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# **Introduction to Data Science Programming**

Function: Program Development

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# Lecture Outline

## Control flow tools

- Condition with sequences
- Condition with sequences with 'in' operator

## Function Definition

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- Function Definition: arguments/returns
- Modular Approach in Programming
- Function Definition: Recursion

# Conditions with sequences: List, Tuple

- Sequence data types in python are: **list**, **tuple**, **dict**, and **set**.
- List
  - For given two lists, we can test if they are equal or not *using* '=='

```
x = [3, 10, 10, 50]
```

```
y = [3, 10, 50]
```

```
if x==y:
```

```
    print('x and y are same')
```

- Operators like >, <, >=, <= are not applicable for lists **or strings**
- Tuple: Two tuples can be testes for equality (same as list)

# Conditions with sequences: Dictionaries

- Dictionaries: dict

- For given two dictionaries, we can test if they are equal or not *using* '=='

```
x = {'A':1, 'B':2, 'C':3}
```

```
y = {'A':1, 'B':2, 'C':4}
```

```
if x==y:  
    print('x and y are same')
```

- We can also check two dictionaries have same length and same keys

```
if len(x) == len(y):  
    print('x and y have same length')
```

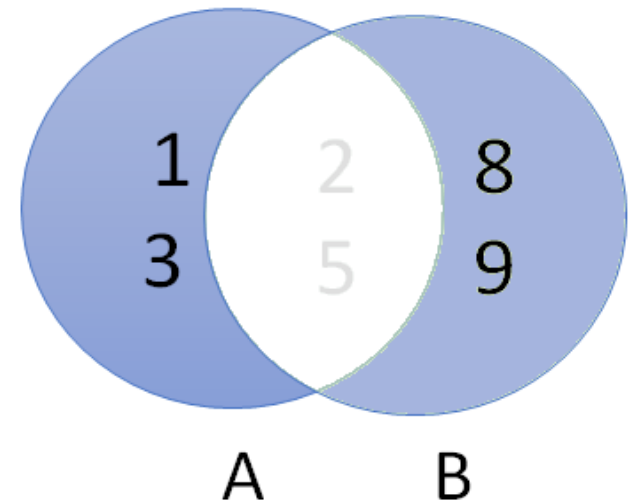
```
if x.keys() == y.keys():  
    print('x and y have same keys')
```

# Conditions with sequences: Sets

- Sets: set

- For given two sets, we can test equality, and exclusion '==', '>', '<',

- $A == B$  if A is equal to B
- $A < B$  if A is proper subset of B
- $A <= B$  if A is subset of B
- $A > B$  If A is proper superset of B
- $A >= B$  If A is superset of B



```
x = set([1,2,2,2,3])
```

```
y = set([2,1,1,3])
```

```
if x == y:
```

```
    print('x and y are same')
```

# Conditions with sequences: Sets

- Set: question

A = set([1,2,2,2,3])

B = set([2,1,1,3])

C = set([2,1,3,4,4])

- A == B    if A is equal to B
- A < B    if A is proper subset of B
- A <= B    if A is subset of B
- A > B.    If A is proper superset of B
- A >= B.    If A is superset of B

- Check which one is subset of which and proper subset of which

- Is A subset of B and C?
- Is B subset of A and C?
- Is C subset of A and B?

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## Conditions with sequences: 'in'

$x \in Y$

- In Python, **in** operator allows you to test, whether an element is in given sequences, which can be a list, tuple, set or keys of a dictionary

```
x1 = [1,2,3]
x2 = (1,2,3)
x3 = set([1,2,2,2,3])
x4 = {1: 'A', 2: 'B', 3: 'C'}

if 1 in x1:
    print('1 is in x1')

if 1 in x2:
    print('1 is in x2')

if 1 in x4.keys():
    print('1 is in x4')

if 1 in x4:
    print('1 is in x4')
```



