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Lecture 3: Advanced Functions

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Local and Remote-Tracking Branches

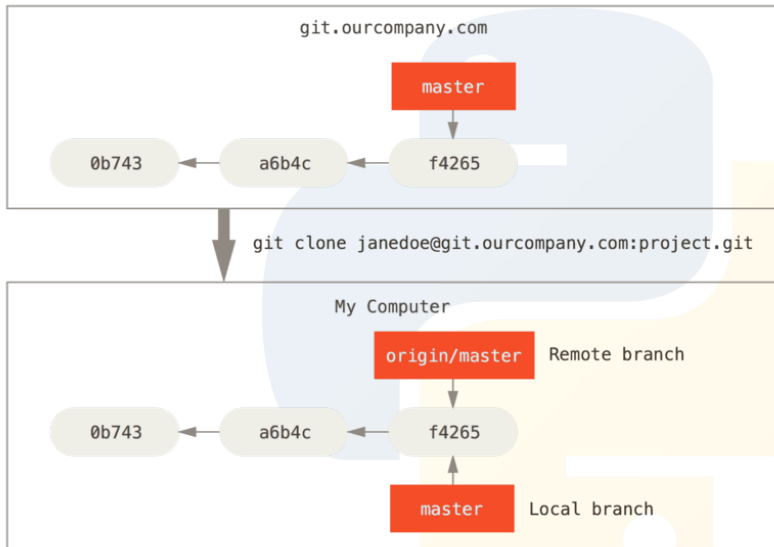
- ▶ A **branch** is a pointer to a particular commit
- ▶ A **local branch** points to a commit on your local repo.
 - ▶ Changed by local operations like `git commit`
 - ▶ Simply named, such as “master”
- ▶ A **remote-tracking branch** points to a commit on a remote repo.
 - ▶ Named with both remote and branch name, such as “origin/master”

gitlab

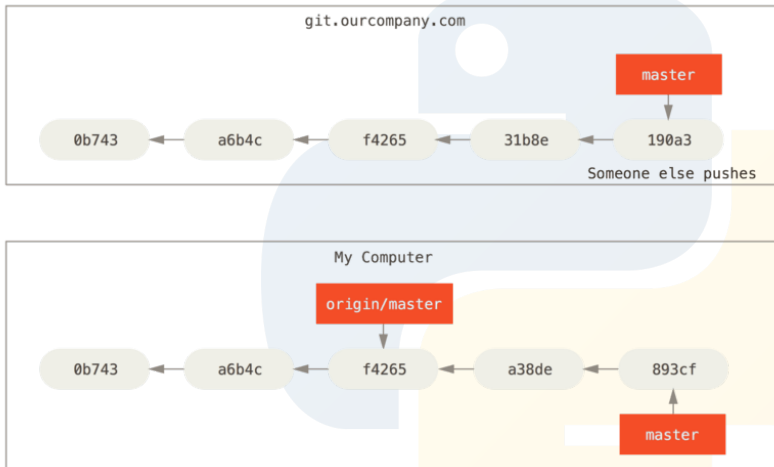
Updating Remote-Tracking Branches

- ▶ Your local repo's remote-tracking branches **are not automatically updated** when the remote itself changes.
- ▶ Use `git fetch` to update your remote-tracking branches:
 - ▶ `git fetch <remote_name>`: update all remote-tracking branches that point to a given remote
 - ▶ `git fetch --all`: update all remote-tracking branches from all remotes
- ▶ this does not change your local branches or your working tree.

