

CFRS 772: Forensic Artifact Extraction

Homework Project 1

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1. Confirm Python on the lab system

- Start:Search:python
or
- Install Python 3.x if needed (e.g., personal computer)

2. Open terminal

- run "IDLE (Python 3.x GUI)" or similar
- you do not need to run this as Administrator

3. Check python version installed:

- IDLE window (before the Python command prompt) should start with "Python 3.x.x"
or
- ```
>>> import sys
>>> print(sys.version)
```

#### 4. Set command history in IDLE:

- Options:ConfigureIDLE:Keys
  - Scroll down and select "history-next"
    - Click on "Get new keys"
      - Scroll down to "Down Arrow" and click OK
  - Name the Custom Key Set "CFRS772"
  - Repeat for "history-previous" with "Up Arrow"
  - Apply, OK

#### 5. Basic interaction:

- Which of the below work? (put y/n in the blanks)

```
>>> print("hello") _Y_
>>> print('hello') _Y_
>>> print("hello'") _N_
>>> print(`hello`) _N_
>>> print "hello" _N_
>>> print 'hello' _N_
```

- Try the following commands: (put result in the blanks)

```
>>> print(x) _NameError: name 'x' is not defined_
>>> x=10
>>> print(x) _10_
>>> print(X) _NameError: name 'X' is not defined_
>>> y=3
>>> print(y) _3_
>>> print(x+y) _13_
>>> print(x*y) _30_
>>> print(x/y) _3.3333333333333335_
>>> print(x-y) _7_
>>> print(x//y) _3_
>>> print(x%y) _1_
>>> z=x+y
>>> print(z) _13_
```

#### 6. Basic script creation:

- In IDLE, go to File:New File
- Enter the following in the Editor Window:

```
x=10
y=3
print(x+y)
```
- File:SaveAs  
test1.py (note the location)
- Run:RunModule or F5

- check IDLE console for output
- In console
  - Try:
  - >>> test1.py
  - Did this work? → **YES**
  - Try:
  - >>> exec(open("test1.py").read())

===== RESTART: C:/Users/vselabs/Downloads/test1.py =====

```
13
>>> exec(open("test1.py").read())
13
>>> |
```

- At Windows command line
  - Start:Search:cmd
  - Run "cmd.exe" (not as Administrator)
  - Change to directory c:\python3x
  - C:\Python3x>python <path>/test1.py

```
C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Visual Studio\Shared\Python36_64>python.exe C:\Users\vselabs\Downloads\test1.py
13
C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Visual Studio\Shared\Python36_64>
```

## 7. Comments and conditionals:

- In IDLE, File:Open
  - test1.py
- Add comments:
  - # This is a one-line comment
  - ''' This is a  
multiline comment'''
- Add an IF statement to the end of test1.py:
  - // The if statement contents, i.e., the stuff after the
  - // "if" statement, \*must\* be indented (use tab key),
  - // like this:
  - if x==10:
    - print ('x=10')
- Run the script

```
This is a one line comment
''' This is a
multiline comment'''
x=10
y=3
print(x+y)

if x == 10:
 print('x=10')
```

Python 3.6.5 Shell

File Edit Shell Debug Options Window Help

Python 3.6.5 (v3.6.5:f59c0932b4, Mar 28 2018, 17:00:18) [MSC v.1900 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32  
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.  
>>>  
===== RESTART: C:/Users/vselabs/Downloads/test1.py =====  
13  
x=10  
>>> |

- Edit the script to have only this content:

```
x=10
if x==10:
 print ('x=10')
elif x==9:
 print ('x=9')
else:
 print ('x is not 9')
 print ('x is not 10')
print ('This line should always print')
```
- Run the script

```
x=10
if x==10:
 print('x=10')
elif x==9:
 print('x=9')
else:
 print('x is not 9')
 print('x is not 10')
print('This line should always print')
```

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>>>  
===== RESTART: C:/Users/vselabs/Downloads/test1.py =====  
x=10  
This line should always print  
>>> |

Ln: 7 Col: 4

- Change x=8 and run the script

```
x=8
if x==10:
 print('x=10')
elif x==9:
 print('x=9')
else:
 print('x is not 9')
 print('x is not 10')
print('This line should always print')
```

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```
x=10
This line should always print
>>>
===== RESTART: C:/Users/vselabs/Downloads/test1.py =====
x is not 9
x is not 10
This line should always print
```

- Change x=9 and run the script

```
x=9
if x==10:
 print('x=10')
elif x==9:
 print('x=9')
else:
 print('x is not 9')
 print('x is not 10')
print('This line should always print')
```

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>>>  
===== RESTART: C:/Users/vselabs/Downloads/test1.py =====  
x=9  
This line should always print

## 8. Explore context:

- Start a new IDLE session

```
>>> print(x)
```

```
>>> x=7
```

```
>>> print(x)
```

Run the test1.py script (it should have "x=9" in it)

```
>>> print(x)
```

- What does this result tell you? 9

```
>>> x=6
```

```
>>> print(x)
```

Remove the "x=..." line from your test1.py script

Run the test1.py script

Why didn't that work? x isn't defined

```
>>> x=10
```

```
>>> print(x)
```

Run the test1.py script

- Why didn't that work? It does work because x is now defined, and assigned a value of 10

## 9. Create a Python script

Create a new file (script) in IDLE; name the file hw1\_yourname.py

Create a simple program with a main routine that calls two functions, add() and subtract(); for each function, include comments about its purpose but just print a short message and return

