

Warming Up

Write a program that, given letters, finds all anagrams

```
$ python anagrammer.py
```

```
Letters? hnopty
```

```
Anagram(s): PYTHON, PHYTON
```

```
Letters? sulpcpusl
```

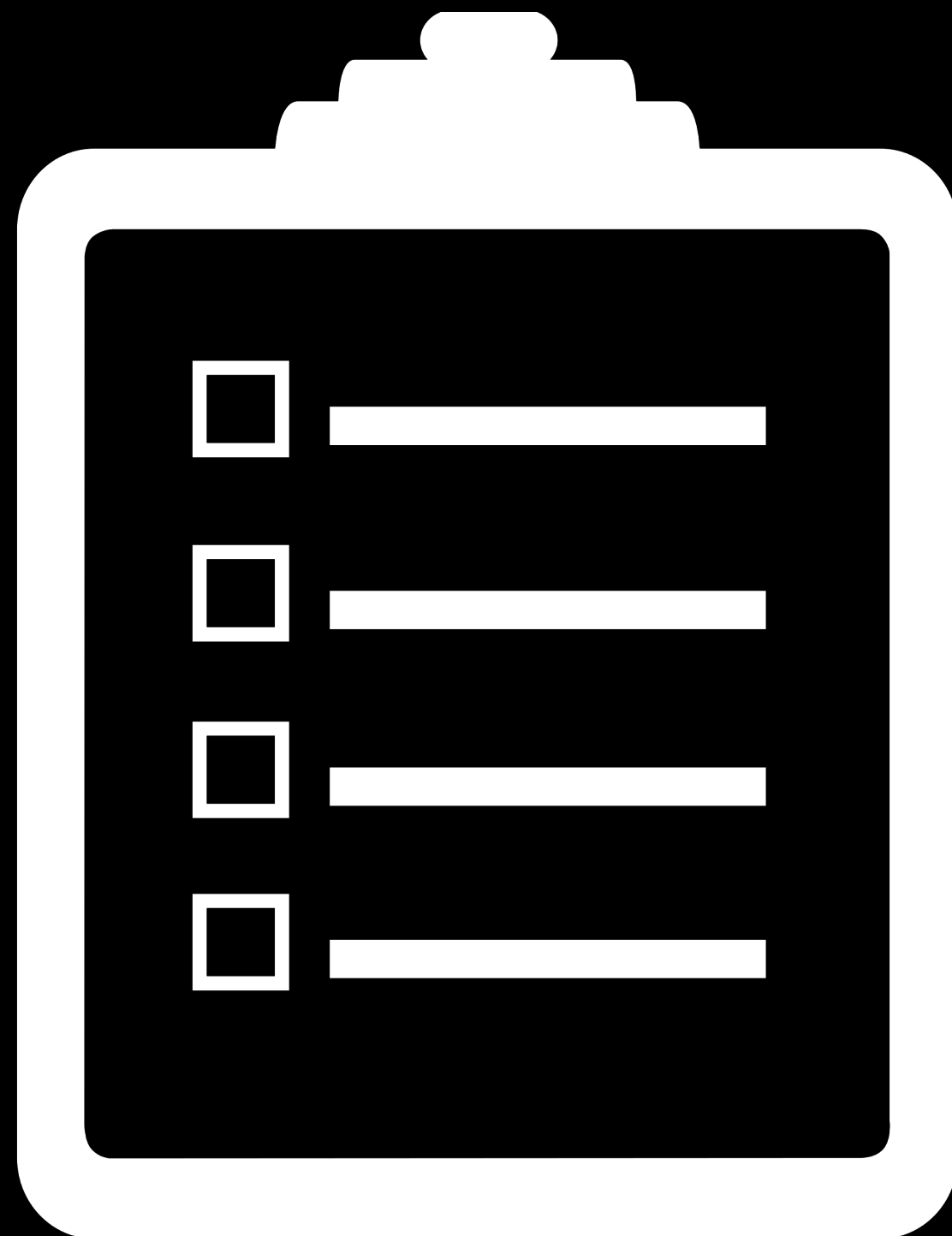
```
Anagram(s): None
```

Key insight: The sorted letters of any two anagrams are the same:
{sorted letters: set of anagrams}

