

CSCi 1012 [Section 10]



Introduction to Programming with Python

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Lecture location 1957 E street Room 213

Lecture times Monday, 3:45 PM to 5:00 PM

Wednesday-lab

3:45 PM to 5:00 PM

Section-30: MON 352

Section-31: SEH 4040

Section-34: TOMP 310

Section-35: TOMP 204

Friday-lab

3:45 PM to 5:00 PM

Section-32: SEH 4040

Section-33: TOMP 309

Section-36: TOMP 306

Section-37: TOMP 107



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All violations will be treated as violations of the Code of Academic Integrity.

HWs

- Due dates
- Late work
- Extensions

Date	Topic(s)	Wednesday Lab Date	Friday Lab Date	Assignment(s)
Week 9 [03/18/2024]	Functions	03/20/2024	03/22/2024	Unit 1 » Module 2 (Due March 25, 2024 by 11:59 PM)
Week 13 [04/15/2024]	Examination	04/17/2024	04/19/2024	Unit 2 » Module 0 & Module 1 (Due April 22, 2024 by 11:59 PM)

- **IMPORTANT:** Please attend the ONLY lab that you registered into.

Late Work

- **Late work is not accepted, with the following exceptions:**
 - Every student may turn in **as many as four (in total, not each) assignments or modules 48 hours after the deadline with no penalty**. Requesting an extension is not necessary.
- **Extensions** will be **granted should there arise circumstances beyond your control** that impede your ability to complete coursework.
 - Notify your professor as soon as feasible in these cases.
 - Examples of such circumstances include (but are not limited to) illness, death in the family, and loss of housing. To ensure fairness toward all students, we will request documentation of such circumstances.

Submission Tips

- Pay attention to file names

extra spaces
↓

`assignment1.zip` \neq `assignment 1.zip`

`caesar_shift.py` \neq `caesar_shift .py`

↑
extra spaces

- Pay attention to small details

```
x is 3 and j is 2, x + j = 5
x is 3 and j is 3, x + j = 6
x is 3 and j is 4, x + j = 7
x is 3 and j is 5, x + j = 8
x is 3 and j is 6, x + j = 9
x is 3 and j is 7, x + j = 10
x is 3 and j is 8, x + j = 11
```

