

Computing (ES 112)

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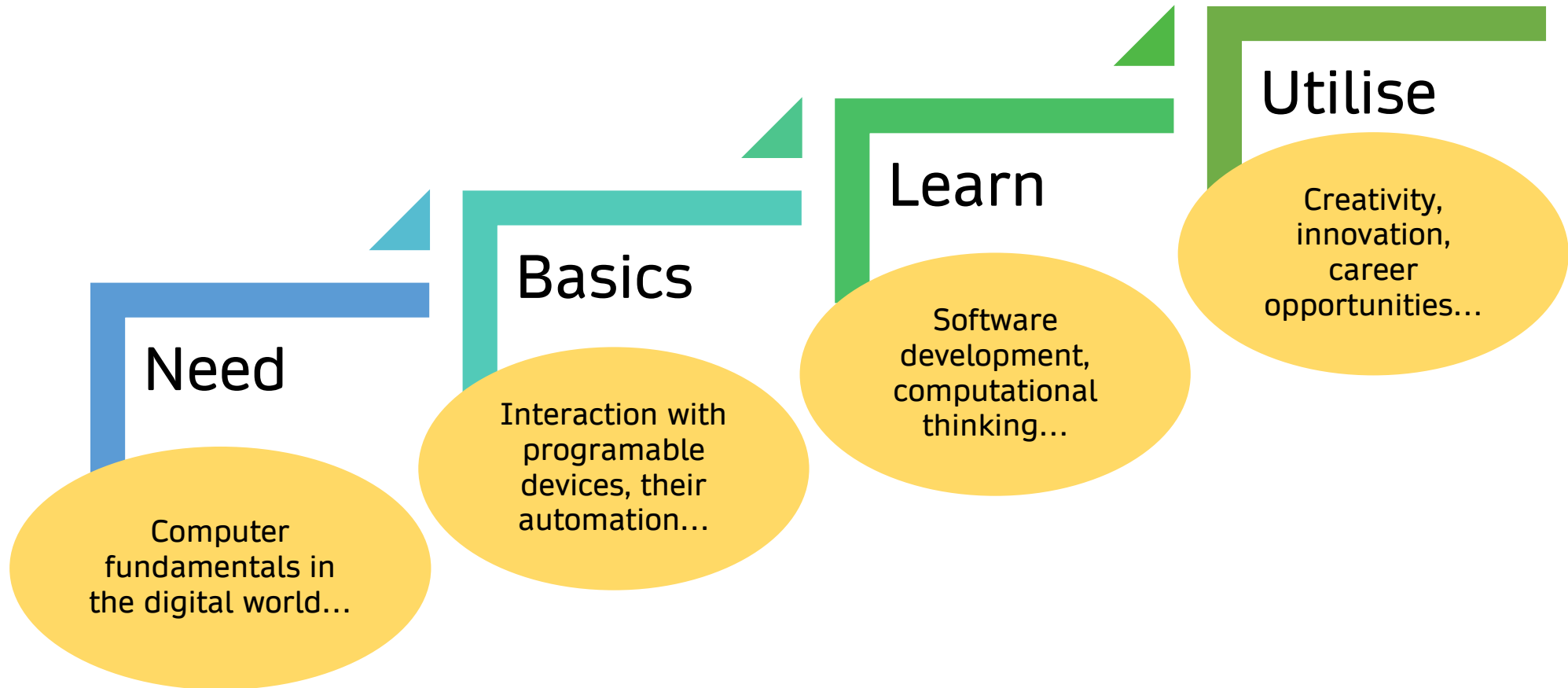
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In this course...



Course Plan: Instructors and TAs

Instructors (02):

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2. **Prof. Shouvick Mondal** (doubt sessions: by appointment ONLY at AB13/402A)

TAs (36):

Yogesh, Shouvick [I+L]					
Batch 1.1	Batch 1.2	Batch 2.1	Batch 2.2	Batch 3.1	Batch 3.2
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[P1] Wed, 17:00–18:20	[P1] Wed, 17:00–18:20	[P1] Wed, 17:00–18:20	[P1] Wed, 17:00–18:20	[P2] Fri, 17:00–18:20	[P2] Fri, 17:00–18:20
Venugopal Bhamidi	Rabina Shrestha	Mukul Paras Potta	Madhusudhanan K	M Siddhartha	Prathamesh P. Shanbhag
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Shivansh Gupta	Poomima Bhatia	Rugved Milind Patil	Sri Sai Karthik Kanukollu	Dhruv Satish Patel	Harsh Verma
<i>Lead TA roles: Logistics, manage lab TAs, consolidate evaluations, release lab assignments & solutions.</i> <i>Lab. TA roles: Manage in-lab activities (one-on-one doubts sessions, evaluations).</i> <i>All TAs: Design problems & solutions based on the seed question bank provided by instructors.</i> <i>All TAs are expected to be familiar with HackerRank (the browser-based web application)</i> <i>Instructors: Lectures, validate design problems & solutions.</i> <i>Reporting: Lab TA>Lead TA> Instructors</i>					

Course Plan: Contact Hours

Lectures:

- (Slot **F2**): Thu, 11:30–12:50 @ Jasubhai Auditorium

Lab sessions:

- (Slot **P1**): Wed, 17:00–18:20
 - Batch 1.1 (@ AB10/104)
 - Batch 1.2 (@ AB10/105)
 - Batch 2.1 (@ AB7/108)
 - Batch 2.2 (@ AB7/109)
- (Slot **P2**): Fri, 17:00–18:20
 - Batch 3.1 (@ AB10/104)
 - Batch 3.2 (@ AB10/105)

Overall course load:

{12L (x1)} + {12P (x2)}

Blue: Jasubhai (550x)

Red: AB10/104 (70x), AB10/105 (70x), AB7/108 (70x),
AB7/109 (70x)

Course Plan: Timeline

Month	Day	Topics (slides)
August	Lec.: 22, 23(Thu), 29 Lab.: (21/?~L1, (28/30)~L2	(Why program?)
September	Lec.: 5, 12, 19, 26 Lab.: (4/6)~L3, (11/13)~L4 (lab exam I), (?/20)~L5, (25/?~L6	(Why program? contd.) (Variables, Expressions, and Statements) (Conditional Execution) (Functions)
October	Lec.: 17, 24 Lab.: (16/18)~L7, (23/25)~L8 (lab exam II), (30/*	(Loops and Iteration) (Strings) <Extra-class/Buffer> (Reading Files)
November	Lec.: 7, 14, 21 Lab.: */1)~L9, (6/8)~L10, (13/?~L11, (20/22)~L12 (lab exam III)	(Lists) (Dictionaries) (Tuples)

Evaluation (relative grading):

- [25%] Theory Exam I
(Sep 27 – Oct 04, 2024)
- [25%] Theory Exam II
(Nov 23 – 29, 2024)
- [15%] Lab Exam I
(L4: Sep 11, 13)
- [15%] Lab Exam II
(L8: Oct 23, 25)
- [20%] Lab Exam III
(L12: Nov 20, 22)

Excluding holidays and breaks. ? indicates lab slots consumed by holidays/exams/breaks.

