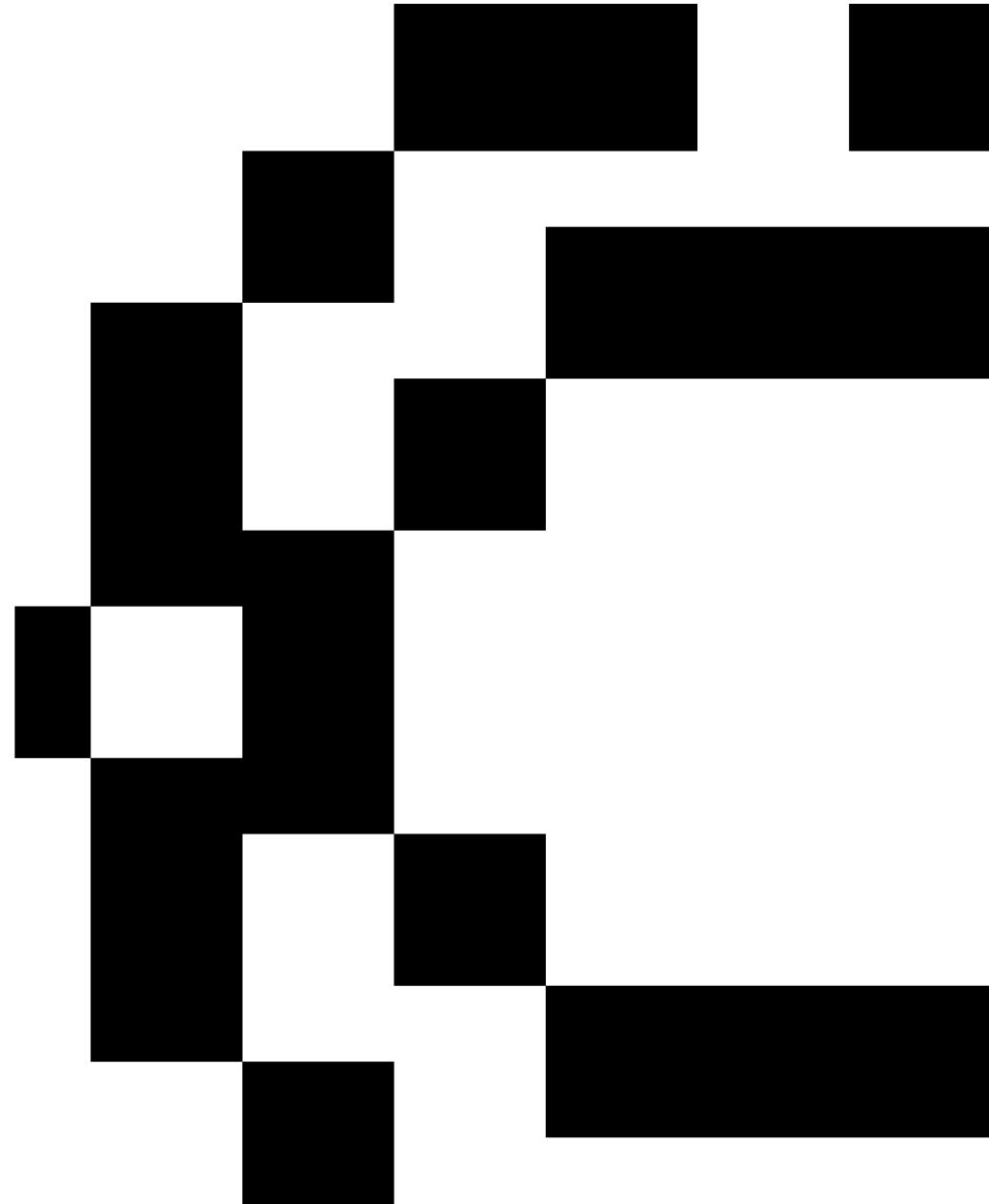


# Programming for Data Science

Lecture 3

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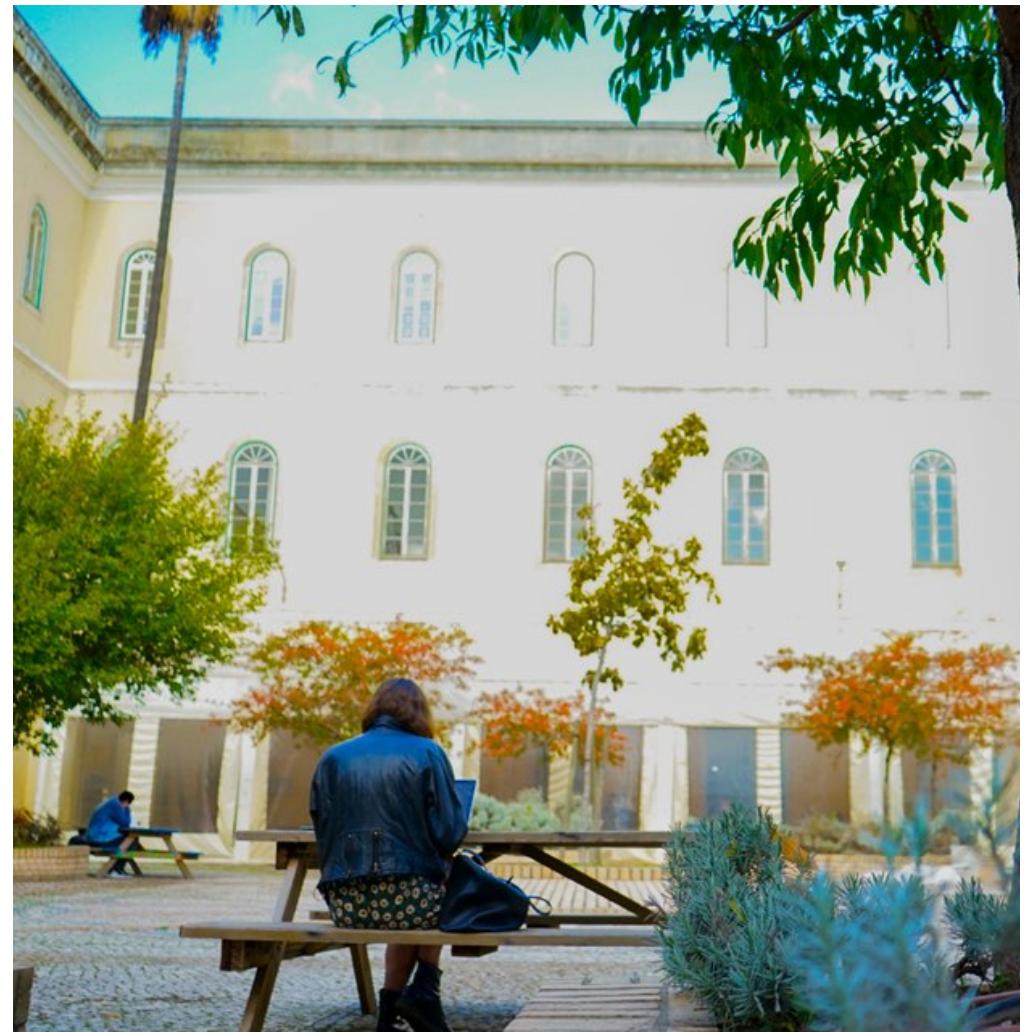
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# Lecture 3

- Functions
- Import Modules and Python STL
- NameSpace



## What is this code doing?

```
>>> a = 5
>>> b = 1
>>> while a > 0:
...     b *= a
...     a -= 1
>>> print(b)
```

computes the factorial of 5

# Let's decode the code

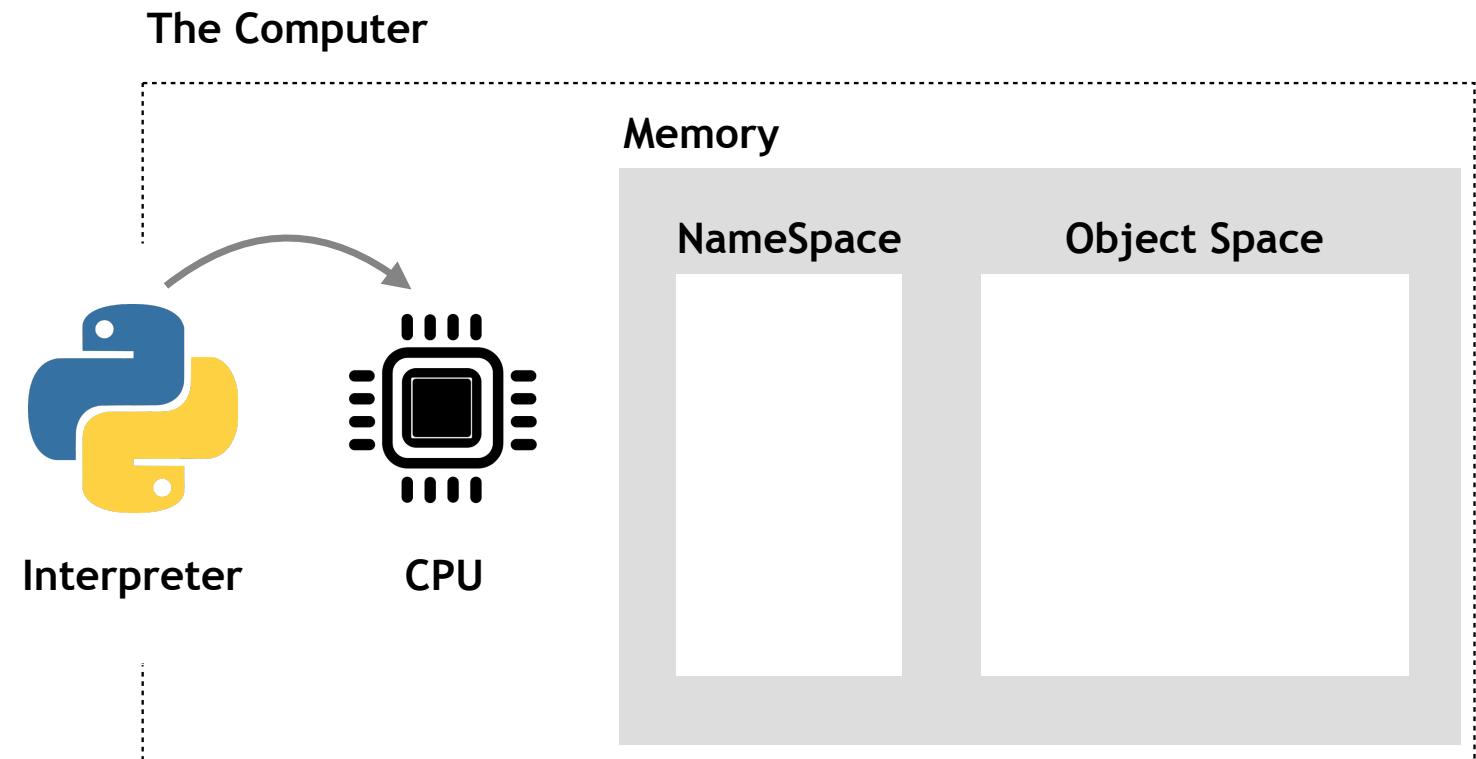
## Input Script

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>>> a = 5
>>> b = 1
>>> while a > 0:
...     b *= a
...     a -= 1
>>> print(b)
```

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

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>>> a = 5
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>>> print(b)
```



# Let's decode the code

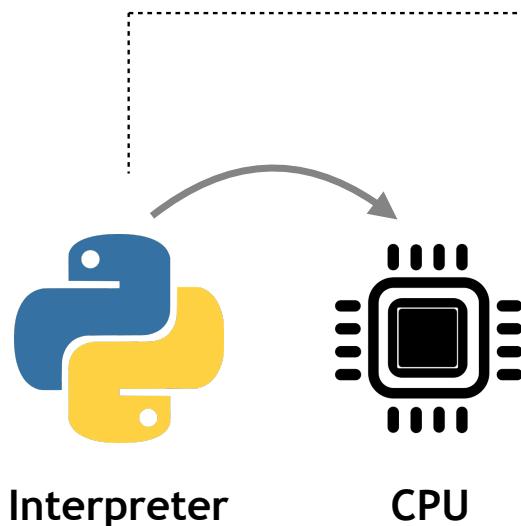
## Input Script

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>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction



