

Fruitful Functions

Chapter 6

Example

```
def square(x):  
    print(x*x)
```

```
>>> square(4)
```

```
16
```

```
>>> s = square(4)
```

```
16
```

```
>>> print(s)
```

```
?
```



Example (cont.)

```
>>> print(s)
```

```
None
```

```
>>> s + 1
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
  File "<pyshell#14>", line 1, in <module>
```

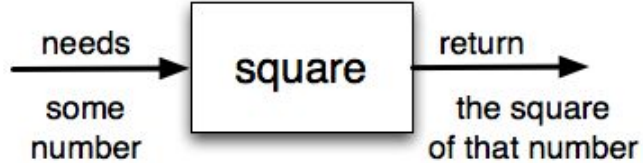
```
    s + 1
```

```
TypeError: unsupported operand type(s) for +: 'NoneType' and  
'int'
```

Example (cont.2)

```
def square(x):  
    return (x*x)
```

```
>>> square(4)  
16  
>>> s = square(4)  
>>> print(s)  
16  
>>> s + 1  
17
```



Return Values

```
def fun(x):  
    return x  
    print('The end')
```

```
def absolute_value(x):  
    if x < 0:  
        return -x  
    if x > 0:  
        return x
```

Boolean Functions

```
def is_divisible(x, y):      # name sounds like yes/no
    if x % y == 0:
        return True
    else:
        return False
```

```
>>> is_divisible(6, 4)
```

```
False
```

```
>>> is_divisible(6, 3)
```

```
True
```

Boolean Functions (cont.)

```
def is_divisible(x, y):  
    return x % y == 0    # more concise solution  
  
if is_divisible(x, y) == True:  
    print(' x is divisible by y' )
```

Boolean Functions (cont.2)

```
def is_divisible(x, y):  
    return x % y == 0
```

```
if is_divisible(x, y) == True:  
    print(' x is divisible by y' )
```

```
if is_divisible(x, y):  
    print(' x is divisible by y' )
```


More Recursion

```
def factorial(n):  
    if n == 0:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        recurse = factorial(n-1)  
        result = n * recurse  
        return result
```

