

## Code Readability and Elegance

Shorter, more readable code is easier to maintain, reuse, and edit

Whenever we write a function, we should include a description of what it does

Do this via a “docstring”, which is inside of three double quotes (“””docstring””) and is the first thing in a function

It lists the meaning and types of each parameter and of what is returned, if something is returned

Format:

“””

**:param** first\_parameter: the first parameter for this function

**:type** first\_parameter: int, str, float, list, etc.

**:return**: True - first\_parameter is true, False - otherwise

**:rtype**: bool

“””

Note: from now on, all homework assignments need docstrings

Always put a blank line between sections of code, and two blank lines between functions

Between values, operators, anything, it is standard to include a single space

In-Class Exercise:

Available at <http://www.cs.virginia.edu/~up3f/cs1110/inclass/inclass-decisions.html>

## Problem #1

```
def is_diagonal(wd, tile):
```

```
    """
```

```
    this function will tell us whether the given tile is along the diagonal
```

```
    :param wd: width of a square grid
```

```
    :type wd: int
```

```
    :param tile: tile to check if it is along the diagonal of the grid
```

```
    :type tile: int
```

```
    :return: True - a tile is along diagonal, False - otherwise
```

```
    :rtype: bool
```

```
    """
```

```
    #we say (tile - 1) because the tiles start at 1, but the rows and columns start at zero
```

```
    row = (tile - 1) // wd
```

```
    col = (tile - 1) % wd
```

```
    # if row == col:
```

```
    #     return True
```

```
    # else:
```

```
    #     return False
```

```
    #this is one option, but we can shorten it
```

```
    return row == col
```

Note: the gray underlines in Pycharm indicate that code is technically correct, but could be more elegant

## Problem #2

```
def is_edge(wd, h, tile):  
    """  
    :param wd: width of a square grid  
    :type wd: int  
    :param tile: tile to check if it is along the edge  
    :type tile: int  
    :param h: the height of the grid  
    :type h: int  
    :return: True - tile is along the edge, False - otherwise  
    :rtype: bool  
    """  
  
    row = (tile - 1) // wd  
    col = (tile - 1) % wd  
  
    # if row == 0 or row == h - 1 will be on edge  
    # if col == 0 or col == wd - 1 will be on edge  
  
    return row == 0 or row == h - 1 or col == 0 or col == wd - 1  
  
# can also be written:  
# if row == 0 or row == h - 1:  
#     return True  
# if col == 0 or col == wd - 1:  
#     return True  
# return False  
# because anytime a function hits "return" it stops executing  
  
print(is_edge(3, 4, 6))  
print(is_edge(3, 4, 5))
```

## Logical Operators Review

x	y	x and y	x or y	not x	not y
False	False	False	False	True	True
False	True	False	True	True	False
True	False	False	True	False	True
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