

# Function, Modules and Packages



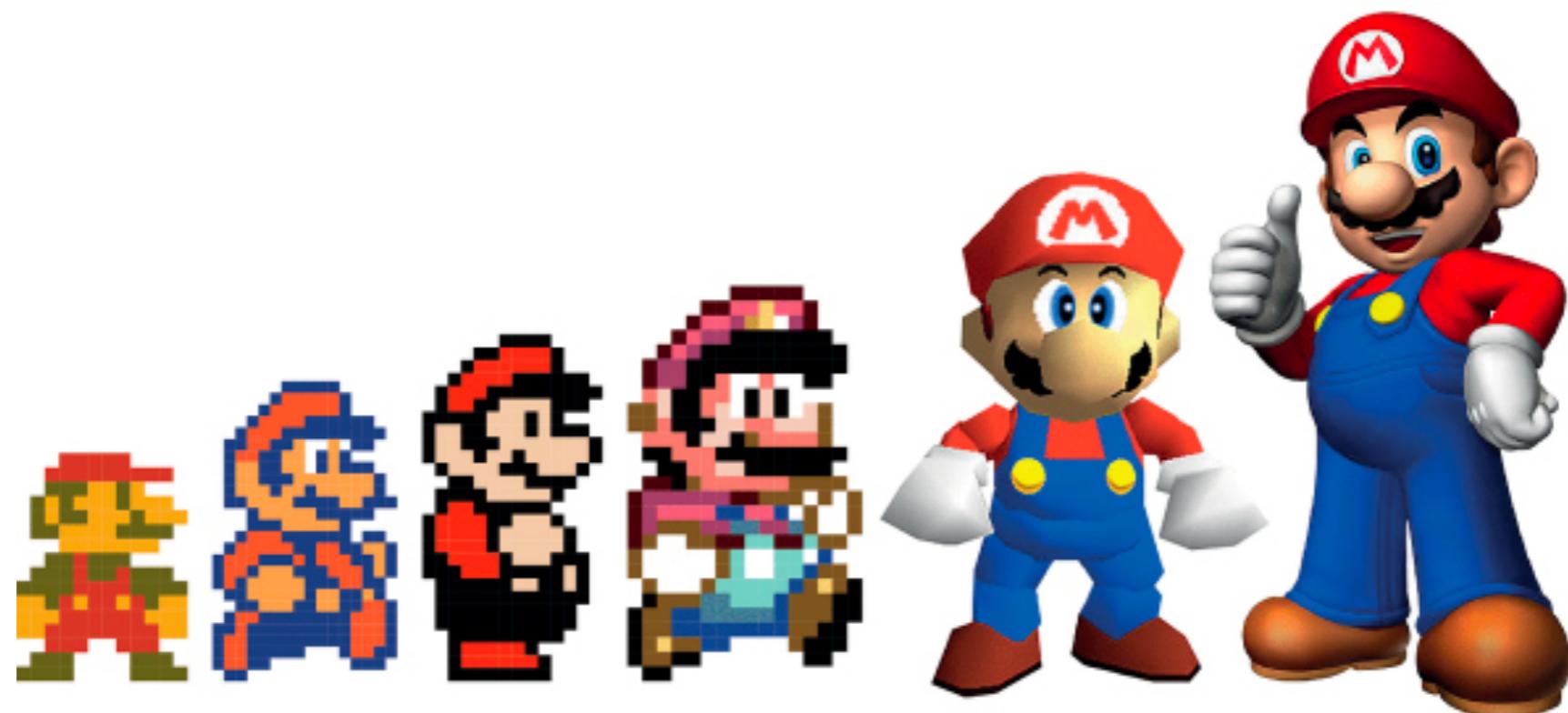
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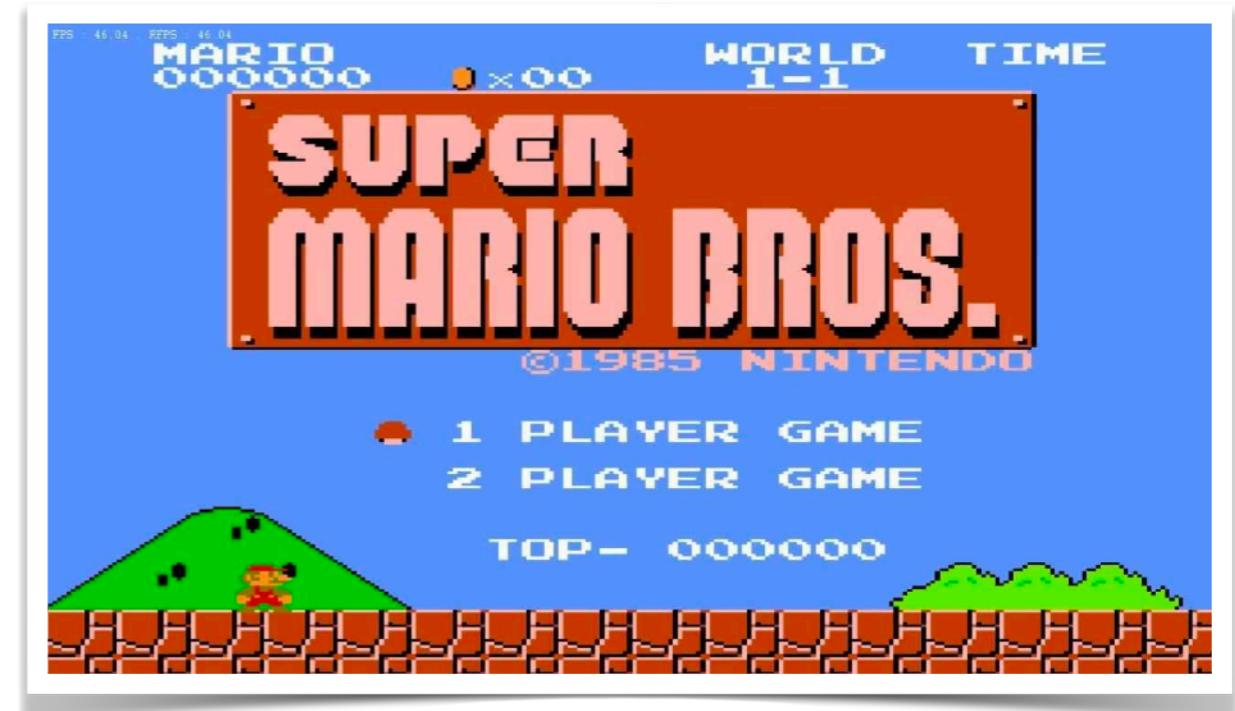
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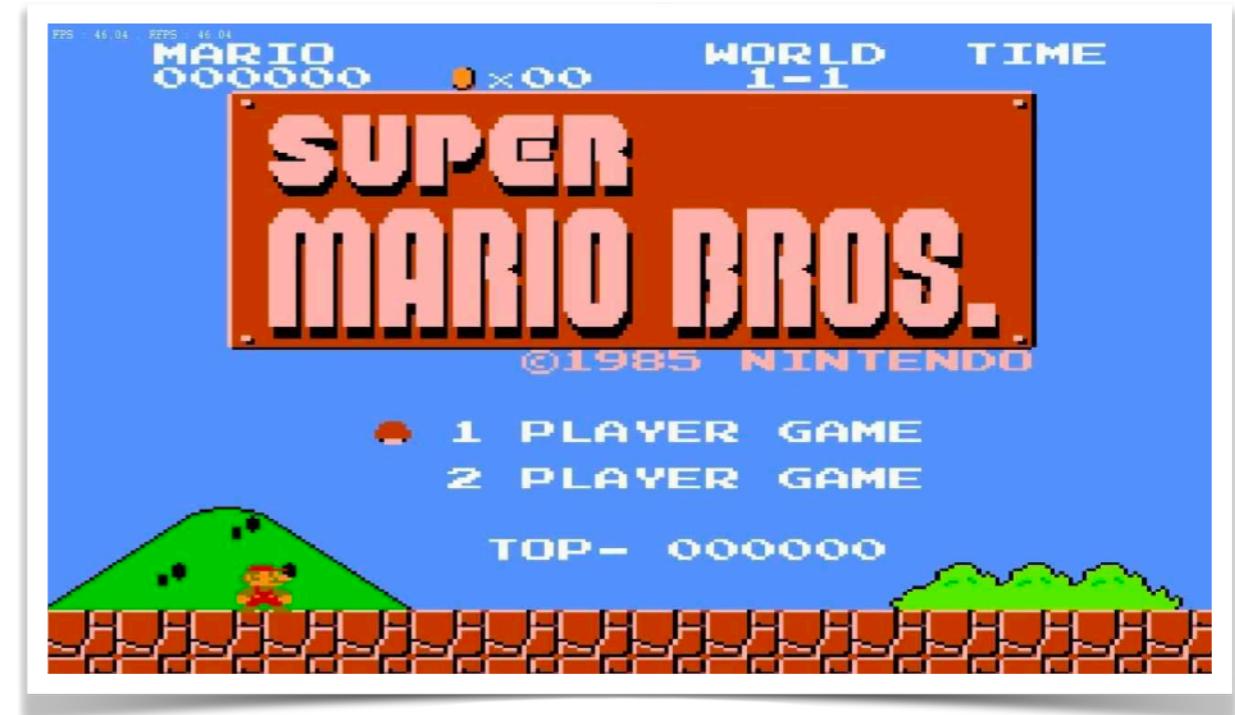
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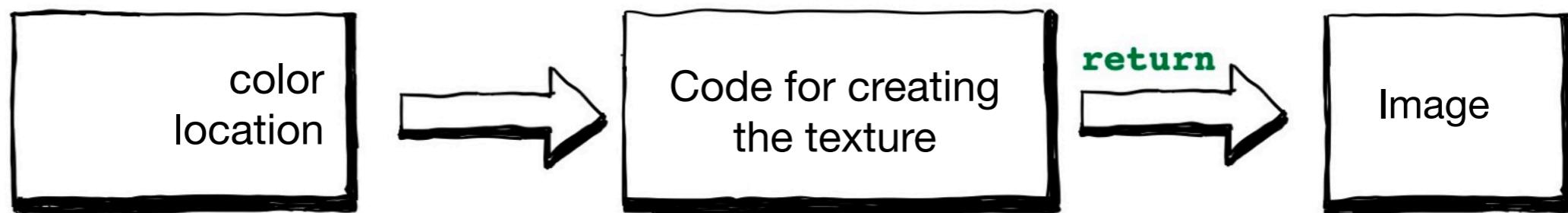
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  - ▶ A Nintendo game released in 1985
  - ▶ Incredibly small: 32KB
  - ▶ Reuse of textures
    - ✓ Clouds and bushes are the same image with different colors and locations
    - ✓ The same code could be used to generate two different objects



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- Super Mario Bro.
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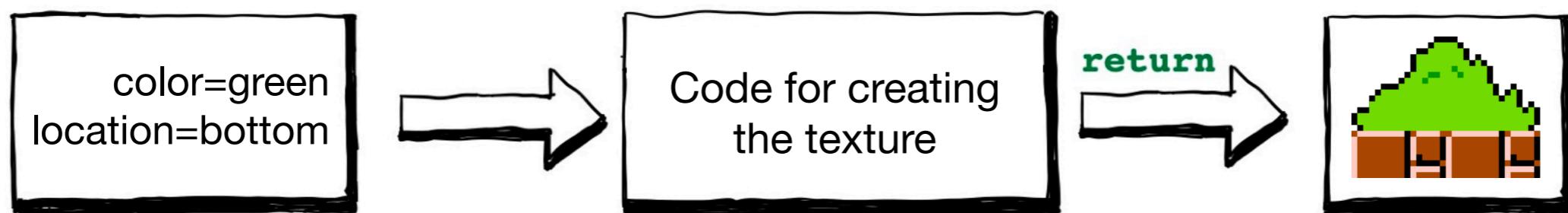
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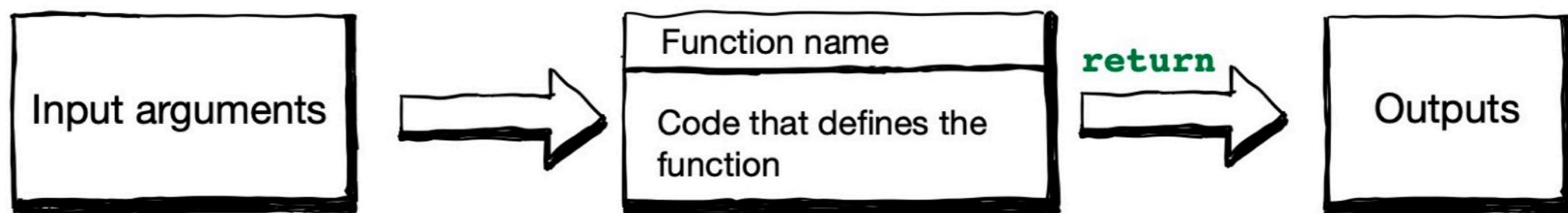
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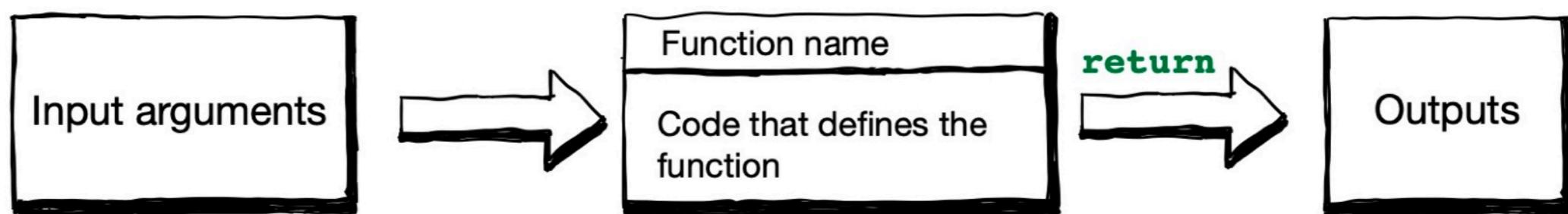
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- Super Mario Bro.
  - ▶ General idea of calling functions



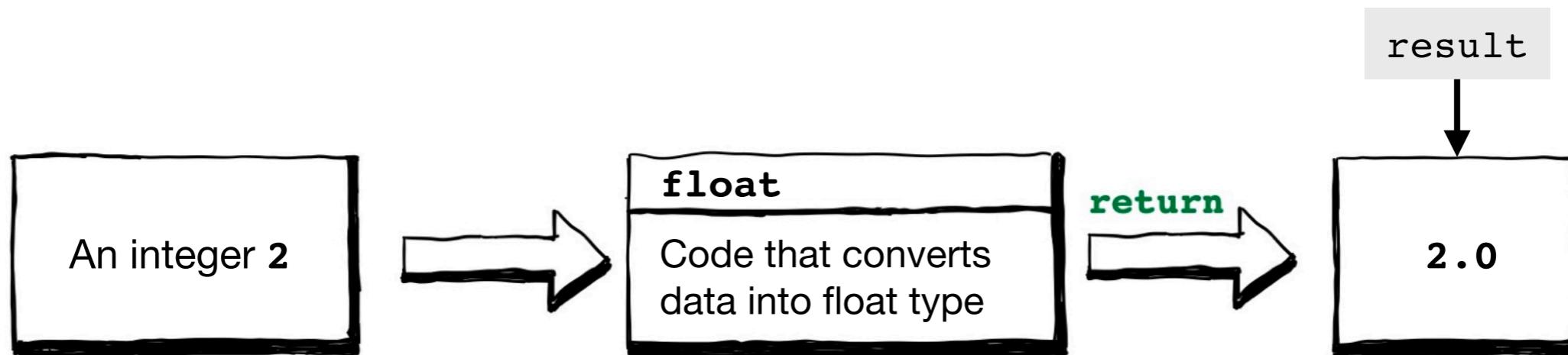
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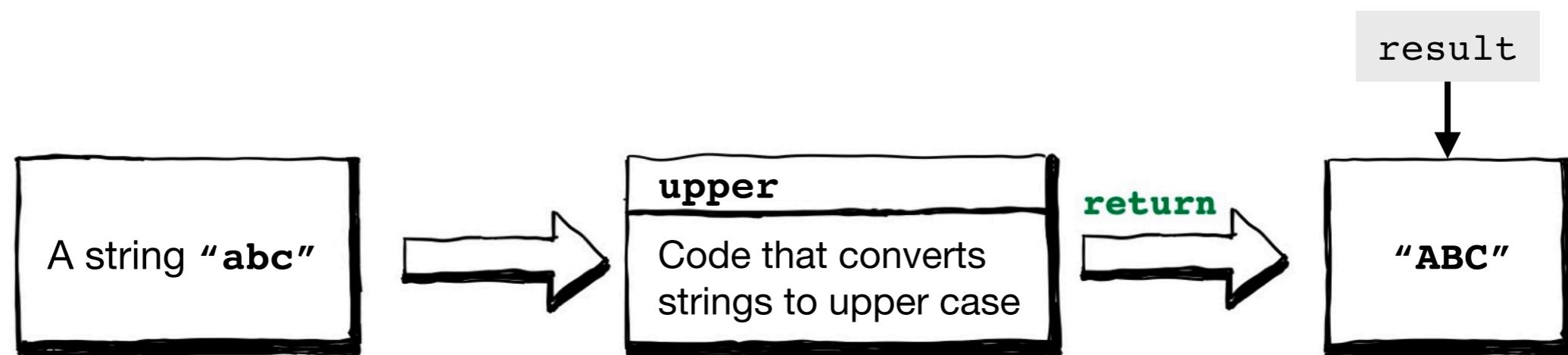


```
→ result = float(2)          # Function float returns 2.0 as the output
    print(result)
```

2.0

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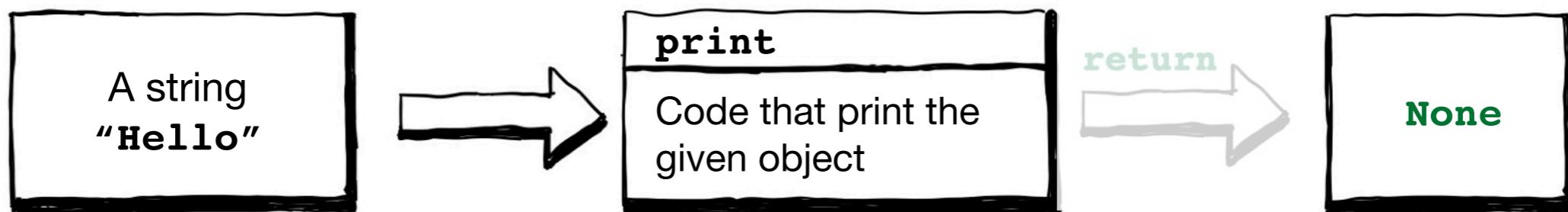


```
→ result = 'abc'.upper() # Method upper returns 'ABC' as the output
print(result)
```

ABC

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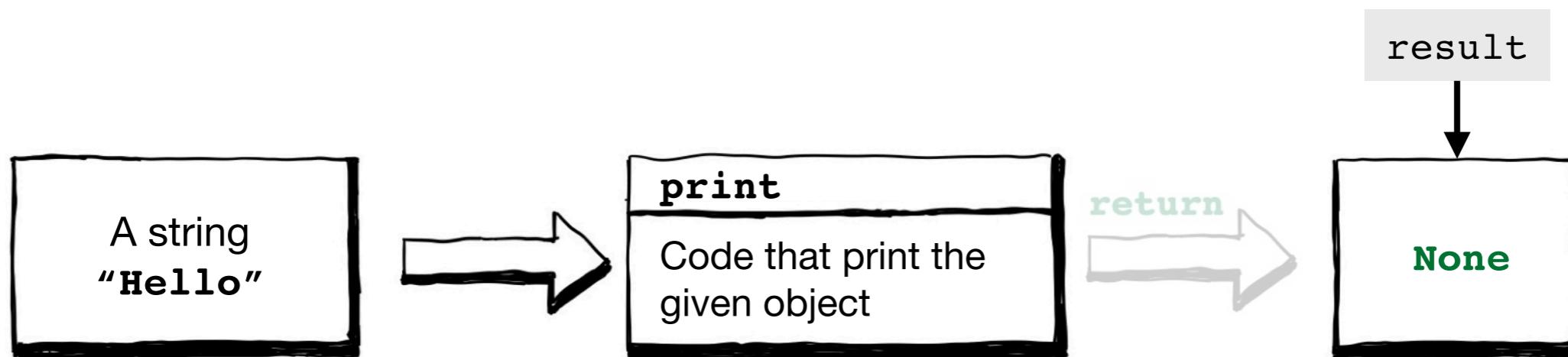


```
print('Hello!')
```

Hello!

