


Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs

with Python 

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Class Rules

1. Please have your camera on
2. Please stay mute unless you are told not to
3. If you have a question, please use the raise hand function
4. I will post all the resource on the website

<https://seanliyucheng.github.io/intro-to-cs/>

Let's introduce yourself to your new friends

Name

Age

School

programming background

Etc.

What is programming?

And where is it used?

What is Python?

And what can you do with it?

Use Cases

- Web Development
- Scientific Research
- Software Development
- Most companies use it more or less



and a lot more

Advantages

- Human readable
- Easy to deploy
- Robust Libraries
- Efficiency

What this course is about?

- This course is adapted from a Berkeley computer science course
- An introduction to programming
- Full understanding of Python fundamentals
- Combining multiple ideas in large projects
- How computers interpret programming languages
- **THIS IS A CHALLENGING COURSE**
- **BUT YOU DEFINITELY WILL ACE IT AS LONG AS YOU KEEP TRYING**

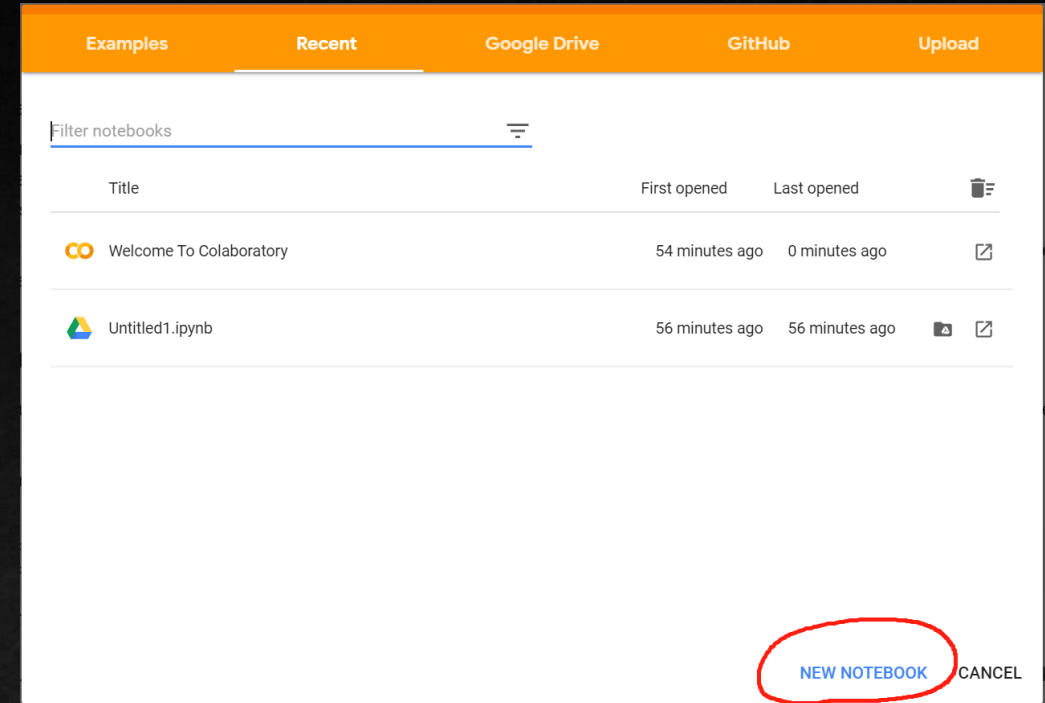
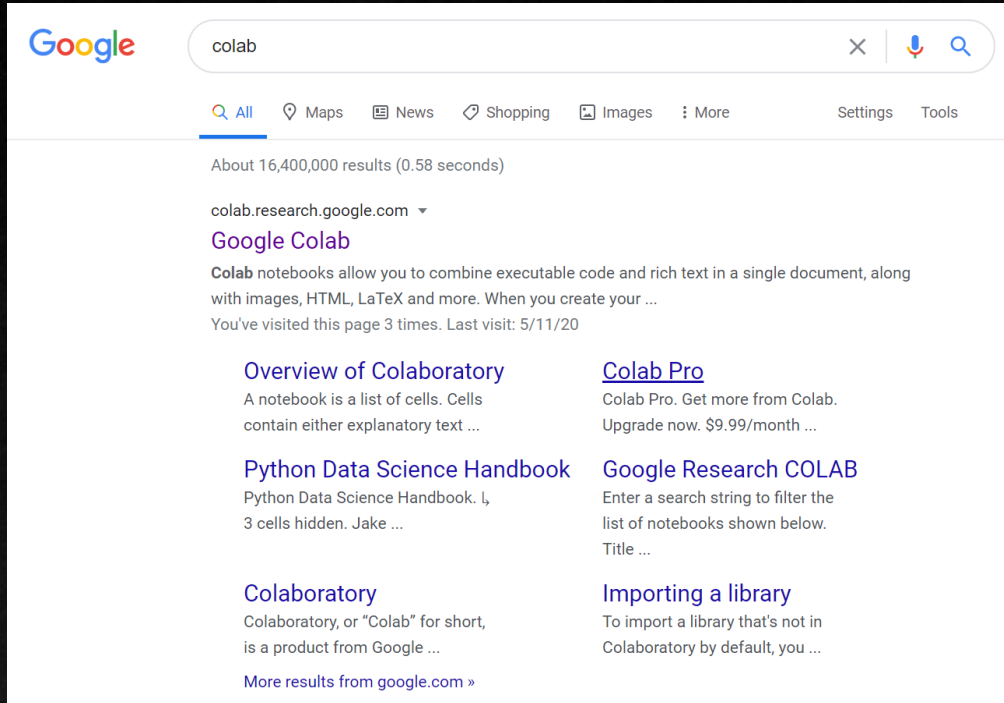
Syllabus

