



Functions



Functions

- Nothing new!
- type()
- Piece of reusable code
- Solves particular task
- Call function instead of writing code yourself





Example

```
In [1]: fam = [1.73, 1.68, 1.71, 1.89]
In [2]: fam
Out[2]: [1.73, 1.68, 1.71, 1.89]
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In [4]: tallest = max(fam)
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```





```
In [6]: round(1.68, 1)
Out[6]: 1.7
In [7]: round(1.68)
Out[7]: 2
In [8]: help(round) Open up documentation
  Help on built-in function round in module builtins:
  round(...)
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      (default 0 digits). This returns an int when called with
      one argument, otherwise the same type as the number.
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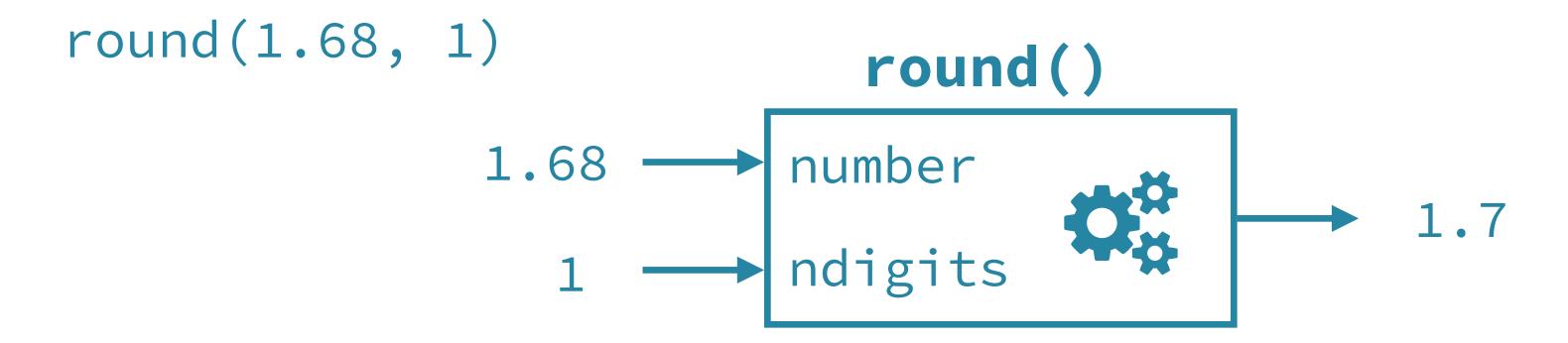




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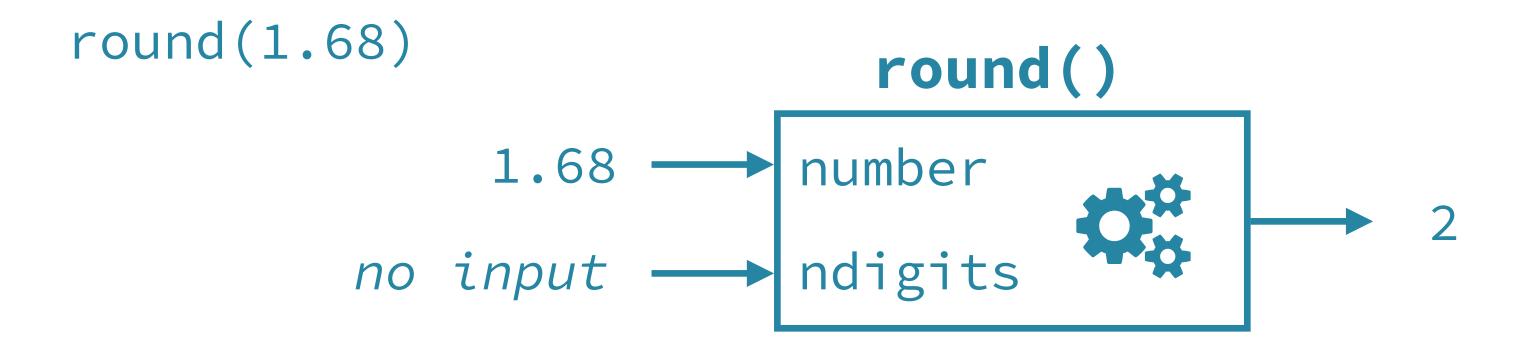




