Control

Announcements

Print and None

(Demo)

None Indicates that Nothing is Returned

The special value **None** represents nothing in Python

A function that does not explicitly return a value will return **None**

Careful: **None** is *not displayed* by the interpreter as the value of an expression

```
>>> def does_not_return_square(x):
...     x * x
...
>>> does_not_return_square(4)
>>> sixteen = does_not_return_square(4)
>>> sixteen + 4
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
TypeError: unsupported operand type(s) for +: 'NoneType' and 'int'
```

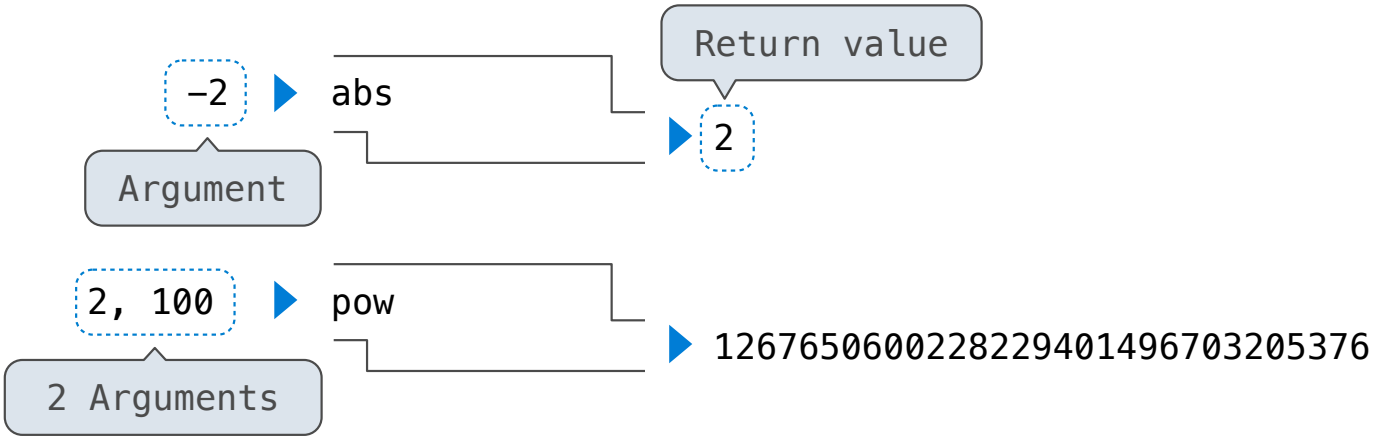
No **return**

None value is not displayed

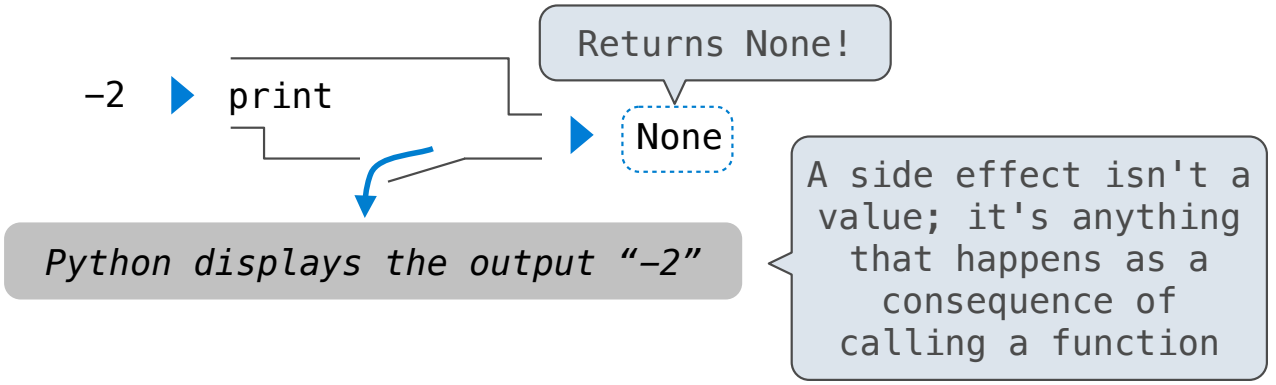
The name **sixteen** is now bound to the value **None**