Student Honour Code: <https://iitgn.ac.in/students/honourcode>

Study material to be followed

Texts/References:

- ✓ Python for Everybody, Charles Severance
- ✓ Python Crash Course, Eric Matthes
- ✓ Python Flash Cards (very useful for revisions), Eric Matthes
- ✓ The official Python tutorial and reference
- ✓ Dive Into Python 3, Mark Pilgrim
- ✓ Learn Python the hard way, Zed A Shaw
- ✓ A byte of Python, Swaroop CH
- ✓ Automate the boring stuff with Python, Al Sweigart

Why program?

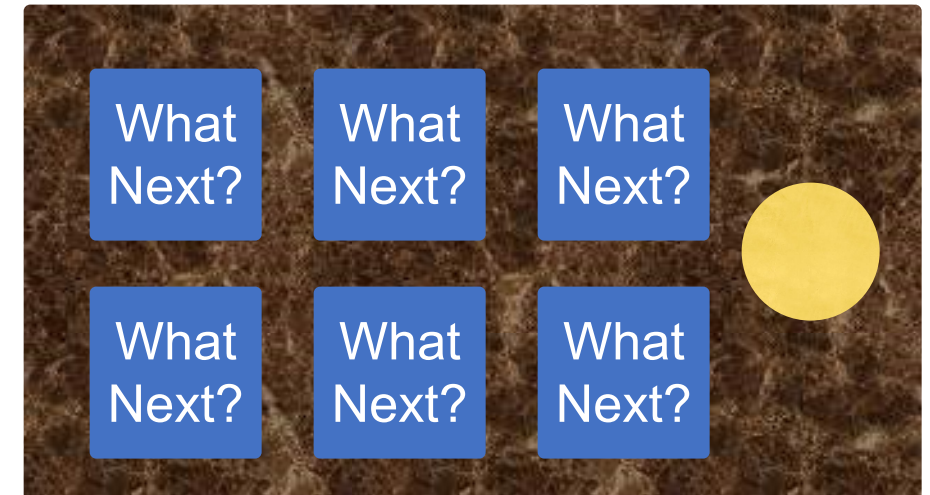
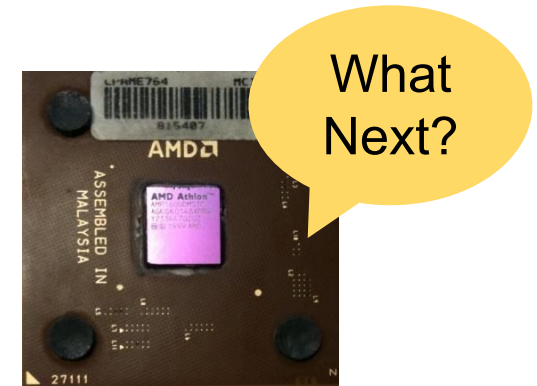
Lecture 1-2: Learning objectives

At the end of lecture 1-2 you should be able to:

- **Understand** the need for computation and programming
- **Recall** the importance of programming and its environment
- **Describe** the program structure and build on it
- **Summarize** why computer programming is needed

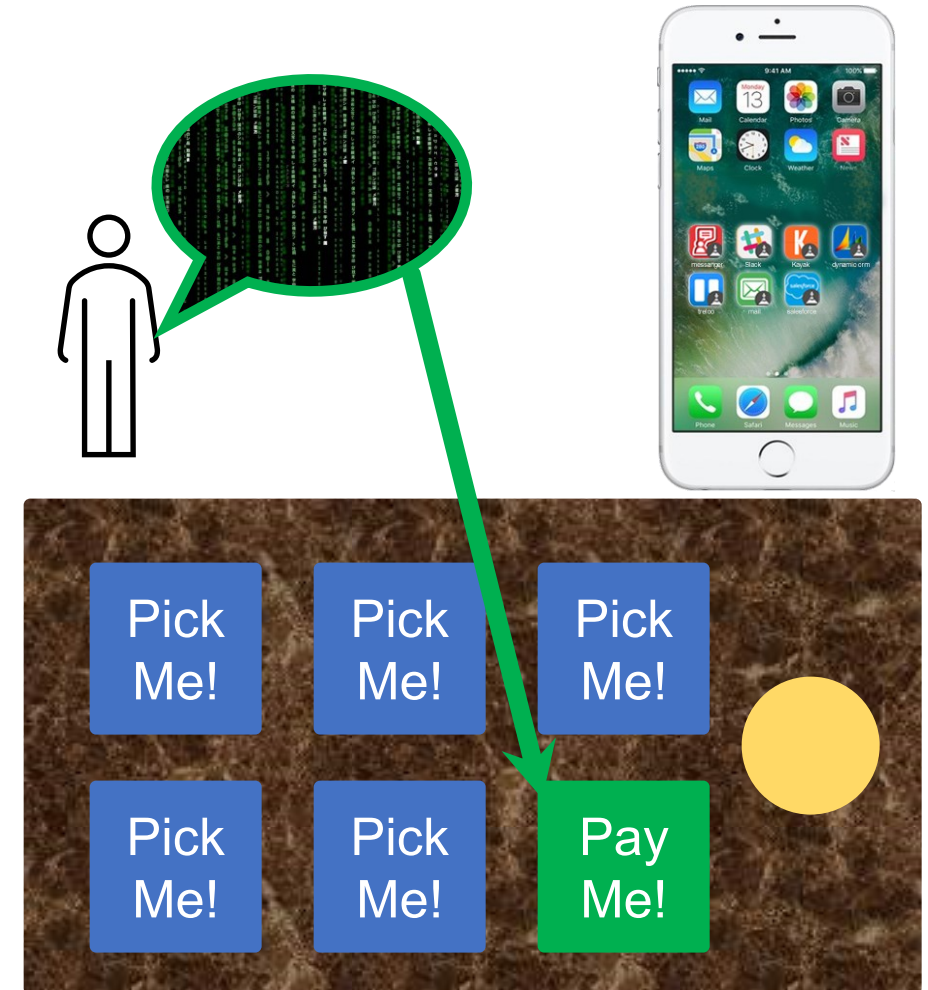
Computers Want to be Helpful...