\neq

*missing
commas*
↓

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x is 3 and j is 3 x + j 6
x is 3 and j is 4 x + j 7
x is 3 and j is 5 x + j 8
x is 3 and j is 6 x + j 9
x is 3 and j is 7 x + j 10
x is 3 and j is 8 x + j 11
```

↑
extra space *missing =*

- Don't add extra endline spaces

`print("++++", end = "")`

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What Auto Grader Sees...

'++++\n+ +\n+ +\n++++'

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`print("++++", end = " ")`

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extra spaces

'++++ \n+ +\n+ +\n++++ '

Skeleton of the control flow - branching using if-construct

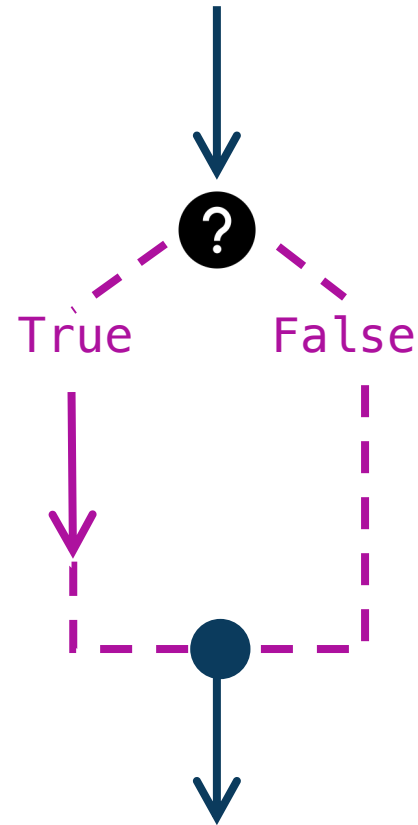
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 → Instructions/
 Expressions

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if <condition>:

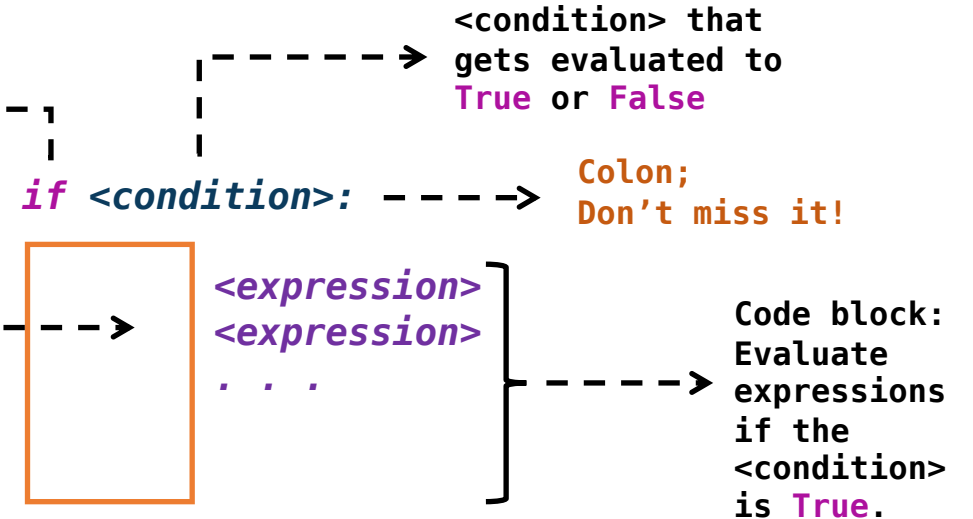
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special
word "if"

Indentation:
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spaces for
each
statement



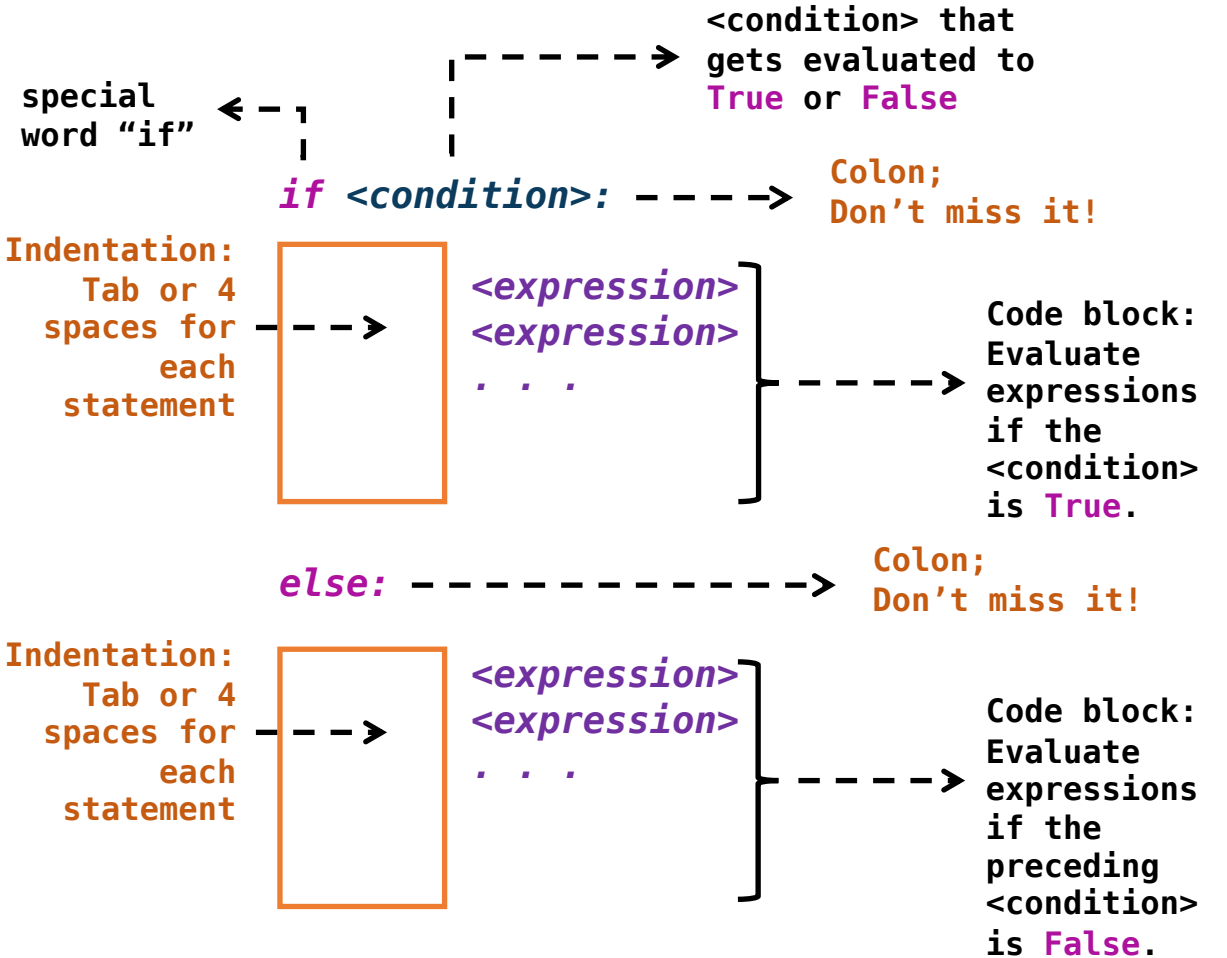
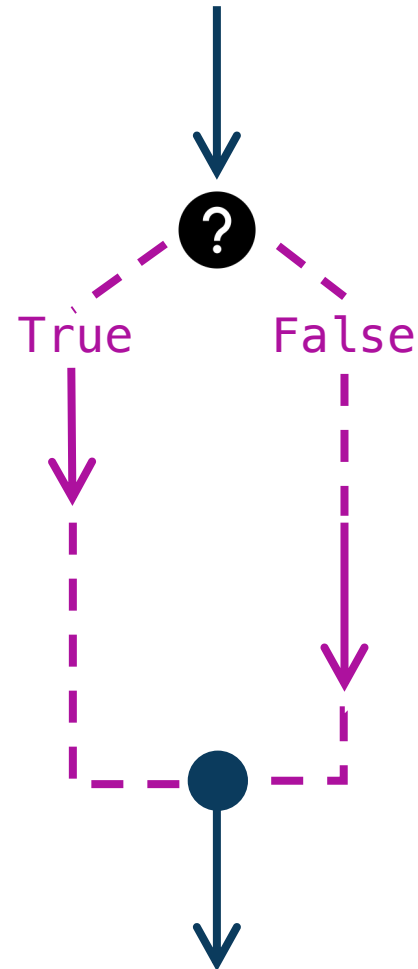
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else:
    <expression>
    <expression>
