Amit":"918624986968", "Amol":"919766962920"}
>>> P #Display P
{'Amit': '918624986968', 'Amol': '919766962920'}
```

>>> P["Amol"] #Display the value associated with the key "Amol"
'919766962920'

**Note:** If the key is not in the dictionary python raises an error.

#### Example

```
>>>P={"Amit":"918624986968", "Amol":"919766962920"}
>>> P["Sachin"]
Traceback (most recent call last):
    File "<pyshell#48>", line 1, in <module>
        P["Sachin"]
```

KeyError: 'Sachin'

## 10.2.5 Formatting Dictionaries

The % operator is used to substitute values from a dictionary, into a string by a name.

#### Example

In the example above, initially a dictionary is created containing two keys, viz. 'Laptop' and 'Count'. In the statement, "I want %(Count)d %(Laptop)s Laptops"%D." The characters 'd' and 's' for integer and string.



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## 10.2.6 Deleting Items

We can delete any entry from a dictionary. The **del** operator is used to remove a key and its associated value. If a key is in a dictionary, then it is removed, otherwise Python raises an error. The syntax used to remove an element from a dictionary is

del dictionary\_name[key].

## Example

```
>>> P={"Amit":"918624986968", "Amol":"919766962920"}
>>> del P["Amit"] #delete key "Amit"
>>> P #Print after deleting
{'Amol': '919766962920'}
```

## 10.2.7 Comparing Two Dictionaries

The '==' operator is used to test if two dictionaries contain the same items. Also, the '!=' operator returns True if the items within dictionaries are not the same.

## Example

```
>>> A={"I":"India","A":"America"}
>>> A
{'I': 'India', 'A': 'America'}
>>> B={"I":"Italy","A":"America"}
>>> B
{'I': 'Italy', 'A': 'America'}
>>> A==B
False
>>> A!=B
True
```

## 10.2.8 The Methods of Dictionary Class

Python contains **dict** class for dictionaries. To see the complete documentation for dictionaries we can run **help(dict)** in Python interactive mode. Table 10.2 contains the methods of the dictionary class along with suitable examples.

```
Table 10.2 Some commonly used dictionary operations
```

```
Methods of dict ClassWhat It Does?keys()Returns the sequence of keys.Example:>>> ASCII_CODE={ "A":65, "B":66, "C":67, "D":68 }>>> ASCII_CODE#Print Dictionary named ASCII_CODE{'D': 68, 'B': 66, 'A': 65, 'C': 67 }>>> ASCII_CODE.keys()#Return all keysdict keys(['D', 'B', 'A', 'C'])
```

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Values() Returns the sequence of values. Example: >>> ASCII CODE={ "A":65, "B":66, "C":67, "D":68 } >>> ASCII CODE.values() #Return Values dict values([68, 66, 65, 67]) items() Returns the sequence of tuples. Example: >>>ASCII CODE={ "A":65, "B":66, "C":67, "D":68} >>ASCII CODE.items() dict items([('D', 68), ('B', 66), ('A', 65), ('C', 67)]) clear() Deletes all entries. Example: >>>ASCII CODE={"A":65,"B":66,"C":67,"D":68} >>> ASCII CODE.clear() # Delete all entries >>> ASCII CODE # Print after {} get(key) Returns the value for a key. Example: >>> Temperature={"Mumbai":35,"Delhi":40,"Chennai":54} >>> Temperature.get("Mumbai") 35 pop(key) Removes the key and returns the value if the key exist. Example: >>> Temperature.pop("Mumbai") 35 >>> Temperature #Print after removing key "Mumbai". {'Delhi': 40, 'Chennai': 54} clear() Remove all the keys. Example: >>> Temperature={"Mumabai":35,"Delhi":40,"Chennai":54} >>> Temperature.clear() >>> Temperature

## 10.2.9 Traversing Dictionaries

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The **'for'** loop is used to traverse all of the keys and values of a dictionary. A variable of the 'for' loop is bound to each key in an unspecified order. It means that it retrieves the key and its value in any order. The following program shows the traversing elements of a dictionary.

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**PROGRAM 10.8** Program to traverse the elements of a Dictionary

```
>>> Grades={"Tammana":"A","Pranav":"B","Sumit":"C"}
>>> for key in Grades:
    print(key,":",str(Grades[key]))
Output
Tammana: A
Sumit: C
Pranav: B
```



**Note:** Write the above program in Python shell and then execute it in Python Interpreter. The latter will display all of the items in different order.

**PROGRAM 10.9** Write program to assign grades to students and display all of the grades using keys() and get() method of dictionary.

```
Grades={"Tammana":"A","Pranav":"B","Sumit":"C"}
for key in Grades.keys():
    print(key,'',Grades.get(key,0))
```

Output

Sumit C Pranav B Tammana A

**Explanation** Grades of students are assigned to the dictionary grades as discussed in Table 10.2. The keys() method is used in for loop to return the sequence of keys. All returned keys are stored in variable key. Finally, get() method is used to return values associated with the particular key.

## 10.2.10 Nested Dictionaries

A dictionary within a dictionary is called a nested dictionary. To understand this, let us make a dictionary of Indian cricket players with some information about them. The key for this dictionary will consist of the cricketers' names. The value will include information, such as, the runs scored in test and ODI matches.

#### Traversing a Nested Dictionary

We used the 'for' loop to traverse simple dictionaries. It can also be used to traverse nested dictionaries. Let us write the above example and use the 'for' loop to go through the keys of the dictionaries.

```
Players={"Virat Kohli" : {"ODI": 7212, "Test":3245},
         "Sachin Tendulkar" : {"ODI": 18426, "Test":15921}}
#Way 1
for Player Name, Player Details in Players.items():
    print("",Player Name)
    print("",Player Details)
#Way 2
for Player Name, Player Details in Players.items():
    print("Player: ", Player Name)
    print("Run Scored in ODI:\t",Player Details["ODI"])
    print("Run Scored in Test:\t",Player Details["Test"])
Output
Sachin Tendulkar
 {'Test': 15921, 'ODI': 18426}
Virat Kohli
 {'Test': 3245, 'ODI': 7212}
Player: Sachin Tendulkar
 Run Scored in ODI: 18426
Run Scored in Test: 15921
Player: Virat Kohli
Run Scored in ODI: 7212
 Run Scored in Test: 3245
```

**Explanation** The above program shows the two different ways to print the details of the dictionaries. The first way contains the code:

```
for Player_Name, Player_Details in Players.items():
    print("",Player_Name)
    print("",Player_Details)
```

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In the above code, Player\_Name stores the keys, i.e. the name of the player from the outer dictionary and the variable Player\_Details stores the value associated with the key, i.e. Player\_Name.

However, the second way is used to access specific information about a player. The code for the second way is:

```
for Player_Name, Player_Details in Players.items():
    print("Player: ",Player_Name)
    print("Run Scored in ODI:\t",Player_Details["ODI"])
    print("Run Scored in Test:\t",Player_Details["Test"])
```

In the 'for' loop, we have used Player\_Name, which displays the name of the player as key of a dictionary. To access the specific details of that player, the index[] operator key is used.

The above program code is much shorter and easier to maintain, but even this code will not keep up with our dictionary. If we add more information to the dictionary later we have to update our print statements as well. Let us minimize the above piece of code and put a second 'for' loop inside the first 'for' loop in order to run through all the information about each player.

Virat Kohli Test: 3245 ODI: 7212

**Explanation** The first loop gives us all the keys in the main dictionary, which consist of the name of each player. Each of these names can be used to unlock the dictionary for each player. The inner loop goes through the dictionary for that individual player and pulls out all the keys in that player's dictionary. The inner 'for' loop prints the key, which tells us the kind of information we are about to see and the value for that key.

## Simple Programs on Dictionary

**PROGRAM 10.10** Write a function histogram that takes string as parameter and generates a frequency of characters contained in it.

#### Example

S = "AAPPLE"

The program should create a dictionary.

 $D = \{ A': 2, E': 1, P': 2, L': 1 \}$ 

#### Solution

```
def Histogram(S):
    D = dict() #Initially Create Empty Dictionary
    for C in S:
        if C not in D:
            D[C] = 1
        else:
            D[C]=D[C]+1
        return D
H=Histogram("AAPPLE")
print(H)
Output
{'A': 2, `E': 1, `P': 2, `L': 1}
```

**Explanation** In the Program 10.10 above, we created a function Histogram(S). A string S is passed as the parameter to the function. Initially, an empty dictionary is created. The 'for' loop is used to traverse the string. While traversing, each character is stored in C. If the character C is not in the dictionary, then we inserted a new item into the dictionary with key C and initial value as 1. If C is already in the dictionary, then we incremented D[C].

**PROGRAM 10.11** Write a program to count the frequency of characters using get() method of dictionary.

```
def Histogram(S):
    D = dict()
    for C in S:
        if C not in D:
            D[C] = 1
        else:
            D[C]=D.get(C,0)+1
    return D
H = Histogram("AAPPLE")
print(H)
Output
{'P': 2, 'L': 1, 'A': 2, 'E': 1}
```

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**PROGRAM 10.12** Write a program to print and store squares of numbers into a dictionary.

```
def Sq_of_numbers(n):
    d = dict() #Creates A Empty Dictionary
    for i in range(1,n+1): #Iterates from 1 to N
        if i not in d:
            d[i]=i*i #Store the Square of a Number i into Dictionary
    return d
print('Squares of Number:')
Z=Sq_of_numbers(5)
print(Z)
Output
Squares of Number:
{1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9, 4: 16, 5: 25}
```

**PROGRAM 10.13** Write a program to pass list to a function. Calculate total number of positive and negative numbers from the list. Finally display the count in terms of the dictionary.

#### Example

```
Input: L=[1,-2,-3,4]
Output: {'Neg': 2, 'Pos': 2}
```

#### Solution

**Explanation** In Program 10.13 above, the empty dictionary D is created. Initially, two keys are added to the dictionary, i.e. Pos and Neg with count 0 as their respective values. The List L is passed to the function abc(). If the number is positive or negative, then the count is increased accordingly.

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## **PROGRAM 10.14** Write a program to convert an octal number to binary.

## Example

Input: (543)8 Output: (101100011)

#### Solution

`001010111'

**Explanation** In Program 10.14 above, we created the function Convert\_oct\_Bin(). It accepts two parameters. The first parameter is the octal number as a string, which we want to convert into binary and the second parameter is the dictionary, which contains the decimal number and its equivalent binary number as well. The above algorithm visits each digit of the octal number, selects the corresponding three bits, which represent the same digit in binary and adds these bits to the result string binary.

## 10.2.11 Polynomials As Dictionaries

As we learnt in previous chapters, Python has two data types, viz. **mutable** and **immutable**. Python objects that cannot change their contents are known as immutable data types. The immutable data types consist of str and tuple. List and dictionaries can change their contents, so they are called mutable objects. The keys in a dictionary are not restricted to be strings. Any immutable Python object can be used as a key. However, a common type of key used in a dictionary is included in integer type. Let us consider the following example of how dictionaries with integers as keys represent a polynomial.



## Example of Polynomial

$$P(Y) = -2 + Y^2 + 3Y^6$$

The above example is a polynomial of a single variable, i.e. **y**. The above polynomial consists of three terms, viz. (–2), (Y2) and (3Y6). All the terms can be viewed as set of powers and coefficient terms. The first term, i.e. (–2) contains power of y as 0 and with the coefficient as –2. Similarly, the second term, i.e (Y2) contains the power of Y as 2 and with the coefficient as 1. And, the last term (3Y6) contains the power of y as 6 and with the coefficient as 3. A dictionary can be used to map a power to a coefficient.

## Representing above Polynomial using Dictionaries

```
P = \{0:-2, 2:1, 6:3\}
```

The above polynomial can also be represented as **list**. But, we have to fill in all zero (0) coefficients too, since the index must match with the power. Therefore, representing the above polynomial as list, it shows:

P(Y) = -2 + Y2 + 3Y6P = [-2, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 3]

After representing the said polynomial in terms of list, we can compare the representation of polynomial in terms of dictionary and list. The advantage of dictionary is that the user has to store only the non-zero coefficients. For the polynomial 1+x50, the dictionary holds 51 elements.

**PROGRAM 10.15** Write a program to evaluate polynomial of one variable, i.e. x, if the value of x is 2.

## Example

