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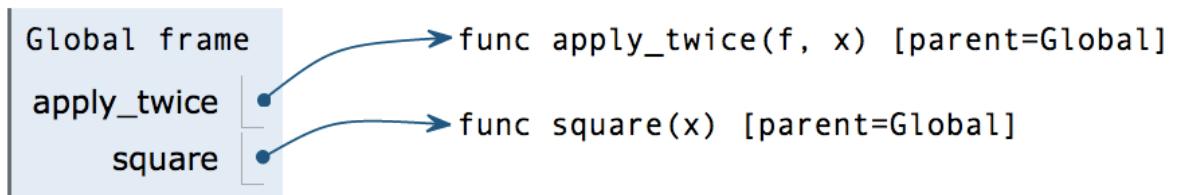
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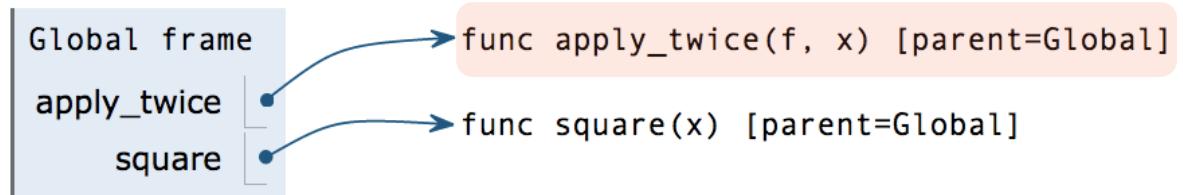
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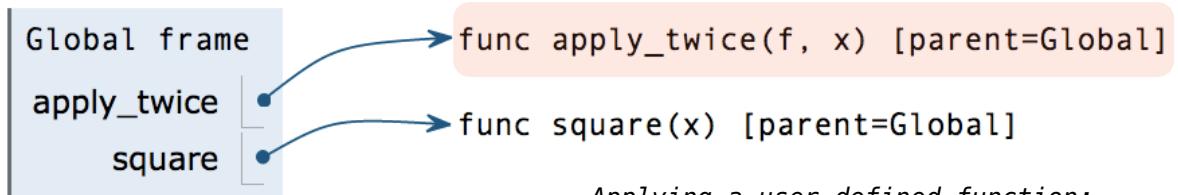
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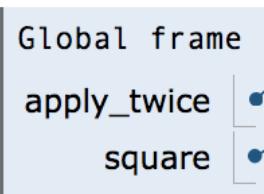


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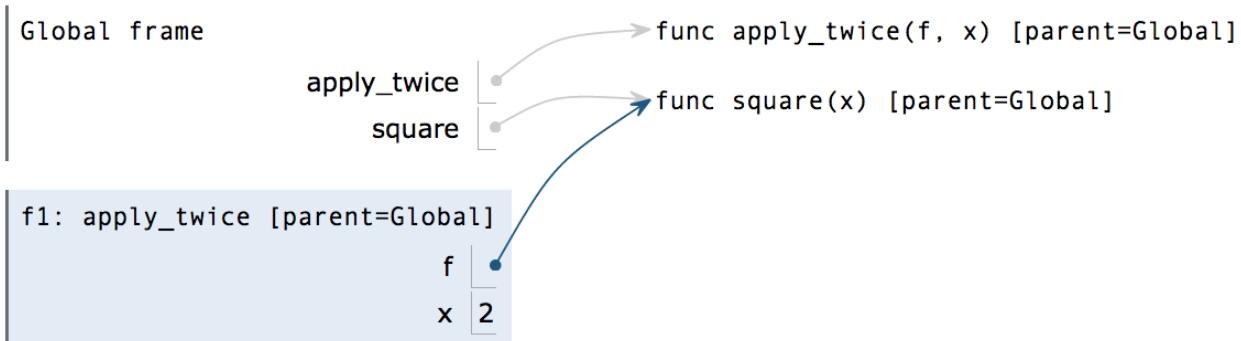