Pure Functions & Non-Pure Functions

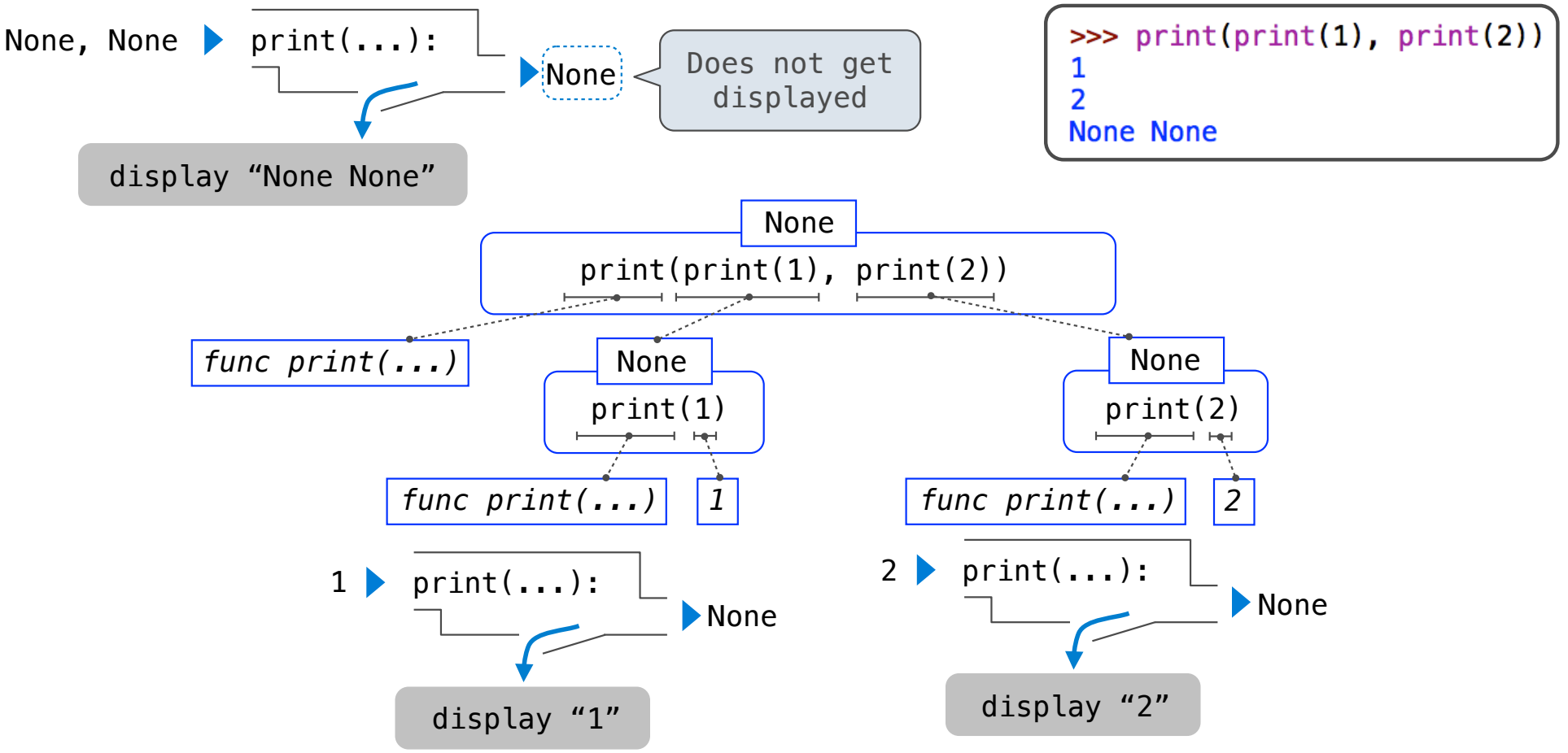
Pure Functions
just return values



Non-Pure Functions
have side effects



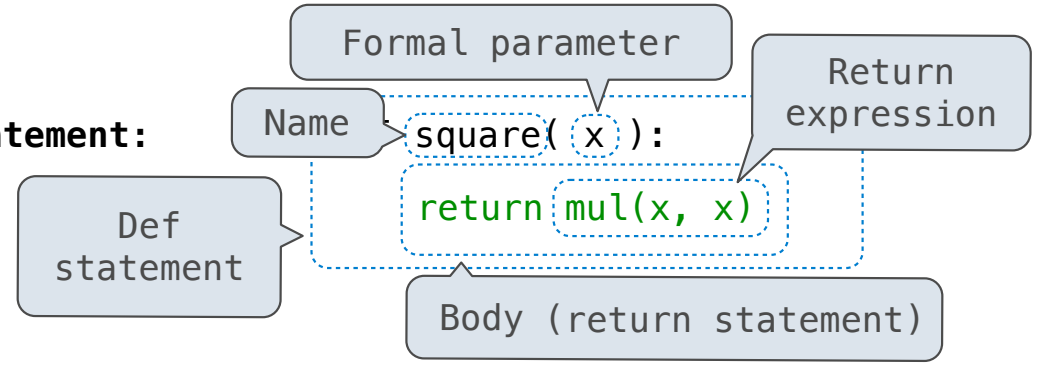
Nested Expressions with Print



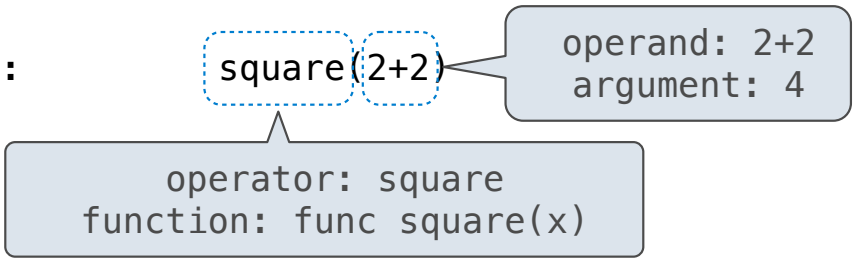
Multiple Environments

Life Cycle of a User-Defined Function

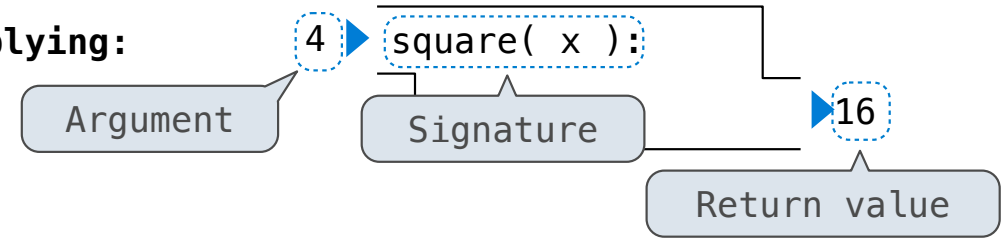
Def statement:



Call expression:



Calling/Applying:



What happens?

A new function is created!

Name bound to that function in the current frame

Operator & operands evaluated

Function (value of operator) called on arguments (values of operands)

A new frame is created!

Parameters bound to arguments

Body is executed in that new environment

Multiple Environments in One Diagram!

