

Fundamentals of Python

PYTHON FUNCTIONS



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Argument Vs Parameter

functions are reusable blocks of code that perform a specific task.

```
def add(a, b): # This are parameters.
    """Function to add two numbers"""
    return a + b

result = add(5, 3) # This are arguments.
# 5,3 are positional argument whose sequence matters. ie. a=5, b=3
print(result) # Output: 8

def add(a=1, b=1):
    """Function to add two numbers"""
    return a + b

result = add()
# a=1, b=1 are default argument.
# If you pass argument then no use of default argument
result1 = add(2)
print(result) # Output: 2
print(result1) # Output: 3

def add(a, b):
    """Function to add two numbers"""
    return a + b

result = add(a=5, b=3)
# a,b are keyword argument whose sequence doesn't matter.
print(result) # Output: 8
```



***args Vs **kwargs**

These are special Python keywords used to pass a variable number of arguments to a function.

***args:**

1. It allows us to pass a variable no. of non-keyword arguments to a function.
2. Internally python stores all values in tuple.

****kwargs:**

1. It allows us to pass any no. of keyword arguments. It means that they contain a key-value pair.
2. Internally python will store key-value pairs in the dictionary.

Order of argument matters: Normal -> *args -> **kwargs



*args Vs **kwargs

```
def compute_statistics(operation, *args, **kwargs):
    if not args:
        return "No data provided."

    result = None
    if operation == "sum":
        result = sum(args)
    elif operation == "average":
        result = sum(args) / len(args)
    elif operation == "min":
        result = min(args)
    elif operation == "max":
        result = max(args)
    else:
        return "Invalid operation."

    if kwargs.get("round"):
        result = round(result, kwargs["round"])

    return result

# Sum of numbers
print(compute_statistics("sum", 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)) # Output: 15

# Average of numbers
print(compute_statistics("average", 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)) # Output: 3.0

# Minimum of numbers
print(compute_statistics("min", 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)) # Output: 1

# Maximum of numbers
print(compute_statistics("max", 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)) # Output: 5

# Sum of numbers rounded to the nearest integer
print(compute_statistics("sum", 1.1, 2.2, 3.3, 4.4, 5.5, round=0))
# Output: 16.0
```

