

# Getting Data in Python

# stdin & stdout

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## What is sys?

sys module provides access to some variables used by the interpreter

#### sys.argv

The list of command line arguments passed to a Python script. argv[0] is the script name.

argv[1] is the first argument after the Python script argv[2] is the second argument after the Python script

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#### sys.argv

sys.argv = ['myfile.py', '[0-9]', 'text']



#### stdin and stdout

If you run your Python scripts at the command line, you can pipe data through them using sys.stdin and sys.stdout

stdin: is used for all interactive input (including calls to input())

stdout: is used for the output of print()



# Command Line Data Pipe

The | is the pipe character, which means "use the output of the left command as the input of the right command."

You can build data-processing pipelines this way.

type SomeFile.txt | python egrep.py "[0-9]" | python line\_count.py





## Warm Up Practice

Write a Python script to give your name and your lastname as two arguments in command line and print the full name

Using the pipe character in command line, passes the SomeFile.txt and output only lines contain ")" character. Also count the number of lines having ")"

