Forritunarmálið Python Day 3 Modules and Functional Programming

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Modules



Python modules

- Python Standard Library is a large library of very useful things
- Syntax
 - import module (as alias)
 - form module import fun/cls (as alias)
- All python files are modules

Example

```
>>> import string
>>> dir(string)
['Formatter', 'Template', '_ChainMap',
 '_TemplateMetaclass', '__all__', '__builtins__',
 '__cached__', '__doc__', '__file__',
 ' loader ', ' name ', ' package ',
 '__spec__', '_re', '_string', 'ascii_letters',
 'ascii_lowercase', 'ascii_uppercase', 'capwords',
 'digits', 'hexdigits', 'octdigits', 'printable',
 'punctuation', 'whitespace']
>>> from string import punctuation
>>> punctuation
'!"#$%&\'()*+,-./:;<=>?@[\\]^ `{|}~'
```

Extending the basics



decimal - arbitrary precision floating point numbers

```
>>> from decimal import Decimal as D
>>> D('1.2') + D('2.2')
Decimal('3.4')
>>> 1.2 + 2.2
3.4000000000000004

>>> D('0.1') + D('0.1') + D('0.1') - D('0.3')
Decimal('0.0')
>>> 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1 - 0.3
5.551115123125783e-17
```

fractions - rational numbers

```
>>> from fractions import Fraction as Fr
>>> Fr(2, 3) + Fr(1, 3)
Fraction (1, 1)
>>> Fr(2, 3) + Fr(1, 3) == 1
True
>>> Fr(1.2)
Fraction (5404319552844595, 4503599627370496)
>>> Fr('1.2')
Fraction (6, 5)
>>> Fr('9/5')
Fraction (9, 5)
>>> f = Fr('66.6')
>>> f.numerator
333
>>> f.denominator
5
```

collections - more data structures

- defaultdict
 - A nicer version of dictionary
- Counter
 - One of Python's coolest data structures
- deque
 - If you need fast prepend, append



datetime - date and time

- A module that allows us to work with
 - Dates
 - Time
 - Dates with time
 - Time intervals



```
>>> from datetime import datetime, date

>>> datetime.now()

datetime.datetime(2017, 11, 29, 2, 5, 17, 518209)

>>> date.today()

datetime.date(2017, 11, 29)

>>> d1 = datetime(2017, 10, 28)

>>> d2 = datetime.now()

>>> d2 - d1

datetime.timedelta(32, 7517, 518447)
```

Printing and parsing

```
>>> now = datetime.now()
>>> now.strftime('%d-%m-%Y %H:%M:%S')
'29-11-2017 02:05:17'
>>> now.strftime('%d. %B %Y at %H:%M:%S')
'29. November 2017 at 02:05:17'
>>> now.strptime('29-09-2018', '%d-%m-%Y')
datetime.datetime(2018, 9, 29, 0, 0)
>>> import time
>>> time.time()
1511921117.518958
>>> datetime.fromtimestamp(time.time())
datetime.datetime(2017, 11, 29, 2, 5, 17, 519030)
```

Debugging



pdb - the Python debugger

Python comes with a built in debugger, pdb

```
# Set a breakpoint
import pdb; pdb.set_trace()
```



Commands

- s(tep) "Jump into"
- n(next) "Jump over"
- **c(ontinue)** Run until next breakpoint
- r(eturn) Run until current function returns
- I(ist) (II) Print where you are
- p(rint) (pp) Print
- **q(uit)** Quit the debugger
- ! Execute statement
- interact Start Python interpreter



Functions



More about functions

- In Python functions are first class citizens
 - They can be passed as variables
 - They can be returned by functions



Lambda functions

Python provides anonymous functions

```
>>> lambda x: x ** 2
<function <lambda> at 0x7f06fbb391e0>
>>> f = lambda x: x ** 2
>>> f(4)
16
# They can take more than one parameter
>>> q = lambda x, y: x * y
>>> q(4, 5)
2.0
# Or none
>>> h = lambda: 1377
>>> h()
1377
```

Functional programming



Lists

Many builtin functions in Python take functions as parameters

- min, max, sum
- map, filter, all, any
- sorted





Find the word count of The Raven



Find the country with the most unique letters



Find the country in Europe with the highest population



Sort all countries by population



Sort all countries by population



Find the user with the most accepted submissions



For each user that has submitted problems, find the number of solved problems he has solved an his full name



Assert



Assert is a friend

- Assert that the state of your program is consistent
 - Check that "this should never happen" doesn't happen

