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Data type

- Integer
- Floating point
- String
- Boolean

Data structure

- List
- Set
- Tuples
- Dictionary

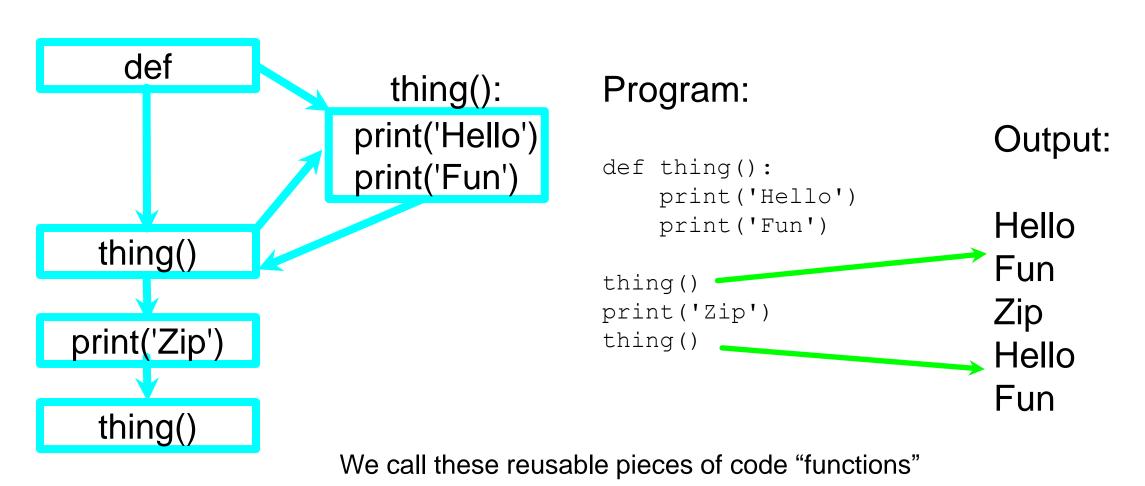
Control Flows

- Conditional: IF statement
- While Loop
- For Loop

Today's Agenda

- Functions
- Class

Stored (and reused) Steps



Python Functions

There are two kinds of functions in Python.

- Built-in functions that are provided as part of Python print(), input(), type(), float(), int() ...
- Functions that we define ourselves and then use

We treat the built-in function names as "new" reserved words (i.e., we avoid them as variable names)

Built-in function: max()

```
>>> big = max('Hello world')
>>> print(big)
w
```

'Hello world' (a string) max() function

A function is some stored code that we use. A function takes some input and produces an output.

> 'w' (a string)

Function Definition

In Python a function is some reusable code that takes arguments(s) as input, does some computation, and then returns a result or results

We define a function using the def reserved word

We call/invoke the function by using the function name, parentheses, and arguments in an expression

Building our Own Functions

We create a new function using the def keyword followed by optional parameters in parentheses

We indent the body of the function

This defines the function but does not execute the body of the function

```
def print_lyrics():
    print("I'm a lumberjack, and I'm okay.")
    print('I sleep all night and I work all day.')
```

Definitions and Uses

- Once we have defined a function, we can call (or invoke) it as many times as we like
- This is the store and reuse pattern

Arguments

- An argument is a value we pass into the function as its input when we call the function
- We use arguments so we can direct the function to do different kinds of work when we call it at different times
- We put the arguments in parentheses after the name of the function



Parameters

A parameter is a variable which we use in the function definition.

It is a "handle" that allows the code in the function to access the arguments for a particular function invocation.

```
>>> def greet(lang):
        if lang == 'es':
           print('Hola')
        elif lang == 'fr':
           print('Bonjour')
        else:
           print('Hello')
>>> greet('en')
Hello
>>> greet('es')
Hola
>>> greet('fr')
Bonjour
```

Return Values

Often a function will take its arguments, do some computation, and return a value to be used as the value of the function call in the calling expression.

