

Chapter 17: Scopes

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GLOBAL SCOPE

- Global names are variables assigned at the top level of the enclosing module file.
- Global names must be declared only if they are assigned within a function.
- Global names may be referenced within a function without being declared.

```
In [4]: x = 88 # Global X

def func():
    x = 99 # Local X: hides global, but we want this here

func()
print(x) # Prints 88: unchanged

88
```

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In [13]: x = 88 # Global X

def func():
    global x
    x = 99 # Global X: outside def

func()
print("x =", x) # Prints 99

x = 99
```

LEGB rule

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In [1]: # Global names may be referenced within a function without being
        # declared.

y, z = 1, 2          # Global variables in module

def all_global():
    global x          # Declare globals assigned
    x = y + z         # No need to declare y, z: LEGB rule
                    # x existe ahora en el ambito global con valo
r 3

all_global()
print('x = %d, y = %d, z = %d' % (x, y, z))

x = 3, y = 1, z = 2
```

NESTED SCOPES

```
In [4]: x = 99                                # Global scope name: not used

def f1():
    x = 88
    def f2():                                # Enclosing def local
        print("x local = ", x)              # Reference made in nested def
        f2()                                # f2 is a temporary function that liv
es only during the execution                  of (an
d is visible only to code in) the enclosing f1

f1()                                          # Prints 88: enclosing def local
print("x global = ", x)                     # salida: X = 88; X sigue valiendo 99

# f2() NameError: name 'f2' is not defined No se puede invocar
a f2() desde el modulo principal

x local = 88
x global = 99
```

Factory Functions: Closures

A **closure** or a **factory function**, the former describing a **functional programming technique**, and the latter denoting a **design pattern**. The function object in question remembers values in enclosing scopes regardless of whether those scopes are still present in memory.

```
In [6]: def f1():
        x = 88                                # enclosing scope
        def f2():
            print("x =", x)                  # Remembers x in enclosing def
scope
        return f2                            # Return f2 but don't call it
=> f1() devuelve el objeto funcion con
nombre (referencia) f2

action = f1()                                # Make, return function => action es ahora un
a función: action = f2
action()                                     # Call it now: prints 88 == f2()

# Functions are objects in Python like everything else, and can b
e passed back as return values from other functions.
# Most importantly, f2 remembers the enclosing scope's x in f1 ,
even though f1 is no longer active.

x = 88
```

```
In [8]: def maker(n):  
        def action(x):  
            return x ** n  
        scope  
        return action  
  
f = maker(2)          # Pass 2 to argument n -> return x ** 2  
f(3)                  # Pass 3 to x, n remembers "2" -> return  
3 ** 2  
  
f(4)                  # return 4 ** 2
```

Out[8]: 16