

Overview

A Simple Python Program

```
import math
```

```
def circle_area(r):  
    area = math.pi * r**2  
    return area
```

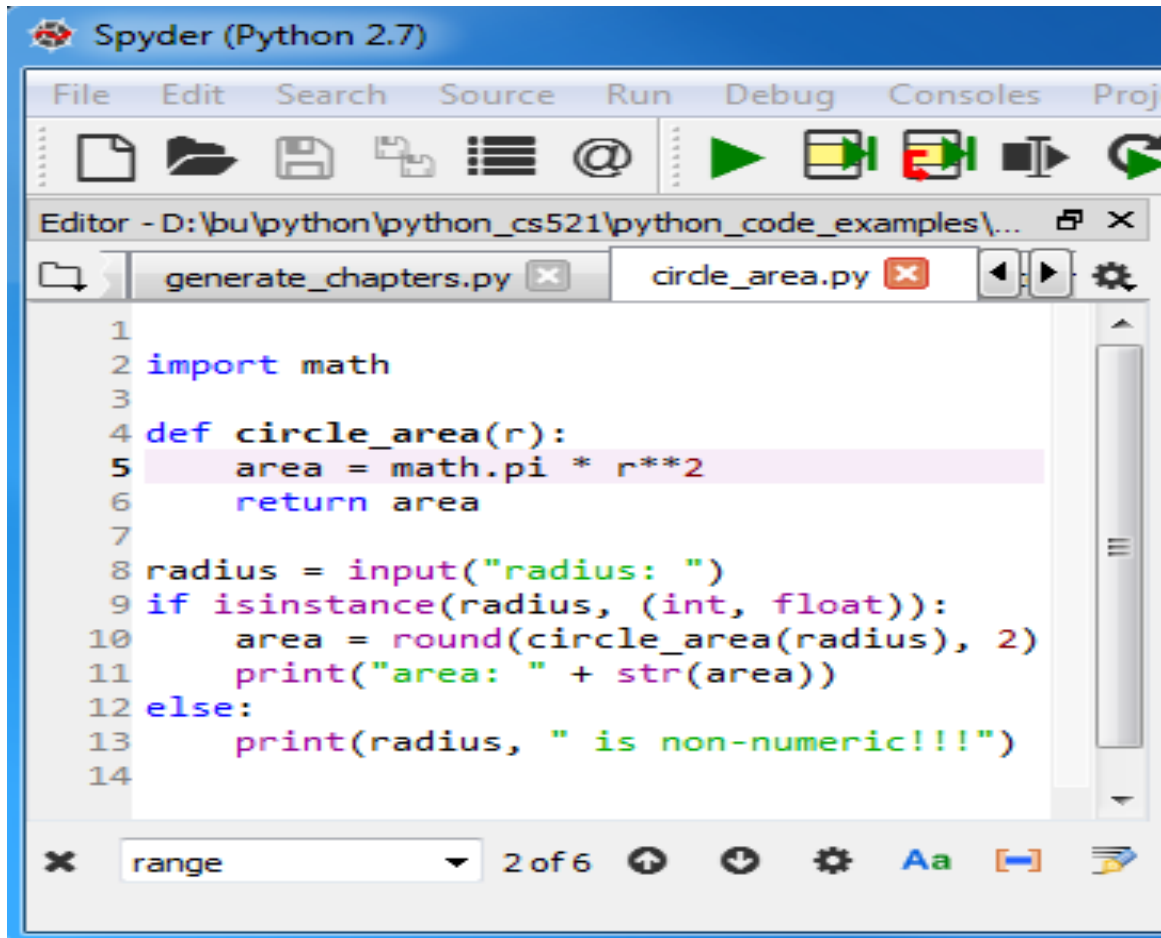
```
radius = input("radius: ")  
if isinstance(radius, (int, float)):  
    area = round(circle_area(radius), 2)  
    print("area: " + str(area))  
else:  
    print(radius, " is non-numeric!!!")
```

