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# SoftPython

*Introductive guide to data cleaning and analysis with Python 3*

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## Preface

Introductive guide to coding, data cleaning and analysis for Python 3, with many worked exercises.

### WARNING: THIS ENGLISH VERSION IS IN-PROGRESS

Completion is due by end of 2021

Complete Italian version is here: [it.softpython.org](https://it.softpython.org)<sup>1</sup>

Nowadays, more and more decisions are taken upon factual and objective data. All disciplines, from engineering to social sciences, require to elaborate data and extract actionable information by analysing heterogenous sources. This book of practical exercises gives an introduction to coding and data processing using [Python<sup>2</sup>](#), a programming language popular both in the industry and in research environments.

## News

**September 22, 2021:**

- major update, added new exercises and pages
- added *worked projects* section

**October 3, 2020:** updated [References](#) page

Old news: [link](#)

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<sup>1</sup> <https://it.softpython.org>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.python.org>



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**CHAPTER  
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**OVERVIEW**

## 1.1 Intended audience

This book can be useful for both novices who never really programmed before, and for students with more technical background, who desire to know about data extraction, cleaning, analysis and visualization (among used frameworks there are Pandas, Numpy and Jupyter editor). We will try to process data in a practical way, without delving into more advanced considerations about algorithmic complexity and data structures. To overcome issues and guarantee concrete didactical results, we will present step-by-step tutorials.

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### 1.2.2 A.1 Data types

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2. Strings: 1. *intro* 2. *operators* 3. *basic methods* 4. *search methods*
3. Lists: 1. *intro* 2. *operators* 3. *basic methods* 4. *search methods*
4. Tuples: 1. *intro*
5. Sets: 1. *intro*
6. Dictionaries: 1. *intro* 2. *operators* 3. *methods* 4. *special classes*

### **1.2.3 A.2 Control flow**

1. if conditionals: [1. intro](#)
2. For loops: [1. intro](#) [2. strings](#) [3. lists](#) [4. tuples](#) [5. sets](#) [6. dictionaries](#)  
[7. nested for](#)
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### **1.2.4 A.3 Algorithms**

1. Functions: [1. intro](#) [2. error handling and testing](#)
2. Matrices - list of lists: [1. intro](#) [2. other exercises](#)
3. Mixed structures: [1. intro](#)
4. Matrices - numpy: [1. intro](#) [2. exercises](#)

### **1.2.5 B - Data analysis**

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2. Visualization: [1. intro](#) [challenges](#) [images](#)
3. Analytics with Pandas: [1. intro](#) [2. exercises](#) [3. challenge](#)
4. [Binary relations](#)

### **1.2.6 C - Applications**

### **1.2.7 D - Worked projects**

Projects as exercises (with solution), involving some raw data preprocessing, simple analysis and final chart display.

1. Phone calls
2. Bus speed
3. Bus network

### **1.2.8 E - Appendix**

- [References](#)

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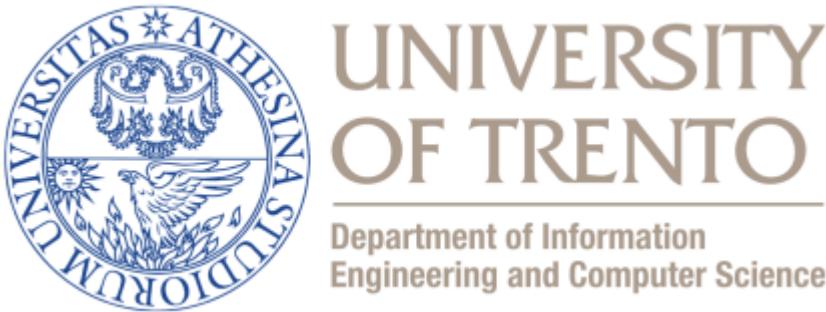
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## 1.4 License

The making of this website and related courses was funded mainly by Department of Information Engineering and Computer Science (DISI)<sup>4</sup>, University of Trento, and also Sociology<sup>5</sup> and Mathematics<sup>6</sup> departments.



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<sup>5</sup> <https://www.sociologia.unitn.it/en>

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.maths.unitn.it/en>

<sup>7</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/index.html#Author>

Technical notes: all website pages are easily modifiable Jupyter notebooks, that were converted to web pages using **NB-Sphinx**<sup>8</sup> using template **Jupman**<sup>9</sup>. Text sources are on Github at address <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en>

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Other numerous intitutions and companies that over time contributed material and ideas are cited [in this page](#)

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<sup>8</sup> <https://nbsphinx.readthedocs.io>

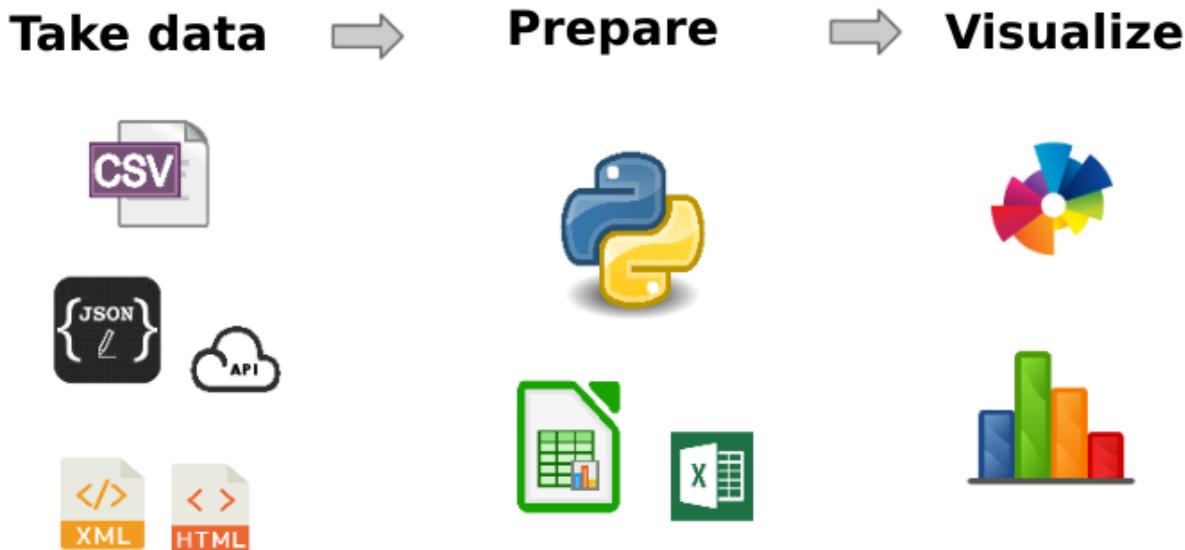
<sup>9</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/jupman>

<sup>10</sup> <https://dati.trentino.it>

## OVERVIEW

To start with we will spend a couple of words on the approach and the goals of the book, then we will deep dive into the code.

### WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?



### 2.1 Chapters

The tutorials mostly deal with fundamentals of Python 3, data analysis (intended more like raw data processing than statistics) and some applications (dashboard, database, ..)

#### What are \*not\* about:

- object oriented programming theory
- algorithms, computational complexity
- performance
  - no terabytes of data ...
- advanced debugging (pdb)

- testing is only mentioned
- machine learning
- web development is only mentioned

## 2.2 Why Python?



- **Easy** enough to start with
- **Versatile**, very much used for
  - scientific calculus
  - web applications
  - scripting
- **widespread** both in the industry and research environments
  - Tiobe<sup>11</sup> Index
  - popularity on Github<sup>12</sup>
- **Licence** open source & business friendly<sup>13</sup>
  - translated: you can sell commercial products based on Python without paying royalties to its authors

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<sup>11</sup> <https://www.tiobe.com/tiobe-index/>

<sup>12</sup> [https://madnight.github.io/github/#/pull\\_requests/2020/1](https://madnight.github.io/github/#/pull_requests/2020/1)

<sup>13</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/license.html>

## 2.3 Approach and goals

If you have troubles with programming basics:

- **Exercise difficulty:** ,
- Read SoftPython - Parte A - Foundations<sup>14</sup>

If you already know how to program:

- **Exercise difficulty:** ,
- Read Python Quick Intro<sup>15</sup> and then go directly to Part B - Data Analysis

Other guides: you can find links to further material in *References* page

## 2.4 Doesn't work, what should I do?

While programming you will surely encounter problems, and you will stare at mysterious error messages on the screen. The purpose of this book is not to give a series of recipes to learn by heart and that always work, as much as guide you moving first steps in Python world with some ease. So, if something goes wrong, do not panic and try following this list of steps that might help you. Try following the proposed order:

1. If in class, ask professor (if not in class, see last two points).
2. If in class, ask the classmate who knows more
3. Try finding the error message on Google
  - remove names or parts too specific of your program, like line numbers, file names, variable names
  - Stack overflow<sup>16</sup> is your best friend
4. Look at Appendix A - Debug from the book Think Python<sup>17</sup>
  - Syntax errors<sup>18</sup>
    - I keep making changes and it makes no difference.<sup>19</sup>
  - Runtime errors<sup>20</sup>
    - My program does absolutely nothing.<sup>21</sup>
    - My program hangs.<sup>22</sup>
    - Infinite Loop<sup>23</sup>
    - Infinite Recursion<sup>24</sup>
    - Flow of Execution<sup>25</sup>

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<sup>14</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/index.html#A---Foundations>

<sup>15</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/quick-intro/quick-intro-sol.html>

<sup>16</sup> <https://stackoverflow.com>

<sup>17</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html>

<sup>18</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec235>

<sup>19</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec236>

<sup>20</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec237>

<sup>21</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec238>

<sup>22</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec239>

<sup>23</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec240>

<sup>24</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec2241>

<sup>25</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec242>

- When I run the program I get an exception<sup>26</sup>
- I added so many print statements I get inundated with output<sup>27</sup>
- Semantic errors<sup>28</sup>
  - My program doesn't work<sup>29</sup>
  - ve got a big hairy expression and it doesn't do what I expect.<sup>30</sup>
  - ve got a function that doesn't return what I expect.<sup>31</sup>
  - I'm really, really stuck and I need help.<sup>32</sup>
  - No, I really need help.<sup>33</sup>

5. Gather some courage and ask on a public forum, like Stack overflow or python-forum.io - see [how to ask questions](#).

### 2.4.1 How to ask questions

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#### IMPORTANT

If you want to ask written questions on public chat/forums (i.e. like [python-forum.io](#)<sup>34</sup>) DO FIRST READ the forum rules (see for example [How to ask Smart Questions](#)<sup>35</sup>)

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In substance, you are always asked to clearly express the problem circumstances, putting an explicative title to the post /mail and showing you spent some time (at least 10 min) trying a solution on your own. If you followed the above rules, and by misfortune you still find programmers who use harsh tones, just ignore them.

## 2.5 Installation and tools

- If you still haven't installed Python3 and Jupyter, have a look at [Installation](#)

## 2.6 Let's start !

- **If you already have some programming skill:** you can look Python quick start
- **If you don't have programming skills:** got to [Tools and scripts](#)<sup>36</sup>

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<sup>26</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec243>

<sup>27</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec244>

<sup>28</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec245>

<sup>29</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec246>

<sup>30</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec247>

<sup>31</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec248>

<sup>32</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec249>

<sup>33</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2021.html#sec250>

<sup>34</sup> <https://python-forum.io/index.php>

<sup>35</sup> <https://python-forum.io/misc.php?action=help&hid=19>

<sup>36</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/tools/tools-sol.html>

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## CHAPTER THREE

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# INSTALLATION

We will see whether and how to install Python, additional Python libraries, Jupyter notebook and finally how to manage virtual environments.

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### Sometimes you don't even need to install!

If you want, you can also directly program online with the following services

NOTE 1: if you want to try one, always remember to check it is using Python 3 !

NOTE 2: As for any online service, whenever it is freely offered do not abuse it. If you try processing a terabyte of data per day without paying a subscription, you risk a denial of service.

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Python 3 on repl.it<sup>37</sup>: allows to edit Python code collaboratively with other users, and also supports libraries such as Matplotlib

Python Tutor<sup>38</sup>: allows to execute one instruction at a time while offering a very useful visualization of what is happening ‘under the hood’

Google Colab<sup>39</sup>: allows editing collaboratively Jupyter notebooks and save them to Google Drive.

- NOTE 1: it might be you won’t be able to access with university accounts (i.e. ``@studenti.unitn.it``). In that case, use personal accounts such as @gmail.com
- NOTE 2: the ‘collaborative’ aspect of Colab changed over time, **be very careful at what happens when working in two people over the same document**. Once (2017) changes performed by one were immediately seen by other users, but lately (2019) they seem only visibly when saving - even worse, they overwrite changes others could have done in the meanwhile.

Online Jupyter demo<sup>40</sup>: sometimes it works but it is not always available. If you manage to access, remember to select from the menu *Kernel->Change kernel->Python 3*

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<sup>37</sup> <https://repl.it/languages/python3>

<sup>38</sup> <http://pythontutor.com/visualize.html#py=3>

<sup>39</sup> <https://colab.research.google.com>

<sup>40</sup> <http://try.jupyter.org>

## 3.1 Installing Python

There are various ways to install Python 3 and its modules: there is the official ‘plain’ Python distribution but also package managers (i.e. Anaconda) or preset environments (i.e. Python(x,y)) which give you Python plus many packages. Once completed the installation, Python 3 contains a command `pip` (sometimes called `pip3` in Python 3), which allows to install afterwards other packages you may need.

The best way to choose what to install depends upon which operating system you have and what you intend to do with it. In this book we will use Python 3 and scientific packages, so we will try to create an environment to support this scenario.

**Attention: before installing random stuff from the internet, read carefully this guide**

We tried to make it generic enough, but we couldn’t test all various cases so problems may arise depending on your particular configuration.

**Attention: do not mix different Python distribution for the same version !**

Given the wide variety of installation methods and the fact Python is available in already many programs, it might be you already have installed Python without even knowing it, maybe in version 2, but we need the 3! Overlaying several Python environments with the same version may cause problems, so in case of doubt ask somebody who knows more!

### 3.1.1 Windows installation

For Windows, we suggest to install the distribution [Anaconda for Python 3.8<sup>41</sup>](#) or greater, which, along with the native Python package manager `pip`, also offers the more generic command line package manager `conda`.

Once installed, verify it is working like this:

1. click on the Windows icon in the lower left corner and search for ‘Anaconda Prompt’. It should appear a console where to insert commands, with written something like `C:\Users\David>`. NOTE: to launch Anaconda commands, only use this special console. If you use the default Windows console (`cmd`), Windows will not be able to find Python.
2. In Anaconda console, type:

```
conda list
```

It should appear a list of installed packages, like

```
# packages in environment at C:\Users\Jane\AppData\Local\Continuum\Anaconda3:  
#  
alabaster          0.7.7           py35_0  
anaconda          4.0.0           np110py35_0  
anaconda-client    1.4.0           py35_0  
...  
numexpr            2.5             np110py35_0  
numpy              1.10.4          py35_0  
odo                0.4.2           py35_0  
...  
yaml               0.1.6           0  
zeromq             4.1.3           0  
zlib               1.2.8           0
```

<sup>41</sup> <https://www.anaconda.com/download/#windows>

3. Try Python3 by typing in the Anaconda console:

```
C:> python
```

It should appear something like:

```
Python 3.6.3 (default, Sep 14 2017, 22:51:06)
MSC v.1900 64 bit (Intel) [GCC 5.4.0 20160609] on win64
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>>
```

**Attention:** with Anaconda, you must write `python` instead of `python3` !

If you installed Anaconda for Python3, it will automatically use the correct Python version by simply writing `python`. If you write `python3` you will receive an error of file not found !

**Attention:** if you have Anaconda, always use `conda` to install Python modules ! So if in next tutorials you see written `pip3 install whatever`, you will instead have to use `conda install whatever`

### 3.1.2 Mac installation

To best manage installed app on Mac independently from Python, usually it is convenient to install a so called *package manager*. There are various, and one of the most popular is [Homebrew<sup>42</sup>](#). So we suggest to first install Homebrew and then with it you can install Python 3, plus eventually other components you might need. As a reference, for installation we took and simplified this [guide by Digital Ocean<sup>43</sup>](#)

**Attention: check if you already have a package manager !**

If you already have installed a package manager like for example Conda (in *Anaconda* distribution), *Rudix*, *Nix*, *Pkgsrc*, *Fink*, or *MacPorts*, maybe Homebrew is not needed and it's better to use what you already have. In these cases, it may be worth asking somebody who knows more ! If you already have *Conda/Anaconda*, it can be ok as long as it is for Python 3.

— 1 Open the Terminal

MacOS terminal is an application you can use to access command line. As any other application, it's available in *Finder*, navigation in *Applications* folder, and the in the folder *Accessories*. From there, double click on the *Terminal* to open it as any other app. As an alternative, you can use *Spotlight* by pressing *Command* and *Space* to find the Terminal typing the name in the bar that appears.

— 2 Install Homebrew by executing in the terminal this command:

```
/usr/bin/ruby -e "$(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/HEAD/install.sh)"
```

— 3 Add `/usr/local/bin` to PATH

In this passage with an unsettling name, once Homebrew installation is completed, you will make sure that apps installed with Homebrew shall always be used instead of those Mac OS X may automatically select.

<sup>42</sup> <https://brew.sh/>

<sup>43</sup> <https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/how-to-install-python-3-and-set-up-a-local-programming-environment-on-macos>

- 3.1 Open a new Terminal.
- 3.2 From within the terminal, digit the command

```
ls -a
```

You will see the list of all files present in the home folder. In these files, verify if a file exists with the following name: `.profile` (note the dot at the beginning):

- If it exists, go to following step
- If it doesn't exist, to create it type the following command:

```
touch $HOME/.profile
```

- 3.3 Open with text edit the just created file `.profile` giving the command:

```
open -e $HOME/.profile
```

- 3.4 In text edit, add to the end of the file the following line:

```
export PATH=/usr/local/bin:$PATH
```

- 3.5 Save and close both Text Edit and the Terminal

- 4 Verify Homebrew is correctly installed, by typing in a new Terminal:

```
brew doctor
```

If there aren't updates to do, the Terminal should show:

```
Your system is ready to brew.
```

Otherwise, you might see a warning which suggest to execute another command like `brew update` to ensure the Homebrew installation is updated.

- 5. Install python3 (Remember the '3' !):

```
brew install python3
```

Along with python 3, Homebrew will also install the internal package manager of Python `pip3` which we will use in the following.

- 6 Verify Python3 is correctly installed. By executing this command the writing `/usr/local/bin/python3` should appear:

```
which python3
```

After this, try to launch

```
python3
```

You should see something similar:

```
Python 3.6.3 (default, Nov 17 2016, 17:05:23)
[GCC 5.4.0 20160609] on mac
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>>
```

To exit Python, type `exit()` and press Enter.

### 3.1.3 Linux installation

Luckily, all Linux distributions are already shipped with package managers to easily install applications.

- If you have Ubuntu:
  1. follow the guide of [Dive into Python 3, chapter 0 - Installare Python<sup>44</sup>](#) in particular by going to the subsection [installing in Ubuntu Linux<sup>45</sup>](#)
  2. after completing the guide, install also `python3-venv`:

```
sudo apt-get install python3-venv
```

- If you *don't* have Ubuntu, [read this note<sup>46</sup>](#) and/or ask somebody who knows more.

To verify the installation, try to run from the terminal

```
python3
```

You should see something like this:

```
Python 3.6.3 (default, Nov 17 2016, 17:05:23)
[GCC 5.4.0 20160609] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>>
```

## 3.2 Installing packages

You can extend Python by installing several free packages. The best way to do it varies according to the operating system and the installed package manager.

**ATTENTION:** We will be using *system commands*. If you see `>>>` in the command line, it means you are inside Python interpreter and you must first exit: to do it, type `exit()` and press Enter.

In what follows, to check if everything is working, you can substitute `PACKAGENAME` with `requests` which is a module for the web.

If you have Anaconda:

- click on Windows icon in the lower left corner and search `Anaconda Prompt`. A console should appear where to insert commands, with something written like `C:\Users\David>`. (NOTE: to run commands in Anaconda, use only this special console. If you use the default Windows console (`cmd`), Windows will not be able to find Python)
- In the console type `conda install PACKAGENAME`

If you have Linux/Mac open the Terminal and give this command (`--user` install in your home):

- `python3 -m pip install --user PACKAGENAME`
- **NOTE:** If you receive errors which tell you the command `python3` is not found, remove the `3` after `python`

<sup>44</sup> <https://diveintopython3.problemsolving.io/installing-python.html>

<sup>45</sup> <https://diveintopython3.problemsolving.io/installing-python.html#ubuntu>

<sup>46</sup> <https://diveintopython3.problemsolving.io/installing-python.html#other>

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**INFO:** there is also a system command pip (or pip3 according to your system). You can directl call it with pip install --user PACKAGENAME

Instead, we install instead with commands like python3 -m pip install --user PACKAGENAME for uniformity and to be sure to install packages for Python 3 version

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## 3.3 Jupyter Notebook

### 3.3.1 Run Jupyter notebook

A handy editor you can use for Python is [Jupyter](#)<sup>47</sup>:

- If you installed Anaconda, you should already find it in the system menu and also in the Anaconda Navigator.
- If you didn't install Anaconda, try searching in the system menu anyway, maybe by chance it was already installed
- If you can't find it in the system menu, you may anyway from command line

Try this:

```
jupyter notebook
```

or, as alternative,

```
python3 -m notebook
```

**ATTENTION:** jupyter is NOT a Python command, it is a *system* command.

If you see written >>> on command line it means you must first exit Python insterpreter by writing 'exit()' and pressing Enter !

**ATTENTION:** If Jupyter is not installed you will see error messages, in this case don't panic and [go to installation](#).

A browser should automatically open with Jupyter, and in the console you should see messages like the following ones. In the browser you should see the files of the folders from which you ran Jupyter.

If no browser starts but you see a message like the one here, then copy the address you see in an internet browser, preferably Chrome, Safari or Firefox.

```
$ jupyter notebook
[I 18:18:14.669 NotebookApp] Serving notebooks from local directory: /home/da/Da/prj/
↳softpython/prj
[I 18:18:14.669 NotebookApp] 0 active kernels
[I 18:18:14.669 NotebookApp] The Jupyter Notebook is running at: http://localhost:
↳8888/?token=49d4394bac446e291c6ddaf349c9dbffcd2cdc8c848eb888
[I 18:18:14.669 NotebookApp] Use Control-C to stop this server and shut down all
↳kernels (twice to skip confirmation).
[C 18:18:14.670 NotebookApp]
```

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<sup>47</sup> <http://jupyter.org/>

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Copy/paste this URL into your browser when you connect for the first time, to login with a token:  
<http://localhost:8888/?token=49d4394bac446e291c6ddaf349c9dbffcd2cdc8c848eb888>

**ATTENTION 1:** in this case the address is <http://localhost:8888/?token=49d4394bac446e291c6ddaf349c9dbffcd2cdc8c848eb888>, but yours will surely be different!

**ATTENTION 2:** While Jupyter server is active, you can't put commands in the terminal !

In the console you see the server output of Jupyter, which is active and in certain sense 'it has taken control' of the terminal. This means that if you write some commands inside the terminal, these **will not** be executed!

### 3.3.2 Saving Jupyter notebooks

You can save the current notebook in Jupyter by pressing Control-S while in the browser.

**ATTENTION: DO NOT OPEN THE SAME DOCUMENT IN MANY TABS !!**

Be careful to not open the same notebook in more than one tab, as modifications in different tabs may overwrite at random ! To avoid these awful situations, make sure to have only one tab per document. If you accidentally open the same notebook in different tabs, just close the additional tab.

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#### Automated savings

Notebook changes are automatically saved every few minutes.

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### 3.3.3 Turning off Jupyter server

Before closing Jupyter server, remember to save in the browser the notebooks you modified so far.

To correctly close Jupyter, *do not* brutally close the terminal. Instead, from the terminal where you ran Jupyter, hit Control-c, a question should appear to which you should answer y (if you don't answer in 5 seconds, you will have to hit control-c again).

```
Shutdown this notebook server (y/[n])? y
[C 11:05:03.062 NotebookApp] Shutdown confirmed
[I 11:05:03.064 NotebookApp] Shutting down kernels
```

### 3.3.4 Navigating notebooks

(Optional) To improve navigation experience in Jupyter notebooks, you may want to install some Jupyter extension, like `toc2` which shows paragraph headers in the sidebar. To install:

Install the Jupyter contrib extensions<sup>48</sup>:

**1a. If you have Anaconda:** Open Anaconda Prompt (or Terminal if on Mac/Linux), and type:

```
conda install -c conda-forge jupyter_contrib_nbextensions
```

**1b. If you don't have Anaconda:** Open the terminal and type:

```
python3 -m pip install --user jupyter_contrib_nbextensions
```

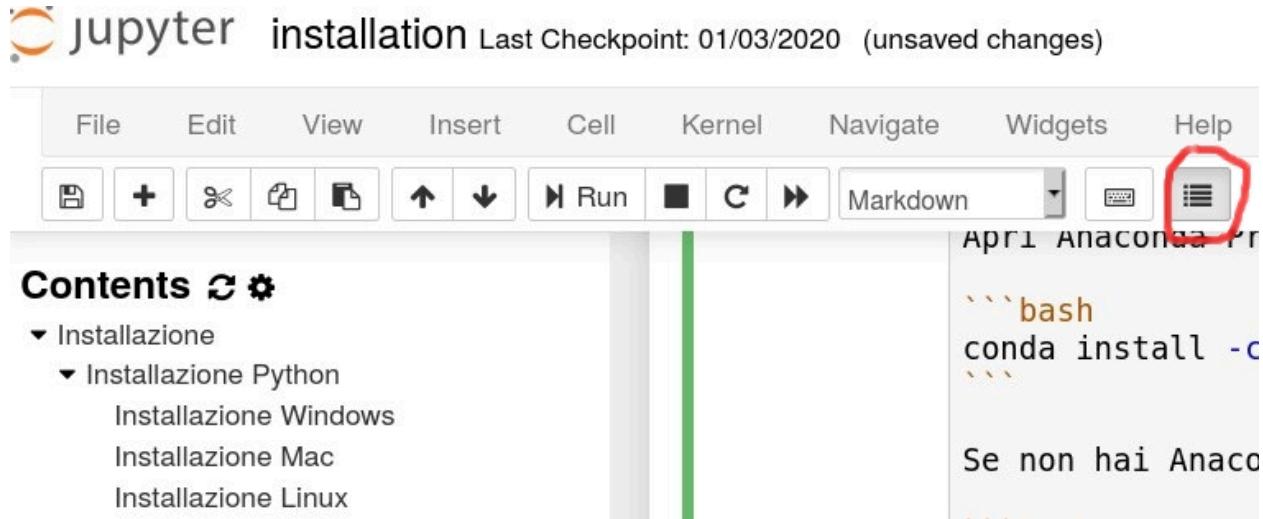
**2. Install in Jupyter:**

```
jupyter contrib nbextension install --user
```

**3. Enable extensions:**

```
jupyter nbextension enable toc2/main
```

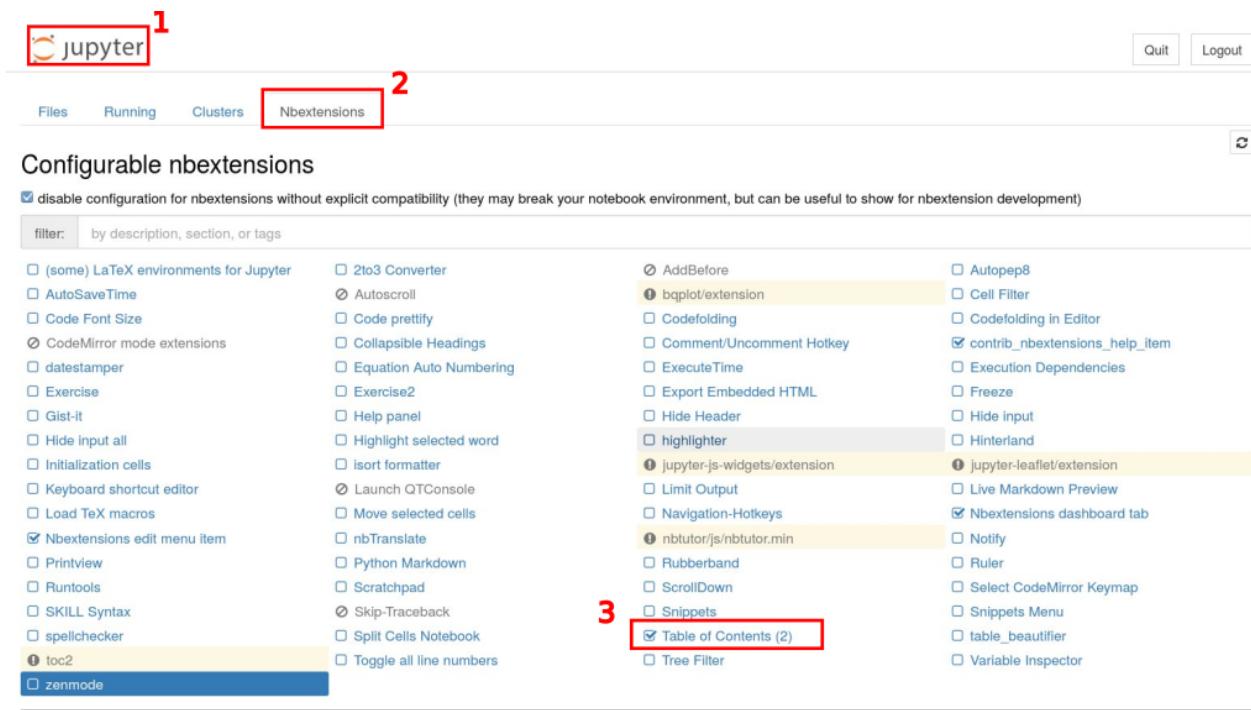
**Once installed:** To see table of contents in a document you will have to press a list button on the right side of the toolbar:



If by chance you don't see the button:

1. go to main Jupyter interface
2. check Nbextensions tab
3. make sure Table of Contents (2) is enabled
4. Close Jupyter, reopen it, go to a notebook, you should finally see the button

<sup>48</sup> [https://github.com/ipython-contrib/jupyter\\_contrib\\_nbextensions](https://github.com/ipython-contrib/jupyter_contrib_nbextensions)



### 3.3.5 Installing Jupyter notebook - all operating systems

If you didn't manage to [find and/or start Jupyter](#), probably it means we need to install it!

You may try installing Jupyter with pip (the native package manager of Python)

To install, run this command:

```
python3 -m pip install --user jupyter -U
```

Once installed, follow the section

Una volta installato, segui la sezione [Run Jupyter Notebook](#)

**ATTENTION:** you DON'T need to install Jupyter inside [virtual environments](#) You can consider Jupyter as a system-level application, which should be independent from virtual environments. If you are inside a virtual environment (i.e. the command line begins with a writing in parenthesis like `(myprj)`), exit the environment by typeing `deactivate`

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**HELP:** if you have trouble installing Jupyter, while waiting for help you can always try the [online demo version](#)<sup>49</sup> (note: it's not always available) or [Google Colab](#)<sup>50</sup>

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<sup>49</sup> <https://try.jupyter.org/>

<sup>50</sup> <http://colab.research.google.com/>

## 3.4 Projects with virtual environments

### WARNING: If these are your first steps with Python, you can skip this section.

You should read it if you have already done personal projects with Python that you want to avoid compromising, or when you want to make a project to ship to somebody.

When we start a new project with Python, we usually notice quickly that we need to extend Python with particular libraries, like for example to draw charts. Not only that, we might also want to install Python programs which are not written by us and they might as well need their peculiar libraries to work.

Now, we could install all these extra libraries in a unique cauldron for the whole computer, but each project may require its specific versions of each library, and sometimes it might not like versions already installed by other projects. Even worse, it might automatically update packages used by old projects, preventing old code from working anymore. So it is PRACTICALLY NECESSARY to separate well each project and its dependencies from those of other projects: for this purpose you can create a so-called *virtual environment*.

### 3.4.1 Creating virtual environments

- **If you installed Anaconda**, to create virtual environments you can use its package manager `conda`. Supposing we want to call our project `myprj` (but it could be any name), to put into a folder with the same name `myprj`, we can use this command to create a virtual environment:

```
conda create -n myprj
```

The command might require you to download packages, you can safely confirm.

- **If you \*don't have\* Anaconda installed**, to create virtual environments it's best to use the native Python module `venv`:

```
python3 -m venv myprj
```

Both methods create the folder `myprj` and fill it with all required Python files to have a project completely isolated from the rest of the computer. But now, how can we tell Python we want to work right with that project? We must *activate* the environment as follows.

### 3.4.2 Activate a virtual environment

To activate the virtual environment, we must use different commands according to our operating system (but always from the terminal)

**Activate environment in Windows with Anaconda:**

```
activate myprj
```

**Linux & Mac (without Anaconda):**

```
source myprj/bin/activate
```

Once the environment is active, in the command prompt we should see the name of that environment (in this case `myprj`) between round parenthesis at the beginning of the row:

```
(myprj) some/current/folder >
```

The prefix lets us know that the environment `myprj` is currently active, so Python commands we will use all use the settings and libraries of that environment.

Note: inside the virtual environment, we can use the command `python` instead of `python3` and `pip` instead of `pip3`

#### **Deactivate an environment:**

Write in the console the command `deactivate`. Once the environment is deactivated, the environment name (`myprj`) at the beginning of the prompt should disappear.

### **3.4.3 Executing environments inside Jupyter**

As we said before, Jupyter is a system-level application, so there should be one and only one Jupyter. Nevertheless, during Jupyter execution, we might want to execute our Python commands in a particular Python environment. To do so, we must configure Jupyter so to use the desired environment. In Jupyter terminology, the configurations are called *kernel*: they define the programs launched by Jupyter (be they Python versions or also other languages like R). The current kernel for a notebook is visible in the right-upper corner. To select a desired kernel, there are several ways:

#### **With Anaconda**

Jupyter should be available in the Navigator. If in the Navigator you enable an environment (like for example Python 3), when you then launch Jupyter and create a notebook you should have the desired environment active, or at least be able to select a kernel with that environment.

#### **Without Anaconda**

In this case, the procedure is a little more complex:

- 1 From the terminal [activate your environment](#Activate-a-virtual-environment)
- 2 Create a Jupyter kernel:

```
python3 -m ipykernel install --user --name myprj
```

NOTE: here `myprj` is the name of the *Jupyter kernel*. We use the same name of the environment only for practical reasons.

- 3 Deactivate your environment, by launching

```
deactivate
```

From now on, every time you run Jupyter, if everything went well under the `Kernel` menu in the notebook you should be able to select the kernel just created (in this example, it should have the name `myprj`)

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**NOTE:** the passage to create the kernel must be done only once per project

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**NOTE:** you don't need to activate the environment before running Jupyter!

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During the execution of Jupyter simply select the desired kernel. Nevertheless, it is convenient to execute Jupyter from the folder of our virtual environment, so we will see all the project files in the Jupyter home.

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## 3.5 Further readings

Go on with the page [Tools and scripts<sup>51</sup>](#) to learn how to use other editors and Python architecture.

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<sup>51</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/tools/tools-sol.html>

## A - FOUNDATIONS

### 4.1 Tools and scripts

#### 4.1.1 Download exercises zip

Browse files online<sup>52</sup>

**REQUISITES:**

- **Having Python 3 and Jupyter installed:** if you haven't already, see Installation<sup>53</sup>

#### 4.1.2 Python interpreter

In these tutorials we will use extensively the notebook editor Jupyter, because it allows to comfortably execute Python code, display charts and take notes. But if we want only make calculations it is not mandatory at all!

The most immediate way (even if not very practical) to execute Python things is by using the *command line* interpreter in the so-called *interactive mode*, that is, having Python to wait commands which will be manually inserted one by one. This usage *does not* require Jupyter, you only need to have installed Python. Note that in Mac OS X and many linux systems like Ubuntu, Python is already installed by default, although sometimes it might not be version 3. Let's try to understand which version we have on our system.

