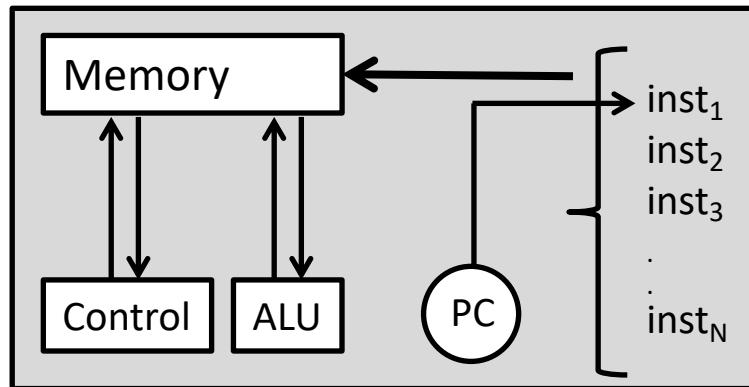
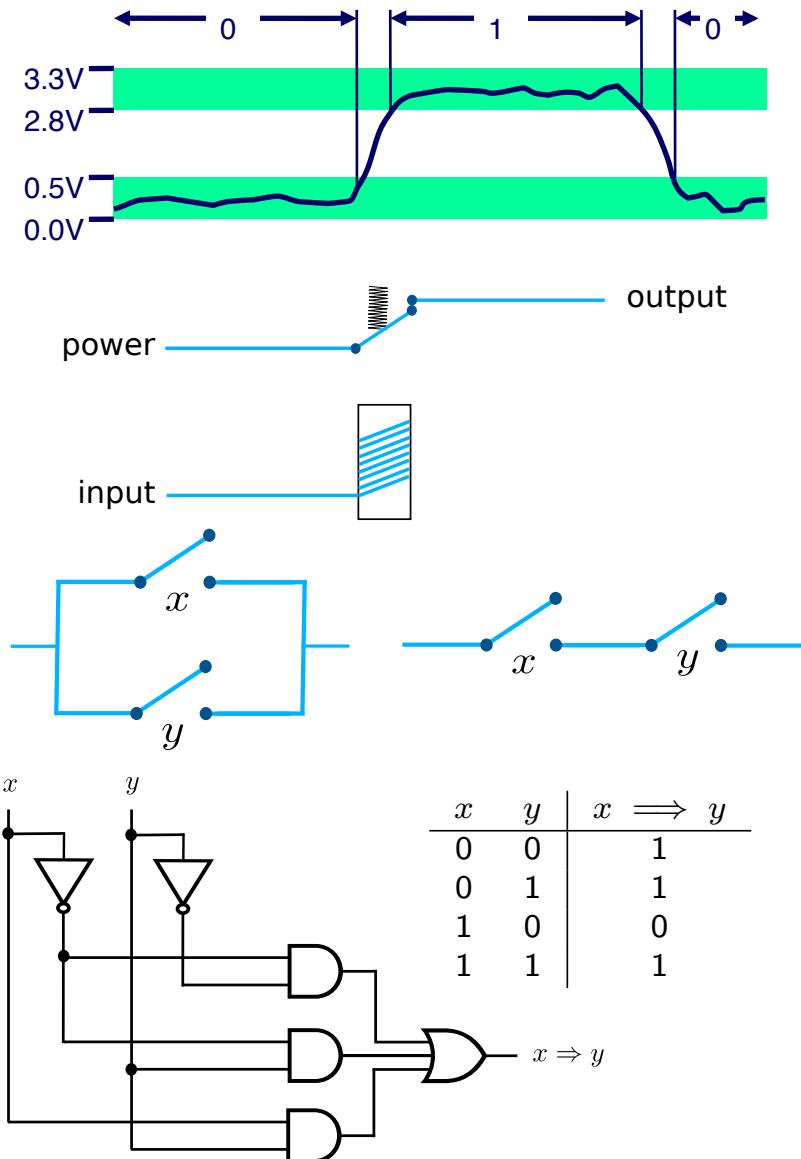


# BBM 101

## Introduction to Programming I

Lecture #03 – Introduction to Python and  
Programming, Control Flow

# Last time... How to build computers



## The Harvey Mudd Miniature Machine (HMMM)

triangle1.hmmm: Calculate the approximate area of a triangle.

```

0  read   r1      # Get base b
1  read   r2      # Get height h
2  mul    r1 r1 r2 # b times h into r1
3  setn   r2 2
4  div    r1 r1 r2 # Divide by 2
5  write  r1
6  halt

```

```
$ python hmmmaAssembler.py -f triangle1.hmmm -o triangle1.b
```

```
-----| ASSEMBLY SUCCESSFUL |-----
```

```

0 : 0000 0001 0000 0001      0  read   r1      # Get base b
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4 : 1001 0001 0001 0010      4  div    r1 r1 r2 # Divide by 2
5 : 0000 0001 0000 0010      5  write  r1
6 : 0000 0000 0000 0000      6  halt

```

```
$ python hmmSimulator.py -f triangle1.b -n
```

```
4  
5  
10
```

# Lecture Overview

- Programming languages (PLs)
- Introduction to Python and Programming

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- Swami Iyer's UMass Boston CS110 class

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# Programming Languages

- Syntax and semantics
- Dimensions of a PL
- Programming paradigms

# Programming Languages

- An artificial language designed to express computations that can be performed by a machine, particularly a computer.
- Can be used to create programs that control the behavior of a machine, to express algorithms precisely, or as a mode of human communication.
- e.g., C, C++, Java, Python, Prolog, Haskell, Scala, etc..