Comments and Indentation

```
import math
# one line comment
def circle_area(r):
    return area = math.pi * r**2
"""
Recommended indentation is 4 spaces
"""
radius = input("radius: ")
if isinstance(radius, (int, float)):
    area = round(circle_area(radius), 2)
    print("area: " + str(area))
else:
    print(radius, " is non-numeric!!!")
```

- indentation should be consistent

Python Program Structure

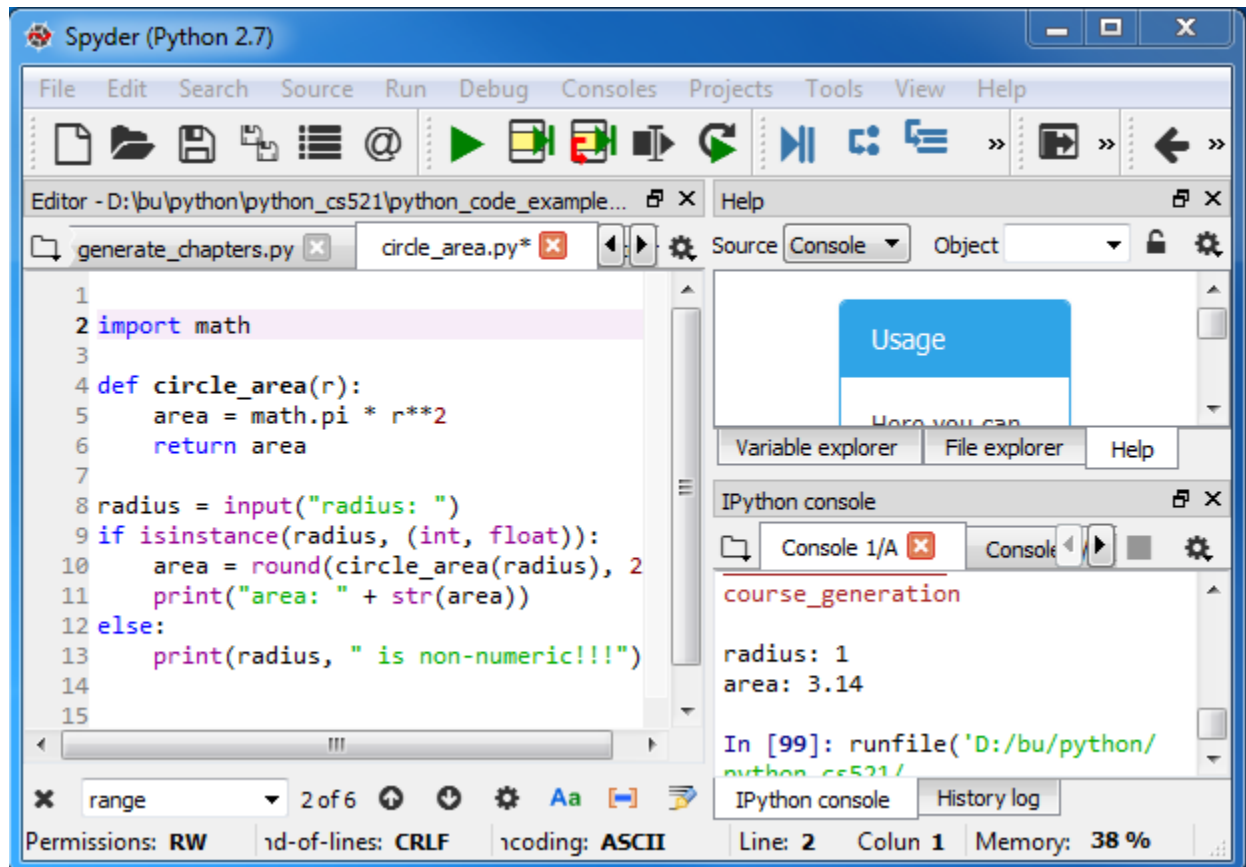
The image shows the Spyder Python IDE interface. The title bar reads "Spyder (Python 2.7)". The menu bar includes "File", "Edit", "Search", "Source", "Run", "Debug", "Consoles", and "Project". The toolbar contains icons for file operations (new, open, save, close), editing (undo, redo), and execution (run, step through, debug). The editor window shows a file named "circle_area.py" with the following Python code:

```
1
2 import math
3
4 def circle_area(r):
5     area = math.pi * r**2
6     return area
7
8 radius = input("radius: ")
9 if isinstance(radius, (int, float)):
10     area = round(circle_area(radius), 2)
11     print("area: " + str(area))
12 else:
13     print(radius, " is non-numeric!!!")
14
```