#### Let's open system console

Open a console (in Windows: system menu -> Anaconda Prompt, in Mac OS X: run the Terminal)

In the console you find the so-called *prompt* of commands. In this *prompt* you can directly insert commands for the operating system.

**WARNING:** the commands you give in the prompt are commands in the language of the operating system you are using, **NOT** Python language !!!!

In Windows you should see something like this:

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<sup>52</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/tools>

<sup>53</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/installation.html>

```
C:\Users\David>
```

In Mac / Linux it could be something like this:

```
david@my-computer:~$
```

### Listing files and folders

In system console, try:

**Windows:** type the command `dir` and press Enter

**Mac or Linux:** type the command `ls` and press Enter.

A listing with all the files in the current folder should appear. In my case appears a list like this:

**LET ME REPEAT:** in this context `dir` and `ls` are commands of *the operating system, NOT of Python !!*

Windows:

```
C:\Users\David> dir
Arduino           gotysc           program.wav
a.txt            index.html        Public
MYFOLDER         java0.log          RegDocente.pdf
backupsys        java1.log          ...
BaseXData        java_error_in_IDEA_14362.log
```

Mac / Linux:

```
david@david-computer:~$ ls
Arduino           gotysc           program.wav
a.txt            index.html        Public
MYFOLDER         java0.log          ...
→ RegistroDocenteStandard(1).pdf   ...
backupsys        java1.log          ...
→ RegistroDocenteStandard.pdf    ...
BaseXData        java_error_in_IDEA_14362.log
```

### Let's launch the Python interpreter

In the opened system console, simply type the command `python`:

**WARNING:** If Python does not run, try typing `python3` with the 3 at the end of `python`

```
C:\Users\David> python
```

You should see appearing something like this (most probably won't be exactly the same). Note that Python version is contained in the first row. If it begins with 2 . , then you are not using the right one for this book - in that case try exiting the interpreter (*see how to exit*) and then type `python3`

```
Python 3.5.2 (default, Nov 23 2017, 16:37:01)
[GCC 5.4.0 20160609] on windows
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>>
```

**CAREFUL** about the triple greater-than >>> at the beginning!

The triple greater-than >>> at the start tells us that differently from before now the console is expecting commands *in Python language*. So, the system commands we used before (cd, dir, ...) will NOT work anymore, or will give different results!

Now the console is expecting Python commands, so try inserting 3 + 5 and press Enter:

**WARNING** DO NOT type >>>, only type the command which appears afterwards!

```
>>> 3 + 5
```

The writing 8 should appear:

```
8
```

Beyond calculations, we might tell PYthon to print something with the function `print ("ciao")`

```
>>> print("ciao")
ciao
```

## Exiting the interpreter

To get out from the Python interpreter and go back to system prompt (that is, the one which accepts cd and dir/ls commands), type the Python comand `exit()`

After you actually exited the Python interpreter, the triple >>> should be gone (you should see it at the start of the line)

In Windows, you should see something similar:

```
>>> exit()
C:\Users\David>
```

in Mac / Linux it could be like this:

```
>>> exit()
david@my-computer:~$
```

Now you might go back to execute commands for the operating system like `dir` and `cd`:

### Windows:

```
C:\Users\David> dir
Arduino                  gotysc                  program.wav
a.txt                   index.html              Public
MYFOLDER                java0.log                RegDocente.pdf
backupsys               java1.log                BaseXData
BaseXData               java_error_in_IDEA_14362.log
```

### Mac / Linux:

```
david@david-computer:~$ ls
Arduino                               gotysc                         program.wav
a.txt                                index.html                     Public
MYFOLDER                             java0.log                      -
↳ RegistroDocenteStandard(1).pdf    java1.log                      -
backupsys                            java_error_in_IDEA_14362.log
↳ RegistroDocenteStandard.pdf
BaseXData
```

### 4.1.3 Modules

Python Modules are simply text files which have the extension **.py** (for example `my_script.py`). When you write code in an editor, as a matter of fact you are implementing the corresponding module.

In Jupyter we use notebook files with the extension `.ipynb`, but to edit them you necessarily need Jupyter.

With `.py` files (also said *script*) we can instead use any text editor, and we can then tell the interpreter to execute that file. Let's see how to do it.

#### Simple text editor

1. With a text editor (*Notepad* in Windows, or *TextEdit* in Mac Os X) creates a text file, and put inside this code

```
x = 3
y = 5
print(x + y)
```

2. Let's try to save it - it seems easy, but it is often definitely not, so read carefully!

**WARNING:** when you are saving the file, **make sure the file have the extension `.py` !!**

Let's suppose to create the file `my_script.py` inside a folder called `MYFOLDER`:

- **WINDOWS:** if you use *Notepad*, in the save window you have to set *Save as* to *All files* (otherwise the file will be wrongly saved like `my_script.py.txt` !)
- **MAC:** if you use *TextEdit*, before saving click *Format* and then *Convert to format Only text: if you forget this passage, TextEdit in the save window will not allow you to save in the right format and you will probably end up with a `.rtf` file which we're not interested in*

3. Open a console (in Windows: system menu -> Anaconda Prompt, in Mac OS X: run the Terminal)

the console opens the so-called *commands prompt*. In this *prompt* you can directly enter commands for the operating system (see [previous paragraph](#))

**WARNING:** the commands you give in the prompt are commands in the language of the operating system you are using, **NOT Python language !!!!**

In Windows you should see something like this:

```
C:\Users\David>
```

In Mac / Linux it could be something like this:

```
david@my-computer:~$
```

Try for example to type the command `dir` (or `ls` for Mac / Linux) which shows all the files in the current folder. In my case a list like this appears:

**LET ME REPEAT:** in this context `dir` / `ls` are commands of the *operating system*, **NOT** Python.

```
C:\Users\David> dir
Arduino           gotysc          program.wav
a.txt            index.html      Public
MYFOLDER         java0.log       RegDocente.pdf
backupsys        java1.log       BaseXData
BaseXData        java_error_in_IDEA_14362.log
```

If you notice, in the list there is the name `MYFOLDER`, where I put `my_script.py`. To *enter* the folder in the *prompt*, you must first use the operating system command `cd` like this:

4. To enter a folder called `MYFOLDER`, type `cd MYFOLDER`:

```
C:\Users\David> cd MYFOLDER
C:\Users\David\MYFOLDER>
```

### What if I get into the wrong folder?

If by chance you enter the wrong folder, like `DUMBTHINGS`, to go back of one folder, type `cd ..` (NOTE: `cd` is followed by one space and TWO dots `..` *one after the other* )

```
C:\Users\David\DUMBTHINGS> cd ..
C:\Users\David\>
```

5. Make sure to be in the folder which contains `my_script.py`. If you aren't there, use commands `cd` and `cd ..` like above to navigate the folders.

Let's see what present in `MYFOLDER` with the system command `dir` (or `ls` if in Mac/Linux):

**LET ME REPEAT:** in this context `dir` (or `ls`) is a command of the *operating system*, **NOT** Python.

```
C:\Users\David\MYFOLDER> dir
my_script.py
```

`dir` is telling us that inside `MYFOLDER` there is our file `my_script.py`

6. From within `MYFOLDER`, type `python my_script.py`

```
C:\Users\David\MYFOLDER>python my_script.py
```

**WARNING:** if Python does not run, try typing `python3 my_script.py` with 3 at the end of `python`

If everything went fine, you should see

```
8  
C:\Users\David\MYFOLDER>
```

**WARNING:** After executing a script this way, the console is awaiting new *system* commands, **NOT** Python commands (so, there shouldn't be any triple greater-than >>>)

### IDE

In these tutorials we work on Jupyter notebooks with extension .ipynb, but to edit long .py files it's more convenient to use more traditional editors, also called IDE (*Integrated Development Environment*). For Python we can use [Spyder<sup>54</sup>](#), [Visual Studio Code<sup>55</sup>](#) or [PyCharm Community Edition<sup>56</sup>](#).

Differently from Jupyter, these editors allow more easily code *debugging* and *testing*.

Let's try Spyder, which is the easiest - if you have Anaconda, you find it available inside Anaconda Navigator.

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**INFO:** Whenever you run Spyder, it might ask you to perform an upgrade, in these cases you can just click No.

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In the upper-left corner of the editor there is the code of the file .py you are editing. Such files are also said *script*. In the lower-right corner there is the console with the IPython interpreter (which is the same at the heart of Jupyter, here in textual form). When you execute the script, it's like inserting commands in that interpreter.

- To execute the whole script: press F5
- To execute only the current line or the selection: press F9
- To clear memory: after many executions the variables in the memory of the interpreter might get values you don't expect. To clear the memory, click on the gear to the right of the console, and select *Restart kernel*

**EXERCISE:** do some test, taking the file my\_script.py we created before:

```
x = 3  
y = 5  
print(x + y)
```

- once the code is in the script, hit F5
- select only `print(x+y)` and hit F9
- select only `x=3` and hit F9
- click on the gear to the right of the console panel, and select *Restart kernel*, then select only `print(x+y)` and hit F9. What happens?

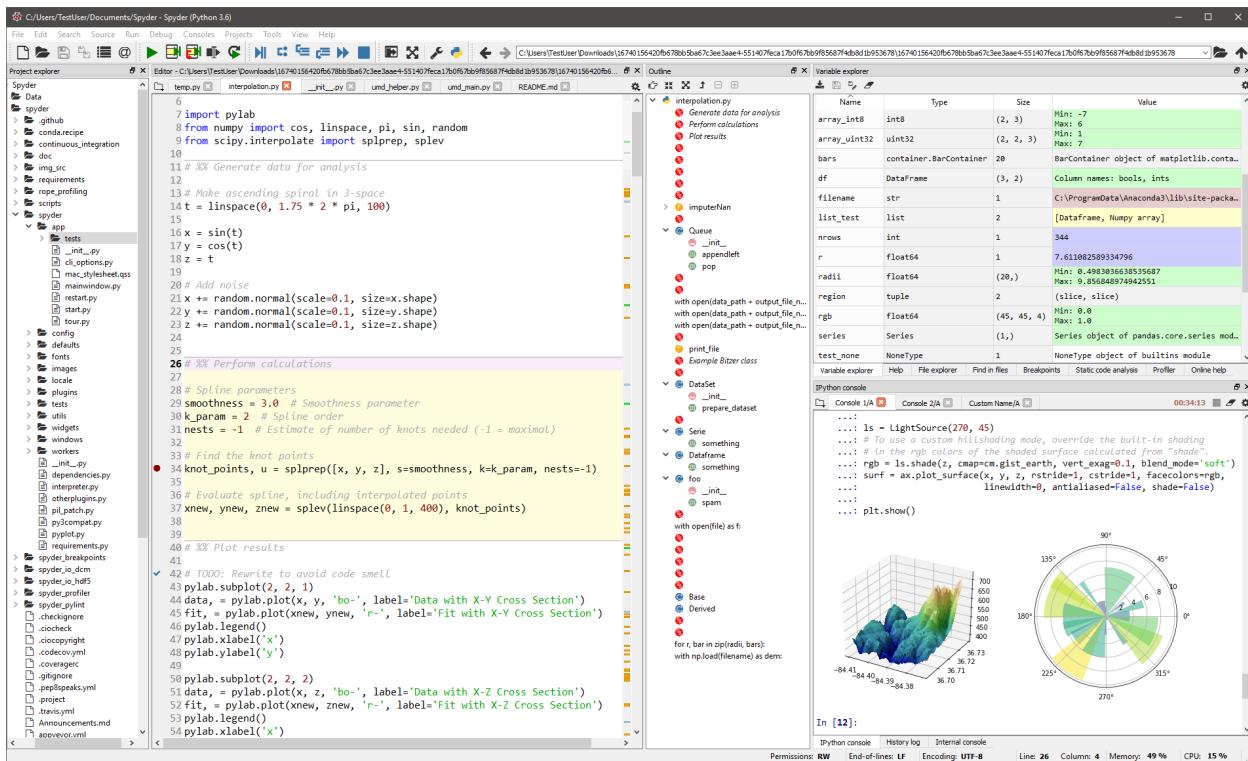
Remember that if the memory of the interpreter has been cleared with *Restart kernel*, and then you try executing a code row with variables defined in lines which were not executed before, Python will not know which variables you are referring to and will show a *NameError*.

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<sup>54</sup> <https://www.spyder-ide.org/>

<sup>55</sup> <https://code.visualstudio.com/Download>

<sup>56</sup> <https://www.jetbrains.com/pycharm/download/>



## 4.1.4 Jupyter

Jupyter is an editor that allows to work on so called *notebooks*, which are files ending with the extension `.ipynb`. They are documents divided in cells where in each cell you can insert commands and immediately see the respective output. Let's try opening this.

1. Unzip `exercises.zip` in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
tools
  tools-sol.ipynb
  tools.ipynb
  jupman.py
```

**WARNING: To correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in the unzipped folder.**

2. open Jupyter Notebook. Two things should appear, first a console and then a browser. In the browser navigate the files to reach the unzipped folder, and open the notebook `tools.ipynb`

**WARNING: DO NOT click Upload button in Jupyter**

Just navigate until you reach the file.

**WARNING: open the notebook WITHOUT the `-sol` at the end!**

Seeing now the solutions is too easy ;-)

3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells. Exercises are graded by difficulty, from one star  $\oplus$  to four  $\oplus\oplus\oplus\oplus$

**WARNING: In this book we use ONLY PYTHON 3**

If by chance you obtain weird behaviours, check you are using Python 3 and not 2. If by chance by typing `python` your operating system runs python 2, try executing the third by typing the command `python3`

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**If you don't find Jupyter / something doesn't work:** have a look at [installation<sup>57</sup>](#)

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Useful shortcuts:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- when something seem wrong in computations, try to clean memory by running Kernel->Restart and Run all

**EXERCISE:** Let's try inserting a Python command: type in the cell below here `3 + 5`, then while in that cell press special keys Control+Enter. As a result, the number 8 should appear

[ ]:

**EXERCISE:** with Python we can write comments by starting a row with a sharp `#`. Like before, type in the next cell `3 + 5` but this time type it in the row under the writing `# write here`:

[2]: # write here

**EXERCISE:** In every cell Jupyter only shows the result of last executed row. Try inserting this code in the cell below and execute by pressing Control+Enter. Which result do you see?

```
3 + 5  
1 + 1
```

[3]: # write here

**EXERCISE:** Let's try now to create a new cell.

- While you are with cursor on the cell, press Alt+Enter. A new cell should be created after the current one.
- In the cell just created, insert `2 + 3` and press Shift+Enter. What happens to the cursor? Try the difference with Control+Enter. If you don't understand the difference, try pressing many times Shift+Enter and see what happens.

<sup>57</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/installation.html#Jupyter-Notebook>

## Printing an expression

Let's try to assign an expression to a variable:

```
[4]: coins = 3 + 2
```

Note the assignment by itself does not produce any output in the Jupyter cell. We can ask Jupyter the value of the variable by simply typing again the name in a cell:

```
[5]: coins
```

```
[5]: 5
```

The effect is (almost always) the same we would obtain by explicitly calling the function `print`:

```
[6]: print(coins)
```

```
5
```

What's the difference? For our convenience Jupyter will directly show the result of the last executed expression in the cell, but only the last one:

```
[7]: coins = 4  
2 + 5  
coins
```

```
[7]: 4
```

If we want to be sure to print both, we need to use the function `print`:

```
[8]: coins = 4  
print(2 + 5)  
print(coins)
```

```
7  
4
```

Furthermore, the result of last expression is shown only in Jupyter notebooks, if you are writing a normal .py script and you want to see results you must in any case use `print`.

If we want to print more expressions in one row, we can pass them as different parameters to `print` by separating them with a comma:

```
[9]: coins = 4  
print(2+5, coins)
```

```
7 4
```

To `print` we can pass as many expressions as we want:

```
[10]: coins = 4  
print(2 + 5, coins, coins*3)
```

```
7 4 12
```

If we also want to show some text, we can write it by creating so-called *strings* between double quotes (we will see strings much more in detail in next chapters):

```
[11]: coins = 4  
print("We have", coins, "golden coins, but we would like to have double:", coins * 2)
```

We have 4 golden coins, but we would like to have double: 8

**QUESTION:** Have a look at following expressions, and for each one of them try to guess the result it produces. Try verifying your guesses both in Jupyter and another editor of files .py like Spyder:

1. `x = 1  
x  
x`

2. `x = 1  
x = 2  
print(x)`

3. `x = 1  
x = 2  
x`

4. `x = 1  
print(x)  
x = 2  
print(x)`

5. `print(zam)  
print(zam)  
zam = 1  
zam = 2`

6. `x = 5  
print(x, x)`

7. `x = 5  
print(x)  
print(x)`

8. `carpets = 8  
length = 5  
print("If I have", carpets, "carpets in sequence I walk for",  
 carpets * length, "meters.")`

9. `carpets = 8  
length = 5  
print("If", "I", "have", carpets, "carpets", "in", "sequence",  
 "I", "walk", "for", carpets * length, "meters.")`

### Exercise - Castles in the air

Given two variables

```
castles = 7
dirigibles = 4
```

write some code to print:

```
I've built 7 castles in the air
I have 4 steam dirigibles
I want a dirigible parked at each castle
So I will buy other 3 at the Steam Market
```

- **DO NOT** put numerical constants in your code like 7, 4 or 3! Write generic code which only uses the provided variables.

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[12] :

```
castles = 7
dirigibles = 4
# write here
print("I've built", castles, "castles in the air")
print("I have", dirigibles, "steam dirigibles")
print("I want a dirigible parked at each castle")
print("So I will buy other", castles - dirigibles, "at the Steam Market")
```

```
I've built 7 castles in the air
I have 4 steam dirigibles
I want a dirigible parked at each castle
So I will buy other 3 at the Steam Market
```

</div>

[12] :

```
castles = 7
dirigibles = 4
# write here
```

#### 4.1.5 Visualizing the execution with Python Tutor

We have seen some of the main data types. Before going further, let's see the right tools to understand what happens when we execute the code.

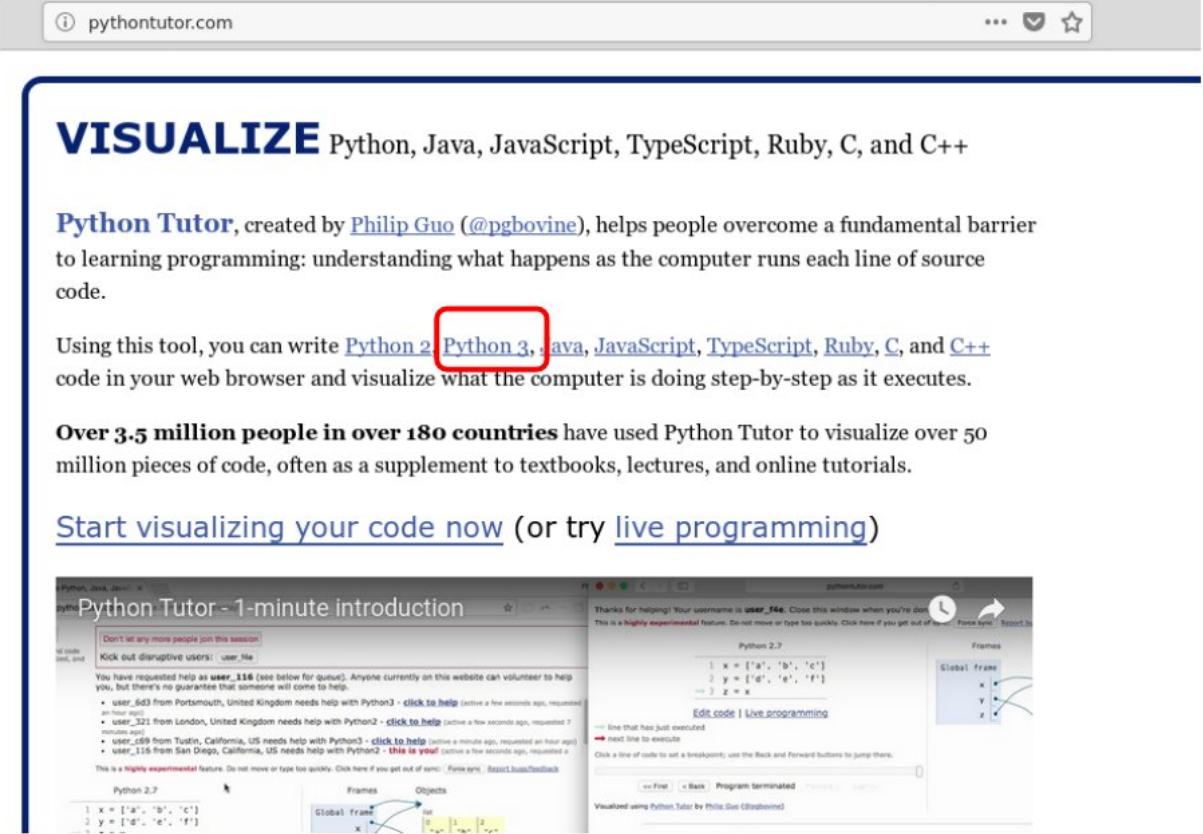
Python tutor<sup>58</sup> is a very good website to visualize online Python code execution, allowing to step forth and *back* in code flow. Exploit it as much as you can, it should work with many of the examples we shall see in the book. Let's now try an example.

##### Python tutor 1/4

Go to [pythontutor.com](http://pythontutor.com)<sup>59</sup> and select *Python 3*

<sup>58</sup> <http://pythontutor.com/>

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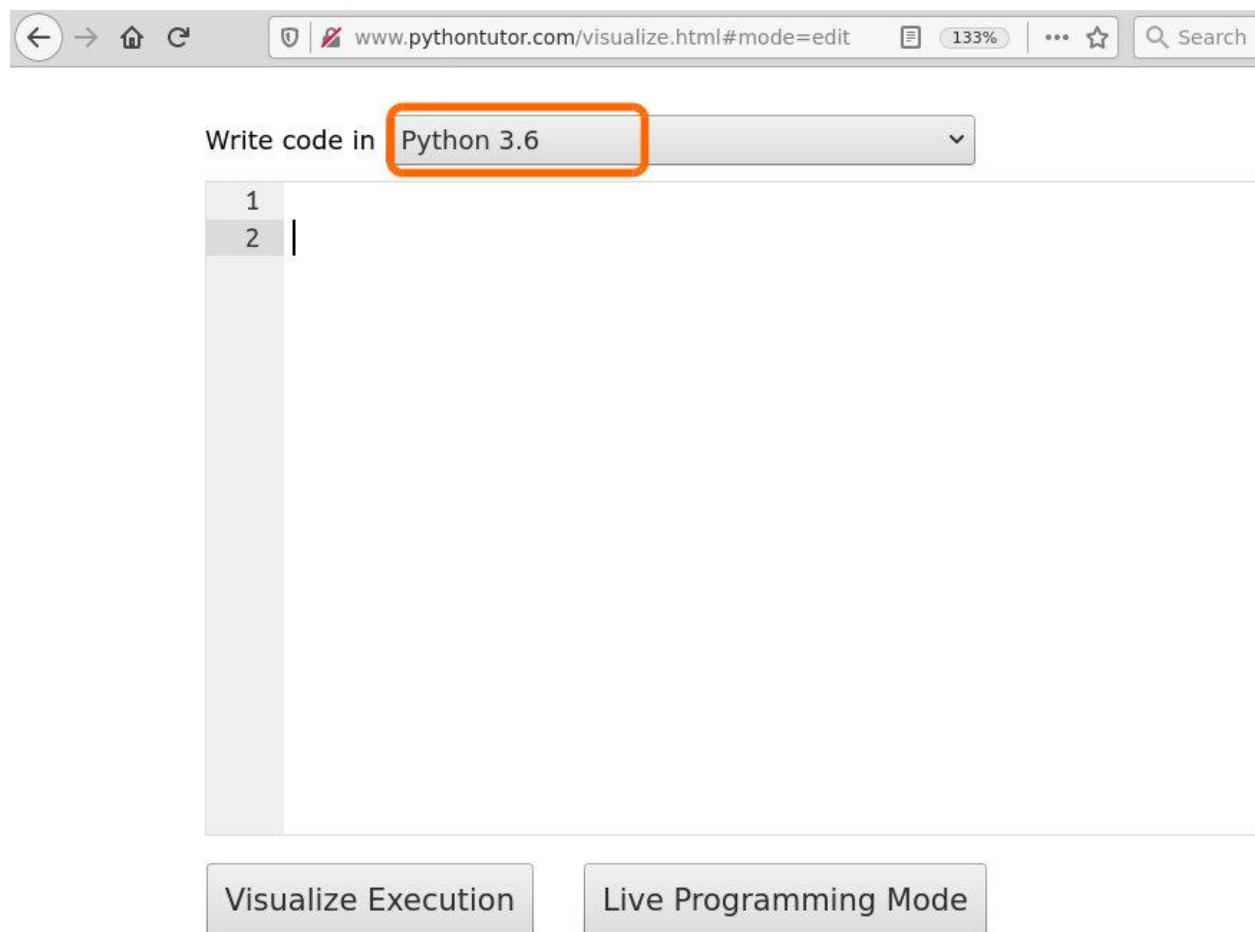
The screenshot shows a web browser window for [pythontutor.com](http://pythontutor.com). The main heading is "VISUALIZE Python, Java, JavaScript, TypeScript, Ruby, C, and C++". Below it, a text block says: "Python Tutor, created by [Philip Guo \(@pgbovine\)](#), helps people overcome a fundamental barrier to learning programming: understanding what happens as the computer runs each line of source code." A red box highlights the word "Python" in the sentence "Using this tool, you can write [Python 2](#), [Python 3](#), [Java](#), [JavaScript](#), [TypeScript](#), [Ruby](#), [C](#), and [C++](#) code in your web browser and visualize what the computer is doing step-by-step as it executes." Another red box highlights the number "3.5 million" in the sentence "Over **3.5 million people** in over 180 countries have used Python Tutor to visualize over 50 million pieces of code, often as a supplement to textbooks, lectures, and online tutorials." A third red box highlights the word "programming" in the sentence "Start visualizing your code now (or try [live programming](#))". The bottom part of the screenshot shows a detailed code visualization for Python 2.7. It displays the following code:

```
1 x = ['a', 'b', 'c']
2 y = ['d', 'e', 'f']
3 z = x
```

On the right, there's a "Frames" panel showing a "Global frame" with three variables: x, y, and z. Each variable is represented by a box containing its value and a curved arrow pointing to its corresponding variable in the code. Below the code editor, there are buttons for "First", "Back", "Program terminated", and "Forward". At the bottom, it says "Visualized using Python.Tutor by Philip Guo (@pgbovine)".

### Python tutor 2/4

Make sure at least Python 3.6 is selected:



### Python tutor 3/4

Try inserting:

```
x = 5  
y = 7  
z = x + y
```

The screenshot shows the Python Tutor interface in 'edit' mode. At the top, there's a browser-like header with the URL 'www.pythontutor.com/visualize.html#mode=edit'. Below it is a search bar and some zoom controls. A link to a 'Python tutoring Discord chat room' is visible. The main area has a title 'Write code in Python 3.6' with a dropdown arrow. Below this is a code editor containing the following Python code:

```
1 x = 5
2 y = 7
3 z = x + y
4
```

The first three lines (x = 5, y = 7, z = x + y) are highlighted with an orange rounded rectangle. Below the code editor are two buttons: 'Visualize Execution' (which is highlighted with an orange rectangle) and 'Live Programming Mode'.

### Python tutor 4/4

By clicking on Next, you will see the changes in Python memory

The screenshot shows the Python Tutor interface in 'display' mode. At the top, there's a browser-like header with the URL 'www.pythontutor.com/visualize.html#mode=display'. Below it is a search bar and some zoom controls. A link to a 'Python tutoring Discord chat room' is visible. The main area shows the same Python code as the previous screenshot:

```
1 x = 5
2 y = 7
3 z = x + y
```

Below the code, there's an 'Edit this code' button and a legend: a green arrow for 'line that just executed' and a red arrow for 'next line to execute'. There are navigation buttons: '<< First', '< Prev', 'Next >' (which is highlighted with an orange rectangle), and 'Last >>'. The status 'Step 3 of 3' is shown below the buttons. To the right, there are two sections: 'Frames' and 'Objects'. The 'Global frame' section shows variables x and y with their current values (5 and 7). The 'Objects' section is currently empty.

## Debugging code in Jupyter

Python Tutor is fantastic, but when you execute code in Jupyter and it doesn't work, what can you do? To inspect the execution, the editor usually makes available a tool called *debugger*, which allows to execute instructions one by one. At present (August 2018), the Jupyter debugger is called `pdb`<sup>60</sup> and it is extremely limited. To overcome its limitations, in this book we invented a custom solution which exploits Python Tutor.

If you insert Python code in a cell, and then **at the cell end** you write the instruction `jupman.pytut()`, the preceding code will be visualized inside Jupyter notebook with Python Tutor, as if by magic.

**WARNING:** `jupman` is a collection of support functions we created just for this book.

Whenever you see commands which start with `jupman`, to make them work you need first to execute the cell at the beginning of the document. For convenience we report here that cell. If you already didn't, execute it now.

```
[13]: # Remember to execute this cell with Control+Enter
# These commands tell Python where to find the file jupman.py
import jupman;
```

Now we are ready to try Python Tutor with the magic function `jupman.pytut()`:

```
[14]: x = 5
y = 7
z = x + y

jupman.pytut()

[14]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

## Python Tutor : Limitation 1

Python Tutor is handy, but there are important limitations:

**ATTENTION:** Python Tutor only looks inside one cell!

Whenever you use Python Tutor inside Jupyter, the only code Python tutors considers is the one inside the cell containing the command `jupman.pytut()`

So for example in the two following cells, only `print(w)` will appear inside Python tutor without the `w = 3`. If you try clicking *Forward* in Python tutor, you will be warned that `w` was not defined.

```
[15]: w = 3

[16]: print(w)

jupman.pytut()

3

Traceback (most recent call last):
  File ".../jupman.py", line 2340, in _runscript
```

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<sup>60</sup> <https://davidhamann.de/2017/04/22/debugging-jupyter-notebooks/>

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```
self.run(script_str, user_globals, user_globals)
File "/usr/lib/python3.7/bdb.py", line 578, in run
    exec(cmd, globals, locals)
File "<string>", line 2, in <module>
NameError: name 'w' is not defined
```

[16]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

To have it work in Python Tutor you must put ALL the code in the SAME cell:

```
[17]: w = 3
print(w)

jupman.pytut()

3
```

[17]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

### Python Tutor : Limitation 2

#### WARNING: Python Tutor only uses functions from standard PYthon distribution

PYthon Tutor is good to inspect simple algorithms with basic Python functions, if you use libraries from third parties it will not work.

If you use some library like numpy, you can try **only online** to select Python 3.6 with Anaconda :

Write code in Python 3.6 with Anaconda (experimental) ▾

```

1
2 import numpy as np
3
4 a = np.arange(15).reshape(3,5)
5 print(a)|
```

Visualize Execution

### Exercise - tavern

Given the variables

```

pirates = 10
each_wants = 5      # mugs of grog
kegs = 4
keg_capacity = 20  # mugs of grog
```

Try writing some code which prints:

```

In the tavern there are 10 pirates, each wants 5 mugs of grog
We have 4 kegs full of grog
From each keg we can take 20 mugs
Tonight the pirates will drink 50 mugs, and 30 will remain for tomorrow
```

- **DO NOT** use numerical constants in your code, instead try using the proposed variables
- To keep track of remaining kegs, make a variable `remaining_mugs`
- if you are using Jupyter, try using `jupman.pytut()` at the cell end to visualize execution

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```
[18]: pirates = 10
each_wants = 5      # mugs of grog
kegs = 4
keg_capacity = 20  # mugs of grog

# write here
print("In the tavern there are", pirates, "pirates, each wants", each_wants, "mugs of"
      "grog")
print("We have", kegs, "kegs full of grog")
print("From each keg we can take", keg_capacity, "mugs")
remaining_mugs = kegs*keg_capacity - pirates*each_wants
print("Tonight the pirates will drink", pirates * each_wants, "mugs, and", remaining_
      "mugs, "will remain for tomorrow")

#jupman.pytut()
```

In the tavern there are 10 pirates, each wants 5 mugs of grog  
We have 4 kegs full of grog  
From each keg we can take 20 mugs  
Tonight the pirates will drink 50 mugs, and 30 will remain for tomorrow

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```
[18]: pirates = 10
each_wants = 5      # mugs of grog
kegs = 4
keg_capacity = 20  # mugs of grog

# write here


```

In the tavern there are 10 pirates, each wants 5 mugs of grog  
We have 4 kegs full of grog  
From each keg we can take 20 mugs  
Tonight the pirates will drink 50 mugs, and 30 will remain for tomorrow

#### 4.1.6 Python Architecture

While not strictly fundamental to understand the book, the following part is useful to understand what happens under the hood when you execute commands.

Let's go back to Jupyter: the notebook editor Jupyter is a very powerful tool and flexible, allows to execute Python code, not only that, also code written in other programming languages (R, Bash, etc) and formatting languages (HTML, Markdown, Latex, etc).

We must keep in mind that the Python code we insert in cells of Jupyter notebooks (the files with extension .ipynb) is not certainly magically understood by your computer. Under the hood, a lot of transformations are performed so to allow your computer processor to understand the instructions to be executed. We report here the main transformations which happen, from Jupyter to the processor (CPU):

## Python is a high level language

Let's try to understand well what happens when you execute a cell:

1. **source code:** First Jupyter checks if you wrote some Python *source code* in the cell (it could also be other programming languages like R, Bash, or formatting like Markdown ...). By default Jupyter assumes your code is Python. Let's suppose there is the following code:

```
x = 3
y = 5
print(x + y)
```

**EXERCISE:** Without going into code details, try copy/pasting it into the cell below. Making sure to have the cursor in the cell, execute it with `Control + Enter`. When you execute it an 8 should appear as calculation result. The `# write down here` as all rows beginning with a sharp # is only a comment which will be ignored by Python

[19]: `# write down here`

If you managed to execute the code, you can congratulate Python! It allowed you to execute a program written in a quite comprehensible language *independently* from your operating system (Windows, Mac Os X, Linux ...) and from the processor of your computer (x86, ARM, ...)! Not only that, the notebook editor Jupyter also placed the result in your browser.

In detail, what happened? Let's see:

2. **bytecode:** When requesting the execution, Jupyter took the text written in the cell, and sent it to the so-called *Python compiler* which transformed it into *bytecode*. The *bytecode* is a longer sequence of instructions which is less intelligible for us humans (**this is only an example, there is no need to understand it !!**):

2	0 LOAD_CONST	1 (3)
	3 STORE_FAST	0 (x)
3	6 LOAD_CONST	2 (5)
	9 STORE_FAST	1 (y)
4	12 LOAD_GLOBAL	0 (print)
	15 LOAD_FAST	0 (x)
	18 LOAD_FAST	1 (y)
	21 BINARY_ADD	
	22 CALL_FUNCTION	1 (1 positional, 0 keyword pair)
	25 POP_TOP	
	26 LOAD_CONST	0 (None)
	29 RETURN_VALUE	

3. **machine code:** The *Python interpreter* took the *bytecode* above one instruction per time, and converted it into *machine code* which can actually be understood by the processor (CPU) of your computer. To us the *machine code* may look even longer and uglier of *bytecode* but the processor is happy and by reading it produces the program results. Example of *machine code* (**it is just an example, you do not need to understand it !!**):

```
mult:
    push rbp
    mov rbp, rsp
    mov eax, 0
mult_loop:
    cmp edi, 0
    je mult_end
```

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```

add eax, esi
sub edi, 1
jmp mult_loop
mult_end:
    pop rbp
    ret

```

We report in a table what we said above. In the table we explicitly write the file extension in which we can write the various code formats

- The ones interesting for us are Jupyter notebooks .ipynb and Python source code files .py
- .pyc file may be generated by the compiler when reading .py files, but they are not interesting to us, we will never need to edit them,
- .asm machine code also doesn't matter for us

Tool	Language	File extension	Example
Jupyter Notebook	Python	.ipynb	
Python Compiler	Python source code	.py	x = 3 y = 5 print(x + y)
Python Interpreter	Python bytecode	.pyc	0 LOAD_CONST 1 (3) 3 STORE_FAST 0 (x)
Processor (CPU)	Machine code	.asm	cmp edi, 0 je mult_end

No that we now have an idea of what happens, we can maybe understand better the statement *Python is a high level language*, that is, it's positioned high in the above table: when we write Python code, we are not interested in the generated *bytecode* or *machine code*, we can **just focus on the program logic**. Besides, the Python code we write is **independent from the pc architecture**: if we have a Python interpreter installed on a computer, it will take care of converting the high-level code into the machine code of that particular architecture, which includes the operating system (Windows / Mac Os X / Linux) and processor (x86, ARM, PowerPC, etc).

