

The “Live” Code of Lecture 3

Note, the last bit of code (“Optional arguments”) is unfinished!

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#####  
# Functions #  
#####  
  
sayHello = function(name){  
  paste0("Hello ", name,  
        ", how are you doing today?")  
}  
  
sayHello("Sabrina")
```

```
## [1] "Hello Sabrina, how are you doing today?"
```

```
sayHello("Christian")
```

```
## [1] "Hello Christian, how are you doing today?"
```

```
LETTERS
```

```
## [1] "A" "B" "C" "D" "E" "F" "G" "H" "I" "J" "K" "L" "M" "N" "O" "P" "Q"  
## [18] "R" "S" "T" "U" "V" "W" "X" "Y" "Z"
```

```
sayHello(LETTERS)
```

```
## [1] "Hello A, how are you doing today?"  
## [2] "Hello B, how are you doing today?"  
## [3] "Hello C, how are you doing today?"  
## [4] "Hello D, how are you doing today?"  
## [5] "Hello E, how are you doing today?"  
## [6] "Hello F, how are you doing today?"  
## [7] "Hello G, how are you doing today?"  
## [8] "Hello H, how are you doing today?"  
## [9] "Hello I, how are you doing today?"  
## [10] "Hello J, how are you doing today?"  
## [11] "Hello K, how are you doing today?"  
## [12] "Hello L, how are you doing today?"  
## [13] "Hello M, how are you doing today?"  
## [14] "Hello N, how are you doing today?"  
## [15] "Hello O, how are you doing today?"  
## [16] "Hello P, how are you doing today?"  
## [17] "Hello Q, how are you doing today?"  
## [18] "Hello R, how are you doing today?"  
## [19] "Hello S, how are you doing today?"  
## [20] "Hello T, how are you doing today?"  
## [21] "Hello U, how are you doing today?"  
## [22] "Hello V, how are you doing today?"  
## [23] "Hello W, how are you doing today?"
```

```
## [24] "Hello X, how are you doing today?"
## [25] "Hello Y, how are you doing today?"
## [26] "Hello Z, how are you doing today?"
```

```
# A function that calculates saving needs for retirement
#####
```

```
# The input values for the calculation
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```
spending = 5000
interestRate = 4
T = 30
```

```
# The stupid way to program...
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```
# (this does not even deserve the name "programming")
```

```
pvSpending = 5000/1.04^30
pvSpending
```

```
## [1] 1541.593
```

```
# A little smarter with using variables
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```
pvSpending = spending/(1+interestRate/100)^T
```

```
# The smartest way: Using functions
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```
saveFun = function(x, r, T){
  round( x/(1+r/100)^T )
}
saveFun(5000, 0, 30)
```

```
## [1] 5000
```

```
# Label arguments
#####
```

```
saveFun = function(spending, interestRate,
                    horizon){
  x = spending
  r = interestRate
  T = horizon
  round( x/(1+r/100)^T )
}
```

```
saveFun(spending = 5000, interestRate = 4,
        horizon = 30)
```

```
## [1] 1542
```

```
saveFun(horizon = 30, spending = 5000,
        interestRate = 4)
```

```
## [1] 1542
```

```
saveFun(30, 5000, 4)
```

```
## [1] 0
```

```
# With labels you can change the order of the arguments,  
# without labels, you cannot.
```

```
# Default values  
#####
```

```
saveFun = function(spending = 5000,  
                    interestRate = 4,  
                    horizon = 30){  
  x = spending  
  r = interestRate  
  T = horizon  
  round( x/(1+r/100)^T )  
}
```

```
saveFun()
```

```
## [1] 1542
```

```
saveFun(spending = 1000)
```

```
## [1] 308
```

```
# Optional arguments  
#####
```

```
# !!! WARNING: THE CODE BELOW IS INCOMPLETE,  
# WE WILL FINISH THIS THE NEXT TIME!!!!
```

```
saveFun = function(spending = 5000,  
                    interestRate = 4,  
                    horizon = 30,  
                    get.out.as.text = NULL){  
  x = spending  
  r = interestRate  
  T = horizon  
  out = round( x/(1+r/100)^T )  
  
  if( !is.null(get.out.as.text) ){  
    cat(sprintf("If you want to spend %s after %s years  
and the interest rate is %s percent,  
you have to save %s.", x, T, r, out))  
  }  
}
```

```
x = 5000; T = 30; r = 4
```