Functions

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1 Working on the Problem: Correct below code with minimal changes

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[46]: num=input('enter a number:')
      try:
          i=1
          fac=1
          num=int(num)
          if num>0:
              while num>=i:
                   fac=fac*i
                   print('factorial=', fac)
                   i=i+1
          elif num<0:</pre>
              print('the factorial is not possible')
      except:
          print('only integers are allowed')
      if num==0:
          print('the factorial is 1')
     enter a number:4
     factorial= 1
     factorial= 2
     factorial= 6
     factorial= 24
 [2]: #Solution by Aditi
      num=input('enter a number:')
      try:
          i=1
          fac=1
          num=int(num)
          if num>0:
              while num>=i:
                   fac=fac*i
                   i=i+1
              print('factorial=', fac) #move print out of while loop
          elif num<0:</pre>
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print('the factorial is not possible')
except:
    print('only integers are allowed')
if num==0:
    print('the factorial is 1')

enter a number:0
the factorial is 1
2 Functions

[4]: import math
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[5]: math.sqrt(34)
 [5]: 5.830951894845301
[10]: math.pi
[10]: 3.141592653589793
 [9]: b = 5
 [9]: 5
[11]: pi = 3.141592653589793
      рi
[11]: 3.141592653589793
[12]: #so math.pi() will return error
      math.pi() #will be treated as function by python
             TypeError
                                                        Traceback (most recent call last)
             <ipython-input-12-6027e8555373> in <module>
               1 #so math.pi() will return error
         ---> 2 math.pi() #will be treated as function by python
             TypeError: 'float' object is not callable
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[16]: math.factorial(3)

[16]: 6

[17]: math.factorial(8)
[17]: 40320
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3 Defining own functions

There are three components of a function: 1. Name of the function: addtwo 2. Arguments: Inputs entered by user: a, b 3. Body of the function

see code below for function addtwo:

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[]: def addtwo(a, b):
    a + b
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[20]: addtwo(12, 13)
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No output will be produced unless used print or return in the function.

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[48]: def addtwo(a, b): print(a + b)
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[49]: addtwo(12, 13)
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Output produced using print can not be saved in a variable. For example try:

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[51]: a = addtwo(12, 13)
a #no output produced. Check second line in output box in empty
type(a)
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[51]: NoneType

Better to use return It is advisable to use return in the function not print to save output to a new variable. See example:

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[52]: def addtwo(a, b):
    c = a + b
    return(c)
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[53]: e = addtwo(12, 42) e
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[53]: 54

Calling value of pi To get the value of pi use math library in python. The value of the pi can be called using math.pi. Donot use math.pi(). Pi value is stored in variable name pi in math variable. Using bracket after pi means you are calling pi as a function.

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[24]: pi12 = addtwo(12, math.pi)
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15.141592653589793

Using more than one return in a function If used more than one return in a function, function will return the value of first return, and no further evaluation takes place. For exmple, in below code, function ret will return the value of a.

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[33]: def ret(a, b): return(a) return(b)
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[34]: ret(10, 12)
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[34]: 10

Practice: Normal Density Define function for normal density, that takes 3 inputs x, mu, and sigma. The formula for the normal density is:

$$f(x;\mu,\sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right] \qquad \sigma > 0$$
 (1)

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[43]: import math
  def dnorm(x, mu, sigma):
    if sigma <= 0:
        return("Sigma should be positive")
    a = 1 / (sigma * (2 * math.pi)**0.5)
    b = -0.5 * ((x - mu) / sigma)**2
    result = math.exp(b) * a
    return(result)</pre>
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[45]: dnorm(12, 12, 5)
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[45]: 0.07978845608028655

Homework

- 1. Define function is even that return True if number is even, otherwise False. Try to put error message for all types of possible incorret argumetns (like, negative values, non-integers, strings (like three) etc.
- 2. Define function isprime that return True if number is prime, otherwise False. Try to put error message for all types of possible incorret argumetns (like, negative values, non-integers, strings (like three) etc.