

Session 3 Handout

1. Defining and Calling your Own Functions

```
[1]: def calculateWage(hours, base=10, bonus=.5):  
    ''' Calculates weekly wage '''  
    if hours <= 40:  
        pay = hours * base  
    else:  
        pay = hours * base + (hours - 40) * base * bonus  
    return pay  
  
help(calculateWage)  
print('Pay for 42 hours with default base and bonus:', calculateWage(42))  
print('Pay for 42 hours with base 12/hour and default bonus:', calculateWage(42, 12))  
print('Pay for 42 hours with base 12/hour and bonus 60%:', calculateWage(42, 12, .6))  
print('Pay for 42 hours with default base and bonus 50%:', calculateWage(42, bonus=0.6))
```

Help on function calculateWage in module __main__:

```
calculateWage(hours, base=10, bonus=0.5)  
    Calculates weekly wage
```

```
Pay for 42 hours with default base and bonus: 430.0  
Pay for 42 hours with base 12/hour and default bonus: 516.0  
Pay for 42 hours with base 12/hour and bonus 60%: 518.4  
Pay for 42 hours with default base and bonus 50%: 432.0
```

Q1: (Modification of case 2 from last session) Write a function named `orderQuantity` that takes two input arguments, `inventory` and `basestock`. If `inventory` is at least equal to `basestock`, then return 0. Otherwise, return the difference between `basestock` and `inventory`. Set the default value for `inventory` to be 0 and for `basestock` to be 100. Include an appropriate docstring to explain what the function does.

```
[3]: # Code to test your function  
help(orderQuantity)  
print(orderQuantity())  
print(orderQuantity(25))  
print(orderQuantity(51, 50))  
print(orderQuantity(basestock=200))  
print(orderQuantity(inventory=80))
```

Help on function orderQuantity in module __main__:

```
orderQuantity(inventory=0, basestock=100)  
    Calculates order quantity given inventory level and basestock level
```

```
100  
75  
0  
200  
20
```

Q2: Walk through the code to explain each line of the above output.

Packaging functions within a module

Open Spyder and create a new Python script, and copy paste the two functions `calculateWage` and `orderQuantity` into the script. Save the script into the same folder as this notebook, as `session3.py`. If everything is correct, you should be able to run the following.

```
[4]: import session3
      print(session3.calculateWage(40))
      print(session3.orderQuantity(30))
      help(session3.orderQuantity)

400
70
Help on function orderQuantity in module session3:

orderQuantity(inventory, basestock=100)
    Calculates order quantity given inventory level and basestock level

[ ]: print('Module contains the following variables and functions:', dir(session3))
[ ]: help(session3)
```

2. Exploring Existing Functions

```
[7]: help(print)

Help on built-in function print in module builtins:

print(...)
    print(value, ..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)

    Prints the values to a stream, or to sys.stdout by default.
    Optional keyword arguments:
    file: a file-like object (stream); defaults to the current sys.stdout.
    sep: string inserted between values, default a space.
    end: string appended after the last value, default a newline.
    flush: whether to forcibly flush the stream.

[ ]: print(dir(__builtins__))
```

Q3: Run the above line and out of the items in all lowercase, choose five that look interesting to you, and use `type` and `help` and trial and error to find out what each of these built-in objects are and what you can do with them. Explain to your neighbor.

Q4: Import the `math` module and print the list of variables and functions within this module using `dir`. Choose five functions from this list and use `help` and trial and error to figure out how to use them. Explain to your neighbor.

Q5: Use `dir` on the string object `"Hi"`. Choose five functions from this list and use `help` and trial and error to figure out how to use these functions built in to every string object. Explain to your neighbor.

Case 6a. Mortgage Calculator I

Write a function `numberMonths` in module `session3` that calculates how many months it would take to pay off a mortgage given the monthly payment. The function has four input arguments: `total`, `monthly`, `interest`, and `downpay`. Let the default values for `interest` be 0.0425 and for `downpay` be 0. Label the four arguments T , M , I , D respectively. The number of months needed N is given by the formula

$$N = \text{ceil} \left(\frac{-\log(1 - \frac{i(T-D)}{M})}{\log(1 + i)} \right),$$

where $i = I/12$ is the monthly interest rate and `ceil` is the `math.ceil` function. (Note, after modifying the `session3.py`, you will have to restart the kernel using the toolbar above to reload the latest version.)

```
[20]: import session3 as s3
      s3.numberMonths(500000,4000)/12
```

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13.833333333333334
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[21]: s3.numberMonths(500000,4000,interest=0.05)/12
```

```
14.75
```

Case 6b. Mortgage Calculator II

Write a function `monthlyPayment` in module `session3` that calculates the monthly payment needed to pay off a mortgage in a given number of months. The function has four input arguments: `total`, `months`, `interest`, and `downpay`. Let the default values for `interest` be 0.0425 and for `downpay` be 0. Label the four arguments T , N , I , D respectively. The monthly payment M is given by the formula

$$M = \frac{(1+i)^N}{(1+i)^N - 1} i(T-D),$$

where $i = I/12$ is the monthly interest rate. Round the answer to two decimal places using the `round` function.

```
[22]: s3.monthlyPayment(500000,12*30)
```

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2459.7
```

```
[23]: s3.monthlyPayment(500000,12*30,interest=0.05)
```

```
2684.11
```