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# Fundamentals of Programming

*Lecture 2 – Procedural Programming*

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# Last time

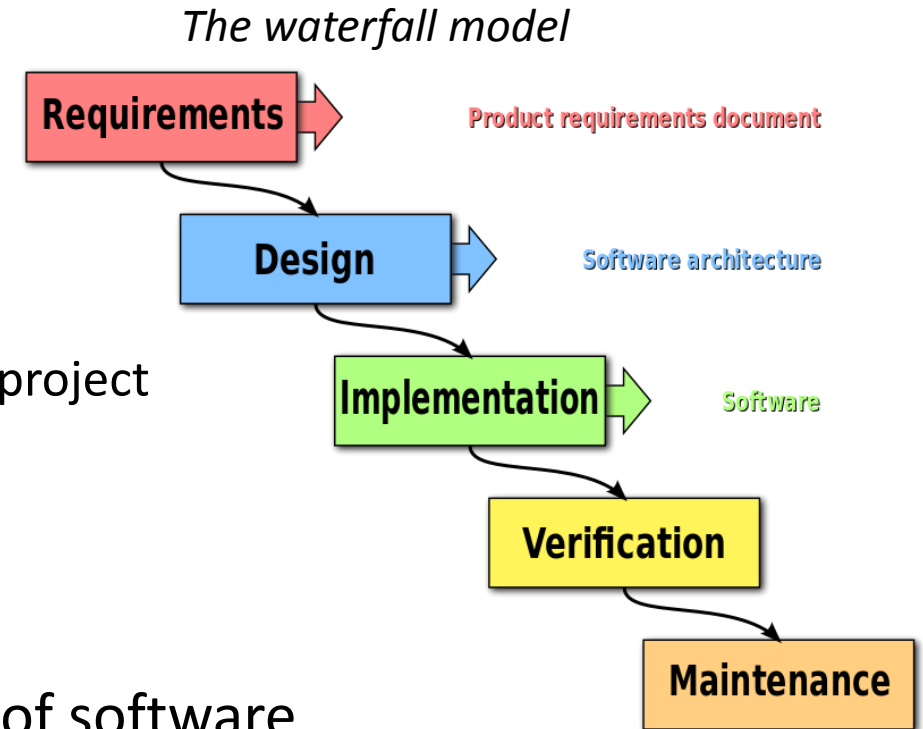
- Programming process
  - What is programming?
  - Basic elements of Python
    - Python programs
    - Data types
    - Variables and expressions
    - Statements: assignments, conditionals, loops

# Today

- Software development process
  - Simple feature-driven development
- Programming paradigms
- Functions
  - Definition
  - Call
  - How to write a function

# Software development process

- Roles in software engineering
  - Programmer / software developer
    - Writes and develops programs for users
  - Client
    - The one interested / affected by the results of a project
  - User
    - Runs the program on the computer
- Software development process:
  - Includes creation, launch and maintenance of software
  - Indicate the steps to be followed and their order



# Software development process

- Steps in solving a problem:
  - Problem definition
  - Requirements
  - Use case scenario
  - Identify the features and separate them on iterations
  - Identify the activities or tasks (for each feature) and describe them

# Software development process

- Steps in solving a problem:
  - Problem definition
    - A short description of the problem
    - *A teacher (**client**) needs an application for students (**users**) learning how to find the smallest prime number greater than a given natural number  $n$ .*
  - Requirements
    - Define what is required from the client perspective (what the application needs to do)
    - Identify input and output data
    - ***Input:**  $n$  – a natural number*
    - ***Output:** the smallest prime number greater than  $n$*
  - Use case scenario

Run	1	2	3	4
Input	5	0	11	-3
Output	7	2	13	Please enter a natural number:

# Software development process

- Steps in solving a problem:
  - Identify the features and plan the iterations
    - **Feature**
      - Defined as a client function
      - Specified as (action, result, object)
        - Action – a function that the application needs to provide
        - Result – obtained as a result of executing the function
        - Object – an entity where the application implements the function
      - *F1: finding the smallest prime number greater than given n*
    - **Iteration**
      - Time period when a stable and runnable version of a product is created (with documentation)
      - Helps to plan the delivery of features
      - *I1=F1*

# Software development process

- Steps in solving a problem:
  - List of activities or tasks (for each feature) and their description
    - Recommendations:
      - Define one activity for each operation
      - Define an activity for user interface (UI) interaction
      - Define an activity for UI operations
      - Determine the dependencies between activities
    - *A1: verify if a given number is prime or not*
    - *A2: find the smallest prime number greater than a given natural number*
    - *A3: implement the initialization of a number, finding the smallest prime number greater than  $n$  and return the result*
    - *A4: implement the UI*



# Software development process

- Steps in solving a problem:
  - List of activities (for each feature) and their **description**
  - Testing cases
    - Specify a set of input data and expected results to evaluate a part of a program
    - *A1: verify if a given number is prime or not*

Input	Output
2	True
6	False
3	True
-2	False
1	False

# Software development process

- Steps in solving a problem:
  - List of activities (for each feature) and their **description**
  - Implementation
    - *A1: verify if a given number is prime or not*

```
# Description: verifies if the number n is prime
# Data: n
# Precondition: n - natural number
# Results: res
# Postcondition: res=FALSE, if n is not prime or res=TRUE, if n is prime
if (n < 2):
    print("no ", n, " is not prime (is composed)")
else:
    d = 2
    isPrime = True
    while (d * d <= n) and (isPrime == True):
        if (n % d == 0):
            isPrime = False
        else:
            d = d + 1
    if (isPrime == True):
        print("no ", n, " is prime")
    else:
        print("no ", n, " is not prime")
```

# Simple feature-driven development

- Build a feature list from problem statement
- Plan iterations
- For each iteration
  - Model planned features
  - Implement and test the features
  - Obs:
    - At the beginning of each iteration: analyze each feature – determine the activities (tasks) required – schedule the tasks – implementat and test each independently.
    - *An iteration will result in a working program for the client (will interact with the user, perform some computation, show results)*

# Programming paradigms

- Fundamental style of computer programming
- Imperative programming
  - Computations described through statements that modify the state of a program (control flow – sequence of statements executed by the computer)
  - Examples
    - **Procedural programming** – each program is formed by several procedures (subroutines or functions)
    - Object oriented programming
- Declarative programming
  - Expresses the logic of a computation (without specifying the control flow)
  - Examples
    - Functional programming (LISP)
    - Logic programming (Prolog, SQL)

# Procedural programming – functions

- **Procedural programming** – each program is formed by several procedures (subroutines or functions)
- Function
  - A block of statements that can be reused
  - Are run in a program only when they are called
  - Function characteristics:
    - Has a **name**
    - Has a list of **parameters**
    - Can **return** a value
    - Has a body (a block of statements)
    - Has a specification (**docstring**) formed of:
      - A description
      - Type and description of parameters
      - Conditions imposed on input parameters (pre-conditions)
      - Type and description of return value
      - Conditions imposed on output values (post-conditions)
      - Exceptions that can occur during its execution

# Functions in Python

- A function is defined using reserved keyword def
- Execution of function is produced only upon calling / invoking it

```
def get_max(a, b):
```

```
    """
```

```
    Compute the maximum of 2 numbers a, b - numbers  
    Return a number - the maximum of two integers.  
    Raise TypeError if parameters are not integers.  
    """
```

```
    if a>b:  
        return a  
    return b
```

```
get_max(2, 3)
```

# Functions in Python

- Calling a function
  - **Recap. block** = part of a Python program (identified by indentation) executed as a unit
  - The body of a function is a block
  - A block is executed in a new execution frame which:
    - Contains administrative information (useful in the debugging phase)
    - Determines where and how the execution of the program will continue (after the execution of the current block is completed)
    - Defines 2 name spaces (local and global) that affect the execution of the block

