

Function Examples

Announcements

Hog Contest Rules

- Up to two people submit one entry;
Max of one entry per person
- Your score is the number of entries
against which you win more than
50.00001% of the time
- Strategies are time-limited
- All strategies must be deterministic,
pure functions of the players' scores
- Winning entries will receive a paltry
amount of extra credit
- The real prize: honor and glory
- See website for detailed rules

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Sam Kumar & Kangsik Lee
Kevin Chen

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Zhenyang Zhang
Adam Robert Villaflor & Joany Gao
Zhen Qin & Dian Chen
Zizheng Tai & Yihe Li

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Your name could be here FOREVER!



Describing Functions

Boolean Favorites

```
def likes(n):
    """Returns whether George Boole likes the non-negative integer n."""
    ...
```

```
def mystery1(n):
    k = 1
    while k < n:
        if likes(n):
            print(k)
        k = k + 2
```

One approach:

1. Read the code
2. Read the description options
3. Consider an example

all odd numbers but only if George likes n

mystery1 prints _____ less than n _____.

~~mystery1 prints all odd numbers less than n that George likes.~~

Boolean Favorites

```
def likes(n):  
    """Returns whether George Boole likes the non-negative integer n."""  
    ...
```

```
def mystery2(n):  
    i, j, k = 0, None, None  
    while i < n:  
        if likes(i):  
            if j != None and (k == None or i - j < k):  
                k = i - j  
            j = i  
            i = i + 1  
    return k
```

One approach:

1. Read the code
2. Read the description options
3. Consider an example

the smallest difference between
two positive integers below n
that George likes

There are no two
such integers

mystery 2 returns _____ or returns None if _____ .

Generating Environment Diagram

A Day at the Beach

```
def flip(flop):
    if flop > 2:
        return None
    flip = lambda flop: 3
    return flip
```

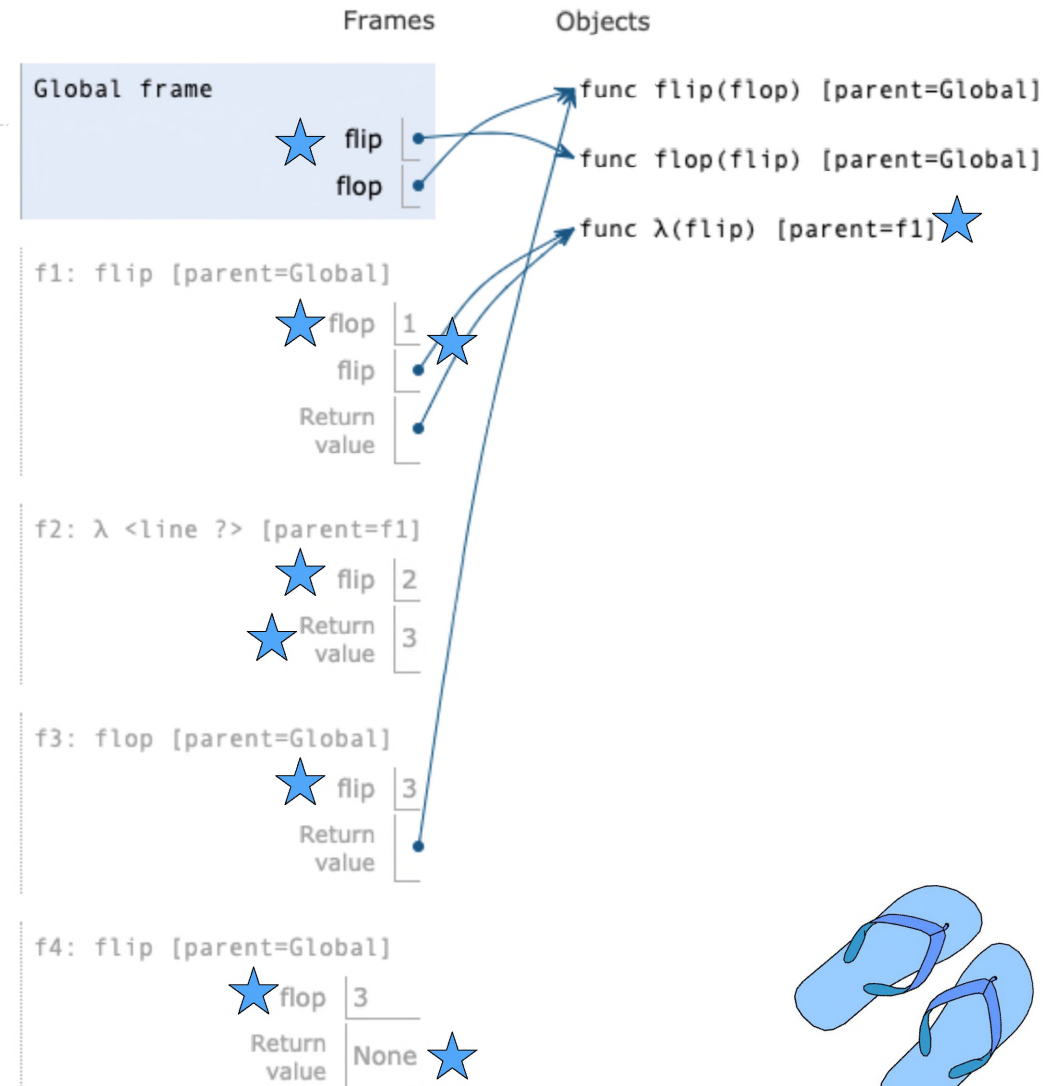
← not true for flop == 1
true for flop == 3

```
def flop(flip):
    return flop
```

```
flip, flop = flop, flip
```

```
flip(____)(3)
```