## Conditions with sequences: 'in'

$x \in Y$

- **in** operator is useful to avoid errors and create dynamic sequences
  - Before looking index of an element, test if it is in the list
  - Create new key-value pair in dictionary, only if it doesn't exist

```
x = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'G']
```

```
if 'K' in x:
```

```
    idx = x.index('K')
```

```
    print('K is in x at location',idx)
```

```
y = {'A':1, 'B':2, 'C':3}
```

```
if 'D' not in y:
```

```
    y['D'] = 4
```

## Conditions with sequences: 'in'

$x \in Y$

- Question
- Given a sentence

S = 'set theory is one of the greatest achievements of modern mathematics'

- Create a dictionary that tells the frequency of all the vowels in the sentence S

The output should look something like this:

```
freq_vowels = {'a':10, 'e':12, 'i':2, 'o':5, 'u':0}
```

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# Defining a function

- To reuse a block of code, a function can be created, then it can be called anywhere in the script.

```
def myfun():  
    print('Welcome to my code')
```

```
myfun()
```

```
def fun_name():  
    ...  
    do something with x  
    ...
```

# Defining a function

## Arguments and returns

- A function can have input and output arguments.



```
def myfun(x, y):  
    z = (x**2 - y**2)  
    return z
```

```
Z = myfun(2,3)
```

```
Z = myfun(x=2, y=3)
```

```
def myfun(x,y):
```

```
    ...  
    do something with x  
    ...
```

```
    return z
```

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# Defining a function

## Calling a function

```
def myfun(x, y):  
    z = (x**2 - y**2)  
    return z
```

- Calling a function

- Positional arguments: the order the position should be same as function definition

```
Z = myfun(2,3)    #here x=2, y=3
```

```
Z = myfun(3,2)    #here x=3, y=2
```

- Argument with names: while passing arguments with names, the order doesn't matter

```
Z = myfun(x=2, y=3)
```

```
Z = myfun(y=3, x=2)
```

## Defining a function: Question

- Question
- Create a function that returns grade of student for given marks M according to table



Marks	Grade
Above 90	A
Between 80 to 90	B
Between 70 to 80	C
Between 50 to 70	D
Below 50	F

```
def Grading(M):  
    pass  
  
    return G
```

Grad = Grading(M)



# Defining a function: Question

- Question



- Create a function that add all the numbers in a list, and avoid None and any strings

For example

```
X = [1, 2, 3, None, 0, 4, 2, None, 'A']
```

```
Z = mySum(X)
```

```
Z = 12
```

```
def mySum(X):  
    pass  
  
    return Z
```

# Defining a function : Question

- Question



- Create a function that returns a dictionary that has the frequency of each character (a-z) for given a string excluding space, number and any symbols

For example

- S = 'set theory is one of the greatest achievements of modern mathematics'

Freq = Freq\_Char(S)

```
def Freq_Char(S):  
    Freq = {}  
    pass  
  
    return Freq
```

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# Defining a function

## Default arguments

- A function can inputs with default values.

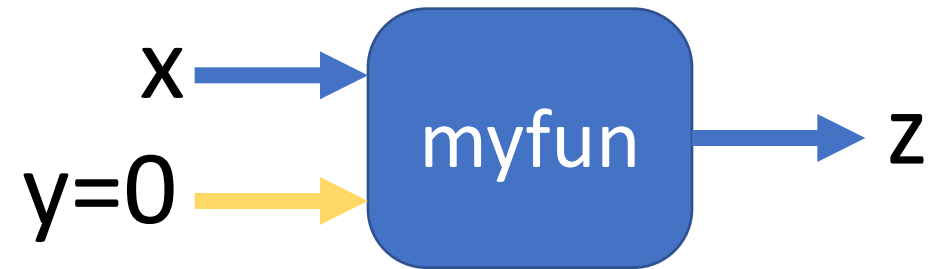
```
def myfun(x, y=0):  
    z = (x**2 - y**2)  
    return z
```

```
Z = myfun(2)
```

```
Z = myfun(2, y=3)
```

```
z = myfun(x=2, y=3)
```

```
z = myfun(y=3, 2)
```



