Global and Local Variables in Python

Global variables are the one that are defined and declared outside a function and we need to use them inside a function.

Identify how the outputs are obtained for the following programs?

Program1:

```
# This function uses global variable s
def f():
    print(s)

# Global scope
s = "Geeksforgeeks"
f()

Program2:
# This function has a variable with name same as s.
def f():
    s = "Me too."
    print(s)
```

The question is, what will happen if we change the value of s inside of the function f()? Will it affect the global s as well? We test it in the following code:

Program3:

Global scope

f() print(s)

s = "I love Geeksforgeeks"

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def f():
    print(s)

# This program will NOT show error if we comment below line.
    s = "Me too."
    print(s)

# Global scope
s = "I love Geeksforgeeks"
f()
print(s)
```

Program4:

```
# This function modifies the global variable 's'
def f():
  global s
  print(s)
  s = "Look for Geeksforgeeks Python Section"
  print(s)
# Global Scope
s = "Python is great!"
f()
print(s)
Program5:
a = 1
# Uses global because there is no local 'a'
def f():
  print('Inside f():', a)
# Variable 'a' is redefined as a local
def g():
  a = 2
  print('Inside g(): ', a)
# Uses global keyword to modify global 'a'
def h():
  global a
  a = 3
  print('Inside h() : ', a)
# Global scope
print('global : ',a)
f()
print('global : ',a)
g()
```

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print('global : ',a)
h()
print('global : ',a)

Program6:
def foo(x, y):
  global a
  a = 42
  x,y = y,x
  b = 33
  b = 17
  c = 100
  print(a,b,x,y)
a, b, x, y = 1, 15, 3,4
foo(17, 4)
print(a, b, x, y)
```

We will examine now what will happen, if we use the global keyword inside nested functions.

Program7:

```
def f():
    city = "Hamburg"
    def g():
        global city
        city = "Geneva"
    print("Before calling g: " + city)
    print("Calling g now:")
        g()
        print("After calling g: " + city)
```

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print("Value of city in main: " + city)
```

Program8:

```
def f():
  city = "Munich"
  def g():
     nonlocal city
     city = "Zurich"
  print("Before calling g: " + city)
  print("Calling g now:")
  g()
  print("After calling g: " + city)
city = "Stuttgart"
f()
print("'city' in main: " + city)
Program9:
def f():
  #city = "Munich"
  def g():
     global city
     city = "Zurich"
  print("Before calling g: " + city)
  print("Calling g now:")
  g()
  print("After calling g: " + city)
city = "Stuttgart"
f()
print("'city' in main: " + city)
```