

**CSIT110 / CSIT810**

# **Python**

Lecture 2

Dr. Joseph Tonien

School of Computing and Information Technology  
University of Wollongong

# Objectives

Understanding of:

- Variables
- Strings, numbers
- Convert a number to string
- `print` function
- Comments
- Naming convention

# Comments

Let's look at the first example:

```
# hello.py
# By Joseph Tonien

# My first Python program

print("Hello World")

a = 1
b = 2
c = a + b
print(c)
```

What do you think this program will do?

```
# hello.py  
# By Joseph Tonien
```

```
# My first Python program
```

```
print("Hello World")
```

```
a = 1
```

```
b = 2
```

```
c = a + b
```

```
print(c)
```

These are called **comments**



We can put comments anywhere in the program:

- to make the program clearer for people to read and maintain
- to help people understand our program better, especially, if our program has a special logic that needs explanation
- comments are not code, so they will NOT be executed

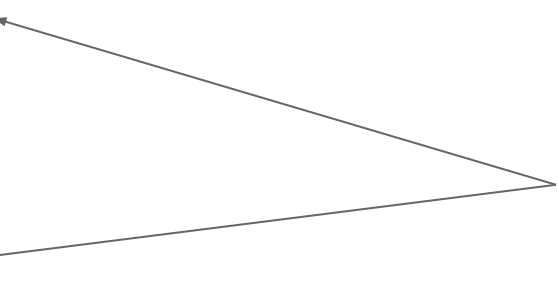
# The `print` function

```
# hello.py
# By Joseph Tonien

# My first Python program

print("Hello World")

a = 1
b = 2
c = a + b
print(c)
```



What do you think  
these codes do?

`print` is called a **function**, we will learn about function later

What is the difference between

```
print("Hello World")
print(c)
```

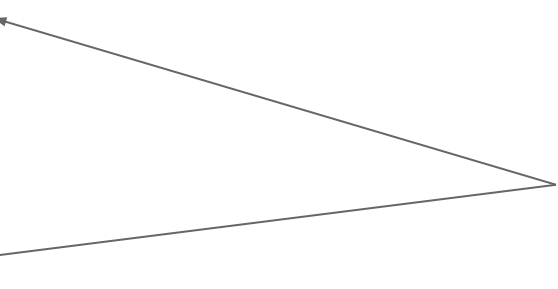
```
# hello.py
# By Joseph Tonien

# My first Python program

print("Hello World")

a = 1
b = 2
c = a + b
print(c)
```

What do you think  
these codes do?



`print` is called a **function**, we will learn about function later

What is the difference between

```
print("Hello World")
print(c)
```

this is a number



this is a string



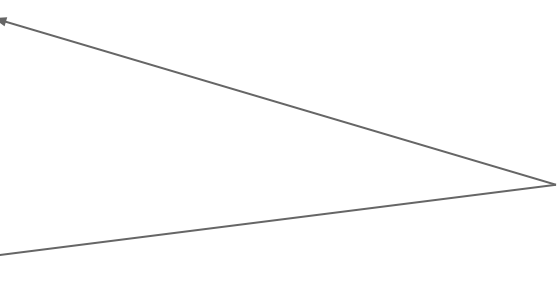


```
# hello.py
# By Joseph Tonien

# My first Python program

print("Hello World")

a = 1
b = 2
c = a + b
print(c)
```



What do you think  
these codes do?