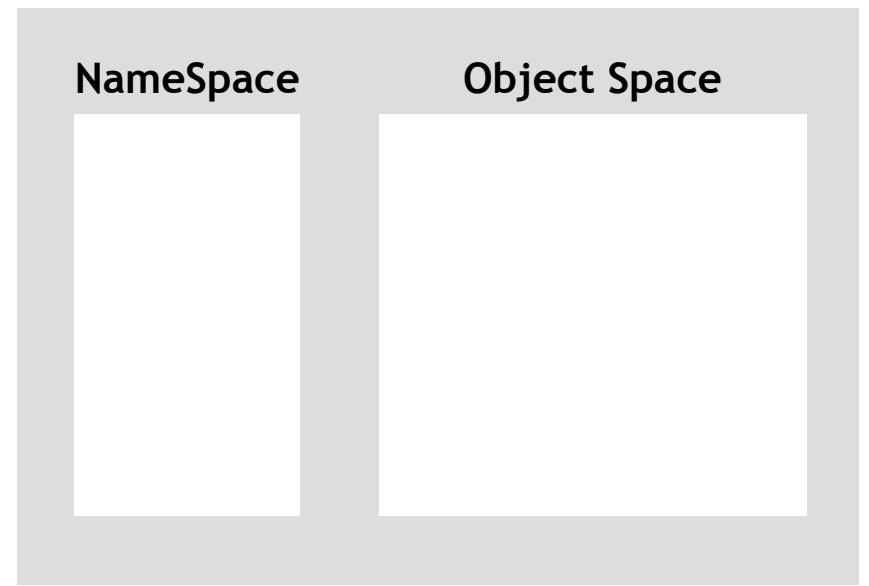
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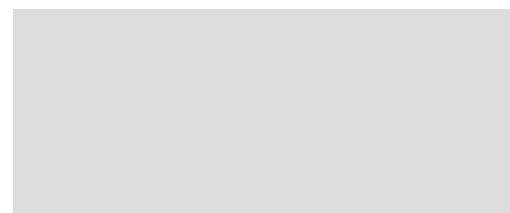
Interpreter

CPU

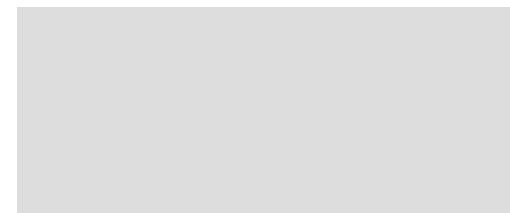
## Memory



## Current State



## Next State



# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

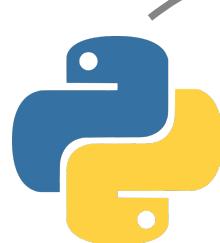
## Instruction



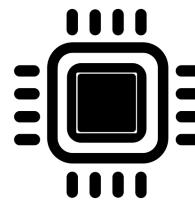
## Output



## The Computer



Interpreter



CPU

## Memory

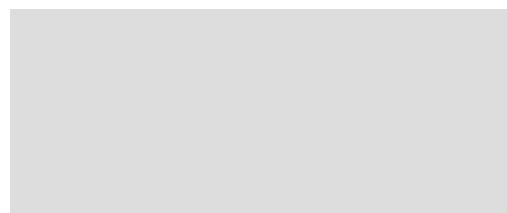
### NameSpace



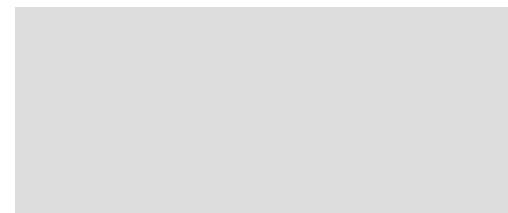
### Object Space



## Current State



## Next State



# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

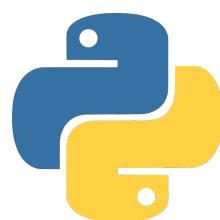
```
>>> a = 5 ←  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

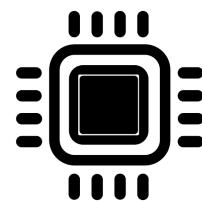
Assign 5 to a

## Output

## The Computer



Interpreter



CPU

## Memory

### NameSpace

a

### Object Space

5

## Current State

....

## Next State

a = 5

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

