

# CN101

## Lecture 2-3

### Input, Processing, and Output

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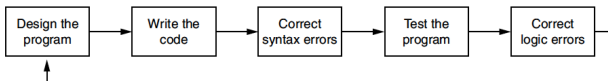
## Topics

- Designing a Program
- Input, Processing, and Output
- Displaying Output with `print` Function
- Comments
- Variables
- Reading Input from the Keyboard
- Performing Calculations
- More About Data Output
- Named Constants

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## Designing a Program

- Programs must be designed before they are written
- Program development cycle:
  - Design the program
  - Write the code
  - Correct syntax errors
  - Test the program
  - Correct logic errors



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## Designing a Program (cont'd.)

- Design is the most important part of the program development cycle
- Understand the task that the program is to perform
  - Work with customer to get a sense what the program is supposed to do
  - Ask questions about program details
  - Create one or more software requirements

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## Designing a Program (cont'd.)

- Determine the steps that must be taken to perform the task
  - Break down required task into a series of steps
  - Create an algorithm, listing logical steps that must be taken
- **Algorithm**: set of well-defined logical steps that must be taken to perform a task

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## Pseudocode

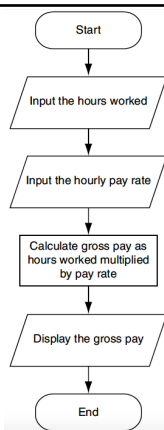
- **Pseudocode**: fake code
  - Informal language that has no syntax rule
  - Not meant to be compiled or executed
- Used to create model program
  - No need to worry about syntax errors, can focus on program's design
  - Can be translated directly into actual code in any programming language

## Pseudocode (cont'd.)

- For example, suppose you have been asked to write a program to calculate and display the gross pay for an hourly paid employee.
- Here are the steps that you would take:
  1. Input the hours worked
  2. Input the hourly pay rate
  3. Calculate gross pay as hours worked multiplied by pay rate
  4. Display the gross pay

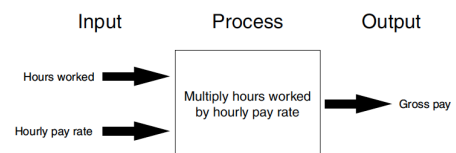
## Flowcharts

- **Flowchart:** diagram that graphically depicts the steps in a program
  - Ovals are terminal symbols
  - Parallelograms are input and output symbols
  - Rectangles are processing symbols
  - Symbols are connected by arrows that represent the flow of the program



## Input, Processing, and Output

- Typically, computer performs three-step process
  - Receive input
    - Input: any data that the program receives while it is running
  - Perform some process on the input
    - Example: mathematical calculation
  - Produce output



## Codes and Characters

- Each character is coded as a byte
- Most common coding system is ASCII (Pronounced as-key)
- ASCII = American National Standard Code for Information Interchange

## ASCII Features

- 7-bit code
- 8th bit is unused (or used for a parity bit)
- $2^7 = 128$  codes
- Two general types of codes:
  - 95 are "Graphic" codes (displayable on a console)
  - 33 are "Control" codes (control features of the console or communications channel)

Standard ASCII code (in decimal)

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Dec	Char	Dec	Char	Dec	Char	Dec	Char	Dec	Char	Dec	Char	Dec	Char	Dec	Char
0	NUL	16	DLE	32	SP	48	0	64	@	80	P	96	`	112	p
1	SOH	17	DC1	33	!	49	1	65	A	81	Q	97	a	113	q
2	STX	18	DC2	34	"	50	2	66	B	82	R	98	b	114	r
3	ETX	19	DC3	35	#	51	3	67	C	83	S	99	c	115	s
4	EOT	20	DC4	36	\$	52	4	68	D	84	T	100	d	116	t
5	ENQ	21	NAK	37	%	53	5	69	E	85	U	101	e	117	u
6	ACK	22	SYN	38	&	54	6	70	F	86	V	102	f	118	v
7	BEL	23	ETB	39	'	55	7	71	G	87	W	103	g	119	w
8	BS	24	CAN	40	(	56	8	72	H	88	X	104	h	120	x
9	HT	25	EM	41	)	57	9	73	I	89	Y	105	i	121	y
10	LF	26	SUB	42	*	58	:	74	J	90	Z	106	j	122	z
11	VT	27	ESC	43	+	59	;	75	K	91	[	107	k	123	{
12	FF	28	FS	44	,	60	<	76	L	92	\	108	l	124	
13	CR	29	GS	45	-	61	=	77	M	93	]	109	m	125	}
14	SO	30	RS	46	.	62	>	78	N	94	^	110	n	126	~
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SP means space.

