Lambdas



Lambda Expressions

Example from Friday: summation

```
Function of a single argument
def cube(k):
                                 (not called "term")
    return pow(k, 3)
                            A formal parameter that will
                              be bound to a function
def summation(n, term)
     """Sum the first n terms of a sequence.
    >>> summation(5, cube)
     225
                           The cube function is passed
                              as an argument value
    total, k = 0, 1
    while k <= n:
         total, k = total + term(k), k + 1
    return total
                             The function bound to term
   1 + 8 + 27 + 64 + 125
                                 gets called here
```

What about the natural numbers?

$$\sum_{k=1}^{5} k = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5$$

(Demo)

Lambda practice

```
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    return pow(k, 3)

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>>> summation(5, cube)
    225
    """

    total, k = 0, 1
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    return total</pre>
```

$$\sum_{k=1}^{5} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{32}$$

Write the call to summation for this series:

sum = summation(5, ____)
print(sum)

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Lambda Expressions

```
An expression:
                               evaluates to a
                                  function
summation(5, lambda x: pow(1/2, x))
                          Important: No "return" keyword!
            A function
               with formal parameter x
                 that returns the value of pow(1/2, x)
                      Must be a single expression
```

Equivalent ways of writing this:

```
Lambda expressions can
      be used in assignment
            statements
term = lambda x: pow(1/2, x)
summation(5, term)
All lambda expressions can
be re-written using a def
     (not vice versa)
def term(x):
    return pow(1/2, x)
summation(5, term)
```

Lambda Environments

$$\sum_{k=1}^{5} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{32}$$

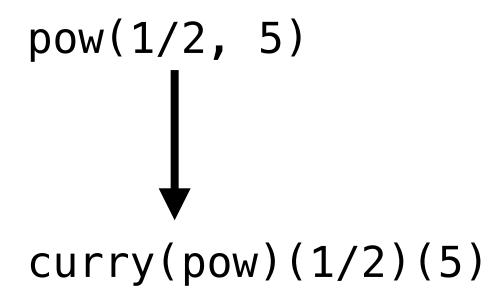
$$\sum_{k=1}^{5} r^k = r + r^2 + r^3 + r^4 + r^5$$

(Demo)

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Function Currying

Convert a function that takes multiple arguments into a chain of functions that each take a single argument

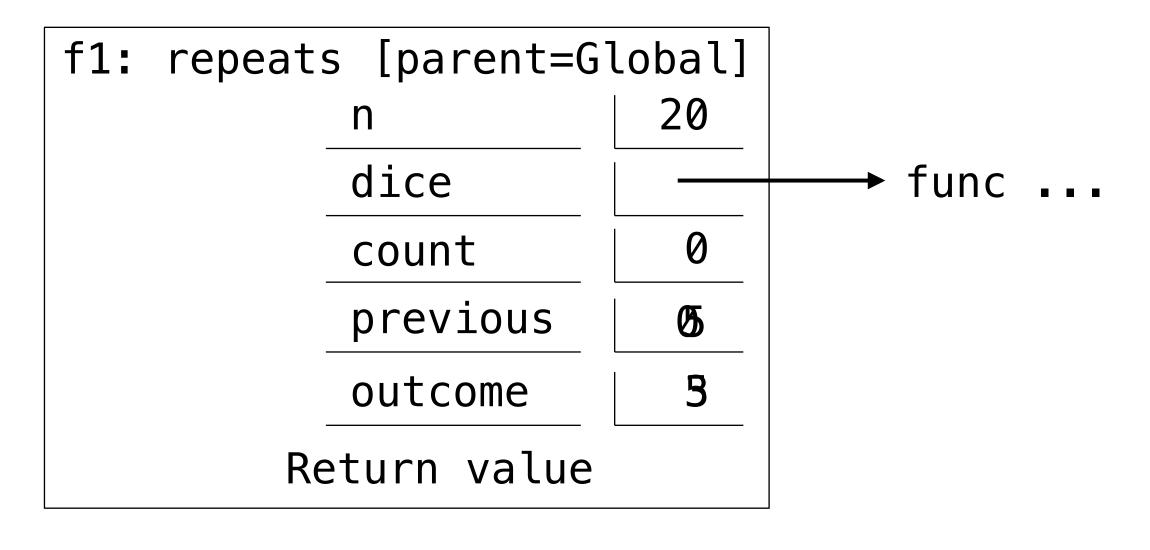


(Demo)

Zero-Argument Functions

Dice Functions

```
In the Hog project, there are multiple zero-argument functions that represent dice.
A dice function returns an integer that is the outcome of rolling once. (Demo)
Implement repeat, which returns the # of times in n rolls that an outcome repeats.
5 3 3 4 2 1 6 5 3 4 2 2 2 4 4 3 4 3 5 5
def repeats(n, dice):
    count = 0
    previous = 0
    while n:
        outcome = dice()
        if previous == outcome .
            count += 1
         previous = outcome
        n -= 1
    return count
```



repeat(20, six_sided) -> 5

Lab 02 Q2: Higher-Order Functions

```
>>> def cake():
                                         >>> def snake(x, y):
    print('beets')
                                             if cake == more cake:
   def pie():
                                                    return chocolate
          print('sweets')
                                         else:
           return 'cake'
                                                    return x + y
    return pie
                                         >>> snake(10, 20)
>>> chocolate = cake()
                                         <function cake.<locals>.pie at ...>
                                         >>> snake(10, 20)()
beets
>>> chocolate
                                         sweets
                                         'cake'
<function cake.<locals>.pie at ...>
>>> chocolate()
                                         >>> cake = 'cake'
                                         >>> snake(10, 20)
sweets
'cake'
                                         30
```

```
>>> more_chocolate, more_cake = chocolate(), cake
sweets
>>> more_chocolate
'cake'
```

Lambda Expressions Practice

Lambda and Def

Any program containing lambda expressions can be rewritten using def statements.

```
twice
                                       square
>>> (lambda f: lambda x: f(f(x)))(lambda y: y * y)(3)
81
>>> def twice(f):
    def g(x):
           return f(f(x))
        return g
>>> def square(y):
        return y * y
>>> twice(square)(3)
81
```

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```
bear = -1
oski = lambda print: print(bear)
bear = -2
print(oski(abs))
```

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Fall 2022 Midterm 1 Question 4(a)

(2.0 pt) Choose all correct implementations of funsquare, a function that takes a one-argument function f. It returns a one-argument function f2 such that f2(x) has the same behavior as f(f(x)) for all x.

```
>>> triple = lambda x: 3 * x
>>> funsquare(triple)(5) # Equivalent to triple(triple(5))
45
   def funsquare(f):
                                         D: def funsquare(f):
        return f(f)
                                                  return lambda x: f(f(x))
   def funsquare(f):
                                         E: def funsquare(f, x):
                                                  return f(f(x))
        return lambda: f(f)
   def funsquare(f, x):
                                         F: def funsquare(f):
        def g(x):
                                                  def g(x):
            return f(f(x))
                                                     return f(f(x))
       return g
                                                  return g
```

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