

What is an efficient phrase?

# Efficient Phrases

These **are** efficient...

COLD WINDOWSILL

COOL MILLION

VIVID DISILLUSIONS

SUSPICIOUS CONCLUSION

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These **aren't** efficient...

CHILLY WINDOW LEDGE

GOOD THOUSAND THOUSAND

GRAPHIC DISAPPOINTMENTS

MISTRUSTFUL ENDING

# Data Structures

January 13, 2020

# Agenda

## Today in CS 41

- Review
- Data Structures
- Halftime
  - Attendance
  - Setting up Python
  - Assignment 0
  - Enrollment
- More Data Structures



# On to Python!\*

\*Follow along with the examples!

# The Data Model

Useful for seeing how Python handles memory, comparing to `None`, preventing undesired reference collisions

Determines the operations that the object supports

**Objects have identity, type, and value  
Variables are un-typed (dynamically typed)**

# Identity Crisis

```
x = 41  
y = 41  
x is y # => True  
  
x = 257  
y = 257  
x is y # => False  
  
x = "happy code"  
y = "happy code"  
x is y # => False
```

Python is “smart” and only creates one object...

But this doesn’t always happen (actually, it almost never happens)!

Maintaining only one object would require Python checking existing objects every time it considered creating a new one – too much work.

If you’re interested in more details about why Python behaves “smartly” for the number 41 but not for 257, see me after class!

# The Object of Investigation

Takeaways:

Python objects are more than just their value, but you'll almost never care about the *precise* identity of an object.

Python handles the creation of new objects.

Object reassignment does not create a new object.

```
x = # ...
```

```
y = x
```

We'll see more in lab!

# Strings

# Useful String Methods

```
greeting = "Hello! Love, unicorn. "  
  
greeting[4]          # => 'o'  
'corn' in greeting # => True  
len(greeting)       # => 23  
  
greeting.find('lo')           # => 3 (-1 if not found)  
greeting.replace('ello', 'iya') # => Hiya! Love, Unicorn.  
greeting.startswith('Hell')    # => True  
greeting.endswith(' ')        # => True  
greeting.isalpha()            # => False
```

# Useful String Methods

```
greeting = "Hello! Love, unicorn. "
greeting.lower()          # => 'hello! love, unicorn.'
greeting.title()          # => 'Hello! Love, Unicorn.'
greeting.upper()          # => 'HELLO! LOVE, UNICORN.'
greeting.strip()           # => 'Hello! Love, unicorn.'
greeting.strip('.nrH ')   # => 'ello! Love, unico'
```

# Lists <→ Strings

```
list('Hair toss!')  
# => ['H', 'a', 'i', 'r', ' ', 't', 'o', 's', 's', '!']  
  
# `split` partitions by a delimiter...  
'ham cheese bacon'.split()  
# => ['ham', 'cheese', 'bacon']  
  
# ...which can be specified, but defaults to whitespace  
'3-14-2015'.split(sep='-')  
# => ['3', '14', '2015']  
  
# `join` creates a string from a list of strings  
, '.join(['Zheng', 'Antonio', 'Sam'])  
# => 'Zheng, Antonio, Sam'
```

# String Formatting

```
# Curly braces are placeholders
'{} {}'.format('beautiful', 'unicorn') # => 'beautiful unicorn'

# Provide values by position or placeholder
'{0} can be {1} {0}, even in summer!'.format('snowmen', 'frozen')
# => 'snowmen can be frozen snowmen, even in summer!'

'{name} loves {food}'.format(name='Michael', food='applesauce')
# => 'Michael loves applesauce' (he does)

# Values are converted to strings
'{} squared is {}'.format(5, 5**2) # => '5 squared is 25'
```

