

## ◆ What is a Function?

A function in Python is a block of organized, reusable code that is used to perform a single, related action. Functions help in dividing a large program into smaller, manageable, and reusable blocks of code.

## 👉 Why use functions?

Reusability – Write once, use many times.

Readability – Makes the program cleaner and easier to understand.

Maintainability – Easy to update or debug.

Modularity – Divides the program into logical parts.

### ✨ Advantages:

- Avoids repetition.
- Easy debugging.
- Code becomes structured.

## ◆ Defining a Function in Python

The def keyword is used.

```
def function_name(parameters):  
    """Optional docstring: explains what the function does"""  
    # body of the function  
    return result
```

## ◆ Types of Functions

- Built-in Functions: Already available in Python (e.g., print(), len(), type()).
- User-defined Functions: Created by the programmer using def.

## ◆ Examples:

### 1: Function without arguments

#### ◆ Theory:

A function without arguments does not take any input values.

It simply performs a task whenever it is called.

Such functions are useful when the output does not depend on user-provided data.

#### ◆ Explanation of code:

def welcome(): → Defines a function named welcome.

Inside the function, the print() statement displays a message.

welcome() → Calls the function.

Since no arguments are required, we just call the function directly.

```
def welcome():  
    print("Hello, welcome to Python functions!")  
  
welcome()
```

#### Output:

```
Hello, welcome to Python functions!
```

## 2: Function with arguments

### ♦ Theory:

- Functions can take **arguments (parameters)**.
- Arguments allow us to pass input values into the function.
- The function can then use those inputs to perform tasks.

### ♦ Code:

```
def greet(name):  
    print("Hello", name, "!")
```

```
greet("Alice")  
greet("Bob")
```

### ♦ Explanation:

1. `def greet(name):` → Defines a function with one parameter `name`.
2. Inside the function, the `print()` statement uses the parameter.
3. `greet("Alice")` → Calls the function with `"Alice"` as input.
4. The output changes depending on the input given.

### ♦ Output:

```
Hello Alice !  
Hello Bob !
```

## 3: Function with default argument

### ♦ Theory:

- A **default argument** is a value that is used if the user does not provide one.
- This makes the function more flexible.

- If the user gives a value, it overrides the default.

♦ **Code:**

```
def power(base, exp=2):    # default exponent is 2
    return base ** exp

print(power(5))           # Uses default exponent
print(power(5, 3))        # Overrides default
```

♦ **Explanation:**

1. The function `power()` has two parameters: `base` and `exp`.
2. `exp` has a default value of `2`.
3. If only one argument is given → function uses default value.
4. If both arguments are given → function uses the provided value.

♦ **Output:**

```
25
125
```

## 4: Function returning multiple values

♦ **Theory:**

- A function in Python can return **more than one value** at the same time.
- This is done by separating the return values with a comma.
- The returned values can be **unpacked** into multiple variables.

#### ◆ Code:

```
def calculate(a, b):  
    return a+b, a-b, a*b  
  
add, sub, mul = calculate(10, 5)  
print("Addition:", add)  
print("Subtraction:", sub)  
print("Multiplication:", mul)
```

#### ◆ Explanation:

1. `return a+b, a-b, a*b` → Returns three values (addition, subtraction, multiplication).
2. The function call `calculate(10, 5)` returns `(15, 5, 50)`.
3. These values are stored in variables `add, sub, mul`.
4. We print each result separately.

#### ◆ Output:

```
Addition: 15  
Subtraction: 5  
Multiplication: 50
```

## 5: Recursive function

#### ◆ Theory:

- A **recursive function** is a function that calls itself.
- It is commonly used to solve problems that can be broken down into smaller, similar subproblems (e.g., factorial, Fibonacci series).
- Every recursive function needs a **base case** to stop the recursion.

#### ◆ Code:

```
def factorial(n):  
    if n == 0 or n == 1: # Base case  
        return 1  
    else: # Recursive case  
        return n * factorial(n-1)  
  
print("Factorial of 5:", factorial(5))
```

#### ◆ Explanation:

1. The function `factorial(n)` computes factorial of `n`.
2. **Base case** → If `n` is 0 or 1, return 1.
3. **Recursive case** → Otherwise, multiply `n` with `factorial(n-1)`.