Standard ASCII code (in decimal)

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3	ETX	19	DC3	35	#	51	3	67	C	83	S	99	c	115	s
4	EOT	20	DC4	36	\$	52	4	68	D	84	T	100	d	116	t
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6	ACK	22	SYN	38	&	54	6	70	F	86	V	102	f	118	v
7	BEL	23	ETB	39	'	55	7	71	G	87	W	103	g	119	w
8	BS	24	CAN	40	(	56	8	72	H	88	X	104	h	120	x
9	HT	25	EM	41	)	57	9	73	I	89	Y	105	i	121	y
10	LF	26	SUB	42	*	58	:	74	J	90	Z	106	j	122	z
11	VT	27	ESC	43	+	59	;	75	K	91	[	107	k	123	{
12	FF	28	FS	44	,	60	<	76	L	92	\	108	l	124	
13	CR	29	GS	45	-	61	=	77	M	93	]	109	m	125	}
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Standard ASCII code (in decimal)

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33 Control codes

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## Displaying Output with the print Function

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- **Function:** piece of prewritten code that performs an operation
- **print function:** displays output on the screen
- **Argument:** data given to a function
  - Example: data that is printed to screen
- Statements in a program execute in the order that they appear
  - From top to bottom

## Displaying Output with the print Function (cont'd)

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- In interactive mode

```
>>> print('Hello world')(Enter)
Hello world
>>>
```

- Script mode

Program 2-1 (output.py)

```
1 print('Kate Austen')
2 print('123 Full Circle Drive')
3 print('Asheville, NC 28899')
```

Program Output

```
Kate Austen
123 Full Circle Drive
Asheville, NC 28899
```

## chr(n) and ord(str) functions

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- Functions `chr(n)` and `ord(str)` access ASCII values

- `print(chr(65))` displays the letter A
- `print(ord('A'))` displays the number 65

```
>>> print(chr(65))(Enter)
A
>>> print(ord('A'))(Enter)
65
>>>
```

## Strings and String Literals

- **String**: sequence of characters that is used as data
- **String literal**: string that appears in actual code of a program
  - Must be enclosed in single (') or double (") quote marks

### Program 2-1 (output.py)

```
1 print('Kate Austen')
2 print('123 Full Circle Drive')
3 print('Asheville, NC 28899')
```

#### Program Output

```
Kate Austen
123 Full Circle Drive
Asheville, NC 28899
```

### Program 2-2 (double\_quotes.py)

```
1 print("Kate Austen")
2 print("123 Full Circle Drive")
3 print("Asheville, NC 28899")
```

#### Program Output

```
Kate Austen
123 Full Circle Drive
Asheville, NC 28899
```

## Strings and String Literals (cont'd)

- If you want a string literal to contain either a single-quote or an apostrophe as part of the string, you can enclose the string literal in double-quote marks

### Program 2-3 (apostrophe.py)

```
1 print("Don't fear!")
2 print("I'm here!")
```

#### Program Output

```
Don't fear!
I'm here!
```

## Strings and String Literals (cont'd)

- Similarly if you want a string literal to contain a double-quote, you can enclose the string literal in single-quote marks