`print` is called a **function**, we will learn about function later

What is the difference between

```
print(c)
print("c")
```

# Variables

```
# hello.py
# By Joseph Tonien

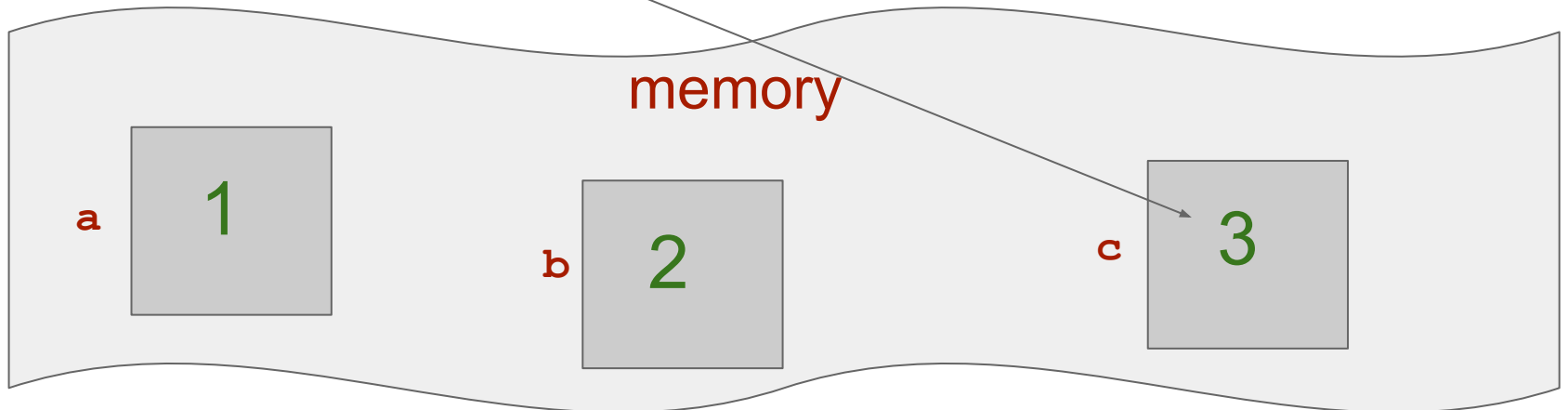
# My first Python program

print("Hello World")

a = 1
b = 2
c = a + b
print(c)
```

a, b, c are called **variables**

variables are reserved memory  
locations to store values



# The `print` function

# The **print** function

```
# diamond.py
# By Joseph Tonien

# A program to demonstrate the use of print function
# Print out a shape of a diamond

print("      *")
print("     * *")
print("    *  *")
print("   *   *")
print("  *    *")
print(" *     *")
print("*      *")
print(" *     *")
print("  *    *")
print("   *   *")
print("    *  *")
print("     * *")
print("      *")
```

What do you think this program will do?

# The **print** function

```
# unimovies.py
# By Joseph Tonien

# A program to demonstrate the use of print function
# Print out Unimovies program

print("Welcome to Unimovies!")
print() ← this code prints a newline
print("Thursday July 30 at 7.15pm: Inside Out")
print()
print("Starring: Diane Lane, Amy Poehler, Mindy Kaling")
print("Released: June 18, 2015")
print("Rating: PG")
print("Runtime: 102 minutes")
print("Websites: http://movieweb.com/movie/inside-out-2015")
```

`print()` **will prints a new empty line**

**String concatenation (addition)**

# String concatenation (addition)

```
# fullname.py
# By Joseph Tonien

first_name = "John"
last_name = "Smith"

full_name = first_name + " " + last_name

print("My name is " + full_name + ".")
```

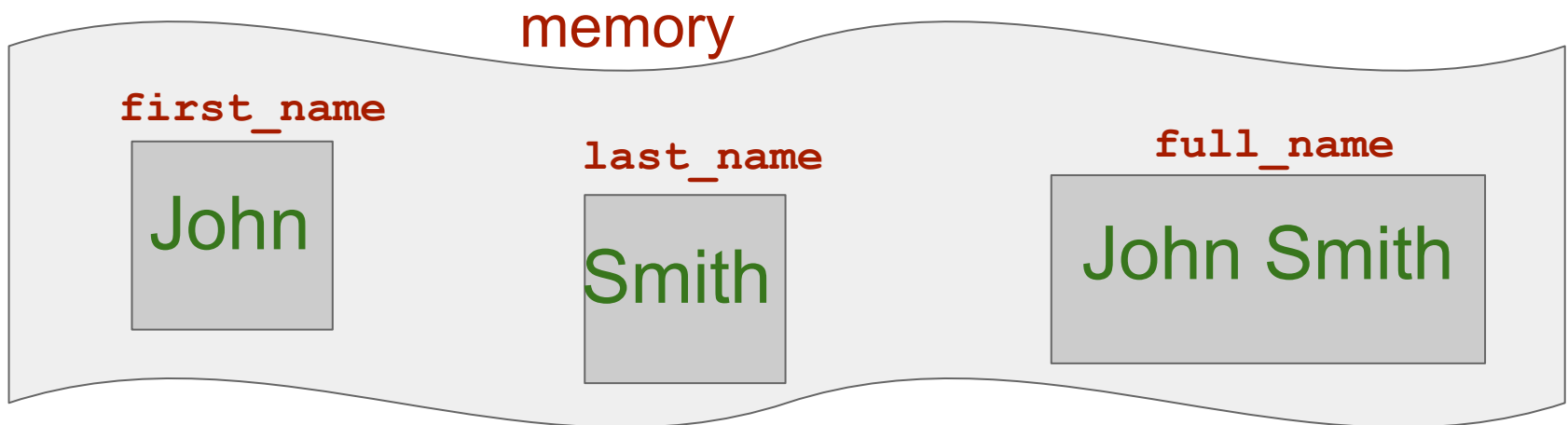
What do you think this program will do?