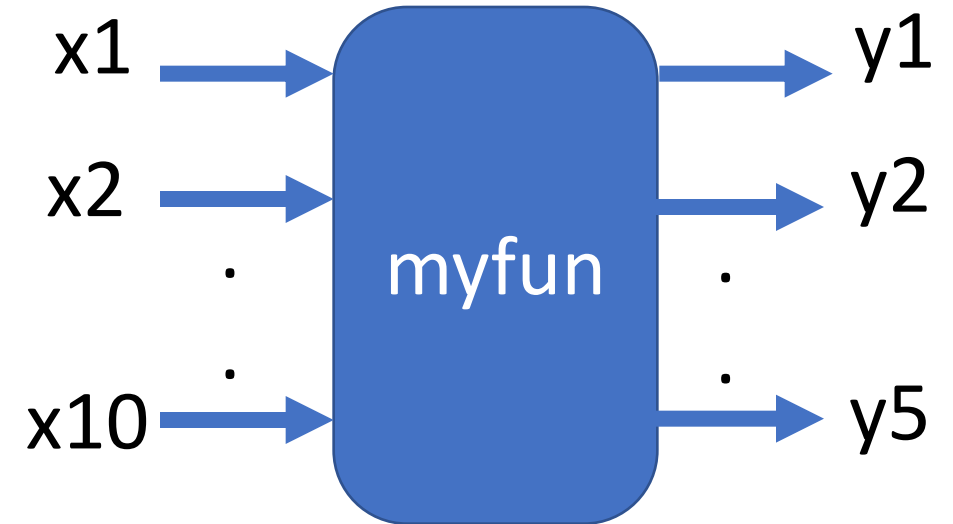
# Defining a function

## Multiple input/output

- A function can multiple inputs and outputs.

```
def myfun(x1, x2, x3=0):  
    y1 = (x1**2 + x2**2 + x3**2)  
    y2 = (x1**2 - x2**2 - x3**2)  
    return y1, y2
```

```
y1,y2 = myfun(2,3,4)
```



# Defining a function : Question

- Question

Given a list X as follow.

X = [0.1,3.5,5.0,10,0.5,0.3, None,0.1,6.0,10.4,6.2,7,8.9, 1]

Write a piece of code to

- Add all the numbers in X2 which are **below 1 (including 1)**, save them to variable name 'y1'
- Add all the numbers in X2 which are **above 1 and below 6 (including 6)**, save them to variable name 'y2'
- Add all the numbers in X2 which are **above 6 (excluding 6)**, save them to variable name 'y3'

```
def sum_cat(X):  
    y1,y2,y3 = 0,0,0  
    pass  
  
    return y1,y2,y3
```

# Defining a function

## Multiple *return* statement

- A function can multiple `return` statements, however function exist when it seems `return`.

```
def myfun(x, y=0):  
    if x==0:  
        return 0  
    z = (x**2 - y**2)  
    return z
```

```
z= myfun(0)
```

*It is a good practice to write docstring for a defined function.*

# Defining a function: Question

- Question
- Use multiple return statement in following



```
def Grading(M):  
    if M>=90:  
        return 'A'  
  
    return 'F'
```

Marks	Grade
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Between 80 to 90	B
Between 70 to 80	C
Between 50 to 70	D
Below 50	F

Grad = Grading(M)



# Defining a function

## Docstring

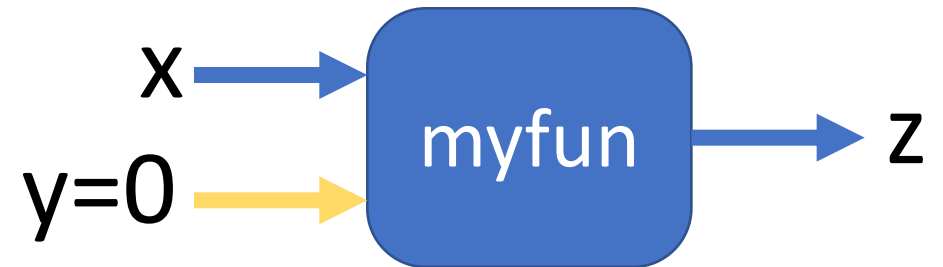
- A function can docstring that explains the functions operation.