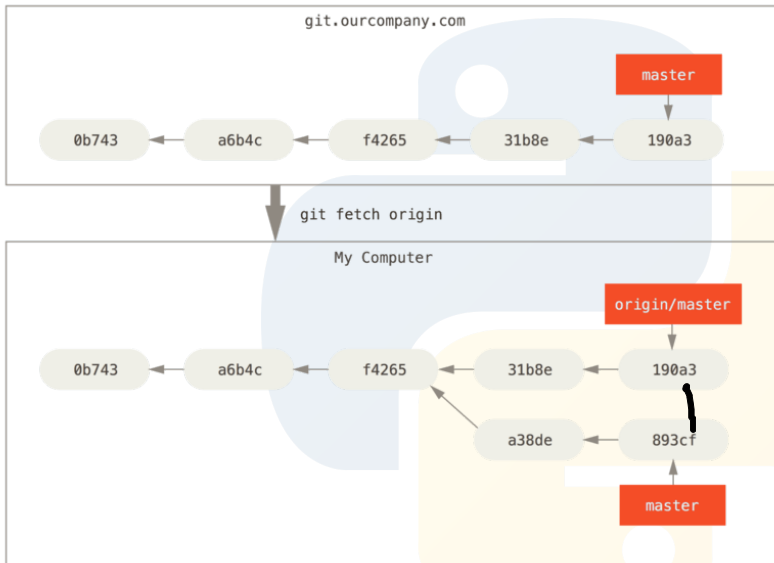
Example: A freshly-cloned repo



Example: Someone else pushes commits to remote



Example: Fetching new commits from remote



Merging Commits from Remote

Two ways to get changes from remote-tracking branch into local branch.

- ▶ Fetch and merge:

```
git fetch origin  
git merge origin/master
```

- ▶ Pull:

```
git pull origin master
```

Can also name other remotes or branches:

```
git pull upstream master
```

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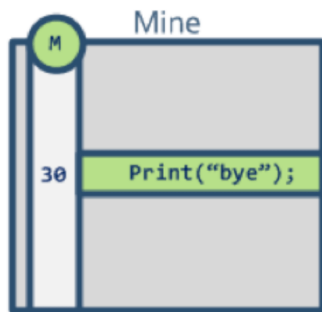
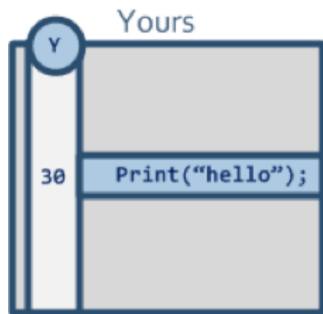
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Source

- ▶ “Three-way Merging: A Look Under the Hood”:
[http://blog.plasticscm.com/2016/02/
three-way-merging-look-under-hood.html](http://blog.plasticscm.com/2016/02/three-way-merging-look-under-hood.html)

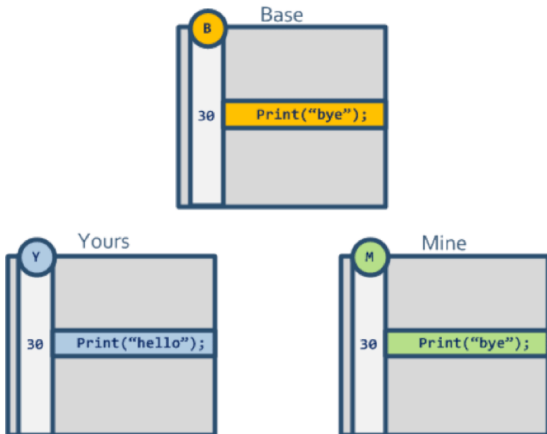
A Two-Way Merge (Hypothetical)



- ▶ You and me have different code on line 30
- ▶ Not enough info to know whose to keep

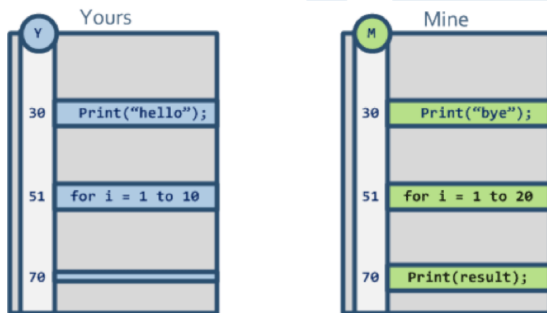
A Three-Way Merge (Actual)

yours is
more recent,
so keep this



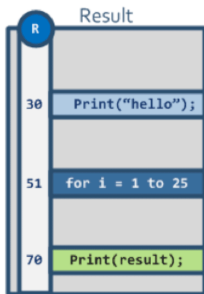
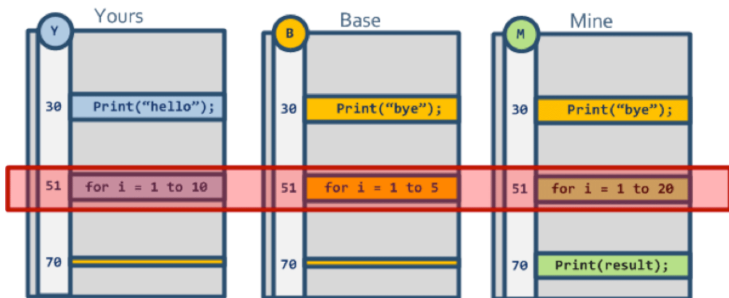
- ▶ Compares yours and mine to common ancestor
- ▶ Now it's clear that we'll keep your line 30

Multiple Lines in a Three-Way Merge



- Changes are compared and resolved on a line-by-line basis

Automatic and Manual Merging



Automatic – just keep "yours" (no changes on "mine")



Manual – resolved manually because there was a conflict!



