

Unit 2: Introduction to Python

Python Programming — DI02032011

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2.1 Introduction to Python

Features & Applications

What is Python?

Definition

Python is a **high-level, interpreted, general-purpose** programming language known for its simple syntax and readability. Created by **Guido van Rossum** (released 1991).

Quick Facts

Paradigm	Object-Oriented, Functional, Procedural
Typing	Dynamically typed
Extension	.py
Interpreter	CPython (default), PyPy, Jython
Version	Python 3.x (current)
License	Open-source (PSF License)

Key Features of Python

Simple & Readable

English-like syntax, beginner-friendly

Interpreted

Executes line-by-line, no compilation needed

Dynamically Typed

No need to declare variable types

Object-Oriented

Supports classes, objects, inheritance

Large Library

Rich standard library (math, os, re, etc.)

Platform-Independent

Runs on Windows, Linux, macOS

Free & Open-Source

Available at python.org for free

High-Level

Handles memory management automatically

Where is Python Used?

Web Development

Django, Flask frameworks

Data Science

NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib

Machine Learning

TensorFlow, PyTorch, scikit-learn

Automation/Scripting

Automate repetitive tasks

Scientific Computing

SciPy for research and analysis

Game Development

Pygame library

Desktop Applications

Tkinter, PyQt

Cybersecurity

Penetration testing, scripting

2.2 Program Structure, Keywords

Identifiers & Variables

Basic Python Program Structure

Structure of a Python Program

```
# This is a comment
# 1. Import statements (optional)
import math

# 2. Variable declarations
name = "GTU Student"
marks = 85

# 3. Main logic
print("Name:", name)
print("Marks:", marks)
print("Square root:", math.sqrt(marks))
```

Python Keywords

Definition

Keywords are **reserved words** with predefined meanings. They cannot be used as variable names.

Python Keywords (Selected)

False	True	None	and	or	not
if	elif	else	for	while	break
continue	def	return	class	import	from
in	is	lambda	pass	try	except
global	del	with	as	raise	yield

Identifier

Name given to a variable, function, class or object.

Rules for Identifiers / Variables

- 1 Must start with a **letter** (a–z, A–Z) or **underscore** _
- 2 Can contain letters, digits (0–9) and underscores
- 3 **Cannot** start with a digit
- 4 **Case-sensitive**: age $\neq$ Age $\neq$ AGE
- 5 Cannot be a keyword (for, if, etc.)
- 6 No spaces or special characters allowed

Examples

Valid: name, _count, total_marks, x1

Invalid: 2name, for, my-var, hello world

2.3 Data Types

int, float, str, bool, complex

Built-in Data Types

Type	Example	Description
int	<code>x = 10</code>	Whole numbers, no decimal
float	<code>y = 3.14</code>	Decimal/real numbers
str	<code>s = "Hello"</code>	Text / sequence of characters
bool	<code>b = True</code>	True or False values
complex	<code>c = 3+4j</code>	Real + imaginary part
list	<code>l = [1,2,3]</code>	Ordered, mutable collection
tuple	<code>t = (1,2,3)</code>	Ordered, immutable collection
dict	<code>d = {"a":1}</code>	Key-value pairs
set	<code>s = {1,2,3}</code>	Unordered, unique elements

Identifying Data Types

```
x = 10          # int
y = 3.14        # float
name = "GTU"    # str
flag = True     # bool
c = 2 + 3j      # complex

print(type(x))  # <class 'int'>
print(type(y))  # <class 'float'>
print(type(name)) # <class 'str'>
print(type(flag)) # <class 'bool'>
```

Implicit (Automatic)

Python converts type automatically when safe.

```
x = 5          # int
y = 2.0        # float
z = x + y      # 7.0 (float)
print(type(z))
# <class 'float'>
```

Explicit (Manual)

Use `int()`, `float()`, `str()` etc.

```
a = "123"
b = int(a)    # 123
c = float(a)  # 123.0
d = str(456)  # "456"
e = bool(0)   # False
e = bool(5)   # True
```

