



CPSC 103

# Introduction to Systematic Program Design

2021 S1

Lecture: Module 1 Introduction to Python

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# Announcements

1. Welcome!
- ✓ 2. Join Piazza for Course announcements and Discussions.
- ✓ 3. Register in a Tutorial section, if not already!
- ✓ 4. Syllabus Quiz due on May 21, 10pm PDT.
- ✓ 5. Withdraw without a “W” in Transcript deadline is on 14 May 2021.
- ✓ 6. For any admin related queries email at [cpsec103-admin@cs.ubc.ca](mailto:cpsec103-admin@cs.ubc.ca)

# Course Structure

1. Total 8 Modules.
2. 1 Midterm, 1 Project, 1 Final Exam.
3. We'll cover 2 modules/week.
4. Pre-lecture assignments due on every Monday 10pm.
5. 2 Tutorials/week on Wed and Fri.
6. Tutorials due on 5 days after the Tutorial day.
7. Code Reviews, Worksheets due on following Sunday after the week.

# Tips to Succeed

1. Summer Term is intense, so be pro-active.
2. Do not wait for the deadline, take the action now.
3. Use Lecture time, Tutorial time to the fullest.
4. Use Office Hours to discuss your queries with TAs and course staff.
5. Lectures will be recorded; you can watch them again.
6. Use Screencasts and Extra Practice Problems in each module.
7. Take some rest and good care of yourself!

# Lecture Norms

1. Please keep your mic on mute.
2. Feel free to turn on/off your video.
3. If you have questions, type in the chat box.
4. I will be asking for questions frequently.
5. 10-15 min worksheet activity time after every 40-45 mins.

# Learning Goals

1. Getting Familiar with Jupyter Notebook to run Python code.
2. What is Systematic Program Design?
3. Introduce fundamental building blocks of a program.
4. Write statements that operate on primitive data.
5. Write variable definitions and function definitions
6. Write out the step-by-step evaluation of simple statements

# Jupyter Notebook Setup

Canvas -> Modules -> Module 1: Intro -> Setup Tutorial

## Setup Tutorial

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In this module, we will focus on learning about the Python programming language and Jupyter Notebooks.

Python is a powerful programming language that is used by many professional programmers. Learning a powerful, widely used language may sound daunting. In this course, however, we will build towards the full language by focusing on a subset of Python and only introducing new language features when the problems we're solving require them. This course is designed for students who have no prior programming experience so our expectation is that learning to program and learning Python will be new for you. If you already know how to program, we don't recommend that you take this course.

Jupyter Notebook "is a web application that allows you to create and share documents that contain live code, equations, visualizations and explanatory text" ([www.jupyter.org](http://www.jupyter.org)). The Jupyter Notebooks that we will be using are hosted online at [ubc.syzvygy.ca](http://ubc.syzvygy.ca) so you don't need to install any software on your own computer. Whenever you have access to the internet, you'll have access to your programming environment.

If you have any trouble below, please ask a TA or instructor for help on [Piazza](#)!

You should be able to **submit** your tutorials (and later your tutorial resubmissions and project stages) by using the submission system that appears when you run your tutorial notebook. **Try this early and ask for help** if you run into trouble! **If anything goes wrong with submission** you may need to download your files from Jupyter and upload them to Canvas. In that case, we have a guide on [how to download and submit your Jupyter notebooks](#) that you can refer to.

### Step 1: Setup

To get set up for CPSC 103 on [ubc.syzvygy.ca](http://ubc.syzvygy.ca), you should open [setup.ipynb](#) and run it.

Over the term, you may sometimes get a "404: Not Found" error when you try one of these links. That's usually because the file is not yet released (e.g., tutorial solutions release about 15 minutes after the tutorial deadline). If you encounter this error when you think you shouldn't, post on Piazza or e-mail [cpsc103-admin@cs.ubc.ca](mailto:cpsc103-admin@cs.ubc.ca) with details and ideally screenshots to show what's happening so we can help.

What is  
Systematic Program Design?