```
P(X) = -2 + X<sup>2+</sup>3X<sup>3</sup>
P(2) = 26

def Eval_Poly(P,X):
    sum = 0
    for Power in P:
        sum = sum + P[Power]*X**Power
        print('The Value of Polynomial after Evaluation:',sum)
P ={0:-2, 2:1, 3:3}
Eval_Poly(P,2)

Output
The Value of Polynomial after Evaluation: 26
```

**Explanation** The function Eval\_Poly() is created. The Polynomial P is represented in the form of dictionary. The argument to the function is a dictionary of polynomial P. Where P[Power] holds the coefficient associated with the term X\*\*Power.



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- A tuple contains a sequence of items of any type.
- The elements of tuples are fixed.
- Tuples are immutable.
- A tuple can also be created from a list.
- The elements of tuples are enclosed in parentheses instead of square brackets.
- Tuples do not contain any method named sort.
- A tuple contains a sequence of items of any type.

**KEY TERMS** 

- ⇒ **Tuple:** It is a sequence of elements of any type.
- ⇒ **Dictionary:** It is a collection of key and value pair.
- ⇒ **Immutable:** It is a sort of Python objects, which can't be changed.
- ⇒ **Nested Dictionary:** It is a sort of dictionary laying within another dictionary.
- ⇒ **zip()** Function: It is a sort of in-built Python function as used to make a list of tuples.
- ⇒ **zip(\*)** Function: It is the function of zip inverse.

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#### **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

#### A. Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. What will be the output of the following code?
   def main():
   Average\_Rainfall={}
   Average\_Rainfall[`Mumbai']=765
   Average\_Rainfall[`Chennai']=850
   print(Average\_Rainfall)
   main()
  - a. ['Mumbai': 765, 'Chennai': 850]
  - b. {'Mumbai': 765, 'Chennai': 850}
  - c. ('Mumbai': 765, 'Chennai': 850)
  - d. None of the above
- 2. What will be the output of the following code?

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3. What will be the output of the following code?
  t = (1, 2, 3, 4)
  t[2] = 10
  print(t)
    a. 1,2,10,4
                                                  b. 1,10,2,4
    c. Error
                                                  d. 1,10,10,4
4. What will be the output of the following code?
   a = ((1,2),)*7
  print (len(a[3:6]))
                                                  b. 3
   a. 2
    c. 4
                                                  d. Error
5. What will be the output of the following program?
  my dict={}
  my dict[(1, 2, 3)] = 12
  my dict[(4,5)] = 2
  print(my dict)
   a. {12,12,12,2,2}
                                                  b. Error
    c. {(4, 5): 2, (1, 2, 3): 12}
                                                  d. {(1, 2, 3): 12, (4, 5): 2}
6. What will be the output of the following code?
   jersey = { `sachin':10, 'Virat':18}
   jersey[10]
    a. Sachin
                                                  b. Virat
    c. Error
                                                  d. None of the above
7. What will be the output after the execution of the following statements?
   capital = { 'India': 'Delhi', 'SriLanka': 'Colombo' }
   capital=list(captial.values)
    a. Delhi
                                                  b. ['Delhi', 'Colombo']
    c. ['Colombo']
                                                  d. Error
8. Which dictionary has been created correctly?
   a. d={1:['+91','India'],2:['+65','USA']}
  b. d={['India']:1,['USA']:2}
   c. d={('India'):1,('USA'):2}
   d. d={1:"INDIA", 2:"USA"}
   e. d={ "Payal":1, "Rutuja":2}
                                                  b. Only b
    a. Only d
    c. a, b and c
                                                  d. a, c, d and e
9. What will be the output of the following code?
   Fruits = ('Banana','Grapes','Mango','Water Melon')
   print(max(fruits))
  print(min(fruits))
    a. Water Melon, Mango
                                                  b. Water Melon, Banana
                                                  d. Banana, Water Melon
    c. Water Melon, Grapes
```

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## B. True or False

- 1. A tuple contains non-sequential items of any type.
- 2. The elements of tuples are fixed.
- 3. Elements can be added after a tuple has been created.
- 4. A tuple is an in-built data type in Python.
- 5. In order to create a tuple, the elements of tuples are enclosed in parentheses instead of square brackets.
- 6. The elements of tuples are not separated by commas.
- 7. Indexing and slicing of tuples is similar to that of lists.
- 8. The index[] operator is used to access the elements of a tuple.
- 9. The zip() function takes items in a sequence from a number of collections to make a list of tuples.
- 10. The \* operator unpacks a sequence into positional arguments.
- 11. A dictionary within a dictionary is called a nested dictionary.
- 12. A 'for' loop can be used to traverse nested dictionaries.
- 13. Python objects which cannot change their contents are known as mutable data types.
- 14. Immutable data types consist of int, float, complex, str and tuple.
- 15. List and dictionaries can change their contents, so they are called immutable.
- 16. A dictionary holds only two elements for the polynomial 1+x50.

#### **C. Exercise Questions**

- 1. What is meant by a tuple and how is it created?
- 2. What are the functions of tuples?
- 3. Compare tuples and lists.
- 4. How is a single element using a tuple created?
- 5. List the in-built functions supported by tuples.
- 6. How is indexing and slicing of tuples done?
- 7. Which operator is used to access the elements in a tuple?
- 8. Can a programmer pass a variable to a function? If yes, how?
- 9. Consider the example of a tuple as follows.

```
x = (11, 12, (13, 'Sachin', 14), 'Hii')
a. x[0] b. x[2]
c. x[-1] d. x[2][2]
e. x[2][-1] f. x[-1][-1]
g. x[-1][2] h. x[0:1]
i. x[0:-1] j. len(x)
k. 2 in x l. 3 in x
m. x[0] = 8
```

Write the output for the expression.

- 10. What is the function of zip()?
- 11. What is the role of the \* operator within the zip() function?
- 12. Describe the basics of dictionaries.
- 13. A dictionary named 'Grades' is created as
   Grades = { "Sahil":90, "Abhijeet":65}

Problem Solving and Python Programming What do the following statements do? a. print(Grades.keys()) b. print(Grades.values()) c. print(len(Grades)) d. Grades["Karsus"]=99 e. Grades["Abhijeet"] += 5 f. del Grades["Abhijeet"] g. print(Grades.items()) What will be the output of the following code?  $Set1 = \{10, 20, 30, 40\}$ a. S1.issubset({10,20,30,40,50,60}) b. S1.issuperset({20,30,40}) c. print(10 in S1) d. print( 101 in S1) e. print(len(S1)) f. print(max(S1)) g. print(sum(s1)) 14. What will be the output of the following code? T = (10, 34, 22, 87, 90)a. print(t) b. t[0] c. print(t[0:4]) d. print(t[:-1]) 15. How can all keys and values of a dictionary be traversed? 16. How are the nested dictionaries created? 17. How can a polynomial be represented using dictionaries?

## **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Write a function which takes a tuple as parameter and returns new tuple as a output. Where every other elements of the input tuple is copied starting with first one.

Example:

```
T = ('Hello','Are','You','Loving','Python?')
Output_Tuple = ('Hello', 'You', 'Python?')
```

2. Write a function, called **how\_many**, which returns the sum of the number of values associated with a dictionary.

#### Example:

```
T= animals = { `L':[`Lion'], 'D':[`Donkey'], 'E':[`Elephant'] }
>>>print(how_many(animals))
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```

3. Write a function 'biggest' which takes a dictionary as a parameter and returns the key corresponding to the entry with the largest number of values associated with it.

#### Example:

```
>>>animals = { `L':[`Lion'], 'D':[`Donkey', 'Deer'], 'E':[`Elephant'] }
>>>biggest(animals)
>>>d #Since d contains two values
```

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4. Write a function Count\_Each\_vowel which accepts string from user. The function should return dictionary which contains the count of each vowel.

Example:

>>> Count\_Each\_vowel("HELLO")
>>>{ 'H':1, 'E':1, 'L':2, 'O':2}

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• File Handling

 Exception Handling, Modules and Packages

# File Handling

## **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

- 11.1 Introduction
- 11.2 Need of File Handling
- 11.3 Text Input and Output
- 11.4 The seek() Function

- 11.5 Binary Files
- 11.6 Accessing and Manipulating Files and Directories on a Disk

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Explain the need and importance of file handling
- Open a file and perform different operations on files, such as reading and writing
- Read the contents of a file using the read, readline and readline methods
- Read and write text and numerical data from and to a file, and append data to an existing file
- Access files and directories through various inbuilt functions
- Remove new line characters and other white spaces using the split() function

## 11.1 INTRODUCTION

A file is a collection of records. A record is a group of related data items. These data items may contain information related to students, employees, customers, etc. In other words, a file is a collection of numbers, symbols and text and can be considered a **stream of characters**.



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## 11.2 NEED OF FILE HANDLING

Often the output screen of a laptop or monitor is not enough to display all the data. This usually happens when the data is large and only a limited amount can be displayed on the screen and stored in the memory. Computer memory is volatile, so even if a user tries to store the data in the memory, its contents would be lost once a program is terminated. If the user needs the same data again, either it has to be entered through a keyboard or regenerated programmatically. Obviously, both these operations are tedious. Therefore, to permanently store the data created in a program, a user needs to save it in a **File** on a disk or some other device. The data stored in a file is used to retrieve the user's information either in part or whole.

Various operations carried out on a file are

- (a) Creating a file
- (b) Opening a file
- (c) Reading from a file
- (d) Writing to a file
- (e) Closing a file

All these operations are discussed in detail in this chapter.

## 11.3 TEXT INPUT AND OUTPUT

To read data from a file or to write data to a file, a user needs to use the **open** function to first create a file object.

## 11.3.1 Opening a File

A file needs to open before we can perform read and write operations on it. To open a file, a user needs to first create a file object which is associated with a physical file. While opening a file, a user has to specify the name of the file and its mode of operation. The syntax to open a file is:

file object = open(File\_Name, [Access\_Mode],[Buffering])

The above syntax to open a file returns the object for file name. The mode operation used in the syntax above is a string value which indicates how a file is going to be opened. Table 11.1 describes the various modes used to open a file. The third parameter within the open function is an optional parameter, which controls the buffering of a file. If this parameter is set to 1, line buffering is performed while accessing the file. If the buffering value is set to 0 then no buffering takes place. If we specify the buffering value as an integer greater than 1 then the buffering action is performed with the indicated buffer size.

| Table 11.1 | Different | modes | to | open | а | file |
|------------|-----------|-------|----|------|---|------|
|------------|-----------|-------|----|------|---|------|

| Mode | Description   |
|------|---|
| R    | Opens a file for reading  |
| W    | Opens a new file for writing. If a file already exists, its contents are destroyed. |

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| А  | Opens a file for appending data from the end of the file |  |
|----|--|--|
| Wb | Opens a file for writing binary data                     |  |
| Rb | Opens a file for reading binary data                     |  |

#### Example

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F1 = open ("Demo.txt","r") #Open File from Current Directory
F2 = open("c:\Hello.txt","r")

The above example opens a file named Hello.txt located at C: in read mode.

## 11.3.2 Writing Text to a File

The open function creates a file object. It is an instance of **\_io.TextIOWrapper** class. This class contains the methods for reading and writing data. Table 11.2 lists the methods defined in the **\_io.TextIOWrapper** class.

| _io.TextIOWrapper                 | Meaning   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| <pre>str readline()</pre>         | Returns the next line of a file as a string   |
| list readlines()                  | Returns a list containing all the lines in a file   |
| <pre>str read([int number])</pre> | Returns a specified number of characters from a file. If the argument is omitted then the entire content of the file is read. |
| Write (str s)                     | Writes strings to a file  |
| close()                           | Closes a file   |

| Table | 11.2 | Methods | for | reading | and | writing | data |
|-------|------|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|------|
|       |      |         |     |         |     |         |      |

Once a file is opened, the write method is used to write a string to a file. Program 11.1 demonstrates the use of write method to write content to a file Demo1.txt.

**PROGRAM 11.1** Write a program to write the sentences given below the file **Demo1.txt**.

Hello, How are You? Welcome to The chapter File Handling. Enjoy the session.

