

CMPU 101 §02 · Computer Science I

# Evaluating Functions and Conditionals

7 September 2022



Assignment 1 due 11:59pm on Wednesday

Assignment 2 comes out on Thursday

Where are we?

We've been using Pyret to write expressions that use:

Data, including

*numbers* (0, -10, 0.4),

*strings* ("", "hi", "111"), and

*images* (circle(2, "solid", "red")).

Which we modify or combine using operators or functions like **+**, **string-append**, and **above**.

Distinguishing types of data helps to catch mistakes.

If you try to give

a string to / or

a number to **overlay**,

we want Pyret to catch the problem right early,  
giving a helpful error message.

We've seen that we can create more complicated programs by composing function calls, e.g.,

$$1 + (2 / 3)$$

or

```
string-append("hello ",  
             string-append("Pyret ", "world!"))
```

And we can give a name to the result of an expression, e.g.,

*total* = 2 + 3

# Defining functions



Remember functions from middle-school math:

$$\text{Given } f(x) = \cos(x) + 2$$

$$f(0) = 1 + 2 = 3$$

*Parameter stands for  
varying value*

Pyret functions work the same way:

```
fun f(x): num-cos(x) + 2 end
```

`f(0)`

→ `num-cos(0) + 2`

→ `1 + 2`

→ `3`

Function definitions in Pyret have this form:

```
fun <function-name> (<arg-name>, ...):  
  <expression>  
end
```

Example



Mary Berry needs to know how many cakes to bake for her cake shop.

To avoid running out or having too many, she likes to bake two cakes more than the number she sold the previous day.

E.g., if Mary sells eight cakes on Monday, she makes ten cakes on Tuesday.

Let's write some code to help Mary.





*special word to define a function*

```
fun cakes-to-make(num-sold):  
    num-sold + 2  
end
```

*name of the function*

```
fun cakes-to-make(num-sold) :  
  num-sold + 2  
end
```

*parameter*

```
fun cakes-to-make(num-sold) :  
  num-sold + 2  
end
```



```
fun cakes-to-make(num-sold) :  
  num-sold + 2  
end
```

*transform the data*



```
fun cakes-to-make(num-sold) :  
  num-sold + 2  
end
```

*special word to signal the  
function definition is done*



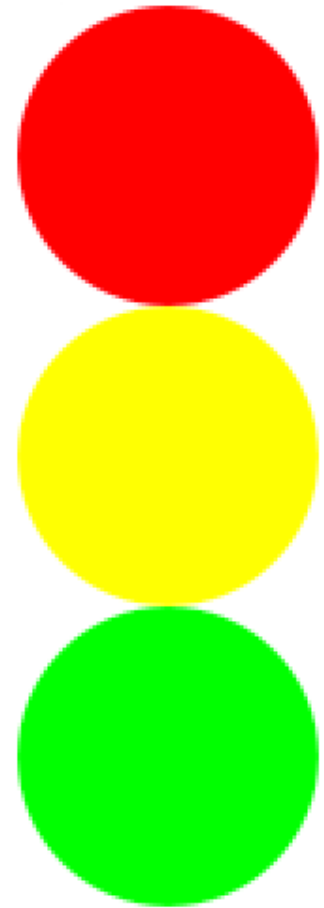
# Functional abstraction

*# Draw a traffic light*

```
above(circle(40, "solid", "red"),  
       above(circle(40, "solid", "yellow"),  
              circle(40, "solid", "green")))
```

*Unchanging*

*Varying*



```
# Draw a traffic light  
above(circle(40, "solid", "red"),  
       above(circle(40, "solid", "yellow"),  
             circle(40, "solid", "green"))))
```

```
# Can be changed to  
fun bulb(color):  
    circle(40, "solid", color)  
end
```

```
above(bulb("red"),  
      above(bulb("yellow"),  
            bulb("green")))
```

```
fun bulb(color):  
    circle(40, "solid", color)  
end
```

```
fun traffic-light():  
    above(bulb("red"),  
        above(bulb("yellow"),  
            bulb("green")))  
end
```

Example

For Mary's cake shop, we want to determine the price of each cake based on the cost of the ingredients and the time to prepare it.