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→ result = print('What?')
```

```
print(result)  
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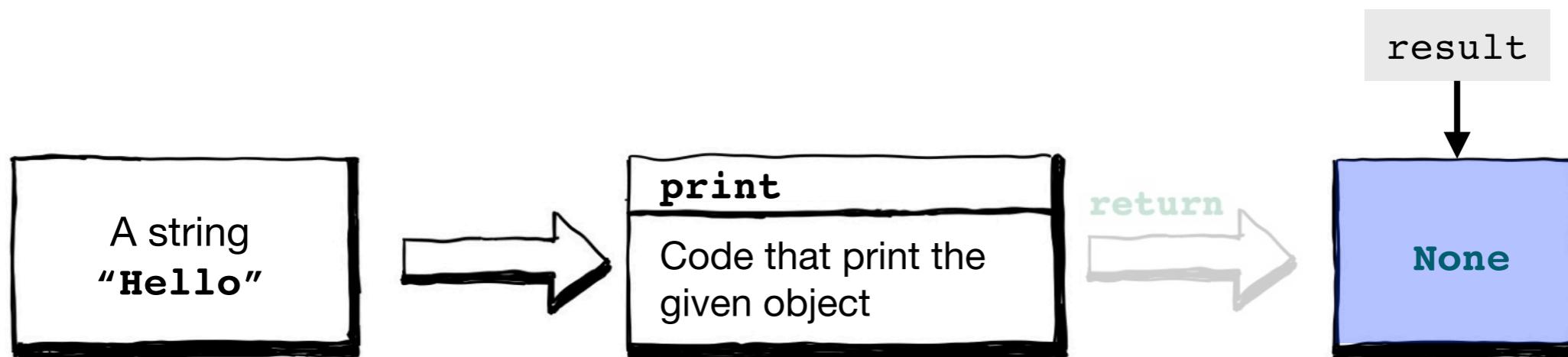
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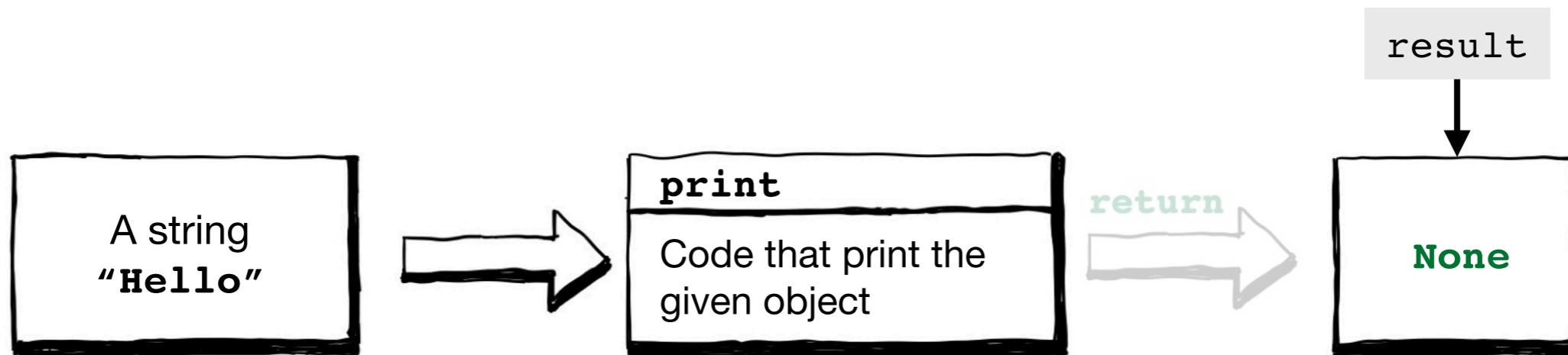
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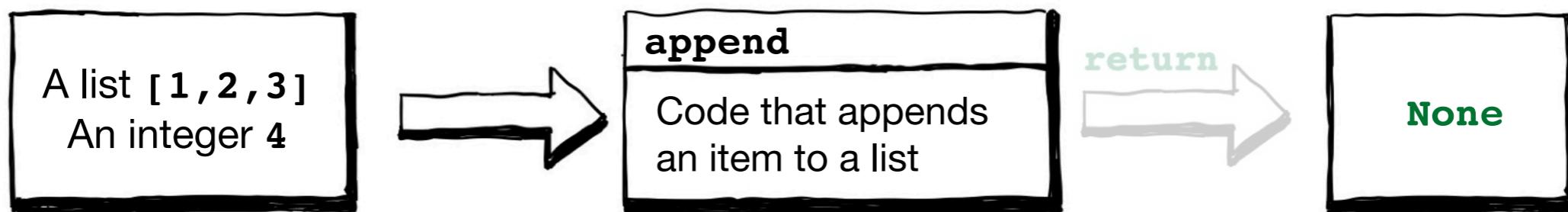
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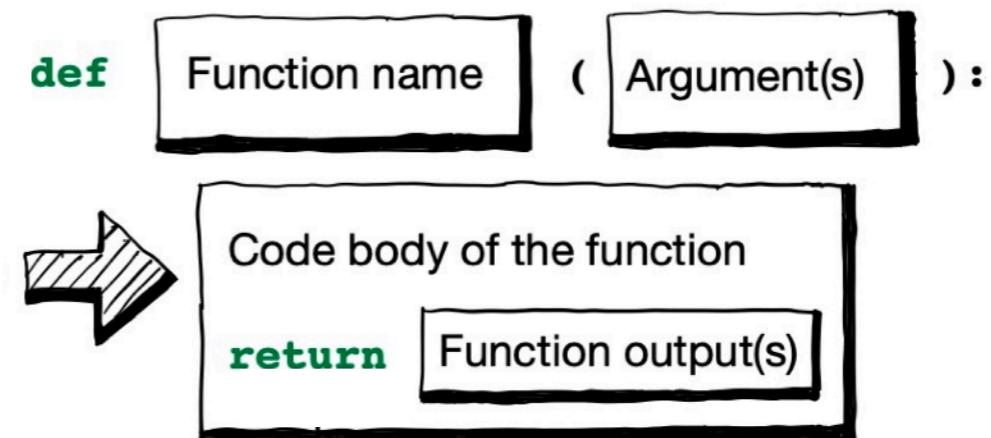


```
x = [1, 2, 3]
x.append(4)
print(x)
```

[1, 2, 3, 4]

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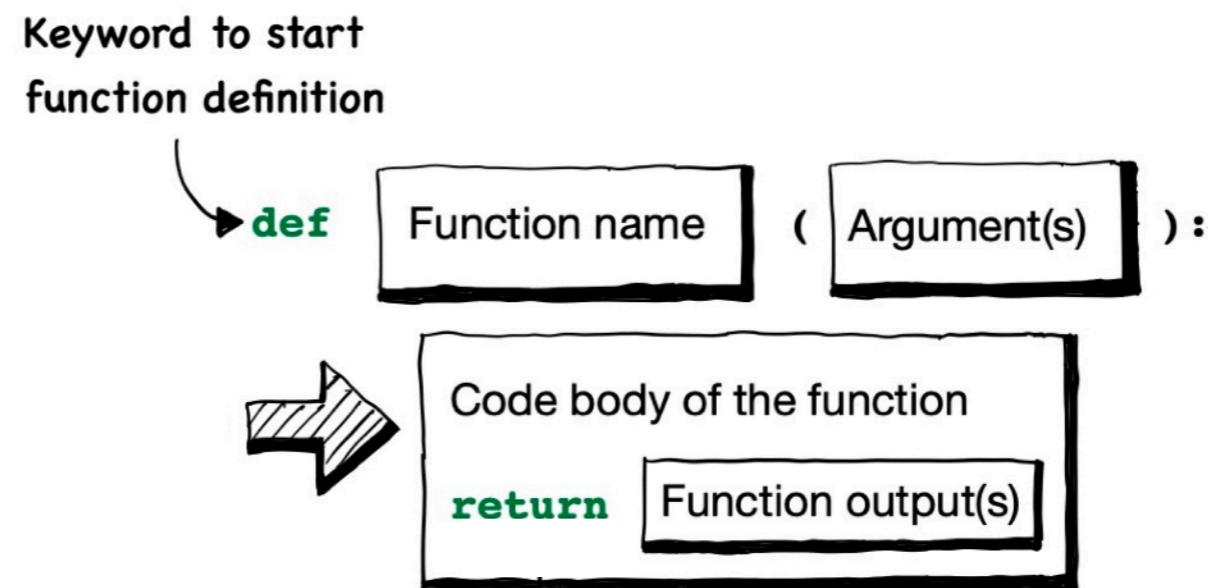
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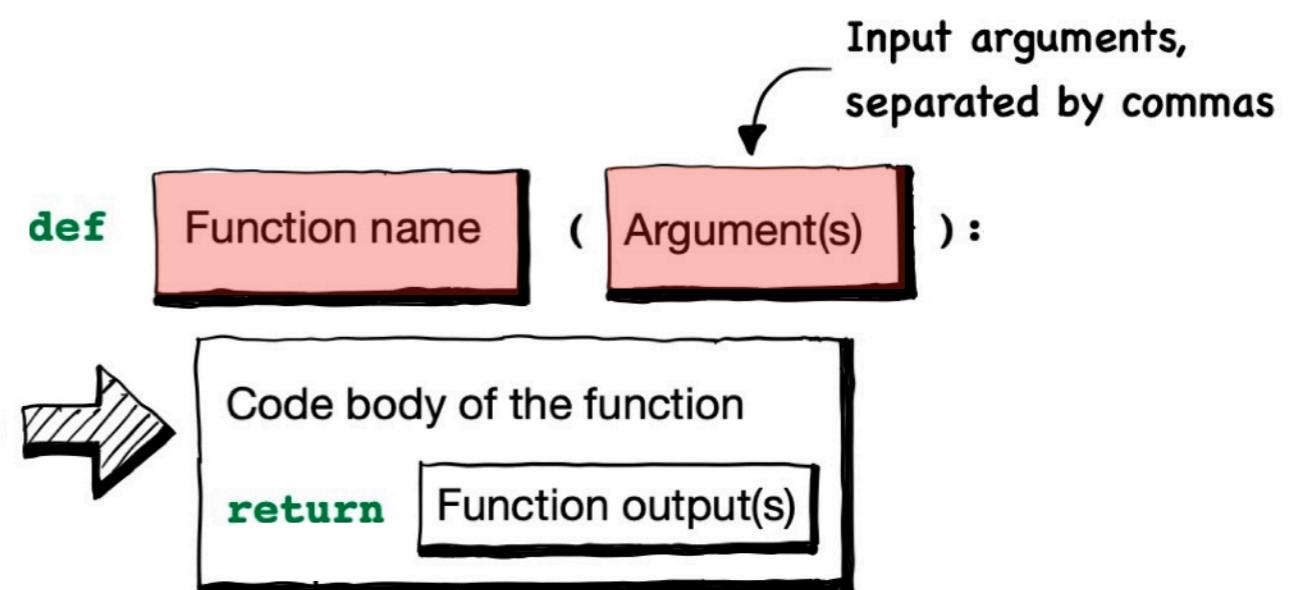
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✓ Keyword `def`



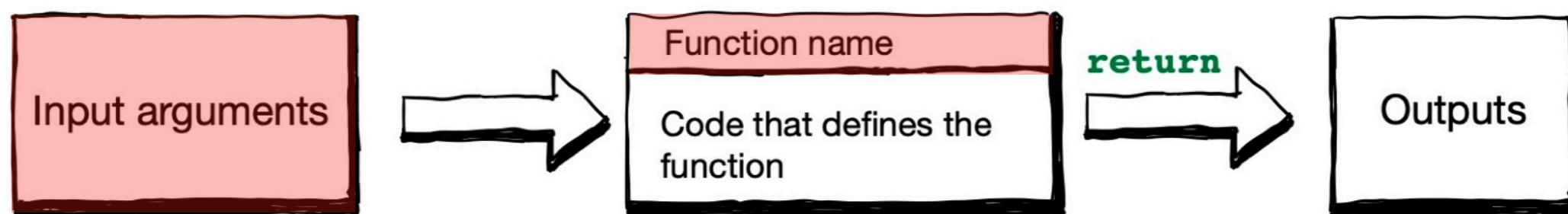
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    - ✓ A function name followed by input argument(s) enclosed in parentheses



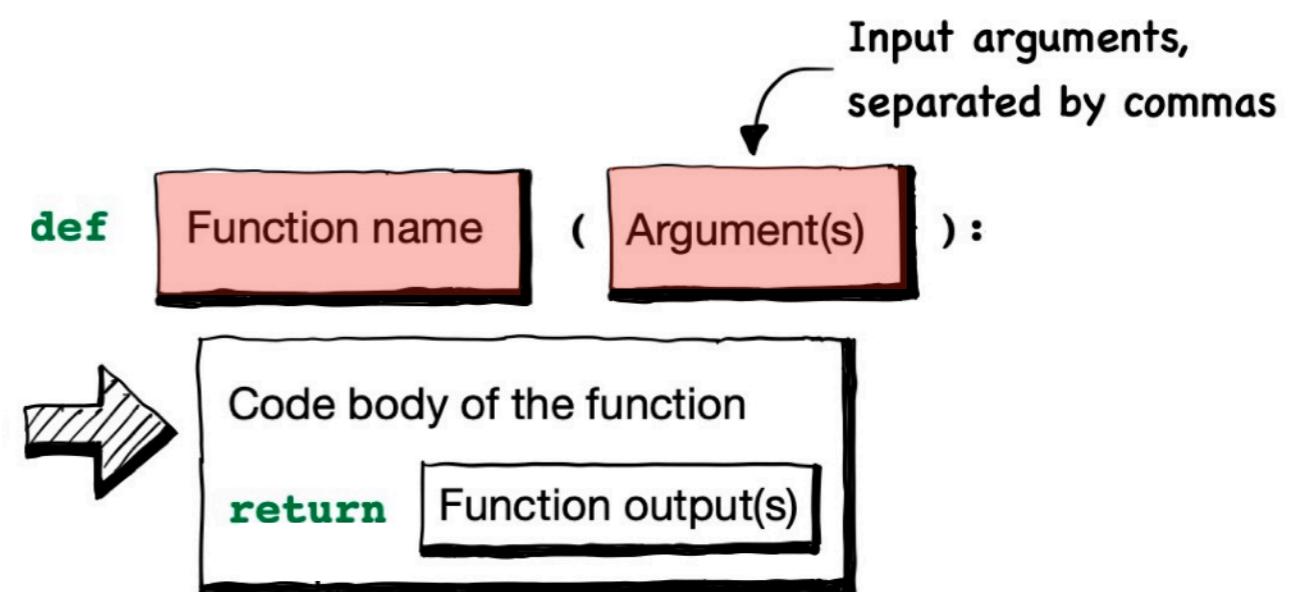
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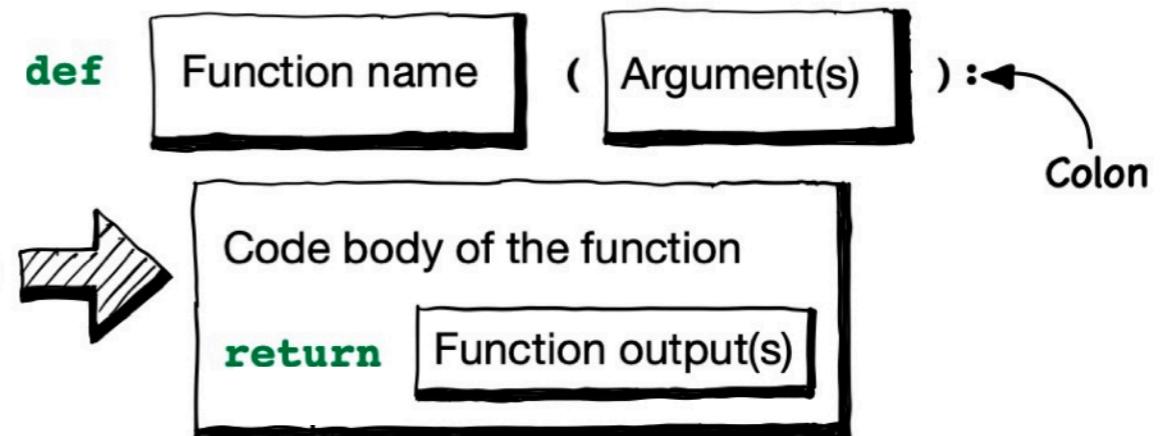
**Notes: syntax for names:**

- Only one word
- Only consist of letters, numbers, and underscores
- Cannot begin with a number
- Avoid contradictions with Python keywords



