



Functions (II)

CSE 160

Summer 2026

Questions?



Announcements

- [Homework Assignment 1](#) due tonight at 11:59 PM
- [Programming Practice 1](#) due tonight at 11:59 PM
- [Homework Assignment 2](#) due Monday, July 13th at 11:59 PM
- [Programming Practice 2](#) due Sunday, July 12th at 11:59pm

Code Quality

cs.uw.edu/160/resources/code_quality/

Code is meant to be read and understood by humans(!), so maintaining good code style (or ‘code quality’) is an important part of programming.

The [CSE 160 Code Quality Guide](#) (i.e. expectations for code style) is on the website.

flake8 is a tool for automatically checking code style in Python files.

```
jovyan@jupyter-netid:~/.../$ flake8 python_file.py
```

use this
command to
run the
flake8 style
checker!

flake8_demo.py

```
1 x=1
2 print("There's an extra space on this line")
3
```

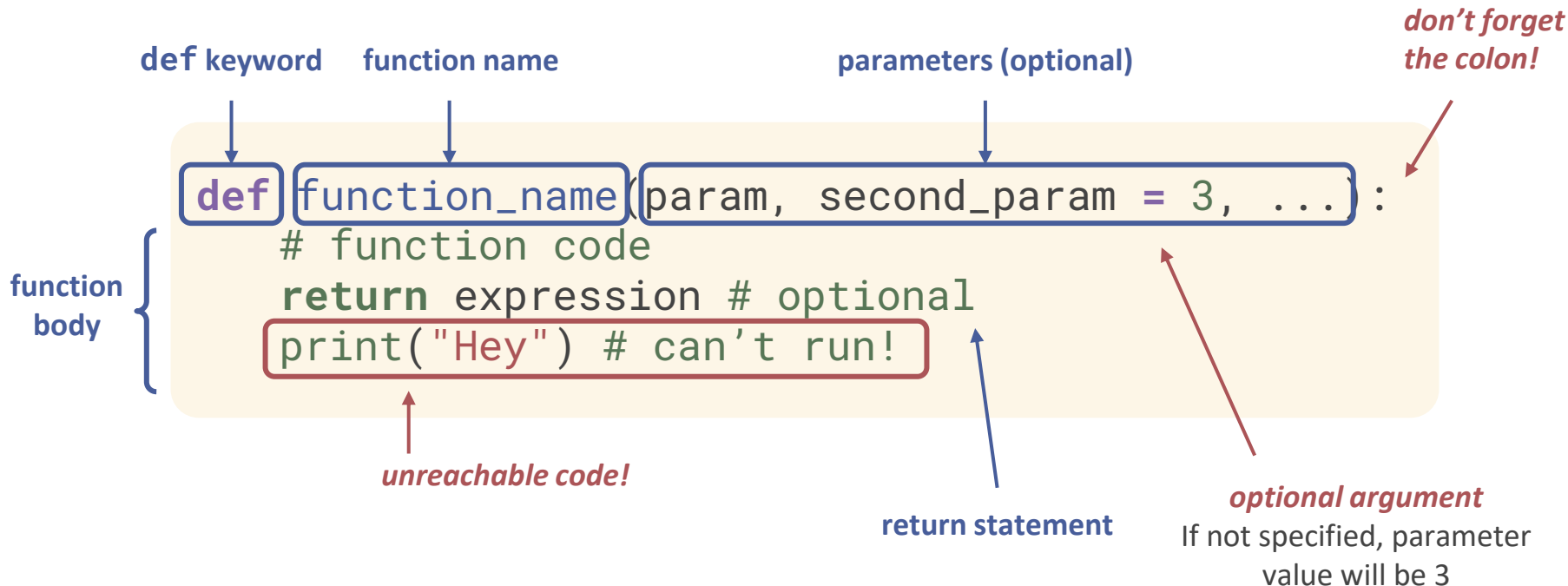
```
flake8_demo.py:1:2: E225 missing whitespace around operator
flake8_demo.py:2:45: W291 trailing whitespace
```

Today's Roadmap

1. Functions Recap
2. Evaluating a Function Call
3. Practice with Functions
4. Variable Scope

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All About Functions



Think Pair Share: Even / Odd

```
"""
```

Write a function named **is_even**.