# Creating Computer Programs

- Each programming language provides a set of primitive operations.
- Each programming language provides mechanisms for combining primitives to form more complex, but legal, expressions.
- Each programming language provides mechanisms for deducing meanings or values associated with computations or expressions.

# Aspects of Languages

- Primitive constructs
  - Programming language – numbers, strings, simple operators
  - English – words
- Syntax – which strings of characters and symbols are well-formed
  - Programming language –we'll get to specifics shortly, but for example  $3.2 + 3.2$  is a valid C expression
  - English – “cat dog boy” is not syntactically valid, as not in form of acceptable sentence

# Aspects of Languages

- Static semantics – which syntactically valid strings have a meaning
  - English – “I are big” has form <noun> <intransitive verb> <noun>, so syntactically valid, but is not valid English because “I” is singular, “are” is plural
  - Programming language – for example, <literal> <operator> <literal> is a valid syntactic form, but 2.3/’abc’ is a static semantic error

# Aspects of Languages

- Semantics – what is the meaning associated with a syntactically correct string of symbols with no static semantic errors
  - English – can be ambiguous
    - “They saw the man with the telescope.”
  - Programming languages – always has exactly one meaning
    - But meaning (or value) may not be what programmer intended

# Where Can Things Go Wrong?

- Syntactic errors
  - Common but easily caught by computer
- Static semantic errors
  - Some languages check carefully before running, others check while interpreting the program
  - If not caught, behavior of program is unpredictable
- Programs don't have semantic errors, but meaning may not be what was intended
  - Crashes (stops running)
  - Runs forever
  - Produces an answer, but not programmer's intent

# Our Goal

- Learn the syntax and semantics of a programming language
- Learn how to use those elements to translate “recipes” for solving a problem into a form that the computer can use to do the work for us
- Computational modes of thought enable us to use a suite of methods to solve problems

# Dimensions of a Programming Language

## Low-level vs. High-level

- Distinction according to the level of abstraction
- In low-level programming languages (e.g. Assembly), the set of instructions used in computations are very simple (nearly at machine level)
- A high-level programming language (e.g. Python, C, Java) has a much richer and more complex set of primitives.

# Dimensions of a Programming Language

## General vs. Targeted

- Distinction according to the range of applications
- In a general programming language, the set of primitives support a broad range of applications.
- A targeted programming language aims at a very specific set of applications.
  - e.g., MATLAB (matrix laboratory) is a programming language specifically designed for numerical computing (matrix and vector operations)

# Dimensions of a Programming Language

## Interpreted vs. Compiled

- Distinction according to how the source code is executed
- In interpreted languages (e.g. LISP), the source code is executed directly at runtime (by the interpreter).
  - Interpreter control the flow of the program by going through each one of the instructions.
- In compiled languages (e.g. C), the source code first needs to be translated into an object code (by the compiler) before the execution.

# Programming Language Paradigms

- **Functional**

- Treats computation as the evaluation of mathematical functions (e.g. Lisp, Scheme, Haskell, etc.)

- **Imperative**

- Describes computation in terms of statements that change a program state (e.g. FORTRAN, BASIC, Pascal, C, etc. )

- **Logical (declarative)**

- Expresses the logic of a computation without describing its control flow (e.g. Prolog)

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# Programming in Python

- Our programming environment
  - Python programming language
  - PyCharm, an integrated development environment (IDE)
  - Terminal

The screenshot shows two windows. The top window is PyCharm's code editor with a single file named `helloworld.py`. The code contains the following Python print statement:

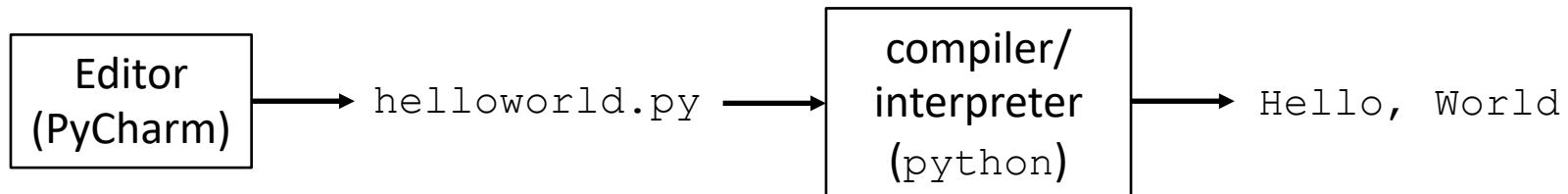
```
1 print('Hello, World')
```

The bottom window is a terminal window titled "codes — bash". It shows the user's login information and a command-line session where the user runs the Python script:

```
Last login: Mon Oct  9 08:52:07 on console  
aykut at Aykuts-iMac ~  
$ cd ~/Dropbox/Teaching/Undergraduate/BBM101/codes/  
aykut at Aykuts-iMac ~/Dropbox/Teaching/Undergraduate/BBM101/codes  
$ python helloworld.py  
Hello, World  
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$
```