# String Formatting

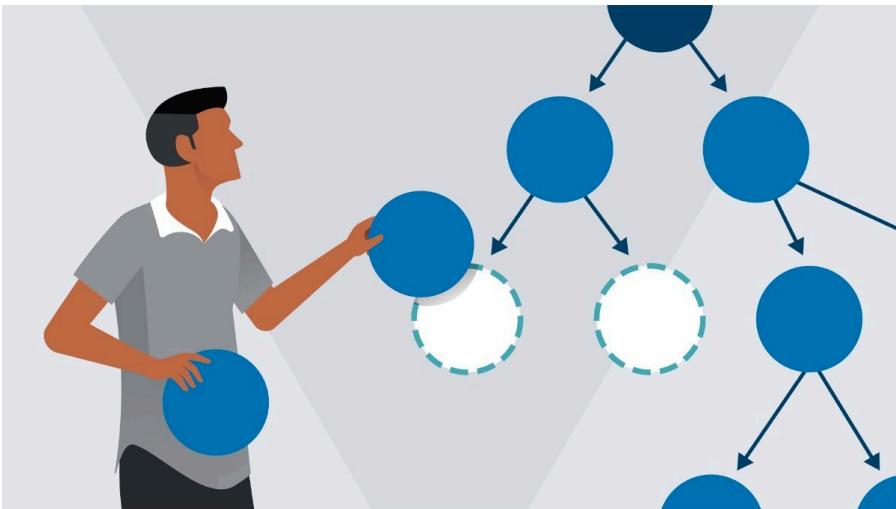
```
# You can use C-style specifiers too!
"{:06.2f}".format(3.14159) # => '003.14'

# Padding can be specified as well.
'{:10}'.format('left') # => 'left      '
'{:^12}'.format('CS41') # => '*****CS41*****'

# You can even look up values!
captains = ['Kirk', 'Picard']
'{caps[0]} > {caps[1]}'.format(caps=captains)
```

See <https://pyformat.info/> for more!

# Data Structures



- Lists
- Tuples
- Dictionaries
- Sets
- Advanced Looping
- Comprehensions

# Lists

# What is a list?

Finite, ordered, mutable sequence of elements.

You can edit the elements of a list after it has been created

# What is a list?

```
easy_as = [1, 2, 3]
```

Square brackets delimit lists

Commas separate elements

```
graph TD; A["Square brackets delimit lists"] --> B["easy_as = [1, 2, 3]"]; A --> C["Commas separate elements"]; C --> B
```

# What is a list?

```
simple_as = ['do', 're', 'mi']
```

# Adding Elements

```
# Create a new list
empty = []
letters = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd']
numbers = [2, 3, 5]

# Lists can contain elements of different types
mixed = [4, 5, "seconds"]

# Append elements to the end of a list
numbers.append(7) # numbers == [2, 3, 5, 7]
numbers.append(11) # numbers == [2, 3, 5, 7, 11]
```

# Inspecting Elements

```
# Access elements at a particular index
numbers[0]    # => 2
numbers[-1]   # => 11

# You can also slice lists - the usual rules apply
letters[:3]    # => ['a', 'b', 'c']
numbers[1:-1]  # => [3, 5, 7]
```

# Nested Lists

```
# You can put anything inside a list!  
  
# other lists...  
x = [letters, numbers]  
x          # => [['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'], [2, 3, 5, 7, 11]]  
x[0]       # => ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd']  
x[0][1]    # => 'b'
```

# Recursive Lists

```
# You can put anything inside a list!  
  
# the list itself...  
x = [1, 2]  
x.append(x)  
x           # => [1, 2, [...]]  
x is x[2]    # => True
```

# Iterable Methods

```
# Length (number of objects in the iterable)
len([ ]) # => 0
len("") # => 0
len("unicorn") # => 7
len([4, 5, "seconds"] ) # => 3
```

# Iterable Methods

```
# Membership (in)
"u" in "unicorn"          # => True
"uni" in "unicorn"         # => True
"uncorn" in "unicorn"      # => False
4 in [4, 5, "seconds"]    # => True

# Casting to a list
list("unicorn")  # => ['u', 'n', 'i', 'c', 'o', 'r', 'n']
list(range(4, 6)) # => [4, 5]
```

# List-Specific Methods

```
# Count the number of occurrences in a list
my_lst.count(value)

# Append a *single* element to a list
my_lst.append(elem)

# Extend a list by appending *all* elements from an
# iterable
my_lst.extend(iterable)
```

# List-Specific Methods

```
# Insert an element into the middle of the list, at index
my_lst.insert(index, elem)

# Sort a list, in place
my_lst.sort(key=None, reverse=False)

# Reverse a list, in place
my_lst.reverse()
```

# List-Specific Methods

```
# Modify multiple elements from a list
# if len(iterable) == len(my_lst[start:stop:step])...
my_lst[start:stop:step] = iterable
del my_lst[start:stop:step]

# Remove an element from a list and return it
my_lst.pop()    # => returns & removes last elem
my_lst.pop(i)   # => returns & removes my_lst[i]
```

# List-Specific Methods

```
# Remove an element from a list, by value
# removes the first instance or throws ValueError
my_lst.remove(value)
```

# Tuples

# What is a tuple?

Finite, ordered, immutable sequence of elements.