Functions

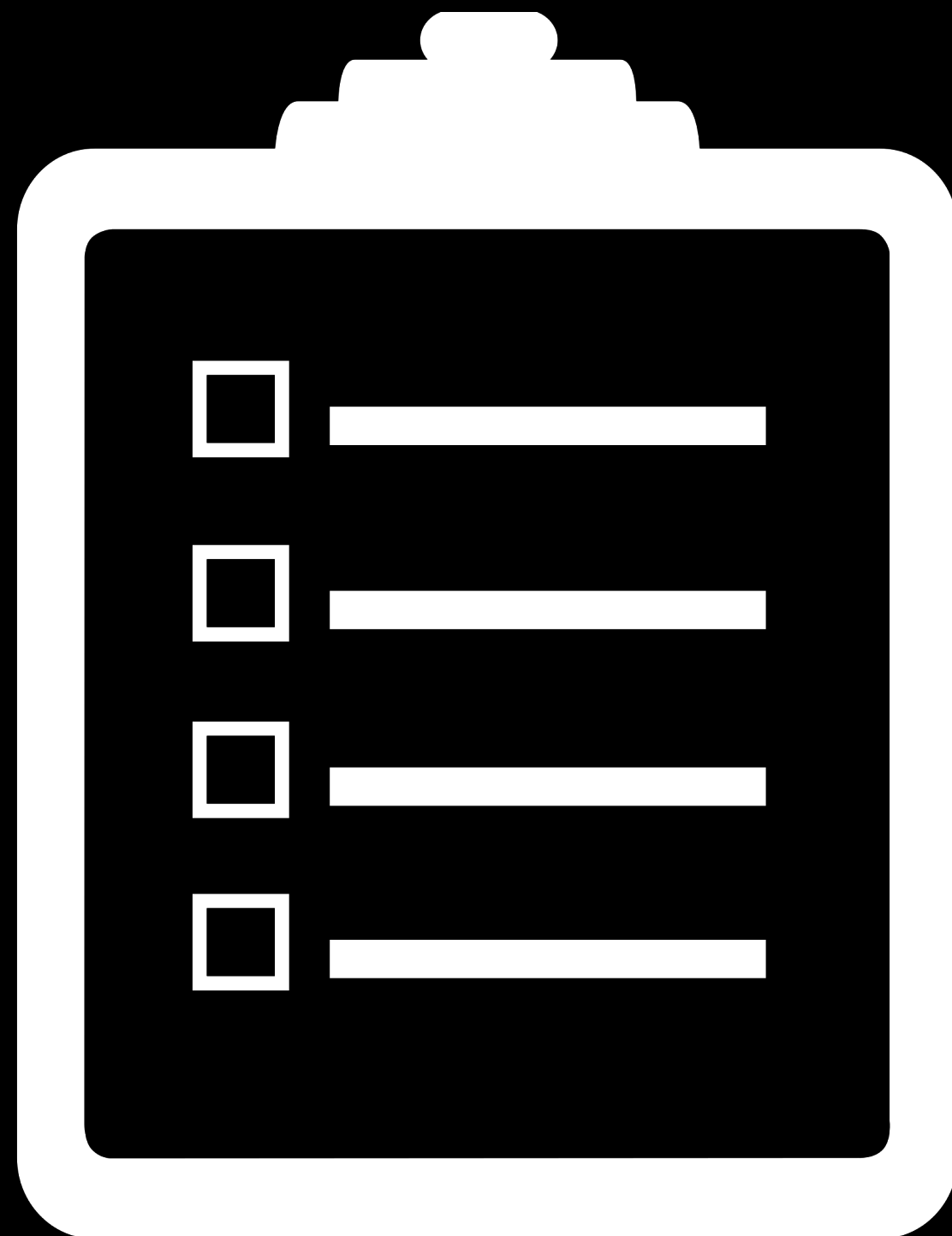
January 22, 2019

Agenda

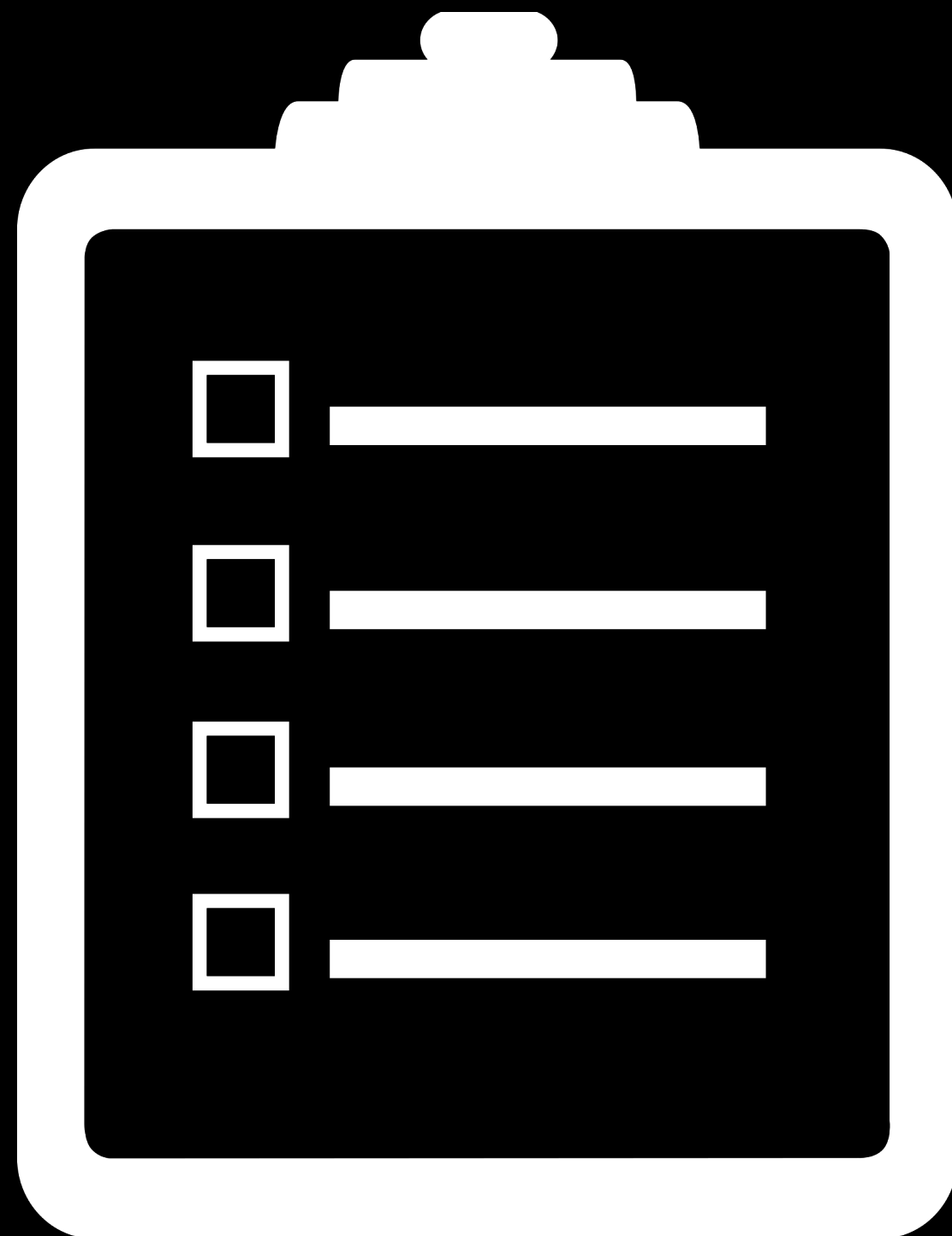


Agenda

Recap of Last Week



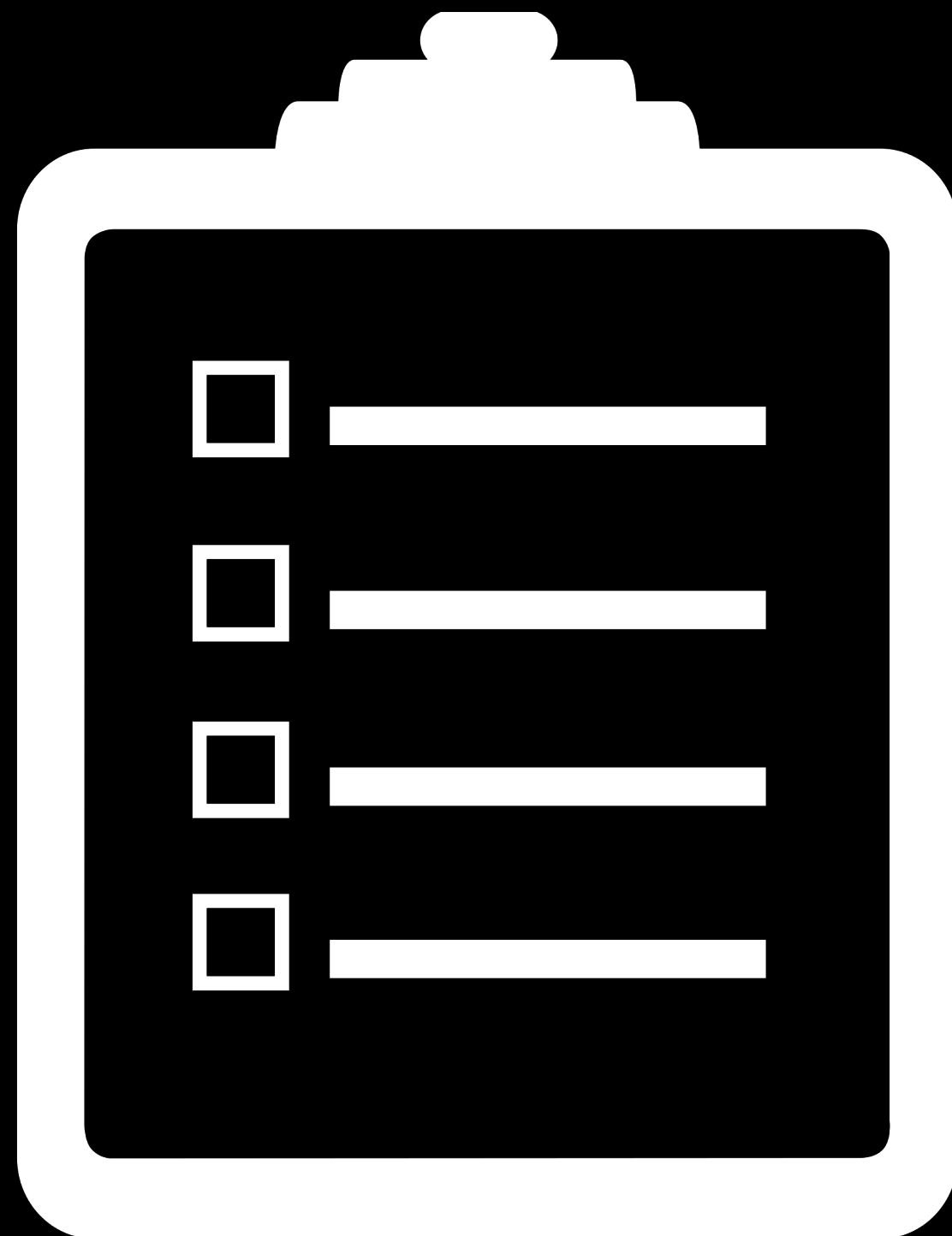
Agenda



Recap of Last Week

Inside Python Functions

Agenda

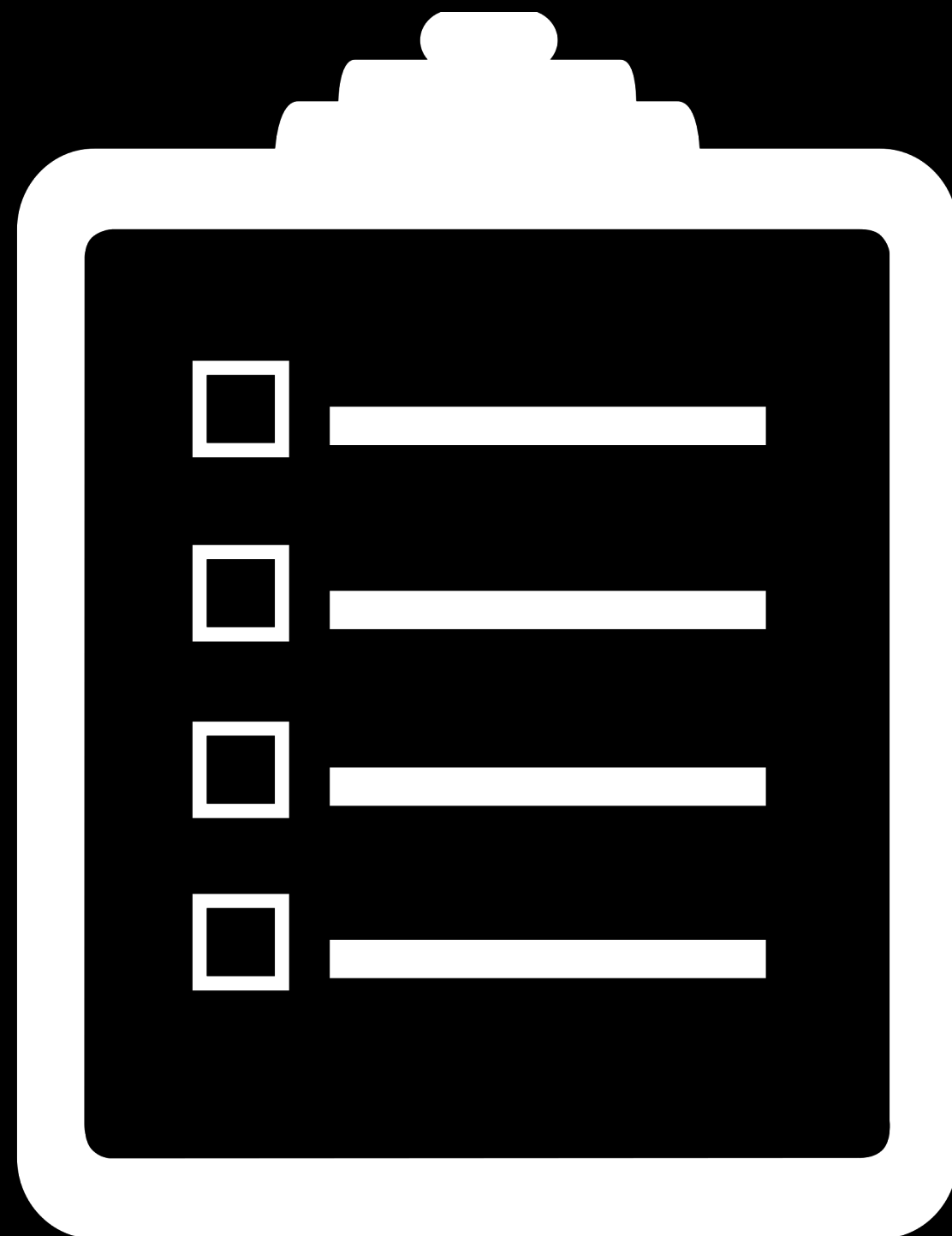


Recap of Last Week

Inside Python Functions

Keyword Arguments

Agenda



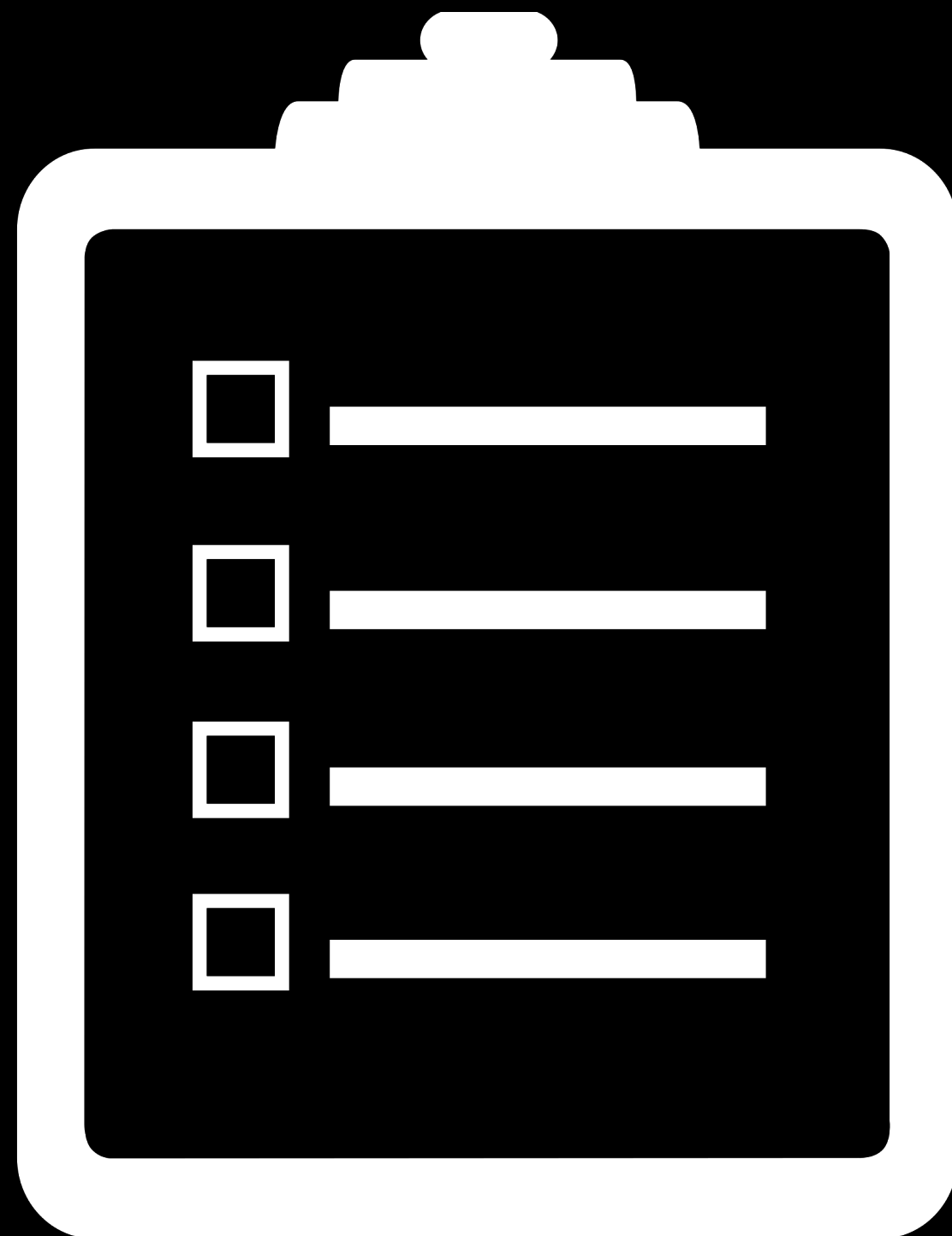
Recap of Last Week

Inside Python Functions

Keyword Arguments

Variadic Arguments

Agenda



Recap of Last Week

Inside Python Functions

Keyword Arguments

Variadic Arguments

First-Class Functions

Recap

Data Structures

Data Structures

Lists [*items*]

Data Structures

Lists `[items]`

Dictionaries `{key: value}`

Data Structures

Lists [`items`]

Dictionaries {`key: value`}

Tuples (`frozen, sequence`)

Data Structures

Lists `[items]`

Dictionaries `{key: value}`

Tuples `(frozen, sequence)`

Sets `{unique, hashable, values}`

Data Structures

Lists `[items]`

Dictionaries `{key: value}`

Tuples `(frozen, sequence)`

Sets `{unique, hashable, values}`

Comprehensions `[f(xs) for xs in iter]`

Warming Up: 10 Minutes

Warming Up: 10 Minutes

Write a program that, given letters, finds all anagrams

```
$ python anagrammer.py
```

Warming Up: 10 Minutes

Write a program that, given letters, finds all anagrams

```
$ python anagrammer.py
```

Letters? hnopty

Anagram(s): PYTHON, PHYTON

Warming Up: 10 Minutes

Write a program that, given letters, finds all anagrams

```
$ python anagrammer.py
```

```
Letters? hnopty
```

```
Anagram(s): PYTHON, PHYTON
```

```
Letters? sulpcpusl
```

```
Anagram(s): None
```

Warming Up: 10 Minutes

Write a program that, given letters, finds all anagrams

```
$ python anagrammer.py
```

```
Letters? hnopty
```

```
Anagram(s): PYTHON, PHYTON
```

```
Letters? sulpcpusl
```

```
Anagram(s): None
```

Key insight: The sorted letters of any two anagrams are the same:
{sorted letters: set of anagrams}

Familiar Functions

Recall

The `def` keyword is used to define a new function

```
def fn_name(param1, param2):  
    value = do_something()  
    return value
```

Basic Functions: Nuances

Return

Return

All functions return *some* value

Return

All functions return *some* value

Even if that value is **None**

Return

All functions return *some* value

Even if that value is **None**

No **return** statement or just **return** implicitly returns **None**

Return

All functions return *some* value

Even if that value is **None**

No **return** statement or just **return** implicitly returns **None**

The interpreter suppresses printing **None**

Return

All functions return *some* value

Even if that value is **None**

No **return** statement or just **return** implicitly returns **None**

Returning multiple values

The interpreter suppresses printing **None**

Return

All functions return *some* value

Even if that value is **None**

No **return** statement or just **return** implicitly returns **None**

Returning multiple values

The interpreter suppresses printing **None**

You can use a tuple! In some cases, use a **namedtuple**

Return

All functions return *some* value

Even if that value is **None**

No **return** statement or just **return** implicitly returns **None**

Returning multiple values

The interpreter suppresses printing **None**

You can use a tuple! In some cases, use a **namedtuple**

```
return value1, value2, value3
