

The Fundamental Rule

A function encapsulates an expression.

- ◆ Statements are optional
- ◆ Some common cases:
 - ◆ They can choose among expressions
 - ◆ They can implement “for all” or “there exists” when dealing with collections

On Declarations

- ◆ Note that a Python function definition can be spare

No declaration of parameter types or return type

- ◆ How Can this work?

- ◆ Each **object** has all the type information bound into it

- ◆ Our **odd()** function will work with any object that implements the **%** operator

- ◆ Which means **any** object offering **__mod__()** or **__rmod__()** methods

- ◆ Which means most subclass of **numbers.Number**