

Chapter3 --Python Fundamentals

- **Python Character Set :-** Character set is a set of valid characters that a language can recognize.

A character represents any letter, digit or any other symbol. Python supports Unicode encoding standard.

Eg-

Letters	A-Z, a-z
Digits	0-9
Special symbols	Space + - * / ** \() [] { } // != = == < , > . ' "" , ; : % ! \$ # < = > = @ _ (underscore)
Whitespaces	Blank space, tabs , new line
Other characters	Python can process all ASCII and Unicode Character as part of data or literals.

- **Token** – The smallest individual unit in a program is known as a Token.
- **Keywords** – Are the words that convey a special meaning to the language compiler
 - These are reserved for special purpose and must not be used as normal identifier.
 - Eg- False, del, in, or, while , for etc
- **Identifiers-** Are fundamental building blocks of a program and are used as the general terminology for the names given to different parts of the program eg variables, objects , classes, functions, arrays etc.
 - ✓ Identifiers can have alphabets, digits and underscore and dollar sign characters.
 - ✓ They must not be a keyword or Boolean literal or null literal
 - ✓ They must not begin with digit.
 - ✓ They can be of any length.
 - ✓ Java is case sensitive i.e upper-case letters and lower-case letters are treated differently.

Conventions

- ✓ The names of public methods and instance variables should begin with a lower case letter.
Eg maximum sum

- ✓ For names having multiple words, second and subsequent words beginning character is made capital so as to enhance readability eg avgSalaryOfEmployees
- ✓ Private and local variables should use lower case letters eg width, results, final_score
- ✓ Class names and interface names begin with an upper case letter eg Employee
- ✓ The constants should be named using all capital letters and underscores eg MAX_VALUE, MAX_MARKS, SPECIAL_SALARY, TOTAL

▪ **Literals(CONSTANT)**

- ✓ Literals (often referred to as constants) are data items that are fixed data values.
- ✓ Python allow several kinds of literals (i) String literals (ii)Numeric literals (iii) Boolean literals (iv)Special Literal None (v)Literal Collections

- **Punctuators** are symbols that are used in programming languages to organize programming –sentence, structures and indicate the rhythm and emphasis of expressions, statements and program structure. eg () { } [] . ,

- **OPERATORS** The operations (specific tasks)are represented by operators and the objects of the operations(s) are referred to as operands eg **arithmetic Operators, Relational Operators, Logical Operators, Assignment Operators, Conditional Operator ?**
- “Operators are token that trigger some computation / action when applied to variables and other objects in an expression.

Unary Operators	
+	Unary plus
-	Unary minus
~	Bitwise complement
not	Logical negation
Binary Operators	
+, -, *, /, %, **, //	Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division, Remainder/Modulus, ** exponent, floor division
Bitwise Operators	
&, ^,	Bitwise AND, Bitwise exclusive OR(XOR) Bitwise OR
Shift operators	
<<	Shift left
>>	Shift right

Identity operators	
Is , is not	Is the identity same ? , is the identity not same?
Relational operators	
<, >, <=,>=,==,!=	Less than, greater than, less than or equal to, Greater than or equal to, equal to, not equal to
Logical operator	
AND, OR	Logical AND , Logical OR
Assignment operators	
=,/=,+=,*=,%=-, =,**=,/=	Assignment , Assign quotient , Assign sum, Assign product, Assign remainder, Assign difference, Assign Exponent , Assign Floor division
Membership operators	
In , not in	Whether variable in sequence , whether variable not in sequence

(i) **Expressions**---An expression is any legal combination of symbols that represents a value.

Eg 15 ,2.9 } expressions that are values only

A+5 } complex expressions that produce a value when
evaluated }
(3+5)/4

(ii) **Statement** – A statement is a programming instruction that does something i.e some action takes place. Eg print(“Hello”)

(iii) **Comments**- Comments are the additional readable information to clarify the source code. Comments in Python begin with symbol # and generally end with end of the physical line.

(iv) **Functions** – A function is a code that has a name and it can be reused(executed again) by specifying its name in the program, where needed.

(v) **Blocks and Indentation**- “A group of statements which are part of another statement or a function are called block or code –block or suite in Python.”

- Variables - Named labels , whose values can be used and processed during program run, are called variables.
- Variable creation :- Python variables are created by assigning value of desired type to them, eg to create a numeric variable, assign a numeric value to variable_name ; to create a string variable, assign a string value to variable_name and so on.

Eg Student ='Jacob'

Age =16

Lvalues and Rvalues---**Lvalues** are the objects to which we can assign a value or expression. Lvalues can come on lhs or rhs of an assignments statement. **Rvalues** are the literals and expressions that are assigned to lvalues. Rvalues can come on rhs of an assignment statement.

- Multiple Assignments – **a=b=c=10 , x,y,z=10,20,30**
- Variable definition---**a variable is defined only when we assign some value to it. Using an underdefined variable in an expression /statement causes an error called NameError.**
- **Dynamic Typing –“A variable pointing to a value of a certain type , can be made to point to a value/object of different type. This is called Dynamic Typing.**

Eg

<pre>X=10 Print(x) X=" Sainik"</pre>	<p>Here variable X is first pointing to /referring to an integer value 10 and then to a string value "Sainik" . Here variable X does not have a type but the value it points to does have a type. So we can make a variable point to a value of different type by reassigning a value of that type ; Python will not</p>
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- **Simple Input and output—To get input from user interactively, we can use built-in function input().**

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>>> name=input("Enter your Name")
Enter your name= Sainik
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>>> marks=input("Enter marks:")
Enter marks :89
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Program to obtain three numbers and print their sum

<pre># to input 3 numbers and print their sum Num1=int(input("Enter number 1:")) Num2=int(input("Enter number2:")) Num3=int(input("Enter number3:"))</pre>	<p>Output</p> <pre>Enter number1: 7 Enter number2:3 Enter number3:13</pre>
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Program to obtain length and breadth of a rectangle and calculate its area

<pre># to input length and breadth of a rectangle and calculate its area Length=float(input("Enter length of the rectangle:")) Breadth=Float(input("Enter breadth of the rectangle:")) Area=length * breadth</pre>	<p>Output</p> <pre>Enter length of the rectangle:8.75 Enter breadth of the rectangle:35.0 Rectangle Specifications</pre>
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