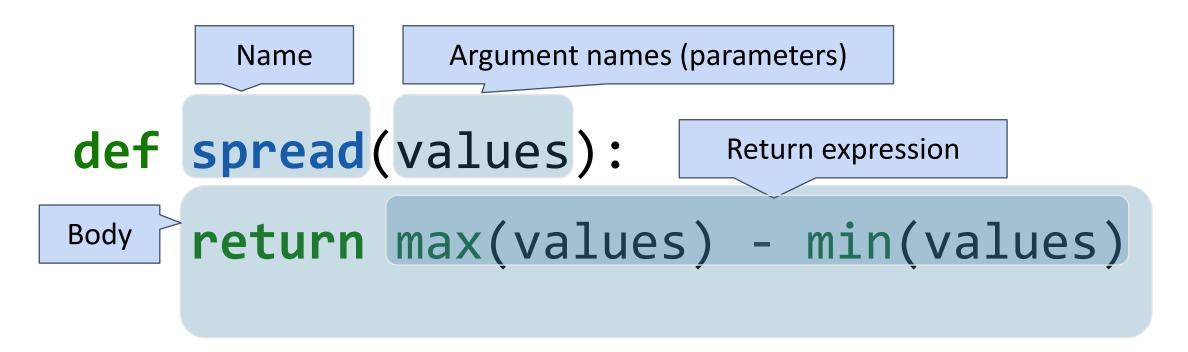
CompSci 190: Functions

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Defining Functions

User-defined functions give names to blocks of code



Discussion Question

What does this function do? What kind of input does it take? What output will it give? What's a reasonable name?

Apply

The apply method creates an array by calling a function on every element in one or more input columns

- First argument: Function to apply
- Other arguments: The input column(s)

Applying functions to tables

- Go back to Lab 3, Questions 5 and 6
- Work in groups on the problems

Group

The **group** method aggregates all rows with the same value for a column into a single row in the result

- First argument: Which column to group by
- Second argument: (Optional) How to combine values
 - len number of grouped values (default)
 - sum total of all grouped values
 - list list of all grouped values

(Demo)

Grouping By Two Columns

The **group** method can also aggregate all rows that share the combination of values in multiple columns

First argument: A list of which columns to group by

Second argument: (Optional) How to combine values

(Demo)

What's next?

• Read Chapter 8-9 of Computational and Inferential Thinking

Start working on Homework 3 (out tonight)