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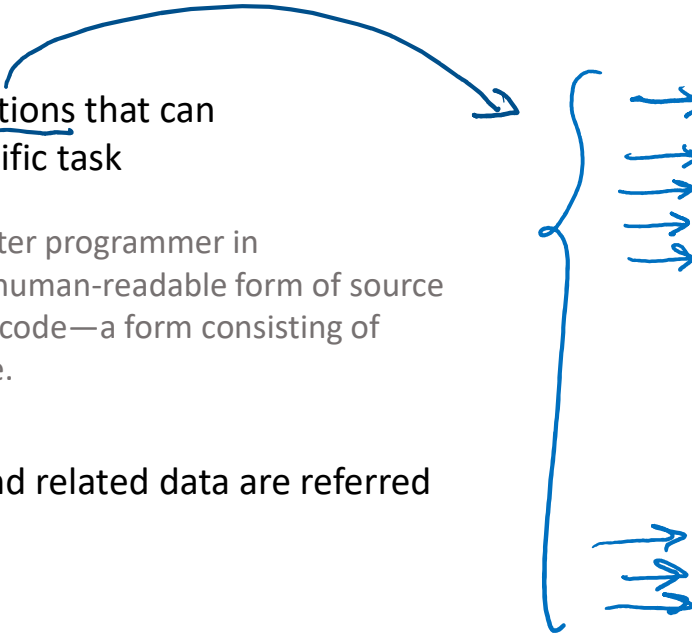
# Computer Program

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

A **computer program** is a collection of instructions that can be executed by a computer to perform a specific task

A computer program is usually written by a computer programmer in a programming language. From the program in its human-readable form of source code, a compiler or assembler can derive machine code—a form consisting of instructions that the computer can directly execute.

A collection of computer programs, libraries and related data are referred to as **software**.



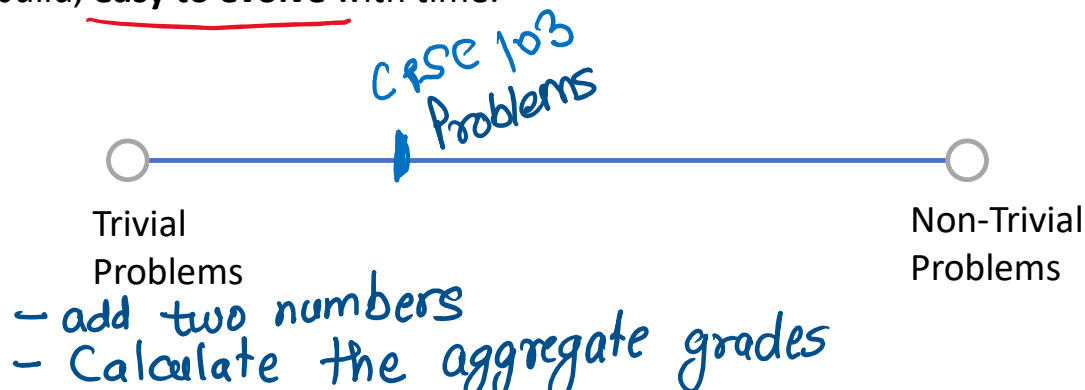
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16     """
17     Plots the locations in locd.
18     """
19     #return None #stub
20     # Template from viz
21
22     x_values = get_x_locations(locd)
23     y_values = get_y_locations(locd)
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25     # set the labels for the axes
26     pyplot.xlabel('E/W metres')
27     pyplot.ylabel('N/S metres')
28     pyplot.title('Locations of crime in.. a mystery city!')
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30     # create the scatterplot, with markers that are
31     # blue (c='b') and little dots (marker='.')
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47     # acc is the result so far
48     acc = [] # type: List[float]
49
50     for cd in locd:
51         acc.append(cd.x)
```

# Why Systematic Design?

It's a hard question to answer!

Computer Science deals with the art and science of solving problems. As the problem becomes more and more non-trivial, the approach needs to be more and more refined and systematic.

Because it makes the development more manageable, cost-effective to build, easy to evolve with time.



- Genome sequence  
- Self-driving car  
- Source of fake News

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# Building Blocks of a Program

1. Values & Data Types
2. Variables
3. Operations
4. Statements
5. Functions

# Values & Data Types


A value is a representation of some entity that can be manipulated by a program.

A data type represents the class/family to which a particular value belong. It tells the computer how to handle a specific data/value.

Something that  
Python Knows  
by default.

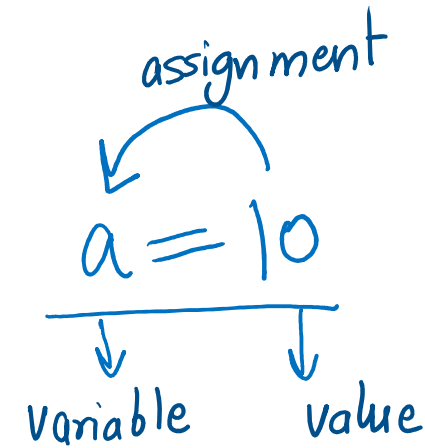
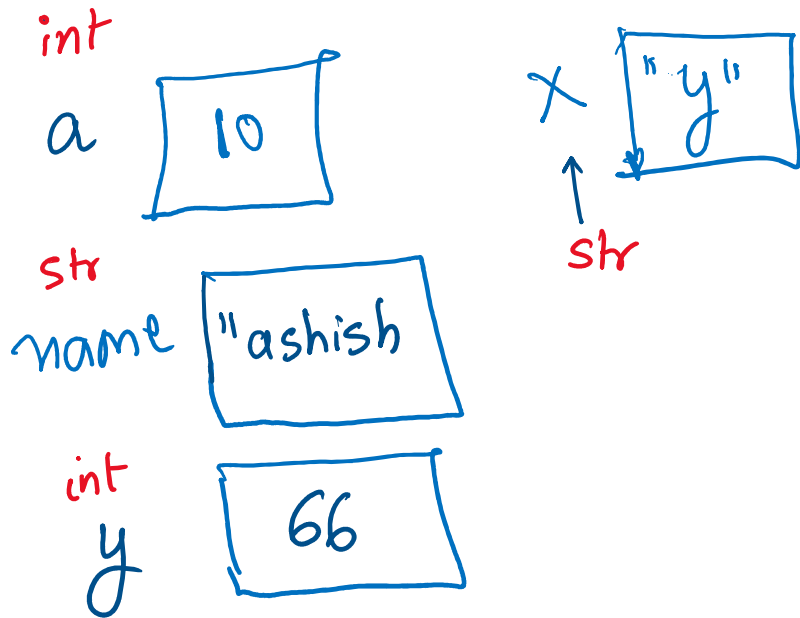


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TYPES

| Values  | Data Type |
|---|-----------|
| 10 15 -1 0 23845  | int       |
| 15.45 -0.037  | float     |
| "ashish" "cpsc103"  | string    |
| "Movie name",   | bool      |
| True False  | None      |
| None  | Image     |
|  |           |

# Variables

A variable is a place in memory that can store values. It is like a box that only fits one value at a time, every time we change it, we have to remove and discard the previous value.



