

COMP1531

1.2 - Git, Python

Python

Interpreted V compiled

C program $\xrightarrow{\text{Compile}}$ Machine Code $\xrightarrow{\text{Run}}$ Output

Python
program $\xrightarrow{\text{Compile \& Run}}$ Output

Python



PYTHON 2		PYTHON 3
Legacy It is still entrenched in the software at certain companies		Future It will take over Python 2 by 2020
Library Many older libraries built for Python 2 are not forwards-compatible		Library Many of today's developers are creating libraries strictly for use with Python 3
ASCII Strings are stored as ASCII by default		Unicode Text strings are Unicode by default
5/2=2 It rounds your calculation down to the nearest whole number		5/2=2.5 The expression 5 / 2 will return the expected result
print "hello" Python 2 print statement		print ("hello") The print statement has been replaced with a print () function

python2

python3

Python

Resources shown in this course will be from around the internet. Python has some of the best online-help of any language ever made.

Python

CLI (Command line interface)

- Can be run inline
- Can be run as cli entry
- Can be run via a file

```
hsmith@vx1:~$ python3
Python 3.7.3 (default, Apr  3 2019, 05:39:12)
[GCC 8.3.0] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> print("Hello")
Hello
>>>
hsmith@vx1:~$ python3 -c 'print("Hello")'
Hello
hsmith@vx1:~$ █
```

Python - Basics

Basic code (basics1.py)

```
1 name = "Giraffe"
2 age = 18
3 height = 2048.11 # mm
4
5 num1 = 3 ** 3
6 num2 = 27 // 3
7
8 print(name + ", " + str(age) + ', ' + str(height))
9 print(name, age, height, sep = ', ')
10 print(f"{name}, {age}, {height}")
11 print(type(name))
12 print(type(age))
13 print(type(height))
14 print(f"3 ** 3 == {num1}")
15 print(f"27 // 3 == {num2}")
```

- Garbage collection
- More info on data types

Python - Basics

Strings (basics2.py)

```
1 sentence = "My"  
2 sentence = sentence + " name is"  
3 sentence += " Pikachu"  
4  
5 print(sentence)  
6  
7 print("Hi!!" * 10)
```

Python strings are **immutable**

Python - Basics

Control structures, argc/argv (basics3.py)

```
1 import sys
2
3 argc = len(sys.argv)
4
5 empty = True
6 if argc > 0:
7     empty = False
8
9 if not empty:
10     if argc == 2:
11         print("Nearly there")
12     elif argc == 3:
13         if sys.argv[1] == "H" and sys.argv[2] == "I":
14             print("HI to you too")
15         else:
16             pass
17 else:
18     print("Please enter two letters as command line")
```


Python - Basics

Lists, loops (basics4.py)

```
1 names = [ "Hayden", "Rob", "Isaac" ]
2 names.append("Vivian")
3
4 for name in names:
5     print(name)
6
7 print("===")
8
9 names += [ "Eve", "Mia" ]
10 for i in range(0, len(names)):
11     print(names[i])
```

Python lists are very complicated arrays under the hood. You can read a lot [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#).

Python - Basics

Tuples (basics5.py)

```
1 x = 5
2 y = 6
3 point = (x, y)
4 print(point)
5
6 a, b = point # destructuring
7 print(f"{a}, {b}")
8
9 names = [ "Giraffe", "Llama", "Penguin" ]
10 for id, name in enumerate(names):
11     print(f"{id} {name}")
```

- lists are mutable, tuples are immutable

Git

Stage 1. Version control:

- clone
- status
- diff
- add
- commit
- push
- pull

Git

Stage 2. Teamwork:

- same as before
- log
- pull before you push
- merge (pull) requests
- merge conflicts