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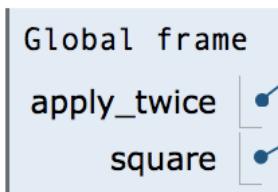
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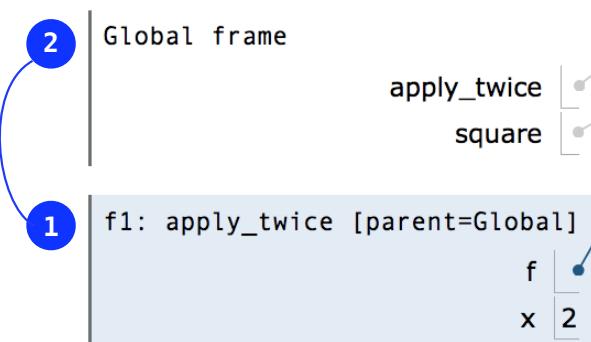
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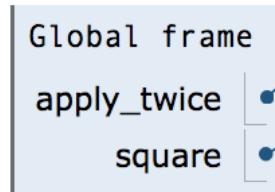


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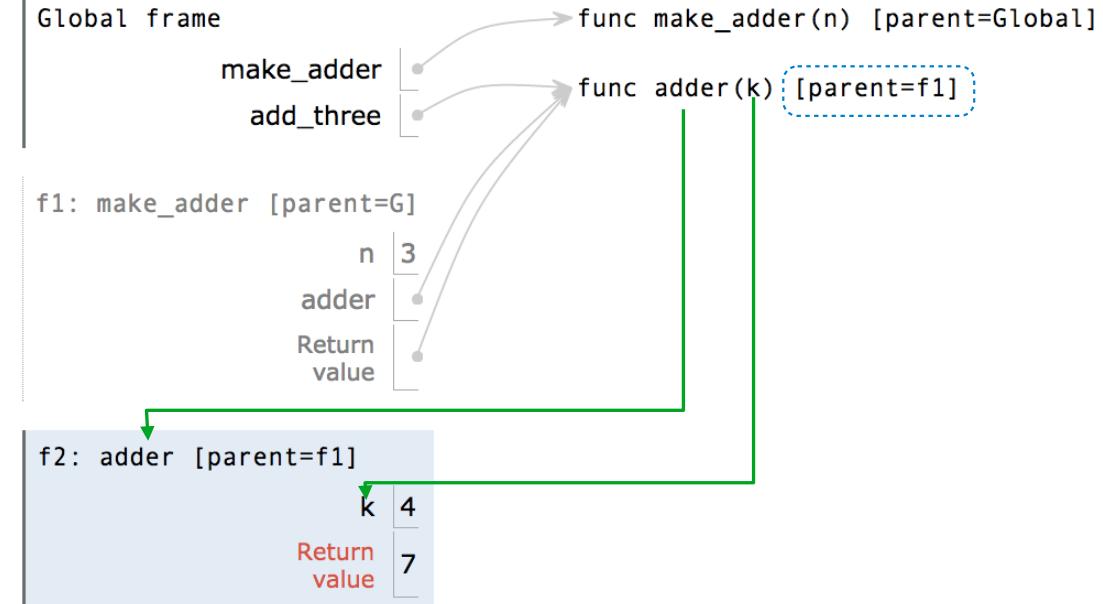
