



Functions and Control Structures

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2018 Safe Drinking Water Data Challenge

This series of events and community-led activities includes engagements such as National Day of Civic Hacking, online tutorials, fireside chats, and hackathons. They will all culminate in a summit and awards ceremony recognizing teams and partners that have worked hard throughout the summer to ensure every Californian has access to safe drinking water. Submissions are due by October 1 and the Summit and Award



California Water Data Hackathon

California Safe Drinking Water Data Challenge

HACKING

September 14, 2018 to
September 15, 2018
10:00am to 5:00pm
190 Doe Library

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The Division of Data Sciences at UC Berkeley and the Berkeley Institute for Data Science (BIDS) are hosting the **California Water Data Hackathon** to help find innovative ways to increase community access to safe drinking water, better understand vulnerabilities, and identify and deploy solutions. This event will immediately follow the [Global Climate Action Summit in San Francisco](#) (#GCAS2018), and is just one of the events and efforts supporting this year's [California Safe Drinking Water Data Challenge](#) on June 26 - October 1, 2018 (#CAWaterDataChallenge).

California Water Data Hackathon

Dates: September 14-15, 2018
Location: BIDS (190 Doe Library UC Berkeley)

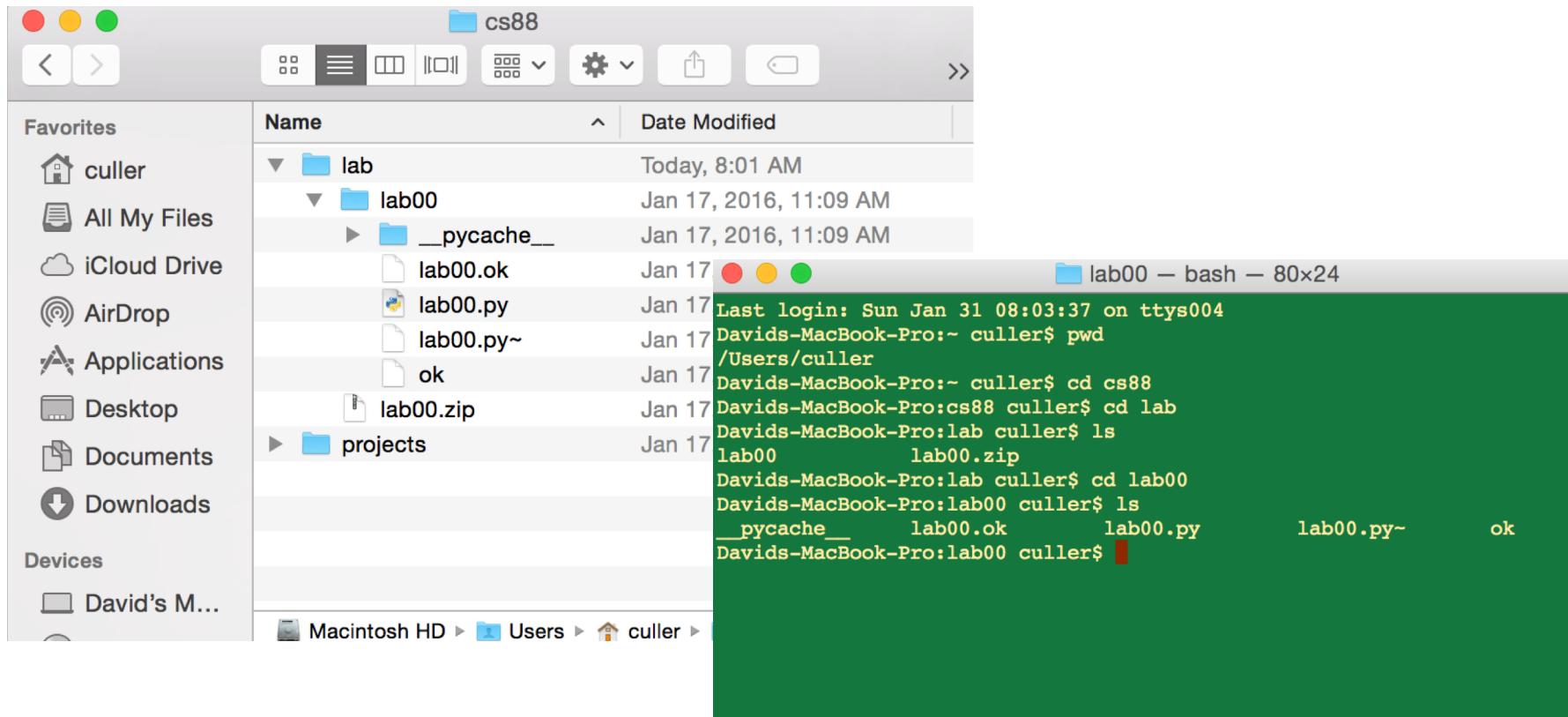


Administrative issues

