

Another simple example

- Suppose we want to compute powers of a number by successive multiplication
- Idea would be to keep track of number of multiplications, plus intermediate product
- Stop when have multiplied number x by itself p times, and return final product
- Here is simple code

Computing powers

```
x = float(raw_input('Enter a number: '))
p = int(raw_input('Enter an integer power: '))

result = 1

for turn in range(p):
    print('iteration: ' + str(turn) + \
          'current result: ' + str(result))
    result = result * x
```

Let's define our procedure

```
def iterativePower(x, p):  
    result = 1  
    for turn in range(p):  
        print ( 'iteration: ' +  
str(turn) + ' current result: '  
+ str(result))  
        result = result * x  
    return result
```

And this creates

iterativePower	

Procedure1

(x, p)

result = 1

for turn in range(p):

print ('iteration: '

+ str(turn) + ' current

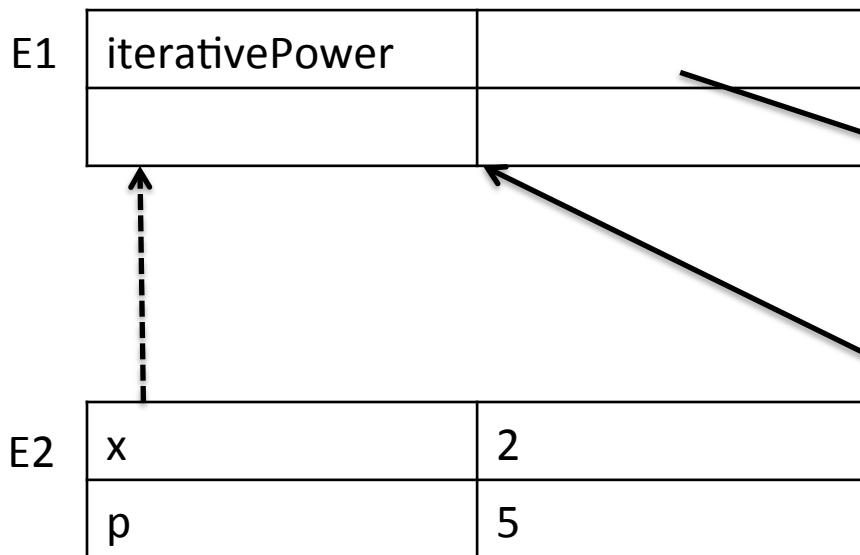
result: ' + str(result))

result = result * x

return result

Example

- Call iterativePower(2, 5)

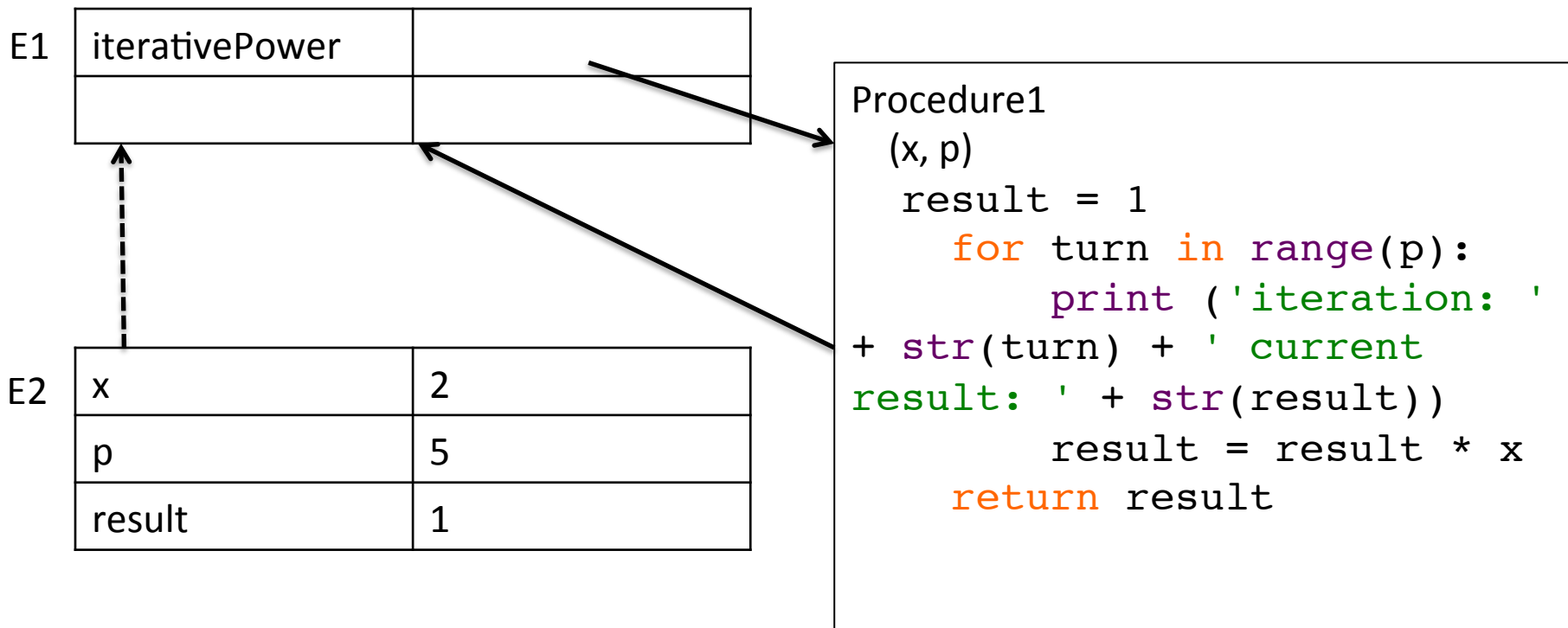


Procedure1

```
(x, p)
result = 1
    for turn in range(p):
        print ('iteration: '
+ str(turn) + ' current
result: ' + str(result))
        result = result * x
    return result
```

Example

- Evaluating body of procedure initially causes...