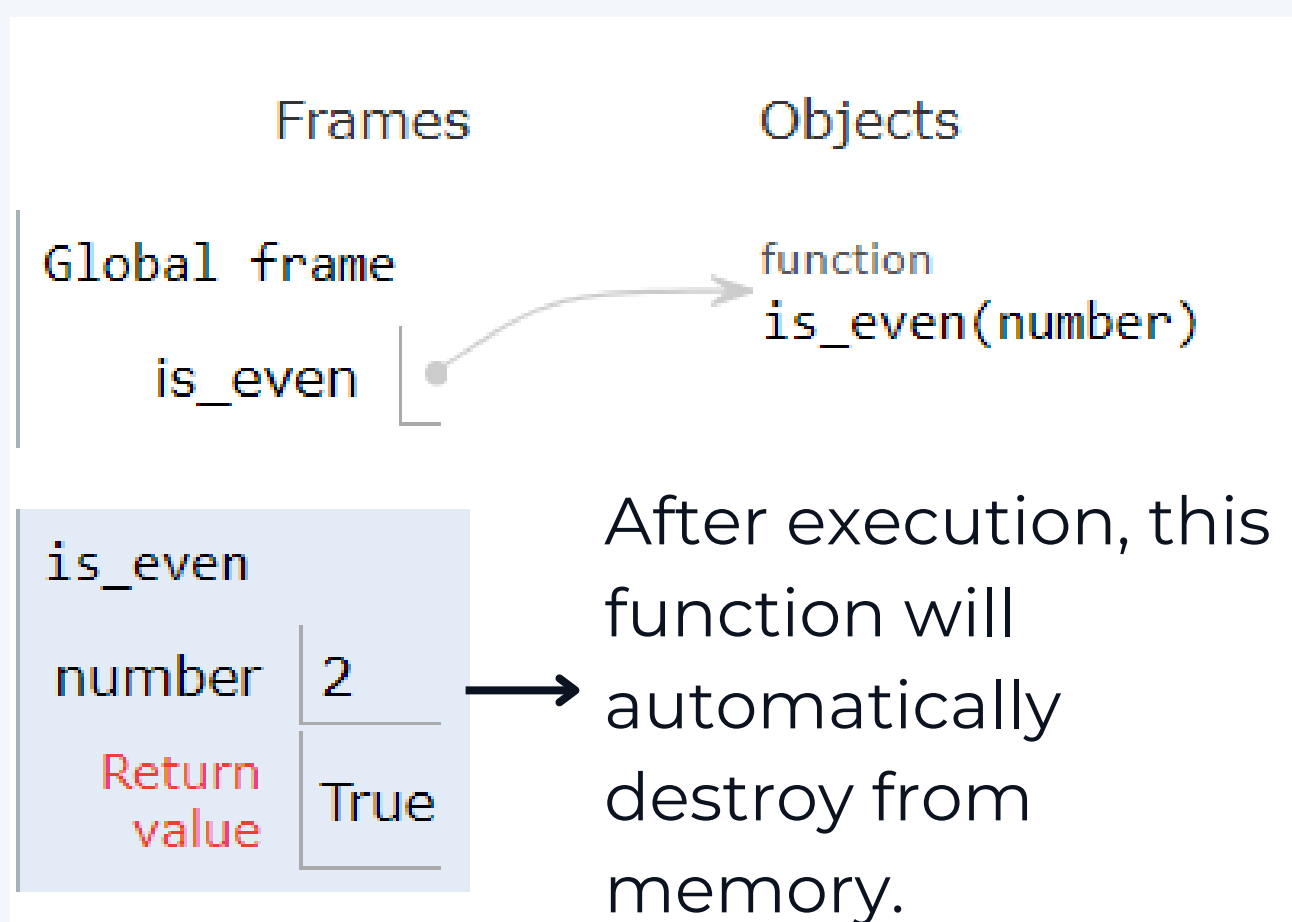


Memory execution

Real-life eg:

1. complete ram = city
2. program scope/ Global frame = House
3. Function scope = 1 room in that house

```
def is_even(number):  
    """  
    Function to check if a single number is even.  
    Returns True if the number is even, otherwise False.  
    """ # This is doc string of this fun. Just like manual  
    return number % 2 == 0  
  
print(is_even(2)) # True  
# To access doc string of any function:  
# fun_name.__doc__ (is_even.__doc__)
```



Default return value of fun: None

Life span of any fun and variables in that fun is till the execution of fun.
ie. calling of fun to return of fun.



Namespaces (Variable scope)

Namespace is a system that ensures that names are unique and can be used to avoid naming conflicts.

Types of namespaces in Python:

1. **Built-in:** This namespace contains all the built-in functions and exceptions. It is automatically loaded when Python starts up.
2. **Global:** This namespace contains all the names defined at the top level of the script or module. It remains active throughout the module.
3. **Local:** Each function call creates a new local namespace. It contains all the names defined within that function. This namespace is destroyed once the function call is completed.
4. **Enclosing Namespace (Non-local Namespace):**
When you have nested functions in Python, each function has its local namespace. If a variable is not found in the local namespace of a function, Python searches for it in the enclosing (outer) function's namespace. This behavior allows inner functions to access variables from the enclosing function's scope.



Namespaces (Variable scope)

```
# Built-in namespace
import math
print(math.sqrt(25))  # Output: 5.0

# Global namespace
x = 10

# Enclosing namespace
def outer_function():
    y = 20  # Variable in the enclosing namespace

    def inner_function():
        nonlocal y  # Declares y as non-local
        y = 30  # Modifies the value of y in the enclosing scope
        print("Inner function - y:", y)  # Output: Inner function - y: 30

    inner_function()
    print("Outer function - y:", y)  # Output: Outer function - y: 30

outer_function()

# Local namespace
def my_function():
    z = 15  # Local variable
    print("Local variable z:", z)  # Output: Local variable z: 15

my_function()
```



Nested functions

- **Simple Nested Function:** inner_function is defined inside outer_function. So, other than outer_function no other external function can access inner_function.
- **Returning Nested Function:** outer_function returns inner_function, and any external function can access inner_function.
- **Passing Arguments to Nested Function:** inner_function accepts an argument name, which is passed when calling returned_function.
- **Closure:** inner_function has access to the variable x from the enclosing scope of outer_function. This is a closure.



Nested functions

```
# 1. Simple Nested Function
def outer_function_1():
    def inner_function_1():
        print("Inner function 1")

    print("Outer function 1")
    inner_function_1()

outer_function_1() # Output: Outer function 1  Inner function 1

# 2. Returning Nested Function
def outer_function_2():
    def inner_function_2():
        return "Inner function 2"

    return inner_function_2

returned_function_2 = outer_function_2()
print(returned_function_2()) # Output: Inner function 2

# 3. Passing Arguments to Nested Function
def outer_function_3():
    def inner_function_3(name):
        return f"Hello, {name}!"

    return inner_function_3

returned_function_3 = outer_function_3()
print(returned_function_3("Alice")) # Output: Hello, Alice!

# 4. Closure
def outer_function_4(x):
    def inner_function_4(y):
        return x + y

    return inner_function_4

returned_function_4 = outer_function_4(10)
print(returned_function_4(5)) # Output: 15
```



Decorators

Decorators are functions themselves that take another function as an argument and return a new function that usually extends or modifies the behavior of the original function.