- **Waitlist and Concurrent Enrollment Accepted**
- **Weekly Schedule**
 - Monday Lecture => Read => Friday Lab => Homework (Due Th)
- **Lab Assignments complete**
- **Culler Office Hours after class – here to BIDS 190E**
 - Room in the back on the right



WIMP => Program Development



- **Big Idea: Layers of Abstraction**
 - The GUI look and feel is built out of files, directories, system code, etc.



Computational Concepts Toolbox





Computational Concepts Toolbox

- Data type: the “kind” of value and what you can do with it
 - Integers, Floats, Booleans, Strings, [tuples]
- Operators
 - Arithmetic: +, -, *, /, //, %, **
 - Boolean: or, and, not
 - Comparison: <, <=, ==, !=, >=, >
 - Membership: in, is, is not
 - Conditional expression: <t_exp> if <cond> else <f_exp>
- Values
 - literals, variables, results of expression

Expressions – compute a value

- Valid use of operators and values
- Call expression: <fun>(<arg1>, ...)





Call Expressions

- Evaluate a function on some arguments
- What would be some useful functions?
- **builtin functions**
 - <https://docs.python.org/3/library/functions.html>
 - min, max, sum
- <https://docs.python.org/3/library/>
- str
- import math; help(math)



Computational Concepts Toolbox

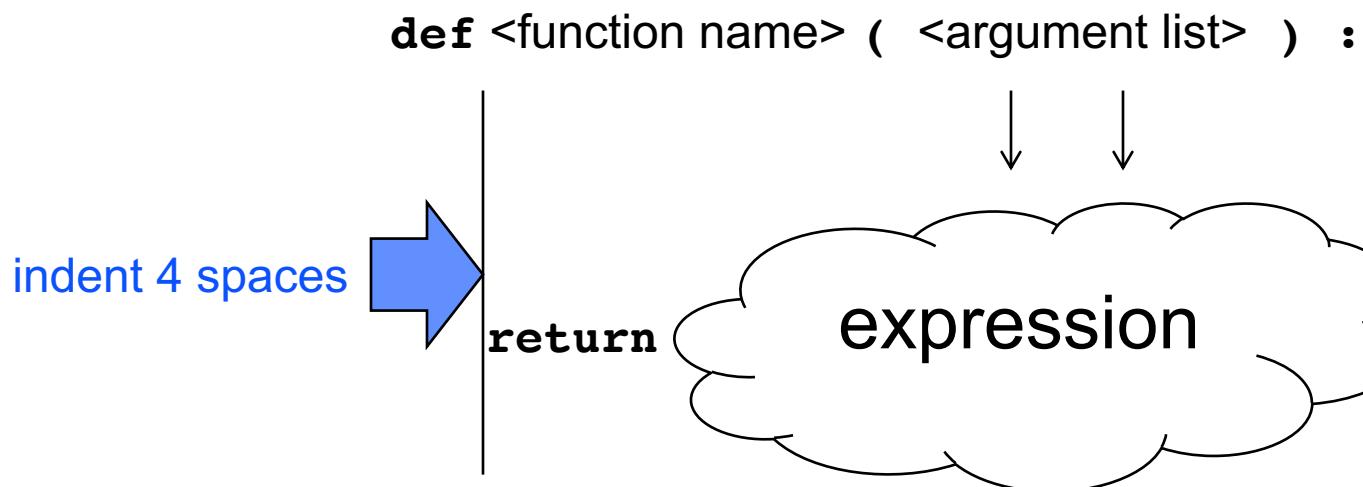
- Data type
 - Operators
 - Values
 - Expressions
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- Statements – take an action
 - Assignment Statement
 - <variable> = <expression>
 - Sequence of Statements

