

Algorithms and Programming

Lecture 2 – Procedural Programming

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Last time

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

Today

- Continue with data types: list, tuple, dictionary
- Software development process
 - Simple feature-driven development
- Programming paradigms
- Functions
 - Definition
 - Call
 - How to write a function

Lists

- *Domain*: sequence of elements (usually of same type e.g. list of ints, but can be of different types) separated by , and enclosed by []
- Operations:
 - Create (manually, using range)
 - Access (index, len) and modify elements
 - Remove (pop) and insert (insert) elements
 - Slicing and encapsulating
 - Using as stacks (append, pop)
- Mutable (elements of a list can be modified)

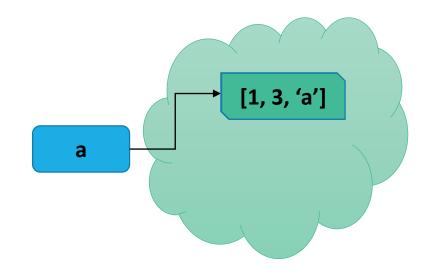
Lists: indices and ordering

Create

```
a_list = [] # empty list
b_{list} = [2, 5, 7]
len(b_list) # evaluates to 3
x, y, z = b_list
c_{list} = [2, 'a', 3, [1, 5, 4]]
len(c list) # evaluates to 4
Indices 0, 1,...,len(list)-1
c list[0] # is 2
c_{list[2]} + 1 # is 4
c_list[3] # list [1, 5, 4]
c_list[4] # error
print("Last element ", c_list[len(c_list)-1])
```

Lists are mutable

```
a = [1, 2, 'a']
a[1] = 3
print(a)
a is the same object !
```



Lists: slicing and range

```
a = [1, 2, 3]
print (a[:2]) # [1, 2]
b = a[:]
print(b)
b[1] = 5
print(b)
a[len(a):] = [7, 9]
print(a) # [1, 2, 3, 7, 9]
a[:0] = [-1]
print(a) # [-1, 1, 2, 3, 7, 9]
a[0:2] = [-10, 10]
print(a)# [-10, 10, 2, 3, 7, 9]
```

```
# nesting
c = [1, b, 9]
print(c) # [1, [1, 5, 3], 9]
#generate lists using range
11 = range(10)
print(l1) # [0, 1, ..., 9]
12 = range(0,10)
print(12) # [0, 1, ..., 9]
13 = range(0, 10, 2)
print(13) # [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]
14 = range(9,0,-1)
print(14) # [9, 8, 7, ..., 1]
```

Iterating over a list

• Compute the sum of elements in a list

```
total = 0
for i in range(len(my_list)):
    total += my_list[i]
print(total)

total = 0
for elem in my_list:
    total += elem
print("Sum is ", total)
```

- $my_list = [1, 4, 5, 10, 10]$
- List elements are indexed from 0 to len(my_list)-1
- range(n) goes from 0 to n-1

List operations

Add elements to the end of the list (mutates the list)

```
a = [1, 2, 3]
a.append(7) # a = [1, 2, 3, 7]
```

Concatenation of lists

Remove

```
a = [0, 1, 2, 1, 3, 4, 5]

# remove element by value, first occurence
a.remove(3) # mutates a
a.remove(1) # mutates a

# remove element by index
del(a[1]) # mutates a, a = [0, 1, 4, 5]

#remove last element in the list
a.pop() # mutates a, returns 5
```

List operations

```
# from strings to lists
s = "Year< 2"
list(s)  # ['Y', 'e', 'a', 'r', '<', ' ', '2']
s.split()  # ['Year<', '2']
s.split("<") # ['Year', ' 2']

# from lists to strings
a = ["a", "b", "c"]
"".join(a) # 'abc'
" ".join(a) # 'a b c'</pre>
```

```
# sort and reverse on lists
a = [7, 2, 5, 3]
sorted(a) # returns sorted list, does not mutate a
a.sort() # mutates a = [2, 3, 5, 7], returns nothing
a.reverse() # mutates a = [7, 5, 3, 2]
```

