

## How Does That Work?

**IDEs and PyCharm**

# IDE – Integrated Development Environment

- A software application that helps you develop code efficiently
- For a plain Python executable file, you could use a text editor (such as notepad), but an IDE will include highlighting rules for the language syntax, can help you debug errors, and help refactor/complete your code.
- Some IDEs we know:



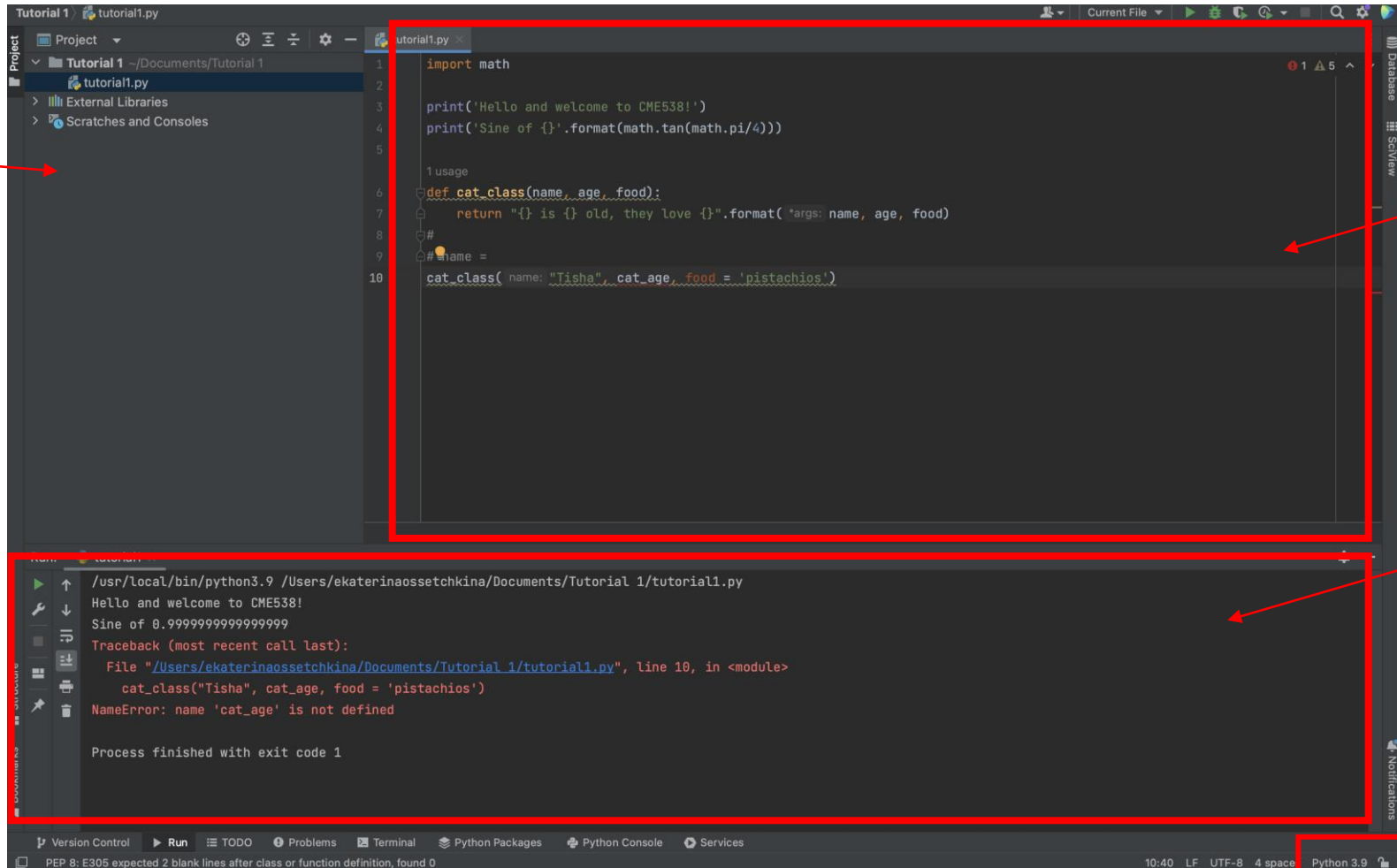
# PyCharm



- Community edition – is free, but will give you read-only to notebooks (.ipynb)! But will work properly with Python (.py) extension files
- Can get Professional PyCharm with UofT email – need to get form approved (or a 30 day trial without this)
  - Apply for the student license to get PyCharm here (Apply Now):  
<https://www.jetbrains.com/community/education/#students>
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# The Anatomy of a Python File (.py) PyCharm

File explorer



Your code!

Console (run results)

Python version  
(or virtual  
environment\*)

# APS106

Demo.