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Environments for Nested Definitions

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Environment Diagrams for Nested Def Statements

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Nested def  
1 def make_adder(n):  
2     def adder(k):  
3         return k + n  
4     return adder  
5  
6 add_three = make_adder(3)  
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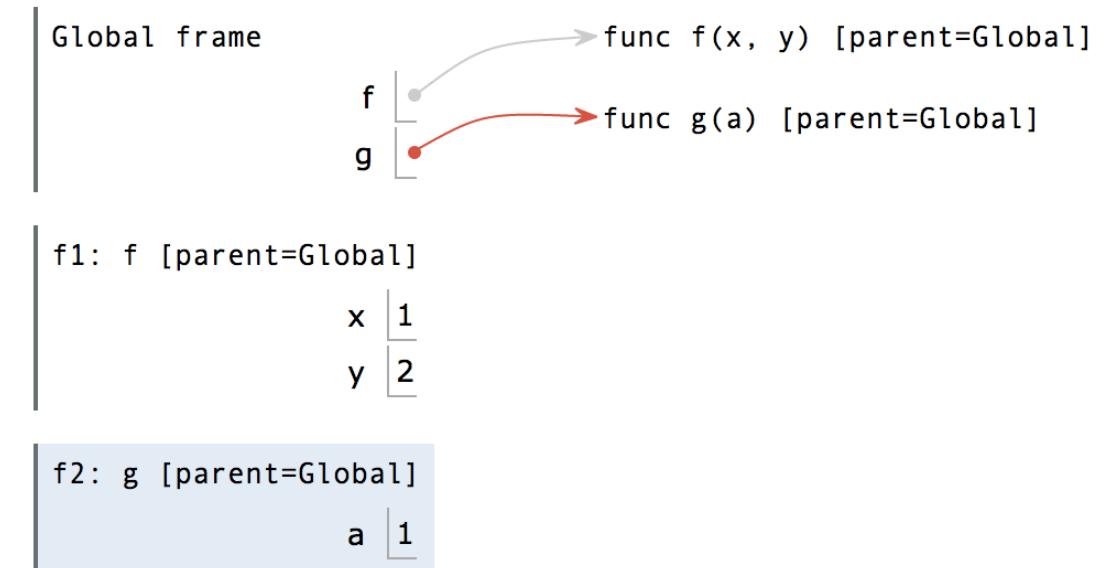