We use Colab to run our code online

<https://colab.research.google.com/>

1	• Functions
2	• Names
3	• Iteration
4	• Control/Loops
5	• Mini-Project
6	• List, Array
7	• Debugging
8	• Board Game Fundamentals
9	• Object Oriented Programming
10	• Project Composition
11	• Project Implementation
12	• Project Complete

Colab Setup



Just like any other google stuff, it's linked directly to your google account and no installation is required.

Expressions

An expression describes a computation/evaluation
and evaluates to a value

$$3+5$$

$$2^{10}$$

$$\text{add}(1, 2)$$

Exercise

Determine whether the following is an expression or not

$3*5$

2

$F(x)$

$\text{divide}(1, 2)$

Call Expression

All expressions can use function call notation

`add(1, 2)`

How is this evaluated?

Call Expression

add (1 , 2)

operator operand operand

Operators and operands are also expressions so they evaluate to values.

Evaluation Process

1. Evaluate the operator and then the operand subexpressions
2. Apply the function that is the value of the operator to the arguments that are the values of the operands

But sometimes things get complicated...

Nested Expression Evaluation

`mul(add(4, mul(4, 6)), add(3, 5))`

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mul (add (4 , mul (4 , 6)) , add (3 , 5))

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Nested Expression Evaluation

mul (add (4 , mul (4 , 6)) , add (3 , 5))

Function: mul

add (4 , mul (4 , 6))

Function: add

4

24

mul (4 , 6)

Function: mul

4

6

Nested Expression Evaluation

`mul (add (4 , mul (4 , 6)) , add (3 , 5))`

Function: mul

28

`add (4 , mul (4 , 6))`

Function: add

4

24

`mul (4 , 6)`

Function: mul

4

6

Nested Expression Evaluation

mul (add (4 , mul (4 , 6)) , add (3 , 5))

Function: mul

28

add (3 , 5)

add (4 , mul (4 , 6))

Function: add

4

24

mul (4 , 6)

Function: mul

4

6

Nested Expression Evaluation

mul (add (4 , mul (4 , 6)) , add (3 , 5))

Function: mul

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add (4 , mul (4 , 6))

Function: add

4

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mul (4 , 6)

Function: mul

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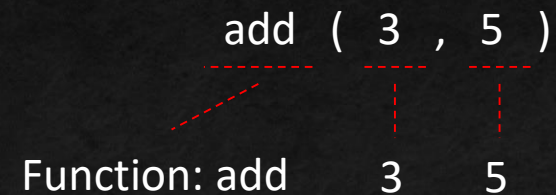
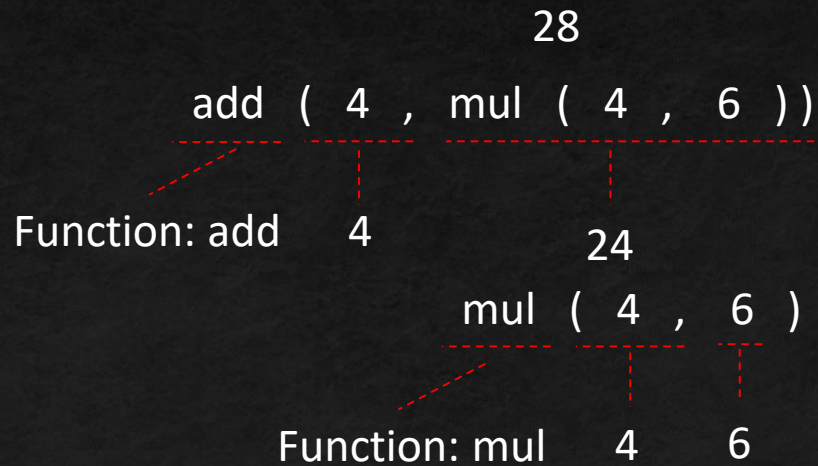
add (3 , 5)

Function: add

Nested Expression Evaluation

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Function: mul



Nested Expression Evaluation

mul (add (4 , mul (4 , 6)) , add (3 , 5))

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Function: mul

Nested Expression Evaluation

mul (add (4 , mul (4 , 6)) , add (3 , 5))

Function: mul

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Exercise:

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add (add ( mul ( 1 , 2 ) , 6 ) , mul ( 2 , 5 ))
```


Define a function:

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[12] def mul(a, b):  
      return a * b  
  
      def add(a, b):  
          return a + b
```

Do you notice a pattern?

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Define a function:

- All complete functions start with a keyword **“def”**
- Keyword **“return”** is optional. Whenever you need to return something, your last line should be **[return + the stuff you want to return]**
- If you don't return, it will return **none** automatically.

Exercise:

Try to define your own subtraction and division function