

Objectives

- Learning Linux
 - Linux practice
- Programming practice
 - Print statements
 - Numeric operations, assignments
 - Input statements

Lab and Course Review

- Lab
 - What are the names of our student assistants and tech support person?
 - What OS do the lab computers run?
 - What is the terminal?
 - What is ssh?
- Course
 - What is computer science?
 - What is this course about?
 - What is an algorithm?

Lab System Review

- Login using W&L credentials

- Everything you do in lab on these machines (if you save it), you can access remotely (on lab machines)
- Everything you do remotely on lab machines (if you save it), you can see on the lab machines in person

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Lab 0 Feedback

- Overall, did well
 - Generally, lab grades should be high
- Canvas extra credit Easter egg
 - Great fun facts!

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Linux: Helpful Trick

- If you ran a command that isn't working,
 - Example: the prompt doesn't come back, and it looks like the terminal is hanging without response
 - Example: your command isn't correct
- use Control-C to stop the command
- You should get the prompt back, perhaps with a message (that probably won't make sense to you)

PYTHON PROGRAMMING

Review

- What are the two ways to run the Python interpreter?
- Give three examples of data types
- How do we display output from a program?
- How do we assign values to variables?
- What arithmetic operators are available?
 - What rules do they follow?

Recap: Programming Fundamentals

- Most important data types (for us, for now): **int**, **float**, **str**, **bool**
 - Use these types to represent various information
- Variables have identifiers, (implicit) types
 - Should have “good” names
 - Names: start with lowercase letter; can have numbers, underscores
- Assignments
 - $x = y$ means “x set to value y” or “x is assigned value of y”
 - Only variable on LHS of statement changes

Review: Numeric Arithmetic Operations

Symbol	Meaning
+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division
%	Remainder ("mod")
**	Exponentiation (power)

Remember PEMDAS

Review: Arithmetic & Assignment

- You can use the assignment operator (=) and arithmetic operators to do calculations
 - Calculate right hand side
 - Assign value to variable
- Remember your order of operations! (PEMDAS)

Examples:

$$x = 4+3*10$$

$$y = 3/2.0$$

$$z = x+y$$

The right-hand sides are **expressions**, just like in math.

Arithmetic & Assignment

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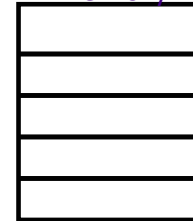
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- For last statement

- need to “lookup” values of x and y

- computer remembers the result of the expression, not the expression itself

Computer
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Arithmetic & Assignment

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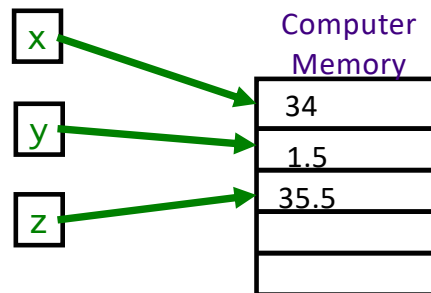
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Assignment statements

- Assignment statements are NOT math equations!

➤ Valid expression: `count = count + 1`

- These are commands!

`x = 2`

`y = x`

`x = x + 3`

After these 3 statements execute,
what are the values of x, y?

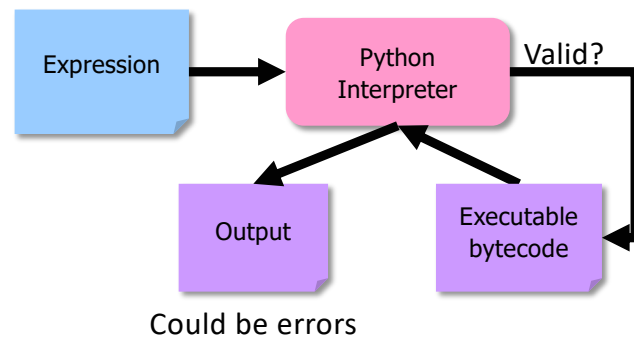
Review: Python Interpreter

1. Validates Python programming language expression(s)

- Enforces Python **syntax**
- Reports **syntax** errors

2. Executes expression(s)

- Runtime errors
(e.g., divide by 0)
- **Semantic** errors
(not what you *meant*)



NOT Math Class

- Need to write out all operations explicitly
 - In math class, $a(b+1)$ meant $a*(b+1)$

Write this way in Python

What are the values?