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Local Names

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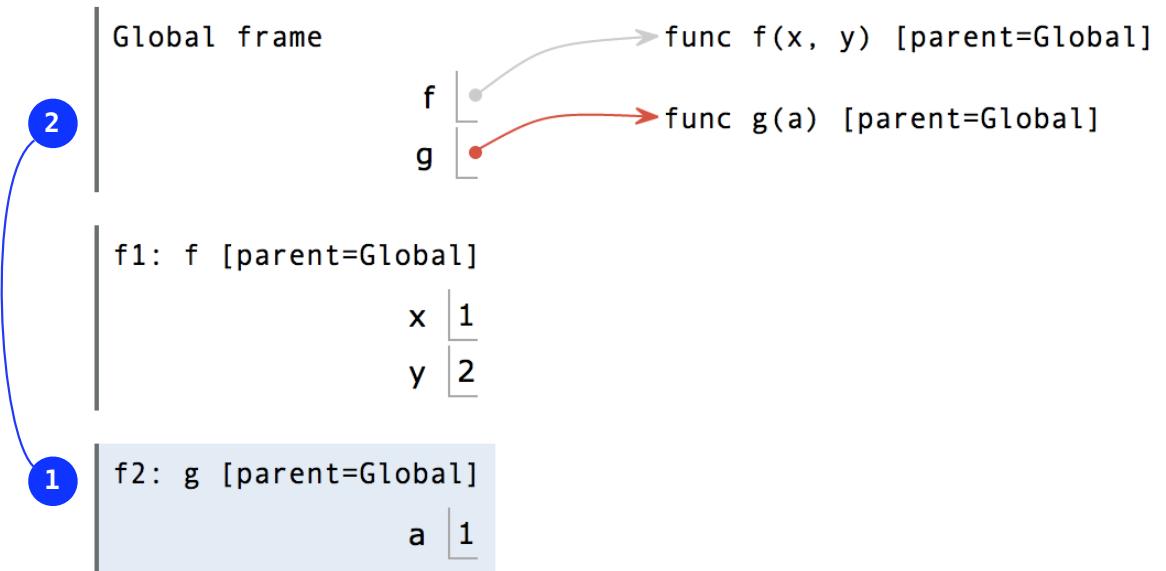
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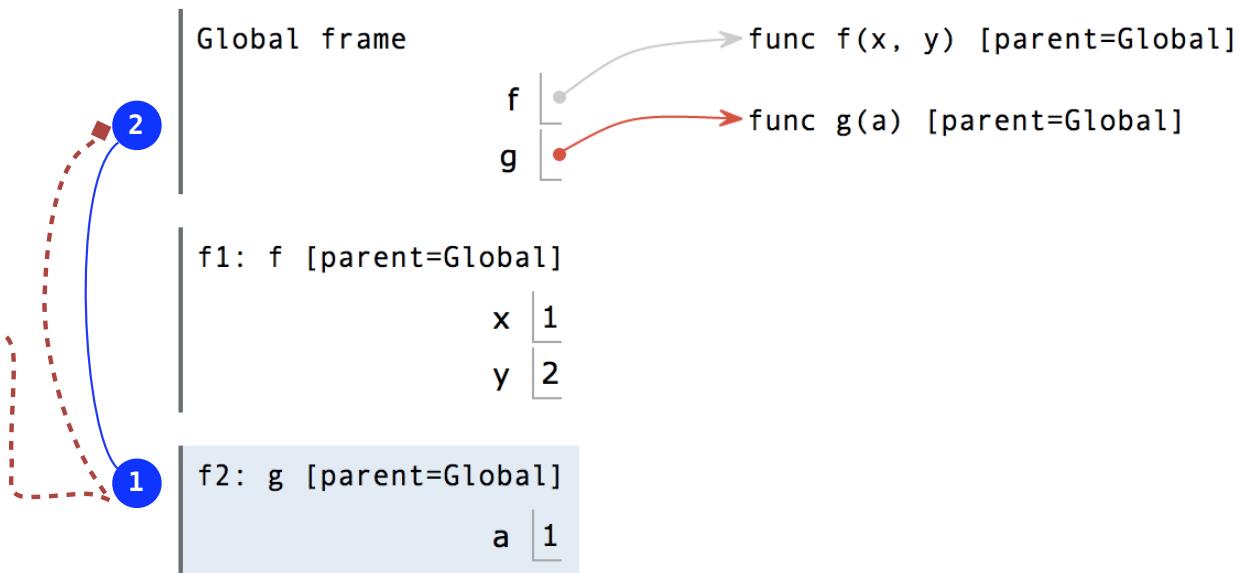
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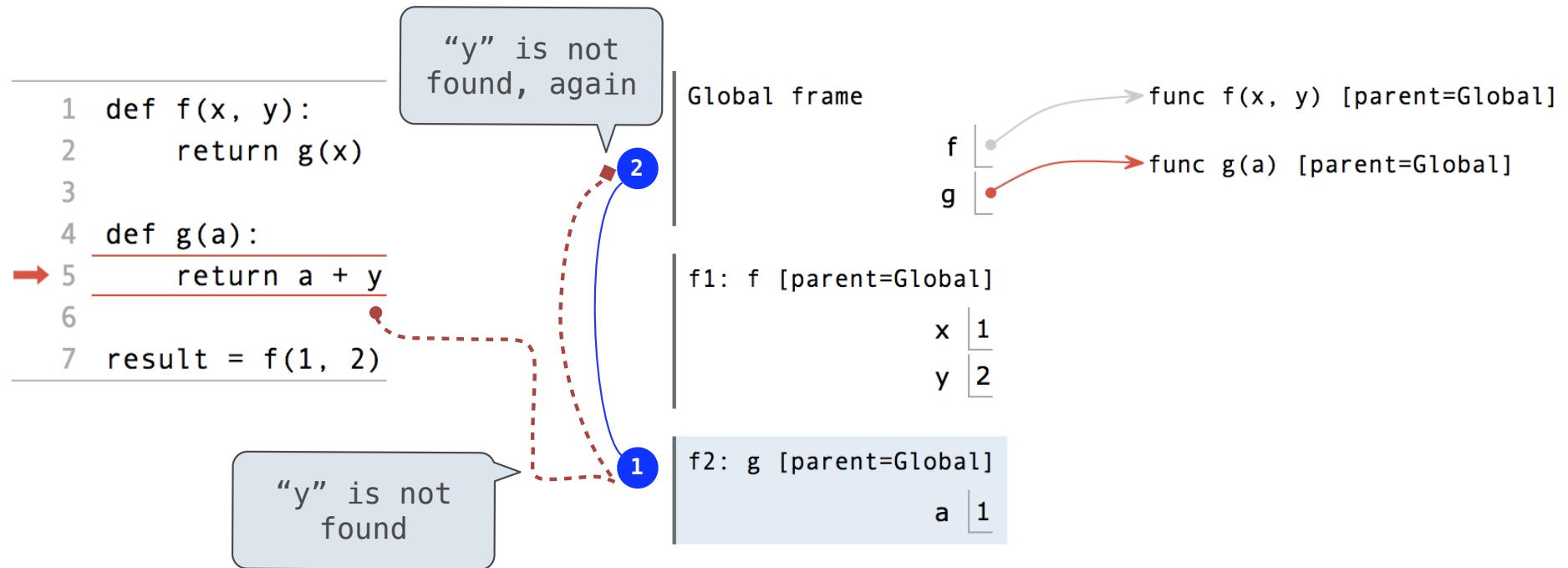
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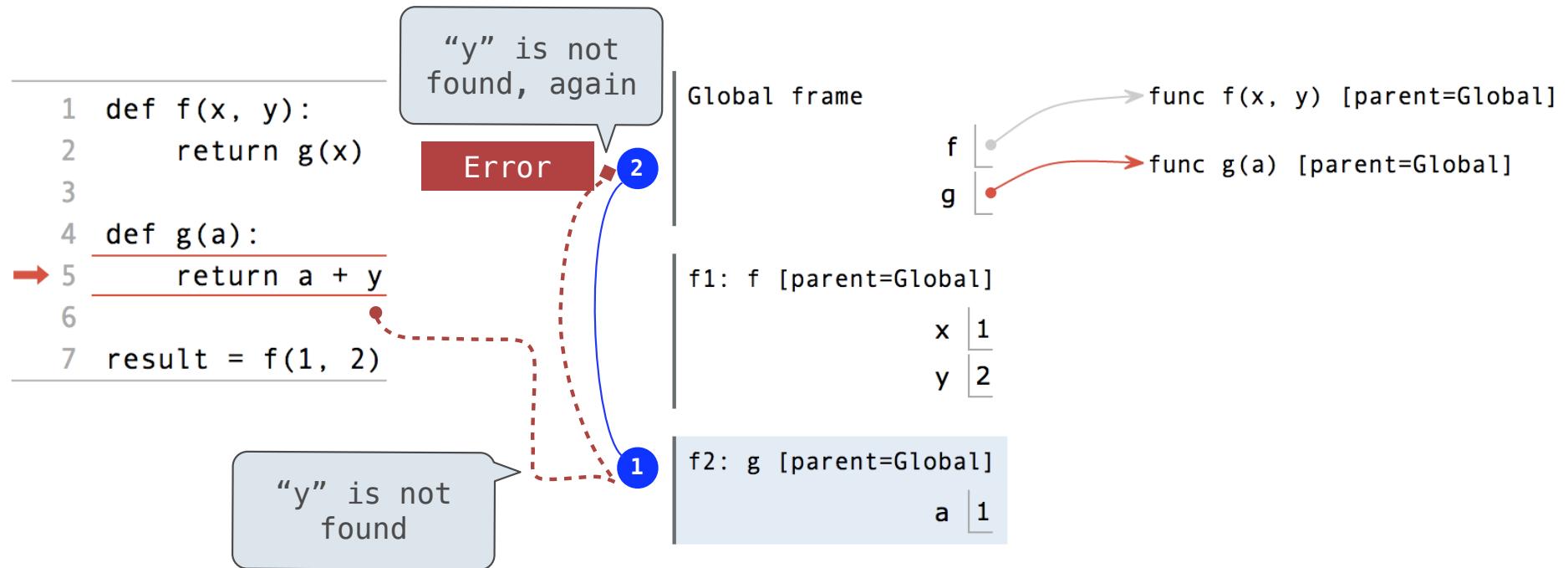