```
def main():
    obj1 = open("Demo1.txt","w") #Opens file in Write mode
    obj1.write(" Hello, How are You ? \n")
    obj1.write(" Welcome to The chapter File Handling. \n ")
    obj1.write(" Enjoy the session. \n ")
main() # Call to main function
```

**Explanation** In the above program, initially the file **Demo1.txt** is opened in 'w' mode, i.e. write mode. If the file **Demo1.txt** does not exist, the **open** function creates a new file. If the file already exists, the contents of the file will be over written with new data.



When a file is opened for reading or writing, a special pointer called **file pointer** is positioned internally in the file. Reading and writing operation within the file starts from the pointer's location. When a file is opened, the file pointer is set at the beginning of the file. The file pointer moves forward as soon as we start reading from the file or write the data to the file.

The step-wise execution and position of the file pointer is updated in the following manner by the Python interpreter.

Initially, a call is made to the **main()** function. The statement **obj1 = open("Demo1.txt","w")** opens **Demo1.txt** in write mode. The file is created and initially the file pointer is at the starting of the file as shown in Figure 11.1.

| Demo1.txt - C:\Python34\Demo1.txt (3.4.2) |      |        |     |         |         |      |  |  |
|---|------|--------|-----|---------|---------|------|--|--|
| File                                      | Edit | Format | Run | Options | Windows | Help |  |  |
| $\mathbf{\Lambda}$                        |      |        |     |         |         |      |  |  |
| 1.  |      |        |     |         |         |      |  |  |
|   |      |        |     |         |         |      |  |  |

Figure 11.1 Initial position of the file pointer

The following statement within the program invokes the write method on the file object to write strings into the file.

```
obj1.write(" Hello, How are You ? n'')
```

After successful execution of the above statement, the file pointer is located as shown in Figure 11.2.



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After successful execution of a second statement, i.e. **obj1.write("Welcome to The chapter File Handling.** \**n** "), the file pointer is located as shown in Figure 11.3.

| *Demo1.txt - C:\Python34\Demo1.txt (3.4.2)* |         |      |         |          |      |  |  |  |
|---|---------|------|---------|----------|------|--|--|--|
| File Edit                                   | Format  | Run  | Options | Windows  | Help |  |  |  |
| Hello, H                                    | How are | You  | ?       |          |      |  |  |  |
| Welcome                                     | to The  | char | ter Fil | le Handl | ing. |  |  |  |
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Finally, after the execution of the third statement, i.e. **obj1.write(" Enjoy the session.\n")**, the contents of the file are updated as shown in Figure 11.4.

| *Demo1.txt - C:\Python34\Demo1.txt (3.4.2)* |       |       |       |      |      |     |          |      |
|---|-------|-------|-------|------|------|-----|----------|------|
| File  | Edit  | t Fo  | rmat  | Run  | Opti | ons | Windows  | Help |
| Hei   | 110,  | How   | are   | You  | ?    |     |          |      |
| We:   | lcome | e to  | The   | char | oter | Fil | le Handl | ing. |
| Eng   | joy 1 | the : | sess: | ion. |      |     |          |      |





Note: When print(str) function is invoked, the function automatically inserts new line character. But when write function is invoked, we have to explicitly write the new line character to the file.

## 11.3.3 Closing a File

When we have finished reading or writing from a file, we need to properly close it. Since an open file consumes system resources (depending on the mode of the file), closing it will free resources tied to it. This is done using the close() method. The syntax to close a file is:

Fileobject.close()

#### Example

fpl = open('Demol.txt','w')
fpl.close()

## 11.3.4 Writing Numbers to a File

In the above program, we have seen that the **write (str s)** method is used to write a string to a file. However, if we try to write numbers to a file, the Python interpreter shows an error. The following program uses the write method to show the error generated by the Python interpreter upon execution.

```
def main():
    obj1 = open("Demo1.txt","w") #Open file in Write mode
    for x in range(1,20):
        obj1.write(x) #Write number X to a file
        obj1.close()
main()
```

#### #Error

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
   File "C:\Python34\Demo1.py", line 6, in <module>
    main()
   File "C:\Python34\Demo1.py", line 4, in main
```

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      obj1.write(x)
      TypeError: must be str, not int
```

The **write** () method expects a string as an argument. Therefore, if we want to write other data types, such as integers or floating point numbers then the numbers must be first converted into strings before writing them to an output file. In order to read the numbers correctly, we need to separate them using special characters, such as " " (**space**) or **\\n'** (**new line**). Program 11.2 uses **str** method to convert numbers into strings and write numbers to an output file.

**PROGRAM 11.2** Write numbers from 1 to 20 to the output file **WriteNumbers.txt**.

**Explanation** The program opens a **WriteNumbers.txt** file in w mode, i.e. write mode. The for loop iterates 20 times to write numbers from 1 to 20 to the file. The numbers are converted into strings using the **str** method before being written to the file.

PROGRAM 11.3 Generate 50 random numbers within a range 500 to 1000 and write them to file WriteNumRandom.txt.

```
from random import randint
                                           # Import Random Module
fp1 = open("WriteNumRandom.txt","w") # Open file in write mode
for x in range(51):
                        #Iterates for 50 times
    x = randint(500,1000) #Generate one random number
                          #Convert Number to String
    x = str(x)
    fpl.write(x + " ") #Write Number to Output file
fpl.close()
                  #Finish Writing Close the file
Output File
                                                                          \Sigma
                                                                       WriteNumRandom.txt.txt - C:\Python34\WriteNumRandom.txt.txt (3.4.2)
 File Edit Format Run Options Windows Help
 504 955 584 643 933 602 857 883 820 515 714 763 509 926 560 879 785 634 587 985
```

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**Explanation** The above program generates 50 random integers within range (500 to 1000) and writes them to a text file WriteNumRandom.txt. The **randint** module is imported from **random** to generate random numbers.

## 11.3.5 Reading Text from a File

Once a file is opened using the **open** () function, its content is loaded into the memory. The pointer points to the very first character of the file. To read the content of the file, we open the file in **'r'** (read) mode. The following code is used to open the file **ReadDemo1.txt**.

```
>>> fp1 = open("ReadDemo1.txt","r")
```

There are several ways to read the content of a file. The two common approaches are:

a. Use **read()** method to read all the data from a file and return as one complete string.

b. Use **readlines()** method to read all data and return as a list of strings.

The following program demonstrates the use of the **read()** method to read the content of the file **ReadDemo1.txt**. The content of the file is as shown in Figure 11.5.

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|------|------|-------|--|--|
| File                                 | Edit               | Format    | View | Help |       |  |  |
| I<br>Love<br>Pytho<br>Porgi<br>Langi | on<br>ramm<br>uage | ing       |      |      |       |  |  |

Figure 11.5

PROGRAM 11.4 Write a program to read the content of the file ReadDemo1.txt using the read() method.

```
fp = open("ReadDemol.txt","r") #Open file in read mode
text = fp.read()  # Read Whole File exactly once
print(text)  #Print the contents of file

Output
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Language
```

**Explanation** Initially the file ReadDemo1.txt is opened in read mode. The content of the file is read using the read() method. It reads all the content of the file exactly once and returns all the data as a single string.

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Alternatively, a programmer can write the for loop to read one line of a file at a time, process it and continue reading the next line until it reaches the end of the file.

```
fp = open("ReadDemo1.txt","r")
for line in fp:
    print(line)

Output
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programming
Language
```

**Explanation** In the above program, the for loop views the file object as a sequence of lines of text. In each iteration of the for loop, the loop variable **line** is bound to the next line from the sequences of lines present in the text file. Note the output of above program. The **print**() statement prints one extra new line. This is because each line of the input file retains its new line character.

## 11.3.6 Reading Numbers from a File

Syntax used to open a file in read mode is

```
fp1 = open ("numbers.txt","r");
```

The content of the file **numbers.txt** is as shown in Figure 11.6.

| numbers - Notepad                |      |        |      |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|------|--------|------|--|--|--|--|
| File                             | Edit | Format | View |  |  |  |  |
| 5<br>2<br>4<br>6<br>8<br>10<br>∢ |      |        |      |  |  |  |  |

Figure 11.6

The first line of file number.txt contains a single integer '**n**', indicating the total number of values appearing in the file. Immediate to the next of the first line we have '**n**' lines with one number on each line. Thus, by making use of **read()** method, all the content of the file is read at once and returned as string. The following program reads the content of the file **numbers.txt** in '**r**' mode.

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**PROGRAM 11.5** Write a program to read the content of the file 'numbers.txt'.

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```
fp1 = open("numbers.txt","r") #open file in read mode
num = fp1.read() #return entire contents of file as string
print(num) #print the contents of file stored in num
print(type(num)) # Check the type of num

Cutput
5
2
4
6
8
10
<class `str'>
```

In the above program we use the **read()** method. It returns all the input content of the file as a single string. Assume that our goal is to add all the numbers present in a file except for the first one, which indicates the total numbers present in the file.

In order to add the numbers present in the file **numbers.txt**, the **readline()** function is used to read the content of the whole line. Program 11.6 illustrates the use of the **readline()** method.

**PROGRAM 11.6** Write a program to add the content of a file numbers.txt and display the sum of all the numbers present in the file.

```
fpl = open("numbers.txt","r")
num = int(fpl.readline())
print(num)
sum = 0
print('The ', num ,' numbers present in the file are as follows:')
for i in range(num):
    num1 = int(fpl.readline())
    print(num1)
    sum = sum + num1
print('Sum of all the numbers (except first):')
print(sum)
Output
5
```

The 5 numbers present in the file are as follows:

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```
6
8
10
Sum of all the numbers (except first):
30
```

**Explanation** In the above program, initially we have opened a file **numbers.txt** in read mode. The **num = int(fp1.readline())** statement instructs Python to read an entire line from a designated file. Since this is the first line after the file was opened, it will read the first line of the file. As **readline()** function returns string, using (int) function, the string is converted to int. This step is repeated to read the remaining lines from the file.

### 11.3.7 Reading Multiple Items on one Line

In the above program, we were able to read only one item per line. Many text files contain multiple items in a single line. The method **split** () for strings allows us to read more than one piece of information in a line. The **split** () returns all the items in a list. In short, it splits a string into separate items and all the items are separated by spaces or tabs.

The following example written in Python IDLE interpreter gives more details about the **split()** method.

**Explanation** The above example simply splits the string and stores the content to a list. Finally, the for loop is used to access and display each item of the list.

Let us look at a program which reads more than one piece of information in a line. Consider the problem of calculating the total and percentage marks obtained by students, stored in a file **Grades.txt**.

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The content of Grades.txt file is as shown in Figure 11.7.

| Grades - Notepad                |                            |                            |                            |                             |      |      |  |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------|------|--|
| File                            | e E                        | dit                        | Form                       | nat                         | View | Help |  |
| 5<br>60<br>55<br>70<br>89<br>67 | 70<br>65<br>60<br>76<br>89 | 80<br>75<br>80<br>56<br>76 | 90<br>85<br>90<br>43<br>54 | 100<br>60<br>67<br>90<br>90 | )    |      |  |
| •                               |                            |                            |                            |                             |      |      |  |

#### Figure 11.7

The first line of the input file **Grades.txt** has a single positive integer 'n' which represents the number of students in a class. The following 'n' lines next to the first line contain five positive integers in between 0 and 100, which represent the marks obtained by the students in five different subjects.

**PROGRAM 11.7** Write a program to read the contents of a file **Grades.txt** and calculate the total marks and percentage obtained by a student.

```
fpl = open("Grades.txt","r") #Open file in read mode
n = int(fp1.readline())
                          #Read first line of file
print('Total Number of Students: ',n)
for i in range(n):
   print('Student #',i+1,':', end = ' ')
   allgrades = (fp1.readline().split())
   print(allgrades)
   sum = 0
   for j in range(len(allgrades)):
        sum = sum + int(allgrades[j])
        per = float((sum/500)*100)
   print('Total = ',sum, ' \nPercentage = ',per)
   print(`\n')
Output
Total Number of Students: 5
```

Student # 1 : ['60', '70', '80', '90', '100']

Total = 400Percentage = 80.0

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```
Student # 2 : [`55', `65', `75', `85', `60']
Total = 340
Percentage = 68.0
Student # 3 : [`70', `60', `80', `90', `67']
Total = 367
Percentage = 73.4
Student # 4 : [`89', `76', `56', `43', `90']
Total = 354
Percentage = 70.8
Student # 5 : [`67', `89', `76', `54', `90']
Total = 376
Percentage = 75.2
```

**Explanation** Initially, the file **Grades.txt** is opened in read mode. The statement n = int(fp1. readline()) reads the first line of the file. It returns the details about number of students present in the file. The **for** loop is used to go through each student. For each student, the marks obtained for five different subjects are stored in a **list**. Since **list** stores strings, each item of the list is converted into **int** to carry out the desired calculations.