    . . .
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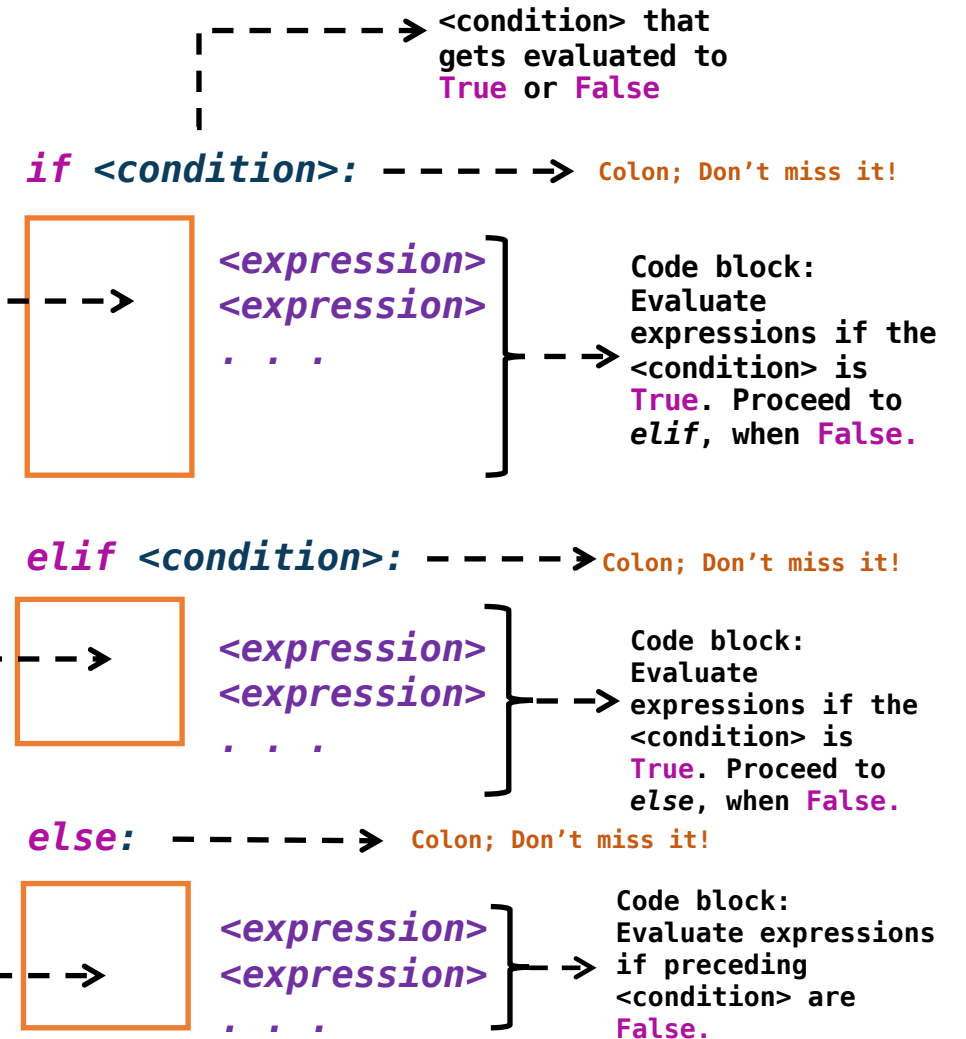
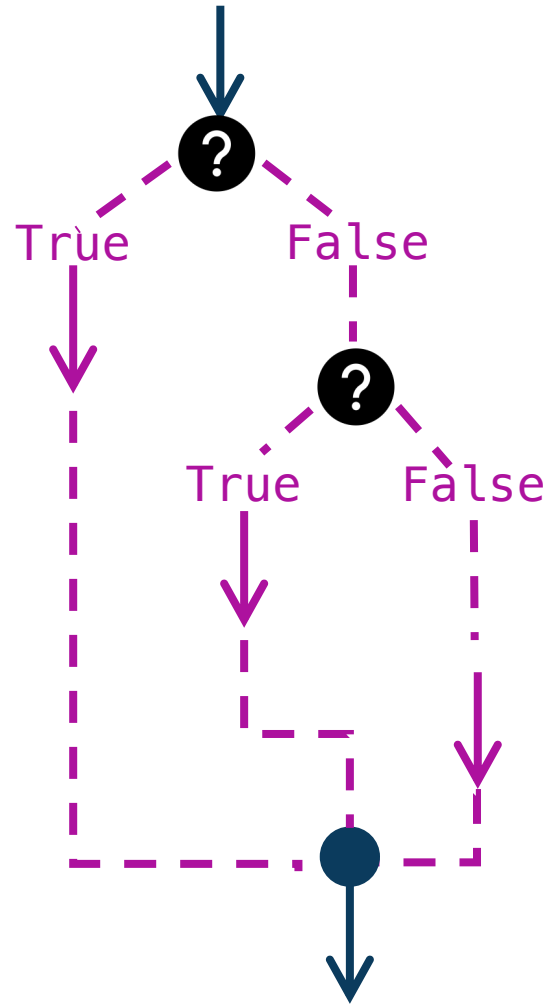
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elif <condition>:
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    <expression>
    . . .

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    . . .
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RECAP: Functions - A first look

A function is group of related statements that performs a specific task.

functions

- Break your program into smaller and modular chunks.
- Make a program more manageable and modular as a program grows larger and larger
- Avoid repetition and makes the code reusable

`print()`
`range()`
`len()`
`input()`

- Example of a function you just learned
- Built-in function in Python

Functions are blocks of reusable pieces of code

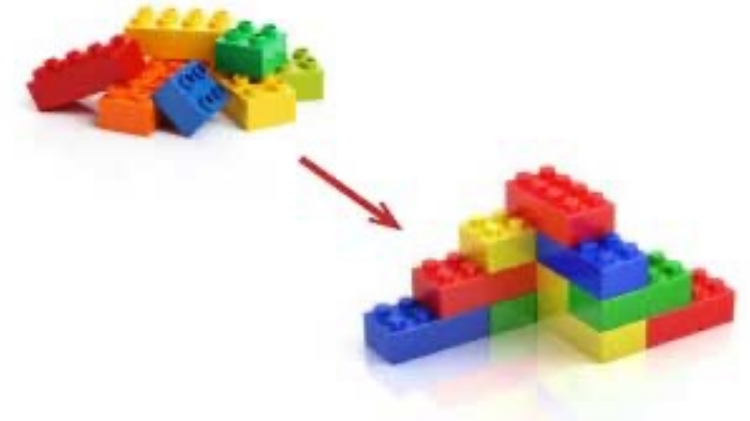
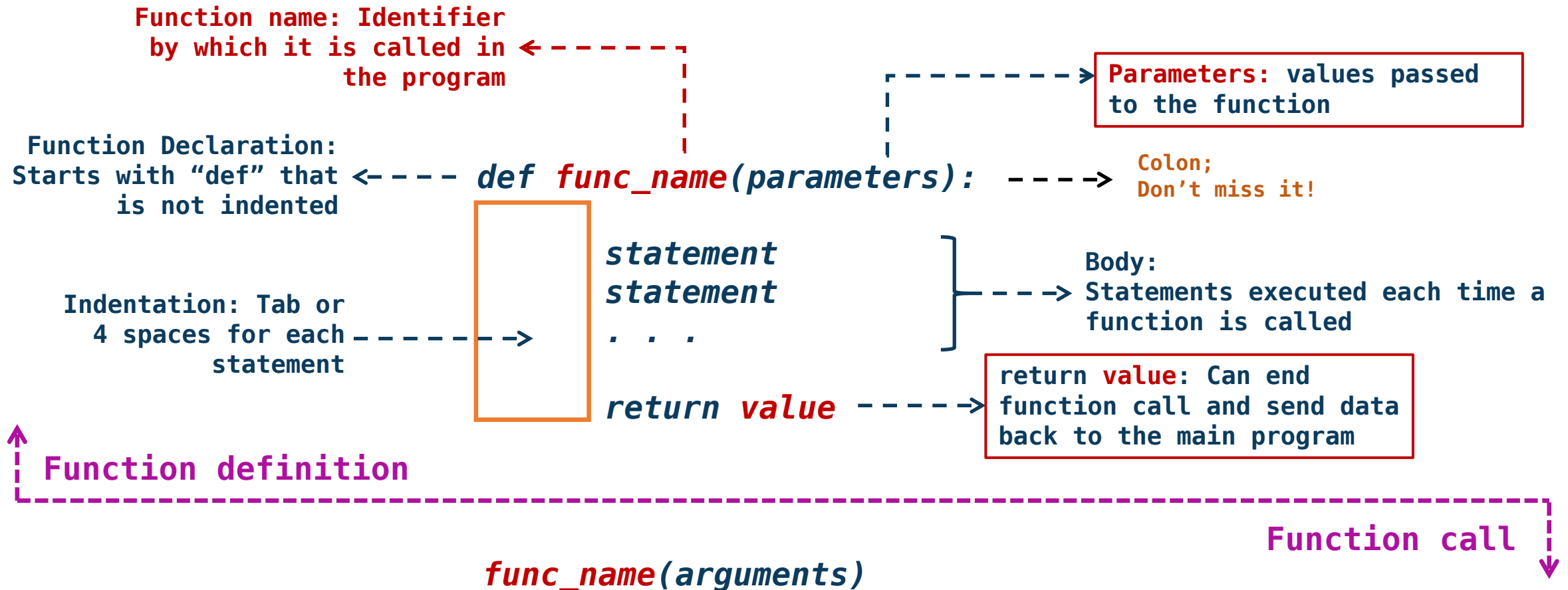


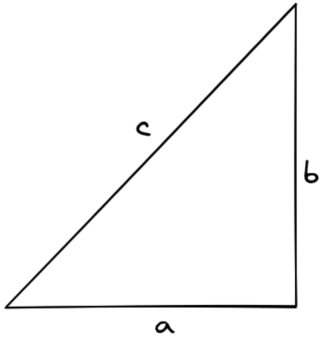
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Syntax and Skeleton of a user-defined function

User-defined function – The second look



Functions with multiple parameters



$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

