

PYTHON - PART 2 - ADDITIONAL

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Nomenclatura

A lo largo de este tema se utilizarán distintos símbolos para distinguir elementos importantes dentro del contenido. Estos símbolos son:



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PYTHON - PART 5

1. PASS OF ARGUMENTS

In this unit, you will learn how to execute a Python program from console and how to pass values to the program.

To do this, you need to import the **sys** library.

The **sys.argv** array stores the name of the program in the first position (0), and the values passed in the other positions.

If you execute from console:

```
py example.py 2 3 4
```

The **sys.argv** array will contain:

```
sys.argv[0] → example.py
```

```
sys.argv[1] → 2
```

```
sys.argv[2] → 3
```

```
sys.argv[3] → 4
```

For more information: <https://docs.python.org/3/library/sys.html?highlight=sys%20argv#sys.argv>

2. EXAMPLES

2.1 Example 1

```
import sys
print("This is the name of the program:", sys.argv[0])
print("Argument List:", str(sys.argv))
```

Execute this code from your IDE (Visual Studio Code recommended) and check the result.

2.2 Example 2

```
import sys
print("This is the name of the program:", sys.argv[0])
print("This is the first value passed", sys.argv[1])
print("This is the second value passed", sys.argv[2])
print("This is the third value passed", sys.argv[3])
print("Argument List:", str(sys.argv))
```

Save this code as `example2.py` and go to the terminal, where you saved the file (recommended the workspace created with Visual Studio Code).

Execute it using `py` command → `py example2.py 2 3 4`

2.3 Example 3

To validate the number of arguments passed, you can use the *len* function.

```
# We import module sys
import sys
# Len function tell us length of an array. "sys.argv" is an array
# with received parameters
if len(sys.argv) != 3:
    print ('2 parameters are required')
else:
    num1=int(sys.argv[1])
    num2=int(sys.argv[2])
    result=num1+num2
    print(result)
```

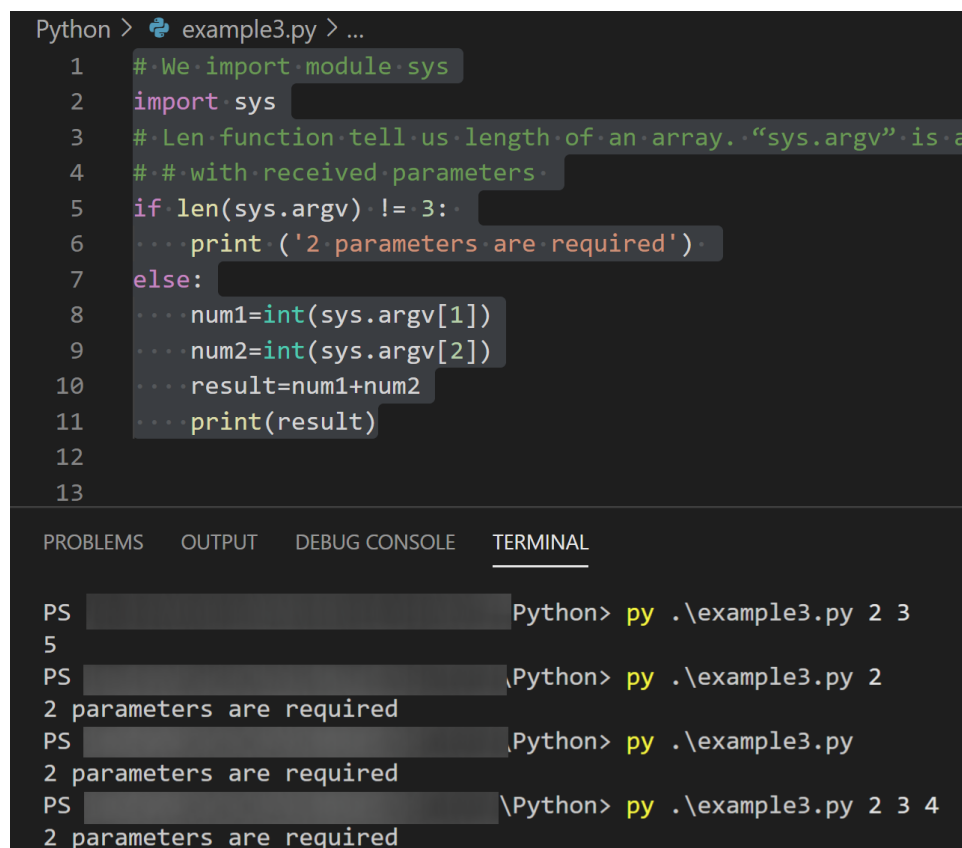
Save this code as `example3.py` and go to the terminal, where you saved the file (recommended the workspace created with Visual Studio Code).

Execute it using `py` command → `py example3.py 2 3`

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The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code window with a Python file named `example3.py` open. The code is as follows:

```
1 # We import module sys
2 import sys
3 # Len function tell us length of an array. "sys.argv" is a
4 # # with received parameters
5 if len(sys.argv) != 3:
6     print ('2 parameters are required')
7 else:
8     num1=int(sys.argv[1])
9     num2=int(sys.argv[2])
10    result=num1+num2
11    print(result)
12
13
```

Below the editor, the **TERMINAL** tab is active, showing the following commands and outputs:

```
Python> py .\example3.py 2 3
5
Python> py .\example3.py 2
2 parameters are required
Python> py .\example3.py
2 parameters are required
Python> py .\example3.py 2 3 4
2 parameters are required
```