Lists in memory

• Lists are mutable – pay attention to side effects

```
a = 1
b = a
print("a = ", a)
print("b = ", b)
b = b + 1
print(a)
print(b)
first = ["red", "yellow", "blue"]
second = first
second.append("green")
print(first)
print(second)
```

```
a = 1
b = 1
1
2
['red', 'yellow', 'blue', 'green']
['red', 'yellow', 'blue', 'green']
>>>
```

```
a

b

list

o 'red' 'yellow' 'yellow' 'green'

second
```

Creating a copy of a list

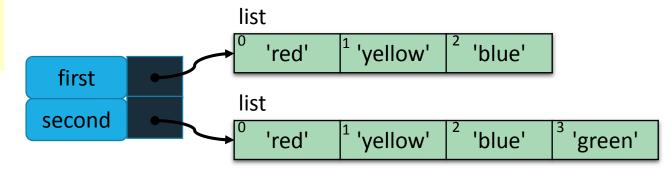
• Cloning a list: create a new list and copy every element

```
second = first[:]
```

Note that: second = first is not the same

```
first = ["red", "yellow", "blue"]
second = first[:]
second.append("green")
print(first)
print(second)
```

```
['red', 'yellow', 'blue']
['red', 'yellow', 'blue', 'green']
>>>
```



Tuples

- Domain: sequence of values (same or different type) separated by ,
- Operations: creation (tuple packing), unpacking, empty /single element tuples
- Immutable element values can not be changed

```
# tuple packing
t = 12, 21, 'ab'
print(t[0]) # 12

# empty tuple (0 items)
empty = ()

# sequence unpacking
x, y, z = t
print(x, y, z)
```

```
# tuple with one item
singleton = (12,)
len(singleton) # 1

t = 1,2,3
len(t) # 3
t[0] # 1
t[1:2] # (2,)
t + (4, 5) # (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
t[0] = 0 # Error!

u = t, (4, 5)
print(u) # ((1, 2, 3), (4, 5))
```

```
#tuple in a for
t = 1,2,3
for el in t:
    print (el)

#can use in swaps
a = 1
b = 2
(a, b) = (b, a)
```

Dictionaries

- *Domain*: sequence of unordered pairs of data (key, value) with unique keys
- Operations:
 - Creation
 - Access the value for given key
 - Add/modify/delete a given pair (key, value)
 - Verify if a key exists
- Immutable

```
#empty dictionary
d = {}

#create a dictionary
a = {'num': 1, 'denom': 2}
print(a)

#get a value for a key
a['num'] # 1
```

```
#delete a key value pair
del a['num']
#add an entry
a['type'] = 'f'
#set a value for a key
a['num'] = 3
print(a)
print(a['num'])
#check for a key
if 'denom' in a:
    print('denom = ', a['denom'])
if 'num' in a:
    print('num = ', a['num'])
```

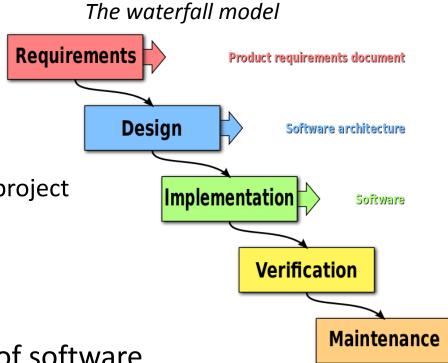
Values:

- Can be duplicates
- Any type

Keys:

- Must be unique
- Immutable type

- 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 maintainence of software
 - Indicate the steps to be followed and their order



- 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

- 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:

- 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
- *11=F1*

- 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 then n and return the result
 - A4: implement the UI

- 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

- 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 implement 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 describing 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

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

get_max(2, 3)

- 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

- 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

- 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

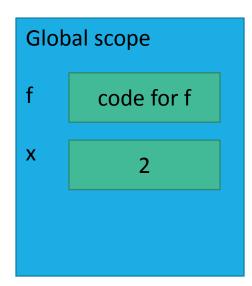
a = [2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
el = 3