which can be accessed by a user using `help(myfun)`

```
def myfun(x, y=0):  
    '''  
    This function computes  $x^2 - y^2$   
    '''  
    z = (x**2 - y**2)  
    return z
```

```
help(myfun)
```

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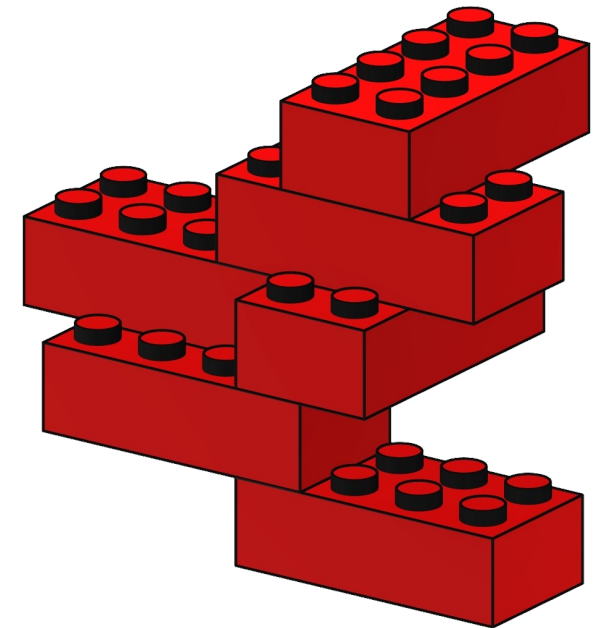
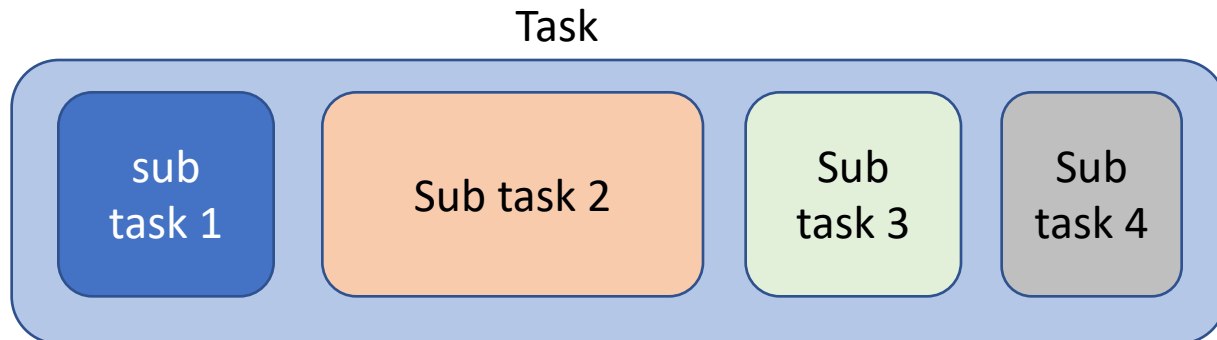
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# Modular Approach in Programming

- Modular approach to any task is a process of sub-dividing a bigger task into smaller one.
- Solving/completing smaller tasks first to complete the big task.
- It is a **good practice** to break a task in multiple smaller tasks.
- Each sub-task handles a specific operation



# Defining a function

## Calling function in another function

- A function can be called in another function.

```
def is_even(x):  
    if x%2==0:  
        return True  
    return False  
  
def even_sum(X):  
    c = 0  
    for x in X:  
        if is_even(x)  
            c = c +x  
    return c
```

## Modular Approach in Programming

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# Defining a function: Question