Types of Operators

Type	Examples
Arithmetic	<code>+, -, *, /, //, %, **</code>
Comparison	<code>==, !=, >, <, >=, <=</code>
Logical	<code>and, or, not</code>
Assignment	<code>=, +=, -=, *=, /=</code>
Bitwise	<code>&, , ^, ~, <<, >></code>
Membership	<code>in, not in</code>
Identity	<code>is, is not</code>

2.4 Operators in Detail

Arithmetic, Comparison, Logical, Assignment, Membership

Arithmetic Operators with Examples

Op	Name	Example	Result
+	Addition	$5 + 3$	8
-	Subtraction	$5 - 3$	2
*	Multiplication	$5 * 3$	15
/	Division	$7 / 2$	3.5
//	Floor Division	$7 // 2$	3
%	Modulus	$7 \% 2$	1
**	Exponentiation	$2 ** 3$	8

Comparison (Relational) Operators

Op	Meaning	Example	Result
==	Equal to	5 == 5	True
!=	Not equal to	5 != 3	True
>	Greater than	5 > 3	True
<	Less than	3 < 5	True
>=	Greater or equal	5 >= 5	True
<=	Less or equal	3 <= 5	True

```
x, y = 10, 20
print(x > y)      # False
print(x == 10)   # True
print(x != y)    # True
```

Logical Operators — and, or, not

Op	Meaning	Example	Result
and	Both True	T and F	False
or	Either True	T or F	True
not	Negation	not T	False

```
x, y = 10, 20
print(x > 5 and y > 5)    # True
print(x > 15 or y > 15)   # True
print(not(x > 5))         # False
```

Truth Table (and)

T and T = T T and F = F F and T = F F and F = F

Assignment Operators

Op	Equivalent to	Example	After (x=10)
=	Assign value	x = 10	x = 10
+=	x = x + val	x += 5	x = 15
-=	x = x - val	x -= 3	x = 7
*=	x = x * val	x *= 2	x = 20
/=	x = x / val	x /= 2	x = 5.0
//=	x = x // val	x //= 3	x = 3
%=	x = x % val	x %= 3	x = 1
**=	x = x ** val	x **= 2	x = 100

Definition

Membership operators test whether a value exists in a sequence (string, list, tuple, set, dict).

in and not in

Op	Description	Returns
in	Returns True if value is in sequence	True / False
not in	Returns True if value not in sequence	True / False

```
fruits = ["apple", "mango", "banana"]
print("mango" in fruits)      # True
print("grape" not in fruits) # True
name = "Python"
print("Py" in name)          # True
```

Read three numbers and find average

```
# Program to find average of 3 numbers
a = float(input("Enter first number: "))
b = float(input("Enter second number: "))
c = float(input("Enter third number: "))

average = (a + b + c) / 3
print("Average =", average)
```

Sample Output

```
Enter first number: 10
Enter second number: 20
Enter third number: 30
Average = 20.0
```

Temperature Conversion

```
# Celsius to Fahrenheit conversion
celsius = float(input("Enter temperature in Celsius: "))

fahrenheit = (celsius * 9/5) + 32

print("Temperature in Fahrenheit =", fahrenheit)
```

Formula & Sample

$$F = \frac{C \times 9}{5} + 32$$

Enter temperature in Celsius: 100

Temperature in Fahrenheit = 212.0

Program: Simple & Compound Interest (Su'24 OR — 7M)

SI and CI Program

```
p = float(input("Principal: "))
r = float(input("Rate (%): "))
t = float(input("Time (years): "))

si = (p * r * t) / 100
ci = p * ((1 + r/100) ** t) - p

print("Simple Interest =", round(si, 2))
print("Compound Interest =", round(ci, 2))
```

Calculate total and average of 4 subject marks

```
s1 = float(input("Subject 1 marks: "))
s2 = float(input("Subject 2 marks: "))
s3 = float(input("Subject 3 marks: "))
s4 = float(input("Subject 4 marks: "))

total    = s1 + s2 + s3 + s4
average = total / 4

print("Total Marks    =", total)
print("Average Marks =", average)
```

