Programming language components

ATLS 1300 Tues, Jan 21

Announcements

- Outside code
 - <= 20% of your program
- DON'T PLAGIARIZE
 - If you did not write the code, if it was not made in this class you
 - MUST COMMENT WITH WHERE YOU GOT THE CODE FROM
 - Your LA's name or my name (dates given are a plus)
 - The website URL
 - The course/program/date you made it outside the class
 - You 1. Will not get credit on the assignment, 2. May fail the class, 3.
- CHANGE YOUR CODE AND RESUBMIT IF YOU DID THIS.

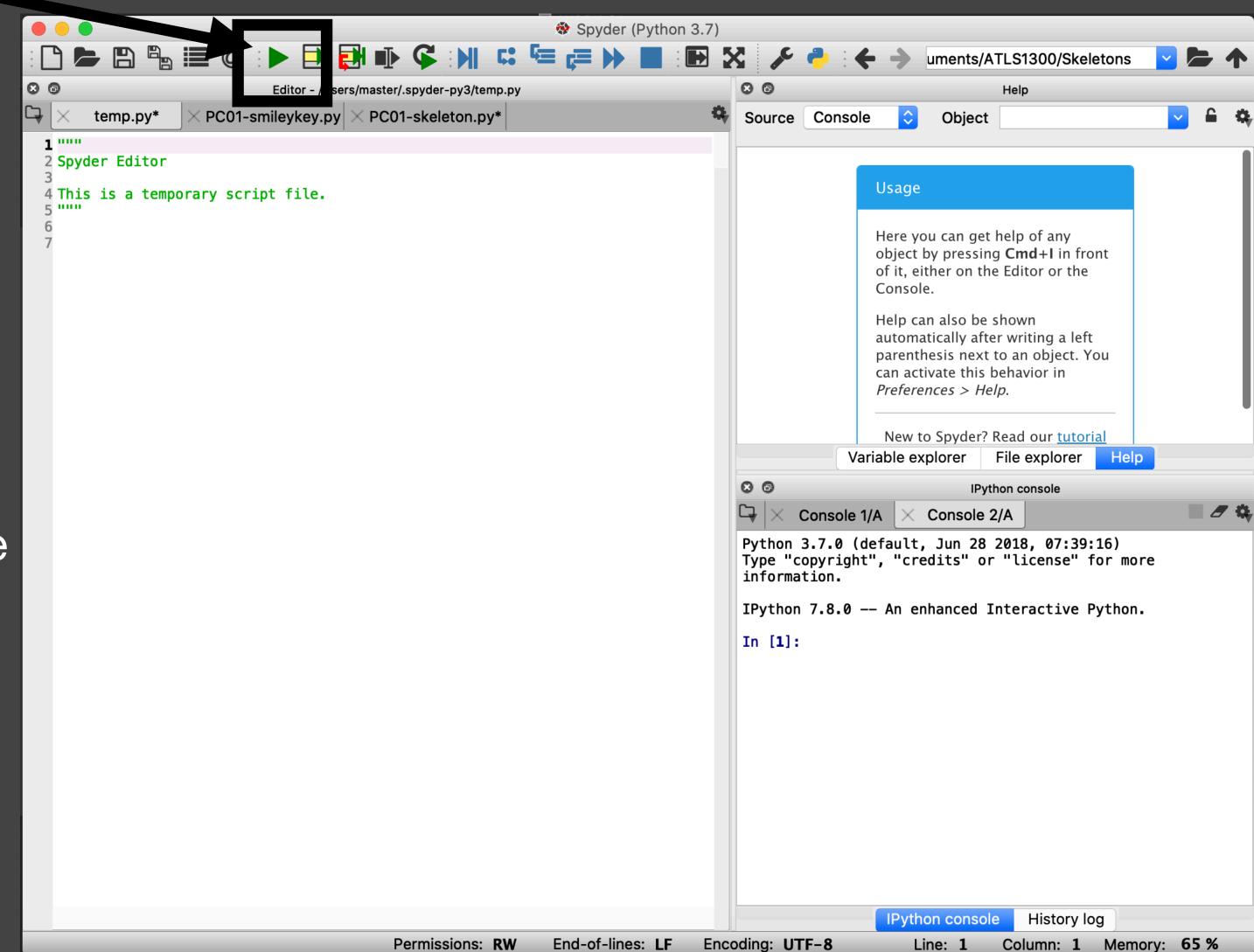
Run button

Spyder interface

Runs your code

Text area

Write your script here

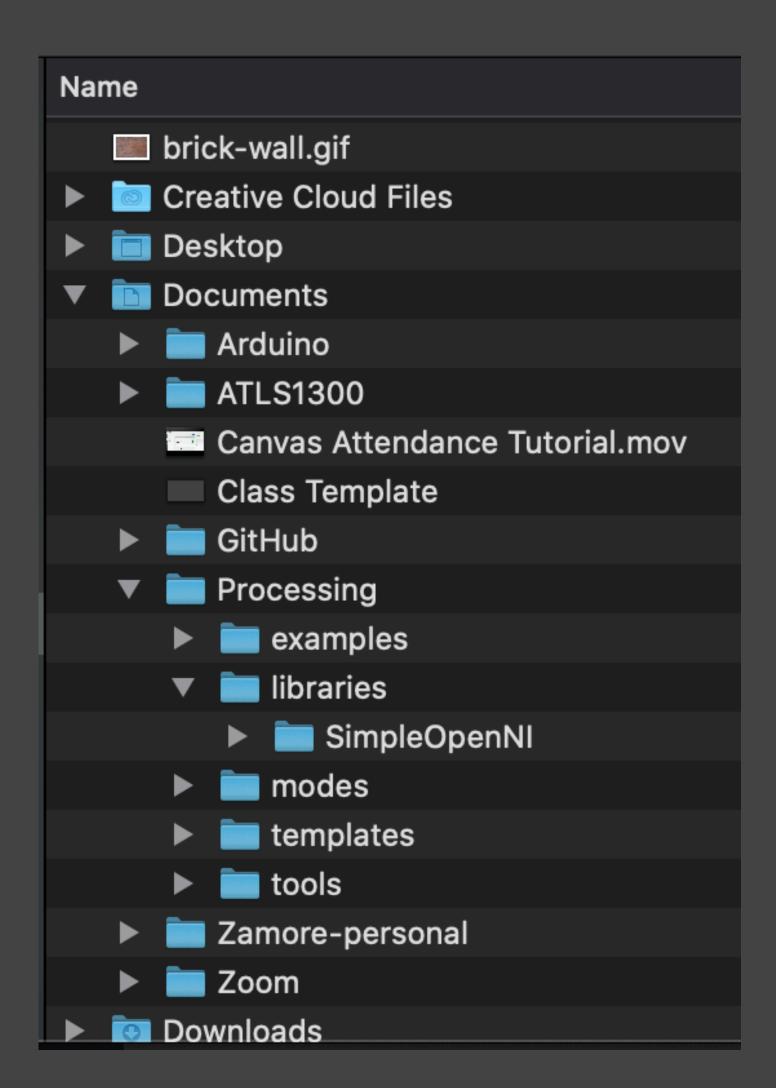


Command Line

Test commands, try
things
Outputs the run
script

File Structures and You

- Your computer is organized in a collection of folders
- Folders can be nested
- You should create a folder for this class
- Inside this folder, you should create folders for EACH assignment.