## Performance

Everything has a price. If we want to write programs focusing only on the *high level logic* without entering into the details of how it gets interpreted by the processor, we typically need to give up on *performance*. Since Python is an *interpreted* language has the downside of being slow. What if we really need efficiency? Luckily, Python can be extended with code written in *C language* which typically is much more performant. Actually, even if you won't notice it, many functions of Python under the hood are directly written in the fast C language. If you really need performance (not in this book!) it might be worth writing first a prototype in Python and, once established it works, compile it into *C language* by using [Cython compiler](#)<sup>61</sup> and manually optimize the generated code.

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<sup>61</sup> <http://cython.org/>

## A1 DATA TYPES

### 5.1 Basics

#### 5.1.1 Python basics

**Download exercises zip**

Browse online files<sup>62</sup>

**PREREQUISITES:**

- **Having installed Python 3 and Jupyter:** if you haven't already, look Installation<sup>63</sup>
- **Having read Tools and scripts**<sup>64</sup>

#### Jupyter

Jupyter is an editor that allows working on so called *notebooks*, which are files ending with the extension .ipynb. They are documents divided in cells where for each cell you can insert commands and immediately see the respective output. Let's try to open this.

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
basics
    basics1-ints.ipynb
    basics1-ints-sol.ipynb
    basics2-bools.ipynb
    basics2-bools-sol.ipynb
    basics3-floats.ipynb
    basics3-floats-sol.ipynb
    basics4-chal.ipynb
    jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

<sup>62</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/basics>

<sup>63</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/installation.html>

<sup>64</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/tools/tools-sol.html>

2. open Jupyter Notebook. Two things should appear, first a console and then a browser. In the browser navigate the files to reach the unzipped folder, and open the notebook `basics1-ints.ipynb`

**WARNING: open the notebook WITHOUT the `-sol` at the end!**

Seeing now the solutions is too easy ;-)

3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

**WARNING: In this book we use ONLY PYTHON 3**

If you obtain weird behaviours, check you are using Python 3 and not 2. If by typing `python` your operating system runs python 2, try executing `python3`

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press `Control + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press `Shift + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press `Alt + Enter`
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select `Kernel -> Restart`

## Objects

In Python everything is an object. Objects have **properties** (fields where to save values) and **methods** (things they can do). For example, an object `car` has the *properties* model, brand, color, numer of doors, etc ... and the *methods* turn right, turn left, accelerate, brake, shift gear ...

According to Python official documentation:

"Objects are Python's abstraction for data. All data in a Python program is represented by objects or by relations between objects."

For now it's enough to know that Python objects have an **identifier** (like, their name), a **type** (numbers, text, collections, ...) and a **value** (the actual value represented by objects). Once the object has been created the *identifier* and the *type* never change, while the *value* may change (**mutable objects**) or remain constant (**immutable objects**).

Python provides these predefined types (*built-in*):

Type	Meaning	Domain	Mutable?
<code>bool</code>	Condition	<code>True, False</code>	no
<code>int</code>	Integer	$\mathbb{Z}$	no
<code>long</code>	Integer	$\mathbb{Z}$	no
<code>float</code>	Rational	$\mathbb{Q}$ (more or less)	no
<code>str</code>	Text	Text	no
<code>list</code>	Sequence	Collezione di oggetti	yes
<code>tuple</code>	Sequence	Collezione di oggetti	no
<code>set</code>	Set	Collezione di oggetti	yes
<code>dict</code>	Mapping	Mapping between objects	yes

For now we will consider only the simplest ones, later in the book we will deep dive in each of them.

## Variables

Variables are associations among names and objects (we can call them values).

Variables can be associated, or in a more technical term, *assigned* to objects by using the assignment operator =.

The instruction

```
[2]: diamonds = 4
```

may represent how many precious stones we keep in the safe. What happens when we execute it in Python?

- an object is created
- its type is set to `int` (an integer number)
- its value is set to 4
- a name `diamonds` is created in the environment and assigned to that object

## Detect the type of a variable

When you see a variable or constant and you wonder what type it could have, you can use the predefined function `type`:

```
[3]: type(diamonds)
```

```
[3]: int
```

```
[4]: type(4)
```

```
[4]: int
```

```
[5]: type(4.0)
```

```
[5]: float
```

```
[6]: type("Hello")
```

```
[6]: str
```

## Reassign a variable

Consider now the following code:

```
[7]: diamonds = 4
```

```
print(diamonds)
```

```
4
```

```
[8]: diamonds = 5
```

```
print(diamonds)
```

```
5
```

The value of `diamonds` variable has been changed from 4 to 5, but as reported in the previous table, the `int` type is **immutable**. Luckily, this didn't prevent us from changing the value `diamonds` from 4 to 5. What happened behind the scenes? When we executed the instructions `diamonds = 5`, a new object of type `int` was created (the integer 5) and made available with the same name `diamonds`

### Reusing a variable

When you reassign a variable to another value, to calculate the new value you can freely reuse the old value of the variable you want to change. For example, suppose to have the variable

```
[9]: flowers = 4
```

and you want to augment the number of `flowers` by one. You can write like this:

```
[10]: flowers = flowers + 1
```

What happened? When Python encounters a command with `=`, FIRST it calculates the value of the expression it finds to the right of the `=`, and THEN assigns that value to the variable to the left of the `=`.

Given this order, FIRST in the expression on the right the old value is used (in this case 4) and 1 is summed so to obtain 5 which is THEN assigned to `flowers`.

```
[11]: flowers
```

```
[11]: 5
```

In a completely equivalent manner, we could rewrite the code like this, using a helper variable `x`. Let's try it in Python Tutor:

```
[12]: # WARNING: to use the following jupman.pytut() function,
# it is necessary first execute this cell with Shift+Enter
# it's enough to execute once, you can also find in all notebooks in the first cell.

import jupman
```

```
[13]:
flowers = 4

x = flowers + 1

flowers = x

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[13]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

You can execute a sum and do an assignment at the same time with the `+=` notation

```
[14]: flowers = 4
flowers += 1
print(flowers)

5
```

This notation is also valid for other arithmetic operators:

```
[15]: flowers = 5
flowers -= 1      # subtraction
print(flowers)

4
```

```
[16]: flowers *= 3      # multiplication
print(flowers)

12
```

```
[17]: flowers /= 2      # division
print(flowers)

6.0
```

## Assignments - questions

**QUESTION:** Look at the following questions, and for each try to guess the result it produces (or if it gives an error). Try to verify your guess both in Jupyter and in another editor of .py files like Spyder:

1.

```
x = 1
x
x
```

2.

```
x = 1
x = 2
print(x)
```

3.

```
x = 1
x = 2
x
```

4.

```
x = 1
print(x)
x = 2
print(x)
```

5.

```
print(zam)
print(zam)
zam = 1
zam = 2
```

6.

```
x = 5
print(x, x)
```

7.

```
x = 5
print(x)
print(x)
```

8.

```
x = 3
print(x, x*x, x**x)
```

9. `3 + 5 = x  
print(x)`

10. `3 + x = 1  
print(x)`

11. `x + 3 = 2  
print(x)`

12. `x = 2  
x += 1  
print(x)`

13. `x = 2  
x = +1  
print(x)`

14. `x = 2  
x += 1  
print(x)`

15. `x = 3  
x *= 2  
print(x)`

### Exercise - exchange

⊕ Given two variables `a` and `b`:

```
a = 5  
b = 3
```

write some code that exchanges the two values, so that after your code it must result

```
>>> print(a)  
3  
>>> print(b)  
5
```

- are two variables enough? If they aren't, try introducing a third one.

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[18]:

```
a = 5  
b = 3  
  
# write here  
temp = a # associate 5 to temp variable, so we have a copy  
a = b # reassign a to the value of b, that is 3  
b = temp # reassign b to the value of temp, that is 5  
print(a)  
print(b)
```

```
3
5
```

</div>

[18] :

```
a = 5
b = 3

# write here
```

### Exercise - cycling

⊕ Write a program that given three variables with numbers a,b,c, cycles the values, that is, puts the value of a in b, the value of b in c, and the value of c in a .

So if you begin like this:

```
a = 4
b = 7
c = 9
```

After the code that you will write, by running this:

```
print(a)
print(b)
print(c)
```

You should see:

```
9
4
7
```

There are various ways to do it, try to use **only one** temporary variable and be careful not to lose values !

**HINT:** to help yourself, try to write down in comments the state of the memory, and think which command to do

```
# a b c t      which command do I need?
# 4 7 9
# 4 7 9 7     t = b
#
#
#
```

[19] :

```
a = 4
b = 7
c = 9

# write code here

print(a)
print(b)
print(c)
```

```
4  
7  
9
```

```
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```

```
[20]: # SOLUTION
```

```
a = 4  
b = 7  
c = 9  
  
# a b c t which command do I need?  
# 4 7 9  
# 4 7 9 7 t = b  
# 4 4 9 7 b = a  
# 9 4 9 7 a = c  
# 9 4 7 7 c = t  
  
t = b  
b = a  
a = c  
c = t  
  
print(a)  
print(b)  
print(c)
```

```
9  
4  
7
```

```
</div>
```

```
[20]:
```

```
9  
4  
7
```

### Changing type during execution

You can also change the type of a variable during the program execution but normally it is a **bad habit** because it makes harder to understand the code, and increases the probability to commit errors. Let's make an example:

```
[21]: diamonds = 4          # integer
```

```
[22]: diamonds + 2
```

```
[22]: 6
```

```
[23]: diamonds = "four"  # text
```

Now that `diamonds` became text, if by mistake we try to treat it as if it were a number we will get an error !!

```

diamonds + 2

-----
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-9-6124a47997d7> in <module>
----> 1 diamonds + 2

TypeError: can only concatenate str (not "int") to str

```

## Multiple commands on the same line

It is possible to put many commands on the same line (non only assignments) by separating them with a semi-colon ;

```
[24]: a = 10; print('So many!'); b = a + 1;
```

So many!

```
[25]: print(a,b)
```

10 11

---

### NOTE: multiple commands on the same line are ‘not much pythonic’

Even if sometimes they may be useful and less verbose of explicit definitions, they are a style frowned upon by true Python ninjas.

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## Multiple initializations

Another thing are multiple initializations, separated by a comma , like:

```
[26]: x,y = 5,7
```

```
[27]: print(x)
```

5

```
[28]: print(y)
```

7

Differently from multiple commands, multiple assignments are a more acceptable style.

## Exercise - exchange like a ninja

⊕ Try now to exchange the value of the two variables a and b in one row with multiple initialization

```
a,b = 5,3
```

After your code, it must result

```
>>> print(a)
3
>>> print(b)
5
```

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[29]: a,b = 5,3

```
# write here
a,b = b,a
#print(a)
#print(b)
```

</div>

[29]: a,b = 5,3

```
# write here
```

### Names of variables

#### IMPORTANT NOTE:

You can chose the name that you like for your variables (we advise to pick something reminding their meaning), but you need to adhere to some simple rules:

1. Names can only contain upper/lower case digits (A–Z, a–z), numbers (0–9) or underscores \_;
2. Names cannot start with a number;
3. Variable names should start with a lowercase letter
4. Names cannot be equal to reserved keywords:

#### Reserved words:

and	as	assert	break	class	continue
def	del	elif	else	except	exec
finally	for	from	global	if	import
in	is	lambda	nonlocal	not	or
pass	raise	return	try	while	with
yield	True	False	None		

**system functions:** beyond reserved words (which are impossible to redefine), Python also offers several predefined system function:

- bool, int, float, tuple, str, list, set, dict
- max, min, sum
- next, iter

- `id, dir, vars, help`

Sadly, Python allows careless people to redefine them, but we **do not**:

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**V COMMANDMENT<sup>65</sup> : You shall never ever redefine system functions**

Never declare variables with such names !

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### Names of variables - questions

For each of the following names, try to guess if it is a valid *variable name* or not, then try to assign it in following cell

1. `my-variable`
2. `my_variable`
3. `theCount`
4. `the count`
5. `some@var`
6. `MacDonald`
7. `7channel`
8. `channel7`
9. `stand.by`
10. `channel45`
11. `maybe3maybe`
12. `"ciao"`
13. `'hello'`
14. as PLEASE: DO UNDERSTAND THE *VERY IMPORTANT DIFFERENCE* BETWEEN THIS AND FOLLOWING TWOs !!!
15. `asino`
16. `As`
17. `lista` PLEASE: DO UNDERSTAND THE *VERY IMPORTANT DIFFERENCE* BETWEEN THIS AND FOLLOWING TWOs !!!
18. `list` DO NOT EVEN TRY TO ASSIGN THIS ONE IN THE INTERPRETER (like `list = 5`), IF YOU DO YOU WILL BASICALLY BREAK PYTHON
19. `List`
20. `black&decker`
21. `black & decker`
22. `glab()`
23. `caffè` (notice the accented è !)
24. `) :-]`

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<sup>65</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#V-COMMANDMENT>

25. €zone (notice the euro sign)
26. some:pasta
27. aren'tyouboredyet
28. <angular>

```
[30]: # write the names here
```

## Numerical types

We already mentioned that numbers are **immutable objects**. Python provides different numerical types: integers (`int`), reals (`float`), booleans, fractions and complex numbers.

It is possible to make arithmetic operations with the following operators, in precedence order:

Operator	Description
<code>**</code>	power
<code>+ -</code>	Unary plus and minus
<code>* / // %</code>	Multiplication, division, integer division, module
<code>+ -</code>	Addition and subtraction

There are also several predefined functions:

Function	Description
<code>min(x, y, ...)</code>	the minimum among given numbers
<code>max(x, y, ...)</code>	the maximum among given numbers
<code>abs(x)</code>	the absolute value

Others are available in the `math`<sup>66</sup> module (remember that in order to use them you must first import the module `math` by typing `import math`):

Function	Description
<code>math.floor(x)</code>	round <code>x</code> to inferior integer
<code>math.ceil(x)</code>	round <code>x</code> to superior integer
<code>math.sqrt(x)</code>	the square root
<code>math.log(x)</code>	the natural logarithm of <code>n</code>
<code>math.log(x, b)</code>	the logarithm of <code>n</code> in base <code>b</code>

... plus many others we don't report here.

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<sup>66</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/math.html>

## Integer numbers

The range of values that integer can have is only limited by available memory. To work with numbers, Python also provides these operators:

```
[31]: 7 + 4
```

```
[31]: 11
```

```
[32]: 7 - 4
```

```
[32]: 3
```

```
[33]: 7 // 4
```

```
[33]: 1
```

**NOTE:** the following division among integers produces a **float** result, which uses a **dot** as separator for the decimals (we will see more details later):

```
[34]: 7 / 4
```

```
[34]: 1.75
```

```
[35]: type(7 / 4)
```

```
[35]: float
```

```
[36]: 7 * 4
```

```
[36]: 28
```

**NOTE:** in many programming languages the power operation is denoted with the cap ^, but in Python it is denoted with double asterisk \*\*:

```
[37]: 7 ** 4 # power
```

```
[37]: 2401
```

## Exercise - deadline 1

⊕ You are given a very important deadline in:

```
[38]: days = 4
hours = 13
minutes = 52
```

Write some code that prints the total minutes. By executing it, it should result:

```
In total there are 6592 minutes left.
```

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```
[39]:
```

```
days = 4
hours = 13
```

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```
minutes = 52

# write here
print("In total there are", days*24*60 + hours*60 + minutes, "minutes left")

In total there are 6592 minutes left
```

</div>

[39]:

```
days = 4
hours = 13
minutes = 52

# write here
```

## Modulo operator

To find the remainder of a division among integers, we can use the modulo operator which is denoted with %:

[40]: 5 % 3 # 5 divided by 3 gives 2 as remainder

[40]: 2

[41]: 5 % 4

[41]: 1

[42]: 5 % 5

[42]: 0

[43]: 5 % 6

[43]: 5

[44]: 5 % 7

[44]: 5

## Exercise - deadline 2

⊕ For another super important deadline there are left:

```
tot_minutes = 5000
```

Write some code that prints:

```
There are left:
 3 days
 11 hours
 20 minutes
```

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[45]:

```
tot_minutes = 5000

# write here
print('There are left:')
print(' ', tot_minutes // (60*24), 'days')
print(' ', (tot_minutes % (60*24)) // 60, 'hours')
print(' ', (tot_minutes % (60*24)) % 60, 'minutes')
```

There are left:

3 days  
11 hours  
20 minutes

&lt;/div&gt;

[45]:

```
tot_minutes = 5000

# write here
```

## min and max

The minimum among two numbers can be calculated with the function `min`:

[46]:

```
min(7, 3)
```

[46]:

```
3
```

and the maximum with the function `max`:

[47]:

```
max(2, 6)
```

[47]:

```
6
```

To `min` and `max` we can pass an arbitrary number of parameters, even negatives:

[48]:

```
min(2, 9, -3, 5)
```

[48]:

```
-3
```

[49]:

```
max(2, 9, -3, 5)
```

[49]:

```
9
```

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**V COMMANDMENT<sup>67</sup>:** You shall never ever redefine system functions like `min` and `max`

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If you use `min` and `max` like they were variables, the corresponding functions will *literally* stop to work!

<sup>67</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commands.html#V-COMMANDMENT>

```
min = 4    # NOOOO !
max = 7    # DON'T DO IT !
```

**QUESTION:** given two numbers  $a$  and  $b$ , which of the following expressions are equivalent?

1. `max(a,b)`
2. `max(min(a,b),b)`
3. `-min(-a,-b)`
4. `-max(-a,-b)`

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**ANSWER:** 1. and 3. are equivalent

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### Exercise - transportation

⊕ A company has a truck that every day delivers products to its best client. The truck can at most transport 10 tons of material. Unfortunately, the roads it can drive through have bridges that limit the maximum weight a vehicle can have to pass. These limits are provided in 5 variables:

```
b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 7,2,4,3,6
```

The truck must always go through the bridge  $b_1$ , then along the journey there are three possible itineraries available:

- In the first itinerary, the truck also drives through bridge  $b_2$
- In the second itinerary, the truck also drives through bridges  $b_3$  and  $b_4$
- In the third itinerary, the truck also drives though bridge  $b_5$

The company wants to know which are the maximum tons it can drive to destination in a single journey. Write some code to print this number.

**NOTE:** we do not want to know which is the best itinerary, we only need to find the greatest number of tons to ship.

Example - given:

```
b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 7,2,4,6,3
```

your code must print:

```
In a single journey we can transport at most 4 tons.
```

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```
[50]: b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 7,2,4,6,3    # 4
#b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 2,6,2,4,5    # 2
#b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 8,6,2,9,5    # 6
#b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 8,9,9,4,7    # 8

# write here

print('In a single journey we can transport at most',
```

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```
max(min(b1,b2), min(b1,b3,b4),min(b1,b5)),
'tons')
```

In a single journey we can transport at most 4 tons

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```
[50]: b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 7,2,4,6,3    # 4
#b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 2,6,2,4,5    # 2
#b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 8,6,2,9,5    # 6
#b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 8,9,9,4,7    # 8
```

# write here

In a single journey we can transport at most 4 tons

## Exercise - armchairs

⊕⊕ The tycoon De Industrionis owns two factories of armchairs, one in Belluno city and one in Rovigo. To make an armchair three main components are needed: a mattress, a seatback and a cover. Each factory produces all required components, taking a certain time to produce each component:

```
[51]: b_mat, b_bac, b_cov, r_mat, r_bac, r_cov = 23,54,12,13,37,24
```

Belluno takes 23h to produce a mattress, 54h the seatback and 12h the cover. Rovigo, respectively, takes 13, 37 and 24 hours. When the 3 components are ready, assembling them in the finished armchair requires one hour.

Sometimes peculiar requests are made by filthy rich nobles, that pretends to be shipped in a few hours armchairs with extravagant like seatback in solid platinum and other nonsense.

If the two factories start producing the components at the same time, De Industrionis wants to know in how much time the first armchair will be produced. Write some code to calculate that number.

- **NOTE 1:** we are not interested in which factory will produce the armchair, we just want to know the shortest time in which we will get an armchair
- **NOTE 2:** suppose both factories **don't** have components in store
- **NOTE 3:** the two factories **do not** exchange components

Example 1 - given:

```
b_mat, b_bac, b_cov, r_mat, r_bac, r_cov = 23,54,12,13,37,24
```

your code must print:

The first armchair will be produced in 38 hours.

Example 2 - given:

```
b_mat, b_bac, b_cov, r_mat, r_bac, r_cov = 81,37,32,54,36,91
```

your code must print:

```
The first armchair will be produced in 82 hours.
```

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[52]:

```
b_mat, b_bac, b_cov, r_mat, r_bac, r_cov = 23,54,12,13,37,24    # 38
#b_mat, b_bac, b_cov, r_mat, r_bac, r_cov = 81,37,32,54,36,91    # 82
#b_mat, b_bac, b_cov, r_mat, r_bac, r_cov = 21,39,47,54,36,91    # 48

# write here

t = min(max(b_mat, b_bac, b_cov) + 1, max(r_mat, r_bac, r_cov) + 1)

print('The first armchair will be produced in', t,'hours.')
```

```
The first armchair will be produced in 38 hours.
```

```
</div>
```

[52]:

```
b_mat, b_bac, b_cov, r_mat, r_bac, r_cov = 23,54,12,13,37,24    # 38
#b_mat, b_bac, b_cov, r_mat, r_bac, r_cov = 81,37,32,54,36,91    # 82
#b_mat, b_bac, b_cov, r_mat, r_bac, r_cov = 21,39,47,54,36,91    # 48

# write here
```

```
The first armchair will be produced in 38 hours.
```

### Continue

Go on with [Basics 2: Booleans](#)<sup>68</sup>

#### 5.1.2 Basics 2 - booleans

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##### PREREQUISITES:

- Having read [basics 1 integer variables](#)<sup>70</sup>

Booleans are used in boolean algebra and have the type `bool`.

Values of truth in Python are represented with the keywords `True` and `False`: a boolean object can only have the values `True` or `False`.

<sup>68</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics2-bools-sol.html>

<sup>69</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/basics>

<sup>70</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics1-ints-sol.html>

```
[2]: x = True
```

```
[3]: x
```

```
[3]: True
```

```
[4]: type(x)
```

```
[4]: bool
```

```
[5]: y = False
```

```
[6]: type(y)
```

```
[6]: bool
```

## Boolean operators

We can operate on boolean values with the operators `not`, `and`, or:

**and**

a	b	a and b
False	False	False
False	True	False
True	False	False
True	True	True

**or**

a	b	a or b
False	False	False
False	True	True
True	False	True
True	True	True

**not**

a	not a
False	True
True	False

### Questions with constants

**QUESTION:** For each of the following boolean expressions, try guessing the result (*before* guess, and *then* try them !):

1. `not (True and False)`

2. `(not True) or (not (True or False))`

3. `not (not True)`

4. `not (True and (False or True))`

5. `not (not (not False))`

6. `True and (not (not ((not False) and True)))`

7. `False or (False or ((True and True) and (True and False)))`

### Questions with variables

**QUESTION:** For each of these expressions, for which values of `x` and `y` they give `True`? Try to think an answer before trying!

**NOTE:** there can be many combinations that produce `True`, find them all

1. `x or (not x)`

2. `(not x) and (not y)`

3. `x and (y or y)`

4. `x and (not y)`

5. `(not x) or y`

6. `y or not (y and x)`

7. `x and ((not x) or not(y))`

8. `(not (not x)) and not (x and y)`

9. `x and (x or (not(x) or not(not(x or not (x))))))`

**QUESTION:** For each of these expressions, for which values of `x` and `y` they give `False`?

**NOTE:** there can be many combinations that produce `False`, find them all

1. `x or ((not y) or z)`

2. `x or (not y) or (not z)`

3. `not (x and y and (not z))`

4. `not (x and (not y) and (x or z))`

5. `y or ((x or y) and (not z))`

## De Morgan

There are a couple of laws that sometimes are useful:

Formula	Equivalent to
<code>x or y</code>	<code>not(not x and not y)</code>
<code>x and y</code>	<code>not(not x or not y)</code>

**QUESTION:** Look at following expressions, and try to rewrite them in equivalent ones by using De Morgan laws, simplifying the result wherever possible. Then verify the translation produces the same result as the original for all possible values of `x` and `y`.

1. `(not x) or y`

2. `(not x) and (not y)`

3. `(not x) and (not (x or y))`

Example:

```
x,y = False, False
#x,y = False, True
#x,y = True, False
#x,y = True, True

orig = x or y
trans = not((not x) and (not y))
print('orig=',orig)
print('trans=',trans)
```

[7]: # verify here

## Conversion

We can convert booleans into integers with the predefined function `int`. Each integer can be converted into a boolean (and vice versa) with `bool`:

[8]: `bool(1)`

[8]: `True`

[9]: `bool(0)`

[9]: False

[10]: bool(72)

[10]: True

[11]: bool(-5)

[11]: True

[12]: int(True)

[12]: 1

[13]: int(False)

[13]: 0

Each integer is valued to True except 0. Note that truth values True and False behave respectively like integers 1 and 0.

### Questions - what is a boolean?

**QUESTION:** For each of these expressions, which results it produces?

1. `bool(True)`

2. `bool(False)`

3. `bool(2 + 4)`

4. `bool(4-3-1)`

5. `int(4-3-1)`

6. `True + True`

7. `True + False`

8. `True - True`

9. `True * True`

## Evaluation order

For efficiency reasons, during the evaluation of a boolean expression if Python discovers the possible result can only be one, it then avoids to calculate further expressions. For example, in this expression:

```
False and x
```

by reading from left to right, in the moment we encounter `False` we already know that the result of `and` operation will always be `False` independently from the value of `x` (convince yourself).

Instead, if while reading from left to right Python finds first `True`, it will continue the evaluation of following expressions and *as result of the whole "and" will return the evaluation of the \*last\* expression*. If we are using booleans, we will not notice the differences, but by exchanging types we might get surprises:

```
[14]: True and 5
```

```
[14]: 5
```

```
[15]: 5 and True
```

```
[15]: True
```

```
[16]: False and 5
```

```
[16]: False
```

```
[17]: 5 and False
```

```
[17]: False
```

Let's think which order of evaluation Python might use for the `or` operator. Have a look at the expression:

```
True or x
```

By reading from left to right, as soon as we find the `True` we might conclude that the result of the whole `or` must be `True` independently from the value of `x` (convince yourself).

Instead, if the first value is `False`, Python will continue in the evaluation until it finds a logical value `True`, when this happens that value will be the result of the whole expression. We can notice it if we use different constants from `True` and `False`:

```
[18]: False or 5
```

```
[18]: 5
```

```
[19]: 7 or False
```

```
[19]: 7
```

```
[20]: 3 or True
```

```
[20]: 3
```

The numbers you see have always a logical result coherent with the operations we did, that is, if you see `0` the expression result is intended to have logical value `False` and if you see a number different from `0` the result is intended to be `True` (convince yourself).

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following expressions, and for each of them try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `0 and True`

2. `1 and 0`

3. `True and -1`

4. `0 and False`

5. `0 or False`

6. `0 or 1`

7. `False or -6`

8. `0 or True`

### Evaluation errors

What happens if a boolean expression contains some code that would generate an error? According to intuition, the program should terminate, but it's not always like this.

Let's try to generate an error on purpose. During math lessons they surely told you many times that dividing a number by zero is an error because the result is not defined. So if we try to ask Python what the result of  $1/0$  is we will (predictably) get complaints:

```
print(1/0)
print('after')

-----
ZeroDivisionError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-51-9e1622b385b6> in <module>()
----> 1 1/0

ZeroDivisionError: division by zero
```

Notice that '`after`' is not printed because the program gets first interrupted.

What if we try to write like this?

```
[21]: False and 1/0
```

```
[21]: False
```

Python produces a result without complaining ! Why? Evaluating from left to right it found a `False` and so it concluded before hand that the expression result must be `False`. Many times you will not be aware of these potential problems but it is good to understand them because there are indeed situations in which you can even exploit the execution order to prevent errors (for example in `if` and `while` instructions we will see later in the book).

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expression, and for each of them try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `True and 1/0`

2. `1/0 and 1/0`

3. `False or 1/0`

4. `True or 1/0`

5. `1/0 or True`

6. `1/0 or 1/0`

7. `True or (1/0 and True)`

8. `(not False) or not 1/0`

9. `True and 1/0 and True`

10. `(not True) or 1/0 or True`

11. `True and (not True) and 1/0`

## Comparison operators

Comparison operators allow to build *expressions* which return a boolean value:

Comparator	Description
<code>a == b</code>	True if and only if $a = b$
<code>a != b</code>	True if and only if $a \neq b$
<code>a &lt; b</code>	True if and only if $a < b$
<code>a &gt; b</code>	True if and only if $a > b$
<code>a &lt;= b</code>	True if and only if $a \leq b$
<code>a &gt;= b</code>	True if and only if $a \geq b$

[22]: `3 == 3`

[22]: `True`

[23]: `3 == 5`

[23]: `False`

[24]: `a, b = 3, 5`

[25]: `a == a`

[25]: `True`

[26]: `a == b`

[26]: `False`

```
[27]: a == b - 2
```

```
[27]: True
```

```
[28]: 3 != 5 # 3 is different from 5 ?
```

```
[28]: True
```

```
[29]: 3 != 3 # 3 is different from 3 ?
```

```
[29]: False
```

```
[30]: 3 < 5
```

```
[30]: True
```

```
[31]: 5 < 5
```

```
[31]: False
```

```
[32]: 5 <= 5
```

```
[32]: True
```

```
[33]: 8 > 5
```

```
[33]: True
```

```
[34]: 8 > 8
```

```
[34]: False
```

```
[35]: 8 >= 8
```

```
[35]: True
```

Since the comparison are expressions which produce booleans, we can also assign the result to a variable:

```
[36]: x = 5 > 3
```

```
[37]: print(x)
```

```
True
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expression, and for each of them try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `x = 3 == 4  
print(x)`

2. `x = False or True  
print(x)`

3. `True or False = x or False  
print(x)`

```
4. x, y = 9, 10
   z = x < y and x == 3**2
   print(z)
```

```
5. a, b = 7, 6
   a = b
   x = a >= b + 1
   print(x)
```

```
6. x = 3^2
   y = 9
   print(x == y)
```

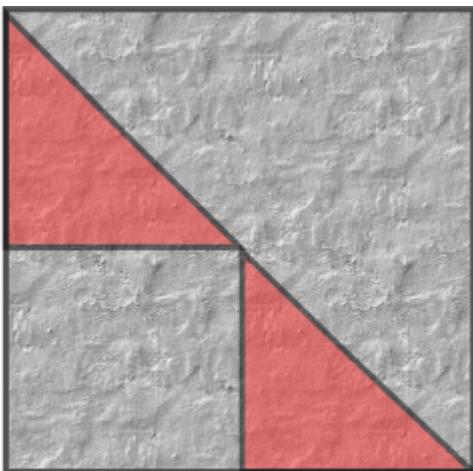
### Exercise - The Lava Temple

During your studies you discover a map of an ancient temple, where marvelous treasures are kept.

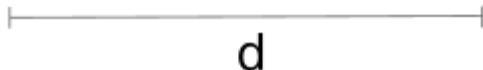
The temple measures  $d=80$  meters each side and is a labyrinth of corridors. You know for sure that some areas shown in red contain a fragile floor under which flow rivers of boiling lava: to warn about the danger while you're walking, you build a detector which will emit a sound whenever you enter red zones.

Write a boolean expression which gives back `True` if you are in a danger zone, and `False` otherwise.

- **DO NOT** use `if` instructions



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<pre>d = 80

x,y = 0, 0 # False
#x,y = 20, 20 # False
#x,y = 60, 10 # True</pre>

[38]:

```
d = 80

x,y = 0, 0      # False
#x,y = 20, 20   # False
#x,y = 60, 10   # True
```

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```
#x,y = 10, 60 # True
#x,y = 20, 70 # False
#x,y = 70, 20 # False
#x,y = 70, 70 # False
#x,y = 0,60 # True
#x,y = 60,0 # True

# write here

((x > d//2) or (y > d//2)) and (x < -y + d)
```

[38]: False

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[38]:

```
d = 80

x,y = 0, 0      # False
#x,y = 20, 20 # False
#x,y = 60, 10 # True
#x,y = 10, 60 # True
#x,y = 20, 70 # False
#x,y = 70, 20 # False
#x,y = 70, 70 # False
#x,y = 0,60 # True
#x,y = 60,0 # True

# write here
```

[38]: False

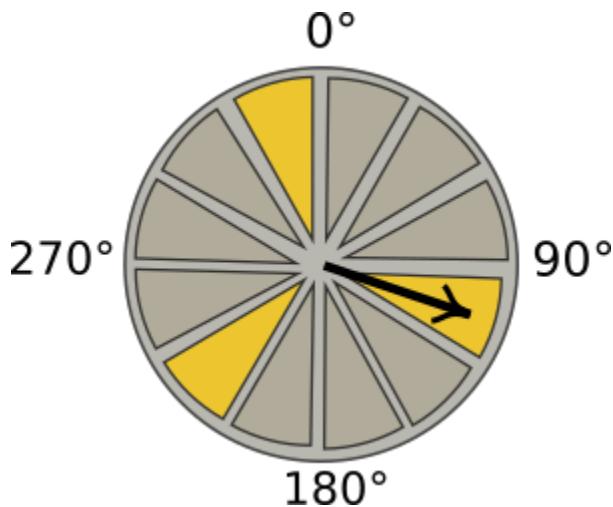
## Exercise - The Tower of Gradius I

The hands of the clock on the first Gradius Tower has rotated so far of  $n$  degrees. Write some code which shows True if the hand is in the zones in evidence, False otherwise.

- DO NOT use if instructions
- $n$  can be greater than 360

There two ways to solve the problem:

1. simple: write a long expressions with several and and or
2. harder: can you write a single short expression *without* and nor or?



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```
[39]: n = 20      # False
#n = 405      # False
#n = 70       # False
#n = 100      # True
#n = 460      # True
#n = 225      # True
#n = 182      # False
#n = 253      # False
#n = 275      # False
#n = 205      # False
#n = 350      # True
#n = 925      # False
#n = 815      # True
#n = 92       # True

# write here

# 1. LONG SOLUTION
# Looking at the figure, we see the zones are between 90° and 120°, 210° and 240°, ↴
# 330 and 360°

# A first problem to tackle is the fact the hand can have rotated more than 360°, ↴
# like 460° or 925° as in test.
# To solve this first problem, we can directly use the module operator like this
# to always get numbers between 0 and 359 included:

# m = n % 360

# This way we could simply solve the exercise with many and/or, like:

# (m >= 90 and m < 120) or (m >= 210 and m < 240) or (m >= 330 and m < 360)      # ↴
# soluzione 'lunga'

# 2. SHORT SOLUTION

# As an alternative, we can consider the fact that if you consider sequences of 4 ↴
# segments of 30° each,
```

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```
# every sequence occupies 120° and we are interested to know when the hand is in the
# last segment,
# between 90° and 120°. We can then creatively use the modulus operator to 'shorten'_
# the clock panel
# and ignore all the degrees after 120th - finally we look whether or not m is lying_
# in the last segment:

# m = n % 120      # number between 0 and 119 included
# m > 3 * 30        # 'short' solution

n % 120 > 90
```

[39]: False

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```
[39]: n = 20      # False
#n = 405      # False
#n = 70       # False
#n = 100      # True
#n = 460      # True
#n = 225      # True
#n = 182      # False
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#n = 925      # False
#n = 815      # True
#n = 92       # True

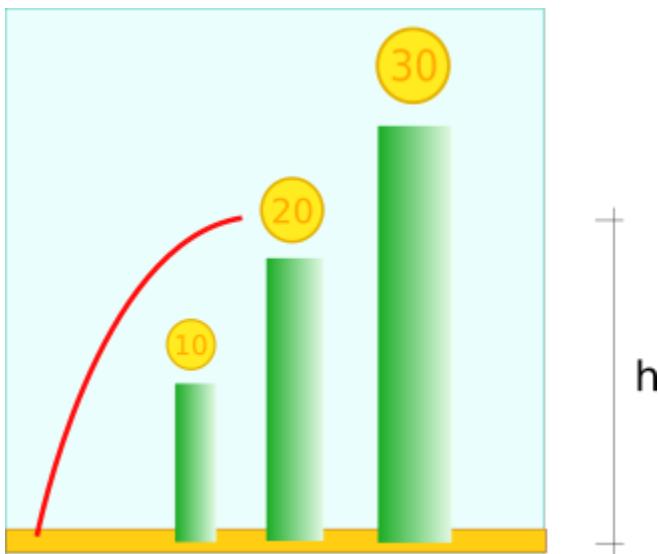
# write here
```

[39]: False

### Exercise - The Pipe Jump

An Italian plumber is looking at 3 pipes of height  $t_1$ ,  $t_2$  and  $t_3$ , each having above 10, 20 and 30 coins respectively. Enthusiast, he makes a jump and reaches a height of  $h$ . Write some code which prints the number of coins taken (10, 20 or 30).