### Program 2-4 (display\_quote.py)

```
1 print('Your assignment is to read "Hamlet" by tomorrow.')
```

#### Program Output

```
Your assignment is to read "Hamlet" by tomorrow.
```

## Strings and String Literals (cont'd)

- String literal can be enclosed in triple quotes (""" or """)
  - Enclosed string can contain both single and double quotes and can have multiple lines
  - Here is an example:

```
>>> print("""One
Two
Three""")
One
Two
Three
```

```
>>> print("""I'm "Jimmy" """)
I'm "Jimmy"
```

## Comments

- **Comments**: notes of explanation within a program
  - Ignored by Python interpreter
    - Intended for a person reading the program's code
  - Begin with a # character
- **End-line comment**: appears at the end of a line of code
  - Typically explains the purpose of that line

## Comments (cont'd)

### Program 2-5 (comment1.py)

```
1 # This program displays a person's
2 # name and address.
3 print('Kate Austen')
4 print('123 Full Circle Drive')
5 print('Asheville, NC 28899')
```

#### Program Output

```
Kate Austen
123 Full Circle Drive
Asheville, NC 28899
```

## Comments (cont'd)

### Program 2-6 (comment2.py)

```
1 print('Kate Austen')      # Display the name.
2 print('123 Full Circle Drive') # Display the address.
3 print('Asheville, NC 28899') # Display the city, state, and ZIP.
```

### Program Output

```
Kate Austen
123 Full Circle Drive
Asheville, NC 28899
```

## Variables

- **Variable:** name that represents a value stored in the computer memory
  - Used to access and manipulate data stored in memory
  - A variable references the value it represents
- **Assignment statement:** used to create a variable and make it reference data
  - General format is `variable = expression`
    - Example: `age = 25`
    - Assignment operator: the equal sign (=)

age → 25

## Variables (cont'd.)

- In assignment statement, variable receiving value must be on left side
 

```
>>> 25 = age 
SyntaxError: can't assign to literal
>>>
```
- A variable can be passed as an argument to a function
  - Variable name should not be enclosed in quote marks
- You can only use a variable if a value is assigned to it

```
>>> width = 10 
>>> length = 5 
>>>
>>> print(width) 
10
>>> print(length) 
5
>>>
```

## Example

### Program 2-8 (variable\_demo2.py)

```
1 # Create two variables: top_speed and distance.
2 top_speed = 160
3 distance = 300
4
5 # Display the values referenced by the variables.
6 print('The top speed is')
7 print(top_speed)
8 print('The distance traveled is')
9 print(distance)
```

top\_speed → 160  
distance → 300

### Program Output

```
The top speed is
160
The distance traveled is
300
```

## Example

### Program 2-7 (variable\_demo.py)

```
1 # This program demonstrates a variable.
2 room = 503
3 print('I am staying in room number')
4 print(room)
```

### Program Output

```
I am staying in room number
503
```

## Variable Naming Rules

- Rules for naming variables in Python:
  - Variable name cannot be a Python key word
  - Variable name cannot contain spaces
  - First character must be a letter or an underscore
  - After first character may use letters, digits, or underscores
  - Variable names are case sensitive
- Variable name should reflect its use

Variable Name	Legal or Illegal?
units_per_day	Legal
dayOfWeek	Legal
3dGraph	Illegal. Variable names cannot begin with a digit.
June1997	Legal
Mixture#3	Illegal. Variable names may only use letters, digits, or underscores.

## Displaying Multiple Items with the print Function

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- Python allows one to display multiple items with a single call to `print`
  - Items are separated by commas when passed as arguments
  - Arguments displayed in the order they are passed to the function
  - Items are automatically separated by a space when displayed on screen

### Program 2-9 (variable\_demo3.py)

```
1 # This program demonstrates a variable.
2 room = 503
3 print('I am staying in room number', room)
```

### Program Output

I am staying in room number 503

## Variable Reassignment

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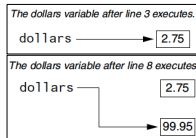
- Variables can reference different values while program is running
- **Garbage collection**: removal of values that are no longer referenced by variables
  - Carried out by Python interpreter
- A variable can refer to item of any type
  - Variable that has been assigned to one type can be reassigned to another type

