

# Elan Python course

## Session 1

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## Interpreter

```
Python 2.7.3 (default, Apr 14 2012, 08:58:41) [GCC] on linux2
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>>
```

# Working with python

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## Command line

```
C:\pythoncourse> python hello.py
$ ~/pythoncourse> python hello.py
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`a = 6`

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$a = 6$

$b = 3.14$

And use the value for other purposes

$a = 6$

$b = a/2$

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4 | print b
5 | print a, b
6 | print a, 3.14, b
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## Printing example output

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```



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Precision

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## Comparison operators

Equal	==
Not equal	!=
Greater	>
Smaller	<
Greater or equal	<=
Smaller or equal	>=



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## Conventions

```
1 | s = 'I am a single line string with single quotes and can use double quotes("")  
   |     freely'  
2 | s = "I use double quotes so that I don't have to escape single quotes(')"  
3 | s = 'When I want to use single quotes here I have to escape them(\'\')'  
4 | s = "Same for double(\"")"  
5 | s = """Or you can make multi line strings  
6 | And it goes on  
7 | And on  
8 | And on"""
```

# Lists

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## Sequence of items

```
1 | a = [3, 1, 4, 1, 5]
2 | print a[0]
3 | print a[3]
4 | print a[-1]
5 | print a[1:3]
6 | print a[:3]
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```
0
1
5
[1, 4]
[3, 1, 4]
[1, 4, 1, 5]
```

# Dictionaries

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## Mapping of items

```
1 | a = {'five': 5, 3: 'three', 1: 'one', 2: 'two', 4: 'four'}  
2 | print a[3]  
3 | print a['five']  
4 | a['six-seven'] = '67'  
5 | print a['six-seven']
```

```
'three'  
5  
'67'
```

# Objects



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## Example objects

- ▶ int, float, long, complex
- ▶ str, unicode
- ▶ dict, list
- ▶ file

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## Example dictionary methods

```
1 a = {'five': 5, 3: 'three', 1: 'one', 2: 'two', 4: 'four'}  
2 print a.keys()  
3 print a.values()  
4 print a.items()
```

```
[1, 2, 3, 'five', 4]  
['one', 'two', 'three', 5, 'four']  
[(1, 'one'), (2, 'two'), (3, 'three'), ('five', 5), (4, 'four')]
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```

<https://docs.python.org/2/library/stdtypes.html#mapping-types-dict>



## Example string methods

```
1 | s1 = "Hello world!"  
2 | print s1.lower()  
3 | print s1.lower().capitalize()  
4 | print s1.replace('!', '?')  
5 | print 'test'.join(['a', 'b', 'c'])
```

```
'hello world!'  
'Hello world!'  
'Hello world?'  
'atestbtestc'
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```
1 | a = 4
2 | if a < 5:
3 |     print a, ' is smaller then 5'
4 | elif a >= 5 and a<10:
5 |     print a, ' is bigger then 5 and smaller then 10'
6 | else:
7 |     print a, ' is bigger then 10'
```

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## While

```
1 | a = 1
2 | while a < 10:
3 |     print 'a: ', a
4 |     a = a + 1
```

## For

```
1 | a = [3, 1, 4, 1, 5]
2 | for x in a:
3 |     print 'x: ', x
```

# Nesting

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```
1  # Print if a number is even for all numbers from 5 to 0, 6 to 0 and 7 to 0
2  a = [5, 6, 7]
3  for x in a:
4      while x > 0:
5          if x % 2 == 0:
6              print 'x: ', x, ' is even'
7          else:
8              print 'x: ', x, ' is odd'
9      x = x - 1
```

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## Other functions

```
1 | file_in.readline() # Read single line  
2 | file_in.read() # Read everything  
3 | file_in.read(8) # Read 8 bytes/characters  
4 | file_in.readlines() # Read everything and put it in a list, one line per item
```

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## New file

```
1 || with open('datafile.txt', 'w') as file_in:  
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```

# Writing a file, now only the new method

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```
1 || with open('datafile.txt', 'w') as file_in:  
2 ||     file_in.write('some data')
```

## Append to existing file

```
1 || with open('datafile.txt', 'a') as file_in:  
2 ||     file_in.write('some data')
```

## Practical example, reading tab separated file

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```
id name age
0 john 12
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Reading it into a dictionary

```
1 data = []
2 with open('data.txt', 'r') as in:
3     hds = in.readline()
4     hds = hds.strip()
5     hds = hds.split('\t')
6     for line in in:
7         line = line.strip().split('\t')
8         data.append({hds[0]: line[0], hds[1]: line[1], hds[2]: line[2]})
9 print data[2]['name']
10 print data[1]['age']
```

# Writing a tab separated file

## Writing a tab separated file

```
1 | hds = data.keys()
2 | with open('data2.txt', 'w') as out:
3 |     # Verbose method:
4 |     out.write('\t'.join(hds))
5 |     for line in data:
6 |         out.write(line['id'] + '\t' + line['name'] + '\t' + line['age'] + '\n')
```

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1. Alice in Wonderland
2. Frequency table