12. PYTHON – FUNCTIONS - PART - 1

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1. Function

✓ A function can contain group of statements which performs the task.

Advantages

- ✓ Maintaining the code is an easy way.
- ✓ Code reusability.

Make a note

✓ print() is predefined function in python which prints output on the console.

2. Types of function

- ✓ There are two types of functions,
 - Pre-defined or built-in functions
 - User-defined functions

2.1. Pre-defined or built-in functions

✓ The functions which are already existing in python are called as predefined function

Examples

- o print(p)
- o type(p)
- o input(p)

2.2. User Defined Functions:

- ✓ Based on requirement a programmer can create his own function, these
 functions are called as user defined functions.
- ✓ So, practically we will see how to define and use, user defined functions.

3. Function related terminology

- ✓ If we want to understand function concept in better way then we need to focus on function related terminology,
 - o def keyword
 - o name of the function
 - o parenthesis ()
 - o parameters (if required)
 - o colon symbol:
 - o function body
 - o return type (optional)

4. Function definition

- ✓ A function can contains group of statements.
- ✓ The purpose of function is to perform an operation.
- ✓ A function can contain mainly two parts,
 - 1. Creating a function
 - 2. Calling a function

4.1. Creating a function

- ✓ Very first step is we need to create a function.
- ✓ We need to use def keyword to create a function.
- ✓ After **def** keyword we should write name of the function.
 - After function name, we should write parenthesis ()
 - This parenthesis may contain parameters.
 - Parameters are just like variables which receive the values
 - If function having parameters, then we need to provide the values while calling.
 - We will learn more in parameterized function
 - After parenthesis we should write colon: symbol
 - o After: symbol in next line we should provide indentation
- ✓ Function body.
 - Actual logic contains by function body
 - This function body helps to perform the operation.
- ✓ Before closing the function, function may contain return type.

Syntax

```
def functionname():
    """ doc string"""
    Body of the function to perform operation
```

A naming convention to define a function

- ✓ As discussed in Naming convention chapter, function name should be in lower case.
- ✓ If name having multiple words, then separating words with underscore (_) symbol is a good practice.

Program Creating a function Name demo1.py

function creation
def display():
 print("Welcome to function")

output

Make a note

- ✓ When we execute above program, then function body not executed.
- ✓ To execute function body, we need to call the function.

4.2. Calling a function

- ✓ After function is created then we need to call that function to execute the function body.
- ✓ While calling the function, function name should be match otherwise we will get error.

```
Program Create and call user defined function
Name demo3.py

# function creation
def display():
    print("Welcome to function concept")

# function calling
display()
display()

output

Welcome to function concept
Welcome to function concept
```

```
Program Create and call user defined function
Name demo4.py

# function creation
def display():
    print("Welcome to function concept")

# function calling
details()

output

NameError: name 'details' is not defined
```

Question

Can i create more than one function in a single python program?

Answer

- Yes, we can
- Based on requirement we can create any number of functions.

```
Program Creating two functions and calling those functions demo5.py

def first():
    print("This is first function")

def second():
    print("This is second function")

first()
    second()

output

This is first function
This is second function
```

```
Program Name Creating two functions and calling those functions demo6.py

def first():
    print("This is first function")

def second():
    print("This is second function")

second()
first()

output

This is second function
This is first function
```

6. A Function can call other function

- ✓ Based on requirement a function can call another function as well.
- ✓ We can call a function inside another function.

```
Program Creating two functions demo7.py

def m1():
    print("first function")

def m2():
    print("second function")

m1()
    m2()

output

first function
    second function
```

```
Program One function can call another function demo8.py

def m1():
    print("first function")
    m2()

def m2():
    print("second function")

m1()

output

first function second function
```

5. Based on Parameters: Functions are two types

- ✓ Based on parameters, functions can be divided into two types,
 - o Function without parameters (or) No parameterised function
 - o Function with parameters (or) Parameterised function

5.1. Function without parameters

✓ If a function having no parameters then that function is called as, No parameterized function

Syntax

```
def nameofthefunction():
    body of the function to perform operations
```

function calling

Program Function which having no parameters Name demo9.py

```
# defining a function
def display():
```

print("Welcome to function which having no parameters")

calling function
display()

output

Welcome to function which having no parameters

5.2. Function with parameters

✓ If a function having parameters then that function called as parameterised function

Why function having parameters?