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3      return mul(x, x)
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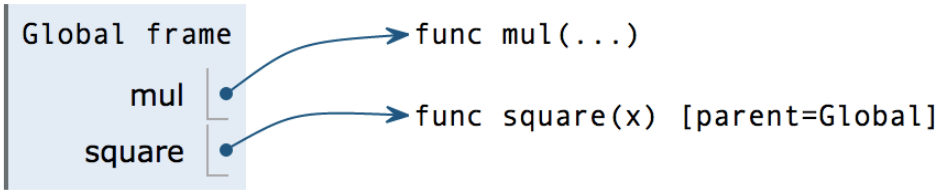

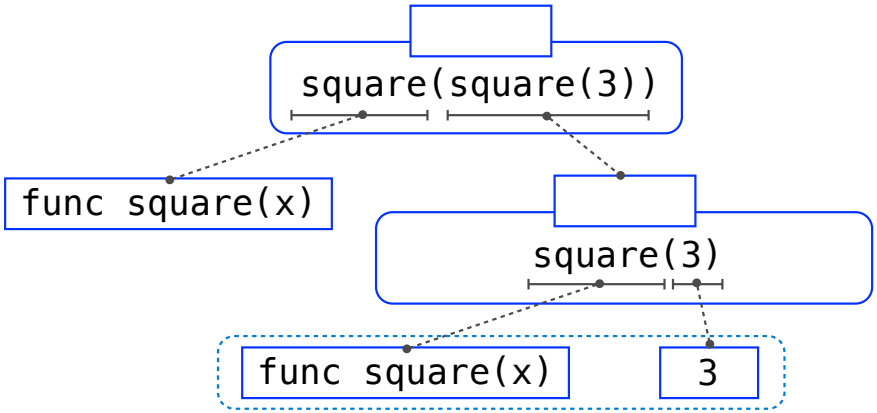

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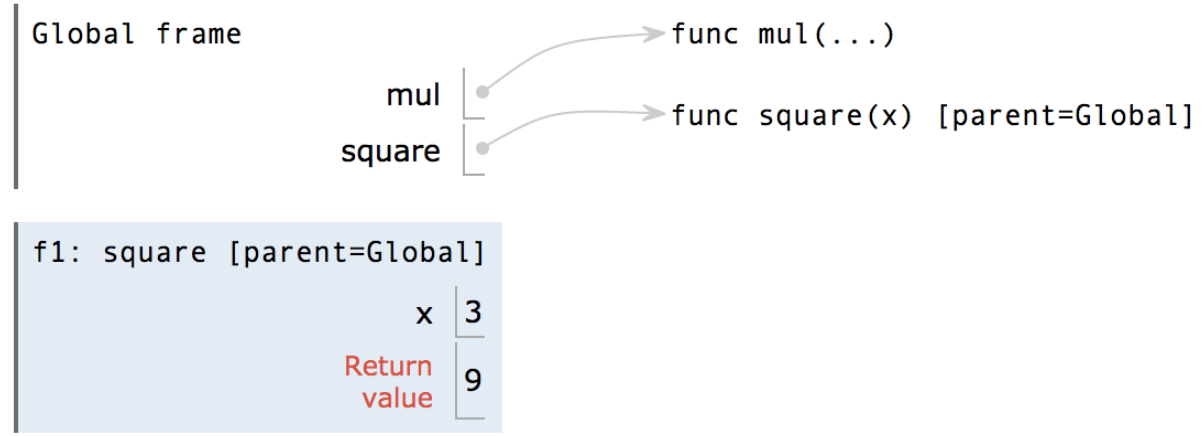