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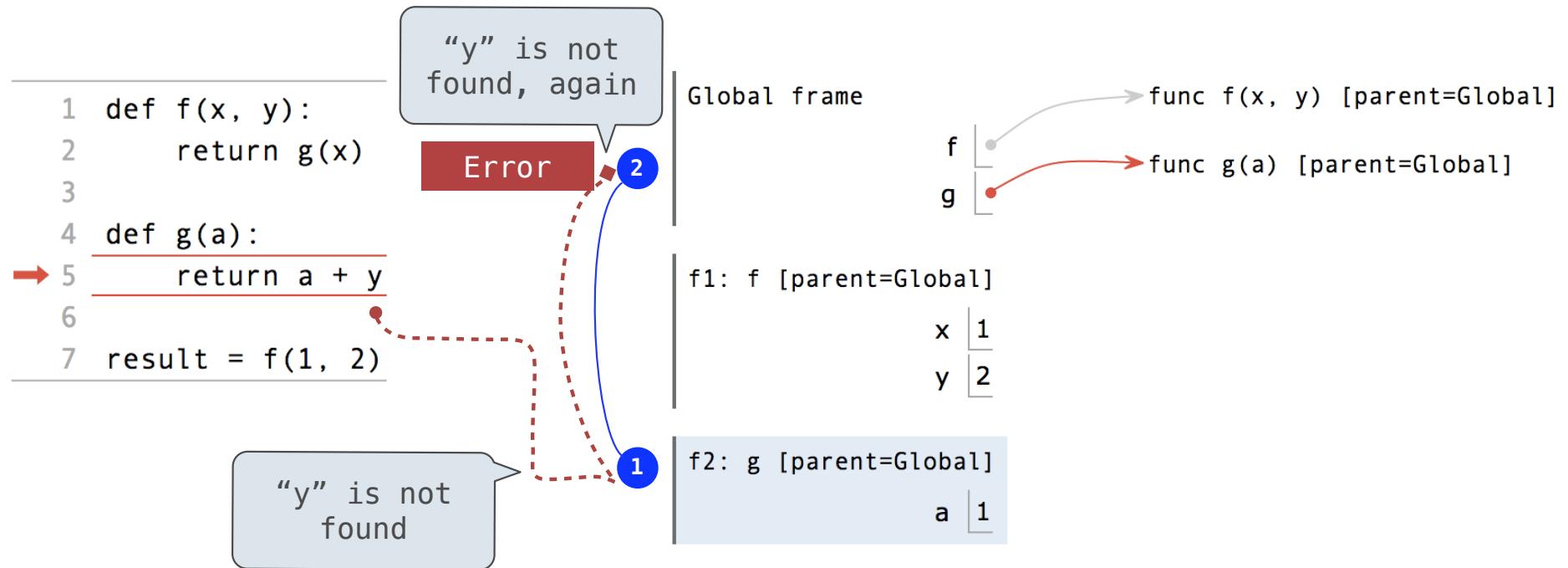
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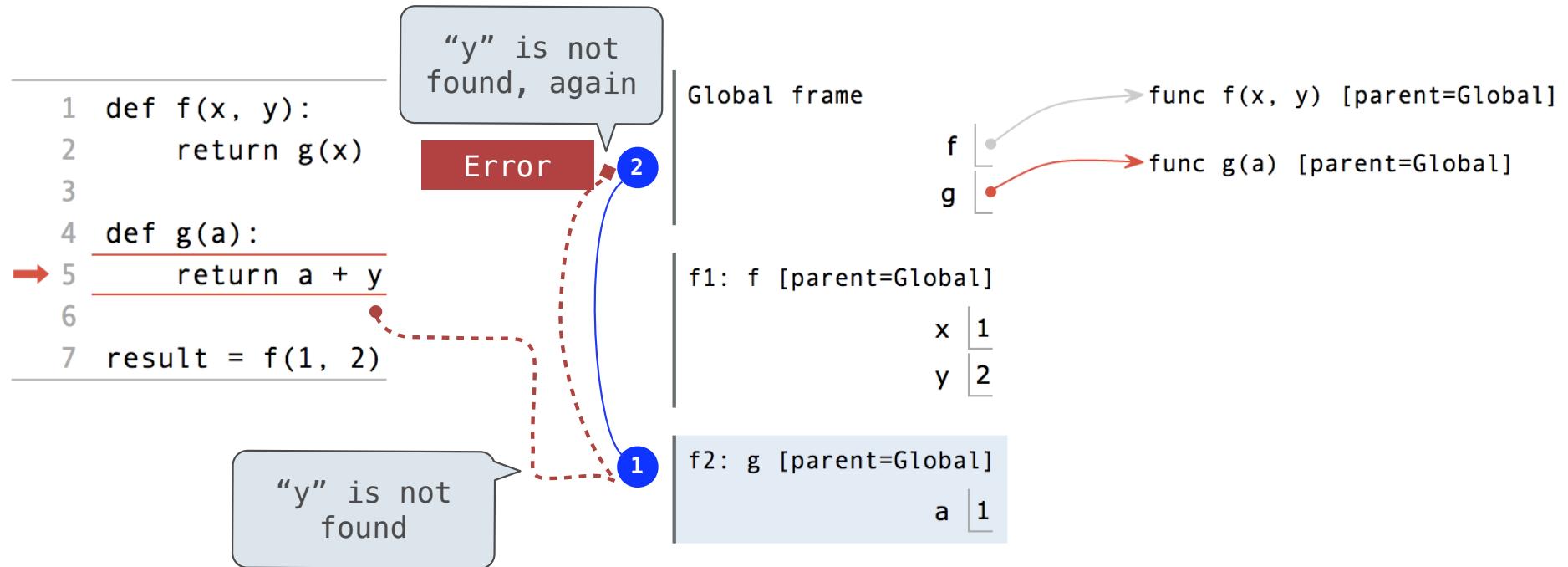


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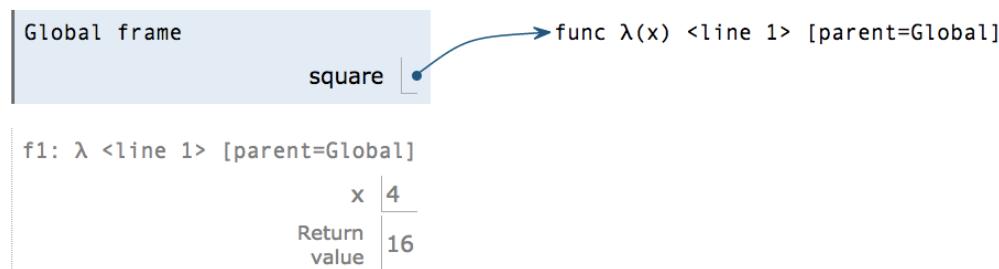
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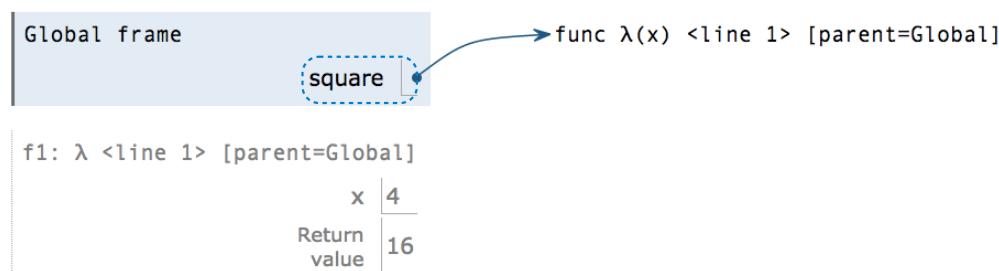