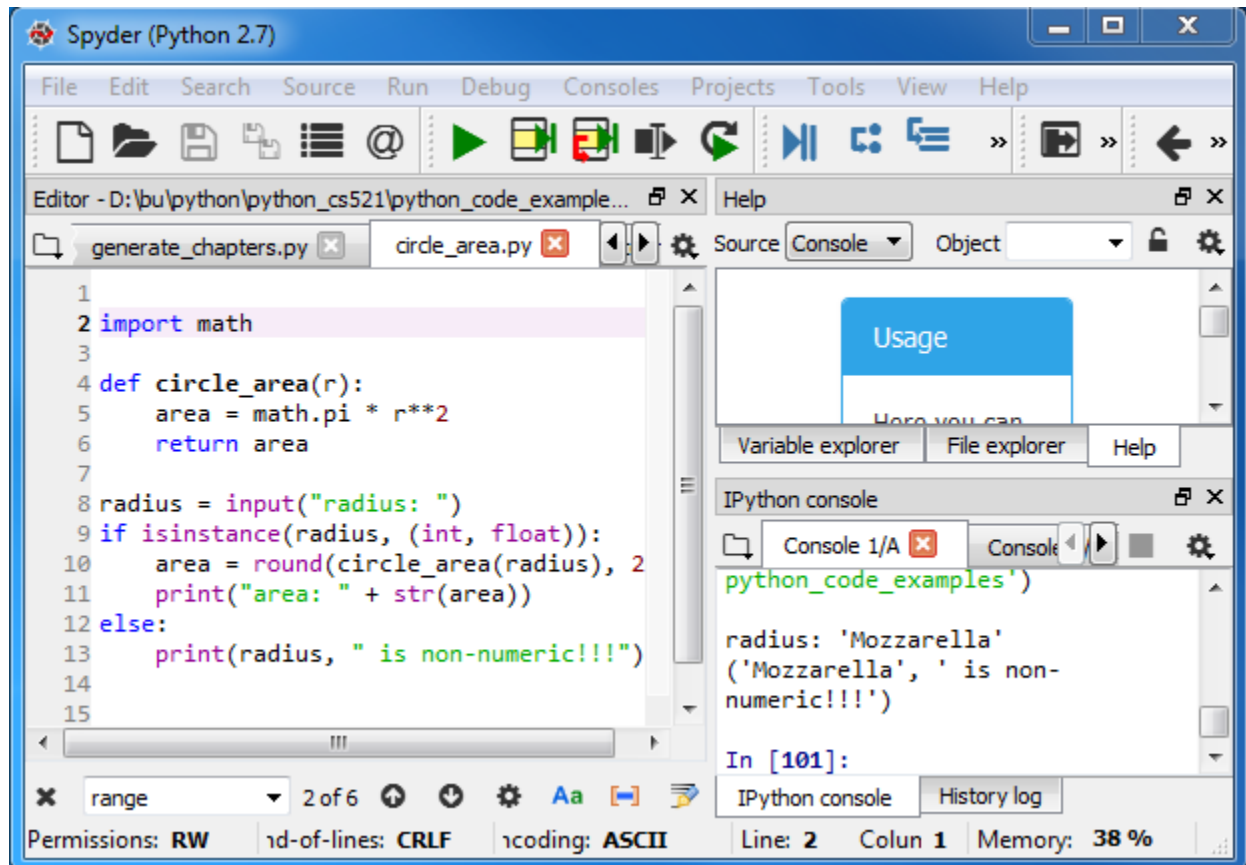
The status bar at the bottom shows a search for "range" with "2 of 6" results.