```
hw1_RGULLY_CFRS772.py x
2 # Rachel B. Gully
3 # rgully4@masonlive.gmu.edu
4
5
6 def add():
7 # this function is for addition
8 print("This function is for addition.")
9
10
11 def subtract():
12 # this function is for subtraction
13 print("This function is for subtraction.")
14
15
16 if __name__ == '__main__':
17 # Calling the add/subtract dummy functions
18 add()
19 subtract()

Terminal
+ Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17134.523]
x (c) 2018 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

E:\GMU DFCA>python "CFRS 772\Projects\Homework 1\hw1_RGULLY_CFRS772.py"
This function is for addition.
This function is for subtraction.
```

Prompt for user input in the main routine; create three prompts: number 1, number 2, and operation

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
 # Prompting user for 3 values: n1, n2, and op
 n1 = input("Please enter first number: ")
 n2 = input("Please enter second number: ")
 op = input("Please enter desired operation (add/subtract): ")

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E:\GMU DFCA>python "CFRS 772\Projects\Homework 1\hw1_RGULLY_CFRS772.py"
Please enter first number: 1
Please enter second number: 2
Please enter desired operation (add/subtract): add

E:\GMU DFCA>
```

Add code (IF block) to the main routine to check the value of the 3rd user argument and call the appropriate function with the first two user arguments

```

if __name__ == '__main__':
 # Prompting user for 3 values: n1, n2, and operation
 n1 = int(input("Please enter first number: "))
 n2 = int(input("Please enter second number: "))
 op = input("Please enter desired operation (add/subtract): ")

 # Check user's desired operation and call the appropriate function.
 if 'add' in op:
 add(n1, n2)
 else:
 subtract(n1, n2)

```

Modify the two functions so they take two arguments (the two numbers entered by the user) and compute and return the sum or difference; add try-except structures to catch errors

```

def add(value1, value2):
 """
 This function returns value1 + value2
 :param value1:
 :param value2:
 :return:
 """
 try:
 return int(value1) + int(value2)
 except Exception as e:
 print("An error has occurred: " + str(e.__class__.__name__) + ". Please enter new numbers.")

def subtract(value1, value2):
 """
 This function returns value1 - value2
 :param value1:
 :param value2:
 :return value1-value2:
 """
 try:
 return int(value1) - int(value2)
 except Exception as e:
 print("An error has occurred: " + str(e.__class__.__name__) + ". Please enter new numbers.")

```

Modify the main routine to print out the user input and result

```

if __name__ == '__main__':
 # Prompting user for 3 values: n1, n2, and operation
 n1 = input("Please enter first number: ")
 n2 = input("Please enter second number: ")
 op = input("Please enter desired operation (add/subtract): ")

 # Check user's desired operation and call the appropriate function.
 if 'add' in op:
 result = add(n1, n2)
 if type(result) is not None:
 print('Result: {}'.format(result))
 elif 'subtract' in op:
 result = subtract(n1, n2)
 if type(result) is not None:
 print('Result: {}'.format(result))
 else:
 print("Operation not recognized.")

```

Run a few different examples, including ones that generate errors

```

E:\GMU DFCA>python "CFRS 772\Projects\Homework 1\hw1_RGULLY_CFRS772.py"
Please enter first number: 11
Please enter second number: aa
Please enter desired operation (add/subtract): add
An error has occurred: ValueError. Please enter new numbers.

E:\GMU DFCA>python "CFRS 772\Projects\Homework 1\hw1_RGULLY_CFRS772.py"
Please enter first number: aa
Please enter second number: bb
Please enter desired operation (add/subtract): subtract
An error has occurred: ValueError. Please enter new numbers.

E:\GMU DFCA>python "CFRS 772\Projects\Homework 1\hw1_RGULLY_CFRS772.py"
Please enter first number: 11
Please enter second number: 22
Please enter desired operation (add/subtract): add
Result: 33

E:\GMU DFCA>python "CFRS 772\Projects\Homework 1\hw1_RGULLY_CFRS772.py"
Please enter first number: 11
Please enter second number: 22
Please enter desired operation (add/subtract): subtract
Result: -11

```

Add code to use the debugger; run your script in debugging mode, step through your program, and check values at various points

```

E:\GMU DFCA>python "CFRS 772\Projects\Homework 1\hw1_RGULLY_CFRS772.py"
> e:\gmu dfca\cfrs 772\projects\homework 1\hw1_rgully_cfrs772.py(8)<module>()
-> def add(value1, value2):
(Pdb) break 41
Breakpoint 1 at e:\gmu dfca\cfrs 772\projects\homework 1\hw1_rgully_cfrs772.py:41
(Pdb) continue
Please enter first number: 11
Please enter second number: 22
Please enter desired operation (add/subtract): add
> e:\gmu dfca\cfrs 772\projects\homework 1\hw1_rgully_cfrs772.py(41)<module>()
-> if 'add' in op:
(Pdb) n1
'11'
(Pdb) n2
'22'
(Pdb) op
'add'
(Pdb) break 43
Breakpoint 2 at e:\gmu dfca\cfrs 772\projects\homework 1\hw1_rgully_cfrs772.py:43
(Pdb) continue
> e:\gmu dfca\cfrs 772\projects\homework 1\hw1_rgully_cfrs772.py(43)<module>()
-> if result is not None:
(Pdb) result
33
(Pdb)

```

**On BlackBoard, submit (1) a single PDF document with all screenshots (numbered) and answers to questions (all the blanks, also numbered; you can insert answers into this document and save it as PDF for submission), and (2) your final code for part 9 with debugging disabled.**