Copy and paste rules — why functions?

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123456.txt

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8900
...
```

Update the files

1. 123313: 11% salary raise
2. 123790: moved to Polarna street in Katowice
3. 123856: 10% salary raise

What to do

For each person/file:

- read the file contents
- find the right line
- replace the piece of information
- update the file contents

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Similar task

- 697123: 12% salary raise

- 112001: 33% salary raise

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Function

$$f(x) = x + 1$$

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$$g(x) = 2x - x + 1$$
$$h(x) = \frac{42 + x^2 \cdot x}{x^3 + 42} - x + 1$$

$$f(x) = x + 1$$

```
def f(x):
    return x + 1
```

```
def f(x):
  print("Hi, how are you?")
  return x + 1
```

```
def f(x, y):
  print("Hi, how are you?")
  return x - y + 1
```

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def f():
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def read_file(person):
  f = open(person + '.txt', 'r')
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# CHANGE SALARY
old_salary = int(lines[3])
new_salary = 1.10 * old_salary
lines[3] = str(new_salary)




def change_salary(lines, x):
  old_salary = int(lines[3])
  new_salary = x * old_salary
  lines[3] = str(new_salary)
```

```python
# CHANGE ADDRESS
lines[2] = 'Katowice, Polarna'




def change_address(lines, new_address):
  lines[2] = new_address
```

```
# WRITE FILE
f = open('123313.txt', 'w')
f.write('\n'.join(lines))
f.close()




def write_file(person, lines):
  f = open(person + '.txt', 'w')
  f.write('\n'.join(lines))
  f.close()
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write_file('123313', lines)

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change_address(lines, 'Katowice, Polarna')
write_file('123790', lines)

lines = read_file('123856')
change_salary(lines, 1.10)
write_file('123856', lines)
```

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def twice(x):
  return 2 * x

def thrice(x):
  return 3 * x

def g(x):
  return twice(x) + thrice(x) + 1
```

```python
def f(x):
  return 2 * x + 3 * x + 1
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$0.18\,\mu s$ vs $0.32\,\mu s$ $(1.8\times)$

```python
def fib(i):
  if i == 0 or i == 1:
    return 1
  else:
    return fib(i-1) + fib(i-2)

print(fib(40))
```

```c
#include <stdio.h>

int fib(int i) {
  if (i == 0 || i == 1)
    return 1;
  else
    return fib(i-1) + fib(i-2);
}

int main(void) {
  printf("%u\n", fib(40));
  return 0;
}
```

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37 s vs 0.1 s $(370\times)$

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Pure vs "dirty" functions

```
def payEmployee(employeeId, hours):
  connectionId = 12332

  today = datetime.date.today()
  weekday = today.isoweekday() # 1 for Monday, 7 for Sunday

  if weekday == 7:
    r = paySundayTime(connectionId, employeeId, hours)
  else:
    r = payNormalTime(connectionId, employeeId, hours)
  return r
```

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def payEmployee(employeeId, hours, today):
  connectionId = 12332

  weekday = today.isoweekday() # 1 for Monday, 7 for Sunday

  if weekday == 7:
    r = paySundayTime(connectionId, employeeId, hours)
  else:
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  return r
```

```python
# def payEmployee(employeeId, hours, today)

r1 = payEmployee(1434, 8, datetime.date(2022, 4, 1))
r2 = payEmployee(1434, 8, datetime.date(2022, 4, 2))
r3 = payEmployee(1434, 8, datetime.date(2022, 4, 3))
r4 = payEmployee(1434, 8, datetime.date(2022, 4, 4))
```

Why would anybody need a program that doesn't interact with him?

```python
import sys

print("I was called with those arguments:")
print(sys.argv)
sys.exit(24)
```

```
> python args.py 123 445 9080
I was called with those arguments:
['args.py', '123', '445', '9080']

> echo %errorlevel%
24
```

"Clean up" the code using functions

```python
import sys

# the first element in 'sys.argv' (at index 0) is always the script file name;
# therefore look for the numbers starting with the second element (index 1)
if len(sys.argv) == 2:
    arg1 = int(sys.argv[1])
    if arg1 < 0:
        print("Sorry, expected non-negative integers")
        sys.exit(1) # end with 1 to indicate error
    result = arg1 + 42 - 4
    print("Result of the function is: ", result)
elif len(sys.argv) == 3:
    arg1 = int(sys.argv[1])
    if arg1 < 0:
        print("Sorry, expected non-negative integers")
        sys.exit(1) # end with 1 to indicate error
    arg2 = int(sys.argv[2])
    if arg2 < 0:
        print("Sorry, expected non-negative integers")
        sys.exit(1) # end with 1 to indicate error
    result = arg1 + arg2 - 4
    print("Result of the function is: ", result)
elif len(sys.argv) == 4:
    arg1 = int(sys.argv[1])
    if arg1 < 0:
        print("Sorry, expected non-negative integers")
        sys.exit(1) # end with 1 to indicate error
    arg2 = int(sys.argv[2])
    if arg2 < 0:
        print("Sorry, expected non-negative integers")
        sys.exit(1) # end with 1 to indicate error # end with 1 to indicate error
    arg3 = int(sys.argv[3])
    if arg3 < 0:
        print("Sorry, expected non-negative integers")
        sys.exit(1) # end with 1 to indicate error
    result = arg1 + arg2 - arg3
    print("Result of the function is: ", result)
else:
    print("Invalid arguments - expected 1..3 non-negative integer numbers")
    sys.exit(1) # end with 1 to indicate error
```