- Computers are built for one purpose - to do things for us
- But we need to speak their language to describe what we want done
- Users have it easy - someone already put many different programs (instructions) into the computer and users just pick the ones they want to use



Programmers Anticipate Needs

- iPhone applications are a market
- iPhone applications have over 3 billion downloads
- Programmers have left their jobs to be full-time iPhone developers
- Programmers know the ways of the program



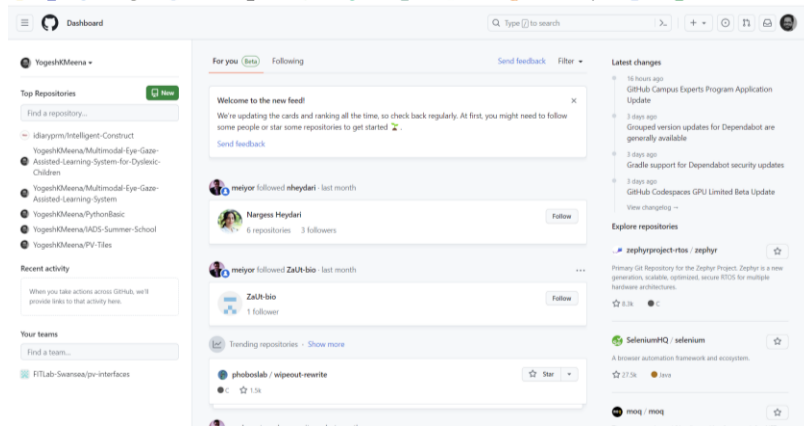
Users vs. Programmers

- Users see computers as a set of tools - word processor, spreadsheet, map, to-do list, etc.
- Programmers learn the computer “ways” and the computer language
- Programmers have some tools that allow them to build new tools
- Programmers sometimes write tools for lots of users and sometimes programmers write little “helpers” for themselves to automate a task

Why be a Programmer?

- To get some task done - we are the user and programmer
 - Clean up survey data
- To produce something for others to use - a programming job
 - Fix a performance problem in the Sakai software
 - Add a guestbook to a web site

Why be a Programmer?



User



Computer Hardware +
Software



Programmer

Data

Information

Networks

What is Code? Software? A Program?

- A sequence of stored instructions
 - It is a little piece of our intelligence in the computer
 - We figure something out and then we encode it and then give it to someone else to save them the time and energy of figuring it out
- A piece of creative art - particularly when we do a good job on user experience

Programs for Humans...

while music is playing:

Left hand out and up
Right hand out and up
Flip Left hand
Flip Right hand
Left hand to right shoulder
Right hand to left shoulder
Left hand to back of head
Right hand to back of head
Left hand to right hip
Right hand to left hip
Left hand on left bottom
Right hand on right bottom
Wiggle
Wiggle
Jump



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XiBYM6g8Tck>

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Right hand to left shoulder
Left hand to back of head
Right **ham** to back of head
Left hand to right **hit**
Right hand to left **hit**
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Programs for Python...

the clown ran after the car and the car ran into the tent and the tent fell down on the clown and the car

Which is the
most frequently
occurring word
here?



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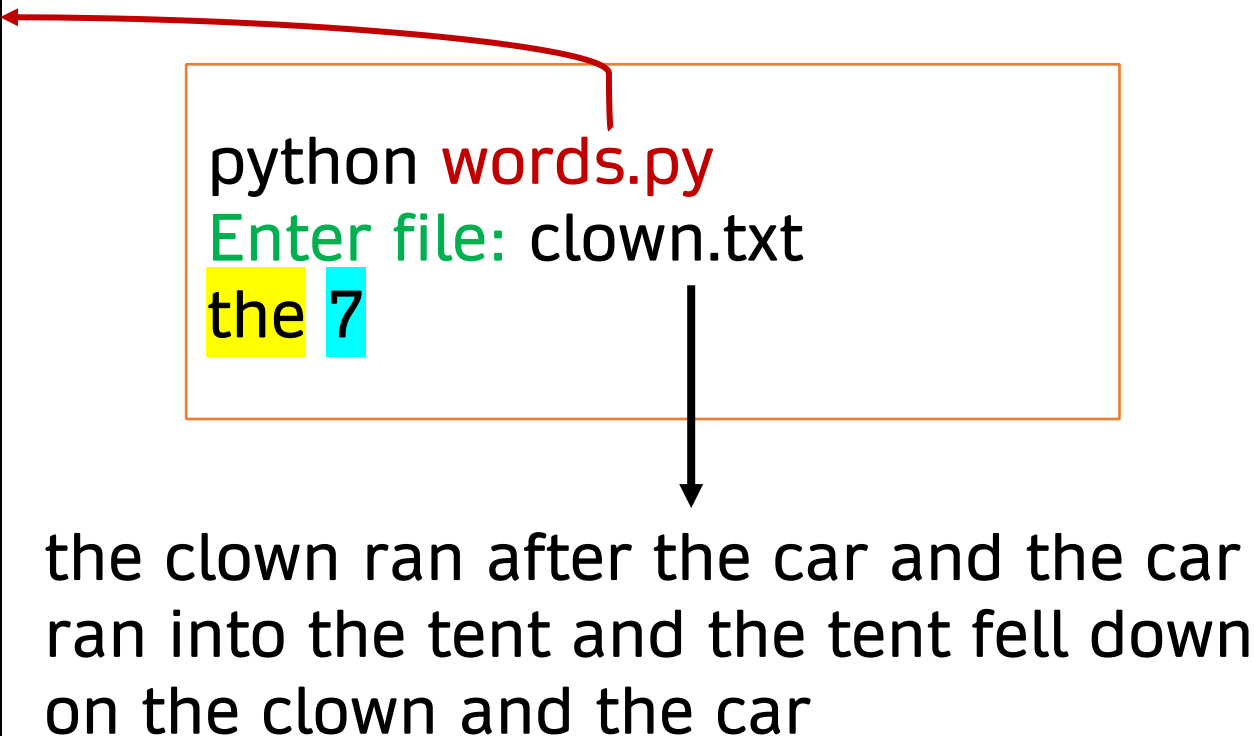
Python code to count the most frequent word

```
name = input('Enter file:')
handle = open(name)

counts = dict()
for line in handle:
    words = line.split()
    for word in words:
        counts[word] = counts.get(word,0) + 1

bigcount = None
bigword = None
for word,count in counts.items():
    if bigcount is None or count > bigcount:
        bigword = word
        bigcount = count

print(bigword, bigcount)
```



python words.py
Enter file: clown.txt
the 7

the clown ran after the car and the car
ran into the tent and the tent fell down
on the clown and the car