**PROGRAM 11.8** Write a function **Find\_Largest()** which accepts a file name as parameter and reports the longest line in the file.

The content of **Demo1.txt** file is as shown in Figure 11.8.



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```
def Find Largest(fp1):
   fp1 = open(`Demo1.txt','r') #Open File in read Mode
   long = " " #Assume Longest Line = 0
   L = 0
   count = 0
   for line in fp1:
      count= count + 1
      print(' Line No: ',count)
      print(line)
       print(' Number of Character = ',len(line))
       print('-----')
       if(len(line) > len(long)):
         long = line
         L = line
   print(L, `is the Longest Line with', len(long),'characters')
fp = open('Demol.txt','r')
Find Largest(fp)
Output
Line No: 1
India, officially the Republic of India is a country in South Asia.
Number of Character = 70
_____
Line No: 2
It is the seventh-largest country by area.
Number of Character = 43
Line No: 3
The second-most populous country with over 1.2 billion people.
Number of Character = 64
_____
Line No: 4
The most populous democracy in the world.
Number of Character = 42
India, officially the Republic of India is a country in South Asia.
is the Longest Line with 70 characters
```

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**Explanation** The file **Demo1.txt** is opened in read mode. Initially, we have assumed the length of the longest line is 0 characters. The for loop is used to traverse all the lines of the file **Demo1.txt**. While traversing, the length of each line is measured and compared with the previous longest length of a line present in the file. Finally, the line with the longest length is stored in the variable 'long'.

PROGRAM 11.9 Write a program to copy lines which start with an uppercase letter only from the input file Demo1.txt and ignore the lines which start with a lowercase letter. The output file Demo2. txt should contain only those lines from the file Demo1.txt which start with an uppercase letter.

The content of Demo1.txt and Demo2.txt is as shown below. Initially, Demo2.txt is an empty file (Figure 11.9).









| File F | Ian | dlir | ıg |      |  |
|--------|-----|------|----|------|--|
|        | -   |      |    | <br> |  |

**Explanation** The file Demol.txt is opened in read mode. The for loop is used to go through all the lines present in it. Initially, the file Demo2.txt is an empty file. The statement if line[0] not in 'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz': is used to check if a line starts with an uppercase letter. If the condition is satisfied, the corresponding line is copied to the file Demo2.txt.

#### 11.3.8 Appending Data

The append **'a'** mode of a file is used to append data to the end of an existing file. The following program demonstrates the use of append mode.

**PROGRAM 11.10** Write a program to append extra lines to a file name appendDemo.txt.

The content of **appendDemo.txt** file is as shown in Figure 11.10.

| appendDemo - Notepad |      |        |      |      | 23 | ζ |
|----------------------|------|--------|------|------|----|---|
| File                 | Edit | Format | View | Help |    |   |
| welcome!             |      |        |      |      |    | * |
|                      |      |        |      |      |    | Ŧ |
| •                    |      |        |      |      | •  | a |

Figure 11.10

| <pre>fpl=open(`appendDemo.txt','a') # Open file in append file fpl.write(`\nWow, Cant Believe.')# Append contents to a file fpl.close() #Close file</pre> |                            |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Output  | Output                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | 问 appendDemo - Notepad     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | File Edit Format View Help |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | welcome!                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | Wow, Cant Believe.         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |                            |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## 11.4 THE seek() FUNCTION

So far, we have learnt that data is stored and subsequently read from a file in which it is stored. When a file is opened, we can imagine an imaginary pointer positioned at the beginning of the file. What about reading the content of files from random positions? Python provides an inbuilt function called **seek()** for moving the pointer explicitly to any position in a file.

Thus, the **seek()** method is used to set the file pointer to a specific position in a file. The syntax for seek() function is:

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File\_object.seek(offset, whence)

where **offset** indicates the number of bytes to be moved from the current position of the pointer and **whence** indicates the point of reference from where the bytes are to be moved from. The value of whence can be determined from Table 11.3.

Table 11.3 Seek file pointer

| Value | Meaning   |
|-------|---|
| 0     | The position is relative to the start of the file, i.e. it sets the pointer at the beginning of the file. This is a default setting if we don't supply '0' as the second argument to the seek() function. |
| 1     | The position is relative to the current position.   |
| 2     | The position is relative to the end of the file.  |

#### Examples

```
#Create Seek_Demol.txt file in write mode
>>> fpl= open(`Seek_Demol.txt','w+')
#Write some data to the file
>>> fpl.write(`Oh!God!SaveEarth!')
17 #returns number of characters written in a file
#By default second argument of seek function is zero
>>> fpl.seek(3)
2
>>> fpl.readline()
`God!SaveEarth!'
```

#### Explanation

In the above example the file Seek\_Demo.txt contains 17 characters. The statement **fp1.seek(3)** tells Python to read the content of the file from the third position.



Note: The statement **fp1.seek(3)** does not contain a second argument. Thus, by default, it is set to zero. The first argument cannot be negative if we don't supply a second argument.

**PROGRAM 11.11** Write a program to perform the following operation using **seek()** and basic file operations.

- (a) Open file weekdays.txt in write mode.
- (b) Write weekdays from Monday to Friday in a file weekdays.txt.
- (c) Use seek() to read the content of the file.
- (d) Set the pointer to the end of the file and append two remaining weekdays, i.e. Saturday and Sunday to the existing file weekdays.txt.
- (e) Read and print all content of the file.

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```
fpl = open(`weekdays.txt','w+') #Open file in w+ mode
fp1.write(`Monday\n')
                         #Write to file
fp1.write(`Tuesday\n')
fpl.write('Wednesday\n')
fpl.write(`Thursday\n')
fp1.write('Friday\n')
fpl.seek(0) #Set file pointer to start of the file
#t = fpl.read() #Read file from current file pointer till end
fpl.seek(0,2)#Move file pointer at the end of file
fpl.write(`Saturday\n') #Write at the end of file
fp1.write('Sunday')
fp1.seek(0)
t = fpl.read()
print(t)
Output
Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
Sunday
```

**Explanation** In the above program, initially we have opened a file and written the content to the file. The statement fp1.seek(0) is used to reposition the pointer to the starting point of the file and read the whole content at once. Similarly, seek(0, 2) points to the end of the file and the remaining content is written to the file.

## 11.5 BINARY FILES

Binary files can be handled in a manner similar to that used for text files. Access mode 'r' is required to open normal text files. In order to open binary files, we should include 'b', i.e. 'rb' to read binary files and 'wb' to write binary files.

Binary files don't have text in them. They might have pictures, music or some other kind of data. There are no new lines in binary files, which means we cannot use readline() and readlines() on them.

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## 11.5.1 Reading Binary Files

Many proprietary applications use binary file formats. This type of file format begins with a specific series of bytes to identify the file type. For example, the first one byte in a jpg image is always b'\ xff\xd8', i.e. it indicates the type of the file. Similarly, \xff\xd9 indicates the end of a file.

The following example shows how we can read the content of a jpeg file.

#### Example

```
>>> fp1 = open('C:\\Users\\shree\\Desktop\\demo.jpg','rb')
>>> fp1.read()
b'\xff\xd8\xff\xe0\x00\x10JFIF\x00\x01\x01\x01\x00`\x00`\x00\x00 \xff\xdb\x00C\
x00\x02\x01....., \xff\xd9'
```

## 11.6 ACCESSING AND MANIPULATING FILES AND DIRECTORIES ON A DISK

Python supports various inbuilt functions for accessing and manipulating files and directories. Most file manipulation functions live in the **os** module and associated module are called **os.path**. The **os** provides basic file handling functions and the **os.path** handles operations on paths and filenames. Table 11.4 contains a list of inbuilt functions related to files and directories provided by Python.

| Module and Function  | Description   |
|--|---|
| os.getcwd()<br>Example:  | Returns the path of the current working directory.                          |
| <pre>&gt;&gt;&gt; import os # import os module &gt;&gt;&gt; os.getcwd() # Returns Current Working Directory 'C:\\Python34'</pre>                 |   |
| <pre>os.chdir(newdir) Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; os.chdir(`C:\\Python34\\Lib') &gt;&gt;&gt; os.getcwd() `C:\\Python34\\Lib'</pre>                     | Changes the current working directory.                                      |
| <pre>os.path.isfile(fname) Example: &gt;&gt;&gt; os.path.isfile(`Demol.py') True # Returns true since the file is present on the said path</pre> | Returns True if a file exists on<br>the said path or else returns<br>False. |

Table 11.3 Inbuilt functions to access files and directories

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File Handling ... . .. .. .. .. .. .. .. os.path.isDir(DirName) Returns True if the said **Example:** directory exists else or returns False. >>> os.path.isdir('C:\\Python34') True os.mkdir(DirName) Creates a new directory in the **Example:** said path or else by default >>> os.mkdir('Prac') it creates one in the current working directory. >>> os.chdir('C:\\Python34\\Prac') os.listdir(path) Lists the names of files and **Example:** directories in the said path. >>> os.listdir('c:\\Python34\Practice') ['apps.py','CDemo.py','ColorDemo.py', 'cprime.py'] os.rename(old, name) Renames the old file name to **Example:** a new file name. >>> os.getcwd() #Get path of Current Working Directory 'C:\\Python34\\Prac' >>> os.chdir('c:\\Python34\Practice') #Change Path >>> os.listdir() #List Names of Files and Directories ['apps.py', 'CDemo.py', 'ColorDemo.py', 'cprime.py'] >>> os.rename('apps.py','MyApps.py') #Rename file 'apps.py' >>> os.getcwd() `c:\\Python34\\Practice' >>> os.listdir() ['CDemo.py', 'ColorDemo.py', 'cprime.py', 'MyApps.py'] getsize(path) Return the size, in bytes for Example: the said path. >>> import os >>> os.path.getsize('Demol.py') 173 os.path.exists (path) Returns True if the path exists Example: otherwise returns False. >>> os.path.exists(`Demo1.py') True

## MINI PROJECT Extracting Data from a File and Performing Some Basic Mathematical Operations on It

Let us assume an individual spends 'x' amount (in **three** digits) on 'Y' item each month. The amount spent each month is stored in a file **Expenses.txt** in the format **MonthNo:X\n**. Create an application using file handling to calculate the total amount spent on 'Y' item in the last six months.



#### Example

Consider the Expenses.txt file given below. The information contained within the file is:

- Month1 : 100 Month2 : 200
- Month3 : 079
- Month4 : 090
- Month5 : 097
- Month6 : 100

Total expense in the last six months: 566

#### Algorithm

- **STEP 1:** Open file Expenses.txt in w+ mode.
- **STEP 2:** Insert all the entries for the last six months in the said format.
- **STEP 3:** Reset the file pointer to the initial position.
- **STEP 4:** Iterate file. For each iteration, search for ':' and store the content after ':' in the variable 'exp'.
- **STEP 5:** Compute the sum of all the expenses for last six months and display the total expense.

