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**TITLE: Recursion and Lambda Function**

**AIM:** To implement recursion function and lambda function

**Expected OUTCOME of Experiment:**

**CO2:** Use different Decision making statements and Functions in Python.

**Resource Needed: Python IDE**

**Theory:**

### **1. Python Functions**

A function is a block of code which only runs when it is called. You can pass data, known as parameters, into a function. A function can return data as a result.

#### **1.1 Creating a Function**

In Python a function is defined using the *def* keyword:

Example: 

```
def my_function():  
    print("Hello from a function")
```

#### **1.2 Arguments**

Information can be passed into functions as arguments.

Arguments are specified after the function name, inside the parentheses. You can add as many arguments as you want, just separate them with a comma.



### 1.3 Parameters or Arguments?

The terms *parameter* and *argument* can be used for the same thing: information that is passed into a function. From a function's perspective:

A parameter is the variable listed inside the parentheses in the function definition.

An argument is the value that is sent to the function when it is called.

### 1.4 Number of Arguments

By default, a function must be called with the correct number of arguments i.e. if your function expects 2 arguments; you have to call the function with 2 arguments, not more, and not less.

### 1.5 Keyword Arguments

You can also send arguments with the key = value syntax.

This way the order of the arguments does not matter.

### 1.6 Arbitrary Keyword Arguments, \*\*kwargs

If you do not know how many keyword arguments will be passed into your function, add two asterisk: **\*\*** before the parameter name in the function definition.

This way the function will receive a dictionary of arguments, and can access the items accordingly

### 1.7 Default Parameter Value

The following example shows how to use a default parameter value.

If we call the function without argument, it uses the default value:

### 1.8 Passing a List as an Argument

You can send any data types of argument to a function (string, number, list, dictionary etc.), and it will be treated as the same data type inside the function.

### 1.9 Return Values

To let a function return a value, use the return statement:

### 1.10 The pass Statement

Function definitions cannot be empty, but if you for some reason have a function definition with no content, put in the pass statement to avoid getting an error.

## 2. Recursion

Python also accepts function recursion, which means a defined function can call itself.

Recursion is a common mathematical and programming concept. It means that a function calls itself. This has the benefit of meaning that you can loop through data to reach a result.

The developer should be very careful with recursion as it can be quite easy to slip into writing a function which never terminates, or one that uses excess amounts of memory or processor power. However, when written correctly recursion can be a very efficient and mathematically-elegant approach to programming.



To a new programmer it can take some time to work out how exactly this works, best way to find out is by testing and modifying it.

### 3. Lambda function

A lambda function is a small anonymous function.

A lambda function can take any number of arguments, but can only have one expression.

Syntax of Lambda Function is given below

*lambda* arguments : expression

Lambda functions can take any number of arguments:

#### Problem Definition:

1. In below table input variable, python code and output column is given. You have to complete blank cell in every row.

S.No	Python Code	Output
1.	<pre>def my_function(fname,     lname): print(fname + " " +     lname)  my_function("Amit", "Kumar")</pre>	<pre>(virt) aryarox@arya:~/ Amit Kumar (virt) aryarox@arya:~/</pre>
2.	<pre>def my_function(fname,     lname): print(fname + " " +     lname)  my_function("Emil")</pre>	<p>Traceback (most recent call last): File "/home/aryarox/ Studies/PP/exp5 .py", line 4, in &lt;module&gt;</p> <p>my_function("E mil") TypeError: my_function() missing 1 required positional argument: 'lname'</p>
3.	<pre>def my_function(*kids):     print("The youngest child is " + kids[2])  my_function("Emil", "Tobias", "Linus")</pre>	The youngest child is Linus



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4.	<pre>def my_function(college3, college2, college1):     print("The Best college is " + college3)  my_function('KJSCE', ' ', ' ')</pre>	The Best college is KJSCE
5.	<pre>def my_function(country= "Norway"):     print("I am from " + country)  my_function("Sweden") my_function("India") my_function() my_function("Brazil")</pre>	I am from Sweden I am from India I am from Norway I am from Brazil
6.	<pre>def tri_recursion(k):     if(k &gt; 0):</pre>	?

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	<pre> result = k + tri_recursion(k - 1) print(result)  else:     result = 0  return result  print("Recursion Example Results") tri_recursion(6) </pre>	Recursion Example Results 1 3 6 10 15 21	
7.	<pre>print((lambda x: x*2) (9))</pre>	18	
8.	<pre>twice = lambda x: x*2 print(twice(9))</pre>	18	

2. Write a Python program using a recursive function that takes a string as input from the user and displays whether the string is Palindrome or not.
3. Write a Python program to separate out even and odd numbers from the list entered by user by using Lambda function

#### Books/ Journals/ Websites referred:

1. Reema Thareja, *Python Programming: Using Problem Solving Approach*, Oxford University Press, First Edition 2017, India
2. Sheetal Taneja and Naveen Kumar, *Python Programming: A modular Approach*, Pearson India, Second Edition 2018, India

#### Implementation details:

2.

```

def palindrome(str):
    if len(str) == 1:
        return True
    elif len(str) == 2:
        if str[0] == str[1]:
            return True
        else:
            return False
    elif str[0] == str[-1]:
        return palindrome(str[1:-1])
    else:
        return False

```

```
if palindrome(input()):  
    print("Palindrome")  
else:  
    print('Not a palindrome')
```

3.

```
x=list(map(int,input().split()))  
even=[]  
odd=[]  
  
f=lambda y: y%2==1  
odd=filter(f,x)  
print("Odd numbers: ", list(odd))  
  
h=lambda y: y%2==0  
even=filter(h,x)  
print("EVEN Numbers: ", list(even))
```



### Output(s):

2.

```
(virt) aryarox@arya:~/Studies/PP$ pyt
WOWWOWOWOW
Not a palindrome
Not a palindrome
Not a palindrome
(virt) aryarox@arya:~/Studies/PP$ pyt
nitin
Palindrome
Not a palindrome
Not a palindrome
```

3.

```
(virt) aryarox@arya:~/Studies/PP$ pytho
4 2 4 6 2 4 5 23 2 3
Odd numbers: [5, 23, 3]
Even Numbers: [4, 2, 4, 6, 2, 4, 2]
(virt) aryarox@arya:~/Studies/PP$
```

### Conclusion:

Hence, we understood the use of recursions and lambda in Python and programs related to the same were run successfully.



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### Post Lab Descriptive Questions

1. Write a python program to calculate factorial using recursion

```
def factorial(x):  
    if x==1:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return x * factorial(x-1)  
  
print(factorial(5))
```

Output-

```
(virt) aryarox@arya:~/Studies/PP$ python3  
120  
(virt) aryarox@arya:~/Studies/PP$
```

2. What are the common functional programming methods that use lambdas?  
Lambda expressions allow us to create and use a function in a single line. They are useful when we need a short function that will be used only once. They are mostly used in conjunction with the map, filter and short methods.

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