## Example

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### Program 2-10 (variable\_demo4.py)

```
1 # This program demonstrates variable reassignment.
2 # Assign a value to the dollars variable.
3 dollars = 2.75
4 print('I have', dollars, 'in my account.')
5
6 # Reassign dollars so it references
7 # a different value.
8 dollars = 99.95
9 print('But now I have', dollars, 'in my account!')
```



### Program Output

I have 2.75 in my account.  
But now I have 99.95 in my account!

## Numeric Data Types, Literals, and the str Data Type

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- **Data types**: categorize value in memory
  - e.g., `int` for integer, `float` for real number, `str` used for storing strings in memory
- **Numeric literal**: number written in a program
  - No decimal point considered int, otherwise, considered float
- Some operations behave differently depending on data type

```
>>> type(1)
<class 'int'>
```

```
>>> type(1.0)
<class 'float'>
```

## Storing Strings with the str Data Type

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### Program 2-11 (string\_variable.py)

```
1 # Create variables to reference two strings.
2 first_name = 'Kathryn'
3 last_name = 'Marino'
4
5 # Display the values referenced by the variables.
6 print(first_name, last_name)
```

### Program Output

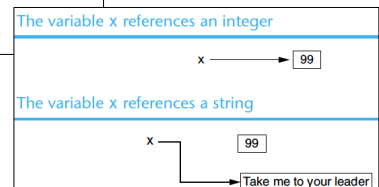
Kathryn Marino

## Reassigning a Variable to a Different Type

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- A variable in Python can refer to items of any type

```
>>> x = 99
>>> print(x)
99
>>> x = 'Take me to your leader'
>>> print(x)
Take me to your leader.
```



## Reading Input from the Keyboard

- Most programs need to read input from the user
- Built-in `input` function reads input from keyboard
  - Returns the data as a string
  - Format: `variable = input(prompt)`
    - `prompt` is typically a string instructing user to enter a value
  - Does not automatically display a space after the prompt

## Example

### Program 2-12 (string\_input.py)

```
1 # Get the user's first name.
2 first_name = input('Enter your first name: ')
3
4 # Get the user's last name.
5 last_name = input('Enter your last name: ')
6
7 # Print a greeting to the user.
8 print('Hello', first_name, last_name)
```

### Program Output (with input shown in bold)

```
Enter your first name: Vinny 
Enter your last name: Brown 
Hello Vinny Brown
```

## Reading Numbers with the `input` Function

- `input` function always returns a string
- Built-in functions convert between data types
  - `int(item)` converts `item` to an int
  - `float(item)` converts `item` to a float
  - Nested function call: general format: `function1(function2(argument))`
    - value returned by `function2` is passed to `function1`
  - Type conversion only works if item is valid numeric value, otherwise, throws exception

### Program 2-13 (input.py)

```
1 # Get the user's name, age, and income.
2 name = input('What is your name? ')
3 age = int(input('What is your age? '))
4 income = float(input('What is your income? '))
5
6 # Display the data.
7 print('Here is the data you entered:')
8 print('Name:', name)
9 print('Age:', age)
10 print('Income:', income)
```

### Program Output (with input shown in bold)

```
What is your name? Chris 
What is your age? 25 
What is your income? 75000.0 
Here is the data you entered:
Name: Chris
Age: 25
Income: 75000.0
```

## `eval()` function

- The `eval()` function evaluates the specified expression, if the expression is a legal Python statement, it will be executed.

```
>>> eval('1 + 2') 
3
>>> eval(1 + 2) 
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in
<module>
TypeError: eval() arg 1 must be a
string, bytes or code object
>>>
```