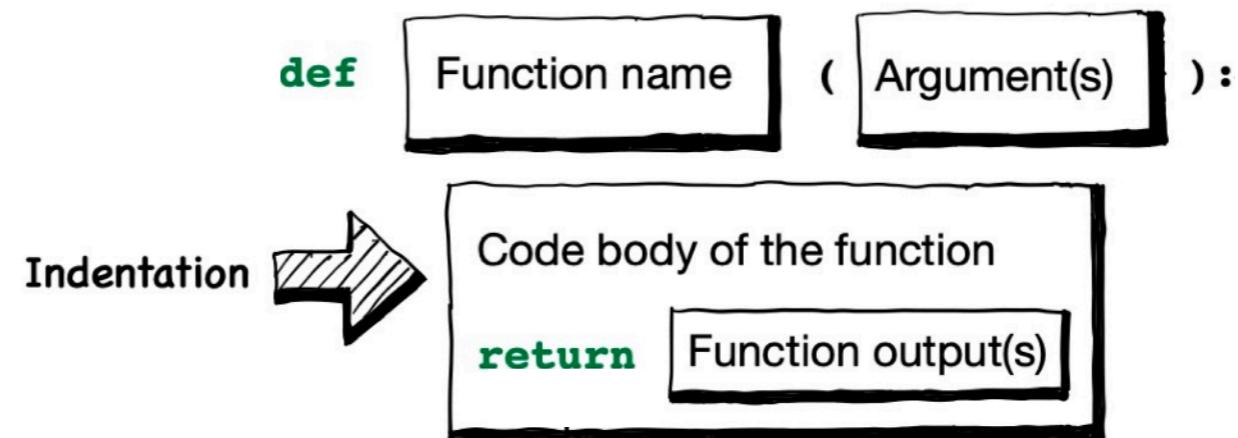
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    - ✓ Do not forget the colon



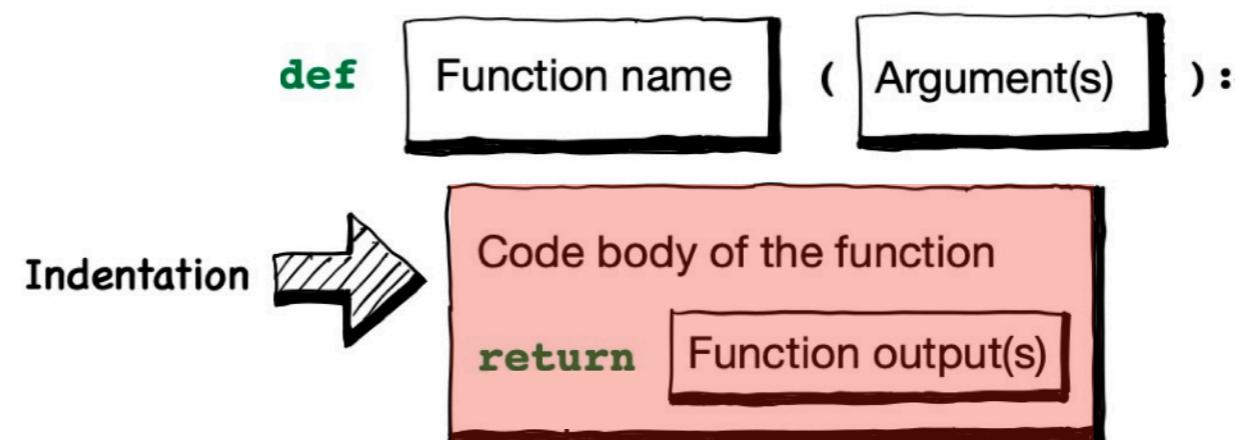
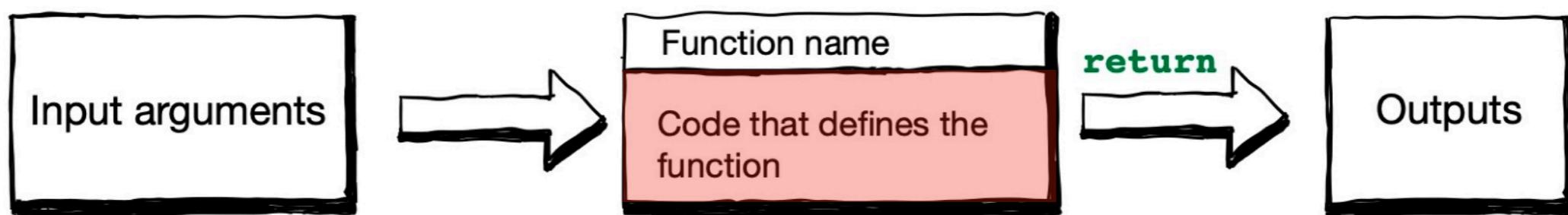
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  - ▶ Syntax of function definition
    - ✓ Indentations are used to indicate the body of the function



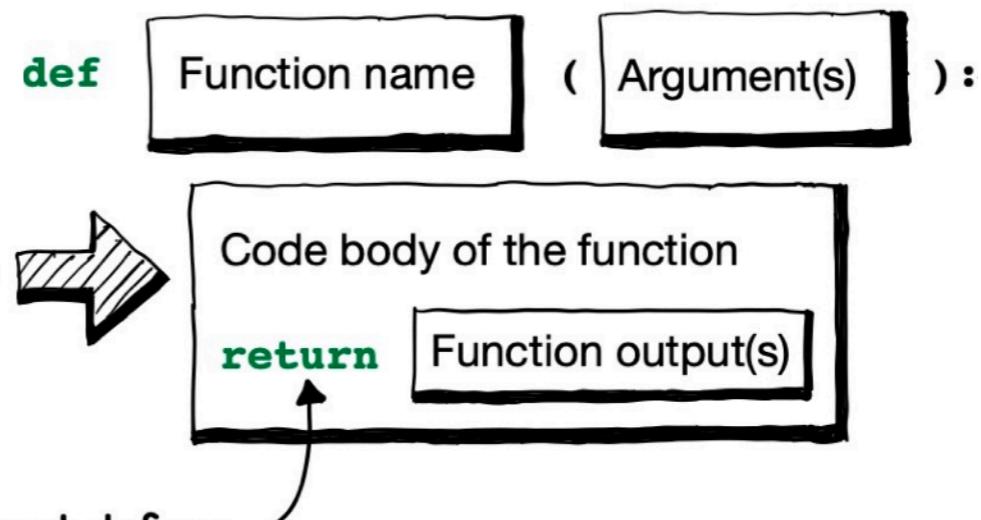
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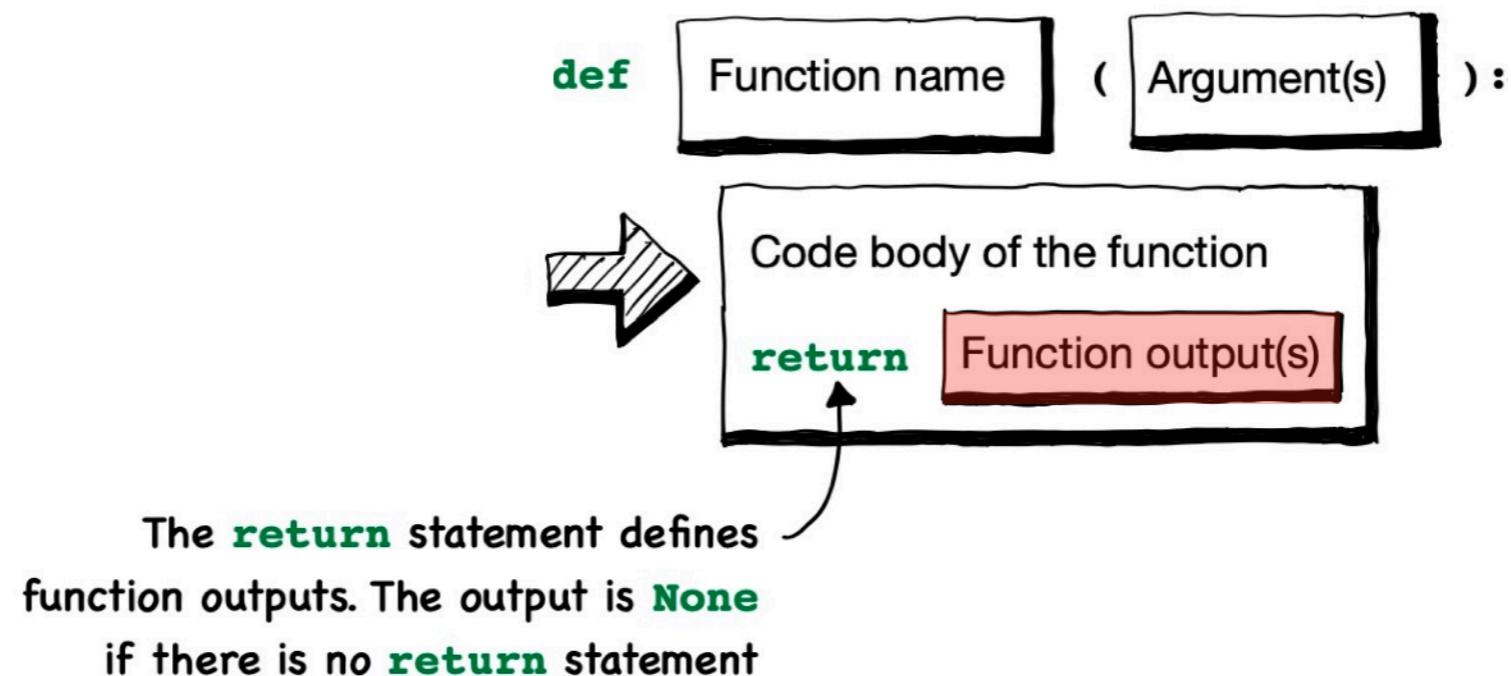
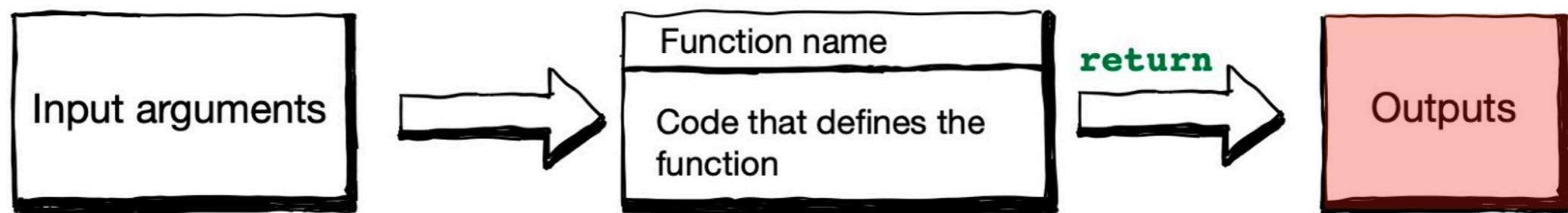
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    - ✓ Keyword `return`



The `return` statement defines function outputs. The output is `None` if there is no `return` statement

