



CS61A Lecture 4

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Announcements



- Reminder: hw1 due tonight

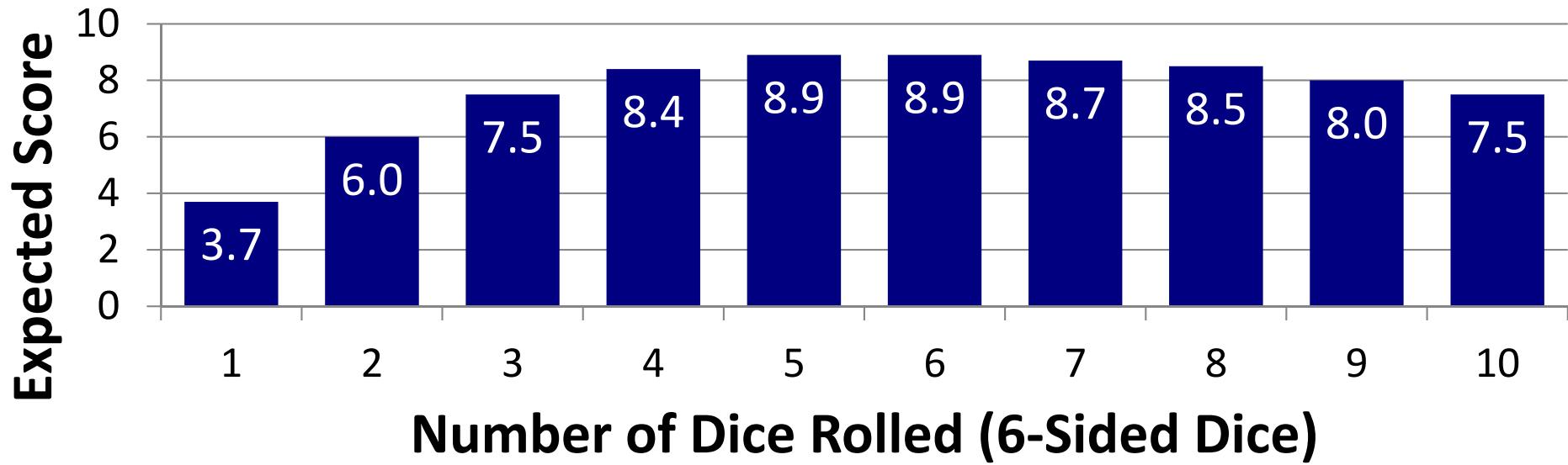
- In-class quiz on Friday
 - Covers through Wednesday's lecture
 - Bring a writing implement

- Hog project out
 - Get started early!
 - Try it out online! See the announcement on the website

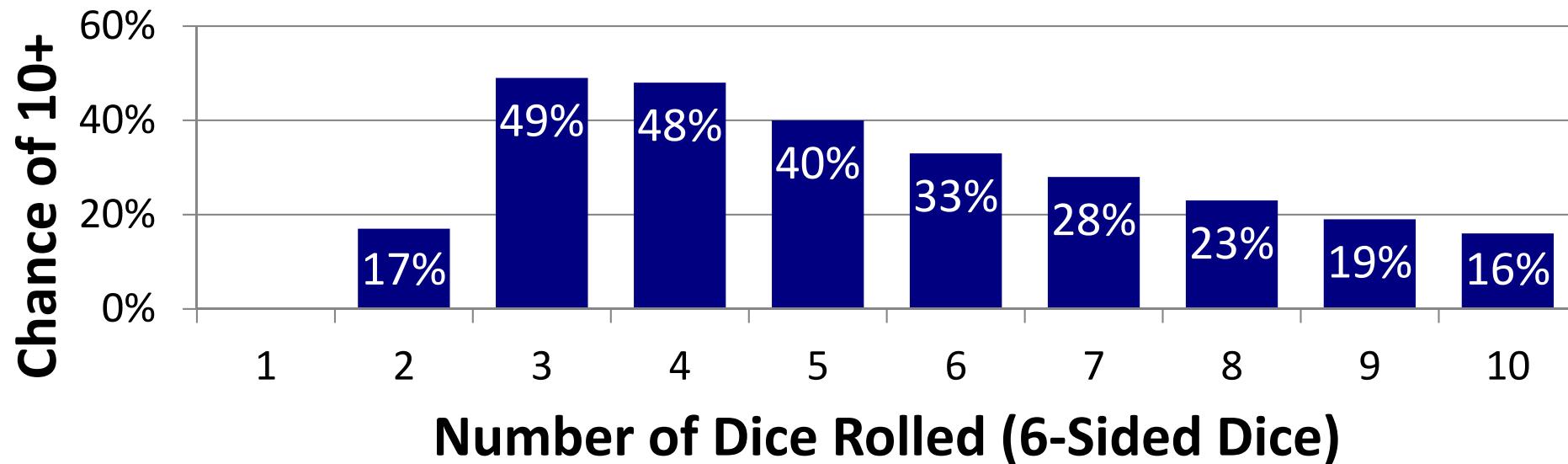
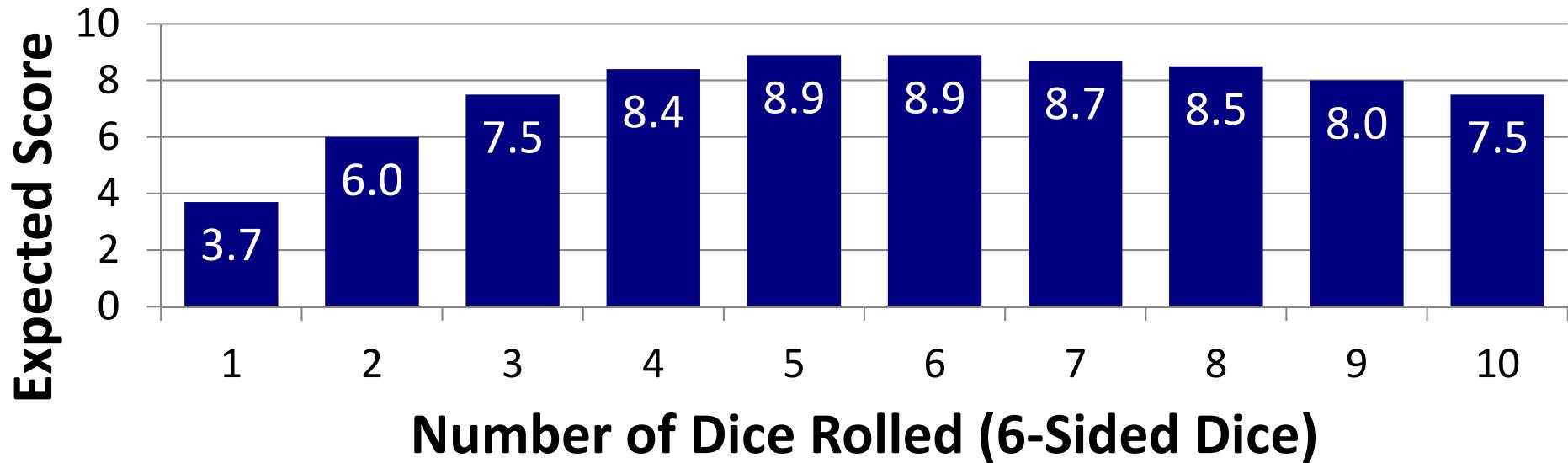
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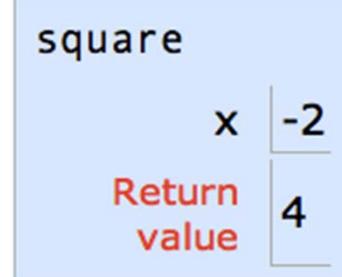
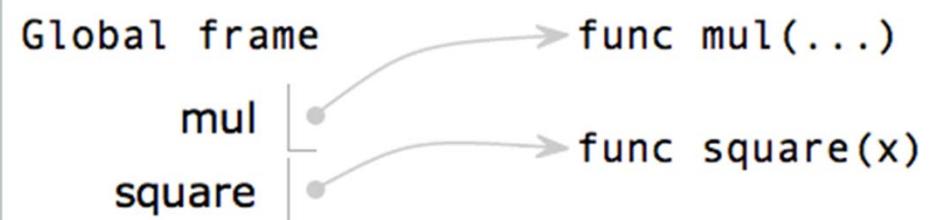
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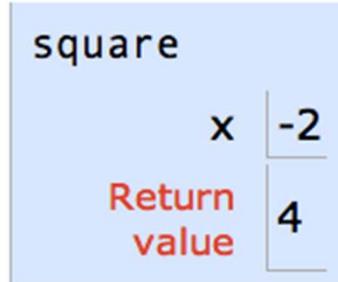
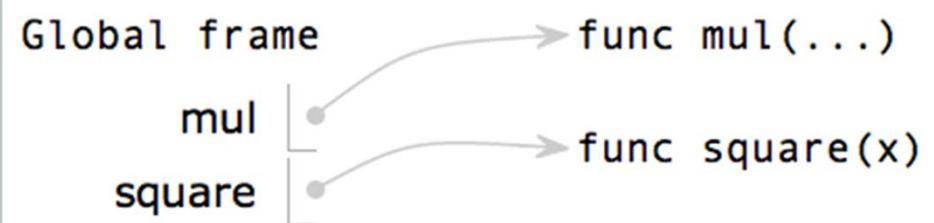


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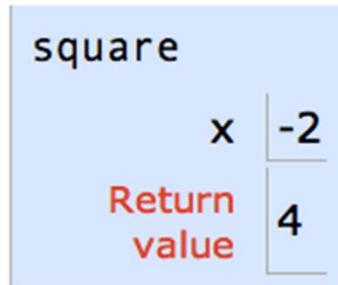
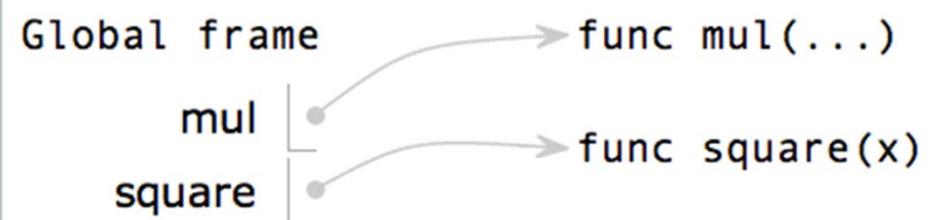