```

Return

All functions return *some* value

Even if that value is **None**

No **return** statement or just **return** implicitly returns **None**

Returning multiple values

The interpreter suppresses printing **None**

You can use a tuple! In some cases, use a **namedtuple**

return value1, value2, value3

Be careful! Callers may not expect a tuple as a return value

Function Execution and Scopes

Function Execution and Scopes

Function execution introduces a new local symbol table (scope)

Think of baggage tags and suitcases: a new baggage area

Function Execution and Scopes

Function execution introduces a new local symbol table (scope)

Think of baggage tags and suitcases: a new baggage area

Variable assignments (L-values) $x = 5$

Function Execution and Scopes

Function execution introduces a new local symbol table (scope)

Think of baggage tags and suitcases: a new baggage area

Variable assignments (L-values) $x = 5$

Add entry to local symbol table (or overwrite an existing entry)

Function Execution and Scopes

Function execution introduces a new local symbol table (scope)

Think of baggage tags and suitcases: a new baggage area

Variable assignments (L-values) `x = 5`

Add entry to local symbol table (or overwrite an existing entry)

Variable references (R-values) `print(y)`

Function Execution and Scopes

Function execution introduces a new local symbol table (scope)

Think of baggage tags and suitcases: a new baggage area

Variable assignments (L-values) `x = 5`

Add entry to local symbol table (or overwrite an existing entry)

Variable references (R-values) `print(y)`

First, look in local symbol table

Function Execution and Scopes

Function execution introduces a new local symbol table (scope)

Think of baggage tags and suitcases: a new baggage area

Variable assignments (L-values) **x = 5**

Add entry to local symbol table (or overwrite an existing entry)

Variable references (R-values) **print(y)**

First, look in local symbol table

Next, check symbol tables of enclosing functions (unusual)

Function Execution and Scopes

Function execution introduces a new local symbol table (scope)

Think of baggage tags and suitcases: a new baggage area

Variable assignments (L-values) `x = 5`

Add entry to local symbol table (or overwrite an existing entry)

Variable references (R-values) `print(y)`

First, look in local symbol table

Next, check symbol tables of enclosing functions (unusual)

Then, search global (top-level) symbol table

Function Execution and Scopes

Function execution introduces a new local symbol table (scope)

Think of baggage tags and suitcases: a new baggage area

Variable assignments (L-values) `x = 5`

Add entry to local symbol table (or overwrite an existing entry)

Variable references (R-values) `print(y)`

First, look in local symbol table

Next, check symbol tables of enclosing functions (unusual)

Then, search global (top-level) symbol table

Finally, check builtin symbols (`print`, `input`, etc)

Builtins

Global Scope

Enclosing Function Scope

Function Scope

Builtins

Global Scope

Enclosing Function Scope

Function Scope

x = 5

Builtins

Global Scope

Enclosing Function Scope

'x': 5 Function Scope

↑
x = 5

Builtins

Global Scope

Enclosing Function Scope

'x': 5 Function Scope

↑
x = 5

print(y)

Builtins

Global Scope

Enclosing Function Scope

'x': 5 Function Scope

↑
x = 5

print(y)

Do you have a y?

