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The Python Programming Language: Functions

In [2]:

```
x = 1
y = 2
x + y
```

Out[2]:

3

In [3]:

y

Out[3]:

2

'add_numbers' is a function that takes two numbers and adds them together.

In [4]:

```
def add_numbers(x, y):
    return x + y
```

add_numbers(1, 2)

Out[4]:

3

'add_numbers' updated to take an optional 3rd parameter. Using 'print' allows printing of multiple expressions within a single cell.

In [5]:

```
def add_numbers(x,y,z=None):
    if (z==None):
        return x+y
    else:
        return x+y+z
```

print(add_numbers(1, 2))

print(add_numbers(1, 2, 3))

3

6

'add_numbers' updated to take an optional flag parameter.

In [6]:

```
def add_numbers(x, y, z=None, flag=False):
    if (flag):
        print('Flag is true!')
    if (z==None):
        return x + y
    else:
        return x + y + z
```

print(add_numbers(1, 2, flag=True))

Flag is true!

3

Assign function 'add_numbers' to variable 'a'.

In [7]:

```
def add_numbers(x,y):
    return x+y
```

a = add_numbers

a(1,2)

Out[7]:

3

The Python Programming Language: Types and Sequences

Use 'type' to return the object's type.

In [8]:

type('This is a string')

Out[8]:

str

In [9]:

type(None)

Out[9]:

NoneType

In [10]:

type(1)

Out[10]:

int

In [11]:

type(1.0)

Out[11]:

float

```
Out[11]: float
```

```
In [12]: type(add_numbers)
```

```
Out[12]: function
```

Tuples are an immutable data structure (cannot be altered).

```
In [13]: x = (1, 'a', 2, 'b')
```

```
type(x)
```

```
Out[13]: tuple
```

Lists are a mutable data structure.

```
In [14]: x = [1, 'a', 2, 'b']
```

```
type(x)
```

```
Out[14]: list
```

Use `append` to append an object to a list.

```
In [15]: x.append(3.3)
```

```
print(x)
```

```
[1, 'a', 2, 'b', 3.3]
```

This is an example of how to loop through each item in the list.

```
In [16]: for item in x:
```

```
    print(item)
```

```
1
```

```
a
```

```
2
```

```
b
```

```
3.3
```

Or using the indexing operator:

```
In [17]: i=0
```

```
while( i <= len(x) ):
```

```
    print(x[i])
```

```
    i = i + 1
```

```
1
```

```
a
```

```
2
```

```
b
```

```
3.3
```

Use `+` to concatenate lists.

```
In [18]: [1,2] + [3,4]
```

```
Out[18]: [1, 2, 3, 4]
```

Use `*` to repeat lists.

```
In [19]: [1]*3
```

```
Out[19]: [1, 1, 1]
```

Use the `in` operator to check if something is inside a list.

```
In [20]: 1 in [1, 2, 3]
```

```
Out[20]: True
```

Now let's look at strings. Use bracket notation to slice a string.

```
In [21]: x = 'This is a string'
```

```
print(x[0]) #first character
```

```
print(x[0:1]) #first character, but we have explicitly set the end character
```

```
print(x[0:2]) #first two characters
```

```
T
```

```
T
```

```
Th
```

This will return the last element of the string.

```
In [22]: x[-1]
```

```
Out[22]: 'g'
```

This will return the slice starting from the 4th element from the end and stopping before the 2nd element from the end.

```
In [23]: x[-4:-2]
```

```
Out[23]: 'ri'
```

This is a slice from the beginning of the string and stopping before the 3rd element.

```
In [24]: x[:3]
```

```
Out[24]: 'Thi'
```

And this is a slice starting from the 4th element of the string and going all the way to the end.

```
In [25]: x[3:]
```

```
Out[25]: 's is a string'
```

```
In [26]: firstname = 'Christopher'
lastname = 'Brooks'

print(firstname + ' ' + lastname)
print(firstname*3)
print('Chris' in firstname)
```

```
Christopher Brooks
ChristopherChristopherChristopher
True
```