# Programming in Python

- To program in Python
  - Compose a program by typing it into a file named, say, `helloworld.py`
  - Run (or execute) the program by typing `python helloworld.py` in the terminal window



# Input and Output

- Bird's-eye view of a Python program



- **Input types:** command-line arguments, standard input, file input
- **Output types:** standard output, file output, graphical output, audio output

# Input and Output

- Command-line arguments are the inputs we list after a program name when we run the program

```
$ python my_program.py arg_1 arg_2 ... arg_n
```

- The command-line arguments can be accessed within a program, such as `my_program.py` above, via the array (aka list) `sys.argv`<sup>1</sup> as `sys.argv[1]`, `sys.argv[2]`, ..., `sys.argv[n]`
- The name of the program (`my_program.py`) is stored in `sys.argv[0]`

<sup>1</sup>The `sys` module provides access to variables and functions that interact with the Python interpreter

# Input and Output

useargument.py

```
import sys

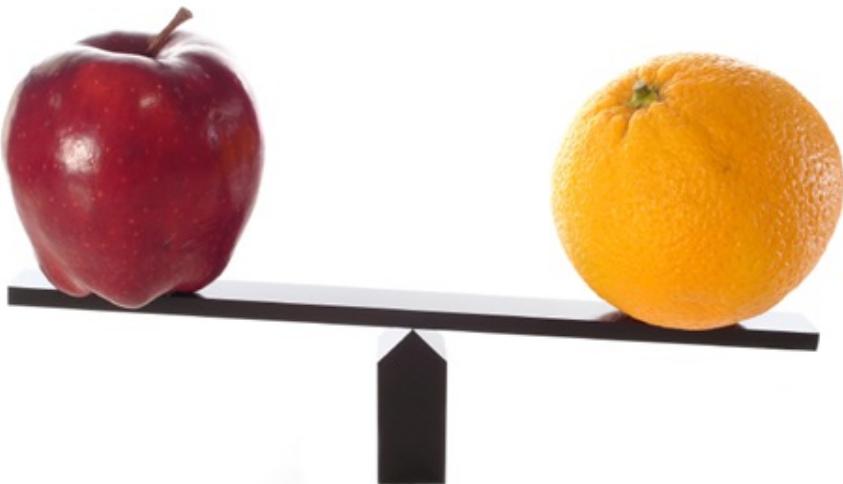
print('Hi, ', end=' ')
print(sys.argv[1], end=' ')
print('. How are you?')
```

```
$ python useargument.py Alice
Hi, Alice. How are you?
$ python useargument.py Bob
Hi, Bob. How are you?
$ python useargument.py Carol
Hi, Carol. How are you?
```

## 1. Python is like a calculator



## 3. Different types cannot be compared



## 2. A variable is a container



## 4. A program is a recipe

**CORBREAD**

**Colvin Run Mill Corn Bread**

- 1 cup cornmeal
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# 1. Python is Like a Calculator



# You Type Expressions. Python Computes Their Values.

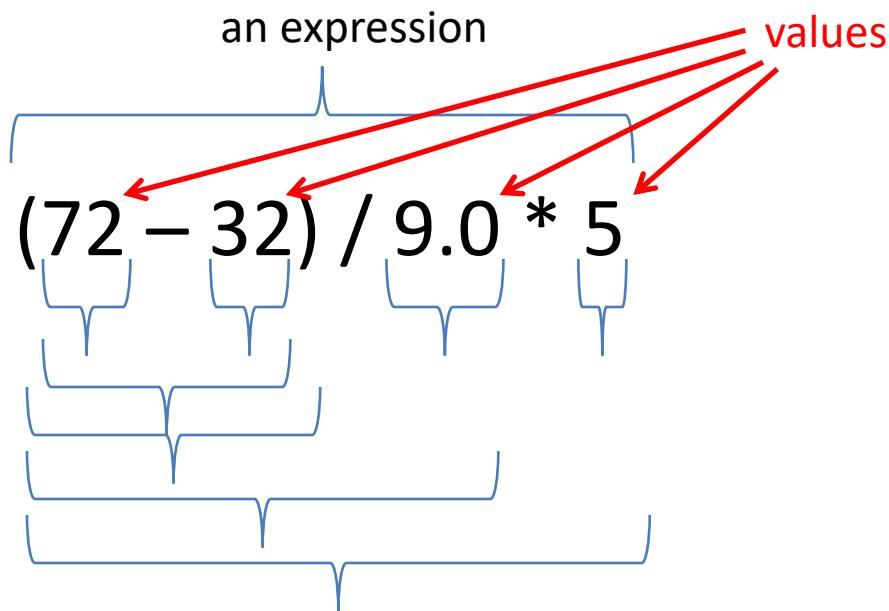
- 5
- 3+4
- 44/2
- 2\*\*3
- 3\*4+5\*6
- $(72 - 32) / 9 * 5$