```
>>> a = 5
>>> b = 1 ←
>>> while a > 0:
...     b *= a
...     a -= 1
>>> print(b)
```

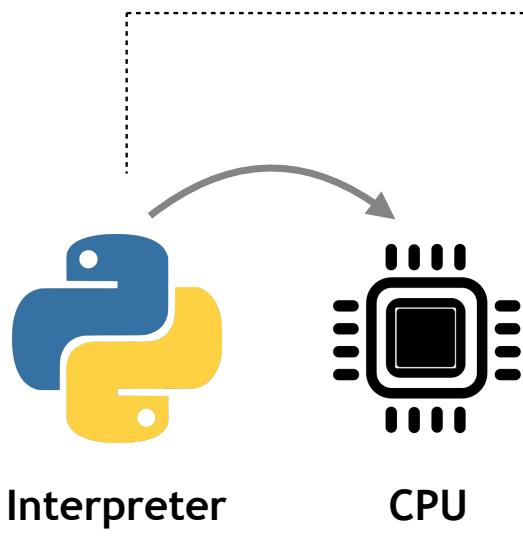
## Instruction

Assign 1 to b

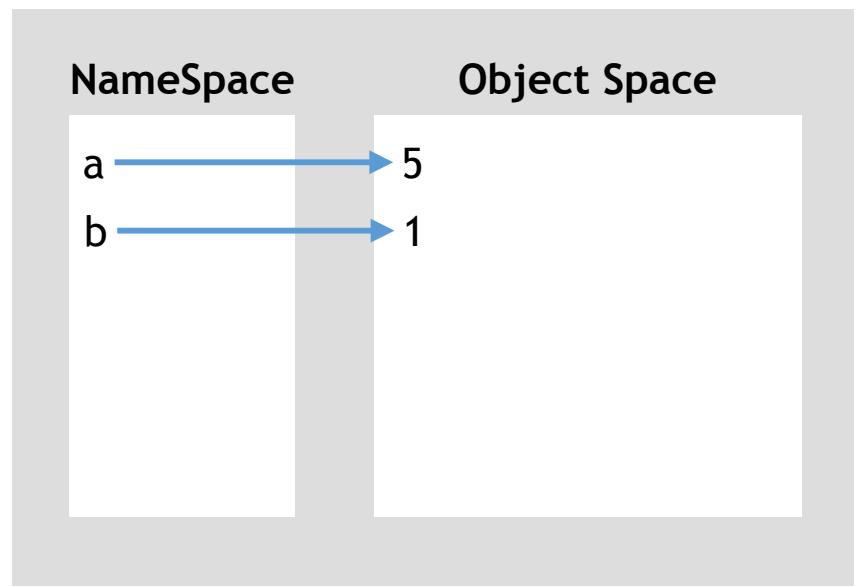
## Output



## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

a = 5

## Next State

a = 5  
b = 1

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

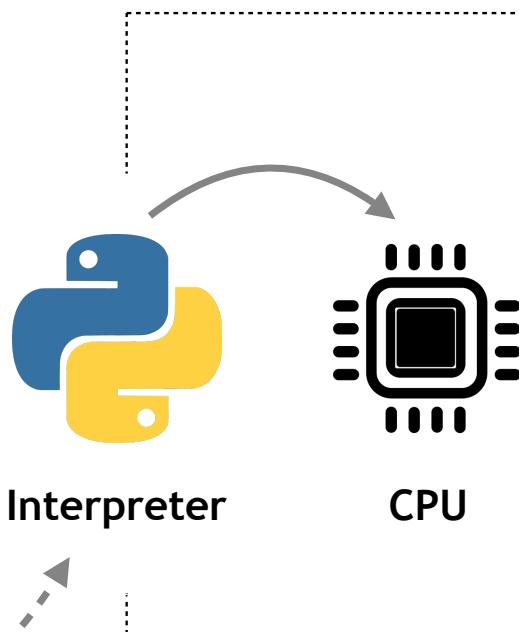
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

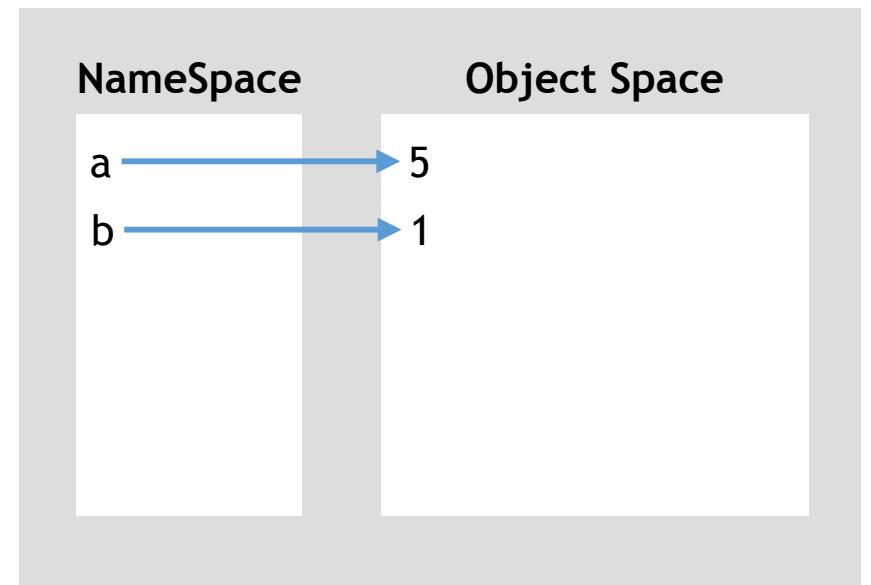
Is a larger than 0?

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

a = 5 (True)  
b = 1

## Next State

a = 5  
b = 1

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

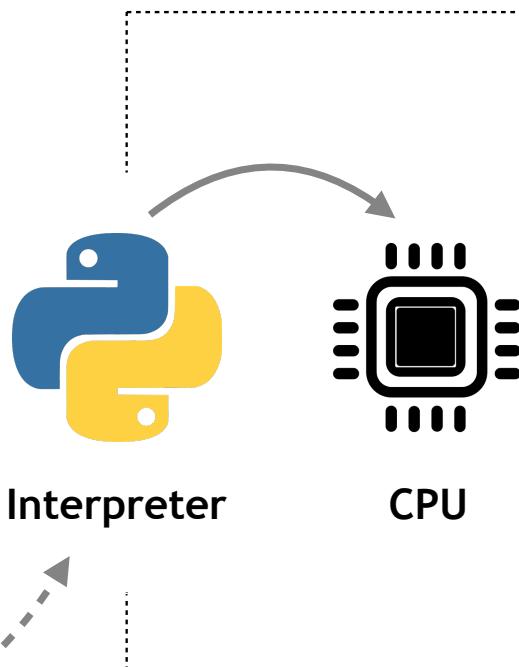
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     ... b *= a  
...     ... a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

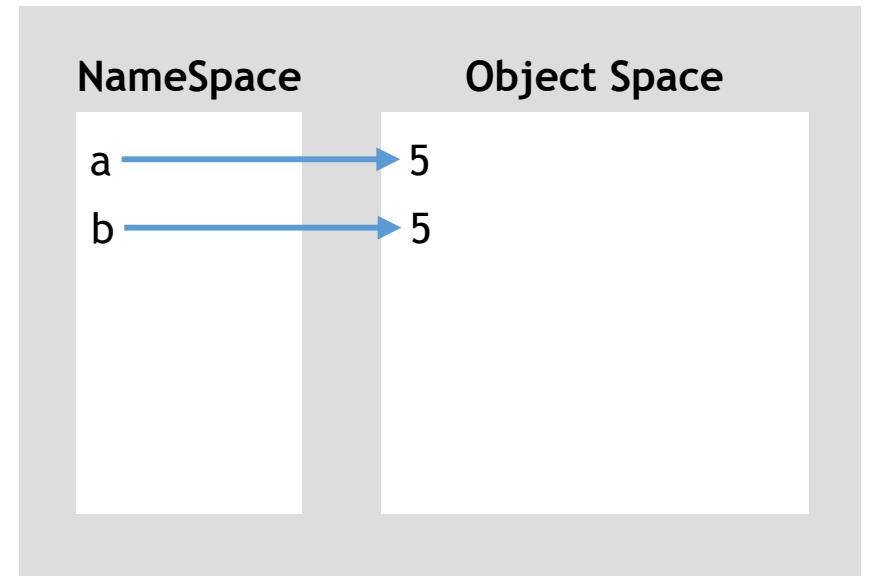
assign  $b * a$  to  $b$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

$a = 5$   
 $b = 1$

## Next State

$a = 5$   
 $b = 5$

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

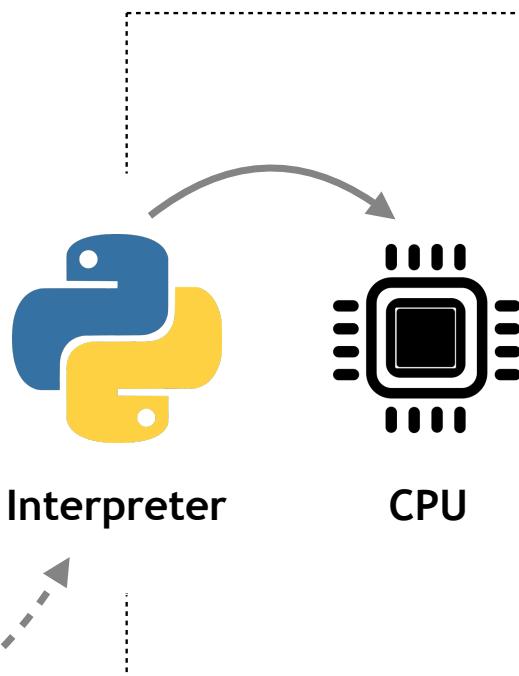
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

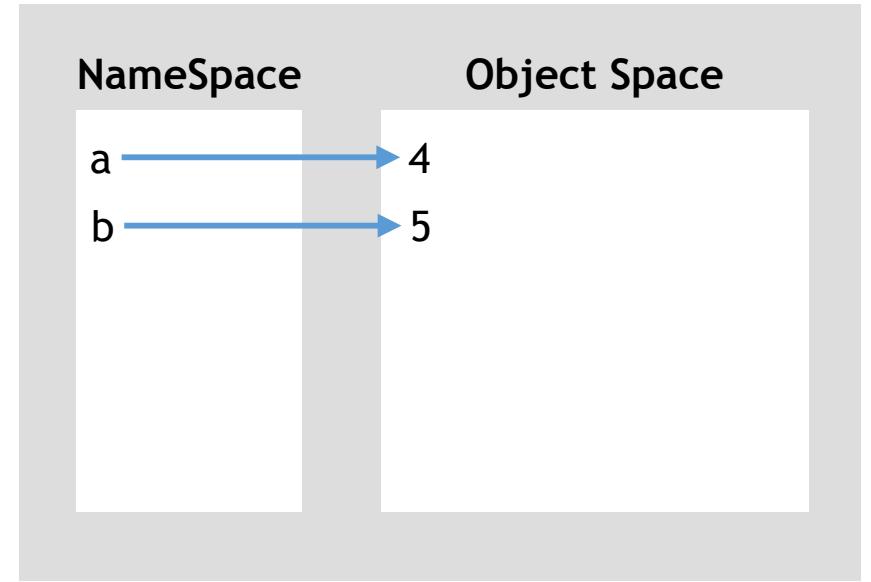
assign  $a-1$  to  $a$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

a = 5  
b = 5

## Next State

a = 4  
b = 5

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

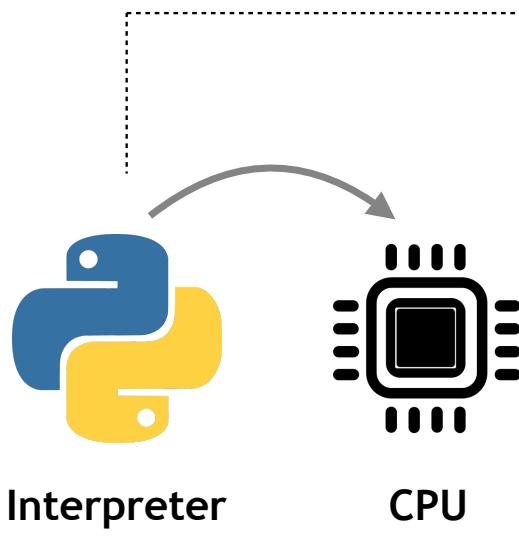
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

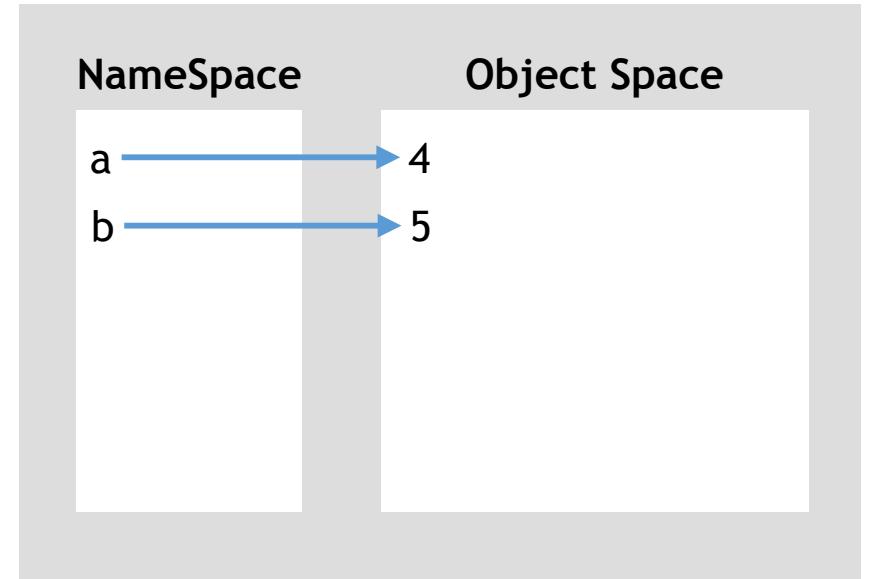
Is a larger than 0?

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

a = 4 (True)  
b = 5

## Next State

a = 4  
b = 5

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

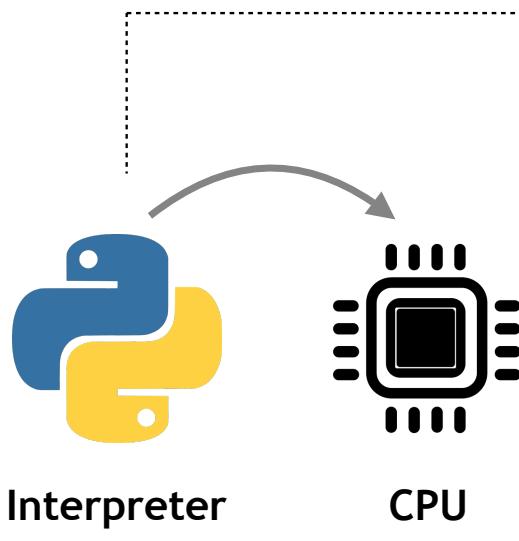
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     ... b *= a  
...     ... a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

assign  $b * a$  to  $b$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory

### NameSpace      Object Space

NameSpace	Object Space
a	4
b	20

## Current State

a = 4  
b = 5

## Next State

a = 4  
b = 20

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

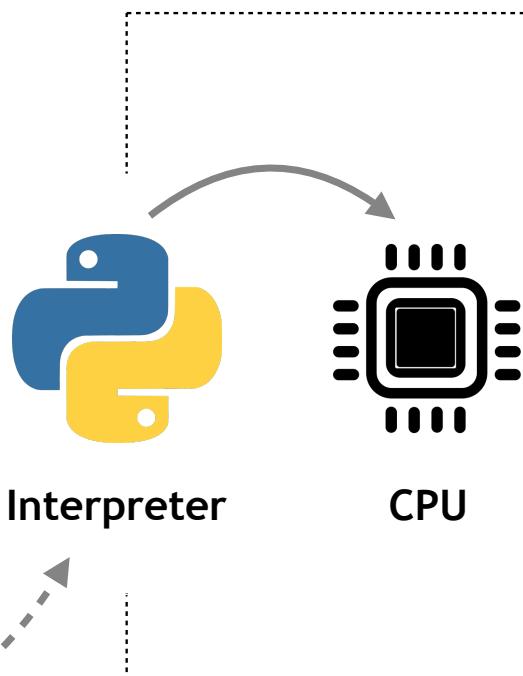
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

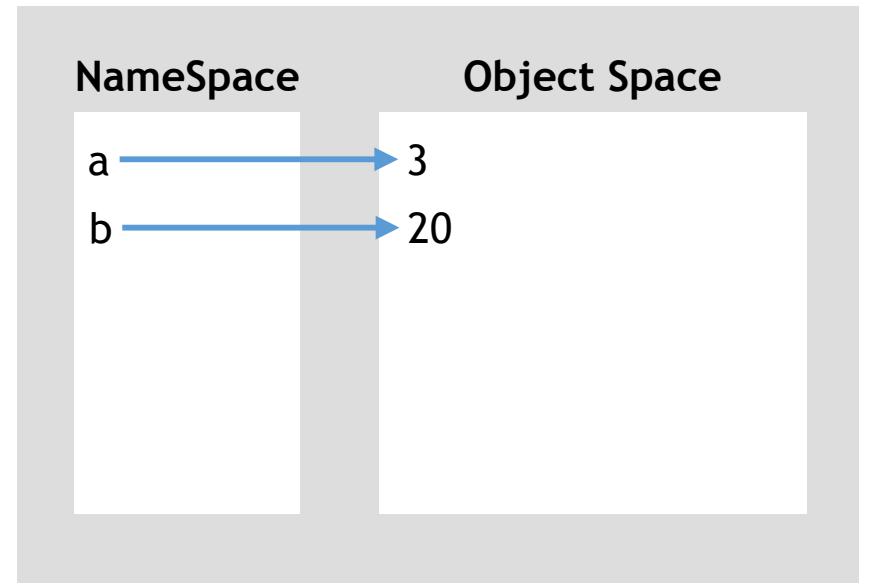
assign  $a-1$  to  $a$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

$a = 4$   
 $b = 20$

## Next State

$a = 3$   
 $b = 20$

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

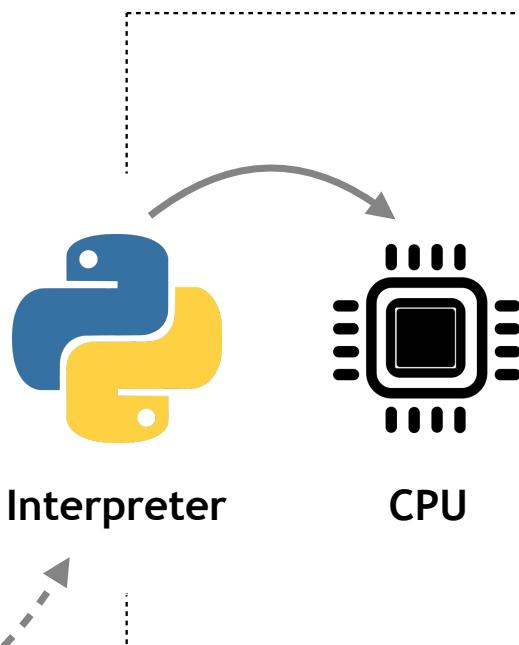
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

Is a larger than 0?

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory

### NameSpace      Object Space

a	→	3
b	→	20

## Current State

a = 3 (True)  
b = 20

## Next State

a = 3  
b = 20

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

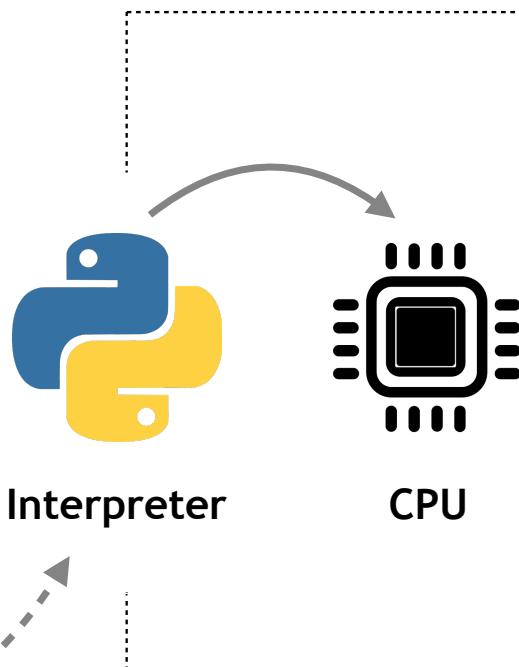
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     ... b *= a  
...     ... a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

assign  $b * a$  to  $b$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory

### NameSpace      Object Space

NameSpace	a → 3