➤ `x = 3`
➤ `y = 2`
➤ `print(x+y)`





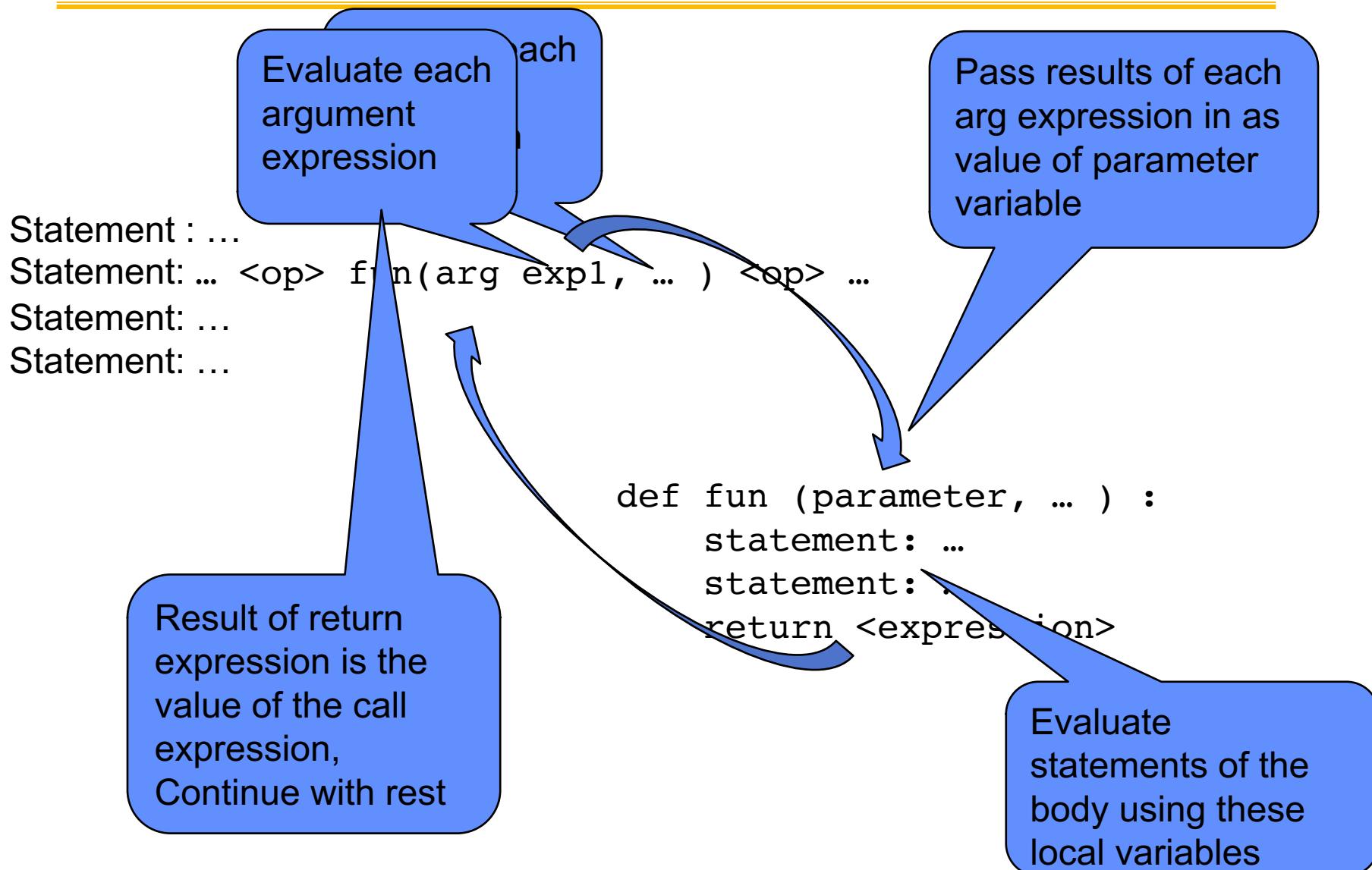
Defining a Function



- **Generalizes an expression or set of statements to apply to lots of instances**
- **A lot like a mathematical function**
 - maps domain to range, but can do more ...
- **A function should *do one thing well***



