# LE/EECS 1015 (Section D) Week 7: Functions (Cont.)

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# This Week...

#### 1. Modules

- How can we use them?
- How can we create our own?
- Why should we use them?

#### 2. Function Calls

- Positional Arguments
- Keyword Arguments
- Default Arguments

## Midterm Information

- Midterms will take place in your <u>assigned</u> lab section <u>after</u> reading week.
- 90 Minutes covering material from Week 1 Week 5 (Inclusive)
- Format:
  - 1. 10 Multiple Choice
  - 2. Coding Question
  - 3. Debugging Question
  - 4. Coding Question
- You must use the lab desktops; PLEASE ensure that your EECS account works properly.
- You will only have access to the following IDEs: PyCharm, Wing Personal, Juypter Notebook
- Closed book; no access to email, printing, external web resources, etc.,

## Midterm Information

• You must submit your answers **BEFORE** the end of the 90 minutes. Unsubmitted files cannot be recovered.

 Your submission will be auto-graded but you will not be able to see your score during the lab test.

 If your code has syntax errors, the question will receive 0 marks. No re-grading requests will be accepted for syntax or formatting errors.

## Some Advice from a Past EECS Student

#### 1. Practice, Practice, Practice

- Review each of the Weekly Quizzes
- Do the optional weekly activities
- Redo the labs (seriously)

#### 2. Active Recall

- https://codingbat.com/python
  - Warmup-1
  - String-1
  - Logic-1
  - Logic-2

#### 3. Tutoring

 Feynman Technique: Teach the concepts to a beginner. If you can't explain a concept simply enough, it means that you have not mastered the material yet.

#### 4. Office Hours

We will continue to hold daily sessions during the reading week. Please take advantage of the
opportunity if you need help.

## Some Advice from a Past EECS Student

"Nothing is permanent in this wicked world - not even our troubles"

- Charlie Chaplin

You will be okay; good luck!!!! 😊

# Modules (Introduction)

- A module is a file which contains reusable Python definitions such as functions, variables (constants), and statements.
- Python has built-in modules (docs.python.org/3/library/) and third-party modules (pypi.org/) which provide a wealth of capabilities.
- Prior to using a module, it must be imported into your code
- You can create your own modules by creating a Python File in the same directory/folder as your script. You can also manually add a module in a different directory to sys.path.

## Modules

```
import math as m
from random import randint
from sys import builtin_module_names, path
import os
path.insert(0, r'External Module')
from external import stream
```

## Modules

• You can view the names that a module defines by using the built-in  $dir(\dots)$  function.

• This can be chained with  $\frac{help}{m}$  to view the associated documentation for a provided name.

# Modules: Challenge

1. Look at the Lecture 6 Recitation!

- 2. Run each of the cells in the Jupyter notebook. If you don't understand what a method does, refer to the documentation!
- 3. Add your own methods; have fun!
- 4. Homework: Install a third-party module and add some demos to the notebook! Be creative:D

# Modules (math) - Some Docs....

Name	Meaning
$math.ceil(x,/) \rightarrow int$	Returns the ceiling of $x$ as an integral. In short, it rounds the number up to the nearest integer.
$math. floor(x,/) \rightarrow int$	Returns the floor of $x$ as an integral. In short, it rounds the number down to the nearest integer.
$math. \sin(x,/) \rightarrow float$	Returns the sine of $x$ (Measured in Radians)
$math.\cos(x,/) \rightarrow float$	Returns the cosine of $x$ (Measured in Radians)
$math. \tan(x,/) \rightarrow float$	Returns the tangent of $x$ (Measured in Radians)
$math.degrees(x,/) \rightarrow float$	Convert angle $x$ from radians to degrees
$math.radians(x,/) \rightarrow float$	Converts angle $x$ from degrees to radians
math.e	Returns Eulers constant ( $e \approx 2.718281$ )
math.pi	Returns $\pi \approx 3.141592 \dots$
math.inf	Returns a floating-point positive infinity value.

# Modules (random) – Some Docs....

Name	Meaning
$random.normalvariate(\mu=0.0,\sigma=1.0)  ightarrow float$	Returns a random float which is sampled from the Normal Distribution.
$random.randint(a,b) \rightarrow int$	Returns a random integer $r \in [a, b]$ .
$random.randrange(start, stop = None, step = 1) \rightarrow int$	Returns a random item from [start, stop), given a step value.
$random.random() \rightarrow float$	Returns the next random floating-point $\in$ [0.0, 1.0).
$random.uniform(a,b) \rightarrow float$	Returns a random float in the range $[a,b)$ or $[a,b]$ depending on the rounding.

## **Function Calls**

- Pythons Positional arguments are passed to the function in the order that they are defined.
- You can force people to use positional arguments by including / as the last parameter in your function signature. For example, running abs(x=5) will throw an error whereas abs(5) will not.

- Conversely, Keyword arguments are passed to the function using the names of parameters. As such, the order can be arbitrary and does not need to strictly follow the function signature.
- Lastly, default arguments can be included in the function signature for parameters. If a user forgets to provide the parameter value, you are safe!

## **Thank You!**

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