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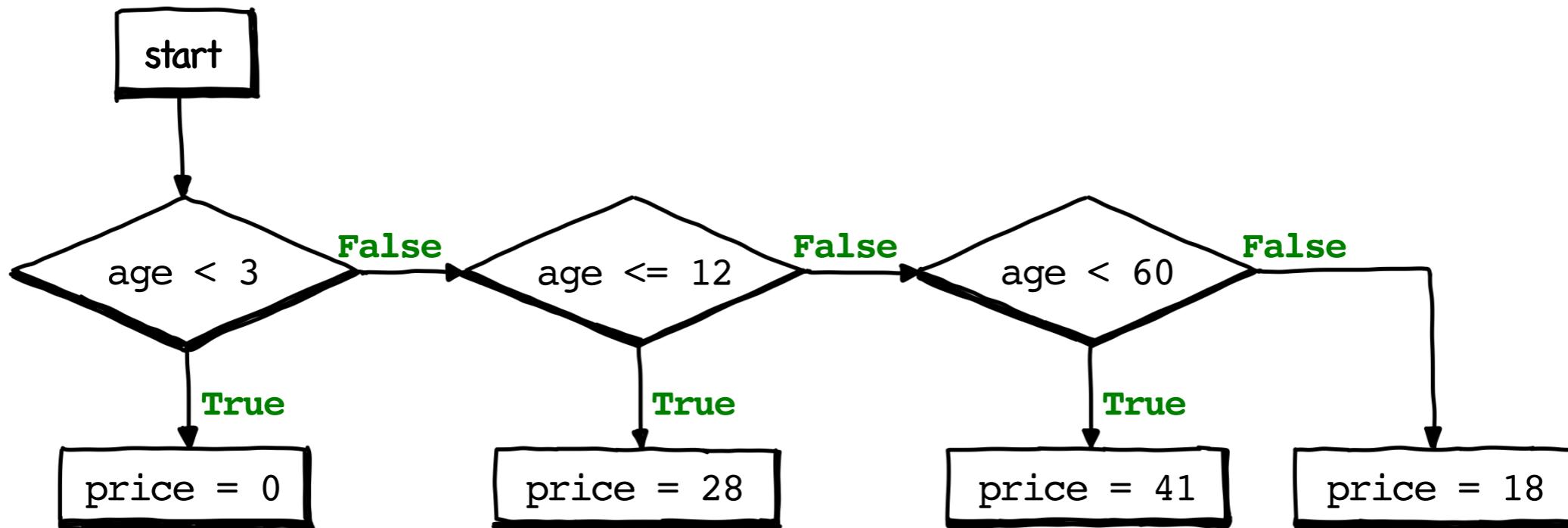
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age3 = 37
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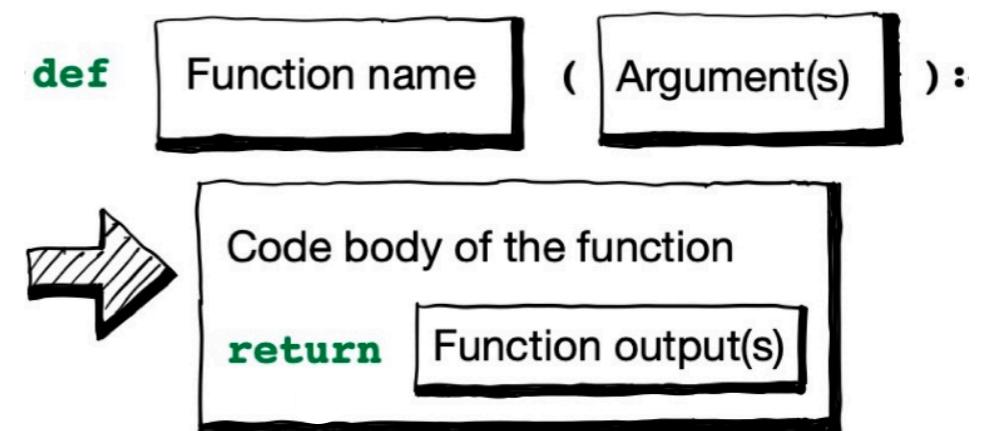
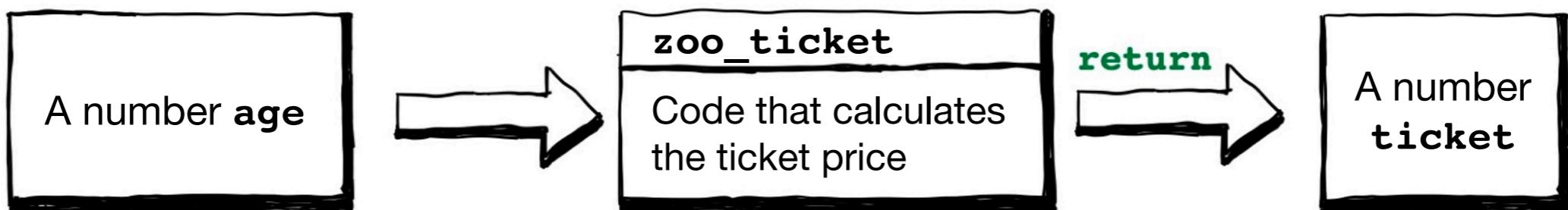
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age4 = 67
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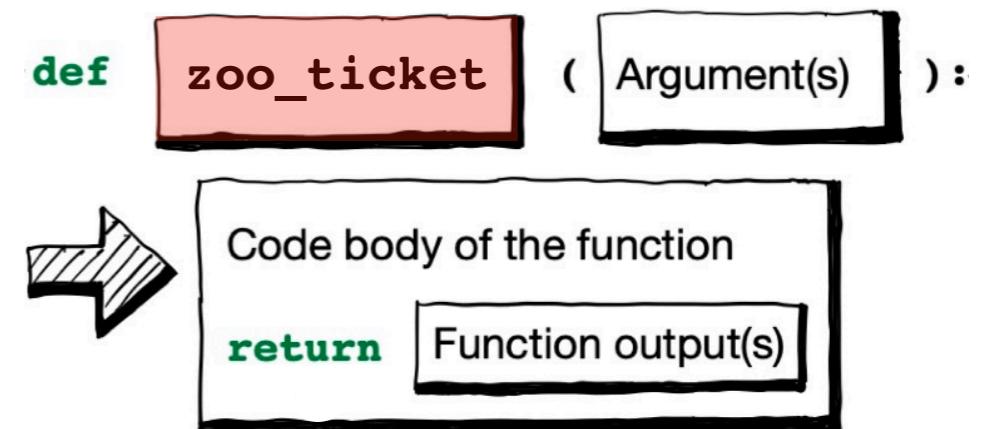
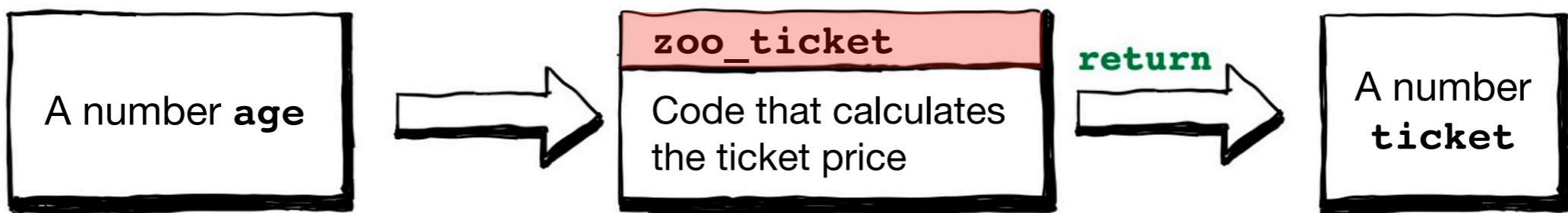
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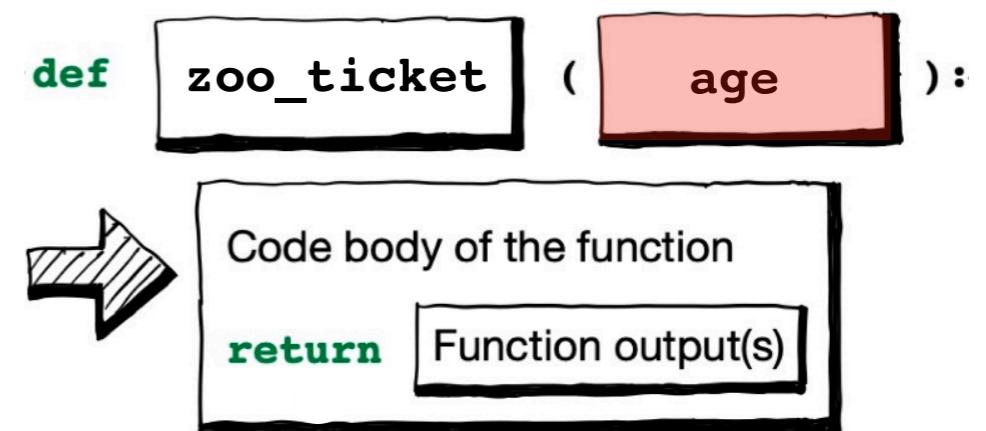
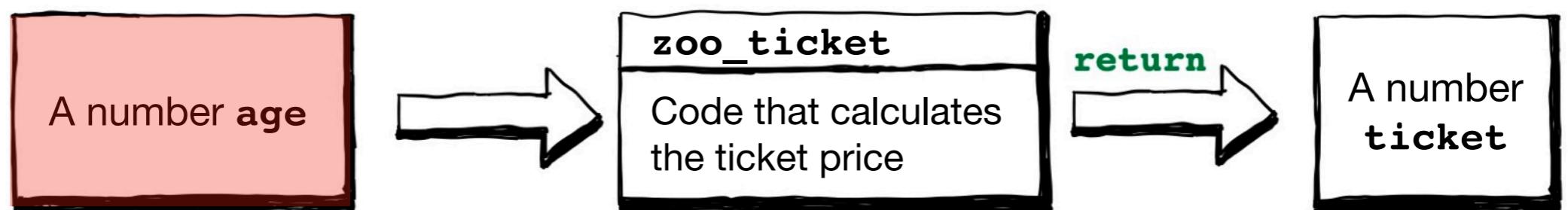
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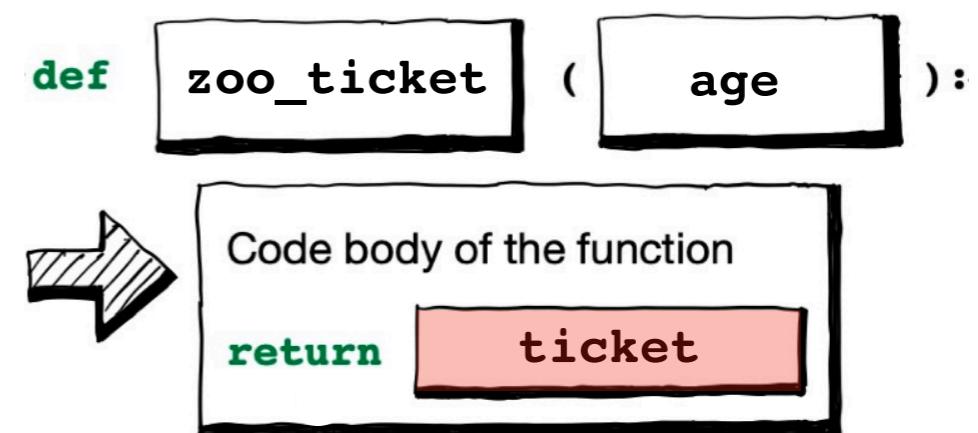
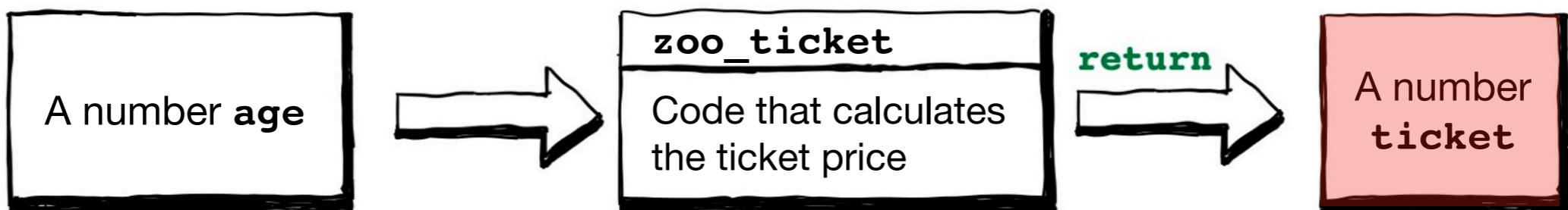
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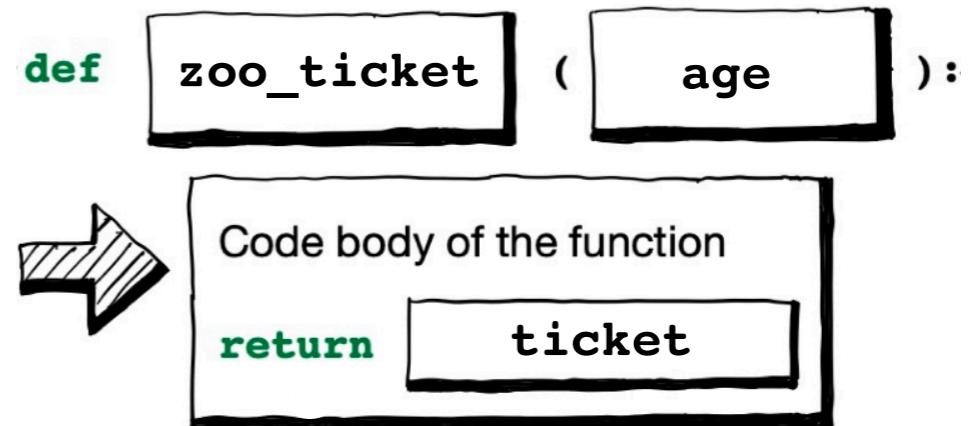
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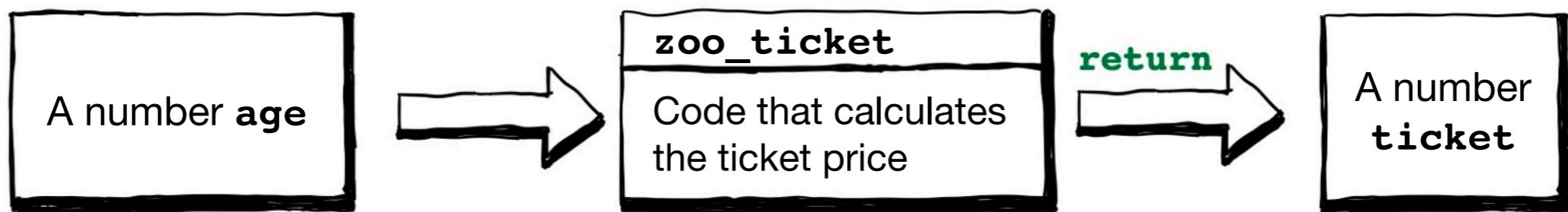
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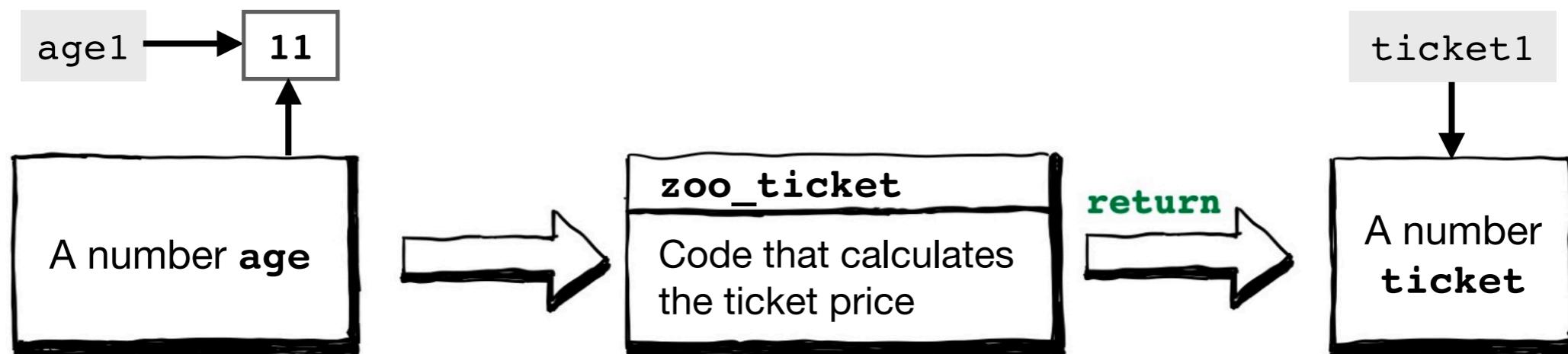
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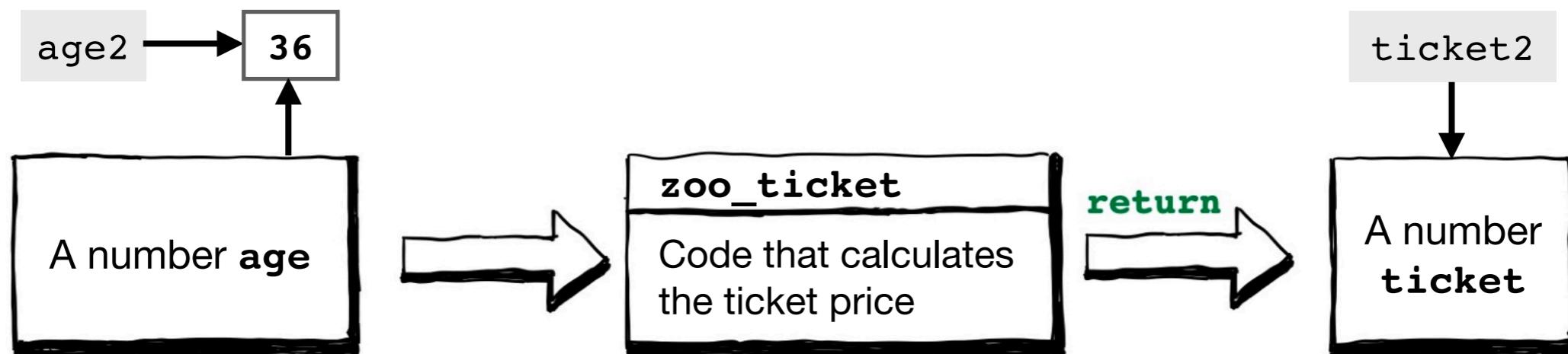
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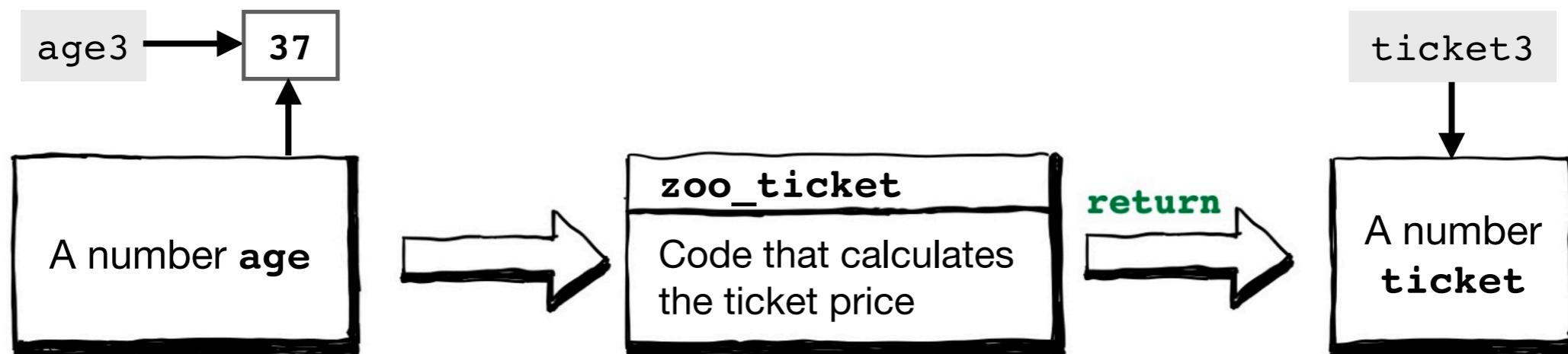
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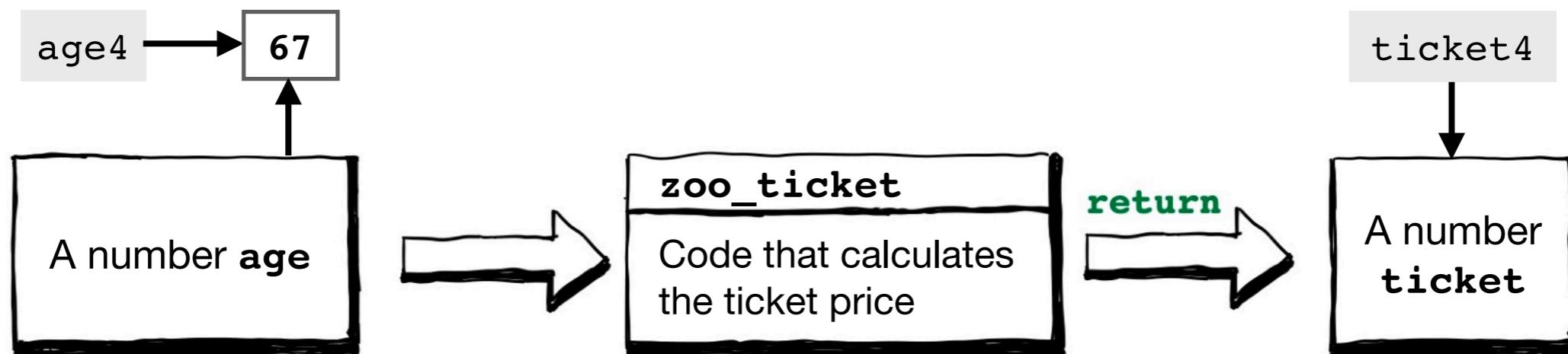
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    return ticket
```

**Notes:** A function terminates at **return**.  
After hitting the **return**, the remaining code in the function will not be executed.

# Functions

- Create a function
  - ▶ Syntax of function definition

```
def zoo_ticket_new(age):  
    """  
        The function zoo_ticket_new is equivalent  
        to the function zoo_ticket  
    """
```

```
if age < 3:  
    return 0
```

If the age is lower than 3,  
return 0 as the output

```
if age <= 12:  
    return 28  
  
if age < 60:  
    return 41  
  
return 18
```

This code block is skipped as the function  
stops at the previous return statement

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```

The function `zoo_ticket_new` is equivalent to the function `zoo_ticket`. It takes an age parameter and returns a ticket price based on the age group.

If the age is less than 3, return 0.

If the age is less than or equal to 12, return 28.

If the age is less than 60, return 41. The code block for returning 41 is skipped as the function stops at the previous return statement.

If the age is 18, return 18.

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```
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```

If the age is larger than 12 and lower than 60, return 41 as the output

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If the age is larger than or equal to 60, skip all previous return statements and return 18

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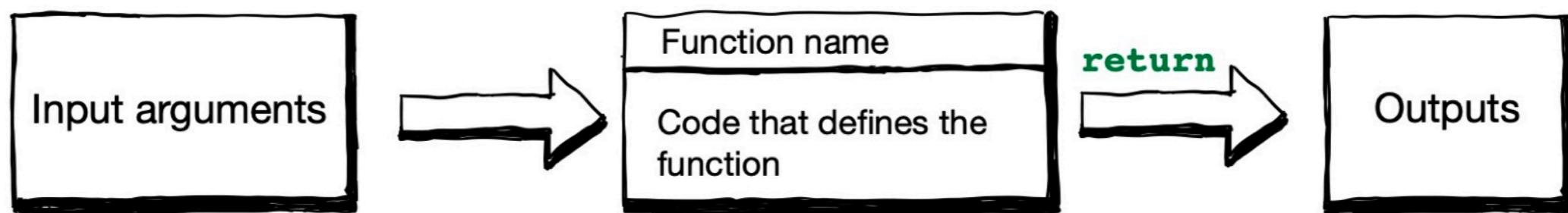
**Coding Style:** At the beginning of each function, there is a string, called a **docstring**, used to explain how the function behaves. Style of the docstring can be found in **PEP 257 Docstring Conventions**.

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  - ▶ Benefits of using functions
    - ✓ Reuse code
    - ✓ Easy to test and debug (separately)
    - ✓ Higher readability

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**Example 2:** Write a function to summarize the information of students registered for Python BA course. The input arguments are student's name, age, gender, faculty, and year of enrollment. The output is a dictionary.

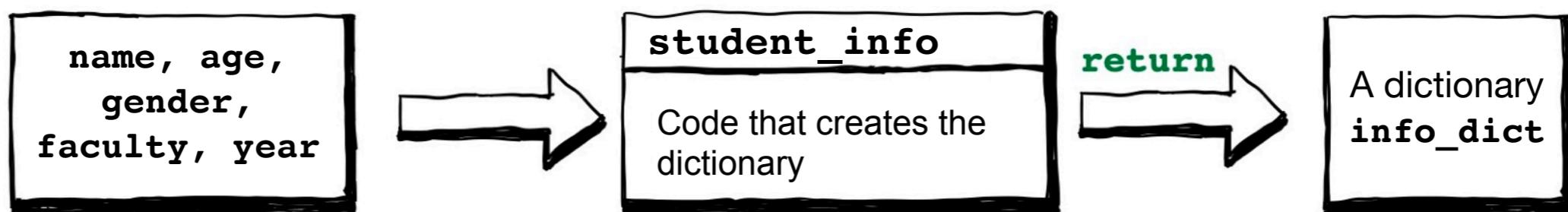
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def student_info(name, age, gender, faculty, year):
    "This function summarizes student info. into a dictionary"

    info_dict = {'name': name,
                 'age': age,
                 'gender': gender,
                 'faculty': faculty,
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    return info_dict
```

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- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Positional arguments

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student = student_info('Jane Doe', 20, 'F', 'Business', 2019)
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- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Keyword arguments

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    "This function summarizes student info. into a dictionary"  
  
    info_dict = {'name': name,  
                'age': age,  
                'gender': gender,  
                'faculty': faculty,  
                'year': year}  
  
    return info_dict
```

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Keyword arguments

```
student = student_info('Jane Doe', 20,  
                      year=2019, faculty='Business', gender='F')
```

```
def student_info(name, age, gender, faculty, year):  
    "This function summarizes student info. into a dictionary"  
  
    info_dict = {'name': name,  
                'age': age,  
                'gender': gender,  
                'faculty': faculty,  
                'year': year}  
  
    return info_dict
```

**Notes:** In Python programming, all positional arguments must be specified before keyword arguments, otherwise there will be an error message.

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Keyword arguments

```
student = student_info('Jane Doe', 20,  
                      year=2019, faculty='Business', gender='F')
```

```
def student_info(name, age, gender, faculty, year):  
    "This function summarizes student info. into a dictionary"  
  
    info_dict = {'name': name,  
                'age': age,  
                'gender': gender,  
                'faculty': faculty,  
                'year': year}  
  
    return info_dict
```

**Coding Style:** Do not use spaces around the equal sign while specifying keyword arguments.

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Default values