Spyder interface

Spyder (Python 3.7) uments/ATLS1300/Skeletons 8 9 8 9 Editor - /Users/master/.spyder-py3/temp.py \langle PC01-smileykey.py| imes PC01-skeleton.py* temp.py* Source Console 2 Spyder Editor Usage 4 This is a temporary script file. Here you can get help of any object by pressing Cmd+I in front of it, either on the Editor or the Console. Help can also be shown automatically after writing a left parenthesis next to an object. You can activate this behavior in Preferences > Help. New to Spyder? Read our tutorial Variable explorer File explorer 8 0 IPython console Console 1/A X Console 2/A Python 3.7.0 (default, Jun 28 2018, 07:39:16) Type "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information. IPython 7.8.0 -- An enhanced Interactive Python. In [1]: IPython console History log End-of-lines: LF Encoding: UTF-8 Line: 1 Column: 1 Memory: 65 % Permissions: RW

Working folder

Where your script will save
Where you need to put files you want your script to access

Course Trajectory

- This week-
 - Tech focus- Programming languages, common operators, variables, building programs
 - Creative focus- programming as a canvas
- Next week- More variables, debugging, and writing a program

READING (due Friday): Python Crash Course, Ch. 2 - Variables and Simple Data Types

Class Objectives

- Components of programming languages
- Breaking down Python like it's English
 - Grammar and vocabulary
 - Naming rules and conventions
- Turtles!

Programming Languages

- Programming languages (especially high level languages) are programs themselves
- You can implement the language using an IDE, sometimes this is referred to as a programming platform.
- Platforms (language + IDE) come with functions and tools,

Components of programming language

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- Vocabulary
 - nouns variables
 - verbs built-in functions
 - adverbs keywords
- Grammar
 - syntax rules for how the program is written

Data Types

- Variables are named containers for storing data values
 - Integer int whole number values

• Float - float - floating point numbers,

no fixed number of digits before or after decimal point

Nouns

Data Types

• Variables are named containers for storing data values

• Boolean - bool - Binary logic variable

True, False

• String - str - sequence of characters

```
"fleas", 'a', '3'
```

Creating variables in Python

- Variables stored, named data
- Data are values
- Name is whatever you want to call your variable. Go crazy!
- Variables are assigned left to right

Name Value A = 3**2

$$date = 200121$$

name = "Dr. Z"

imaBool = False

Create some variables!

- Open Spyder
- Create variables of different data types:
 - Float (floating point numbers)
 - Bool (True or False values)
 - String (Text inside quotes)

Vocabulary

Variables

- Named containers for storing data values
- Keywords and functions
 - Do basic tasks, like provide a user input
 - Retrieve more programs, run functions from them
 - Build more complex or elegant tasks

