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## Python

In python we use "def" to define a function.

In python while using the functions ~~and~~ return statement is used to end the execution of the function and it returns the value of the expression following the return keyword to the caller. A return statement is overall used to invoke a function so that the past statements can be executed.

### • Variables in python:

In python there are two types of variables which are commonly used.

#### 1. Global Variable:

In python global variables are those which are not defined inside any particular function and it has a global scope where as the global variables can be accessible throughout ~~the~~ the programme and inside every mentioned function.

#### 2. Local Variable:

Local variables in python are those which are initialized inside the function which belongs only to that particular function. It can't be accessed outside the function.

#### 3. Recursion in function:

In python a recursive function is defined like any other function but it includes ~~to~~ call <sup>to</sup> itself. It is often used to break complex problems ~~into~~ into simple ones.

## def of function

```
def factorial (n):
```

```
    if n == 1 or n == 0:
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```
        return 1
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    else:
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```
        return n * factorial (n-1)
```

```
print (factorial (5))
```

explanation: The factorial of the number  $n$  denoted as  $n$  factorial ( $n!$ ) is the product of all positive integers less than or equals to  $n$ . The recursive approach involves the function calling itself with the decremented value of  $n$  until it reaches the base case ( $n == 1$ )

### i. Base Case:

Base case is the condition under which the recursion function stops. It is important to prevent infinite loops and to ensure that each recursive call reduces the problem in some manner. In this factorial example Base Case ( $n == 1$ )

### ii. Recursive Case:

Recursive case is the part of function that includes the call to itself. It is ~~even~~ eventually reaches to the base case. In the factorial example the Recursive Case is  $\text{return } n * \text{factorial } (n-1)$ .

## Types of Recursion in Python:

In python while using recursive function it can be broadly classified into two types.



## 1. Tail Recursion:

Tail Recursion occurs when the recursive call function is the last operation to be executed, with no additional ~~work~~ task or calculations following the recursive call in many programming languages tail recursion can be optimized by the compiler into iterative loops to improve performance and prevent stack overflow.

## 2. Non Tail Recursion:

Non tail recursion occurs when there are operations or calculations that blindly follow the recursive call this type prevents the compiler or interpreter from optimizing the recursion into an iteration.

### Question:

Write a recursive python function `power(base, exponent)` that calculates the exponentiation of a given base and exponent. The function should handle:

- i. A base case when the exponent is zero.
- ii. Positive exponents using recursion.
- iii. Negative " " by converting <sup>them</sup> to their reciprocals.

The user will enter a base and an exponent, call the function and display the probable output.

```

def power (base, component):
    if component == 0: # base case to handle 0 and 1
        return 1
    elif component < 0: # negative case
        return 1 / power (base, -component)
    else: # recursive case
        return base * power (base, component - 1)

base = float (input ("Enter the value"))
exponent = int (input ("Enter the exponent"))
# calculation result
result = power (base, exponent)
print ("{base} ^ {exponent} = {result}")

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Output: Enter the value 3  
 Enter the exponent 2  
 $3.0^2 = 9.0$

  
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