

CSC110 Lecture 3: Functions

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1 Ex 1: Practice with built-in functions

1. Suppose we have executed the following assignment statements in the python console:

```
1 >>> n = -5
2 >>> numbers_list = [1, 10, n]
3 >>> numbers_set = {100, n, 200}
```

Write down what each of the following expressions evaluate to. Do this by hand first! (Then check your work in the python console.)

```
1 >>> abs(n)
2 5
3
4 >>> sorted(numbers_list)
5 [-5, 1, 10]
6
7 >>> sorted(numbers_set) + sorted(numbers_list)
8 [-5, 100, 200, -5, 1, 10]
9
10 >>> type(numbers_set)
11 <class 'set'>
12
13 >>> type(numbers_list == n)
14 <class 'bool'>
15
16 >>> sum(numbers_set) - n
17 300
18
19 >>> max(numbers_list + [5])
20 10
```

2 Ex 2: Practice with methods

Note: you might want to use Section A.2 Python Build-in Data Types REference as a reference in this exercise.

1. Suppose we have executed the following assignment statemnt in the Python console:

```
1 >>> wish = 'Happy Birthday'
```

Write down what each of the following expressions evaluate to. Do this by hand first! (Then check your work in the python console.)

```
1 >>> str.lower(wish)
2 'happy birthday'
3
4 >>> str.lower(wish[0]) + str.lower(wish[6])
5 'hb'
6
7 >>> str.isalnum(wish)
8 False
9
10 >>> str.count(wish, 'y')
11 2
```

2. Suppose we have executed the following assignment statments in the Python console:

```
1 >>> set1 = {1, 2, 3}
2 >>> set2 = {2, 4, 5, 10}
3 >>> set3 = {'cat', 'dog', 'rabbit'}
```

Write down what each of the following expressions evaluate to. Don't worry about the order of elements in a set. Do this by hand first! (Then check your work in the Python console.)

```
1 >>> set.union(set1, set2)
2 {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10}
3
4 >>> set.intersection(set1, set2)
5 {2}
6
7 >>> set.intersection(set1, set3)
8 {}
9
10 >>> set.difference(set3, set2)
11 {'cat', 'dog', 'rabbit'}
12
13 >>> set.difference(set1, set2)
14 {1, 3}
15
16 >>> set.symmetric_difference(set1, set2)
17 {1, 3, 4, 5, 10}
```

3 Ex 3: Functions definitions in Python

1. Answer the questions below about the following function definition.

```
1 def calculate(x: int, y: int) -> list:
2     """Return a list containing the sum and product of the two given numbers.
3     """
4     return [x + y, x * y]
```

- (a) What is the function header?
def calculate(x: int, y: int) -> list:
- (b) What is the function name?
calculate
- (c) How many parameters does this function have? What are their names and types?
2, x -> int, y -> int
- (d) What is the function's return type?
list
- (e) What is the part surrounded by tripple-quotes (""") called? What is its purpose?
Documentation. It describes what the function does.
- (f) What is the function body?
return [x + y, x * y]
- (g) Compared to the examples we looked at in lectures, what part is missing from this function definition?
Examples in the documentation.
- (h) Write down what you would add to complete this function definition.

```
1     >>> calculate(0, 0)
2     [0, 0]
3
4     >>> calculate(1, 1)
5     [2, 1]
```

2. For each of the function definitions given below, complete the definition by writing a description and one doctest example.

```
1 def is_same_length(list1: list, list2: list) -> bool:
2     """Return whether both lists are the same length.
3     >>> is_same_length([1, 2, 3, 4, 5], [1, 2, 3, 4])
4     False
5     >>> is_same_length([1, 2, 3], [3, 3, 3])
6     True
7     """
8     return len(list1) == len(list2)
9
10 def multiply_sums(set1: set, set2: set) -> int:
11     """Return an integer that is equal to the product of the sum of the sets.
12     >>> multiply_sums({1, 2}, {3, 4})
13     21
14     """
15     return sum(set1) * sum(set2)
16
```

```

17 def exponentiate(nums: list) -> list:
18     """Return the square of every element in the list.
19     >>> exponentiate([1, 2, 7])
20     [1, 4, 59]
21     """
22     return [x ** x for x in nums]

```

3. Complete each of the following functions according to their docstring description and doctests.

```

1 def different_sums(set1: set, set2: set) -> bool:
2     """Return whether set1 and set2 have different sums.
3     >>> different_sums({1, 2, 3}, {5, -1})
4     True
5     >>> different_sums({3}, {1, 2})
6     False
7     """
8     return sum(set1) != sum(set2)

```

```

1 def squares(n: int) -> dict:
2     """Return a dictionary mapping the numbers from 1 to n to their squares.
3     Assume that n > 1.
4     >>> squares(3)
5     {1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9}
6     """
7     return {x: x ** 2 for x in range(n)}

```

4 Ex 4: Function scope and variables

1. Consider the following code snippet:

```

1 def add_together(x: int, y: int) -> int:
2     return x + y
3
4
5 eleven = add_together(5, 6)
6 twelve = x + 7

```

Running the code snippets produces the following output:

```

1 Traceback (most recent call last):
2   File "path/to/example-name-error-1.py", line 6, in <module>
3     twelve = x + 7
4 NameError: name 'x' is not defined

```

- (a) Which line of code is causing the error?
`twelve = x + 7`
- (b) What does `NameError: Name 'x' is not defined` mean?
`x` is not in the scope where it is called. It exists only inside of the function.
- (c) Why is `x` not defined?
`x` only exists within the function `add_together`. It is not accessible from outside of that.

2. Recall the functions `square` and `calculate_distance`, which some “markers” added:

```
1  def square(x: float) -> float:
2      """Return x squared.
3
4      >>> square(3.0)
5      9.0
6      >>> square(2.5)
7      6.25
8      """
9      # MARKER A
10     return x ** 2
```

```
1  def calculate_distance(p1: tuple, p2: tuple) -> float:
2      """Return the distance between points p1 and p2.
3
4      p1 and p2 are tuples of the form (x, y), where the x- and y-coordinates are points.
5
6      >>> calculate_distance((0, 0), (3.0, 4.0))
7      5.0
8      """
9      x1 = p1[0]
10     y1 = p1[1]
11     x2 = p2[0]
12     y2 = p2[1]
13     # MARKER B
14     return (square(x1 - x2) + square(y1 - y2)) ** 0.5
```

Suppose we run the following in the python console:

```
1  >>> p1 = (0, 0)
2  >>> p2 = (5, 3)
3  >>> calculate_distance(p1, p2)
```

- (a) Draw a value-based memory model diagram to show the current state of the variables when “MARKER B” is reached. Make sure to show both the variables in the console (`__main__`) and the variables in `calculate_distance`.

console:

Variable	Value
p1	(0, 0)
p2	(5, 3)

calculate_distance:

Vairable	Value
p1	(0, 0)
p2	(5, 3)
x1	0
y1	0
x2	5
y2	3

square - first call:

Variable	Value
x	-5

square - second call:

Vairable	Value
x	2