```
def student_info(name, age, gender, faculty='Business', year=2019):  
    "This function summarizes student info. into a dictionary"  
  
    info_dict = {'name': name,  
                'age': age,  
                'gender': gender,  
                'faculty': faculty,  
                'year': year}  
  
    return info_dict
```

Define default values of  
function arguments

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Default values

```
def student_info(name, age, gender, faculty='Business', year=2019):  
    "This function summarizes student info. into a dictionary"  
  
    info_dict = {'name': name,  
                'age': age,  
                'gender': gender,  
                'faculty': faculty,  
                'year': year}  
  
    return info_dict
```

```
{'name': 'Jane Doe',  
 'age': 20,  
 'gender': 'F',  
 'faculty': 'Business',  
 'year': 2019}
```

```
student = student_info('Jane Doe', 20, 'F')
```

Unspecified arguments take  
default values

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Default values

```
def student_info(name, age, gender, faculty='Business', year=2019):  
    "This function summarizes student info. into a dictionary"  
  
    info_dict = { 'name': name,  
                  'age': age,  
                  'gender': gender,  
                  'faculty': faculty,  
                  'year': year}  
  
    return info_dict
```

```
{ 'name': 'John Doe',  
  'age': 20,  
  'gender': 'M',  
  'faculty': 'Business',  
  'year': 2020}
```

```
student = student_info('John Doe', 20, 'M', year=2020)
```

Unspecified argument takes the default value

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Accessing argument information using the `help()` function
    - ✓ Order of arguments
    - ✓ Keyword names
    - ✓ Default values

```
help(student_info)
```

Help on function `student_info` in module `__main__`:

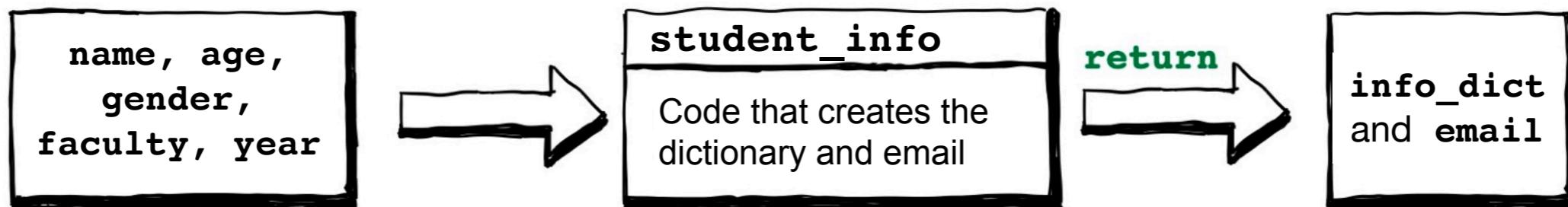
`student_info(name, age, gender, faculty='Business', year=2019)`

This function summarizes student information into a dictionary

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Multiple outputs

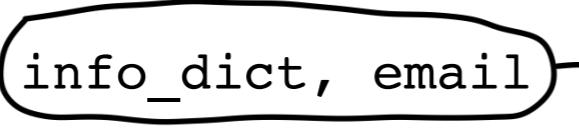
**Example 3:** Besides the dictionary of student's information, the **student\_info()** function is modified to also returns the email of the student, which is in the format of "<first name>\_<last name>\_<faculty>@u.nus.edu.sg", with all letters to be lower case.



# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Multiple outputs

```
def student_info(name, age, gender, faculty='Business', year=2019):  
    """  
        This function summarizes student info. into a dictionary and  
        return the generated email for the student.  
    """  
  
    info_dict = {'name': name,  
                'age': age,  
                'gender': gender,  
                'faculty': faculty,  
                'year': year}  
  
    lower_name = name.lower().replace(' ', '_')  
    lower_faculty = faculty.lower()  
    email = '{}_{}@u.nus.edu.sg'.format(lower_name, lower_faculty)  
  
    return info_dict, email
```

return  info\_dict, email → What is the data type?

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Multiple outputs

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def student_info(name, age, gender, faculty='Business', year=2019):  
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    info_dict = {'name': name,  
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                'year': year}  
  
    lower_name = name.lower().replace(' ', '_')  
    lower_faculty = faculty.lower()  
    email = '{}_{}@u.nus.edu.sg'.format(lower_name, lower_faculty)  
  
    return info_dict, email
```

**return**  → A tuple!!

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Multiple outputs

```
student1, email1 = student_info('Jane Doe', 20, 'F')  
student1
```

```
{'name': 'Jane Doe',  
 'age': 20,  
 'gender': 'F',  
 'faculty': 'Business',  
 'year': 2019}
```

```
email1
```

```
'jane_doe_business@u.nus.edu.sg'
```

# Functions

- Function arguments and outputs
  - ▶ Multiple outputs

```
student2, email2 = student_info('Sam Lee', 21, 'M', 'Engineering')  
student2
```

```
{'name': 'Sam Lee',  
 'age': 21,  
 'gender': 'M',  
 'faculty': 'Engineering',  
 'year': 2019}
```

```
email2
```

```
'sam_lee_engineering@u.nus.edu.sg'
```

# Functions

- Scopes and namespaces
  - ▶ A namespace is a collection of names
  - ▶ The same name may be used to represent different objects in different scopes

# Functions

- Scopes and namespaces
  - ▶ A namespace is a collection of names
  - ▶ The same name may be used to represent different objects in different scopes
  - ▶ Scopes
    - ✓ Local: input arguments and names declared (by assignment statements) in a function and are effective only within the function.
    - ✓ Global: names declared outside of function definitions.
    - ✓ Built-in: names predefined in Python.

# Functions

- Scopes and namespaces

**Example 4:** A group of four visitors are going to Singapore Zoo. Their ages are given in a list `age`. Use the function `zoo_ticket()` defined above to create a list named `ticket`, which provides the corresponding ticket prices.

# Functions

- Scopes and namespaces

```
age = [11, 36, 37, 67]
```

Global scope

```
def zoo_ticket(age):
    """The function zoo_ticket calculates the
    Singapore Zoo ticket prices for visitors"""

    if age < 3:
        ticket = 0
    elif age <= 12:
        ticket = 28
    elif age < 60:
        ticket = 41
    else:
        ticket = 18

    return ticket
```

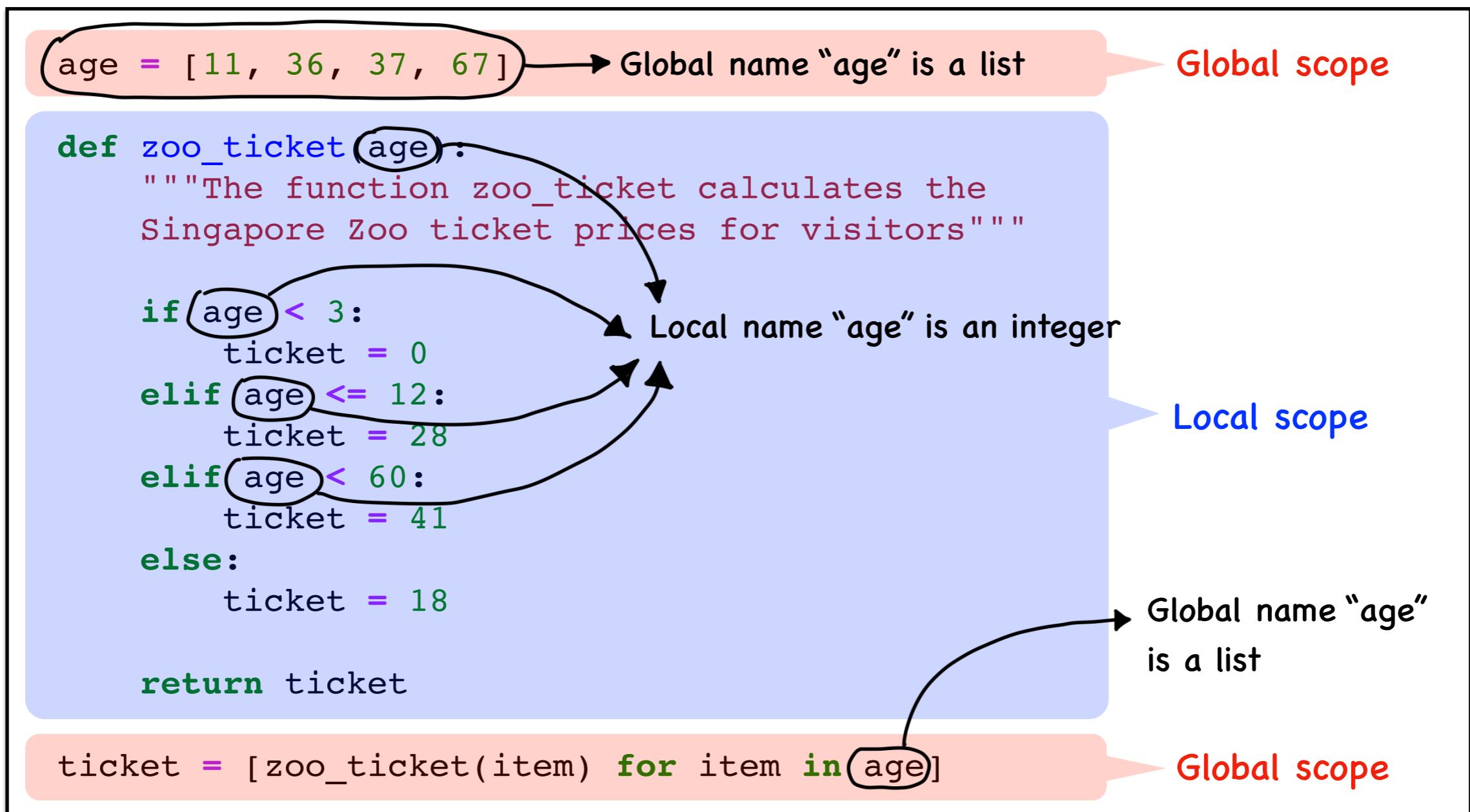
Local scope

```
ticket = [zoo_ticket(item) for item in age]
```

Global scope

# Functions

- Scopes and namespaces



# Functions

- Scopes and namespaces

```
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Global scope

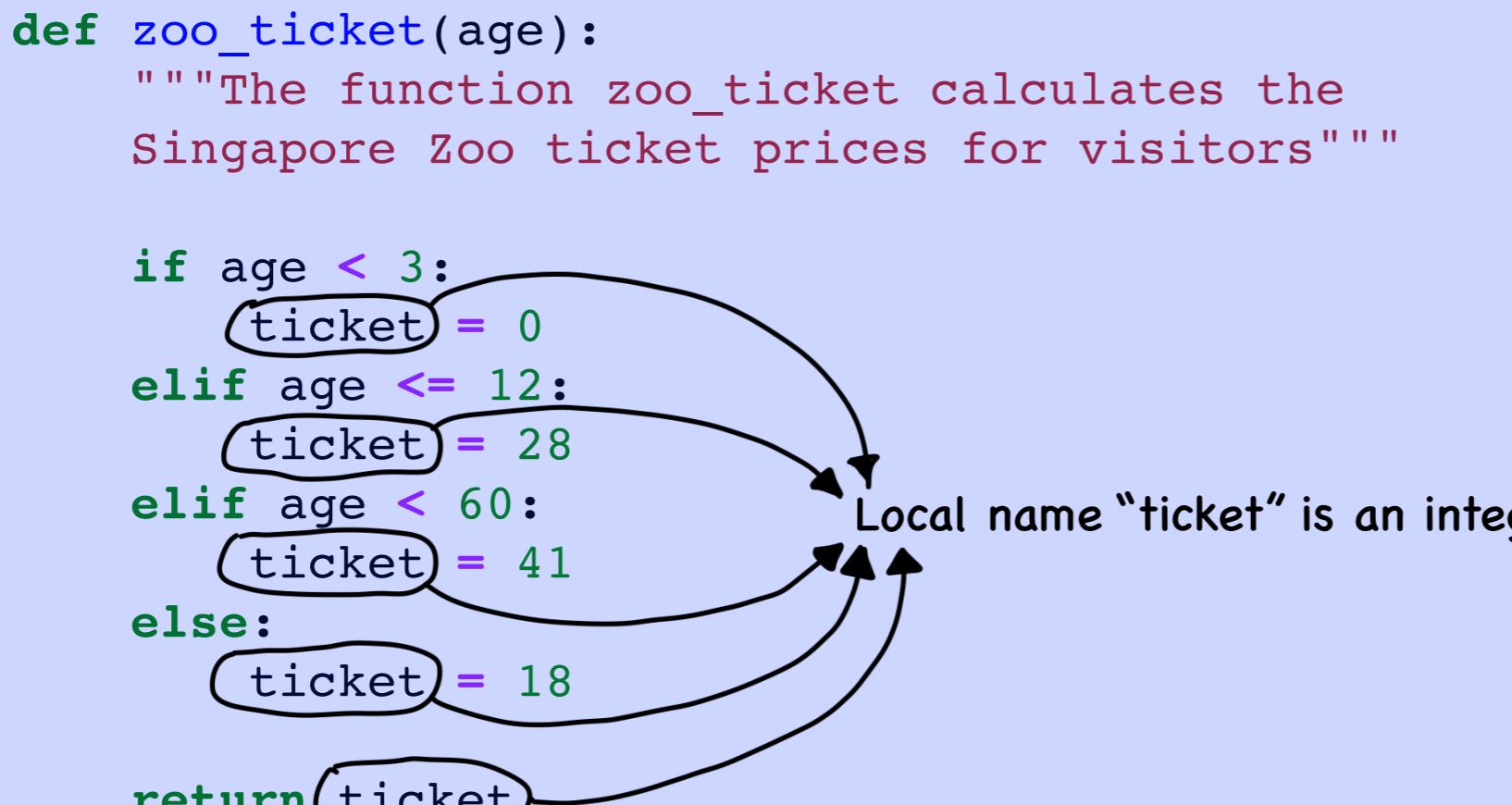
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    else:
        ticket = 18

    return ticket
```

Local scope

Local name "ticket" is an integer



```
ticket = [zoo_ticket(item) for item in age]
```

Global scope

Global name "ticket" is a list

# Functions

- Leap of faith

## Leap of Faith



Following the flow of execution is one way to read programs, but it can quickly become labyrinthine. An alternative is what I call the “leap of faith.” When you come to a function call, instead of following the flow of execution, you *assume* that the function works correctly and returns the right result.

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Once we have convinced ourselves that this function is correct—by examining the code and testing—we can use the function without looking at the body again. — **Think Python**



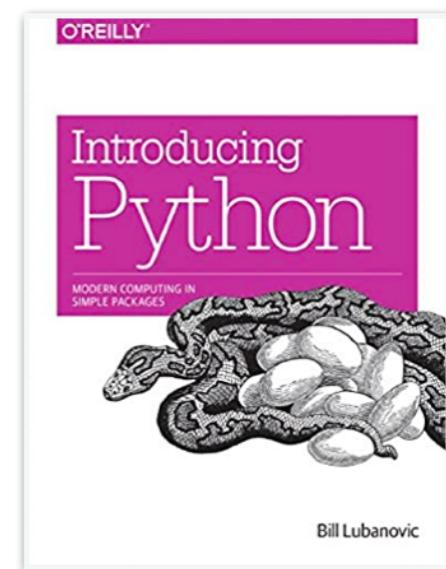
# Modules

- **Introduction to modules**

- ▶ A module is a “.py” file that defines functions, classes, variables, or simply contains some runnable code.

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The text of this book is organized in a hierarchy: words, sentences, paragraphs, and chapters. Otherwise, it would be unreadable after a page or two. Code has a roughly similar bottom-up organization: data types are like words, statements are like sentences, functions are like paragraphs, and modules are like chapters. To continue the analogy, in this book, when I say that something will be explained in Chapter 8, in programming, that’s like referring to code in another module.— **Introducing Python**



# Modules

- Introduction to modules
  - ▶ Benefits of using modules
    - ✓ Code reuse
    - ✓ System namespace partitioning
    - ✓ Implementing shared services or data

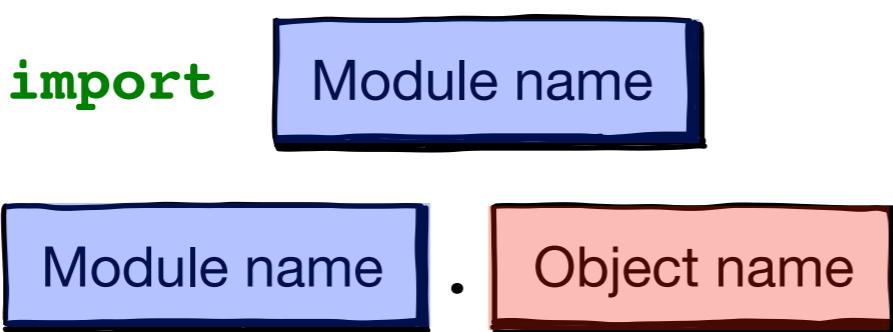
# Modules

- Syntax of importing modules

**Example 5:** Use functions `mean()` and `variance()` from the module `statistics` to calculate the sample average and the sample variance of numbers in a list.