- Question
- Write a function to find **N** prime numbers starting from 2
- Before that write a function to test if given number if prime

```
def prime_numbers(N):  
    p = []  
    pass #complete the code  
    if is_prime(x):  
        p.append(x)  
    return p
```

```
def is_prime(x):  
    pass #complete the code  
    if cond:  
        return True  
    return False
```

P = prime\_numbers(10)

P=[2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29]

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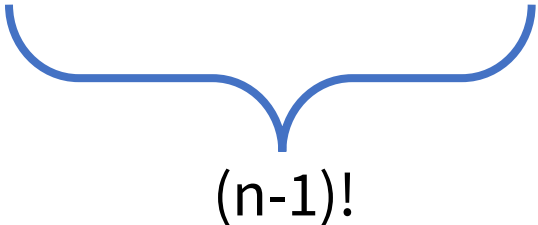
# Defining a function Calling function in itself

## Recursion

- A function can be called in by itself.

For example

- How do you compute factorial of n?

$$n! = n * (n-1) * (n-2) \dots 3 * 2 * 1$$

$$(n-1)!$$

$$n! = n * ((n-1)!)$$

```
def factorial(n):  
    if n==1:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return n*factorial(n-1)
```

# Defining a function: Question

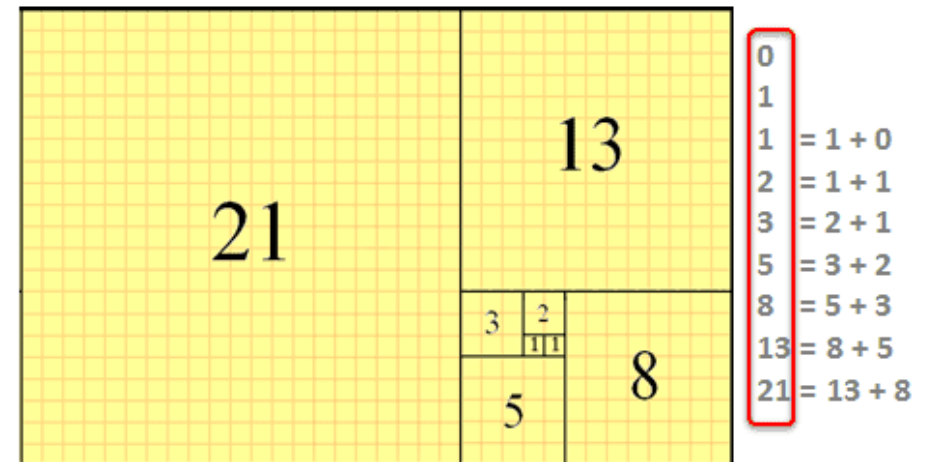
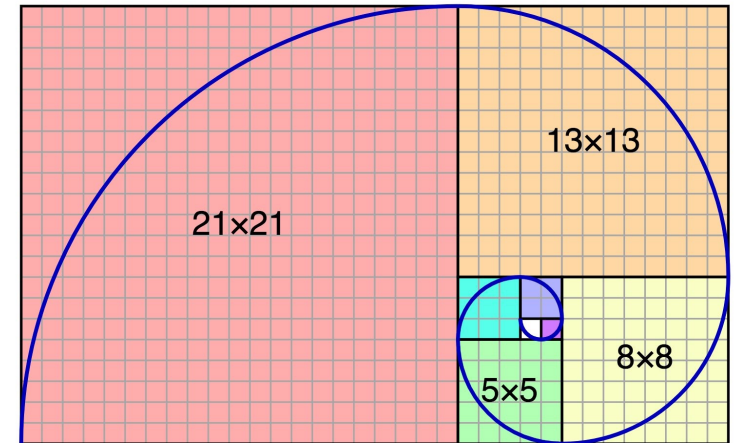
- Question
- Write a function to compute **Fibonacci** series

$$F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$$

$$F_0 = 0$$

$$F_1 = 1$$

[0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21 ...]





- Next !!!
  - 3.4: Visualisation with Matplotlib



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