Execution trace:

```
factorial(5) = 5 * factorial(4)  
factorial(4) = 4 * factorial(3)  
factorial(3) = 3 * factorial(2)  
factorial(2) = 2 * factorial(1)  
factorial(1) = 1 (base case reached)
```

4. Multiplying back →  $5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 120$

#### ◆ Output:

```
Factorial of 5: 120
```

## Python Library Module: **random**

#### ◆ Why Use?

The **random** module is used to generate **random numbers** and perform random operations such as selecting a random item, shuffling elements, or generating random sequences. It is widely used in **games, simulations, cryptography, testing, and data science**.

### ♦ Importing

```
import random
```

### ♦ Common Functions in **random**

Function	Description	Example
<code>random.random()</code>	Returns random float ( $0.0 \leq n < 1.0$ )	0.6483
<code>random.randint(a, b)</code>	Random integer between <b>a</b> and <b>b</b> inclusive	<code>random.randint(1,10)</code> → 7
<code>random.randrange(a, b, step)</code>	Random number from range	<code>random.randrange(1, 10, 2)</code>
<code>random.choice(seq)</code>	Returns random element from list/string/tuple	"red"
<code>random.shuffle(seq)</code>	Shuffles list in place	[3,1,2]
<code>random.uniform(a, b)</code>	Random float between a and b	3.48

### ♦ Examples

```
import random
```

```
print(random.random())          # e.g., 0.276 (varies)
print(random.randint(1, 100))   # e.g., 57
print(random.choice(["red", "green", "blue"])) # e.g., "green"
```

```
items = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
random.shuffle(items)
print(items)                    # Randomly ordered list
```

✓ **Summary:** **random** is useful when unpredictability is required, such as in password generation, games, or simulations.

# Python Library Module: **math**

## ♦ Why Use?

The **math** module provides **mathematical functions and constants**.

## ♦ Importing

```
import math
```

## ♦ Common Functions in **math**

Function	Description	Example
<code>math.sqrt(x)</code>	Square root	<code>math.sqrt(25)</code> → 5.0
<code>math.factorial(x)</code>	Factorial	<code>math.factorial(5)</code> → 120
<code>math.gcd(a, b)</code>	Greatest common divisor	<code>math.gcd(24, 36)</code> → 12
<code>math.pow(a, b)</code>	$a^b$ (returns float)	<code>math.pow(2, 3)</code> → 8.0
<code>math.log(x)</code>	Natural log (base e)	<code>math.log(10)</code>
<code>math.sin(x)</code>	Sine (radians)	<code>math.sin(math.pi/2)</code> → 1.0
<code>math.pi, math.e</code>	Constants	3.1415, 2.718

## ♦ Example

```
import math
```

```
print("Square root:", math.sqrt(25))
print("Factorial:", math.factorial(5))
print("GCD:", math.gcd(24, 36))
print("Value of pi:", math.pi)
print("Sine of 90 degrees:", math.sin(math.radians(90)))
```

## ✅ Final Output:

```
Square root: 5.0
Factorial: 120
GCD: 12
```



Value of pi: 3.141592653589793

Sine of 90 degrees: 1.0

✅ **Summary:** `math` helps in calculations that go beyond basic arithmetic, especially for science, engineering, and data-related work.

## Python Library Module: `time`

### ♦ Why Use?

The `time` module allows interaction with the system clock. It helps in **measuring execution time, adding delays, or displaying current date/time**.

### ♦ Importing

```
import time
```

### ♦ Common Functions in `time`

Function	Description
<code>time.time()</code>	Returns current time in seconds since Jan 1, 1970 (epoch time).
<code>time.ctime()</code>	Converts time into human-readable format.
<code>time.sleep(seconds)</code>	Suspends program for given time.
<code>time.localtime()</code>	Returns local time as a structured object.

### ♦ Example

```
import time
```

```
print("Current time in seconds:", time.time())
```

```
print("Readable time:", time.ctime())
```

```
print("Wait for 2 seconds...")
```

```
time.sleep(2)
print("Done waiting!")
```

✅ **Summary:** The `time` module is important when you need program delays, timestamps, or performance measurement.

## Python Library Module: `os`

### ♦ Why Use?

The `os` module allows interaction with the **operating system**, such as working with **files**, **directories**, and **system paths**.

