Functions

INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON



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Functions

- Nothing new!
- type()
- Piece of reusable code
- Solves particular task
- Call function instead of writing code yourself

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fam
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                                                              → 1.89
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tallest = max(fam)
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```
round(1.68, 1)
1.7
round(1.68)
2
help(round) # Open up documentation
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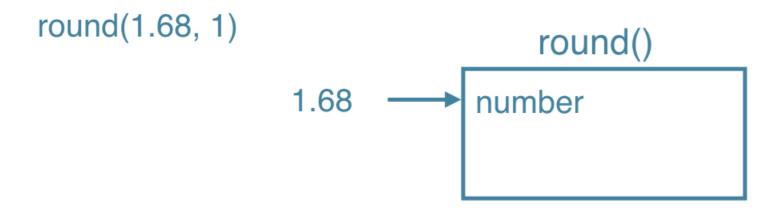
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round()

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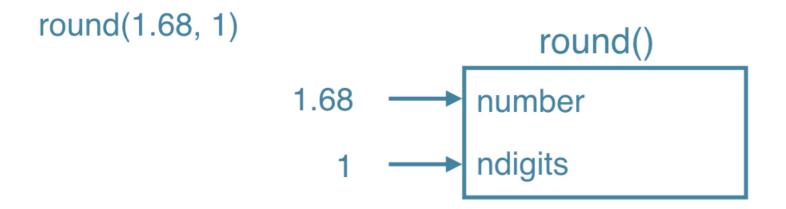
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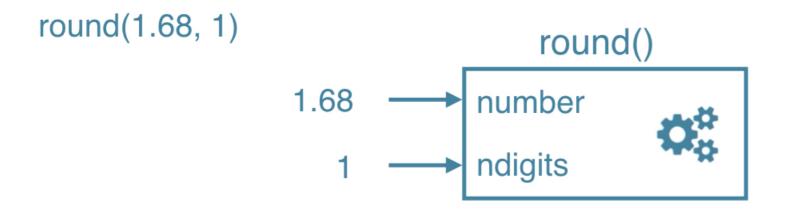
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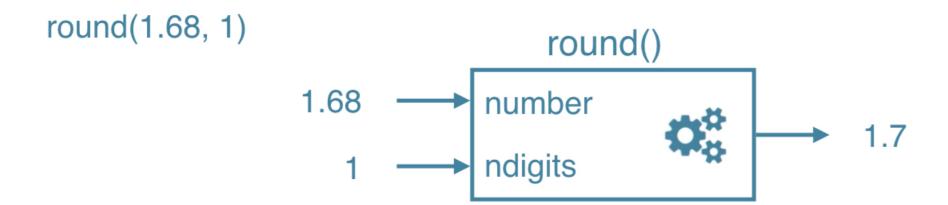
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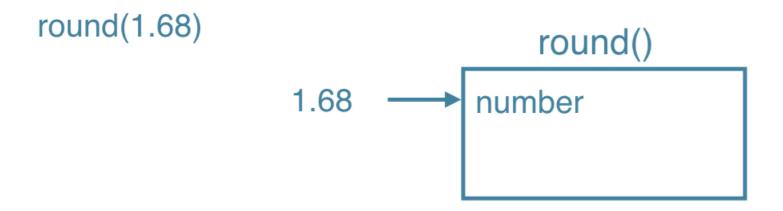
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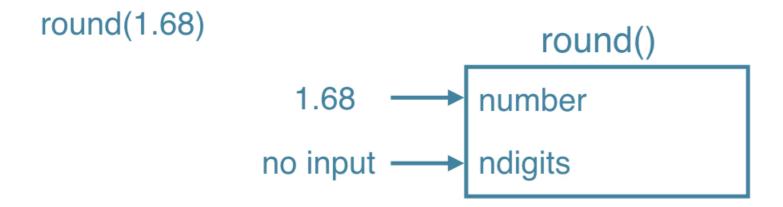
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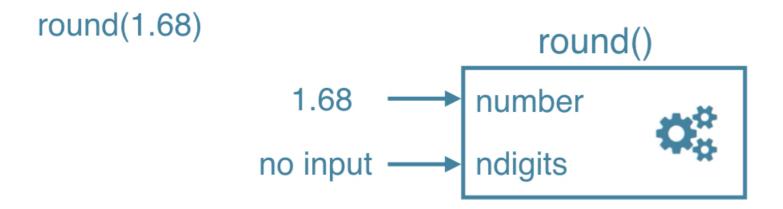
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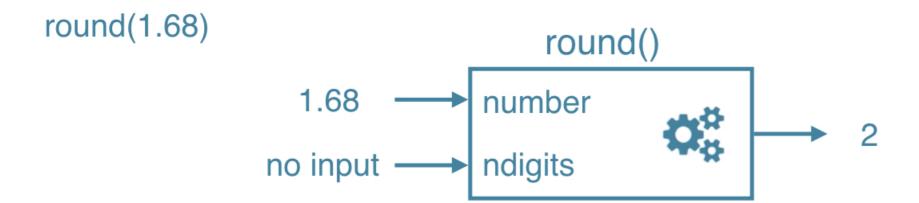
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- round(number)
- round(number, ndigits)

Find functions

- How to know?
- Standard task -> probably function exists!
- The internet is your friend

Methods

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Built-in Functions

- Maximum of list: max()
- Length of list or string: len()
- Get index in list: ?
- Reversing a list: ?

Back 2 Basics

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Object

height = 1.73

Object

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Back 2 Basics

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fam = ["liz", 1.73, "emma", 1.68,
"mom", 1.71, "dad", 1.89]
```

 Methods: Functions that belong to objects

	type	examples of methods
Object	str	capitalize() replace()
Object	float	bit_length() conjugate()
Object	list	index() count()

list methods

```
fam
['liz', 1.73, 'emma', 1.68, 'mom', 1.71, 'dad', 1.89]
fam.index("mom") # "Call method index() on fam"
fam.count(1.73)
```

str methods

```
sister
'liz'
sister.capitalize()
'Liz'
sister.replace("z", "sa")
'lisa'
```

Methods

- Everything = object
- Object have methods associated, depending on type

```
sister.replace("z", "sa")

'lisa'

fam.replace("mom", "mommy")

AttributeError: 'list' object has no attribute 'replace'
```

Methods

```
sister.index("z")

2

fam.index("mom")
```



Methods (2)

```
fam
['liz', 1.73, 'emma', 1.68, 'mom', 1.71, 'dad', 1.89]
fam.append("me")
fam
['liz', 1.73, 'emma', 1.68, 'mom', 1.71, 'dad', 1.89, 'me']
fam.append(1.79)
fam
['liz', 1.73, 'emma', 1.68, 'mom', 1.71, 'dad', 1.89, 'me', 1.79]
```

Summary

Functions

```
type(fam)
```

list

Methods: call functions on objects

```
fam.index("dad")
```

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