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round(number)
round(number, ndigits)
```



Find functions

- How to know?
- Standard task -> probably function exists!
- The internet is your friend





Let's practice!





Methods





Built-in Functions

- Maximum of list: max()
- Length of list or string: len()
- Get index in list: ?
- Reversing a list: ?





Back 2 Basics

```
In [1]: sister = "liz"

Object str capitalize()
replace()

In [2]: height = 1.73

Object float bit_length()
conjugate()

In [3]: fam = ["liz", 1.73, "emma", 1.68, "mom", 1.71, "dad", 1.89]

index()
count()
```

Methods: Functions that belong to objects



list methods

```
In [4]: fam
Out[4]: ['liz', 1.73, 'emma', 1.68, 'mom', 1.71, 'dad', 1.89]
In [5]: fam.index("mom")
Out[5]: 4

In [6]: fam.count(1.73)
Out[6]: 1
"Call method index() on fam"
```





str methods

```
In [7]: sister
Out[7]: 'liz'
In [8]: sister.capitalize()
Out[8]: 'Liz'
In [9]: sister.replace("z", "sa")
Out[9]: 'lisa'
```





Methods

- Everything = object
- Object have methods associated, depending on type

```
In [10]: sister.replace("z", "sa")
Out[10]: 'lisa'
In [11]: fam.replace("mom", "mommy")
AttributeError: 'list' object has no attribute 'replace'
In [12]: sister.index("z")
Out[12]: 2
In [13]: fam.index("mom")
Out[13]: 4
```





Methods (2)

```
In [14]: fam
Out[14]: ['liz', 1.73, 'emma', 1.68, 'mom', 1.71, 'dad', 1.89]

In [15]: fam.append("me")

In [16]: fam
Out[16]: ['liz', 1.73, 'emma', 1.68, 'mom', 1.71, 'dad', 1.89, 'me']

In [17]: fam.append(1.79)

In [18]: fam
Out[18]: ['liz', 1.73, 'emma', 1.68, 'mom', 1.71, 'dad', 1.89, 'me', 1.79]
```





Summary

Functions

```
In [11]: type(fam)
Out[11]: list
```

• Methods: call functions on objects

```
In [12]: fam.index("dad")
Out[12]: 6
```





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Packages



Motivation

- Functions and methods are powerful
- All code in Python distribution?
 - Huge code base: messy
 - Lots of code you won't use
 - Maintenance problem



Packages

- Directory of Python Scripts
- Each script = module
- Specify functions, methods, types
- Thousands of packages available
 - Numpy
 - Matplotlib
 - Scikit-learn

```
pkg/
mod1.py
mod2.py
...
```



Install package

- http://pip.readthedocs.org/en/stable/installing/
- Download get-pip.py
- Terminal:
 - python3 get-pip.py
 - pip3 install numpy





Import package

```
In [1]: import numpy
In [2]: array([1, 2, 3])
NameError: name 'array' is not defined
In [3]: numpy.array([1, 2, 3])
Out[3]: array([1, 2, 3])
In [4]: import numpy as np
In [5]: np.array([1, 2, 3])
Out[5]: array([1, 2, 3])
In [6]: from numpy import array
In [7]: array([1, 2, 3])
Out[7]: array([1, 2, 3])
```





from numpy import array

```
my_script.py
from numpy import array
fam = ["liz", 1.73, "emma", 1.68,
       "mom", 1.71, "dad", 1.89]
• • •
fam_ext = fam + ["me", 1.79]
• • •
print(str(len(fam_ext)) + " elements in fam_ext")
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                               Using Numpy, but not very clear
np_fam = array(fam_ext)
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