You **can't** edit the elements of a tuple after it's been created  
(different from a list)

# What is a Tuple?

```
nights = (3, 'at', 'the', 'motel')
```

Parentheses delimit tuples

Commas separate elements

```
graph TD; A["Parentheses delimit tuples"] --> B["nights = (3, 'at', 'the', 'motel')"]; A --> C[")"]; B --> D["Commas separate elements"]; B --> E["'motel'"]; B --> F["'the'"]; B --> G["'at'"]; B --> H["3"]
```

# But... why?

We already have lists, so why tuples?

Store finite, heterogenous data about an object in our program.

Think `struct`-like or SQL-like objects.

“Freeze” a sequence for hashability (lists can’t be hashed)

Enforce immutability

# Working with Tuples

```
# You can't edit elements...
fish = (1, 2, "red", "blue")
fish[0]                  # => 1
fish[0] = 'unicorn'      # TypeError

# ...but everything else works normally
len(fish)                # => 4
fish[:-1]                 # => (1, 2, 'red')
"red" in fish            # => True
```

# Packing & Unpacking Tuples

```
christopher_robin = 'pooh', 'tigger', 'eeyore'  
print(christopher_robin) # ('pooh', 'tigger', 'eeyore')  
type(christopher_robin) # => tuple  
  
# We can unpack these values!  
x, y, z = christopher_robin  
x # => 'pooh'  
y # => 'tigger'  
z # => 'eeyore'
```

# Swapping Values

```
riri = "Sorry, I ain't sorry"  
bey = "Come Mr. DJ won't you turn the music up"
```

```
temp = riri  
riri = bey  
bey = temp
```

Temporary  
variable

```
riri = riri ^ bey  
bey = riri ^ bey  
riri = riri ^ bey
```

Bitwise  
XOR magic

```
riri, bey = bey, riri
```

Tuple  
unpacking...!

# Swapping Values: How does it work?

riri, bey = (bey, riri)

First, bey, riri is packed into the tuple  
with the values of those variables

Then, the tuple is unpacked

# Fibonacci Sequence

```
def fibbi(n):
    """Print out the first n Fibonacci numbers"""
    a, b = 0, 1

    for i in range(n):
        print(a)
        a, b = b, a + b
```

# Packing & Unpacking Tuples into Functions

```
def quick_maths(a, b, c):  
    return a + b - c  
  
boom = (2, 2, 1)  
quick_maths(*boom) # => 3
```



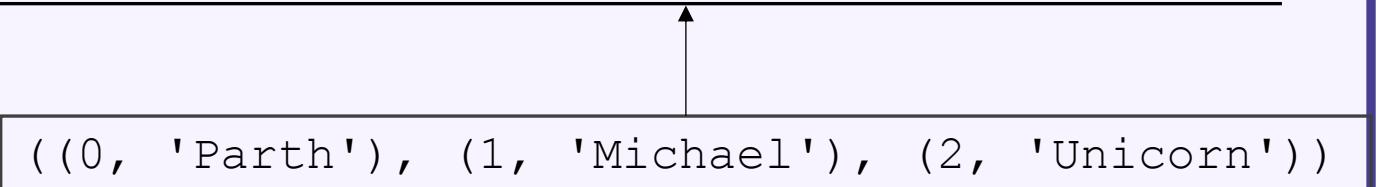
The \* unpacks the tuple...  
this executes as quick\_maths(2, 2, 1)

# A Useful Unpacking Paradigm

```
enumerate(['Parth', 'Michael', 'Unicorn'])  
# => ((0, 'Parth'), (1, 'Michael'), (2, 'Unicorn'))
```

# A Useful Unpacking Paradigm

```
for i, name in enumerate(['Parth', 'Michael', 'Unicorn']):  
    print(i, name)  
  
# 0 Parth  
# 1 Michael  
# 2 Unicorn
```



The diagram shows the output of the `enumerate` function as a tuple of tuples. An arrow points from the `enumerate` call in the code to the resulting tuple `((0, 'Parth'), (1, 'Michael'), (2, 'Unicorn'))`. The tuple is enclosed in a light blue box.

```
((0, 'Parth'), (1, 'Michael'), (2, 'Unicorn'))
```

# A Quirk

```
org = ("Dumbledore's Army", ['harry', 'hermione', 'ron'])  
org[1].append('cho')
```

```
org  
# => ("Dumbledore's Army", ['harry', 'hermione', 'ron',  
'cho'])
```

Tuples contain immutable *references* to underlying objects

If those objects are not hashable, the tuple will not be  
hashable either

# Announcements @ Halftime

# Setting Up Python

- Python 3.8.0
- Using Virtual Environments
- Detailed instructions in [Assignment 0.](#)
- Video Tutorial [here.](#)
- Stuck?
  - See us after or come to OH!
  - Post on Piazza
  - Say “Python” three times to the mirror at night... Michael will appear.



