CS134:

Functions, Booleans, and Conditionals























Announcements & Logistics

- Homework 2 is due Monday 10 pm
 - Ten multiple-choice questions on Glow
 - Try to answer them using pencil and paper first
 - Can verify answers using interactive Python if you wish
- Lab 2 has been posted, due Wed 10pm / Thur 10pm
 - Plan to spend 30-60 min on it before arriving to lab
- Please double check your Peoplesoft enrollment and make sure you're in the correct lab and lecture section (today is the last day to make changes!)

Do You Have Any Questions?

Last Time

- Discussed functions in greater detail
- Reviewed the built-in functions:
 - input(), print(), int(), float(), str()
- Note: Some functions return an explicit value
 - int(), input(), our definition of square()
- Other functions "do something" but don't explicitly return
 - print(), user-defined functions without explicit return statement like singsong()
 - Such functions "secretly" (or implicitly) return a None value (more on this today!)

Jupyter Notebook: Let's See Some Examples (from last lecture's notebook)

























Today's Plan

- Write a non-trivial function together in VS Code
- Review two ways to test functions:
 - Interactively (Python prompt >>> in Terminal)
 - By running it as a script (Save file in VS Code, run in Terminal)
- Wrap up discussion of functions
 - Discuss return statements and variable scope in more detail
- Start learning about conditionals (Lab 2!)
 - Boolean data type
 - Making decisions in Python using if else statements

Exercise: Making Change

- Suppose you are a cashier and you need to make change for a given number of cents using only quarters, dimes, nickels, and pennies
- Most cashiers use the following greedy strategy to make change using the fewest number of coins:
 - Use as many quarters as possible first, then as many dimes as possible next, and so on, using pennies last
 - Assume you have an unlimited supply of each coin



Exercise: Making Change

- **Problem**. Let us write a function **makeChange**(**cents**) that takes as a parameter an integer **cents** and returns the fewest number of coins needed to make change for **cents** cents
- Approach: Decompose the problem into smaller pieces
 - What is the maximum number of quarters we can use?
 - q = cents // 25
 - How much money is left after we use q quarters?
 - cents = cents % 25
 - For the remaining cents, what is the maximum number of dimes can we use?

Example Code

```
# simple function to make change
    # module change
 3
     def numCoins(cents):
       """Takes as input cents (int) and returns the fewest
       number (int) of coins of type quarter, dimes, nickels
       and pennies that can make change for cents"""
8
     # print("{} quarters, {} dimes, {} nickels, {} pennies".format(q, d, n, p))
10
     pass
11
                                            Ignore this for now...We will come
12
    # call the function here
                                                    back to this soon.
13
     # ignore the next line for now
     if __name__ == "__main__":
14
       cents = int(input("Enter the number of cents: "))
15
       print("Number of coins: ", numCoins(cents))
16
17
```

Let's implement this together!

```
Solution
    # simple function to make change
1
 2
    # module change
 3
    def numCoins(cents):
 4
       """Takes as input cents and returns
 5
       the fewest number of coins of type
 6
 7
       quarter, dimes, nickels and pennies
      that can make change for cents"""
8
9
      # num of quarters
10
       q = cents // 25
      # what's left
11
12
      cents = cents % 25
13
      # number of dimes
14
15
      d = cents // 10
16
      # what's left
17
      cents = cents % 10
18
      # number of nickels
19
20
      n = cents // 5
21
22
      # what's left = number of pennies
23
       p = cents % 5
24
25
       print("{} quarters, {} dimes, {} nickels, {} pennies".format(q, d, n, p))
       return q + d + n + p
26
27
    # call the function here
28
29
     if name == " main ":
30
       cents = int(input("Enter the number of cents: "))
       print("Number of coins: ", numCoins(cents))
31
```

Two Ways To Test Our Code

I) Write code in a file change.py. Execute the program from the Terminal using python3.

```
bash-3.2$ python3 change.py
Enter the number of cents: 89
3 quarters, 1 dimes, 0 nickels, 4 pennies
Number of coins: 8
```

