

Repr vs. Str

Objects have 2 string representations:

- str: legible to humans
- repr: legible to Python interpreter

* often same but sometimes differ

Repr

• returns equal expression when eval is called

eval(repr(object)) == Object ✓

• when just written in python, what shows up

```
>>> "cat"
```

```
'cat'
```

```
>>> 12
```

```
12
```

```
>>> max
```

```
<built-in function max>
```

BUT

```
>>> repr("cat")
```

```
"'cat'"
```

remember "!"

```
>>> repr(12)
```

```
'12'
```

```
>>> repr(max)
```

```
'<built-in function max>'
```

```
>>> half = Fraction(1,2)
```

```
>>> half
```

```
Fraction(1/2)
```

```
>>> repr(half)
```

```
'Fraction(1/2)'
```

Print / what python prints when calling print

```
>>> print("cat")
```

```
cat
```

```
>>> print(12)
```

```
12
```

```
>>> print(max)
```

```
<built-in function max>
```

```
>>> print(half)
```

```
'1/2'
```

```
>>> print(repr("cat"))
```

```
'cat'
```

```
>>> print(repr(12))
```

```
12
```

```
>>> print(repr(max))
```

```
<built-in function max>
```

```
>>> print(repr(half))
```

```
Fraction(1/2)
```

BUT

* lose the "!"