Arguments:

num: a number

Returns:

True if `number` is even,
False otherwise

```
"""
```

The **modulo** (%) operator calculates the remainder of a number divided by another number.

Evaluating a Function Call

What happens when we call a function?

```
def my_function(a, b):  
    c = a * b  
    if c % 2 == 0:  
        return c - a  
    d = 1 / 0  
    return 2 / 0
```

```
rv = my_function(10 / 5, 3)
```

Evaluating a Function Call: *Step 1*

What happens when we call a function?

1. Evaluate **arguments**

```
def my_function(a, b):  
    c = a * b  
    if c % 2 == 0:  
        return c - a  
    d = 1 / 0  
    return 2 / 0
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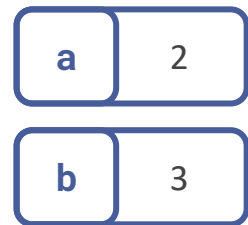
```
rv = my_function(2, 3)
```

Evaluating a Function Call: *Step 2*

What happens when we call a function?

1. Evaluate arguments
2. Assign argument values to **parameters**

```
def my_function(a, b):  
    c = a * b  
    if c % 2 == 0:  
        return c - a  
    d = 1 / 0  
    return 2 / 0
```



```
rv = my_function(2, 3)
```

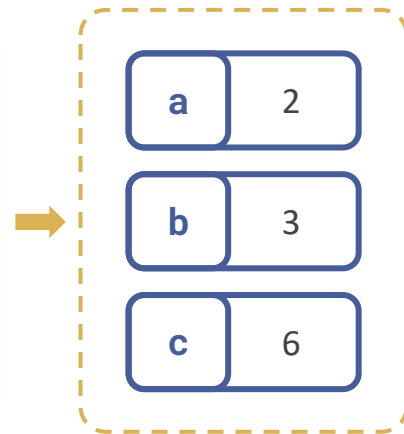
Evaluating a Function Call: *Step 3*

What happens when we call a function?

1. Evaluate **arguments**
2. Assign argument values to **parameters**
3. Evaluate **function body**

```
def my_function(a, b):  
    c = a * b  
    if c % 2 == 0:  
        return c - a  
    d = 1 / 0  
    return 2 / 0
```

```
rv = my_function(10 / 5, 3)
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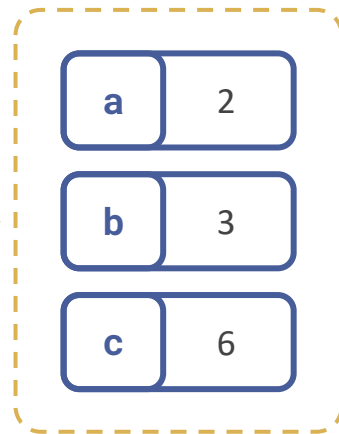


Evaluating a Function Call: *Step 4*

What happens when we call a function?

1. Evaluate **arguments**
2. Assign argument values to **parameters**
3. Evaluate **function body**
4. At a **return statement**, evaluate the expression, skip to step 6

```
def my_function(a, b):  
    c = a * b  
    if c % 2 == 0:  
        return c - a  
    d = 1 / 0  
    return 2 / 0
```



```
rv = my_function(10 / 5, 3)
```

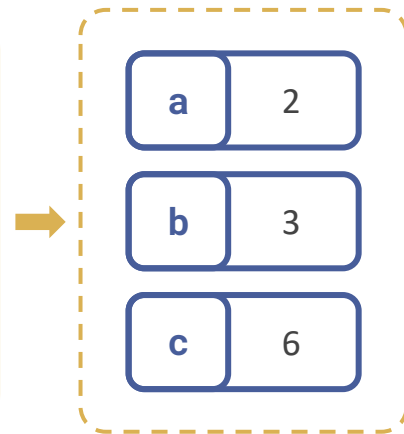
Evaluating a Function Call: *Step 5*

What happens when we call a function?

1. Evaluate **arguments**
2. Assign argument values to **parameters**
3. Evaluate **function body**
4. At a **return** statement, evaluate the expression, skip to step 6
5. No **return** encountered, return value is **None**

```
def my_function(a, b):  
    c = a * b  
    if c % 2 == 0:  
        return c - a  
    d = 1 / 0  
    return 2 / 0
```

```
rv = my_function(10 / 5, 3)
```



Evaluating a Function Call: Step 6

What happens when we call a function?