#### Program

```
fp1=open('Expenses.txt','w+') #Open file in write mode
fpl.write(`Month1:100\n')
fpl.write('Month2:200\n')
fpl.write(`Month3:079\n')
fpl.write(`Month4:090\n')
fpl.write(`Month5:097\n')
fpl.write('Month6:100\n')
print('Contents of File Expenses.txt are as follows:')
fpl.seek(0) #Reposition pointer to the start of file
print(fp1.read()) #Read entire file at once
fpl.seek(0) #Again reposition pointer to the start of file
txt = fpl.readlines() #Read contents of file line wise
count = 0
sum = 0
for ch in txt:
     fpl.seek(7+count)
```

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```
exp = fpl.readline().strip(`\n')
sum = sum + int(exp)
count += 12
print(`Expenses of last six month:',sum)
```

#### Output

...

Contents of File Expenses.txt are as follows: Month1:100 Month2:200 Month3:079 Month4:090 Month5:097 Month6:100 Expenses of last six month: 666

```
....
```

#### SUMMARY

- Read, write and append are the basics modes of a file.
- A file is opened in 'wb' mode for writing binary content to the file.
- A file is opened in 'rb' mode for reading binary content of the file.
- The open function is an instance of \_io.TextIOWrapper class.
- The write (str s) method is used to write a string to a file.
- The method readlines() returns a list containing all the lines in a file.
- The read() method is used to read all the data from a file.
- The read() method returns all the data as one complete string.
- The os module and os.path handle various operations related to the file name and path.

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#### **KEY TERMS**

- ⇒ **open():** Used to open a specified file
- ➡ Mode: R (read), W (write), A (Append), Wb (write binary data) and Rb(read binary data) are different modes to open a file
- ⇒ write(): Method to write text and numbers to a file
- ⇒ read, readline and readlines(): Various methods to read the content of a file
- ⇒ **split()**: Reads more than one piece of information in a line and returns all the items in a list
- ⇒ os.path(): Handles operations related to files and directories
- ⇒ **seek():** Places the file pointer at specific locations

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#### A. Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. Opening a file in read mode performs which operation?
  - a. Creates a new file b. Reads consecutive characters from a file
    - c. Reads all the content of a file
- 2. If we have to open a file **abc.txt** using the statement

```
Fp1 = open('abc.txt','r')
```

which statement will read the file into memory?

- a. Fp2 = open(Fp1)
- c. Fp1.read()
- 3. The inbuilt method **readlines()** is used to:
  - a. Read an entire file as a string
  - c. Read each line in a file as an item in a list
- 4. If the statement Fp1 = open('demo.txt','r') is used to open a file demo.txt in read mode then which statement will be used to read 5 string characters from a file into memory?
  - a. Ch = fp1.read[:10]
  - d. All of the above c. Ch = fp.read(5)
- 5. The close() method is used to conserve memory because:
  - a. It closes all unused memory created by Python
  - b. It deletes all the text related to a file
  - c. It compresses a file
  - d. It removes the reference created by files open() function

6. If we have to open a file to read its content using the statement

```
Convert Demo = open('Story.txt','r')
```

which is a valid statement to convert each character of the first line of a file into uppercase?

- a. print(Convert\_Demo[0].upper())
- b. print(Convert\_Demo.upper())
- c. print(Convert\_Demo.readline().upper())
- d. All of the above
- 7. If content of a file **cities.txt** is:
  - &Delhi&Chennai&
  - &Mumabi&Kolkata&Madras&
  - &Pune&Nagpur&Aurangabad&
  - What will be the output of the following code?

```
fp1 = open("cities.txt", "r")
```

```
name = fp1.readline().strip(`&\n')
```

```
while name:
    if name.startswith("M"):
        print(name)
```

- b. FP1.Open.read(Fp1)
- d. None of the above

d. None of the above

- b. Read one line at a time
- d. None of the above
- b. Ch = fp.read(6)

else: pass name = fpl.readline().strip(`&\n') a. &Mumbai&Kolkata&Madras& b. Mumabi&Kolkata&Madras c. Mumabi Kolkata&Madras d. &Mumabi Kolkata Madras 8. What is the use of 'a' mode in file handling? a. Read b. Write c. Append d. Alias

9. Which statement is used to move the pointer in a file to the beginning of the first character?

 a. .seek(-1)
 b. .seek(1)

 c. .seek(0)
 d. .seek(2)

10. Which statement is used to move the pointer in a file to the end of the file?

- a. .seek(-1) b. .seek(1)
- c. .seek(0) d. .seek(2)

#### B. True or False

- 1. **'w+'** mode opens a file for write plus read.
- 2. The statement seek(5,1) is used to move the pointer 5 characters past the current position.
- 3. A file once opened in read mode cannot be used to write.
- 4. The .listread() statement is used to read each line of a file as an item in a list.
- 5. The readline() is used to read a line as string.
- 6. The readline() method can be used to read the content of each line in a binary file.
- 7. Binary files contain n.

#### C. Exercise Questions

- 1. Define a file and its advantages.
- 2. How are files opened and what operations can be done on them?
- 3. State the syntax to open, write text and close a file.
- 4. How is data appended to an existing file?
- 5. What are the applications of the seek() function?
- 6. State the syntax for seek() function.
- 7. Enlist the inbuilt functions supported by Python.
- 8. What is a binary file? List its applications.
- 9. Explain any five inbuilt file functions.
- 10. Using an example, write the procedure to read numbers from a file.

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#### **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Write a program to add the contents of a file **salary.txt** and display the sum of salaries of all employees present in the file. The content of file **salary.txt** is

| 🔄 salary - Notepad                   |                          |        |      |    |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|------|----|--|--|--|--|
| File                                 | Edit                     | Format | View | He |  |  |  |  |
| 1000<br>2000<br>1200<br>1340<br>2100 | )0<br>)<br>)<br>)0<br>)0 |        |      |    |  |  |  |  |

2. Write a function **Find\_Samllest()** which accepts the file name as parameter and reports the smallest line in the file. The content of file **Demo.txt** is

| De                   | emo -               | Notepad         |              | -            |  |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| <u>F</u> ile         | <u>E</u> dit        | F <u>o</u> rmat | <u>V</u> iew | <u>H</u> elp |  |
| HI!!<br>Welc<br>File | !<br>come.<br>e Han | dlļing          | is In        | tresting.    |  |

Write a program to copy lines which start with a lowercase letter only from the input file Demo.txt" and ignore the lines which start with an uppercase letter. The output file Demo2. txt should contain only those lines from the file Demo.txt which start with a lowercase letter.

| Demo - Notepad              |                          |                  |                |              |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|
| <u>F</u> ile                | <u>E</u> dit             | F <u>o</u> rmat  | <u>V</u> iew   | <u>H</u> elp |  |  |  |  |
| HI!!<br>welc<br>File<br>its | !<br>ome.<br>Han<br>amaz | dling<br>ing fea | is In<br>ature | tresting.    |  |  |  |  |

- 4. Write a program to copy the content of one file to another.
- 5. Write a program to read the content of a Python file and display all the lines without comments.

## Exception Handling, Modules and Packages

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### **CHAPTER OUTLINE**

- 12.1 Errors and Exception
- 12.2 Python Exception and Its Hierarchy
- 12.3 Handling Exception

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## LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this chapter, students will be able to:

- Handle the exceptions using in-built Python keywords
- Use the keywords like try, except and finally in the programs during exception handling
- Execute the exceptions using raise keyword
- Make use of packages and modules

## 12.1 ERRORS AND EXCEPTION

How often did it happen that the program you wrote ran successfully in its very first attempt? Very rarely, right? There were always some errors in the program. This is what this chapter is all about. It is common to make mistakes while typing as well as developing a program. Such types of mistakes are called **errors**. An error is something that can produce incorrect or irrelevant output or even make the system crash. It is, therefore, very important to find out these errors and fix them so that the program will not terminate or crash during its execution. Error can be of two types, viz. the compile-time errors and the runtime errors. Thus, this entire chapter helps to deal with all such kind of errors without terminating the program by the aid of the concept as called **exception handling**. Details of exception handling are explained in the next section.

## 12.1.1 Exception

An exception is an error that occurs at run time.

OR

An exception is an erroneous condition that arises while program is running.

The runtime errors occur while program is in execution or program is in running mode. TheExampleofsuchconditionsincludesdividinganumberbyzeroproduces**ZeroDivisionError**– division by zero exception.

#### Example: Division by Zero Exception

```
>>> a=10
>>> b=0
>>> a/b
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<pyshell#5>", line 1, in <module>
a/b
ZeroDivisionError: division by zero
```

If a programmer attempts to open a file which doesn't exist, then it produces the error **FileNotFoundError**; similarly, if you try to access an index of a list which is out-of-bound, i.e. trying to access the index of an array more than the size of list, it produces then **IndexError**: **list index out of range** exception and many more exceptions are also raised.

Thus, an exception is an object that represents an error. Also it is a condition that prevents the execution of statements in Python from proceeding normally. So, if exceptions are not handled, the programs will terminate abnormally. In order to run the program without termination, there is always a need of exception handling.

## 12.2 PYTHON EXCEPTION AND ITS HIERARCHY

In Python, all of the exceptions are the instances of a class which is derived from **BaseException** class. Each exception type is a separate class. Python organizes exception in hierarchical way. The Table 12.1 below contains all in-built exceptions where the indentation indicates how exceptions are structured hierarchically.

```
Table 12.1 Python exception hierarchy
```

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+-- ArithmeticError #The base class for those in-built exceptions that are raised for various arithmetic operations given as follows. +-- FloatingPointError +-- OverflowError +-- ZeroDivisionError +-- AssertionError +-- AttributeError +-- EnvironmentError +-- IOError +-- OSError +-- WindowsError (Windows) +-- VMSError (VMS) +-- EOFError #This exception is raised when input() function hits an end of file condition (EOF) without reading any data. +-- ImportError +-- LookupError +-- IndexError# +-- KeyError +-- MemoryError +-- NameError +-- UnboundLocalError +-- ReferenceError +-- RuntimeError +-- NotImplementedError +-- SyntaxError #Raised when parser encounters a syntax error. +-- IndentationError +-- TabError +-- SystemError +-- TypeError +-- ValueError +-- UnicodeError +-- UnicodeDecodeError +-- UnicodeEncodeError +-- UnicodeTranslateError +-- Warning# +-- DeprecationWarning +-- PendingDeprecationWarning +-- RuntimeWarning +-- SyntaxWarning +-- UserWarning +-- FutureWarning +-- ImportWarning +-- UnicodeWarning +-- BytesWarning

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## 12.3 HANDLING EXCEPTION

The exception handling in Python is managed by three keywords **try**, **except** and **finally**. The working of all these keywords is explained below.

The program statements that you want to monitor for exception should be in try block. If an exception occurs within the try block, then the particular exception is raised (or thrown). The syntax for exception handling that might raise or (throw) an exception in a try block is as follows (Figure 12.1).

Figure 12.1 Syntax-exception handling

Thus, Figure 12.1 explains when an exception is raised (thrown), it is caught by its corresponding **except** statement, which then processes the exception. As the general form shows, there can be more than one **except** statements associated with a **try**. The type of the exception determines which **except** statement needs to be executed. That is, if the exception type specified by an **except** statement matching that of the exception, then that **except** statement is executed (and all others are bypassed). If no exception is raised or thrown, then a **try** block ends normally, and all of its **except** statements are bypassed.

#### Points to Remember

When error occurs in a piece of code, exception mechanism performs the following tasks.

- Finds the problem (Get the exception)
   Informs an error has occurred. (Raise the exception)
   Receives the error information. (The except statement)
- 4. Takes the remedial actions. (Handle the exception)

## 12.3.1 Divide by Zero Example Without Exception Handling

Let us consider the following small programming example which demonstrate what will happen when the error arises in the programs not using the exception handling. **PROGRAM 12.1** Write a program to read two numbers from user and find the quotient by dividing first number by second number.

```
a = int(input('Enter the first number:'))
b = int(input('Enter the second number:'))
c = a/b
print(' a = ',a)
print(' b = ', b)
print(' a/b = ',c)
Output
#Case 1:
Enter the first number: 10
Enter the second number: 2
a = 10
b = 2
a/b = 5
#Case 2:
Enter the first number: 10
Enter the second number: 0
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "C:\Python34\Excel.py", line 3, in <module>
  c = a/b
ZeroDivisionError: division by zero
```

**Explanation** The above program asks the user to enter two numbers and calculate the quotient by dividing first number by second number. But, in output we can see two sample outputs. In the first sample execution, the user enters two numbers 10 and 2 and it shows the output as 5. Thus, for the first case, it shows a successful division.

But in the second case, the user enters two numbers as 10 and 0. Since, the second number entered by user is **0**, a run-time error occurs. In any case, we cannot divide an integer by **0**. The following is the exception generated by Python, if you try to divide a number by **0**.

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "C:\Python34\Excel.py", line 3, in <module>
    c = a/b
ZeroDivisionError: division by zero
```

```
Note:
```

1. All of the above information generated as errors are known as Stack-trace.

2. This includes the name of Exception ZeroDivisionError.

The next section by the help of the program will demonstrate you how to handle these exceptions and enable the programs to run till the normal completion.



