



# PYTHON FOR COMPUTATIONAL PROBLEM SOLVING

## Functions: Variable number of positional args and Keyword args

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### Function Call: Arguments and Parameters

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- In the function definition, variables are specified which receive the arguments when the function is called or invoked. **These are called parameters.**
- The parameters are **always variables.**
- When the function call is made, the control is transferred to the function definition. The arguments are evaluated and copied to the corresponding parameters.
- This is called **parameter passing by value or call by value.**
- The value of arguments are passed by value to the parameters.

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- When a function performs a specified task, it may require some values to operate on.
- These values have to be provided when calling a function as input.
- These values have to be put within the pair of round parentheses in the function call.
- **They are called as arguments.**

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### Function: Global and Local variables



#### There are two types of variables

- **Global Variables:** Variables created outside all functions. Scope of Global variable is within the file and outside that file too.
- **Local variables:** Variables created inside the function and accessible only to that function. Scope of the local variable is within the function.

#### Example 1:

```
x=10
print("global first outside",x)
def f1():
    x=11
    #local variable x.
    #Life and scope is only within this function
    print("inside",x)
f1()
print("global second outside",x)
```

```
C:\Users\Dell>python notes_functions.py
global first outside 10
inside 11
global second outside 10
C:\Users\Dell>
```

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**Example 2: Global variable is read-only inside a function. We cannot modify the value of that variable inside the function directly.**

```
x=10
print(x)
def f1():
    x=x+1 #UnboundLocalError.
    print("inside",x)
f1()
print("outside",x)
```

```
C:\Users\bell\python notes_functions.py
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Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "C:\Users\bell\python notes_functions.py", line 38, in module
    f1()
  File "C:\Users\bell\python notes_functions.py", line 35, in f1
    x=x+1      #UnboundLocalError: Global variable is read-only inside a function. We cannot m
               odify the value of that variable inside the function directly
UnboundLocalError: cannot access local variable 'x' where it is not associated with a value
```

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#### Example 3: Usage of global keyword

```
x=10
print("global first outside",x)
def f1():
    global x
    x=x+1
    print("inside",x)
f1()
print("global second outside",x)
#If you interchange the first two statements inside the function, it results in
Error.
```

```
C:\Users\Dell>python notes_functions.py
global first outside 10
inside 11
global second outside 11
```

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**Example 4:- Calculate the sum of two numbers given and return the sum.**

```
def add_numbers(x,y):
```

```
    sum = x + y
```

```
    return sum
```

```
output = add_Numbers(10,5)
```

```
print("The sum of two numbers is = ",output)
```

**Output:**

The sum of two numbers is = 15

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**Example 5:- Calculate the area of triangle given the dimensions.**

```
def area_tri(b,h) :
```

```
    a=0.5*b*h
```

```
    return a
```

```
Area=area_tri(5,6)
```

```
print("area=",Area)
```

- The function definition has two parameters, which indicate that it requires two arguments to be passed when the function is called/invoked.
- The arguments are constants in this example, 5 and 6.
- These values are copied to the parameters b and h respectively.



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When a function is called, it is imperative that the number of arguments passed **MUST ALWAYS MATCH** the number of parameters in the function definition

#### Example 6:-

```
def product(x,y,z):  
    a=x*y*z return a  
r=product(5,6,2)  
#r=product(5) #error : too few arguments  
#r=product(5,6,2,7) #error : too many arguments  
print("product =",r)
```

#### Output:

```
product = 60
```

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## Function Call: Categories of Functions

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### 1. No arguments : No return value

```
def add():  
    a = 10  
    b = 20  
    print(a+b)  
  
add()
```

Output: 30

### 1. No arguments : with return value

```
def add():  
    a=10  
    b=20  
    return a+b  
  
sum = add()  
print(sum)
```

Output: 30

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#### 3. With arguments : No return value

```
def add(a,b):  
    print(a+b)  
add(10,20)
```

Output:  
30

#### 4. With arguments : With return value

```
def add(a,b):  
    return a+b  
sum = add(10,20)  
print(sum)
```

Output:  
30

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**Variable number of positional arguments: \*arg [Any variable can be used with \*]**



- \* handles the variable number of positional arguments in the function.
- arg is of type tuple inside the function.

### Example 7:

```
def f1(*arg):
```

```
    print(arg, type(arg)) #arg is of type tuple
```

```
    for i in arg:
```

```
        print(i)
```

```
f1(2,1,6,4,9,7) #All three function calls are valid
```

```
f1()
```

```
f1(2,4)
```

```
C:\Users\Dell>python notes_functions.py
(2, 1, 6, 4, 9, 7) <class 'tuple'>
2
1
6
4
9
7
() <class 'tuple'>
(2, 4) <class 'tuple'>
2
4
C:\Users\Dell>
```

## PYTHON FOR COMPUTATIONAL PROBLEM SOLVING

**Variable number of keyword arguments: \*\*kwargs [Any variable can be used with \*\*]**



- \*\* handles the variable number of keyword arguments in the function.
- kwargs is of type dictionary inside the function.

### Example 8:

```
def f1(**kwargs):  
    print(kwargs, type(kwargs)) #kwargs is of type dict  
    for i in kwargs:  
        print(i,end="")  
    print()  
    for i in kwargs.keys():  
        print(i,end="")  
    print()  
    for i in kwargs.values():  
        print(i,end="")  
f1(a=2,b=1,c=6)
```

```
C:\Users\Dell>python notes_functions.py  
{'a': 2, 'b': 1, 'c': 6} <class 'dict'>  
a b c  
a b c  
2 1 6  
C:\Users\Dell>
```



**THANK YOU**

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