```
1 def check_pythagorean(a, b, c):
2     if a*a + b*b == c*c:
3         print("The 'if' condition is met")
4         return 'yes'
5     else:
6         print("The 'if' condition is not met")
7         return 'no'
8
9 result = check_pythagorean(3, 4, 5)
10 print(result)
11 result = check_pythagorean(5, 12, 13)
12 print(result)
13 result = check_pythagorean(6, 8, 20)
14 print(result)
```

def *func_name*(parameters)

if <condition>:

<expression>

<expression>

return *value*

else:

<expression>

<expression>

return *value*

func_name(arguments)

<instructions>

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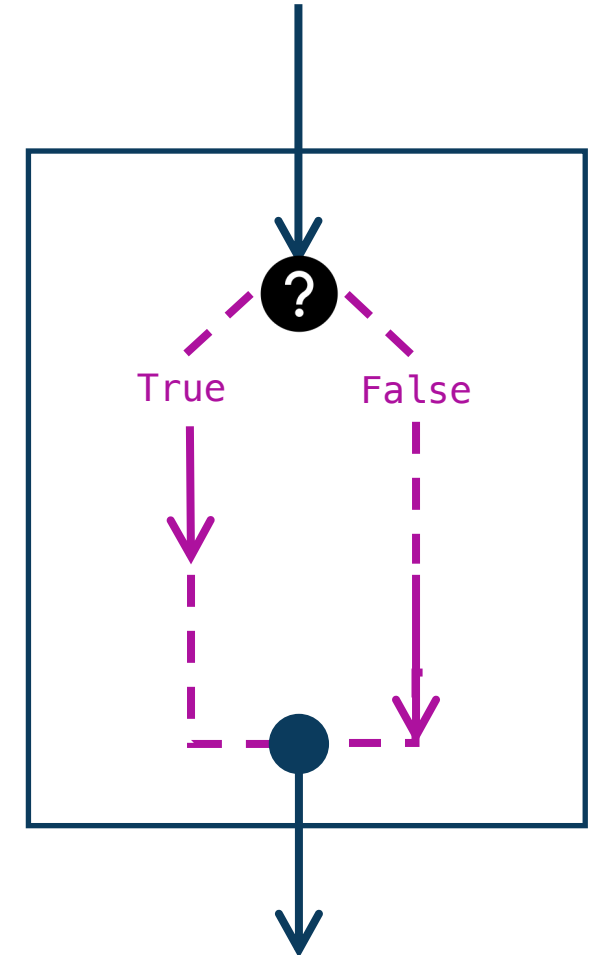
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Demo

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Lists are mutable!