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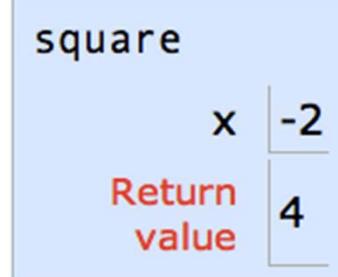
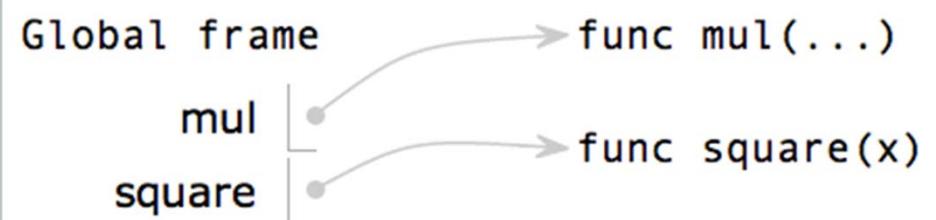
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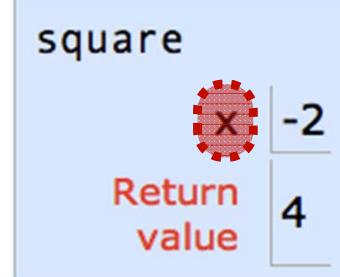
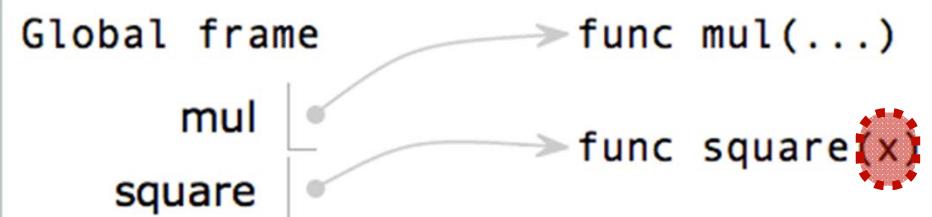
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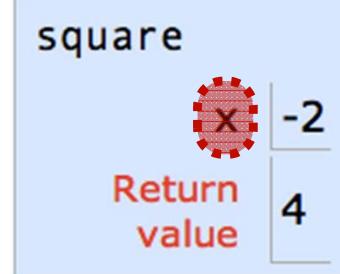
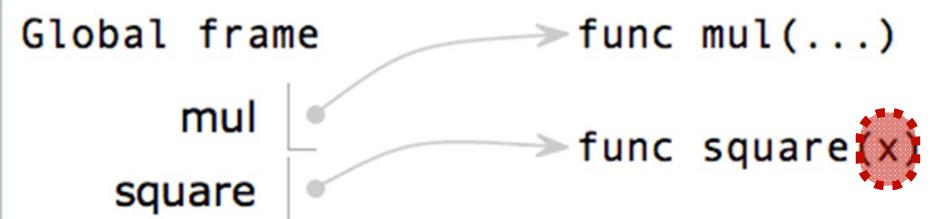
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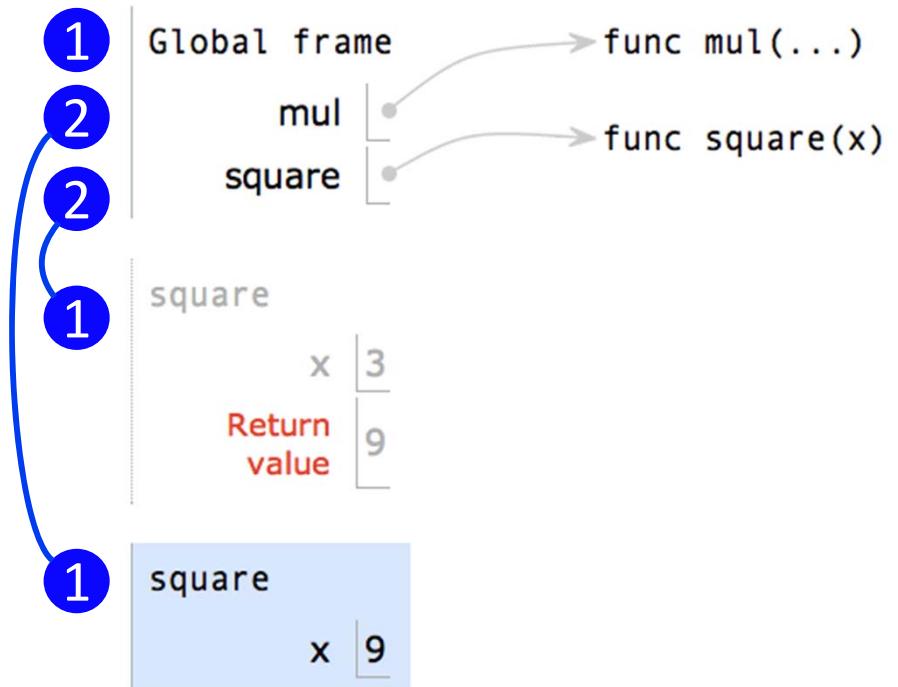


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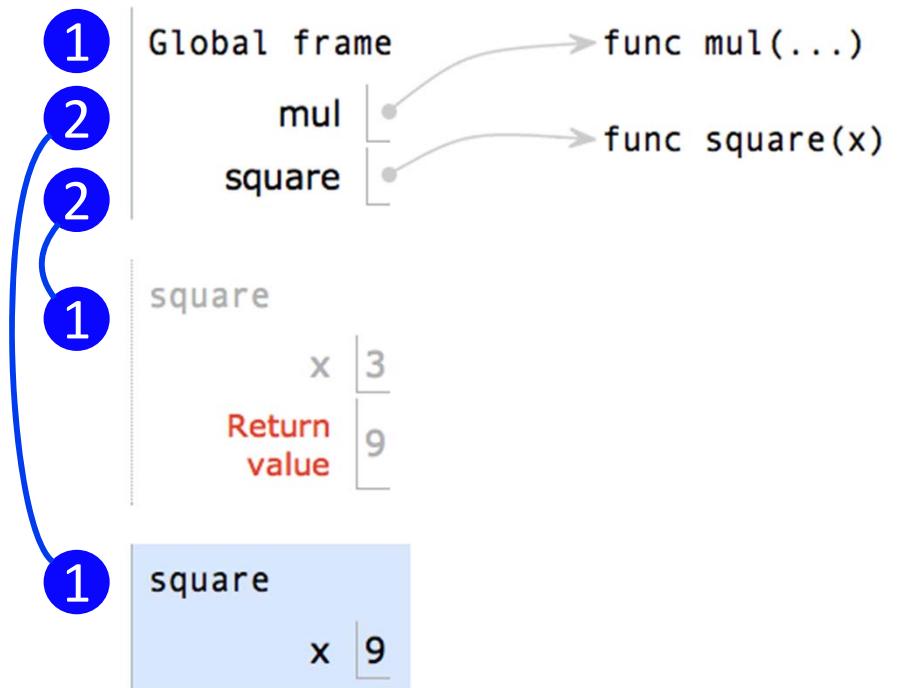
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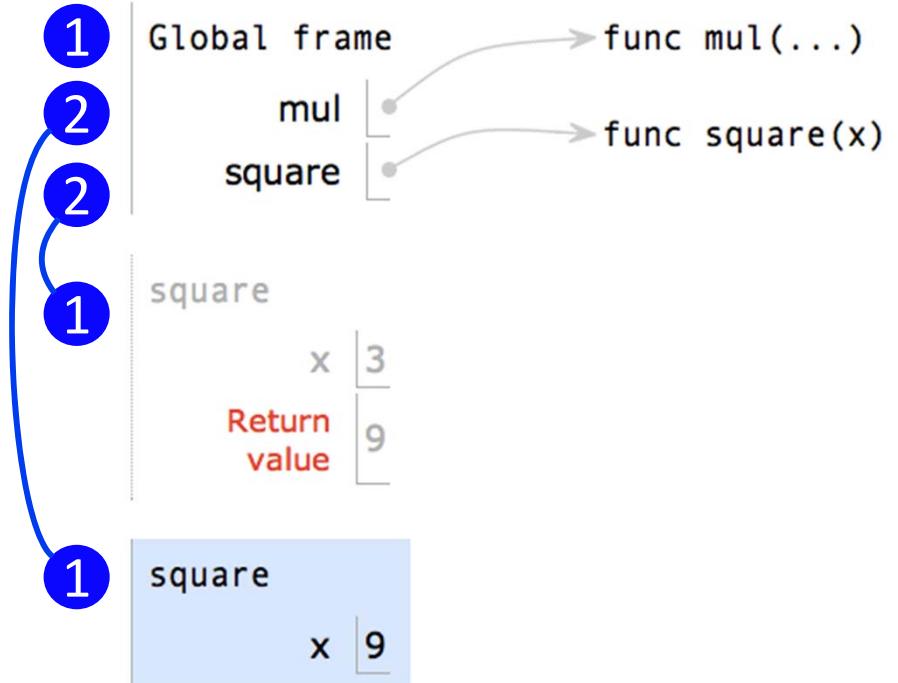
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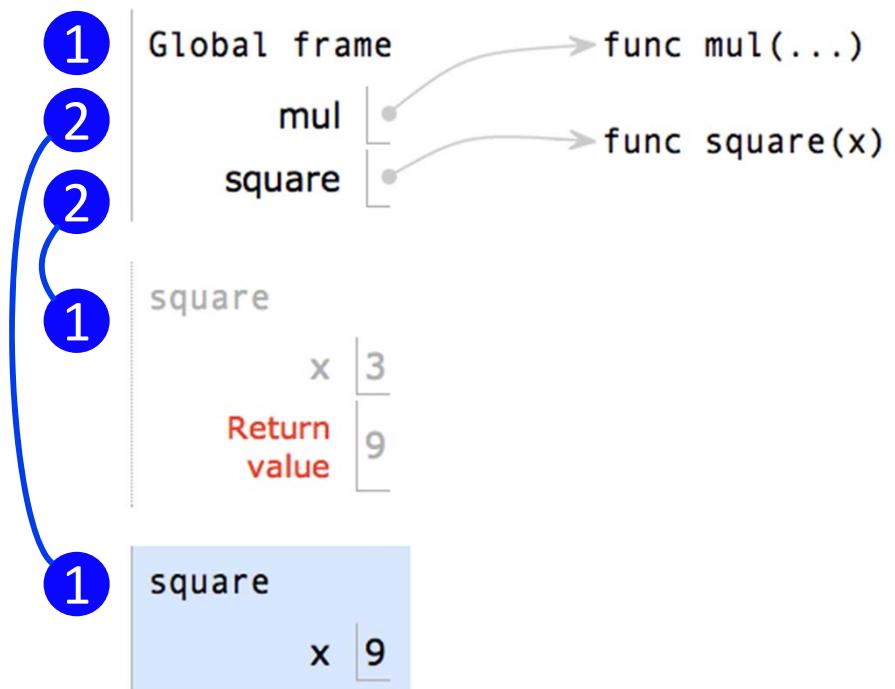
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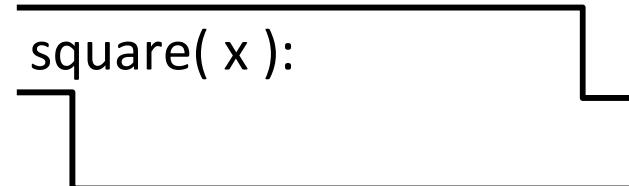
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Formal parameter