- programs contain modules
- modules contain statements
- statements contain expressions
- expressions create and process objects

Sample Valid Run (iPython)



Sample Invalid Run (iPython)



Example: “Golden” Ratio

```
import math

if __name__ == "__main__":
    x = math.sqrt(5)
    golden_ratio = (x - 1.0)/2
    print('x: ', round(x, 4))
    print('ratio: ', round(golden_ratio, 4))
```

>>>

```
runfile('D:/bu/python/python_cs521/python_
code_examples/misc.py')
```

```
('x: ', 2.2361)
```

```
('ratio: ', 0.618)
```

>>>

Conventions and Syntax

- program consists of statements

```
>>> x = 5.0 + math.sqrt(5)
```

- each statement terminated with newline
- multi-line statements with continuation '\'

```
>>> x = 5.0 + \
    math.sqrt(5)
```

- no '\ ' for multi-line within (), [], {}, “”

```
('ratio: ', 0.618)
```

```
>>> x = ['Mozzarella',
        'Brie']
```

- line comments start with #
- multiple statements separated with ';'

```
>>> x = 5 + math.sqrt(5); y = math.pi/2
```


Python Math Module

```
>>> help('math')
```

Help on built-in module math:

NAME

math

FILE

(built-in)

DESCRIPTION

This module is always available. It provides access to the mathematical functions defined by the C standard.

FUNCTIONS

sin(...)

sin(x)

Return the sine of x (measured in radians).

sqrt(...)

sqrt(x)

Return the square root of x.

DATA

e = 2.718281828459045

pi = 3.141592653589793

Importing Modules

- can import all functions or just some

```
>>> import math                # import all
```

```
>>> from math import sin      # some
```

```
>>> from math import *       # import math
```

- overwrites objects with the same name
- preferred solution is

```
>>> import A_module as A
```

```
>>> import B_module as B
```

- can distinguish functions with the same function name from different modules:

```
>>> x = A.function_name()
```

```
>>> y = B.function_name()
```

Python Modules

- collection of variables and functions
- definitions are imported
- file name is module name and 'py' extension
- some well-known modules:
 - NumPy – numerical python (matrices)
 - Pandas – panel data (tables)
 - Matplotlib – plotting
 - SciPy – scientific Python
 - Sklearn – machine learning

`__main__` Namespace

```
import math

def circle_area(r):
    area = 2 * math.pi * r**2
    return area

if __name__=="__main__":
    radius = input("radius: ")
    if isinstance(radius, (int, float)):
        area = round(circle_area(radius), 2)
        print("area: " + str(area))
    else:
        print(radius, " is non-numeric!!!")
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- `__main__` is the namespace of the Python interpreter

Namespaces and Objects

- namespace - a list of identifiers assigned to objects
- namespaces have identifiers
- “__main__” namespace for interpreter
- Python allows to include files of objects and functions – modules
- math.py - math functions and constants

Review Problems

Interview Problem

- is Python object oriented?
- what is object oriented programming?

Interview Problem

- how are the functions *help()* and *dir()* different?

Interview Problem

- what is a heap memory?

Interview Problem

- how is memory managed in Python?

Interview Problem

- what is garbage collection?

Interview Problem

- name 5 modules included by default

Interview Problem

- difference between .py and .pyc files

Interview Problem

- explain the difference between local and global namespaces

Interview Problem

- what is a Python module?

Interview Problem

- what is *docstring*?

Interview Problem

- name the four main types of namespaces in Python

Interview Problem

- how to redirect the output of a python script from stdout (i.e. monitor) on to a file?

Interview Problem

- which command do you use to exit help window or help command prompt?

Interview Problem

- does the functions *help()* and *dir()* list the names of all the built_in functions and variables? If no, how would you list them?

Interview Problem

- explain how Python does Compile-time and Run-time code checking?

Interview Problem

- why does all the memory is not de-allocated / freed when Python exits?

Interview Problem

- what are different features of Python?