The price is twice the cost of the ingredients plus 1/4 of the preparation time in minutes.

**Chocolate cake**

Ingredients: \$10

Preparation time: 20 minutes

$$\text{choc-cake-price} = (2 * 10) + (0.25 * 20)$$

**Cheesecake**

Ingredients: \$15

Preparation time: 36 minutes

$$\text{cheesecake-price} = (2 * 15) + (0.25 * 36)$$



*We use functions to avoid repetitive code when we need to perform the same operations on different values.*

$$\text{choc-cake-price} = (2 * 10) + (0.25 * 20)$$

$$\text{cheesecake-price} = (2 * 15) + (0.25 * 36)$$

$$(2 * \text{ingredients-cost}) + (0.25 * \text{prep-time})$$

*We use functions to avoid repetitive code when we need to perform the same operations on different values.*

$$\text{choc-cake-price} = (2 * 10) + (0.25 * 20)$$

$$\text{cheesecake-price} = (2 * 15) + (0.25 * 36)$$

## Parameters



```
fun cake-price(ingredients-cost, prep-time):  
    (2 * ingredients-cost) + (0.25 * prep-time)  
end
```

The *parameters* are the values passed into the function that it needs to know for each operation.

```
fun cake-price(ingredients-cost, prep-time):  
    (2 * ingredients-cost) + (0.25 * prep-time)  
end
```

*Expression repeated each time the function is called*

```
fun cake-price(ingredients-cost, prep-time):  
    (2 * ingredients-cost) + (0.25 * prep-time)  
end
```

*To calculate the price of chocolate cake or cheesecake, you simply call your function and pass in the relevant values:*

*# Price of chocolate cake*  
cake-price(10, 20)

*# Price of cheesecake*  
cake-price(15, 36)

Improving our function definitions

```
fun cake-price(ingredients-cost :: Number,  
  prep-time :: Number):  
  (2 * ingredients-cost) + (0.25 * prep-time)  
end
```

*We specify the type of each **parameter** so that Pyret will check that we pass in the right kind of values, just like for built-in operations like + and **above**.*

```
fun cake-price(ingredients-cost :: Number,  
  prep-time :: Number) -> Number:  
  (2 * ingredients-cost) + (0.25 * prep-time)  
end
```

*And we can specify the type of value the function **returns**.*



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```
1 use context essentials2021
2
3 fun cake-price(ingredients-cost :: Number,
4               prep-time :: Number) -> Number:
5   (2 * ingredients-cost) + (0.25 * prep-time)
6 end
```

```
>>> cake-price(2, 3)
4.75
>>> cake-price("banana", "bundt")
```

The **Number** annotation

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```
3 fun cake-price(ingredients-cost :: Number,
```

was not satisfied by the value

"banana"

(Show program evaluation trace...)

```
>>>
```

Programming as a guest.

```
fun cake-price(ingredients-cost :: Number,  
  prep-time :: Number) -> Number:  
  doc: "Calculate price of cake based on  
ingredient cost and prep time"  
  (2 * ingredients-cost) + (0.25 * prep-time)  
end
```

Additionally, a **docstring** explains what the function does.

“Programs must be written for people to read, and only incidentally for machines to execute.”

Hal Abelson & Gerald Sussman with Julie Sussman, *Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs*, 1979

```
fun cakes-to-make(num-sold :: Number) -> Number:  
  doc: "Compute the number of cakes to make based on  
the previous number sold"  
  num-sold + 2  
end
```

```
fun cakes-to-make(num-sold :: Number) -> Number:  
  doc: "Compute the number of cakes to make based on  
the previous number sold"  
  num-sold + 2  
where:  
  cakes-to-make(0) is 2  
  cakes-to-make(107) is 109  
end
```

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```
1 use context essentials2021
2
3 fun cakes-to-make(num-sold :: Number) ->
  Number:
4   doc: "Compute the number of cakes to make
  based on the previous number sold"
5   num-sold + 3
6 where:
7   cakes-to-make(0) is 2
8   cakes-to-make(107) is 109
9 end
```

0 TESTS PASSED 2 TESTS FAILED

cakes-to-make [Hide Details](#)  
0 out of 2 tests passed in this block.

Test 1: Failed

The test operator `is` failed for the test:

```
7 cakes-to-make(0) is 2
```

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It succeeds only if the left side and right side are equal.

The left side was:

3

The right side was:

2

Test 2: Failed

The test operator `is` failed for the test:

```
8 cakes-to-make(107) is 109
```

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It succeeds only if the left side and right side are equal.

The left side was:

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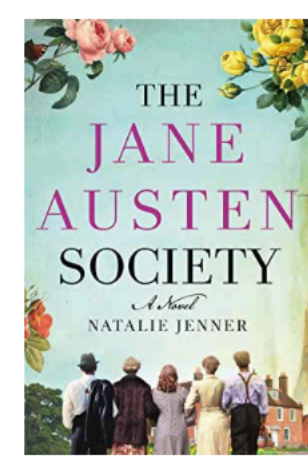


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```
fun rectangle-area(r):  
    image-height(r) * image-width(r)  
end
```

```
fun rectangle-area(r :: Image) -> Number:  
  doc: "Return the rectangular area of the image"  
  image-height(r) * image-width(r)  
where:  
  rectangle-area(rectangle(0, 0, "solid", "black"))  
    is 0  
  rectangle-area(rectangle(2, 3, "outline", "blue"))  
    is 6  
end
```

# Booleans and **if** expressions

true  
false

To combine Boolean values, we can use **and**:

⟨*expression 1*⟩ and ⟨*expression 2*⟩

and **or**:

⟨*expression 1*⟩ or ⟨*expression 2*⟩

Evaluation of **and** stops – is “short-circuited” – as soon as one of the expressions being combined evaluates to **false**.

Evaluation of **or** stops as soon as one of the expressions evaluates to **true**.

```
>>> true and false  
false
```

```
>>> true or false  
true
```

```
>>> (1 < 2) and (2 > 3)  
false
```

```
>>> (1 <= 0) or (1 == 1)  
true
```

To change an expression that evaluates to **true** to be **false** or vice versa, use **not**:

```
>>> not(1 == 0)  
true
```

```
i1 = rectangle(10, 20, "solid", "red")  
i2 = rectangle(20, 10, "solid", "blue")  
  
image-width(i1) < image-width(i2)
```



```
rect = rectangle(10, 20, "solid", "red")  
  
if image-width(rect) < image-height(rect):  
    "tall"  
else:  
    "wide"  
end
```

To form an **if** expression:

```
if <expression> :  
  <expression>  
else:  
  <expression>  
end
```

*True–false question*

*True (“then”) answer*

*False (“else”) answer*

# Evaluation rule for **if** expressions

- 1 If the question expression is not a value, evaluate it, and replace with value.
- 2 If the question is **true**, replace entire **if** expression with true answer expression.
- 3 If the question is **false**, replace entire **if** expression with false answer expression.
- 4 If the question is a value other than true or false, so produce an error.

```
rect = rectangle(10, 20, "solid", "red")  
  
if image-width(rect) < image-height(rect):  
    "tall"  
else:  
    "wide"  
end
```

*What if, instead of producing a Boolean to say if an image is tall or not, we classify them as “tall”, “square”, or “wide”?*

```
rect = rectangle(10, 20, "solid", "red")

if image-width(rect) < image-height(rect):
    "tall"
else if image-width(rect) == image-height(rect):
    "square"
else:
    "wide"
end
```

```
rect = rectangle(10, 20, "solid", "red")

fun image-type(img :: Image) -> String:
  doc: "Classify an image as tall, square, or wide"
  if image-width(img) < image-height(img):
    "tall"
  else if image-width(img) == image-height(img):
    "square"
  else:
    "wide"
  end
where:
  image-type(rect) is "tall"
end
```

```
rect = rectangle(10, 20, "solid", "red")

fun image-type(img :: Image) -> String:
  doc: "Classify an image as tall, square, or wide"
  if image-width(img) < image-height(img):
    "tall"
  else if image-width(img) == image-height(img):
    "square"
  else:
    "wide"
  end
where:
  image-type(rect) is "tall"
  image-type(rectangle(10, 10, "solid", "blue")) is "square"
  image-type(rectangle(20, 10, "solid", "blue")) is "wide"
end
```