### input2.py

```
1 # Get the user's name, age, and income.
2 name = input('What is your name? ')
3 age = eval(input('What is your age? '))
4 income = eval(input('What is your income? '))
5
6 # Display the data.
7 print('Here is the data you entered:')
8 print('Name:', name)
9 print('Age:', age)
10 print('Income:', income)
```

```
What is your name? Peter 
What is your age? 35 
What is your income? 10000.50 
Here is the data you entered:
Name: Peter
Age: 35
Income: 10000.5
```

## Performing Calculations

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- Math expression: performs calculation and gives a value
  - **Math operator**: tool for performing calculation
  - **Operands**: values surrounding operator
    - Variables can be used as operands
  - Resulting value typically assigned to variable

## Performing Calculations (cont'd)

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Symbol	Operation	Description
+	Addition	Adds two numbers
-	Subtraction	Subtracts one number from another
*	Multiplication	Multiplies one number by another
/	Division	Divides one number by another and gives the result as a floating-point number
//	Integer division	Divides one number by another and gives the result as a whole number
%	Remainder	Divides one number by another and gives the remainder
**	Exponent	Raises a number to a power

## Performing Calculations (cont'd)

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- Two types of division:
  - / operator performs floating point division
  - // operator performs integer division
    - Positive results truncated, negative rounded away from zero

```
>>> 5 / 2 (Enter)
2.5
>>>
```

```
>>> 5 // 2 (Enter)
2
>>>
```

```
>>> -5 // 2 (Enter)
-3
>>>
```

### Program 2-14 (simple\_math.py)

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```
1 # Assign a value to the salary variable.
2 salary = 2500.0
3
4 # Assign a value to the bonus variable.
5 bonus = 1200.0
6
7 # Calculate the total pay by adding salary
8 # and bonus. Assign the result to pay.
9 pay = salary + bonus
10
11 # Display the pay.
12 print('Your pay is', pay)
```

### Program Output

Your pay is 3700.0

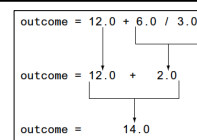
## Operator Precedence and Grouping with Parentheses

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- Python operator precedence:
  1. Operations enclosed in parentheses
    - Forces operations to be performed before others
  2. Exponentiation (\*\*)
  3. Multiplication (\*), division (/ and //), and remainder (%)
  4. Addition (+) and subtraction (-)
- Higher precedence performed first
  - Same precedence operators execute from left to right

## Example

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Expression	Value
5 + 2 * 4	13
10 / 2 - 3	2.0
8 + 12 * 2 - 4	28
6 - 3 * 2 + 7 - 1	6

Expression	Value
(5 + 2) * 4	28
10 / (5 - 3)	5.0
8 + 12 * (6 - 2)	56
(6 - 3) * (2 + 7) / 3	9.0



## The Exponent Operator and the Remainder Operator

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- **Exponent operator ( $**$ ):** Raises a number to a power
  - $x ** y = x^y$
- **Remainder operator ( $\%$ ):** Performs division and returns the remainder
  - a.k.a. modulus operator
  - e.g.,  $4 \% 2 = 0$ ,  $5 \% 2 = 1$
  - Typically used to convert times and distances, and to detect odd or even numbers

### Program 2-17 (time\_converter.py)

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```
1 # Get a number of seconds from the user.
2 total_seconds = float(input('Enter a number of seconds: '))
3
4 # Get the number of hours.
5 hours = total_seconds // 3600
6
7 # Get the number of remaining minutes.
8 minutes = (total_seconds // 60) % 60
9
10 # Get the number of remaining seconds.
11 seconds = total_seconds % 60
12
13 # Display the results.
14 print('Here is the time in hours, minutes, and seconds:')
15 print('Hours:', hours)
16 print('Minutes:', minutes)
17 print('Seconds:', seconds)
```

#### Program Output (with input shown in bold)

```
Enter a number of seconds: 11730 Enter
Here is the time in hours, minutes, and seconds:
Hours: 3.0
Minutes: 15.0
Seconds: 30.0
```

