

Week 04 Function Scope and Recursion

Part 1 Variable Scope

For the given code below, what are the outputs printed?

Code	Output
<pre>x = 0 def foo_printx(): print(x) foo_printx() print(x)</pre>	
<pre>x = 0 y = 999 def foo_printx(y): print(y) foo_printx(x) print(x)</pre>	
<pre>x = 0 def foo_printx(): x = 999 print(x) foo_printx() print(x)</pre>	

Part 2 Recursion

Recap from previous tutorial that we can create a customized burger. We have the price list for each ingredient reproduced below for convenience:

Ingredient	Price
'B' stands for a piece of bun	\$0.5
'C' stands for cheese	\$0.8
'P' stands for patty	\$1.5
'V' stands for veggies	\$0.7
'O' stands for onions	\$0.4
'M' stands for mushroom	\$0.9

You task last week was to write a function `burgerPrice(burger)` to take in a string of customized burger and return a total sum for the price. Your current task is to write the same function `burgerPrice(burger)` in recursion.

Part 3 Recursion vs Iteration

- A. Sum Problem: Given a positive number n , the sum of all digits is obtained by adding the digit one-by-one. For example, the sum of 52634 is $5 + 2 + 6 + 3 + 4 = 20$. Write a **recursive** and **iterative** function $\text{sum}(n)$ to compute the sum of all the digits in n . You may assume that $n > 0$.
- B. Factorial: Given a positive number n , the value of factorial of n (written as $n!$) is defined as $n! = n \times (n - 1)!$. Additionally, the value of $0!$ is 1. Write a **recursive** and **iterative** function $\text{fact}(n)$ that computes the value of $n!$.

Part 4 Challenge

- A. Final Sum: Given a positive number n , the final sum is obtained by repeatedly computing the sum of n until the sum is a single digit. For example, $\text{sum}(52634) = 20$, which is not a single digit. We then continue with $\text{sum}(20) = 2$. Therefore, $\text{final_sum}(52634) = 2$. Write a **recursive** and **iterative** function $\text{final_sum}(n)$ to compute the final sum of n .
- B. Euler Constant: The value of e^x can be approximated using the formula $e^x = \frac{x^0}{0!} + \frac{x^1}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$. Write a **recursive** and **iterative** function $\text{find_e}(x, n)$ to find the approximation of e^x up to $n + 1$ steps. In other words, the last value in the approximation will be $\frac{x^n}{n!}$.