Automatic – just keep "mine" (no changes on "yours") (I added the code)

Resolving Merge Conflicts

- ▶ Simplest way is to look in the file itself
- ▶ Lines with merge conflict will be marked like this:

If you have questions, please

<<<<<< HEAD

open an issue

=====

ask your question in IRC.

>>>>>> branch-a

edit manually

- ▶ For more details:
 - ▶ <https://help.github.com/en/articles/resolving-a-merge-conflict-using-the-command-line>
 - ▶ <https://www.atlassian.com/git/tutorials/using-branches/merge-conflicts>

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Pulling Upstream Changes for Homework

1. Add upstream

```
git remote add upstream git@mit.cs.uchicago.edu:mpcs51042-aut-19/mpcs51042-2-aut-19.git
```

2. Pull upstream changes

```
git pull upstream master
```

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Anonymous Functions

- ▶ A `lambda expression` creates and returns a function object.
 - ▶ A `def` statement creates a function and assigns it to a name.
 - ▶ A `lambda` expression is often not assigned to a name (for example, as an inlined argument to another function).
- ▶ A `lambda`'s body is a single expression, not a block of statements.

Example: Custom Sorting

- ▶ The `sorted()` function takes an optional argument for custom sorting.
- ▶ This argument, `key`, is a function used to obtain the comparison key for each element.

```
>>> ron = dict(skin_color='brown', hair_color='black',  
...           eye_color='brown', fav_color='azure')
```

```
>>> sorted(ron.items()) sorted by keys  
[('eye_color', 'brown'), ('fav_color', 'azure'),  
 ('hair_color', 'black'), ('skin_color', 'brown')]
```

```
>>> sorted(ron.items(), key=lambda x: x[1]) sorted by values  
[('fav_color', 'azure'), ('hair_color', 'black'),  
 ('skin_color', 'brown'), ('eye_color', 'brown')]
```

More Lambda Examples

- ▶ Sort strings using true alphabetical ordering, rather than “ASCII-betical” ordering
- ▶ Show how to make a dict-of-dict-of-lists using defaultdict

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Functional Programming

Functional programming tools apply an operation to every item in an iterable.

- ▶ Two built-in functions:
 - ▶ `map(function, iterable, ...)`: Applies a general function to every item in the passed iterable. Returns a new iterator for results.
 - ▶ `filter(function, iterable)`: Returns all elements for which function is True. Result is a new iterator.
- ▶ Also provided in `functools` module:
 - ▶ `functools.reduce(function, iterable[, initializer])`: Apply function cumulatively and return a single value as the result. Optionally specify the initial value.
- ▶ Others in `itertools` module: `filterfalse`, `dropwhile`, `takewhile`, etc.
- ▶ Standard operators are expressed as functions in the `operator` module.

Using Map

Works with built-ins:

```
>>> list(map(math.ceil, [1.1, 2.5, 3.01]))  
[2, 3, 4]
```

```
>>> set(map(str.upper, {'apple', 'Banana', 'CHerry'}))  
{'BANANA', 'CHERRY', 'APPLE'}
```

The operator module provides functions for built-in operators

```
>>> from operator import neg  
>>> list(map(neg, [1.1, 2.5, 3.01]))  
[-1.1, -2.5, -3.01]
```

Using Map, cont.

Great place to use lambdas:

```
>>> tuple(map(lambda x: x+10, [1, 3, 5]))  
(11, 13, 15)
```

map function generate iterable object

```
>>> f = lambda s: str.capitalize(s) + " are great!"  
>>> set(map(f, {'apples', 'Bananas', 'CHerries'}))  
{'Apples are great!', 'Cherries are great!',  
'Bananas are great!'}
```

Using Map with Multiple Iterables

Map can use an N-argument function to handle N iterables:

- ▶ `pow` takes 2 arguments; `map` gives it 2 iterators:

```
>>> list(map(pow, [2, 4, 8], [6, 3, 2]))  
[64, 64, 64]
```

- ▶ The `operator` module has functions for binary operators:

```
>>> from operator import mul  
>>> list(map(mul, [2, 4, 8], [6, 3, 2]))  
[12, 12, 16]
```

- ▶ `max` takes an arbitrary number of args:

```
>>> list(map(max, [1, 7, 24], [5, 1, 0], [2, -20, 100]))  
[5, 7, 100]
```

Too Much Work in a Map?