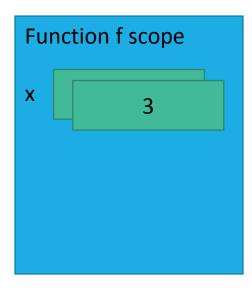
if (search(el, a) == True):
    print("el was found...")
else:
    print("el was not found...")
```

- 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)
```

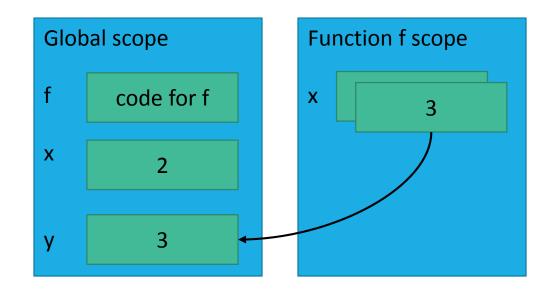




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```
def f(x):
    x = x + 1
    print("Inside f, x = ", x)
    return x

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



```
a is redefined
def f():
                local variable
    a += 1
    print("Inside f, a = ", a)
a = 5
print("a = ", a)
f()
print("a = ", a)
    a = 5
    Inside f, a = 2
```

```
def f():
     print("Inside f, a = ", a)
     print("Inside f, a^2 = ", a ** 2)
                                                      Inside f, a = 5
                                                      Inside f, a^2 = 25
a = 5
f()
print("a = ", a)
def f():
     a += 1
     print("Inside f, a = ", a)
                                                Unbound Local Error
a = 5
print("a = ", a)
                            Traceback (most recent call last):
f()
                             File "C:\Users\cami\Desktop\c.py", line 7, in <module>
print("a = ", a)
                             File "C:\Users\cami\Desktop\c.py", line 2, in f
                            InboundLocalError: local variable 'a' referenced before assignment
```

- 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())
```

- 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
```

- 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>}
```

```
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__': None 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: q2 = ', q2, ' id = ', id(q2))
change or not mutable(g2)
print ('After call: q2 = ', q2, ' id = ', id(q2))
     Globals {' name ': ' main ', ' doc ': None, '
     r ': <class ' frozen importlib.BuiltinImporter'>, '
     ons ': {}, ' builtins ': <module 'builtins' (built
     rs\\cami\\Desktop\\c.py', 'change or not mutable': <f
     le 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
```

- 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
>>>
```

- 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):
                else: b = b - a
            return a # a == b
```

- 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()
```

- 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 nethods:
 - Extraction method
 - Substitution of an algorithm
 - Replacing a temporary expression with a function

- Problem: Determine the greatest common divisor of two numbers
- TDD steps to create a new function:
 - 5. Refactoring the code
 - Refactoring nethods:
 - 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 printLines():
    print("line 2...")

def printLines():
    print("line 2...")
```

- 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 nethods:
 - 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))
```

- 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

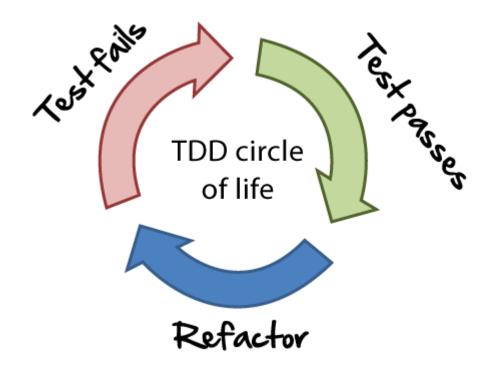
```
def productValue(quantity, price):
    value = quantity * price
    if (value > 1000):
        return 0.95 * value
    else:
        return value

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

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

- 1. The Python Programming Language https://www.python.org/
- 2. The Python Standard Library https://docs.python.org/3/library/index.html
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