```
a = 10
name = "ashish"
y = 66
x = y
x = "y"
```

# put 10 in variable a  
# put 'ashish' in variable name  
# put 66 in variable y  
# copy value stored in y in x  
# put "y" in variable x

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[Python Tutor](#)

# Operations

When you manipulate data values or variables during the execution of a program.

## Operations on Numbers

Arithmetic

+ / - \*

10 + 20

11 - 3/4

## Operations on Strings

"University of BC" + "ashish" + "chopra"  
↑ Concatenation

"University" + " of BC"  
↑ ↑ ↑ ↑  
0 1 2 3 .....

index of characters in a string →

"University"[2] → "i"

Operations on Boolean  
True False

and, or, not

# Statements

It is a piece of code that is executed by Python.

1. Expression Statements

2. Assignment Statements

3. Return Statements

4. Conditional Statements

⇒ If clause ①  
if-else ②  
if-elif-else ③

$10 + 3$   
 $51 - 5 * 2 / 3$

$a = 10$   
 $b = a + 10 / 2$   
value  
return  $10 * 2$   
return  $a$

→  $10 + 58 \rightarrow E$   
→  $a = 36 \rightarrow A$   
→  $a + 10 \rightarrow E$   
→  $b = a - 10 \rightarrow A$   
→  $\text{return } b \rightarrow R$

# Step-by-Step Evaluation

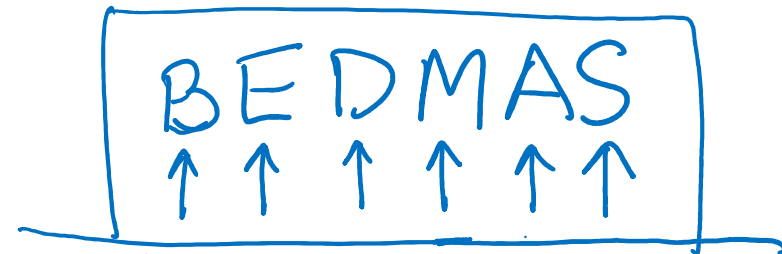
Expression statements (simply called Expressions) are evaluated to a value by Python.  
Here we'll see step by step evaluation process.

Step 1:  $10 + \underline{5/2} * 3$

Step 2:  $10 + \underline{2.5} * 3$

Step 3:  $\underline{10 + 7.5}$   
 $17.5$

$$\frac{10 + 2}{= 12}$$



$$10 + 5 / \underline{(2 * 3)}$$

$$10 + 5 / \underline{6}$$

$$\underline{10 + 0.833} = 10.833$$



# Tracing the Code

Let's see how Python execute a code given to it line-by-line.