Builtins

Global Scope

Enclosing Function Scope

Do you have a *y*?

'x': 5 Function Scope



x = 5

print(y)

Do you have a *y*?

Builtins

Global Scope

Do you have a *y*?

Enclosing Function Scope

Do you have a *y*?

'x': 5 Function Scope



x = 5

print(y)

Do you have a *y*?

Builtins

Do you have a *y*?

Global Scope

Do you have a *y*?

Enclosing Function Scope

Do you have a *y*?

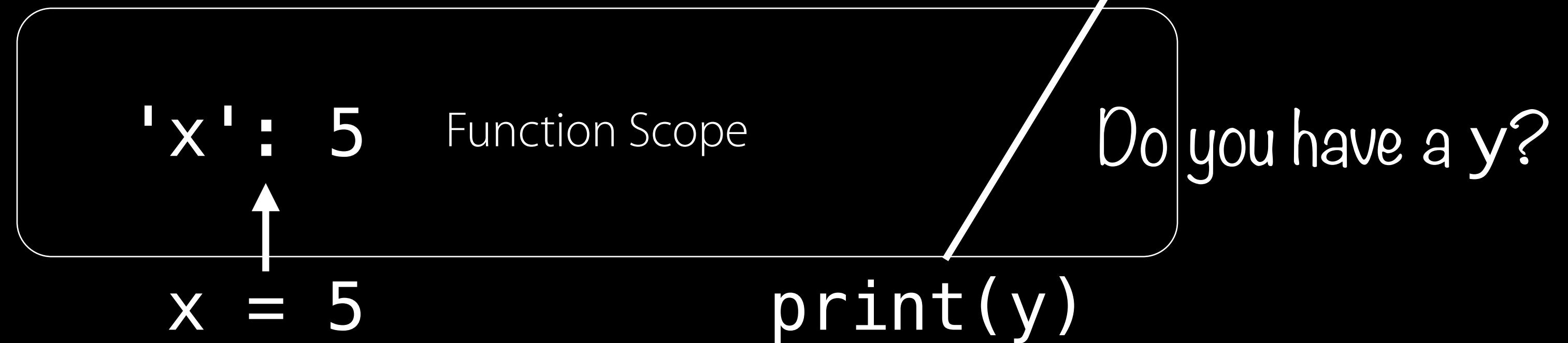
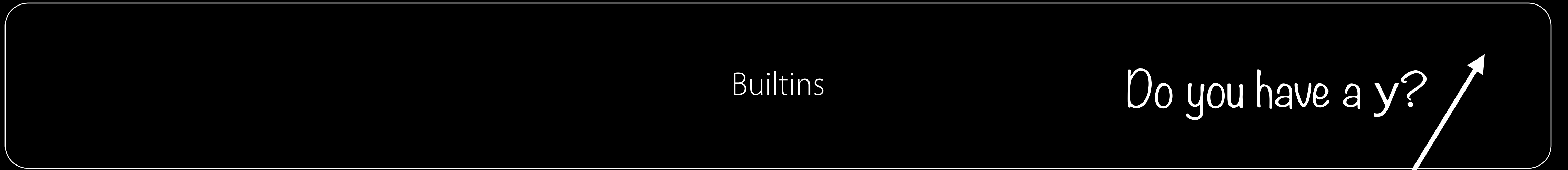
'x': 5

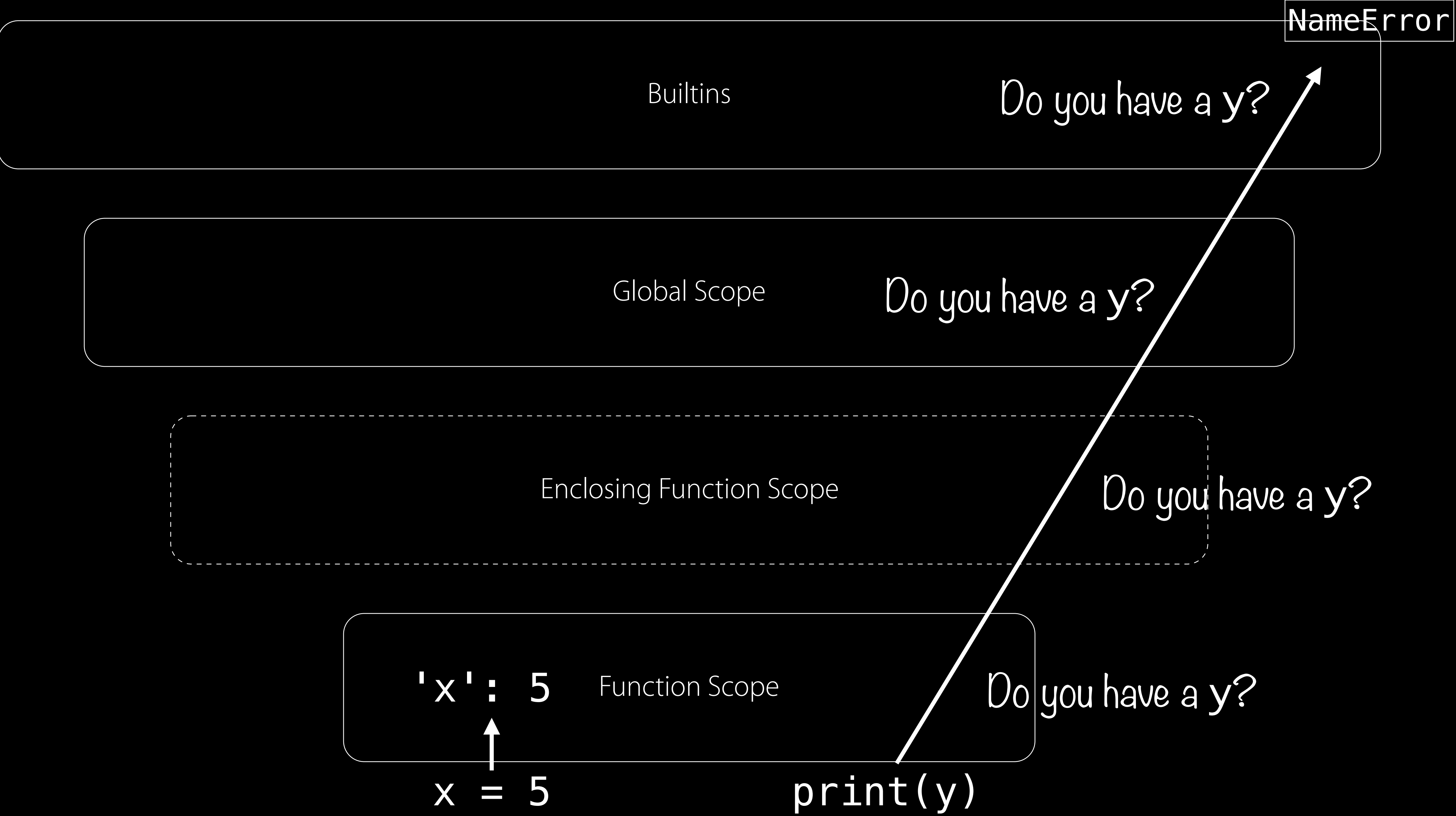
Function Scope

Do you have a *y*?

x = 5

print(y)





Local Function Scope

Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
def foo(y):
    z = 5
    print(locals())
    print(globals()['x'])
    print(x, y, z)
```

Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
def foo(y):
    z = 5
    print(locals())
    print(globals()['x'])
    print(x, y, z)

foo(3)
```

Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
def foo(y):
    z = 5
    print(locals())
    print(globals()['x'])
    print(x, y, z)

foo(3)
# prints {'y': 3, 'z': 5}
```


Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
def foo(y):
    z = 5
    print(locals())
    print(globals()['x'])
    print(x, y, z)

foo(3)
# prints {'y': 3, 'z': 5}
# print 2
```

Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
def foo(y):
    z = 5
    print(locals())
    print(globals()['x'])
    print(x, y, z)
```

```
foo(3)
# prints {'y': 3, 'z': 5}
# print 2
# prints 2, 3, 5
```

Local Function Scope


Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
def foo(y):
    x = 41
    z = 5
    print(locals())
    print(globals()['x'])
    print(x, y, z)
```

Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
def foo(y):
    x = 41
    z = 5
    print(locals())
    print(globals()['x'])
    print(x, y, z)
```


We've added an 'x': 41
entry to the local symbol table



Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
def foo(y):
    x = 41
    z = 5
    print(locals())
    print(globals()['x'])
    print(x, y, z)
```

We've added an 'x': 41
entry to the local symbol table



```
foo(3)
```

Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
```

```
def foo(y):
```

```
    x = 41
```

```
    z = 5
```

```
    print(locals())
```

```
    print(globals()['x'])
```

```
    print(x, y, z)
```

We've added an 'x': 41
entry to the local symbol table



```
foo(3)
```

```
# prints {'x': 41, 'y': 3, 'z': 5}
```

Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
```

```
def foo(y):
```

```
    x = 41
```

```
    z = 5
```

```
    print(locals())
```

```
    print(globals()['x'])
```

```
    print(x, y, z)
```

We've added an 'x': 41
entry to the local symbol table



```
foo(3)
```

```
# prints {'x': 41, 'y': 3, 'z': 5}
```

```
# print 2
```


Local Function Scope

```
x = 2
```

```
def foo(y):
```

```
    x = 41
```

```
    z = 5
```

```
    print(locals())
```

```
    print(globals()['x'])
```

```
    print(x, y, z)
```

We've added an 'x': 41
entry to the local symbol table



```
foo(3)
```

```
# prints {'x': 41, 'y': 3, 'z': 5}
```

```
# print 2
```

```
# prints 41, 3, 5
```

If / For Scope

If / For Scope

Notably, only* function definitions define new scopes

*Also classes... kinda (Wk 5)

If / For Scope

Notably, only* function definitions define new scopes

`if` statements, `for` loops, `while` loops, `with` statements, etc

*Also classes... kinda (Wk 5)

If / For Scope

Notably, only* function definitions define new scopes

`if` statements, `for` loops, `while` loops, `with` statements, etc

Do *not* introduce a new scope

*Also classes... kinda (Wk 5)

If / For Scope

Notably, only* function definitions define new scopes

`if` statements, `for` loops, `while` loops, `with` statements, etc

Do *not* introduce a new scope

```
if success:
    desc = 'Winner!'
else:
    desc = 'Loser :('
print(desc)
```

*Also classes... kinda (Wk 5)

Pass-By-Value or Pass-By-Reference?