Is this clearer than a for-loop or generator?

```
>>> d = {'dog': 'mammal', 'shark': 'fish',  
...      'duck': 'dinosaur'}  
>>> joiner = lambda x: str.join(' is a ', x)  
>>> list(map(joiner, d.items()))
```

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Filter

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Filter returns all elements for which the test function is true:

```
>>> list(filter(str.isalpha, ["can't", "abc", "2nd"]))  
['abc']
```

```
>>> list(filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0, [22, 1, 0, 4.1, 15]))  
[22, 0]
```

Reduce

Reduce takes a 2-argument function and applies it cumulatively to the elements in an iterable:

```
>>> from functools import reduce
>>> from operator import add, mul
>>> reduce(mul, [1, 2, 3, 4])
24
```

Takes an optional initializer:

```
>>> reduce(add, [1, 2, 3, 4], 10)
20
```

A user-defined function must take two args:

```
>>> reduce(lambda x, y: -(x+y), [1, 2, 3, 4])
-4
```


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List Comprehensions

A **list comprehension** will:

- ▶ Apply an arbitrary **expression** (not function) to an iterable.
- ▶ Create a list (not an iterator) of results.

Comprehensions can also create dictionaries and sets.

For-Loop vs. Map vs. Comprehension

All of these produce the values [0, 1, 4, 9, 16].

- ▶ All of them take the same iterable.
- ▶ Map applies a **function** and returns an **iterator**.
- ▶ Comprehension applies an **expression** and returns a **list**.

For loop

```
L = []  
for i in range(5):  
    L.append(i ** 2)
```

**[expression
for target 1 in iterable1 if condition
for target 2 in iterable 2 if]**

Map (an iterator, not list)

```
I = map(lambda i: i ** 2, range(5))
```

Comprehension

```
L = [i ** 2 for i in range(5)]
```

Nesting and Conditionals in Comprehensions

**cannot use lambda
function here**

- ▶ Comprehensions can be arbitrarily nested.
 - ▶ The first for-loop is outermost.
 - ▶ Subsequent for-loops are nested inwards.

```
L = [x+" "+y for x in ('one', 'two') for y in ('fish', 'car')]
# Returns ['one fish', 'one car', 'two fish', 'two car']
```

- ▶ Comprehensions can use conditions to “filter” the iterable:

```
L = [s.upper() for s in ('cat', 1.23, 'dOG', [])
     if isinstance(s, str)]
# Returns ['CAT', 'DOG']
```

Set and Dictionary Comprehensions

- ▶ Set comprehensions have the generator syntax:

```
{f(x) for x in iterable if P(x)}
```

- ▶ Dictionary comprehensions have the general syntax:
 - ▶ `iterable` should be an iterable of (key, value) pairs.
 - ▶ For example, `zip(keys, vals)` produces a suitable result.

```
{f(k): g(v) for (k,v) in iterable if P(k,v)}
```

Example: Cartesian Product

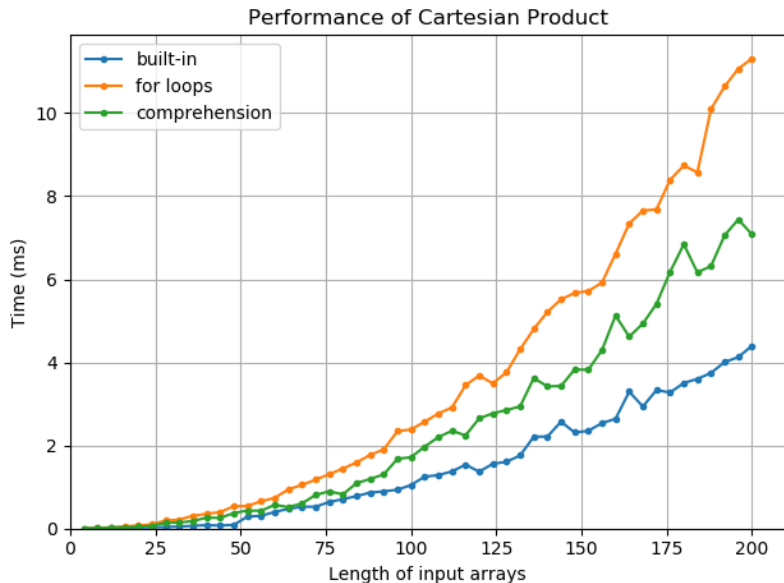
Write two functions that use a for loop and a comprehension to get the Cartesian Product of two iterables:

```
>>> compr_cart_product([1, 2, 3], ['A', 'B', 'C'])  
[[1, 'A'], [1, 'B'], [1, 'C'], [2, 'A'], [2, 'B'], [2, 'C'],  
 [3, 'A'], [3, 'B'], [3, 'C']]
```