# Assignment 0

- Set up Python and get into the basic flow
- Due **11:59pm, Tuesday Jan 21**
  - Please send us an email if you need anything! We don't want this to be stressful.
  - Email Parth and Michael ([psarin@stanford.edu](mailto:psarin@stanford.edu) & [coopermj@stanford.edu](mailto:coopermj@stanford.edu)) or your TA.
- Submission via Paperless (see the [CS41 Submission Instructions](#) for more details)

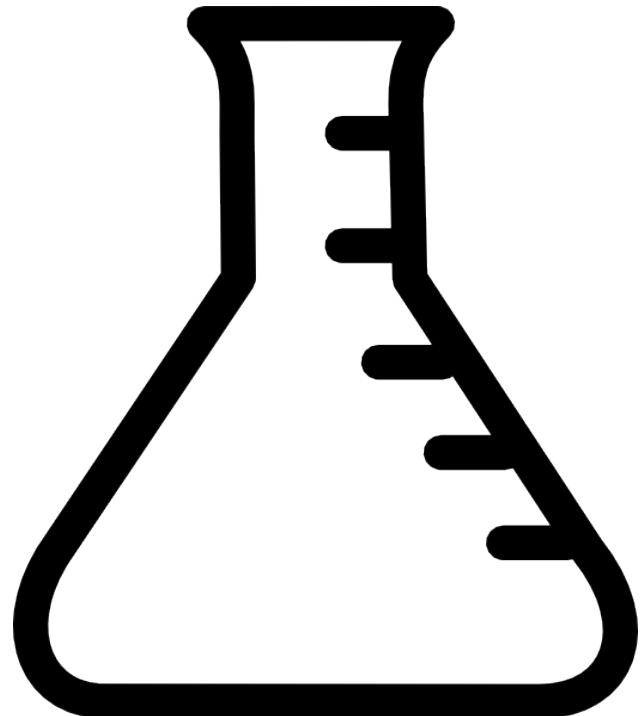
# Enrollment

If you have not already received an enrollment code, and have confirmed that you can enroll in this class:

<https://stanfordpython.com/admissions.html>

(There's also an announcement about this in the course news feed)

# Lab!

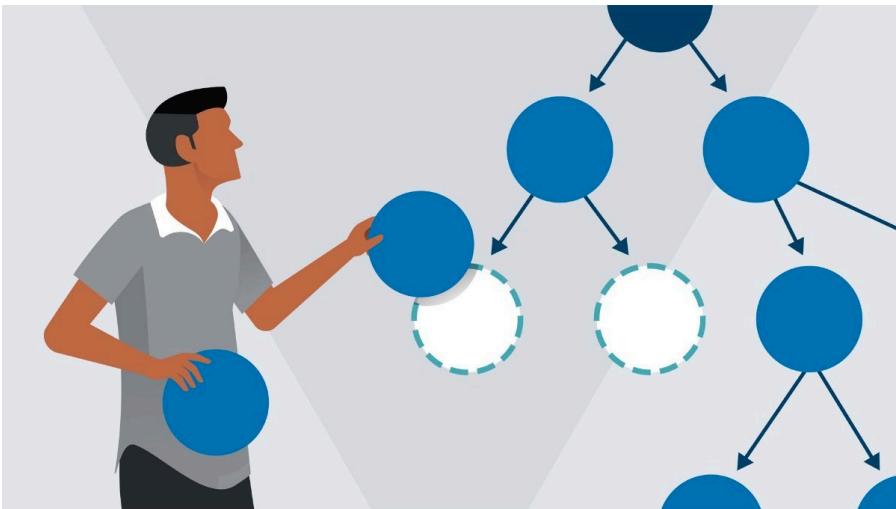


Fundamentals and More  
Lab Groups with Course Staff  
Bring a charged computer!

Back to today's  
topics...



