Objectives

- Conditionals
- Exam review

Your Learning Journey

You're learning a lot

Struggle is part of the learning



Learning In Lab

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Your Learning Journey

But struggle affects your confidence

Confidence != Learning

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Learning vs Confidence in Lab

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After Lab...



Lab Progression

- **1**. Functions defined for you; you call them
- 2. Refactor code you already wrote/tested/debugged into a function that takes no parameters and doesn't return anything
- 3. Refactor code you already wrote/tested/debugged into a function that takes a parameter and returns something
 - Can programmatically test
- 4. Implement functions that return things within a module
 - Uses functionality from the random module
- 5. Bottom-up development of functions

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Justifications

• Why refactoring?

Common practice: write code, then realize it would be better (more readable, reusable, easier to test, ...) if it were in a function

- Why test programmatically (when possible)?
 - Test-driven development: think about what function should do first
 - Automatically execute test cases and verify that the actual returned result is what we expected
 - No user input required!
 - Can rerun quickly/efficiently if implementation changes

Course Progression: Building Blocks

- Adding to your tool set
- We can combine them to create more complex programs
 - Solutions to problems



Evolving General Design Patterns

General design pattern:

- 1. Optionally, get user input
- 2. Do some computation
- 3. Display results

General design pattern with functions:

- 1. Optionally, get user input
- 2. Do some computation by calling **functions**, get results
- 3. Display results

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Python Visualizer https://pythontutor.com



Parts of an Algorithm

- Input, Output
- Primitive operations
 - > What data you have, what you can do to the data
- Naming
 - Identify things we're using
- Sequence of operations
- Conditionals
 - Handle special cases
- Repetition/Loops
- Subroutines
 - Call, reuse similar techniques



Making Decisions

Sometimes, we do things only if some condition holds (i.e., "is true")

Examples

- If the PB is new (has a safety seal)
 - Then, I will take off the safety seal
- If it is raining and it is cold
 - Then, I will wear a raincoat
- If it is Saturday or it is Sunday
 - Then, I will wake up at 9 a.m.
 - Otherwise, I wake up at 7 a.m.
- > If the shirt is purple or the shirt is on sale and blue
 - Then, I will buy the shirt

Conditionals

- Sometimes, we only want to execute a statement in certain cases
- Example: Finding the absolute value of a number

|-10| = 10

 \geq To get the answer, we multiply the number by -1 only if it's a negative number

Code: if
$$x < 0$$
:
abs = $x^{*}-1$

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if Statements

• Change the control flow of the program



Other Constructs That Change Control Flow

• for loops

Repeats a loop body a fixed number of times before going to the next statement after the **for** loop



Other Constructs That Change Control Flow

- Function calls
 - "Go execute some other code and then come back with the result"



Syntax of **if** statement: Simple Decision



Conditions

Syntax (typical, others later):
 <expr> <relational_operator> <expr>
 Evaluates to either True or False
 Boolean type

Relational Operators

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Boolean type



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Example: Using Conditionals

Determine if a number is even or odd

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Common Mistake: Assignment Operator vs. Equality Operator

- Assignment operator: =
- Equality operator: ==

x = eval(input("Enter a number: "))
remainder = x%2 Syntax error
if remainder = 0 :
 print(x, "is even.")

Syntax of **if** statement: Two-Way Decision



If-Else statements (absolute values)



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Example: Using Conditionals

- Determine if a number is even or odd
- More efficient implementation
 - Don't need to check if remainder is 1 because if it's not 0, it must be 1

```
x = eval(input("Enter a number: "))
remainder = x % 2
if remainder == 0:
    print(x, "is even")
else:
    print(x, "is odd")
```

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Practice: Draw the Flow Chart

```
print("This program determines your birth year")
print("given your age and current year")
print()
age = eval(input("Enter your age: "))
if age > 120:
    print("Don't be ridiculous, you can't be that old.")
else:
    currentYear = eval(input("Enter the current year: "))
    birthyear = currentYear - age
    print()
    print("You were either born in", birthyear, end=' ')
    print("or", birthyear-1)
print("Thank you. Come again.")
```

What does this code do?

Flow of Control

• Max: Given two numbers, returns the greater number

Is this implementation of the function correct?

```
def max(num1, num2):
    if num1 >= num2:
        theMax = num1
    else:
        theMax = num2
    return theMax
```

Flow of Control





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Practice: Speeding Ticket Fines

- Any speed clocked over the limit results in a fine of at least \$50, plus \$5 for each mph over the limit, plus a penalty of \$200 for any speed over 90mph.
- Our function
 - Input: speed limit and the clocked speed
 - Output: the appropriate fine
 - What should the appropriate fine be if the user is not speeding?
- Write test cases first!

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Exam Friday

Change in today's office hours: 11:30-1:30 Friday: I will be observing another class

In-class, on paper

Emphasis on critical thinking

- Exam Preparation Document is on course web page
- Similar problems to class and lab
 - Review questions
 - > Worksheets
 - Problems
- Content: up through Lab 4
- No broader issue this week

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Looking Ahead

- Lab 4
 - ➢Practicing *functions*
 - Due Friday
- Exam Friday
- No broader issue this week