- **DO NOT use if instructions**
- **HINT:** If you don't know how to do it, check again the paragraph *Evaluation order* and try thinking how to produce numbers when only a certain condition is true ...



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```

[40] :

```
t1,t2,t3 = 200,500,600

h=450    # 10
#h=570    # 20
#h=610    # 30
#h=50     # 0

# write here

(h >= t3 and 30) or (h >= t2 and 20) or (h >= t1 and 10) or 0
```

[40] :

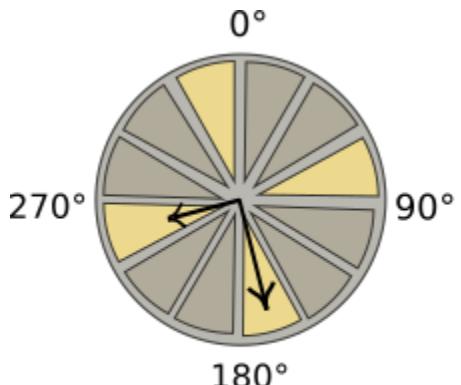
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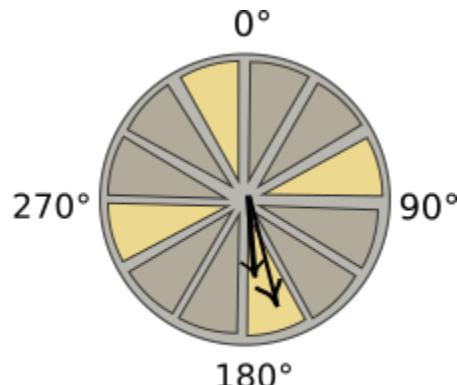
**Exercise - The Tower of Gradius II**

The hands of the clock on the second Gradius Tower have rotated so far of  $n$  and  $m$  degrees. Write some code which shows `True` if both hands are in the **same** zone among the highlighted ones, `False` otherwise.

- **DO NOT** use `if` instructions
- $n$  and  $m$  can be greater than 360



**False**



**True**

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[41]:

```
n,m = 160,170    # True
#n,m = 135, 140 # False
#n,m = 160,190  # False
#n,m = 70,170   # False
#n,m = 350,260  # False
#n,m = 350,340  # True
#n,m = 350,340  # True
#n,m = 430,530  # False
#n,m = 520,510  # True
#n,m = 730,740  # False

# write here
(n % 90 > 60) and ((n // 90) % 4 == (m // 90) % 4)
```

[41]:

True

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[41]:

```
n,m = 160,170    # True
#n,m = 135, 140 # False
#n,m = 160,190  # False
#n,m = 70,170   # False
#n,m = 350,260  # False
#n,m = 350,340  # True
#n,m = 350,340  # True
#n,m = 430,530  # False
#n,m = 520,510  # True
#n,m = 730,740  # False
```

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```
# write here
```

[41]: True

**Continue**Go on with Basics 3 - float numbers<sup>71</sup>**5.1.3 Python basics 3 - floats****Download exercises zip**Browse online files<sup>72</sup>**PREREQUISITES:**

- Having read basics 1 - integers<sup>73</sup>
- Having read basics 2 - booleans<sup>74</sup>

**Real numbers**

Python saves the real numbers (floating point numbers) in 64 bit of information divided by sign, exponent and mantissa (also called significand). Let's see an example:

[2]: 3.14

[2]: 3.14

[3]: type(3.14)

[3]: float

**WARNING: you must use the dot instead of comma!**

So you will write 3.14 instead of 3,14

Be very careful, whenever you copy numbers from documents in latin languages, they might contain very insidious commas!

<sup>71</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics3-floats-sol.html>

<sup>72</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/basics>

<sup>73</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics1-ints-sol.html>

<sup>74</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics2-bools-sol.html>

### Scientific notation

Whenever numbers are very big or very small, to avoid having to write too many zeros it is convenient to use scientific notation with the *e* like *xen* which multiplies the number *x* by  $10^n$

With this notation, in memory are only put the most significative digits ( the *mantissa* ) and the exponent, thus avoiding to waste space.

[4] : 75e1

[4] : 750.0

[5] : 75e2

[5] : 7500.0

[6] : 75e3

[6] : 75000.0

[7] : 75e123

[7] : 7.5e+124

[8] : 75e0

[8] : 75.0

[9] : 75e-1

[9] : 7.5

[10] : 75e-2

[10] : 0.75

[11] : 75e-123

[11] : 7.5e-122

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and try to find which result they produce (or if they give an error):

1. `print(1.000.000)`

2. `print(3,000,000.000)`

3. `print(2000000.000)`

4. `print(2000000.0)`

5. `print(0.000.123)`

6. `print(0.123)`

7. `print(0.-123)`

8. `print(3e0)`

9. `print(3.0e0)`

10. `print(7e-1)`

11. `print(3.0e2)`

12. `print(3.0e-2)`

13. `print(3.0-e2)`

14. `print(4e2-4e1)`

### Too big or too small numbers

Sometimes calculations on very big or extra small numbers may give as a result `math.nan` (Not a Number) or `math.inf`. For the moment we just mention them, you can find a detailed description in the [Numpy page<sup>75</sup>](#)

### Exercise - circle

⊕ Calculate the area of a circle at the center of a soccer ball (radius = 9.1m), remember that  $area = pi * r^2$

Your code should print as result `263.02199094102605`

Show solution

>

```
[12]: # SOLUTION

r = 9.15
pi = 3.1415926536
area = pi*(r**2)
print(area)

263.02199094102605
```

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```
[12]: 

263.02199094102605
```

Note that the parenthesis around the squared `r` are not necessary because the power operator has the precedence, but they may help in augmenting the code readability.

We recall here the operator precedence:

<sup>75</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-numpy/matrices-numpy-sol.html#NaN-e-infinities>

Operator	Description
$\star \star$	Power (maximum precedence)
$+ -$	unary plus and minus
$* / // %$	Multiplication, division, integer division, modulo
$+ -$	Addition and subtraction
$<= < > >=$	comparison operators
$== !=$	equality operators
$\text{not or and}$	Logical operators (minimum precedence)

### Exercise - fractioning

⊕ Write some code to calculate the value of the following formula for  $x = 0.000003$ , you should obtain 2.753278226511882

$$-\frac{\sqrt{x+3}}{\frac{(x+2)^3}{\log x}}$$

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[13]: `x = 0.000003`

```
# write here
import math
- math.sqrt(x+3) / ((x+2)**3)/math.log(x)
```

[13]: 2.753278226511882

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[13]: `x = 0.000003`

```
# write here
```

[13]: 2.753278226511882

### Exercise - summation

Write some code to calculate the value of the following expression (don't use cycles, write down all calculations), you should obtain 20.53333333333333

$$\sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{j^4}{j+2}$$

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[14]: `# write here`

```
((1**4) / (1+2)) + ((2**4) / (2+2)) + ((3**4) / (3+2))
```

[14]: 20.53333333333333

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[14]: # write here

[14]: 20.53333333333333

## Reals - conversion

If we want to convert a real to an integer, several ways are available:

Function	Description	Mathematical symbol	Result
<code>math.floor(x)</code>	round x to inferior integer	$\lfloor 8.7 \rfloor$	8
<code>int(x)</code>	round x to inferior integer	$\lfloor 8.7 \rfloor$	8
<code>math.ceil(x)</code>	round x to superior integer	$\lceil 5.3 \rceil$	6
<code>round(x)</code>	round x to closest integer	$\lceil 2.49 \rceil$	2
		$\lceil 2.51 \rceil$	3

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each of them try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error).

1. `math.floor(2.3)`

2. `math.floor(-2.3)`

3. `round(3.49)`

4. `round(3.51)`

5. `round(-3.49)`

6. `round(-3.51)`

7. `math.ceil(8.1)`

8. `math.ceil(-8.1)`

**QUESTION:** Given a float  $x$ , the following formula is:

```
math.floor(math.ceil(x)) == math.ceil(math.floor(x))
```

1. always True
2. always False
3. sometimes True and sometimes False (give examples)

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**ANSWER:** 3: for integers like  $x=2.0$  it is True, in other cases like  $x=2.3$  it is False

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**QUESTION:** Given a float  $x$ , the following formula is:

```
math.floor(x) == -math.ceil(-x)
```

1. always True
2. always False
3. sometimes True and sometimes False (give examples)

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**ANSWER:** 1.

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### Exercise - Invigorate

⊕ Excessive studies lead you search on internet recipes of energetic drinks. Luckily, a guru of nutrition just posted on her Instagram channel @HealthyDrink this recipe of a miracle drink:

Pour in a mixer 2 decilitres of kiwi juice, 4 decilitres of soy sauce, and 3 decilitres of shampoo of karité bio.  
Mix vigorously and then pour half drink into a glass. Fill the glass until the superior deciliter. Swallow in one shot.

You run shopping the ingredients, and get ready for mixing them. You have a measuring cup with which you transfer the precious fluids, one by one. While transferring, you always pour a little bit more than necessary (but never more than 1 decilitre), and for each ingredient you then remove the excess.

- **DO NOT** use subtractions, try using only rounding operators

Example - given:

```
kiwi = 2.4
soia = 4.8
shampoo = 3.1
measuring_cup = 0.0
mixer = 0
glass = 0.0
```

Your code must print:

```
I pour into the measuring cup 2.4 dl of kiwi juice, then I remove excess until ↵keeping 2 dl
I transfer into the mixer, now it contains 2.0 dl
I pour into the measuring cup 4.8 dl of soia, then I remove excess until keeping 4 dl
I transfer into the mixer, now it contains 6.0 dl
I pour into the measuring cup 3.1 dl of shampoo, then I remove excess until keeping 3 ↵dl
I transfer into the mixer, now it contains 9.0 dl
I pour half of the mix ( 4.5 dl ) into the glass
I fill the glass until superior deciliter, now it contains: 5 dl
```

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[15]: `import math`

```
kiwi = 2.4
soy = 4.8
shampoo = 3.1
measuring_cup = 0.0
mixer = 0.0
glass = 0.0

# write here
print('I pour into the measuring cup', kiwi, 'dl of kiwi juice, then I remove excess' ↵
      'until keeping', int(kiwi), 'dl')
mixer += int(kiwi)
print('I transfer into the mixer, now it contains', mixer, 'dl')
print('I pour into the measuring cup', soy, 'dl of soia, then I remove excess until' ↵
      'keeping', int(soy), 'dl')
mixer += int(soy)
print('I transfer into the mixer, now it contains', mixer, 'dl')
print('I pour into the measuring cup', shampoo, 'dl of shampoo, then I remove excess' ↵
      'until keeping', int(shampoo), 'dl')
mixer += int(shampoo)
print('I transfer into the mixer, now it contains', mixer, 'dl')
glass = mixer/2
print('I pour half of the mix (', glass, 'dl ) into the glass')
print('I fill the glass until superior deciliter, now it contains:', math.ceil(glass), ↵
      'dl')
```

```
I pour into the measuring cup 2.4 dl of kiwi juice, then I remove excess until ↵
      keeping 2 dl
I transfer into the mixer, now it contains 2.0 dl
I pour into the measuring cup 4.8 dl of soia, then I remove excess until keeping 4 dl
I transfer into the mixer, now it contains 6.0 dl
I pour into the measuring cup 3.1 dl of shampoo, then I remove excess until keeping 3 ↵
      dl
```

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```
I transfer into the mixer, now it contains 9.0 dl  
I pour half of the mix ( 4.5 dl ) into the glass  
I fill the glass until superior deciliter, now it contains: 5 dl
```

```
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```

```
[15]: import math
```

```
kiwi = 2.4  
soy = 4.8  
shampoo = 3.1  
measuring_cup = 0.0  
mixer = 0.0  
glass = 0.0
```

```
# write here
```

```
I pour into the measuring cup 2.4 dl of kiwi juice, then I remove excess until ↵  
keeping 2 dl  
I transfer into the mixer, now it contains 2.0 dl  
I pour into the measuring cup 4.8 dl of soia, then I remove excess until keeping 4 dl  
I transfer into the mixer, now it contains 6.0 dl  
I pour into the measuring cup 3.1 dl of shampoo, then I remove excess until keeping 3 ↵  
dl  
I transfer into the mixer, now it contains 9.0 dl  
I pour half of the mix ( 4.5 dl ) into the glass  
I fill the glass until superior deciliter, now it contains: 5 dl
```

### Exercise - roundminder

⊕ Write some code to calculate the value of the following formula for  $x = -5.51$ , you should obtain 41

$$|\lceil x \rceil| + \lfloor x \rfloor^2$$

```
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```

```
[16]: import math
```

```
x = -5.51    # 41  
#x = -5.49  # 30  
  
# write here  
abs(math.ceil(x)) + round(x)**2
```

```
[16]: 41
```

```
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```

```
[16]: import math
```

```
x = -5.51    # 41
```

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```
#x = -5.49 # 30
# write here
```

[16]: 41

## Reals - equality

### WARNING: what follows is valid for \*all\* programming languages!

Some results will look weird but this is the way most processors (CPU) operates, independently from Python.

When floating point calculations are performed, the processor may introduce rounding errors due to limits of internal representation. Under the hood the numbers like floats are memorized in a sequence of binary code of 64 bits, according to *IEEE-754 floating point arithmetic* standard: this imposes a physical limit to the precision of numbers, and sometimes we might get surprises due to conversion from decimal to binary. For example, let's try printing 4.1:

```
[17]: print(4.1)
4.1
```

For our convenience Python is showing us 4.1, but in reality in the processor memory ended up a different number! Which one? To discover what it hides, with `format` function we can explicitly format the number to, for example 55 digits of precision by using the `f` format specifier:

```
[18]: format(4.1, '.55f')
'4.099999999999996447286321199499070644378662109375000000'
```

We can then wonder what the result of this calculus might be:

```
[19]: print(7.9 - 3.8)
4.1000000000000005
```

We note the result is still different from the expected one! By investigating further, we notice Python is not even showing all the digits:

```
[20]: format(7.9 - 3.8, '.55f')
'4.10000000000005329070518200751394033432006835937500000'
```

[ ]:

What if wanted to know if the two calculations with float produce the ‘same’ result?

### WARNING: AVOID == WITH FLOATS!

To understand if the result between the two calculations with the floats is the same, **YOU CANNOT** use the `==` operator !

```
[21]: 7.9 - 3.8 == 4.1      # TROUBLE AHEAD!
```

```
[21]: False
```

Instead, you should prefer alternative that evaluate if a float number is *close* to another, like for example the handy function `math.isclose`<sup>76</sup>:

```
[22]: import math  
  
math.isclose(7.9 - 3.8, 4.1)      # MUCH BETTER
```

```
[22]: True
```

By default `math.isclose` uses a precision of  $1e-9$ , but, if needed, you can also pass a tolerance limit in which the difference of the numbers must be so to be considered equal:

```
[23]: math.isclose(7.9 - 3.8, 4.1, abs_tol=0.000001)
```

```
[23]: True
```

**QUESTION:** Can we perfectly represent the number  $\sqrt{2}$  as a `float`?

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**ANSWER:**  $\sqrt{2}$  is irrational so there's no hope of a perfect representation, any calculation will always have a certain degree of imprecision.

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**QUESTION:** Which of these expressions give the same result?

```
import math  
print('a)', math.sqrt(3)**2 == 3.0)  
print('b)', abs(math.sqrt(3)**2 - 3.0) < 0.0000001)  
print('c)', math.isclose(math.sqrt(3)**2, 3.0, abs_tol=0.0000001))
```

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**ANSWER:** b) and c) give `True`. a) gives `False`, because during floating point calculations rounding errors are made.

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### Exercise - quadratic

⊕ Write some code to calculate the zeroes of the equation  $ax^2 - b = 0$

- Show numbers with **20 digits** of precision
- At the end check that by substituting the value obtained  $x$  into the equation you actually obtain zero.

Example - given:

```
a = 11.0  
b = 3.3
```

after your code it must print:

<sup>76</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/math.html#math.isclose>

```
11.0 * x**2 - 3.3 = 0 per x1 = 0.54772255750516607442
11.0 * x**2 - 3.3 = 0 per x2 = -0.54772255750516607442
Is 0.54772255750516607442 a solution? True
Is -0.54772255750516607442 a solution? True
```

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[24]:

```
a = 11.0
b = 3.3

# write here

import math

x1 = math.sqrt(b/a)
x2 = -math.sqrt(b/a)

print(a, "* x**2 =", b, "= 0 per x1 =", format(x1, '.20f'))
print(a, "* x**2 =", b, "= 0 per x2 =", format(x2, '.20f'))

# we need to change the default tolerance value
print("Is", format(x1, '.20f'), "a solution?", math.isclose(a*(x1**2) - b, 0, abs_
tol=0.00001))
print("Is", format(x2, '.20f'), "a solution?", math.isclose(a*((x2)**2) - b, 0, abs_
tol=0.00001))

11.0 * x**2 - 3.3 = 0 per x1 = 0.54772255750516607442
11.0 * x**2 - 3.3 = 0 per x2 = -0.54772255750516607442
Is 0.54772255750516607442 a solution? True
Is -0.54772255750516607442 a solution? True
```

</div>

[24]:

```
a = 11.0
b = 3.3

# write here
```

## Exercise - trendy

⊕⊕ You are already thinking about next vacations, but there is a big problem: where do you go, if you don't have a *selfie-stick*? You cannot leave with this serious anxiety: to uniform yourself to this mass phenomena you must buy the stick which is most similar to others. You then conduct a rigourous statistical survey among tourists obsessed by selfie sticks with the goal to find the most frequent brands of sticks, in other words, the *mode* of the frequencies. You obtain these results:

[25]:

```
b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 'TooManyLikes', 'Boombasticks', 'Timewasters Inc', 'Vanity 3.0',
                    # brand
f1,f2,f3,f4,f5 = 0.25, 0.3, 0.1, 0.05, 0.3    # frequencies (as percentages)
```

We deduce that masses love selfie-sticks of the brand 'Boombasticks' and TrashTrend, both in a tie with 30% tourists each. Write some code which prints this result:

```
TooManyLikes is the most frequent? False ( 25.0 % )
Boombasticks is the most frequent? True ( 30.0 % )
Timewasters Inc is the most frequent? False ( 10.0 % )
Vanity 3.0 is the most frequent? False ( 5.0 % )
TrashTrend is the most frequent? True ( 30.0 % )
```

- **WARNING:** your code must work with **ANY** series of variables !!

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Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

[26]:

```
b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 'TooManyLikes', 'Boombasticks', 'Timewasters Inc', 'Vanity 3.0',
↪'TrashTrend'      # brand

f1,f2,f3,f4,f5 = 0.25, 0.3, 0.1, 0.05, 0.3  # frequencies (as percentages) False
↪True False False True
# CAREFUL, they look the same but it must work also with these!
#f1,f2,f3,f4,f5 = 0.25, 0.3, 0.1, 0.05, 0.1 + 0.2 # False True False False True

# write here
mx = max(f1,f2,f3,f4,f5)
print(b1, 'is the most frequent?', math.isclose(f1,mx), '(', format(f1*100.0, '.1f'), '
↪% ')')
print(b2, 'is the most frequent?', math.isclose(f2,mx), '(', format(f2*100.0, '.1f'), '
↪% ')')
print(b3, 'is the most frequent?', math.isclose(f3,mx), '(', format(f3*100.0, '.1f'), '
↪% ')')
print(b4, 'is the most frequent?', math.isclose(f4,mx), '(', format(f4*100.0, '.1f'), '
↪% ')')
print(b5, 'is the most frequent?', math.isclose(f5,mx), '(', format(f5*100.0, '.1f'), '
↪% ')')

TooManyLikes is the most frequent? False ( 25.0 % )
Boombasticks is the most frequent? True ( 30.0 % )
Timewasters Inc is the most frequent? False ( 10.0 % )
Vanity 3.0 is the most frequent? False ( 5.0 % )
TrashTrend is the most frequent? True ( 30.0 % )
```

</div>

[26]:

```
b1,b2,b3,b4,b5 = 'TooManyLikes', 'Boombasticks', 'Timewasters Inc', 'Vanity 3.0',
↪'TrashTrend'      # brand

f1,f2,f3,f4,f5 = 0.25, 0.3, 0.1, 0.05, 0.3  # frequencies (as percentages) False
↪True False False True
# CAREFUL, they look the same but it must work also with these!
#f1,f2,f3,f4,f5 = 0.25, 0.3, 0.1, 0.05, 0.1 + 0.2 # False True False False True

# write here
```

## Decimal numbers

For most applications float numbers are sufficient, if you are conscious of their limits of representation and equality. If you really need more precision and/or predictability, Python offers a dedicated numeric type called `Decimal`, which allows arbitrary precision. To use it, you must first import `decimal` library:

```
[27]: from decimal import Decimal
```

You can create a Decimal from a string:

```
[28]: Decimal('4.1')
```

```
[28]: Decimal('4.1')
```

**WARNING:** if you create a Decimal from a constant, use a string!

If you pass a `float` you risk losing the utility of Decimals:

```
[29]: Decimal(4.1) # this way I keep the problems of floats ...
```

```
[29]: Decimal('4.0999999999999996447286321199499070644378662109375')
```

Operations between Decimals produce other Decimals:

```
[30]: Decimal('7.9') - Decimal('3.8')
```

```
[30]: Decimal('4.1')
```

This time, we can freely use the equality operator and obtain the same result:

```
[31]: Decimal('4.1') == Decimal('7.9') - Decimal('3.8')
```

[31]: True

Some mathematical functions are also supported, and often they behave more predictably (note we are **not** using `math.sqrt`):

```
[32]: Decimal('2').sqrt()
```

```
[32]: Decimal('1.414213562373095048801688724')
```

**Remember: computer memory is still finite!**

Decimals can't be solved all problems in the universe: for example,  $\sqrt{2}$  will never fit the memory of any computer! We can verify the limitations by squaring it:

```
[33]: Decimal('2').sqrt()**Decimal('2')  
[33]: Decimal('1.999999999999999999999999999999')
```

The only thing we can have more with Decimals is more digits to represent numbers, which if we want we can increase at will<sup>77</sup> until we fill our pc memory. In this book we won't talk anymore about Decimals because typically they are meant only for specific applications, for example, if you need to perform financial calculations you will probably want very exact digits!

<sup>77</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/decimal.html>

## Continue

Go on with [the challenges](#)<sup>78</sup>

### 5.1.4 Python basics 4 - Challenges

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#### Challenges

We now propose some exercises without solutions.

Try executing them both in Jupyter and a text editor such as Spyder or Visual Studio Code to get familiar with both environments.

#### Challenge - which booleans 1?

⊕ Find the row with values such that the final print prints True. Is there only one combination or many?

```
[2]: x = False; y = False
#x = False; y = True
#x = True; y = False
#x = True; y = True

print(x and y)
```

#### Challenge - which booleans 2?

⊕ Find the row in which by assigning values to x and y it prints True. Is there only one combinatin or many?

```
[3]: x = False; y = False; z = False
#x = False; y = True; z = False
#x = True; y = False; z = False
#x = True; y = True; z = False
#x = False; y = False; z = True
#x = False; y = True; z = True
#x = True; y = False; z = True
#x = True; y = True; z = True

print((x or y) and (not x and z))
```

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<sup>78</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics4-chal.html>

<sup>79</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/basics>

## Challenge - airport

⊕⊕ You finally decide to take a vacation and go to the airport, expecting to spend some time in several queues. Luckily, you only have carry-on bag, so you directly go to security checks, where you can choose among three rows of people sec1, sec2, sec3. Each person an average takes 4 *minutes* to be examined, you included, and obviously you choose the shortest queue. Afterwards you go to the gate, where you find two queues of ga1 and ga2 people, and you know that each person you included an average takes 20 *seconds* to pass: again you choose the shortest queue. Luckily the aircraft is next to the gate so you can directly choose whether to board at the queue at the head of the aircraft with bo1 people or at the queue at the tail of the plane with bo2 people. Each passenger you included takes an average 30 *seconds*, and you choose the shortest queue.

Write some code to calculate how much time you take in total to enter the plane, showing it in minutes and seconds.

Example - given:

```
sec1,sec2,sec3, ga1,ga2, bo1,bo2 = 4,5,8, 5,2, 7,6
```

your code must print:

```
24 minutes and 30 seconds
```

[4] :

```
sec1,sec2,sec3, ga1,ga2, bo1,bo2 = 4,5,8, 5,2, 7,6    # 24 minutes and 30 seconds
#sec1,sec2,sec3, ga1,ga2, bo1,bo2 = 9,7,1, 3,5, 2,9    # 10 minutes and 50 seconds

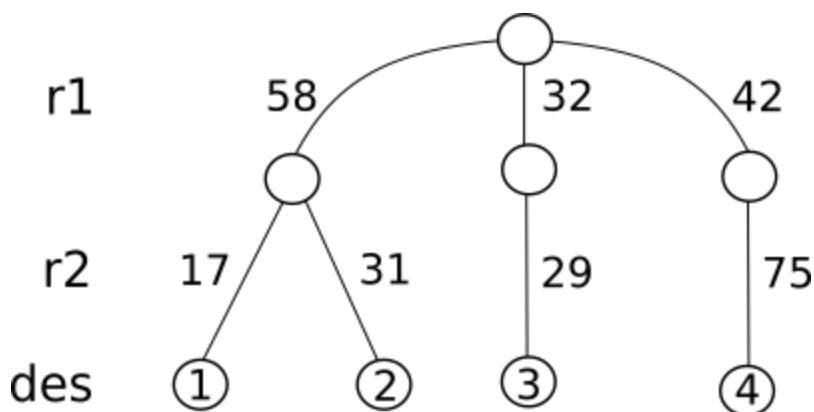
# write here
```

## Challenge - Holiday trip

⊕⊕ While an holiday you are traveling by car, and in a particular day you want to visit one among 4 destinations. Each location requires to go through two roads r1 and r2. Roads are numbered with two digits numbers, for example to reach destination 1 you need to go to road 58 and road 17.

Write some code that given r1 and r2 roads shows the number of the destination.

- If the car goes to a road it shouldn't (i.e. road 666), put False in destination
- **DO NOT** use summations
- **IMPORTANT: DO NOT use if commands** (it's possible, think about it ;-)



Example 1 - given:

```
r1,r2 = 58,31
```

After your code it must print:

```
The destination is 2
```

Example 2 - given:

```
r1,r2 = 666,31
```

After your code it must print:

```
The destination is False
```

[5]:

```
r1,r2 = 58,17    # 1
r1,r2 = 58,31    # 2
r1,r2 = 32,29    # 3
r1,r2 = 42,75    # 4
r1,r2 = 666,31   # False
r1,r2 = 58,666   # False
r1,r2 = 32,999   # False

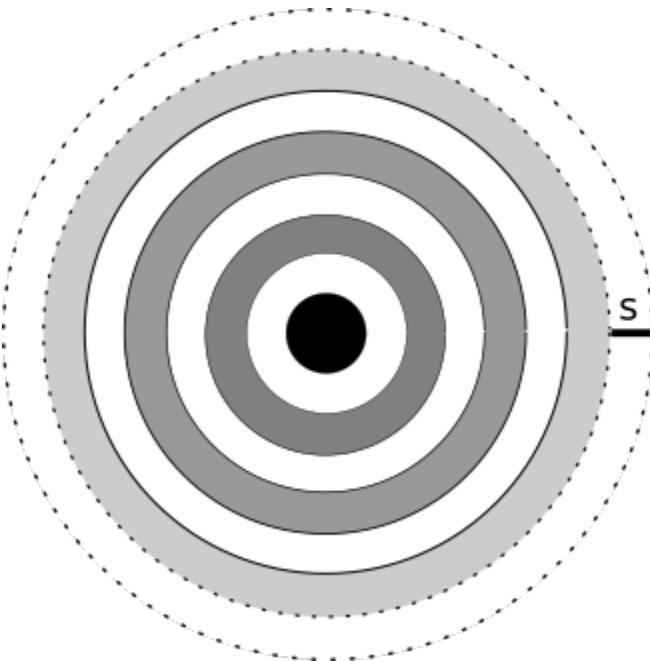
# write here
```

### The Tunnel of Time

Recently a spatio-temporal tunnel has been discovered which allows time travelling. To repair the tragic errors it committed in the past, humanity is struggling to send probes through the tunnel. Alas, in the tunnel there are very strong magnetic-gravitational fields which might have sucked the probe into the folds of time (represented in shades of grey).

Write some code which given the `px`, `py` position of the probe, prints `True` if the probe went into a grey zone, and `False` if it went into a white zone.

- Origin 0,0 is at the center
- Each circle edge has  $s=5$  distance from its inner circle
- edges are supposed to be infinitesimal and we assume the probe will never go exactly there - in such cases, your program behaviour is allowed to be undefined
- **DO NOT** use `if` instruction, nor cycles
- **NOTE** the time tunnel is potentially infinite, so your code must also work for very big values of `px`, `py`



[6]:

```
s=5

px,py = 0,0      # True
#px,py = 2,0      # True
#px,py = 0,7      # False
#px,py = 3,3      # True
#px,py = 4,4      # False
#px,py = 6,7      # False
#px,py = 7,8      # True
#px,py = 15,9     # False
#px,py = 230,120   # False
#px,py = 1230,536  # True

# write here
```

## 5.2 Strings

### 5.2.1 Strings 1 - introduction

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Strings are *immutable* character sequences, and one of the basic Python types. In this notebook we will see how to manipulate them.

<sup>80</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/strings>

### What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
strings
  strings1.ipynb
  strings1-sol.ipynb
  strings2.ipynb
  strings2-sol.ipynb
  strings3.ipynb
  strings3-sol.ipynb
  strings4.ipynb
  strings4-sol.ipynb
  strings5-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `strings1.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### Creating strings

There are several ways to define a string.

#### Double quotes, in one line

```
[2]: a = "my first string, in double quotes"
```

```
[3]: print(a)
my first string, in double quotes
```

#### Single quotes, in one line

This way is equivalent to previous one.

```
[4]: b = 'my second string, in single quotes'
```

```
[5]: print(b)
my second string, in single quotes
```

#### Between double quotes, on many lines

```
[6]: c = """my third string
in triple double quotes
so I can put it

on many rows"""
```

```
[7]: print(c)

my third string
in triple double quotes
so I can put it

on many rows
```

### Three single quotes, many lines

```
[8]: d = '''my fourth string,
in triple single quotes
also can be put

on many lines
'''
```

```
[9]: print(d)

my fourth string,
in triple single quotes
also can be put

on many lines
```

### Printing - the cells

To print a string we can use the function `print`:

```
[10]: print('hello')

hello
```

Note that apices are *not* reported in printed output.

If we write the string without the `print`, we will see the apices indeed:

```
[11]: 'hello'
[11]: 'hello'
```

What happens if we write the string with double quotes?

```
[12]: "hello"
[12]: 'hello'
```

Notice that by default Jupyter shows single apices.

The same applies if we assign a string to a variable:

```
[13]: x = 'hello'
```

```
[14]: print(x)  
hello
```

```
[15]: x
```

```
[15]: 'hello'
```

```
[16]: y = "hello"
```

```
[17]: print(y)  
hello
```

```
[18]: y
```

```
[18]: 'hello'
```

### The empty string

The string of zero length is represented with two double quotes "" or two single apices ''

Note that even if we write two double quotes, Jupyter shows a string beginning and ending with single apices:

```
[19]: ""
```

```
[19]: ''
```

The same applies if we associate an empty string to a variable:

```
[20]: x = ""
```

```
[21]: x
```

```
[21]: ''
```

Note that even if we ask Jupyter to use `print`, we won't see anything:

```
[22]: print("")
```

```
[23]: print('')
```

## Printing many strings

For printing many strings on a single line there are different ways, let's start from the most simple with `print`:

```
[24]: x = "hello"
y = "Python"

print(x,y)    # note that in the printed characters Python inserted a space:
hello Python
```

We can add to `print` as many parameters we want, which can also be mixed with other types like numbers:

```
[25]: x = "hello"
y = "Python"
z = 3

print(x,y,z)
hello Python 3
```

## Length of a string

To obtain the length of a string (or any sequence in general), we can use the function `len`:

```
[26]: len("ciao")
```

```
[26]: 4
```

```
[27]: len("")    # empty string
```

```
[27]: 0
```

```
[28]: len('')    # empty string
```

```
[28]: 0
```

**QUESTION:** Can we write something like this?

```
"len"("hello")
```

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**ANSWER:** no, "`len`" between quotes will be interpreted as a string, not as a function, so Python will complain telling us we cannot apply a string to another string. Try to see which error appears by rewriting the expression below:

```
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```

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```
[29]: # write here
```

```
#"len"("hello")
```

```
</div>
```

```
[29]: # write here
```

**QUESTION:** can we write something like this? What does it produce? an error? a number? which one?

```
len("len('hello')")
```

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**ANSWER:** it returns the number 12: by putting the Python code `len('hello')` among double quotes, it became a string like any other. So by writing `len("len('hello')")` we count how long the string `"len('hello')"` is.

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**QUESTION:** What do we obtain if we write like this?

```
len((((("ciao")))))
```

1. an error
2. the length of the string
3. something else

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**ANSWER:** The second: "ciao" is an expression, as such we can enclose it in as many parenthesis as we want.

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**Counting escape sequences:** Note that some particular sequences called *escape sequences* like for example `\t` occupy less space of what it seems (with `len` they count as 1), but if we print them they will occupy even more than 2 !!

Let's see an example (in the next paragraph we will delve into the details):

```
[30]: len('a\tb')
```

```
[30]: 3
```

```
[31]: print('a\tb')
```

```
a      b
```

### Printing - escape sequences

Some characters sequences called *escape sequences* are special because instead of showing characters, they force the printing to do particular things like line feed or inserting extra spaces. These sequences are always preceded by the *backslash* character \:

Description	Escape sequence
Linefeed	\n
Tabulation ( <i>ASCII tab</i> )	\t

## Esempio - line feed

```
[32]: print("hello\nworld")
```

```
hello
world
```

Note the line feed happens only when we use `print`, if instead we directly put the string into the cell we will see it verbatim:

```
[33]: "ciao\nmondo"
```

```
[33]: 'ciao\nmondo'
```

In a string you can put as many escape sequences as you like:

```
[34]: print("Today is\na great day\nisn't it?")
```

```
Today is
a great day
isn't it?
```

## Example - tabulation

```
[35]: print("hello\tworld")
```

```
hello    world
```

```
[36]: print("hello\tworld\twith\tmany\ttabs")
```

```
hello    world    with    many    tabs
```

**EXERCISE:** Since *escape sequences* are special, we might ask ourselves how long they are. Use the function `len` to print the string length. Do you notice anything strange?

- 'ab\ncd'
- 'ab\tcd'

```
[37]: # write the code here
```

**EXERCISE:** Try selecting the character sequence printed in the previous cell with the mouse. What do you obtain? A space sequence, or a single tabulation character? Note this can vary according to the program that actually printed the string.

**EXERCISE:** find a SINGLE string which printed with `print` is shown as follows:

```
This    is
an

apparently    simple        challenge
```

- **USE ONLY** combinations of `\t` and `\n`
- **DON'T** use spaces
- start and end the string with a single apex

```
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```

```
[38]: # write here  
  
print('This\tis\nan\nnapparently\tsimple\t\tchallenge')  
  
This is  
an  
  
apparently simple challenge  
  
</div>
```

```
[38]: # write here  
  
  
This is  
an  
  
apparently simple challenge
```

**EXERCISE:** try to find a string which printed with print is shown as follows:

```
At te  
n  
  
t ion  
please!
```

- **USE ONLY** combinations of \t and \n
- **DON'T** use any space
- **DON'T** use triple quotes

```
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```

```
[39]: # write here  
print("At\tte\nn\n\tt\tion\nplease!")  
  
