13. PYTHON - FUNCTIONS - PART 2

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1. Formal and actual arguments

- ✓ When a function is defined it may have some parameters.
- ✓ These parameters receive the values.
 - Parameters are called as a 'formal arguments'
 - When we call the function, we should pass values or data to the function.
 - These values are called as 'actual arguments'

- ✓ a and b called as formal arguments
- √ x and y called actual arguments

2. Types of arguments

In python there are 4 types of actual arguments are existing,

- 1. positional arguments
- 2. keyword arguments
- 3. default arguments
- 4. variable length arguments (*args)

2.1. Positional arguments

- ✓ These are the arguments passed to a function in correct positional order.
- ✓ The number of arguments and position of arguments should be matched, otherwise we will get error.

```
Program Positional arguments
demo2.py

def sub(x, y):
    print(x-y)

# calling function

sub(20, 10)

output

10
```

Make a note

- ✓ If we change the number of arguments, then we will get error.
- ✓ This function accepts two arguments then if we are trying to provide three values then we will get error.

Program Error: Positional arguments

Name demo3.py

def sub(x, y):
 print(x-y)

calling function

sub(10, 20, 30)

output

TypeError: sub() takes 2 positional arguments but 3 were given

2.2. Keyword arguments

- ✓ Keyword arguments are arguments that recognize the parameters by the name of the parameters.
- ✓ We can use an identifier (name of the variable) to provide values to the function parameters.

```
Program keyword arguments
demo4.py

def cart(product, price):
    print("Product is :", product)
    print("cost is :", price)

cart(product = "bangles", price = 20000)

output

Product is: bangles
    cost is: 200000
```

```
Program keyword arguments demo5.py

def cart(product, price):
    print("Product is :" , product)
    print("cost is :" , price)

cart(product = "handbag ", price = 100000)

output

Product is: handbag cost is: 100000
```

Program keyword arguments

Name demo6.py

def cart(product, price):

print("Product is:" , product)

print("cost is:" , price)

cart(price = 1200, product = "shirt")

output

Product is: shirt cost is: 1200

2.3. Default arguments

- ✓ During function definition we can provide default values to function parameters
- ✓ While creating a function, we can provide values to the function parameters.

```
Program Default arguments
demo7.py

def cart(product, price = 40.0):
    print("Product is :" , product)
    print("cost is :" , price)

# calling function

cart(product = "pen")

output

Product is: pen
Cost is : 40.0
```

```
Program Default arguments
demo8.py

def cart(product, price = 40.0):
    print("product is :", product)
    print("cost is :", price)

cart(product = "handbag", price = 10000)

output

Product is: handbag
Cost is : 10000
```

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Program Default arguments

Name demo9.py

def cart(product, price = 40.0):

print("Product is:", product)

print("cost is:", price)

cart(price = 500, product = "shirt")

output

Product is: shirt Cost is: 500

Make a note

✓ If we are not passing any value, then only default value will be considered.

2.4. * args or variable length arguments

- ✓ *args also called as variable length arguments.
- ✓ Sometimes our requirement can be like, need to provide more values to function parameter to process the result. Here we can use *args concept.
- ✓ It represents single star symbol before the argument name.
- ✓ Internally the provided values will be stored in a tuple.

Few points

- ✓ If we define one parameterised function then during function calling we need to pass one value.
- ✓ If we define two parameterised function then during function calling we need to pass two values, if we pass more or less than two values then we will get error.

Syntax

def nameofthefunction(*x):
 body of the function

- *x is variable length argument
- ✓ Now we can pass any number of values to this *x.
- ✓ Internally the provided values will be represented in tuple.

```
Program Variable length argument
Name demo10.py

def m(x):
    print(x)

m(10)

output

10
```

```
Program Variable length argument demo11.py

def m(x):
    print(x)

m(10, 20)

output

TypeError: m() takes 1 positional argument but 2 were given
```

```
Program Variable length argument
Name demo12.py

def m(*x):
    print(x)

m(10)

output

(10)
```

Program Variable length argument

Name demo13.py

def m(*x):

print(x)

m(10, 20)

output

(10, 20)

Program Variable length argument

Name demo14.py

def m(*x):

print(x)

m(10, 20, 30)

output

(10, 20, 30)

3. Anonymous functions or Lambdas

- ✓ Generally we can create normal function by using def keyword
- ✓ lambda is a keyword in python.
- ✓ By using lambda keyword we can create lambda function.
- ✓ Lambda function also called as anonymous function.
- ✓ A function without a name is called as anonymous function.
- ✓ Lambda function will process the input and return the result.

Lambda function syntax

lambda argument_list: expression

Advantage

✓ By using Lambda Functions, we can write very concise code so that readability of the program will be improved.

Program anonymous function
Name demo16.py

s = lambda a: a*a

x = s(4)
print(x)

output

16

✓ Here because of lambda keyword it creates anonymous function.

A simple difference between normal and lambda functions

```
Program To find square by using a normal function demo17.py

def square(t):
    return t*t

s=square(2)
    print(s)

output

4
```

```
Program
Name
To find sum of two values by using normal function demo18.py

def add(x, y):
    return x + y

b = add(2, 3)
    print(b)

output

5
```

```
Program
Name
To find sum of two values by using anonymous function demo19.py

add = lambda x, y: x+y

result = add(1, 2)
print("The sum of value is:", result)

output

3
```

Make notes

✓ Lambda Function internally returns expression value and we no need to write return statement explicitly.

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Where lambda function fits exactly?

- ✓ Sometimes we can pass function as argument to another function. In such cases lambda functions are best choice.
- ✓ We can use lambda functions very commonly with filter(),map() and reduce() functions, these functions expect function as argument.

Lambda functions

- √ map(p1, p2) function
- √ filter(p1, p2) function
- √ reduce(p1, p2) function

3.1. map(p1, p2) function

- ✓ map(fun, iterable) is a predefined function in python.
- ✓ This function takes iterable and apply logic on every item and returns new iterable.

Syntax

map(function, sequence)

```
Program Find square by using map function
Name demo20.py

without_gst_cost = [100, 200, 300, 400]
with_gst_cost = map(lambda x: x+10, without_gst_cost)

x = list(with_gst_cost)
print("Without GST items costs: ", without_gst_cost)

print("With GST items costs: ", x)

output

Without GST items costs: [100, 200, 300, 400]
With GST items costs: [110, 210, 310, 410]
```

3.2. filter(p1, p2) function

- ✓ filter(fun, iterable) is a predefined function in python.
- ✓ This function takes iterable and apply filtering logic on every item and returns new iterable.

Syntax

filter(function, sequence)

Program example by using filter function demo21.py

items_cost = [999, 888, 1100, 1200, 1300, 777]
gt_thousand = filter(lambda x : x>1000, items_cost)

x = list(gt_thousand)
print("Eligible for discount:", x)

output

Eligible for discount: [1100, 1200, 1300]

3.3. reduce(p1, p2) function

- ✓ reduce(fun, iterable) is a predefined function existing in functools module.
- ✓ This function apply a function of two arguments cumulatively to the items of sequence, from left to right.
- ✓ Finally this function reduce the sequence to a single value.

Syntax

reduce(function, sequence)

```
Program reduce function
Name demo22.py

from functools import reduce

items_cost = [111, 222, 333, 444]

total_cost = reduce(lambda x, y : x+y, items_cost)

print(total_cost)

output

1110
```

✓ For example, reduce(lambda x, y: x+y, [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]) calculates ((((1+2)+3)+4)+5)