# 06 Exercises

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# 0.1 Exercise 06.1 (selecting and passing data structures)

The task in Exercise 04 for computing the area of a triangle involved a function with six arguments (x and y components of each vertex). With six arguments, the likelihood of a user passing arguments in the wrong order is high.

Use an appropriate data structure, e.g. a list, tuple, dict, etc, to develop a new version of the function with a simpler interface (the interface is the arguments that are passed to the function). Add appropriate checks inside your function to validate the input data.

```
[0]: #List
def area(x, y):
    triangle = abs((x[0]*(y[1]-y[2]))+(x[1]*(y[2]-y[0]))+(x[2]*(y[0]-y[1])))/2
    return triangle

x = [0.0, 0.0, 3.0]
y = [0.0, 2.0, 0.0]

print(type(x))

A = area(x, y)
print(A)
assert round(A - 3.0, 10) == 0.0
```

```
<class 'list'>
3.0
```

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[0]: #Tupple
def area(x, y):
    triangle = abs((x[0]*(y[1]-y[2]))+(x[1]*(y[2]-y[0]))+(x[2]*(y[0]-y[1])))/2
    return triangle

x = (0.0, 0.0, 3.0)
y = (0.0, 2.0, 0.0)

print(type(x))

B = area(x, y)
print(B)
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assert round(B - 3.0, 10) == 0.0
    <class 'tuple'>
    3.0
[0]: #Dictionary
     def area(t):
       triangle =
      \Rightarrow abs((t['x0']*(t['y1']-t['y2']))+(t['x1']*(t['y2']-t['y0']))+(t['x2']*(t['y0']-t['y1'])))/(t['x1']*(t['y1']-t['y1'])))
       return triangle
     data={
          'x0':0.0, 'y0':0.0,
          'x1':0.0, 'y1':2.0,
          'x2':3.0, 'y2':0.0
     print(type(data))
     C = area(data)
     print(C)
     assert round(C - 3.0, 10) == 0.0
    <class 'dict'>
    3.0
```

### 0.2 Exercise 06.2 (selecting data structures)

For a simple (non-intersecting) polygon with n vertices,  $(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $(x_1, y_1)$ , . . ,  $(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1})$ , the area A is given by

$$A = \left| \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (x_i y_{i+1} - x_{i+1} y_i) \right|$$

and where  $(x_n, y_n) = (x_0, y_0)$ . The vertices should be ordered as you move around the polygon.

Write a function that computes the area of a simple polygon with an arbitrary number of vertices. Test your function for some simple shapes. Pay careful attention to the range of any loops.

# 0.3 Exercise 06.3 (indexing)

Write a function that uses list indexing to add two vectors of arbitrary length, and returns the new vector. Include a check that the vector sizes match, and print a warning message if there is a size mismatch. The more error information you provide, the easier it would be for someone using your function to debug their code.

Add some tests of your code.

### Hint: You can create a list of zeros of length n by

```
z = [0]*n
```

**Optional (advanced)** Try writing a one-line version of this operation using list comprehension and the built-in function zip.

```
[0]: def sum_vector(x, y):
    "Return sum of two vectors"
    z=[]
    if len(x) != len(y):
        print('vector size mismatch')
    else:
        for i in range(len(x)):
            z.append(x[i]+y[i])
    return z
```

```
[0]: a = [0, 4.3, -5, 7]
b = [-2, 7, -15, 1]

c = sum_vector(a, b)

print(c)
assert c == [-2, 11.3, -20, 8]
```

[-2, 11.3, -20, 8]

#### 0.3.1 Extension: list comprehension

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[0]: a = [0, 4.3, -5, 7]
b = [-2, 7, -15, 1]
c = [i + j for i, j in zip(a, b)]

print(c)
assert c == [-2, 11.3, -20, 8]
```

[-2, 11.3, -20, 8]

### 0.4 Exercise 06.4 (dictionaries)

Create dictionary that maps college names (the key) abbreviations for at least 5 colleges (you can find abbreviations at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colleges\_of\_the\_University\_of\_Cambridge#Colleges). From the dictionary, produce and print

- 1. A dictionary from college abbreviation to name; and
- 2. A list of college abbreviations sorted into alphabetical order.

Optional extension: Create a dictionary that maps college names (the key) to dictionaries of:

- College abbreviation
- Year of foundation
- Total number students

for at least 5 colleges. Take the data from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colleges\_of\_the\_University\_of\_Cambrid Using this dictionary,

- 1. Find the college with the greatest number of students and print the abbreviation; and
- 2. Find the oldest college, and print the number of students and the abbreviation for this college.

```
[0]: college = {
         'Clare':'CL',
         'Corpus Christi':'CC',
         'Churchill':'CHU',
         'Darwin': 'DAR',
         'Clare Hall':'CLH'}
     print(college)
     # Create empty dictionary
     college_inverse = {}
     # Build inverse dictionary to map 'abreviation' -> name
     for name, abbreviation in college.items():
         # Insert entry into dictionary
         college_inverse[abbreviation] = name
     print(college_inverse)
     #Sorting By Keys
     print(sorted(college_inverse.keys()))
     print(sorted(college_inverse.items()))
    {'Clare': 'CL', 'Corpus Christi': 'CC', 'Churchill': 'CHU', 'Darwin': 'DAR',
    'Clare Hall': 'CLH'}
    {'CL': 'Clare', 'CC': 'Corpus Christi', 'CHU': 'Churchill', 'DAR': 'Darwin',
    'CLH': 'Clare Hall'}
    ['CC', 'CHU', 'CL', 'CLH', 'DAR']
```

#### Optional extension

Hall'), ('DAR', 'Darwin')]

[('CC', 'Corpus Christi'), ('CHU', 'Churchill'), ('CL', 'Clare'), ('CLH', 'Clare

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[65]: college = {
          'Clare':{'abv':'CL','year':1326,'student':808},
          'Corpus Christi':{'abv':'CC','year':1352,'student':553},
          'Churchill':{'abv':'CHU','year':1960,'student':845},
          'Darwin':{'abv':'DAR','year':1964,'student':755},
          'Clare Hall':{'abv':'CLH','year':1966,'student':249}}
      print(college)
      #the greatest number of students and print the abbreviation;
      max_students = max([int(i['student']) for i in college.values()])
      print(max_students)
      #the oldest
      oldest = max([int(i['year']) for i in college.values()])
      print(oldest)
     {'Clare': {'abv': 'CL', 'year': 1326, 'student': 808}, 'Corpus Christi': {'abv':
     'CC', 'year': 1352, 'student': 553}, 'Churchill': {'abv': 'CHU', 'year': 1960,
     'student': 845}, 'Darwin': {'abv': 'DAR', 'year': 1964, 'student': 755}, 'Clare
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Hall': {'abv': 'CLH', 'year': 1966, 'student': 249}}

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