Example: Cartesian Product, cont.

```
def for_loop_cart_product(list1, list2):  
    results = []  
    for i in list1:  
        for j in list2:  
            results.append([i, j])  
    return results  
  
def compr_cart_product(list1, list2):  
    return [[i, j] for i in list1 for j in list2]
```

Performance of Cartesian Products



More Comprehension Examples

- ▶ Split a string of text into a list of sentences.
- ▶ Split a string of text into a nested list of sentences and words
- ▶

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Generator Functions

- ▶ Generator functions provide another way to retain state.
 - ▶ They **suspend their state** between multiple calls.
 - ▶ They are compiled into **generator objects**, which are a kind of **iterator**.
- ▶ They are written to **yield** a value to the caller, then resume execution.
- ▶ **Returning** or exiting the function terminates the execution.

Generating Fibonacci Numbers

- ▶ This yields Fibonacci numbers **one at a time**.
- ▶ Each iteration stops and resumes at `yield`.
- ▶ The iteration ends when the function exits.

```
def fib(end):  
    last = 0  
    curr = 1  
    for i in range(end):  
        yield curr  
        nxt = curr + last  
        last = curr  
        curr = nxt  
  
for i in fib(5):  
    print(i, end=": ")  # prints 1: 2: 3: 5: 8:
```

Non-terminating Fibonacci

Sometimes it is useful to make a non-terminating generator:

```
def fib():
    last = 0
    curr = 1
    while True:
        yield curr
        nxt = curr + last
        last = curr
        curr = nxt
        # An infinite loop
        stop and returns curr

f = fib()
for i in range(5):
    print(next(f), end=": ")
    # Calling next() manually yields

print("\nLet's take a break...")

for i in range(5):
    print(next(f), end=": ")
    # Begin yielding again
```

Other Ways to Work with Iterators

- ▶ The `itertools` module has efficient functions for iterables.
- ▶ E.g., `islice` returns selected elements from an iterable (like slicing).

```
def fib():
    last = 0
    curr = 1
    while True:
        yield curr
        nxt = curr + last
        last = curr
        curr = nxt

from itertools import islice
for i in islice(fib(), 2, 6):    # prints 2: 3: 5: 8:
    print(i, end=": ")
```

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Generator Statements

- ▶ **Generator statements** produce generator objects using syntax similar to comprehensions.
- ▶ Here, both `x` and `y` are generator objects that yield `[-5, 10, 15, -20]`
- ▶ The generator expression is more concise here. However, for more complicated cases, a generator function can retain much more state information and have more internal logic (recall earlier examples in lecture).

```
def mygen(L):  
    for i in L:  
        yield i * 5
```

```
x = mygen([-1, 2, 3, -4])
```

```
y = (i * 5 for i in [-1, 2, 3, -4])
```

Generator Statements vs. Comprehensions

- ▶ Biggest difference: generator expressions construct them one-at-a-time, but comprehensions construct results all at once.
- ▶ This often introduces space/time trade-off when consuming entire iterable:
 - ▶ Generator expressions often use less memory than the equivalent comprehension.
 - ▶ Comprehensions often run faster over all iterations.
- ▶ If the entire iterable will not be necessarily be consumed, generators can also be a better choice.

don't know how much data to use

Generator Statements vs. Map

Clarity and conciseness depends on the situation:

```
L = [-1, 2, 3, -4]
```

```
# Generator expression may be clearer.
```

```
x = map(lambda i: i*10, L)
```

```
y = (i*10 for i in L)
```

```
# Map may be clearer.
```

```
x = map(abs, L)
```

```
y = (abs(i) for i in L)
```