# Modules

- Syntax of importing modules



```
import statistics

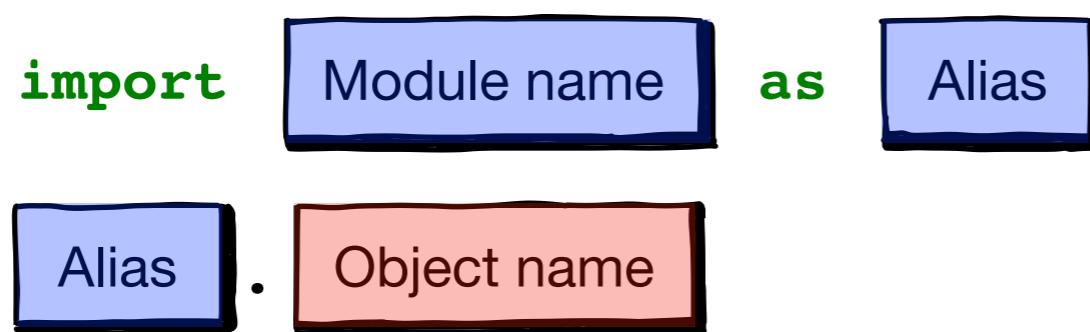
numbers = [0.5, 1.2, 3.8, 2.4, 4.1, 3.5]

print(statistics.mean(numbers))
print(statistics.variance(numbers))
```

```
2.58333333333333
2.181666666666666
```

# Modules

- Syntax of importing modules



```
import statistics as st

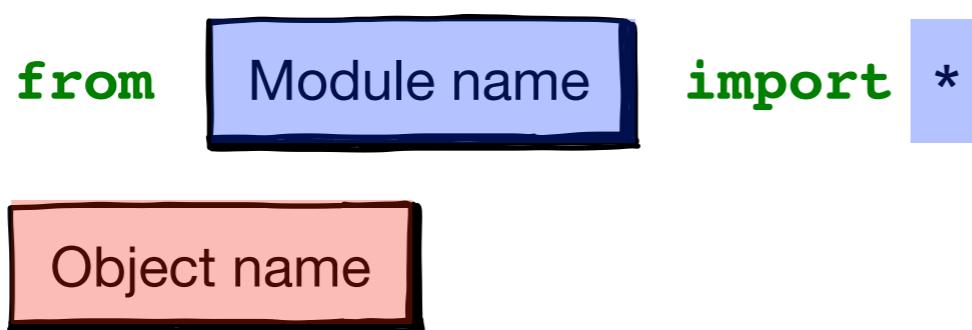
numbers = [0.5, 1.2, 3.8, 2.4, 4.1, 3.5]

print(st.mean(numbers))
print(st.variance(numbers))
```

2.58333333333333  
2.181666666666666

# Modules

- Syntax of importing modules



```
from statistics import *
```

```
numbers = [0.5, 1.2, 3.8, 2.4, 4.1, 3.5]
```

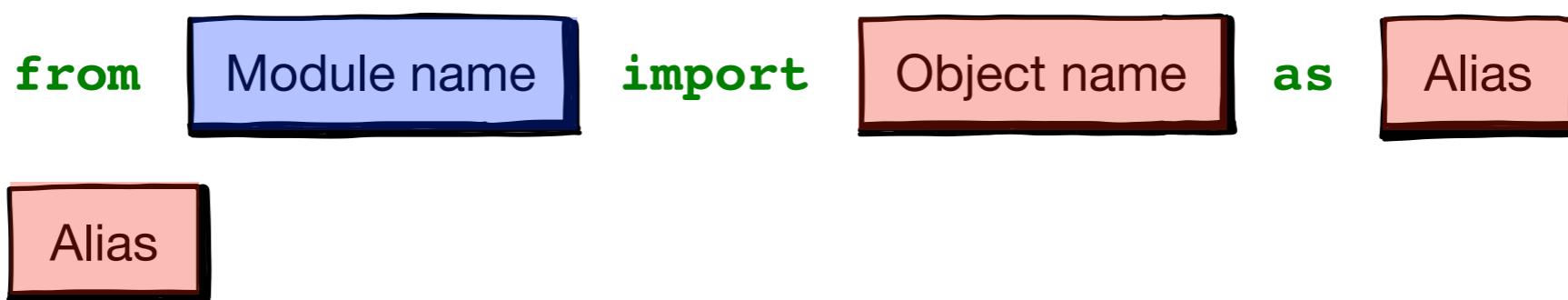
```
print(mean(numbers))  
print(variance(numbers))
```

```
2.58333333333333  
2.18166666666666
```

**Coding Style:** It is usually not recommended to import everything from a module to omit the module name, as the code above.

# Modules

- Syntax of importing modules



```
from statistics import mean as me
from statistics import variance as var

numbers = [0.5, 1.2, 3.8, 2.4, 4.1, 3.5]

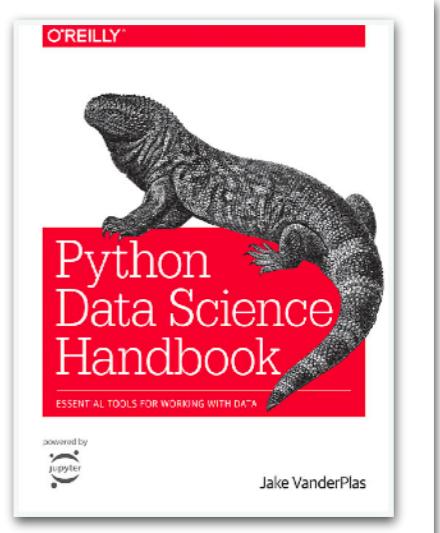
print(me(numbers))
print(var(numbers))
```

2.58333333333333  
2.181666666666666

# Packages

- Introduction to packages

The usefulness of Python for data science stems primarily from the large and active ecosystem of third-party packages: NumPy for manipulation of homogeneous array-based data, Pandas for manipulation of heterogeneous and labeled data, SciPy for common scientific computing tasks, Matplotlib for publication-quality visualizations, IPython for interactive execution and sharing of code, Scikit-Learn for machine learning, and many more tools that will be mentioned in the following pages.



# Packages

- Introduction to packages
  - ▶ A collection of modules and supporting files
  - ▶ Install a third-party package
    - ✓ Run the following command in Jupyter Notebook code cells

```
!pip install package_name
```



The Python Package Index (PyPI) is a repository of software for the Python programming language.

PyPI helps you find and install software developed and shared by the Python community. [Learn about installing packages ↗](#).

Package authors use PyPI to distribute their software. [Learn how to package your Python code for PyPI ↗](#).

# Packages

- Syntax of importing packages
  - ▶ Similar syntax as import modules
  - ▶ Use `.` operator to indicate the directory hierarchy

```
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

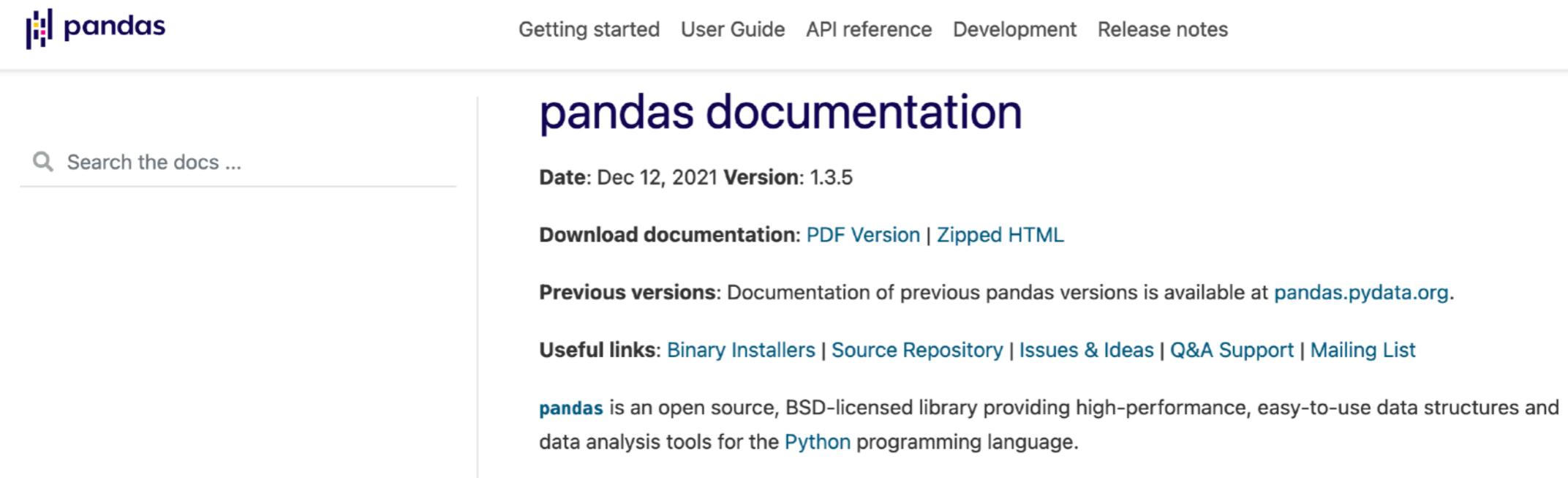
from numpy import random
from scipy.stats import norm
from scipy.stats import binom
```

## Coding Style:

- Import different modules and packages in separate lines.
- Place import statements at the top of the code file

# Packages

- Package information
  - ▶ Package documentation



The screenshot shows the pandas documentation homepage. At the top left is the pandas logo. To its right are navigation links: Getting started, User Guide, API reference, Development, and Release notes. Below these is a search bar with the placeholder "Search the docs ...". The main title "pandas documentation" is centered above a date and version info: "Date: Dec 12, 2021 Version: 1.3.5". Below this are download links for PDF and Zipped HTML versions, and a link to previous versions at [pandas.pydata.org](https://pandas.pydata.org). A "Useful links" section includes links to Binary Installers, Source Repository, Issues & Ideas, Q&A Support, and Mailing List. A brief description at the bottom states that pandas is an open source library for Python.

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pandas is an open source, BSD-licensed library providing high-performance, easy-to-use data structures and data analysis tools for the [Python](#) programming language.

# Packages

- Package information
  - ▶ Package documentation
  - ▶ Run `help()` to display the docstring
  - ▶ Google keywords and examples

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization



The beautiful data visualization - David McCandless

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Functions for data visualization

- ▶ Import Matplotlib tools

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

- ▶ Other data visualization packages

- ✓ Plotly

- ✓ Seaborn

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Functions for data visualization

**Example 6:** The dictionary **rates** provides the rates of return of the stock prices of Facebook and Google during the first six months of 2021. The other dictionary **volumes** provides the volumes of trading of these two stocks over the same time horizon. Visualize the trend of the return rates of these two stocks.

```
rates = { 'FB': [-5.43, -0.27, 14.33, 10.37, 1.12, 5.77],  
         'GOOG': [4.79, 10.96, 1.56, 16.51, 0.06, 3.93] }  
  
volumes = { 'FB': [452.63, 317.78, 497.42, 421.26, 353.42, 344.81],  
            'GOOG': [33.08, 29.43, 34.79, 30.72, 25.46, 27.43] }  
  
months = [ 'Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar', 'Apr', 'May', 'Jun' ]
```

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Functions for data visualization

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- ▶ Line plot

- ✓ The `help()` information of the `plot()` function

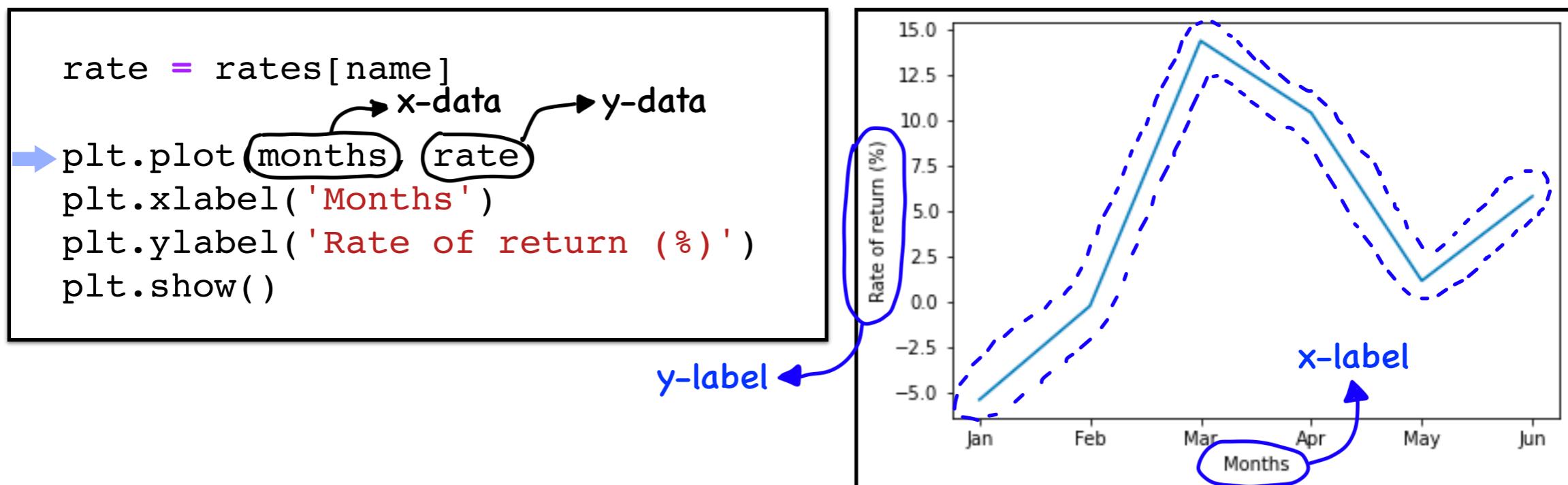
```
... ...
Parameters
-----
x, y : array-like or scalar
        Sequences of data items
        The horizontal / vertical coordinates of the data points.
        *x* values are optional and default to ``range(len(y))``.

Commonly, these parameters are 1D arrays.
...
...
```

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Functions for data visualization

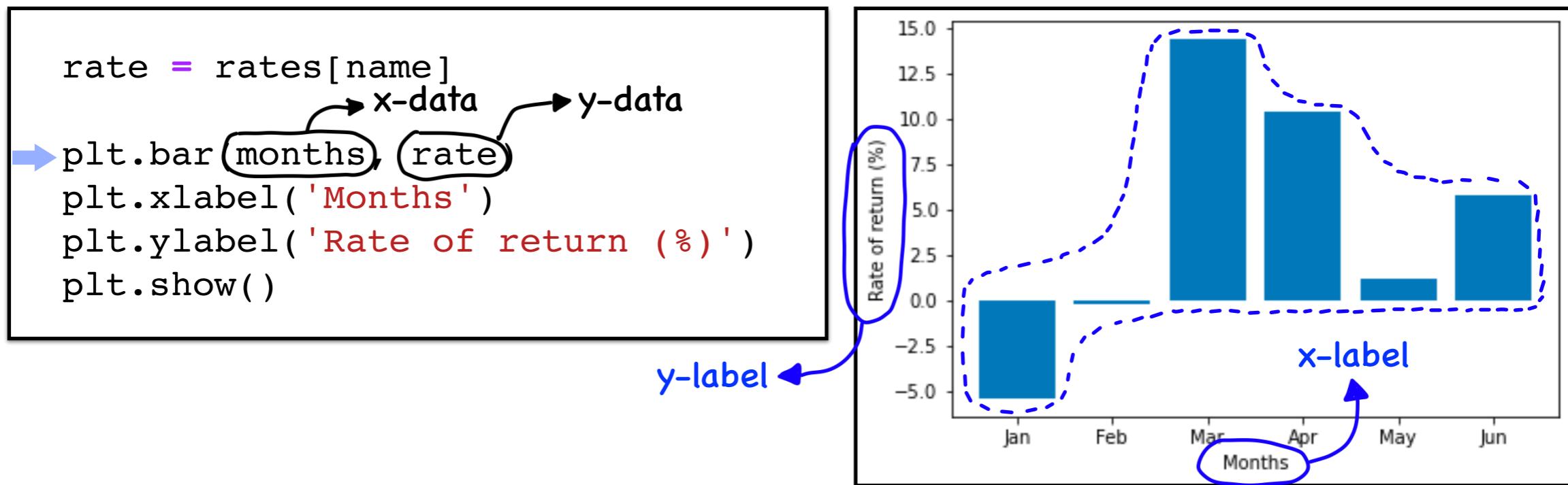
- ▶ Line plot



rate	→	-5.43	-0.27	14.33	10.37	1.12	5.77
months	→	'Jan'	'Feb'	'Mar'	'Apr'	'May'	'Jun'

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Functions for data visualization
  - ▶ Bar chart



rate	→	-5.43	-0.27	14.33	10.37	1.12	5.77
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# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

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- ▶ Scatter plot

- ✓ The `help()` information of the `scatter()` function

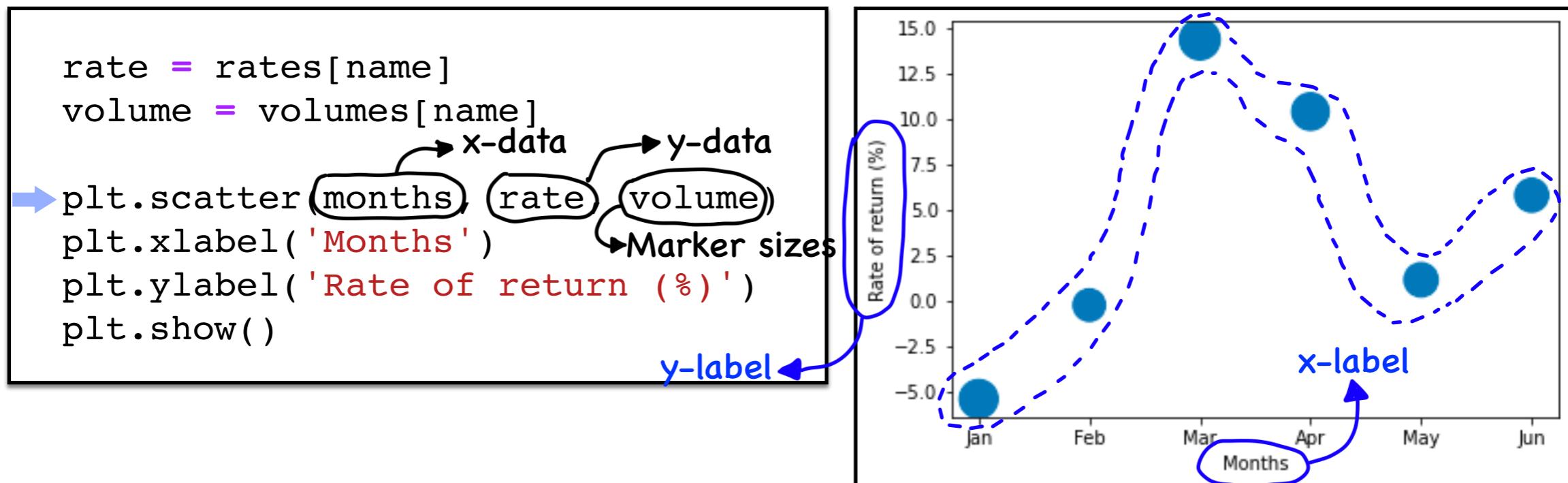
```
... ...
Parameters
-----
x, y : float or array-like, shape (n, )
        The data positions.

s : float or array-like, shape (n, ), optional
    The marker size in points**2.
    Default is ``rcParams['lines.markersize'] ** 2``.

... ...
```

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Functions for data visualization
  - ▶ Scatter plot