Find square and cube of a number

```
num = float(input("Enter a number: "))

square = num ** 2
cube   = num ** 3

print("Square of", num, "=", square)
print("Cube of",   num, "=", cube)
```

Sample Output

```
Enter a number: 5
Square of 5.0 = 25.0
Cube of 5.0 = 125.0
```

Output Prediction — Operators (Su'23 OR, Su'24 OR — 4M)

Predict the Output

```
x = 10
y = 3
print(x * y)    # ?
print(x ** y)   # ?
print(x // y)   # ?
print(x % y)    # ?
print(x > y)    # ?
```

Answers

`x * y = 30` `x ** y = 1000` `x // y = 3` `x % y = 1` `x > y = True`

Comparison Operators — Full Program (Su'23 — 7M)

List all comparison operators with examples

```
a, b = 15, 10
print("a == b :", a == b)  # False
print("a != b :", a != b)  # True
print("a > b :", a > b)    # True
print("a < b :", a < b)    # False
print("a >= b :", a >= b)  # True
print("a <= b :", a <= b)  # False
```

Demonstrate all logical operators

```
x, y = 5, 10

# and operator
print(x > 3 and y > 3) # True
print(x > 3 and y > 15) # False

# or operator
print(x > 3 or y > 15) # True
print(x > 8 or y > 15) # False

# not operator
print(not(x > 3)) # False
print(not(x > 8)) # True
```

Demonstrate three assignment operators

```
x = 10
print("Initial x =", x)    # 10

x += 5
print("After x+=5:", x)    # 15

x -= 3
print("After x-=3:", x)    # 12

x *= 2
print("After x*=2:", x)    # 24

x /= 4
print("After x/=4:", x)    # 6
```

2.5 Programs: Data Types

3-mark, 4-mark and 7-mark solutions

List data types in Python and explain any three

```
# int type
age = 25
print("age =", age, "| type:", type(age))

# float type
price = 99.99
print("price =", price, "| type:", type(price))

# str type
name = "GTU"
print("name =", name, "| type:", type(name))

# bool type
flag = True
print("flag =", flag, "| type:", type(flag))
```

List different data types with examples

```
x    = 10                # int
y    = 3.14              # float
s    = "Hello Python"   # str
b    = True              # bool
c    = 2 + 3j            # complex
lst  = [1, 2, 3]         # list
tup  = (4, 5, 6)         # tuple
dct  = {"a": 1}          # dict
st   = {7, 8, 9}         # set

for v in [x,y,s,b,c,lst,tup,dct,st]:
    print(v, ">", type(v).__name__)
```

Types of Operators in Python

Arithmetic	+, -, *, /, //, %, **
Comparison	==, !=, >, <, >=, <=
Logical	and, or, not
Assignment	=, +=, -=, *=, /=, //=, %=
Membership	in, not in
Identity	is, is not
Bitwise	&, , ^, ~, «, »

Two types demonstrated

```
# Arithmetic + Relational
x, y = 12, 5
print(x + y, x // y, x % y) # 17 2 2
print(x > y, x == y)       # True False
```

input() and print() Functions

input() Function

Reads input from user as **string**.

```
name = input("Enter name: ")
age  = int(input("Age: "))
```

print() Function

Displays output to the screen.

```
print("Hello")           # basic
print("Age:", age)       # multi
print(3 + 4)             # expr
print("A", end=" ")     # end
print("B")               # A B
```

Type Safety

Always convert input() when numeric:

```
x = int(input("...")) or x = float(input("..."))
```

2.6 GTU PYQ Practice

Su'23 – W'25

3-Mark PYQ Questions

Try These (3 marks)

- 1 List the features of Python. *[Su'25, W'25]*
- 2 List the applications of Python. *[Su'25 OR, W'25 OR]*
- 3 Describe data types in Python with examples. *[W'23]*
- 4 List out rules for defining variables in Python. *[W'23 OR]*
- 5 Discuss membership operator of Python with example. *[W'24]*
- 6 Write a short note on assignment operator in Python. *[W'24 OR]*

