

ch.11

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[10]: # Ch. 11: Questions & Exercises
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1. What is the Python interpreter's response to the following?

```
list(range(10, 0, -2))
```

The three arguments to the range function are start, stop, and step, respectively. In this example, start is greater than stop. What happens if $\text{start} < \text{stop}$ and $\text{step} < 0$? Write a rule for the relationships among start, stop, and step.

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[9]: # Ex. 1
```

```
print(list(range(10, 0, -2)))
```

```
[10, 8, 6, 4, 2]
```

```
[14]: # Ex. 2
```

2. Consider this fragment of code:

```
1 import turtle 2 3 tess = turtle.Turtle() 4 alex = tess 5 alex.color("hotpink")
```

Does this fragment create one or two turtle instances? Does setting the color of alex also change the color of tess? Explain in detail.

```
[15]: from unit_tester import test
import turtle
```

```
tess = turtle.Turtle()
alex = tess
alex.color("hotpink")
```

```
#this is aliacing. It creates one turtle instance. Yes setting the color of alex
#also changes color of tess
```

3. Draw a state snapshot for a and b before and after the third line of the following Python code is executed:

```
1 a = [1, 2, 3] 2 b = a[:] 3 b[0] = 5
```

```
[16]: # Ex. 3

a = [1, 2, 3]
b = a[:]
print(a is b)
print(a == b)
print(b)
b[0] = 5
print(a is b)
print(a == b)
print(b)
```

```
False
True
[1, 2, 3]
False
False
[5, 2, 3]
```

4. What will be the output of the following program?

```
1 this = ["I", "am", "not", "a", "crook"] 2 that = ["I", "am", "not", "a", "crook"] 3 print("Test
1: {0}".format(this is that)) 4 that = this 5 print("Test 2: {0}".format(this is that))
```

Provide a detailed explanation of the results.

```
[17]: #Ex. 4

this = ["I", "am", "not", "a", "crook"]
that = ["I", "am", "not", "a", "crook"]

print("Test 1: {0}".format(this is that))
that = this    #here "that" and "this" both refer to the same object
print("Test 2: {0}".format(this is that))
```

```
Test 1: False
Test 2: True
```

5. Lists can be used to represent mathematical vectors. In this exercise and several that follow you will write functions to perform standard operations on vectors. Create a script named `vectors.py` and write Python code to pass the tests in each case.

Write a function `add_vectors(u, v)` that takes two lists of numbers of the same length, and returns a new list containing the sums of the corresponding elements of each:

```
1 test(add_vectors([1, 1], [1, 1]) == [2, 2]) 2 test(add_vectors([1, 2], [1, 4]) == [2, 6]) 3
test(add_vectors([1, 2, 1], [1, 4, 3]) == [2, 6, 4])
```

[18]: #Ex. 5

```
def add_vectors(u, v):
    list = []
    for i in range(len(u)):
        new_elem = u[i] + v[i]
        list.append(new_elem)
        print(list)
    return list

test(add_vectors([1, 1], [1, 1]) == [2, 2])
test(add_vectors([1, 2], [1, 4]) == [2, 6])
test(add_vectors([1, 2, 1], [1, 4, 3]) == [2, 6, 4])
```

[2]

[2, 2]

Test at line 11 ok.

[2]

[2, 6]

Test at line 12 ok.

[2]

[2, 6]

[2, 6, 4]

Test at line 13 ok.

6. Write a function `scalar_mult(s, v)` that takes a number, `s`, and a list, `v` and returns the scalar multiple of `v` by `s` :

1 test(`scalar_mult(5, [1, 2]) == [5, 10]`) 2 test(`scalar_mult(3, [1, 0, -1]) == [3, 0, -3]`) 3 test(`scalar_mult(7, [3, 0, 5, 11, 2]) == [21, 0, 35, 77, 14]`)

[19]: #Ex. 6

```
def scalar_mult(s, v):
    list = []
    for i in range(len(v)):
        new_elem = s* v[i]
        list.append(new_elem)
        print(list)
    return list

test(scalar_mult(5, [1, 2]) == [5, 10])
test(scalar_mult(3, [1, 0, -1]) == [3, 0, -3])
test(scalar_mult(7, [3, 0, 5, 11, 2]) == [21, 0, 35, 77, 14])
```

[5]

[5, 10]

Test at line 12 ok.

```

[3]
[3, 0]
[3, 0, -3]
Test at line 13 ok.
[21]
[21, 0]
[21, 0, 35]
[21, 0, 35, 77]
[21, 0, 35, 77, 14]
Test at line 14 ok.

```

7. Write a function `dot_product(u, v)` that takes two lists of numbers of the same length, and returns the sum of the products of the corresponding elements of each (the `dot_product`).