flop(1)(2)



Review

What Would Python Display?

The print function returns None. It also displays its arguments (separated by spaces) when it is called.

```
from operator import add, mul
def square(x):
    return mul(x, x)
```

A function that takes any argument and returns a function that returns that arg

```
def delay(arg):
    print('delayed')
    def g():
        return arg
    return g
```

Names in nested def statements can refer to their enclosing scope

This expression	Evaluates to	Interactive Output
5	5	5
print(5)	None	5
print(<u>print(5)</u>)	None	5 None
<u>delay(delay)()(6)()</u>	6	delayed delayed 6
print(delay(print)()(4))	None	delayed 4 None

What Would Python Print?

The print function returns None. It also displays its arguments (separated by spaces) when it is called.

```
from operator import add, mul
def square(x):
    return mul(x, x)
```

A function that
always returns the
identity function

```
def pirate(arggg):
    print('matey')
    def plunder(arggg):
        return arggg
    return plunder
```

This expression

Evaluates to

Interactive Output

add(pirate(3)(square)(4), 1)

17

Matey
17

func square(x)

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pirate(pirate(pirate))(5)(7)

Error

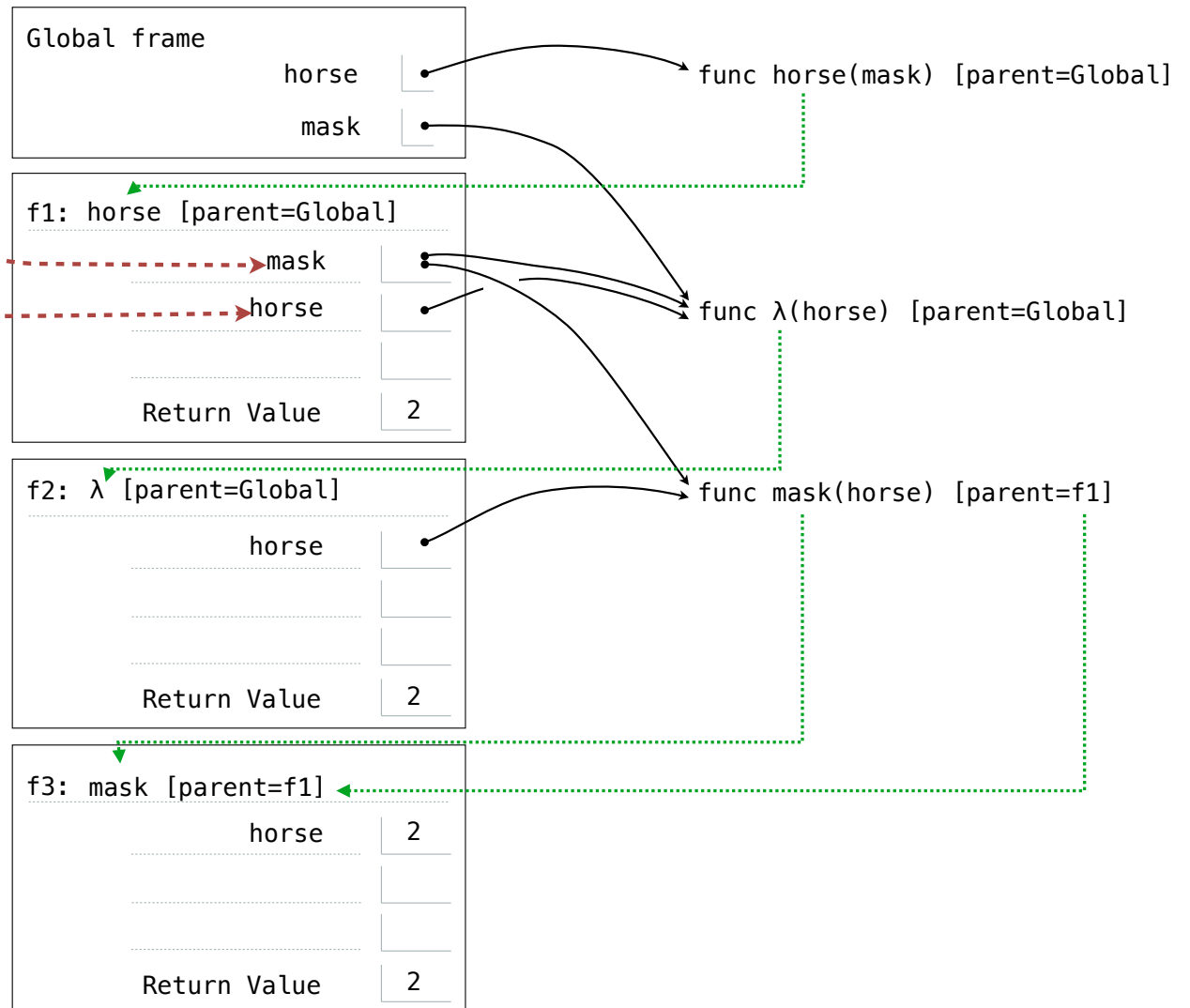
Matey
Matey
Error

Identity function

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A name evaluates to the value bound to that name in the earliest frame of the current environment in which that name is found.

```
def horse(mask):  
    horse = mask  
    def mask(horse):  
        return horse  
    return horse(mask)  
  
mask = lambda horse: horse(2)  
horse(mask)
```