Python code to count the most frequent word

Writing programs or programming is a very creative and rewarding activity. You can write programs for many reasons ranging from making your living to solving a difficult data analysis problem to having fun to helping someone else solve a problem. This book assumes that everyone needs to know how to program and that once you know how to program, you will figure out what you want to do with your newfound skills.

We are surrounded in our daily lives with computers ranging from laptops to cell phones. We can think of these computers as our personal assistants who can take care of many things on our behalf. The hardware in our current-day computers is essentially built to continuously ask us the question: "What would you like me to do next?"

Our computers are fast and have vast amounts of memory and could be very helpful to us if we only knew the language to speak to explain to the computer what we would like it to do next. If we knew this language, we could tell the computer to do tasks on our behalf that were repetitive. Interestingly, the kinds of things computers can do best are often the kinds of things that we humans find boring and mind-numbing.

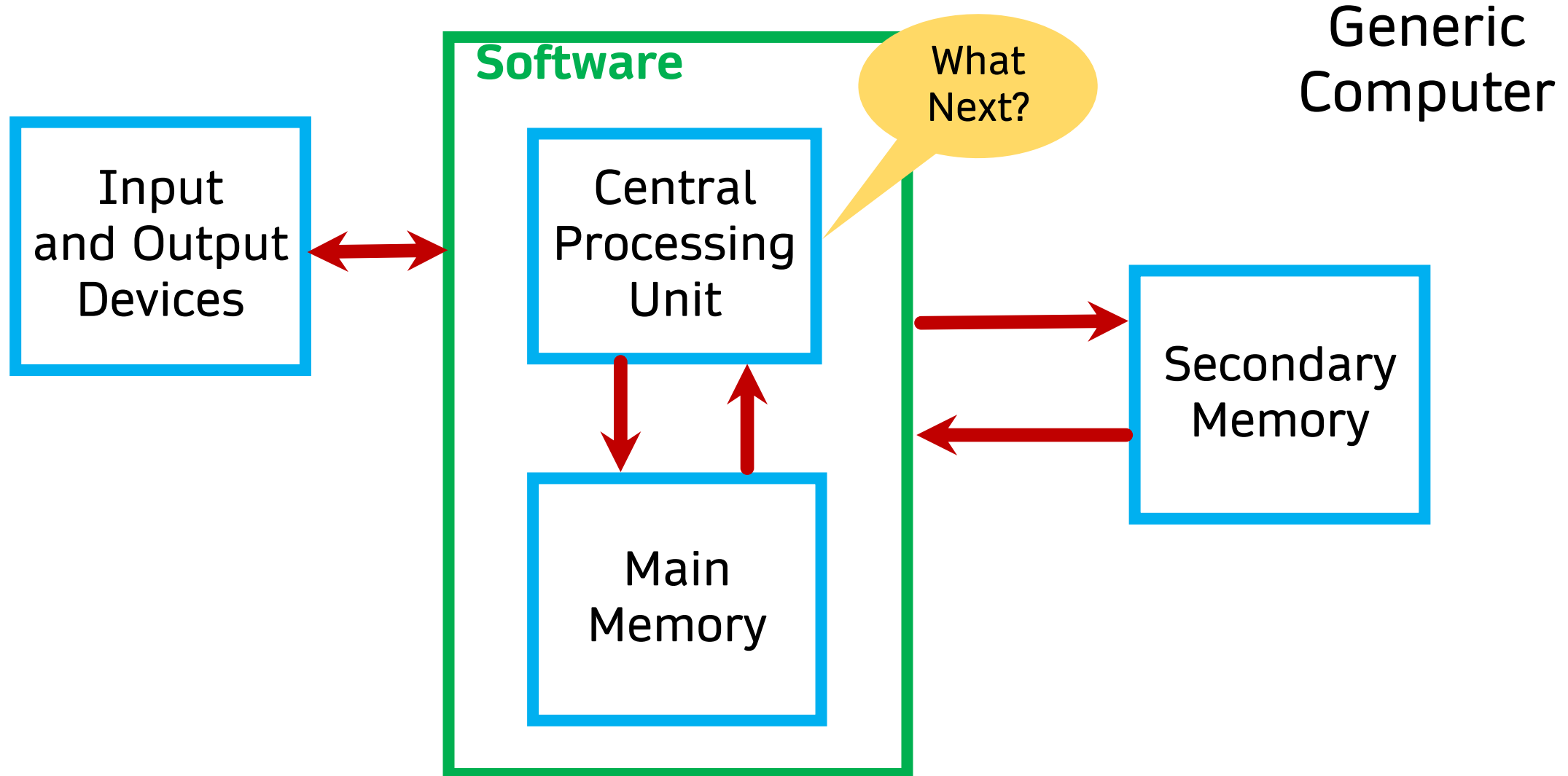
```
python words.py
Enter file: words.txt
to 16
```