1. Evaluate **arguments**
2. Assign argument values to **parameters**
3. Evaluate **function body**
4. At a **return** statement, evaluate the expression, skip to step 6
5. No **return** encountered, return value is **None**
1. **Exit**, function call *evaluates* to return value

```
def my_function(a, b):  
    c = a * b  
    if c % 2 == 0:  
        return c - a  
    d = 1 / 0  
    return 2 / 0
```



Return Val.

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rv =

4

rv

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Evaluating a Function Call: *Summary*

What happens when we call a function?

1. Evaluate **arguments**
2. Assign argument values to **parameters**
3. Evaluate **function body**
4. At a **return statement**, evaluate the expression, skip to step 6
5. No **return** encountered, return value is **None**
1. **Exit**, function call *evaluates* to return value

```
def my_function(a, b):
```

parameters

```
    c = a * b
```

```
    if c % 2 == 0:
```

```
        return c - a
```

return statements

```
        d = 1 / 0
```

```
    return 2 / 0
```

What happens if Python reaches this return statement?

```
rv = my_function(10 / 5, 3)
```

arguments

Function Example 1: Mystery

```
def mystery(a, b):  
    return a * b
```

mystery(mystery(2, 6), 3)

mystery(12, 3)

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What gets printed?

Nothing! (No print)

What gets returned?

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Function Example 2:

print != return

```
def food():  
    print("Tacos :)")
```

```
print(food())
```

```
print( None )
```

What gets printed?

Tacos :)
None

What gets returned?

None

Function Example 3: Variable-capture

```
x = False
```

```
def func(x):  
    print(x)
```

```
func(True)
```

What gets printed?

True

Function Example 3: Variable-capture (x2)

```
x = False
```

```
def func(x):  
    print(x)
```

```
func(True)  
print(x)
```

What gets printed?

True
False

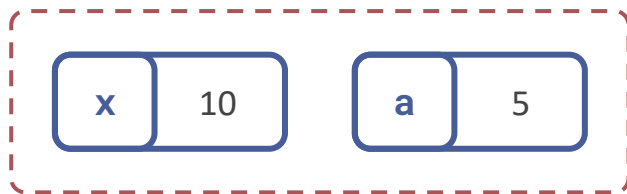
Variable Scope

The **scope** of a variable is the area of code in which the variable is defined (has a value).

In Python, there are two scopes:

- **Local Scope** — Variables (including parameters) defined inside a function body
 - Value of variable is accessible only within the function
- **Global Scope** — Everything else
 - Value of variable is accessible anywhere in the program (including inside functions)

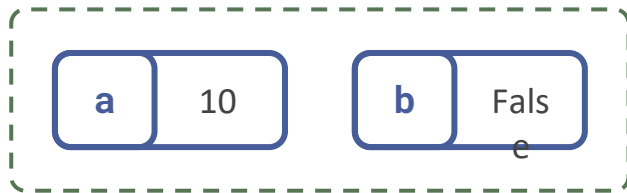
my_function Local Scope



```
a = 10
```