- After executing the following statements, what are the values of each variable?
 - $r = 5$
 - $s = -1 + r$
 - $t = r + s$
 - $s = 2$
 - $r = -7$

How can we confirm that we're right?

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➤ $s = 2$

➤ $r = -7$

Try these expressions out in interactive mode!

What are the values?

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➤ $a = 5$

➤ $y = a + -1 * a$

➤ $z = a + y / 2$

➤ $a = a + 3$

➤ $y = (7+x)*z$

➤ $x = z*2$

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Runtime error: X doesn't have a value yet!

- We say "X was not initialized"
- Can't use a variable on RHS until seen on LHS!*

Programming Building Blocks

- Each type of statement is a building block

➤ Initialization/Assignment

Assign.

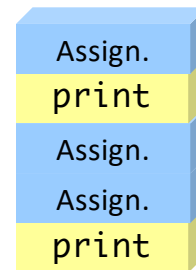
- So far: Arithmetic

➤ Print

print

- We can combine them to create more complex programs

➤ Solutions to problems



Review: Printing Output

- **print** is a special command or a *function*
 - Displays the result of expression(s) to the terminal
 - Automatically adds a '\n' (carriage return) after it's printed
 - Relevant when have multiple print statements

● `print("Hello, class")`

string literal

Syntax: a pair of double quotes
Semantics: represents text

Printing Multiple Things

- **print** is a special command or a *function*
- To display multiple things on the same line, separate them with commas
 - `print("Hello,", "class")`
 - `print("x =", 5)`
 - `print(x*y, "is the magic number")`
 - `print(r, s, t)`

Syntax: ,
Semantics: display this too, separated by a space in the display

Bringing It All Together: A simple *program* or *script*

```
x = 3
y = 5

print("x =", x)
print("y =", y)

result = x * y
print("x * y =", result)
```

What does this
program output?

arith_and_assign.py

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Bringing It All Together: A simple *program* or *script*

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If no print statements, the program
would not *output* anything!

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Equivalent Output to Previous Example

```
x = 3
y = 5

print("x =", x)
print("y =", y)

print("x * y =", x * y)
```

Program displays same output as previous example

This print statement is slightly more complicated than previous example.

Goal: keep each statement simple so that it's easier to find errors.

A Documented Program

```
# Demonstrates arithmetic operations and
# assignment statements
# by Sara Sprengle
```

```
x = 3
y = 5
```

```
print("x =", x)
print("y =", y)
```

```
result = x * y
print("x * y =", result)
```

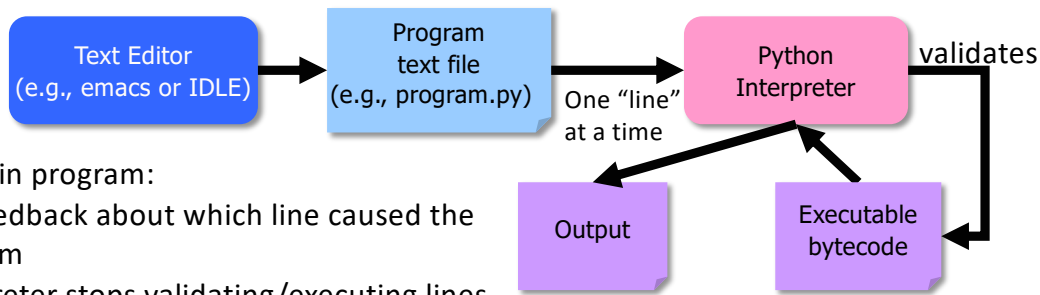
Comments: human-readable descriptions.
Computer does not execute.
Can be anywhere in code.