2) Test interactively by importing the function in *interactive Python*. We'll see this again in Lab 2.

```
bash-3.2$ python3
Python 3.9.7 (v3.9.7:1016ef3790, Aug 30 2021, 16:25:35)
[Clang 12.0.5 (clang-1205.0.22.11)] on darwin
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> from change import numCoins
>>> numCoins(89)
3 quarters, 1 dimes, 0 nickels, 4 pennies
8
>>> numCoins(99)
3 quarters, 2 dimes, 0 nickels, 4 pennies
9
>>> □
```

Aside: Running Code in Textbook

```
>>> def print_lyrics():
... print("I'm a lumberjack, and I'm okay.")
... print("I sleep all night and I work all day.")
...
To end the function, you have to enter an empty line.
```

```
>>> math.sqrt(5)
2.2360679774997898
```

Three carrot signs (>>>) represent interactive Python mode (in Terminal)

```
def print_lyrics():
    print("I'm a lumberjack, and I'm okay.")
    print("I sleep all night and I work all day.")

def repeat_lyrics():
    print_lyrics()
    print_lyrics()
    as a script (use VS Code)

repeat_lyrics()
```

Variable Scope

- Local variables: An assignment to a variable within a function definition creates/modifies a local variable
- Local variables exist and are valid only within a function's body, and cannot be referred to outside of it
- Parameters are also local variables that are assigned a value when the function is invoked

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

```
>>> square (5)
```

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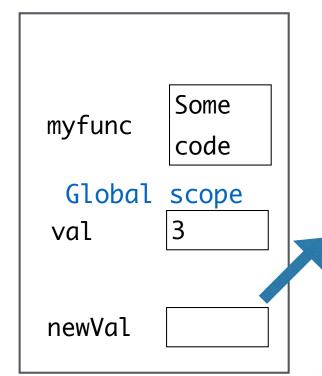
>>> num

NameError: name 'num' is not defined

```
def myfunc (val):
    val = val + 1
    print('val = ', val)
    return val
val = 3
                                  Some
                          myfunc
newVal = myfunc(val)
                                  code
                           Global scope
                          val
                          newVal
```

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   return val
```

```
val = 3
newVal = myfunc(val)
```



myfunc frame

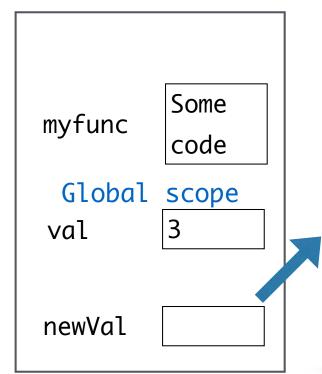
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val 3

val = val + 1

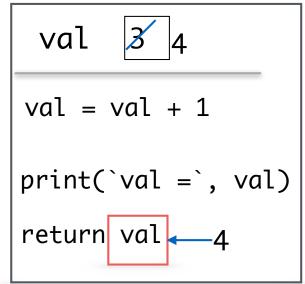
print(`val =`, val)
return val
```

```
def myfunc (val):
   val = val + 1
   print('val = ', val)
   return val
```

```
val = 3
newVal = myfunc(val)
```



myfunc frame

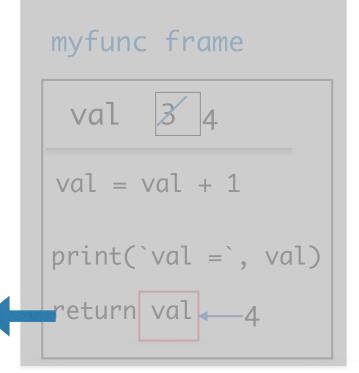


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def myfunc (val):
   val = val + 1
   print('val = ', val)
   return val
```

Function frame destroyed (and all local variables lost) after return from call