Hardware Architecture



<http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/3/3d/RaspberryPi.jpg>

Hardware Architecture



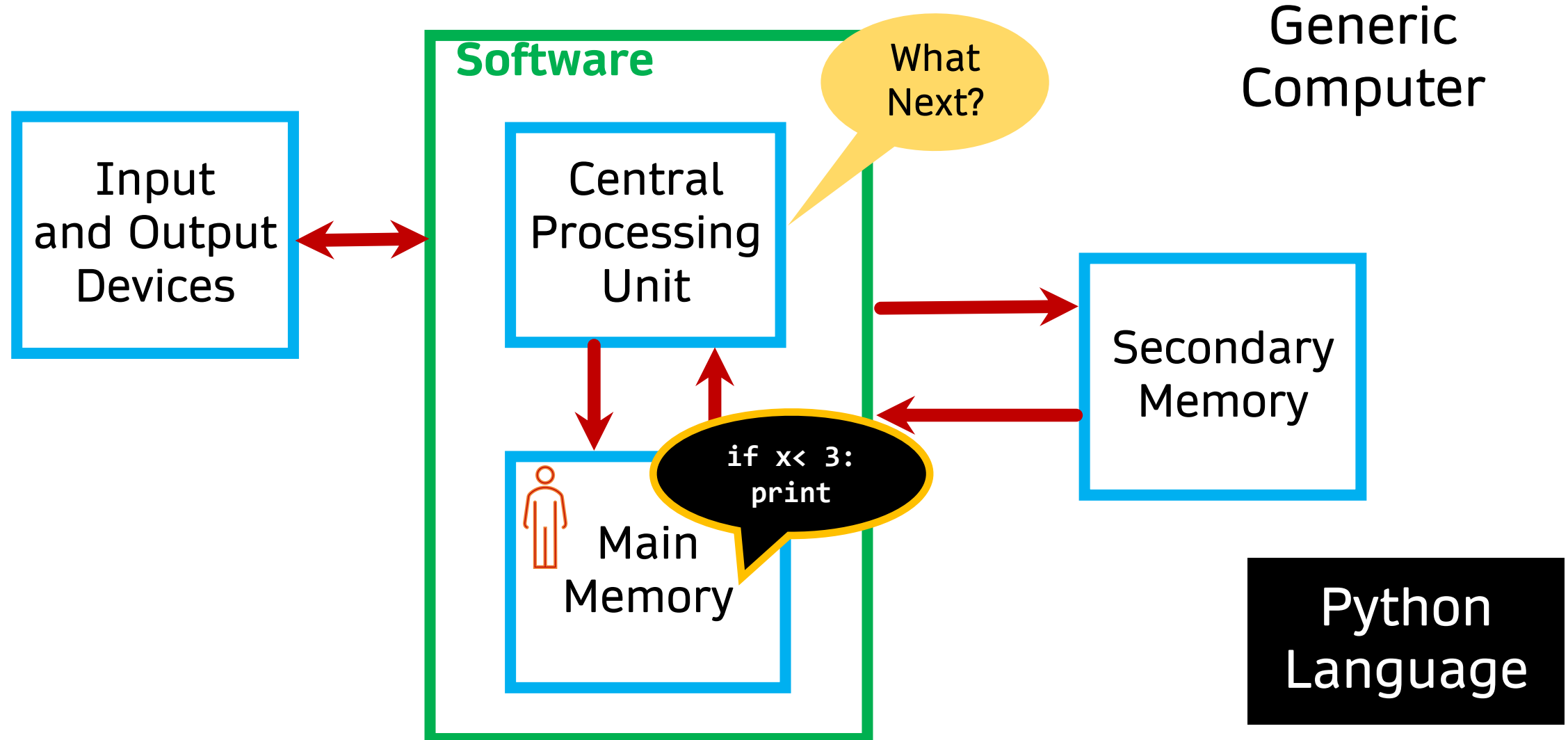
Hardware Architecture: Definitions

- Central Processing Unit: Runs the Program - The CPU is always wondering “**what to do next**”. Not the brains exactly - very dumb but very very fast
- Input Devices: Keyboard, Mouse, Touch Screen
- Output Devices: Screen, Speakers, Printer, DVD Burner
- Main Memory: Fast small temporary storage - lost on reboot - aka RAM
- Secondary Memory: Slower large permanent storage - lasts until deleted
 - disk drive / memory stick