Python has a natural and well-defined set of precedence rules that fully specify the order in which the operators are applied in an expression

- For arithmetic operations, multiplication and division are performed before addition and subtraction
- When arithmetic operations have the same precedence, they are left associative, with the exception of the exponentiation operator \*\*, which is right associative
- We can use parentheses to override precedence rules

# An Expression is Evaluated From the Inside Out

- How many expressions are in this Python code?



$(72 - 32) / 9.0 * 5$

$(40) / 9.0 * 5$

$40 / 9.0 * 5$

$4.44 * 5$

$22.2$

# Another Evaluation Example

$$(72 - 32) / (9.0 * 5)$$

$$(40) / (9.0 * 5)$$

$$40 / (9.0 * 5)$$

$$40 / (45.0)$$

$$40 / 45.0$$

$$.888$$

## 2. A Variable is a Container



A variable is a name associated with a data-type value

# Variables Hold Values

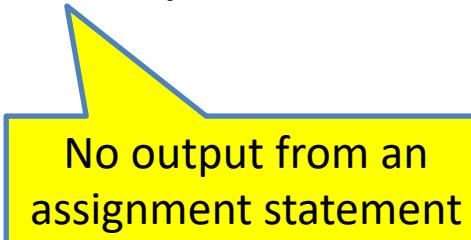
- Recall variables from algebra:
  - Let  $x = 2 \dots$
  - Let  $y = x \dots$
- To assign a variable, use “*varname = expression*”

```
pi = 3.14
```

```
pi
```

```
var = 6*10**23
```

```
22 = x      # Error!
```



- Not all variable names are permitted!

- Variable names must only be one word (as in no spaces)
- Variable names must be made up of only letters, numbers, and underscore (\_)
- Variable names cannot begin with a number

# Changing Existing Variables ("re-binding" or "re-assigning")

```
x = 2
x
y = x
y
x = 5
x
y
```

- “=” in an assignment is **not** a promise of eternal equality
  - This is **different** than the mathematical meaning of “=”
- Evaluating an expression gives a new (copy of a) number, rather than changing an existing one

# How an Assignment is Executed

1. Evaluate the right-hand side to a value
2. Store that value in the variable

```
x = 2  
print(x)  
y = x  
print(y)  
z = x + 1  
print(z)  
x = 5  
print(x)  
print(y)  
print(z)
```

State of the computer:

```
x: 2  
y: 2  
z: 3
```

Printed output:

```
2  
2  
3  
5  
2  
3
```

To visualize a program's execution:  
<http://pythontutor.com>

# More Expressions: Conditionals (value is True or False)

```
22 > 4      # condition, or conditional
22 < 4      # condition, or conditional
22 == 4     ...
x = 100    # Assignment, not conditional!
22 = 4      # Error!

x >= 5
x >= 100
x >= 200
not True
not (x >= 200)
3<4 and 5<6
4<3 or 5<6
temp = 72
water_is_liquid = (temp > 32 and temp < 212)
```

Numeric operators: +, \*, \*\*  
Boolean operators: not, and, or  
Mixed operators: <, >=, ==

# More Expressions: strings

- A string represents **text**
  - `'Python'`
  - `myString = "BBM 101-Introduction to Programming"`
  - `""`
- Empty string is not the same as an unbound variable
  - `""` and `"` are the same
- We can specify tab, newline, backslash, and single quote characters using escape sequences `'\t'`, `'\n'`, `'\\'`, and `'\'`, respectively

## Operations:

- **Length:**
  - `len(myString)`
- **Concatenation:**
  - `"Hacettepe" + " " + 'University'`
- **Containment/searching:**
  - `'a' in myString`
  - `"a" in myString`

# Strings

```
ruler1 = '1'  
ruler2 = ruler1 + ' 2 ' + ruler1  
ruler3 = ruler2 + ' 3 ' + ruler2  
ruler4 = ruler3 + ' 4 ' + ruler3  
print(ruler1)  
print(ruler2)  
print(ruler3)  
print(ruler4)
```