```
val = 3
newVal = myfunc(val)
```

```
myfunc
code
Global scope
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3
```



Information flow out of a function is only through return statements!

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Return Statements

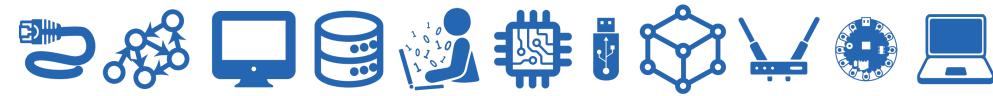
- return only has meaning inside of a function definition
- A function definition may have multiple returns, but only the first one encountered is executed!
 - We will see functions with multiple returns very soon
- Any code that exists after a return statement is unreachable and will not be executed
- The value returned by the function's return statement replaces the function call in a computation
- Functions without an explicit return statement implicitly return None

Moving On: Making Decisions

























Making Decisions



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If the light is yellow, slow down. If it is red, stop.





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Decisions Based on Yes/No Questions



If it is raining, then bring an umbrella.

Is it raining?

If the light is yellow, slow down. If it is red, stop.



Is it yellow? red? green?



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Are you inside?

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Boolean Types

- Python has two values of bool type, written True and False
- These are called logical values or Boolean values, named after 19th century mathematician George Boole
- True and False must be capitalized!
 - Internally True = 1, False = 0
- Boolean values naturally result when answering a yes or no question
 - Is 10 greater than 5? Yes/True
 - Is 23 an even number? No/False
 - Does 'Williams' begin with a vowel? No/False
- Boolean values result naturally when using relational and logical operators

Relational Operators

```
< (less than), > (greater than)
<= (less than or equal to), > = (greater than or equal to)
== (equal to), ! = (not equal to)
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```
>>> 0 == True
False
>>> True == True
True
True
>>> int(False)
0
>>> int(True)
1
```

Boolean Expressions and If Statement

- Python expressions that result in a True/False output are called boolean expressions
- For example, checking if a user's entered number, **num**, is even
- How do we do this? (What is a property of even numbers that we can use to test this condition?)
 - Even numbers are divisible by 2 (give remainder zero)
 - Thus, num % 2 should be zero if and only if num is even
- Now we have a Boolean expression we can test for: num % 2 == 0
- We can implement "conditional statements" in Python using Boolean expressions and an if-else statement

Python Conditionals (if Statements)

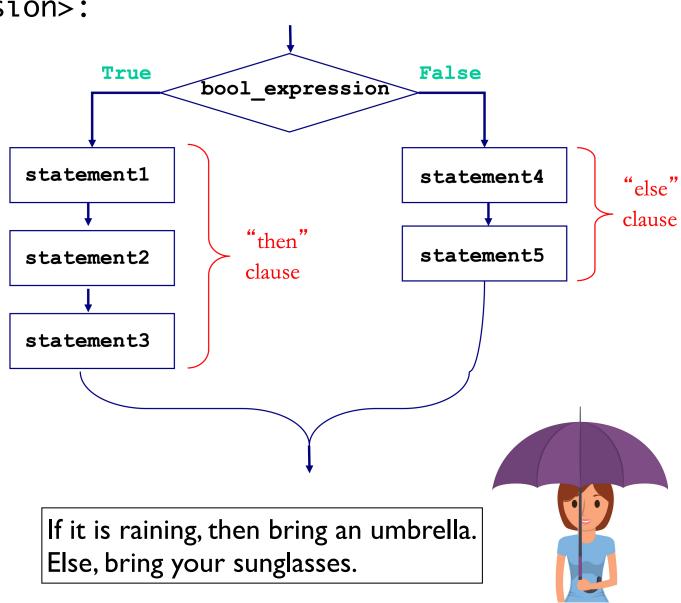
if <boolean expression>:

statement1
statement2
statement3

else:

statement4 statement5

Note: (syntax) Indentation and colon after if and else



Conditional Statements: If Else

Consider the following functions that check if a number is even or odd

```
def printEven(num):
    """Takes a number as input, prints Even if
    it is even, else prints Odd"""
    if num % 2 == 0: # if even
        print("Even")
    else:
        print("Odd")
```

```
def isEven(num):
    """Takes a number as input, returns True if
    it is even, else returns False"""
    return num % 2 == 0
```