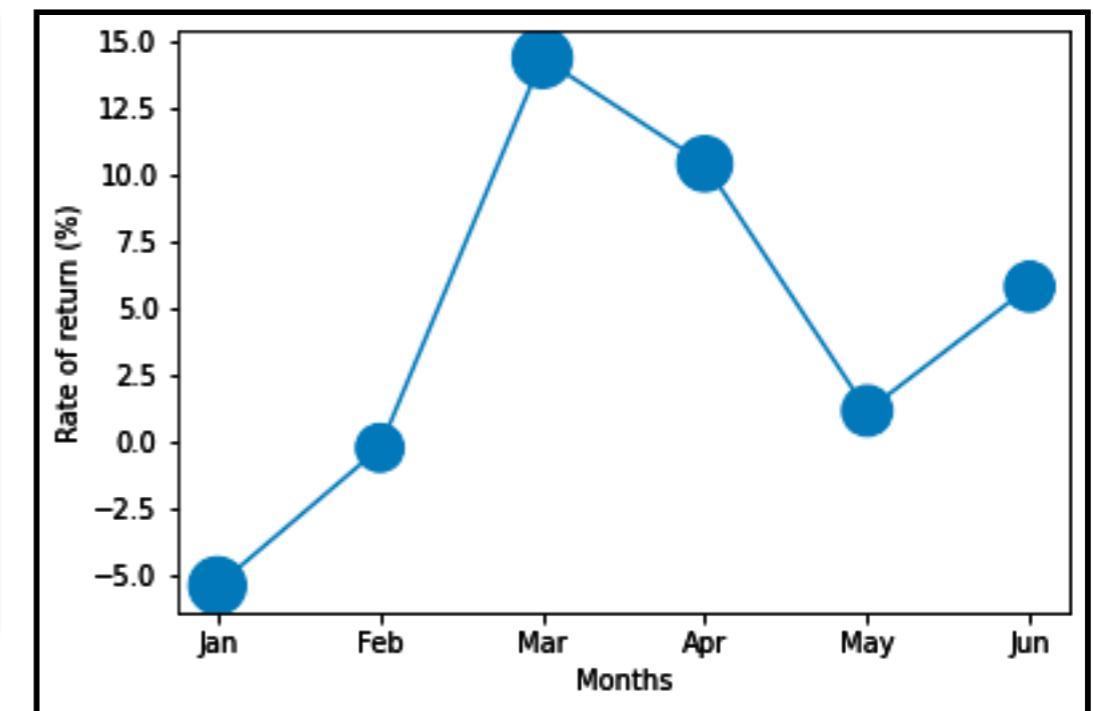
rate	-5.43	-0.27	14.33	10.37	1.12	5.77
months	'Jan'	'Feb'	'Mar'	'Apr'	'May'	'Jun'
volume	452.63	317.78	497.42	421.26	353.42	344.81

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Functions for data visualization
  - ▶ Multiple plot components

```
rate = rates[name]
volume = volumes[name]

plt.plot(months, rate)
plt.scatter(months, rate, volume)
plt.xlabel('Months')
plt.ylabel('Rate of return (%)')
plt.show()
```



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# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Configuration of plots and figures
  - ▶ Specify plot features by keyword arguments

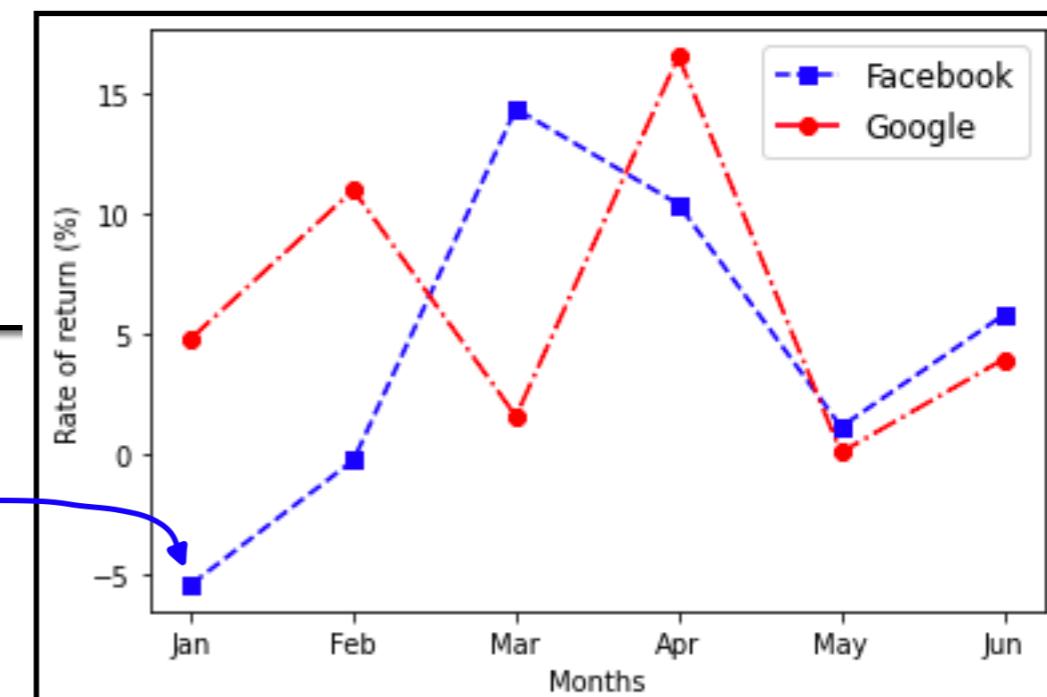
```
plt.plot(months, rates['FB'],
          color='b', linestyle='--', linewidth=1.5, marker='s',
          label='Facebook')
plt.plot(months, rates['GOOG'],
          color='r', linestyle='-.', linewidth=1.5, marker='o',
          label='Google')
plt.xlabel('Months')
plt.ylabel('Rate of return (%)')
plt.legend(fontsize=12)
plt.show()
```

