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# Computational Structures in Data Science

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## Lambda



## Announcements

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- Maps Project
  - October 1 due Oct 15
  - Checkpoint 1 week 1
  - Focus: Higher Order Functions, some Abstract Data Types (next week!)
- Midterm: Oct 26, 7 – 9pm
  - Remote, proctored option
  - Details for signups next week or so.



## Learning Objectives

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- Lambda are anonymous functions, which use expressions
  - We don't use return, they always return the value.
  - They are typically short and concise
  - They don't have an “intrinsic” name when using an environment diagram.

# lambda

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- Function expression
  - “anonymous” function creation
  - Expression, not a statement, no return or any other statement

```
lambda <arg or arg_tuple> : <expression using args>
```

```
add_one = lambda v : v + 1
```

```
def add_one(v):  
    return v + 1
```

# Lambdas

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```
>>> def inc_maker(i):
...     return lambda x: x+i
...
>>> inc_maker(3)
<function inc_maker.<locals>.<lambda> at 0x10073c510>

>>> inc_maker(3)(4)
7
>>> map(inc_maker(3), [1,2,3,4])
<map object at 0x1020950b8>

>>> list(map(inc_maker(3), [1,2,3,4]))
[4, 5, 6, 7]
>>>
```



## Lambda with HOFs

- A function that returns (makes) a function

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

```
>>> leq_maker(3)  
<function leq_maker.<locals>.<lambda> at 0x1019d8c80>  
  
>>> leq_maker(3)(4)  
False  
  
>>> filter(leq_maker(3), [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7])  
[0, 1, 2, 3]
```

# Lambda Examples

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```
>>> sorted([1,2,3,4,5], key = lambda x: x)
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

>>> sorted([1,2,3,4,5], key = lambda x: -x)
[5, 4, 3, 2, 1]

>>> sorted([(2, "hi"), (1, "how"), (5, "goes"), (7, "I")],
           key = lambda x:x[0])
[(1, 'how'), (2, 'hi'), (5, 'goes'), (7, 'I')]

>>> sorted([(2, "hi"), (1, "how"), (5, "goes"), (7, "I")],
           key = lambda x:x[1])
[(7, 'I'), (5, 'goes'), (2, 'hi'), (1, 'how')]

>>> sorted([(2,"hi"),(1,"how"),(5,"goes"),(7,"I")],
           key =lambda x: len(x[1]))
[(7, 'I'), (2, 'hi'), (1, 'how'), (5, 'goes')]
```

<http://cs88-website.github.io/assets/slides/adt/mersort.py>



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## Dictionaries



## Learning Objectives

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- Dictionaries are a new type in Python
- Lists let us index a value by a number, or position.
- Dictionaries let us index data by other kinds of data.



# Dictionaries

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- Constructors:

```
»dict( <list of 2-tuples> )
»dict( <key>=<val>, ...) # like kwargs
»{ <key exp>:<val exp>, ... }
»{ <key>:<val> for <iteration expression> }
    •>>> {x:y for x,y in zip(["a","b"],[1,2])}
    •{'a': 1, 'b': 2}
```

- Selectors: <dict> [ <key> ]

```
»<dict>.keys(), .items(), .values()
»<dict>.get(key [, default])
```

- Operations:

```
» Key in, not in, len, min, max
» <dict>[ <key> ] = <val>
```



# Dictionary Example

```
In [1]: text = "Once upon a time"
d = {word : len(word) for word in text.split()}
d
Out[1]: {'Once': 4, 'a': 1, 'time': 4, 'upon': 4}

In [2]: d['Once']
Out[2]: 4

In [3]: d.items()
Out[3]: [('a', 1), ('time', 4), ('upon', 4), ('Once', 4)]

In [4]: for (k,v) in d.items():
    print(k,"=>",v)

('a', '=>', 1)
('time', '=>', 4)
('upon', '=>', 4)
('Once', '=>', 4)

In [5]: d.keys()
Out[5]: ['a', 'time', 'upon', 'Once']

In [6]: d.values()
Out[6]: [1, 4, 4, 4]
```



# Dictionary Example

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d = {word : len(word) for word in text.split()}
d
Out[1]: {'Once': 4, 'a': 1, 'time': 4, 'upon': 4}

In [2]: d['Once']
Out[2]: 4

In [3]: d.items()
Out[3]: [('a', 1), ('time', 4), ('upon', 4), ('Once', 4)]

In [4]: for (k,v) in d.items():
    print(k,"=>",v)

('a', '>', 1)
('time', '>', 4)
('upon', '>', 4)
('Once', '>', 4)

In [5]: d.keys()
Out[5]: ['a', 'time', 'upon', 'Once']

In [6]: d.values()
Out[6]: [1, 4, 4, 4]
```