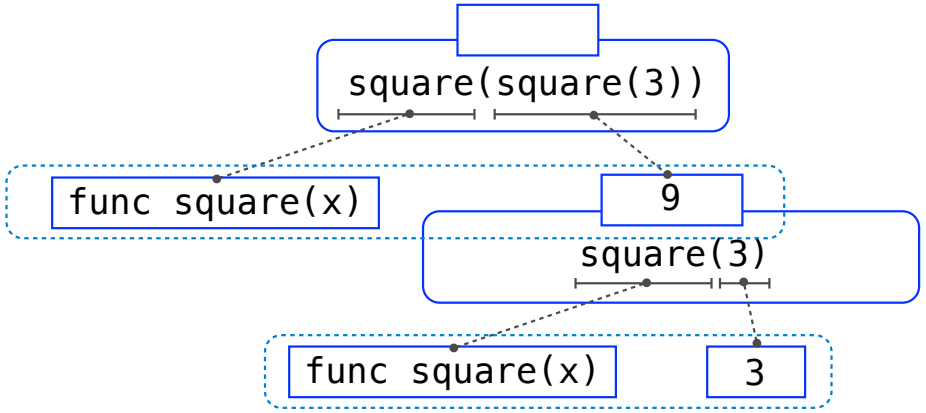

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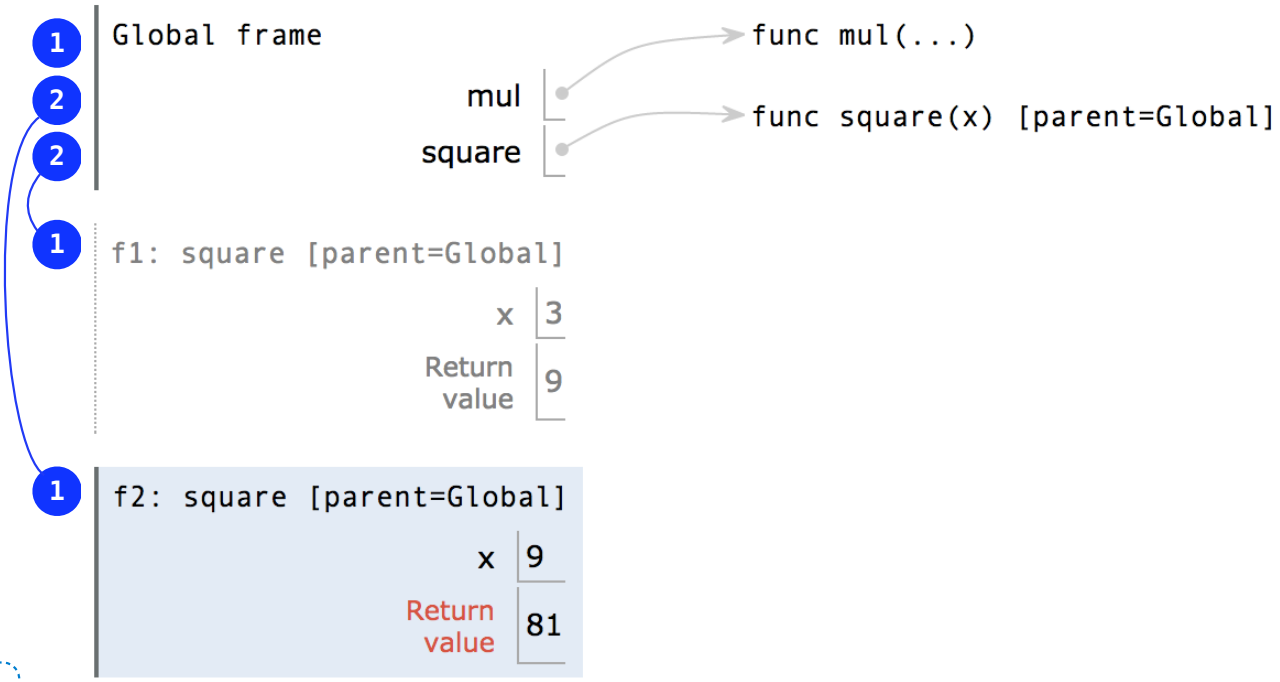