Implementing Functions

Implementing a Function

```
def remove(n, digit):
    """Return all digits of non-negative N
    that are not equal to digit, for some
    digit less than 10.

    >>> remove(231, 3)
    21
    >>> remove(243132, 2)
    4313
    """
    kept, digits = 0, 0
    while n > 0:
        n, last = n // 10, n % 10
        if last != digit:
            kept = 10*kept + last*10**digits
            digits = digits + 1
    return kept
```

Annotations in the code:

- Callout boxes: 231 (pointing to the first example), 4 (pointing to the digit 4 in the second example).
- Green numbers: 1, 1, + 20, + 30, + 200, 21, 231 (aligned with the examples).
- Blue numbers: 231 (in the return statement, pointing to the result of the first example).

Read the description

Verify the examples & pick a simple one

Read the template

Implement without the template, then change your implementation to match the template.

OR

If the template is helpful, use it.

Annotate names with values from your chosen example

Write code to compute the result

Did you really return the right thing?

Check your solution with the other examples

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    """  
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    while n > 0:  
        n, last = n // 10, n % 10  
        if last != digit:  
            kept = kept/10 + last  
            digits = digits + 1  
    return round(kept * 10 ** (digits-1))
```

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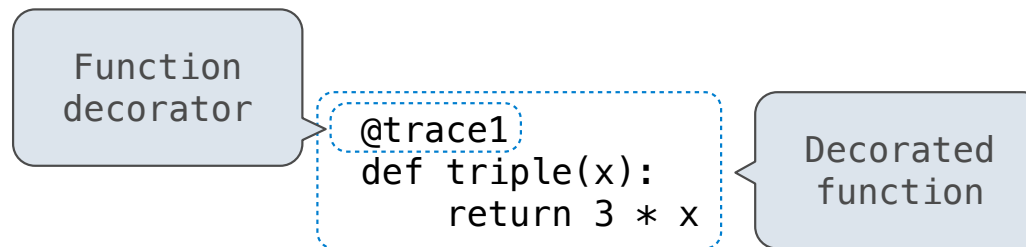
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Decorators

Function Decorators

(Demo)



is identical to