At te  
n  
  
t ion  
please!  
  
</div>
```

```
[39]: # write here  
  
  
At te  
n  
  
t ion  
please!
```

**Special characters:** if we want special characters like the single apex ' or double quotes " inside a string, we must create a so-called *escape sequence*, that is, we must first write the *backslash* character \ and then follow it with the special character we're interested in:

Description	Escape sequence	Printed result
Single apex	\ '	'
Double quote	\ "	"
Backslash	\ \	\

### Example

Let's print a string containing a single apex ' and a double quote ":

```
[40]: my_string = "This way I put \'apices\' e \"double quotes\" in strings"
[41]: print(my_string)
This way I put 'apices' e "double quotes" in strings
```

If a string begins with double quotes, inside we can freely use single apices, even without *backslash* \:

```
[42]: print("There's no problem")
There's no problem
```

If the string begins with single apices, we can freely use double quotes even without the *backslash* \:

```
[43]: print('It Is So "If You Think So"')
It Is So "If You Think So"
```

**EXERCISE:** Find a string to print with `print` which shows the following sequence:

- the string MUST start and finish with single apices '

This "genius" of strings wants to /\ \ trick me \ //\ with atrocious exercises O\_o'

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```
[44]: # write here
print('This "genius" of strings wants to /\ \ trick me \ //\ with atrocious_
→exercises O_o\'')
This "genius" of strings wants to /\ \ trick me \ //\ with atrocious exercises O_o'
```

</div>

```
[44]: # write here
This "genius" of strings wants to /\ \ trick me \ //\ with atrocious exercises O_o'
```

### Encodings

#### ASCII characters

When using strings in your daily programs you typically don't need to care much how characters are physically represented as bits in memory, but sometimes it does matter. The representation is called *encoding* and must be taken into account in particular when you read stuff from external sources such as files and websites.

The most famous and used character encoding is [ASCII<sup>81</sup>](#) (American Standard Code for Information Interchange), which offers 127 slots made by basic printable characters from English alphabet (a-z, A-Z, punctuation like . ; , ! and characters like (, @ ...) and control sequences (like \t, \n)

- See [Printable characters<sup>82</sup>](#) (Wikipedia)
- [ASCII Control codes<sup>83</sup>](#) (Wikipedia)

Since original ASCII table lacks support for non-English languages (for example, it lacks Italian accented letters like è, à, ...), many extensions were made to support other languages, for examples see [Extended ASCII<sup>84</sup>](#) page on Wikipedia.

#### Unicode characters

Whenever we need particular characters like ☀ which are not available on the keyboard, we can look at Unicode characters. There are a lot<sup>85</sup>, and we can often use them in Python 3 by simple copy-pasting. For example, if you go to [this page<sup>86</sup>](#) you can copy-paste the character ☀. In other cases it might be so special it can't even be correctly visualized, so in these cases you can use a more complex sequence in the format \uxxxx like this:

Description	Escape sequence	Printed result
Example star in a circle in format \uxxxx	\u272A	☀

**EXERCISE:** Search Google for *Unicode heart* and try printing a heart in Python, both by directly copy-pasting the character and by using the notation \uxxxx

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[45]: # write here

```
print("I ❤ Python, with copy-paste")
print("I \u2665 Python, also in format \\uxxxx")
```

```
I ❤ Python, with copy-paste
I ❤ Python, also in format \uxxxx
```

</div>

[45]: # write here

<sup>81</sup> <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ASCII>

<sup>82</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ASCII#Printable\\_characters](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ASCII#Printable_characters)

<sup>83</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/C0\\_and\\_C1\\_control\\_codes#Basic\\_ASCII\\_control\\_codes](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/C0_and_C1_control_codes#Basic_ASCII_control_codes)

<sup>84</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extended\\_ASCII](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extended_ASCII)

<sup>85</sup> <http://www.fileformat.info/info/unicode/char/a.htm>

<sup>86</sup> <https://www.fileformat.info/info/unicode/char/272a/index.htm>

```
I ♥ Python, with copy-paste
I ♥ Python, also in format \uxxxx
```

**Unicode references:** Unicode can be a complex topic we just mentioned, if you ever need to deal with complex character sets like Japanese or heterogenous text encodings here a couple of references you should read:

- first part on Unicode encoding from Strings chapter from book Dive into Python 3<sup>87</sup>
- Python 3 Unicode<sup>88</sup> documentation

## Strings are immutable

Strings are *immutable* objects, so once they are created you cannot change them anymore. This might appear restrictive, but it's not so tragic, because we still have available these alternatives:

- generate a new string composed from other strings
- if we have a variable to which we assigned a string, we can assign another string to that variable

Let's generate a new string starting from previous ones, for example by joining two of them with the operator +

```
[46]: x = 'hello'
```

```
[47]: y = x + 'world'
```

```
[48]: x
```

```
[48]: 'hello'
```

```
[49]: y
```

```
[49]: 'helloworld'
```

The + operation, when executed among strings, it joins them by creating a NEW string. This means that the association to x it didn't change at all, the only modification we can observe will be the variable y which is now associated to the string 'helloworld'. Try making sure of this in Python Tutor by repeatedly clicking on *Next* button:

```
[50]: # WARNING: before using the function jupman.pytut() which follows,
# it is necessary to first execute this cell with Shift+Enter

# it's sufficient to execute it only once, you find it also in all other notebooks in_
# the first cell

import jupman
```

```
[51]: x = 'hello'
y = x + 'world'

print(x)
print(y)

jupman.pytut()
```

---

<sup>87</sup> <https://diveintopython3.net/strings.html>  
<sup>88</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/howto/unicode.html>

```
[51]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### Reassign variables

Other variations to memory state can be obtained by reassigning the variables, for example:

```
[52]: x = 'hello'
```

```
[53]: y = 'world'
```

```
[54]: x = y      # we assign to x the same string contained in y
```

```
[55]: x
```

```
[55]: 'world'
```

```
[56]: y
```

```
[56]: 'world'
```

If a string is created and at some point no variables point to it, Python automatically takes care to eliminate it from the memory. In the case above, the string `hello` is never actually changed: at some point no variable is associated with it anymore and so Python eliminates the string from the memory. Have a look at what happens in Python Tutor:

```
[57]: x = 'hello'
```

```
y = 'world'
```

```
x = y
```

```
jupman.pytut()
```

```
[57]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### Reassign a variable to itself

We may ask ourselves what happens when we write something like this:

```
[58]: x = 'hello'
```

```
x = x
```

```
[59]: print(x)
```

```
hello
```

No big changes, the assignment of `x` remained the same without alterations.

But what happens if to the right of the `=` we put a more complex formula?

```
[60]: x = 'hello'
```

```
x = x + 'world'
```

```
print(x)
```

```
helloworld
```

Let's try to carefully understand what happened.

In the first line, Python generated the string 'hello' and assigned it to the variable x. So far, nothing extraordinary.

Then, in the second line, Python did two things:

1. it calculated the result of the expression x + 'world', by generating a NEW string helloworld
2. it assigned the generated string helloworld to the variable x

It is fundamental to understand that whenever a reassignment is performed both passages occurs, so it's worth repeating them:

- FIRST the result of the expression to the right of = is calculated (so when the old value of x is still available)
- THEN the result is associated to the variable to the left of = symbol

If we check out what happens in Python Tutor, this double passage is executed in a single shot:

```
[61]: x = 'hello'
x = x + 'world'

jupman.pytut()

[61]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**EXERCISE:** Write some code that changes memory state in such a way so that in the end the following is printed:

```
z = This
w = was
x = a problem
y = was
s = This was a problem
```

- to write the code, USE ONLY the symbols =,+,,z,w,x,y,s AND NOTHING ELSE
- feel free to use as many lines of code as you deem necessary
- feel free to use any symbol as many times you deem necessary

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```
[62]: # these variables are given

z = "This"
w = 'is'
x = 'a problem'
y = 'was'
s = ' '

# write here the code

w = y

s = z + s + y + s + x

</div>
```

```
[62]: # these variables are given

z = "This"
w = 'is'
x = 'a problem'
y = 'was'
s = ' '

# write here the code
```

```
[63]: print("z = ", z)
print("w = ", w)
print("x = ", x)
print("y = ", y)
print("s = ", s)
```

### Strings and numbers

Python strings have the type `str`:

```
[64]: type("hello world")
[64]: str
```

In strings we can insert characters which represent digits:

```
[65]: print("The character 5 represents the digit five, the character 3 represents the
       ↪digit three")
[65]: The character 5 represents the digit five, the character 3 represents the digit three
```

Obviously, we can also substitute a sequence of digits, to obtain something which looks like a number:

```
[66]: print("The sequence of characters 7583 represents the number seven thousand five
       ↪hundred eighty-three")
[66]: The sequence of characters 7583 represents the number seven thousand five hundred
       ↪eighty-three
```

Having said that, we can ask ourselves how Python behaves when we have a *string* which contains *only* a sequence of characters which represents a number, like for example '`254`'

Can we use `254` (which we wrote like it were a string) also as if it were a number? For example, can we sum `3` to it?

```
'254' + 3
-----
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-29-d39aa62a7e3d> in <module>
----> 1 "254" + 3

TypeError: can only concatenate str (not "int") to str
```

As you see, Python immediately complains, because we are trying to mix different types.

**SO:**

- by writing '254' between apices we create a *string* of type `str`
- by writing 254 we create a *number* of type `int`

```
[67]: type('254')
```

```
[67]: str
```

```
[68]: type(254)
```

```
[68]: int
```

### BEWARE OF `print` !!

If you try to print a string which only contains digits, Python will show it without apices, and this might mislead you about its true nature !!

```
[69]: print('254')
```

```
254
```

```
[70]: print(254)
```

```
254
```

*Only in Jupyter*, to show constants, variables or results of calculations, as `print` alternative you can directly insert a formula in the cell. In this case we are simply showing a constant, and whenever it is a string you will see apices:

```
[71]: '254'
```

```
[71]: '254'
```

```
[72]: 254
```

```
[72]: 254
```

The same reasoning applies also to variables:

```
[73]: x = '254'
```

```
[74]: x
```

```
[74]: '254'
```

```
[75]: y = 254
```

```
[76]: y
```

```
[76]: 254
```

So, *only in Jupyter*, when you need to show a constant, a variable or a calculation often it's more convenient to directly write it in the cell without using `print`.

### Conversions - from string to number

Let's go back to the problem of summing '254' + 3. The first one is a string, the second a number. If they were both numbers the sum would surely work:

```
[77]: 254 + 3
```

```
[77]: 257
```

So we can try to convert the string '254' into an authentic integer. To do it, we can use `int` as if it were a function, and pass as argument the string to be converted:

```
[78]: int('254') + 3
```

```
[78]: 257
```

#### WARNING: strings and numbers are immutable !!

This means that by writing `int('254')` a *new* number is generated without minimally affecting the string '254' from where we started from. Let's see an example:

```
[79]: x = '254'      # assign to variable x the string '254'
```

```
[80]: y = int(x)    # assign to variable y the number obtained by converting '254' in int
```

```
[81]: x           # variable x is now assigned to string '254'
```

```
[81]: '254'
```

```
[82]: y           # in y now there is a number instead (note we don't have apices here)
```

```
[82]: 254
```

It might be useful to see again the example in Python Tutor:

```
[83]: x = "254"
```

```
y = int(x)
```

```
print(y + 3)
```

```
jupman.pytut()
```

```
257
```

```
[83]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**EXERCISE:** Try to convert a string which represents an ill-formed number (for example a number with inside a character: '43K12') into an `int`. What happens?

```
[84]: # write here
```

## Conversions - from number to string

Any object can be converted to string by using `str` as if it were a function and by passing the object to convert. Let's try then to convert a number into a string.

```
[85]: str(5)
```

```
[85]: '5'
```

note the apices in the result, which show we actually obtained a string.

If by chance we want to obtain a string which is the concatenation of objects of different types we need to be careful:

```
x = 5
s = 'Workdays in a week are ' + x
print(s)

-----
TypeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-154-5951bd3aa528> in <module>
      1 x = 5
----> 2 s = 'Workdays in a week are ' + x
      3 print(s)

TypeError: can only concatenate str (not "int") to str
```

A way to circumvent the problem (even if not the most convenient) is to convert into string each of the objects we're using in the concatenation:

```
[86]: x = 3
y = 1.6
s = "This week I've been jogging " + str(x) + " times running at an average speed of
     " + str(y) + " km/h"
print(s)
```

```
This week I've been jogging 3 times running at an average speed of 1.6 km/h
```

**QUESTION:** Having said that, after executing the code in previous cell, variable `x` is going to be associated to a *number* or a *string* ?

If you have doubts, use Python Tutor.

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**ANSWER:** numbers, like strings, are immutable. So by calling the function `str(x)` it is impossible for the number 5 associated to `x` to be changed in any way. `str(x)` will simply generate a NEW string '`5`' which will then be used in the concatenation.

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### Formatting strings

Concatenating strings with plus sign like above is cumbersome and error prone. There are several better solutions, for a thorough review we refer to [Real Python<sup>89</sup>](#) website. In particular, check out the most handy which is [f-strings<sup>90</sup>](#) and available for Python  $\geq 3.6$

### Formatting with %

Here we now see how to format strings with the % operator. This solution is not the best one, but it's widely used and supported in all Python versions, so we adopted it throughout the book:

```
[87]: x = 3  
"I jumped %s times" % x  
[87]: 'I jumped 3 times'
```

Notice we put a so-called *place-holder* %s inside the string, which tells Python to replace it with a variable. To feed Python the variable, *after* the string we have to put a % symbol followed by the variable, in this case x.

If we want to place more than one variable, we just add more %s place-holders and after the external % we place the required variables in round parenthesis, separating them with commas:

```
[88]: x = 3  
y = 5  
"I jumped %s times and did %s sprints" % (x,y)  
[88]: 'I jumped 3 times and did 5 sprints'
```

We can put as many variables as we want, also non-numerical ones:

```
[89]: x = 3  
y = 5  
prize = 'Best Athlet in Town'  
"I jumped %s times, did %s sprints and won the prize '%s'" % (x,y,prize)  
[89]: "I jumped 3 times, did 5 sprints and won the prize 'Best Athlet in Town'"
```

### Exercise - supercars

You've got some money, so you decide to buy two models of supercars. Since you already know accidents are on the way, for each model you will buy as many cars as there are characters in each model name.

Write some code which stores in the string s the number of cars you will buy.

- USE %s placeholders

Example - given:

```
car1 = 'Jaguar'  
car2 = 'Ferrari'
```

After your code, it should show:

---

<sup>89</sup> <https://realpython.com/python-formatted-output/>

<sup>90</sup> <https://realpython.com/python-formatted-output/#the-python-formatted-string-literal-f-string>

```
>>> s
'I will buy 6 Jaguar and 7 Ferrari supercars'
```

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```
[90]: car1, car2 = 'Jaguar', 'Ferrari'      # I will buy 6 Jaguar and 7 Ferrari supercars
#car1, car2 = 'Porsche', 'Lamborghini'    # I will buy 7 Porsche and 11 Lamborghini
↪supercars

# write here

s = 'I will buy %s %s and %s %s supercars' % (len(car1), car1, len(car2), car2)
print(s)

I will buy 6 Jaguar and 7 Ferrari supercars
```

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```
[90]: car1, car2 = 'Jaguar', 'Ferrari'      # I will buy 6 Jaguar and 7 Ferrari supercars
#car1, car2 = 'Porsche', 'Lamborghini'    # I will buy 7 Porsche and 11 Lamborghini
↪supercars

# write here

I will buy 6 Jaguar and 7 Ferrari supercars
```

## Continue

Go on reading notebook Strings 2 - operators<sup>91</sup>

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## 5.2.2 Strings 2 - operators

[Download exercises zip](#)

[Browse files online](#)<sup>92</sup>

Python offers several operators to work with strings:

<sup>91</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings2-sol.html>

<sup>92</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/strings>

Operator	Use	Result	Meaning
len	len(str)	int	Returns the length of the string
concatenation	str + str	str	Concatenate two strings
<i>inclusion</i> _	str in str	bool	Checks whether a string is contained inside another one
<i>indexing</i>	str [int]	str	Reads the character at the specified index
<i>slice</i>	str [int : int ]	str	Extracts a sub-string
<i>equality</i>	==, !=	bool	Checks whether strings are equal or different
<i>comparisons</i>	<, <=, >, >=	bool	Performs lexicographic comparison
ord	ord(str)	int	Returns the order of a character
chr	chr(int)	str	Given an order, returns the corresponding character
<i>replication</i>	str * int	str	Replicate the string

## What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
strings
  strings1.ipynb
  strings1-sol.ipynb
  strings2.ipynb
  strings2-sol.ipynb
  strings3.ipynb
  strings3-sol.ipynb
  strings4.ipynb
  strings4-sol.ipynb
  strings5-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

- open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook strings2.ipynb
- Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **EXERCISE** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

## Reading characters

A string is a sequence of characters, and often we might want to access a single character by specifying the position of the character we are interested in.

It's important to remember that the position of characters in strings start from 0. For reading a character in a certain position, we need to write the string followed by square parenthesis and specify the position inside. Examples:

```
[2]: 'park'[0]
```

```
[2]: 'p'
```

```
[3]: 'park'[1]
```

```
[3]: 'a'
```

```
[4]: #0123  
'park'[2]
```

```
[4]: 'r'
```

```
[5]: #0123  
'park'[3]
```

```
[5]: 'k'
```

If we try to go beyond the last character, we will get an error:

```
#0123  
'park'[4]  
-----  
IndexError Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-106-b8f1f689f0c7> in <module>  
      1 #0123  
----> 2 'park'[4]  
  
IndexError: string index out of range
```

Before we used a string by specifying it as a literal, but we can also use variables:

```
[6]: #01234  
x = 'cloud'
```

```
[7]: x[0]
```

```
[7]: 'c'
```

```
[8]: x[2]
```

```
[8]: 'o'
```

How is represented the character we've just read? If you noticed, it is between quotes like if it were a string. Let's check:

```
[9]: type(x[0])
```

```
[9]: str
```

It's really a string. To somebody this might come as a surprise, also from a philosophical standpoint: Python strings are made of... strings! Other programming languages may use a specific type for the single character, but Python uses strings to be able to better manage complex alphabets as, for example, japanese.

**QUESTION:** Let's suppose `x` is *any* string. If we try to execute this code:

```
x[0]
```

we will get:

1. always a character
2. always an error
3. sometimes a character, sometimes an error according to the string

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**ANSWER:** 3: we might obtain an error with the empty string (try it)

```
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```

**QUESTION:** Let's suppose `x` is an empty string. If we try to execute this code:

```
x[len(x)]
```

we will get:

1. always a character
2. always an error
3. sometimes a character, sometimes an error according to the string at hand

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**ANSWER:** 2: since indexing starts from 0, `len` always gives us a number which is the biggest usable index plus one.

```
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```

### Exercise - alternate

Given two strings both of length 3, print a string which alternates characters from both strings. Your code must work with any string of this length

Example - given:

```
x="say"  
y="hi!"
```

it should print:

```
shaiy!
```

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```
[10]: # write here  
  
x="say"  
y="hi!"  
print(x[0] + y[0] + x[1] + y[1] + x[2] + y[2])
```

```
shaiy!
</div>
[10]: # write here
```

```
shaiy!
```

## Negative indexes

In Python we can also use negative indexes, which instead to start from *the beginning* they start *from the end*:

```
[11]: #4321
"park" [-1]
```

```
[11]: 'k'
```

```
[12]: #4321
"park" [-2]
```

```
[12]: 'r'
```

```
[13]: #4321
"park" [-3]
```

```
[13]: 'a'
```

```
[14]: #4321
"park" [-4]
```

```
[14]: 'p'
```

If we go one step beyond, we get an error:

```
#4321
"park" [-5]

-----
IndexError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-126-668d8a13a324> in <module>
----> 1 "park"[-5]

IndexError: string index out of range
```

**QUESTION:** Suppose `x` is a NON-empty string. What do we get with the following expression?

```
x[-len(x)]
```

1. always a character
2. always an error
3. sometimes a character, sometime an error according to the string

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**ANSWER:** 1. (we supposed the string is never empty)

```
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```

**QUESTION:** Suppose `x` is a some string (possibly empty), the expressions

```
x[len(x) - 1]
```

and

```
x[-len(x)]
```

are equivalent ? What do they do ?

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```

**ANSWER:** the expressions are equivalent: if the string is empty both produce an error, if it is full both give the last character

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```

**QUESTION:** If `x` is a non-empty string, what does the following expression produce? Can we simplify it to a shorter one?

```
(x + x)[len(x)]
```

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```

**ANSWER:** it's the same as `x[0]`

```
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```

**QUESTION:** If `x` is a non-empty string, what does the following expression produce? An error? Something else? Can we simplify it?

```
'park'[0][0]
```

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```

**ANSWER:** We know that `'park'[0]` produces a character, but we also know that in Python characters extracted from strings are also strings of length 1. So, if after the expression `"park"[0]` which produces the string `'p'` we add another `[0]` it's like we were writing `'p'[0]`, which returns the zeroth character found in the string in the string `'p'`, that is `'p'` itself.

```
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```

**QUESTION:** If `x` is a non-empty string, what does the following expression produce? An error? Something else? Can we simplify it?

```
(x[0])[0]
```

```
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```

**ANSWER:** `x[0]` is an expression which produces the first character of the string `x`. In Python, we can place expressions among parenthesis whenever we want. So in this case the parenthesis don't produce any effect, and the expression becomes equivalent to `x[0][0]` which as we've seen before it's the same as writing `x[0]`

```
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```

## Substitute characters

We said strings in Python are immutable. Suppose we have a string like this:

```
[15]: #01234
x = 'port'
```

and, for example, we want to change the character at position 2 (in this case, the `x`) into an `s`. What do we do?

We might be tempted to write like the following, but Python would punish us with an error:

```
x[2] = 's'

-----
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-113-e5847c6fa4bf> in <module>
----> 1 x[2] = 's'

TypeError: 'str' object does not support item assignment
```

The correct solution is assigning a completely new string to `x`, obtained by taking pieces from the previous one:

```
[16]: x = x[0] + x[1] + 's' + x[3]
```

```
[17]: x
```

```
[17]: 'post'
```

If seeing `x` to the right of equal sign baffles you, we can decompose the code like this and it will work the same way:

```
[18]: x = "port"
y = x
x = y[0] + y[1] + 's' + y[3]
```

Try it in Python Tutor:

```
[19]: x = "port"
y = x
x = y[0] + y[1] + 's' + y[3]

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[19]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

## Slices

We might want to read only a subsequence which starts from a position and ends up in another one. For example, suppose we have:

```
[20]: #0123456789
x = 'mercantile'
```

and we want to extract the string '`canti`', which starts at index 3 **included**. We might extract the single characters and concatenate them with + sign, but we would write a lot of code. A better option is to use the so-called **slices**<sup>93</sup>: simply write the string followed by square parenthesis containing only start index (**included**), a colon, and finally end index (**excluded**):

<sup>93</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2009.html#sec95>

```
[21]: #0123456789
x = 'mercantile'

x[3:8]    # note the : inside start and end indexes
[21]: 'canti'
```

**WARNING: Extracting with slices DOES NOT modify the original string !!**

Let's see an example:

```
[22]: #0123456789
x = 'mercantile'

print('           x is', x)
print('The slice x[3:8] is', x[3:8])
print('           x is', x)      # note x continues to point to old string!
                               x is mercantile
The slice x[3:8] is canti
                               x is mercantile
```

**QUESTION:** if `x` is any string of length at least 5, what does this code produce? An error? It works? Can we shorten it?

```
x[3:4]
```

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**ANSWER:** If the string has length at least 5, we might have a situation like this:

```
#01234
x = 'abcde'
```

The slice `x[3:4]` will extract from position 3 **included** until position 4 **excluded**, so as a matter of fact it will extract only one character from position 3. So the code is equivalent to `x[3]`

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### Exercise - garalampog

Write some code to extract and print `alam` from the string "garalampog". Try guessing the correct indexes.

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```
[23]: x = "garalampog"

# write here

#      0123456789
print(x[3:7])

alam
```

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```
[23]: x = "garalampog"
# write here
```

alam

### Exercise - ifEweEfav lkSD lkWe

Write some code to extract and print kD from the string "ifE\te\nfav lkD lkWe". Be careful of spaces and special characters (before you might want to print x). Try guessing correct indexes.

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```
[24]: x = "ifE\te\nfav lkD lkWe"
# write here
#      0123 45 67890123456789
#x = "ifE\te\nfav lkD lkWe"

print(x[12:14])
```

kD

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```
[24]: x = "ifE\te\nfav lkD lkWe"
# write here
```

kD

### Slices - limits

Whenever we use slice we must be careful with index limits. Let's see how they behave:

```
[25]: #012345
"chair"[0:3] # from index 0 *included* to 3 *excluded*
[25]: 'cha'
```

```
[26]: #012345
"chair"[0:4] # from index 0 *included* to 4 *excluded*
[26]: 'chai'
```

```
[27]: #012345
"chair"[0:5] # from index 0 *included* to 5 *excluded*
```

```
[27]: 'chair'
```

```
[28]: #012345  
"sedia"[0:6] # if we go beyond string length Python doesn't complain
```

```
[28]: 'sedia'
```

**QUESTION:** if  $x$  is any string (also empty), what does this expression do? Can it give an error? Does it return something useful?

```
x[0:len(x)]
```

```
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```

**ANSWER:** It always returns a NEW copy of the whole string, because it starts from index 0 *included* and ends at index  $\text{len}(x)$  *excluded*.

It also works with the empty string, as `' '[0:len(' ')]` is equivalent to `' '[0:0]` that is a substring from 0 *included* to 0 *excluded*, so we don't take any character and we do not go beyond string limits. Actually, even if we went beyond, we wouldn't upset Python (try writing `' '[0:100]`)

```
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```

### Slice - Omitting limits

If we want, it's possible to omit the starting index, in this case Python will suppose it's a 0:

```
[29]: #0123456789  
"catamaran"[:3]
```

```
[29]: 'cat'
```

It's also possible to omit the ending index, in that case Python will extract until the end of the string:

```
[30]: #0123456789  
"catamaran"[3:]
```

```
[30]: 'amaran'
```

By omitting both indexes we obtain the full string:

```
[31]: "catamaran"[:]
```

```
[31]: 'catamaran'
```

### Exercise - ystertymyster

Write some code that given a string  $x$  prints the string composed with all the characters of  $x$  except the first one, followed by all characters of  $x$  except the last one.

- your code must work with any string

Example 1 - given:

```
x = "mystery"
```

must print:

```
ysterymyster
```

Example 2 - given:

```
x = "rope"
```

must print:

```
operop
```

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[32]:

```
x = "mystery"
#x = "rope"

# write here

print(x[1:] + x[0:len(x)-1])
ysterymyster
```

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[32]:

```
x = "mystery"
#x = "rope"

# write here
```

## Slice - negative limits

If we want, it's also possible to set negative limits, although it's not always intuitive:

[33]:

```
#0123456
"vegetal"[3:0] # from index 3 to positive indexes <= 3 doesn't produce anything
```

[33]:

```
''
```

[34]:

```
#0123456
"vegetal"[3:1] # from index 3 to positive indexes <= 3 doesn't produce anything
```

[34]:

```
''
```

[35]:

```
#0123456
"vegetal"[3:2] # from index 3 to positive indexes <= 3 doesn't produce anything
```

[35]:

```
''
```

[36]:

```
#0123456
"vegetal"[3:3] # from index 3 to positive indexes <= 3 doesn't produce anything
```

[36]: ''

Let's see what happens with negative indexes:

[37]: #0123456 positive indexes  
#7654321 negative indexes  
"vegetal"[3:-1]

[37]: 'eta'

[38]: #0123456 positive indexes  
#7654321 negative indexes  
"vegetal"[3:-2]

[38]: 'et'

[39]: #0123456 positive indexes  
#7654321 negative indexes  
"vegetal"[3:-3]

[39]: 'e'

[40]: #0123456 positive indexes  
#7654321 negative indexes  
"vegetal"[3:-4]

[40]: ''

[41]: #0123456 positive indexes  
#7654321 negative indexes  
"vegetal"[3:-5]

[41]: ''

### Exercise - javarnanda

Given a string `x`, write some code to extract and print its last 3 characters joined to the first 3.

- Your code should work for any string of length equal or greater than 3

Example 1 - given:

```
x = "javarnanda"
```

it should print:

```
javnda
```

Example 2 - given:

```
x = "bang"
```

it should print:

```
banang
```

```
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```

```
[42]: x = "javarnanda"
#x = "bang"

# write here

print(x[:3] + x[-3:])
javnda
```

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```
[42]: x = "javarnanda"
#x = "bang"

# write here

javnda
```

## Slice - modifying

Suppose to have the string

```
[43]: #0123456789
s = "the table is placed in the center of the room"
```

and we want to change s assignment so it becomes associated to the string:

```
#0123456789
"the chair is placed in the center of the room"
```

Since both strings are similar, we might be tempted to only redefine the character sequence which corresponds to the word "table", which goes from index 4 included to index 9 excluded:

```
s[4:9] = "chair"    # WARNING! WRONG!

-----
TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-57-0de7363c6882> in <module>
----> 1 s[4:9] = "chair"    # WARNING! WRONG!

TypeError: 'str' object does not support item assignment
```

Sadly, we would receive an error, because as repeated many times strings are IMMUTABLE, so we cannot select a chunk of a particular string and try to change the original string. What we can do instead is to build a NEW string from pieces of the original string, concatenates the desired characters and associates the result to the variable of which we want to modify the assignment:

```
[44]: #0123456789
s = "the table is placed in the center of the room"
s = s[0:4] + "chair" + s[9:]
print(s)

the chair is placed in the center of the room
```

When Python finds the line

```
s = s[0:4] + "chair" + s[9:]
```

FIRST it calculates the result on the right of the =, and THEN associates the result to the variable on the left. In the expression on the right only NEW strings are generated, which once built can be assigned to variable s

### Exercise - the run

Write some code such that when given the string s

```
s = 'The Gold Rush has begun.'
```

and some variables

```
what = 'Atom'  
happened = 'is over'
```

substitutes the substring 'Gold' with the string in the variable what and substitutes the substring 'has begun' with the string in the variable happened.

After executing your code, the string associated to s should be

```
>>> print(s)  
"The Atom Rush is over."
```

- DON'T use constant characters in your code, i.e. dots ' . ' aren't allowed !

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```
[45]: #01234567890123456789012345678  
s = 'The Gold Rush has begun.'  
what = 'Atom'  
happened = 'is over'  
  
# write here  
  
s = s[0:4] + what + s[8:14] + happened + s[23:]  
print(s)
```

The Atom Rush is over.

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```
[45]: #01234567890123456789012345678  
s = 'The Gold Rush has begun.'  
what = 'Atom'  
happened = 'is over'
```

# write here

The Atom Rush is over.

## in operator

To check if a string is contained in another one, we use the the `in` operator.

Note the result of this expression is a boolean:

```
[46]: 'the' in 'Singing in the rain'
```

```
[46]: True
```

```
[47]: 'si' in 'Singing in the rain' # in operator is case-sensitive
```

```
[47]: False
```

```
[48]: 'Si' in 'Singing in the rain'
```

```
[48]: True
```

## Do not abuse in

### WARNING: `in` is often used in a wrong / inefficient way

Always ask yourself:

1. Can the string *not* contain the substring we're looking for? Alwyas remember to handle also this case!
2. `in` performs a search on all the string, which might be inefficient: is it really necessary, or we already know the interval where to search?
3. if we want to know whether `character` is in a position we know a priori (i.e. 3), `in` is not needed, it's enough to write `my_string[3] == character`. By using `in` Python might find duplicated characters which are *before* or *after* the one we want to verify!

## Exercise - contained 1

You are given two strings `x` and `y`, and a third `z`. Write some code which prints `True` if `x` and `y` are both contained in `z`.

Example 1 - given:

```
x = 'cad'
y = 'ra'
z = 'abracadabra'
```

it should print:

```
True
```

Example 2 - given:

```
x = 'zam'
y = 'ra'
z = 'abracadabra'
```

it should print:

```
False
```

```
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```

```
[49]:
```

```
x,y,z = 'cad','ra','abracadabra'    # True
#x,y,z = 'zam','ra','abracadabra'    # False

# write here

print((x in z) and (y in z))
```

```
True
```

```
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```

```
[49]:
```

```
x,y,z = 'cad','ra','abracadabra'    # True
#x,y,z = 'zam','ra','abracadabra'    # False

# write here
```

### Exercise - contained 2

Given three strings `x`, `y`, `z`, write some code which prints `True` if the string `x` is contained in at least one of the strings `y` or `z`, otherwise prints `False`

- your code should work with any set of strings

Example 1 - given:

```
x = "ope"
y = "honesty makes for long friendships"
z = "I hope it's clear enough"
```

it should print:

```
True
```

Example 2 - given:

```
x = "nope"
y = "honesty makes for long friendships"
z = "I hope it's clear enough"
```

it should print:

```
False
```

Example 3 - given:

```
x = "cle"
y = "honesty makes for long friendships"
z = "I hope it's clear enough"
```

it should show:

True

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[50]:

```
x,y,z = "ope","honesty makes for long friendships","I hope it's clear enough" # True
#x,y,z = "nope","honesty makes for long friendships","I hope it's clear enough" #_
#False
#x,y,z = "cle","honesty makes for long friendships","I hope it's clear enough" # True

# write here

print((x in y) or (x in z))
```

True

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[50]:

```
x,y,z = "ope","honesty makes for long friendships","I hope it's clear enough" # True
#x,y,z = "nope","honesty makes for long friendships","I hope it's clear enough" #_
#False
#x,y,z = "cle","honesty makes for long friendships","I hope it's clear enough" # True

# write here
```

## Comparisons

Python offers us the possibility to perform a *lexicographic comparison* among strings, like we would when placing names in an address book. Although sorting names is something intuitive we often do, we must be careful about special cases.

First, let's determine when two strings are equal.

### Equality operators

To check whether two strings are equal, you can use te operator == which as result produces the boolean True or False

**WARNING: == is written with TWO equal signs !!!**

[51]: "dog" == "dog"

[51]: True

[52]: "dog" == "wolf"

[52]: False

Equality operator is case-sensitive:

```
[53]: "dog" == "DOG"  
[53]: False
```

To check whether two strings are NOT equal, we can use the operator !=, which we can expect to behave exactly as the opposite of ==:

```
[54]: "dog" != "dog"  
[54]: False
```

```
[55]: "dog" != "wolf"  
[55]: True
```

```
[56]: "dog" != "DOG"  
[56]: True
```

As an alternative, we might use the operator not:

```
[57]: not "dog" == "dog"  
[57]: False
```

```
[58]: not "wolf" == "dog"  
[58]: True
```

```
[59]: not "dog" == "DOG"  
[59]: True
```

**QUESTION:** what does the following code print?

```
x = "river" == "river"  
print(x)
```

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**ANSWER:** When Python encounters `x = "river" == "river"` it sees an assignment, and associates the result of the expression `"river" == "river"` to the variable `x`. So FIRST it calculates the expression `"river" == "river"` which produces the boolean `True`, and THEN associates the value `True` to the variable `x`. Finally `True` is printed.