Pass-By-Value or Pass-By-Reference?

Variables *are* copied into function's local symbol table

But variables are just references to objects!

Pass-By-Value or Pass-By-Reference?

Variables *are* copied into function's local symbol table

But variables are just references to objects!

Best to think of it as *pass-by-object-reference*

If a mutable object is passed, caller will see changes

Pass-By-Value or Pass-By-Reference?

Variables *are* copied into function's local symbol table

But variables are just references to objects!

Best to think of it as *pass-by-object-reference*

If a mutable object is passed, caller will see changes

Baggage tags in one area can point to suitcases in another

Default Parameters

Default / Named Parameters

Default / Named Parameters

Specify a default value for one or more parameters

Default / Named Parameters

Specify a default value for one or more parameters

Called with fewer arguments than it is defined to allow

Default / Named Parameters

Specify a default value for one or more parameters

Called with fewer arguments than it is defined to allow

Usually used to provide "settings" for the function

Default / Named Parameters

Specify a default value for one or more parameters

Called with fewer arguments than it is defined to allow

Usually used to provide "settings" for the function

Why?

Default / Named Parameters

Specify a default value for one or more parameters

Called with fewer arguments than it is defined to allow

Usually used to provide "settings" for the function

Why?

Presents a simplified interface for a function

Default / Named Parameters

Specify a default value for one or more parameters

Called with fewer arguments than it is defined to allow

Usually used to provide "settings" for the function

Why?

Presents a simplified interface for a function

Provides reasonable defaults for parameters

Default / Named Parameters

Specify a default value for one or more parameters

Called with fewer arguments than it is defined to allow

Usually used to provide "settings" for the function

Why?

Presents a simplified interface for a function

Provides reasonable defaults for parameters

Declares intent to caller that parameters are "extra"

```
def ask_yn(prompt,  
           retries=4,  
           complaint='... '):
```

Required parameter prompt

```
def ask_yn(prompt,  
           retries=4,  
           complaint='... '):
```

Required parameter prompt

```
def ask_yn(prompt,  
           retries=4,  
           complaint='... '):
```

Optional parameter retries
defaults to 4

Required parameter prompt

```
def ask_yn(prompt,  
           retries=4,  
           complaint='...'):
```

Optional parameter retries
defaults to 4

Optional parameter complaint
defaults to some message

Keyword Arguments

Keyword Arguments

```
def ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='Enter Y/N!'):
```

Keyword Arguments

```
def ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='Enter Y/N!'):  
    for i in range(retries):
```

Keyword Arguments

```
def ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='Enter Y/N!'):  
    for i in range(retries):  
        ok = input(prompt)
```

Keyword Arguments

```
def ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='Enter Y/N!'):  
    for i in range(retries):  
        ok = input(prompt)  
        if ok in ('Y', 'y'):  
            return True  
        if ok in ('N', 'n'):  
            return False
```

Keyword Arguments

```
def ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='Enter Y/N!'):
    for i in range(retries):
        ok = input(prompt)
        if ok in ('Y', 'y'):
            return True
        if ok in ('N', 'n'):
            return False
    print(complaint)
```

Keyword Arguments

```
def ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='Enter Y/N!'):  
    for i in range(retries):  
        ok = input(prompt)  
        if ok in ('Y', 'y'):  
            return True  
        if ok in ('N', 'n'):  
            return False  
        print(complaint)  
    return False
```

Examples

Examples

```
print(..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)
```


Examples

```
print(..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)  
range(start, stop, step=1)
```

Examples

```
print(..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)  
range(start, stop, step=1)  
enumerate(iter, start=0)
```

Examples

```
print(..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)  
range(start, stop, step=1)  
enumerate(iter, start=0)  
int(x, base=10)
```

Examples

```
print(..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)
range(start, stop, step=1)
enumerate(iter, start=0)
int(x, base=10)
pow(x, y, z=None)
```

Examples

```
print(..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)
range(start, stop, step=1)
enumerate(iter, start=0)
int(x, base=10)
pow(x, y, z=None)
seq.sort(*, key=None, reverse=None)
```

Examples

```
print(..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)
range(start, stop, step=1)
enumerate(iter, start=0)
int(x, base=10)
pow(x, y, z=None)
seq.sort(*, key=None, reverse=None)
```

```
subprocess.Popen(args, bufsize=-1, executable=None,
stdin=None, stdout=None, stderr=None, preexec_fn=None,
close_fds=True, shell=False, cwd=None, env=None,
universal_newlines=None, startupinfo=None,
creationflags=0, restore_signals=True,
start_new_session=False, pass_fds=(), encoding=None,
errors=None, text=None)
```

Examples

```
print(..., sep=' ', end='\n', file=sys.stdout, flush=False)
range(start, stop, step=1)
enumerate(iter, start=0)
int(x, base=10)
pow(x, y, z=None)
seq.sort(*, key=None, reverse=None)
```

```
subprocess.Popen(args, bufsize=-1, executable=None,
stdin=None, stdout=None, stderr=None, preexec_fn=None,
close_fds=True, shell=False, cwd=None, env=None,
universal_newlines=None, startupinfo=None,
creationflags=0, restore_signals=True,
start_new_session=False, pass_fds=(), encoding=None,
errors=None, text=None)
```

Wow...

```
ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='...')
```



```
ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='...')
```

```
# Call with only the mandatory argument
```

```
ask_yn('Really quit?')
```

```
ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='...')
```

```
# Call with only the mandatory argument
```

```
ask_yn('Really quit?')
```

```
# Call with one keyword argument
```

```
ask_yn('OK to overwrite the file?', retries=2)
```

```
ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='...')
```

```
# Call with only the mandatory argument
```

```
ask_yn('Really quit?')
```

```
# Call with one keyword argument
```

```
ask_yn('OK to overwrite the file?', retries=2)
```

```
# Call with one keyword argument – in any order!
```

```
ask_yn('Update status?', complaint='Just Y/N')
```

```
ask_yn(prompt, retries=4, complaint='...')
```

```
# Call with only the mandatory argument
```

```
ask_yn('Really quit?')
```

```
# Call with one keyword argument
```

```
ask_yn('OK to overwrite the file?', retries=2)
```

```
# Call with one keyword argument – in any order!
```

```
ask_yn('Update status?', complaint='Just Y/N')
```

```
# Call with all of the keyword arguments
```

```
ask_yn('Send text?', retries=2, complaint='Y/N please!')
```

Dead Parrot

Dead Parrot

```
def parrot(voltage, state='a stiff', action='vroom',  
           type='Norwegian Blue'):
```

Dead Parrot

```
def parrot(voltage, state='a stiff', action='vroom',  
           type='Norwegian Blue'):  
    print("-- This parrot wouldn't", action, end=' ')  
    print("if you put", voltage, "volts through it.")
```

Dead Parrot

```
def parrot(voltage, state='a stiff', action='vroom',  
          type='Norwegian Blue'):  
    print("-- This parrot wouldn't", action, end=' ')  
    print("if you put", voltage, "volts through it.")  
    print("-- Lovely plumage, the", type)
```


Dead Parrot

```
def parrot(voltage, state='a stiff', action='vroom',  
          type='Norwegian Blue'):  
    print("-- This parrot wouldn't", action, end=' ')  
    print("if you put", voltage, "volts through it.")  
    print("-- Lovely plumage, the", type)  
    print("-- It's", state, "!")
```

Valid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

Valid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# 1 positional argument
```

```
parrot(1000)
```

Valid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# 1 positional argument
```

```
parrot(1000)
```

```
# 1 keyword argument
```

```
parrot(voltage=1000)
```

Valid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# 1 positional argument
```

```
parrot(1000)
```

```
# 1 keyword argument
```

```
parrot(voltage=1000)
```

```
# 2 keyword arguments
```

```
parrot(voltage=1000000, action='V000000M')
```

Valid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# 1 positional argument
```

```
parrot(1000)
```

```
# 1 keyword argument
```

```
parrot(voltage=1000)
```

```
# 2 keyword arguments
```

```
parrot(voltage=1000000, action='V000000M')
```

```
# 2 keyword arguments
```

```
parrot(action='V000000M', voltage=1000000)
```

Valid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# 1 positional argument
```

```
parrot(1000)
```

```
# 1 keyword argument
```

```
parrot(voltage=1000)
```

```
# 2 keyword arguments
```

```
parrot(voltage=1000000, action='V000000M')
```

```
# 2 keyword arguments
```

```
parrot(action='V000000M', voltage=1000000)
```

```
# 3 positional arguments
```

```
parrot('a million', 'bereft of life', 'jump')
```

Valid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# 1 positional argument
```

```
parrot(1000)
```

```
# 1 keyword argument
```

```
parrot(voltage=1000)
```

```
# 2 keyword arguments
```

```
parrot(voltage=1000000, action='V000000M')
```

```
# 2 keyword arguments
```

```
parrot(action='V000000M', voltage=1000000)
```

```
# 3 positional arguments
```

```
parrot('a million', 'bereft of life', 'jump')
```

```
# 1 positional, 1 keyword
```

```
parrot('a thousand', state='pushing up the daisies')
```