Generator Statements vs. Filter

- ▶ Conditionals are allowed in generator expressions (like in comprehensions)
- ▶ This allows generator expressions to emulate filter

```
L = ['at', 'cat', 'scat']  
  
x = filter(lambda s: len(s) > 2, L)  
  
y = (s for s in L if len(s) > 2)
```

Generator Statements vs. Map/Filter

Generator expressions are often more concise than combining map and filter

```
L = ['at', 'cat', 'scat']
```

```
x = map(str.upper, filter(lambda s: len(s) > 2, L))  
print(list(x))
```

```
y = (s.upper() for s in L if len(s) > 2)  
print(list(y))
```

generator: ()
comprehension: []

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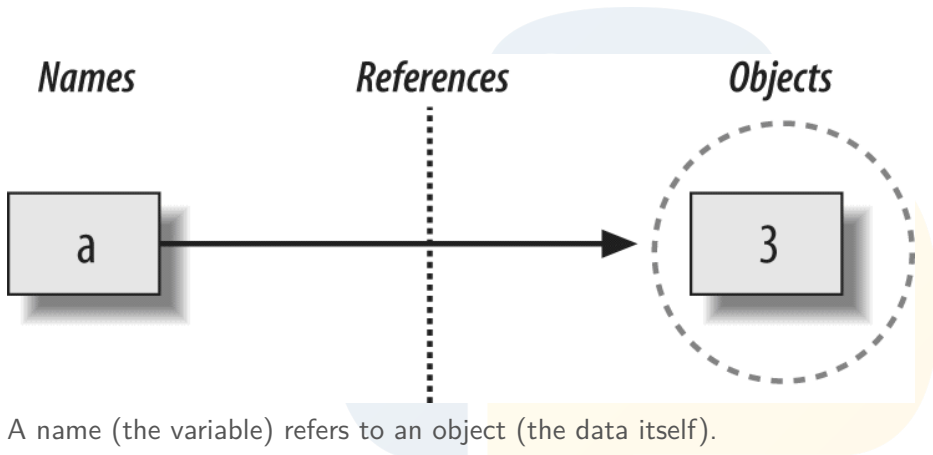
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Names, References, and Objects



Assignment vs. Reference

An **assignment** does one of the following:

- ▶ Creates a **new name** that refers to a new/existing object.
- ▶ Makes an **existing name** refer to a different object.

```
L = [1, 2, 3]      # Creates a new name, L, and new object  
L = [4, 5, 6]      # L points to a different object
```

A **reference** looks-up a name and retrieves the object.

```
print(L[0])        # Finds the object that L[0] points to
```

Question: Is **in-place modification** an assignment or a reference?

```
L.append(99)
```

**reference: look up
the object and
modify**

The 3 Scopes: Global, Enclosing, and Local

- ▶ By default, a variable's scope is determined by where it was first assigned.
- ▶ Relative to a given function definition, there are three scopes:
 - ▶ **Global variable**: assigned inside the surrounding module. There are no variables that span multiple modules.
 - ▶ **Nonlocal variable**: assigned in a surrounding functions. This extends to arbitrarily-many nested functions.
 - ▶ **Local variable**: assigned inside the given function.
- ▶ Respective to `inner_func`, these X are all different instances:

```
X = 'global_to_inner_func'
def outer_func():
    X = 'nonlocal_to_inner_func'
    def inner_func():
        X = 'local_to_inner_func'
```

all Xs are different

Name Resolution

For variable [references](#), Python searches in this order:

- ▶ The local scope
- ▶ The enclosing scope
- ▶ The global scope
- ▶ Built-in names

For variable [assignments](#):

- ▶ If the variable is unqualified, a local variable is always created or changed.
- ▶ If the variable is qualified with the `global` or `nonlocal` keywords, then the global/nonlocal variable is changed.