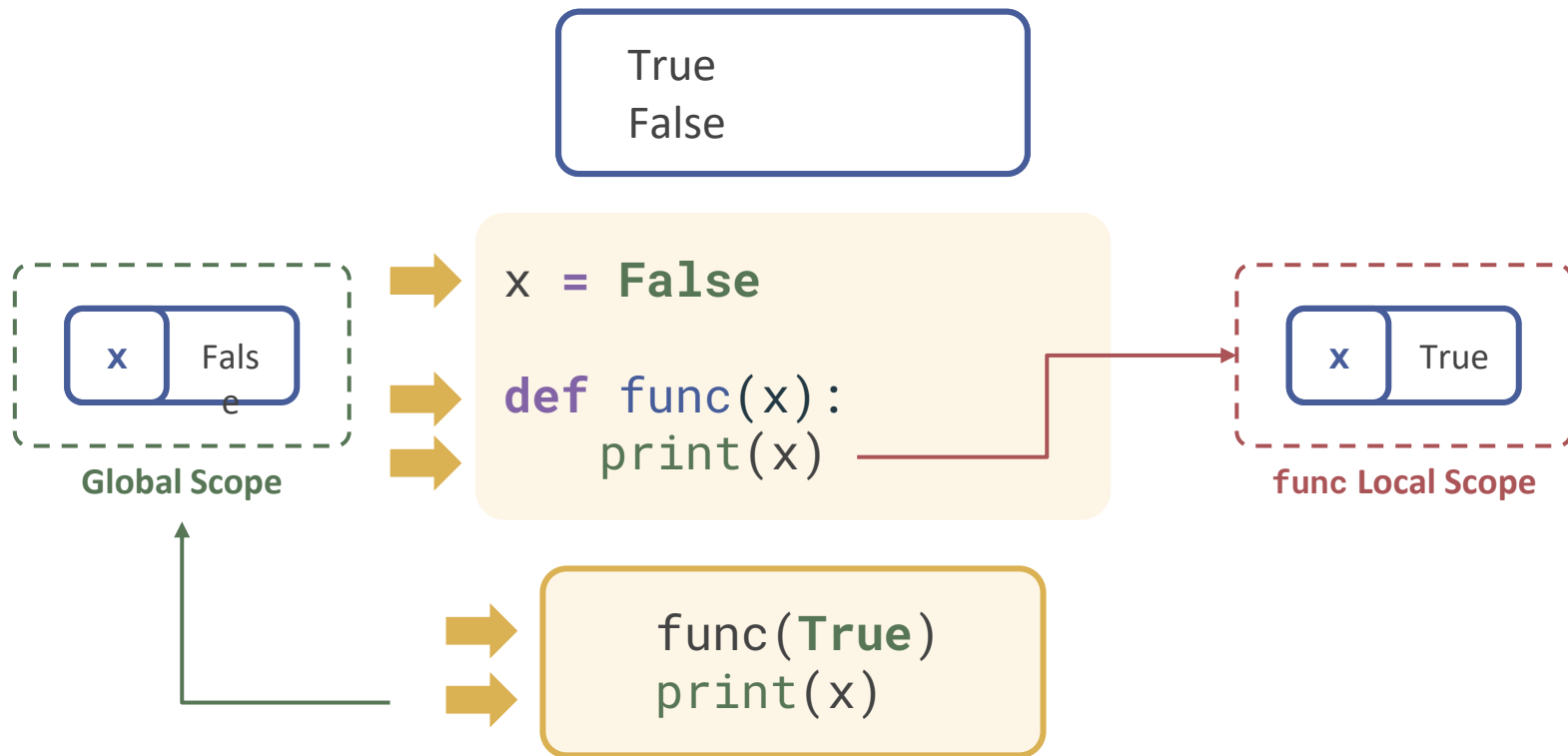
```
def my_function(x):  
    a = 5
```

```
b = False  
my_function(a)
```



Global Scope

Revisiting Function Example 3



Think Pair Share

What gets **printed** when this program is run?

A 1

B 2

C 8

D 9

E [Error]



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```
x = 1
y = 2
def func1(x):
    y = 1
    return x + y