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

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plt.show()
```

Blue dash line, with the width to be 1.5, and square markers added

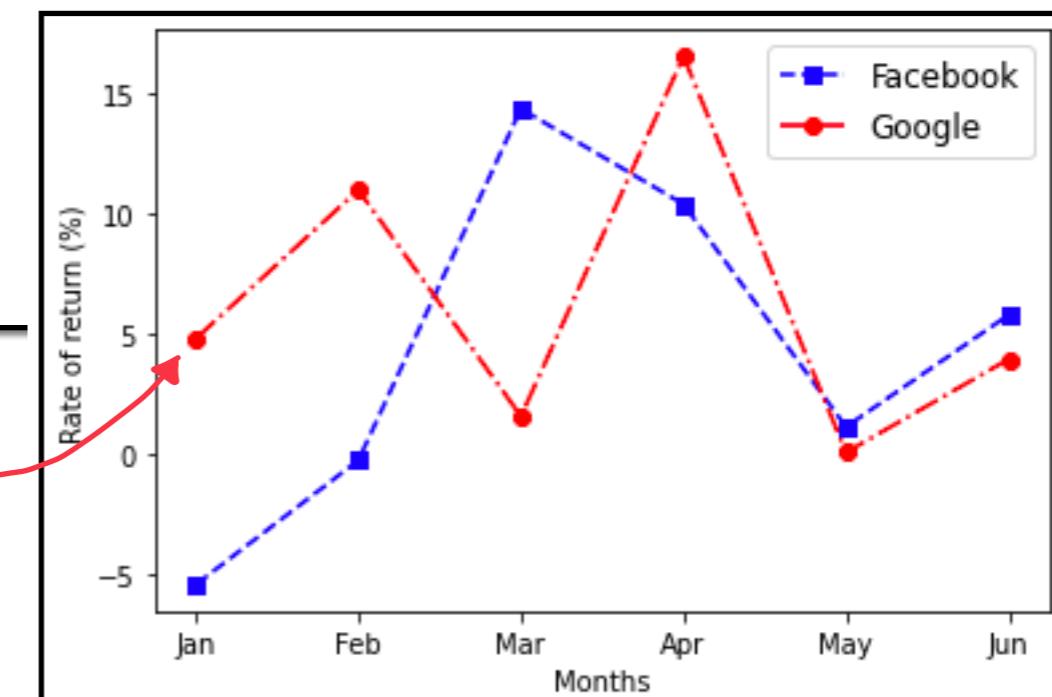


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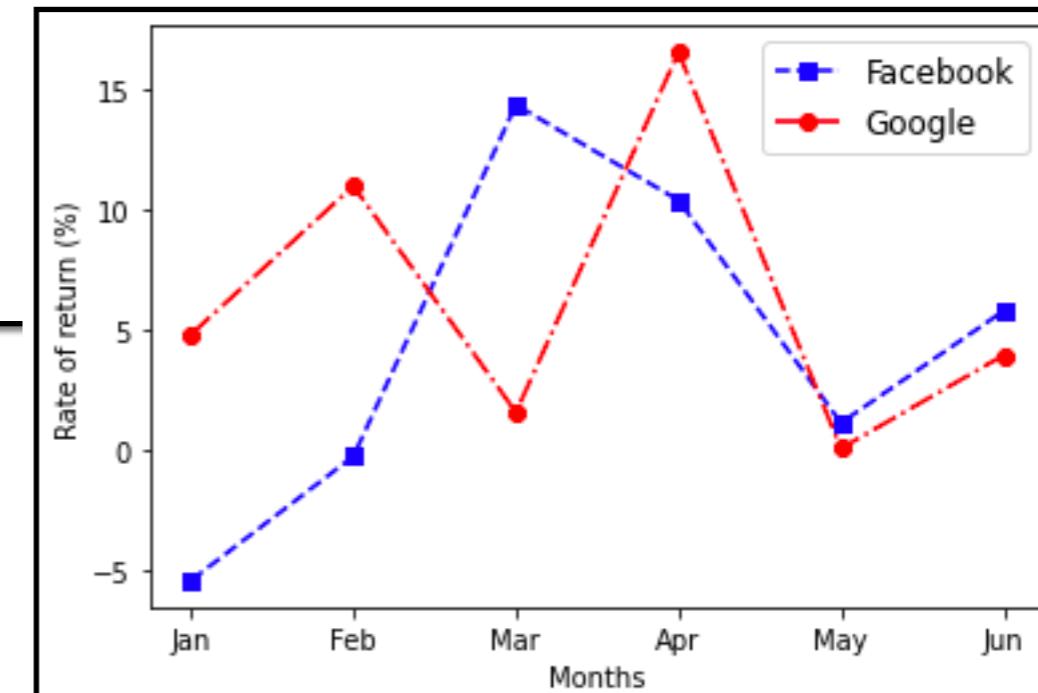


# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

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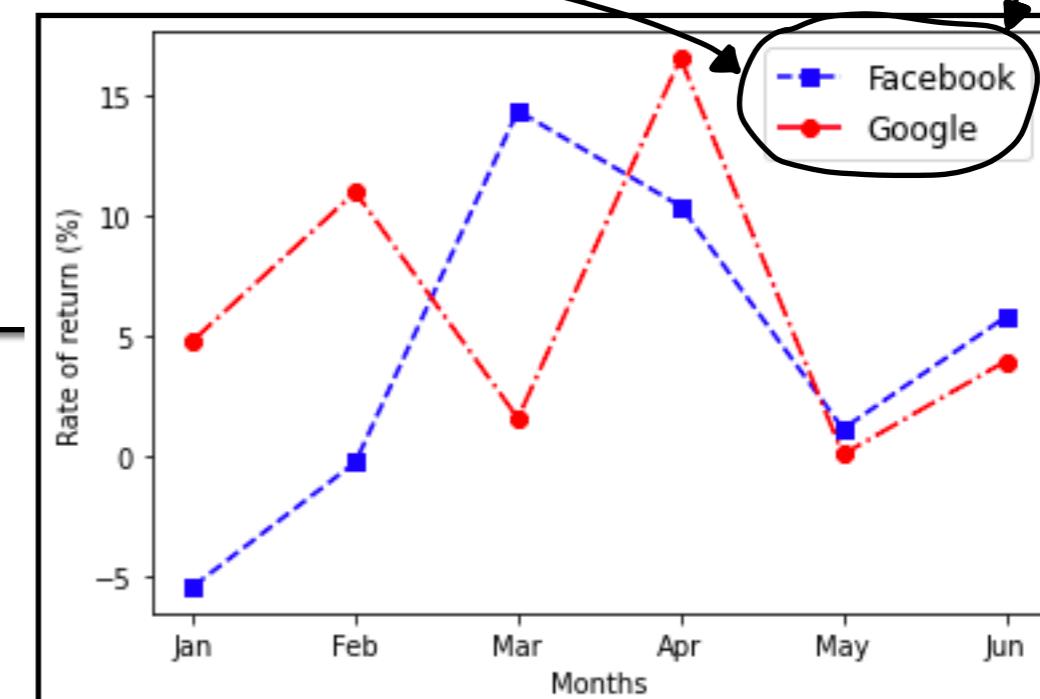
Create the plot legend



# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Configuration of plots and figures
  - ▶ Specify plot features by keyword arguments

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```



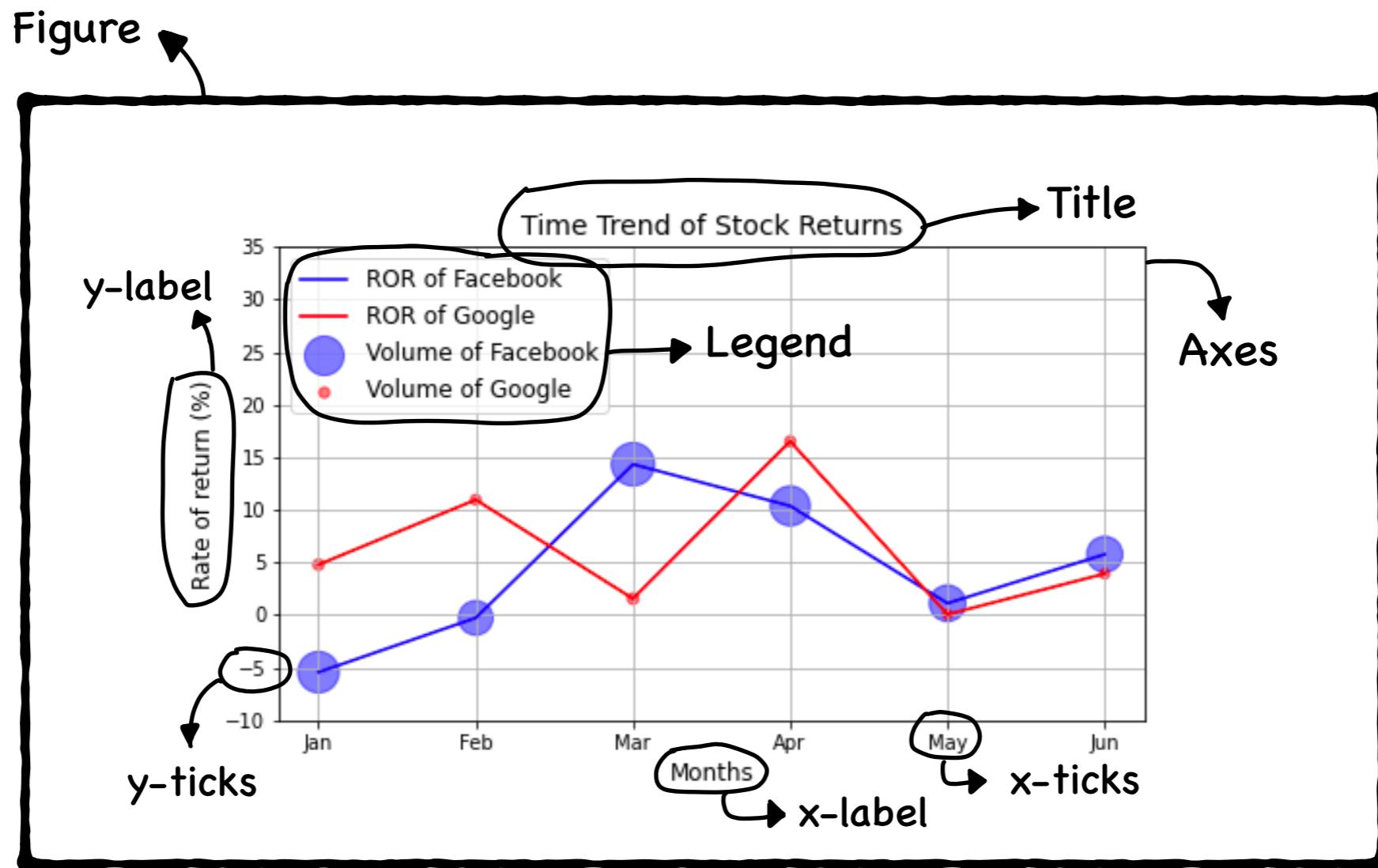
# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Configuration of plots and figures
  - ▶ Specify plot features by keyword arguments

Plot feature	Argument keyword	Plot function
Color	<code>color</code>	<code>plot()</code> , <code>bar()</code> , <code>scatter()</code>
Opacity	<code>alpha</code>	<code>plot()</code> , <code>bar()</code> , <code>scatter()</code>
Marker shape	<code>marker</code>	<code>plot()</code> , <code>scatter()</code>
Line style	<code>linestyle</code>	<code>plot()</code>
Line width	<code>linewidth</code>	<code>plot()</code>
Bar width	<code>width</code>	<code>bar()</code>

# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

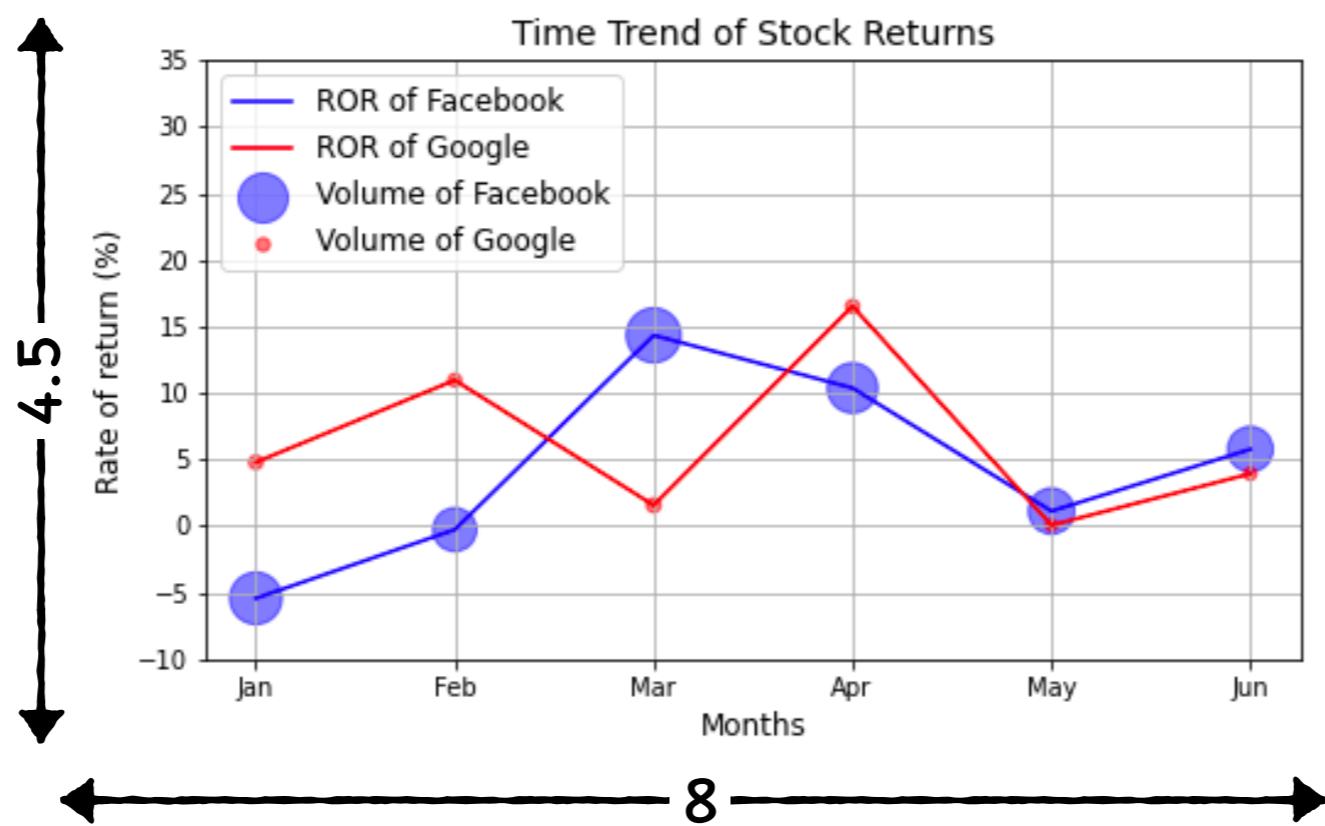
- Configuration of plots and figures
  - ▶ Features of figures



# Matplotlib for Data Visualization

- Configuration of plots and figures
  - ▶ Specify figure features by keyword arguments

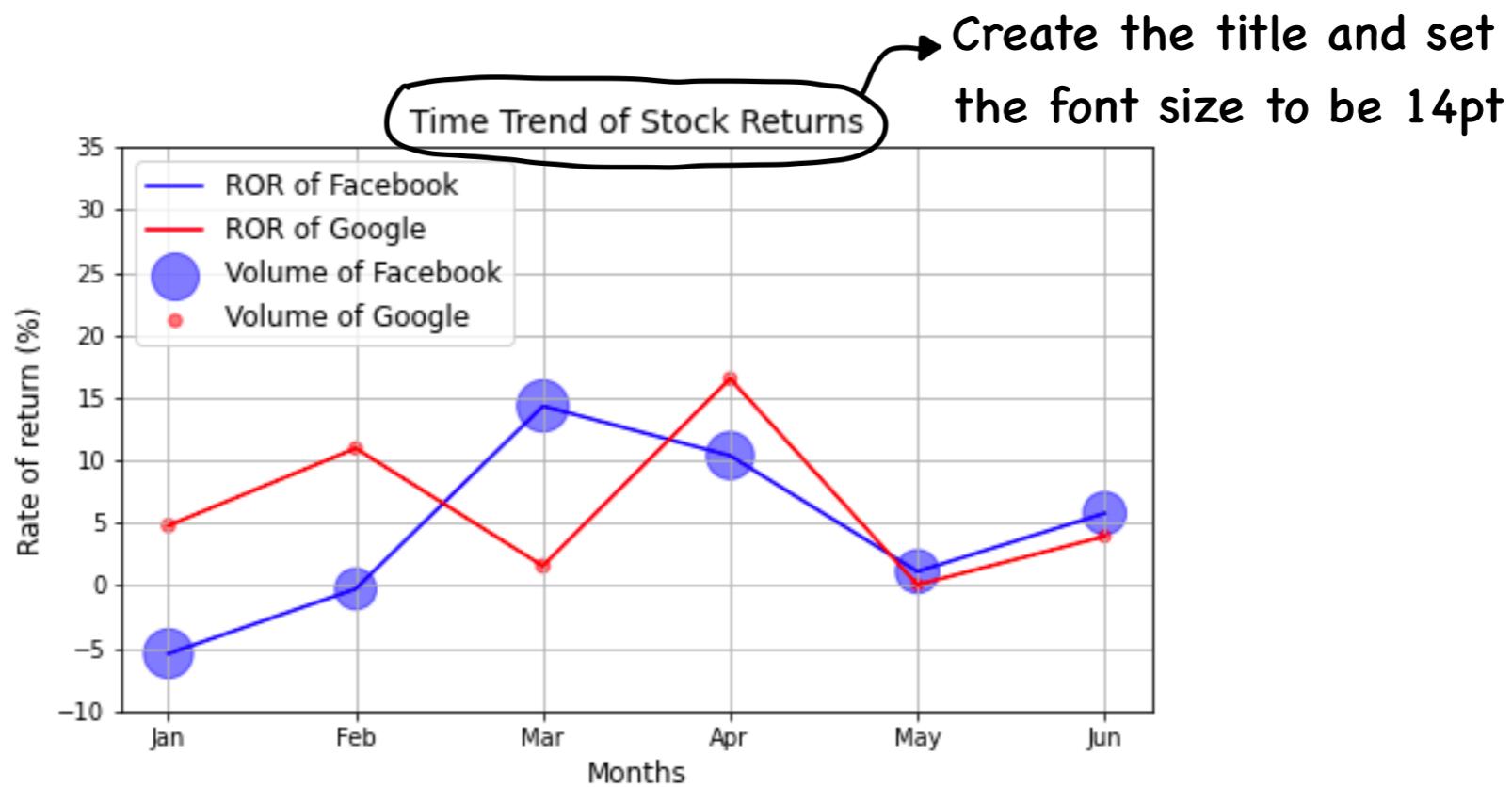
```
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 4.5))
```



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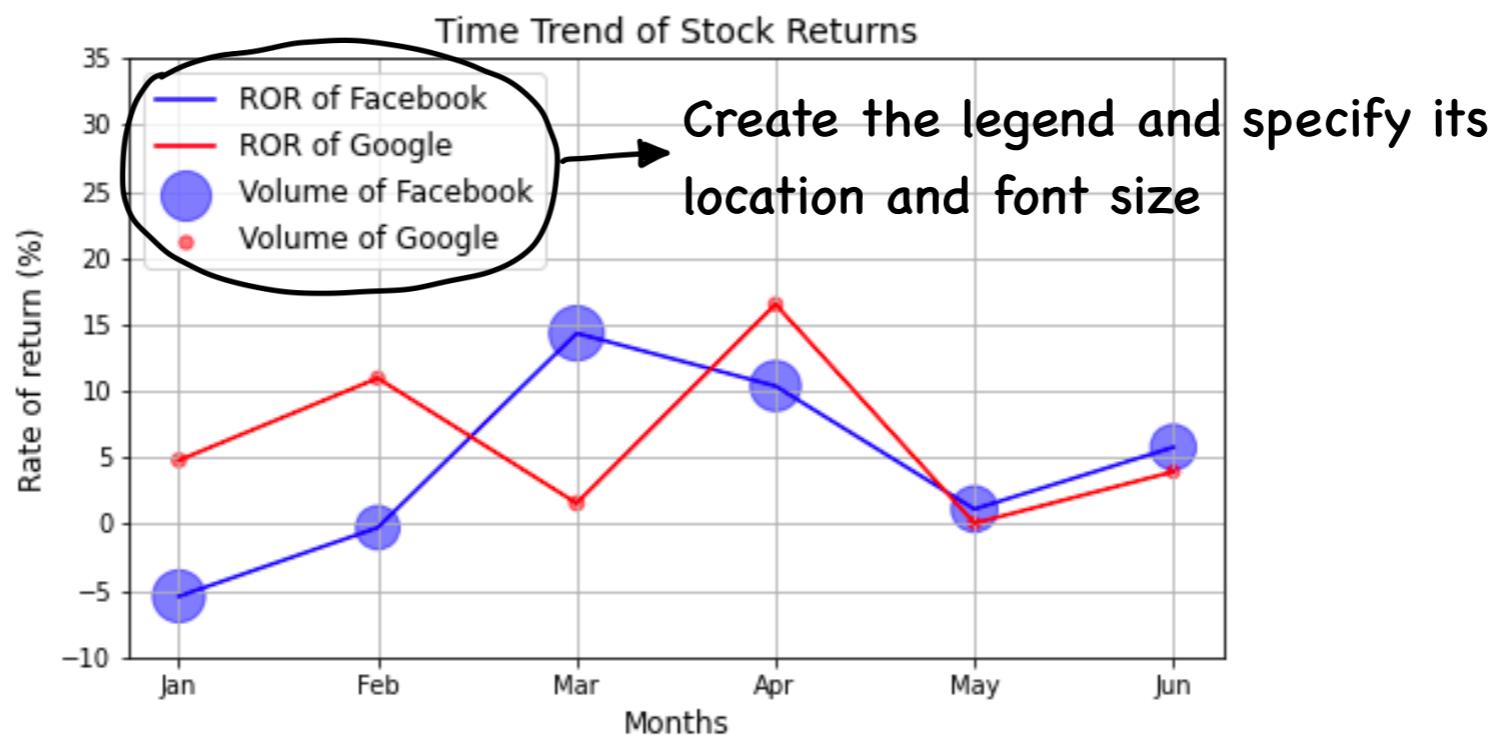
```
plt.title('Time Trend of Stock Returns', fontsize=14)
```



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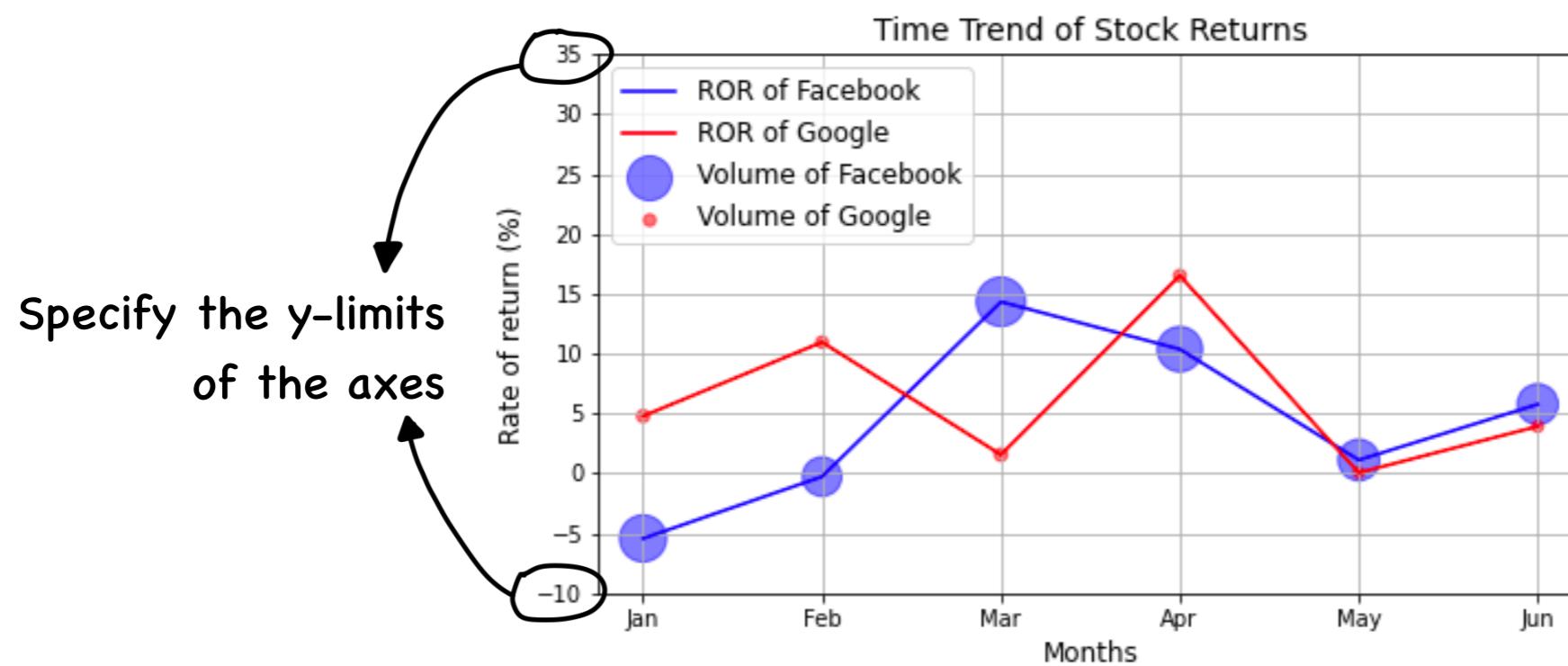
```
plt.legend(loc='upper left', fontsize=12)
```



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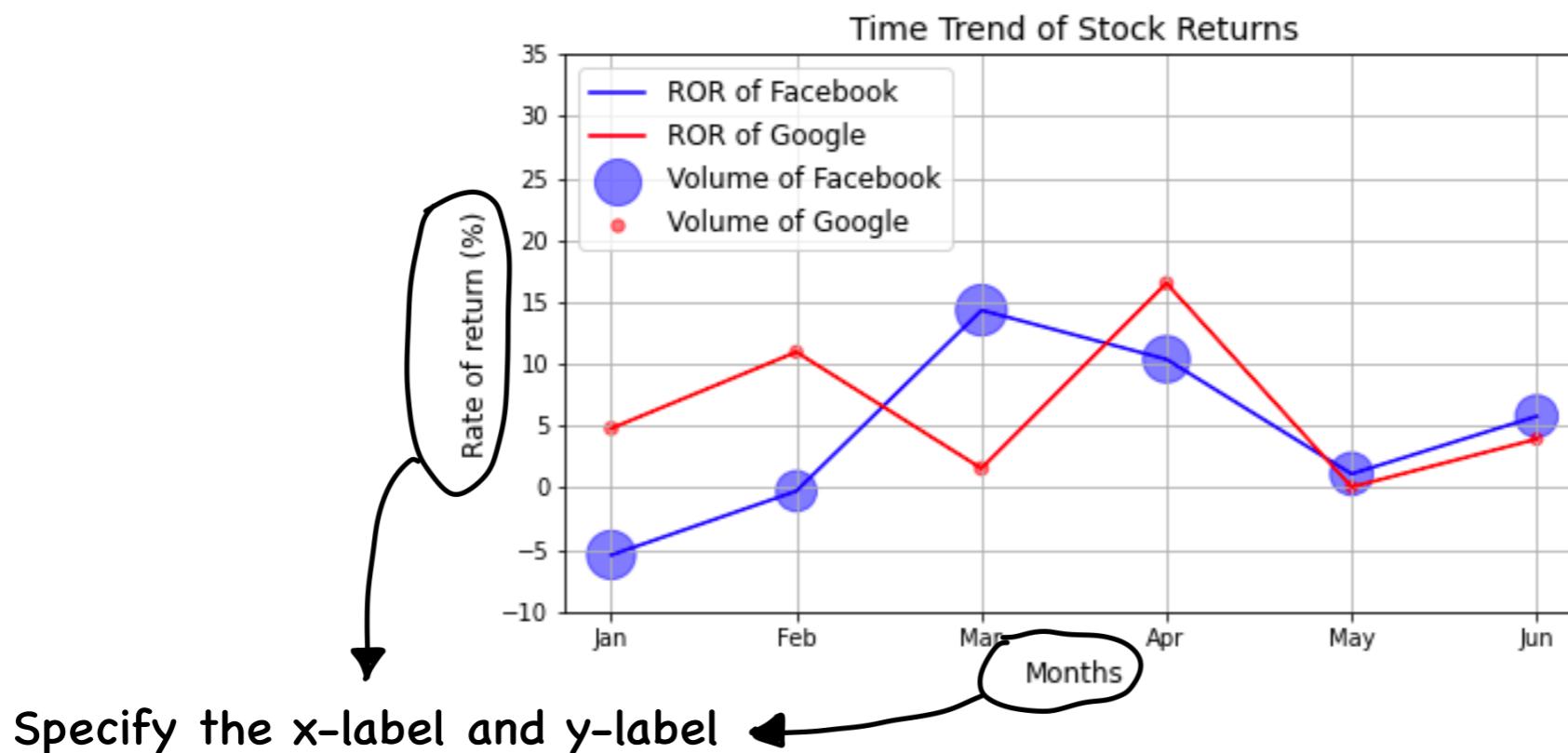
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plt.ylim( [-10, 35] )
```



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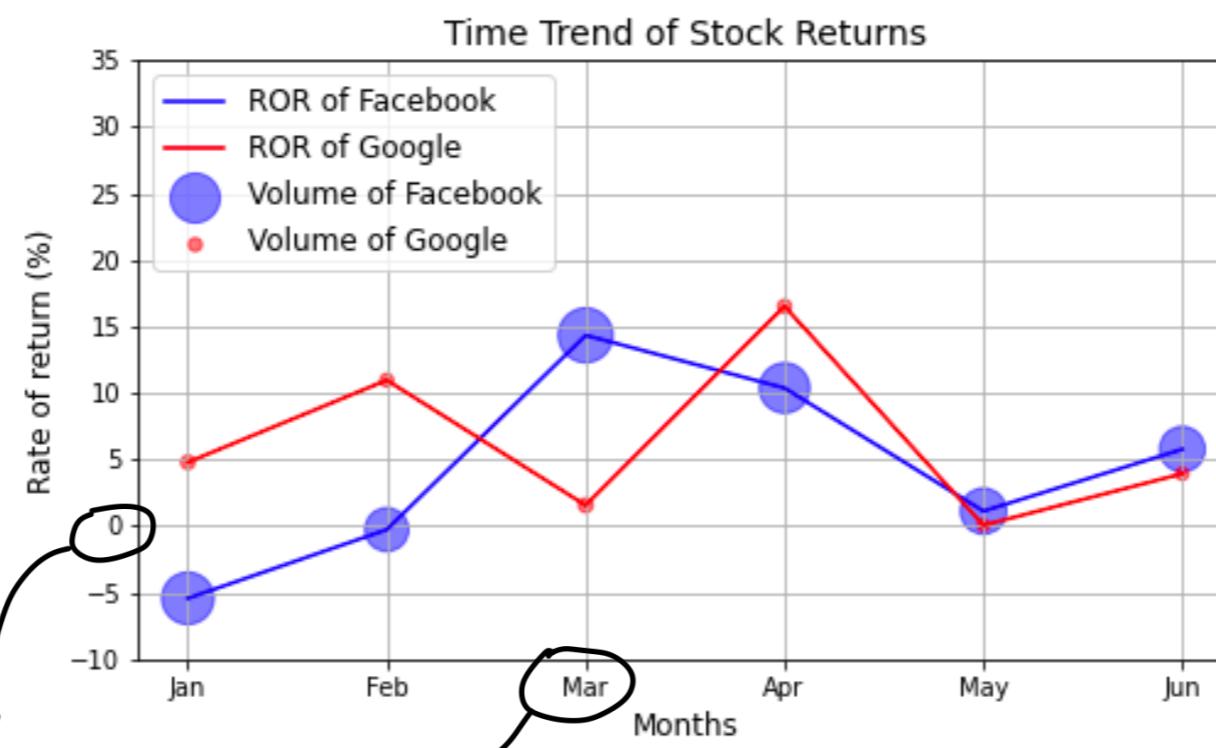
```
plt.xlabel('Months', fontsize=12)
plt.ylabel('Rate of return (%)', fontsize=12)
```



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```
plt.xticks(fontsize=10)  
plt.yticks(fontsize=10)
```



Specify the font size of axes ticks

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```
plt.grid()
```