## 12.3.2 The try and except Blocks to Handle Various Exceptions

#### Handling Arithmetic Exception

**PROGRAM 12.2** Demonstrate the use of try and except blocks to handle ZeroDivisionError divided by zero.

```
try:
    a = int(input('Enter the first number:'))
    b = int(input('Enter the second number:'))
    c = a/b
    print(' a = ',a)
    print(' b = ',b)
    print(' a/b = ',c)
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print('You cannot Divide number by Zero')
Output
#Case 1:
Enter the first number: 10
Enter the second number: 2
a = 10
b = 2
a/b = 5.0
#Case 2:
Enter the first number: 10
Enter the second number: 0
You cannot Divide number by Zero
```

**Explanation** In Program 12.2 above, the statements that produce the exceptions are written within the try block. Thus, the try block asks the user to enter two numbers and divide first number by the second one. If the user enters the second number as 0 then Python generates a run-time exception, i.e. **ZeroDivisionError.** As soon as the exception has occurred, the exception is raised and it is caught by **except** keyword.

#### Multiple except Blocks

In Program 12.2, we have seen that the code inside the try block generates only one type of exception and that is handled by a single except block. But, sometimes the code generates multiple exceptions. In such cases, we need to define multiple except blocks to handle those exceptions. The Program 12.3 below is going to illustrate the implementation of multiple except blocks.

**PROGRAM 12.3** Write a Python program to include multiple exceptions.

```
try:
    n1 = int(input('Enter the number:'))
    print(n1)
    q = 200/n1
except ValueError:
    print('Entered string is not of type int')
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print('Number cannot be divided by Zero')
Output
#Case 1:
Enter the number: svsvadbs
Entered string is not of type int
#Case 2:
Enter the number: 0
0
Number cannot be divided by Zero
```

**Explanation** In Program 12.3 above, the statements which we want to monitor for exceptions are kept in try block. Initially, through the input the number is prompt from the user. If user fails to enter the value of type int, then Python raises an error, i.e. **ValueError**. Even if, the user tries to enter the second value as 0, Python interpreter will raise exception ZeroDivisionError while executing the statement **q** = 200/n1. Thus, try statement may contain more than one except block to specify handlers for different exceptions.

#### The try-except-finally blocks

The **finally** block sometime referred to as finally clause. The finally block consists of the finally keyword. The finally block is placed after the last except block. If there is no except block, the finally block should immediately follow the try block. The finally block will execute whether or not an exception is thrown from try block. If an exception is thrown, the finally block will execute even if no except statement matches that exception. The syntax to define the finally block in exception handling is as follows (Figure 12.2).

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```
exceptException _ TypeN
#Exception Handler for Exception Type N
finally:
```

Figure 12.2 Syntax try-catch finally

As we have seen in previous section, a try statement can have more than one except clauses to handle different exceptions. Thus, along with try and except statements in exception handling block, we can also have an optional finally statement.

**PROGRAM 12.4** Demonstrate the use of finally keyword using try-except blocks.

```
L1 = [1,2,3,4,5]
try:
    print(L1)
    n = int(input(`Enter the index to retrieve the element:'))
    print(` index = `,n,' Element = `,L1[n])
except IndexError:
    print(`Please check the index')
    print(`Index out of bounds')
finally:
    print(`No one can Stop Me from Running');
Output
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
Enter the index to retrieve the element: 10
Please check the index
```

**Explanation** In Program 12.4 above, the list of five numbers is created initially. In try block, the index is prompt from the user to retrieve the element stored at index n. If the entered index is greater than the size of the list, the exception block is executed. At last, the finally block is executed despite what has been happened in try and except blocks.

## 12.4 RAISING EXCEPTION

No one can Stop Me from Running

Index out of bounds

In previous section of this chapter, we have seen the Python interpreter raises exception whenever it tries to execute the invalid code. Raising an exception is also like to stop running the code in the function and move the program execution to the except statement. All these exceptions Exception Handling, Modules and Packages

are wrapped in objects and are created from classes. Therefore, the programmer can raise this exception using the raise statement. The syntax to raise an exception is as follows.

#### Syntax

...

raise Exception(value)

Where, the exception is the exception type.

#### Example

raise ArithmeticError(`Something is wrong')

**PROGRAM 12.5** Write a program to raise the exception.

```
A = 10
b = 0
try:
    raise ArithmeticError('Cannot divide number by zero')
    c = a/b
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print('Something is Wrong')
    raise
Output
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

File "C:\Python34\asacs.py", line 4, in <module>
 raise ArithmeticError('Something is Wrong')
ArithmeticError: Cannot divide number by zero

**Explanation** In Program 12.5 above, the raise statement allows the programmer to force the specified exception, i.e. **ArithmeticError: Cannot divide number by zero** to occur.

## 12.5 MODULES

A module is a piece or part of something. In Python, we can say modules are smaller pieces of bigger program. Each module is a separate file on hard disk. Programmer can take a big program and split it up into more than one modules. We know that the Python programs are written in script mode of Python's IDLE. Once the code is written, the file is saved by .py extension. In short, the modules are Python's .py files which contain Python codes. In order to use something that is already in a module, you first have to tell Python which module you want to use. The Python then will import keyword to help you to include other modules in your program. The reason behind using modules is as follows.

- a. It makes file smaller and helps the programmer to find the things easily into the written code.
- b. Once module is created, it can be used in lot of programs. This feature saves the programmer from starting all over again next time if the programmer needs the same function.

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## 12.5.1 Writing and Importing Modules

Writing a module is like writing a simple Python program in a file and saving it in .py extension. Modules contain definitions of functions, classes and variables which can be utilized in other programs. Let us create a simple file, e.g. Demo.py.

```
def Display():
    print('Hello, Welcome all!')
```

If we try to execute the above code, nothing will happen because we have just written the function and it has not been called from elsewhere to perform its action. So, let us create another file named main.py, so that we can import the module Demo.py which we have just created and then call the function Display() being present in the file from a new file, i.e. main.py. Therefore, we have to create another file named main.py. In the file main.py, we will make use of import statement to import the module named Demo.py. The contents of the main.py file will be as follows.

| #main.py                  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| import Demo               | #Importing Module named Demo                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <pre>demo.Display()</pre> | #Call function Display present within Demo.py |  |  |  |  |  |
| Output<br>'Hello, Welcome | all!'   |  |  |  |  |  |

In the program above, we have imported a module, therefore, we need to call the function by referencing the module by ".", i.e. the dot notation. Thus, we use the ModuleName.FuncionName() to reference the function present within the module. The statement demo.Display() calls the function Display() from module named demo.py. The above code contains two lines as follows.

```
import Demo
demo.Display()
```

We can use the from keyword and replace the above two lines as

```
from Demo import Display
```

Note: The module which we have imported and the file in which we have used the import statement, they should be in the same directory. With respect to the above example, Demo.py and main.py should be stored or located at the same location.

Thus, we can get the same output even if we use the from keyword. In the above example, we have seen how a function being present in another file can be called using the import statement. A programmer can use the import statement to import variables and classes present in another file in this manner.

## 12.6 PACKAGES IN PYTHON

We know that the modules are the smaller pieces of bigger program where each of these modules is a separate file on hard disk and each file contains the Python statements, definitions like functions and other class definitions. The following section will tell us how we can handle multiple modules together in order to form a package

A package is basically a directory with Python file and file with the extension as \_init\_.py. In short, every directory residing inside the Python path which contains a file named \_init\_. py will be treated as a package by Python when the programmer can put multiple modules into a package. A package can be imported like a **normal** module.

## 12.6.1 Creating Package

Let us create a simple package with some Python modules. First step is to create a folder. The name of the folder will be the name of the package which we want to create. Let the name of package be **My\_First\_Package**. The sample directory structure for creating package is shown in Figure 12.3 as follows.



Figure 12.3 Package directory structure

Note: • The Package (folder or directory structure) should contain \_init\_.py file.

- It should also contain one or multiple .py file.
- Apart from \_.init\_.py files, all of the files will be used as modules and these modules will be imported in init .py file.

## 12.6.2 Working Example of Package

- STEP 1: Let us create a package (folder). The name of package, say, My \_ First \_ Package.
- STEP 2: Create \_ init \_ .py file inside the created package My\_First\_Package. The directory should contain a file named \_init\_.py. This file can be empty or it may contain valid Python code. Let keep it as empty file.
- **STEP 3:** Inside the package, let us create two different .py files, i.e. a.py and b.py.

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• **STEP 4:** Write Python code inside a.py and b.py files. The contents of a.py and b.py are as follows.

#### #a.py

```
def call_A():
    print("I am in File a.py")
```

#### #b.py

```
def call_B():
    print("I am in File b.py")
```

Execute both the files, i.e. a.py and b.py. Make sure that there no errors exist in it.

• **STEP 5:** Import My\_First\_Package from the interactive Python as follows.

```
>>> from My _ First _ Package import a, b
>>> a.call _ A() #Call method Call _ A() present in file a.py
I am in File a.py
>>> b.call _ B() #Call method Call _ B() present in file b.py
I am in File b.py
```

In above example, we have created three files, i.e. \_init\_.py, a.py and b.py. But the file, \_ init\_.py, is empty. We have used the statement **from My\_First\_Package import a**, **b** to import the contents of files a.py and b.py. Alternatively, we have minimized the statement too and automatically loaded these modules using \_init\_.py file. Thus, the open empty file\_init\_.py and the following code as follows.

import My\_First\_Package.a
import My\_First\_Package.b

In order to check if imported modules within \_init\_.py works, then execute the following instructions onto the interactive mode as follows.

```
>>> My_First_Package.a.call_A()
I am in File a.py
>>> My_First_Package.b.call_B()
I am in File b.py
```

#### SUMMARY

- An exception is an error that occurs during its execution.
- All of the exceptions are the instancees of a class which are derived from BaseException class.
- Three keywords try, except, and finally are used to handle the exceptions.
- The **raise** keyword is used to raise the exception.
- Modules are smaller pieces of a big program.

#### A. Multiple Choice Questions

| 1. | 1. What is the output of the following program?                  |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----|--|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|    | def getMonth(month):   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | if month<1 or month>12:  |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | <pre>raise ValueError("Invalid")</pre>                           |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | print(month)   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | getMonth(13)   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | <b>a.</b> 13   | <b>b.</b> 13 and Invalid       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | c. ValueError: Invalid   | <b>d.</b> None of the above    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. | . How many except statements can a try block have?               |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | a. More than 1   | b. More than 0                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | c. 1   | d. 2                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. | When the finally block is executed?                              |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | a. When there is an exception.                                   | b. When there is no exception. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | c. Always  | d. Never executes              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. | What is the output of the following prog                         | cam?                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | <pre>def demo():</pre>   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | try:   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | return 1   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | finally:   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | return 2   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | n = demo()   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | print(n)   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | a. 1   | b. 2                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | c. None  | d. 1 and 2                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. | 5. Which of the following is not a standard exception in Python? |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | a. IOError   | b. Wrong Assignment Error      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | c. NameError   | d. ValueError                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. | Name the error when the following code                           | is executed.                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Area = 3.14 * radius   |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | a. ValueError  | b. NameError                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | c. SyntaxError   | d. Key Error                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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7. Name the error when the following code is executed.

A = 6B = 6 - 12C = A / (A + B)

a. NameError

b. ValueError

c. ZeroDivisionError

d. None of the above

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#### **B. Exercise Questions**

- 1. Explain the need of exception handling.
- 2. Explain the mechanism to handle exception handling.
- 3. Write a program to handle arithmetic exception.
- 4. Can we have multiple except blocks while handling exceptions? If yes, then how?
- 5. What is the use of raise keyword? Explain with simple program.
- 6. How can we create a module? Explain how we can use a module in another program with examples.
- 7. Explain how we can create a package.

## **PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. Write a program that will ask the user for an input and will try to handle the error when the programmer will try to type cast the input to an int using try and except blocks.
- 2. Write a function which takes two arguments to concatenate two different strings. Assume the type of first argument is unknown but the second argument is the known string. Write a program to handle the errors if the programmer will try to concatenate unknown input (unknown input can be of type integer or float) type to the string using try and except blocks.
- 3. Write a function which takes two parameters to perform the certain task. The first argument is float but you are unaware about the second argument. Write a program that will try to handle the error when you try to divide the float by the unknown input as entered by the user using the try-except blocks.
- 4. Write a function which takes three parameters. First parameter to the function is the list, second parameter is the index position and third one is the string. The function will insert the string at the given index position within the list. In case of a failure, the function needs to return in the original list. Write a function that will ensure this task using the try and except blocks.
- 5. Write a program to create package as named Arithmetic\_Operation\_Package. Inside the package, create two .py files containing the names, viz. add.py and sub.py respectively. Now, write the code to perform the addition and subtraction into add.py and sub.py files. Execute the modules add.py and sub.py using your created package.