## Converting Math Formulas to Programming Statements

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- Operator required for any mathematical operation
- When converting mathematical expression to programming statement:
  - May need to add multiplication operators
  - May need to insert parentheses

Algebraic Expression	Python Statement
$y = 3\frac{x}{2}$	<code>y = 3 * x / 2</code>
$z = 3bc + 4$	<code>z = 3 * b * c + 4</code>
$a = \frac{x + 2}{b - 1}$	<code>a = (x + 2) / (b - 1)</code>

## Mixed-Type Expressions and Data Type Conversion

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- Data type resulting from math operation depends on data types of operands
  - Two `int` values: result is an `int`
  - Two `float` values: result is a `float`
  - `int` and `float`: `int` temporarily converted to `float`, result of the operation is a `float`
    - Mixed-type expression
  - Type conversion of `float` to `int` causes truncation of fractional part

## Breaking Long Statements into Multiple Lines

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- Long statements cannot be viewed on screen without scrolling and cannot be printed without cutting off
- **Multiline continuation character ( $\backslash$ ):** Allows to break a statement into multiple lines

```
result = var1 * 2 + var2 * 3 + \
        var3 * 4 + var4 * 5
```

## Breaking Long Statements into Multiple Lines

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- Any part of a statement that is enclosed in parentheses can be broken without the line continuation character.

```
print("Monday's sales are", monday,
      "and Tuesday's sales are", tuesday,
      "and Wednesday's sales are", Wednesday)
```

```
total = (value1 + value2 +
        value3 + value4 +
        value5 + value6)
```

## More About Data Output

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- `print` function displays line of output
  - Newline character at end of printed data
  - Special argument `end='delimiter'` causes `print` to place *delimiter* at end of data instead of newline character
- `print` function uses space as item separator
  - Special argument `sep='delimiter'` causes `print` to use *delimiter* as item separator

```
print('One', end=' ')  
print('Two', end=' ')  
print('Three')  
One Two Three
```

```
>>> print('One', 'Two', 'Three', sep='') (Enter)  
OneTwoThree  
  
>>> print('One', 'Two', 'Three', sep='') (Enter)  
OneTwoThree
```

## More About Data Output (cont'd.)

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- Special characters appearing in string literal
  - Preceded by backslash (\)
  - Examples: newline (`\n`), horizontal tab (`\t`)
- Treated as commands embedded in string

```
>>> print('One\nTwo\nThree')  
One  
Two  
Three
```

Escape Character	Effect
<code>\n</code>	Causes output to be advanced to the next line.
<code>\t</code>	Causes output to skip over to the next horizontal tab position.
<code>\'</code>	Causes a single quote mark to be printed.
<code>\"</code>	Causes a double quote mark to be printed.
<code>\\</code>	Causes a backslash character to be printed.

## More About Data Output (cont'd.)

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- When `+` operator used on two strings in performs string concatenation
  - Useful for breaking up a long string literal

```
>>> print('Enter the amount of ' +  
        'sales for each day and ' +  
        'press Enter.')
```

Enter the amount of sales for each day and press Enter.

## Formatting Numbers

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- Can format display of numbers on screen using built-in `format` function
  - Two arguments:
    - Numeric value to be formatted
    - Format specifier
  - Returns string containing formatted number
  - Format specifier typically includes precision and data type
    - Can be used to indicate comma separators and the minimum field width used to display the value

## Example

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### Program 2-19 (no\_formatting.py)

```
1 # This program demonstrates how a floating-point  
2 # number is displayed with no formatting.  
3 amount_due = 5000.0  
4 monthly_payment = amount_due / 12.0  
5 print('The monthly payment is', monthly_payment)
```

### Program Output

The monthly payment is 416.666666667

## Example

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```
>>> print(format(12345.6789, '.2f')) (Enter)  
12345.68
```