'split' returns a list of all the words in a string, or a list split on a specific character.

```
In [27]: firstname = 'Christopher Arthur Hansen Brooks'.split(' ')[0] # [0] selects the first element of the list
lastname = 'Christopher Arthur Hansen Brooks'.split(' ')[-1] # [-1] selects the last element of the list
print(firstname)
print(lastname)
```

```
Christopher
Brooks
```

Make sure you convert objects to strings before concatenating.

```
In [28]: 'Chris' + 2
```

```
-----  
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-28-9d01956b24db> in <module>  
----> 1 'Chris' + 2  
  
TypeError: can only concatenate str (not "int") to str
```

```
In [34]: 'Chris' + str(2)
```

```
Out[34]: 'Chris2'
```

Dictionaries associate keys with values.

```
In [37]: x = {'Christopher Brooks': 'brooks@umich.edu', 'Bill Gates': 'billg@microsoft.com'}
x['Christopher Brooks'] # Retrieve a value by using the indexing operator
```

```
Out[37]: 'brooks@umich.edu'
```

```
In [38]: x['Kevyn Collins-Thompson'] = None
x['Kevyn Collins-Thompson']
```

Iterate over all of the keys:

```
In [39]: for name in x:
    print(x[name])
```

```
brooks@umich.edu
billg@microsoft.com
None
```

Iterate over all of the values:

```
In [40]: for email in x.values():
    print(email)
```

```
brooks@umich.edu
billg@microsoft.com
None
```

Iterate over all of the items in the list:

```
In [41]: for name, email in x.items():
    print(name)
    print(email)
```

```
Christopher Brooks
brooks@umich.edu
Bill Gates
```

```
billg@microsoft.com  
Kevyn Collins-Thompson  
None
```

You can unpack a sequence into different variables:

```
In [42]: x = ('Christopher', 'Brooks', 'brooksch@umich.edu')  
fname, lname, email = x  
  
In [43]: fname  
Out[43]: 'Christopher'  
  
In [44]: lname  
Out[44]: 'Brooks'
```

Make sure the number of values you are unpacking matches the number of variables being assigned.

```
In [45]: x = ('Christopher', 'Brooks', 'brooksch@umich.edu', 'Ann Arbor')  
fname, lname, email = x  
  
-----  
ValueError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-45-d2c50ec4987a> in <module>  
      1 x = ('Christopher', 'Brooks', 'brooksch@umich.edu', 'Ann Arbor')  
----> 2 fname, lname, email = x  
  
ValueError: too many values to unpack (expected 3)
```

The Python Programming Language: More on Strings

```
In [ ]: print('Chris' + 2)  
  
In [46]: print('Chris' + str(2))  
Chris2
```

Python has a built in method for convenient string formatting.

```
In [47]: sales_record = {  
    'price': 3.24,  
    'num_items': 4,  
    'person': 'Chris'}  
  
sales_statement = '{} bought {} item(s) at a price of {} each for a total of {}'  
  
print(sales_statement.format(sales_record['person'],  
                             sales_record['num_items'],  
                             sales_record['price'],  
                             sales_record['num_items']*sales_record['price']))
```

```
Chris bought 4 item(s) at a price of 3.24 each for a total of 12.96
```

Reading and Writing CSV files

Let's import our datafile mpg.csv, which contains fuel economy data for 234 cars.