Invalid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

Invalid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# required argument missing
```

```
parrot()
```

Invalid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# required argument missing
```

```
parrot()
```

```
# non-keyword argument after a keyword argument
```

```
parrot(voltage=5.0, 'dead')
```

Invalid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# required argument missing
```

```
parrot()
```

```
# non-keyword argument after a keyword argument
```

```
parrot(voltage=5.0, 'dead')
```

```
# duplicate value for the same argument
```

```
parrot(110, voltage=220)
```

Invalid Calls

```
def parrot(voltage, state='...', action='...', type='...')
```

```
# required argument missing
```

```
parrot()
```

```
# non-keyword argument after a keyword argument
```

```
parrot(voltage=5.0, 'dead')
```

```
# duplicate value for the same argument
```

```
parrot(110, voltage=220)
```

```
# unknown keyword argument
```

```
parrot(actor='John Cleese')
```

Rules about Function Calls

Rules about Function Calls

Keyword arguments must follow positional arguments

Rules about Function Calls

Keyword arguments must follow positional arguments

All keyword arguments must identify some parameter

Rules about Function Calls

Keyword arguments must follow positional arguments

All keyword arguments must identify some parameter

Even positional ones

Rules about Function Calls

Keyword arguments must follow positional arguments

All keyword arguments must identify some parameter

Even positional ones

No parameter may receive a value more than once

Rules about Function Calls

Keyword arguments must follow positional arguments

All keyword arguments must identify some parameter

Even positional ones

No parameter may receive a value more than once

```
def fn(a): print(a)  
fn(0, a=0)
```

Rules about Function Calls

Keyword arguments must follow positional arguments

All keyword arguments must identify some parameter

Even positional ones

No parameter may receive a value more than once

```
def fn(a): print(a)
fn(0, a=0)
```

Not allowed!
Multiple values of a

Variadic Positional Arguments

Variadic Positional Arguments

Variadic Positional Arguments

A parameter of form ***args** captures excess positional args

Variadic Positional Arguments

A parameter of form ***args** captures excess positional args

These excess arguments are bundled into an **args** tuple

Variadic Positional Arguments

A parameter of form ***args** captures excess positional args

These excess arguments are bundled into an **args** tuple

Why?

Variadic Positional Arguments

A parameter of form ***args** captures excess positional args

These excess arguments are bundled into an **args** tuple

Why?

Call functions with any number of positional arguments

Variadic Positional Arguments

A parameter of form ***args** captures excess positional args

These excess arguments are bundled into an **args** tuple

Why?

Call functions with any number of positional arguments

Capture all arguments to forward to another handler

Variadic Positional Arguments

A parameter of form ***args** captures excess positional args

These excess arguments are bundled into an **args** tuple

Why?

Call functions with any number of positional arguments

Capture all arguments to forward to another handler

Used in subclasses, proxies, and decorators

Variadic Positional Arguments

A parameter of form ***args** captures excess positional args

These excess arguments are bundled into an **args** tuple

Why?

Call functions with any number of positional arguments

Capture all arguments to forward to another handler

Used in subclasses, proxies, and decorators

```
print(*objects, sep=' ', end='\n', file=..., flush=False)
```

Variadic Positional Arguments

Variadic Positional Arguments

Suppose we want a product function that works as so:

product(3, 5) # => 15

product(3, 4, 2) # => 24

product(3, 5, scale=10) # => 150

Variadic Positional Arguments

Suppose we want a product function that works as so:

product(3, 5) # => 15

product(3, 4, 2) # => 24

product(3, 5, scale=10) # => 150

product accepts any number of arguments

```
def product(*nums, scale=1):
```


Variadic Positional Arguments

Suppose we want a product function that works as so:

```
product(3, 5) # => 15
```

```
product(3, 4, 2) # => 24
```

```
product(3, 5, scale=10) # => 150
```

product accepts any number of arguments

```
def product(*nums, scale=1):
```

```
    p = scale
```

```
    for n in nums:
```

```
        p *= n
```

```
    return p
```

Variadic Positional Arguments

Suppose we want a product function that works as so:

product(3, 5) # => 15

product(3, 4, 2) # => 24

product(3, 5, scale=10) # => 150

product accepts any number of arguments

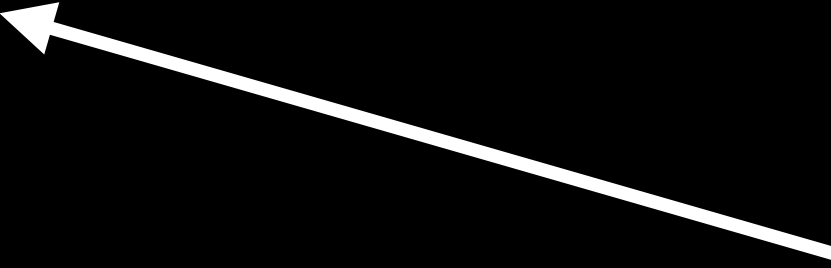
```
def product(*nums, scale=1):
```

```
    p = scale
```

```
    for n in nums:
```

```
        p *= n
```

```
    return p
```



Named parameters after *args are
'keyword-only' arguments (why?)

Unpacking Variadic Positional Arguments

Unpacking Variadic Positional Arguments

```
# Suppose we want to find 2 * 3 * 5 * 7 * ... up to 100  
def is_prime(n): pass # Some implementation
```

Unpacking Variadic Positional Arguments

```
# Suppose we want to find 2 * 3 * 5 * 7 * ... up to 100
def is_prime(n): pass # Some implementation

# Extract all the primes
primes = [number for number in range(2, 100)
          if is_prime(number)]
```

Unpacking Variadic Positional Arguments

```
# Suppose we want to find 2 * 3 * 5 * 7 * ... up to 100
```

```
def is_prime(n): pass # Some implementation
```

```
# Extract all the primes
```

```
primes = [number for number in range(2, 100)  
           if is_prime(number)]
```

```
# primes == [2, 3, 5, ...]
```

```
print(product(*primes)) # equiv. to product(2, 3, 5, ...)
```

Unpacking Variadic Positional Arguments

```
# Suppose we want to find 2 * 3 * 5 * 7 * ... up to 100
```

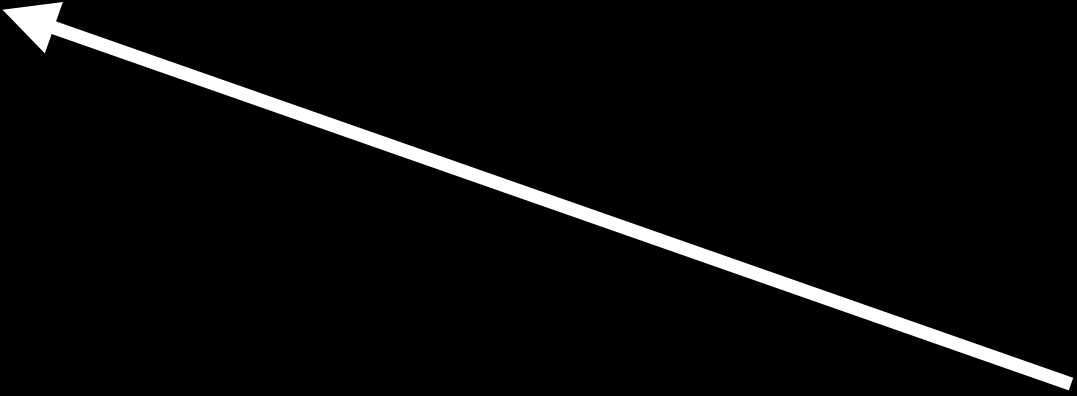
```
def is_prime(n): pass # Some implementation
```

```
# Extract all the primes
```

```
primes = [number for number in range(2, 100)  
          if is_prime(number)]
```

```
# primes == [2, 3, 5, ...]
```

```
print(product(*primes)) # equiv. to product(2, 3, 5, ...)
```



The syntax `*seq` unpacks a sequence
into its constituent components

Variadic Keyword Arguments

Variadic Keyword Arguments

Variadic Keyword Arguments

A parameter of the form `**kwargs` captures all excess keyword arguments

Variadic Keyword Arguments

A parameter of the form `**kwargs` captures all excess keyword arguments

These excess arguments are bundled into a `kwargs` dict

Variadic Keyword Arguments

A parameter of the form `**kwargs` captures all excess keyword arguments

These excess arguments are bundled into a `kwargs` dict

Why?

Variadic Keyword Arguments

A parameter of the form `**kwargs` captures all excess keyword arguments

These excess arguments are bundled into a `kwargs` dict

Why?

Allow arbitrary named parameters, usually for configuration

Variadic Keyword Arguments

A parameter of the form `**kwargs` captures all excess keyword arguments

These excess arguments are bundled into a `kwargs` dict

Why?

Allow arbitrary named parameters, usually for configuration

Similar: capture all arguments to forward to another handler

Variadic Keyword Arguments

A parameter of the form `**kwargs` captures all excess keyword arguments

These excess arguments are bundled into a `kwargs` dict

Why?

Allow arbitrary named parameters, usually for configuration

Similar: capture all arguments to forward to another handler

Used in subclasses, proxies, and decorators

Variadic Keyword Arguments

Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
authorize(  
    "If music be the food of love, play on.",  
    playwright="Shakespeare",  
    act=1,  
    scene=1,  
    speaker="Duke Orsino"  
)
```

Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
authorize(  
    "If music be the food of love, play on.",  
    playwright="Shakespeare",  
    act=1,  
    scene=1,  
    speaker="Duke Orsino"  
)
```