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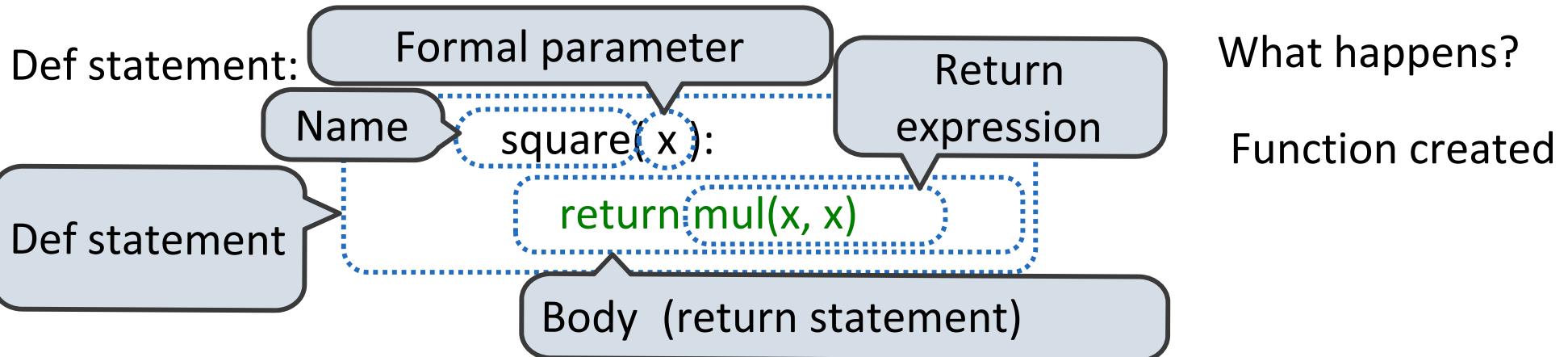
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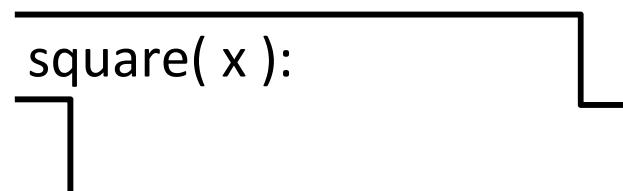
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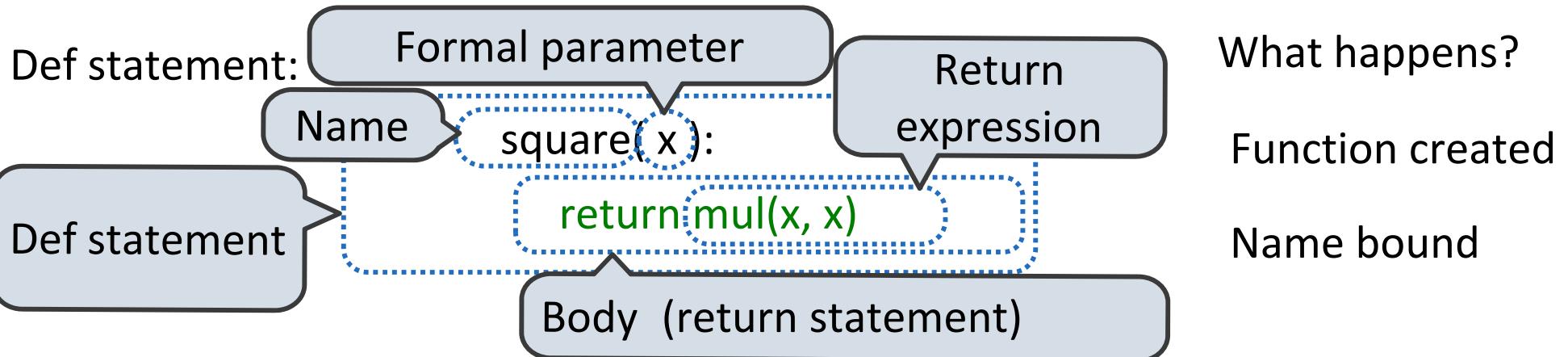
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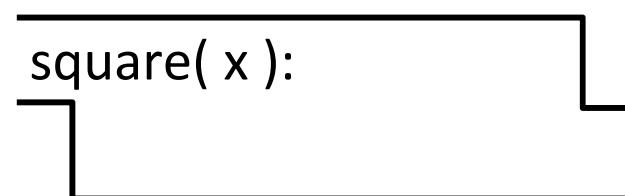


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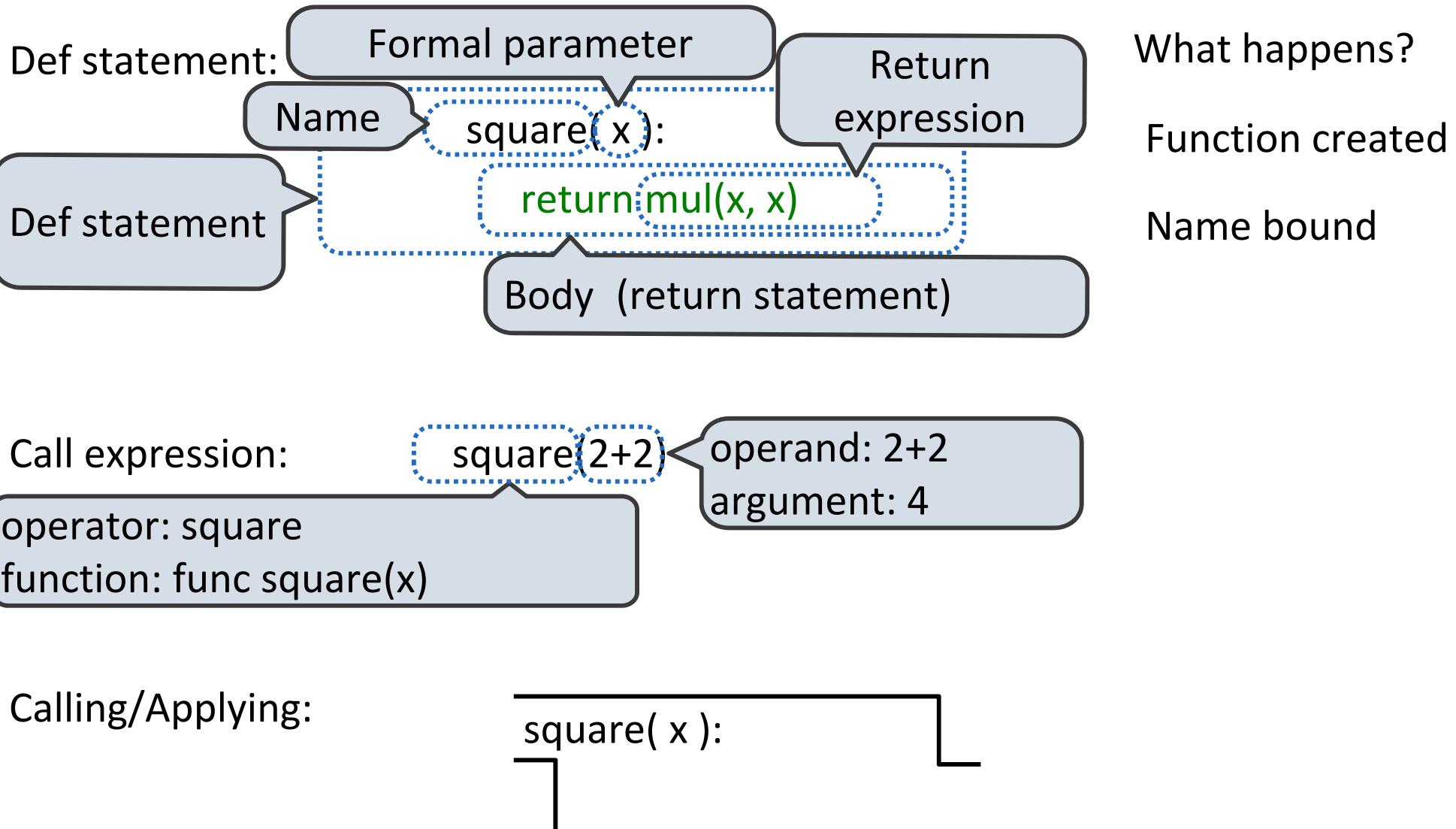