	b → 60

## Current State

a = 3  
b = 20

## Next State

a = 3  
b = 60

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

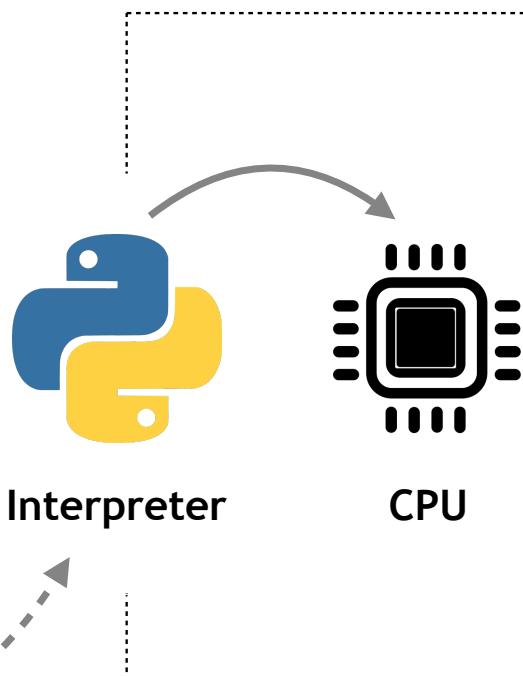
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

assign  $a-1$  to  $a$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory

### NameSpace      Object Space

a	→	2
b	→	60

## Current State

a = 3  
b = 60

## Next State

a = 2  
b = 60

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

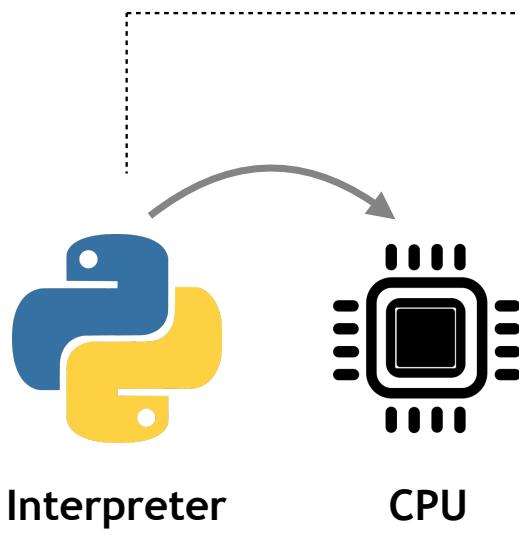
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

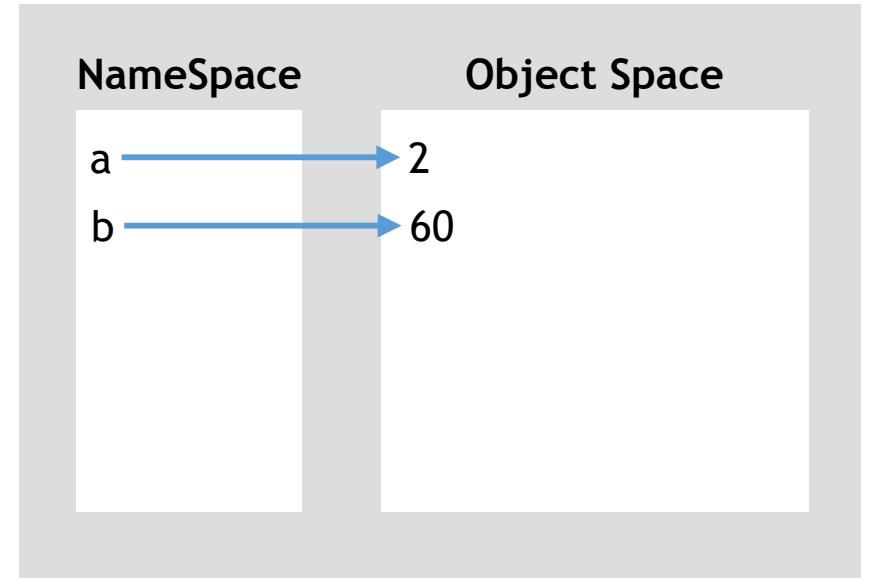
Is a larger than 0?

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

a = 2 (True)  
b = 60

## Next State

a = 2  
b = 60

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

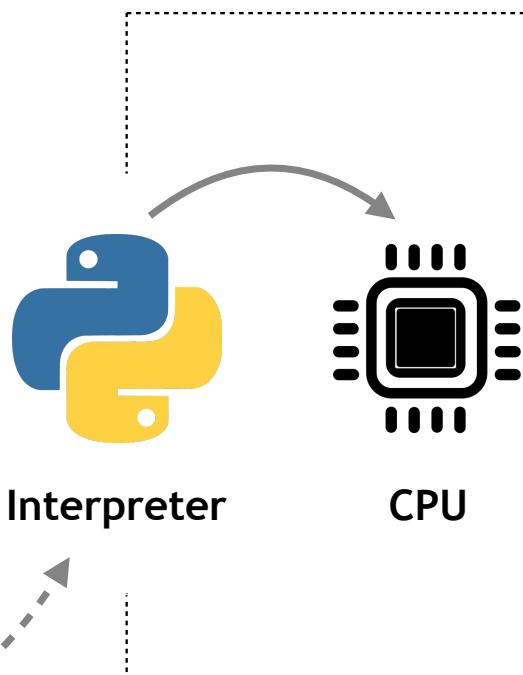
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     ... b *= a  
...     ... a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

assign  $b * a$  to  $b$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory

### NameSpace      Object Space

NameSpace	a → 2
	b → 120

## Current State

a = 2  
b = 60

## Next State

a = 2  
b = 120

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

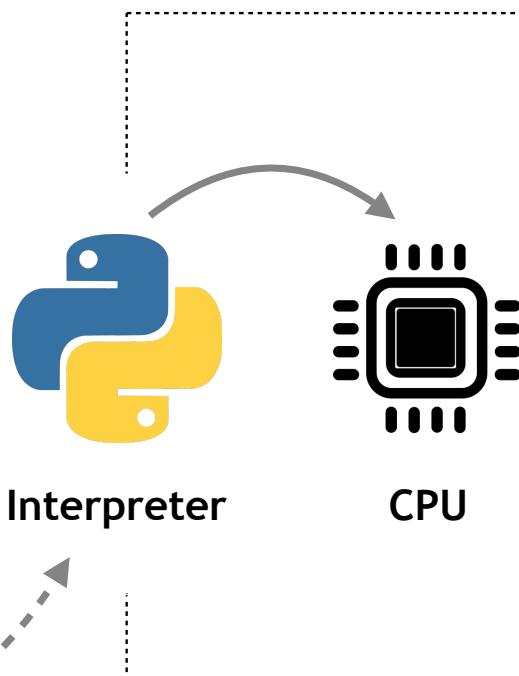
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

assign  $a - 1$  to  $a$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory

### NameSpace      Object Space

a	→	1
b	→	120

## Current State

`a = 2`  
`b = 120`

## Next State

`a = 1`  
`b = 120`

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

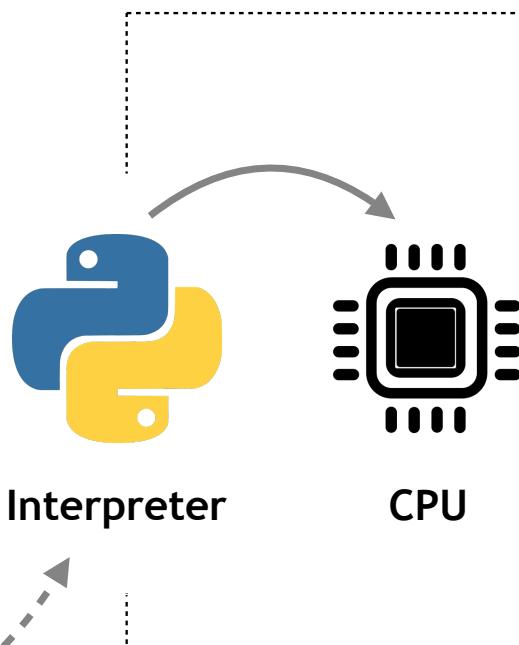
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>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

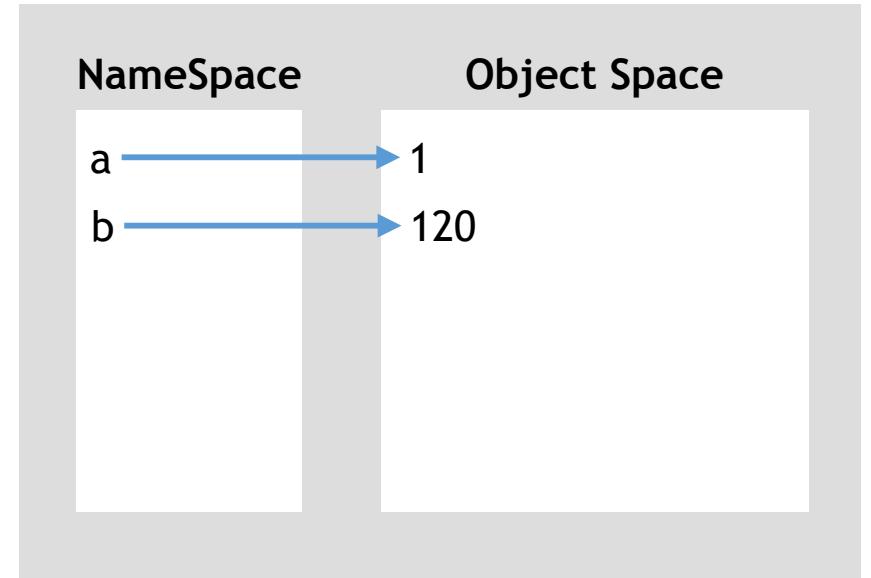
Is a larger than 0?

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

a = 1 (True)  
b = 120

## Next State

a = 1  
b = 120

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

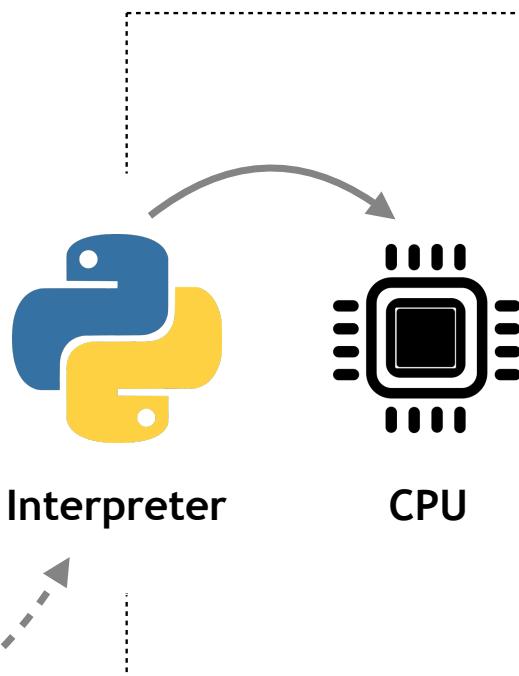
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>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     ... b *= a  
...     ... a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

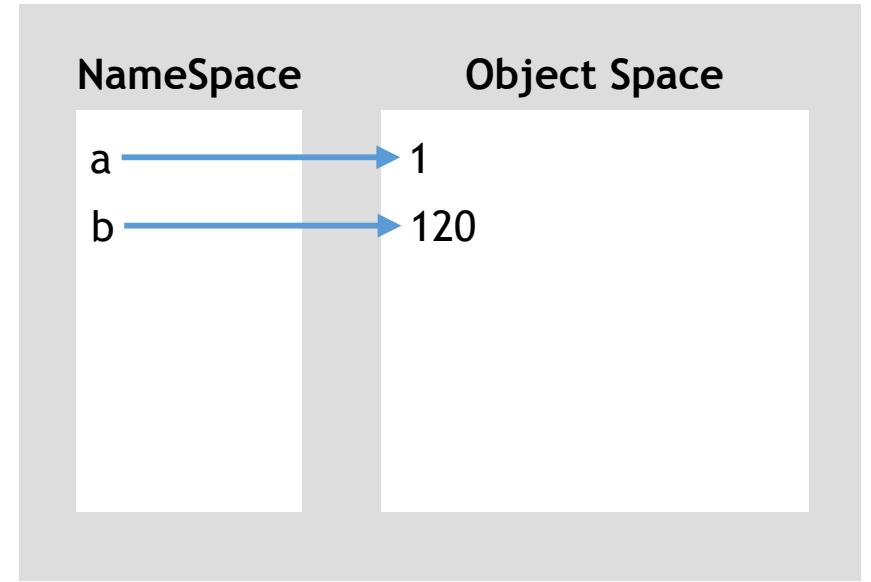
assign  $b * a$  to  $b$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

$a = 1$   
 $b = 120$

## Next State

$a = 1$   
 $b = 120$

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

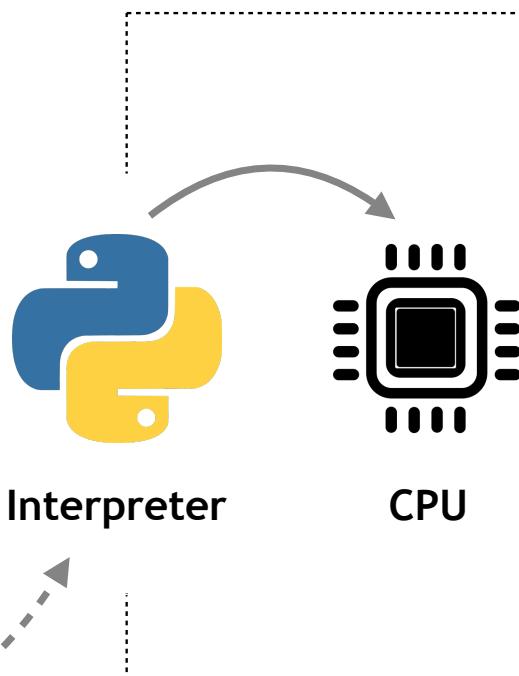
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

assign  $a-1$  to  $a$

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory

### NameSpace      Object Space

NameSpace	Object Space
a	→ 0
b	→ 120

## Current State

a = 1  
b = 120

## Next State

a = 0  
b = 120

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

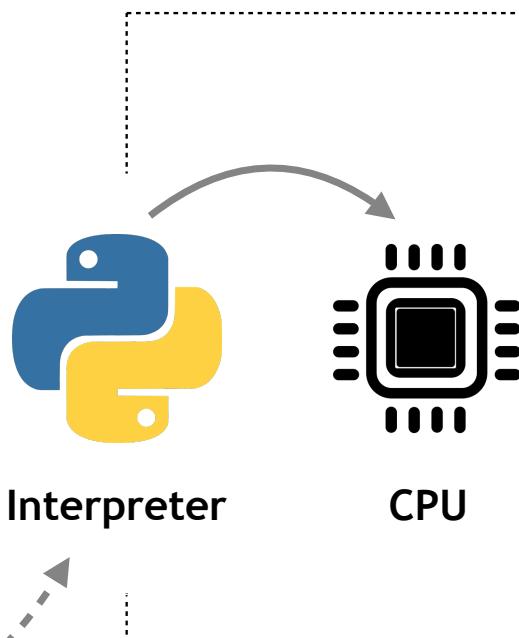
```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b)
```

## Instruction

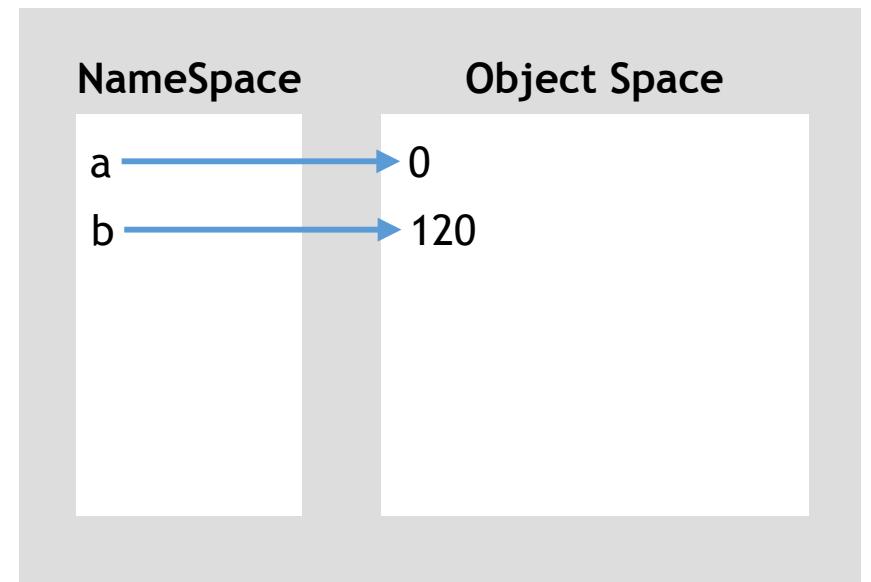
Is a larger than 0?

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

a = 0 (False)  
b = 120

## Next State

a = 0  
b = 120

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

