

Python Programming

Recursive Functions

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The *Anonymous* Functions

- You can use the *lambda* keyword to create small anonymous functions.
- These functions are called anonymous because they are not declared in the standard manner by using the *def* keyword.
- Python Lambda Functions are anonymous function means that the function is without a name.
- Lambda forms can take any number of arguments but return just one value in the form of an expression. They cannot contain commands or multiple expressions.
- lambda's are a one-line version of a function,
- **Syntax:**

lambda arguments : expression

Example

- Following is the example to show how *lambda* form of function works:

```
sum = lambda arg1, arg2: arg1 + arg2;
```

```
print "Value of total : ", sum( 10, 20 )
```

```
print "Value of total : ", sum( 20, 20 )
```

- This would produce following result:

```
Value of total : 30
```

```
Value of total : 40
```

Example

```
double = lambda x: x * 2  
print(double(5))
```

```
x = lambda : "hello world"  
print(x())
```

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Lambda functions reduce the number of lines of code when compared to normal python function defined using def keyword.

Example

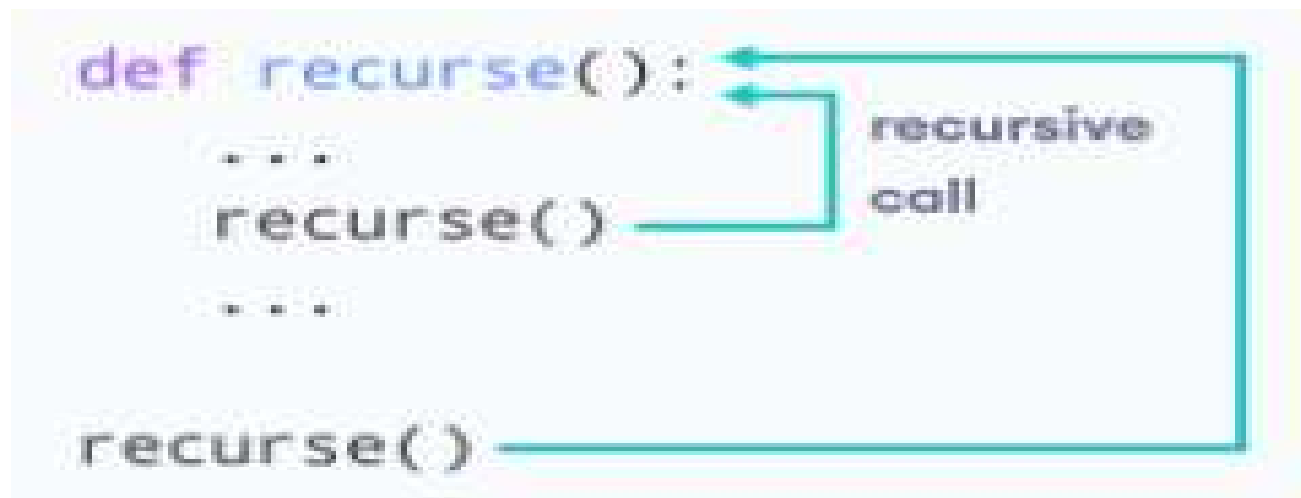
- Lambda functions can be Immediately Invoked