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Global Reference

In `adder()`, when `x` is referenced, it is found in the global scope.

```
x = 8                                # Creates a global variable

def adder(y):
    return x + y    # Finds x in global scope

print(adder(2))    # Prints 10
```

Question: What is the scope of `y`?

local

Local Assignment and Reference

Now there are multiple instances of `x`:

- ▶ When `x` is referenced in `adder()`, the local variable is found.
- ▶ When `x` is referenced in global scope, the global variable is found.

```
x = 99
```

```
def adder(y):
```

```
    x = 1          # Creates local instance of x
```

```
    return x + y   # Finds x in local scope
```

```
print(adder(2))    # Prints 3
```

```
print(x)           # Prints 99, since global x is unchanged
```

Global Assignment: The global Namespace Declaration

If we want to assign a variable in the global scope, we use the `global` namespace declaration.

```
x = 99

def adder(y):
    global x
    x = 1          # Re-assigns global x
    return x + y   # Finds x in in global scope

print(adder(2))    # Prints 3
print(x)           # Prints 1, since global x was reassigned
```

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Enclosing (Nonlocal) References

When `x` is referenced inside `inner()`, it is found in the [enclosing scope](#).

```
x = 99                                # x is global

def outer():
    x = 1                             # x is local to outer()
    def inner():
        print(x)                     # Gets x from enclosing scope
    inner()

outer()                               # Prints "1"
```

Nonlocal Arguments in Outer Function

Arguments to the outer function are nonlocal to the inner.

```
def outer(base):  
    exp = 2                                # Both base and exp are local  
    def inner():  
        print(base ** exp)                # Both base and exp are nonlocal  
    inner()  
  
outer(5) 5 is nonlocal                   # Prints "25"
```

Closures (or Factory Functions)

- ▶ A function object retains values in its nonlocal scope.
- ▶ You can use this to generate functions that **retain state**.

```
def outer(base):  
    def inner(exp):  
        print(base ** exp) # Base is nonlocal, exp is local  
    return inner  
  
five_pow = outer(base=5) # base=5 is in five_pow's closure  
five_pow(exp=2)          # Prints "25"  
five_pow(exp=3)          # Prints "125"
```

then 5 here is a five_pow's closure

Independent States

Each function object gets a [separate scope](#), even when created by the same factory.

```
def outer(base):  
    def inner(exp):  
        print(base ** exp)  # Base is nonlocal, exp is local  
    return inner  
  
five_pow = outer(base=5)    # base=5 is in five_pow's closure  
five_pow(exp=2)             # Prints "25"  
  
ten_pow = outer(base=10)   # base=10 is in new closure  
ten_pow(exp=2)             # Prints "100"  
  
five_pow(exp=3)            # Still has base=5 in closure
```

Nonlocal Assignments: The nonlocal Declaration

- ▶ Previously, we were [referencing](#) a nonlocal variable.
- ▶ To [reassign](#) a nonlocal variable, we must declare it as nonlocal.

```
def outer(base):  
    call_count = 0  
    def inner(exp):  
        nonlocal call_count  
        call_count += 1  
        print("ans: {}, call count: {}".format(  
            base**exp, call_count))  
    return inner
```

```
five_pow = outer(base=5)  
five_pow(exp=2)           # ans: 25, call count: 1
```

```
ten_pow = outer(base=10)  
ten_pow(exp=2)           # ans: 100, call count: 1
```

```
five_pow(exp=3)           # ans: 125, call count: 2
```

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A function wrapper takes one function and returns another:

```
def counter(func):                                # Pass a callable
    call_count = 0
    def inner(*args, **kwargs):
        nonlocal call_count
        call_count += 1
        print("call count: {}".format(call_count))
        return func(*args, **kwargs)            # Returns result
    return inner

pow_count = counter(pow)

x = pow_count(5, 2)                               # Returns 25, prints "call count: 1"
x = pow_count(5, 3)                               # Returns 125, prints "call count: 2"

min_count = counter(min)

y = min_count([3, 5, 1, 9]) # Returns 1, prints "call count: 1"
y = min_count(3, 5, 1, 9)   # Returns 1, prints "call count: 2"
```

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Function Attributes

- ▶ Function attributes are another way to maintain state.
- ▶ The attribute is nonlocal in the scope of `inner`.
- ▶ The attribute is accessible to the caller as an instance attribute.

```
def counter(func):                                # Pass a callable
    def inner(*args, **kwargs):
        inner.call_count += 1
        print("call count: {}".format(inner.call_count))
        return func(*args, **kwargs)            # Returns result
    inner.call_count = 0
    return inner

pow_count = counter(pow)

x = pow_count(5, 2)                               # Returns 25, prints "call count: 1"
x = pow_count(5, 3)                               # Returns 125, prints "call count: 2"
c = pow_count.call_count                          # Accessible to caller's scope
print(c)
```