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APPENDIX

## COMPUTE THE GCD OF TWO NUMBERS

The Greatest Common Divisor (GCD) of two numbers, viz. A and B, is the largest number that divides both A and B.

## Solution

As discussed earlier, the algorithm is described as step-by-step method aiming to solve the problems. All of these steps must be performed in a sequence where each of the steps of the algorithm is labelled. The following are the steps required to find the GCD of two numbers.

- **STEP 1:** Read two positive integers and store them in A and B.
- **STEP 2:** Divide A by B. Store remainder in r and quotient in q.
- **STEP 3:** If r is zero, then go to Step 7.
- STEP 4: Assign B to A.
- ⊙ **STEP 5:** Assign r to B.
- **STEP 6:** Go to Step 2.
- **STEP 7:** Print B as the GCD of and A and B.

Let us consider two integers, viz. 24 and 15. The following Table A.1 describes the uses of above algorithm in order to calculate the GCD of two numbers.

|                     | Values of th         |                 |                  |                 |
|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| First Number<br>(A) | Second Number<br>(B) | Quotient<br>(q) | Remainder<br>(r) | Comments        |
| 24                  | 15                   | _               | -                |                 |
| 24                  | 15                   | 1               | 09               | Perform Step 2. |

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|--------------------|-----------|------------------|---------------|---|
| 15                 | 15        | 1                | 09            | Step 4 //Assign B to A.   |
| 15                 | 09        | 1                | 09            | Step 5 //Assign r to B.   |
| 15                 | 09        | 1                | 06            | Step 2 //Divide A by B.   |
| 09                 | 09        | 1                | 06            | Step 4 //Assign B to A.   |
| 09                 | 06        | 1                | 03            | Step 5 //Assign r to B.   |
| 09                 | 06        | 1                | 03            | Step 2 //Divide A by B.   |
| 06                 | 06        | 1                | 03            | Step 4 //Assign B to A.   |
| 06                 | 03        | 1                | 03            | STEP 5 //Assign r to B.   |
| 06                 | 03        | 2                | 00            | STEP 2 //Divide A by B.   |
| Print B as output. |           |                  |               | STEP 7 //A % B == 0.<br>Therefore, B will be printed as output as $GCD(24, 15)$ . |

Table A.1 The GCD of two numbers

GCD of 24 and 15 is: 3

PROGRAM A.1 Find the GCD of two numbers

```
num1 = int(input('Please Enter the first number:'))
num2 = int(input('Please Enter the second number:'))
print('GCD of ', num1 ,' and ', num2 ,' is: ',end=' ')
rem = num1 % num2
while rem!=0:
    num1 = num2
    num2 = rem
    rem = num1 % num2
print(num2)

Output
Please Enter the first number: 24
Please Enter the second number: 15
```

# FIND THE SQUARE ROOT OF A NUMBER (NEWTON'S METHOD)

In numerical analysis, Newton method (also known as the Newton–Raphson method) is named after Isaac Newton and Joseph Raphson. It is a method for finding successively better approximations to the roots of a real-value function.

It is one of the best examples to find square root of a number.

The steps to calculate square root of a number are described in following steps.

- 1. Start with any arbitrary positive starting value  $x_0$  (the closer to the actual square root of number *N*).
- 2. Let  $X_{n+1}$  be the average of  $X_n$  and  $N/X_n$

3. Repeat Step 2 until the desired accuracy is achieved. The *t* is also represented as

```
X_0 \approx \sqrt{N}X_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( X_n + \frac{N}{X_0} \right)
```

#### **PROGRAM A.2**

```
def Find_Sqrt_NewtonMethod(n, numberoftime):
    approx = 0.5 * n
    for i in range(numberoftime):
        betterapprox = 0.5 * (approx + n/approx)
        approx = betterapprox
    return betterapprox
print(Find_Sqrt_NewtonMethod(10, 3))
print(Find_Sqrt_NewtonMethod(10, 5))
print(Find_Sqrt_NewtonMethod(10, 10))
```

### Output

```
3.162319422150883
3.162277660168379
3.162277660168379
```

# **EXPONENTIATION (POWER OF A NUMBER)**

Input Number: 4 Cube: 64

### **Simple Program Without Unit Test Cases**

```
PROGRAM A.3 #Cube.py
```

```
def power(x):
    print(' Cube of ',x ,' is ',x**3)
>>> power(4)
Cube of 4 is 64
```

# PROGRAM A.4 With Unit test Cases

```
#Cube.py
def power(x):
    return x**3
```

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### PROGRAM A.5 #cube\_test.py

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```
from cube import power
import unittest
class TestArithmetic(unittest.TestCase):
   ##Your test methods go here.
   def tcube(self):
       self.assertEqual(64, power(4))
unittest.main() #Outside the class, which tells the framework to run
Output
Ran 0 tests in 0.000s
OK
```

### FIND THE MAXIMUM OF A LIST OF NUMBERS

```
Input: [10, 20, 34, 2, 5]
Output: (returns maximum from it), i.e., 34
```

**PROGRAM A.6** Find maximum from the list using in-built max function

```
size = int(input('Please Enter size of list:'))
L1 = []
for X in range(size):
   element = int(input('Enter the number to add into the list:')
   L1.append(element)
print('Contents of List are as follows:', L1)
print('Maximum from List is: ')
print(max(L1))
Output
Please enter size of list: 5
Enter the number to add into the list: 10
Enter the number to add into the list: 20
Enter the number to add into the list: 34
Enter the number to add into the list: 2
Enter the number to add into the list: 5
('Contents of List are as follows: ', [10, 20, 34, 2, 5]
Maximum from List is:
34
```



# LINEAR SEARCH AND BINARY SEARCH

# **Linear Search**

In linear search, the elements are examined sequentially starting from the first element. It compares the elements to be searched, i.e., the **Key** element as sequentially with each element in the list. The process of searching terminates when the expected element has been searched, i.e. the key element matches with the element being present in the list or the list is exhausted without a match as found inside the list.

**PROGRAM A.7** Write a program to search the element from the list using linear search

```
Def Linear_Search(My_List, key):
    for i in range(len(My_List)):
        if(My_List[i]==key):
             #print(key,"is found at index", i)
             return i
             break
    return -1
My_List=[12, 23, 45, 67, 89]
print("Contents of List are as follows:")
print(My_List)
key=(int(input("Enter the number to be searched:")))
L1=Linear_Search(My_List, key)
if(L1!=-1):
    print(key, " is found at position",L1+1)
else:
    print(key, " is not present in the List")
Output
#Test Case 1
Contents of List are as follows:
[12, 23, 45, 67, 89]
Enter the number to be searched: 23
23 is found at position 2
#Test Case 2
Contents of List are as follows:
[12, 23, 45, 67, 89]
Enter the number to be searched: 65
65 is not present in the List
```

**Explanation** In Program A.7 above, we have defined the function called **Linear\_Search()**. The list and element to be searched, i.e. key is passed to the function. The comparison starts from the first element of the list. The comparison goes on sequentially till the key element matches the element as present within the list or the list is exhausted without any matches being found.



# **Binary Search**

For binary search, the elements in a list must be in sorted order. Let us consider the list is in ascending order. The binary search compares the element to be searched, i.e. the key element with the element in the middle of the list. The binary search algorithm is based on the following four conditions.

- 1. If the key is less than the list's middle element, then the programmer has to search only in the first half of the list.
- **2.** If the key is greater than the list's middle element, then the programmer has to search only in the second half of the list.
- **3.** If the element to be found, i.e., the key element is equal to list's middle element, then the search ends there.
- **4.** If the element to be found is not present within the list, then it returns 'None' or '-1', which indicates that the element to be searched is not present in the list.

#### **PROGRAM A.8**

```
def Binary_Search(MyList,key):
    low=0
    high=len(MyList)-1
    while low<=high:
        mid=(low+high)//2 #Find the middle index
        if MyList[mid]==key: If key matches the mid index element
            return mid
                            #If so return index
        elif key>MyList[mid]: #else if key is greater
            low=mid+1
        else:
            high=mid-1
    return -1 #If no match return -1
MyList=[10,20,30,34,56,78,89,90]
print(MyList)
key=(eval(input("Enter the number to Search:")))
x=Binary_Search(MyList,key)
if(x==-1):
   print(key, "is not present in the list")
else:
   print("The Element ",key,"is found at position ",x+1)
Output
#Test Case 1
[10, 20, 30, 34, 56, 78, 89, 90]
Enter the number to Search: 20
The Element 20 is found at position 2
#Test Case 2
[10, 20, 30, 34, 56, 78, 89, 90]
Enter the number to Search: 43
43 is not present in the list
```



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**Explanation:** In Program A.8 above, the number to be searched is prompted from the user. Both the list and the number to be searched are passed as parameters to the function. In each iteration, the high, middle and low values are calculated. The element to be searched, i.e., the key element, is compared with the middle element. Then depending on the condition, i.e. by checking the values of key element and the element found at the mid-position, the high and low values are changed.

# SELECTION SORT AND INSERTION SORT

# **Selection Sort**

Consider a list of 10 elements, list[0], list[1] till list[N-1]. First, you will search the position of smallest element from list[0] to list[N-1]. Then, you will interchange that smallest element with list[0]. Now you will search position of second smallest element from list[1] to list[n-1]. Then, again interchange that smallest element with list[1]. This process will continue till end and finally you can obtain the sorted list.

# PROGRAM A.9

```
def Selection_Sort(MyList):
    #i - Outer Loop
    #j - Innner Loop
    #k - Index of the smallest Element
    for i in range(len(MyList)-1):
        k=i #ith element is assumed to be smallest
        for j in range(i+1,len(MyList)):
            if(MyList[j]<MyList[k]):
                 k=i
        if (k!=i):
            temp=MyList[i]
            MyList[i]=MyList[k]
            MyList[k]=temp
MyList=[12,34,2,7,45,90,89,9,1]
print('Elements before Sorting')
print(MyList)
Selection_Sort(MyList)
print('Elements After Sorting')
print(MyList)
Output
Elements before Sorting
[12, 34, 2, 7, 45, 90, 89, 9, 1]
Elements After Sorting
[1, 2, 7, 9, 12, 34, 45, 89, 90]
```

### **Insertion Sort**

Insertion sort is based on the principle of inserting the elements at its correct place in a previously sorted list. It always maintains a sorted sub-list in the lower portion of the list. Each new element is inserted back into the previous sub-list.

**PROGRAM A.10** Write a program to implement insertion sort

```
def Insertion_Sort(MyList):
    for i in range(1,len(MyList)):
        CurrentElement=MyList[i]
        k=i-1
        while k>=0 and MyList[k]>CurrentElement:
            MyList[k+1]=MyList[k]
            k=k-1
        MyList=[12,23,5,2,21,1,4]
    print('Elements before Sorting')
    print(MyList)
    Insertion_Sort(MyList)
    print('Elements After Sorting')
    print(MyList)
```

### Output

Elements before Sorting [12, 23, 5, 2, 21, 1, 4] Elements After Sorting [1, 2, 4, 5, 12, 21, 23]

# **Merge Sort**

The Merge Sort is based on three main strategies as follows.

- a. Split the List into Two Sub-Lists (Split or Divide): The Split means partitioning the n elements of list into two sub-lists where each sub-list contains n/2 elements each.
- b. Sort Sub-Lists (Conquer): Sorting two sub-arrays recursively using merge sort.
- c. Merge the Sorted Sub-Lists (Combine): Combine means merging two sorted sub-lists each of size n/2 to produce the sorted list of n elements.

PROGRAM A.11 Write a program to implement merge sort

```
def mergeSort(MyList):
    if len(MyList)>1:
        mid = len(MyList)//2
        leftList = MyList[:mid]
        rightList = MyList[mid:]
        ```Merge sort to the left part of the list from 0 to mid-1.'''
        mergeSort(leftList)
```

