## Analytics Bootcamp – Introduction to Programming

## Session 1 – "Introduction to Programming Fundamentals"

**Programming** (Dictionary Definition) *A set of related measures or activities with a particular long-term aim.* 

Programming requires tools/software/IDE along with understanding and knowledge of language syntax. Programming helps to automate, collect, manage, calculate, and analyze data.

Each programming language has its own unique qualities and uses:

- General purpose languages: Python or Java (powerful languages & can solve complex problems)
- Low level languages: Assembly or C
- Web design languages: HTML, CSS

**Interpreter** (Dictionary Definition) *A computer program that directly* executes instructions written in a high-level programming language, without requiring them previously to have been compiled into a machine language program. e.g., python, ruby, java, etc.

**Compiler** (Dictionary Definition) A computer program that translates a high-level programming language to machine code for the computer to execute. e.g., Java or C++ (source code) to machine language (object code).

**Literals** (Dictionary definition) *constant values assigned to constant variables.* 

**Operators** (Dictionary definition) a character that represents a specific mathematical or logical action or process.

**Operator types**: Arithmetic, Logical, Comparison, Assignment and Bitwise

**Functions** (Dictionary Definition) *A block of organized, reusable code to perform a specific task.* Functions can receive data and return results as needed. There are two types of functions: predefined (built-in functions

already present in a language) and User-defined (functions built by programmers for problem solving and avoiding redundancy in code).

**Variable** (Dictionary Definition) an abstract storage location associated with a specific name with known or unknown quantity of information.

**Input** is information either collected from the user or entered by the programmer in the code.

**Output** is the result generated by the program.

## Session 2 – "Control Flow and Decision Making"

**Conditional Statement** (Dictionary Definition) *the checkpoints in the program that determines behavior according to a given situation.* 

if (this is true) then (do this) else (do that) ......

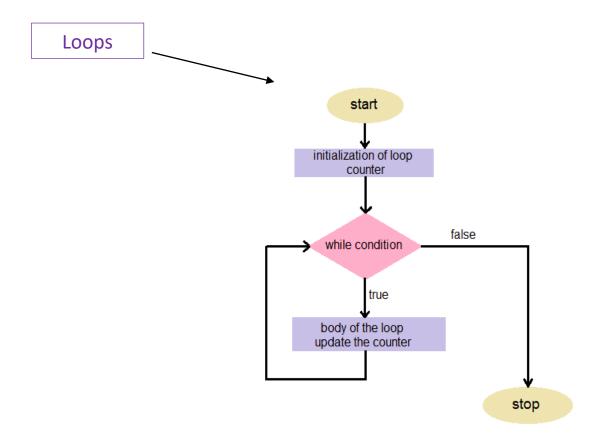
**Loops** (Dictionary Definition) a set of instructions that runs for either a set number of times or until a condition is reached.

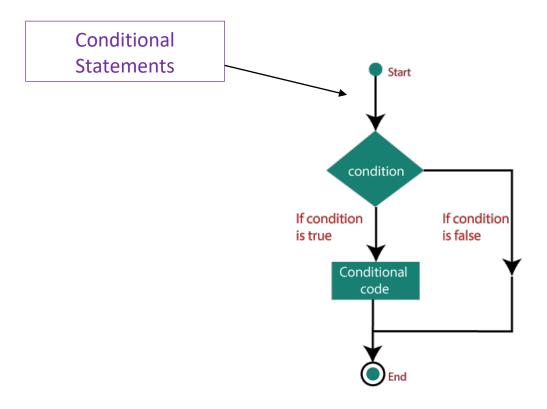
Loop Types: for, while

An iterator is set for running a loop for a fixed number of times. Use 'break' or 'continue' for loops based on conditions or users' actions/input. Loops can be nested & have conditional statements.

**Iterator:** An object used to loop through collections.

**Iterable:** An object that can be looped over or iterated using a loop.





## Session 3 – "Object-Oriented Programming and Modules"

**Object-Oriented Programming** (Dictionary Definition) a programming paradigm based around the idea of objects and classes rather than functions and logic.

**Objects** (Dictionary Definition) a data field with unique attributes and behavior. They are allocated memory space whenever they are created.

**Classes** (Dictionary Definition) a template for creating and declaring objects, no memory is allocated to a class.

**Attributes** - Class attributes are attributes which are owned by the class itself. They will be shared by all the instances of the class.

**Methods** (Dictionary Definition) A procedure associated with a class; this defines the behavior of the object created from that class. Methods can accept parameters, manipulate them, and return values.

**Encapsulation**: (Definition) A process to keep the data and methods together as a single unit

**Abstraction**: (Definition) A process to keep only the relevant data visible about an object to the user to reduce complexity

**Inheritance**: (Definition) *A process where a class derives from another class.* 

**Polymorphism**: (Definition) *Ability of a variable, function, or an object to take various form.* 

**Event-Driven Programming** (Definition) *A method of programming* where the flow of code is determined by events.

Events in programming can be user input, output of a function, result of a program instruction, etc.

**Event Handler**: A callback routine that takes place asynchronously once an event takes place.

Asynchronous Execution - code doesn't run line by line but based on the events.

Non-blocking event - program that doesn't block the execution of the next process.

**Module** (Definition) A part of code that be joined to the other code for easy reusability.

Like a function, modules are designed to solve problems and can be reused.

**Modular Programming** (Definition) A software design technique that emphasizes separating the functionality of a program into independent, interchangeable modules, such that each contains everything necessary to execute only one aspect of the desired functionality.