

# **TECNICHE DI RAPPRESENTAZIONE E MODELLIZZAZIONE DEI DATI**

**— Part 1 —**

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```
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ ls
file_100.txt      file_101.txt      file_102.txt      file_103.txt      script.bash
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ 
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ cat script.bash
#!/bin/bash

for a in file_*; do
    echo "$a"
done

(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ ./script.bash
file_100.txt
file_101.txt
file_102.txt
file_103.txt
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ _
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And also: shell parameter expansions, word splitting, ...

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## Exercises.

### Exercise 1

Create a new directory, move into it and run the command

```
touch file{1..20}{.{dat,png,txt},\ backup.dat,_bkp.png}
```

- a. — Understand what happened using ls.
- b. — List only files with the .dat extension.
- c. — List only files with number 13 in the name.
- d. — List only backup files.
- e. — List only files containing a space in the name.
- f. — List files with a number that is multiple of 5 before the dot.

Write a bash script which performs all the tasks above, and execute it.

Make the script write the commands and the output of the commands on a file.

Make the script available as a command.

## File Content Search Commands

To look for a pattern in one or more files, use the grep series of commands.

The **grep** commands search for a string in the specified files and display the output on standard output.

**egrep** (the initial e stands for extended) searches for a specified pattern in one or more files. The pattern can be a regular expression to match any single character.

\* to match one or more single characters that precede the asterisk.

^ to match the regular expression at the beginning of a line.

\$ to match the regular expression at the end of a line.

+ to match one or more occurrences of a preceding regular expression.

? to match zero or more occurrences of a preceding regular expression.

[ ] to match any of the characters specified within the brackets.

## File Content Search Command **egrep**

Assume we have a file:

```
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ cat file_to_grep.txt
-- This is a test file
Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet,
consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt
ut labore et dolore magna aliqua. Ut enim ad minim veniam,
quis nostrud exercitation ullamco laboris nisi
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```

To find all occurrences of file, use:

```
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ egrep file file_to_grep.txt
-- This is a test file
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ egrep FILE file_to_grep.txt
----- This was a TEST FILE
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ egrep -i file file_to_grep.txt
-- This is a test file
----- This was a TEST FILE
```

(flag **-i** for case insensitivity)

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quis nostrud exercitation ullamco laboris nisi
ut aliquip ex ea commodo consequat.
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---- This was a TEST FILE
```

To display the relative line number of the line containing the searched pattern, use the **-n** flag:

```
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ egrep -i -n file file_to_grep.txt
1:-- This is a test file
12:---- This was a TEST FILE
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ egrep -n ut file file_to_grep.txt
4:ut labore et dolore magna aliqua. Ut enim ad minim veniam,
6:ut aliquip ex ea commodo consequat.
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To search for a pattern as a word, use the **-w** flag:

```
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ egrep -w in file_to_grep.txt
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```

To find the total number of lines in which the specified pattern occurs, use the **-c** flag:

```
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ egrep -i -c test file_to_grep.txt
2
```

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```

To get a list of all the lines that do not contain the specified pattern, use the **-v** flag:

```
$ egrep -i -v test file_to_grep.txt
```

```
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Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet,
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## Exercise with the command **egrep**

Create a file and write (copy and paste is OK) in it several lines of text, making sure to go often to new line.  
Repeat some lines more than once.

Become familiar with the following commands:

**egrep** *flags* *pattern\_being\_searched* *file\_where\_to\_search*

with the following flags: **-i -n -v -w -c**

and with some combinations of the flags above.

# Shell scripting

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```
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(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ echo $STR
Hello World
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ a=5324; printf $a\n
5324
```

**variableName**=**variableContent**

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```
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ variableName=variableContent
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-bash: variableName: command not found
```

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example:

```
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ z=15
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ z=$(expr $z + 3)
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ echo $z
18
```

arithmetic operators:

```
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ a=$(expr 5 + 3)
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ echo "5 + 3 = $a"
5 + 3 = 8
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incrementing a variable:

```
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(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ a=$(expr $a + 1)
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ echo "a + 1 = $a"
a + 1 = 6
```

modulo (i.e. remainder of a division):

```
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ b=$(expr 5 % 3)
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ echo "5 mod 3 = $b"
5 mod 3 = 2
```

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logical operators (return 1 if true):

```
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ x=10
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ y=11
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ b=$((expr $x = $y))
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ echo "b = $b"
b = 0
```

verifies  
it's false!