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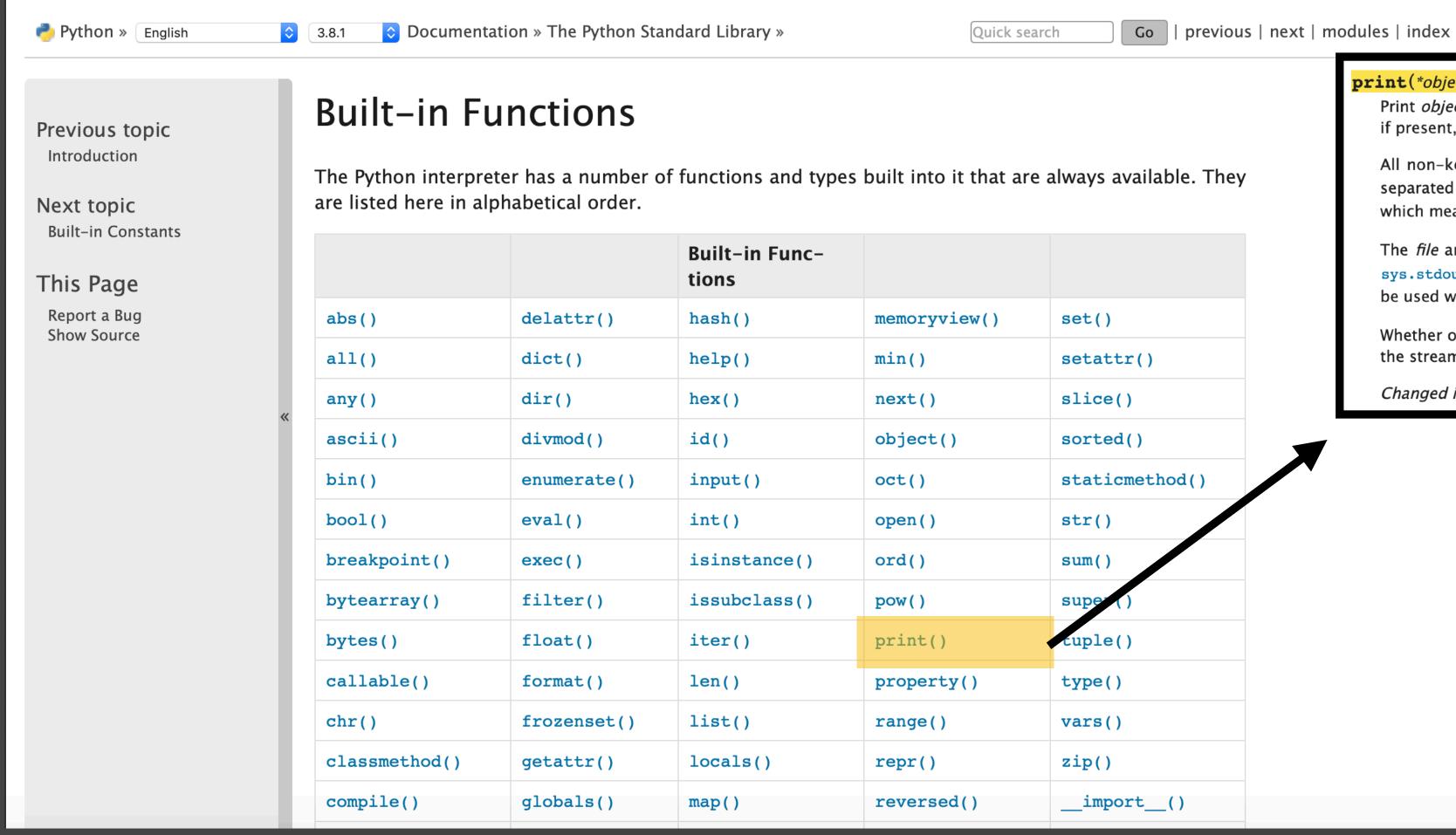
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Built-in functions

Keywords

```
input()
                                    True
print()
                                    False
str()
                                    None
bool()
                                    del
int()
                                    if, elif, else
float()
                                    for, while
```

More info in Documentation



print(*objects, sep='', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)

Print *objects* to the text stream *file*, separated by *sep* and followed by *end*. *sep*, *end*, *file* and *flush*, if present, must be given as keyword arguments.

All non-keyword arguments are converted to strings like str() does and written to the stream, separated by sep and followed by end. Both sep and end must be strings; they can also be None, which means to use the default values. If no objects are given, print() will just write end.

The *file* argument must be an object with a write(string) method; if it is not present or None, sys.stdout will be used. Since printed arguments are converted to text strings, print() cannot be used with binary mode file objects. For these, use file.write(...) instead.

Whether output is buffered is usually determined by *file*, but if the *flush* keyword argument is true, the stream is forcibly flushed.

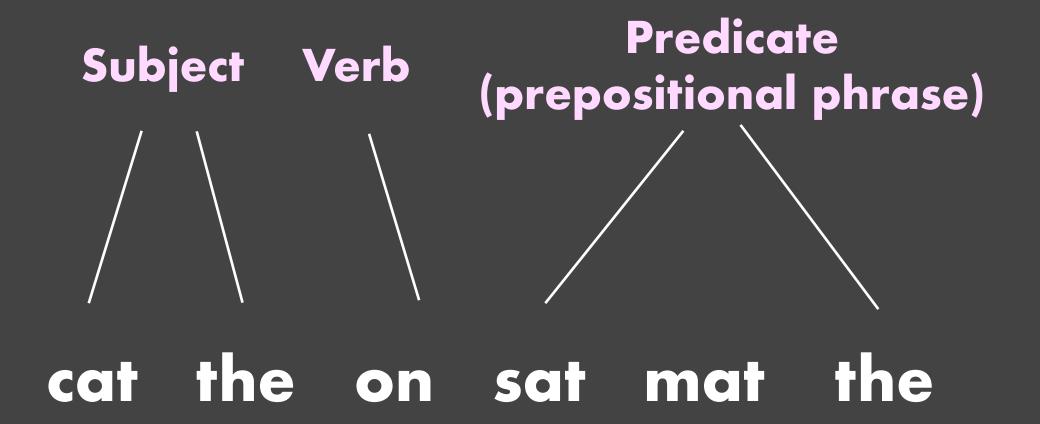
Changed in version 3.3: Added the flush keyword argument.