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**QUESTION:** for each of the following expressions, try to guess whether it produces True or False

1. `'hat' != 'Hat'`

2. `'hat' == 'HAT'`

3. `'choralism'[2:5] == 'contemporary'[7:10]`

4. `'AlAbAmA'[4:] == 'aLaBaMa'`

5. `'bright'[9:20] == 'dark'[10:15]`
6. `'optical'[-1] == 'crystal'[-1]`
7. `('hat' != 'jacket') == ('trousers' != 'bow')`
8. `('stra' in 'stradivarius') == ('div' in 'digital divide')`
9. `len('note') in '5436'`
10. `str(len('note')) in '5436'`
11. `len('posters') in '5436'`
12. `str(len('posters')) in '5436'`

### Exercise - statist

Write some code which prints True if a word begins with the same two characters it ends with.

- Your code should work for any word

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[60]:

```
word = 'statist'    # True
#word = 'baobab'   # False
#word = 'maxima'   # True
#word = 'karma'     # False

# write here

print(word[:2] == word[-2:len(word)])
True
```

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[60]:

```
word = 'statist'    # True
#word = 'baobab'   # False
#word = 'maxima'   # True
#word = 'karma'     # False

# write here
```

### Comparing characters

Characters have an inherent order we can exploit. Let's see an example:

```
[61]: 'a' < 'g'
```

```
[61]: True
```

another one:

```
[62]: 'm' > 'c'
```

```
[62]: True
```

They sound reasonable comparisons! But what about this (notice capital 'Z')?

```
[63]: 'a' < 'Z'
```

```
[63]: False
```

Maybe this doesn't look so obvious. And what if we get creative and compare with symbols such as square bracket or Unicode<sup>94</sup> hearts ??

```
[64]: 'a' > '♥'
```

```
[64]: False
```

To determine how to deal with this special cases, we must remember ASCII<sup>95</sup> assignes a position number to each character, defining as a matter of fact *an ordering* between all its characters.

If we want to know the corresponding number of a character, we can use the function `ord`:

```
[65]: ord('a')
```

```
[65]: 97
```

```
[66]: ord('b')
```

```
[66]: 98
```

```
[67]: ord('z')
```

```
[67]: 122
```

If we want to go the other way, given a position number we can obtain the corresponding character with `chr` function:

```
[68]: chr(97)
```

```
[68]: 'a'
```

Uppercase characters have different positions:

```
[69]: ord('A')
```

```
[69]: 65
```

```
[70]: ord('Z')
```

<sup>94</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings1-sol.html#Unicode-characters>

<sup>95</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings1-sol.html#ASCII-characters>

[70]: 90

**EXERCISE:** Using the functions above, try to find which characters are *between* capital Z and lowercase a

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[71]:

```
# write here
print(chr(91), chr(92), chr(93), chr(94), chr(95), chr(96))
```

[ \ ] ^ \_ ^

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[71]:

```
# write here
```

The ordering allows us to perform *lexicographic comparisons* between single characters:

[72]: 'a' < 'b'

[72]: True

[73]: 'g' >= 'm'

[73]: False

**EXERCISE:** Write some code that:

1. prints the `ord` values of 'A', 'Z' and a given `char`
2. prints `True` if `char` is uppercase, and `False` otherwise
  - Would your code also work with accented capitalized characters such as 'Á'?
  - **NOTE:** the possible character sets are way too many, so the proper solution would be to use the method `isupper`<sup>96</sup> we will see in the next tutorial.

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[74]:

```
char = 'G'    # True
#char = 'g'  # False

#char = 'Á'  # True ?? Note the accent!
# write here
print('A:', ord('A'), ' Z:', ord('Z'))
print(char + ':', ord(char))
ord(char) >= ord('A') and ord(char) <= ord('Z')  # only checks simple English_
→alphabet cases
```

A: 65 Z: 90  
G: 71

[74]: True

<sup>96</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings3-sol.html#isupper-and-islower-methods>

```
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[74]: char = 'G'    # True
#char = 'g'    # False

#char = 'Á'    # True ?? Note the accent!
# write here
```

Also, since Unicode character set *includes* ASCII, the ordering of ASCII characters can be used to safely compare them against unicode characters, so comparing characters or their `ord` should be always equivalent:

```
[75]: ord('a')    # ascii
```

```
[75]: 97
```

```
[76]: ord('♥')    # unicode
```

```
[76]: 9829
```

```
[77]: 'a' > '♥'
```

```
[77]: False
```

```
[78]: ord('a') > ord('♥')
```

```
[78]: False
```

Python also offers lexicographic comparisons on strings with more than one character. To understand what the expected result should be, we must distinguish among several cases, though:

- strings of equal / different length
- strings with same / mixed case

Let's begin with same length strings:

```
[79]: 'mario' > 'luigi'
```

```
[79]: True
```

```
[80]: 'mario' > 'wario'
```

```
[80]: False
```

```
[81]: 'Mario' > 'Wario'
```

```
[81]: False
```

```
[82]: 'Wario' < 'mario'    # capital case is *before* lowercase in ASCII
```

```
[82]: True
```

## Comparing different lengths

Short strings which are included in longer ones come first in the ordering:

```
[83]: 'troll' < 'trolley'
```

```
[83]: True
```

If they only share a prefix with a longer string, Python compares characters after the common prefix, in this case it detects that e precedes the corresponding s:

```
[84]: 'trolley' < 'trolls'
```

```
[84]: True
```

## Exercise - Character intervals

You are given a couple of strings `i1` and `i2` of two characters each.

We suppose they represent character intervals: the first character of an interval always has order number lower or equal than the second.

There are five possibilities: either the first interval ‘is contained in’, or ‘contains’, or ‘overlaps’, or ‘is before’ or ‘is after’ the second interval. Write some code which tells which containment relation we have.

Example 1 - given:

```
i1 = 'gm'  
i2 = 'cp'
```

Your program should print:

```
gm is contained in cp
```

To see why, you can look at this little representation (you **don't** need to print this!):

```
c g m p  
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
```

Example 2 - given:

```
i1 = 'mr'  
i2 = 'pt'
```

Your program should print:

```
mr overlaps pt
```

because `mr` is not contained nor contains nor completely precedes nor completely follows `pt` (you **don't** need to print this!):

```
m p r t  
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
```

- if `i1` interval coincides with `i2`, it is considered as containing `i2`
- **DO NOT** use cycles nor `if`

- **HINT:** to satisfy above constraint, think about booleans evaluation order<sup>97</sup>, for example the expression

```
'g' >= 'c' and 'm' <= 'p' and 'is contained in'
```

produces as result the string 'is contained in'

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[85]:

```
i1,i2 = 'gm', 'cp'    # gm is contained in cp
#i1,i2 = 'dh', 'dh'    # gm is contained in cp  #(special case)
#i1,i2 = 'bw', 'dq'    # bw contains dq
#i1,i2 = 'ac', 'bd'    # ac overlaps bd
#i1,i2 = 'mr', 'pt'    # mr overlaps pt
#i1,i2 = 'fm', 'su'    # fm is before su
#i1,i2 = 'xz', 'pq'    # xz is after pq

# write here
res = (i1[0] >= i2[0] and i1[1] <= i2[1] and 'is contained in') \
      or (i1[0] < i2[0] and i1[1] >i2[1] and 'contains') \
      or (i1[0] >= i2[0] and i1[0] <= i2[1] and 'overlaps') \
      or (i1[1] >= i2[0] and i1[1] <= i2[1] and 'overlaps') \
      or (i1[1] < i2[0] and 'is before') \
      or (i1[0] > i2[1] and 'is after')

print(i1, res, i2)
```

```
gm is contained in cp
```

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[85]:

```
i1,i2 = 'gm', 'cp'    # gm is contained in cp
#i1,i2 = 'dh', 'dh'    # gm is contained in cp  #(special case)
#i1,i2 = 'bw', 'dq'    # bw contains dq
#i1,i2 = 'ac', 'bd'    # ac overlaps bd
#i1,i2 = 'mr', 'pt'    # mr overlaps pt
#i1,i2 = 'fm', 'su'    # fm is before su
#i1,i2 = 'xz', 'pq'    # xz is after pq

# write here
```

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<sup>97</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics-sol.html#Booleans---Evaluation-order>

## Exercise - The Library of Encodicus

In the study room of the algorithmist Encodicus there is a bookshelf divided in 26 alphabetically ordered sections, where he scrupulously keeps his precious alchemical texts. Every section can contain at most 9 books. One day, Encodicus decides to acquire a new tome to add to his collection: write some code which given a string representing `bookshelf` with the counts of the books and a new `book`, finds the right position of the book and updates `bookshelf` accordingly

- assume no section contains 9 books
- assume book names are always lowercase
- **DO NOT use cycles, if, or string methods**
- **DO NOT** manually write strings with 26 characters, or even worse create 26 variables
- **USE** `ord` to find the section position

Example - given:

```
scaffale = "|a 7|b 5|c 5|d 8|e 2|f 0|g 4|h 8|i 7|j 1|k 6|l 0|m 5|n 0|o 3|p 7|q 2|r\u202a
\u202a2|s 4|t 6|u 1|v 3|w 3|x 5|y 7|z 6|"
libro = "cycling in the wild"
```

after your code `bookshelf` must result updated with |c 6|:

```
>>> print(bookshelf)
|a 7|b 5|c 6|d 8|e 2|f 0|g 4|h 8|i 7|j 1|k 6|l 0|m 5|n 0|o 3|p 7|q 2|r 2|s 4|t 6|u\u202a
\u202a1|v 3|w 3|x 5|y 7|z 6|
```

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[86]:

```
book = "cycling in the wild"
#book = "algorithms of the occult"
#book = "theory of the zippo"
#book = "zoology of the software developer"

bookshelf = "|a 7|b 5|c 5|d 8|e 2|f 0|g 4|h 8|i 7|j 1|k 6|l 0|m 5|n 0|o 3|p 7|q 2|r\u202a
\u202a2|s 4|t 6|u 1|v 3|w 3|x 5|y 7|z 6|"

# write here

c = book[0]

i = ord(c) - ord('a')
n = int(bookshelf[(i*4)+3:(i*4)+4])

bookshelf = bookshelf[:i*4] + ' |' + c + ' ' + str(n+1) + bookshelf[(i+1)*4:]

print(bookshelf)
|a 7|b 5|c 6|d 8|e 2|f 0|g 4|h 8|i 7|j 1|k 6|l 0|m 5|n 0|o 3|p 7|q 2|r 2|s 4|t 6|u\u202a
\u202a1|v 3|w 3|x 5|y 7|z 6|
```

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[86]:

```
book = "cycling in the wild"
#book = "algorithms of the occult"
```

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```
#book = "theory of the zippo"
#book = "zoology of the software developer"

bookshelf = "|a 7|b 5|c 5|d 8|e 2|f 0|g 4|h 8|i 7|j 1|k 6|l 0|m 5|n 0|o 3|p 7|q 2|r"
    ↪2|s 4|t 6|u 1|v 3|w 3|x 5|y 7|z 6|"

# write here
```

## Replication operator

With the operator \* you can replicate a string n times, for example:

```
[87]: 'beer' * 4
[87]: 'beerbeerbeerbeer'
```

Note a NEW string is created, without tarnishing the original:

```
[88]: drink = "beer"
[89]: print(drink * 4)
beerbeerbeerbeer
[90]: drink
[90]: 'beer'
```

## Exercise - za za za

Given a syllable and a phrase which terminates with a character n as a digit, write some code which prints a string with the syllable repeated n times, separated by spaces.

- Your code must work with any string assigned to syllable and phrase

Example - given:

```
phrase = 'the number 7'
syllable = 'za'
```

after your code, it should print:

```
za za za za za za za
```

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```
[91]: 
phrase = 'the number 7'
syllable = 'za'          # za za za za za za za
#phrase = 'Give me 5'   # za za za za za
```

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```
# write here

print((syllable + ' ') * (int(phrase[-1])))
za za za za za za za za
```

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[91]:

```
phrase = 'the number 7'
syllable = 'za'          # za za za za za za za za
#phrase = 'Give me 5'    # za za za za za

# write here
```

## Continue

Go on reading notebook Strings 3 - basic methods<sup>98</sup>

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### 5.2.3 Strings 3 - methods

[Download exercises zip](#)

Browse files online<sup>99</sup>

Every data type has associated particular methods for that type, let's see those associated to type string (`str`)

#### WARNING: ALL string methods ALWAYS generate a NEW string

The original string object is NEVER changed (because strings are immutable).

Result	Method	Meaning
str	<code>str.upper()</code>	Return the string with all characters uppercase
str	<code>str.lower()</code>	Return the string with all characters lowercase
str	<code>str.capitalize()</code>	Return the string with the first uppercase character
bool	<code>str.startswith(str)</code>	Check if the string begins with another one
bool	<code>str.endswith(str)</code>	Check whether the string ends with another one
bool	<code>str.isalpha(str)</code>	Check if all characters are alphabetic
bool	<code>str.isdigit(str)</code>	Check if all characters are digits
bool	<code>str.isupper</code>	Check if all characters are uppercase
bool	<code>str.islower</code>	Check if all characters are lowercase

<sup>98</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings3-sol.html>

<sup>99</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/strings>

### What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
strings
  strings1.ipynb
  strings1-sol.ipynb
  strings2.ipynb
  strings2-sol.ipynb
  strings3.ipynb
  strings3-sol.ipynb
  strings4.ipynb
  strings4-sol.ipynb
  strings5-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `strings3.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### Example - upper

A method is a function of an object that takes as input the object to which is it applied and does some calculation.

The type of the string (`str`) has predefined methods like `str.upper()` which can be applied to other string objects (i.e.: `'hello'` is a string object)

The method `str.upper()` takes the string to which it is applied, and creates a NEW string in which all the characters are in uppercase. To apply a method like `str.upper()` to the particular string object `'hello'`, we must write:

```
'hello'.upper()
```

First we write the object on which apply the method (`'hello'`), then a dot `.`, and afterwards the method name followed by round parenthesis. The brackets can also contain further parameters according to the method.

Examples:

```
[2]: 'hello'.upper()
```

```
[2]: 'HELLO'
```

```
[3]: "I'm important".upper()
```

```
[3]: "I'M IMPORTANT"
```

**WARNING:** like ALL string methods, the original string object on which the method is called does NOT get modified.

Example:

```
[4]: x = "hello"
y = x.upper()      # generates a NEW string and associates it to the variables y

[5]: x             # x variable is still associated to the old string
[5]: 'hello'

[6]: y             # y variable is associated to the new string
[6]: 'HELLO'
```

Have a look now at the same example in Python Tutor:

```
[7]: x = "hello"
y = x.upper()
print(x)
print(y)

jupman.pytut()

hello
HELLO

[7]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### Exercise - walking

Write some code which given a string x (i.e.: x='walking') prints twice the row:

```
walking WALKING walking WALKING
walking WALKING walking WALKING
```

- **DO NOT** create new variables
- your code must work with any string

```
[8]: x = 'walking'

print(x, x.upper(), x, x.upper())
print(x, x.upper(), x, x.upper())

walking WALKING walking WALKING
walking WALKING walking WALKING
```

**Help:** If you are not sure about a method (for example, `strip`), you can ask Python for help this way:

**WARNING: when using help, DON'T put parenthesis after the method name !!**

```
[9]: help("hello".strip)
```

```
Help on built-in function strip:
```

```
strip(chars=None, /) method of builtins.str instance
    Return a copy of the string with leading and trailing whitespace removed.

    If chars is given and not None, remove characters in chars instead.
```

### lower method

Return the string with all lowercase characters

```
[10]: my_string = "HEllo WorLd"

another_string = my_string.lower()

print(another_string)
hello world
```

```
[11]: print(my_string)  # didn't change
HEllo WorLd
```

### Exercise - lowermid

Write some code that given any string  $x$  of odd length, prints a new string like  $x$  having the mid-character as lowercase.

- your code must work with any string !
- **HINT:** to calculate the position of the mid-character, use integer division with the operator  $//$

Example 1 - given:

```
x = 'ADORATION'
```

it should print:

ADORaTION

Example 2 - given:

```
x = 'LEADING'
```

it should print:

LEAdING

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```
[12]: #012345678
x = 'ADORATION'
#x = 'LEADING'
k = len(x) // 2
```

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```
# write here
print(x[:k] + x[k].lower() + x[k+1:])

ADORATION
```

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```
[12]:      #012345678
x = 'ADORATION'
#x = 'LEADING'
k = len(x) // 2

# write here
```

**capitalize method**

`capitalize()` creates a NEW string having only the FIRST character as uppercase:

```
[13]: "artisan".capitalize()
[13]: 'Artisan'
```

```
[14]: "premium".capitalize()
[14]: 'Premium'
```

```
[15]: x = 'goat'
y = 'goat'.capitalize()
```

```
[16]: x      # x remains associate to the old value
[16]: 'goat'
```

```
[17]: y      # y is associated to the new string
[17]: 'Goat'
```

**Exercise - Your Excellence**

Write some code which given two strings `x` and `y` returns the two strings concatenated, separating them with a space and both as lowercase except the first two characters which must be uppercase

Example 1 - given:

```
x = 'yoUR'
y = 'exCellEnCE'
```

it must print:

```
Your Excellence
```

Example 2 - given:

```
x = 'hEr'  
y = 'maJEsty'
```

it must print:

```
Her Majesty
```

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[18]:

```
x,y = 'yoUR','exCeLlEnCE'  
#x,y = 'hEr','maJEsty'  
  
# write here  
  
print(x.capitalize() + " " + y.capitalize())
```

```
Your Excellence
```

```
</div>
```

[18]:

```
x,y = 'yoUR','exCeLlEnCE'  
#x,y = 'hEr','maJEsty'  
  
# write here
```

### startswith method

str.startswith takes as parameter a string and returns True if the string before the dot begins with the string passed as parameter. Example:

[19]: "the dog is barking in the road".startswith('the dog')

[19]: True

[20]: "the dog is barking in the road".startswith('is barking')

[20]: False

[21]: "the dog is barking in the road".startswith('THE DOG') # uppercase is different from  
→lowercase

[21]: False

[22]: "THE DOG BARKS IN THE ROAD".startswith('THE DOG') # uppercase is different from  
→lowercase

[22]: True

## Exercise - by Jove

Write some code which given any three strings  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ , prints True if both  $x$  and  $y$  start with string  $z$ , otherwise prints False

Example 1 - given:

```
x = 'by Jove'
y = 'by Zeus'
z = 'by'
```

it should print:

```
True
```

Example 2 - given:

```
x = 'by Jove'
y = 'by Zeus'
z = 'from'
```

it should print:

```
False
```

Example 3 - given:

```
x = 'from Jove'
y = 'by Zeus'
z = 'by'
```

it should print:

```
False
```

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```
[23]: x,y,z = 'by Jove', 'by Zeus', 'by'      # True
#x,y,z = 'by Jove', 'by Zeus', 'from'    # False
#x,y,z = 'from Jove', 'by Zeus', 'by'    # False

# write here

print(x.startswith(z) and y.startswith(z))
```

```
True
```

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```
[23]: x,y,z = 'by Jove', 'by Zeus', 'by'      # True
#x,y,z = 'by Jove', 'by Zeus', 'from'    # False
#x,y,z = 'from Jove', 'by Zeus', 'by'    # False

# write here
```

```
True
```

### endswith method

`str.endswith` takes as parameter a string and returns `True` if the string before the dot ends with the string passed as parameter. Example:

```
[24]: "My best wishes".endswith('st wishes')
```

```
[24]: True
```

```
[25]: "My best wishes".endswith('best')
```

```
[25]: False
```

```
[26]: "My best wishes".endswith('WISHES')      # uppercase is different from lowercase
```

```
[26]: False
```

```
[27]: "MY BEST WISHES".endswith('WISHES')      # uppercase is different from lowercase
```

```
[27]: True
```

### Exercise - Snobbonis

Given couple names `husband` and `wife`, write some code which prints `True` if they share the surname, `False` otherwise.

- assume the surname is always at position 9
- your code must work for any couple `husband` and `wife`

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```
[28]:  
        #0123456789          #0123456789  
husband, wife = 'Antonio Snobbonis',      'Carolina Snobbonis'    # True  
#husband, wife = 'Camillo De Spaparanzi', 'Matilda Degli Agi'   # False  
  
# write here  
  
print(wife.endswith(husband[9:]))  
True
```

```
</div>
```

```
[28]:  
        #0123456789          #0123456789  
husband, wife = 'Antonio Snobbonis',      'Carolina Snobbonis'    # True  
#husband, wife = 'Camillo De Spaparanzi', 'Matilda Degli Agi'   # False  
  
# write here
```

## isalpha method

The method `isalpha` returns `True` if all characters in the string are alphabetic:

```
[29]: 'CoralReel'.isalpha()
[29]: True
```

Numbers are not considered alphabetic:

```
[30]: 'Route 666'.isalpha()
[30]: False
```

Also, blanks are *not* alphabetic:

```
[31]: 'Coral Reel'.isalpha()
[31]: False
```

... nor punctuation:

```
[32]: '!'.isalpha()
[32]: False
```

... nor weird Unicode stuff:

```
[33]: '♥'.isalpha()
[33]: False
```

```
[34]: '''.isalpha()
[34]: False
```

## Exercise - Fighting the hackers

In the lower floors of Interpol, it is well known international hackers communicate using a slang called *Leet*. This fashion is diffusing also in schools, where you are considered *K00l* (cool) if you know this inconvenient language. The idea is trying to substitute characters with numbers when writing ([Complete guide<sup>100</sup>](#))

```
1 -> i
2 -> z
3 -> e
4 -> h, a, y
etc
```

Write some code which checks `name` and `surname` given by students to detect Leet-like language.

- print `True` if at least one of the words contains numbers instead of alphabet characters, otherwise print `False`
- code must be generic, so to work with any word
- **DO NOT** use `if` command

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<sup>100</sup> <https://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leet>

[35]:

```
name, surname = 'K001', 'H4ck3r'      # True
#name, surname = 'Cool', 'H4ck3r'      # True
#name, surname = 'Romina', 'Rossi'      # False
#name, surname = 'Peppo', 'Sbirilli'    # False
#name, surname = 'K001', 'Sbirilli'     # True

# write here
print(not (name.isalpha() and surname.isalpha()))
```

```
True
```

```
</div>
```

[35]:

```
name, surname = 'K001', 'H4ck3r'      # True
#name, surname = 'Cool', 'H4ck3r'      # True
#name, surname = 'Romina', 'Rossi'      # False
#name, surname = 'Peppo', 'Sbirilli'    # False
#name, surname = 'K001', 'Sbirilli'     # True

# write here
```

### isdigit method

isdigit method returns True if a string is only composed of digits:

[36]:

```
'391'.isdigit()
```

[36]:

```
True
```

[37]:

```
'400m'.isdigit()
```

[37]:

```
False
```

Floating point and scientific notations are not recognized:

[38]:

```
'3.14'.isdigit()
```

[38]:

```
False
```

[39]:

```
'4e29'.isdigit()
```

[39]:

```
False
```

[40]:

```
#
```

## Exercise - Selling numbers

The multinational ToxiCorp managed to acquire a wealth of private data of unaware users, and asks you to analyze it to then sell private information on the black market to the highest bidder. The offer looks questionable, but they pay well, so you accept.

We need to understand the data and how to organize it. You found several strings which look like telephone numbers.

Every number should be composed like so:

```
+[national prefix 39][10 numbers]
```

For example, this is a valid number: +392574856985

Write some code which prints `True` if the string is a telephone number, `False` otherwise

- Try the various combinations by uncommenting phone
- Your code must be generic, should be valid for all numbers

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[41]:

```
phone = '+392574856985'      # True
#phone = '395851256954'      # False (missing '+')
#phone = '++7485125874'      # False (missing prefix)
#phone = '+3933342Blah'      # False (obvious :D )
#phone = "+3912"             # False (too short)
#phone = '+393481489942'      # True

# write here
number = phone[3:]  # I save the string excluding +39

# Let's make 4 bool to keep track of all conditions
has_plus = phone.startswith('+')                      # Does it start with + ?
has_national_prefix = phone[1:].startswith('39')    # Is there 39 after? We could have ↵done it also in the row above
is_10_long = len(number) == 10                      # Excluding the prefix, are the others 10 ↵characters?
has_all_digits = number.isdigit()                   # Are they all numbers?

# This is just a debug print
print("Variables check:", has_plus, has_national_prefix, is_10_long, has_all_digits)
# Final solution, combines everything
print("Is it a phone number?", has_plus and has_national_prefix and is_10_long and ↵has_all_digits)
```

Variables check: True True True True  
Is it a phone number? True

</div>

[41]:

```
phone = '+392574856985'      # True
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```
#phone = "+3912"           # False (too short)
#phone = '+393481489942'   # True

# write here
```

### isupper and islower methods

We can check whether a character is uppercase or lowercase with `isupper` and `islower` methods:

```
[42]: 'q'.isupper()
```

```
[42]: False
```

```
[43]: 'Q'.isupper()
```

```
[43]: True
```

```
[44]: 'b'.islower()
```

```
[44]: True
```

```
[45]: 'B'.islower()
```

```
[45]: False
```

They also work on longer strings, checking if all characters meet the criteria:

```
[46]: 'GREAT'.isupper()
```

```
[46]: True
```

```
[47]: 'NotSoGREAT'.isupper()
```

```
[47]: False
```

Note blanks and punctuation are not taken into account:

```
[48]: 'REALLY\nGREAT !'.isupper()
```

```
[48]: True
```

We could check whether a character is upper/lower case by looking at ASCII code but the best way we can cover all alphabets is by using `isupper` and `islower` methods, for example they also work with accented letters:

```
[49]: 'à'.isupper()
```

```
[49]: False
```

```
[50]: 'Á'.isupper()
```

```
[50]: True
```

## Exercise - dwarves and GIANTS

In an unknown and exciting fantasy world live two populations, dwarves and GIANTS:

- dwarves love giving their offspring names containing only lowercase characters
- GIANTS don't even need to think about it, because it is written on the tablets of GROCK that GIANT names can only have uppercase characters

One day from a far away kingdom arrived a threat and so a team of fearless adventurers was gathered. The prophecy said only a mixed team of GIANTS and dwarves for a total of **4** people could defeat the evil.

- 1) Write some code which checks whether or not four adventurers can gather into a valid team:
  - Print `True` if the four names are both of dwarves and GIANTS, otherwise if they are of only one of the populations print `False`
  - Your code must be generic, valid for all strings
- 2) Find some **GIANT names**<sup>101</sup> and **dwarves names**<sup>102</sup> and try to put them, making sure to translate them with the all uppercase / all lowercase capitalization, as "Jisog" is not a valid giant name, it must be translated into the gigantic writing "JISOG"

```
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```

[51]:

```
adv1, adv2, adv3, adv4 = 'gimli', 'savorlim', 'glazouc', 'hondouni'      # False
#adv1, adv2, adv3, adv4 = 'OXLOR', 'HIVAR', 'ELOR', 'SUXGROG'            # False
#adv1, adv2, adv3, adv4 = 'krakrerlig', 'GUCAM', 'SUXGROG', 'kodearen'    # True
#adv1, adv2, adv3, adv4 = 'yarnithra', 'krakrerlig', 'jandreda', 'TOVIR'   # True

# write here
a1 = adv1.isupper()
a2 = adv2.isupper()
a3 = adv3.isupper()
a4 = adv4.isupper()

print(not(a1 == a2 == a3 == a4))
False
```

</div>

[51]:

```
adv1, adv2, adv3, adv4 = 'gimli', 'savorlim', 'glazouc', 'hondouni'      # False
#adv1, adv2, adv3, adv4 = 'OXLOR', 'HIVAR', 'ELOR', 'SUXGROG'            # False
#adv1, adv2, adv3, adv4 = 'krakrerlig', 'GUCAM', 'SUXGROG', 'kodearen'    # True
#adv1, adv2, adv3, adv4 = 'yarnithra', 'krakrerlig', 'jandreda', 'TOVIR'   # True

# write here
```

<sup>101</sup> <https://www.fantasynameweb.com/giant-names.php>

<sup>102</sup> [https://www.fantasynameweb.com/dwarf\\_names.php](https://www.fantasynameweb.com/dwarf_names.php)

### Continue

Go on reading notebook Strings 4 - metodi di ricerca<sup>103</sup>

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### 5.2.4 Strings 4 - search methods

#### Download exercises zip

Browse files online<sup>104</sup>

Strings provide methods to search and transform them into new strings, but beware: the power is nothing without control! Sometimes you will feel the need to use them, and they might even work with some small example, but often they hide traps you will regret falling into. So whenever you write code with one of these methods, **always ask yourself the questions we will stress**.

#### WARNING: ALL string methods ALWAYS generate a NEW string

The original string object is NEVER changed (because strings are immutable).

Result	Method	Meaning
str	<code>str.strip(str)</code>	Remove strings from the sides
str	<code>str.lstrip(str)</code>	Remove strings from left side
str	<code>str.rstrip(str)</code>	Remove strings from right side
int	<code>str.count(str)</code>	Count the number of occurrences of a substring
int	<code>str.find(str)</code>	Return the first position of a substring starting from the left
int	<code>str.rfind(str)</code>	Return the first position of a substring starting from the right
str	<code>str.replace(str, str)</code>	Substitute substrings

Note: the list is not exhaustive, here we report only the ones we use in the book. For the full list see Python documentation<sup>105</sup>

### What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
strings
  strings1.ipynb
  strings1-sol.ipynb
  strings2.ipynb
  strings2-sol.ipynb
  strings3.ipynb
  strings3-sol.ipynb
  strings4.ipynb
  strings4-sol.ipynb
  strings5-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

<sup>103</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings4-sol.html>

<sup>104</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/strings>

<sup>105</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/stdtypes.html#string-methods>

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `strings3.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### strip method

Eliminates white spaces, tabs and linefeeds from the *sides* of the string. In general, this set of characters is called *blanks*.

**NOTE:** it does NOT removes *blanks* inside string words! It only looks on the sides.

```
[2]: x = '\t\n\n\t carpe diem \t'    # we put white space, tab and line feeds at the
      ↪sides

[3]: x
[3]: '\t\n\n\t carpe diem \t'

[4]: print(x)

carpe diem

[5]: len(x)    # remember that special characters like \t and \n occupy 1 character
[5]: 20

[6]: y = x.strip()

[7]: y
[7]: 'carpe diem'

[8]: print(y)

carpe diem

[9]: len(y)
[9]: 10

[10]: x      # IMPORTANT: x is still associated to the old string !
```

```
[10]: '\t\n\n\t carpe diem \t '
```

### Specifying character to strip

If you only want Python to remove some specific character, you can specify them in parenthesis. Let's try to specify only one:

```
[11]: 'salsa'.strip('s')      # note internal 's' is not stripped  
[11]: 'alsa'
```

If we specify two or more, Python removes all the characters it can find from the sides

Note the order in which you specify the characters does **not** matter:

```
[12]: 'caustic'.strip('aci')  
[12]: 'ust'
```

### WARNING: If you specify characters, Python doesn't try anymore to remove blanks!

```
[13]: 'bouquet '.strip('b')    # it won't strip right spaces !  
[13]: 'ouquet '
```

```
[14]: '\tbouquet '.strip('b')    # ... nor strip left blanks such as tab  
[14]: '\tbouquet '
```

According to the same principle, if you specify a space ' ', then Python will **only** remove spaces and won't look for other blanks!!

```
[15]: ' careful! \t'.strip(' ')    # strips only on the left!  
[15]: 'careful! \t'
```

**QUESTION:** for each of the following expressions, try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. '\tumultuous\n'.strip()

2. ' a b c '.strip()

3. '\ta\tb\t'.strip()

4. '\tMmm'.strip()

5. 'sky diving'.strip('sky')

6. 'anacondas'.strip('sad')

7. '\nno way '.strip(' ')

8. `'\nno way '.strip('\\\\n')`

9. `'\nno way '.strip('\\n')`

10. `'salsa'.strip('as')`

11. `'\t ACE '.strip('\\t')`

12. `' so what? '.strip("")`

13. `str(-3+1).strip("++--")`

## Exercise - Biblio bank

Your dream just became true: you were hired by the Cyber-Library! Since first enrolling to the Lunar Gymnasiuz in 2365 you have been dreaming of keeping and conveying the human knowledge collected through the centuries. You will have to check the work of an AI which reads and copies an interest chronicle named **White Pages 2021**.

The Pages have lists of numbers in this format:

Name Surname Prefix-Suffix

Alas, the machine is buggy and in each row inserts some *blank* characters (spaces, control characters like \t and \n, ...)

- sometimes it warms the mobile printhead, causing the reading of numerous *blank* before the test
- sometimes the AI is so impressed by the content it forgets to turn off the reading, adding some *blank* at the end

Instead, it should produce a string with an initial dash and a final dot:

– Name Surname Prefix-Suffix .

Write some code to fix the bungled AI work.

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```

[16] :

```
row = '      \t  \n  Mario Rossi 0323-454345 \t \t  ' # - Mario Rossi 0323-454345.
#row = '      Ernesto Spadafesso 0323-454345  \n'          # - Ernesto Spadafesso 0323-
˓→454345.
#row = '      Gianantonio Marcolina Carla Napoleone 0323-454345 \t'
#row = '\nChiara Ermellino 0323-454345  \n \n'
#row = '      \tGiada Pietraverde 0323-454345\n\t'

# write here
product = ' - ' + row.strip() + '.'
print(product)

- Mario Rossi 0323-454345.
```

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[16] :

```
row = '      \t  \n  Mario Rossi 0323-454345 \t \t  ' # - Mario Rossi 0323-454345.
```

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```
#row = ' Ernesto Spadafesso 0323-454345 \n'           # - Ernesto Spadafesso 0323-
#row = ' Gianantonio Marcolina Carla Napoleone 0323-454345 \t'
#row = '\nChiara Ermellino 0323-454345 \n \n'
#row = ' \tGiada Pietraverde 0323-454345\n\t'

# write here
```

### lstrip method

Eliminates white spaces, tab and line feeds from *left side* of the string.

**NOTE:** does NOT remove *blanks* between words of the string! Only those on left side.

```
[17]: x = '\n \t the street \t '
```

```
[18]: x
```

```
[18]: '\n \t the street \t '
```

```
[19]: len(x)
```

```
[19]: 17
```

```
[20]: y = x.lstrip()
```

```
[21]: y
```

```
[21]: 'the street \t '
```

```
[22]: len(y)
```

```
[22]: 13
```

```
[23]: x      # IMPORTANT: x is still associated to the old string !
```

```
[23]: '\n \t the street \t '
```

### rstrip method

Eliminates white spaces, tab and line feeds from *left side* of the string.

**NOTE:** does NOT remove *blanks* between words of the string! Only those on right side.

```
[24]: x = '\n \t the lighthouse \t '
```

```
[25]: x
```

```
[25]: '\n \t the lighthouse \t '
```

```
[26]: len(x)
```

[26]: 21

[27]: y = x.rstrip()

[28]: y

[28]: '\n \t the lighthouse'

[29]: len(y)

[29]: 18

[30]: x # IMPORTANT: x è is still associated to the old string !

[30]: '\n \t the lighthouse \t '

### Exercise - Bad to the bone

You have an uppercase string s which contains at the sides some stuff you want to remove: punctuation , a lowercase char and some blanks. Write some code to perform the removal

Example - given:

```
char = 'b'
punctuation = '!?.;,'
s = ' \t\n...bbbbbbAD TO THE BONE\n! '
```

your code should show:

```
'BAD TO THE BONE'
```

- use only strip (or lstrip and rstrip) methods (if necessary, you can do repeated calls)

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```
[31]: char = 'b'
punctuation = '!?.;,'
s = ' \t\n...bbbbbbAD TO THE BONE\n! '

# write here
s.strip().strip(char + punctuation).strip()
```

[31]: 'BAD TO THE BONE'

</div>

```
[31]: char = 'b'
punctuation = '!?.;,'
s = ' \t\n...bbbbbbAD TO THE BONE\n! '

# write here
```

[31]: 'BAD TO THE BONE'

### count method

The method `count` takes a substring and counts how many occurrences are there in the string before the dot.