# Functions in Python

- Calling a function
  - New **scope/frame/environment** created when enter a function
  - Name space
    - A container of names
    - Link between name and object
    - Features similar to a dictionary
  - Binding
    - Adding a name to the name space
  - Rebinding
    - Changing the link between a name and an object
  - Unbinding
    - Removing a name from the name space



# Functions in Python

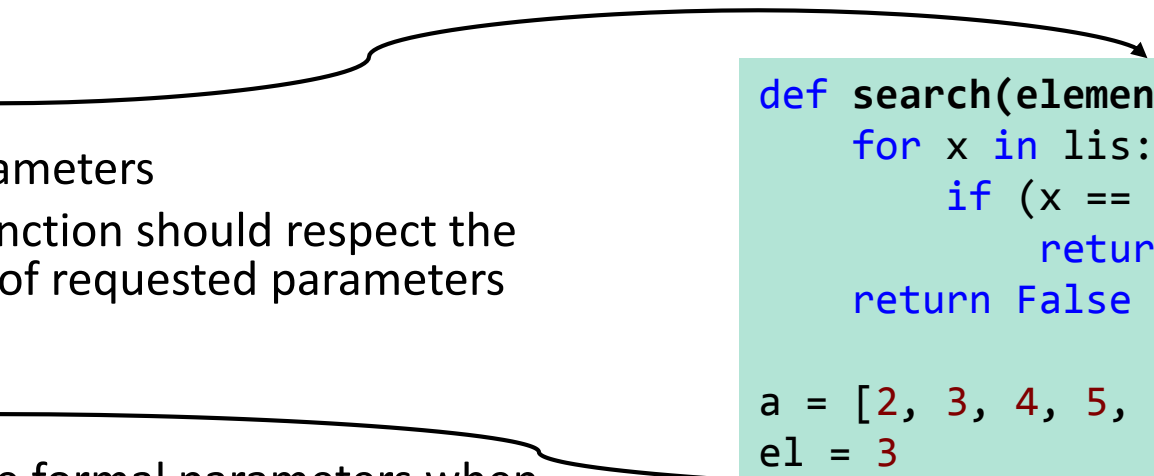
- Calling a function

- Formal parameters

- Identify input parameters
    - Each call to the function should respect the number and type of requested parameters

- Actual parameters

- Values given to the formal parameters when function is called
    - Stored in local symbol tables of the called function
    - Via reference



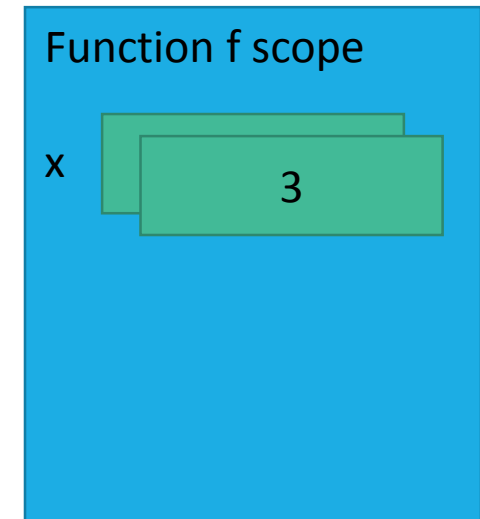
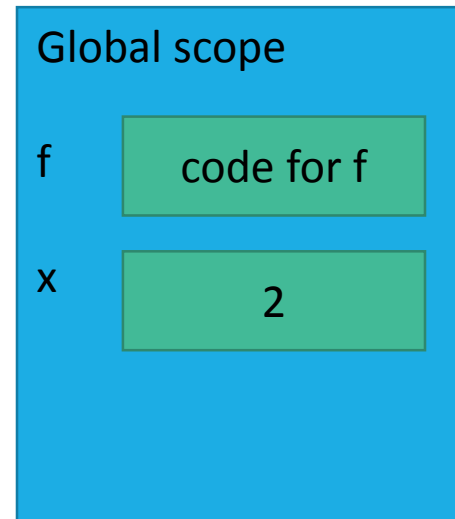
```
def search(element, lis):  
    for x in lis:  
        if (x == element):  
            return True  
    return False  
  
a = [2, 3, 4, 5, 6]  
el = 3  
if (search(el, a) == True):  
    print("el was found...")  
else:  
    print("el was not found...")
```