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- and for loop rebinds local variable until exit, when return statement returns value of result

E1

iterativePower	

E2

x	2
p	5
result	32

Procedure1

(x, p)

result = 1

for turn in range(p):

print ('iteration: '

+ str(turn) + ' current

result: ' + str(result))

result = result * x

return result

Scoping is local

- Imagine we had evaluated

```
x = 3
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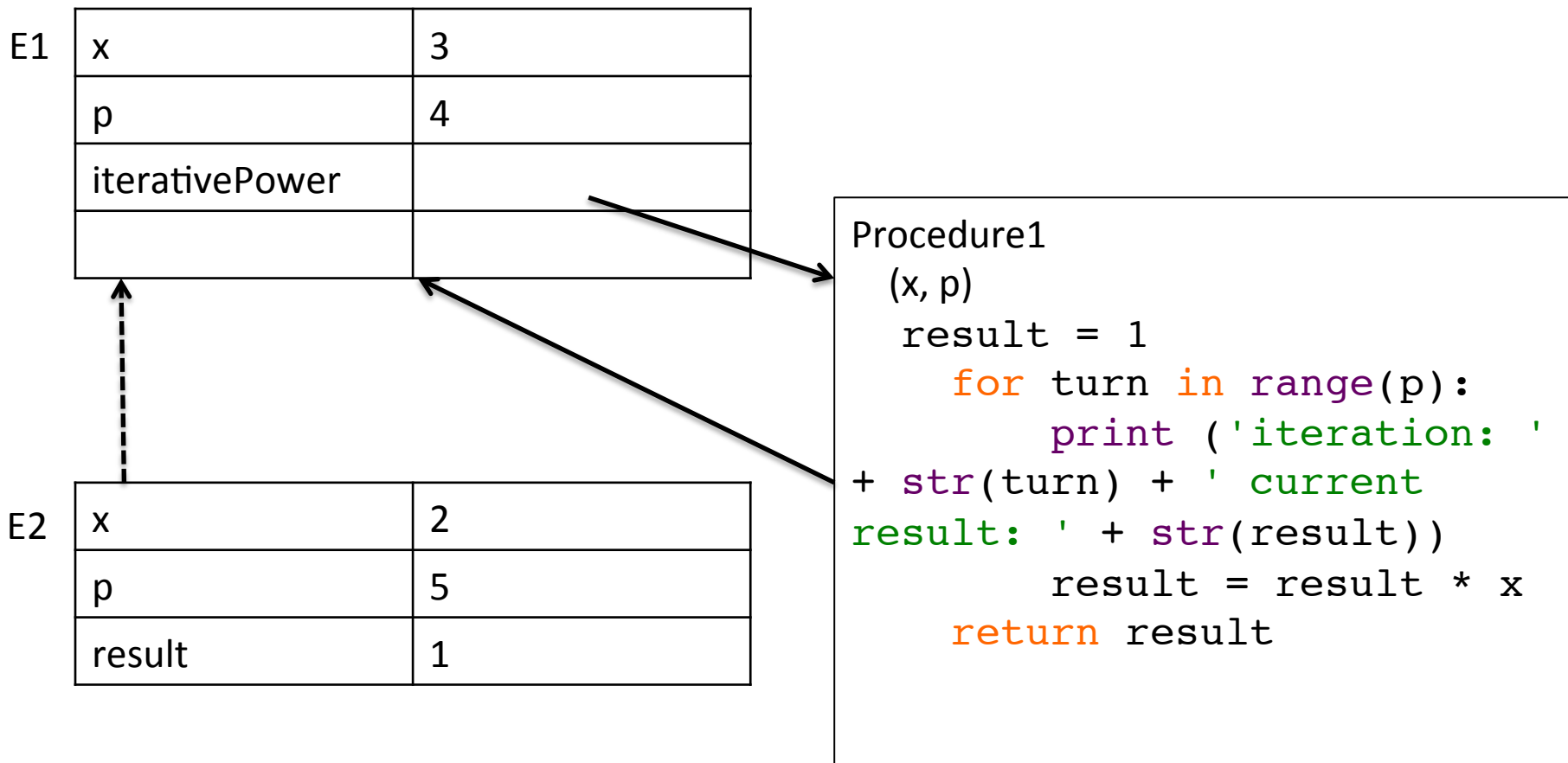
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p = 4
```

```
print(iterativePower(2, 5))
```

- Then our local environment would have separate bindings for x and p, which would not be visible to the environment of the function call

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- Evaluating body of procedure initially causes...



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- But now evaluation of body only sees bindings in E2

E1

x	3
p	4
iterativePower	

E2

x	2
p	5
result	1

Procedure1

```
(x, p)
result = 1
  for turn in range(p):
    print ('iteration: '
+ str(turn) + ' current
result: ' + str(result))
    result = result * x
  return result
```