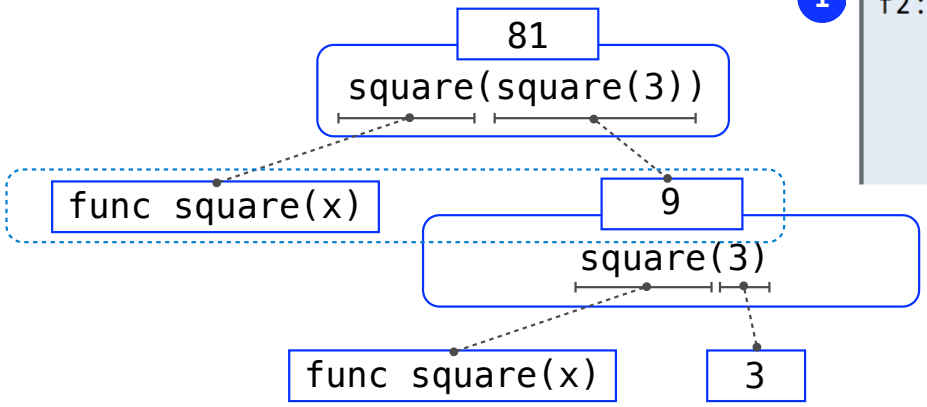

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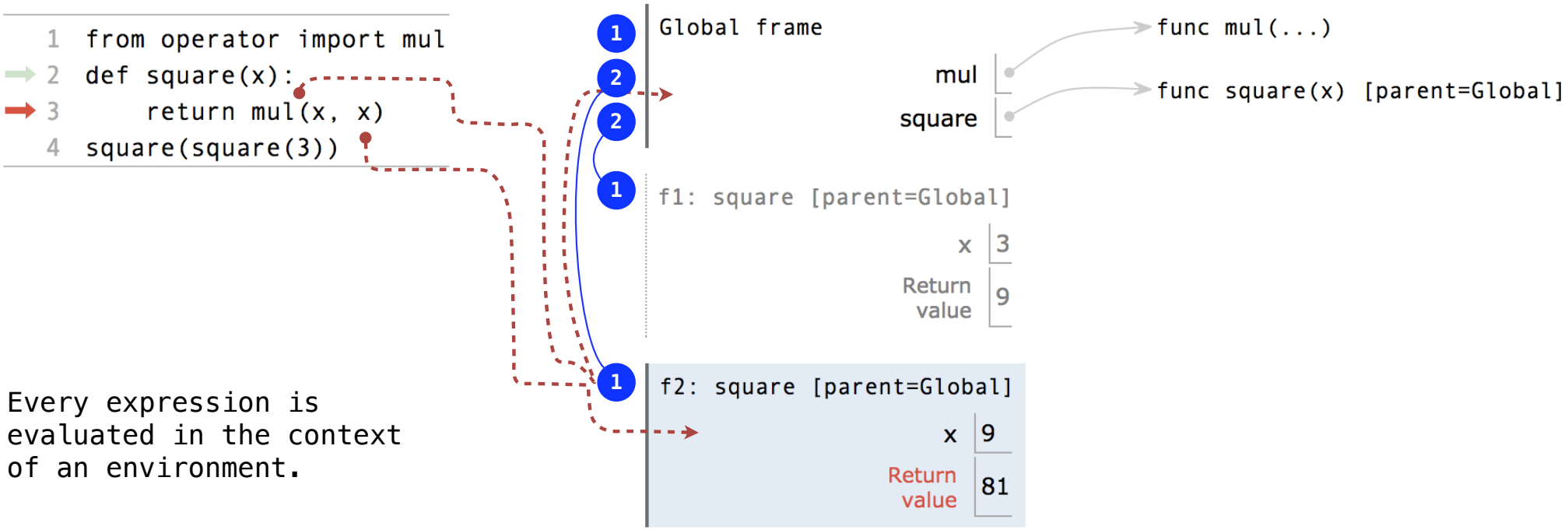
Names Have No Meaning Without Environments



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Names Have Different Meanings in Different Environments

A call expression and the body of the function being called are evaluated in different environments