```
a = 1
b = a + 10
a = a + 10
a == b
b = a + b
a = 100
a + b
```

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# Worksheet Activity Time!

Let's do  
Question 1 – 8

## Module 1 (Intro): Worksheet

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Upload a scanned version of your [Introduction to Python worksheet](#) . (For help on how to scan, see [Creating a PDF](#).)

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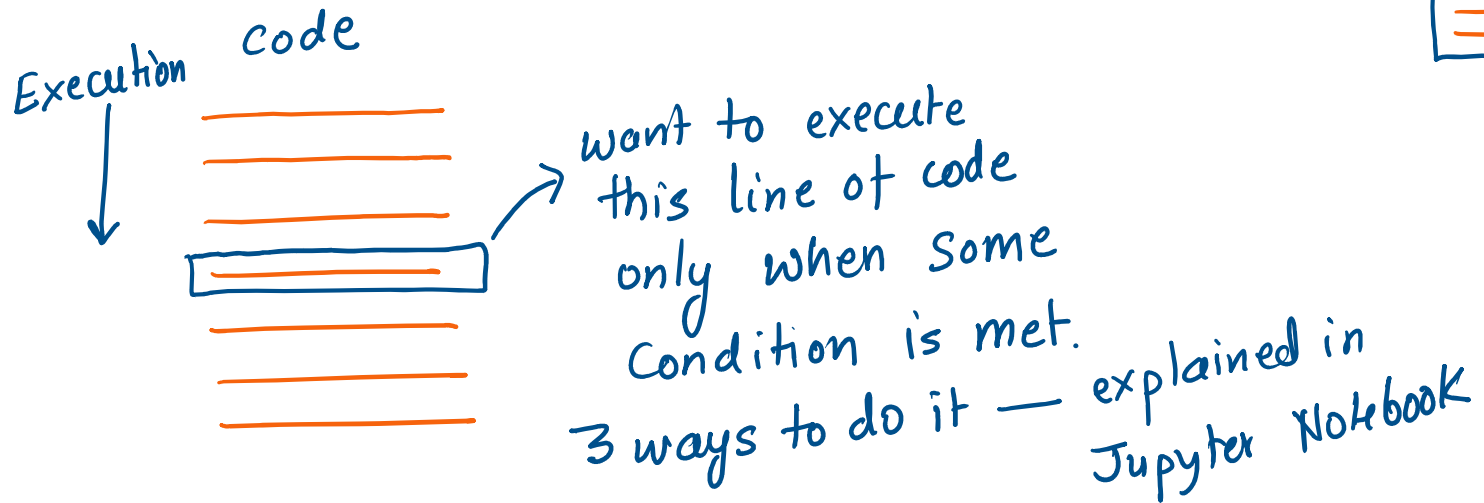
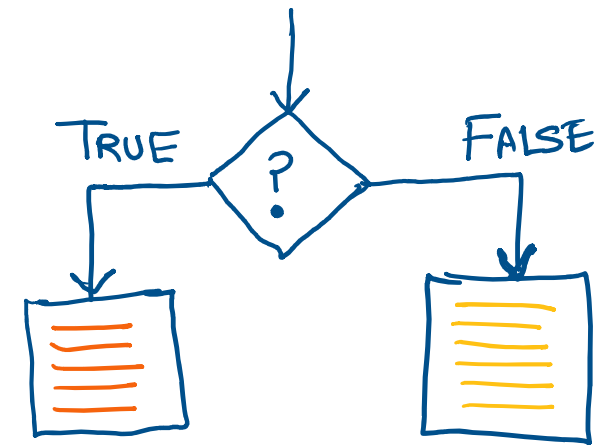
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# Conditional Statements

Sometimes we want Python to execute a piece of code when some condition is true. Also, if the condition is false, then we want to run another piece of code.

We use “if-else”, “if-elif-else” conditional statements to do the job.



# Functions

A function is a block of code which only runs when it is called and returns values as a result. It is like a machine!

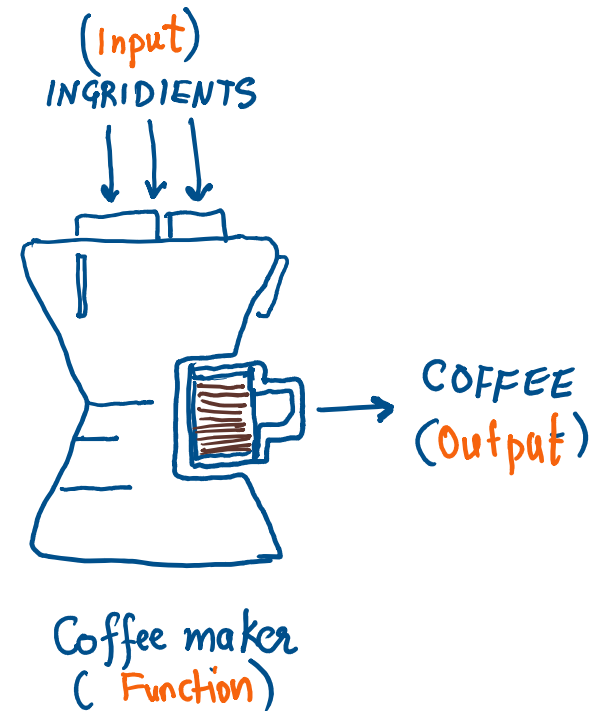