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```
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(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ echo "n = $n"
n = 0
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ (( n += 1 ))
(base) milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ echo "n = $n"
n = 1
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The **let** operator actually performs arithmetic evaluation, rather than expansion.

```
[base] milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ z=1
[base] milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ let z=z+5
[base] milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ echo $z
6
[base] milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ let "z += 5"
[base] milena@test_bash milenavalentini$ echo $z
11
```

Double quotes allow you  
using spaces  
in variable assignment!

Exercise: try to translate examples done with expr and double parentheses by using let.

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Example:

```
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ ls -l file*4*
-rw-r--r-- 1 milenavalentini staff 0 Oct 4 13:42 file14 backup.dat
-rw-r--r-- 1 milenavalentini staff 0 Oct 4 13:42 file14.dat
-rw-r--r-- 1 milenavalentini staff 0 Oct 4 13:42 file14.png
-rw-r--r-- 1 milenavalentini staff 0 Oct 4 13:42 file14.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 milenavalentini staff 0 Oct 4 13:42 file14_bkp.png
-rw-r--r-- 1 milenavalentini staff 0 Oct 4 13:42 file4 backup.dat
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-rw-r--r-- 1 milenavalentini staff 0 Oct 4 13:42 file4.png
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-rw-r--r-- 1 milenavalentini staff 0 Oct 4 13:42 file4_bkp.png
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ ls -l file*4* | wc -l
10
(base) milena:test_bash milenavalentini$ _
```

ls -l # Passes the output of "ls -l" to the wc -l, the second command, which counts files.

# Conditional blocks

```
#!/bin/bash
if [ "foo" = "foo" ]; then
    echo expression evaluated as true
else
    echo expression evaluated as false
fi
```

**if** is a keyword

Example of its syntax

**if** executes a command (or a set of commands)  
and checks that command exit code  
to see whether it was successful or not

command exit code = 0 means success

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```
#!/bin/bash
a=2
if [ $a == 3 ]; then
    echo equal to
elif [ $a -gt 3 ]; then
    echo greater than
else
    echo lower than
fi
```

# Conditional blocks

## Relational operators

- -lt (<)
- -gt (>)
- -le (<=)
- -ge (>=)
- -eq (==)
- -ne (!=)

## Main conditional operators

## Boolean operators

- && and
- || or
- ! not

## Files operators:

- if [ -x "\$filename" ]; then      # if filename is executable
- if [ -e "\$filename" ]; then      # if filename exists
- .....

# Conditional loops

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**while** Repeat as long as a command is executed successfully (exit code is 0)

**until** Repeat as long as a command is executed unsuccessfully (exit code is not 0).  
Note that used, while is usually preferred.

**for** It comes in two versions

- to iterate over an integer index
- to iterate over a list

# Conditional loops

The keywords **while** and **until**

```
while COMMAND; do
    # Body of the loop: entered if COMMAND's exit code = 0
done

until COMMAND; do
    # Body of the loop: entered if COMMAND's exit code ≠ 0
done
```

- Testing command like [ or [[ are often used
- Infinite loops can be achieved using the builtins **true**, **false** and :
- Use the **continue** builtin to skip ahead to the next iteration of a loop without executing the rest of the body
- Use the **break** builtin to jump out of the loop and continue with the script after it
- Both **continue** and **break** accept an optional integer to act on nested loops

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The keywords **while** and **until**