### ♦ Importing

```
import os
```

### ♦ Common Functions

Function	Description
<code>os.getcwd()</code>	Returns current working directory.
<code>os.mkdir("folder")</code>	Creates new folder.
<code>os.rmdir("folder")</code>	Removes empty folder.
<code>os.listdir()</code>	Returns list of files/folders in current directory.
<code>os.remove("file")</code>	Deletes a file.

### ♦ Example

```
import os

print("Current directory:", os.getcwd())
os.mkdir("new_folder")
```

```
print("After creation:", os.listdir())
os.rmdir("new_folder")
print("After deletion:", os.listdir())
```

### ✅ Final Sample Output:

```
Current directory: /home/user/project
After creation: ['file1.py', 'data.txt', 'new_folder']
After deletion: ['file1.py', 'data.txt']
```

✅ **Summary:** The `os` module is useful for file/directory handling and system-level tasks.

## Python Library Module: `shutil`

### ♦ Why Use?

The `shutil` module provides **high-level file operations** like copy, move, and delete.

### ♦ Importing

```
import shutil
```

### ♦ Common Functions

Function	Description
<code>shutil.copy(src, dest)</code>	Copies file.
<code>shutil.move(src, dest)</code>	Moves or renames file.
<code>shutil.rmtree("folder")</code>	Deletes entire folder and contents.

### ♦ Example

```
import shutil

shutil.copy("file1.txt", "copy.txt")
```

```
shutil.move("copy.txt", "renamed.txt")
# shutil.rmtree("test_folder")    # CAUTION: Deletes folder
completely
```

### ✅ Final Folder Output (State):

```
['file1.txt', 'renamed.txt']
```

### 📌 Explanation:

- file1.txt stays as it is.
- A copy is made → copy.txt.
- That copy is then renamed → renamed.txt.
- Final result: **file1.txt** and **renamed.txt** remain in the folder.

✅ **Summary:** `shutil` is essential for file backup, moving files, and managing folders.

## Python Library Modules: `sys`, `glob`, `re`

### ♦ 1. `sys`

Used to access system-related information.

```
import sys

print("Python Version:", sys.version)
print("Platform:", sys.platform)
# sys.exit()    # exits program
```

### Output:

```
Python Version: 3.10.12 (main, Jun  8 2023, 00:00:00) [GCC 9.4.0]
Platform: linux
```

## ♦ 2. glob

Used to search for files using **patterns** (wildcards like `*` and `?`).

```
import glob

print(glob.glob("*.py"))    # Lists all Python files
print(glob.glob("data/*.csv")) # Lists all CSV files in 'data'
                              folder
```

### Output (Sample)

If your current folder has:

```
main.py
test.py
notes.txt
```

and inside the `data` folder:

```
sales.csv
report.csv
data.json
```

Then the output will be:

```
['main.py', 'test.py']
['data/sales.csv', 'data/report.csv']
```

## ♦ 3. re (Regular Expressions)

Used for **pattern matching** (finding phone numbers, emails, etc.).

```
import re

text = "Email: abc@test.com, Phone: 9876543210"
email = re.findall(r'\S+@\S+', text)
phone = re.search(r'\d{10}', text)
```

```
print("Emails:", email)
print("Phone:", phone.group())
```

### Output:

```
Emails: ['abc@test.com']
Phone: 9876543210
```

### ✓ Summary:

- `sys` → system information.
- `glob` → filename pattern matching.
- `re` → searching and validating text patterns.

## Python Library Module: `statistics`

### ♦ Why Use?

The `statistics` module provides functions to perform **statistical analysis** on numeric data.

### ♦ Importing

```
import statistics
```

### ♦ Common Functions

Function	Description
<code>statistics.mean(data)</code>	Returns average.
<code>statistics.median(data)</code>	Middle value.
<code>statistics.mode(data)</code>	Most frequent value.
<code>statistics.stdev(data)</code>	Standard deviation.
<code>statistics.variance(data)</code>	Variance.

### ♦ Example

```
import statistics

data = [10, 20, 20, 30, 40, 40, 40]

print("Mean:", statistics.mean(data))
print("Median:", statistics.median(data))
print("Mode:", statistics.mode(data))
print("Standard Deviation:", statistics.stdev(data))
```

### Output:

```
Mean: 28.57
Median: 30
Mode: 40
Standard Deviation: 11.25
```