- mpg : miles per gallon
- class : car classification
- cty : city mpg
- cyl : # of cylinders
- disp : engine displacement in liters
- drv : f = front-wheel drive, r = rear wheel drive, 4 = 4wd
- fl : fuel (e = ethanol E85, d = diesel, r = regular, p = premium, c = CNG)
- hwy : highway mpg
- manufacturer : automobile manufacturer
- model : model of car
- trans : type of transmission
- year : model year

```
In [53]: import csv  
  
precision 2  
  
with open('../datasets/mpg.csv') as csvfile:  
    mpg = list(csv.DictReader(csvfile))  
  
mpg[:3] # The first three dictionaries in our list.  
  
Out[53]: [OrderedDict([('1', 'audi'),  
                      ('manufacturer', 'audi'),  
                      ('model', 'a4'),  
                      ('displ', '1.8'),  
                      ('year', '1999'),  
                      ('cyl', '4'),  
                      ('trans', 'auto(15)'),  
                      ('drv', 'f'),  
                      ('cty', '18'),  
                      ('hwy', '29'),  
                      ('fl', 'p'),  
                      ('class', 'compact'))],  
          OrderedDict([('2', 'bmw'),  
                      ('manufacturer', 'bmw'),  
                      ('model', '325i'),  
                      ('displ', '2.5'),  
                      ('year', '2001'),  
                      ('cyl', '6'),  
                      ('trans', 'at(5)'),  
                      ('drv', 'r'),  
                      ('cty', '18'),  
                      ('hwy', '29'),  
                      ('fl', 'p'),  
                      ('class', 'compact'))],  
          OrderedDict([('3', 'chevy'),  
                      ('manufacturer', 'chevy'),  
                      ('model', 'vtec'),  
                      ('displ', '3.8'),  
                      ('year', '2005'),  
                      ('cyl', '6'),  
                      ('trans', 'at(5)'),  
                      ('drv', 'f'),  
                      ('cty', '18'),  
                      ('hwy', '29'),  
                      ('fl', 'p'),  
                      ('class', 'compact'))])
```

```
('manufacturer', 'audi'),
('model', 'a4'),
('displ', '1.8'),
('year', '1999'),
('cyl', '4'),
('trans', 'manual(m5)'),
```

`csv.Dictreader` has read in each row of our csv file as a dictionary. `len` shows that our list is comprised of 234 dictionaries.

```
In [54]: len(mpg)
Out[54]: 234
```

'keys' gives us the column names of our csv.

```
In [55]: mpg[0].keys()
Out[55]: dict_keys(['', 'manufacturer', 'model', 'displ', 'year', 'cyl', 'trans', 'drv', 'cty', 'hwy', 'fl', 'class'])
```

This is how to find the average cty fuel economy across all cars. All values in the dictionaries are strings, so we need to convert to float.

```
In [56]: sum(float(d['cty']) for d in mpg) / len(mpg)
Out[56]: 16.86
```

Similarly this is how to find the average hwy fuel economy across all cars.

```
In [57]: sum(float(d['hwy']) for d in mpg) / len(mpg)
Out[57]: 23.44
```

Use `set` to return the unique values for the number of cylinders the cars in our dataset have.

```
In [58]: cylinders = set(d['cyl'] for d in mpg)
cylinders
Out[58]: {'4', '5', '6', '8'}
```

Here's a more complex example where we are grouping the cars by number of cylinder, and finding the average cty mpg for each group.

```
In [59]: CtyMpgByCyl = []

for c in cylinders: # iterate over all the cylinder levels
    summpg = 0
    cyltypecount = 0
    for d in mpg: # iterate over all dictionaries
        if d['cyl'] == c: # if the cylinder level type matches,
            summpg += float(d['cty']) # add the cty mpg
            cyltypecount += 1 # increment the count
    CtyMpgByCyl.append((c, summpg / cyltypecount)) # append the tuple ('cylinder', 'avg mpg')

CtyMpgByCyl.sort(key=lambda x: x[0])
CtyMpgByCyl
Out[59]: [('4', 21.01), ('5', 20.50), ('6', 16.22), ('8', 12.57)]
```

Use `set` to return the unique values for the class types in our dataset.

```
In [60]: vehicleclass = set(d['class'] for d in mpg) # what are the class types
vehicleclass
Out[60]: {'2seater', 'compact', 'midsize', 'minivan', 'pickup', 'subcompact', 'suv'}
```