```
$ until false; do    # while true; do    # while :; do
>   echo "Infinite loop"
>   sleep 3
> done
Infinite loop
Infinite loop
^C      # Press CTRL-C
```

```
# An example of countdown...
$ deadline=$(date -d "8 seconds" +'%s'); \
> now=$(date +'%s'); \
> while [[ $((deadline - now)) -gt 0 ]]; do
>   echo "$((deadline - now)) seconds to BOOM!"
>   sleep 3
>   now=$(date +'%s')
> done; echo 'BOOOOOM!!'
8 seconds to BOOM!
5 seconds to BOOM!
2 seconds to BOOM!
BOOOOOM!!
```

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The keywords **while** and **until**

```
$ i=0; \
> while [[ ${i} -lt 5 ]]; do
>   j=0
>   while [[ ${j} -le 5 ]]; do
>     if [[ ${j} -le ${i} ]]; then
>       printf "$((i+j)) "
>       j=$((j + 1))
>     else
>       printf '\n'
>       i=$((i + 1))
>       continue 2
>     fi
>   done
> done
0
1 2
2 3 4
3 4 5 6
4 5 6 7 8
```

# Conditional loops

The keyword **for**

```
for VARIABLE in WORDS; do
    # Body of the loop: VARIABLE set to WORD
done

for (( EXPR1; EXPR2; EXPR3 )); do # Expressions can be empty
    # Body of the loop
done
```

In the second form:

- it starts by evaluating the first arithmetic expression
- it repeats as long as the second arithmetic expression is successful
- at the end of each loop evaluates the third arithmetic expression

# Conditional loops

## The keyword **for**

```
$ for (( ; 1; )); do echo "Infinite loop"; sleep 1; done  
Infinite loop  
Infinite loop  
^C      # Press CTRL-C
```

```
$ for index in {0,1}{0,1}; do  
>   echo "${index} in base 2 is $(( 2#${index})) in base 10"  
> done; unset index  
00 in base 2 is 0 in base 10  
01 in base 2 is 1 in base 10  
10 in base 2 is 2 in base 10  
11 in base 2 is 3 in base 10
```

```
# BAD code!
```

```
$ for file in $(ls *.mp3); do      # AAAARGH!  
>   rm "$file"  
> done; unset file
```

```
$ ls  
Happy birthday.mp3    Hello.mp3  
$ for file in *.mp3; do      # GOOD code  
>   rm "$file"  
> done; unset file
```

# Conditional loops

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## continue statement in a for loop

- **continue** stops the execution of the commands in the loop and jumps to the next value in the series.

Pseudo-code example:

```
for i in [series]
do
    command 1
    command 2
    if (condition)
        continue      # Condition to jump over command 3
                    # skip to the next value in "series"
    fi
    command 3
done
```

## continue statement in iteration

- **continue** is used in scripts to skip the current iteration of a loop and continue to the next iteration of the loop.

# Conditional loops

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## **break** command in iteration

**break**: used to exit out of the current loop before the actual end of the loop

When used in scripts with **multiple loops**, we use break 2 if we are in an inner loop and we want to jump out of the outer loop

```
#!/bin/bash
# Breaking outer loop from inner loop
for (( a = 1; a < 5; a++ ))
do
echo "outer loop: $a"
for (( b = 1; b < 100; b++ ))
do
if [ $b -gt 4 ]
then
break 2
fi
echo "Inner loop: $b "
done
done
```

# Conditional loops

## Examples

### Counting:

```
#!/bin/bash
for i in {1..25}
do
    echo $i
done
```

or:

```
#!/bin/bash
for ((i=1;i<=25;i+=1))
do
    echo $i
done
```

### Counting on "n" steps

```
#!/bin/bash
for i in {0..25..5}
do
    echo $i
done
```

That will count with 5 to 5 steps.

### Counting backwards

```
#!/bin/bash
for i in {25..0..-5}
do
    echo $i
done
```

### Acting on files

