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Learning Python

Numbers and Booleans

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Numbers and Types

- Python has three **numeric types**:
 - **int**: integer
 - 1, 2, 3, ...
 - -1, -2, -3 ...
 - **float**: floating-point numbers
 - 0.123, 109.239292, ...
 - **complex**: complex numbers
 - 1j
 - 3 + 5j



◀ Arithmetic Operations

- Type the numbers and operations below in the Python interpreter and observe the response (after pressing the [Enter](#) key)

```
3          # => 3 (an integer number)
3.0        # => 3.0 (a floating point number)
1 + 1      # => addition, returns 2
8 - 1      # => subtraction, returns 7
(1 + 2j) * 2 # => multiplication with complex
              #      numbers, returns 2 + 4j (complex)
```

◀ Arithmetic Operations

Division

- Python supports two division operators: **true** and **integer** division

`5 / 2` `# => true division, 2.5`

`13 / 4` `# => true division, 3.25`

`9 / 3` `# => true division, 3.0`

`7 / 1.4` `# => true division, 5.0`

`5 // 2` `# => floor (also called integer) division, 2`

`13 // 4` `# => floor division, 3`

`7 // 1.4` `# => floor division, 5.0`

`-10 // 3` `# => -4`

Arithmetic Operations

Integer division

To remember

- True division always returns a floating-point number
- In integer division, the result type depends on the types of the operands:
 - `int // int` → `int`
 - `float // float` → `float`
 - **One integer and one float → float**
- To change the type, we use built-in functions `int()`, `float()`
 - The type change operation is also called type **casting**
- Integer division rounds fractional remainders **down**
 - Regardless of the type and sign
 - The result is always lower than or equal to the result of the true division

◀ Arithmetic Operations

Exponentiation and modulus

`2 ** 4` # => exponentiation, $2^{**}4 = 2*2*2*2 = 16$

`5 % 2` # => integer remainder (modulus), returns 1

$5 \% 2 = 5 - 2 * (5//2) = 5 - 4 = 1$

`9 % 3` # => integer remainder (modulus), returns 0

`-10 % 3` # => modulus, returns 2 ⚠

$-10 \% 3 = -10 - 3 * (-10//3) = -10 - 3*(-4)$





Booleans

◀ Booleans

- Bool type (Boolean) is a **subtype** of integer
- True equals **1**, and False equals **0**
- Boolean types are common in control flow expressions
 - if-else, loop

True	# => returns True
False	# => returns False
<code>type(True)</code>	# => <code><class 'bool'></code>
True + 4	# => returns 5

Note the capital first letter:

- True
-  true
- False
-  false

Boolean (Logical) Operations

`x or y` `# => logical OR`

Logical OR:

False or True => True
False or False => False
True or ??? => True

`x and y` `# => logical AND`

Logical AND:

True and True => True
True and False => False
False and ??? => False

`not x` `# => logical negation`

Logical negation:

not True => False
not False => True



Comparisons

Also known as relational operators

◀ Comparisons

<code>1 < 2</code>	<code># => Evaluate if 1 is less than 2, # returns True</code>
<code>2.0 >= 1</code>	<code># => Evaluate if 2.0 is greater than or # equal to 1, returns True</code>
<code>7 == 7</code>	<code># => Evaluate if 7 equals 7, # returns True</code>
<code>True == 1</code>	<code># => Evaluate if True equals 1, # returns True</code>
<code>2.0 != 2</code>	<code># => Evaluate if 2.0 is different than # 2, returns False # (2.0) != type(2) would return True</code>

◀ Comparisons: Chained

```
x = 2  # create integer variable x and assign 2 to it  
y = 4  # create integer variable y and assign 4 to it  
z = 6  # create integer variable z and assign 6 to it
```

```
# Use variables in expressions
```

```
x < y < z    # => x < y and also y < z, returns True
```

```
x < y > z    # => x < y and also y > z, returns False
```

```
x == y < z   # => x == y and also y < z, returns False
```



Logical Operations with Types other than Boolean

◀ Boolean (Logical) Operations

In the context of Boolean operations (and, or, not), the following values are interpreted as False:

- **False**
- None (a value commonly used to signify 'empty', or 'no value')
- **Numeric zero of all numeric types**
- Empty strings
- Empty lists, tuples, dictionaries, sets, ...

All other values are interpreted as True

◀ Logical Operations with Nonboolean Types

`x or y` `# => logical OR`
`# from left to right`

Logical OR, `x or y`:
If `x` is (interpreted as) `True` \Rightarrow `x`
If `x` is (interpreted as) `False` \Rightarrow `y`

`# Examples:`

`3 or 5` `# => 3`

`5 or 'EPFL'` `# => 5`

`0 or 3` `# => 3`

`False or 'EPFL'` `# => 'EPFL'`

◀ Logical Operations with Nonboolean Types

x and y # => logical AND
from left to right

Logical AND, x and y:
If x is (interpreted as) True => y
If x is (interpreted as) False => x

Examples:

3 and 5	# => 5
5 and 'EPFL'	# => 'EPFL'
0 and 3	# => 0
'EPFL' and False	# => False

◀ Logical Operations with Nonboolean Types

not x # => logical negation

from right to left

Examples:

not 3 # => False

not 0 # => True

not False # => True

not 'EPFL' # => False

Logical negation, not x:

If x is (interpreted as) True => False

If x is (interpreted as) False => True

Logical Operations with Nonboolean Types

Examples

What are the values of the following expressions?