def func2(x):
    x = 5
    x = func1(x)
    return x + y

x = func2(x)
print("x = " + str(x))
```

Slippery Slope Scope

```
1  x = 1
2  y = 2
3  def func1(x):
4      y = 1
5      return x + y
6
7  def func2(x):
8      x = 5
9      x = func1(x)
10     return x + y
11
12 x = func2(x)
13 print("x = " + str(x))
```

Code Execution

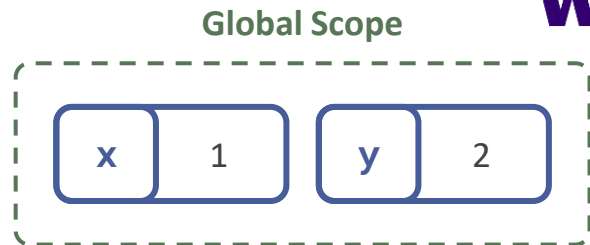
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Variables

Slippery Slope Scope (1)

1. [1, 2] x, y defined in **global scope**

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```



Code Execution

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Variables

Slippery Slope Scope (2)

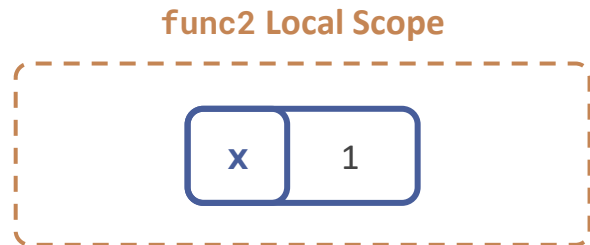
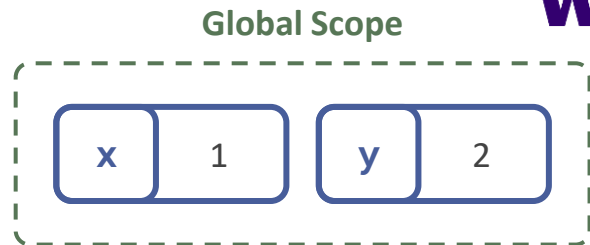
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1. [12] Call **func2**, parameter **x** = 1

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Code Execution

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Variables

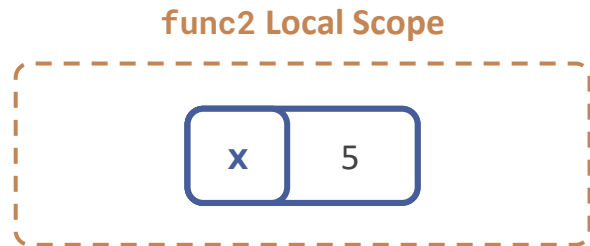
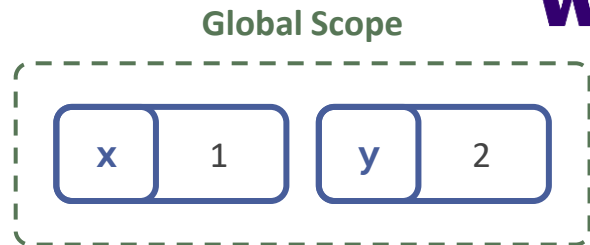
Slippery Scope (3)

1. [1, 2] **x**, **y** defined in **global scope**
1. [12] Call **func2**, parameter **x** = 1
1. [8] **x** (**func2** local scope) updated to 5

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6
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8      x = 5
9      x = func1(x)
10     return x + y
11
12  x = func2(x)
13  print("x = " + str(x))
```

Code Execution

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Variables

Slippery Slope Scope (4)