```
#!/bin/bash
for file in ~/*.txt
do
    echo $file
done
```

That example will just list all files with "txt" extension. It is the same as ls \*.txt

### Calculate prime numbers

```
#!/bin/bash
read -p "How many prime numbers ?: " num
c=0
k=0
n=2

numero=$[$num-1]
while [ $k -ne $num ]; do
    for i in `seq 1 $n`; do
        r=$[$n%$i]
        if [ $r -eq 0 ]; then
            c=$[$c+1]
        fi
    done
    if [ $c -eq 2 ]; then
        echo "$i"
        k=$[$k+1]
    fi
    n=$[$n+1]
    c=0
done
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numero=$[$num-1]
while [ $k -ne $num ]; do
    for i in `seq 1 $n`; do
        r=$[$n%$i]
        if [ $r -eq 0 ]; then
            c=$[$c+1]
        fi
    done
    if [ $c -eq 2 ]; then
        echo "$i"
        k=$[$k+1]
    fi
    n=$[$n+1]
    c=0
done
```

with some versions of the bash shell or with some bash shells on Mac OS these lines may not produce the expected outcome. Try instead:

```
#!/bin/bash
for ((i=0; i<=25; i+=5))
do
    echo $i
done
```

# Conditional loops

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Read files

```
read -r riga < $file
echo $riga
#!/bin/bash
while IFS='' read -r line || [[ -n "$line" ]];
do
    echo "Text read from file: $line"
done < "$1"

for word in $(cat $file); do
    echo $line
done
```

# Conditional loops

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Conditional statements: files and dir

```
If [ -e $file_name]; then  
    echo exists  
fi
```

```
If [ -d $file_name]; then  
    echo is a dir  
fi
```

```
If [ -f $file_name]; then  
    echo exists and is a file  
fi
```

```
If [ !-d $file_name]; then  
    echo is not a dir  
fi
```

# Sed

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<https://www.gnu.org/software/sed/manual/sed.html>

Sed is a non interactive editor. <https://www.gnu.org/software/sed/manual/sed.html>

It is generally used to parse and transform text, using a simple, compact programming language.

It allows to modify a file using scripts with instructions for sed editing plus the filename.

Example of string substitution:

```
$sed 's/old_text/new_text/g' /tmp/testfile
```

Sed substitute the string 'old\_text' with the string 'new\_text' reading from file /tmp/testfile.

The result is redirected to stdout, but it can be redirected also to a file using '>'

```
$sed 12, 18d /tmp/testfile
```

Sed displays all the rows from 12 to 18. The original file is not modified by this command, but if you redirect stdout on a new file, it is different from the original one.

<https://www.gnu.org/software/gawk/manual/gawk.html>

Awk matches a string on the base of a regular expression and execute a required action:

Create a file filetext as follow:

```
cat << EOF > filetext
test123
test
Tteesstt
EOF
```

```
$awk '/test/ {print}' /tmp/filetext
test123
test
```

The regular expression requires to match the string 'test'

The required action is to 'print' how many times the string 'test' is found.

```
$awk '/test/ {i=i+1} END {print i}' /tmp/filetext
3
```

## Exercises

### Exercise 1.

Write a bash script which lists all the items in the current directory.

### Exercise 2.

Write a bash script which displays all the numbers ranging from 1 to 10.

### Exercise 3.

Write a bash script which prints in the standard output the values of the index i, which ranges from 0 to 20 with an increment of 2.

## Exercises

### Exercise 4.

Write a bash script which outputs the value of a counter  
(initially set to 0) as long as it is smaller than 10.

### Exercise 5.

Write a bash script which displays the value of an index  
(set to 20 at the beginning) until it drops below 10.

# Sed, Awk and more

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## Exercise

Generate two set of files: file1.dat, file2.dat, ..., file20.dat and file1.txt, file2.txt, ..., file20.txt

Write in each of them the following test:

```
test123 test12 test1  
1 2 3 4
```

Create one file by concatenating all the files having the extension “.dat” in a file\_TOT.dat

Count in how many lines the string test12 occurs  
in the file\_TOT.dat and print this number in  
the standard output

Write in a file called extracted\_file.dat  
only the line including words of the file\_TOT.dat

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## Why Python?

Human-readable and close to human thinking

Open source

Developed by a community effort

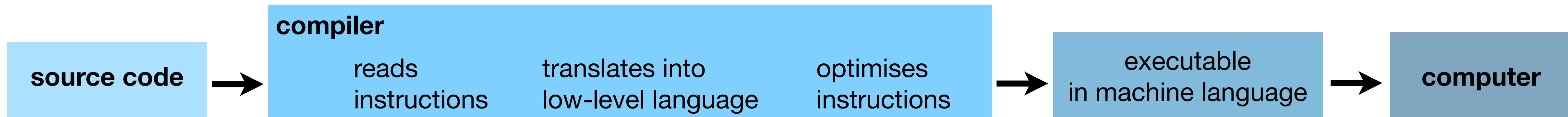
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Compiled language



Interpreted language



Language

Code

Natural language

Formal language

Structure

Syntax      Set of rules which determines how a program is written and interpreted

Programming language

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Quite strict

Instructions (statements) are interpreted (parsed).  
To be understood they must be formally correct and only use the expected  
language constituents (token).

Formal language

Unique meaning independent on the context.

Syntax

Semantics

Meaning of an instruction whose syntax is correct

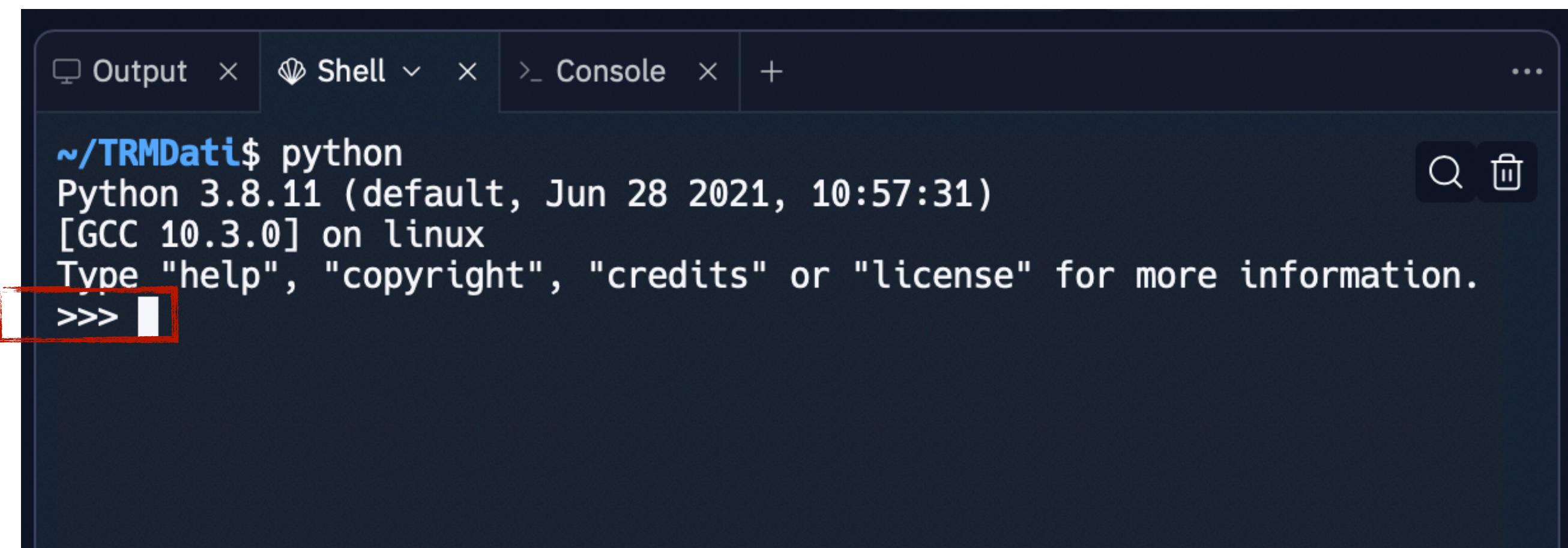
## Programming language

Can be used in two ways:

interactively: the interpreter is given instructions directly, one by one

with scripts: the interpreter is provided with a set of instructions in a text file

Different versions, use Python > 3.7



A screenshot of a terminal window titled "Console". The window shows the following text:  
~/TRMDati\$ python  
Python 3.8.11 (default, Jun 28 2021, 10:57:31)  
[GCC 10.3.0] on linux  
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.  
The text is white on a dark background. A red box highlights the first line of text: "On replit shell, type python to launch the interpreter".

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python  
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# Python errors

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Errors

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```
>>> 1 + 5&
      File "<stdin>", line 1
          1 + 5&
                  ^
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
>>> █
```