# Variable scope

- Scope – defines if a variable is visible inside a block
  - Scope of a variable defined in a block is that block
  - Variables defined on a certain indentation level are considered local to that block

```
def f(x):  
    x = x + 1  
    print("Inside f, x = ", x)
```

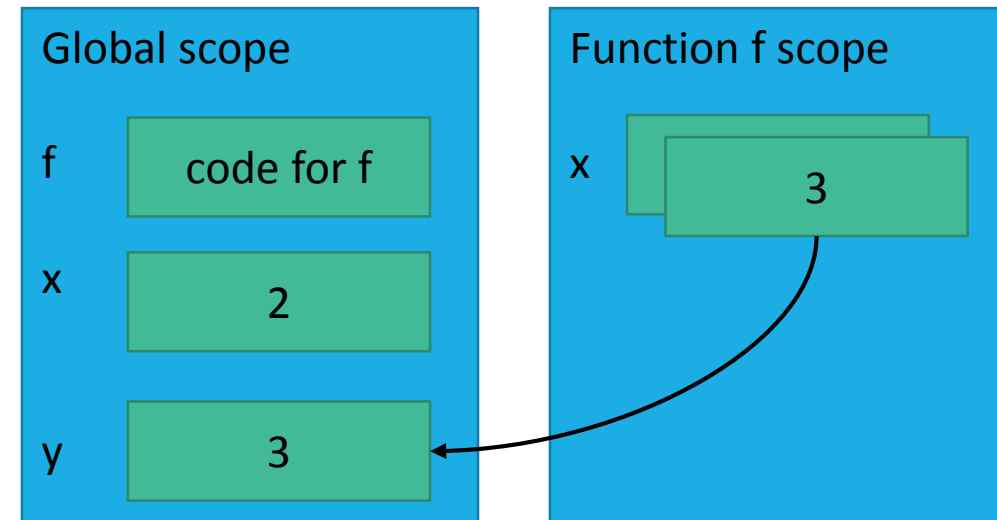
```
x = 2  
f(x)
```



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```
def f(x):  
    x = x + 1  
    print("Inside f, x = ", x)  
    return x  
  
x = 2  
y = f(x)
```



# Variable scope

```
def f():  
    a = 1  
    a += 1  
    print("Inside f, a = ", a)
```

a is redefined  
local variable

```
a = 5  
print("a = ", a)  
f()  
print("a = ", a)
```

```
a = 5  
Inside f, a = 2  
a = 5  
>>>
```

```
def f():  
    print("Inside f, a = ", a)  
    print("Inside f, a^2 = ", a ** 2)  
  
a = 5  
f()  
print("a = ", a)
```

```
a = 5  
Inside f, a = 5  
Inside f, a^2 = 25  
a = 5  
>>>
```

```
def f():  
    a += 1  
    print("Inside f, a = ", a)  
  
a = 5  
print("a = ", a)  
f()  
print("a = ", a)
```

Unbound Local Error

```
a = 5  
Traceback (most recent call last):  
  File "C:\Users\cami\Desktop\c.py", line 7, in <module>  
    f(a)  
  File "C:\Users\cami\Desktop\c.py", line 2, in f  
    a += 1  
UnboundLocalError: local variable 'a' referenced before assignment
```

# Variable scope

- Types of variables
  - **Local** – a name (of variable) defined in a block
  - **Global** – a name defined in a module
  - Free – a name used in a block but defined somewhere else

