Python Course Functions and Loops

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Functions

In the context of programming, a function is a named sequence of statements that performs a computation. When you define a function, you specify the name and the sequence of statements. Later, you can "call" the function by name.



```
type(32)
# <class 'int'>
max('Hello world')
min('Hello world')
len('Hello world')
```

Type conversion functions

Python also provides built-in functions that convert values from one type to another.

```
python:)
int('32')
# 32
int('Hello')
# ValueError: invalid literal for
int() with base 10: 'Hello'
int(3.99999)
# 3
int(-2.3)
# -2
float(32)
# 32.0
str(32)
# '32'
```

Math functions

Python has a math module that provides most of the familiar mathematical functions.

```
python:)
import math
print(math)
# <module 'math' (built-in)>
ratio = signal power / noise power
decibels = 10 * math.log10(ratio)
degrees = 45
radians = degrees / 360.0 * 2 * math.pi
math.sin(radians)
# 0.7071067811865476
math.sqrt(2) / 2.0
# 0.7071067811865476
```

Adding new functions



Function examples

```
python:)
def Print welcome words():
  print("welcom to pycourse :)")
def Greeting(name):
  print(f"Hello, {name}")
Print welcome words()
# welcom to pycourse :)
Greeting("Matin")
# Hello, Matin
```

Why functions?

- makes your program easier to read, understand, and debug
- Later, if you make a change, you only have to make it in one place.
- Once you write and debug one, you can reuse it.
- debug the parts one at a time and then assemble them into a working whole.

Loops

The while statement

Computers are often used to automate repetitive tasks. Repeating identical or similar tasks without making errors is something that computers do well and people do poorly. Because iteration is so common, Python provides several language features to make it easier.



Infinite loops

```
python:)
while True:
    line = input('> ')
    if line[0] == '#':
        continue
    if line == 'done':
        break
    print(line)
print('Done!')
```

Loops using for

```
python:)

total = 0
for itervar in [3, 41, 12, 9, 74, 15]:
   total = total + itervar
print('Total: ', total)
```

Any Questions?

