

S1.3 What is the difference between a compiler and an interpreter?

Compilers and Interpreters are two strategies for obtaining runnable code (traditionally called as *machine code*) from a program written in some programming language, say, high-level source language.

Compilers translates a program written in *source language* to *target language*.

- Compilation can be slow because it is difficult to translate from a high-level source language to low-level languages
- *Target language* of compilers is *machine code*, which the computer processor knows how to execute

Interpreter reads the program and does whatever computation code describes.

- Given a program, interpreter can start running it without the time spent to compile it
- Code is more portable to different hardware architectures (any hardware architecture to which interpreter has been ported)
- It is slower than hardware execution of same computation because interpreter has to do many operations to figure out what it is supposed to be doing

No	Compiler	Interpreter
1	Complete program is given as input to the compiler (in human readable format)	Interpreter takes single step as input
2	Intermediate object code is generated	No intermediate object code is generated
3	Conditional control statements execute faster	Conditional control statements execute slower
4	Comparatively, more memory is required	Memory requirement is less
5	Errors are displayed after entire program is checked	Errors are displayed for every instruction interpreted
6	Example: C Compiler	Example: Python

S1.6 Where is 123 stored when the following statement (x = 123) is executed by the Python interpreter?

All the variables and their respective values are stored in the main memory of the computer. The Main Memory is used to store information that the CPU needs in a hurry. The main memory is nearly as fast as the CPU. But the information stored in the main memory vanishes when the computer is turned off.

S2.5 Write a program which prompts the user for a Celsius temperature and converts the temperature to Fahrenheit and prints out the converted temperature.

```
#####  
#    Celsius to Fahrenheit    #  
#####  
celsius = float(raw_input("Enter temperature in celsius: "))  
fahrenheit = ((celsius * 9.0 / 5.0 ) + 32.0)  
print "Temperature is %f celsius or %f fahrenheit" % (celsius, fahrenheit)
```

S3.3 Write a program to prompt for a score between 0.0 and 1.0. If the score is out of range print an error message. Otherwise, print a grade using the following table:

>= 0.9 A

>= 0.8 B

>= 0.7 C

>= 0.6 D

< 0.6 F

```
#####
```

```
#  Score to Grade  #
```

```
#####
```

```
score = float(raw_input("Enter score: "))
```

```
# Assigning grade to respective scores
```

```
while score >= 0.0 and score <= 1.0:
```

```
    if score >= 0.9:
```

```
        grade = 'A'
```

```
    elif score >= 0.8:
```

```
        grade = 'B'
```

```
    elif score >= 0.7:
```

```
        grade = 'C'
```

```
    elif score >= 0.6:
```

```
        grade = 'D'
```

```
    else:
```

```
        grade = 'F'
```

```
    print "Grade is %c" % grade
```

```
    break
```

```
else:
```

```
    print "Oops! Not a valid score."
```

S4.7 Rewrite the grade program above using a function called computegrade() that takes a score as its parameter and returns a grade as a string.

```
#####
```

```
#    Score to Grade - Function    #
```

```
#####
```

```
def computegrade(score):
```

```
    while score >= 0.0 and score <= 1.0:
```

```
        if score >= 0.9:
```

```
            grade = 'A'
```

```
        elif score >= 0.8:
```

```
            grade = 'B'
```

```
        elif score >= 0.7:
```

```
            grade = 'C'
```

```
        elif score >= 0.6:
```

```
            grade = 'D'
```

```
        else:
```

```
            grade = 'F'
```

```
    return grade
```

```
    break
```

```
else:
```

```
grade = "NA! Not a valid score entered."  
return grade
```

```
score = float(raw_input("Enter score: "))  
print "Grade is " + computegrade(score)
```

S5.1-2 Write a program which repeatedly reads numbers until the user enters 'done'. Once 'done' is entered, print out the total, count, average, min, and max of the numbers. If the user enters anything but a number, use try-except to detect the mistake, print an error message, and skip to the next number.

```
#####  
#   Calculating Basic Statistics   #  
#####
```

```
# Asking user for the entry and appending them to one list
```

```
num_list = []  
flag = 1  
while flag == 1:  
    try :  
        num = raw_input("Enter Number: ")  
        num = num.lower()  
        if num != 'done':  
            num_list.append(float(num))  
        elif num == 'done':  
            flag = 0
```

```
except:
```

```
    print "Wrong Entry! Enter a number or 'done'"
```

```
# Calculating and printing basic statistics for the final list
```

```
total = sum(num_list)
```

```
count = len(num_list)
```

```
average = total/count
```

```
min = min(num_list)
```

```
max = max(num_list)
```

```
print "Sum is %f" % total
```

```
print "Count is %f" % count
```

```
print "Average is %f" % average
```

```
print "Minimum is %f" % min
```

```
print "Maximum is %f" % max
```

S6.5 Take the following Python code that stores a string

```
str = 'X-DSPAM-Confidence: 0.8475'
```

and extract the portion of the string after the colon character. Then use float() to convert the extracted string into a floating point number.

```
#####
```

```
# String Extract #
```

```
#####
```

```
str = "X-DSPAM-Confidence: 0.8475"
```

```
index_of_colon = str.find(':')  
extracted_string = str[(index_of_colon + 1) : len(str)]  
string_to_num = float(extracted_string.strip())  
  
print "Extracted string (or floating point number) is ", string_to_num
```