```
>>> list_8 = [6, 3, 0, 8]
```

Key thing to remember is that variables of lists may be affected by the changes or mutations



Index	Value
0	6
1	3
2	0
3	8

```
>>> list_9 = list_8
>>> list_8[2] = 7
>>> list_8
[6, 3, 7, 8]
```

```
>>> list_9
[6, 3, 7, 8]
```

```
1 def swap_list_first(A, B):
2     temp = A[0]
3     A[0] = B[0]
4     B[0] = temp
5
6 X = [1, 3, 5, 7]
7 Y = [2, 4, 6]
8 swap_list_first(X, Y)
9 print(X, Y)
```

A = X B = Y

X[0] 1 A[0] 1 temp 1

Y[0] 2 B[0] 2 A[0] 2

temp 1 B[0] 1

X[0] X[1] X[2] X[3]
X 1 3 5 7

Y[0] Y[1] Y[2]
Y 2 4 6

A[0] A[1] A[2] A[3] B[0] B[1] B[2]
X 2 3 5 7 Y 1 4 6

Demo



Calling functions from functions

Data analysis

This part of code calculates Mean or Average of a list containing numbers.

The mean is the average of all numbers and is sometimes called the arithmetic mean.

$$\text{mean} = \frac{\text{sum of elements in a list}}{\text{number of elements in the list}} = \frac{\text{sum}(A)}{\text{len}(A)}$$

This part of code calculates the standard deviation of the list containing numbers.

- It requires the mean of the list as input

The standard deviation is a measure of the amount of variation or dispersion of a set of values.

$$\text{std} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{sum of } (A[k] - \text{mean})^2}{\text{number of elements in the list}}}$$

- ➔ `import math`

