

# CompSci 101

## Fall 2021

Lecture 3

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# Reminders

- Social distance
- Livestream/async option
- Ed Discussion
- Assignments
  - APT-0 due Thurs
  - Complete Prelab-1 ASAP
  - QZ1-4(Due 9/7 @145pm)-ONLY ONES EXTENDED
- Lab 1-Friday
  - Complete Prelab-1
  - Attend your assigned section!
- Assessments
  - 3C Assessment-Learning Innovation
  - “Who Are You?”-Ms. Velasco (Welcome email)
  - 80% response rate → Extra credit

# Key instructions

- Input
- Output
- Assignments\*
- Math/Logic
- Conditionals
- Repetition

*\*not listed in book*

# PFTD

- **Functions**
  - Pre-defined
  - Parameters
  - Scope

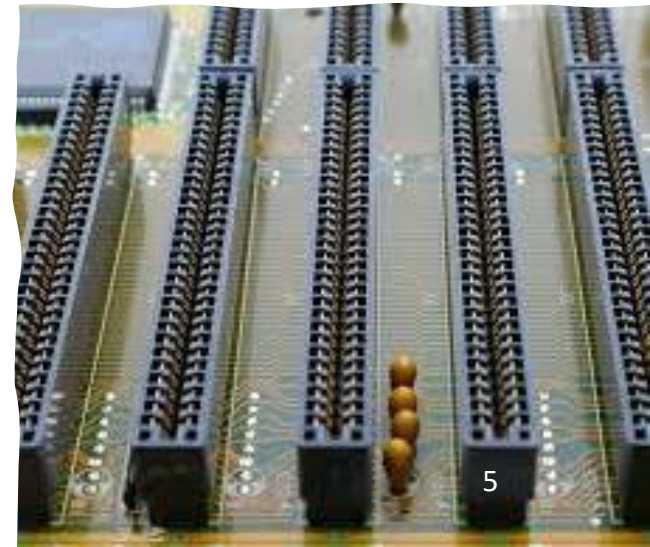
“The mere imparting of information is not education.”

- Dr. Carter G. Woodson

# People to Know: Dr. Mark Dean

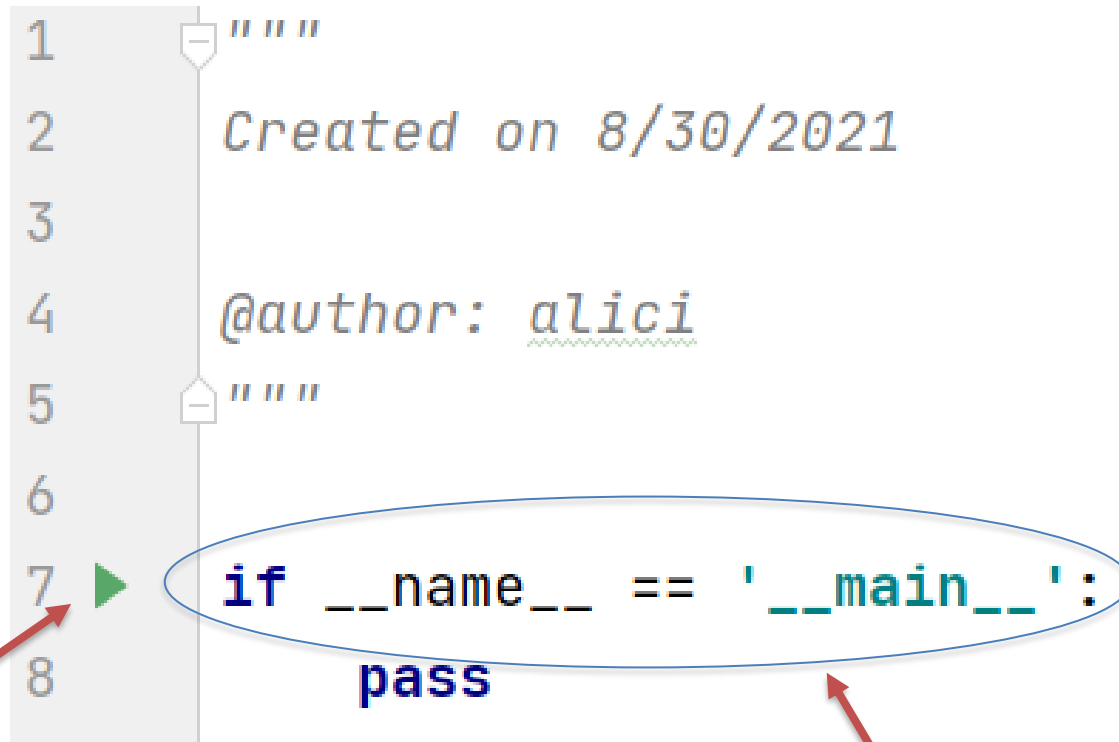
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- Tennessee (BS, EE)
- Florida Atlantic (MS, EE)
- Stanford (PhD, EE)
- Developed ISA bus
- Holds 3 of 9 patents on original PC
- First Black IBM Fellow
- Former Dean & Professor Emeritus, University of Tennessee