```
>>> a = 5  
>>> b = 1  
>>> while a > 0:  
...     b *= a  
...     a -= 1  
>>> print(b) ←
```

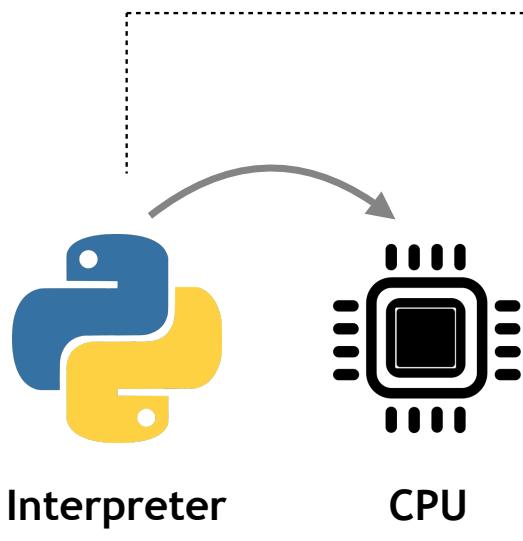
## Instruction

Is a larger than 0?

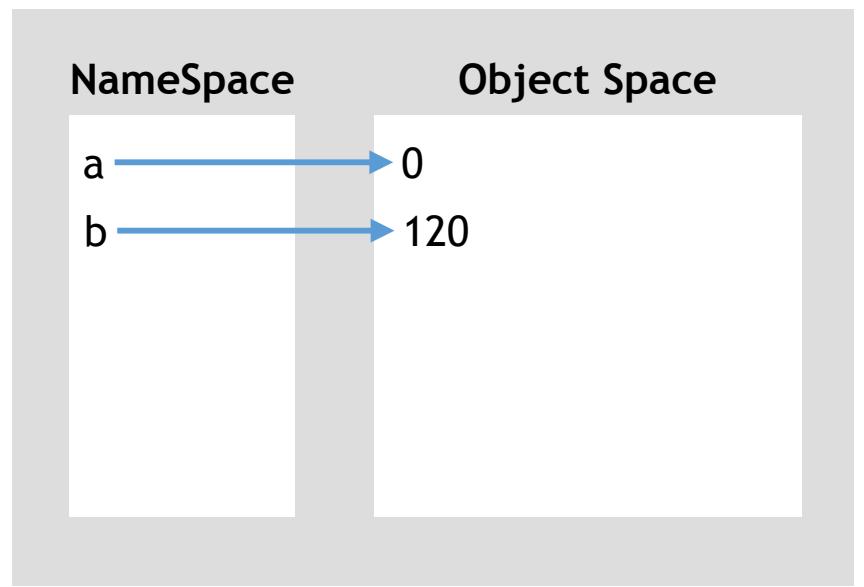
## Output

120

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

a = 0 (False)  
b = 120

## Next State

a = 0  
b = 120

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

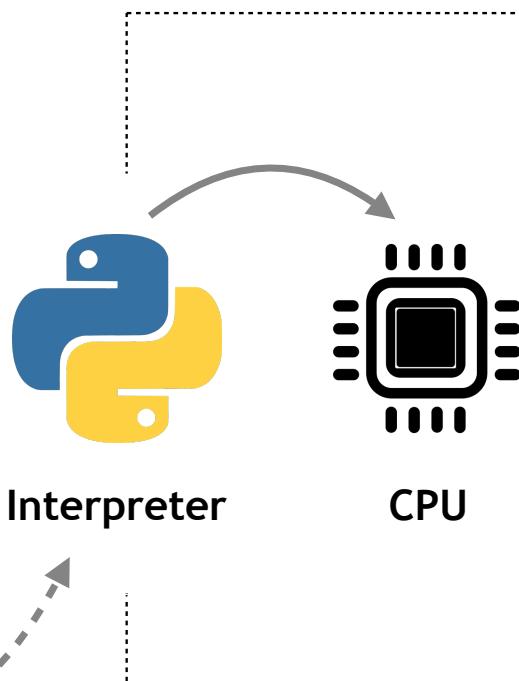
```
>>> a = 5
>>> b = 1
>>> while a > 0:
...     b *= a
...     a -= 1
>>> print(b)
>>> b = a
```

## Instruction

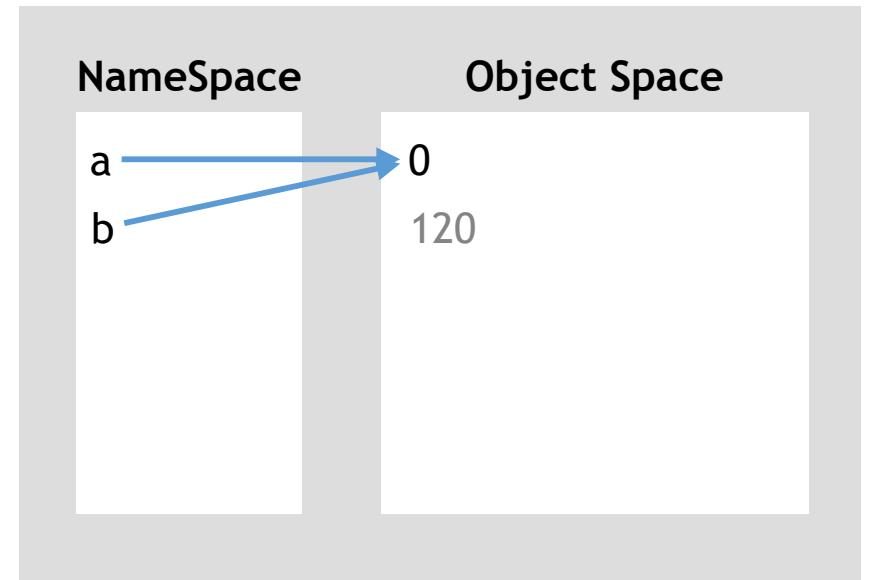
Assign the value of a to b

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

a = 0  
b = 120

## Next State

a = 0  
b = 0

# Let's decode the code

## Input Script

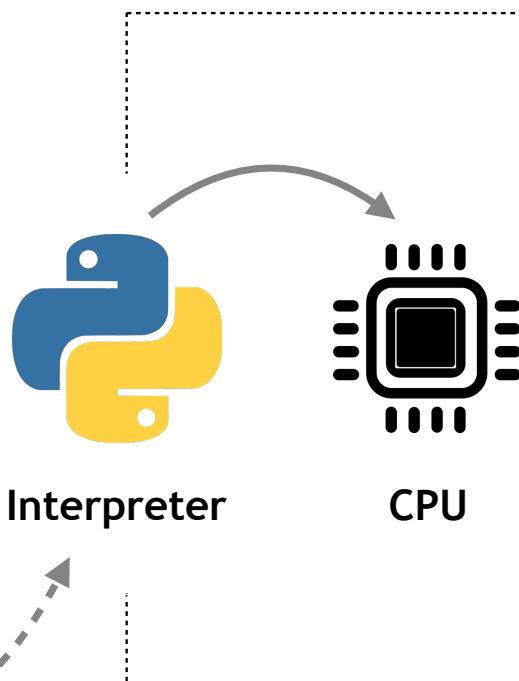
```
>>> a = 5
>>> b = 1
>>> while a > 0:
...     b *= a
...     a -= 1
>>> print(b)
>>> b = a
```

## Instruction

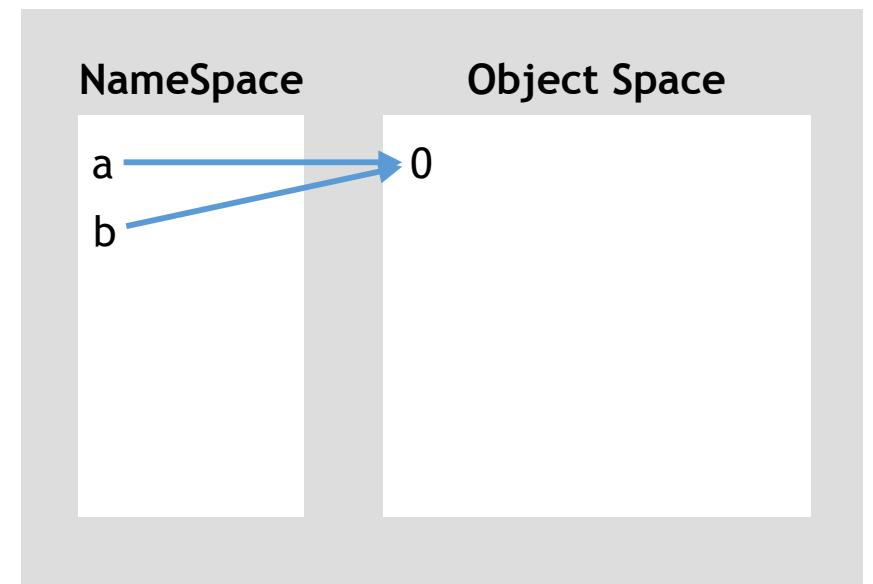
Assign the value of a to b

## Output

## The Computer



## Memory



## Current State

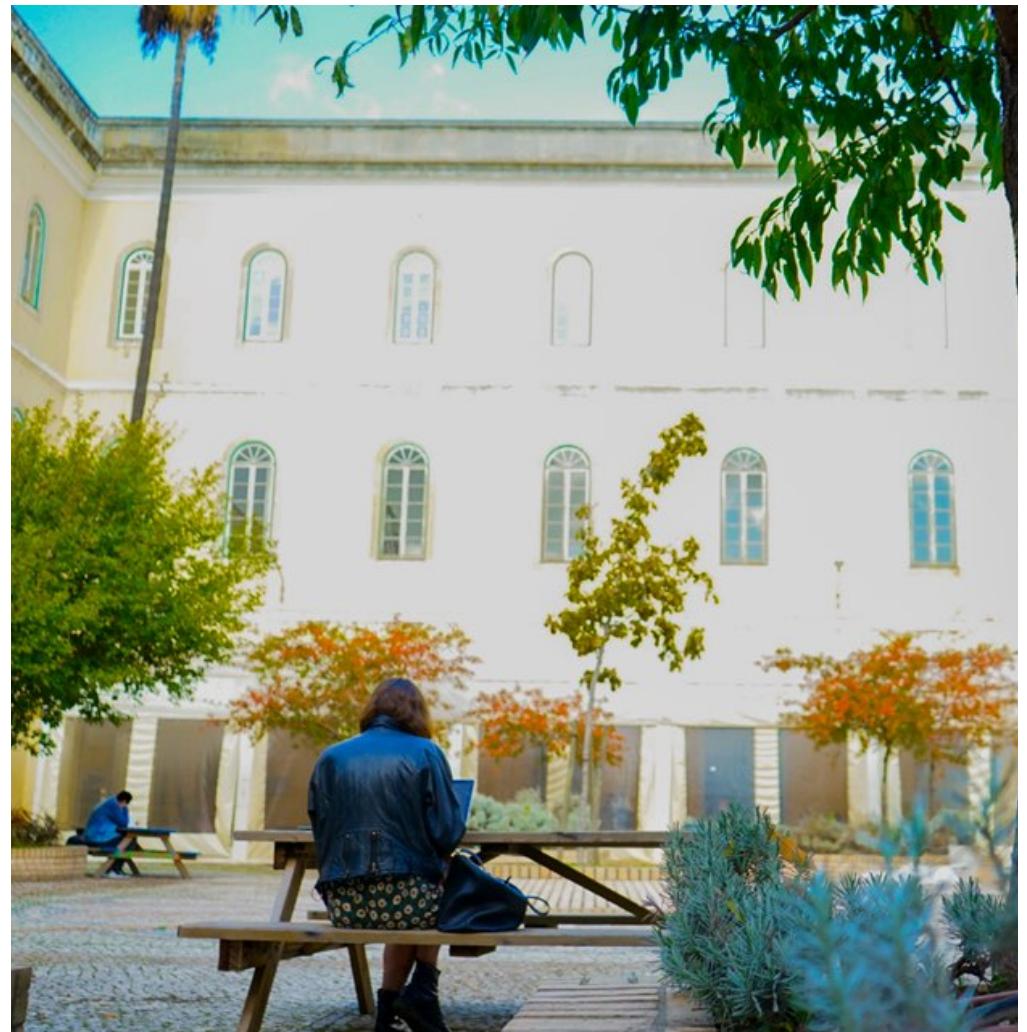
a = 0  
b = 120

## Next State

a = 0  
b = 0

# Lecture 3

- **Functions**
- Import Modules and Python STL
- NameSpace



# Functions

Python already includes many built-in functions, e.g. `print()`. However sometimes it might be useful to extend the functionalities of our code by writing our own functions.

What are Functions? Functions are blocks of code that do some operations when called. Functions allow us to split a large task, with repetitive elements, into smaller blocks. Additionally, writing functions eases the process of debugging your code.

## define it