# Data Structures



- Lists
- Tuples
- Dictionaries
- Sets
- Advanced Looping
- Comprehensions

# Dictionaries

# What is a Dictionary?

Keys can be any *hashable* type

Mutable map from hashable values to  
(arbitrary) objects

# Working with Dictionaries

```
empty = {}  
type(empty) # => dict  
  
a = {"one": 1, "two": 2, "three": 3}  
b = dict(one=1, two=2, three=3)  
c = dict([('one', 1), ('two', 2), ('three', 3)])  
a == b == c # => True
```

# Access and Mutate

```
d = {"one": 1, "two": 2, "three": 3}

# Access
d['one']    # => 1
d['five']   # KeyError

# Mutate
d['two'] = 22  # Modify an existing key
d['four'] = 4  # Add a new key
```

# Get (with Default)

```
d = {"CS": [41, 106, 107], "LAW": [4093, 7007] }  
d["PHIL"] # KeyError
```

```
d.get("CS") # => [41, 106, 107]  
d.get("PHIL") # => None (not a KeyError!)
```

# But what if None is a valid entry in your dict?

```
english_classes = d.get("ENGLISH", [])  
num_english = len(english_classes)
```

Return value if the key is not in d

# Deleting Elements

```
d = {"one": 1, "two": 2, "three": 3}  
  
del d['one']  
del d['five'] # KeyError  
  
d.pop("three", None) # => 3
```

Return value if the key is not in d

# Dictionary Structure

```
d = {"one": 1, "two": 2, "three": 3} ←  
d.keys()    # => <"one", "two", "three">  
d.values()  # => <1, 2, 3>  
d.items()   # => <('one', 1), ('two', 2), ('three', 3)>
```

Insertion *in order*. What would  
`{'a': 1, 'a': 2}`  
evaluate to?

```
for key, value in d.items():  
    print(key, value)  
  
keys_list = list(d.keys()) # frozen
```

Dynamic references to the  
keys, values, and items of the  
dictionary

# Common Operations

```
len(d)                  # number of keys  
key in d                # equiv to `key in d.keys()`  
value in d.values()  
d.copy()                 # makes a shallow copy  
d.clear()  
for key in d: # equiv to `for key in d.keys()`  
    print(key)
```

# Sets

# What is a set?

Unordered, finite collection of distinct,  
hashable elements.

# What is a set?

```
students = {'Antonio', 'Zheng', 'Unicorn'}
```

Squiggly brackets delimit sets

Commas separate elements

```
graph TD; A["Squiggly brackets delimit sets"] --> B["{"]; A --> C["}"]; D["Commas separate elements"] --> E[","]; D --> F[","]
```

# But... why?

We already have lists and tuples, so why sets?

Fast membership testing

Using hashing, membership is  $O(1)$  vs.  $O(n)$

Eliminate duplicate entries ( $O(n)$  to eliminate duplicates from a list)

Easy set operations (intersection, union, etc.)

# Common Set Operations

```
empty_set = set() # why not {}?  
set_from_list = set([1, 2, 1, 4, 3]) # => {1, 3, 4, 2}
```

```
basket = {'orange', 'banana', 'pear', 'apple'}
```

```
len(basket) # => 4
```

```
'orange' in basket # => True
```

```
'crabgrass' in basket # => False
```

O(1) membership testing

```
for fruit in basket:
```

```
    print(fruit, end=" 😊 ")
```

```
# pear 😊 apple 😊 banana 😊 orange 😊
```

# Common Set Operations

```
a = set('mississippi') # => {'i', 'm', 'p', 's'}  
  
a.add('unicorn')  
a.remove('m')    # KeyError if 'm' is not in a  
a.discard('x')  # same as remove, but no error  
  
a.pop()         # => 's' (or 'i' or 'p' or 'unicorn')  
a.clear()       # removes all elements
```

# Common Set Operations

```
a = set('abracadabra') # {'a', 'r', 'b', 'c', 'd'}
b = set('alacazam')    # {'a', 'm', 'c', 'l', 'z'}
# Set difference (letters in a but not in b)
a - b # => {'r', 'd', 'b'}
# Set union (letters in a or b or both)
a | b # => {'a', 'c', 'r', 'd', 'b', 'm', 'z', 'l'}
# Set intersection (letters in both a and b)
a & b # => {'a', 'c'}
# Symmetric difference (letters in a or b but not both)
a ^ b # => {'r', 'd', 'b', 'm', 'z', 'l'}
```

# Common Set Operations

```
a = set('abracadabra') # {'a', 'r', 'b', 'c', 'd'}
b = set('alacazam')    # {'a', 'm', 'c', 'l', 'z'}
# Update a set's value with any of the operators
a |= b

# Set containment (subsets and supersets)
a < b   # strict subset
a <= b  # subset or equal to
a > b   # strict superset
a >= b  # superset or equal to
```