Calling and Returning Results





Example

```
x = 3  
y = 4 + max(17, x+6) * 0.1  
z = x / y
```

```
def max (x, y) :  
    return x if x > y else y
```



Computational Concepts Toolbox

- Data type
- Operators
- Values
- Expressions
- Sequence of Statements
 - Assignment
 - Function Definition – like assigning to the function name
 - Return





Computational Concepts today

- Good Function Definitions
- Conditional Statement
- Iteration: data-driven (list comprehension)
- Iteration: control-driven (for statement)
 - Structured
- Iteration: while statement
 - More primitive and more general



Big Idea: Software Design Patterns



How to write a good function

- **Name the function to describe what it does**
 - Function names should be lowercase, with words separated by underscores as necessary to improve readability
- **Choose meaningful parameter names**
 - Variable names follow the same convention as function names.
- **Write the docstring to explain what it does**
 - Not how it does it. What does it return?
- **Write doctests to show what it should do.**
 - Before you write any code
- **Write the code to do it**

Python Style Guide: <https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/>



Example: Prime numbers

```
1 def prime(n):
2     """Return whether n is a prime number.
3
4     >>> prime(2)
5     True
6     >>> prime(3)
7     True
8     >>> prime(4)
9     False
10    """
11
12    return "figure this out"
```

Prime number

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

"Prime" redirects here. For other uses, see [Prime \(disambiguation\)](#).

A **prime number** (or a **prime**) is a **natural number** greater than 1 that cannot be formed by multiplying two smaller natural numbers. A natural number greater than 1 that is not prime is called a **composite number**. For example, 5 is prime because the only ways of writing it as a product, 1×5 or 5×1 , involve 5 itself. However, 6 is composite because it is the product of two numbers (2×3) that are both smaller than 6. Primes are central in **number theory** because of the **fundamental theorem of arithmetic**: every natural number greater than 1 is either a prime itself or can be **factorized** as a product of primes that is unique **up to** their order.



How's this work?

```
(datascience)CullerMac:ideas culler$ ls
__pycache__ fun.py      lab01.py    prime1.py
(datascience)CullerMac:ideas culler$ python -m doctest prime1.py
*****
File "/Users/culler/Classes/CS88-Fa18/ideas/prime1.py", line 4, in prime1.prime
Failed example:
    prime(2)
Expected:
    True
Got:
    'figure this out'
*****
File "/Users/culler/Classes/CS88-Fa18/ideas/prime1.py", line 6, in prime1.prime
Failed example:
    prime(3)
Expected:
    True
Got:
    'figure this out'
*****
File "/Users/culler/Classes/CS88-Fa18/ideas/prime1.py", line 8, in prime1.prime
Failed example:
    prime(4)
Expected:
    False
Got:
    'figure this out'
*****
1 items had failures:
   3 of   3 in prime1.prime
***Test Failed*** 3 failures.
(datascience)CullerMac:ideas culler$ █
```



Building some tools

```
def divides(number, divider):
    """ Return whether divider divides number evenly.
    >>> divides(3,2)
    False
    >>> divides(4,2)
    True
    """
    return (number % divider) == 0
```



A sequence data type

- A list is an object consisting of an ordered sequence of values
- Its literal is [item₀, item₁, ...]
- In data8 you've seen numpy arrays

```
>>> [1, 2, 3]
[1, 2, 3]
>>> x = [1, 2, 3]
>>> import numpy as np
>>> nx = np.array(x)
>>> nx
array([1, 2, 3])
>>> nx + nx
array([2, 4, 6])
>>> x + x
[1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3]
>>> nx*3
array([3, 6, 9])
>>> x*3
[1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3]
>>> []
[]
>>>
```



Data-driven iteration

- describe an expression to perform on each item in a sequence
- let the data dictate the control
- Called “list comprehension”

```
[ <expr with loop var> for <loop var> in <sequence expr > ]
```



Building Tools cont.

```
def dividers(n):
    """Return list of whether numbers greater than 1 that divide n.

    >>> dividers(6)
    [True, True, False, False]
    """
    return [divides(n,i) for i in range(2,n)]
```

```
[(<ipython>)CullerMac:ideas culler$ python -i prime2.py
>>> divides(24, 6)
True
>>> dividers(12)
[True, True, True, False, True, False, False, False, False]
```



Building Tools cont.