`(lambda x, y : x*y)(5,7)`

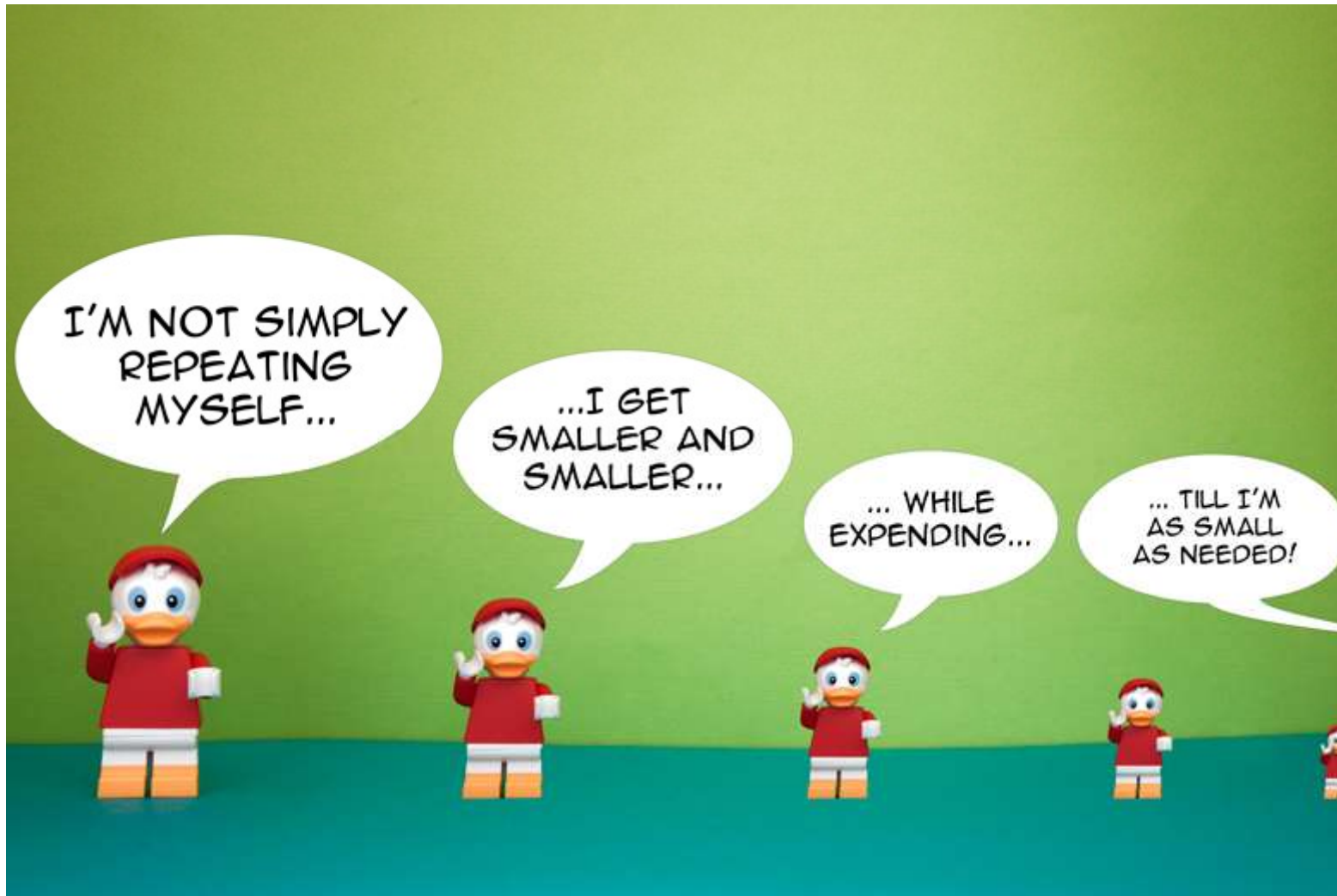
`(lambda x, y=3, z=5: x*y*z)(x=7)`

Recursion

- Recursion is the process of defining something in terms of itself.
- In Python, we know that a [function](#) can call other functions. It is even possible for the function to call itself. These types of construct are termed as recursive functions.



Concept



Advantages of using recursion



- A complicated function can be split down into smaller sub-problems utilizing recursion.
- Sequence creation is simpler through recursion than utilizing any nested iteration.
- Recursive functions render the code look simple and effective.