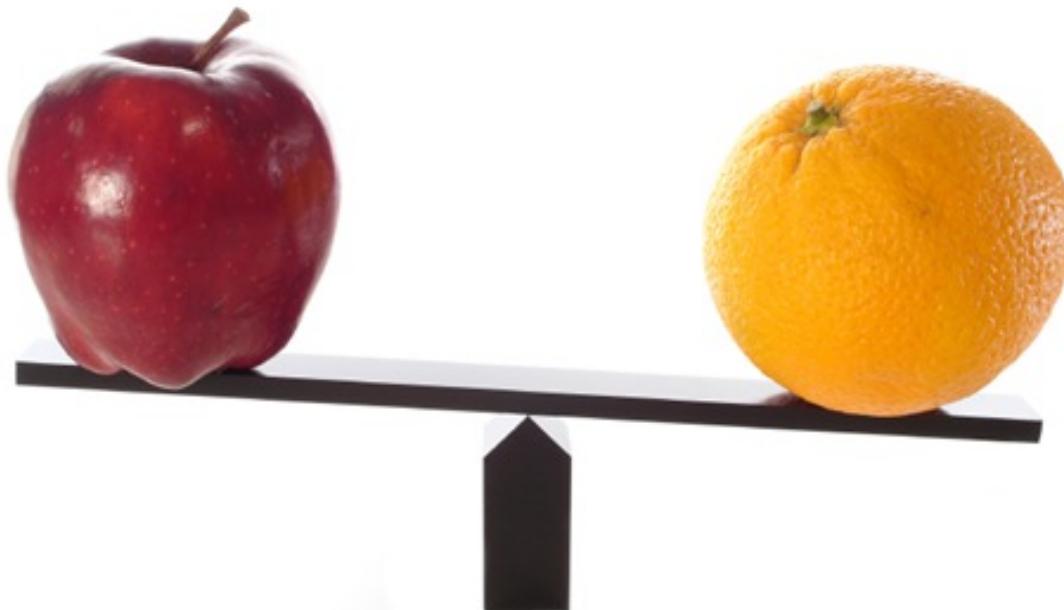
```
1  
1 2 1  
1 2 1 3 1 2 1  
1 2 1 3 1 2 1 4 1 2 1 3 1 2 1
```

### 3. Different Types cannot be Compared

```
anInt = 2
```

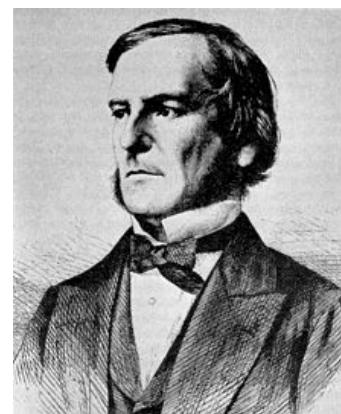
```
aString = "Hacettepe"
```

```
anInt == aString # Error
```



# Types of Values

- Integers (**int**): -22, 0, 44
  - Arithmetic is **exact**
  - Some funny representations: 12345678901L
- Real numbers (**float**, for “floating point”): 2.718, 3.1415
  - Arithmetic is **approximate**, e.g., 6.022\*10\*\*23
- Strings (**str**): "I love Python", " "
- Truth values (**bool**, for “Boolean”): **True**, **False**



George Boole

# Operations Behave differently on Different Types

3.0 + 4.0

3 + 4

3 + 4.0

"3" + "4" # Concatenation

3 + "4" # Error

3 + True # Error

Moral: Python only *sometimes* tells you when you do something that does not make sense.

# Operations on Different Types

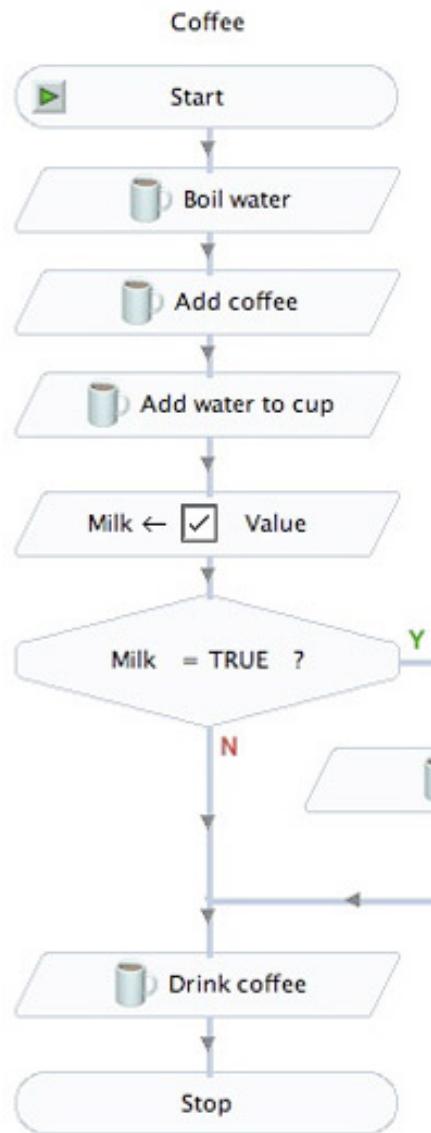
	<u>Python 3.5</u>	<u>Python 2.x</u>
<code>15.0 / 4.0</code>	3.75	3.75
<code>15 / 4</code>	3.75	3
<code>15.0 / 4</code>	3.75	3.75
<code>15 / 4.0</code>	3.75	3.75
<code>15.0 // 4.0</code>	3.0	
<code>15 // 4</code>	3	
<code>15.0 // 4</code>	3.0	Before Python version 3.5, operand used to determine the type of division.
<code>15 // 4.0</code>	3.0	

/ : Division  
//: Integer Division

# Type Conversion

<code>float(15)</code>	<code>15.0</code>
<code>int(15.0)</code>	<code>15</code>
<code>int(15.5)</code>	<code>15</code>
<code>int("15")</code>	<code>15</code>
<code>str(15.5)</code>	<code>15.5</code>
<code>float(15) / 4</code>	<code>3.75</code>

# A Program is a Recipe



Milk?