We build the machine once but run it as many times as we need. Similarly, we define a function once but call it as many times as we need.

It is like a black box which takes some input and return an output.

We learn two main aspects of the Function:

**Calling a Function** (It's like using the coffee-maker)

**Defining a Function** (It's like building the coffee-maker)



# Functions (*Terms*)

## Name

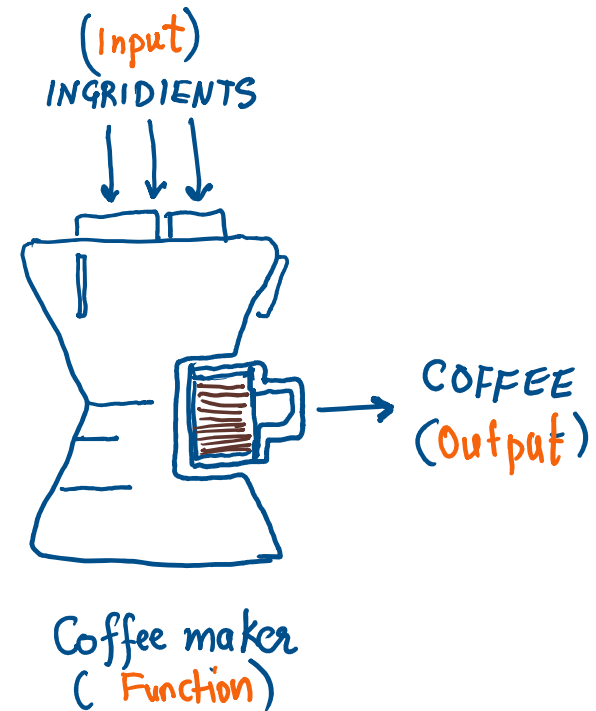
Every function has a name through which it is identified and called. For example, `len()`, `min()`, `max()`, `above()`, `sqrt()`

## Inputs (or parameters or arguments)

We can pass values to a function, just like we provide ingredients to the coffee maker.

## Output (or return value)

Just like how a coffee is returned out of a coffee-maker. Similarly, a function can return values as a result.



# Worksheet Activity Time!

## Let's do Question 9 – 16

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# Class Exercise!