The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook interface with several tabs: fun.py, dividers.py (which is currently active), prime2.py, and prime1.py. The dividers.py tab contains Python code for finding divisors:

```
1 def divides(number, divider):
2     """ Return whether divider divides number evenly.
3     """
4     if number % divider == 0:
5         return True
6     else:
7         return False
8
9
10 def dividers(n):
11     """Return list of numbers greater than 1 that divide n.
12
13     """
14     return [i for i in range(2, n//2+1) if divides(n, i)]
```

Below the notebook, a terminal window shows the command `python -m doctest dividers.py` being run, followed by a prompt. The output shows the doctests passing for the `divides` and `dividers` functions.

```
culler$ python -m doctest dividers.py
culler$ 
```

```
(datascience)CullerMac:ideas culler$ python -i dividers.py
>>> dividers(17)
[False, False, False, False, False, False, False]
```

At the bottom of the interface, status bars indicate "Line 18, Column 54", "Tab Size: 4", and "Python".



for statement – iteration control

- Repeat a block of statements for a structured sequence of variable bindings

```
<initialization statements>
for <variables> in <sequence expression>:
    |  
    |<body statements>
    |
<rest of the program>
```

A blue arrow points from the word "body" in the pseudocode to the start of the block labeled "<body statements>".



A very basic tool

A screenshot of a code editor window titled "cumor.py". The window shows four tabs: "fun.py", "cumor.py", "dividers.py", and "prime3.py". The "cumor.py" tab is active. The code in "cumor.py" is as follows:

```
1 def cum_OR(lst):
2     """Return cumulative OR of entries in lst.
3     >>> cum_OR([True, False])
4     True
5     >>> cum_OR([False, False])
6     False
7     """
8     co = False
9     for item in lst:
10        co = co or item
11    return co
12
```

The status bar at the bottom indicates "Line 12, Column 1", "Tab Size: 4", and "Python".

- **Initialize a variable before loop**
- **Update it in each iteration**
- **Final result on exit**



Putting it together

The screenshot shows a Python code editor with several tabs open. The active tab is `prime3.py`, which contains the following code:

```
1 def divides(number, divider):
2     """ Return whether divider divides number evenly.
3     >>> divides(3,2)
4     False
5     >>> divides(4,2)
6     True
7     """
8     return (number % divider) == 0
9
10 def dividers(n):
11     """Return list of whether numbers greater than 1 that divide n.
12
13     >>> dividers(6)
14     [True, True]
15     >>> dividers(9)
16     [False, True, False]
17     """
18     return [divides(n,i) for i in range(2,(n//2)+1) ]
19
20 def cum_OR(lst):
21     """Return cumulative OR of entries in lst.
22     >>> cum_OR([True, False])
23     True
24     >>> cum_OR([False, False])
25     False
26     """
27     co = False
28     for item in lst:
29         co = co or item
30     return co
31
32 def prime(n):
33     """Return whether n is a prime number.
34
35     >>> prime(2)
36     True
37     >>> prime(3)
38     True
39     >>> prime(4)
40     False
41     """
42
43     return not cum_OR(dividers(n))
```

To the right of the code editor, a terminal window shows the execution of the code and its test results:

```
(datascience)CullerMac:ideas culler$ python -m doctest prime3.py
(datascience)CullerMac:ideas culler$ python -i prime3.py
>>> prime(17)
True
>>> prime(8)
False
>>> prime(1)
True
>>> prime(0)
True
>>> prime(-17)
True
>>> 
```



Conditional statement

- Do some statements, conditional on a *predicate expression*

```
if <predicate>:  
    <true statements>  
else:  
    <false statements>
```

Optional else clause



Getting it right

A screenshot of a Python code editor window titled "prime4.py". The code defines a function "prime" that returns True if a number is prime and False otherwise. It handles the case where n < 2 separately from the case where n ≥ 2. The code editor shows tabs for "fun.py", "cumor.py", "dividers.py", "prime4.py", and "prime1.py". The status bar at the bottom indicates "Line 47, Column 10", "Tab Size: 4", and "Python".