All your submitted programs **must** have

1. high-level description of what the program does
2. Your name as author and date you authored it

Review: Batch Mode

1. Programmer types a **program/script** into a **text editor**
2. An **interpreter** turns each expression into **bytecode** and then executes each expression



If errors in program:

- Get feedback about which line caused the problem
- Interpreter stops validating/executing lines

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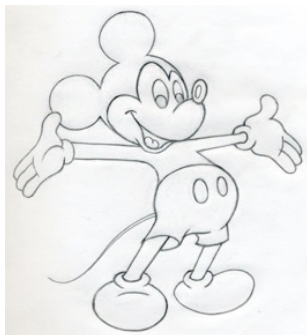
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Formalizing Process of Developing Computational Solutions

1. Create a sketch of how to solve the problem (the algorithm)

Use comments to describe the steps



Example sketch for previous Python program:

```
# set values for x and y
# display values of x and y
# calculate the product of x and y
# print the results
```

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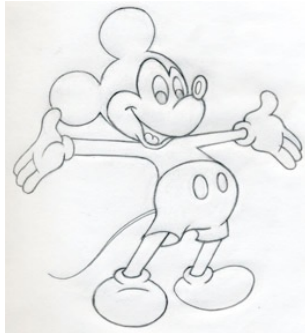
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Formalizing Process of Developing Computational Solutions

1. Create a sketch of how to solve the problem (the algorithm)

Use comments to describe the steps

2. Fill in the details in Python



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```
# set values for x and y
x = 3
y = 5

# display values of x and y
print("x =", x)
print("y =", y)

# calculate the product of x and y
...
```

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Formalizing Process of Developing Computational Solutions

1. Create a sketch of how to solve the problem (the algorithm)

2. Fill in the details in Python

3. Execute the program May not have everything filled

➤ Test: does the program's output match your expectation?

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It worked! 😊 Or, it didn't 😞

- Sometimes the program doesn't work
- Types of programming errors:
 - Syntax error
 - Interpreter shows where the problem is
 - Logic/semantic error
 - `answer = 2+3`
 - No, answer should be `2*3`
 - Exceptions/Runtime errors
 - `answer = 2/0`
 - Undefined variable name

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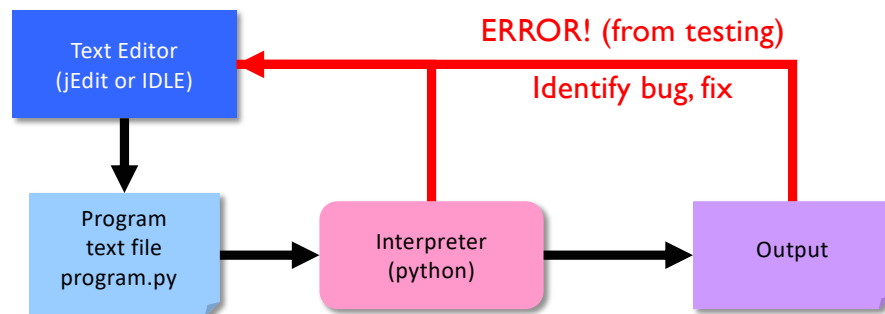
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Debugging

- After executing program and output did not match what you expected
- Identify the problems in your code
 - Edit the program to fix the problem
 - Re-execute/test until all test cases pass
- The error is called a “bug” or a “fault”
- Diagnosing and fixing error is called **debugging**



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Formalizing Process of Developing Computational Solutions

1. Create a sketch of how to solve the problem (the algorithm)
2. Fill in the details in Python
3. Execute the program
4. If output doesn't match your expectation
 - Debug the program (Where is the problem? How do I fix it?)

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Our development process will evolve over time

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Good Development Practices

- Design the algorithm
 - Break into pieces
- Write comments FIRST for each step
 - Elaborate on what you're doing in comments when necessary
- **Implement and Test** each piece *separately*
 - Identify the best pieces to make progress
 - Iterate over each step to improve it

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When to Use Comments

- Document the author, high-level description of the program at the top of the program
- Provide an outline of an algorithm
 - Separates the steps of the algorithm
- Describe difficult-to-understand code

PYTHON PROGRAMMING IN LINUX

IDLE Development Environment

- Runs on top of Python interpreter
- Command: **idle &**
 - **&** Runs command in “background” so you can continue to use the terminal



Since our programming language is named after Monty Python, what is the development environment named after?

- Can use IDLE to
 - Run Python in **interactive** mode
 - Write and execute scripts in **batch** mode

IDLE

- IDLE first opens up a Python shell
 - i.e., the Python interpreter in interactive mode