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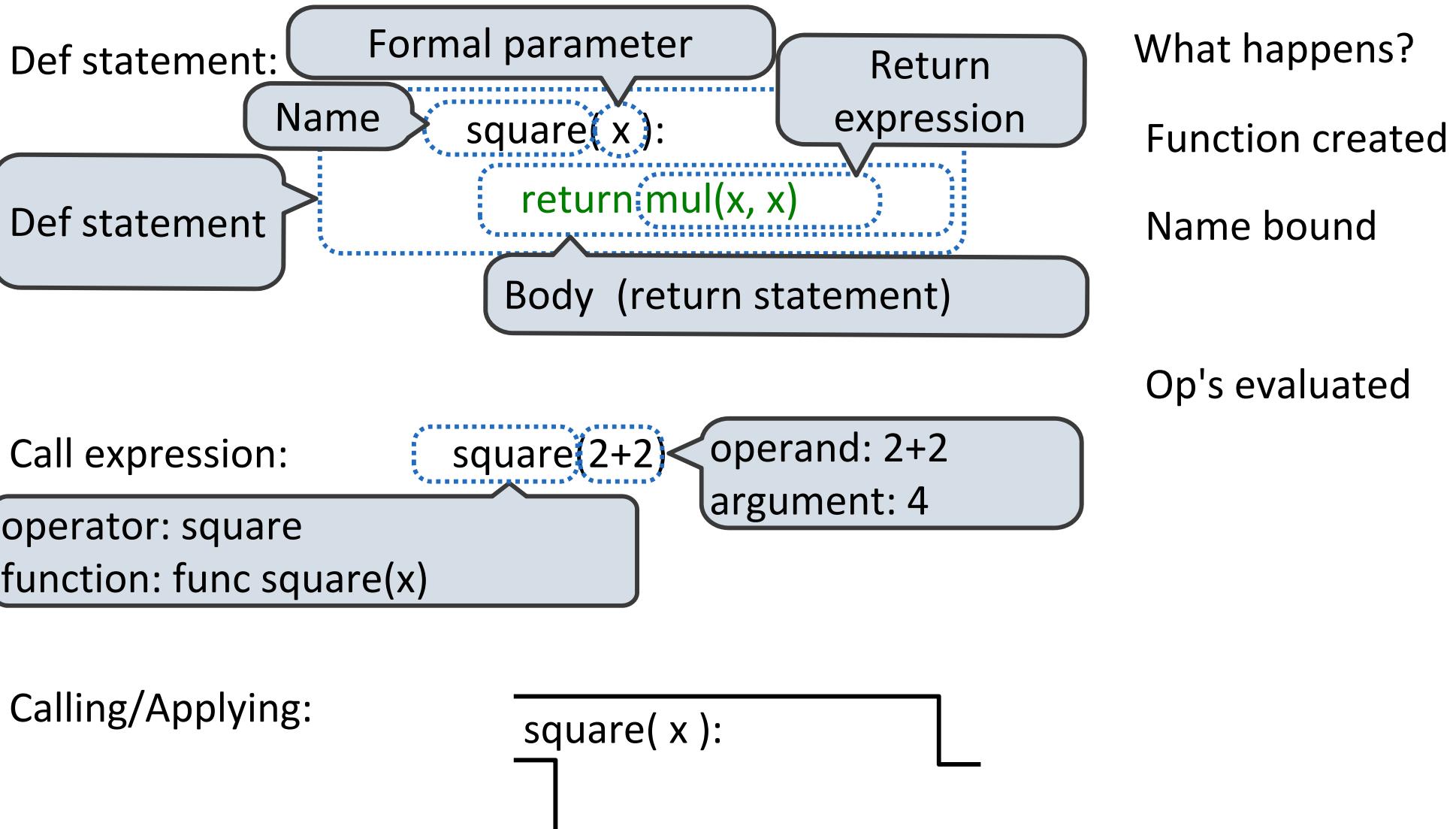
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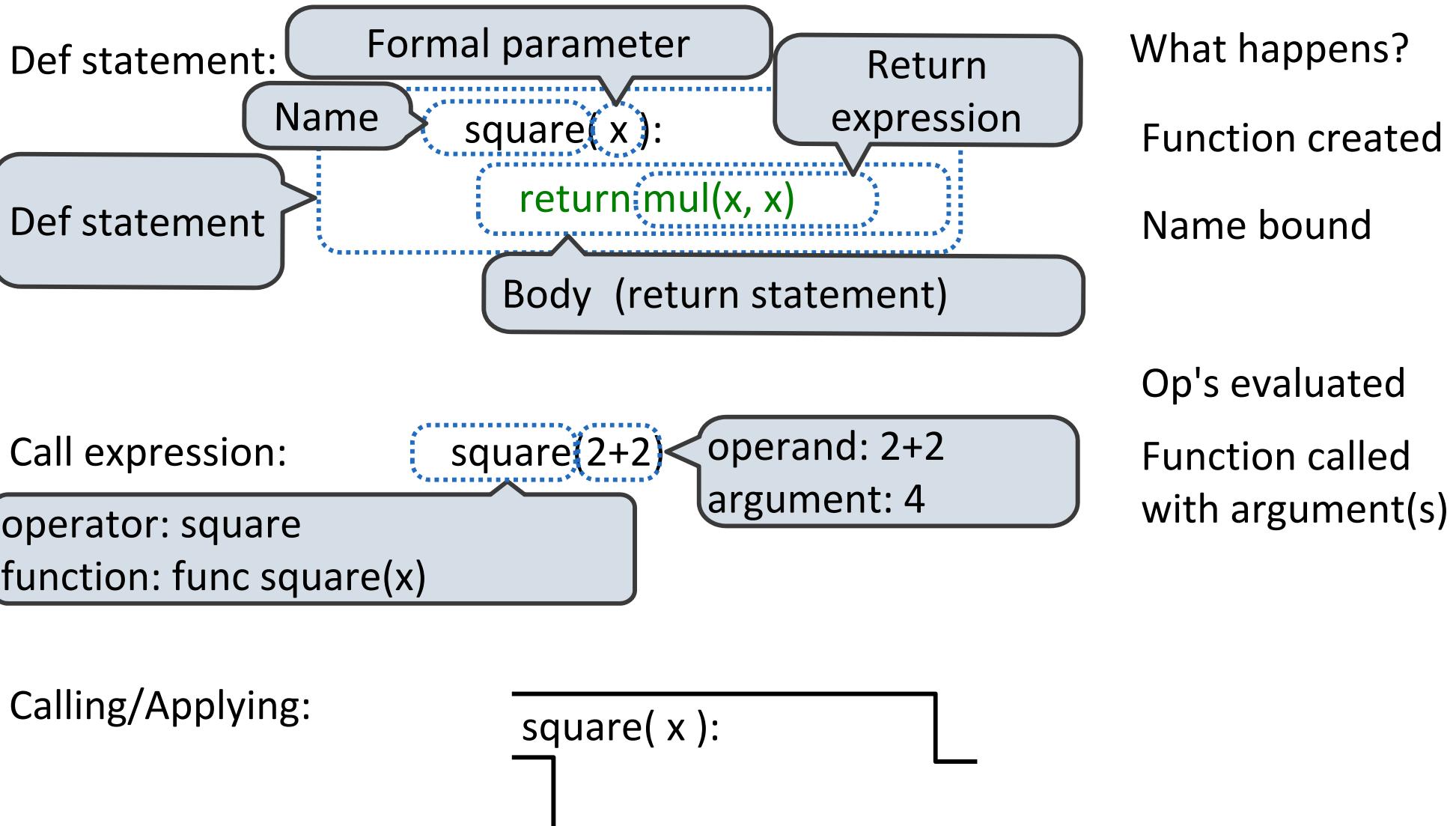
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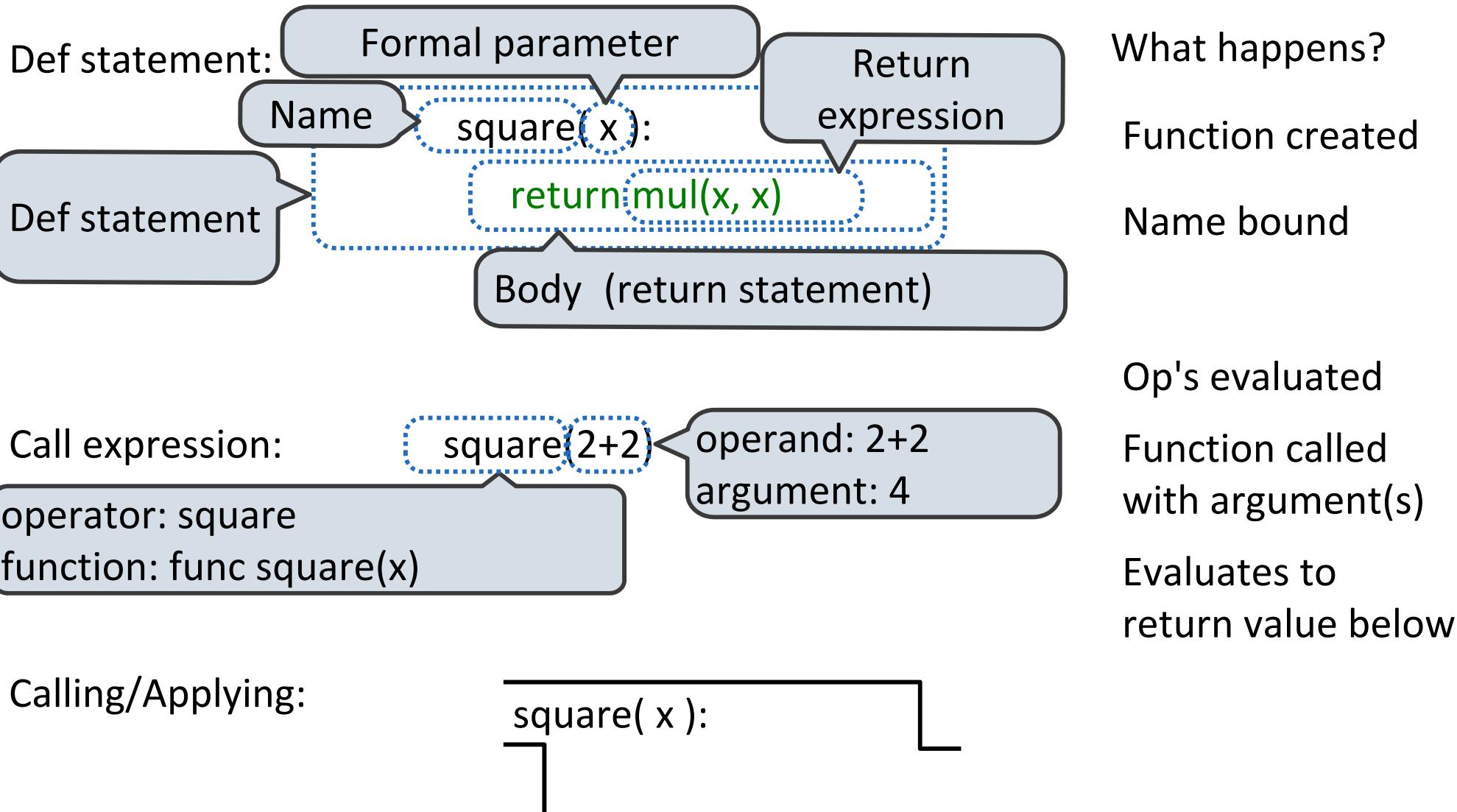
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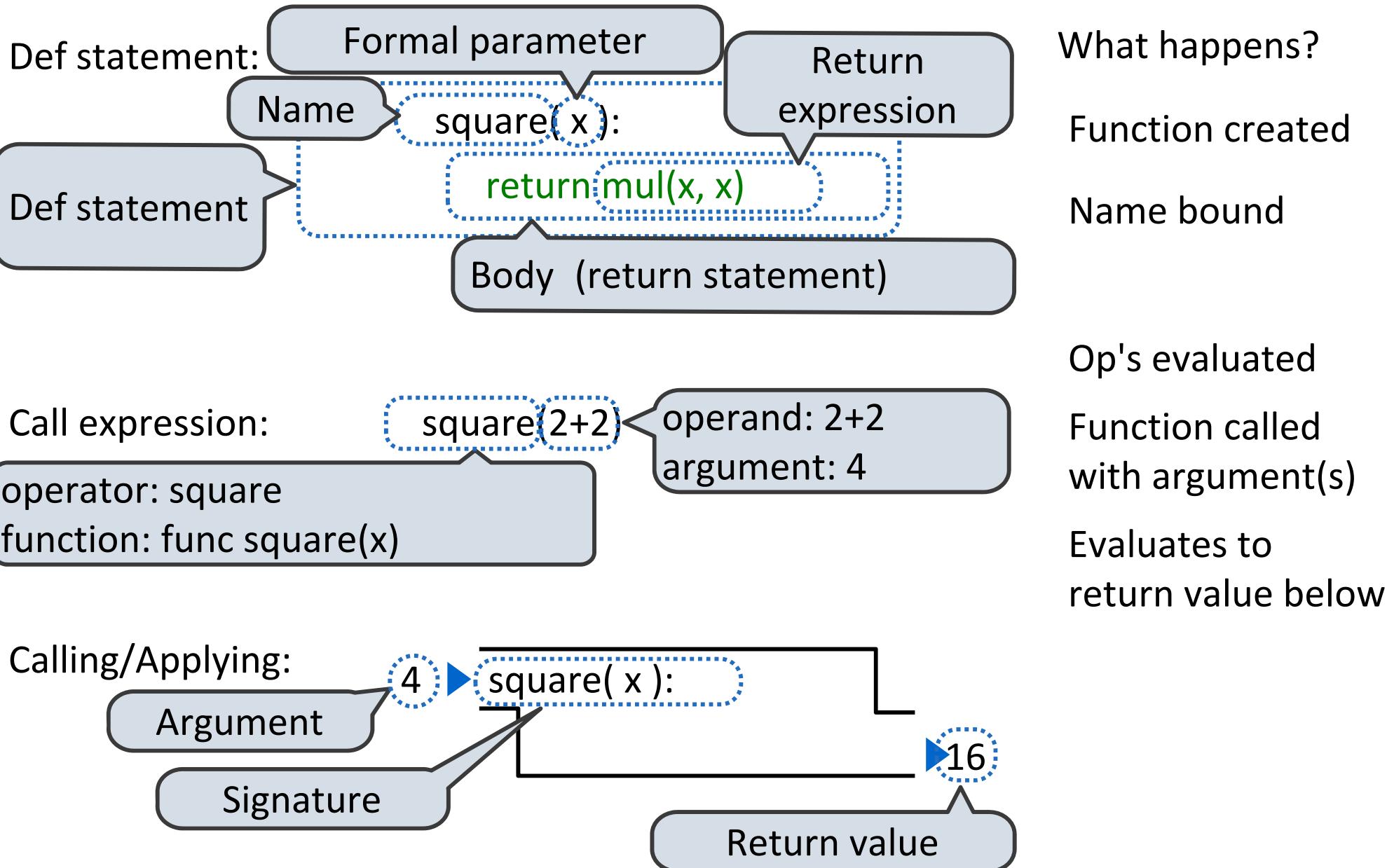
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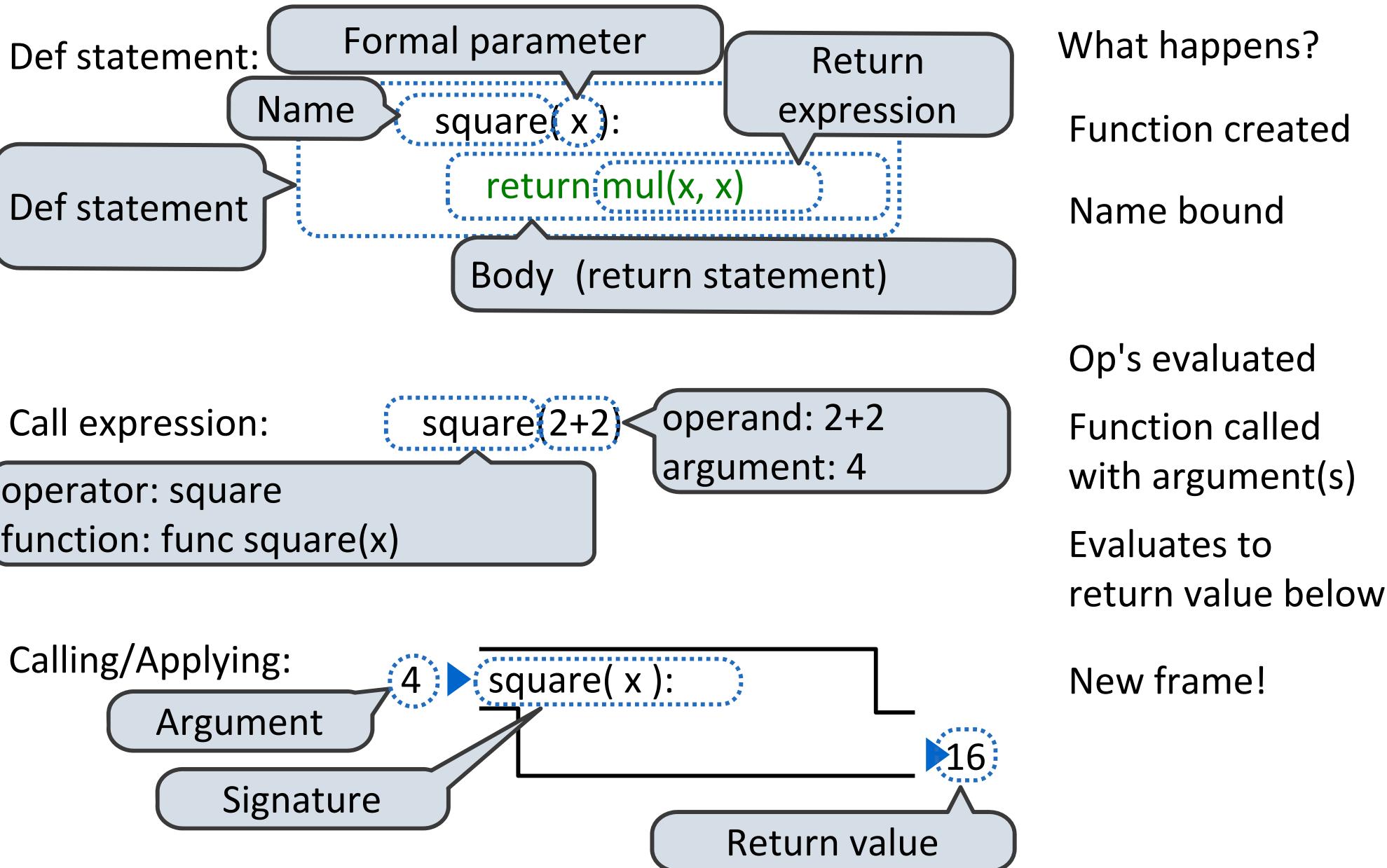
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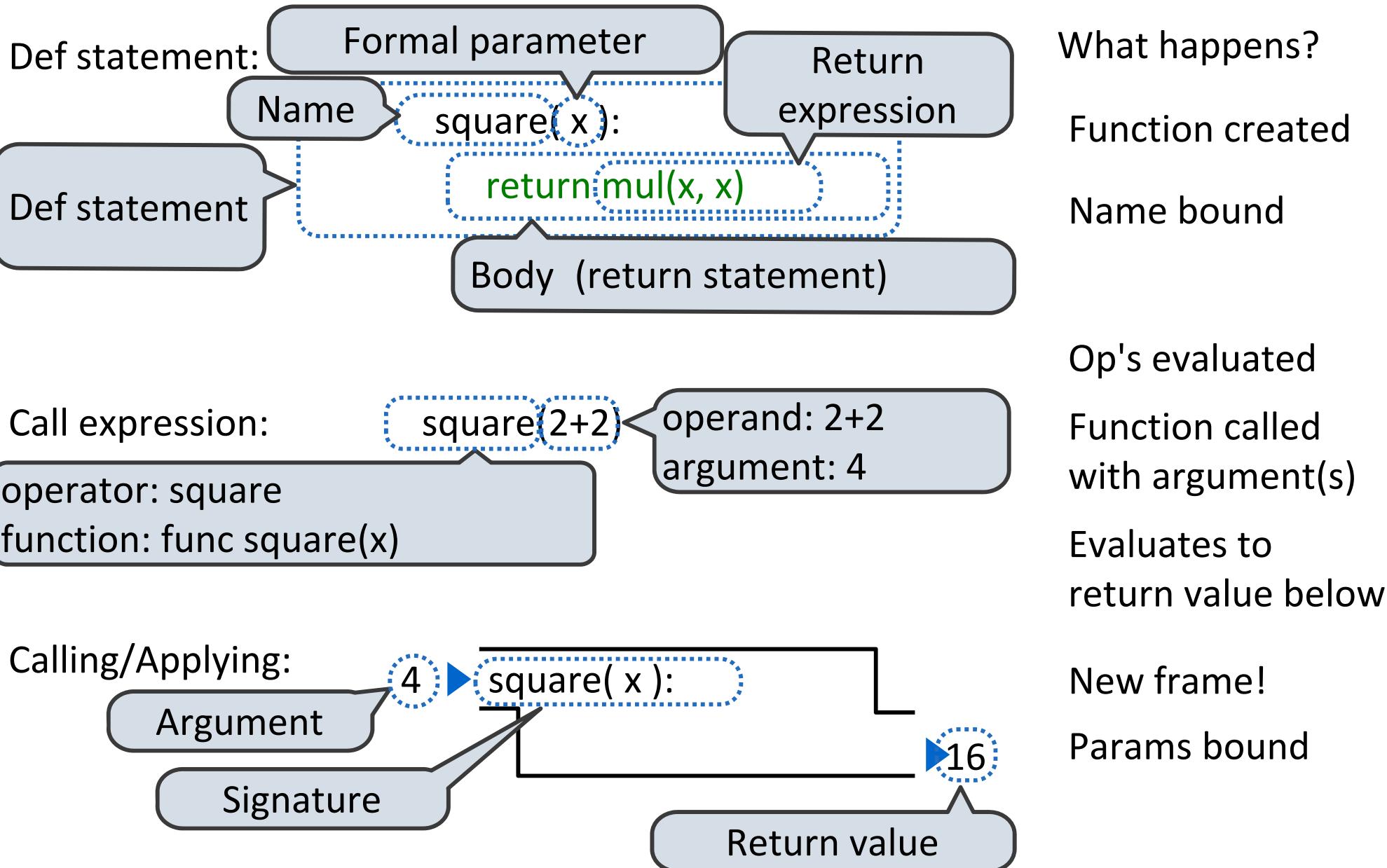
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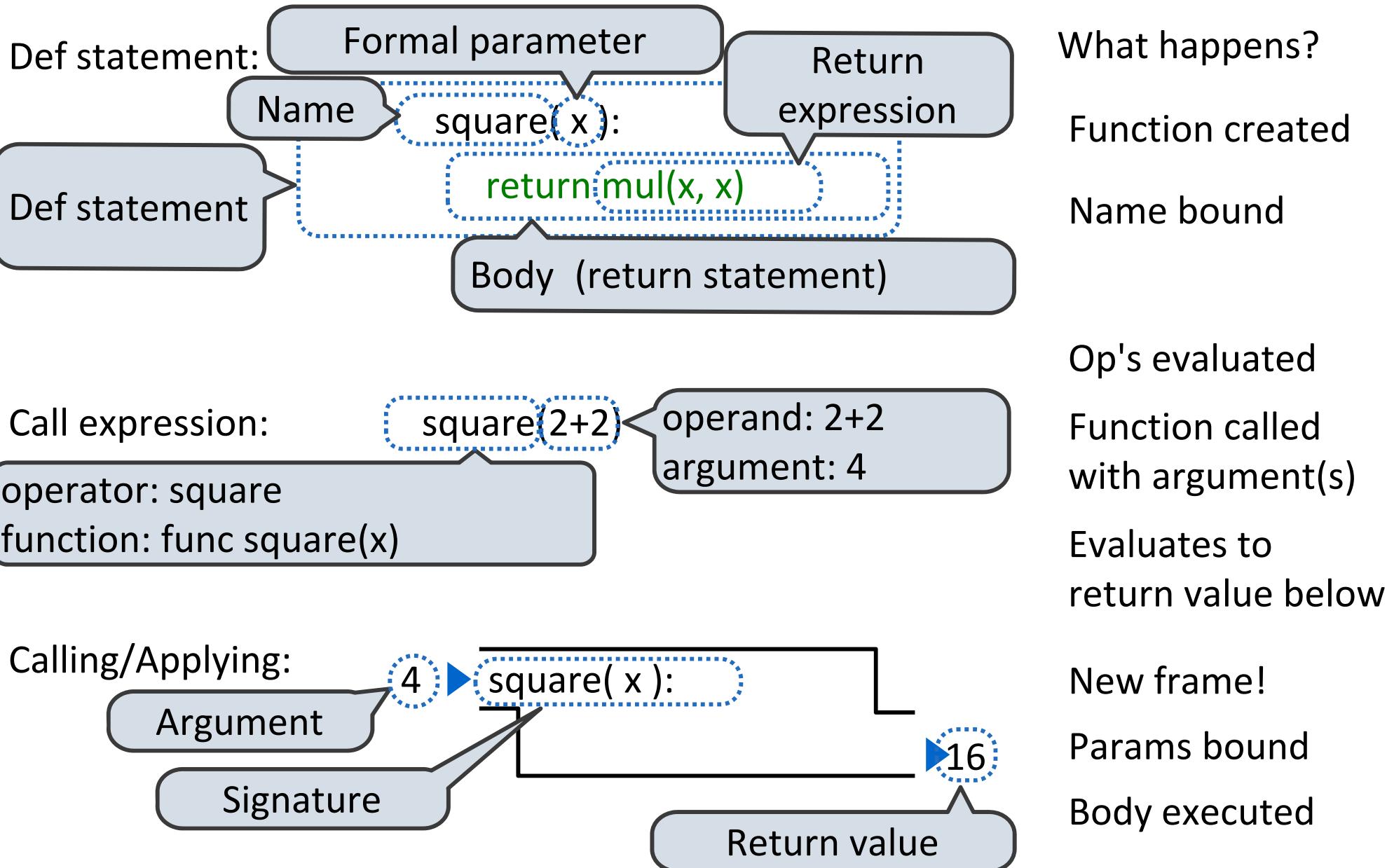
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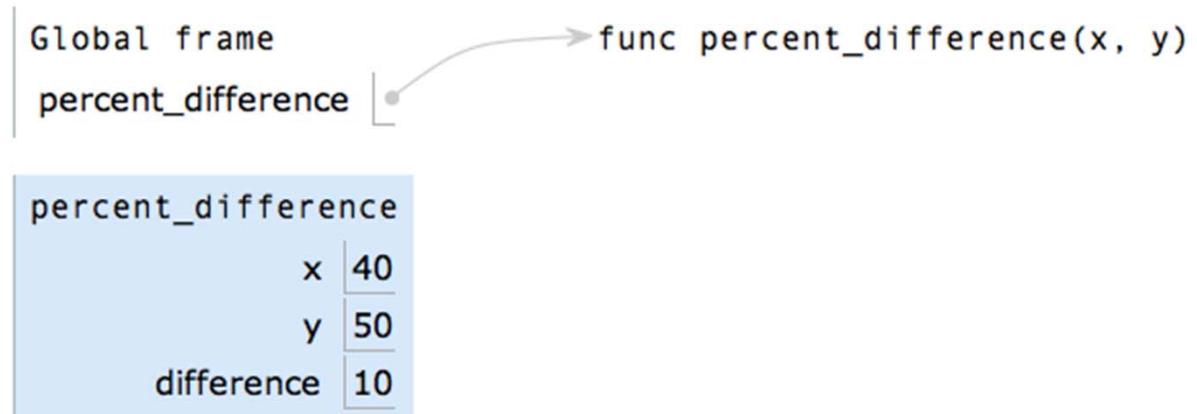
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- Returns, imports, assertions