# Design the Algorithm Before Coding

- We should think (design the algorithm) before coding
- Algorithmic thinking is the logic. Also, called problem solving
- Coding is the syntax
- Make this a habit
- Some students do not follow this practice and they get challenged in all their courses and careers!

# What is a Program?

- A program is a sequence of instructions
- The computer executes one after the other, as if they had been typed to the interpreter
- Saving your work as a program is better than re-typing from scratch

```
x = 1
y = 2
x + y
print(x + y)
print("The sum of", x, "and", y, "is", x+y)
```

# The print( ) Statement

- The **print** statement always prints one line
  - The next print statement prints below that one
- Write 0 or more expressions after **print**, separated by commas
  - In the output, the values are separated by spaces
- Examples:

```
x = 1  
y = 2  
print(3.1415)  
print(2.718, 1.618)  
print()  
print(20 + 2, 7 * 3, 4 * 5)  
print("The sum of", x, end="")  
print(" and", y, "is", x+y)
```

```
3.1415  
2.718 1.618  
  
22 21 20  
The sum of 1 and 2 is 3
```

To avoid newline

# Exercise: Convert Temperatures

- Make a temperature conversion chart as the following
- Fahrenheit to Centigrade, for Fahrenheit values of: -40, 0, 32, 68, 98.6, 212
- $C = (F - 32) \times 5/9$
- Output:

Fahrenheit	Centigrade
-40	-40.0
0	-17.7778
32	0.0
68	20.0
98.6	37.0
212	100.0

- You have created a Python program!
- (It doesn't have to be this tedious, and it won't be.)

# Expressions, Statements, and Programs

- An **expression** evaluates to a value

```
3 + 4
```

```
pi * r**2
```

- A **statement** causes an effect

```
pi = 3.14159
```

```
print(pi)
```

- Expressions appear within other expressions and within statements

```
(fahr - 32) * (5.0 / 9)
```

```
print(pi * r**2)
```

- A statement may *not* appear within an expression

```
3 + print(pi)      # Error!
```

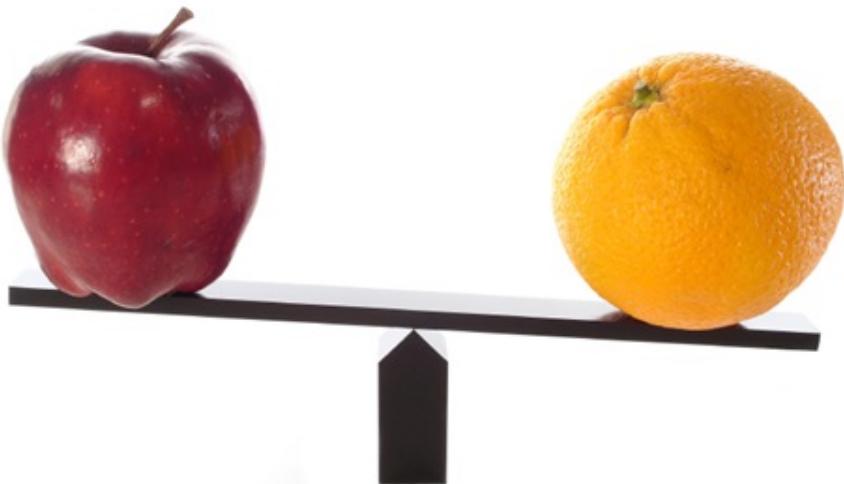
- A **program** is made up of statements