Example 1

```
temp = 17
```

```
result = ((temp > 15) and 'black dress') or 'jeans'
```

Example 2

```
temp = 10
```

```
result = ((temp > 15) and 'black dress') or 'jeans'
```

Logical Operations with Nonboolean Types

Examples

What are the values of the following expressions?

Example 1

```
temp = 17
```

```
result = ((temp > 15) and 'black dress') or 'jeans'
```

```
# answer: 'black dress'; steps:
```

```
# (1) temp > 15 returns True
```

```
# (2) True and 'black dress' returns 'black dress'
```

```
# (3) 'black dress' or 'jeans' returns 'black dress'
```

Example 2

```
temp = 10
```

```
result = ((temp > 15) and 'black dress') or 'jeans'
```

```
# answer: 'jeans'
```



Assignments

Assignments

Operator	Syntax	Meaning
=	$x = y + z$	Assign $x = y + z$
+=	$x += y$	Add and assign $x = x + y$
-=	$x -= y$	Subtract and assign $x = x - y$
*=	$x *= y$	Multiply and assign $x = x * y$
/=	$x /= y$	Divide (true) and assign $x = x / y$
%=	$x \% = y$	Compute modulo and assign $x = x \% y$
//=	$x //= y$	Divide (integer) and assign $x = x // y$
**=	$x ** = y$	Calculate exponent and assign $x = x ** y$

- Assignment operator computes the value of the expression on the right and assigns it to the operand on the left
- Assignment operator can be combined with arithmetic operators

Assignment Operators

Examples

What is the value of the expression?

Example 1

a = 5

x = 3

y = 0

a *= x - (y <= x)

Assignment Operators

Examples

What is the value of the expression?

Example 1

a = 5

x = 3

y = 0

a *= x - (y <= x)

answer: a = 10

steps:

(1) y <= x returns True

(2) x - True returns 2

(3) a *= 2 returns a*2 which equals 10



Operator Precedence

Precedence of Operators

- Python will always evaluate the arithmetic operators first
 - `**` is highest, then multiplication/division, then addition/subtraction
- Next come the relational operators
- The logical operators are evaluated last

Priority level	Category	Operators	Associativity
7 (highest)	Exponent	<code>**</code>	right to left
6	Multiplication, etc.	<code>*</code> , <code>/</code> , <code>//</code> , <code>%</code>	left to right
5	Addition and subtraction	<code>+</code> , <code>-</code>	left to right
4	Relational	<code><=</code> , <code>>=</code> , <code>></code> , <code><</code> , <code>==</code> , <code>!=</code>	left to right
3	Logical	<code>not</code>	right to left
2	Logical	<code>and</code>	left to right
1 (lowest)	Logical	<code>or</code>	left to right

Precedence of Operators

The acronym **PEMDAS** is a convenient way to remember the rules

- **P**arentheses have the **highest** precedence
 - ...and can be used to force an expression to evaluate in the order you want
- **E**xponentiation has the next highest precedence
- **M**ultiplication and **D**ivision have the same precedence
 - ...which is **higher** than **A**ddition and **S**ubtraction, which also have the same precedence



Precedence of Operators

Examples - PEMDAS

What is the value of the following expression?

Example 1

```
result = True or False and False
```

Precedence of Operators

Examples - PEMDAS

What is the value of the following expression?

Example 1

```
result = True or False and False
```

answer: True

Steps:

and has a higher precedence over *or*

`result = True or (False and False)`

in parentheses, we have `False and False => False`

then, `True or False => True`

Precedence of Operators

Examples - PEMDAS

What is the value of the following expression?

Example 2

```
result = 2 ** 3 ** 2
```

Precedence of Operators

Examples - PEMDAS

What is the value of the following expressions?

Example 2

result = 2 ** 3 ** 2

answer: 512

Steps:

associativity of exponentiation operator: right to left

result = 2 ** (3 ** 2)

3 ** 2 = 9

result = 2 ** 9 = 512

Precedence of Operators

Examples - PEMDAS

What is the value of the following expression?

Example 3

`a = b = 0`

`result = a < b + 5`

Precedence of Operators

Examples - PEMDAS

What is the value of the following expressions?

Example 3

a = b = 0

result = a < b + 5

answer: True

Steps:

addition has a higher precedence over relational operator <

result = 0 < (b + 5)

b + 5 = 5

then, 0 < 5 => True



Next topic: **If-elif-else**