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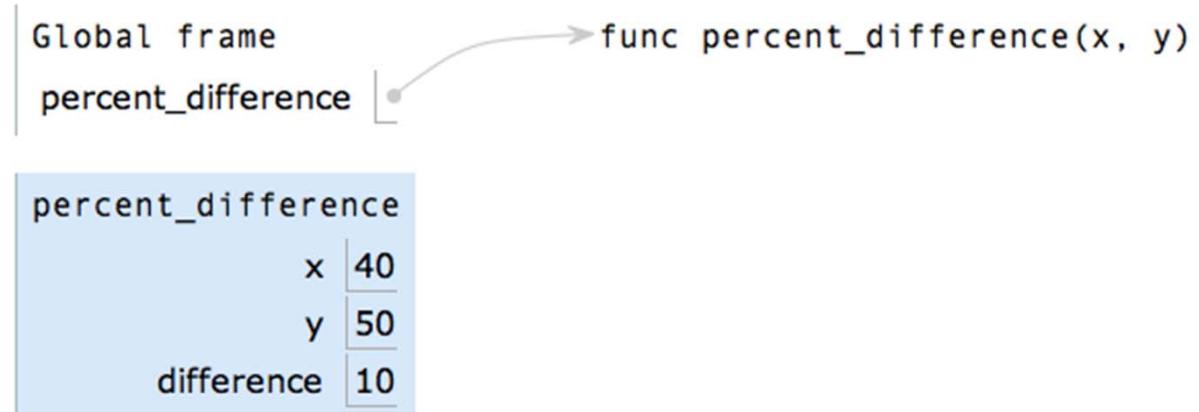