```
g1 = 1 # g1 - global variable (also local, a module being a block)

def fun1(a): # a is a formal parameter
    b = a + g1 # b - local variable, g1 - free variable
    if b > 0: # a, b, and g1 are visible in all blocks of this function
        c = b - g1 # b is visible here, also g1
        b = c # c is a local variable defined in this block
    return b # c is not visible here

def fun2():
    global g1
    d = g1 # g1 - global variable
    g1 = 2 # g1 must be declared global, before
    return d + g1 # any references to g1 in this function

print(fun1(1))
print(fun2())
```

# Variable scope

- Where is a variable visible?
  - Rules to determine the scope of a name (variable or function)
    - A name is visible only inside the block where it is defined
    - The formal parameters of a function belong to the body of the function (are visible only inside the function)
    - Names defined outside of a function (at module level) belong to the module scope
    - When a name is used in a block, its visibility is determined using the nearest scope (that contains that name)

```
a = 100
def f():
    a = 300
    print(a) # 300

f()
print(a) # 100
```

```
a = 100
def f():
    global a
    a = 300
    print(a) # 300

f()
print(a) # 300
```

# Variable scope

- Inspecting the local / global variables of a program
  - `locals()`
  - `globals()`

```
a = 300
def f():
    a = 500
    print(a)
    print(locals())
    print(globals())

f()
print(a)
```

`{'a': 500}`

`{'__name__': '__main__', '__doc__': None, '__package__': None, '__loader__': <class '_frozen_importlib.BuiltinImporter'>, '__spec__': None, '__annotations__': {}, '__builtins__': <module 'builtins' (built-in)>, '__file__': 'C:\\\\Users\\cami\\Desktop\\c.py', 'a': 300, 'f': <function f at 0x0065AC90>}`

# Variable scope

```
def change_or_not_immutable(a):  
    print ('Locals ', locals())  
    print ('Before assignment: a = ', a, ' id = ', id(a))  
    a = 0  
    print ('After assignment: a =', a, ' id = ', id(a))
```

```
g1 = 1 #global immutable int  
print ('Globals ', globals())  
print ('Before call: g1 = ', g1, ' id = ', id(g1))  
change_or_not_immutable(g1)  
print ('After call: g1 = ', g1, ' id = ', id(g1))
```

```
Globals {'__name__': '__main__', '__doc__': None, '__package__':  
r__': <class 'frozen_importlib.BuiltinImporter'>, '__spec__': Non  
ons__': {}, '__builtins__': <module 'builtins' (built-in)>, 'chang  
able': <function change_or_not_immutable at 0x0055AC90>, 'g1': 1}  
Before call: g1 = 1 id = 505571456  
Locals {'a': 1}  
Before assignment: a = 1 id = 505571456  
After assignment: a = 0 id = 505571440  
After call: g1 = 1 id = 505571456  
>>>
```

```
def change_or_not_mutable(a):  
    print ('Locals ', locals())  
    print ('Before assignment: a = ', a, ' id = ', id(a))  
    a[1] = 5  
    print ('After first assignment: a = ', a, ' id = ', id(a))  
    a = [0]  
    print ('After second assignment: a = ', a, ' id = ', id(a))
```

```
g2 = [0, 1] #global mutable list  
print ('Globals ', globals())  
print ('Before call: g2 = ', g2, ' id = ', id(g2))  
change_or_not_mutable(g2)  
print ('After call: g2 = ', g2, ' id = ', id(g2))
```

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ons__': {}, '__builtins__': <module 'builtins' (built-in)>, 'chang  
able': <function change_or_not_mutable at 0x027FAC90>, 'g2': [0, 1]}  
Before call: g2 = [0, 1] id = 48222336  
Locals {'a': [0, 1]}  
Before assignment: a = [0, 1] id = 48222336  
After first assignment: a = [0, 5] id = 48222336  
After second assignment: a = [0] id = 41938416  
After call: g2 = [0, 5] id = 48222336  
>>> |
```