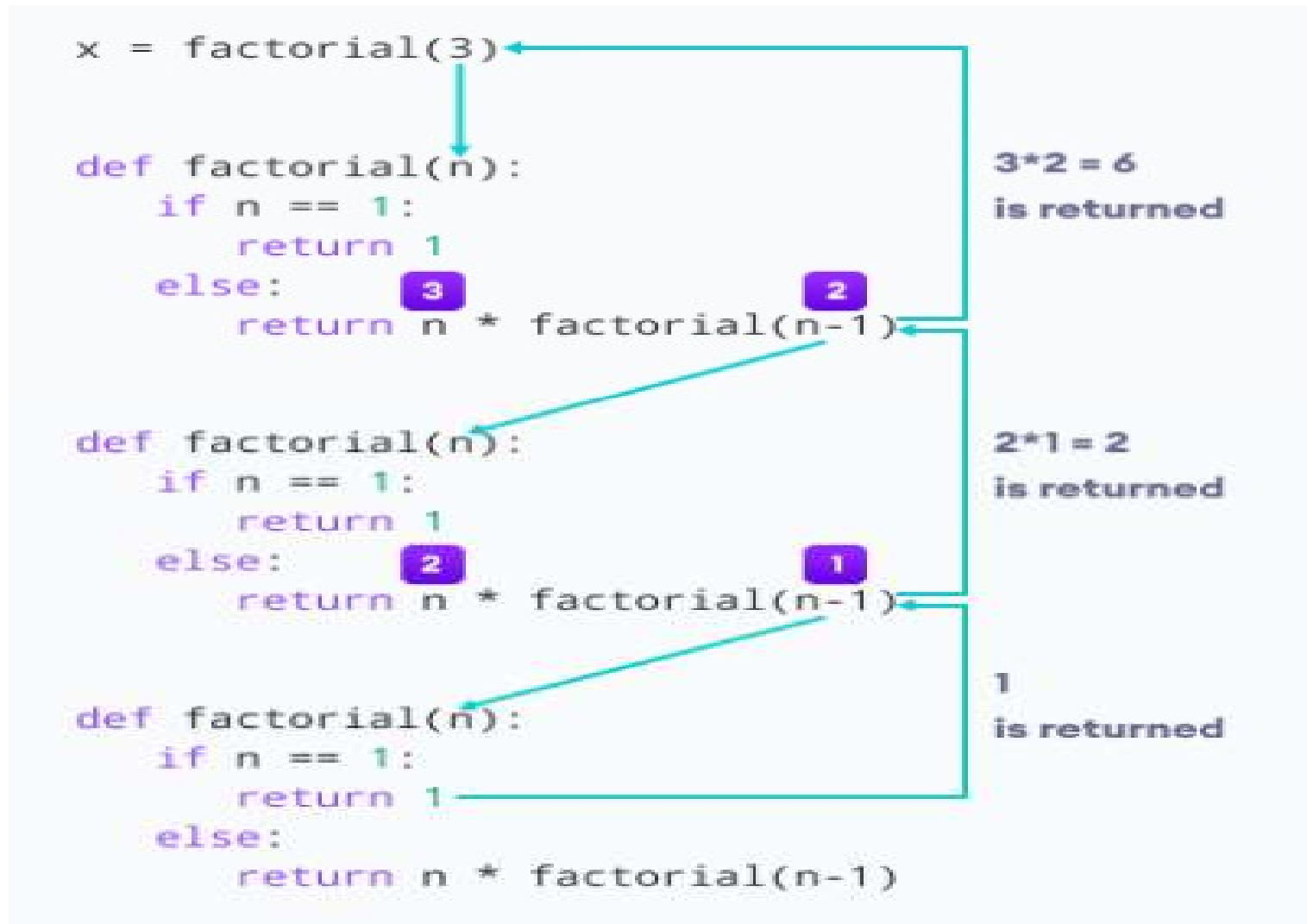
Example

```
def factorial(x):  
    if x == 1:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return (x * factorial(x-1))
```