```
# > If music be the food of love, play on.  
# -----  
# act: 1  
# scene: 1  
# speaker: Duke Orsino  
# playwright: Shakespeare
```

Variadic Keyword Arguments

Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
def authorize(quote, **speaker_info):
```

Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
def authorize(quote, **speaker_info):  
    print(">", quote)  
    print("_" * (len(quote) + 2))  
    for k, v in speaker_info.items():  
        print(k, v, sep=': ')
```

Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
def authorize(quote, **speaker_info):  
    print(">", quote)  
    print("_" * (len(quote) + 2))  
    for k, v in speaker_info.items():  
        print(k, v, sep=': ')
```

```
speaker_info = {  
    'act': 1,  
    'scene': 1,  
    'speaker': "Duke Orsino",  
    'playwright': "Shakespeare"  
}
```

Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
info = {  
    'sonnet': 18,  
    'line': 1,  
    'author': "Shakespeare"  
}
```


Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
info = {  
    'sonnet': 18,  
    'line': 1,  
    'author': "Shakespeare"  
}
```

```
authorize("Shall I compare thee to a summer's day", **info)
```

Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
info = {  
    'sonnet': 18,  
    'line': 1,  
    'author': "Shakespeare"  
}
```

```
authorize("Shall I compare thee to a summer's day", **info)
```

```
# > Shall I compare thee to a summer's day  
# -----  
# line: 1  
# sonnet: 18  
# author: Shakespeare
```

Example: Formatting Strings

```
fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)
```

All positional arguments
go into args

```
fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)
```

All positional arguments
go into args

`fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)`

All keyword arguments
go into kwargs

```
fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)
```

```
fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)
```

```
# {n} refers to the nth positional argument in `args`
```

```
"First, thou shalt count to {0}".format(3)
```



```
fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)
```

```
# {n} refers to the nth positional argument in `args`
```

```
"First, thou shalt count to {0}".format(3)
```

```
args = (3, )
```

fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)

{n} refers to the nth positional argument in `args`

"First, thou shalt count to {0}".format(3) args = (3,)

"{0} shalt thou not count, neither count thou {1},
excepting that thou then proceed to {2}".format(4, 2, 3)

fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)

{n} refers to the nth positional argument in `args`

"First, thou shalt count to {0}".format(3) args = (3,)

"{0} shalt thou not count, neither count thou {1},
excepting that thou then proceed to {2}".format(4, 2, 3)
args = (4, 2, 3)

fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)

{n} refers to the nth positional argument in `args`

```
"First, thou shalt count to {0}".format(3)
```

args = (3,)

```
"{0} shalt thou not count, neither count thou {1},  
excepting that thou then proceed to {2}".format(4, 2, 3)
```

args = (4, 2, 3)

{key} refers to the optional argument bound by key

```
"lobbest thou thy {weapon} towards thy foe".format(  
    weapon="Holy Hand Grenade of Antioch"  
)
```

fstr.format(*args, **kwargs)

{n} refers to the nth positional argument in `args`

```
"First, thou shalt count to {0}".format(3)
```

args = (3,)

```
"{0} shalt thou not count, neither count thou {1},  
excepting that thou then proceed to {2}".format(4, 2, 3)
```

args = (4, 2, 3)

{key} refers to the optional argument bound by key

```
"lobbest thou thy {weapon} towards thy foe".format(  
    weapon="Holy Hand Grenade of Antioch"  
)
```

kwargs = {"weapon": "Holy Hand Grenade of Antioch"}

Complicated Example

Complicated Example

```
"{0}{b}{1}{a}{0}{2}".format(  
    5, 8, 9, a='z', b='x'  
)
```

Complicated Example

```
"{0}{b}{1}{a}{0}{2}".format(  
    5, 8, 9, a='z', b='x'  
)
```

```
args = (5, 8, 9)  
kwargs = {'a': 'z', 'b': 'x'}
```


Complicated Example

```
"{0}{b}{1}{a}{0}{2}".format(  
    5, 8, 9, a='z', b='x'  
)
```

```
args = (5, 8, 9)  
kwargs = {'a': 'z', 'b': 'x'}
```

```
# => 5x8z59
```

Cute Trick: Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

Cute Trick: Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
x = 3
```

```
foo = 'fighter'
```

```
y = 4
```

```
learn = 2, 'fly'
```

```
z = 5
```

Cute Trick: Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
x = 3
```

```
foo = 'fighter'
```

```
y = 4
```

```
learn = 2, 'fly'
```

```
z = 5
```

local symbol table

```
{  
    'x': 3,  
    'foo': 'fighter',  
    'y': 4,  
    'learn': (2, 'fly'),  
    'z': 5, ...  
}
```

Cute Trick: Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
x = 3
```

```
foo = 'fighter'
```

```
y = 4
```

```
learn = 2, 'fly'
```

```
z = 5
```

local symbol table

```
{  
    'x': 3,  
    'foo': 'fighter',  
    'y': 4,  
    'learn': (2, 'fly'),  
    'z': 5, ...  
}
```

```
print("{z}^2 = {x}^2 + {y}^2".format(x=x, y=y, z=z))
```

Cute Trick: Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

<code>x = 3</code>	
<code>foo = 'fighter'</code>	
<code>y = 4</code>	
<code>learn = 2, 'fly'</code>	
<code>z = 5</code>	
	local symbol table
	{
	'x': 3,
	'foo': 'fighter',
	'y': 4,
	'learn': (2, 'fly'),
	'z': 5, ...
	}

```
print("{z}^2 = {x}^2 + {y}^2".format(x=x, y=y, z=z))
```

```
print("{z}^2 = {x}^2 + {y}^2".format(**locals()))
```

Cute Trick: Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
x = 3
foo = 'fighter'
y = 4
learn = 2, 'fly'
z = 5
```

local symbol table

```
{
    'x': 3,
    'foo': 'fighter',
    'y': 4,
    'learn': (2, 'fly'),
    'z': 5, ...
}
```

```
print("{z}^2 = {x}^2 + {y}^2".format(x=x, y=y, z=z))
```

```
print("{z}^2 = {x}^2 + {y}^2".format(**locals()))
```

```
# Equivalent to .format(x=3, foo='fighter', y=4, ...)
```

Cute Trick: Unpacking Variadic Keyword Arguments

```
x = 3
foo = 'fighter'
y = 4
learn = 2, 'fly'
z = 5
```

local symbol table

```
{
    'x': 3,
    'foo': 'fighter',
    'y': 4,
    'learn': (2, 'fly'),
    'z': 5, ...
}
```

```
print("{z}^2 = {x}^2 + {y}^2".format(x=x, y=y, z=z))
```

```
print("{z}^2 = {x}^2 + {y}^2".format(**locals()))
```

```
# Equivalent to .format(x=3, foo='fighter', y=4, ...)
```

f-strings (f'') do something like this!

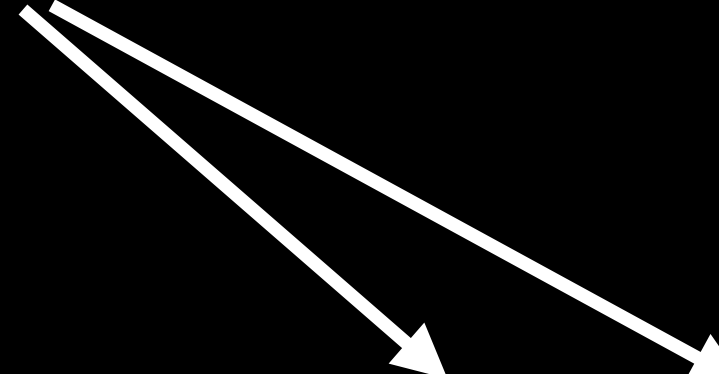
Putting it All Together

A Valid Python Function Definition

```
def foo(a, b, c=1, *d, e=1, **f)
```

A Valid Python Function Definition

Mandatory positional arguments



```
def foo(a, b, c=1, *d, e=1, **f)
```

A Valid Python Function Definition

Mandatory positional arguments

```
def foo(a, b, c=1, *d, e=1, **f)
```

Optional keyword argument

A Valid Python Function Definition

Mandatory positional arguments

Variadic positional argument list
– scoops up excess positional
args into a tuple

```
def foo(a, b, c=1, *d, e=1, **f)
```

Optional keyword argument

A Valid Python Function Definition

Mandatory positional arguments

Variadic positional argument list
– scoops up excess positional
args into a tuple

```
def foo(a, b, c=1, *d, e=1, **f)
```

Optional keyword argument

Optional keyword-only argument

A Valid Python Function Definition

Mandatory positional arguments

Variadic positional argument list
– scoops up excess positional
args into a tuple

```
def foo(a, b, c=1, *d, e=1, **f)
```

Optional keyword argument

Optional keyword-only argument

Variadic keyword argument list
– scoops up excess keyword
args into a dictionary

Time Out for
Announcements

Logistics

Logistics

Office Hours Sam (after class/by appointment)

Logistics

Office Hours Sam (after class/by appointment)

Assignments A0 and A1

Logistics

Office Hours Sam (after class/by appointment)

Assignments A0 and A1

Enrollment Waitlist spots!

Logistics

Office Hours Sam (after class/by appointment)

Assignments A0 and A1

Enrollment Waitlist spots!

Lab Clarification Labelled by week (Lab 2 for Week 2).

Back to Python!

Aside: Code Style

Function Comments

Function Comments

The first string literal *inside* a function body is a docstring

Function Comments

The first string literal *inside* a function body is a docstring

First line: one-line summary of the function

Function Comments

The first string literal *inside* a function body is a docstring

First line: one-line summary of the function

Subsequent lines: extended description of function

Function Comments

The first string literal *inside* a function body is a docstring

First line: one-line summary of the function

Subsequent lines: extended description of function

Describe parameters (value / expected type) and return

Function Comments

The first string literal *inside* a function body is a docstring

First line: one-line summary of the function

Subsequent lines: extended description of function

Describe parameters (value / expected type) and return

Many standards have emerged (javadoc, reST, Google)

Function Comments

The first string literal *inside* a function body is a docstring

First line: one-line summary of the function

Subsequent lines: extended description of function

Describe parameters (value / expected type) and return

Many standards have emerged (javadoc, reST, Google)

Just be consistent!

Function Comments

The first string literal *inside* a function body is a docstring

First line: one-line summary of the function

Subsequent lines: extended description of function

Describe parameters (value / expected type) and return

Many standards have emerged (javadoc, reST, Google)

Just be consistent!

The usual rules apply too! List pre-/post-conditions, if any.

Example: Function Docstrings

Example: Function Docstrings

```
def my_function():
```

Example: Function Docstrings

```
def my_function():  
    """Summary line: do nothing, but document it.  
  