```
def compute_mean(A):  
    # Insert your code here:  
  
def compute_std(A):  
    mean = compute_mean(A)  
    total = 0  
    for k in A:  
        total += (k-mean)**2  
    std = math.sqrt(total / len(A))  
    return std
```

- ➔ `data = [-2.3, -1.22, 1.6, -10.5, 1.4, 2.5, -3.32, 11.03, 2, 2, -1.4]`

- ➔ `print('mean =', compute_mean(data))`

- ➔ `print('standard deviation =', compute_std(data))`

Demo

Functions ... calling itself!

The **factorial** of a non-negative integer n ,

$$n! = n \times (n - 1) \times (n - 2) \times (n - 3) \times \cdots \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

- is denoted by $n!$ and
- is the product of all positive integers less than or equal to n .

$$3! = 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

$$5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

```
def factorial(n):  
    # print(n)  
    if n == 1:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        m = factorial(n-1)  
        return n * m
```

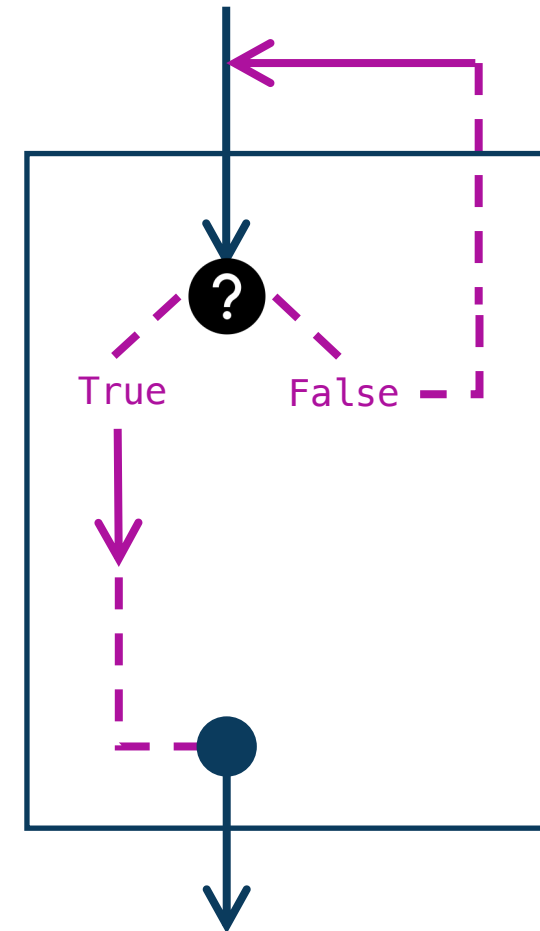
-> `print(factorial(3))`
`print(factorial(5))`

Key ideas

- Recursion is the process of defining something in terms of itself.
- A function that calls itself is said to be recursive.
- When a function calls itself, that's called a recursion step.

Demo

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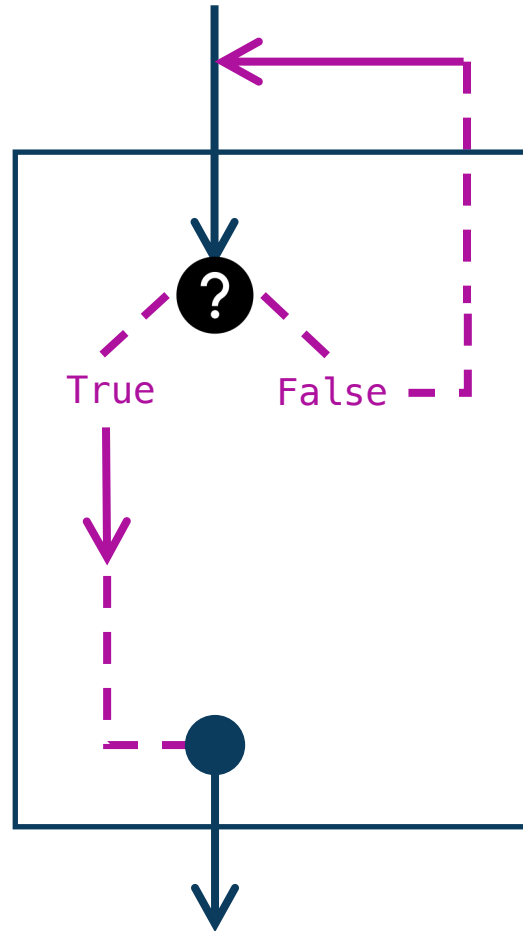
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```
n = 3  
factorial(3)
```

```
n == 1 → False  
m = factorial(2)
```