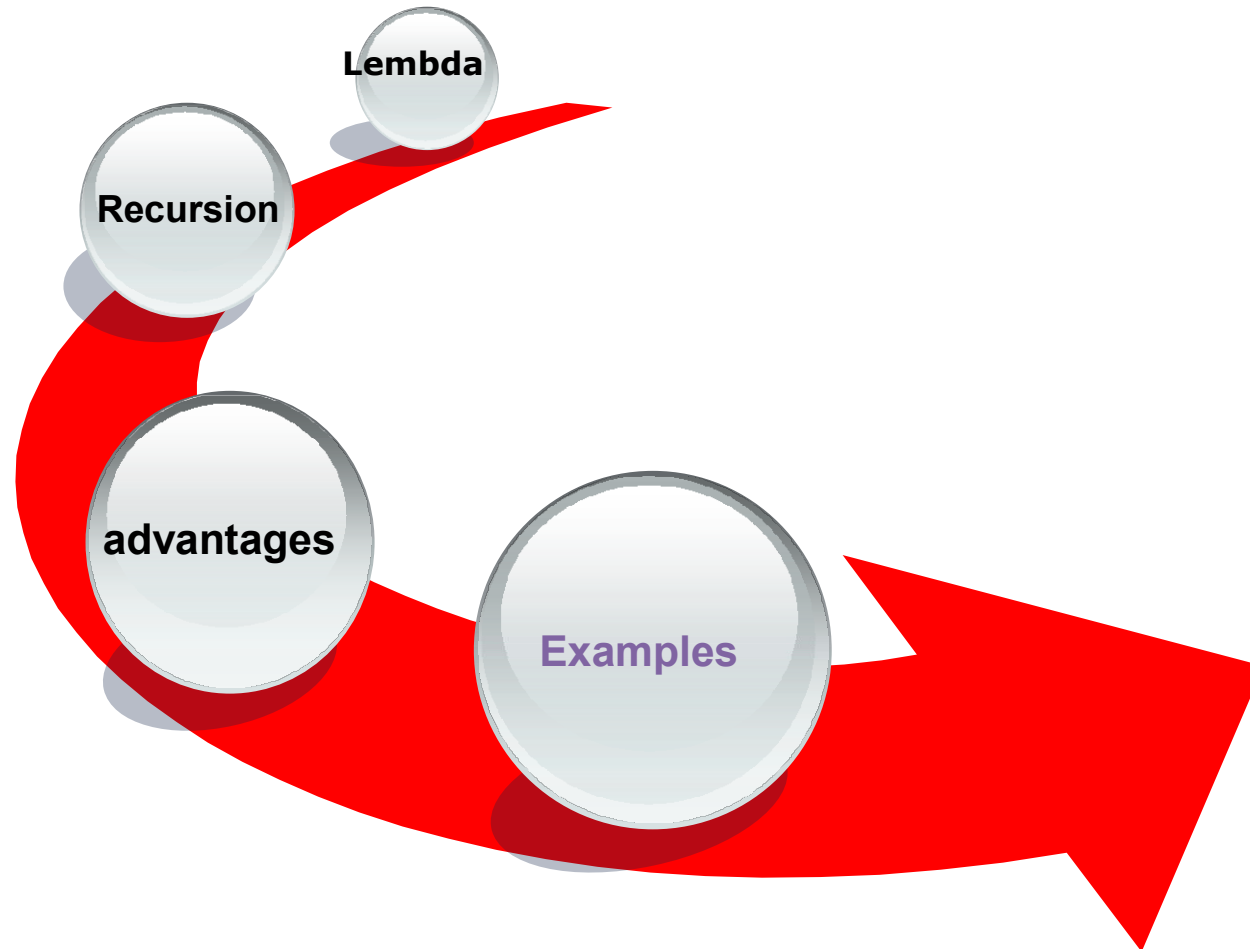
```
print("The factorial of", num, "is", factorial(5))
```

```
factorial(5)  
= 5 * factorial(4)  
= 5 * 4 * factorial(3)  
= 5 * 4 * 3 * factorial(2)  
= 5 * 4 * 3 * 2 * factorial(1)  
= 5 * 4 * 3 * 2 * 1  
= 120
```

Recursion(Working)



Summery





Thank You !