- A program should do something or communicate information

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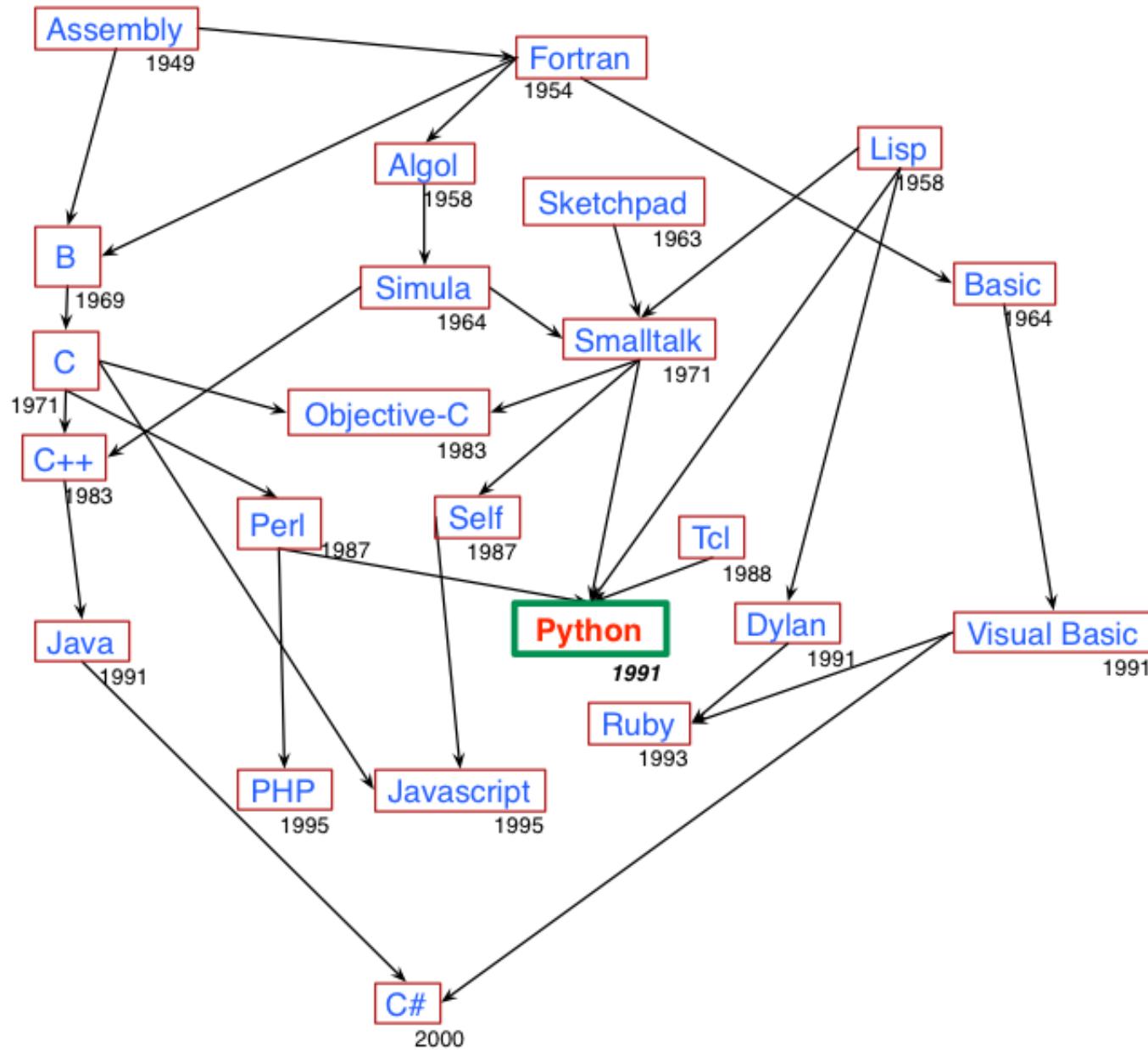
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# Programming Languages

- A programming language is a “language” to write programs in, such as Python, C, C++, Java
- The concept of programming languages are quite similar
- Python: `print("Hello, World!")`
- Java: `public static void main(String[] args) {  
 System.out.println("Hello, World!");  
}`
- Python is simpler! That's why we are learning it first ☺

# Evolution of Programming Languages



# The 2017 Top Programming Languages

Language Rank	Types	Spectrum Ranking
1. Python		100.0
2. C++		99.7
3. Java		97.5
4. C		96.7
5. C#		89.4
6. PHP		84.9
7. R		82.9
8. JavaScript		82.6
9. Go		76.4
10. Assembly		74.1

- <https://spectrum.ieee.org/at-work/innovation/the-2018-top-programming-languages>

# WHICH PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE SHOULD I LEARN FIRST?

## WHAT IS PROGRAMMING?

Writing very specific instructions to a very dumb, yet obedient machine.