```
[32]: "astral stars".count('a')
```

```
[32]: 3
```

```
[33]: "astral stars".count('A')      # it's case sensitive
```

```
[33]: 0
```

```
[34]: "astral stars".count('st')
```

```
[34]: 2
```

Optionally, you can pass two other parameters to indicate an index to start counting from (included) and where to end (excluded):

```
[35]: #012345678901  
"astral stars".count('a', 4)
```

```
[35]: 2
```

```
[36]: #012345678901  
"astral stars".count('a', 4, 9)
```

```
[36]: 1
```

### Do not abuse count

#### WARNING: `count` is often used in a wrong / inefficient ways

Always ask yourself:

1. could the string contain duplicates? Remember they will get counted!
2. could the string contain *no* duplicate? Remember to also handle this case!
3. `count` performs a search on all the string, which could be inefficient: is it really needed, or do we already know the interval where to search?

### Exercise - astro money

During 2020 lockdown, while looking at the stars above you started feeling... waves. After some thinking, you decided *THEY* wanted to communicate with you so you set up a dish antenna on your roof to receive messages from aliens. After months of apparent irrelevant noise, one day you finally receive a message you're able to translate. Aliens are *obviously* trying to tell you the winning numbers of lottery!

A message is a sequence of exactly 3 *different* character repetitions, the number of characters in each repetition is a number you will try at the lottery. You frantically start developing the translator to show these lucky numbers on the terminal.

Example - given:

```
s = '$$$$$€€€€€!!'
```

it should print:

```
$ € !
4 5 2
```

- **IMPORTANT:** you can assume all sequences have **\*different\*** characters
- **DO NOT** use cycles nor comprehensions
- for simplicity assume each character sequence has at most 9 repetitions

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```
[37]:      #01234567890      # $ € !
s = '$$$$$€€€€€!!'      # 4 5 2

                           # I M Q
#s = 'IIIMMMMMQQQ'      # 3 6 3

                           # H A L
#s = 'HAL'              # 1 1 1

# write here
p1 = 0
d1 = s.count(s[p1])
p2 = p1 + d1
d2 = s.count(s[p2])
p3 = p2 + d2
d3 = s.count(s[p3])

print(s[p1],s[p2],s[p3])
print(d1,d2,d3)
```

```
$ € !
4 5 2
```

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```
[37]:      #01234567890      # $ € !
s = '$$$$$€€€€€!!'      # 4 5 2

                           # I M Q
#s = 'IIIMMMMMQQQ'      # 3 6 3

                           # H A L
#s = 'HAL'              # 1 1 1

# write here
```

```
$ € !
4 5 2
```

### find method

find returns the index of the *first* occurrence of some given substring:

```
[38]: #0123456789012345  
'bingo bongo bong'.find('ong')  
[38]: 7
```

If no occurrence is found, it returns -1:

```
[39]: #0123456789012345  
'bingo bongo bong'.find('bang')  
[39]: -1  
  
[40]: #0123456789012345  
'bingo bongo bong'.find('Bong')      # case-sensitive  
[40]: -1
```

Optionally, you can specify an index from where to start searching (included):

```
[41]: #0123456789012345  
'bingo bongo bong'.find('ong', 10)  
[41]: 13
```

And also where to end (excluded):

```
[42]: #0123456789012345  
'bingo bongo bong'.find('g', 4, 9)  
[42]: -1
```

### rfind method

Like *find method*, but search starts from the right.

### Do not abuse find

#### WARNING: find is often used in a wrong / inefficient ways

Always ask yourself:

1. could the string contain duplicates? Remember only the *first* will be found!
2. could the string *not* contain the search substring? Remember to also handle this case!
3. find performs a search on all the string, which could be inefficient: is it really needed, or do we already know the interval where to search?
4. If we want to know if a character is in a position we already know, find is useless, it's enough to write `my_string[3] == character`. If you used find, it could discover duplicate characters which are *before* or *after* the one we are interested in!

## Exercise - The port of Monkey Island

Monkey Island has a port with 4 piers where ships coming from all the archipelago are docked. The docking point is never precise, and there could arbitrary spaces between the pier borders. The could also be duplicated ships.

- 1) Suppose each pier can only contain one ship, and we want to write some code which shows True if "The Jolly Rasta" is docked to the pier 2, or False otherwise.

Have a look at the following ports, and for each one of them try to guess whether or not the following code lines produce correct results. Try then to write some code which does not have the problems you will encounter.

- **DO NOT** use if instructions, loops nor comprehensions
- **DO NOT** use lists (so no split)

```
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```

[43]:

```
width = 21 # width of a pier, INCLUDED the right `/`
pier = 2

# piers      : 1           2           3           4
port =      "The Mad Monkey     |  The Jolly Rasta     |  The Sea Cucumber | LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port =      "  The Mad Monkey   /           |  The Sea Cucumber | LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port =      "    The Mad Monkey /The Jolly Rasta   /  The Sea Cucumber | LeChuck
˓→   /"
#port =      "The Jolly Rasta   /           |  The Sea Cucumber/LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port =      "                   / The Mad Monkey   /  The Jolly Rasta | LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port =      "           The Jolly Rasta /           |  The Jolly Rasta   /  The
˓→Jolly Rasta  /"

print('Is Jolly Rasta docked to pier', pier, '?')
print()
print(port)

print()
print('          in:', 'The Jolly Rasta' in port)

print()
print('    find on everything:', port.find('The Jolly Rasta') != -1)

print()
print('  find since second pier:', port.find('The Jolly Rasta', width*(pier-1)) != -1)

# write here
print()
sub = port[width*(pier-1):width*pier-1]
print('          Solution:', sub.find('The Jolly Rasta') != -1)
```

Is Jolly Rasta docked to pier 2 ?

The Mad Monkey | The Jolly Rasta | The Sea Cucumber | LeChuck's Ghost Ship|

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```

        in: True

    find on everything: True

find since second pier: True

        Solution: True

```

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[43]:

```

width = 21 # width of a pier, INCLUDED the right `/`
pier = 2

# piers : 1 2 3 4
port = "The Mad Monkey | The Jolly Rasta | The Sea Cucumber | LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port = " The Mad Monkey / | The Sea Cucumber / LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port = " The Mad Monkey /The Jolly Rasta / The Sea Cucumber / |
˓→ /
#port = "The Jolly Rasta / | The Sea Cucumber/LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port = " / The Mad Monkey / The Jolly Rasta / LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port = " The Jolly Rasta / | The Jolly Rasta / The
˓→Jolly Rasta /"

print('Is Jolly Rasta docked to pier', pier, '?')
print()
print(port)

print()
print('           in:', 'The Jolly Rasta' in port)

print()
print('   find on everything:', port.find('The Jolly Rasta') != -1)

print()
print(' find since second pier:', port.find('The Jolly Rasta', width*(pier-1)) != -1)

# write here

```

- 2) Suppose now every pier can dock more then one ship, even with the same name. Write some code which shows True if **only one** Grog Ship is docked to the second pier, False otherwise

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[44]:

```

width = 21 # width of a pier, INCLUDED the right `/`
pier = 2

# piers : 1 2 3 4

```

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```

port =      "The Mad Monkey      |The Jolly Rasta      | The Sea Cucumber |LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port =      "The Mad Monkey      | Grog Ship Grog Ship| The Jolly Rasta      | The_
˓→Sea Cucumber "
#port =      "    The Jolly Rasta  /   Grog Ship      | The Jolly Rasta      | The_
˓→Jolly Rasta "
#port =      "    Grog Ship      /   Grog Ship      |LeChuck's Ghost Ship|   Grog_
˓→Ship "
#port =      "LeChuck's Ghost Ship|                  /   Grog Ship      | The_
˓→Jolly Rasta "
#port =      "The Jolly Rasta     / Grog Ship Grog Ship|       Grog Ship      | The_
˓→Jolly Rasta "

print()
print('Is only one Grog Ship docked to pier', pier, '?')
print()

# write here

sub = port[width*(pier-1):width*pier-1]
print('Solution Grog Ship:', sub.count('Grog Ship') == 1)

```

Is only one Grog Ship docked to pier 2 ?

Solution Grog Ship: False

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[44]:

```

width = 21 # width of a pier, INCLUDED the right `/`
pier = 2

# piers : 1           2           3           4
port =      "The Mad Monkey      |The Jolly Rasta      | The Sea Cucumber |LeChuck
˓→'s Ghost Ship|"
#port =      "The Mad Monkey      | Grog Ship Grog Ship| The Jolly Rasta      | The_
˓→Sea Cucumber "
#port =      "    The Jolly Rasta  /   Grog Ship      | The Jolly Rasta      | The_
˓→Jolly Rasta "
#port =      "    Grog Ship      /   Grog Ship      |LeChuck's Ghost Ship|   Grog_
˓→Ship "
#port =      "LeChuck's Ghost Ship|                  /   Grog Ship      | The_
˓→Jolly Rasta "
#port =      "The Jolly Rasta     / Grog Ship Grog Ship|       Grog Ship      | The_
˓→Jolly Rasta "

print()
print('Is only one Grog Ship docked to pier', pier, '?')
print()

# write here

```

### Exercise - bananas

While exploring a remote tropical region, an ethologist discovers a population of monkeys which appear to have some concept of numbers. They collect bananas in the hundreds which are then traded with coconuts collected by another group. To communicate the quantities of up to 999 bananas, they use a series of exactly three guttural sounds. The ethologist writes down the sequencies and formulates the following theory: each sound is comprised by a sequence of the same character, repeated a number of times. The number of characters in the first sequence is the first digit (the hundreds), the number of characters in the second sequence is the second digit (the decines), while the last sequence represents units.

Write some code which puts in variable `bananas` **an integer** representing the number.

For example - given:

```
s = 'bb bbbb aaaa'
```

your code should print:

```
>>> bananas
254
>>> type(bananas)
int
```

- **IMPORTANT 1: different sequences may use the \*same\* character!**
- **IMPORTANT 2: you cannot assume which characters monkeys will use:** you just know each digit is represented by a repetition of the same character
- **DO NOT** use cycles nor comprehensions
  - the monkeys have no concept of zero

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```
#0123456789012
s = 'bb bbbb aaaa'      # 254
#s = 'ccc cc ccc'      # 323
#s = 'vvv rrrr ww'      # 342
#s = 'cccc h jjj'      # 413
#s = '呵呵 呵呵呵 呵呵'  # 364  (you could get *any* weird character, also unicode ...)

# write here
p1 = s.find(' ')
bananas = len(s[:p1])*100
p2 = s.find(' ',p1+1)
bananas += len(s[p1+1:p2])*10
bananas += len(s[p2+1:])*1

print('The bananas are',bananas)
type(bananas)
```

The bananas are 254

[45]:

```
int
```

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[45]:

```
#0123456789012
```

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```
s = 'bb bbbb aaaa'      # 254
#s = 'ccc cc ccc'       # 323
#s = 'vvv rrrr ww'       # 342
#s = 'cccc h jjj'        # 413
#s = '\u0000 \u0000\u0000 \u0000'  # 364 (you could get *any* weird character, also unicode ...)

# write here
```

### replace method

`str.replace` takes two strings and looks in the string on which the method is called for occurrences of the first string parameter, which are substituted with the second parameter. Note it gives back a NEW string with all substitutions performed.

Example:

```
[46]: "the train runs off the tracks".replace('tra', 'ra')
[46]: 'the rain runs off the racks'

[47]: "little beetle".replace('tle', '')
[47]: 'lit bee'

[48]: "talking and joking".replace('ING', 'ed')  # it's case sensitive
[48]: 'talking and joking'

[49]: "TALKING AND JOKING".replace('ING', 'ED')  # here they are
[49]: 'TALKED AND JOKED'
```

As always with strings, `replace` DOES NOT modify the string on which it is called:

```
[50]: x = "On the bench"
[51]: y = x.replace('bench', 'bench the goat is alive')
[52]: y
[52]: 'On the bench the goat is alive'

[53]: x  # IMPORTANT: x is still associated to the old string !
[53]: 'On the bench'
```

If you give an optional third argument `count`, only the first `count` occurrences will be replaced:

```
[54]: "TALKING AND JOKING AND LAUGHING".replace('ING', 'ED', 2)  # replaces only first 2
→occurrences
[54]: 'TALKED AND JOKED AND LAUGHING'
```

**QUESTION:** for each of the following expressions, try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error)

```
1. '$feat the rich£$'.replace('£', '').replace('$', '')
```

```
2. '$feat the rich£$'.strip('£').strip('$')
```

### Do not abuse replace

#### WARNING: replace is often used in a wrong / inefficient ways

Always ask yourself:

1. could the string contain duplicates? Remember *all* will be substituted!
2. replace performs a search on all the string, which could be inefficient: is it really needed, or do we already know the interval where there is the text to substitute?

### Exercise - Do not open that door

**QUESTION** You have a library of books, with labels like C-The godfather, R-Pride and prejudice or 'H-Do not open that door' composed by a character which identifies the type (C crime, R romance, H horror) followed by a - and the title. Given a book, you want to print the complete label, a colon and then the title, like 'Crime: The godfather'. Look at the following code fragments, and for each try writing labels among the proposed ones **or create others** which would give wrong results (if they exists).

```
book = 'C-The godfather'  
book = 'R-Pride and prejudice'  
book = 'H-Do not open that door'
```

```
1. book.replace('C', 'Crime: ').replace('R', 'Romance: ')
```

```
2. book[0].replace('C', 'Crime: ') \  
   .replace('H', 'HORROR: ') \  
   .replace('R', 'Romance: ') + book[2:]
```

```
3. book.replace('C-', 'Crime: ').replace('R-', 'Romance: ')
```

```
4. book.replace('C-', 'Crime: ', 1).replace('R-', 'Romance: ', 1)
```

```
5. book[0:2].replace('C-', 'Crime: ').replace('R-', 'Romance: ') + book[2:]
```

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```
[55]: # SOLUTION
```

```
#1  
book = 'R-Clarissa'  
print(book.replace('C', 'Crime: ').replace('R', 'Romance: '))
```

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```

#2
book = 'H-Do not open that door'
print(book[0].replace('C', 'Crime: ').replace('H', 'HORROR: ').replace('R', 'Romance: ')
    + book[2:])

#3
book = 'R-C-U-SooN'
print(book.replace('C-', 'Crime: ').replace('R-', 'Romance: '))

#4
book = 'C-T-H-E-R-O-B-B-E-R-Y'
print(book.replace('C-', 'Crime: ',1).replace('R-', 'Romance: ',1))

#5 This is quite robust, IF we assume the categories are fixed and DON'T contain
#      dashes
# for example an evil category could be C- expanded to C-U-L-I-N-A-R-Y (which would
#      contain R-)
#print(book[0:2].replace('C-', 'Crime: ').replace('R-', 'Romance: ').replace('H-',
#    'Horror: ') + book[2:])

Romance: -Crime: larissa
HORomance: Romance: : Do not open that door
Romance: Crime: U-SooN
Crime: T-H-E-Romance: O-B-B-E-R-Y

```

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## Exercise - The Kingdom of Stringards

Characterland is ruled with the iron fist by the Dukes of Stringards. The towns managed by them are monodimensional, and can be represented as a string: the host dukes `d`, lords `s`, vassals `v` and peasants `p`. To separate the various social circles from improper mingling, some walls `|mm|` have been erected.

Unfortunately, the Dukes are under siege by the tribe of the hideous Replacerons: with their short-sighted barbarian ways are very close to destroy the walls. To defend the town, the Stringards decide to upgrade walls, trasforming them from `|mm|` to `|MM|`.

- **DO NOT** use loops nor list comprehensions
- **DO NOT** use lists (so no split)

### Stringards I: upgrading all the walls

Example - given:

```
town = 'ppp|mm|vvvvvv|mm|sss|mm|dd|mm|ssss|mm|vvvvvv|mm|pppppp'
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> town
'ppp|MM|vvvvvv|MM|sss|MM|dd|MM|ssss|MM|vvvvvv|MM|pppppp'
```

```
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```

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```
town =      'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | mm | pppppp'
# result:   'ppp / MM / vvvvvv / MM / sss / MM / dd / MM / sssss / MM / vvvvvv / MM / pppppp'

# write here

town = town.replace(' | mm | ', ' | MM | ')
print(town)
```

ppp | MM | vvvvvv | MM | sss | MM | dd | MM | sssss | MM | vvvvvv | MM | pppppp

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```
town =      'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | mm | pppppp'
# result:   'ppp / MM / vvvvvv / MM / sss / MM / dd / MM / sssss / MM / vvvvvv / MM / pppppp'

# write here
```

### Stringards II: Outer walls

Alas, the paesants do not work hard enough and there aren't enough coins to upgrade all the walls: upgrade **only the outer walls**

- **DO NOT** use `if`, loops nor list comprehensions
- **DO NOT** use lists (so no `split`)

Example - given:

```
town = 'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | mm | pppppp'
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> town
'ppp | MM | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | MM | pppppp'
```

```
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```

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```
town =      'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | mm | pppppp'
#result:   'ppp / MM / vvvvvv / mm / sss / mm / dd / mm / sssss / mm / vvvvvv / MM / pppppp'
#town =    '/ mm | vvvvvv | mm | / mm | dddd | mm | ssvvv / mm / pp'
#result:   '/ MM / vvvvvv / mm | / mm | dddd | mm / ssvvv / MM / pp'

# write here

i = town.find(' | mm | ')
town = town[:i] + ' | MM | ' + town[i+4:]
i = town.rfind(' | mm | ')
```

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```
town = town[:i] + ' |MM| ' + town[i+4:]

print(town)
ppp |MM| vvvvvv |mm| sss |mm| dd |mm| sssss |mm| vvvvvv |MM| pppppp
```

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[57]:

```
town =      'ppp |mm| vvvvvv |mm| sss |mm| dd |mm| sssss |mm| vvvvvv |mm| pppppp'
#result:  'ppp /MM/ vvvvvv /mm/ sss /mm/ dd /mm/ sssss /mm/ vvvvvv /MM/ pppppp'
#town =   '/mm/ vvvvvv /mm/ /mm/ dddd /mm/ ssvvv /mm/ pp'
#result:  '/MM/ vvvvvv /mm/ /mm/ dddd /mm/ ssvvv /MM/ pp'

# write here
```

## Stringards III: Power to the People

An even greater threat plagues the Stringards: *democracy*.

Following the spread of this dark evil, some cities developed right and left factions, which tend to privilege only some parts of the city. If the dominant sentiment in a city is lefty, all the houses to the left of the Duke are privileged with big gold coins, otherwise with right sentiment houses to the right get more privileged. When a house is privileged, the corresponding character is upgraded to capital.

- assume that at least a block with `d` is always present, and it is unique
- **DO NOT** use `if`, loops nor list comprehensions
- **DO NOT** use lists (so no `split`)

### 3.1) privilege only left houses

```
town = 'ppp |mm| vvvvvv |mm| sss |mm| dd |mm| sssss |mm| vvvvvv |mm| pppppp'
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> town
'PPP |mm| VVVVVV |mm| SSS |mm| dd |mm| sssss |mm| vvvvvv |mm| pppppp'
```

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```
town =      'ppp |mm| vvvvvv |mm| sss |mm| dd |mm| sssss |mm| vvvvvv |mm| pppppp'
# result:  'PPP /mm/ VVVVVV /mm/ SSS /mm/ dd /mm/ sssss /mm/ vvvvvv /mm/ pppppp'
#town =   '/p/PPP /p/PP /mm/ vvv /vvvv /mm/ sssss /mm/ ddd /mm/ sss /ss /mm/ vvvvvv /mm/
# result:  '/P/PPP /P/PP /mm/ VVV /VVVV /mm/ SSSSS /mm/ ddd /mm/ sss /ss /mm/ vvvvvv /mm/'

# write here

dpos = town.find('d')
town = town[:dpos].replace('p', 'P').replace('v', 'V').replace('s', 'S') + town[dpos:]
```

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town

```
[58]: 'PPP | mm | VVVVVV | mm | SSS | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | mm | pppppp '
```

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```
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```

```
town =     'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | mm | pppppp '
# result: 'PPP / mm / VVVVVV / mm / SSS / mm / dd / mm / sssss / mm / vvvvvv / mm / pppppp '
#town =    '/p / ppp / /p / pp / mm / vvv / vvvv / mm / sssss / mm / ddd / mm / sssss / ss / mm / vvvvvv / mm / '
# result: '/P / PPP / /P / PP / mm / VVV / VVVV / mm / SSSSS / mm / ddd / mm / sssss / ss / mm / vvvvvv / mm / '

# write here
```

### 3.2) privilege only right houses

Example - given:

```
town = 'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | mm | pppppp '
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> town
'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | SSSSS | mm | VVVVVV | mm | PPPPPP '
```

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```
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```

```
town =     'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | mm | pppppp '
#result: 'ppp / mm / vvvvvv / mm / sss / mm / dd / mm / SSSSS / mm / VVVVVV / mm / PPPPPP '
#town =    '/p / ppp / /p / pp / mm / vvv / vvvv / mm / sssss / mm / ddd / mm / sssss / ss / mm / vvvvvv / p / pp / mm / '
#result: '/p / ppp / /p / pp / mm / vvv / vvvv / mm / sssss / mm / ddd / mm / SSSS / SS / mm / VVVVVV / P / PP / mm / '

# write here
dpos = town.rfind('d')
town = town[:dpos] + town[dpos:].replace('p', 'P').replace('v', 'V').replace('s', 'S')

town
```

```
[59]:
```

```
'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | SSSSS | mm | VVVVVV | mm | PPPPPP '
```

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```
[59]:
```

```
town =     'ppp | mm | vvvvvv | mm | sss | mm | dd | mm | sssss | mm | vvvvvv | mm | pppppp '
#result: 'ppp / mm / vvvvvv / mm / sss / mm / dd / mm / SSSSS / mm / VVVVVV / mm / PPPPPP '
#town =    '/p / ppp / /p / pp / mm / vvv / vvvv / mm / sssss / mm / ddd / mm / sssss / ss / mm / vvvvvv / p / pp / mm / '
#result: '/p / ppp / /p / pp / mm / vvv / vvvv / mm / sssss / mm / ddd / mm / SSSS / SS / mm / VVVVVV / P / PP / mm / '

# write here
```

## Stringards IV: Power struggle

Over time the dukes family has expanded and alas ruthless feuds occurred. According to the number of town people to the left of the dukes or to the right, a corresponding number of royal members to the left or to the right receives support for playing their power games. A member of the dukes palace who receives support becomes uppercase. Each character 'p', 'v' or 's' contributes support (but not the walls). The royal members who are not reached by support are slaughtered by their siblings, and substituted with a Latin Cross Unicode<sup>106</sup> †

- assume at least a block of d is always present, and it is unique
- assume that for each left/right house, there is *at least* a left/right duke

Example - given:

```
town = "ppp | mm | vv | mm | v | s | mm | dddddd|mm|ss|mm|vvvvv|mm|pppp";
```

After your code, it must print:

```
Members of the royal family:24
    left:7
    right:11
```

After the deadly struggle, the new town is

```
ppp | mm | vv | mm | v | s | mm | DDDDDD|D|DDDDDDDDDDDD | mm | ss | mm | vvvvv | mm | pppp
```

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[60]:

```
town = 'ppp | mm | vv | mm | v | s | mm | dddddd|mm|ss|mm|vvvvv|mm|pppp'
#result: 'ppp | mm | vv | mm | v | s | mm | DDDDDD|D|DDDDDDDDDDDD | mm | ss | mm | vvvvv | mm | pppp' tot:
↪24 sx:7 dx:11
#town = 'ppp | mm | ppp | mm | vv | mm | ss | mm | dddddd|mm|ss|mm|mm|s | v | mm | p | p | '
#result: 'ppp | mm | ppp | mm | vv | mm | ss | mm | DDDDDD|D|DDDDDDDDDD | mm | ss | mm | mm | s | v | mm | p | p | ' tot:
↪20 sx:10 dx:6

# write here

d = town.count('d')

print('Members of the royal family:', d)

dpos_sx = town.find('d')
c_sx = town.count('p', 0, dpos_sx) + town.count('v', 0, dpos_sx) + town.count('s', 0, ↪
↪dpos_sx)
print('left:', c_sx)

dpos_dx = town.rfind('d')
c_dx = town.count('p', dpos_dx) + town.count('v', dpos_dx) + town.count('s', dpos_dx)
print('right:', c_dx)

town = town[:dpos_sx] + 'D'*c_sx + '†'*(d-c_sx-c_dx) + 'D'*c_dx + town[dpos_dx+1:]

print()
```

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<sup>106</sup> <https://www.compart.com/en/unicode/U+271D>

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```
print('After the deadly struggle, the new town is:')
print()
print(town)

Members of the royal family: 24
    left: 7
    right: 11

After the deadly struggle, the new town is:

ppp|mm|vv|mm|v|s|mm|DDDDDDDDQQQQQQDDDDDDDDDDDD|mm|ss|mm|vvvvv|mm|pppp
```

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```
[60]:
town =     'ppp|mm|vv|mm|v|s|mm|ddddd|mm|ss|mm|vvvvv|mm|pppp'
#result: 'ppp|mm|vv|mm|v|s|mm|DDDDDDDDQQQQQQDDDDDDDDDD|mm|ss|mm|vvvvv|mm|pppp'  tot:
→24 sx:7 dx:11
#town =   'ppp|mm|ppp|mm|vv|mm|ss|mm|ddddd|mm|ss|mm|mm|s|v|mm|p|p| '
#result: 'ppp|mm|ppp|mm|vv|mm|ss|mm|DDDDDDDDDDQQQQQQDDDDDD|mm|ss|mm|mm|s|v|mm|p|p|' tot:
→20 sx:10 dx:6

# write here
```

## Other exercises

**QUESTION:** For each following expression, try to find the result

1. 'gUrP'.lower() == 'GuRp'.lower()
2. 'NaNo'.lower() != 'nAnO'.upper()
3. 'O' + 'ortaggio'.replace('o','\t \n ').strip() + 'O'
4. 'DaDo'.replace('D','b') in 'barbados'

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## 5.3 Lists

### 5.3.1 Lists 1 - Introduction

[Download exercises zip](#)

Browse files online<sup>107</sup>

A Python list is a **mutable** sequence of heterogeneous elements, in which we can put the objects we want. The order in which we put them is preserved.

<sup>107</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/lists>

## What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
lists
lists1.ipynb
lists1-sol.ipynb
lists2.ipynb
lists2-sol.ipynb
lists3.ipynb
lists3-sol.ipynb
lists4.ipynb
lists4-sol.ipynb
lists5-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook lists1.ipynb
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

## Creating lists

We can create a list by specifying the elements it contains between square brackets, separating them with a comma.

For example, in this list we insert the numbers 7, 4 e 9:

```
[2]: [7, 4, 9]
```

```
[2]: [7, 4, 9]
```

Like all Python objects, we can associate them to a variable, in this case we create a new one we call my\_list:

```
[3]: my_list = [7, 4, 9]
```

```
[4]: my_list
```

```
[4]: [7, 4, 9]
```

Let's see what happens in memory, and compare strings representation with lists representation:

```
[5]: # WARNING: before using the function jupman.pytut() which follows,
#           it is necessary to first execute this cell with Shift+Enter
#           it's sufficient to execute it only once
```

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```
import jupman
```

```
[6]: my_string = "prova"  
  
my_list = [7, 4, 9]  
  
jupman.pytut()  
  
[6]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

We suddenly note a relevant difference. The string remained in the azure region where associations among variables and values usually stay. From variable `my_list` we see instead an arrow departing to a new yellow memory region, which is created as soon the execution reaches the row where the list is defined.

Later we will analyze more in detail the consequences of this.

In a list the same elements may appear many times:

```
[7]: numbers = [1, 2, 3, 1, 3]  
  
[8]: numbers  
[8]: [1, 2, 3, 1, 3]
```

We can put any element, for example strings:

```
[9]: fruits = ["apple", "pear", "peach", "strawberry", "cherry"]  
  
[10]: fruits  
[10]: ['apple', 'pear', 'peach', 'strawberry', 'cherry']
```

We can also mix the object types contained in a list, for example we can have integers and strings:

```
[11]: mix = ["table", 4, "chair", 8, 5, 1, "chair"]
```

In Python Tutor it will be shown like this:

```
[12]: mix = ["table", 5, 4, "chair", 8, "chair"]  
  
jupman.pytut()  
  
[12]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

For convenience we can also write the list on many rows (the spaces in this case do not count, only remember to terminate rows with commas ,)

```
[13]: mix = ["table",  
           5,  
           4,  
           "chair",  
           8,  
           "chair"]
```

**EXERCISE:** try writing the list above WITHOUT putting a comma after the 5, which error appears?

```
[14]: # write here
```

## Empty list

There are two ways to create an empty list.

- 1) with square brackets:

```
[15]: my_empty_list = []
```

```
[16]: my_empty_list
```

```
[16]: []
```

- 2) Or with `list()`:

```
[17]: another_empty_list = list()
```

```
[18]: another_empty_list
```

```
[18]: []
```

**WARNING:** When you create an empty list (independently from the used notation), a NEW region in memory is allocated to place the list.

Let's see what this means with Python Tutor:

```
[19]: a = []
b = []

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[19]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

Note two arrows appeared, which point to **different** memory regions. The same would have happened by initializing the lists with some elements:

```
[20]: la = [8, 6, 7]
lb = [9, 5, 6, 4]

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[20]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

We would have two lists in different memory regions also by placing identical elements inside the lists:

```
[21]: la = [8, 6, 7]
lb = [8, 6, 7]

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[21]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

Things get complicated when we start using assignment operations:

```
[22]: la = [8, 6, 7]
```

```
[23]: lb = [9, 5, 6, 4]
```

```
[24]: lb = la
```

By writing `lb = la`, we told Python to ‘forget’ the previous assignment of `lb` to `[9, 5, 6, 4]`, and instead to associate `lb` to the same value associated to `la`, that is `[8, 6, 7]`. Thus, in memory we will see an arrow departing from `lb` and arriving into `[8, 6, 7]`, and the memory region where the list `[9, 5, 6, 4]` was placed will be removed (won’t be associated to any variable anymore). Let’s see what happens with Python Tutor:

```
[25]: la = [8, 6, 7]
lb = [9, 5, 6, 4]
lb = la

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[25]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### Exercise - scambi di liste

Try swapping the lists associated to variables `la` and `lb` by using only assignments and **without creating new lists**. If you want, you can overwrite a third variable `lc`. Verify what happens with Python Tutor.

- your code must work for any value of `la`, `lb` and `lc`

Example - given:

```
la = [9, 6, 1]
lb = [2, 3, 4, 3, 5]
lc = None
```

After your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(la)
[2, 3, 4, 3, 5]
>>> print(lb)
[9, 6, 1]
```

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```
[26]: la = [9, 6, 1]
lb = [2, 3, 4, 3, 5]
lc = None

# write here

lc = la
la = lb
lb = lc

print(la)
print(lb)
```

```
[2, 3, 4, 3, 5]
[9, 6, 1]
```

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[26]:

```
la = [9, 6, 1]
lb = [2, 3, 4, 3, 5]
lc = None

# write here
```

## Tabella

A list can also contain other lists:

[27]: table = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'], ['d', 'e', 'f'] ]

Typically, whenever we have structures like this, it's convenient to dispense them on many rows (it's not mandatory but improves clarity):

[28]: table = [
 ['a', 'b', 'c'], # start external big list
 ['d', 'e', 'f'] # internal list 1
] # internal list 2
] # end external big list

[29]: table

[29]: [[['a', 'b', 'c'], ['d', 'e', 'f']]

Let's see how it is shown in Python Tutor:

[30]: table = [
 ['a', 'b', 'c'],
 ['d', 'e', 'f']
]

jupman.pytut()

[30]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

As we previously said, in a list we can put the elements we want, so we can mix lists with different dimensions, strings, numbers and so on:

[31]: so\_much = [
 ['hello', 3, 'world'],
 'a string',
 [9, 5, 6, 7, 3, 4],
 8,
]

[32]: print(so\_much)

```
[['hello', 3, 'world'], 'a string', [9, 5, 6, 7, 3, 4], 8]
```

Let's see how it appears in Python Tutor:

```
[33]: so_much = [
    ['hello', 3, 'world'],
    'a string',
    [9, 5, 6, 7, 3, 4],
    8,
]

jupman.pytut()
```

[33]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

### Domanda - creazione di liste

Have a look at these two pieces of code. For each case, try thinking how they might be represented in memory and then verify with Python Tutor.

- could there be a difference?
- how many memory cells will be allocated in total?
- how many arrows will you see?

```
# first case
lb = [
    [8, 6, 7],
    [8, 6, 7],
    [8, 6, 7],
    [8, 6, 7],
]
```

```
# second case
la = [8, 6, 7]
lb = [
    la,
    la,
    la,
    la
]
```

```
[34]: # first case
lb = [
    [8, 6, 7],
    [8, 6, 7],
    [8, 6, 7],
    [8, 6, 7],
]
jupman.pytut()
```

[34]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

```
[35]: # second case
```

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```

la = [8, 6, 7]
lb = [
    la,
    la,
    la,
    la
]
jupman.pytut()
[35]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

```

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**ANSWER:** In the first case, we have a ‘big list’ associated to the variable `lb` which contains 4 sublists each of 3 elements. Each sublist is created as new, so in total in memory we end up with 4 cells of the big list `lb` + (4 sublists \* 3 cells each) = 16 cells

In the second case we have instead always the ‘big list’ associated to the variable `lb` of 4 cells, but inside it contains some pointers to the same identical list `la`. So the total number of occupied cells is 4 cells of big list `lb` + (1 sublist \* 3 cells) = 7 cells

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### Exercise - domino

In your neighborhood a super domino match is being held: since the first prize is a card to get 10 pies made my mythical Grandmother Severina you decide to put serious effort.

You start thinking about how to train and decide to start to match the tiles in the correct way:

```

tile1 = [1, 3]
tile3 = [1, 5]
tile2 = [3, 9]
tile5 = [9, 7]
tile4 = [8, 2]

```

Given these tiles, generate a list which will contain two lists: in the first one insert a possible sequence of chained tiles; in the second one put the tiles which were left excluded from the first one sequence.

Example:

```
[ [ [1, 3], [3, 9], [9, 7] ], [ [1, 5], [8, 2] ] ]
```

- DO NOT write numbers
- USE only lists of variables

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```

tile1 = [1, 3]
tile2 = [3, 2]
tile3 = [1, 5]
tile4 = [2, 4]
tile5 = [3, 3]

```

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```
tile6 = [5, 4]
tile7 = [1, 2]

# write here
sequence = [tile1, tile5, tile2, tile4]
remained = [tile3, tile6, tile7]
print([sequence, remained])

[[[1, 3], [3, 3], [3, 2], [2, 4]], [[1, 5], [5, 4], [1, 2]]]
```

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[36]:

```
tile1 = [1, 3]
tile2 = [3, 2]
tile3 = [1, 5]
tile4 = [2, 4]
tile5 = [3, 3]
tile6 = [5, 4]
tile7 = [1, 2]

# write here
```

### Exercise - create lists 2

Insert some values in the lists la, lb such that

```
print([[la,la],[lb,la]])
```

prints

```
[[[8, 4], [8, 4]], [[4, 8, 4], [8, 4]]]
```

- **Insert only NUMBERS**
- Observe in Python Tutor how arrows are represented

```
[37]: la = [] # insert numbers
lb = [] # insert numbers

print([[la,la],[lb,la]])

[[[], []], [[], []]]
```

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[38]: # SOLUTION

```
la = [8, 4]
lb = [4, 8, 4]

print([[la,la],[lb,la]])
```

```
[[[8, 4], [8, 4]], [[4, 8, 4], [8, 4]]]
```

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[38]:

### Exercise - create lists 3

Insert some values as elements of the lists `la`, `lb` e `lc` such that

```
print([[lb,lb,[lc,la]],lc])
```

prints

```
[[[8, [7, 7]], [8, [7, 7]], [[8, 7], [8, 5]]], [8, 7]]
```

- **insert only NUMBERS or NEW LISTS OF NUMBERS**
- Observe in Python Tutor are arrows are represented

[39]:

```
la = [] # insert elements (numbers or lists of numbers)
lb = [] # insert elements (numbers or lists of numbers)
lc = [] # insert elements (numbers or lists of numbers)

print([[lb,lb,[lc,la]],lc])
[[[], [], [[], []]], []]
```

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[40]: # SOLUTION

```
la = [8,5]
lb = [8,[7,7]]
lc = [8,7]

print([[lb,lb,[lc,la]],lc])
[[[8, [7, 7]], [8, [7, 7]], [[8, 7], [8, 5]]], [8, 7]]]
```

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[40]:

### Exercise - create lists 4

Insert some values in the lists `la`, `lb` such that

```
print([[la,lc,la], lb])
```

prints

```
[[[3, 2], [[3, 2], [8, [3, 2]]], [3, 2]], [8, [3, 2]]]
```

- **insert only NUMBERS or VARIABLES** `la,lb` or `lc`
- Observe in Python Tutor how arrows are represented

```
[41]: la = [] # insert numbers or variables la, lb, lc  
lb = [] # insert numbers or variables la, lb, lc  
lc = [] # insert numbers or variables la, lb, lc  
  
print([[la,lc,la], lb])  
[[[], [], []], []]
```

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```
[42]: # SOLUTION  
  
la = [3,2]  
lb = [8,la]  
lc = [la,lb]  
  
print([[la,lc,la], lb])  
[[[3, 2], [[3, 2], [8, [3, 2]]], [3, 2]], [8, [3, 2]]]
```

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```
[42]:
```

### Convert sequences into lists

`list` may also be used to convert any sequence into a NEW list. A sequence type we've already seen are strings, so we can check what happens when we use `list` like it were a function and we pass a string as parameter:

```
[43]: list("train")  
[43]: ['t', 'r', 'a', 'i', 'n']
```

We obtained a list in which each element is made of a character from the original string.