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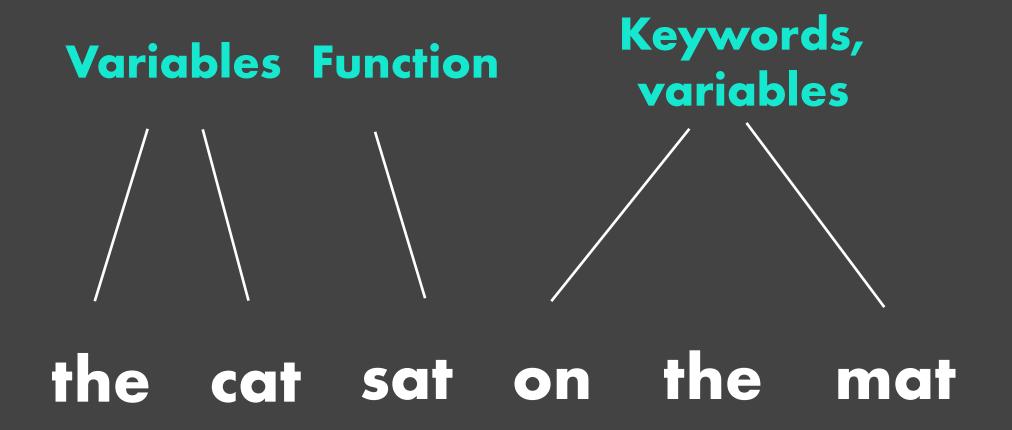
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Python has a syntax just like any language!

Python Syntax

Comments marked with #

```
# I'm <u>a comment!</u>
```

Call functions, group math with parentheses

```
2 / (6 + 4)
print ('yo waddup')
```

Indent with loops (more on loops later)

```
if 0 < 1:
    print('Mathematical!')</pre>
```

Python syntax

Case sensitive

Enter these lines in your command line:

Name = 0

name

Indentation matters!

• This will come up more when we get to loops...

Exploring syntax with turtles

In your command line type:

```
from turtle import *
```

Turtle()

Imports a set of functions for you to use

What happens?

How would you set the output of the turtle command (Turtle()) to a name (like Ari)?

Hint: remember left-to-right notation

Exploring syntax with turtles

- Now let's make things interesting.
- Our turtle, Ari, has a bunch of functions attached to it.
- Change the arrow shape to a turtle by using the command shape(). To call this command, we'll
 use dot notation
 - 1. Try:
 Ari.shape('turtle')
 - You can also input: "circle", "square", "triangle", or "classic"
 - 2. Now try the entering the command forward(x), where x is the numerical distance you want the turtle to go in pixels.
- Which turtle moved? How do you get the other turtle to move?

Recap

- Programming languages and IDEs are both examples of ______.
- Languages are made up of vocabulary and grammar. In programming:
 - Vocabulary is ________, and _________.
 - Grammar is _____, the rules that determine how the program is written.
- Python variables are assigned left to right, with the _____ on the left, and the _____ on the right.
- Functions are called using ________.

Thursday

- Documentation
- Composition & color
- Drawing with turtles
- Look up creative coding art (#creativecoding, #computationalthinking)

READ CH 2!