- ✓ Function parameters help to process the function operation.
- ✓ When we pass parameters then,
 - o Function capture parameters values
 - o These values perform the operations.
 - Finally it brings the result.

```
Syntax

def functionname(parameter1, parameter2, ...):

body of the function
function calling
```

```
Program One parameterized function demo10.py

def testing(a):
    print("one parameterised function:", a)

testing(10)

output

one parameterised function: 10
```

Program One parameterized function

Name demo11.py

def testing(a):

print("one parameterised function:", a)

testing(10.56)

output

one parameterised function: 10.56

Program One parameterized function

Name demo12.py

def testing(a):

print("one parameterised function:", a)

testing("Daniel")

output

one parameterised function: Daniel

Program One parameterized function

Name demo13.py

def testing(a):

print("one parameterised function:", a)

x = input("Enter a value:")

testing(x)

output

Enter a value: 10

one parameterised function: 10

Program Two parameterized function

Name demo14.py

def testing(a, b):

print("two parameterised function:", a, b)

testing(10, 20)

output

two parameterised function: 10 20

Program Function performing addition operation

Name demo15.py

def addition(a, b):

print("Addition of two values=", (a+b))

addition(10, 20)

output

Addition of two values =30

7. return keyword in python

- ✓ Based on return statement, functions can be divided into two types,
 - Function without return statement
 - Function with return statement
- ✓ return is a keyword in python.
- ✓ We should use return statement with function or method, otherwise we will get error.

Program return outside of function which is invalid

Name demo16.py

print('Hello')
return 100

output

SyntaxError: 'return' outside function

7.1. Function without return

- ✓ If a function cannot contains return statement then that function is called as a function without return statement.
- ✓ It's not mandatory to write return statement to a function.
- ✓ A function without return statement is valid.

```
Program Function displaying information
Name demo17.py

def balance():
    print("My bank balance is: ")

balance()

output

My bank balance is:
```

7.2. Function with return

- ✓ Based on requirement we can write return statement to a function.
- ✓ A function with return statement is valid.

Syntax

```
def nameofthefunction():
    body of the function
    return result
```

```
Program Function with return statement displaying information demo18.py

def balance():
```

print("My bank balance is: ")
return 100

balance()

output

My bank balance is:

Note

- ✓ If a function contains return statement then that function calling we need to assign to a variable.
- ✓ Daniel why we need to assign to a variable?
- ✓ Yes, i will explain please wait in another five minutes, then you can understand.

```
Program Name Function with return statement demo19.py

def balance():
    print("My bank balance is: ")
    return 100

b = balance()
    print(b)

output

My bank balance is: 100
```

Why we need to assign a function calling to a variable?

- ✓ If we assign function calling to a variable then that variable holding the variable value.
- ✓ That variable we can use further in our program.

```
Program Name

Function with return statement demo20.py

def balance():
    return 100

b = balance()

if b==0:
    print("Balance is: ", b)

elif b<=0:
    print("Balance is: ", b, " negative please deposit")

else:
    print("Balance is: ", b)

output

Balance is: 100
```

```
Program Name

Function with return statement demo21.py

def balance():
    return 0

b = balance()

if b == 0:
    print("Balance is: ", b)

elif b<=0:
    print("Balance is: ", b, " negative please deposit")

else:
    print("Balance is: ", b)

output

Balance is: 0
```

```
Program Name

Function with return statement demo22.py

def balance():
    return -50

b = balance()

if b == 0:
    print("Balance is: ", b)

elif b <= 0:
    print("Balance is: ", b, "it is negative please deposit")

else:
    print("Balance is: ", b)

output

Balance is: -50 it is negative please deposit
```

Note

✓ Below program also valid but not recommended.

```
Program Function with return statement demo23.py

def balance():
    print("My bank balance is: ")
    return 100

print(balance())

output

My bank balance is: 100
```

Note

- ✓ A method can return a value as well.
- ✓ We will learn this concept again in OOPS chapter.

7.3. return vs None

- ✓ If any function is not return anything, then by default that function returns None data type.
- ✓ We can also say as, if we are not writing return statement, then default return value is None

```
Program function returning the None value demo24.py

def m1():
    print("This function is returning nothing")

x = m1()
    print(x)

output

This function is returning nothing
    None
```

7.4. A function can return multiple values

- ✓ In python, a function can return multiple values.
- ✓ Based on requirement a function can return multiple values.
 - If function is returning two values then while function calling we need to assign to two variables
 - If function is returning three values then while function calling we need to assign to three variables.
 - If function is returning more than one values, while calling function if we assign with one variable then all values will be stored in tuple.

Syntax

def name_of_the_function():
 body of the function
 return value1, value2, value3,...,valueN

Program Name

Define a function which can return multiple values demo25.py

output

first value is: 10 second value is: 11

Program Define Name demo

Define a function which can return multiple values demo26.py

```
def m1():
    a = 10
    b = 11
    c = 12
    return a, b, c

x, y, z = m1()
```

print("first value is:", x)
print("second value is:", y)
print("third value is:", z)

output

first value is: 10 second value is: 11 third value is: 12

```
Program
Name

Define a function which can return multiple values
demo27.py

def m1():
    a = 10
    b = 11
    c = 12
    return a, b, c

x = m1()
print("all values:", x)

output

all values: (10, 20, 30)
```

```
Program A function with parameters and return type.
```

Name demo28.py

def add(x, y, z):
 result = x+y+z
 return result

r = add(10, 20, 30)

print("Addition of values:", r)

output

Addition of values: 60