Return Value

A "fruitful" function is one that produces a result (or return value)

The return statement ends the function execution and "sends back" the result of the function

```
>>> def greet(lang):
        if lang == 'es':
            return 'Hola'
        elif lang == 'fr':
            return 'Bonjour'
        else:
            return 'Hello'
>>> print(greet('en'),'Glenn')
Hello Glenn
>>> print(greet('es'),'Sally')
Hola Sally
>>> print(greet('fr'),'Michael')
Bonjour Michael
```

Multiple Parameters / Arguments

We can define more than one parameter in the function definition

We simply add more arguments when we call the function

We match the number and order of arguments and parameters

```
>>> def addtwo(a, b):
>>> added = a + b
>>> return added

>>> x = addtwo(3, 5)
>>> print(x)
>>> 8
```

Void (non-fruitful) Functions

- When a function does not return a value, we call it a "void" function
- Functions that return values are "fruitful" functions
- Void functions are "not fruitful"

To function or not to function...

- Organize your code into "paragraphs" capture a complete thought and "name it"
- Don't repeat yourself make it work once and then reuse it
- If something gets too long or complex, break it up into logical chunks and put those chunks in functions
- Make a library of common stuff that you do over and over perhaps share this with your friends...

A Class

class is a reserved word

Each PartyAnimal object has a bit of code

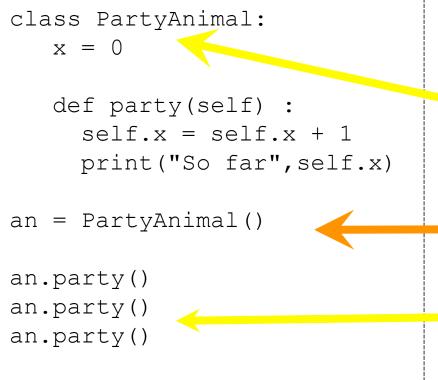
Tell the an object to run the party() code within it

This is the template for making PartyAnimal objects

Each PartyAnimal object has a bit of data

Construct a PartyAnimal object and store in an

PartyAnimal.party(an)



```
class PartyAnimal:
  x = 0
  def party(self) :
    self.x = self.x + 1
    print("So far", self.x)
an = PartyAnimal()
an.party()
an.party()
an.party()
```

So far 1 So far 2 So far 3

Find Capabilities

- The dir() command lists capabilities
- Ignore the ones with underscores these are used by Python itself
- The rest are real operations that the object can perform
- It is like type() it tells us something *about* a variable

```
>>> y = list()
>>> type(y)
<class 'list'>
>>> dir(y)
['__add__', '__class__',
'__contains__', '__delattr__',
'__delitem__', '__delslice__',
'__doc__', ... '__setitem__',
'__setslice__', '__str__', 'append',
'clear', 'copy', 'count', 'extend',
'index', 'insert', 'pop', 'remove',
'reverse', 'sort']
```

```
class PartyAnimal:
    x = 0

    def party(self) :
        self.x = self.x + 1
        print("So far", self.x)

an = PartyAnimal()

print("Type", type(an))
print("Dir ", dir(an))
```

We can use dir() to find the "capabilities" of our newly created class.

Try dir() with a String

```
>>> x = 'Hello there'
>>> dir(x)
['__add__', '__class__', '__contains__', '__delattr__', '__doc__', '__eq__',
'__ge__', '__getattribute__', '__getitem__', '__getnewargs__',
'__getslice__', '__gt__', '__hash__', '__init__', '__le__', '__len__',
'__lt__', '__repr__', '__rmod__', '__rmul__', '__setattr__', '__str__',
'capitalize', 'center', 'count', 'decode', 'encode', 'endswith',
'expandtabs', 'find', 'index', 'isalnum', 'isalpha', 'isdigit', 'islower',
'isspace', 'istitle', 'isupper', 'join', 'ljust', 'lower', 'lstrip',
'partition', 'replace', 'rfind', 'rindex', 'rjust', 'rpartition', 'rsplit',
'rstrip', 'split', 'splitlines', 'startswith', 'strip', 'swapcase', 'title',
'translate', 'upper', 'zfill']
```

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