



Intro to Higher Order Functions

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Administrative issues

- **Tutoring**
 - To help you prepare for exams, we will be hosting small group tutoring will start today -- to sign up, go tiny.cc/cs88tutoring ; we will also be having guerrilla sections starting this Friday from 7-9 pm, it will be in Soda 310"
- **Midterm Wed 10/3 evening (6-8 working on room)**
- **Project 1 Follows midterm**



Computational Concepts Toolbox

- **Data type: values, literals, operations,**
 - e.g., int, float, string
- **Expressions, Call expression**
- **Variables**
- **Assignment Statement**
- **Sequences: tuple, list**
- **Data structures**
- **Tuple assignment**
- **Call Expressions**
- **Function Definition Statement**
- **Conditional Statement**

Iteration:

- data-driven (list comprehension)
- control-driven (for statement)
- while statement





Computational Concepts today

- **Higher Order Functions**
- **Functions as Values**
- **Functions with functions as argument**
- **Assignment of function values**
- **Higher order function patterns**
 - Map, Filter, Reduce
- **Function factories – create and return functions**



Big Idea: Software Design Patterns



Today's Notebook

- <http://bit.ly/cs88-fa18-L04>
- <http://datahub.berkeley.edu/user-redirect/interact?account=data-8&repo=cs-connector&branch=gh-pages&path=L04-hof.ipynb>



Iteration Review

- **When should we use a for loop, rather than list comprehension?**



Higher Order Functions

- Functions that operate on functions
- A function

```
def odd(x):  
    return (x%2==1)  
  
>>> odd(3)  
True
```

Why is this not 'odd' ?

- A function that takes a function arg

```
def filter(fun, s):  
    return [x for x in s if fun(x)]  
  
>>> filter(odd, [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7])  
[1, 3, 5, 7]
```




Higher Order Functions (cont)

- **A function that returns (makes) a function**

```
def leq_maker(c):  
    def leq(val):  
        return val <= c  
    return leq
```

```
>>> leq_maker(3)  
<function leq_maker.<locals>.leq at 0x1019d8c80>
```

```
>>> leq_maker(3)(4)  
False
```

```
>>> filter(leq_maker(3), [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7])  
[0, 1, 2, 3]  
>>>
```



Three super important HOFs

```
map(function_to_apply, list_of_inputs)
```

Applies function to each element of the list

```
filter(condition, list_of_inputs)
```

Returns a list of elements for which the condition is true

```
reduce(function, list_of_inputs)
```

Reduces the list to a result, given the function



One more example

- What does this function do?

```
def split_fun(p, s):  
    """ Returns <you fill this in>."""  
    return [i for i in s if p(i)], [i for i in s if not p(i)]
```

```
>>> split_fun(leq_maker(3), [0,1,2,3,4,5,6])  
([0, 1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6])
```



Function Factories

```
def linemaker(m, b):
    def linefun(x):
        # Create a function that embeds the parameters of the line
        return m*x + b
    # Return that dynamically created function
    return linefun
```

```
def make_decoder(code_map):
    """Make a decoder function specified by a map"""
    def decode(code):
        for (code_num, desc) in code_map:
            if code == code_num:
                return desc
        return "unknown"
    return decode
```



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Recap: Data or Code?