## LANGUAGES

PYTHON

JAVA

C

PHP

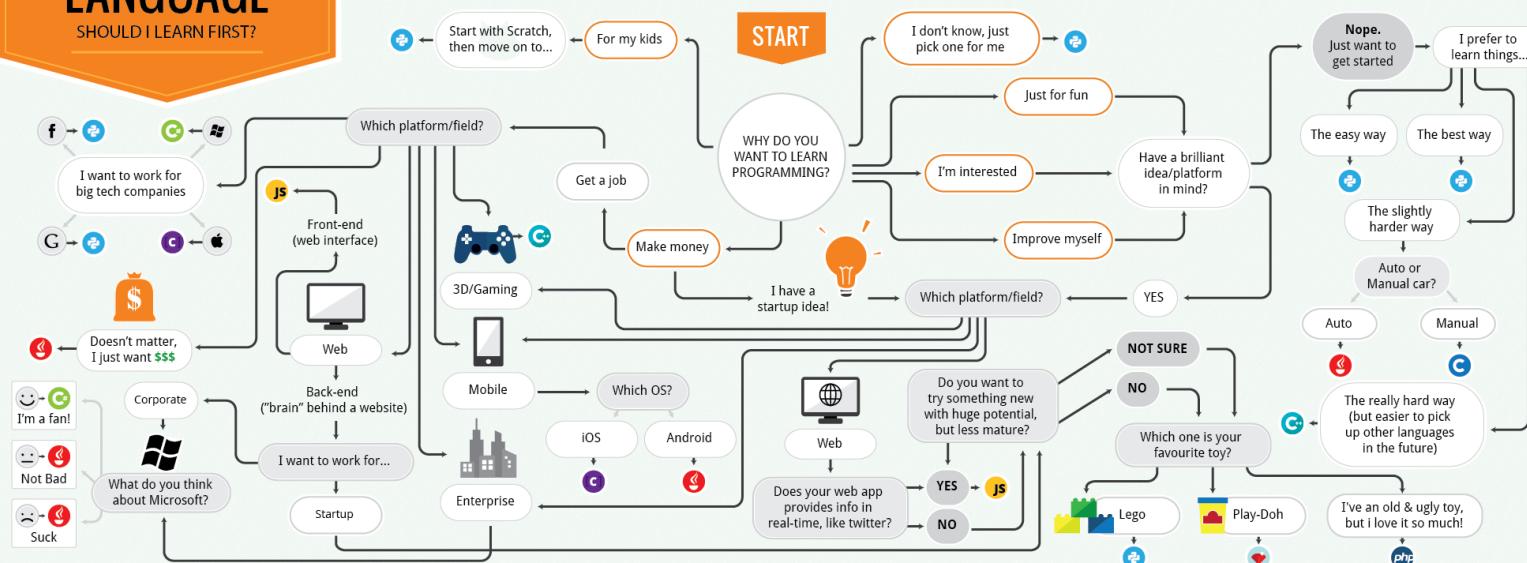
C++

JAVASCRIPT

C#

RUBY

OBJECTIVE-C



## THE LORD OF THE RINGS ANALOGY TO PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES



**Python**

The Ent

Help little Hobbits (beginners) to understand programming concepts

Help Wizards (computer scientists) to conduct researches

Widely regarded as the best programming language for beginners

Easiest to learn

Widely used in scientific, technical & academic field, i.e. Artificial Intelligence

You can build website using Django, a popular Python web framework



**Java**

Gandalf

Wants peace & works with everyone (portable)

Very popular on all platforms, OS, and devices due to its portability

One of the most in demand & highest paying programming languages

Slogan: write once, work everywhere



**C**

One Ring

The power of C is known to them all

Everyone wants to get its Power

Lingua franca of programming language

One of the oldest and most widely used language in the world

Popular language for system and hardware programming

A subset of C++ except the little details



**C++**

Saruman

Everyone thinks that he is the good guy

But once you get to know him, you will realize he wants the power, not good deeds

Complex version of C with a lot more features

Widely used for developing games, industrial and performance-critical applications

Learning C++ is like learning how to manufacture, assemble, and drive a car

Recommended only if you have a mentor to guide you



**JS**

Hobbit

Frequently underestimated (powerful)

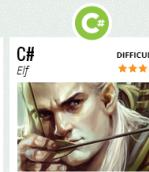
Well known for the slow, gentle life of the Shire (web browser)

Java and javascript are similar like Car and Carpet are similar - Greg Heffley

Most popular clients-side web scripting language

A must learn for front-end web developer (HTML, and CSS as well)

One of the hottest programming language now, due to its increasing popularity as server-side language (node.js)



**C#**

Eomer

Beautiful creature (language), used to stay in their land, Rivendell (Microsoft)

Can open up to their neighbours (open source)

A popular choice for enterprise to create websites and Windows application using .NET framework

Can be used to build website with ASP.NET, a web framework from Microsoft

Similar to Java in basic syntax and some features

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**Ruby**

Man (Middle Earth)

Very emotional creature

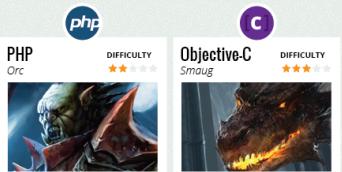
They (some Ruby developers) feel they are superior & need to rule the Middle Earth

Mostly known for its popular web framework, Ruby on Rails

Focuses on getting things done

Designed for fun and productive coding

Best for fun and personal projects, startups, and rapid development



**PHP**

Orc

Ugly guy (language) and doesn't respect the rules (inconsistent and unpredictable)

Big headache to those (developers) to manage them (code)

Yet still dominates the Middle-earth (most popular web scripting language)

Suitable for building small and simple sites within a short time frame

Supported by almost every web hosting services with lower price



**Objective-C**

Smaug

Lonely and loves gold

Primary language used by Apple for Mac OS X & iOS

Choose this if you want to focus on developing iOS or OS X apps only

Consider to learn Swift (newly introduced by Apple in 2014) as your next language

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