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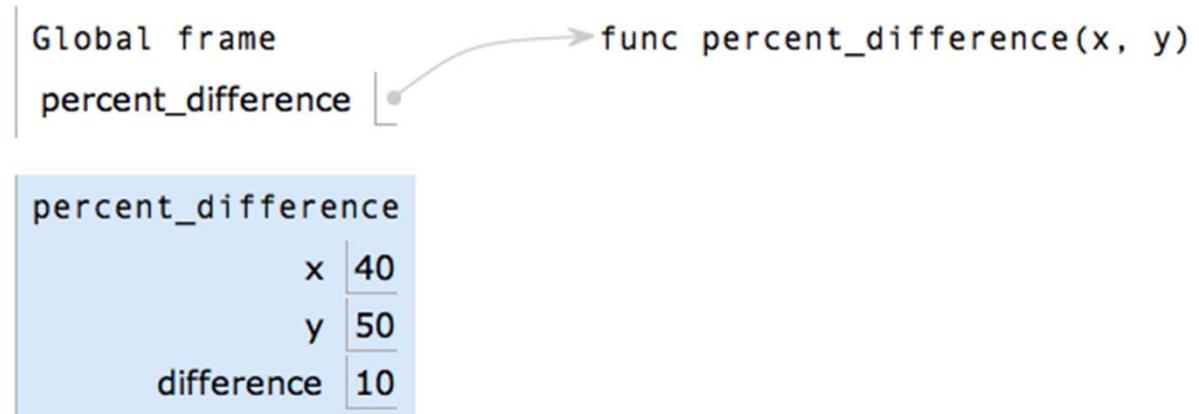
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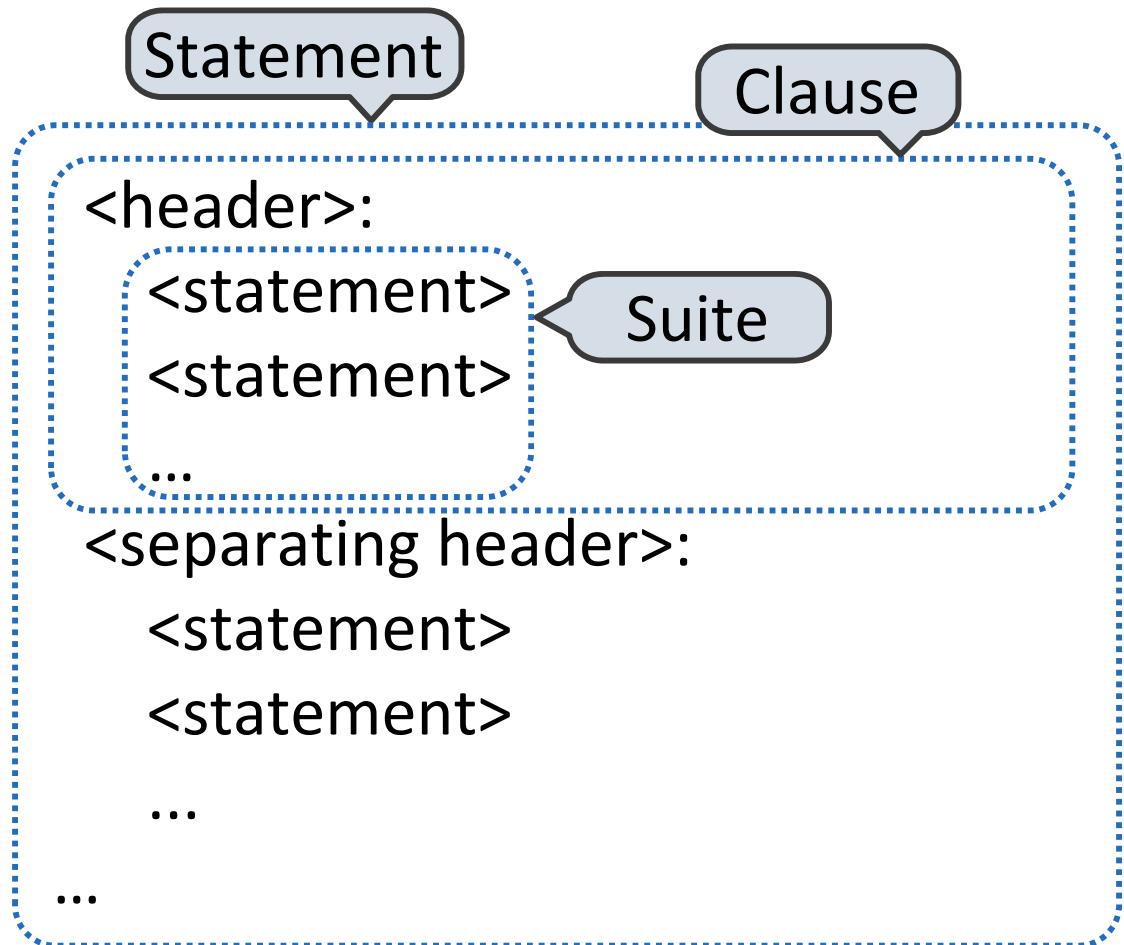
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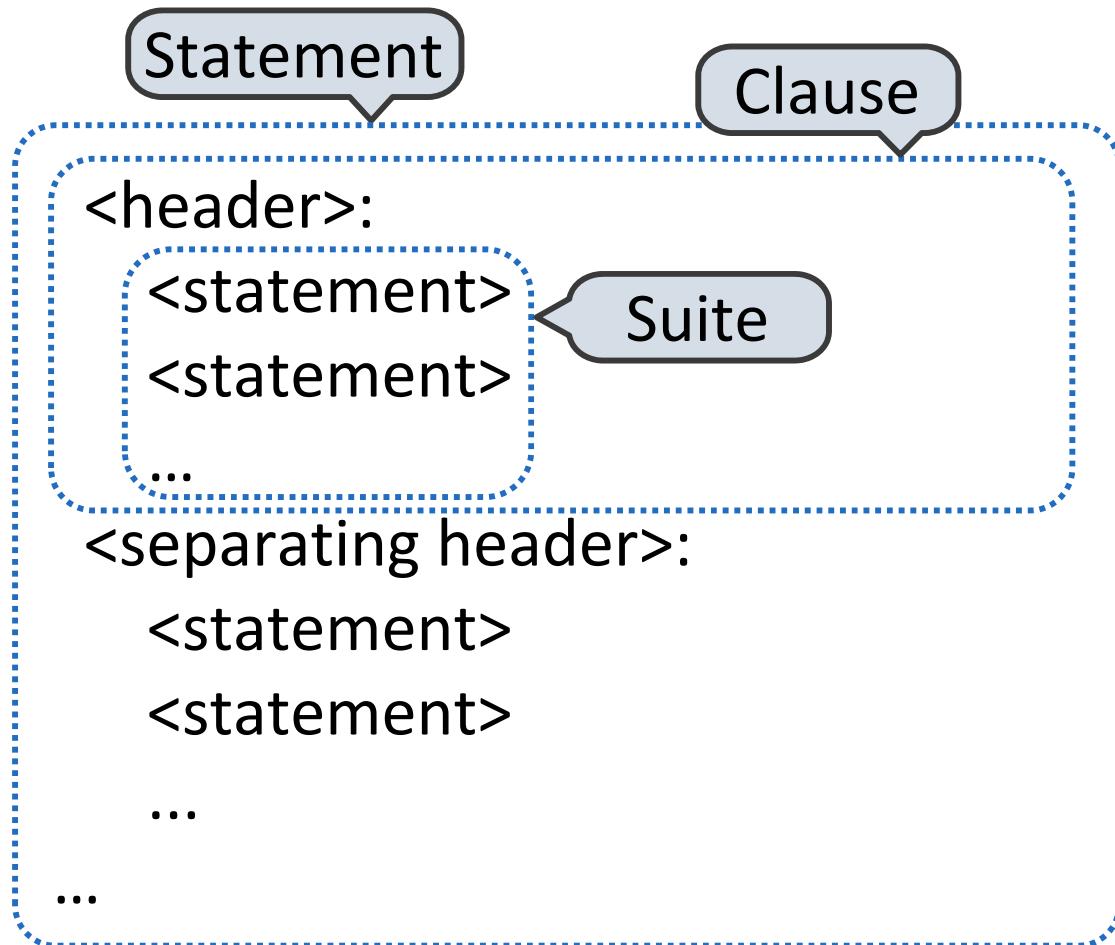