```
def function_name (arguments):  
    #perform tasks  
    return something
```

## call it

```
function_name(arguments)
```

# Functions

How functions work?

```
def functionName():
```

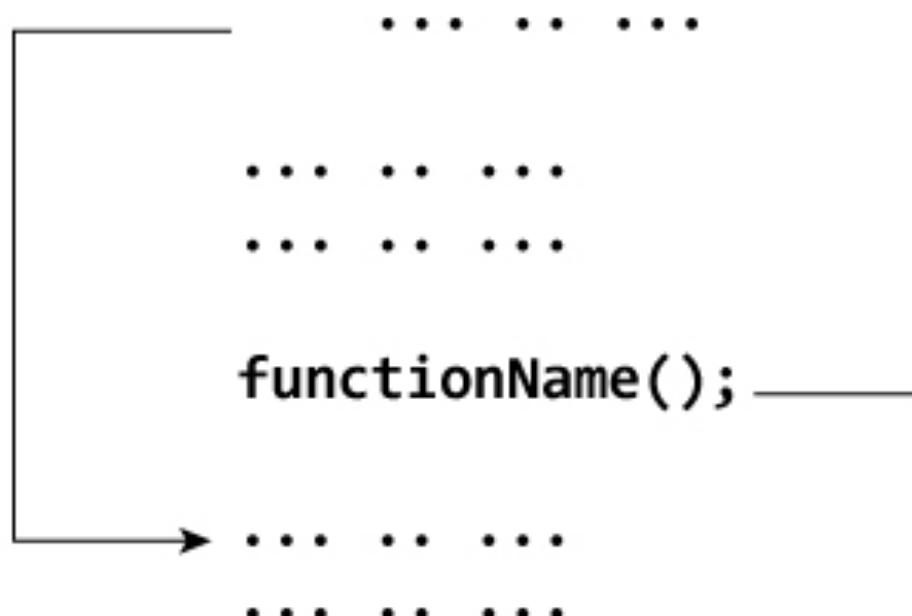
```
    ...  ...  ... ←
```

```
    ...  ...  ...
```

```
    ...  ...  ...
```

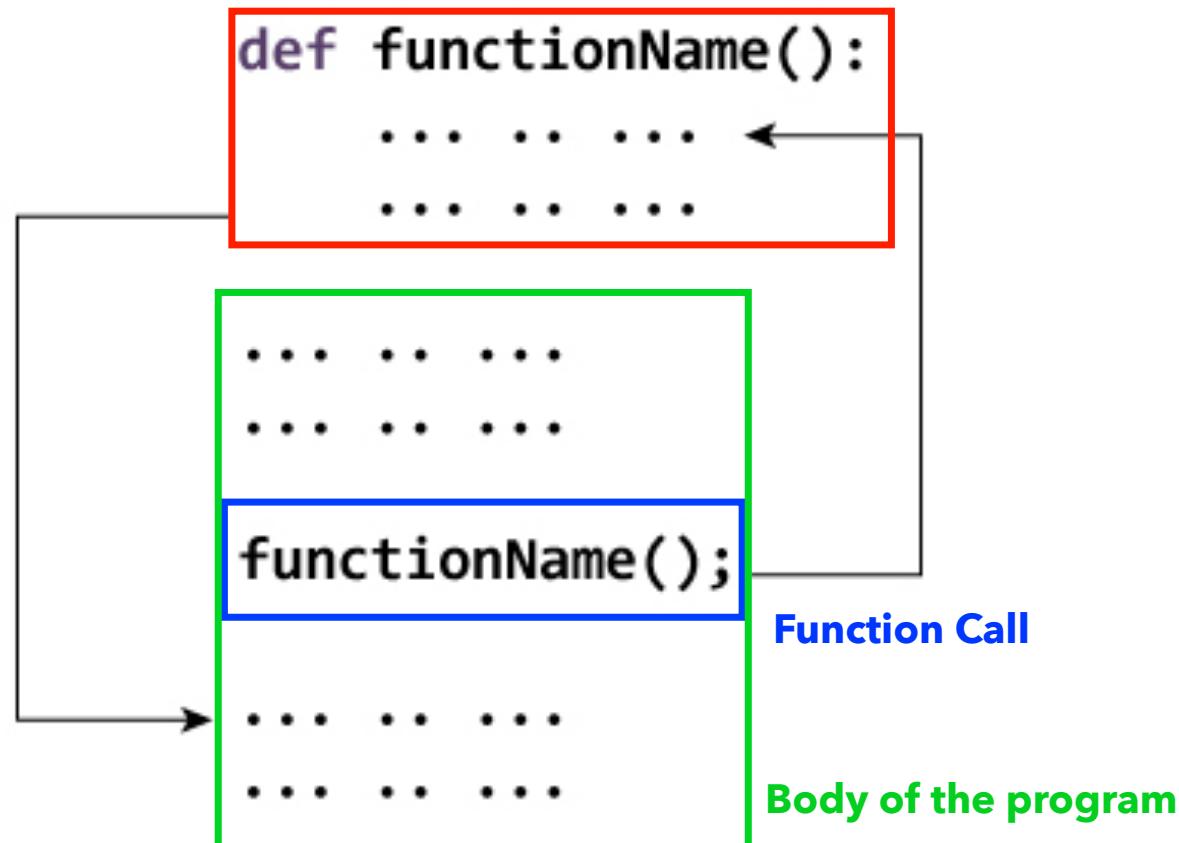
```
    ...  ...  ...
```

```
functionName(); —
```



# Functions

How functions work?



# Functions

Examples

```
def hello():
    print("hello world!")
```

```
hello
```

```
<function __main__.hello()>
```

```
hello()
```

```
hello world!
```

# Functions

Examples

```
def hello():
    print("hello world!")
```

Function Declaration

```
hello
```

```
<function __main__.hello()>
```

```
hello()
```

Calling the Function

```
hello world!
```

# Functions

## Examples

```
def multiply(a,b):
    output = a*b
    return output

product = multiply(2,2)
print(product)
```

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```
def divide(a,b):
    output = a/b

division = divide(2,4)
print(division)
```

None

# Functions

Examples

```
def multiply(a,b):  
    output = a*b  
    return output  
  
product = multiply(2,2)  
print(product)
```

Function Declaration

Call function and store  
output in variable

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```
def divide(a,b):  
    output = a/b  
  
division = divide(2,4)  
print(division)
```

Function Declaration

Call function and store  
output in variable

None

# Functions

Examples

```
def function (list, target):
    for i, value in enumerate(list):
        if value == target:
            return i
    return -1
```

# Functions

Examples

Following Function tells you what is the index of a specific value in a list

```
def function (list, target):
    for i, value in enumerate(list):
        if value == target:
            return i
    return -1
```

returns the position in list of target, or -1 if it doesn't find the value

# Functions

## Passing Multiple Arguments

Python allows to pass two wildcard arguments that can represent Lists (\*args) or Dictionaries/Keys (\*\*kargs) with multiple elements.

```
def function_name (arguments, *args, **kargs):  
    #perform tasks  
    return something
```

the trick here are the "\*" and the "\*\*". We can name these arguments whatever we want they will do the same function, but by convention it is good to name them args and kargs.

# Functions

Passing Multiple Arguments | Examples

```
def greet(*args):
    for name in args:
        print("Hello",name)
greet("Monica", "Luke", "Steve", "John")
```

Hello Monica

Hello Luke

Hello Steve

Hello John

# Functions

Passing Multiple Arguments | Examples

```
def multiply(*args):
    output = 1
    for n in args:
        output *= n
    return output

print(multiply(2,4,5,6))
print(multiply(12,34,54,346))
```

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# Functions

Passing Multiple Arguments | Examples

```
def something(**kwargs):
    for key, value in kwargs.items():
        print("The value of",key,"is", value)

something(January=1,February=2,March=3)
```

```
The value of January is 1
The value of February is 2
The value of March is 3
```

# Functions

Passing Multiple Arguments | Examples

```
def foo (*args,**kwargs):
    for value in args:
        print("The value",value)
    for key, value in kwargs.items():
        print("The value of",key,"is",value)

foo(1,2,3,4,a=1,b=2)
```

```
The value 1
The value 2
The value 3
The value 4
The value of a is 1
The value of b is 2
```

# Hey Doc

Document your Functions

You can also add a description of the function

```
def foo (arguments, *args, **kargs):
    """ foo likes bar bar"""
    #perform tasks
    return something
```

```
foo.__doc__
```

```
' foo likes bar bar'
```

# Hey Doc

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```
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```
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```
Hello Monica
Hello Luke
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```

# What's your name? I don't know

Lambda functions

Sometimes we want to write a simple inline function for a specific task. This is where lambda functions enter, a lambda function has the following form

```
lambda arguments: expression
```

which is the same as doing

```
def function_name (arguments):  
    #perform tasks  
    return expression;
```

but doesn't have a name

# What's your name? I don't know

Lambda functions

```
lambda arguments: expression
```

These are also known as anonymous functions  
as they don't require to be named.

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Lambda functions

```
add = lambda x, y : x + y
```

```
add(2,3)
```

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```
list(map(lambda x : x*2, [1, 2, 3, 4]))
```

```
[2, 4, 6, 8]
```

# Map and Filter

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```
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```

```
5
```

1st argument      2nd argument

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```

Map applies a function, first argument, to each object in a collection, second argument in many cases we want to apply a simple function, and we can define it inline with lambda

# Map and Filter

Besides the map(), filter() is another handy function that requires passing a function.

```
from random import sample

X = sample(range(-25,25),25)

print(X)
[-22, -7, 12, 4, -20, 1, 23, 14, -1, 21, -17, -16, 24, 20, -12, 2, -14, 17, -19, -9, -3, -6, -24, -2, -13]

f = filter(lambda x: x>0 , X)

print(f)
<filter object at 0x10edd90a0>

list(f)
[12, 4, 1, 23, 14, 21, 24, 20, 2, 17]
```

In these cases is often useful to just use lambda functions, and not declare explicitly a functionwith a name.

