

Scope of Variables



Namespace:

A place where names live. The location of a name's assignment in our source code determines the scope of the name's visibility to our code.

Rule of Scope of Variable :

- □ Names assigned inside a def can only be seen by the code within that def.
- □ Names assigned inside a def do not clash with variables outside the def, even if the same names are used elsewhere.



There are three kinds of scope:

☐ Global: If a variable is assigned outside all defs, it is

global to entire file.

☐ Nonlocal: If a variable is assigned in an enclosing def, it

is nonlocal to nested functions.

□ Local: If a variable is assigned inside a def, it is called local

variable.

Name Space :LEGB Rule



Built – in(python)

Names preassigned in the built-in names module : open, range, SyntaxError....

Global (module)

Names assigned at the top level of a module file or declared global in a def within the file.

Enclosing function locals:

Names in the local scope of any and all enclosing functions from inner to outer.

Local (function):

Names assigned in any way within a function and not declared global in that function.

Hands-On