# String concatenation (addition)

```
# fullname.py  
# By Joseph Tonien  
  
first_name = "John"  
last_name = "Smith"  
  
full_name = first_name + " " + last_name  
  
print("My name is " + full_name + ".")
```

3 variables in the memory



# String concatenation (addition)

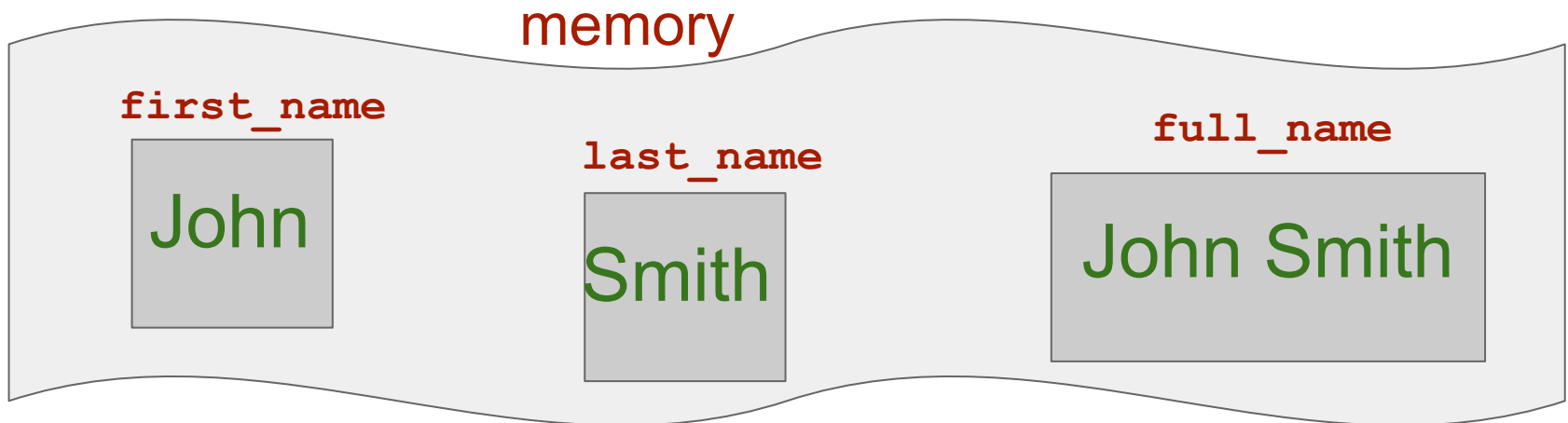
```
# fullname.py
# By Joseph Tonien

first_name = "John"
last_name = "Smith"

full_name = first_name + " " + last_name

print("My name is " + full_name + ".")
```

this is called  
**string concatenation**  
or **string addition**



# String concatenation (addition)

```
# fullname.py  
# By Joseph Tonien
```

```
first_name = "John"  
last_name = "Smith"
```

```
full_name = first_name + " " + last_name
```

```
print("My name is " + full_name + ".")
```

"John" + " " + "Smith"

memory

first\_name

John

last\_name

Smith

full\_name

John Smith

# String concatenation (addition)

```
# fullname.py  
# By Joseph Tonien  
  
first_name = "John"  
last_name = "Smith"  
  
full_name = first_name + " " + last_name  
  
print("My name is " + full_name + ".")
```

string concatenation → "My name is " + "John Smith" + "."

memory

**first\_name**

John

**last\_name**

Smith

**full\_name**

John Smith

# String concatenation (addition)

```
# subject.py
# By Joseph Tonien

subject1 = "ISIT111"
subject2 = "MATH101"
subject3 = "ACCY113"
print("My enrolled subjects are: " + subject1 + ", " + subject2
+ ", " + subject3 + ".")
```

