

# Adv. Functions

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The following are due on Friday:

- **PrairieLearn:** Homework 13p2, Post-reading 14p1
- **zyBooks:** Participation 14p1

Due Monday:

- **zyBooks:** Topic 13 - Challenge Activities

Lab will be due December 3rd.

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- Searches up the levels of the hierarchy.



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foo()
print(x)
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What is printed after the following function runs?

```
x = [1, 2, 3]
def foo():
    x.append(4)
foo()
print(x)
```

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- ☐ B [1, 2, 3]
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# Poll Question: Function Scope

What is printed after the following function runs?

```
x = [1, 2, 3]
def foo():
    global x
    x = []
foo()
print(x)
```

- ☐ A []
- ☐ B [1, 2, 3]
- ☐ C NameError

# Poll Question: Function Scope

What is printed after the following function runs?

```
x = 1
def foo():
    print("x" in locals(), end=" ")
    x = 2
    print("x" in locals(), end=" ")
foo()
```

- ☐ A True True
- ☐ B True False
- ☐ C False True
- ☐ D NameError

# Poll Question: Function Scope

What is printed after the following function runs?

```
x = 1
def foo():
    x += 1
print(x)
foo()
print(x)
```

- ☐ A 1 2
- ☐ B 1 1
- ☐ C 2 2
- ☐ D UnboundedLocal

# Poll Question: Function Scope

Why can we do this without using `global`...

```
x = [1, 2, 3]
def foo():
    x.append(4)
foo()
```

and not this without `global`?

```
x = 1
def foo():
    x -= 2
foo()
```

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```
def foo(sep=",", num):  
    x = []  
    for i in range(num):  
        x.append(str(i))  
    return sep.join(x)  
foo(5)
```

- ☐ A '0,1,2,3,4'
- ☐ B '0,1,2,3,4,5'
- ☐ C '1,2,3,4,5'
- ☐ D SyntaxError

# Default Arguments: Poll Question

```
def foo(num, sep=",", mult=2):  
    x = []  
    for i in range(num):  
        x.append(str(i * mult))  
    return sep.join(x)  
foo(5, mult=3, sep=".")
```

- ☐ A '0.3.6.9.12'
- ☐ B '0,3,6,9,12'
- ☐ C AttributeError
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def foo(num, sep=",", mult=2):  
    x = []  
    for i in range(num):  
        x.append(str(i * mult))  
    return sep.join(x)  
foo(5, ".", 3)
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def foo(num, step=1, mult=2):  
    x = []  
    for i in range(num, step=step):  
        x.append(str(i * mult))  
    return ",".join(x)  
foo(5, mult=3)
```

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- 3 You can switch positions of default arguments (or arguments in general) if you use their names when calling the function.



**\*args**

# Default Arguments: Poll Question

```
def foo(*args):  
    print(type(args))
```

- ☐ A list
- ☐ B tuple
- ☐ C set
- ☐ D something else?

# Default Arguments: Poll Question

What is returned and printed by the function call at the bottom?

```
def foo(*things):  
    x = []  
    for thing in things:  
        if type(thing) is int:  
            x.append(thing)  
    return x  
print(foo(1, 2, 4.5, 3.4, "bar", "baz"))
```

- ☐ A [1, 2]
- ☐ B [1, 2, 4.5, 3.4]
- ☐ C SyntaxError
- ☐ D NameError

# Default Arguments: Poll Question

What is returned by the function call at the bottom?

```
def foo(*stuff, num):  
    x = []  
    for thing in stuff:  
        if thing % num == 0 and type(thing) is int:  
            x.append(thing)  
    return x  
foo(5, 10, 3, "hello", "World", num=5)
```

- ☐ A [5, 10]
- ☐ B [5, 10, "hello", "World"]
- ☐ C SyntaxError
- ☐ D TypeError

# Default Arguments: Poll Question

What about now?

```
def foo(*stuff, num):  
    x = []  
    for thing in stuff:  
        if type(thing) is int and thing % num == 0:  
            x.append(thing)  
    return x  
foo(5, 10, 3, "hello", "World", num=5)
```

- ☐ A [5, 10]
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# Default Arguments: Poll Question

What is returned by the function call in the code below?

```
def foo(total, *vals):  
    return total == sum(vals)  
foo(15, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
```

- ☐ A [5, 10]
- ☐ B [5, 10, "hello", "World"]
- ☐ C SyntaxError
- ☐ D TypeError

# Default Arguments

This...

```
def foo(*vals):  
    return sum(vals)  
foo(1, 2, 3)
```

is functionally equivalent to this...

```
def foo(vals):  
    return sum(vals)  
foo([1, 2, 3])
```

So arbitrary arguments are more syntactic sugar added by Python to make your code more versatile.

# Default Arguments: Why?

This...

```
def foo(*vals):  
    total = 0  
    for val in vals:  
        total += val  
    return total  
foo(1, 2)  
foo(1, 2, 3)
```

avoids the need for this...

```
def foo1(a,b):  
    return a + b  
def foo2(a,b,c):  
    return a + b + c  
foo1(1, 2)  
foo1(1, 2, 3)
```



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def foo(*vals, num):  
    ...  
foo(1, 2, 3, num=100)
```

VS

```
def foo(num, *vals):  
    ...  
foo(100, 1, 2, 3)
```

**\*\*kwargs**

# Default Arguments: Poll Question

What is printed out when the code below runs?

```
def foo(**kwargs):  
    print(type(kwargs))  
foo(a="thing", b="thing2", c=3)
```

- ☐ A list
- ☐ B tuple
- ☐ C set
- ☐ D dict

# Default Arguments: Poll Question

```
def foo(**named_stuff, num):  
    x = []  
    for name, value in named_stuff.items():  
        if value > num:  
            x.append(value)  
    return x  
print(foo(a=10, b=4, c=1, d=15, num=5))
```

- ☐ A [10, 15]
- ☐ B None
- ☐ C SyntaxError
- ☐ D NameError

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    x = []  
    for name, value in named_stuff.items():  
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```

- ☐ A [10, 15]
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Why?

# Default Arguments: Poll Question

```
def foo(num, **more_named_stuff):  
    x = ""  
    for key, value in more_named_stuff.items():  
        if value % num == 0:  
            x += key  
    return x  
foo(2, a=2, b=4, c=5, d=6)
```

- ☐ A 'abd'
- ☐ B TypeError
- ☐ C ValueError
- ☐ D AttributeError



# Default Arguments: Poll Question

```
def foo(arg1, arg2=2, **args):  
    return arg1, arg2, args  
foo(5, a=1, b=2, c=3)
```

- ☐ A (5, 2, {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3})
- ☐ B (5, 1, {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3})
- ☐ C SyntaxError
- ☐ D NameError

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```
def foo(arg1, arg2=2, **args):  
    return arg1, arg2, args  
foo(5, a=1, b=2, c=3, arg2=-1)
```

- ☐ A (5, 2, {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3})
- ☐ B (5, -1, {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3})
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    ...  
foo(val1=1, val2=2, val3=3, num=100)
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foo(num=100, 1, 2, 3)
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- Ⓓ **Generally, the valid order is:** `foo(val1, val2=10, *args, **kwargs)`