4-Mark PYQ Questions

Try These (4 marks)

- 1 List various data types in Python and explain any three with example. *[W'24]*
- 2 Develop Python code to read three numbers and find their average. *[Su'23]*
- 3 Determine the output: `x=10, y=3; x*y, x**y, x//y, x%y, x>y`. *[Su'23 OR, Su'24 OR]*

7-Mark PYQ Questions

Try These (7 marks)

- 1 List assignment operators; build code to demonstrate any three. *[Su'23]*
- 2 Develop code to convert temperature from Celsius to Fahrenheit. *[W'23]*
- 3 List all comparison operators and explain each with Python code. *[W'23 OR]*
- 4 List all logical operators and explain each with Python code. *[Su'24]*
- 5 Calculate SI and CI. *[Su'24 OR]*
- 6 Calculate total and average marks of 4 subject marks. *[W'24]*
- 7 Find square and cube of a given number. *[W'24 OR]*
- 8 List different data types and explain all with examples. *[Su'25, W'25]*

Bitwise Operators in Python

Op	Name	Example (a=10, b=6)	Result
&	AND	10 & 6	2 (1010 & 0110 = 0010)
	OR	10 6	14 (1010 0110 = 1110)
^	XOR	10 ^ 6	12 (1010 ^ 0110 = 1100)
~	NOT	~10	-11 (inverts bits)
<<	Left Shift	10 << 1	20 (shift bits left)
>>	Right Shift	10 >> 1	5 (shift bits right)

Note

Bitwise operators work on integer binary representations. 10 in binary = 1010; 6 = 0110.

Identity Operators

Operator	Meaning	Returns True if
is	Identity check	Both point to same object in memory
is not	Not Identity	Both point to different objects

```
a = [1, 2, 3]
b = [1, 2, 3]
c = a
print(a is c)      # True (same object)
print(a is b)      # False (different objects)
print(a == b)      # True (same value)
print(a is not b)  # True
```

```
# sep parameter: separator between values
print("A", "B", "C", sep="-")      # A-B-C
print(1, 2, 3, sep=", ")          # 1, 2, 3

# end parameter: what to print at end
print("Hello", end=" ")
print("World")                     # Hello World

# f-string formatting (Python 3.6+)
name = "Raj"
marks = 95.5
print(f>Name: {name}, Marks: {marks:.1f}")
# Name: Raj, Marks: 95.5

# format() method
print("Value = {:.2f}".format(3.14159)) # 3.14
```

Common Escape Sequences

Sequence	Meaning	Example Output
<code>\n</code>	Newline	Moves to next line
<code>\t</code>	Tab	Horizontal tab space
<code>\\</code>	Backslash	Prints <code>\</code>
<code>\"</code>	Double quote	Prints <code>"</code>
<code>\'</code>	Single quote	Prints <code>'</code>
<code>\r</code>	Carriage return	Returns cursor to line start

```
print("Line1\nLine2")    # on two lines
print("Name\tMarks")     # Name   Marks
print("C:\\Python")      # C:\Python
print("He said \"Hi\"")  # He said "Hi"
```

Multiple Assignment & Operator Precedence (W'24 — 3M)

```
# Multiple assignment
a = b = c = 10      # all get 10
x, y, z = 1, 2, 3    # unpacking
a, b = b, a          # swap (Pythonic)

# Augmented assignment
x = 5
x += 3    # x = 8
x -= 2    # x = 6
x *= 4    # x = 24
x /= 5    # x = 4
x **= 2   # x = 16
```

Operator Precedence (High to Low)