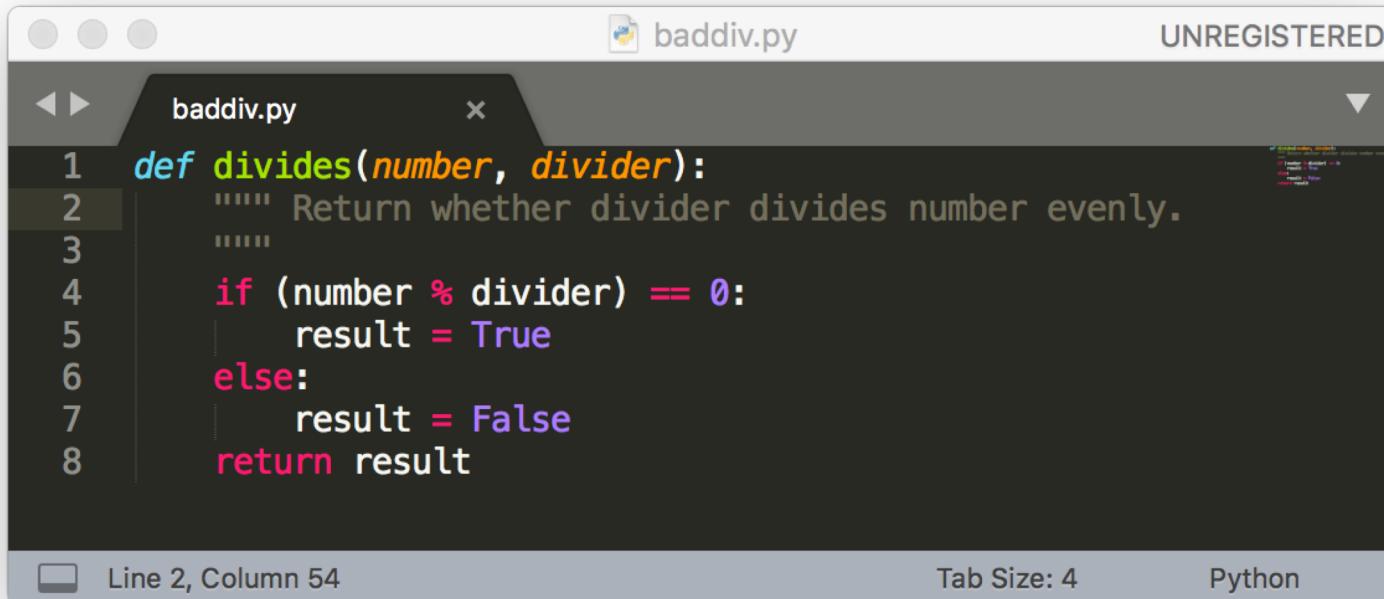
```
def prime(n):
    """Return whether n is a prime number.

    >>> prime(2)
    True
    >>> prime(3)
    True
    >>> prime(4)
    False
    >>> prime(1)
    False
    """
    if n < 2:
        return False
    else:
        return not cum_OR(dividers(n))
```

- **Conditional used to handle the special case**
 - Guards whether the logic applies



Beware the conditional mess



A screenshot of a code editor window titled "baddiv.py". The code defines a function "divides" that checks if a "divider" evenly divides a "number". The code is as follows:

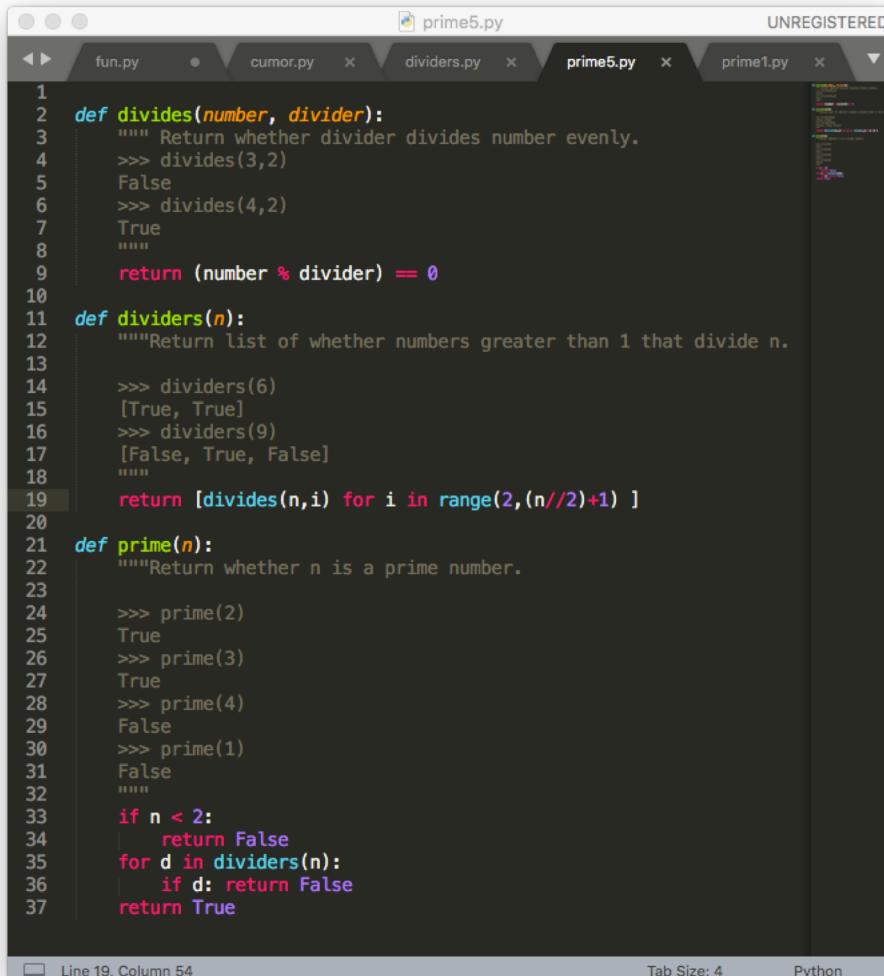
```
1 def divides(number, divider):
2     """ Return whether divider divides number evenly.
3     """
4     if (number % divider) == 0:
5         result = True
6     else:
7         result = False
8     return result
```

The status bar at the bottom shows "Line 2, Column 54", "Tab Size: 4", and "Python".

- **What's wrong with this function?**



Combining Concepts



A screenshot of a Python code editor window titled "prime5.py". The window shows several tabs at the top: "fun.py", "cumor.py", "dividers.py", "prime5.py", and "prime1.py". The "prime5.py" tab is active. The code in the editor is as follows:

```
1 def divides(number, divider):
2     """ Return whether divider divides number evenly.
3     >>> divides(3,2)
4     False
5     >>> divides(4,2)
6     True
7     """
8     return (number % divider) == 0
9
10 def dividers(n):
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13     >>> dividers(6)
14     [True, True]
15     >>> dividers(9)
16     [False, True, False]
17     """
18     return [divides(n,i) for i in range(2,(n//2)+1) ]
19
20 def prime(n):
21     """Return whether n is a prime number.
22
23     >>> prime(2)
24     True
25     >>> prime(3)
26     True
27     >>> prime(4)
28     False
29     >>> prime(1)
30     False
31     """
32     if n < 2:
33         return False
34     for d in dividers(n):
35         if d: return False
36     return True
37
```

The status bar at the bottom of the editor indicates "Line 19, Column 54", "Tab Size: 4", and "Python".

