

Day 31



Lambda functions in Python:

What is a Lambda Function?

A lambda function is a small, anonymous function (a function without a name).

- It can take any number of arguments
- It can have only one expression
- The result of that expression is automatically returned

Think of it as a one-line function.

Normal Function vs Lambda Function

Normal function

```
def add(a, b):
    return a + b
```

Lambda function

```
add = lambda a, b: a + b
```

Basic Syntax:

lambda arguments: expression

Example: a basic use case of lambda function.

```
1  double = lambda x: x * 2
2  print(double(5))

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```

Example: multiple arguments in lambda.

```
4     sum = lambda a, b, c: a + b + c
5     print(sum(1, 2, 3))
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Example: Lambda Without Assigning to a Variable

```
7     print((lambda x: x ** 2)(4))
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```

Map, Filter and Reduce in Python:

map() – *Transform each item*

map() applies a function to every element in an iterable (like a list).

Syntax:

map(function, iterable)

Example: without using them making cube of each of the list.

```
9     old = [1,2,3]
10    new = []
11    for i in old:
12        new.append(i*i*i)
13    print(new)
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[1, 8, 27]
```

Example: doing the same as above using map().

```
9  def cube(x):
10 |     return x*x*x
11 old = [1,2,3,4,5]
12 new = list(map(cube,old))
13 print(new)

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● [1, 8, 27, 64, 125]
```

Example: another example of map.

```
15 numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
16 def square(x):
17 |     return x * x
18 result = map(square, numbers)
19 print(list(result))

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● [1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
```

Example: map with lambda.

```
21 numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
22 result = map(lambda x: x * x, numbers)
23 print(list(result))

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● [1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
```

filter() – Select items that match a condition

filter() keeps **only the elements** that return True from a function.

Syntax

filter(function, iterable)

Example:

```
● 25 numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
26 ↘ def is_even(x):
27 |     return x % 2 == 0
28 |     result = filter(is_even, numbers)
29 |     print(list(result))

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[2, 4, 6]
```

Example: filter() with lambda

```
31 numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
32 result = filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0, numbers)
33 print(list(result))

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[2, 4, 6]
```

reduce() – *Combine all items into one*

reduce() reduces a list to a single value by applying a function cumulatively.

Note: reduce() is not built-in; you must import it.

Syntax

```
from functools import reduce
reduce(function, iterable)
```

Example:

```
35 from functools import reduce
36 numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
37 ↘ def add(x, y):
38 |     return x + y
39 |     result = reduce(add, numbers)
40 |     print(result)

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```

Example: reduce() and lambda.

```
42     from functools import reduce
43     numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
44     result = reduce(lambda x, y: x + y, numbers)
45     print(result)
```

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Map vs Filter vs Reduce (Simple Comparison)

Function	Purpose	Input	Output
map	Transform items	Iterable	New iterable
filter	Select items	Iterable	Fewer items
reduce	Combine items	Iterable	Single value

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