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```
>>> 2 / 0
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ZeroDivisionError: division by zero
>>> █
```

# Python errors

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Python returns a runtime error if something goes wrong while executing an instruction

If semantic errors are there, Python does not return what you expect  
(likely without issues during runtime)

# Python scripts

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## Program/script:

set of instructions in a given order that tells the interpreter how to compute or perform something

## Types of instructions:

Input

Computation

Condition check

Iterate/repeat

Output

# Python statements

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instruction that the Python interpreter executes.  
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```

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Besides assignments, there are other statements, e.g., **import**, **while**, **if**, **for**

**import** allows you to import in your script instructions written in another file

```
>>> import this
```

# Python comments

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**Comments:** they describe in simple words what the source code is doing

Start with the hash character `#` and end with enter/new line

```
>>> # Add 2 to 1  
>>> 1 + 2  
3  
>>>
```

Python interpreter neglects comments while executing the set of instructions the script is made of

For multi-line comments, either start every line with `#`, or type the comment within triple quotes ( “`comment`” , ““`here`”” )

# Python keywords

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## Keywords:

ensemble of reserved words that cannot be used as variable names, function names, or any other identifiers instructions

Case sensitive: apart from False, None, True, all the others do not have capital letters

```
>>> # Can I assign a value to a keyword?  
>>> False = 3  
      File "<stdin>", line 1  
          False = 3  
          ^^^^^  
SyntaxError: cannot assign to False
```

To check Python keywords:

```
>>> import keyword  
>>> print(keyword.kwlist)  
['False', 'None', 'True', 'and', 'as', 'assert', 'async', 'await', 'break', 'class', 'continue', 'def', 'del', 'elif',  
, 'else', 'except', 'finally', 'for', 'from', 'global', 'if', 'import', 'in', 'is', 'lambda', 'nonlocal', 'not', 'or',  
, 'pass', 'raise', 'return', 'try', 'while', 'with', 'yield']  
>>>
```

# Python values

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**Values:** data that the program uses for computation (e.g., 1, 3.5, ‘hello’)

Values have different types and can be grouped into classes.

The built-in Python function `type` returns the type of a value.

```
>>> type(1)
<class 'int'>
>>> type(3.5)
<class 'float'>
>>> type('hello')
<class 'str'>
>>>
```

integer number

float number

string of character

# Python values

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Different types can do different things.

Python has the following built-in **data types**:

Text Type: `str`

Numeric Types: `int`, `float`, `complex`

Sequence Types: `list`, `tuple`, `range`

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covered in this course

# Python variables

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## How to access the content of a string and slice it:

```
[In [10]: string = 'Information'

[In [11]: type(string)
Out[11]: str

[In [12]: print(string[3])
o

[In [13]: print(string[-1])
n

[In [14]: print(string[0:4])
Info

[In [15]: print(string[3:6])
orm

[In [16]: print(string[2:-2])
formati
```

i-th element of a string

from the i-th to the j-th character of a string [i, j]

Lists behave similarly.