    Description: No, really, it doesn't do anything.  
    """  
    pass
```

Example: Function Docstrings

```
def my_function():  
    """Summary line: do nothing, but document it.  
  
    Description: No, really, it doesn't do anything.  
    """  
    pass  
  
print(my_function.__doc__)
```

Example: Function Docstrings

```
def my_function():  
    """Summary line: do nothing, but document it.  
  
    Description: No, really, it doesn't do anything.  
    """  
    pass  
  
print(my_function.__doc__)  
  
# Summary line: Do nothing, but document it.  
#  
#     Description: No, really, it doesn't do anything.
```

Example: Function Docstrings

```
def my_function():  
    """Summary line: do nothing, but document it.  
  
    Description: No, really, it doesn't do anything.  
    """  
    pass  
  
print(my_function.__doc__)  
  
# Summary line: Do nothing, but document it.  
#  
#     Description: No, really, it doesn't do anything.
```

More: PEP 257

General Good Practices

General Good Practices

Spacing Use 4 spaces to indent. Don't use tabs.

General Good Practices

Spacing Use 4 spaces to indent. Don't use tabs.

Use blank lines to separate functions and logical sections inside functions.

General Good Practices

Spacing Use 4 spaces to indent. Don't use tabs.

Use blank lines to separate functions and logical sections inside functions.

Use spaces around operators and after commas, but not directly inside delimiters

General Good Practices

Spacing Use 4 spaces to indent. Don't use tabs.

Use blank lines to separate functions and logical sections inside functions.

Use spaces around operators and after commas, but not directly inside delimiters

```
a = f(1, 2) + g(3, 4)
```

General Good Practices

Spacing Use 4 spaces to indent. Don't use tabs.

Use blank lines to separate functions and logical sections inside functions.

Use spaces around operators and after commas, but not directly inside delimiters

```
a = f(1, 2) + g(3, 4)
```

Commenting Comment all nontrivial functions.

General Good Practices

Spacing Use 4 spaces to indent. Don't use tabs.

Use blank lines to separate functions and logical sections inside functions.

Use spaces around operators and after commas, but not directly inside delimiters

```
a = f(1, 2) + g(3, 4)
```

Commenting Comment all nontrivial functions.

Add header comments at the top of files before any imports.

General Good Practices

Spacing Use 4 spaces to indent. Don't use tabs.

Use blank lines to separate functions and logical sections inside functions.

Use spaces around operators and after commas, but not directly inside delimiters

```
a = f(1, 2) + g(3, 4)
```

Commenting Comment all nontrivial functions.

Add header comments at the top of files before any imports.

If possible, put comments on a line of their own.

General Good Practices

Spacing Use 4 spaces to indent. Don't use tabs.

Use blank lines to separate functions and logical sections inside functions.

Use spaces around operators and after commas, but not directly inside delimiters

```
a = f(1, 2) + g(3, 4)
```

Commenting Comment all nontrivial functions.

Add header comments at the top of files before any imports.

If possible, put comments on a line of their own.

More: [PEP 8](#)

General Good Practices

General Good Practices

Naming

Use snake_case for variables/functions; CamelCase for classes; CAPS_CASE for constants

General Good Practices

Naming

Use snake_case for variables/functions; CamelCase for classes; CAPS_CASE for constants

Decomposition and Logic

Same as in 106s. Simple is better than complex. Seek abstractions and clean design.

General Good Practices

Naming

Use snake_case for variables/functions; CamelCase for classes; CAPS_CASE for constants

Decomposition and Logic

Same as in 106s. Simple is better than complex. Seek abstractions and clean design.

Automated Code Style Checking

General Good Practices

Naming

Use snake_case for variables/functions; CamelCase for classes; CAPS_CASE for constants

Decomposition and Logic

Same as in 106s. Simple is better than complex. Seek abstractions and clean design.

Automated Code Style Checking

Use [PyLintOnline](#)

Captures mechanical violations (naming, spacing); more advanced suggestions.

General Good Practices

Naming

Use snake_case for variables/functions; CamelCase for classes; CAPS_CASE for constants

Decomposition and Logic

Same as in 106s. Simple is better than complex. Seek abstractions and clean design.

Automated Code Style Checking

Use [PyLintOnline](#)

Captures mechanical violations (naming, spacing); more advanced suggestions.

Use **`pycodestyle`**

Command line tool; install with **`pip install pycodestyle`**

General Good Practices

Naming

Use snake_case for variables/functions; CamelCase for classes; CAPS_CASE for constants

Decomposition and Logic

Same as in 106s. Simple is better than complex. Seek abstractions and clean design.

Automated Code Style Checking

Use PyLintOnline

Captures mechanical violations (naming, spacing); more advanced suggestions.

Use **pycodestyle**

Command line tool; install with **pip install pycodestyle**

More: PEP 8

Automatic Help with Python Linting

Use PyLintOnline

- Captures mechanical violations (naming, spacing)

- Suggests (some) structural changes

Use **pycodestyle**

- Installed with `pip install pycodestyle`

- Useful as a sanity check - sometimes overwhelming.

Remember the Zen of Python

First-Class Functions

First-Class Functions

First-Class Functions

```
def echo(arg): return arg
```

First-Class Functions

```
def echo(arg): return arg
```

```
type(echo) # <class 'function'>
```

First-Class Functions

```
def echo(arg): return arg
```

```
type(echo) # <class 'function'>
```

```
hex(id(echo)) # 0x1003c2bf8
```

First-Class Functions

```
def echo(arg): return arg
```

```
type(echo) # <class 'function'>
```

```
hex(id(echo)) # 0x1003c2bf8
```

```
print(echo) # <function echo at 0x1003c2bf8>
```

First-Class Functions

```
def echo(arg): return arg
```

```
type(echo) # <class 'function'>
```

```
hex(id(echo)) # 0x1003c2bf8
```

```
print(echo) # <function echo at 0x1003c2bf8>
```

```
foo = echo
```

First-Class Functions

```
def echo(arg): return arg
```

```
type(echo) # <class 'function'>
```

```
hex(id(echo)) # 0x1003c2bf8
```

```
print(echo) # <function echo at 0x1003c2bf8>
```

```
foo = echo
```

```
hex(id(foo)) # 0x1003c2bf8
```

First-Class Functions

```
def echo(arg): return arg
```

```
type(echo) # <class 'function'>
```

```
hex(id(echo)) # 0x1003c2bf8
```

```
print(echo) # <function echo at 0x1003c2bf8>
```

```
foo = echo
```

```
hex(id(foo)) # 0x1003c2bf8
```

```
print(foo) # <function echo at 0x1003c2bf8>
```


First-Class Functions

```
def echo(arg): return arg
```

```
type(echo) # <class 'function'>
```

```
hex(id(echo)) # 0x1003c2bf8
```

```
print(echo) # <function echo at 0x1003c2bf8>
```

```
foo = echo
```

```
hex(id(foo)) # 0x1003c2bf8
```

```
print(foo) # <function echo at 0x1003c2bf8>
```

```
isinstance(echo, object) # => True
```

Functions are Objects

Questions

Questions

What can you do with function objects?

Questions

What can you do with function objects?

What attributes does a function object possess?

Questions

What can you do with function objects?

What attributes does a function object possess?

Can I pass a function as a parameters to other functions?

Questions

What can you do with function objects?

What attributes does a function object possess?

Can I pass a function as a parameters to other functions?

Can a function return another function?

Questions

What can you do with function objects?

What attributes does a function object possess?

Can I pass a function as a parameters to other functions?

Can a function return another function?

How can I modify a function object?

Questions

What can you do with function objects?

What attributes does a function object possess?

Can I pass a function as a parameters to other functions?

Can a function return another function?

How can I modify a function object?

WE MUST GO DEEPER (lab)

Summary

Reference

Reference

All functions return *some* value (possibly None)

Reference

All functions return *some* value (possibly None)

Functions define scopes via symbol tables

Reference

All functions return *some* value (possibly None)

Functions define scopes via symbol tables

Parameters are passed by object reference

Reference

All functions return *some* value (possibly None)

Functions define scopes via symbol tables

Parameters are passed by object reference

Functions can have optional keyword arguments

Reference

All functions return *some* value (possibly None)

Functions define scopes via symbol tables

Parameters are passed by object reference

Functions can have optional keyword arguments

Functions can take a variable number of args and kwargs

Reference

All functions return *some* value (possibly None)

Functions define scopes via symbol tables

Parameters are passed by object reference

Functions can have optional keyword arguments

Functions can take a variable number of args and kwargs

Use docstrings and good style

Reference

All functions return *some* value (possibly None)

Functions define scopes via symbol tables

Parameters are passed by object reference

Functions can have optional keyword arguments

Functions can take a variable number of args and kwargs

Use docstrings and good style

Functions are objects too (?!)