1. [1, 2] **x**, **y** defined in **global scope**

1. [12] Call **func2**, parameter **x** = 1

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1. [9] Call **func1**, parameter **x** = 5

```

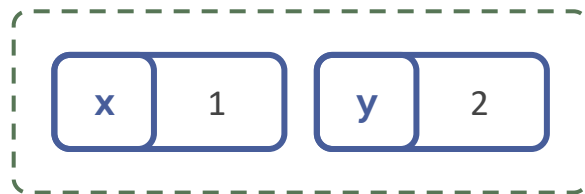
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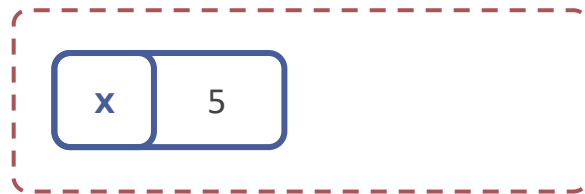
Code Execution

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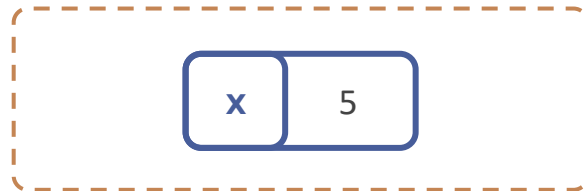
Global Scope



func1 Local Scope



func2 Local Scope



Variables

Slippery Slope Scope (5)

1. [1, 2] **x, y** defined in **global scope**
1. [12] Call **func2**, parameter **x = 1**
1. [8] **x** (**func2** local scope) updated to 5
1. [9] Call **func1**, parameter **x = 5**
1. [4, 5] **y = 1** (**func1** local scope), return **x + y = 6**

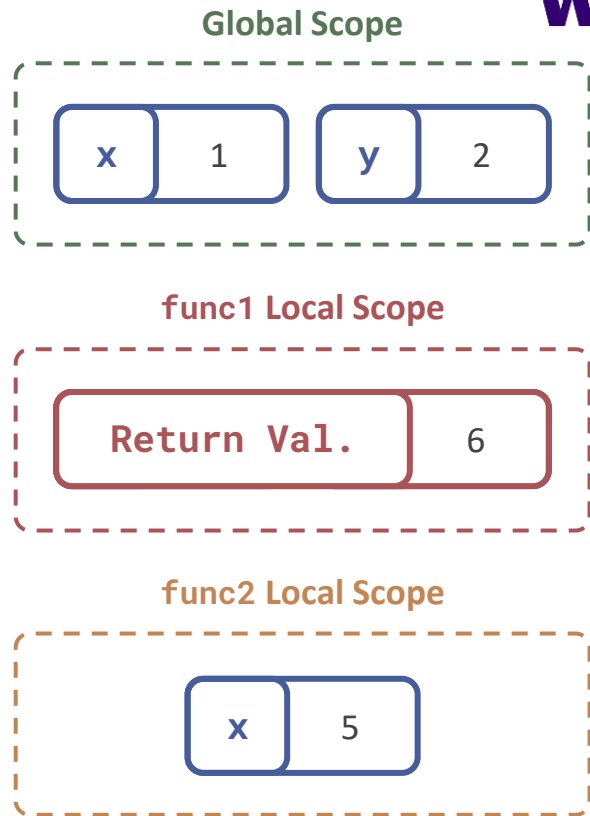
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11
12  x = func2(x)
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```

Code Execution

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Variables

Slippery Slope Scope (6)

1. [1, 2] **x**, **y** defined in **global scope**

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1. [9] Call **func1**, parameter **x** = 5

1. [4, 5] **y** = 1 (**func1** local scope), return **x** + **y** = 6

1. [9] **x** (**func2** local scope) updated to 6

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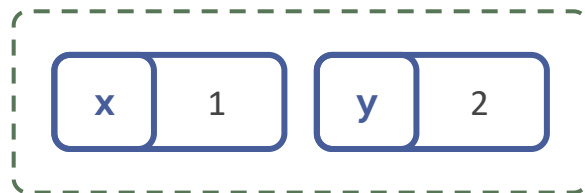
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Code Execution

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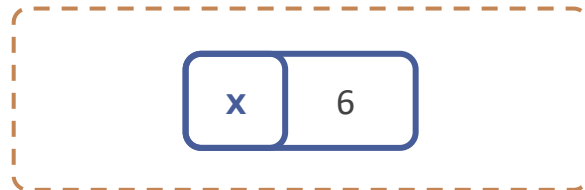
Global Scope



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func2 Local Scope



Variables

Slippery Slope Scope (7)

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1. [4, 5] **y = 1** (**func1** local scope), return **x + y = 6**

1. [9] **x** (**func2** local scope) updated to 6

1. [10] return **x (local) + y (global)**
→ 6 + 2 = 8

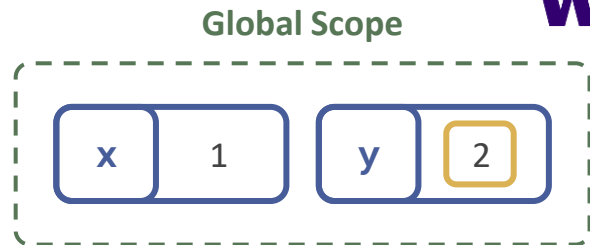
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12  x = func2(x)
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```

Code Execution

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Variables

Slippery Slope Scope (8)

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1. [12] Call **func2**, parameter **x = 1**

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return **x + y = 6**

1. [9] **x** (**func2** local scope) updated to 6

1. [10] return **x (local) + y (global)**
→ 6 + 2 = 8

1. [12] **x (global scope)** updated to 8

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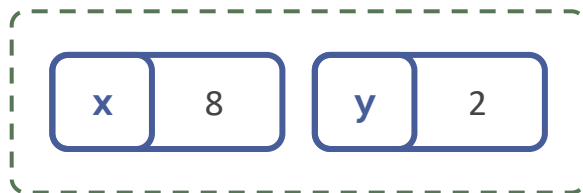
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Code Execution

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Global Scope



Return Val.

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Variables