**** > ~+/- (unary) > * / // % > + - > << >> > & ^ | > == != < > <= >=**
> not > and > or

input() Function & Type Conversion (W'25 — 3M)

```
# input() always returns a string
name = input("Enter name: ")    # string
age  = int(input("Enter age: ")) # integer
gpa  = float(input("GPA: "))    # float

# Type conversion functions
print(int("42"))                # 42
print(float("3.14"))            # 3.14
print(str(100))                 # '100'
print(bool(0))                  # False
print(bool(5))                  # True

# Multiple inputs on one line
a, b = map(int, input("a b: ").split())
```

Program: Area of Circle & Triangle (W'25, Su'24 OR — 4M)

```
import math

# Area of Circle
r = float(input("Enter radius: "))
area = math.pi * r * r
print(f"Area of circle = {area:.2f}")

# Area of Triangle (Heron's Formula)
a = float(input("Side a: "))
b = float(input("Side b: "))
c = float(input("Side c: "))
s = (a + b + c) / 2
area = math.sqrt(s*(s-a)*(s-b)*(s-c))
print(f"Area of triangle = {area:.2f}")
```

```
# BMI = weight / (height^2)
weight = float(input("Weight (kg): "))
height = float(input("Height (m): "))

bmi = weight / (height ** 2)
print(f"BMI = {bmi:.2f}")

if bmi < 18.5:
    print("Underweight")
elif bmi < 25:
    print("Normal Weight")
elif bmi < 30:
    print("Overweight")
else:
    print("Obese")
```

Program: Hypotenuse & Power Without ** (Su'25 — 4M)

```
import math

# Hypotenuse of right triangle
a = float(input("Base: "))
b = float(input("Height: "))
hyp = math.sqrt(a**2 + b**2)
print(f"Hypotenuse = {hyp:.2f}")

# Power without ** operator
base = int(input("Base: "))
exp = int(input("Exponent: "))
result = 1
for i in range(exp):
    result *= base
print(f"{base}^{exp} = {result}")
```

Number Systems & Conversions (W'25 OR, Su'25 OR — 3M)

Literals

System	Prefix	Example
Binary	0b or 0B	0b1010 = 10
Octal	0o or 0O	0o12 = 10
Hexadecimal	0x or 0X	0xA = 10

```
# Conversion functions
print(bin(10))      # 0b1010
print(oct(10))      # 0o12
print(hex(10))       # 0xa
print(int('1010', 2)) # binary to int = 10
print(int('12', 8))  # octal to int = 10
print(int('A', 16))  # hex to int = 10
```

Types of Comments

Type	Syntax
Single-line comment	# This is a comment
Multi-line string (docstring)	'''...''' or """..."""

```
# Single-line comment
x = 10    # inline comment

'''
This is a
multi-line comment
(docstring)
'''

def greet():
    """This function prints a greeting."""
    print("Hello!")
```

```
# Predict output
a = 7
b = 3
print(a // b)      # ?
print(a % b)       # ?
print(a ** b)      # ?
print(a > b and b > 0) # ?
print(not (a == 7)) # ?
```

Answers

```
a // b = 2
a % b = 1
a ** b = 343
a > b and b > 0 = True
not (a == 7) = False
```

Remember:

// = floor division

% = remainder

** = power

Program: Distance, Volume, Perimeter (Su'25 — 4M)

```
# Distance using speed and time
speed = float(input("Speed (km/h): "))
time  = float(input("Time (h): "))
dist  = speed * time
print(f"Distance = {dist:.2f} km")

# Volume of cylinder
import math
r = float(input("Radius: "))
h = float(input("Height: "))
vol = math.pi * r * r * h
print(f"Volume = {vol:.2f}")

# Perimeter of rectangle
l = float(input("Length: "))
w = float(input("Width: "))
print(f"Perimeter = {2*(l+w):.2f}")
```

```
s = "Python"
print(len(s))           # 6
print(s[0])             # P    (indexing)
print(s[-1])            # n    (last char)
print(s[0:3])           # Pyt  (slicing)
print(s * 2)            # PythonPython
print("Py" in s)        # True

# String is immutable
# s[0] = "p"             # Error!

name = input("Name: ")
print("Hello, " + name + "!") # concatenation
```