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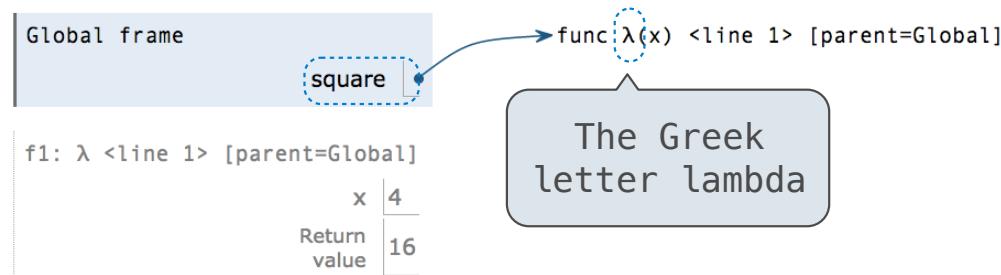
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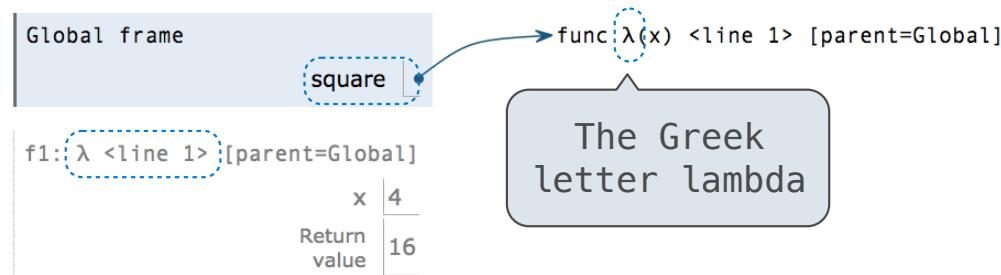
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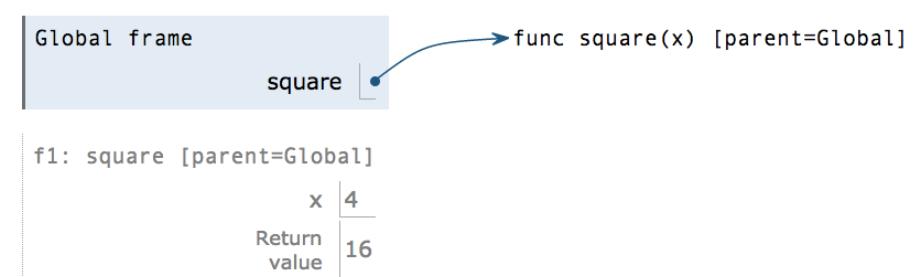
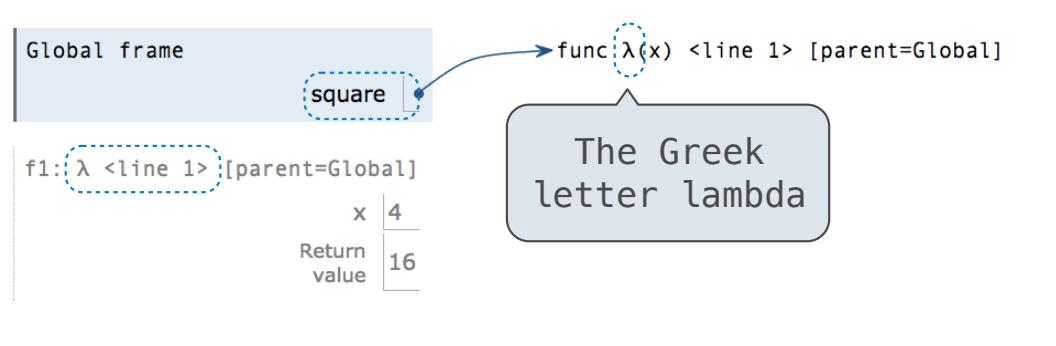
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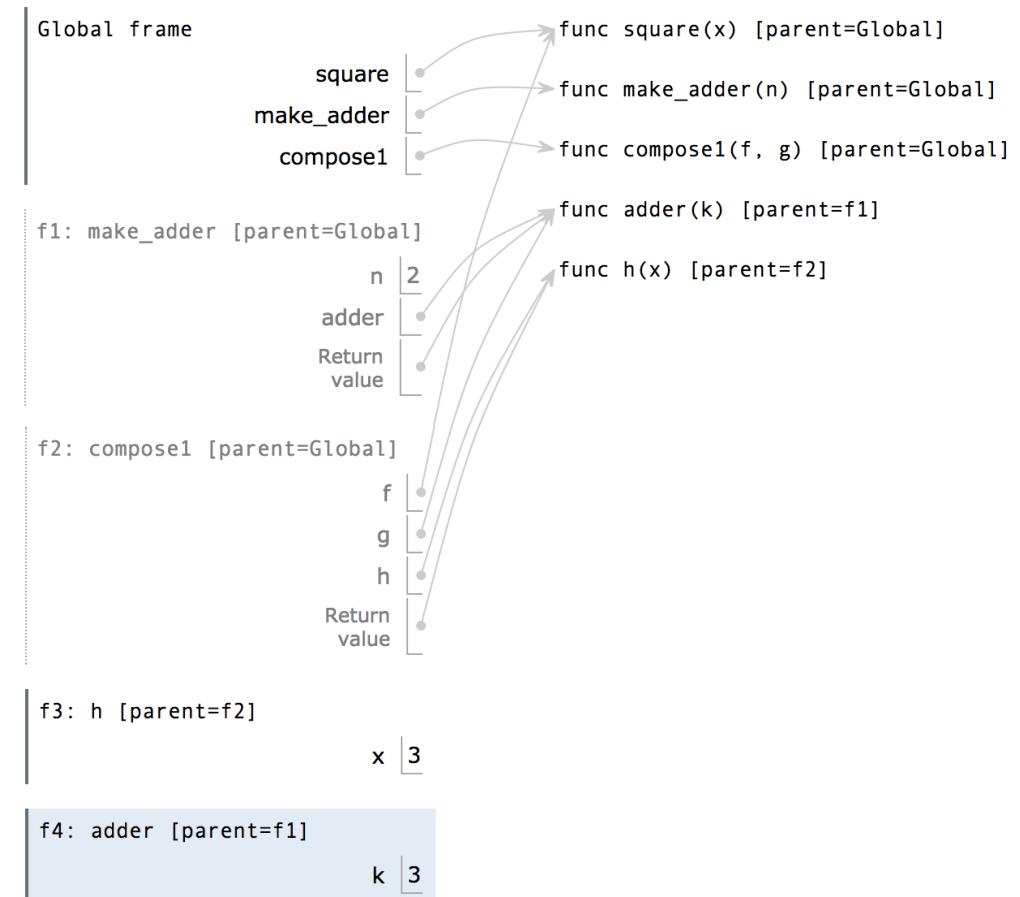