# Coding is\_efficient

```
EFFICIENT LETTERS = 'BCDGHIJKLMNOPUVWZ'

def is_efficient(word):
    for letter in word:
        if letter not in EFFICIENT LETTERS:
            return False
    return True
```

# Coding is\_efficient

```
EFFICIENT LETTERS = set('BCDGHIJKLMNOPUVWZ')  
  
def is_efficient(word):  
    return set(word) <= EFFICIENT LETTERS
```



# Advanced Looping

# zip

```
questions = ['name', 'quest', 'favorite color']
answers = ['lancelot', 'the holy grail', 'blue']
for q, a in zip(questions, answers):
    print('What is your {0}? It is {1}.'.format(q, a))
```

Generates pairs  
of entries from its  
arguments

```
# What is your name? It is lancelot.
# What is your quest? It is the holy grail.
# What is your favorite color? It is blue.
```

# sorted

```
basket = ['apple', 'orange', 'apple', 'pear', 'orange',  
          'banana']  
for f in sorted(set(basket)):  
    print(f)  
  
# apple  
# banana  
# orange  
# pear
```

Returns a new sorted list while  
leaving the source unaltered

# Comprehensions

# Square Numbers

```
squares = []
for x in range(10):
    squares.append(x**2)

squares # => [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81]
```

# Square Numbers (Comprehension)

```
[x ** 2 for x in range(10)]
```

Square brackets for a list

Apply this operation

With this loop condition

The diagram illustrates the structure of the list comprehension [x \*\* 2 for x in range(10)]. It features a light purple rectangular background with a dark purple border. Inside, the code is displayed in black font. A black bracket above the code spans from the opening square bracket to the closing square bracket. Two arrows point from two callout boxes at the top to specific parts of this bracket: one arrow points from a box labeled "Square brackets for a list" to the top of the bracket, and another arrow points from a box labeled "With this loop condition" to the bottom of the bracket. A third callout box at the bottom left, labeled "Apply this operation", has an arrow pointing to the \*\* 2 part of the code.

# List comprehensions

```
[fn(x) for x in iterable]
```

Diagram illustrating the components of a list comprehension:

- Square brackets for a list**: A callout box at the top right pointing to the opening bracket "[".
- Apply this operation**: A callout box at the bottom left pointing to the placeholder `fn(x)`.
- With this loop condition**: A callout box at the bottom right pointing to the `for x in iterable` part of the expression.

# List comprehensions

```
[fn(x) for x in iterable if cond(x)]
```

Only keep elements that  
satisfy a boolean condition

# Examples

```
[word.lower() for word in sentence]  
[ch for ch in word.lower() if ch not in 'aeiou']
```

```
[(x, x**2, x**3) for x in seq]  
[(i,j) for i in range(5) for j in range(i)]
```

Be careful! Simple is better than complex.

# Your turn!

```
[0, 1, 2, 3] -> [1, 3, 5, 7]
[3, 8, 9, 5] -> [True, False, True, False]

['apple', 'orange', 'pear'] -> ['A', 'O', 'P']
['apple', 'orange', 'pear'] ->
    [ ('apple', 5), ('orange', 6), ('pear', 4) ]
```

# Other Comprehensions

# Dictionary comprehensions

```
{key_fun(x):val_fun(x) for x in iterable}  
fav_animals = {  
    'parth': 'unicorn',  
    'michael': 'elephant',  
    'zheng': 'tree',  
    'sam': 'ox',  
    'nick': 'Daisy' ←  
}
```

```
fav_humans = {val:key for key, val in fav_animals.items() }
```

# Set comprehensions

```
{fun(x) for x in iterable}
```



# A High-Level View

Why would we use comprehensions?

**Usual focus:** Modify individual elements of an iterable.

**Comprehensions ~ Abstract Transformations**

Don't say how you want the object constructed.

Just say what you want *in* the object.

If you liked this, stay tuned... Functional Programming!

**Next time...**

# Agenda



**Wednesday in CS 41:**  
**Get your hands dirty with our first lab!**  
Confirm that Python is running correctly.  
Add some fun tracks [to our playlist!](#)

**Explore data structures**  
Use them to solve interesting problems!  
See how Python handles them behind the scenes (and investigate odd behavior).

Your TAs will reach out to you about your lab group assignment shortly!