```

1 test(dot_product([1, 1], [1, 1]) == 2) 2 test(dot_product([1, 2], [1, 4]) == 9) 3
test(dot_product([1, 2, 1], [1, 4, 3]) == 12)

```

[20]: *#Ex. 7*

```

def dot_product(u, v):
    list = []
    b = 0
    for i in range(len(v)):
        new_elem = u[i] * v[i]
        list.append(new_elem)
        print(list)
    for i in range(len(list)):
        b = b + list[i]
        print(b)
    return b

test(dot_product([1, 1], [1, 1]) == 2)
test(dot_product([1, 2], [1, 4]) == 9)
test(dot_product([1, 2, 1], [1, 4, 3]) == 12)

```

```

[1]
[1, 1]
1
2
Test at line 16 ok.
[1]
[1, 8]
1
9
Test at line 17 ok.
[1]
[1, 8]
[1, 8, 3]

```

1
9
12

Test at line 18 ok.

8. Extra challenge for the mathematically inclined: Write a function `cross_product(u, v)` that takes two lists of numbers of length 3 and returns their cross product. You should write your own tests.

```
[21]: #Ex. 8  
  
#skipped
```

9. Describe the relationship between `" ".join(song.split())` and `song` in the fragment of code below. Are they the same for all strings assigned to `song`? When would they be different?

```
1 song = "The rain in Spain..."
```

```
[22]: #Ex. 9  
  
song = "The rain in Spain..."  
  
print(song.split())  
print(" ".join(song.split())) # makes a split first, then uses the empty spaces  
    ↪ to join  
print(song) # is the same as above
```

```
['The', 'rain', 'in', 'Spain...']
```

```
The rain in Spain...
```

```
The rain in Spain...
```

10. Write a function `replace(s, old, new)` that replaces all occurrences of `old` with `new` in a string `s`:

```
1 test(replace("Mississippi", "i", "I") == "MIssIssIppI") 2 3 s = "I love spom! Spom is my  
favorite food. Spom, spom, yum!" 4 test(replace(s, "om", "am") == 5 "I love spam! Spam  
is my favorite food. Spam, spam, yum!") 6 7 test(replace(s, "o", "a") == 8 "I lave spam!  
Spam is my favarite faad. Spam, spam, yum!")
```

Hint: use the `split` and `join` methods.

```
[23]: #Ex. 10  
  
def replace(s, old, new):  
    new_elem = new.join(s.split(old))  
    return new_elem  
  
test(replace("Mississippi", "i", "I") == "MIssIssIppI")  
  
s = "I love spom! Spom is my favorite food. Spom, spom, yum!"
```

```
test(replace(s, "om", "am") == "I love spam! Spam is my favorite food. Spam,
↳spam, yum!")

test(replace(s, "o", "a") == "I lave spam! Spam is my favarite faad. Spam,
↳spam, yum!")
```

Test at line 7 ok.

Test at line 11 ok.

Test at line 13 ok.

11. Suppose you want to swap around the values in two variables. You decide to factor this out into a reusable function, and write this code:

```
1 def swap(x, y): # Incorrect version
2 print("before swap statement: x:", x, "y:", y)
3 (x, y) = (y, x)
4 print("after swap statement: x:", x, "y:", y)
5
6 a = ["This", "is", "fun"]
7 b = [2,3,4]
8 print("before swap function call: a:", a, "b:", b)
9 swap(a, b)
10 print("after swap function call: a:", a, "b:", b)
```

Run this program and describe the results. Oops! So it didn't do what you intended! Explain why not. Using a Python visualizer like the one at http://netserv.ict.ru.ac.za/python3_viz may help you build a good conceptual model of what is going on. What will be the values of a and b after the call to swap?

[24]: *#Ex. 11*

```
def swap(x, y): # Incorrect version
    print("before swap statement: x:", x, "y:", y)
    (x, y) = (y, x)
    print("after swap statement: x:", x, "y:", y)

a = ["This", "is", "fun"]
b = [2,3,4]
print("before swap function call: a:", a, "b:", b)
swap(a, b)
print("after swap function call: a:", a, "b:", b)

#the values of a and b didn't change
# a modifier is neccessery here to change the values of a and b
```

before swap function call: a: ['This', 'is', 'fun'] b: [2, 3, 4]

before swap statement: x: ['This', 'is', 'fun'] y: [2, 3, 4]

after swap statement: x: [2, 3, 4] y: ['This', 'is', 'fun']

after swap function call: a: ['This', 'is', 'fun'] b: [2, 3, 4]