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```
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```

```
print(f)
```

returns an object

```
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```

```
list(f)
```

we always need to typecast the object as a container

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```
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for v in f:  
 print(v)

```
12  
4  
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24  
20  
2  
17
```

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# What's your name? I don't know

Lambda functions

filter out odd numbers from a list

```
example = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10]
```

```
list(filter(lambda x: x%2 == 0, example))
```

```
[2, 4, 6, 8, 10]
```

# What's your name? I don't know

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```
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```

[2, 4, 6, 8, 10]    1st argument    2nd argument

**filter selects elements from a list for which the condition is true.**

# **Recursive Functions**

# A function walks into a bar ...

A function is said to be recursive if it calls itself.

To implement a recursive function we have to define a termination condition,  
otherwise it keeps calling itself forever

Example of how to compute the factorial of a number using a recursive function

```
def factorial(n):
    if n == 1:
        return 1
    else:
        return n * factorial(n-1)
```

```
factorial(5)
```

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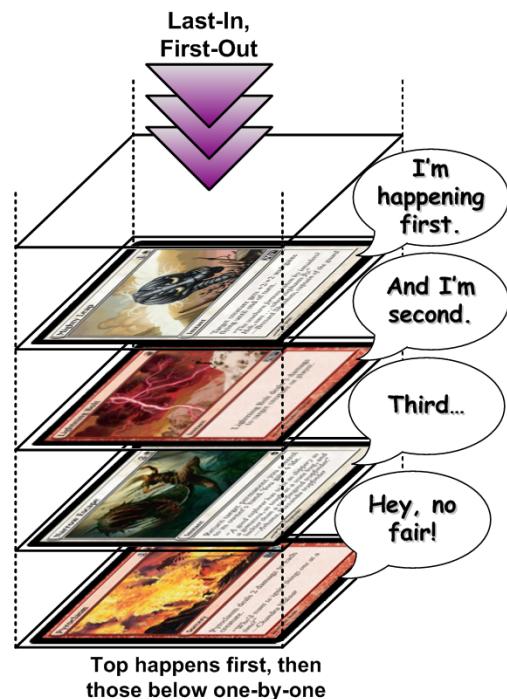
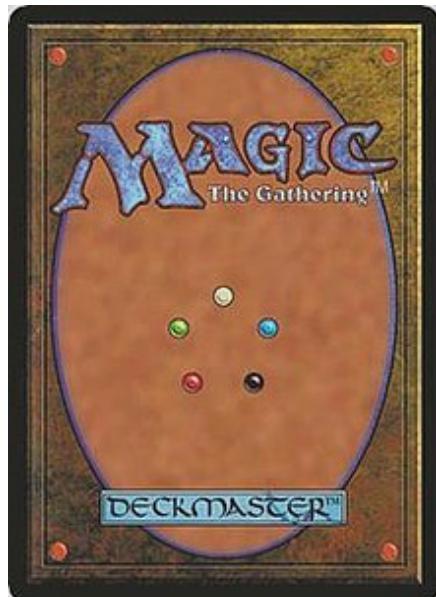
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**What is going on?**

```
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```

# A function walks into a bar ...



**What is going on?  
and plays MTG with his buddies**

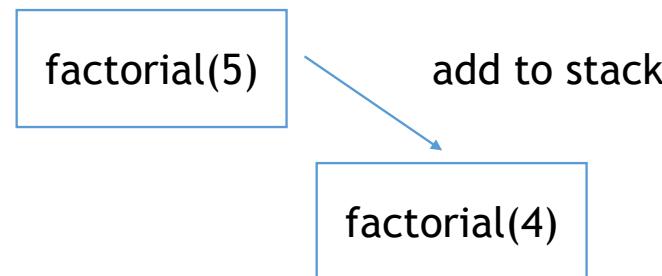
**\*\*geek joke\*\***

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```

```
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```

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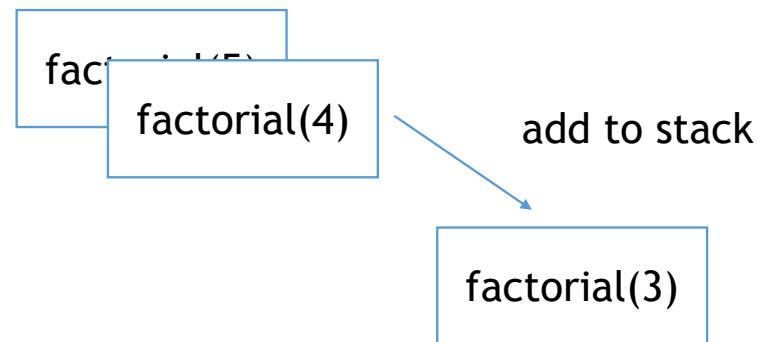


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```

```
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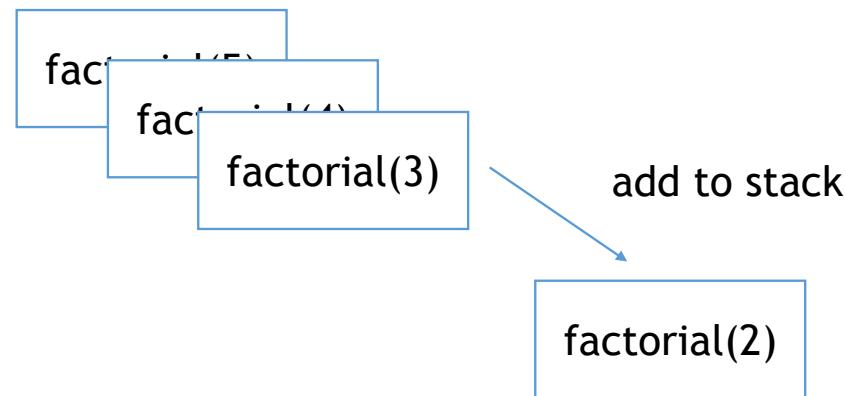


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```

```
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```

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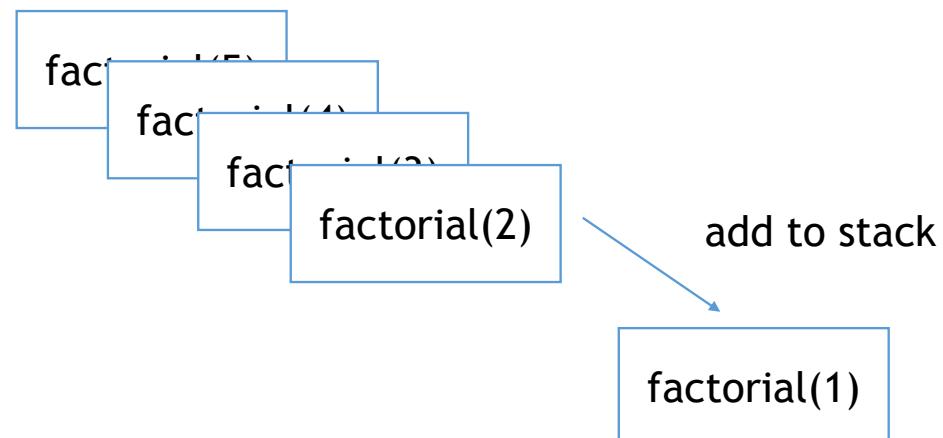


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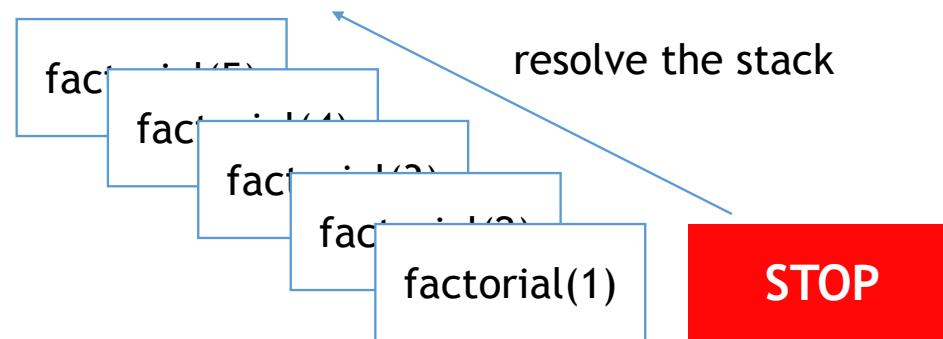


# A function walks into a bar ... let me explain

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```

```
factorial(5)
```

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# A function walks into a bar ...

```
def factorial(n):
    print("factorial has been called with n = " + str(n))
    if n == 1:
        return 1
    else:
        res = n * factorial(n-1)
        print("intermediate result for",n,"* factorial(",n-1,"):",res)
        return res
```

```
print(factorial(5))
```

Adding to the Stack

```
factorial has been called with n = 5
factorial has been called with n = 4
factorial has been called with n = 3
factorial has been called with n = 2
factorial has been called with n = 1
```

Resolving the Stack

```
intermediate result for 2 * factorial( 1 ): 2
intermediate result for 3 * factorial( 2 ): 6
intermediate result for 4 * factorial( 3 ): 24
intermediate result for 5 * factorial( 4 ): 120
120
```

# of methods, functions, and attributes

What is the difference?

## **functions**

are functions as we saw previously. They perform some operations. Functions are not dependent of an associated instance of an object. Examples, `map()`, `filter()`, `random.random()`, or `pd.DataFrame()`.

## **methods**

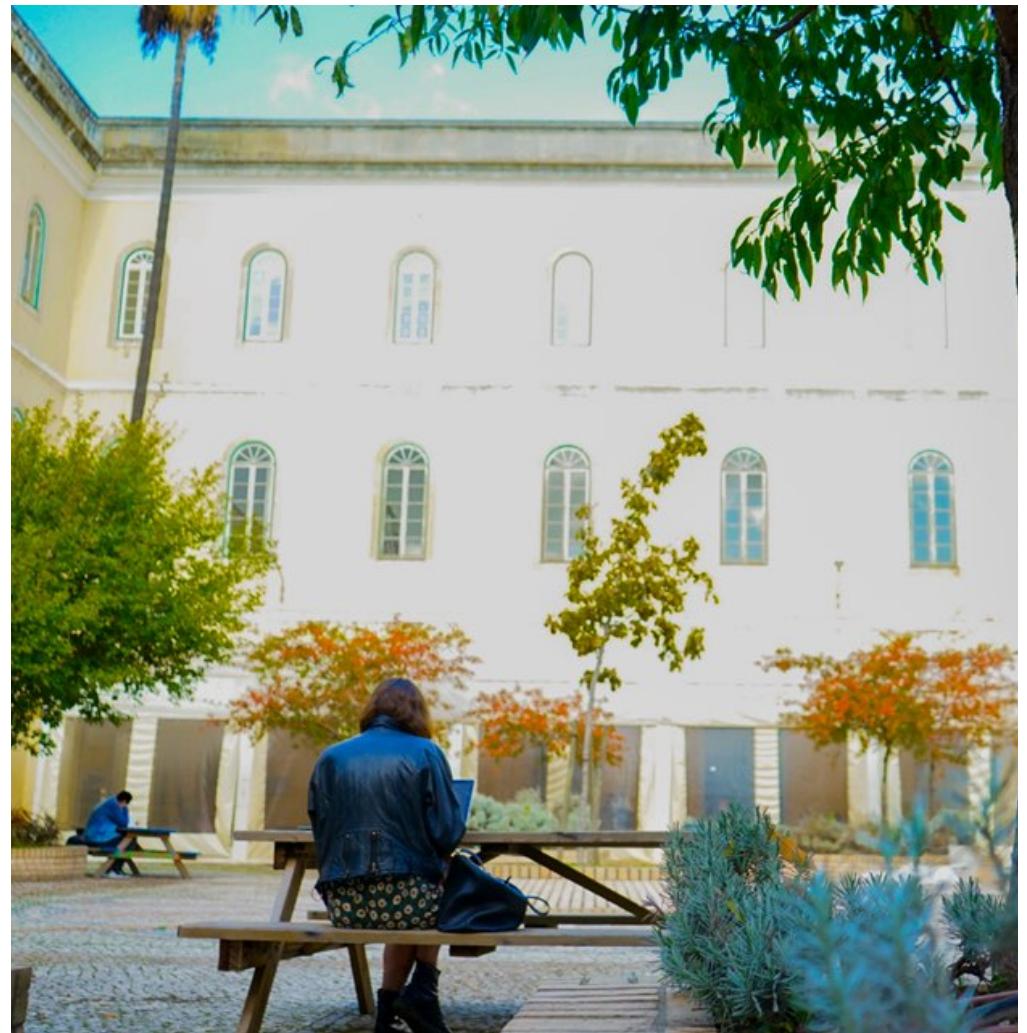
are functions that are associated with an instance of an object. For instance, if you have `X` to be an instance of a list. Then `X` will have several methods available like `.append()` or `.pop()`. The scope of these functions is defined by the scope of the instance of the object.

## **attributes**

like methods, attributes are special variables that are associated with an instance of an object. For instance, the attribute `.shape` is a tuple that describes the dimensions of a pandas dataframe.

# Lecture 3

- **Functions**
- **Import Modules and Python STL**
- NameSpace



# Use of external modules

Modules are packages that extend the python library with functions useful for a particular application.

To load a module all we have to do is

```
import module  
import module as key
```

We can also load directly a file containing some functions

```
from file import method  
from file import method1, method2, method3, ...
```

This way is more useful when we want to break our code in multiple files.

# Use of external modules

The System module adds functions that allow us to interact with the OS.

