

Python 101

CS101 lec05

Functions

Announcements

quiz: [quiz05](#) due Thurs 09/26

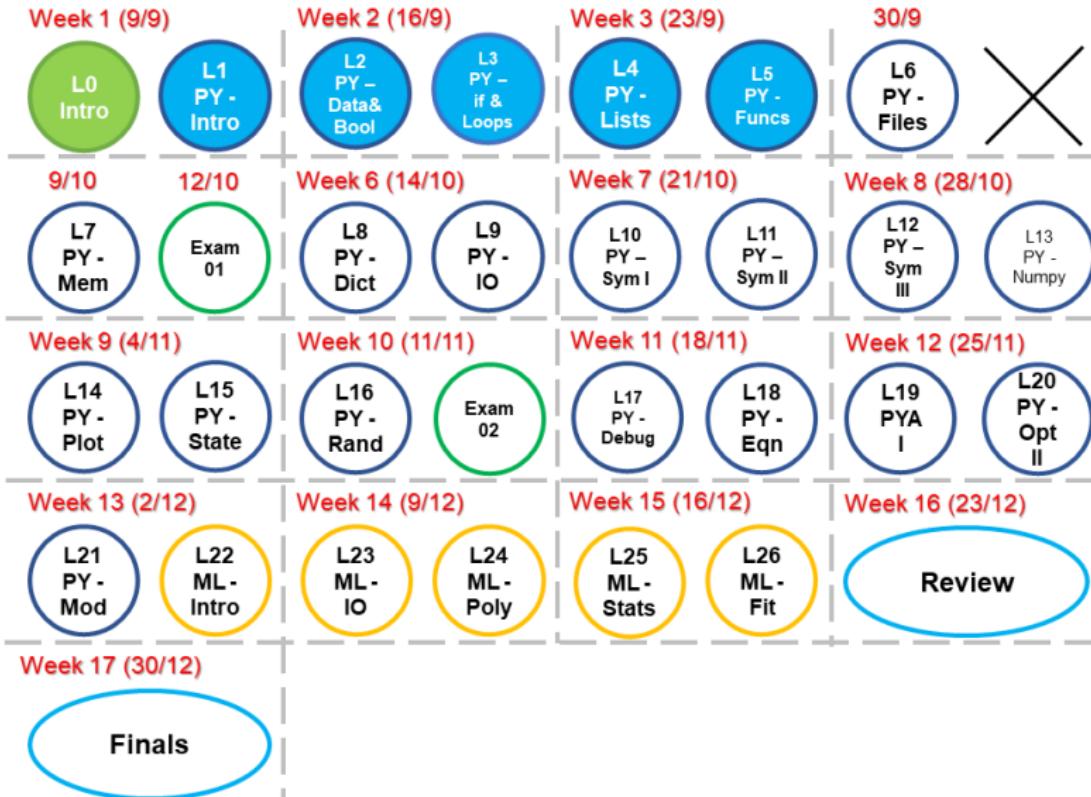
lab: [lab02](#) on Fri 09/27

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[quiz05](#), lab01 - lab03

Roadmap



Objectives

- A. Write a simple `function` to implement a mathematical formula.
- B. Use `function` to modularize code.
- C. Explain how `variable scope` impacts what the program "sees".
- D. Understand the difference between *returning a value* and *printing a value*.
- E. Use default values of `(keyword arguments)` in functions.

Recap on List

Question 1

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Add some more conditions!

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```
if any(s in tryI.lower() for s  
      in 'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz'):  
    # must have any of the letters from the alphabet  
    if any(s in tryI for s in '0123456789'):  
        # must have any numbers  
        print( 'Password OK' )
```

No

String Methods

M2.

```
numE, lettE = 0, 0
for number in range(10):
    #find numbers, .find() returns -1 if not found
    if tryI.find(str(number)) != -1:
        numE = 1
        break
tryI = tryI.lower()
for letter in "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz":
    if tryI.find(letter) != -1:
        lettE = 1
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if lettE == 1 and numE == 1:
    print("Password OK")
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M3

```
lettE = 0
lettCap = 0
lengthS = len(tryI)
for letter in tryI:
    if letter in 'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
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        lettE += 1
    if not (tryI.isupper() or tryI.islower()):
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    if lettE == lengthS and lengthS >= 8
                    and lettCap > 0:
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OK

String comparison methods

These produce Boolean output.

`isdigit()` Does a string contain
only numbers?

`isalpha()` Does a string contain
only text?

`isalnum()` what does this
do?

`islower()` Are **all the letters in a**
string lower-case?

`isupper()` Are **all the letters in a**
string upper-case?

List Methods

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- `x.sort()`

Sort big to small (descending order)

- `x.reverse()`

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Function, Method, Attribute

Function e.g., `print()` etc

a piece of code that is called by name.
belongs to a library or your own code

Method e.g., `.isupper()` etc

also a function but special!
belongs to a data type

Attribute e.g., `.isupper()`, `.real` etc

property of the data type
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        return False
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    return True  # password is OK
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Also called subroutine or procedure.

output** is the return value of the function
but it is optional
input is also called argument(s)

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Others we will create when needed.

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`y = print('-123')`, `y = ?` (Any return value?)

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print()  
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min( 1,4,5 )  
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Be careful of nonsense:

```
int( "Data" )  
int( 0.37 + 2j )
```

Composing Functions

Example: Defining functions

```
def pow( a,b ):  
    y = a ** b  
    return y
```

Defining functions

We define a new function with the following:

- the keyword `def`
- the name of the function
- a pair of parentheses
- a **block** of code
- a `return` statement (optional)

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Parameters/Argument

Functions can accept values as arguments.

These variables are declared in the function header.

e.g.,

```
def print_message( msg ):
```

Multiple parameters are separated by commas.

```
def print_message( msg1, msg2, msg3 ):  
    print( 'I say:', str(msg1)+str(msg2)+str(msg3) )
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Scope

Variables defined inside of a block are *independent* of variables outside of the block.

Variables inside a block *do not exist* outside of the block.

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def my_default_value( a=5 ):  
    print( 'I have the value %i.' % a )
```

1. my_default_value()
2. my_default_value(6)
3. my_default_value(a=6) #Less used;

Note: variable used in 3. is the same
as defined in the function()

Exercise

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def isclose( a, b, rtol=1e-3 ):  
    return ( abs( a-b ) / min( abs(a), abs(b) )  
            <= rtol
```

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tt = 21!

This is called a recursive function

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1. function can be `import` from library or written on your own
2. `Def (arg1, arg2 ...):`
3. `return`
4. Default value
5. variable scope
6. `isclose()`