

Discussion 1

Control and Environment Diagrams

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Announcements

- HW2 Releases on Friday
- Lab Checkoffs
 - You must get checked off to receive credit
 - You must also submit something to Gradescope for the points to count
 - This submission does not need to be finished!
- Pre-lab Checkoffs
 - If you want to get lab checked off without attending lab, you must finish both the required and the optional questions of the lab, and then send it to me!
 - For now, use email, but by next discussion, I'll have something for submitting using a Google Form which I'll be a lot better at keeping track of.

Questions/comments from last section

- Please fill out the attendance form with stuff you want to show up here!
- (Put some fun stuff - I like answering fun questions)
 - Have had questions about games/music/etc. if that's the stuff you want to fill
- Will also ask you to fill something for Lab so I have more material for this slide next time.

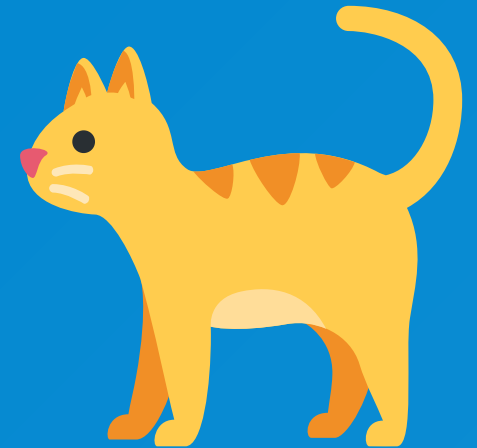
Temperature Check

- Call Expressions (call expression order, what they look like)
- Values/Types (Integers, Strings, Floats, Booleans, etc.)
- Environment Diagrams
- Functions
- Control
 - `if`, `while`

Slides can all be found on

teaching.roux1.es

Control



Booleans

Falsey	Truthy
False	True
None	Everything else
0	
[], "", (), {}	

This is Python specific! This table above doesn't necessarily apply to other languages (and later into the semester you'll see an example where the table above doesn't match the way the language works)

Boolean Operators

- `not`
 - Returns the *opposite* truthy value of the expression.
 - For example, if you type `not 0`, Python will return `True`
- `and`
 - Short circuits if it reaches a *falsey* value, and returns that value
 - *This is not necessarily* `False`
 - If all the values are truthy, the *last* value is returned
- `or`
 - Short circuits if it reaches a *truthy* value, and returns that value
 - *This is not necessarily* `True`
 - If all the values are falsey, the *last* value is returned.

Short Circuiting

- In call expressions, *everything* is evaluated from left to right, but this is not the case for when things short circuit.
- In `and` and `or` statements, all statements are not necessarily evaluated.
- `and` will keep on evaluating from left to right until it finds the first *falsey* value. If it finds a *falsey* value, it simply returns that value

Short Circuiting

- The last value will always be returned as is if you reach it:
 - For **or**, it will short circuit when it reaches the first truthy value, so if it sees only falsy values until the end, or will simply just return the last value as is.
 - Let's take a look at a smaller example:
 - **False, True \Rightarrow True**
 - **False, False \Rightarrow False**
 - Notice how the last elements are the same
 - This is why the last element is returned as is (it's very similar for and, except everything before is True)

Short Circuiting

Examples

- `1 and True and 1/0`
 - This will error 😭
- `1 and True and 0 and 1/0`
 - Returns 0 ✓
- `1 or True or 1/0`
 - Returns 1 ✓
- `0 or 1 or True or 1/0`
 - Returns 1 ✓

If Statements

```
if <condition>:  
    <block of statements>  
[elif <condition>:] # optional; short for 'else if'  
    <block of statements>  
[else:] # optional  
    <block of statements>
```

- Don't forget the colons!
- `else` does not need a conditional
- You can chain together as many `elif` blocks as you want
- Evaluate all `if`s unless there's a `return` statement that ends the function
 - If you have a whole block of if/elif/else, you only evaluate at maximum 1 of the blocks.

Example (If Statements)

```
n = 0
if n == 0:
    print("hi")
else:
    print("bye")
if n == n:
    print("0")
```

In this case, the console will output

```
hi
0
```

return in Functions

```
def box(x):  
    return x + 2  
    print(x + 3) # you will never reach this line  
  
x = box(3)  
x # 5
```

- `return` will prematurely exit a function, and will make Python evaluate that function call to whatever gets `returned`

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While Loops

```
while <condition>:  
    <block of statements>
```

- A while loop allows for a repeated execution of a certain block of code, allowing you to write just one thing that will end up being executed multiple times.
- The condition is checked before the execution of each *iteration*.
- To avoid an infinite loop, you must make sure your while loop changes the variable in the condition

While Loops Examples

Example 1

```
n = 0
while n < 5:
    print(n)
    n = n + 1 # Without this line you will have an infinite loop!
print(n)
```

Output:

```
0
1
2
3
4
5
```

While Loops Examples

Example 2

```
n = 5
while n < 5:
    # Doesn't pass the condition on the initial loop
    # as a result, doesn't run any of the blocks
    print(n)
print(n)
```

Output:

```
5
```

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Environments



Environment Diagrams

- Environment diagrams are a great way to learn how coding languages work under the hood
- Keeps track of all the variables that have been defined, and the values that they hold
 - Done with the use of *frames*
- Expressions evaluate to values:
 - `1 + 1` → `2`
- Statements do not evaluate to values:
 - `def` statements, assignments, etc.
- Statements change our environment

Frames

- The `Global Frame` exists by default
- Frames list bindings between variables and their values
- Frames also tell us how to look up values

Assignment

- Assignment statements bind a value to a name
 - The right side is evaluated before being bounded to the name on the left
 - `=` is not the same in Python and mathematics
- These are then put in the *correct frame* in the environment diagram

```
x = 2 * 2 # 2 * 2 is evaluated before bound to the name x
```


Assignment

$x = 2 * 2$ # $2 * 2$ is evaluated before bound to the name x

Global Frame

$x \mapsto 4$ ← result of evaluating
 $2 * 2$

def statements

- Creates function (objects), and binds them to a variable name
- The function is **not** executed until called!
- Name of the variable is the name of the function
- Parent of the function is the frame where the function is *defined*
- Keep track of:
 - Name
 - Parameters
 - Parent

Worksheet!

Mental Health Resources

- CAPS:
 - If you need to talk to a professional, please call CAPS at 510-642-9494.
- After Hours Assistance
 - For any assistance after hours, details on what to do can be found at [this link](#)

Anonymous Feedback Form

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Thanks for coming! 🎉

Please give me feedback on what to improve!