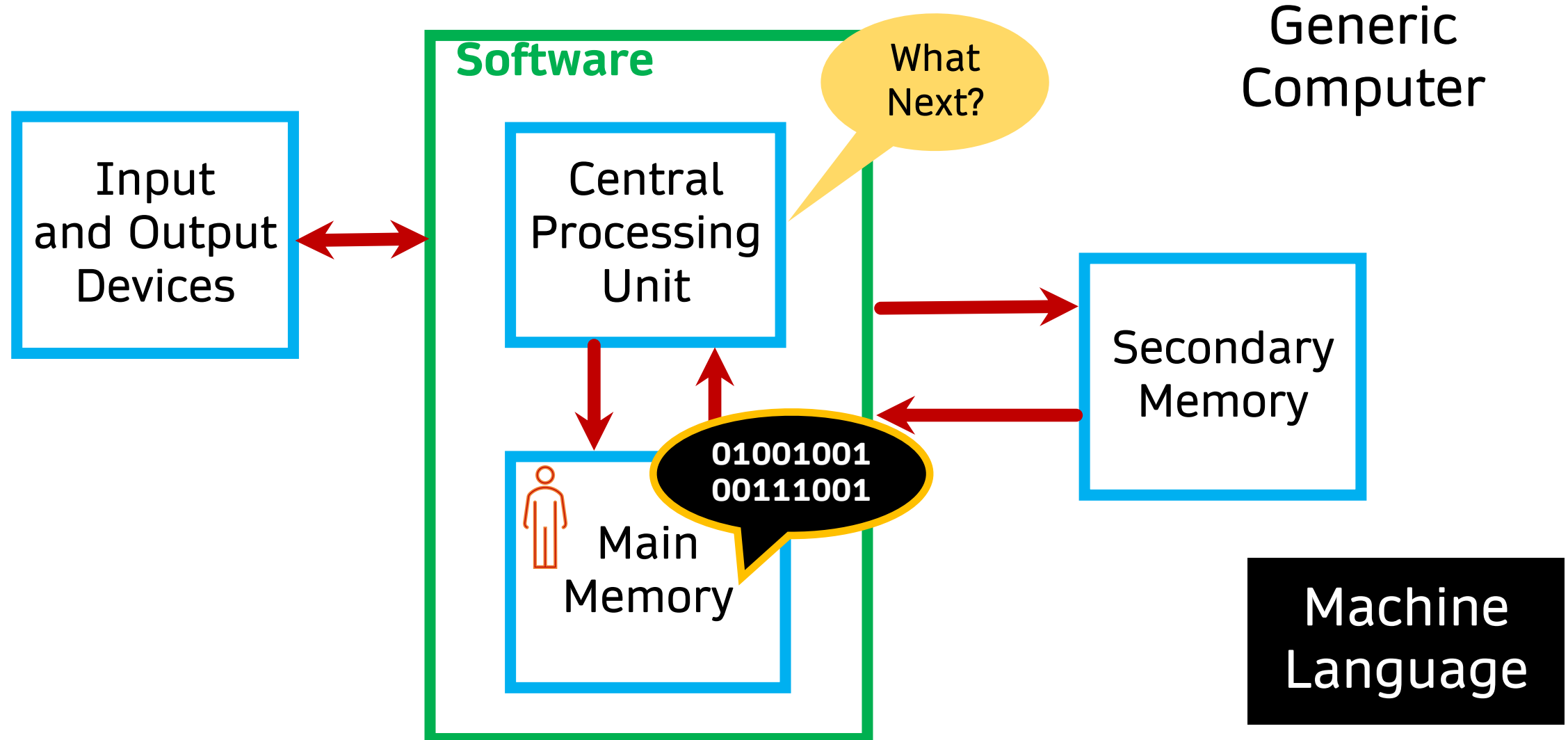


What
Next?

Hardware Architecture



Hardware Architecture



Hardware in action: Totally Hot CPU



[What happens when the CPU cooler is removed?](#)

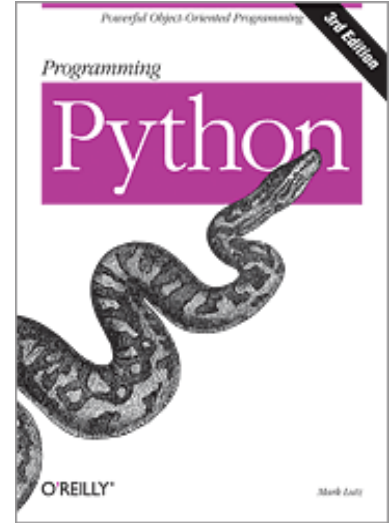
Hardware in action: Hard Disk



Inside of Hard Drive

Python as a Language

- **Python** is the language of the Python Interpreter and those who can converse with it.
- An individual who can speak **Python** is known as a Pythonista. It is a very uncommon skill and may be hereditary.
- Nearly all known Pythonistas use software initially developed by **Guido van Rossum**.



What is an Interpreter?

A computer program that **directly executes instructions** written in a **programming** language, **without requiring prior translation** into a machine language program.

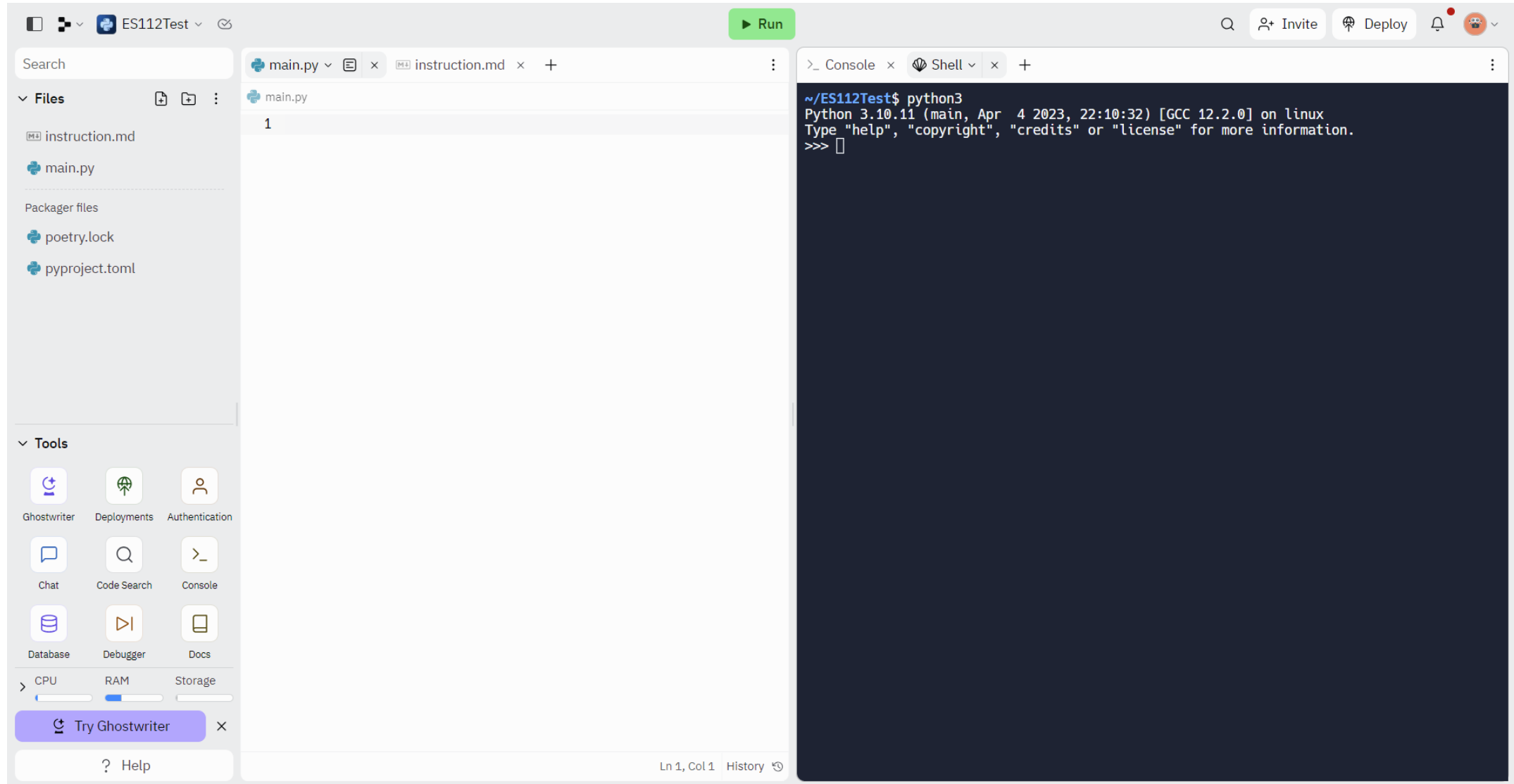
An interpreter generally uses one of the following strategies for program execution:

- **Parse** the source code and **perform its behavior** directly;
- **Translate** source code **into** some efficient **intermediate representation** or object code and **immediately execute** that;
- Explicitly **execute stored precompiled bytecode** made by a compiler and matched with the interpreter **Virtual Machine**.

