

Characteristics of a Sliced Variable. A variable in a `parfor`-loop is **sliced** if it has all of the following characteristics. A description of each characteristic follows the list:

- **Type of First-Level Indexing** — The first level of indexing is either parentheses, `()`, or braces, `{ }`.
- **Fixed Index Listing** — Within the first-level parenthesis or braces, the list of indices is the same for all occurrences of a given variable.
- **Form of Indexing** — Within the list of indices for the variable, exactly one index involves the loop variable.
- **Shape of Array** — In assigning to a **sliced** variable, the right-hand side of the assignment is not `[]` or `' '` (these operators indicate deletion of elements).