Worked: All Operator Types Program (W'25, Su'25 — 7M)

```
a, b = 15, 4
# Arithmetic
print(a+b, a-b, a*b, a/b, a//b, a%b, a**b)
# 19 11 60 3.75 3 3 50625

# Comparison
print(a>b, a<b, a==b, a!=b)    # T F F T

# Logical
print(a>5 and b>0)    # True
print(a>20 or b>2)    # True
print(not(a>5))       # False

# Assignment (augmented)
x = 10; x += 5; print(x)    # 15

# Membership
print(15 in [10,15,20])    # True
print("t" in "Python")    # True
```

Chained Comparison & Ternary Expression (W'25 OR — 3M)

```
# Chained comparison (Pythonic)
x = 15
print(10 < x < 20)    # True
print(1 <= x <= 100)  # True

# Ternary (conditional) expression
a, b = 10, 20
max_val = a if a > b else b
print("Max:", max_val) # Max: 20

# type() and isinstance()
n = 42
print(type(n))          # <class 'int'>
print(isinstance(n, int)) # True
print(isinstance(n, float)) # False
```

Quick Revision: Data Types & Variables

Data Type	Example	type()	Mutable
int	42, -5	int	No
float	3.14	float	No
str	"Hi"	str	No
bool	True	bool	No
list	[1,2]	list	Yes
tuple	(1,2)	tuple	No
dict	{k:v}	dict	Yes
set	{1,2}	set	Yes

Variable Rules

- Start with letter or _
- Case-sensitive: Name $\neq$ name
- No spaces or special chars (except _)
- Cannot use Python keywords (if, for, while...)

Worked: Largest of Three Numbers (Su'24, W'23 — 4M)

```
# Method 1: if-elif-else
a = int(input("a: "))
b = int(input("b: "))
c = int(input("c: "))

if a >= b and a >= c:
    print("Largest:", a)
elif b >= c:
    print("Largest:", b)
else:
    print("Largest:", c)

# Method 2: using max()
print("Largest:", max(a, b, c))
```

Worked: Multiple Python Short Programs (W'25 — 4M)

```
# Swap without temp (Pythonic)
a, b = 10, 20
a, b = b, a
print(f"a={a}, b={b}")    # a=20, b=10

# Count even numbers in list
nums = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10]
even = sum(1 for n in nums if n%2==0)
print("Even count:", even)    # 5

# Print ASCII value of a character
ch = input("Character: ")
print(f"ASCII of {ch} = {ord(ch)}")
print(f"Char of 65 = {chr(65)}")

# Check if number is single digit
n = int(input("Number: "))
if 0 <= n <= 9:
    print("Single digit")
else:
    print("Multiple digits")
```

Unit 2 — Rapid Revision Flash Sheet

Topic	Key Fact
Python features	Interpreted, dynamic, OOP, open-source
Program structure	import, variables, statements, functions
Identifiers	Start with letter/_; case-sensitive
Data types	int, float, str, bool, complex, list, tuple, dict, set
Explicit conversion	int(), float(), str(), bool()
Arithmetic ops	+ - * / // % ** (7 operators)
Comparison ops	== != > < >= <= (return bool)
Logical ops	and or not
Assignment ops	= += -= *= /= //= %= **=
Membership ops	in, not in
Identity ops	is, is not (check object identity)
Bitwise ops	& ^ ~ << >>
input()	Always returns string ; use int() to convert
print()	sep=, end=, f-strings

Unit 2 — Summary

Key Concepts

Features	Simple, interpreted, OOP, open-source, cross-platform
Data Types	int, float, str, bool, complex, list, tuple, dict, set
Identifiers	Start with letter/_, case-sensitive, no keywords
Operators	Arithmetic, Comparison, Logical, Assignment, Membership
Type Conv.	int(), float(), str(), bool() for explicit conversion
I/O	input() returns str; print() displays output

Exam Weightage (Unit 2 — 14%)

3-mark × 1–2 | 4-mark × 1 | 7-mark × 1–2