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MODERN PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE (Python)

Functions





Learning Outcome

- Should know about What is Function?
- Could use Function Arguments?
- Should know about Function return values?
- Learn What are Function Scopes?





What is Function

- A *function* is a device that groups a set of statements so they can be run more than once in a program
- Functions let us specify parameters that serve as function inputs
- It provides maximum *code reuse*,

- We have used the functions:
 - Open()
 - Len()
 - Append()
 - Etc.





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- They are called in expressions, are passed values, and return results.
- We start a function by **def** keyword
- **def** function_name():
 - **print**("this is inside the function")
- **def** creates statements object that will not be executed until it is called.





Arguments

- A function can pass the arguments as object references.
- Example:
 - `def my_function(name, s_name):`
 - `print (f"Your name is: {name}, and your Father Name is: {f_name}")`
 - Call it in program:
 - `my_function("Hakim")`
 - We can assign the default parameter values, when no value is passed.
 - `def my_function(name, s_name="second Name")`
 - `print (f"Your name is: {name}, and your Father Name is: {f_name}")`





Practice

- Write a Python function to find the Max of two numbers.
- Write a Python function to take three inputs and multiply it with three numbers?
- Write a Python function to check whether a number is in a given range?
- Homework?
- What the difference between Range and XRange function in python?





Return Statements

- The methods can return statements so we can assign the result to a variable.
- We can pass the values for the functions to get the result from it.
- Example:
 - `def addition(num1, num2):`
 - `result=num1+num2`
 - `return result`
 - Call it in the program:
 - `Sum=addition(3,4)`





Practice

- Write a function which is able to convert Mile to KM, with a return statements.
- Suppose you are going to shop and buying baskets of goods and fruits as follows:
 - 2 Kg apple: 50 AFN p/kg
 - 10 Kg rice: 100 AFN p/kg
 - 1 ltr Milk: 50 AFN p/ltr
- Find the overall basket price and print it to the user as follows:
- You have to pay : price





Arbitrary number of Arguments

- What if we don't know about the number of arguments we pass?
- We can use “ * variable” to pass any number of arguments
- Example:
 - `def addition(num1, num2, num3):`
 - `return sum(num1, num2, num3)`
 - If we call:
 - `addition(56,23)` # we missed the num3, ERROR
 - Instead we can use
 - `def addition (* args):`
 - `return sum(args)`





Scope of Variables

- Basically there is precedence of LEGB:
 - L: Local — Names assigned in any way within a function (def or lambda), and not declared global in that function.
 - E: Enclosing function locals — Names in the local scope of any and all enclosing functions (def or lambda), from inner to outer.
 - G: Global (module) — Names assigned at the top-level of a module file, or declared global in a def within the file.
 - B: Built-in (Python) — Names preassigned in the built-in names module : open, range, SyntaxError,...





Scope of variable

Built-in (Python)

Names preassigned in the built-in names module: `open`, `range`, `SyntaxError`....

Global (module)

Names assigned at the top-level of a module file, or declared `global` in a `def` within the file.

Enclosing function locals

Names in the local scope of any and all enclosing functions (`def` or `lambda`), from inner to outer.

Local (function)

Names assigned in any way within a function (`def` or `lambda`), and not declared `global` in that function.





Enclosing function locals

- Enclosing (or nonlocal) scope is a special scope that only exists for nested functions
- If the local scope is an inner or nested function, then the enclosing scope is the scope of the outer or enclosing function.
- This scope contains the names that you define in the enclosing function.





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name='Ahmad'  
  
def setName():  
  
    name='Saeed'  
    def setName2():  
        print("Your name is:"+name)  
  
    setName2()
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setName()
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Thank You!