```
>>> print(format(12345.6789, '.1f')) (Enter)  
12345.7  
>>>
```

```
>>> print('The number is', format(1.234567, '.2f')) (Enter)  
The number is 1.23  
>>>
```

## Inserting Comma Separators

- If you want the number to be formatted with comma separators, you can insert a comma into the format specifier, as shown here:

```
>>> print(format(12345.6789, ',.2f')) Enter
12,345.68
```

```
>>> print(format(123456789.456, ',.2f')) Enter
123,456,789.46
```

```
>>> print(format(12345.6789, ',f')) Enter
12,345.678900
```

### Program 2-21 (dollar\_display.py)

```
1 # This program demonstrates how a floating-point
2 # number can be displayed as currency.
3 monthly_pay = 5000.0
4 annual_pay = monthly_pay * 12
5 print('Your annual pay is $',
6       format(annual_pay, ',.2f'),
7       sep='')

```

#### Program Output

Your annual pay is \$60,000.00

## Specifying a Minimum Field Width

- The format specifier can also include a minimum field width, which is the minimum number of spaces that should be used to display the value. The following example prints a number in a field that is 12 spaces wide:

```
>>> print('The number is', format(12345.6789, '12.2f')) Enter
The number is      12345.68
```

### Program 2-22 (columns.py)

```
1 # This program displays the following
2 # floating-point numbers in a column
3 # with their decimal points aligned.
4 num1 = 127.899
5 num2 = 3465.148
6 num3 = 3.776
7 num4 = 264.821
8 num5 = 88.081
9 num6 = 799.999
10
11 # Display each number in a field of 7 spaces
12 # with 2 decimal places.
13 print(format(num1, '7.2f'))
14 print(format(num2, '7.2f'))
15 print(format(num3, '7.2f'))
16 print(format(num4, '7.2f'))
17 print(format(num5, '7.2f'))
18 print(format(num6, '7.2f'))

```

#### Program Output

```
127.90
3465.15
  3.78
264.82
 88.08
800.00
```

## Formatting a Floating-Point Number as a Percentage

- The % symbol can be used in the format string of format function to format number as percentage

```
>>> print(format(0.5, '%')) Enter
50.000000%
```

```
>>> print(format(0.5, '.0%')) Enter
50%
```

## Formatting Integers

- To format an integer using format function:
  - Use d as the type designator
  - Do not specify precision
  - Can still use format function to set field width or comma separator

```
>>> print(format(123456, 'd')) Enter
123,456
```

```
>>> print(format(123456, '10d')) Enter
123456
```

```
>>> print(format(123456, '10,d')) Enter
123,456
```

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## Magic Numbers

- A magic number is an unexplained numeric value that appears in a program's code. Example:

```
amount = balance * 0.069
```

- What is the value 0.069? An interest rate? A fee percentage? Only the person who wrote the code knows for sure.

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## The Problem with Magic Numbers

- It can be difficult to determine the purpose of the number.
- If the magic number is used in multiple places in the program, it can take a lot of effort to change the number in each location, should the need arise.
- You take the risk of making a mistake each time you type the magic number in the program's code.
  - For example, suppose you intend to type 0.069, but you accidentally type .0069. This mistake will cause mathematical errors that can be difficult to find.

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## Named Constants

- You should use named constants instead of magic numbers.
- A named constant is a name that represents a value that does not change during the program's execution.
- Example:

```
INTEREST_RATE = 0.069
```

- This creates a named constant named `INTEREST_RATE`, assigned the value 0.069. It can be used instead of the magic number:

```
amount = balance * INTEREST_RATE
```

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## Advantages of Using Named Constants

- Named constants make code self-explanatory (self-documenting)
- Named constants make code easier to maintain (change the value assigned to the constant, and the new value takes effect everywhere the constant is used)
- Named constants help prevent typographical errors that are common when using magic numbers

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## Python String Formatting

- Python supports multiple ways to format text strings. For example, %-formatting, `str.format()`, and f-Strings.

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## %-formatting

- Strings in Python have a unique built-in operation that can be accessed with the % operator.

Program s-1