- **Return does not have to be at the end**
 - Nesting within conditionals can simplify expression



Conditional list comprehension

A screenshot of a Python code editor window titled "prime5.py". The window shows several tabs at the top: "fun.py", "cumor.py", "dividers.py", "prime5.py", and "prime1.py". The "prime5.py" tab is active. The code defines two functions: "prime" and "primes". The "prime" function checks if a number is prime by returning False if it's less than 2 or if it has divisors other than 1 and itself. The "primes" function returns a list of prime numbers up to n using a list comprehension. A Python shell session is visible in the background, demonstrating the functionality of the code.

```
def prime(n):
    """Return whether n is a prime number.

    >>> prime(2)
    True
    >>> prime(3)
    True
    >>> prime(4)
    False
    >>> prime(1)
    False
    """
    if n < 2:
        return False
    for d in dividers(n):
        if d: return False
    return True

def primes(n):
    """Return primes up to n.

    """
    return [i for i in range(2,n) if prime(i)]
```

```
(datascience)CullerMac:ideas culler$ python -i prime5.py
>>> primes(10)
[2, 3, 5, 7]
>>> primes(100)
[2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47, 53, 59, 61, 67, 71, 73, 79, 83, 89, 97]
```



while statement – iteration control

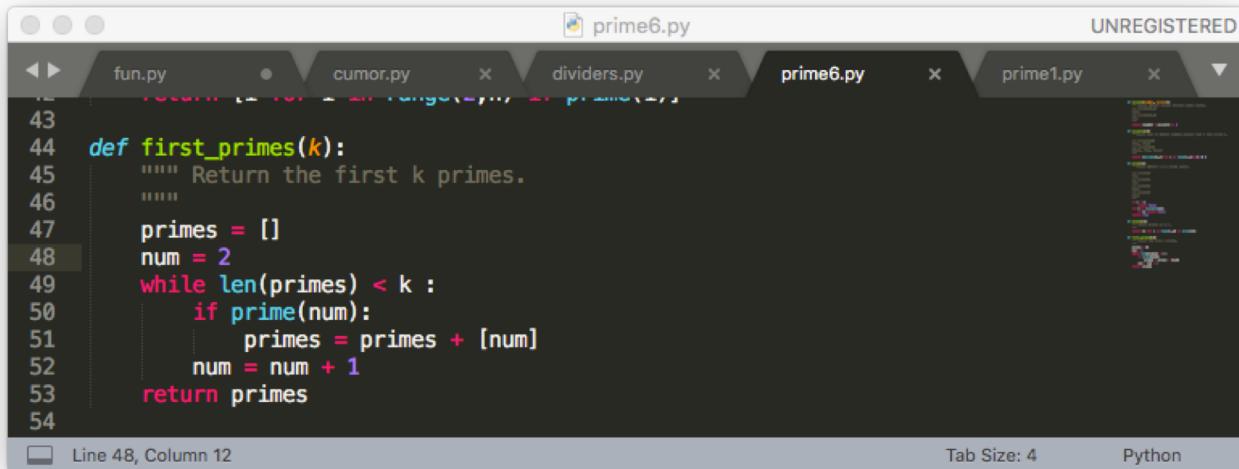
- Repeat a block of statements until a predicate expression is satisfied

```
<initialization statements>
while <predicate expression>:
    <body statements>

<rest of the program>
```



Putting even more together



```
prime6.py UNREGISTERED
fun.py cumor.py dividers.py prime6.py prime1.py
43
44 def first_primes(k):
45     """ Return the first k primes.
46     """
47     primes = []
48     num = 2
49     while len(primes) < k :
50         if prime(num):
51             primes = primes + [num]
52         num = num + 1
53     return primes
54
Line 48, Column 12 Tab Size: 4 Python
```

The screenshot shows a Python code editor window titled "prime6.py". The code defines a function `first_primes` that generates the first `k` prime numbers. It uses a while loop to iterate through numbers, checking if each is prime using the `prime` function. If a number is prime, it is added to the `primes` list. The code editor interface includes tabs for other files like `fun.py`, `cumor.py`, `dividers.py`, and `prime1.py`. The status bar at the bottom indicates "Line 48, Column 12" and "Tab Size: 4".

- **Iteration not simple linear sequence**
- **Accumulation of values distinct from control**



Computational Concepts Toolbox

- Data type
- Operators
- Values => scalars, functions & sequences
- Expressions
 - Iteration: data-driven (list comprehension)
- Sequence of Statements
 - Assignment
 - Function Definition – with doctest
 - Return
 - Conditionals



Iteration: control-driven (for statement)

- Structured

Iteration: while statement

- More primitive and more general