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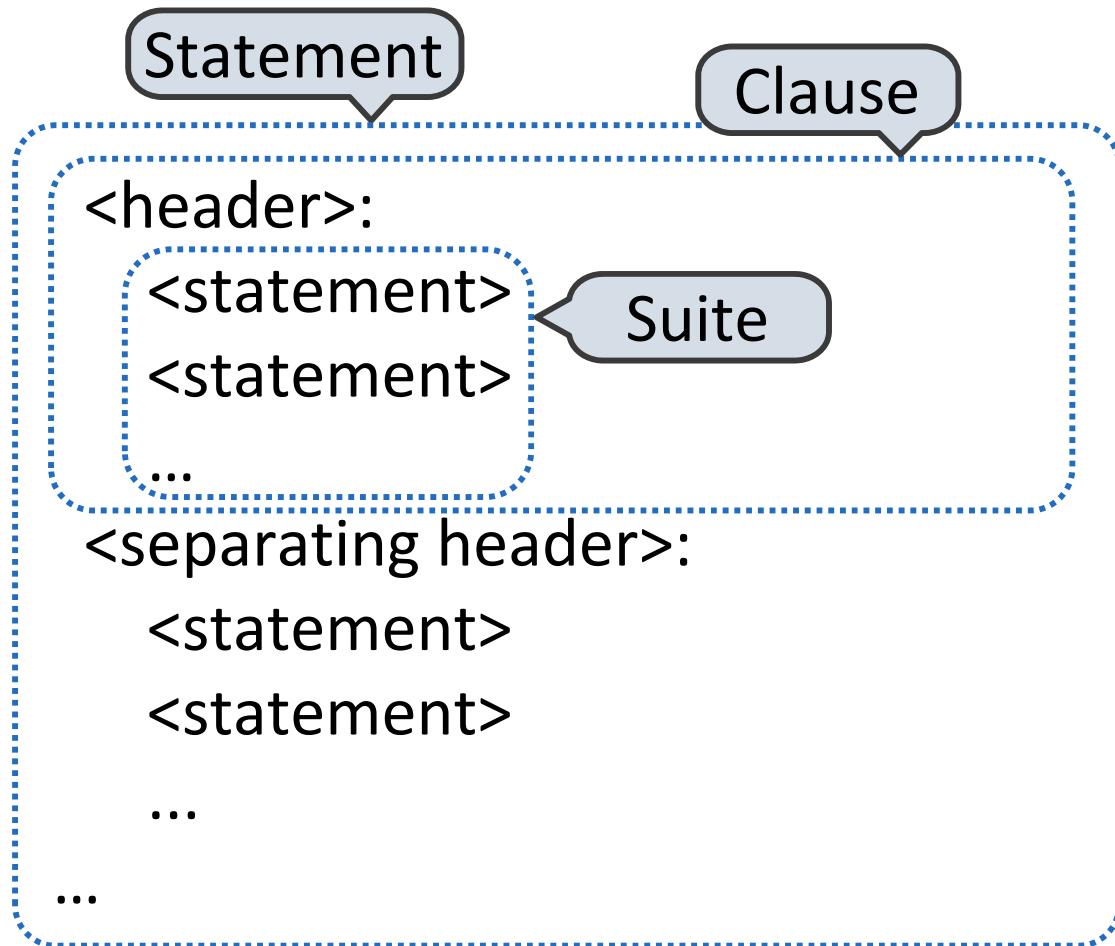
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Execution rule for a sequence of statements:

1. Execute the first
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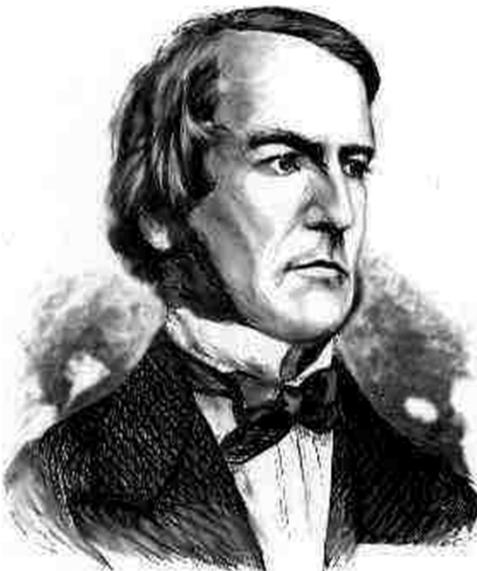


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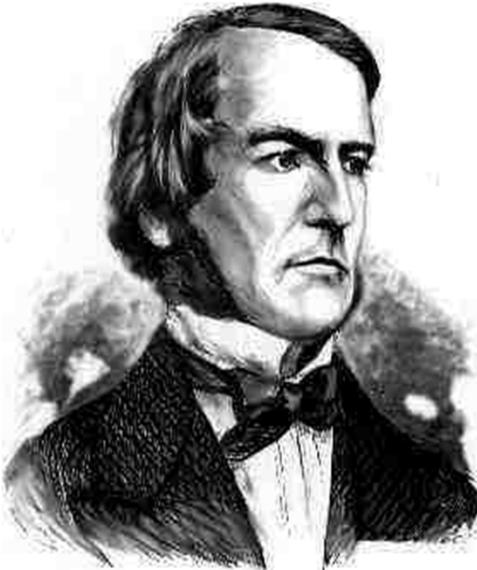
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Read Section 1.5.4!

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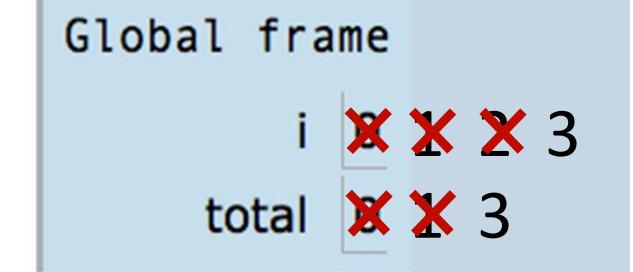
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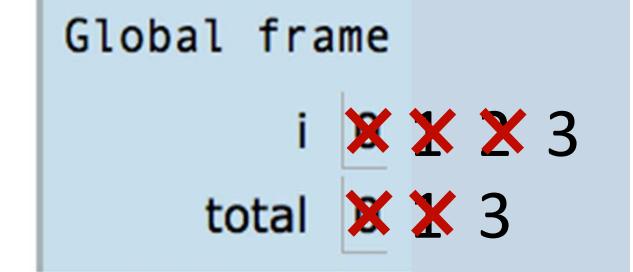
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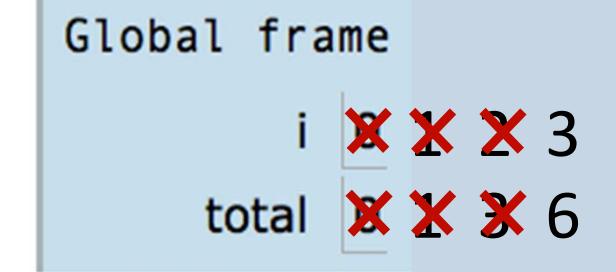
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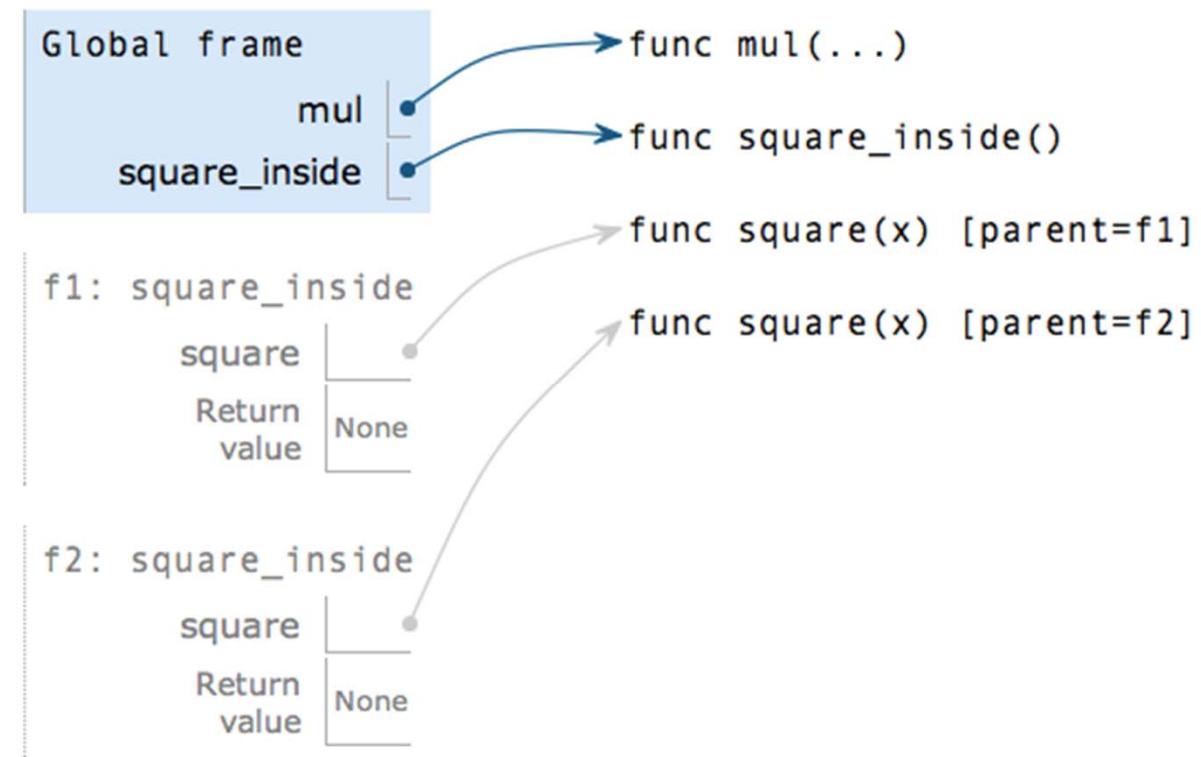
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The inner definition is executed each time the outer function is called

```
1 from operator import mul
2 def square_inside():
3     def square(x):
4         return mul(x, x)
5     square_inside()
6 square_inside()
```



Example: <http://goo.gl/pnU8f>

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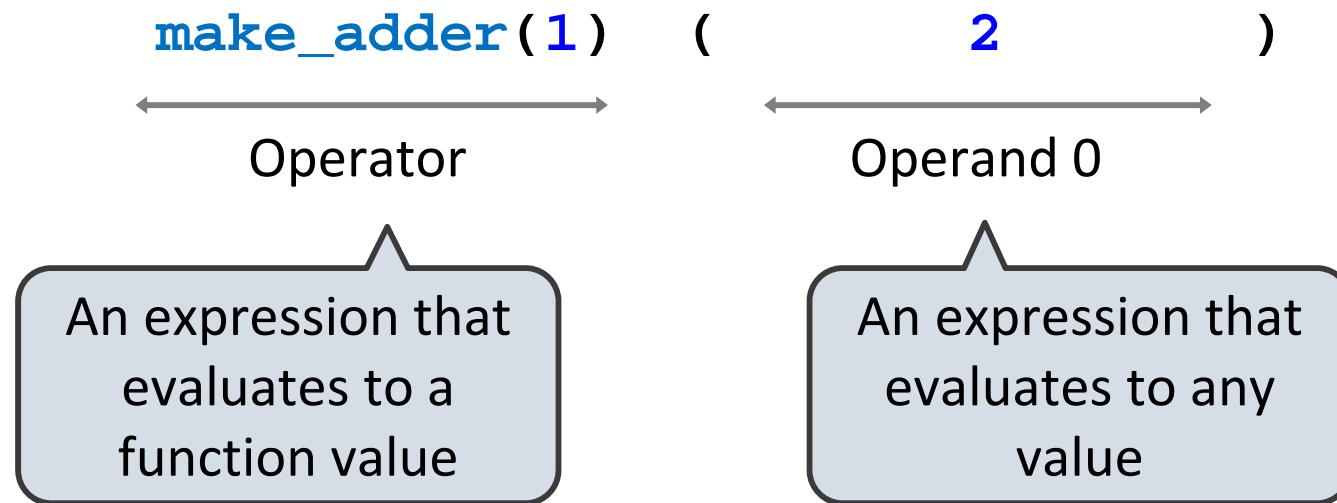
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