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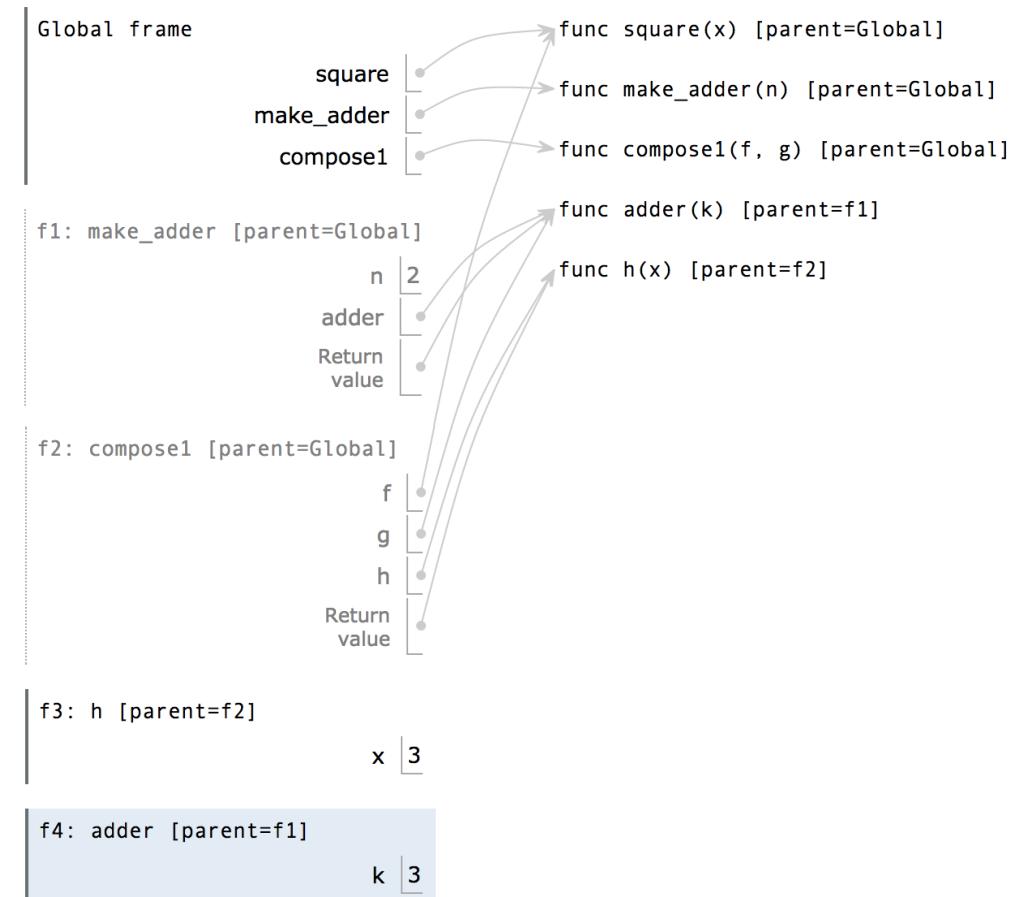


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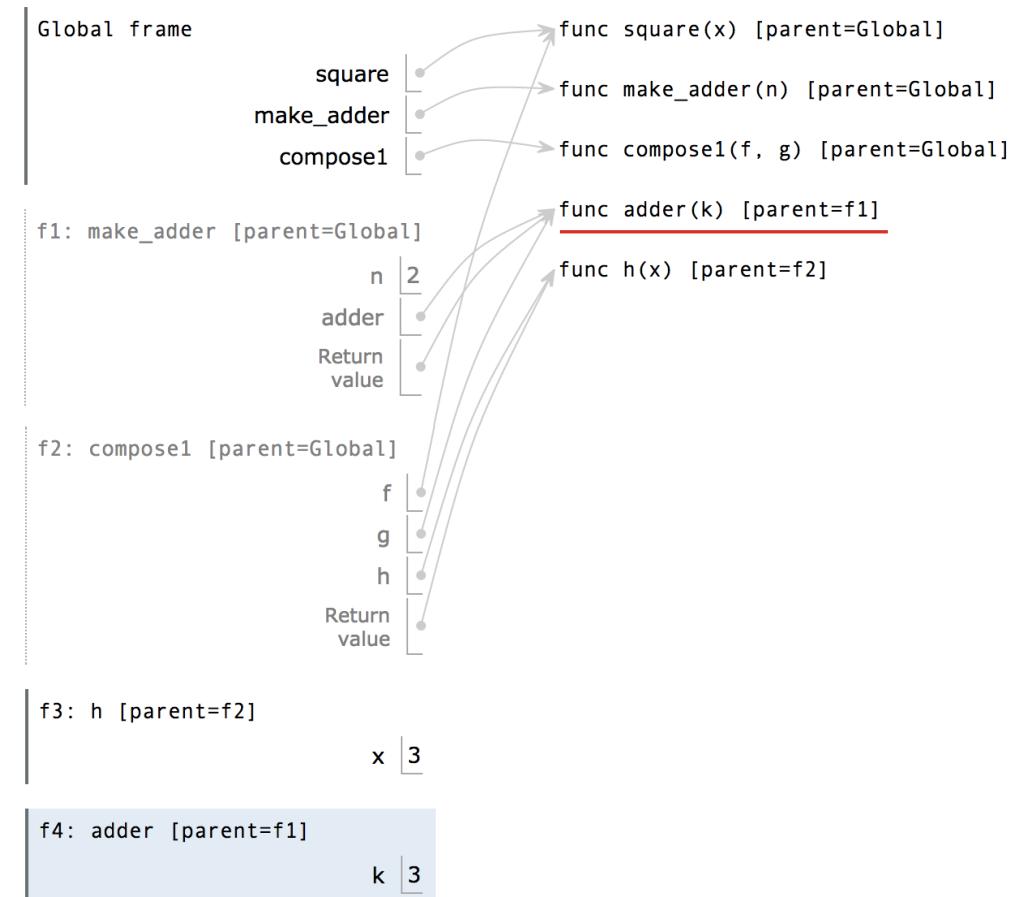
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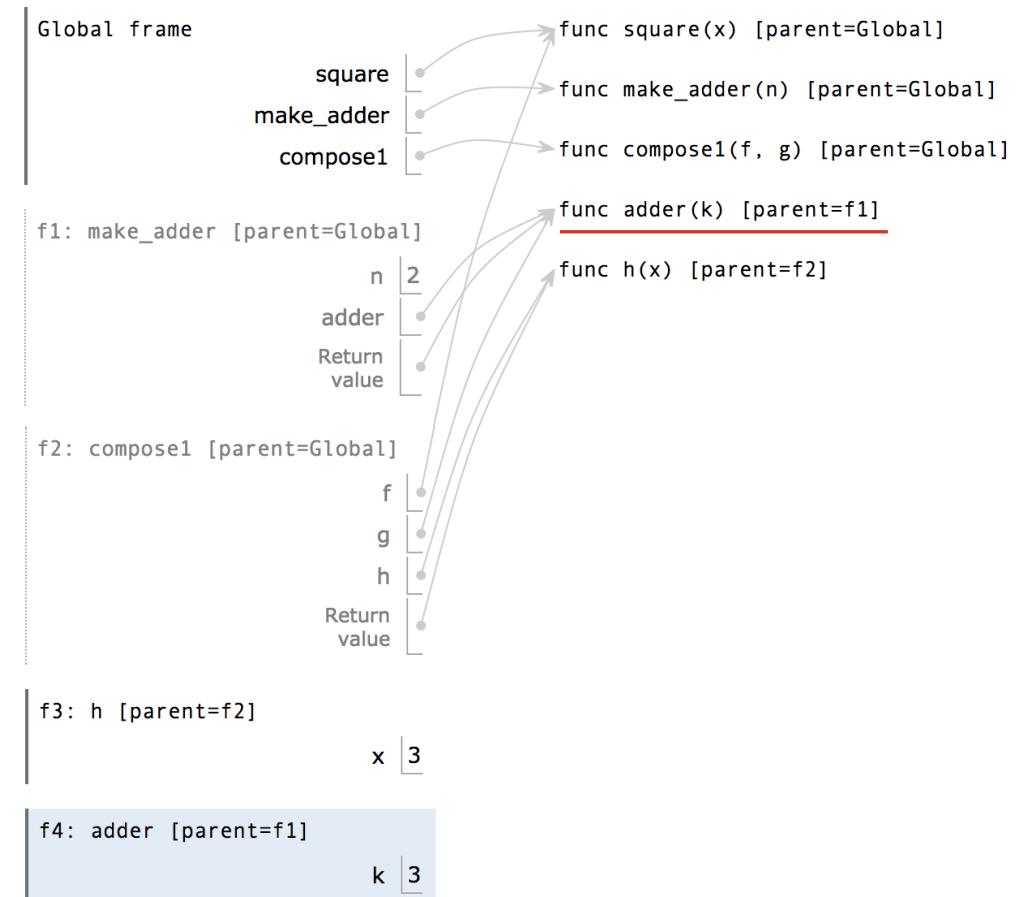
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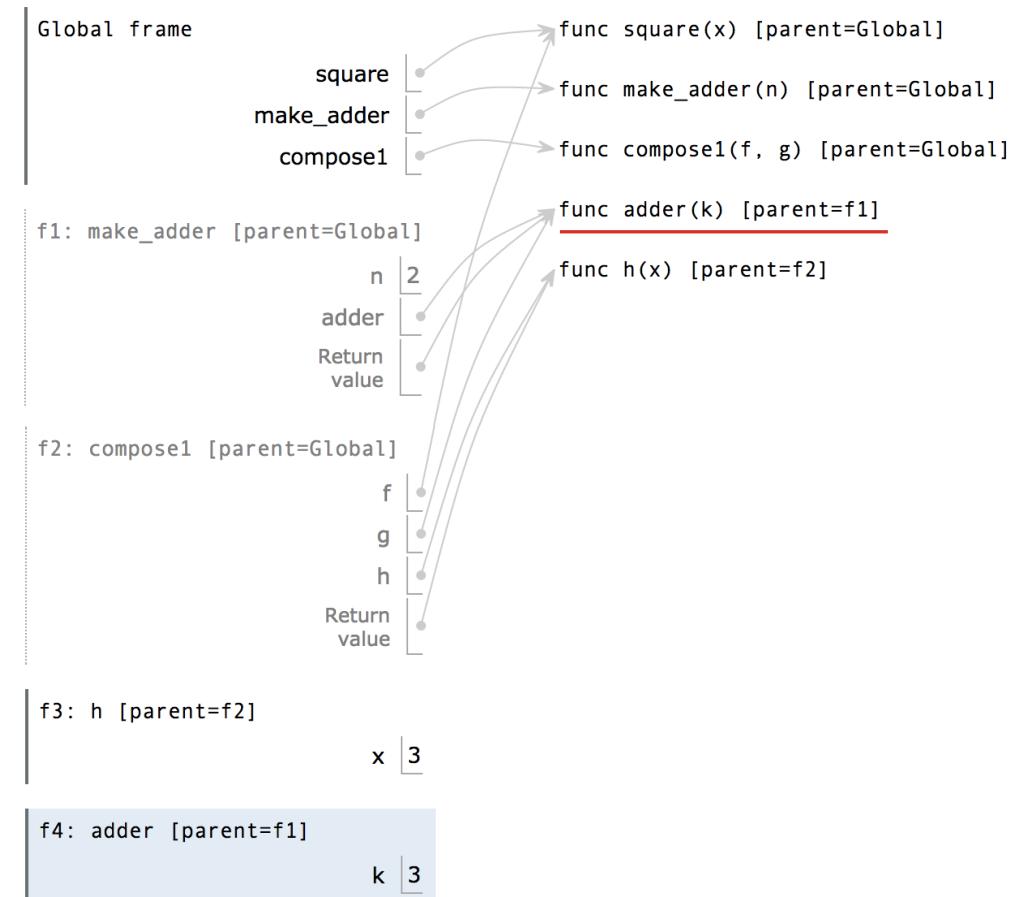
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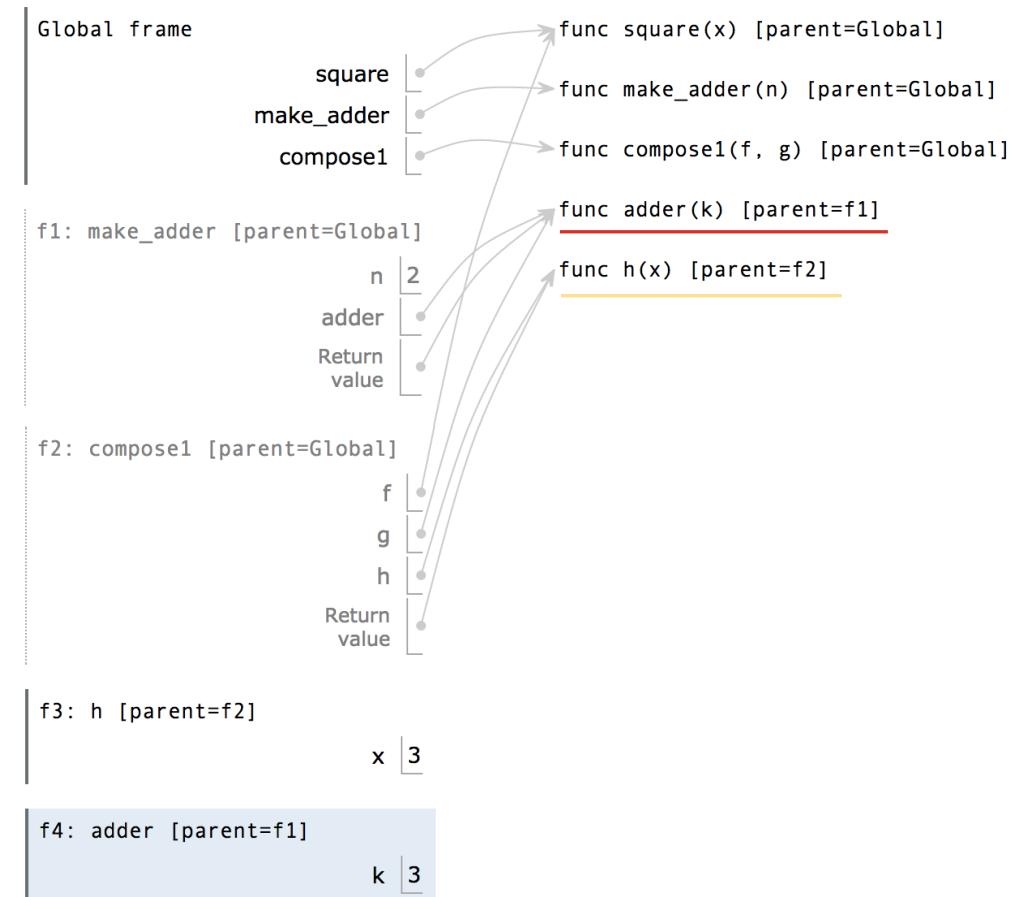