Note: The program collects information that

1. It needs to compute factorial(2)
2. It needs to circle back and call the factorial() again.

```
return 3 * factorial(2)
```

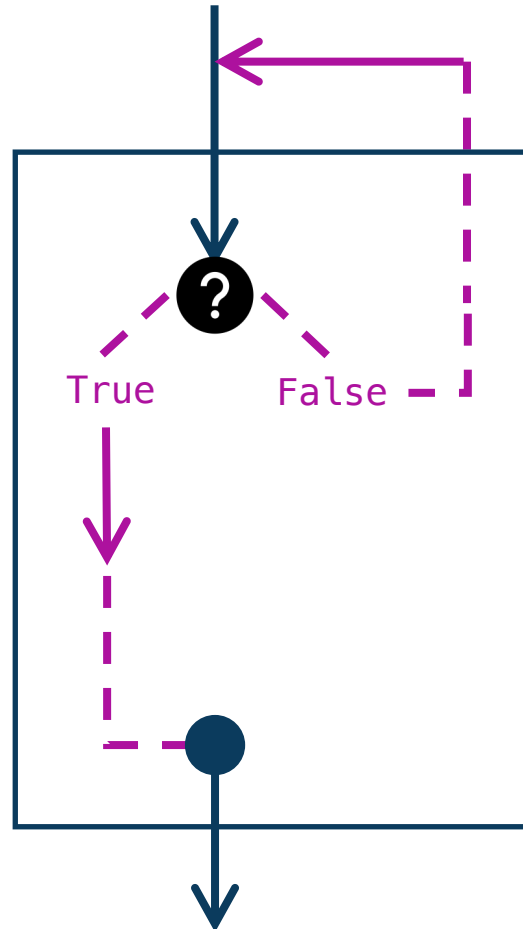

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```
n = 2  
factorial(2)
```