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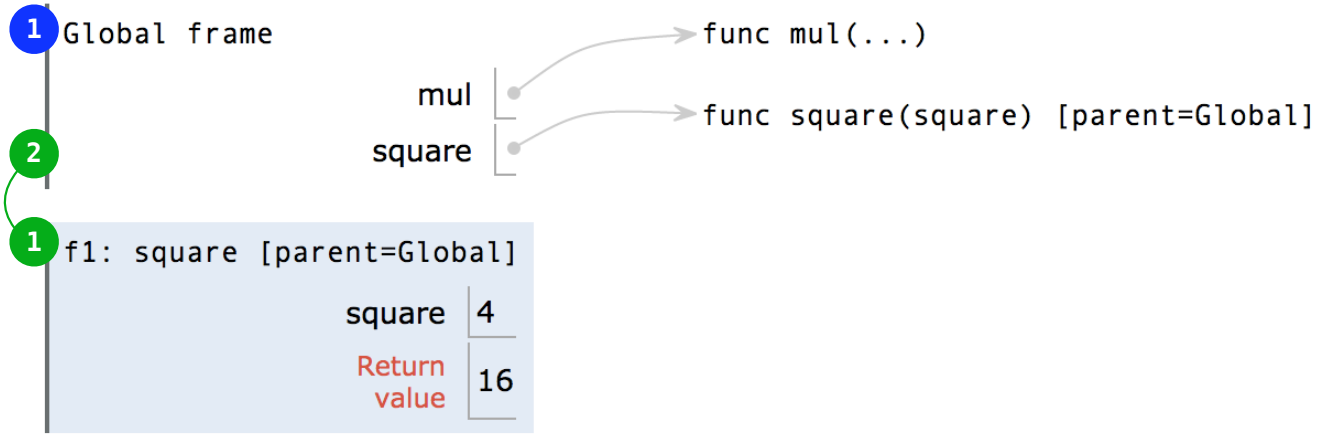

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Miscellaneous Python Features

Division

Multiple Return Values

Source Files

Doctests

Default Arguments

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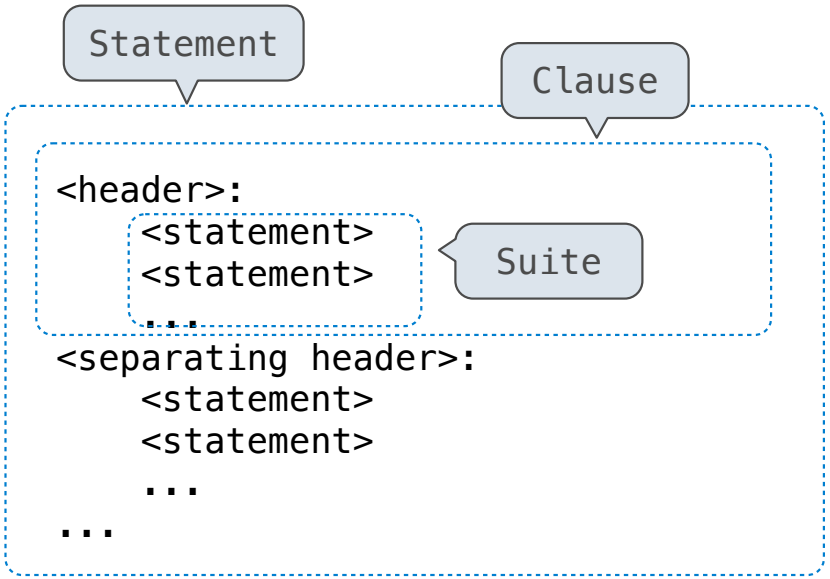
Conditional Statements

Statements

A ***statement*** is executed by the interpreter to perform an action

Compound statements:



The first header determines a statement's type

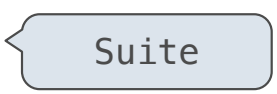
The header of a clause "controls" the suite that follows

def statements are compound statements

Compound Statements

Compound statements:

```
<header>:
    <statement>
    <statement>
    ...
<separating header>:
    <statement>
    <statement>
    ...
...
```



