

Lecture 2

Recap

What is programming \rightarrow Set of instructions given to a computer

How

high-level \rightarrow interpreter \rightarrow low-level

Computer programming
 \rightarrow code
 \rightarrow create
 \rightarrow comp. process

Comp. scientist
 \rightarrow broader
 \rightarrow studies comp. processes

Principles & practice

\rightarrow use building blocks to build system
 \rightarrow documentation, make your code more readable
 \rightarrow know thy error, error triad

IDE \rightarrow code editor, where you write your code

Basic Building blocks

Python as a calculator \rightarrow interactive mode (python shell) temporary

\rightarrow script mode

\rightarrow integer division
 $10 // 3 = 3$ (rounded down to integer)

\rightarrow modulus
 $10 \% 3 = 1$ (remainder)

division \rightarrow always a floating point

illegal \rightarrow $3.3 + 3 =$ syntax error (every time show)
 $\quad \quad \quad \text{space}$

\rightarrow $1/0 =$ runtime error (error can only be caught at run time)

\rightarrow 0×3 (you want "0" x 3) = semantic error, logical error, you can't know

Combined expressions

$()$
 $**$

$*, /, //, \%$

$+, -$

highest precedence

lowest precedence

Think like a python interpreter.

↳ since CPU can only do one calculation at a time

Variable

→ gives name to literal.

→ must start with letter / underscore

→ ^{start}no number

→ alpha-numeric (A-Z, 0-9)

→ PEP8 convention for good coding.

$x = x + 4000$?

↳ memory \leftarrow CPU
RAM

↳ $x = 4000$ → in memory address (xxxxxx)

↳ $a = b$ → name error - C.b is an unbound variable

puzzle.

↳ $y = 1000$

$y = x$

$x = 1000$

↳ $x = x + 4000$

$y \Rightarrow 1000$
 $x \Rightarrow 1000$

$x \rightarrow 1000$

$x = 1000 + 4000$

$x = 5000$

↳ $y = 5000$

$x = y$

$y = 3000$

$y \Rightarrow 5000$
 $x \Rightarrow 3000$

↳ $2x = 10$ syntax

puzzle
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