```
import sys  
print(sys.path)
```

Loads all methods included in the **sys** package  
to call a method we need to refer to **sys**

```
import sys as s  
print(s.path)
```

Loads all methods included in the **sys** package  
to call a method we can refer to **sys** as **s**

# Use of external modules

Before loading the **sys**

```
>>> print(sys.path)
-----
-----  
NameError                                Traceback
(most recent call last)
<ipython-input-1-b35d1d099a2a> in <module>()
----> 1 sys.path

NameError: name 'sys' is not defined
```

After loading the **sys**

```
>>> import sys
>>> print(sys.path)
[ '', '/anaconda3/lib/python36.zip', '/anaconda3/lib/
python3.6', '/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/lib-dynload',
'/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages', '/
anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/aeosa', '/
anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/IPython/
extensions', '/Users/flaviopinheiro/.ipython']
```

sys.path returns all the directories that are over watch by the Python interpreter.  
For instance, when loading a package Python will search for the indicated package in each one of the listed directories.

# Use of external modules

Import a particular method from a module

```
>>> from sys import path  
>>> path  
[", '/anaconda3/bin', '/anaconda3/lib/python36.zip', '/anaconda3/lib/  
python3.6', '/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/lib-dynload', '/anaconda3/lib/  
python3.6/site-packages', '/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/  
aeosa']
```

give it a name that makes your code less verbose

```
>>> from sys import path as p  
>>> p  
[", '/anaconda3/bin', '/anaconda3/lib/python36.zip', '/anaconda3/lib/  
python3.6', '/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/lib-dynload', '/anaconda3/lib/  
python3.6/site-packages', '/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/  
aeosa']
```

# Use of external modules

**csv** - Write and read tabular data to and from delimited files;

**datetime** - Basic date and time types;

**io** - Core tools for working with streams;

**json** - Encode and decode the JSON format;

**math** - Mathematical functions ( $\sin()$  etc.);

**os** - Miscellaneous operating system interfaces.

**random** - Generate pseudo-random numbers with various common distributions;

**sqlite3** - A DB-API 2.0 implementation using SQLite 3.x.;

**xml** - Package containing XML processing modules;

**zipfile** - Read and write ZIP-format archive files;

**zlib** - Low-level interface to compression and decompression routines compatible with gzip.

# How do I know what each module does?

<https://docs.python.org/3/library/random.html>

## random — Generate pseudo-random numbers ¶

Source code: [Lib/random.py](#)

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This module implements pseudo-random number generators for various distributions.

For integers, there is uniform selection from a range. For sequences, there is uniform selection of a random element, a function to generate a random permutation of a list in-place, and a function for random sampling without replacement.

On the real line, there are functions to compute uniform, normal (Gaussian), lognormal, negative exponential, gamma, and beta distributions. For generating distributions of angles, the von Mises distribution is available.

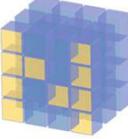
Almost all module functions depend on the basic function `random()`, which generates a random float uniformly in the semi-open range [0.0, 1.0). Python uses the Mersenne Twister as the core generator. It produces 53-bit precision floats and has a period of  $2^{19937}-1$ . The underlying implementation in C is both fast and threadsafe. The Mersenne Twister is one of the most extensively tested random number generators in existence. However, being completely deterministic, it is not suitable for all purposes, and is completely unsuitable for cryptographic purposes.

The functions supplied by this module are actually bound methods of a hidden instance of the `random.Random` class. You can instantiate your own instances of `Random` to get generators that don't share state.

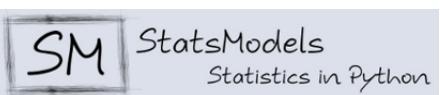
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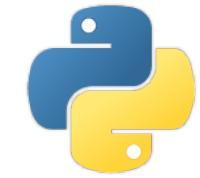
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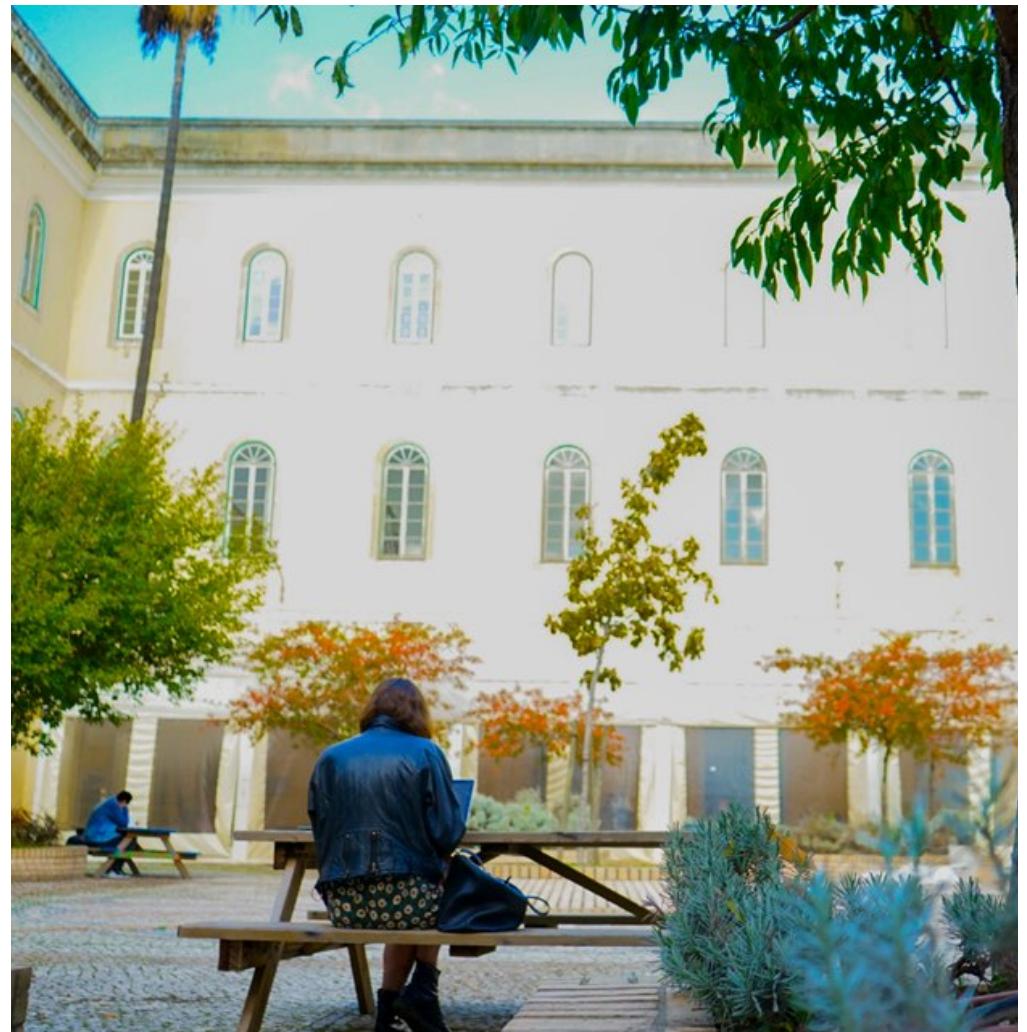


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# Lecture 3

- **Functions**
- **Import Modules and Python STL**
- **NameSpace**



# NameSpace

Built-in Namespace

Module: Global Namespace

Function: Local Namespace

A namespace represents a collection of symbols/names that reference some object.

**Built-in** Names are the names of the predefined objects recognised by your python interpreter (e.g., map, list, tuple, or dict).

You can list the objects in the built-in namespace by running `dir(__builtins__)`.

**Global** Names include any user-defined names (e.g., assignment of a variable, function name, etc) declared in the body of the program. You can check the global names by running `globals()`.

**Local** Names are the names that are defined inside a function, and cannot be access in the Global namespace. They have a limited lifespan. You can check the local names by running `locals()`.

yes names have a life too, deal with it!

# Scope

Variables can have Global or Local in Scope

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knowing the right scope for your variables is key for debugging!

# Scope

## Global Scope

```
n1 = 25
def divide(a,b):
    remainder = a%b
    quotient = a//b
    print(a,"divided by",b,"is",quotient,"with a remainder of",remainder)
divide(25,7)
```

Local Scope

25 divided by 7 is 3 with a remainder of 4

# Scope

Global Scope

```
animal = 'fruitbat'  
def print_global():  
    print('inside print_global:', animal)  
print_global()
```

```
inside print_global: fruitbat
```

Local Scope

```
animal = 'fruitbat'  
def change_and_print_global():  
    print('inside change_and_print_global:', animal)  
    animal = 'wombat'  
    print('after the change:', animal)  
change_and_print_global()
```

we are trying to print  
animal before it was defined  
locally

```
UnboundLocalError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-49-23d8bddaaa74> in <module>()  
      4     animal = 'wombat'  
      5     print('after the change:', animal)  
----> 6 change_and_print_global()  
  
<ipython-input-49-23d8bddaaa74> in change_and_print_global()  
      1 animal = 'fruitbat'  
      2 def change_and_print_global():  
----> 3     print('inside change_and_print_global:', animal)  
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UnboundLocalError: local variable 'animal' referenced before assignment
```

# Scope

Global Scope

local Scope

ensures we are using the global variable inside function

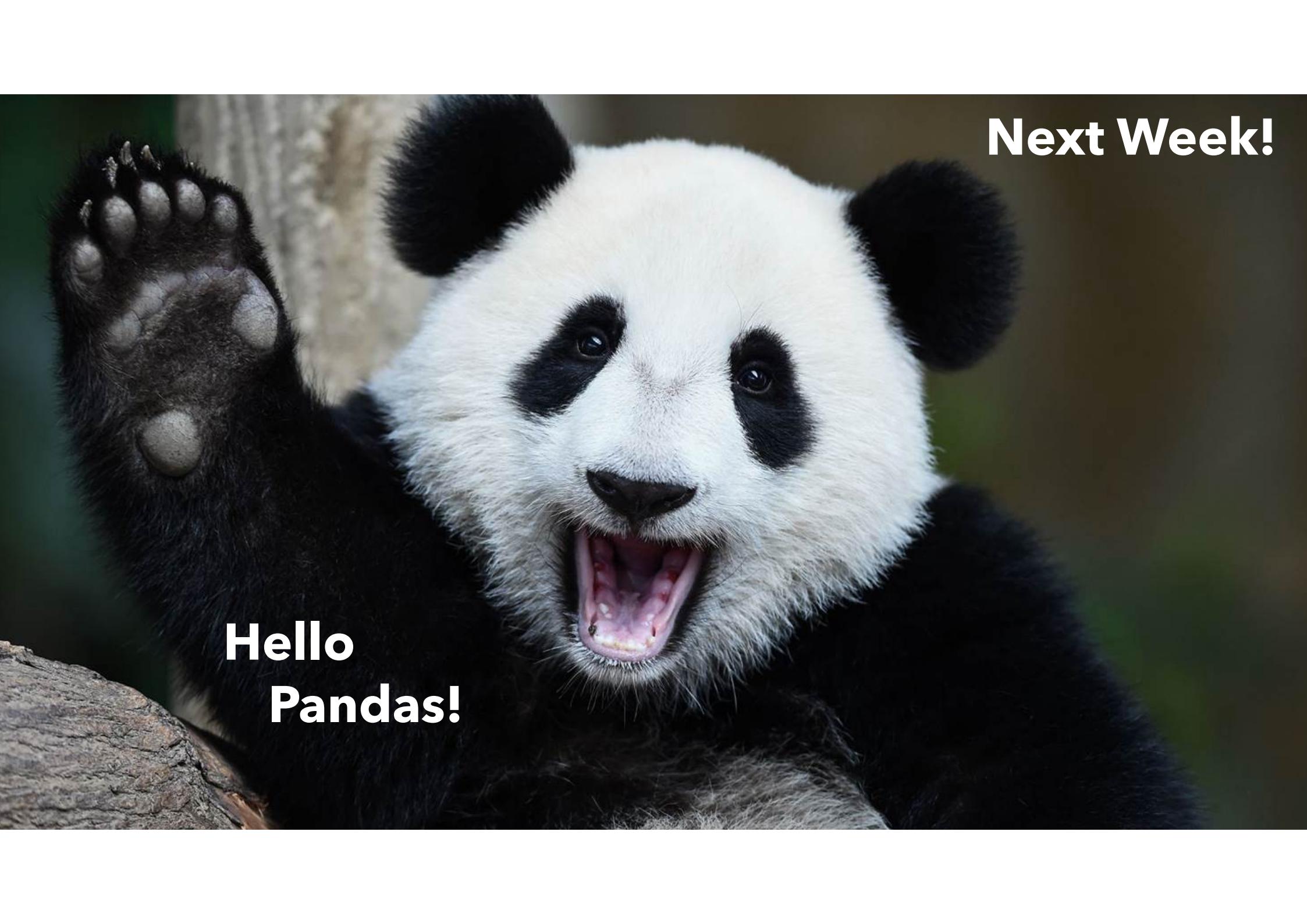
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    print('after the change:', animal)  
change_and_print_global()  
  
after the change: wombat
```

```
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    global animal  
    animal = 'wombat'  
    print('inside change_and_print_global:', animal)  
print(animal)  
change_and_print_global()  
print(animal)  
  
fruitbat  
inside change_and_print_global: wombat  
wombat
```

# **What we will not Cover Here**

Concepts in the readings that you should take a look at

- Objects (Classes, etc)
- iterators
- Decorators
- Generators
- Handling of errors and exceptions (try and except)



**Next Week!**

**Hello  
Pandas!**