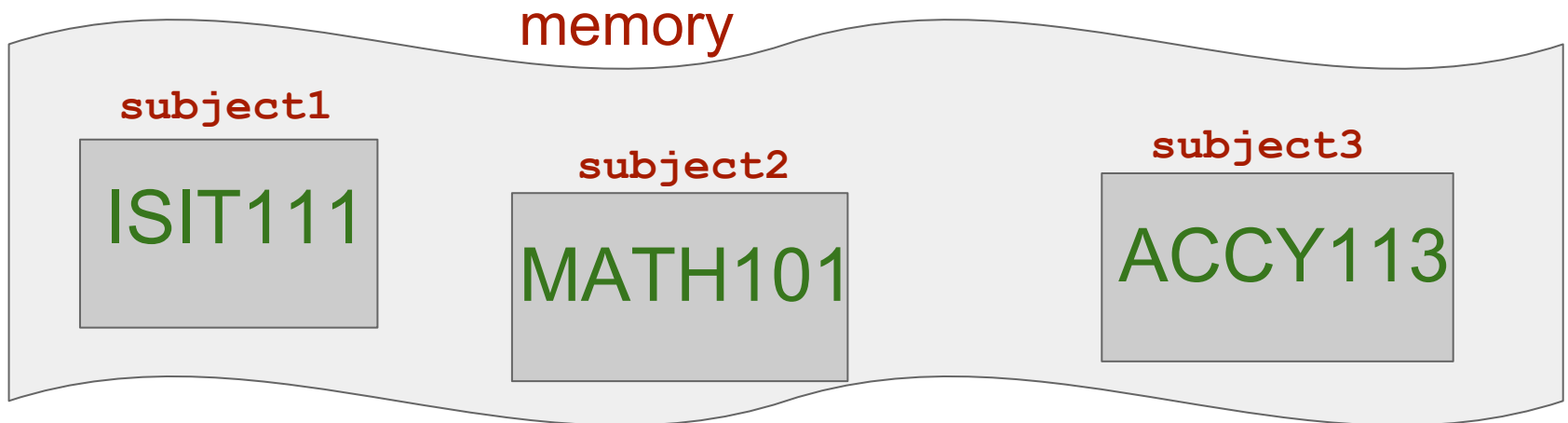
What do you think this program will do?

# String concatenation (addition)

```
# subject.py
# By Joseph Tonien

subject1 = "ISIT111"
subject2 = "MATH101"
subject3 = "ACCY113"
print("My enrolled subjects are: " + subject1 + ", " + subject2
+ ", " + subject3 + ".")
```

"My enrolled subjects are: " + "ISIT111" + ", " + "MATH101" + ", " + "ACCY113" + "."



**Translate number into string**

```
# favorite_number.py
# By Joseph Tonien

fav_number = 7

print("My favorite number is " + fav_number)
```


What is wrong with this program?



```
# favorite_number.py
# By Joseph Tonien

fav_number = 7

print("My favorite number is " + fav_number)
```



**Python cannot add a string to a number**

(some other programming languages can)

```
# favorite_number.py  
# By Joseph Tonien
```

```
fav_number = 7
```

```
print("My favorite number is " + str(fav_number))
```

convert a number to a string



fav\_number → 7

str(fav\_number) → "7"

now we can do string concatenation

"My favorite number is " + "7"

# Convert a number to a string

```
# sum_of_two_numbers.py
# By Joseph Tonien


number1 = 10
number2 = 20
sum = number1 + number2
print("The sum of " + str(number1) + " and " + str(number2)
+ " is " + str(sum) + ".")
```

What do you think this program will do?

# Convert a number to a string

```
# sum_of_two_numbers.py
# By Joseph Tonien

number1 = 10
number2 = 20
sum = number1 + number2
print("The sum of " + str(number1) + " and " + str(number2)
+ " is " + str(sum) + ".")
```



"The sum of " + "10" + " and " + "20" + " is " + "30" + "."

# **Naming convention**

# Constant

```
# second_minute.py
# By Joseph Tonien

SECOND_PER_MINUTE = 60

minute = 5
second = minute * SECOND_PER_MINUTE

print(str(minute) + " minutes has " + str(second) + " seconds")
```

What do you think this program will do?

# Naming convention

```
first_name = "John"
last_name = "Smith"
full_name = first_name + " " + last_name

fav_number = 7

subject1 = "ISIT111"
subject2 = "MATH101"
subject3 = "ACCY113"

SECOND_PER_MINUTE = 60

minute = 5
second = minute * SECOND_PER_MINUTE
```

lower\_case\_with\_underscores for normal variables

UPPER\_CASE\_WITH\_UNDERSCORES for constant

# Keywords

The following list shows the Python keywords. These are reserved words and we CANNOT use them as constant or variable or any other identifier names.

and	elif	if	print
as	else	import	raise
assert	except	in	return
break	exec	is	try
class	finally	lambda	while
continue	for	not	with
def	from	or	yield
del	global	pass	