$0! = 1$
 $n! = n(n-1)!$

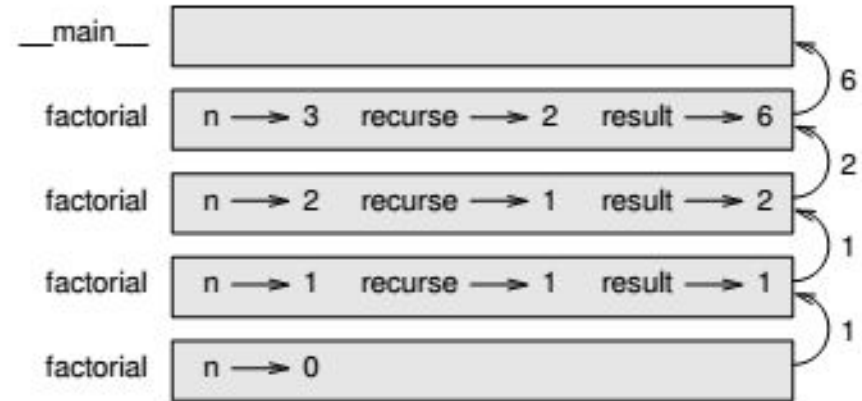
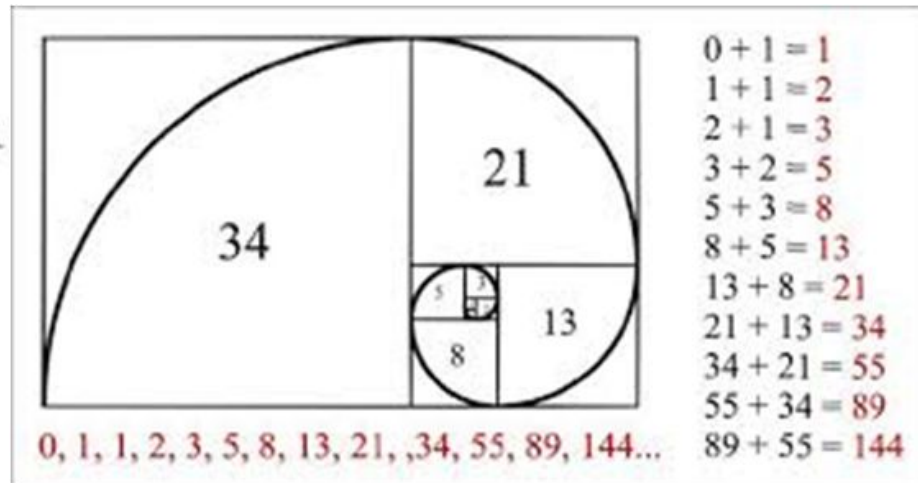
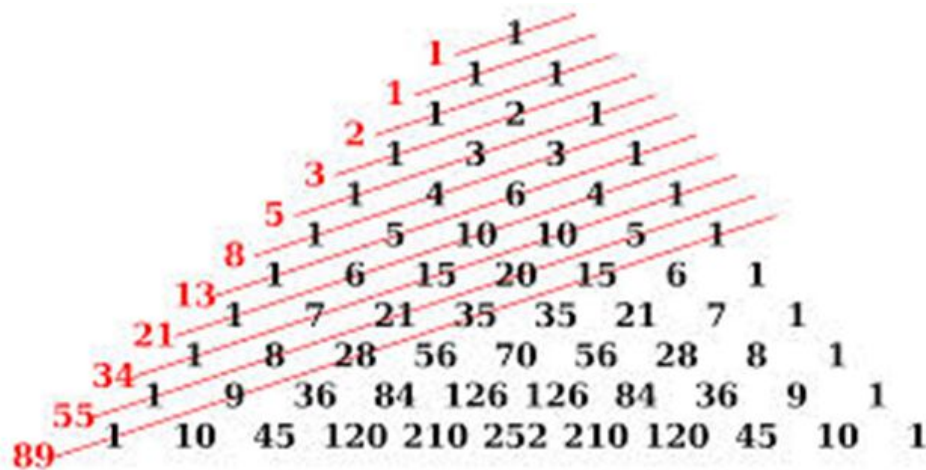
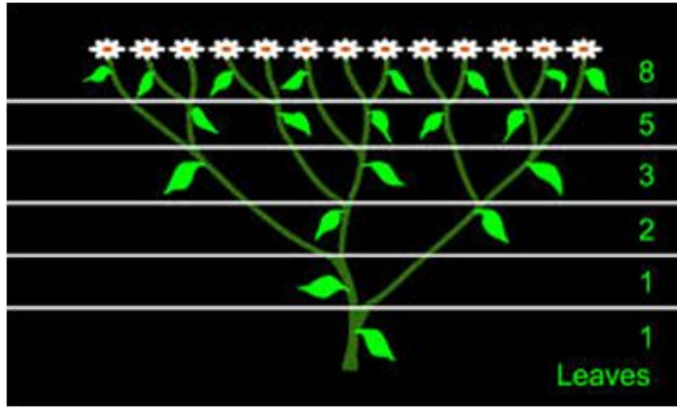


Figure 6.1: Stack diagram.

One More Example



Fibonacci Number



Fibonacci sequence
in our hand allows
for it to form a
perfect curl when
we clench our fist.



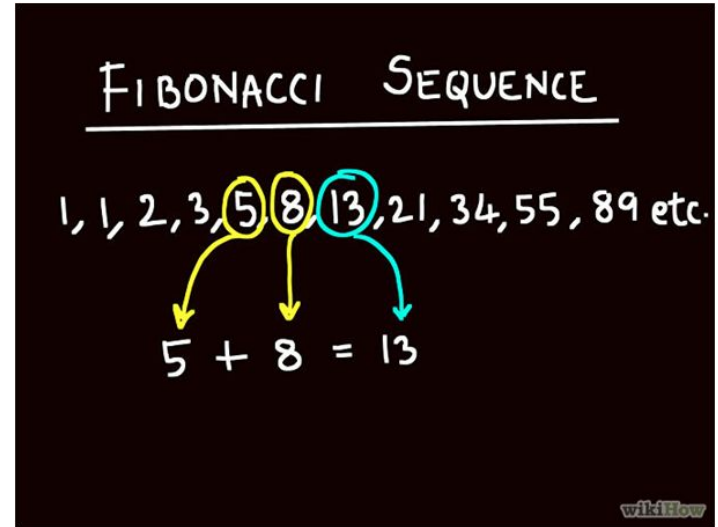
Fibonacci Number (cont.)

$\text{fibonacci}(0) = 0$

$\text{fibonacci}(1) = 1$

$\text{fibonacci}(n) = \text{fibonacci}(n - 1) + \text{fibonacci}(n - 2)$

```
def fibonacci (n) :  
    if n == 0:  
        return 0  
    elif n == 1:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return fibonacci(n-1)+fibonacci(n-2)
```



Checking Types

```
>>> factorial(1.5)
```

```
RuntimeError: Maximum recursion depth exceeded
```

```
def factorial (n) :  
    if not isinstance (n, int):  
        print ('Factorial is only defined for integers.')  
        return None  
...
```