# How to write functions

- **Test driven development (TDD)**

- Implies creation of tests (that clarify the requirements) before writing the code of the function

- Steps to create a new function:

1. Add a new test / several tests
2. Execute tests and verify that at least one of them failed
3. Write the body of the function
4. Run all tests
5. Refactor the code

# How to write functions

- Problem: Determine the greatest common divisor of two numbers
- TDD steps to create a new function f:
  1. *Add a new test / several tests*
    - Define a test function test\_f() containing the test cases using assertions
    - Concentrate on the specification of f
    - Define the function: name, parameters, pre-conditions, post-conditions, empty body

```
def test_gcd(): #test function for gcd
    assert gcd(14,21) == 7
    assert gcd(24, 9) == 3
    assert gcd(3, 5) == 1
    assert gcd(0, 3) == 3
    assert gcd(5, 0) == 5
```

```
'''
    Descr: computes the gcd of 2 natural numbers
    Data: a, b
    Precondition: a, b - natural numbers
    Results: res
    Postcondition: res=(a,b)
'''
def gcd(a, b):
    pass
```

# How to write functions

- Problem: Determine the greatest common divisor of two numbers
- TDD steps to create a new function:
  - 2. Execute tests and verify that at least one of them failed*

```
# run all tests by invoking the test function  
test_gcd()
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):  
  File "C:\Users\cami\Desktop\c.py", line 21, in <module>  
    test_gcd()  
  File "C:\Users\cami\Desktop\c.py", line 3, in test_gcd  
    assert gcd(14,21) == 7  
AssertionError  
>>> |
```

# How to write functions

- Problem: Determine the greatest common divisor of two numbers
- TDD steps to create a new function:

### 3. Write the body of the function

- Implement the function according to the pre- and post- conditions so that all tests are successful

```
'''
Descr: computes the gcd of 2 natural numbers
Data: a, b
Precondition: a, b - natural numbers
Results: res
Postcondition: res=(a,b)
'''
def gcd(a, b):
    if (a == 0):
        if (b == 0):
            return -1 # a == b == 0
        else:
            return b # a == 0, b != 0
    else:
        if (b == 0): # a != 0, b == 0
            return a
        else: # a != 0, b != 0
            while (a != b):
                if (a > b):
                    a = a - b
                else: b = b - a
            return a # a == b
```

# How to write functions

- Problem: Determine the greatest common divisor of two numbers
- TDD steps to create a new function:
  - 4. *Run all tests*
    - The function respects the specifications

```
# run all tests by invoking the test function  
test_gcd()
```

# How to write functions

- Problem: Determine the greatest common divisor of two numbers
- TDD steps to create a new function:
  - 5. *Refactoring the code*
    - Restructuring the code of the function, modifying the internal structure without changing the external behavior
    - *Refactoring methods:*
      - Extraction method
      - Substitution of an algorithm
      - Replacing a temporary expression with a function

# How to write functions

- Problem: Determine the greatest common divisor of two numbers
- TDD steps to create a new function:

## 5. *Refactoring the code*

- *Refactoring methods:*

- *Extraction method* – part of the code is transferred to a new function

```
def printHeader():  
    print("Table header")
```

```
def printTable():  
    printHeader()  
    print("Line 1...")  
    print("Line 2...")
```



```
def printHeader():  
    print("Table header")
```

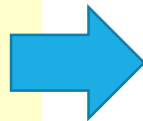
```
def printLines():  
    print("Line 1...")  
    print("Line 2...")
```

```
def printTable():  
    printHeader()  
    printLines()
```