# Reminder: main

```
1  """
2  Created on 8/30/2021
3
4  @author: alici
5  """
6
7  if __name__ == '__main__':
8      pass
```



Always indication of starting point IN PYCHARM ONLY

ALWAYS indication of starting point

# Reminders

- **Software goals**
  - Simplicity, reusability, easily modified
- **Algorithm**
  - Step-by-step solutions to problem
  - Multiple algorithms needed in a single program
- **Variables**
  - Names for memory locations
  - Variables store values
    - Reusability
- **DESIGN FIRST (KISS model)**
  - How do we do this?

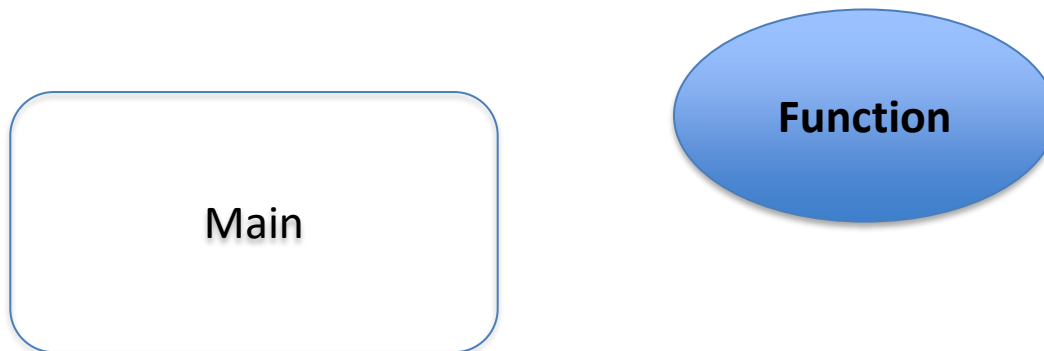
# Can we reuse algorithms?

- **Ex: Directions to the Bryan Center**
  - What if you need to give these to everyone in the class?
  - How do we make this simple, easy to modify, and reusable for 200+ people?
- **How do we do this for programs we create?**



# Functions

- “A named sequence of statements that belong together.”
- Accomplishes one task
  - Sound familiar?
- Written separately as its own “container”-ish
  - NOT written inside “main” (but used there)



# Requirements of any function

- You must know:
  1. Where it's defined (i.e., located)
  2. How to use (i.e., call) it (name)
  3. Any input it requires (parameters/arguments)
  4. Expected result (if any) of its execution (i.e., value)
    - Variable to store that value

# Ex. Directions to Bryan Center

- Where it's defined (i.e., located)
  - *Course website*
- How to use (i.e., call) it (name)
  - *directions*
- Any input it requires (parameters/arguments)
  - *Bryan Center*
- Expected result (if any) of its execution (i.e., value)
  - *Directions to Bryan Center provided*
  - *You must "store" these (pocket, picture, etc.)*

# Two types of functions

- **Pre-defined**
  - Built into Python language
  - Commonly used by programmers
  - `print()`, `len()`, `random()`
- **Programmer-defined**
  - YOU must create them from scratch!!
  
- **Python Standard Library**
  - <https://docs.python.org/3/library/>
- **Additional Python reference**
  - <https://www.w3schools.com/python/default.asp>

# How to use pre-defined functions

1. Where it's defined
2. How to use (i.e., call) it (name)
3. Any input required (parameters/arguments)
4. Expected result (if any) of its execution (i.e., value)
  - Variable to store that value

```
import module_name
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    print(module_name.function_name(arguments))
```

```
import math  
  
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    print(math.floor(6.3333345))
```

How do these functions work??

# Random numbers

- `random.random( )`
  - Return floating point number in range  $[0.0, 1.0)$
  - Demo
- `random.randint(a, b)`
  - Return random integer  $N$  such that  $a \leq N \leq b$
- How would we simulate rolling dice?

# Activity 1: Rolling Dice

<http://bit.ly/101f21-08-31-1>

# Reminders

- Some functions “return” values after they complete.
  - Your program must “catch” (i.e., store) that value in a variable.
  - Otherwise → no way of using results of the function
  - Demo



# Reminders

- Work smarter, not harder
- Design first
- Try to identify where you are stuck
  - Identify resources to help solve problem
- Leverage your design and PythonTutor to understand program flow of control
  - <http://pythontutor.com>