```
name = "Eric"
print("Hello, %s." % name)
```

Program Output

```
Hello, Eric.
```

## %-formatting (cont'd)

Program s-2

```
name = "Eric"
age = 74
print("Hello, %s. You are %s." % (name, age))
```

Program Output

Hello, Eric. You are 74.

## %-formatting (cont'd)

Program s-3

```
first_name = "Eric"
last_name = "Idle"
age = 74
profession = "comedian"
affiliation = "Monty Python"
print("Hello, %s %s. You are %s. You are a %s. You were a member of %s." % (first_name, last_name, age, profession, affiliation))
```

Program Output

Hello, Eric Idle. You are 74. You are a comedian. You were a member of Monty Python.

## str.format()

- str.format() was introduced in Python 2.6. With str.format(), the replacement fields are marked by curly braces

Program s-4

```
name = "Eric"
age = 74
print("Hello, {}. You are {}".format(name, age))
```

Program Output

Hello, Eric. You are 74.

## str.format() (cont'd)

- You can reference variables in any order by referencing their index.

Program s-5

```
name = "Eric"
age = 74
print("Hello, {1}. You are {0}.".format(age, name))
```

Program Output

Hello, Eric. You are 74.

## str.format() (cont'd)

Program s-6

```
first_name = "Eric"
last_name = "Idle"
age = 74
profession = "comedian"
affiliation = "Monty Python"
print(("Hello, {first_name} {last_name}. You are {age}. " + "You are a {profession}. You were a member of {affiliation}.").format(first_name=first_name, last_name=last_name, age=age, \
profession=profession, affiliation=affiliation))
```

Program Output

Hello, Eric Idle. You are 74. You are a comedian. You were a member of Monty Python.

## Python 3's f-Strings

- Python 3.6 added a new string formatting approach called formatted string literals or "f-strings".
- Also called "formatted string literals," f-strings are string literals that have an f at the beginning and curly braces containing expressions that will be replaced with their values.

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## f-Strings

Program s-7

```
name = "Eric"
age = 74
print(f"Hello, {name}. You are {age}.")
```

Program Output

```
Hello, Eric. You are 74.
```

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## f-Strings (cont'd)

Program s-8

```
first_name = "Eric"
last_name = "Idle"
age = 74
profession = "comedian"
affiliation = "Monty Python"
print(f"Hello, {first_name} {last_name}. You are {age}. " +
      f"You are a {profession}. " +
      f"You were a member of {affiliation}.")
```

Program Output

```
Hello, Eric Idle. You are 74. You are a comedian. You were
a member of Monty Python.
```

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## f-Strings (cont'd)

Program s-9

```
name = "eric"
sentence = f'{name.title()} is funny.'
print(sentence)
```

Program Output

```
Eric is funny.
```

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## f-Strings (cont'd)

Program s-10

```
x = 3.14159265
print(f'PI = {x:.2f}')
```

Program Output

```
PI = 3.14
```

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## f-Strings (cont'd)

Program s-11

```
x = 12345.6789
print(f'x = {x:,.2f}')
```

Program Output

```
x = 12,345.68
```

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## f-Strings (cont'd)

Program s-12

```
s1 = 'ab'
s2 = 'abc'
s3 = 'abcd'
s4 = 'abcde'
print(f'{s1:10}')
print(f'{s2:<10}')
print(f'{s3:^10}')
print(f'{s4:>10}')
```

Program Output

```
ab
abc
  abcd
    abcde
```

## f-Strings (cont'd)

Program s-13

```
a = 5
b = 10
print(f'Five plus ten is {a + b} and not {2 * (a + b)}.')
```

Program Output

```
Five plus ten is 15 and not 30.
```

## Summary

- This chapter covered:
  - The program development cycle, tools for program design, and the design process
  - Ways in which programs can receive input, particularly from the keyboard
  - Ways in which programs can present and format output
  - Use of comments in programs
  - Uses of variables and named constants
  - Tools for performing calculations in programs