



Introduction to programming

Lecture 06

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FUNCTIONS

Functions – the basics

```
# A function is a block of code which only  
runs when it's called  
# Functions can take data in the form of  
arguments  
# Functions can return data  
# In python a function is defined using the  
def keyword
```

```
def function_name(argument_identifier,  
other_argument_identifier):  
    # body  
    returned_value = 10  
    return returned_value
```

```
# call the function  
function_name(20, 30)
```

Functions – arguments

```
# Arguments have a name, and a type
```

```
def greet(name):  
    print("Welcome: " + name)
```

```
greet("pesho")  
greet("gosho")  
greet("ivan")
```

Functions – multi arguments

```
# By default, the functions should be called with the
correct number of arguments
# Multiple arguments are separated by a comma (arg1,
arg2)

def greet_by_full_name(first_name, last_name):
    print("Welcome: " + first_name + " " + last_name)

greet_by_full_name("Ivan", "Dimitrov")
```

Functions – default arguments

If you call a **function** without an argument
it will use the **default value**

```
def repeat(string_to_repeat, times=1):  
    for _ in range(times):  
        print(string_to_repeat)
```

```
repeat("pesho")  
repeat("gosho", 3)
```

Functions – return value

All **functions** in python **return a value**. To let the function return a value use the **return** keyword.

```
def addition(x, y):  
    return x + y
```

```
print("5 + 10 = ", addition(5, 10))
```


Functions – return value

```
# You can return the value of a variable  
defined inside the function
```

```
def addition(x, y):  
    result = x + y  
    return result
```

```
print("5 + 10 = ", addition(5, 10))
```

Functions – return value

```
# By default, if you don't have a return  
statement the function will return None
```

```
def no_return_example(x, y):  
    result = x * y
```

```
print("Is result equal to None?: ",  
      no_return_example(10, 20) is None)
```

Functions – calls

A lot of the times we'll define a bunch of functions that are going to be chained and used all together.

```
def my_addition(x, y):  
    return x + y
```

```
def my_sum(numbers):  
    s = 0  
    for number in numbers:  
        s = my_addition(s, number)  
  
    return s
```

Functions – Keyword arguments and type hinting

```
def repeat(string_to_repeat: str, times: int) -> str:  
    return string_to_repeat * times
```

```
print(repeat(times=10, string_to_repeat="*"))
```

EXERCISE

You can find them in the github repository
<https://github.com/genchev99/ia-lectures>



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