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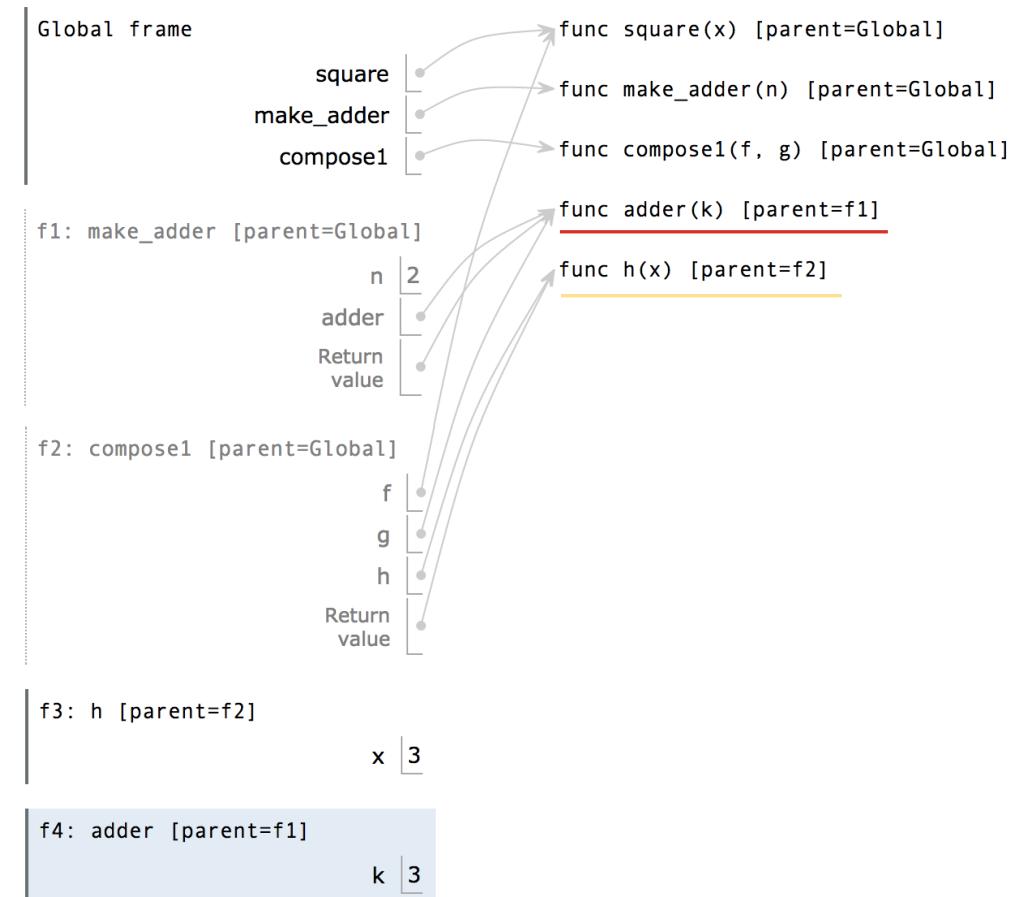
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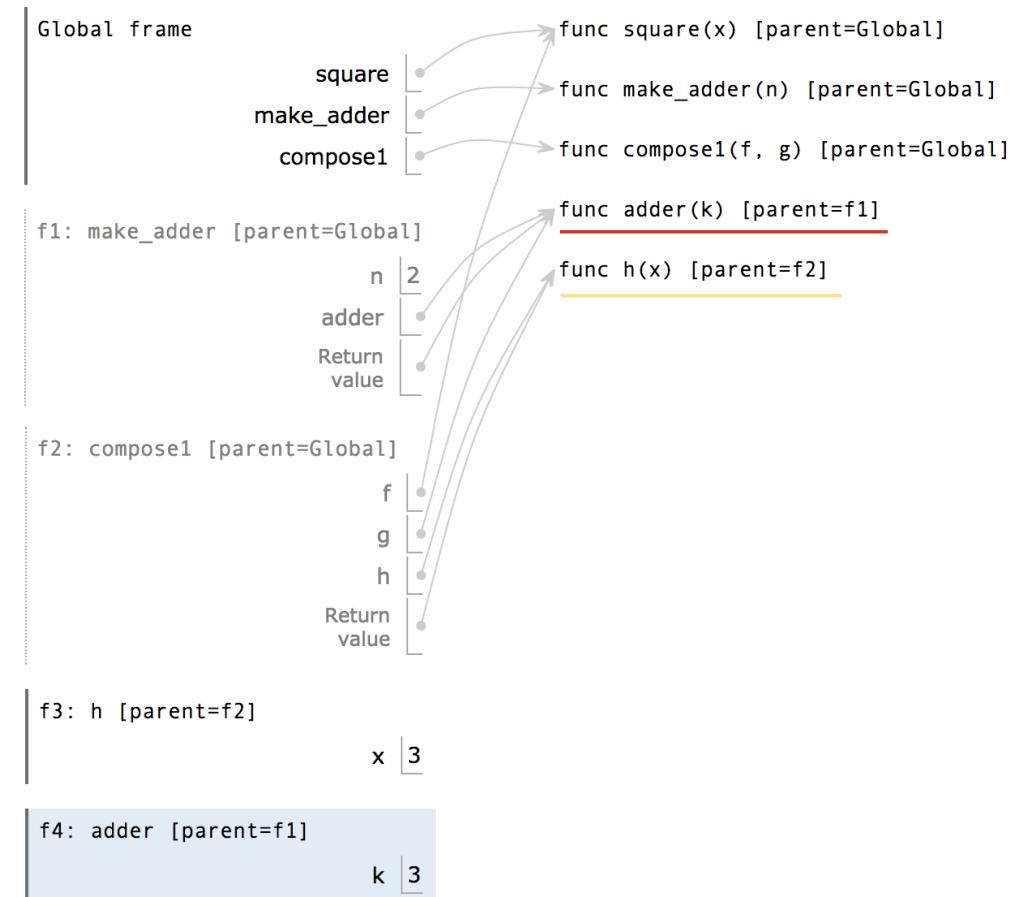
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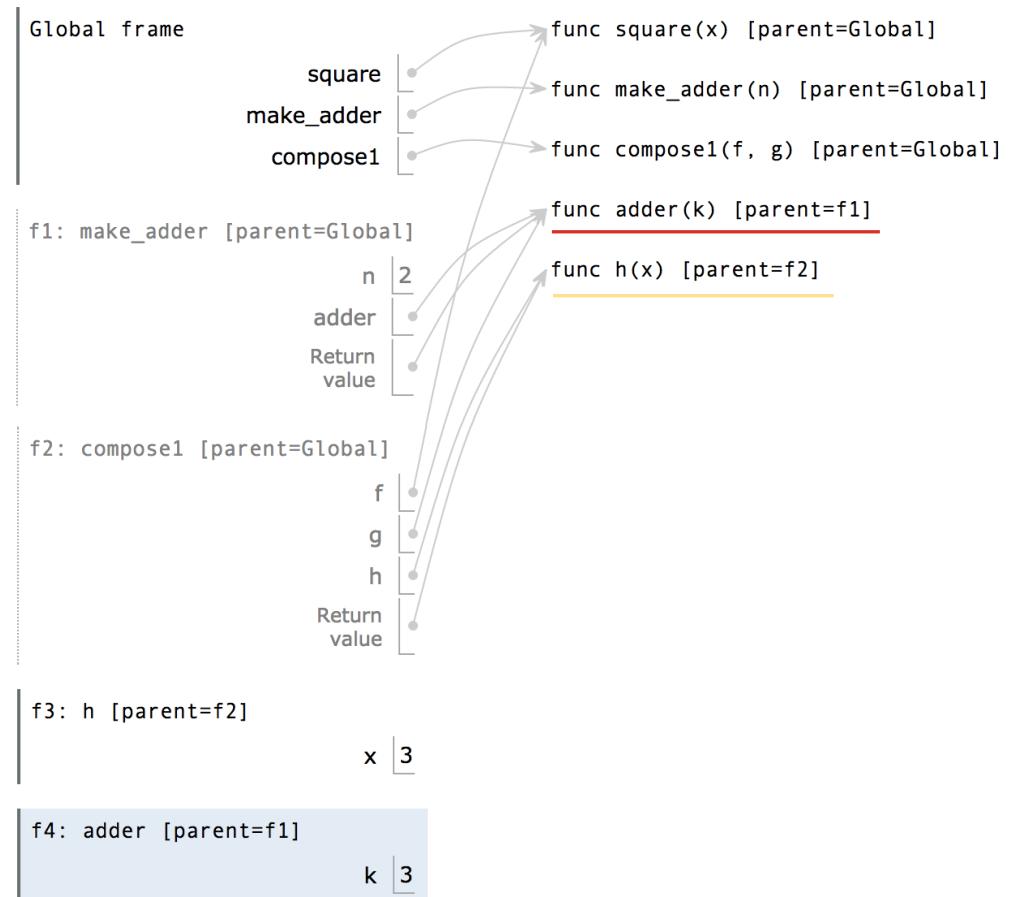
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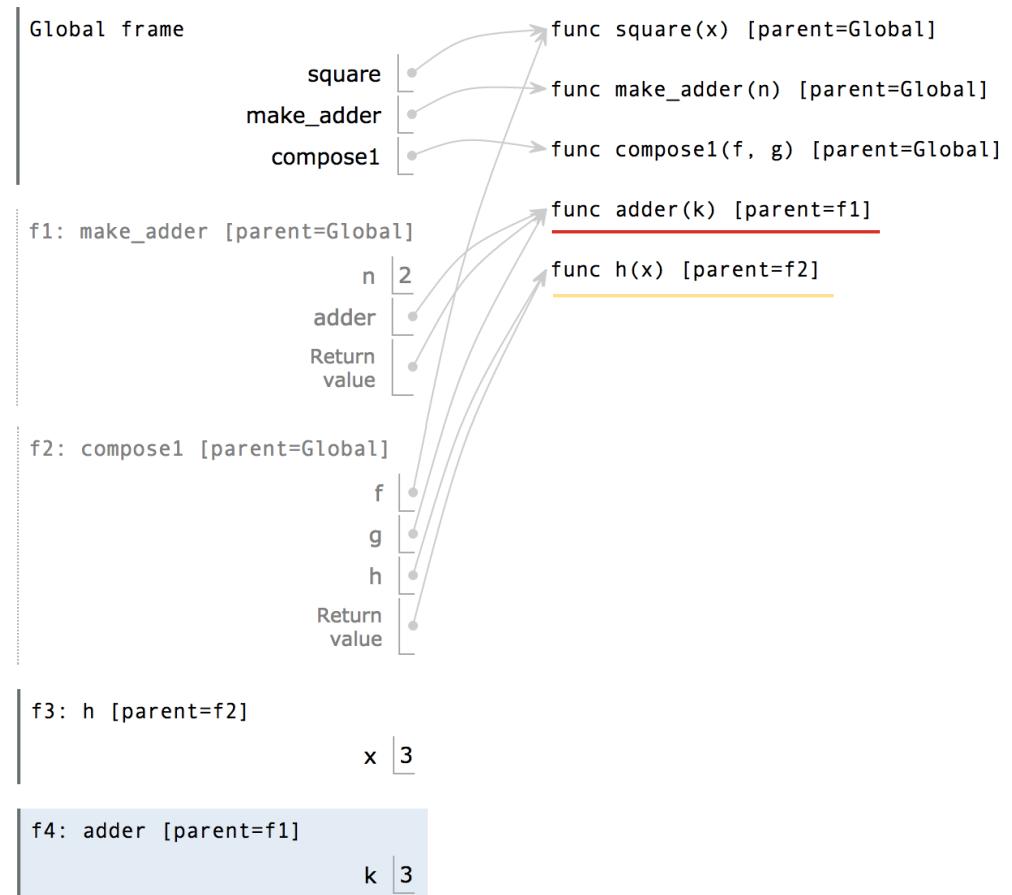
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