# How to write functions

- Problem: Determine the greatest common divisor of two numbers
- TDD steps to create a new function:
  - 5. *Refactoring the code*
    - Restructuring the code of the function, modifying the internal structure without changing the external behavior
    - *Refactoring methods:*
      - Substitution of an algorithm – changing the body of a function (to be more clear, more efficient)

```
def foundPerson(peopleList):  
    for person in peopleList:  
        if person == "Emily":  
            return "Emily was found"  
        if person == "John":  
            return "John was found"  
        if person == "Mary":  
            return "Mary was found"  
    return ""  
  
myList = ["Don", "John", "Mary", "Anna"]  
print(foundPerson(myList))
```



```
def foundPerson(peopleList):  
    candidates = ["Emily", "John", "Mary"]  
    for person in peopleList:  
        if candidates.count(person) > 0:  
            return candidates[candidates.index(person)] + \  
                " was found"  
    return ""  
  
myList = ["Don", "John", "Mary", "Anna"]  
print(foundPerson(myList))
```



# How to write functions

- Problem: Determine the greatest common divisor of two numbers
- TDD steps to create a new function:
  - 5. *Refactoring the code*
    - Restructuring the code of the function, modifying the internal structure without changing the external behavior
    - *Refactoring methods:*
      - Replacing a temporary expression with a function
        - A temporary variable stores the result of an expression
        - Include the expression in a new function
        - Use the new function instead of the variable

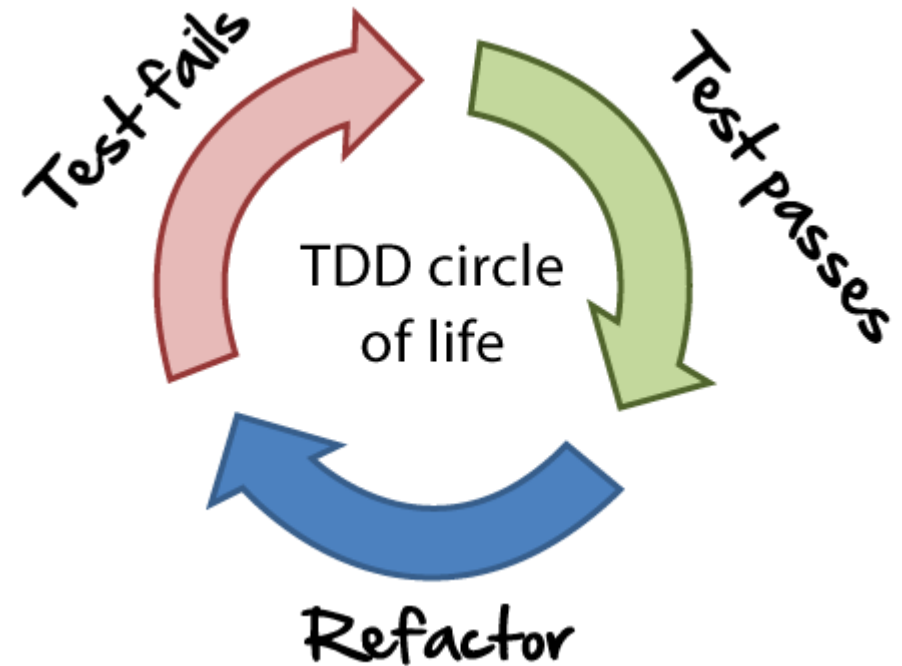
```
def productValue(quantity, price):  
    value = quantity * price  
    if (value > 1000):  
        return 0.95 * value  
    else:  
        return value
```



```
def computeValue(q, p):  
    return q * p  
  
def productValue(quantity, price):  
    if (computeValue(quantity, price) > 1000):  
        return 0.95 * computeValue(quantity, price)  
    else:  
        return computeValue(quantity, price)
```

# TDD

- Think first (what each part of the program has to do), write code after
- Analyse boundary behaviour, how to handle invalid parameters before writing any code



[http://www.agilenutshell.com/test\\_driven\\_development](http://www.agilenutshell.com/test_driven_development)

# Recap today

- Simple feature-driven development
- Procedural programming
- Functions
  - Definition
  - Call
  - How to write a function
- Variable scope

# Next time

- Modular programming

# Reading materials and useful links

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