And here's an example of how to find the average hwy mpg for each class of vehicle in our dataset.

```
In [61]: HwyMpgByClass = []

for t in vehicleclass: # iterate over all the vehicle classes
    summpg = 0
    vclasscount = 0
    for d in mpg: # iterate over all dictionaries
        if d['class'] == t: # if the cylinder amount type matches,
            summpg += float(d['hwy']) # add the hwy mpg
            vclasscount += 1 # increment the count
    HwyMpgByClass.append((t, summpg / vclasscount)) # append the tuple ('class', 'avg mpg')

HwyMpgByClass.sort(key=lambda x: x[1])
HwyMpgByClass
Out[61]: [('pickup', 16.88),
('suv', 18.13),
('minivan', 22.36),
('2seater', 24.80),
('midsize', 27.29),
('subcompact', 28.14),
('compact', 28.30)]
```

The Python Programming Language: Dates and Times

```
In [62]: import datetime as dt
import time as tm
```

```
'time' returns the current time in seconds since the Epoch. (January 1st, 1970)
```

```
In [63]: tm.time()  
Out[63]: 1603101455.45
```

Convert the timestamp to datetime.

```
In [64]: dtnow = dt.datetime.fromtimestamp(tm.time())  
dtnow  
Out[64]: datetime.datetime(2020, 10, 19, 9, 57, 35, 466040)
```

Handy datetime attributes:

```
In [65]: dtnow.year, dtnow.month, dtnow.day, dtnow.hour, dtnow.minute, dtnow.second # get year, month, day, etc.from a datetime  
Out[65]: (2020, 10, 19, 9, 57, 35)
```

'timedelta' is a duration expressing the difference between two dates.

```
In [66]: delta = dt.timedelta(days = 100) # create a timedelta of 100 days  
delta  
Out[66]: datetime.timedelta(days=100)
```

'date.today' returns the current local date.

```
In [67]: today = dt.date.today()  
In [68]: today - delta # the date 100 days ago  
Out[68]: datetime.date(2020, 7, 11)  
In [69]: today > today-delta # compare dates  
Out[69]: True
```

The Python Programming Language: Objects and map()

An example of a class in python:

```
In [70]: class Person:  
    department = 'School of Information' #a class variable  
    def set_name(self, new_name): #a method  
        self.name = new_name  
    def set_location(self, new_location):  
        self.location = new_location  
  
In [71]: person = Person()  
person.set_name('Christopher Brooks')  
person.set_location('Ann Arbor, MI, USA')  
print('{} live in {} and works in the department {}'.format(person.name, person.location, person.department))  
Christopher Brooks live in Ann Arbor, MI, USA and works in the department School of Information
```

Here's an example of mapping the 'min' function between two lists.

```
In [72]: store1 = [10.00, 11.00, 12.34, 2.34]  
store2 = [9.00, 11.10, 12.34, 2.01]  
cheapest = map(min, store1, store2)  
cheapest  
Out[72]: <map at 0x7f69185fe438>
```

Now let's iterate through the map object to see the values.

```
In [73]: for item in cheapest:  
    print(item)  
9.0  
11.0  
12.34  
2.01
```

The Python Programming Language: Lambda and List Comprehensions

Here's an example of lambda that takes in three parameters and adds the first two.

```
In [74]: my_function = lambda a, b, c : a + b  
In [75]: my_function(1, 2, 3)  
Out[75]: 3
```

Let's iterate from 0 to 999 and return the even numbers.

```
In [76]: my_list = []
for number in range(0, 1000):
    if number % 2 == 0:
        my_list.append(number)
my_list
```

```
Out[76]: [0,
          2,
          4,
          6,
          8,
          10,
          12,
          14,
          16,
          18,
          20,
          22,
          24,
          26,
          28,
          30,
          32,
          34,
          36,
```

Now the same thing but with list comprehension.

```
In [77]: my_list = [number for number in range(0,1000) if number % 2 == 0]
my_list
```

```
Out[77]: [0,
          2,
          4,
          6,
          8,
          10,
          12,
          14,
          16,
          18,
          20,
          22,
          24,
          26,
          28,
          30,
          32,
          34,
          36,
```