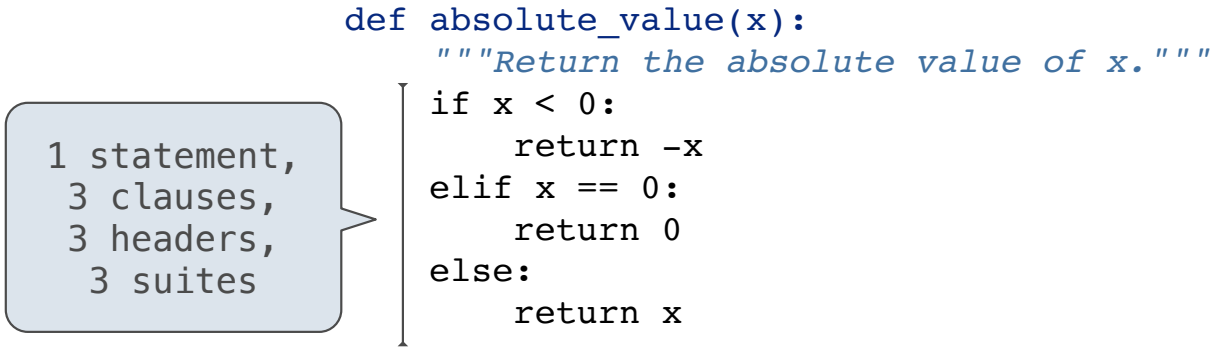
A suite is a sequence of statements

To “execute” a suite means to execute its sequence of statements, in order

Execution Rule for a sequence of statements:

- Execute the first statement
- Unless directed otherwise, execute the rest

Conditional Statements



Execution Rule for Conditional Statements:

Each clause is considered in order.

1. Evaluate the header's expression.
2. If it is a true value,
   execute the suite & skip the remaining clauses.

Syntax Tips:

1. Always starts with "if" clause.
2. Zero or more "elif" clauses.
3. Zero or one "else" clause,
   always at the end.

Boolean Contexts

George Boole

```
def absolute_value(x):
    """Return the absolute value of x."""
    if x < 0:
        return -x
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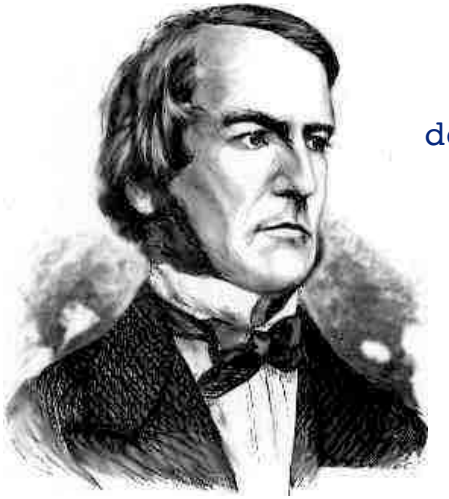

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Two boolean contexts

False values in Python: False, 0, '', None *(more to come)*

True values in Python: Anything else (True)

Read Section 1.5.4!

(Demo)

Reading: http://composingprograms.com/pages/15-control.html#conditional-statements

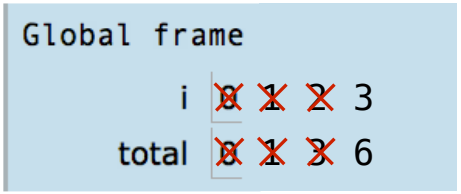
Iteration

While Statements

George Boole

(Demo)

```
1  i, total = 0, 0
2  while i < 3:
3      i = i + 1
4      total = total + i
```



Execution Rule for While Statements:

1. Evaluate the header's expression.

2. If it is a true value,
   execute the (whole) suite,
   then return to step 1.

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Example: Prime Factorization

Prime Factorization

Each positive integer n has a set of prime factors: primes whose product is n

```
...
8  = 2 * 2 * 2
9  = 3 * 3
10 = 2 * 5
11 = 11
12 = 2 * 2 * 3
...
```

One approach: Find the smallest prime factor of n, then divide by it

```
858  = 2 * 429  = 2 * 3 * 143  = 2 * 3 * 11 * 13
```

(Demo)