Use cases for decorators:

1. **Logging:** Adding logging functionality to functions.
2. **Timing:** Timing how long a function takes to execute.
3. **Authentication/Authorization:** Checking if a user is authenticated or authorized to access a function.



Decorators

```
def my_decorator(func):  
    def wrapper():  
        print("Something is happening before the function is called.")  
        func()  
        print("Something is happening after the function is called.")  
    return wrapper  
  
@my_decorator  
def say_hello():  
    print("Hello!")  
  
say_hello()  
  
# Output  
# Something is happening before the function is called.  
# Hello!  
# Something is happening after the function is called.
```



Functions are 1st class citizen

- **Assigning function to a variable:** The function greet is assigned to a variable my_func, and then my_func is called.
- **Passing function as an argument to another function:** The function greet is passed as an argument to call_func, which then calls it.
- **Returning a function from another function:** outer_func defines and returns an inner function inner_func, which is then called after being returned.
- **Storing functions in data structures:** The function greet is stored in a list function_list and then called from the list.
- **Creating functions at runtime:** create_func defines and returns a dynamically created function dynamic_func, which is then called.



Functions are 1st class citizen

```
# Function definition
def greet():
    print("Hello!")

# 1. Assigning function to a variable
my_func = greet
my_func() # Output: Hello!

# 2. Passing function as an argument to another function
def call_func(func):
    func()

call_func(greet) # Output: Hello!

# 3. Returning a function from another function
def outer_func():
    def inner_func():
        print("Inner function")
    return inner_func

returned_func = outer_func()
returned_func() # Output: Inner function

# 4. Storing functions in data structures
function_list = [greet]
function_list[0]() # Output: Hello!

# 5. Creating functions at runtime
def create_func():
    def dynamic_func():
        print("Dynamic function")
    return dynamic_func

my_func = create_func()
my_func() # Output: Dynamic function
```



Lambda function

```
# Normal function
def square(x):
    return x ** 2
# Using normal function
print(square(5)) # Output: 25

# Lambda function
square_lambda = lambda x: x ** 2
# Using lambda function
print(square_lambda(5)) # Output: 25

# Function vs Lambda: Name
print(square.__name__) # Output: square
print(square_lambda.__name__) # Output: <lambda>
```

- **Normal Function (square):** It's defined using the `def` keyword, has a name (`square`), and uses a `return` statement to specify the result.
- **Lambda Function (square_lambda):** It's defined using the `lambda` keyword, doesn't have a name by default (shown as `<lambda>`), and consists of a single expression whose result is returned implicitly.



Higher order function

A higher-order function is a function that takes another function as an argument or returns a function as its result.

```
def apply_operation(operation, x, y):  
    return operation(x, y)  
  
def add(x, y):  
    return x + y  
  
def multiply(x, y):  
    return x * y  
  
result1 = apply_operation(add, 3, 5)  
# Passing 'add' function as an argument  
  
result2 = apply_operation(multiply, 3, 5)  
# Passing 'multiply' function as an argument  
  
print(result1) # Output: 8  
print(result2) # Output: 15
```

3 Higher-order functions:

1. Map
2. Filter
3. Reduce



Higher order function

```
from functools import reduce

# Define functions for map, filter, and reduce
def square(x):
    return x * x

def is_even(x):
    return x % 2 == 0

def add(x, y):
    return x + y

# Data
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]

# Using map to square each number
squared_numbers = list(map(square, numbers))
print("Squared numbers:", squared_numbers)
# Output: [1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36]

# Using filter to filter even numbers
even_numbers = list(filter(is_even, numbers))
print("Even numbers:", even_numbers)
# Output: [2, 4, 6]

# Using reduce to sum all numbers
sum_of_numbers = reduce(add, numbers)
print("Sum of numbers:", sum_of_numbers)
# Output: 21
```



Coding problems

- Python Program to Find LCM
- Python Program to Find HCF
- Python Program to Convert Decimal to Binary, Octal and Hexadecimal
- Python Program To Find ASCII value of a character
- Python Program to Make a Simple Calculator
- Python Program to Display Calendar





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