Early Learner: Syntax Errors

- We need to learn the **Python language** so we can communicate our instructions to Python. In the beginning we will make lots of mistakes and speak gibberish like small children.
- When you make a mistake, the computer does not think you are “cute”. It says “**syntax error**” - given that it knows the language and you are just learning it. It seems like Python is cruel and unfeeling.
- You must remember that you are intelligent and can learn. The computer is simple and very fast but cannot learn. So, **it is easier for you to learn Python than for the computer to learn English...**

Talking to Python Interpreter (Shell mode)




Talking to Python

```
~/ES112Test$ python3
```

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Python 3.10.11 (main, Apr  4 2023, 22:10:32) [GCC 12.2.0] on linux  
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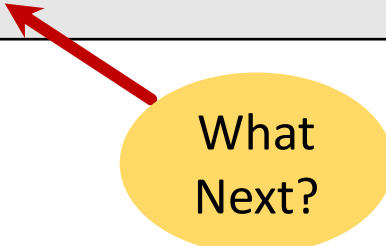
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>>>
```



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>>> print("Hello World")
Hello World
>>>
```



What
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Talking to Python (HackerRank Platform)

Problem

Submissions

Leaderboard

In Python, we use the `print()` function to display output on the screen. For example, `print("Hello, world!")` will print "Hello, world!" Your objective is to write a program to greet ES112 Computing course.

Input Format

None

Constraints

None

Output Format

Output should look like: Hello, ES112!

Sample Output 0

```
Hello, ES112!
```

Explanation 0

Hello, ES112!

Custom Testcase

Compilation Successful

Input (stdin)

Your Output

```
Hello, ES112!
```

Python 3



```
1 print("Hello, ES112!")
```

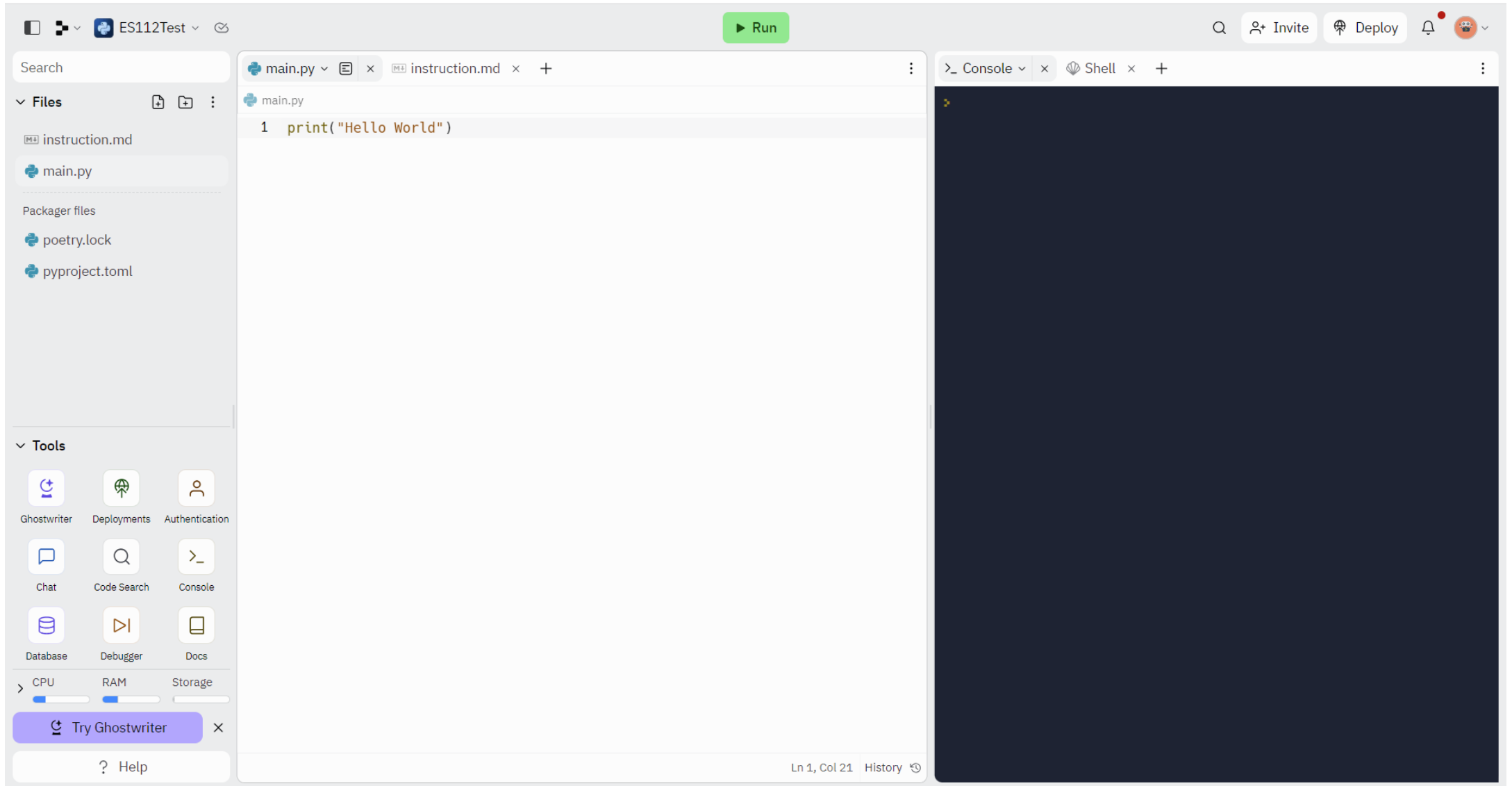
Talking to Python (Replit Platform)

The screenshot displays the Replit platform interface for a project named 'ES112Test'. The top bar includes a 'Run' button and navigation links for 'Invite', 'Deploy', and a user profile. The left sidebar shows a file explorer with 'instruction.md' and 'main.py', and a tools section with icons for Ghostwriter, Deployments, Authentication, Chat, Code Search, Console, Database, Debugger, and Docs. The main editor area shows 'instruction.md' with the following content:

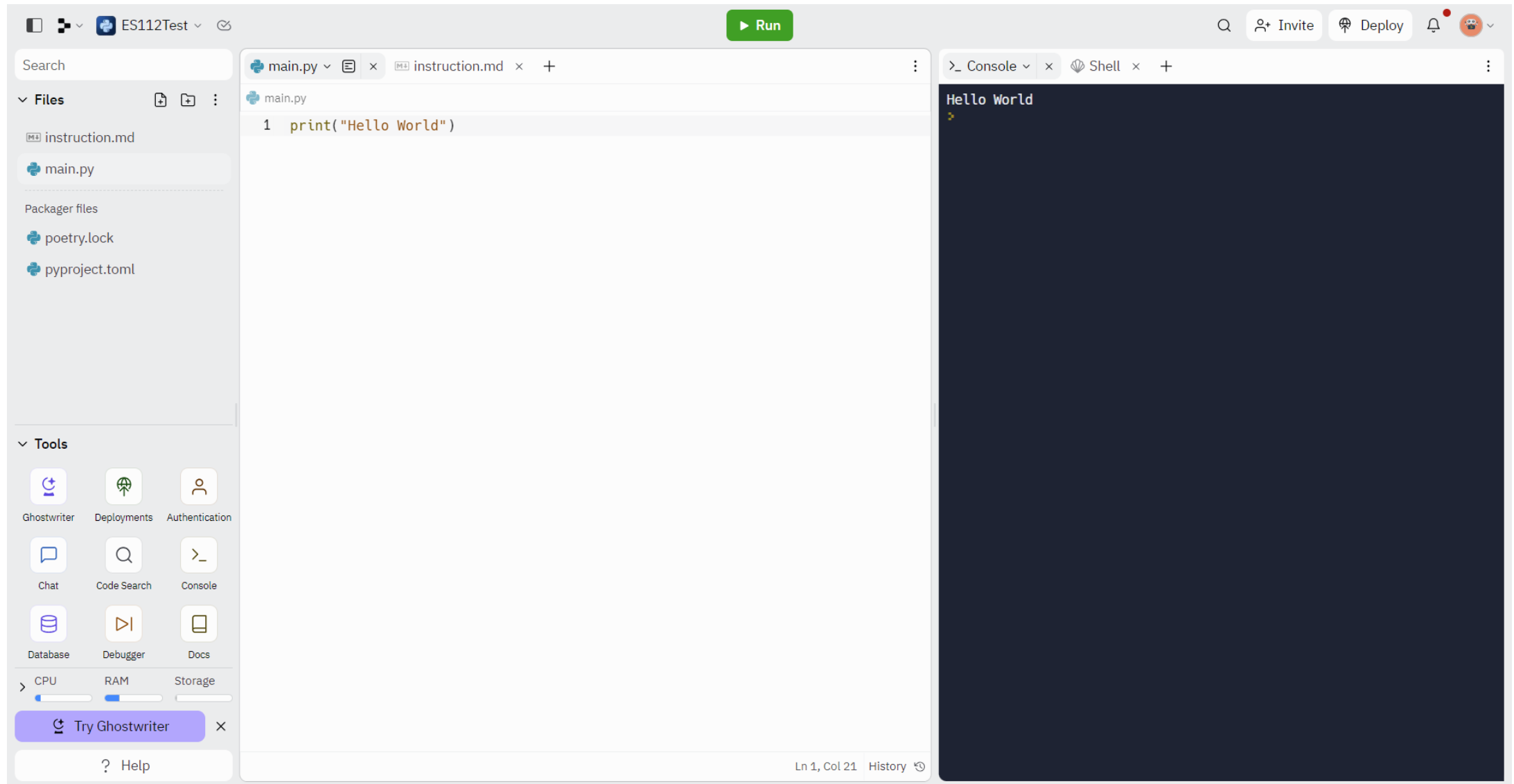
```
1 # Instructions
2
3 Write a program that print the following message using the print command:
  "Hello World".
4
5 ## Input
6 1. No input
7
8 ## Output
9 1. Print the following : "Hello World"
10
11
12 ## Constraints
13 1. Print the exact same message.
14
15
16 ## Sample examples
17
18
19 Sample Output 1:
20 ```text
21 Hello World
22 ```
```

The right sidebar shows a 'Console' tab and a 'Shell' tab, both of which are currently empty. The bottom status bar indicates 'Ln 22, Col 4' and 'History'.

Talking to Python (Replit Platform)



Talking to Python (Replit Platform)



Workflow of program construction

The screenshot shows a code editor with two tabs: `main.py` and `instruction.md`. The `instruction.md` tab is active, displaying the following content:

```
1 # Instructions
2 Write a program that takes the age of an individual and
  determines whether they are eligible to cast their vote.
3
4 ## Input
5 1. Age
6
7 ## Output
8 1. The output of the program should be YES/NO
9
10 ## Constraints
11 1. Age should be positive
12
13 ## Sample examples
14 Sample Input 1:
15 ...
16 31
17 ...
18 Sample Output 1:
19 ...
20 YES
21 ...
22
23 Sample Input 2:
24 ...
25 15
26 ...
27 Sample Output 2:
28 ...
29 NO
30 ...
```

The `main.py` tab is also visible, showing the implementation of the program:

```
age=input()
if age >= 18:
    print("YES")
else:
    print('NO')
```

Arrows indicate the mapping from the specification to the code: a green arrow points from the `## Input` section to the `age=input()` line, and blue arrows point from the `## Constraints` and `## Sample examples` sections to the `if age >= 18:` condition and the `print('NO')` line, respectively.

Program

```
age=input()
if age >= 18:
    print("YES")
else:
    print('NO')
```

Input constraints
(age>0)

semantic constraints
(age >=18)

Will this code
run?

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The `main.py` tab is also visible, showing the following code:

```
age=int(input())
if age >= 18:
    print("YES")
else:
    print('NO')
```

Arrows indicate the mapping from the specification to the code: a green arrow from line 5 of `instruction.md` to `age=int(input())`, and blue arrows from lines 8 and 11 of `instruction.md` to the `if` and `else` branches of the code.

Program

```
age=int(input())
if age >= 18:
    print("YES")
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```

Input constraints
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semantic constraints
(age >=18)

Now, will this
code run?

Talking to Python Interpreter (Shell mode)

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```

```
>>> x = 1 ←
```

```
>>> print(x) ←
```

```
1
```

```
>>> x = x + 1 ←
```

```
>>> print(x) ←
```

```
2
```

```
>>> exit() ←
```

This is a good test to make sure that you have Python correctly working. Note that `quit()` also works to end the interactive session.

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