

Python, Call by Value

```
def change(x):  
    x = x + 10  
    print(x)
```

x is formal parameter
a is Actual parameter
output

```
a = 10  
print(a)  
change(a)  
print(a)
```

10
20
10

∴ x = x + 10 that's why x is 20 but a remain same 10.
→ In call by value actual parameters copies to formal parameters and changes in formal can't reflect in actual parameters.

```
s = "Welcome"  
l = [10, 20, 5, 30]  
print(s)  
print(l)
```

o/p
Welcome
[10, 20, 5, 30]
[10, 40, 5, 30]

```
l[1] = l[1] + 20 # List is Mutable in python  
print(l)
```

```
string[1] = "P" # string is immutable in python  
→ This line we get error
```

Python, Call by Reference :-

```
def change(x): # Here x is list.
```

```
    x[1] = x[1] + 20  
    print(x)
```

```
a = [10, 20, 30, 40]
```

```
print(a)
```

```
change(a)
```

```
print(a)
```

output

[10, 20, 30, 40]

[10, 40, 30, 40]

[10, 40, 30, 40]

∴ Value of "a" has changed, same as value of x

x = [10, 40, 30, 40]

a = [10, 40, 30, 40]

→ In call by reference actual parameters copies to formal and if formal get changed, change reflects to the actual parameter

* Instead of call by value and call by reference "call-by-object" or "call-by-object-reference" is a more accurate way of describing python.