```
Python 3.7.9 (default, Aug 19 2020, 17:05:11)
[GCC 9.3.1 20200408 (Red Hat 9.3.1-2)] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>>
```

Your Turn in Interactive Mode...

- If you exited IDLE, run `idle &`
- Enter the following expressions and see what Python displays:
 - `3`
 - `4 * -2`
 - `-1+5`
 - `2 +`
 - `print("Hello!")`
- Alternatively, can use `python`
 - If you used `python`, use Control-D to quit the interpreter

Python scripts in IDLE

- In IDLE, under the **F**ile menu
 - Use **N**ew **F**ile or **O**pen, as appropriate, to open a window so that you can write your Python script.
- Practice:
 - Create a new file
 - Print out "hello!"
 - Save the file in your home directory
 - Execute the program (opens a new Python shell)
 - Run → Run Module or F5

Recap: Executing Python

- Interactive Mode
 - Try out expressions
 - `python`
- Batch Mode
 - Execute Python scripts
 - `python <pythonscript>`
- **IDLE** combines these two modes into one *integrated development environment* (IDE)
 - `idle &`

Lab 1 Expectations

- Comments in programs
 - High-level comments, author
 - Notes for your algorithms, implementation
- Nice, readable, clearly labeled understandable output
 - User running your program needs to **understand** what the program is saying
- Honor System

Lab 1: Programming Practice

- After the warm up problems...
- Name program files **lab1.n.py**, where n is the problem you're working on
- After completed, demonstrate that your program works
 1. Close IDLE/Python interpreter, rerun program
 - Get rid of the output from when you were developing/debugging ("scratch work")
 2. Save output for each program in file named **lab1.n.out** where n is the problem you're working on

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Lab 1 Expectations: Example Output

- Your program should have clearly labeled output
 - Clear to user what is happening in program
- Resulting output should be saved in a **.out** file

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Lab 1 Expectations: Read the Directions

- To ***completion***
- Often the answer to your question is in the next sentence
- Practice patience
 - Rushing → poor outcomes

Lab 1 Submission

- Electronic
 - I can execute your program, help find mistakes
 - Copy your lab directory into your turnin directory
- Printed
 - So I can provide written feedback
- Instructions are in the lab

Honor

- You may discuss programming assignments *informally* with other students
 - Sharing the **code** is an honor violation
 - Do **not** share your password
- You should know where to draw the line between legitimate outside assistance with course material and outright cheating
 - Students who obtain too much assistance without learning the material ultimately cheat themselves
- If you have any uncertainty about what this means, consult with me before you collaborate.

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Honor System: Rules of Thumb

- Discussion of problems/programs - OK
 - Clarification questions
 - Algorithm discussion (on paper, board)
- Do not look at another student's solution
 - "What did you do for that?"
- Debugging help
 - Programmer always "owns" keyboard, mouse
 - Helper can read other's program/debug/help, up to 5 minutes
 - Ask student assistant or me or email me for problems that require more time

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Lab 1 Overview

- Linux practice
- IDLE practice
- Programming practice