```
""Merge sort to the right part of the list from mid to len(List)"
        mergeSort(rightList)
        i=0
        i=0
        k=0
        "Merge Two Sorted Lists i.e. LeftList and RightList"
        while i < len(leftList) and j < len(rightList):
             if leftList[i] < rightList[j]:</pre>
                 MvList[k]=leftList[i]
                 i=i+1
             else:
                 MyList[k]=riqhtList[j]
                 j=j+1
             k=k+1
        while i < len(leftList):
            MyList[k]=leftList[i]
             i=i+1
             k=k+1
        while j < len(rightList):
            MyList[k]=rightList[j]
             j=j+1
             k=k+1
MyList = [54,26,93,17,77,31,44,55,20]
print('List Before Sorting',MyList)
mergeSort(MyList)
print('List After Sorting', MyList,end='')
Output
List Before Sorting [24, 11, 9, 2, 17, 16, 14, 3]
List After Sorting [2, 3, 9, 11, 14, 16, 17, 24]
```

**Explanation** In Program A.11 above, initially the list of elements has been declared. The list is passed as argument to the function **mergesort()**. If the list contains more than one element, then the index of middle element is calculated and the existing list is divided into two parts. Once the Merge Sort function is invoked on the left part and right part of the list, then the rest of the code is responsible for merging two smaller sorted lists into a larger sorted one.

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# FIRST N PRIME NUMBERS

Enters the value of N = 7First seven prime Numbers: 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13 and 19.

### PROGRAM A.12

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```
Starting_value = 1
count = 0
Total_prime_Number = int(input('Enter number of prime numbers you want to print'))
#Taking input from the user
End_Number = int(input("Enter the number up to which you want prime number: "))
print("Prime numbers between", Starting value, "and", End Number, "are:")
for number in range(Starting_value, End_Number + 1):
   if num > 1:
       for i in range(2, int(num/2)+1):
           if (num % i) == 0:
               break
       else:
           count = count + 1
           print(num)
           if count == Total_prime_Number:
               break
Output
Enter number of prime number you want to print: 7
Enter the numbers up to which you want prime number: 100
('Prime numbers between', 1, 'and', 100, 'are:')
2
3
5
7
11
13
```

# **MULTIPLY MATRICES**

### Algorithm to Multiply Two Matrices

| ⊙                | Initialize Matrix A.                                      |
|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| • <u>Step 2:</u> | Initialize Matrix B.                                      |
| ⊙ <u>Step 3:</u> | Iterate Matrix A Row wise<br>Iterate Matrix B Column wise |
|                  | result = Perform Matrix Multiplication A * B              |
| • <u>Step 4:</u> | Display final result.                                     |

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### PROGRAM A.13

```
#take a 3x3 matrix
A = [[1, 2, 3]],
    [4, 5, 6],
    [7, 8, 9]]
#take a 3x3 matrix
B = [[1, 2, 3]],
    [4, 5, 6],
    [7, 8, 9]]
result = [[0, 0, 0]]
          [0, 0, 0],
          [0, 0, 0]]
#iterating by row of A
for i in range(len(A)):
    #iterating by column of B
    for j in range(len(B[0])):
        #iterating by rows of B
        for k in range(len(B)):
             result[i][j] += A[i][k] * B[k][j]
for r in result:
    print(r)
Output
[30, 36, 42]
[66, 81, 96]
```

# PROGRAMS THAT TAKE COMMAND LINE ARGUMENTS (WORD COUNT)

#### PROGRAM A.14

[102, 126, 150]

```
import sys
def Word_Count(fp1):
    wordDict = {}
    fp1 = open('Demo.txt','r') #Open File in read Mode
    long = " " #Assume Longest Line = 0
    L = 0
    Count = 0
    for line in fp1:
    wordList = line.split()
    for word in wordList:
        count = count + 1
```

```
. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
```

```
if word in wordDict:
    wordDict[word] += 1
else:
    wordDict[word] = 1
print(wordDict)
print(' Total Words in file:',count)
fp = sys.argv[0]
print(fp)
fp = open('Demo.txt','r')
Word_Count(fp)
Output
C:/Python27/try.py
{'and': 1, 'Zuckerberg': 1, 'Jobs': 1, 'Apple': 1, 'founder': 3, 'of': 3, 'is': 2,
'Bill': 1, 'Microsoft.': 1, 'Mark': 1, 'Steve': 1, 'MAC': 1, 'Facebook.': 1, 'PC.': 1,
'Gate': 1, 'was': 1}
```

# FIND THE MOST FREQUENT WORDS IN A TEXT READ FROM A FILE

#### PROGRAM A.15

('Total Words in file:', 21)

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```
def Find Max Occurrence Words(dict1):
     v=list(dict1.values())
     k=list(dict1.keys())
     return k[v.index(max(v))]
def Count_Word_Occurrence(fp1):
    wordDict = {}
    fp1 = open('Demo.txt','r') #Open File in read Mode
    long = " " #Assume Longest Line = 0
   L = 0
    count = 0
    for line in fp1:
        wordList = line.split()
        for word in wordList:
           if word in wordDict:
                wordDict[word] += 1
            else:
                 wordDict[word] = 1
   print(wordDict)
   print(Find_Max_Occurrence_Words(wordDict),'word has occurred most of the time
within the file')
```

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```
return wordDict
fp = open('Demo.txt','r')
Count_Word_Occurrence(fp)
Output
```

{'and': 1, 'Zuckerberg': 1, 'Jobs': 1, 'Apple': 1, 'founder': 3, 'of': 3, 'is': 2, 'Bill': 1, 'Microsoft.': 1, 'Mark': 1, 'Steve': 1, 'MAC': 1, 'Facebook.': 1, 'PC.': 1, 'Gate': 1, 'was': 1} ('founder', 'word has occurred most of the time within the file')

# SIMULATE ELLIPTICAL ORBITS IN PYGAME



Note: Install Pygame package by using **PIP** utility

### **PROGRAM A.16**

```
import pygame
import math
import sys
pygame.init()
screen = pygame.display.set_mode((800,500))
pygame.display.set_caption("Elliptical orbit Demo using Pygame")
clock = pygame.time.Clock()
done = False
while not done:
    for event in pygame.event.get():
            if event.type == pygame.QUIT:
                 pygame.quit()
                 done = True
    xRadius = 250
    yRadius = 100
    for degree in range(0,360,10):
        x1 = int(math.cos(degree * 2 * math.pi / 360) * xRadius) + 300
        y1 = int(math.sin(degree * 2 * math.pi / 360) * yRadius) + 150
        screen.fill((0, 0, 0))
        pygame.draw.circle(screen, (255, 0, 0), [300, 150], 35)
        pygame.draw.ellipse(screen, (255, 255, 255), [50, 50, 500, 200], 1)
        pygame.draw.circle(screen, (0, 0, 255), [x1, y1], 15)
        pygame.display.flip()
                               #update the screen
        clock.tick(1)
pygame.quit()
```

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# SIMULATE BOUNCING BALL USING PYGAME

• **STEP 1:** Declare basic requirements, such as, **background** colour of the window, list of balls with different colour and size of window.

```
import Pygame
import random
#Define some colours
BLACK = (255, 255, 255)
Different_Ball_Colours = [(0,0,255),(227,207,87),(139,35,35),(102,205,0)]
Ball_Colour = (0,0,255)
SCREEN WIDTH = 500
```

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SCREEN_HEIGHT = 500
BALL_SIZE = 30
```

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• STEP 2: Class to keep track of ball's location

```
class Ball:
    def __init__(self ):
        self.x = 0
        self.y = 0
        self.change_x = 0
        self.change_y = 0
```

#### • **STEP 3:** Method to select ball colour

```
def Change_Ball_Colour(Different_Ball_Colours):
    Ball_Colour=Different_Ball_Colours[random.randrange(len(Different_Ball_
Colours))]
    return Ball_Colour
```

#### • STEP 4: Set position of new ball

```
def SetPosition_New_Ball():
    ball = Ball()
    #Starting position of the ball.
    ball.x = random.randrange(BALL_SIZE, SCREEN_WIDTH - BALL_SIZE)
    ball.y = random.randrange(BALL_SIZE, SCREEN_HEIGHT - BALL_SIZE)
    #Speed and direction
    ball.change_x = random.randrange(-2, 3)
    ball.change_y = random.randrange(-2, 3)
```

return ball

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• **STEP 5:** Main part of the program consists of following things.

- a. Set the height and width of the screen.
- b. Even Handling to create new ball on press of "b" button.
- c. Logic to bounce ball and update the screen.

```
Def main():
    pygame.init()
    #Set the height and width of the screen
    size = [SCREEN_WIDTH, SCREEN_HEIGHT]
    screen = pygame.display.set_mode(size)
    pygame.display.set_caption("Bouncing Ball Game....Enjoy it!!!")
    #Loop until the user clicks the close button.
    done = False
    clock = pygame.time.Clock()
    ball list = []
    ball = SetPosition_New_Ball()
    ball_list.append(ball)
    while not done:
        #Event Processing
        for event in pygame.event.get():
            if event.type == pygame.QUIT:
                 done = True
            elif event.type == pygame.KEYDOWN:
                 #On Click of Key B creates new ball
                 if event.key == pygame.K_b:
                     ball = SetPosition_New_Ball()
                     ball_list.append(ball)
        for ball in ball list:
            #Move the ball's centre
            ball.x += ball.change_x
            ball.y += ball.change_y
            #Bounce the ball
            if ball.y > SCREEN_HEIGHT - BALL_SIZE or ball.y < BALL_SIZE:
                ball.change_y * = -1
            if ball.x > SCREEN_WIDTH - BALL_SIZE or ball.x < BALL_SIZE:
                ball.change_x * = -1
```

```
clock.tick(20)
```

#update the screen
pygame.display.flip()

### #Close everything down

pygame.quit()

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

#### #Entire Program (Containing all Steps 1 to 5)

```
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import random
#Define some colours
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Different_Ball_Colours = [(0,0,255),(227,207,87),(139,35,35),(102,205,0)]
Ball_Colour = (0, 0, 255)
SCREEN_WIDTH = 500
SCREEN_HEIGHT = 500
BALL_SIZE = 30
class Ball:
    def __init__(self):
        self.x = 0
        self.y = 0
        self.change_x = 0
        self.change_y = 0
def Change_Ball_Colour(Different_Ball_Colours):
   Ball_Colour =
Different_Ball_Colours[random.randrange(len(Different_Ball_Colours))]
    return Ball_Colour
```

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def SetPosition New Ball(): ball = Ball()#Starting position of the ball. ball.x = random.randrange(BALL SIZE, SCREEN WIDTH - BALL SIZE) ball.y = random.randrange(BALL\_SIZE, SCREEN\_HEIGHT - BALL\_SIZE) #Speed and direction  $ball.change_x = random.randrange(-2, 3)$ ball.change y = random.randrange(-2, 3)return ball def main(): pygame.init() #Set the height and width of the screen size = [SCREEN\_WIDTH, SCREEN\_HEIGHT] screen = pygame.display.set\_mode(size) pygame.display.set\_caption("Bouncing Ball Game .... Enjoy it!!!") #Loop until the user clicks the close button. done = Falseclock = pygame.time.Clock() ball\_list = [] ball = SetPosition\_New\_Ball() ball\_list.append(ball) while not done: #Event Processing for event in pygame.event.get(): if event.type == pygame.QUIT: done = Trueelif event.type == pygame.KEYDOWN: #On Click of Key B creates New Ball if event.key == pygame.K\_b: ball = SetPosition\_New\_Ball() ball\_list.append(ball)

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```
for ball in ball list:
            #Move the ball's centre
            ball.x += ball.change_x
            ball.y += ball.change_y
            #Bounce the ball
            if ball.y > SCREEN_HEIGHT - BALL_SIZE or ball.y < BALL_SIZE:
                ball.change_y *= -1
            if ball.x > SCREEN WIDTH - BALL SIZE or ball.x < BALL SIZE:
                ball.change_x *= -1
        Ball_Colour = Change_Ball_Colour(Different_Ball_Colours)
        #Set the screen background
        screen.fill(BLACK)
        for ball in ball_list:
            pygame.draw.circle(screen, Ball_Colour, [ball.x, ball.y], BALL_SIZE)
        clock.tick(20)
        #Update the screen
        pygame.display.flip()
    #Close everything down
   pygame.quit()
if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

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