```
n == 1 → False  
m = factorial(1)
```

Note: The program collects information that

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```
return 3 * factorial(2)  
return 2 * factorial(1)
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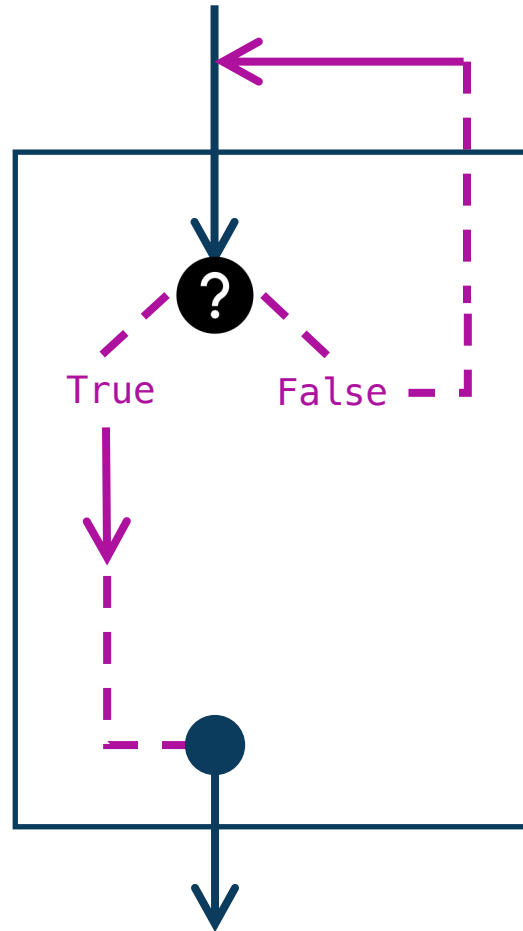
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`n = 1`

`n == 1 → True`
`m = factorial(1)`

Note: The program collects information that

1. `factorial(1)` is 1
2. It needs to execute all expressions stored in memory

`return 3 * factorial(2)`
`return 2 * factorial(1)`
`return 1`

`factorial(3) = 3 * 2 = 6`
`factorial(2) = 2 * 1 = 2`
`factorial(1) = 1`

Key take-home ideas:

- Functions are defined before they are called
- Functions can be called any number of times once defined
- Single or multiple arguments can be passed into a function
- Any variables assigned inside the function will not be accessible outside the function
- Functions can return value or return nothing
- A Function can be called within itself

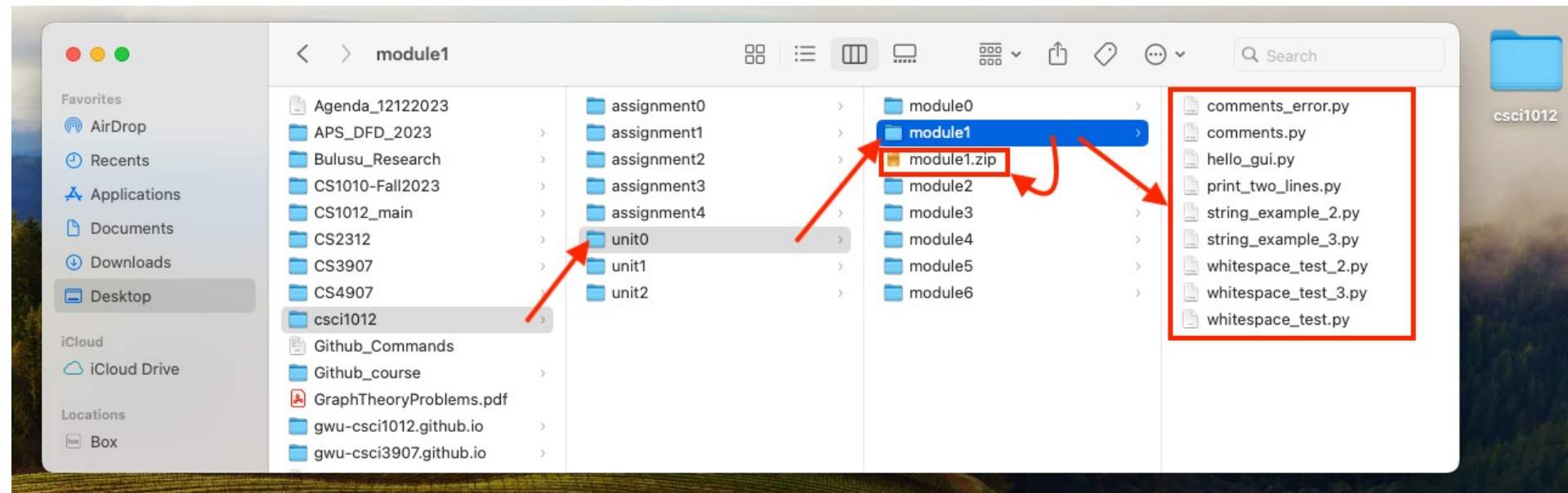
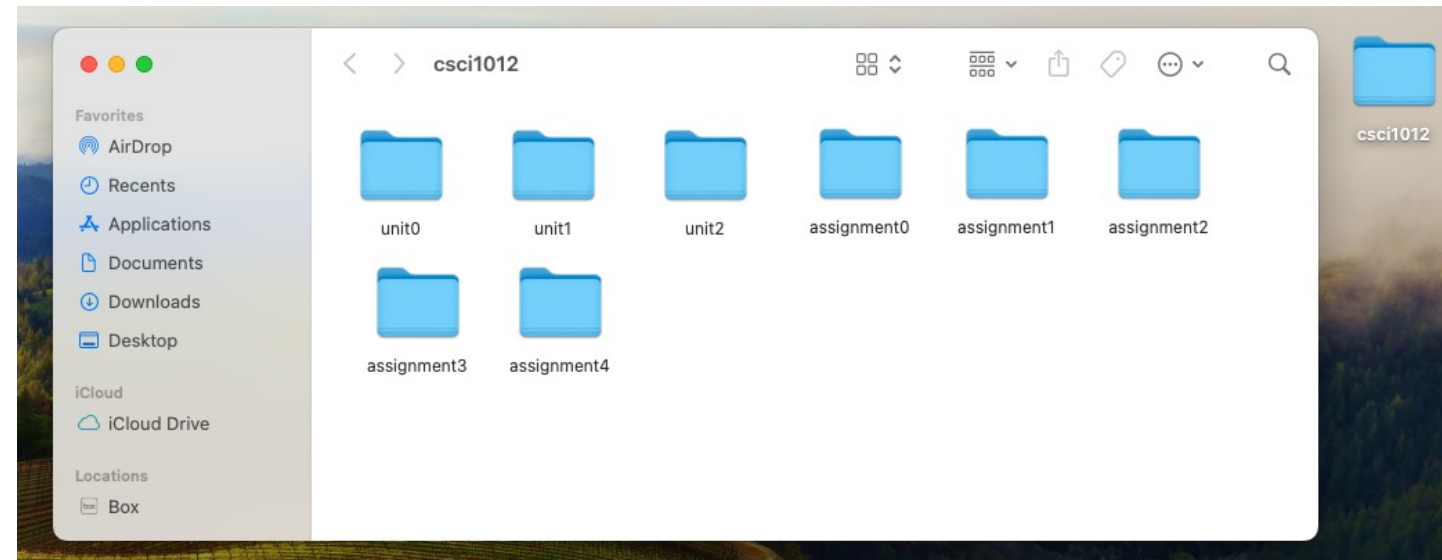
File-folder-structure

`module0.zip` (correct)

`Module0.zip` (wrong: starts with uppercase)

`module 0.zip` (wrong: space before 0)

`module0.docx` (wrong: not a zip).



See you all in the Wednesday and Friday Labs!