What happens if we call instead `list` on another list?

```
[44]: list( [7,9,5,6] )  
[44]: [7, 9, 5, 6]
```

Apparently, nothing particular, we obtained a list with the same start elements. But is it really the same list? Let's have a better look with Python Tutor:

```
[45]: la = [7, 9, 5, 6]
lb = list( la )
jupman.pytut()
[45]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

We note a NEW memory region was created with the same elements of `la`.

### Exercise - gulp

Given a string with mixed uppercase and lowercase characters, write some code which creates a list containing as first element a list with characters from the string lowercased and as second element a list containing all the uppercased characters

- your code must work with any string
- if you don't remember the string methods, look here<sup>108</sup>

Example - given:

```
s = 'GuLp'
```

your code must print:

```
[['g', 'u', 'l', 'p'], ['G', 'U', 'L', 'P']]
```

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```
[46]: s = 'GuLp'

# write here
print([list(s.lower()), list(s.upper())])
[['g', 'u', 'l', 'p'], ['G', 'U', 'L', 'P']]
```

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```
[46]: s = 'GuLp'

# write here

[['g', 'u', 'l', 'p'], ['G', 'U', 'L', 'P']]
```

**QUESTION:** This code:

- produces an error or assigns something to `x` ?
- After its execution, how many lists remain in memory?
- Can we shorten it?

```
s = "marathon"
x = list(list(list(list(s))))
```

<sup>108</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings3-sol.html>

```
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```

**ANSWER:** The code assigns the list [ 'm', 'a', 'r', 'a', 't', 'h', 'o', 'n' ] to variable x. The first time list(s) generates a NEW list [ 'm', 'a', 'r', 'a', 't', 'h', 'o', 'n' ]. Successive calls to list take as input the just generated list and keep creating NEW lists with the same identical content. Since no produced list except the last one is assigned to a variable, the intermediate ones are eliminated at the end of execution. We can thus safely shorten the code by writing:

```
s = "marathon"
x = list(s)
```

```
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```

**QUESTION:** This code:

- produces an error or assigns something to x ?
- After its execution, how many lists remain in memory?

```
s = "chain"
a = list(s)
b = list(a)
c = b
x = list(c)
```

```
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```

**ANSWER:** Only 3 lists remain in memory, each containing 6 cells. This time the lists persist in memory because they are associated to variables a, b and c. We have 3 and not 4 lists because in instruction c = b the c variable is associated to the same identical memory region associated as variable b

```
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```

### Exercise - garaga

Given

```
sa = "ga"
sb = "ra"
la = ['ga']
lb = list(la)
```

- Assign to lc a list built in such a way so that once printed produces:

```
>>> print(lc)
```

```
[[['g', 'a', 'r', 'a'], ['ga'], ['ga'], ['r', 'a', 'g', 'a']]]
```

- in Python Tutor, ALL the arrows must point to a different memory region

```
[47]: sa = "ga"
sb = "ra"
la = ['ga']
lb = list(la)
```

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```
# insert come code in the list
lc = []

print(lc)
jupman.pytut()

[]

[47]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

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```
[48]: # SOLUTION

sa = "ga"
sb = "ra"
la = ['ga']
lb = list(la)
lc = [list(sa + sb), list(la), list(lb), list(sb + sa) ]

print(lc)
jupman.pytut()

[['g', 'a', 'r', 'a'], ['ga'], ['ga'], ['r', 'a', 'g', 'a']]
```

[48]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

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```
[48]: 

[['g', 'a', 'r', 'a'], ['ga'], ['ga'], ['r', 'a', 'g', 'a']]
```

[48]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

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Go on reading notebook Lists 2 - operators<sup>109</sup>

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### 5.3.2 Lists 2 - operators

#### Download exercises zip

Browse online files<sup>110</sup>

There are several operators to manipulate lists. The following ones behave like the ones we've seen in strings:

<sup>109</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists2-sol.html>

<sup>110</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/lists>

Operator	Result	Meaning
<code>len(lst)</code>	<code>int</code>	Return the list length
<code>list [ int ]</code>	<code>obj</code>	Reads/writes an element at the specified index
<code>list [ int : int ]</code>	<code>list</code>	Extracts a sublist - return a NEW list
<code>obj in list</code>	<code>bool</code>	Checks if the element is contained in the list
<code>list + list</code>	<code>list</code>	Concatenates two lists - return a NEW list
<code>max(lst)</code>	<code>int</code>	Given a list of numbers, return the greatest one
<code>min(lst)</code>	<code>int</code>	Given a list of numbers, returns the smallest one
<code>sum(lst)</code>	<code>int</code>	Given a list of numbers, sums all of them
<code>list * int</code>	<code>list</code>	Replicates the list - return a NEW list
<code>==, !=</code>	<code>bool</code>	Checks whether lists are equal or different

## What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
lists
lists1.ipynb
lists1-sol.ipynb
lists2.ipynb
lists2-sol.ipynb
lists3.ipynb
lists3-sol.ipynb
lists4.ipynb
lists4-sol.ipynb
lists5-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `lists2.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

## Length of a list

A list is a sequence, and like any sequence you can use the function `len` to obtain the length:

```
[2]: a = [7, 5, 8]
```

```
[3]: len(a)
```

```
[3]: 3
```

```
[4]: b = [8, 3, 6, 4, 7]
```

```
[5]: len(b)
```

```
[5]: 5
```

If a list contains other lists, they count as single elements:

```
[6]: mixed = [
    [4, 5, 1],
    [8, 6],
    [7, 6, 0, 8],
]
```

```
[7]: len(mixed)
```

```
[7]: 3
```

### WARNING: YOU CAN'T use `len` as a method

```
[3,4,2].len() # WRONG
```

**EXERCISE:** Try writing `[3, 4, 2].len()` here, which error appears?

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```
[8]: # write here
```

```
# [3,4,2].len()
```

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```
[8]: # write here
```

**EXERCISE:** Try writing `[3, 4, 2].len` WITHOUT the round parenthesis at the end, which error appears?

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```
[9]: # write here
```

```
# [3,4,2].len
```

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```
[9]: # write here
```

**QUESTION:** If `x` is some list, by writing:

```
len(len(x))
```

what do we get?

1. the length of the list
2. an error
3. something else

```
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```

**ANSWER:** 2: `len` wants as argument a *sequence* and gives back a *number*, so the internal call to `len(x)` produces a number which is given to the external `len` and at that point Python will complain it received a number instead of a sequence. Verify which error appears by writing `len(len(x))` down here.

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```

```
[10]: # write code here
```

**QUESTION:** Look at this expression, without executing it. What does it produce?

```
[len([]), len([len(['a', 'b'])])]
```

1. an error (which one?)
2. a number (which one?)
3. a list (which one?)

Try writing the result by hand, and then compare it with the one obtained by executing the code in a cell.

```
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```

**ANSWER:** 3: the list `[0, 1]`

```
</div>
```

**QUESTION:** Look at this expression, without executing it. What does it produce?

```
len([[], [], [], [[], []], [[], []]])
```

1. an error (which one?)
2. a number (which one?)
3. a list (which one?)

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```

**ANSWER:** 2. produces the number 4

```
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```

**QUESTION:** What does the following expression produce?

```
[ [((len('ababb')))], len(["argg", ('b'), ("c")]), len([len("bc")]) ]
```

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**ANSWER:** [[5], 3, 1]

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## Reading an element

Like for strings, we can access an element a list element by putting the index of the position we want to access among square brackets:

```
[11]: # 0 1 2 3
la = [70, 60, 90, 50]
```

As for any sequence, the positions start from 0:

```
[12]: la[0]
```

```
[12]: 70
```

```
[13]: la[1]
```

```
[13]: 60
```

```
[14]: la[2]
```

```
[14]: 90
```

```
[15]: la[3]
```

```
[15]: 50
```

Like for any string, if we exaggerate with the index we get an error:

```
la[4]
-----
IndexError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-134-09bfed834fa2> in <module>
----> 1 la[4]

IndexError: list index out of range
```

As in strings, we can obtain last element by using a negative index:

```
[16]: # 0 1 2 3
la = [70, 60, 90, 50]
```

```
[17]: la[-1]
```

```
[17]: 50
```

```
[18]: la[-2]
```

```
[18]: 90
```

```
[19]: la[-3]
```

```
[19]: 60
```

```
[20]: la[-4]
```

```
[20]: 70
```

If we go beyond the list length, we get an error:

```
la[-5]
```

```
-----  
IndexError Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-169-f77280923dce> in <module>  
----> 1 la[-5]
```

```
IndexError: list index out of range
```

**QUESTION:** if `x` is some list, by writing:

```
x[0]
```

what do we get?

1. the first element of the list
2. always an error
3. sometimes an element, sometimes an error according to the list

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**ANSWER:** 3: if the list is empty Python will not find the element and will give us an error. Which one? Try writing in the cell down here `[] [0]` and see what happens.

```
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```

```
[21]: # write code here
```

**QUESTION:** if `x` is some list, by writing:

```
x[len(x)]
```

what do we get?

1. an element of the list
2. always an error
3. sometimes an element, sometimes an error according to the list

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**ANSWER:** 2. always an error: `len(x)` will always be a number equal to the last available index + 1

```
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```

### Exercise - Gutenberg apprentice

Such honor! So young and you have been hired as master Gutenberg apprentice! Your job is to compose the pages with the characters made with iron blocks, so your collaborators can then send everything to the printing press.

You have a `chars` list in which the original blocks are saved. Can you print the writing Gutenberg?

- **DO NOT** write characters nor additional strings (so no 'g' nor 'G'!)
- every character **MAY** be reused

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[22]:

```
chars = ['b', 'e', 'g', 'n', 'r', 't', 'u']    # Gutenberg
#chars = ['a', 'm', 's', 'p', 'o', 'a', 't']    # Stampamos

l = chars      # Let's create a new handy variable

# write here
# SOLUTION 1: not optimal
print(l[2].upper(), l[6], l[5], l[1], l[3], l[0], l[1], l[4], l[2])
# SOLUTION 2
print(f"{l[2].upper()}{l[6]}{l[5]}{l[1]}{l[3]}{l[0]}{l[1]}{l[4]}{l[2]}")
# SOLUTION 3
print("%s%s%s%s%s%s%s%s" % (l[2].upper(), l[6], l[5], l[1], l[3], l[0], l[1], l[4], l[2]))
```

G u t e n b e r g  
Gutenberg  
Gutenberg

```
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```

[22]:

```
chars = ['b', 'e', 'g', 'n', 'r', 't', 'u']    # Gutenberg
#chars = ['a', 'm', 's', 'p', 'o', 'a', 't']    # Stampamos

l = chars      # Let's create a new handy variable

# write here
```

### Writing an element

Since all the lists are MUTABLE, given a list object we can change the content of any cell inside.

For example, suppose you want to change the cell at index 2 of the list `la`, from 6 to 5:

[23]:

#0	1	2	3
la = [7, 9, 6, 8]			

We might write like this:

```
[24]: la[2] = 5
```

```
[25]: la
```

```
[25]: [7, 9, 5, 8]
```

Let's see what's happening with Python Tutor:

```
[26]: # WARNING: FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter
#           (it's sufficient to execute it only once)
```

```
import jupman
```

```
[27]: #      0   1   2   3
la = [7, 9, 6, 8]
la[2] = 5
```

```
jupman.pytut()
```

```
[27]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

As you see, no new memory regions are created, it just overwrites an existing cell.

### Exercise - a jammed parking lot

You are the administrator of the condo “The Pythonic Joy”. Every apartment has one or two parkins spaces assigned and each one is numbered from 1 to 11.

What follows is the current parking lot, and as you can see there are three spaces not assigned, because the flats 3, 4 and 7 have no tenants anymore.

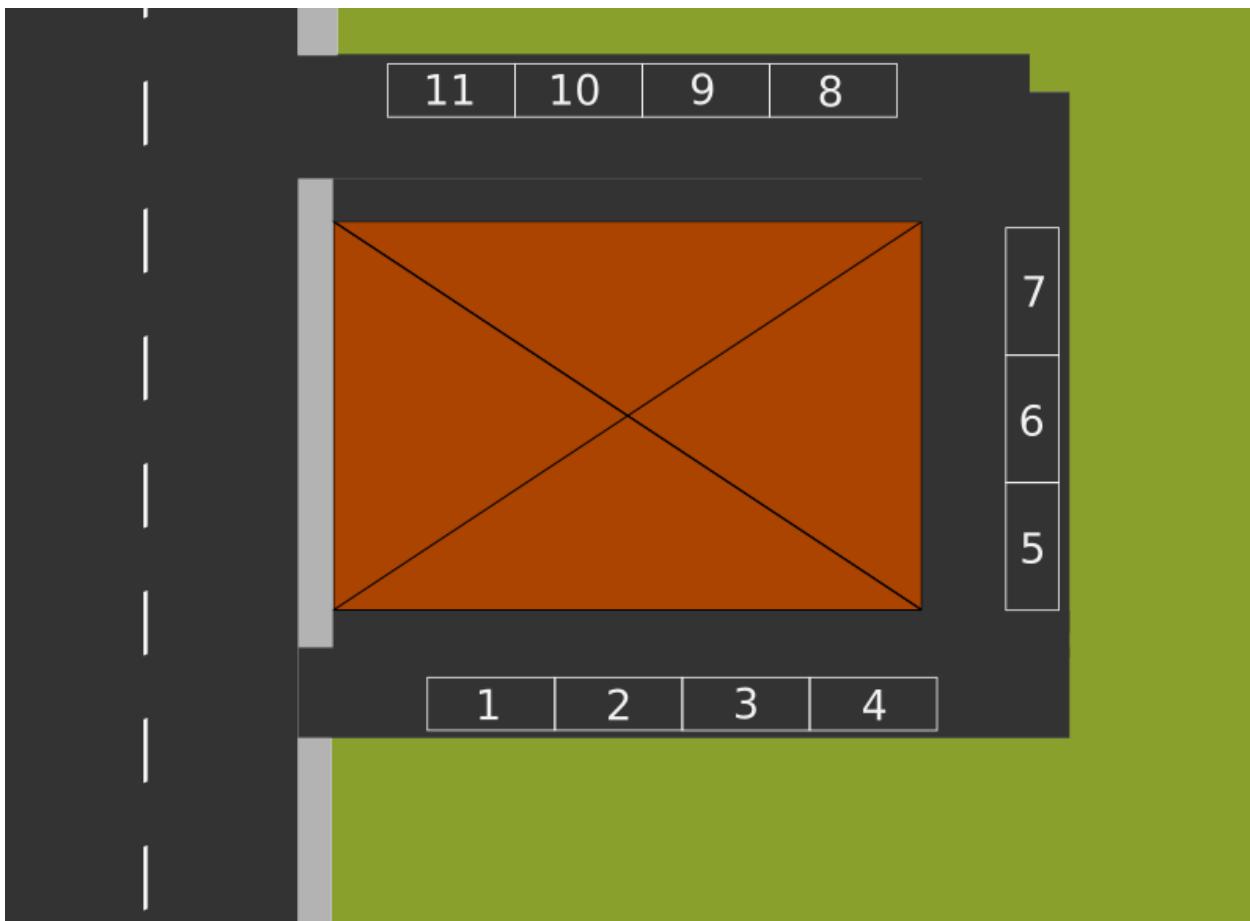
```
[28]: parking_lot = ["Carlo", "Apt.3", "Ernesto", "Apt.4", "Apt.7", "Pam", "Giovanna",
                   "Camilla", "Giorgia", "Jessica", "Jim"]
```

To keep the order you decide to compact the assignments and leave the empty spaces at the far end (could be handy for parking the movers!)

Write some code to MODIFY `parking_lot` so to have:

```
>>> print(parking_lot)
['Carlo', 'Jessica', 'Ernesto', 'Jim', 'Giorgia', 'Pam', 'Giovanna', 'Camilla', 'App.7',
 'App.3', 'App.4']
```

- **DO NOT** create new lists (no `[a,b, ...]` nor `list(a,b,...)`)
- **DO NOT** write tenants nor apartment names (so no `'Jessica'` nor `'Apt.3'`)
- `parking_lot` may have variable length
- assume the unassigned places are always 3 and in fixed position



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[29]:

```

parking_lot = ["Carlo", "Apt.3", "Ernesto", "Apt.4", "Apt.7", "Pam", "Giovanna",
    ↵"Camilla", "Giorgia", "Jessica", "Jim"]
#result:      ['Carlo', 'Jessica', 'Ernesto', 'Jim', 'Giorgia', 'Pam', 'Giovanna',
    ↵'Camilla', 'Apt.7', 'Apt.3', 'Apt.4']
#parking_lot = ["Cristian", "Apt.3", "Edgar", "Apt.4", "Apt.7", "Pamela", "Giusy",
    ↵"Cristina", "John"]
#result:      ['Cristian', 'Cristina', 'Edgar', 'John', 'Giusy', 'Pamela', 'Apt.7',
    ↵'Apt.3', 'Apt.4']

# write here

parking_lot[1],parking_lot[-2] = parking_lot[-2],parking_lot[1]
parking_lot[3],parking_lot[-1] = parking_lot[-1],parking_lot[3]
parking_lot[4],parking_lot[-3] = parking_lot[-3],parking_lot[4]

print(parking_lot)
['Carlo', 'Jessica', 'Ernesto', 'Jim', 'Giorgia', 'Pam', 'Giovanna', 'Camilla', 'Apt.7
    ↵', 'Apt.3', 'Apt.4']
```

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[29]:

```
parking_lot = ["Carlo", "Apt.3", "Ernesto", "Apt.4", "Apt.7", "Pam", "Giovanna",
    ↪"Camilla", "Giorgia", "Jessica", "Jim"]
#result:      ['Carlo', 'Jessica', 'Ernesto', 'Jim', 'Giorgia', 'Pam', 'Giovanna',
    ↪'Camilla', 'Apt.7', 'Apt.3', 'Apt.4']
#parking_lot = ["Cristian", "Apt.3", "Edgar", "Apt.4", "Apt.7", "Pamela", "Giusy",
    ↪"Cristina", "John"]
#result:      ['Cristian', 'Cristina', 'Edgar', 'John', 'Giusy', 'Pamela', 'Apt.7',
    ↪'Apt.3', 'Apt.4']

# write here
```

### Mutating shared lists

**WARNING: 90% OF PROGRAMMING ERRORS ARE CAUSED BY MISUNDERSTANDING THIS TOPIC !!!**

**READ VERY WELL !!!**

What happens when we associate the same identical mutable object to two variables, like for example a list, and then we mutate the object using one of the two variables?

Let's look at an example - first, we associate the list [7, 9, 6] to variable la:

[30]: la = [7, 9, 6]

Now we define a new variable lb, and we associate the *same value* that was already associated to variable la. Note: we are NOT creating new lists !

[31]: lb = la

[32]: print(la) # la is always the same  
[7, 9, 6]

[33]: print(lb) # lb is the \*same\* list associated to la  
[7, 9, 6]

We can now try modifying a cell of lb, putting 5 in the cell at index 0:

[34]: lb[0] = 5

If we try printing the variables la and lb, Python will look at the values associated to each variable. Since the value is the same identical list (which is in the same identical memory region), in both cases you will see the change we just did !

[35]: print(la)  
[5, 9, 6]

```
[36]: print(lb)
[5, 9, 6]
```

Let's see in detail what happens with Python Tutor:

```
[37]: la = [7, 9, 6]
lb = la
lb[0] = 5
print('la è', la)
print('lb è', lb)

jupman.pytut()

la è [5, 9, 6]
lb è [5, 9, 6]
[37]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

Let's see the difference when we explicitly create a list equal to `la`.

In this case we will have two distinct memory regions and `la` will NOT be modified:

```
[38]: la = [7, 9, 6]
lb = [7, 9, 6]
lb[0] = 5
print('la is', la)
print('lb is', lb)

jupman.pytut()

la is [7, 9, 6]
lb is [5, 9, 6]
[38]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** After executing this code, what will be printed? How many lists will be present in memory?

Try drawing **ON PAPER** what is supposed to happen in memory, and then compare with Python Tutor!

```
la = [8, 7, 7]
lb = [9, 6, 7, 5]
lc = lb
la = lb
print('la is', la)
print('lb is', lb)
print('lc is', lc)
```

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**ANSWER:** it will print:

```
la is [9, 6, 7, 5]
lb is [9, 6, 7, 5]
lc is [9, 6, 7, 5]
```

because

```
la = [8,7,7]
lb = [9,6,7,5]

lc = lb    # variable lc is associated to the same identical list of lb

la = lb    # variable la is associated to the same identical list of lb
           # the list previously associated to la is lost
```

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```
[39]: la = [8,7,7]
lb = [9,6,7,5]
lc = lb
la = lb
#print('la è', la)
#print('lb è', lb)
#print('lc è', lc)
jupman.pyut()
[39]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code. After its execution, by printing `la`, `lb` and `lc` what will we get?

Try drawing **ON PAPER** what is happening in memory, then compare the result with Python Tutor!

```
la = [7,8,5]
lb = [6,7]
lc = lb
lb = la
lc[0] = 9
print('la is', la)
print('lb is', lb)
print('lc is', lc)
```

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**ANSWER:** The print will produce

```
la is [7, 8, 5]
lb is [7, 8, 5]
lc is [9, 7]
```

because :

```
la = [7,8,5]
lb = [6,7]
# the variable lc is assigned to the same list of lb [6,7]
lc = lb
# the variable lb is associated to the same list of la [7,8,5].
# This doesn't change the assignment of lc, which remains associated to [6,7] !
lb = la
# Modifies the first element of the list associated to lc which from [6,7] becomes [9,
# 7]
lc[0] = 9
print('la is', la)
print('lb is', lb)
print('lc is', lc)
```

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[40]: la = [7, 8, 5]
lb = [6, 7]
lc = lb
lb = la
lc[0] = 9
#print('la is', la)
#print('lb is', lb)
#print('lc is', lc)

jupman.pytut()

[40]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

## List of strings

We said we can put any object into a list, for example some strings:

```
[41]: vegetables = ['tomatoes', 'onions', 'carrots', 'cabbage']
```

Let's try extracting a vegetable by writing this expression:

```
[42]: vegetables[2]
[42]: 'carrots'
```

Now, the preceding expression produces the result 'carrots', which we know is a string. This suggests we can use the expression exactly like if it were a string.

Suppose we want to obtain the first character of the string 'carrots', if we directly have the string we can write like this:

```
[43]: 'carrots'[0]
[43]: 'c'
```

But if the string is inside the previous list, we could directly do like this:

```
[44]: vegetables[2][0]
[44]: 'c'
```

## Exercise - province codes

Given a list with exactly 4 province codes in lowercase, write some code which creates a NEW list containing the same codes in uppercase characters.

- your code must work with any list of 4 provinces
- hint: if you don't remember the right method, [have a look here](#)<sup>111</sup>

Example 1 - given:

```
provinces = ['tn', 'mi', 'to', 'ro']
```

<sup>111</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings3-sol.html>

your code must print:

```
[ 'TN', 'MI', 'TO', 'RO' ]
```

Example 2 - given:

```
provinces = [ 'pa', 'ge', 've', 'aq' ]
```

Your code must print:

```
[ 'PA', 'GE', 'VE', 'AQ' ]
```



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[45]:

```
provinces = [ 'tn', 'mi', 'to', 'ro' ]
#provinces = [ 'pa', 'ge', 've', 'aq' ]

# write here

print([provinces[0].upper(), provinces[1].upper(), provinces[2].upper(), provinces[3].
      upper()])
['TN', 'MI', 'TO', 'RO']
```

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[45]:

```
provinces = [ 'tn', 'mi', 'to', 'ro' ]
#provinces = [ 'pa', 'ge', 've', 'aq' ]

# write here
```

### Exercise - games

Given a list `games` of exactly 3 strings, write some code which MODIFIES the list so it contains only the first characters of each string.

- Your code must work with any list of exactly 3 strings

Example - given:

```
games = [ "Monopoly", "RISK", "Bingo" ]
```

After executing the code, it must result:

```
>>> print(games)
[ "M", "R", "B" ]
```

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```

[46]:

```
games = ["Monopoly", "RISK", "Bingo"] # ['M', 'R', 'T']
#games = ["Frustration", "Game of the Goose", "Scrabble"] # ['F', 'G', 'S']

# write here

games = [ games[0][0], games[1][0], games[2][0] ]
print(games)

['M', 'R', 'B']
```

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[46]:

```
games = ["Monopoly", "RISK", "Bingo"] # ['M', 'R', 'T']
#games = ["Frustration", "Game of the Goose", "Scrabble"] # ['F', 'G', 'S']

# write here
```

## Slices

We can extract sequences from lists by using *slices*. A slice is produced by placing square brackets after the list with inside the starting index (INCLUDED), followed by a colon :, followed by the end index (EXCLUDED). It works exactly as with strings: in that case the slice produces a new string, in this case it produces a NEW list. Let's see an example:

[47]:

```
#0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
la = [40, 30, 90, 80, 60, 10, 40, 20, 50, 60]
```

[48]: la[3:7]

[48]: [80, 60, 10, 40]

We extracted a NEW list [80, 60, 10, 40] from the list la starting from index 3 INCLUDED until index 7 EXCLUDED. We can see the original list is preserved:

[49]: la

[49]: [40, 30, 90, 80, 60, 10, 40, 20, 50, 60]

Let's verify what happens with Python Tutor, by assigning the new list to a variable lb:

[50]:

```
# 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
la = [40, 30, 90, 80, 60, 10, 40, 20, 50, 60]
lb = la[3:7]

jupman.pytut()
```

[50]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

You will notice a NEW memory region, associated to variable lb.

### Slice - limits

When we operate with slices we must be careful about indeces limits. Let's see how they behave:

```
[51]: #0 1 2 3 4  
[50,90,70,80,60][0:3] # from index 0 *included* to 3 *excluded*
```

```
[51]: [50, 90, 70]
```

```
[52]: #0 1 2 3 4  
[50,90,70,80,60][0:4] # from index 0 *included* a 4 *excluded*
```

```
[52]: [50, 90, 70, 80]
```

```
[53]: #0 1 2 3 4  
[50,90,70,80,60][0:5] # from index 0 *included* to 5 *excluded*
```

```
[53]: [50, 90, 70, 80, 60]
```

```
[54]: #0 1 2 3 4  
[50,90,70,80,60][0:6] # if we go beyond the list length Python does not complain
```

```
[54]: [50, 90, 70, 80, 60]
```

```
[55]: #0 1 2 3 4  
[50,90,70,80,60][8:12] # Python doesn't complain even if we start from non-existing  
→indeces
```

```
[55]: []
```

**QUESTION:** This expression:

```
[] [3:8]
```

1. produces a result (which one?)
2. produces an error (which one?)

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**ANSWER:** given an empty list, we are trying yo create a sublist which goes from index 3 INCLUDED to index 8 EXCLUDED. As we've seen before, if we start after the limit and also if we go beyond the limit Python does not complain, and when elements are not found we are simply served with an empty list.

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**QUESTION:** if `x` is some list (may also empty), what does this expression do? Can it give an error? Does it return something useful?

```
x[0:len(x)]
```

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**ANSWER:** Always return a NEW copy of the entire list, because it starts from index 0 INCLUDED and ends at index `len(x)` EXCLUDED.

It also works with the empty list, because `[] [0:len([])]` is equivalent to `[] [0:0]` that is sublist from 0 included to 0 excluded, so we are not taking any character and are not going beyod list limits. In fact, as we've seen before, even if we went beyond Python wouldn't complain.

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```

### Exercise - The 'treccia mochena'

As you weel know in the Mocheni valley in Trentino there is a wonderful pastry: the famous 'treccia Mochena'.

At a quick glance it may look like a braid loaf, between 30 and 60 cm long with inside a mix of ingredients along a marvellous and secret cream.

With your friends Camilla and Giorgio you bought a treccia divided in a certain number of portions stuffed of walnuts, blueberries and red currants.

```
treccia = ['w', 'w', 'w', 'w', 'w', 'b', 'b', 'b', 'b', 'b', 'c', 'c', 'c', 'c']
```

```
walnuts,blueberries,currants = 5,6,4
```

You like the blueberries, Giorgio likes walnuts and Camilla the red currants.

Write some code to place into variables `mine`, `giorgio` and `camilla` some lists obtained from `treccia`, and PRINT the result:

```
Mine: ['b', 'b', 'b', 'b', 'b', 'b']
Giorgio: ['w', 'w', 'w', 'w', 'w']
Camilla: ['c', 'c', 'c', 'c']
```

- suppose `treccia` has always only 3 ingredients
- **DO NOT** write constant numbers (except 0)

```
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```

[56]:

```
#                                         Walnuts          Blueberries
#                                         Currants
walnuts,blueberries,currants,treccia = 5,6,4,['w', 'w', 'w', 'w', 'w', 'b', 'b', 'b',
      ↵'b', 'b', 'b', 'c', 'c', 'c']
#walnuts,blueberries,currants,treccia = 2,4,3,['W', 'W', 'B', 'B', 'B', 'C', 'C',
      ↵'C']

# write here
mine = treccia[walnuts : walnuts+blueberries]
giorgio = treccia[0 : walnuts]
camilla = treccia[walnuts+blueberries : walnuts+blueberries+currants]
print("  Mine: %s \nGiorgio: %s \nCamilla: %s" % (mine, giorgio, camilla))

Mine: ['b', 'b', 'b', 'b', 'b', 'b']
Giorgio: ['w', 'w', 'w', 'w', 'w']
Camilla: ['c', 'c', 'c', 'c']
```

```
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```

[56]:

```
#                                         Walnuts          Blueberries
#                                         Currants
walnuts,blueberries,currants,treccia = 5,6,4,['w', 'w', 'w', 'w', 'w', 'b', 'b', 'b',
      ↵'b', 'b', 'b', 'c', 'c', 'c']
```

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```
#walnuts,bluberries,currants,treccia = 2,4,3,['W', 'W', 'B', 'B', 'B', 'B', 'C', 'C',
↪'C']

# write here
```

### Slices - omitting limits

If we will, it is possible to omit start index, in which case Python will suppose it's 0:

```
[57]: #0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
[90,60,80,70,60,90,60,50,70][:3]

[57]: [90, 60, 80]
```

It is also possible to omit the end index, in this case Python will extract elements until the list end:

```
[58]: #0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
[90,60,80,70,60,90,60,50,70][3:]

[58]: [70, 60, 90, 60, 50, 70]
```

By omitting both indexes we obtain the full list:

```
[59]: #0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
[90,60,80,70,60,90,60,50,70][:]

[59]: [90, 60, 80, 70, 60, 90, 60, 50, 70]
```

**QUESTION:** What is this code going to print? Will `la` get modified or not?

```
la = [7,8,9]
lb = la[:]
lb[0] = 6
print('la =',la)
print('lb =',lb)
```

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**ANSWER:** `lb = la[:]` creates a NEW list containing all the elements which are in `la`. When we write `lb[0] = 6` we are only modifying the memory region associated to `lb`. If you observe it in Python Tutor, you will see that `la` and `lb` are pointing to different memory regions:

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```
[60]: la = [7,8,9]
lb = la[:]
lb[0] = 6
#print('la =',la)
#print('lb =',lb)

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[60]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** For each of the following expressions, try guessing which value it produces, or if it gives an error.

1. [ 9 , 7 , 8 , 6 ] [ 1 : 1 ]

2. [9, 7, 8, 6] [1:2]

3. [9, 7, 8, 6] [2:3] [0]

4. [ ] [ ]

5. [ ] [ : ]

6. [ 3 ] [ : ]

7. [ : ] [ ]

## **Exercise - An out of tune guitar**

In the attic you found an old guitar which was around when you were a child. Now that you have a degree in Sound Engineering you try to play it while a sensor measures the produced note.

The sensor is a microphone, and each one tenth of second it records the main note it detected.

With this test you discover this phenomena: some guitar strings when played have an oscillating behaviour but then they synphonize on a precise note until the end:

Other strings do the opposite:

'C' 'C' 'C' 'C' 'C' 'P' 'G' 'F' 'B' 'B' 'C' 'B' ...

In a list `cutoffs` are recorded for each string the instants in which it starts or ends the weird behaviour. The instants are represented as a sequence of beats '`*`', for example the first string starts an anomalous behaviour after 5 beats: '`*****`', while the second ends the anomalous behaviour after 7 beats: '`*****`'.

Write some code to cut the sensor output and obtain only the sequences of continuous and correct notes. At the end it should PRINT:

```
[['C', 'C', 'C', 'C', 'C'],
 ['F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', '...'],
 ['D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', '...', ...],
 ['G', 'G', 'G', 'G']]
```

- **DO NOT** write constant numbers of instants in the code, instead, use the variable `cutOffs`.

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```

[61] i

```
cutoffs = [ '*****',  
           '*****',  
           '***',  
           '***' ]
```

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```
string1 = ['C', 'C', 'C', 'C', 'C', 'D', 'G', 'F', 'B', 'B', 'C', 'B', ...]
string2 = ['D', 'A', 'F', 'E', 'B', 'G', 'B', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', ...
    ↵']
string3 = ['B', 'E', 'G', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', ...]
string4 = ['G', 'G', 'G', 'G', 'D', 'D', 'A', 'A', 'B', 'F', 'B', ...]

# write here
string1_clean = string1[:len(cutoffs[0])]
string2_clean = string2[len(cutoffs[1]):]
string3_clean = string3[len(cutoffs[2]):]
string4_clean = string4[:len(cutoffs[3])]

print(string1_clean)
print(string2_clean)
print(string3_clean)
print(string4_clean)

['C', 'C', 'C', 'C', 'C']
['F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', '...']
['D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', '...']
['G', 'G', 'G', 'G']
```

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[61]:

```
cutoffs = ['*****',
           '*****',
           '***',
           '****',]

string1 = ['C', 'C', 'C', 'C', 'C', 'D', 'G', 'F', 'B', 'B', 'C', 'B', ...]
string2 = ['D', 'A', 'F', 'E', 'B', 'G', 'B', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', 'F', ...
    ↵']
string3 = ['B', 'E', 'G', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', 'D', ...]
string4 = ['G', 'G', 'G', 'G', 'D', 'D', 'A', 'A', 'B', 'F', 'B', ...]

# write here
```

### Slices - negative limits

It is also possible to set inverse and negative limits, although it is not always intuitive:

[62]: #0 1 2 3 4 5 6  
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][3:0] # from index 3 to positive indexes <= 3 produces nothing

[62]: []

[63]: #0 1 2 3 4 5 6  
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][3:1] # from index 3 to positive indexes <= 3 produces nothing

[63]: []

```
[64]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][3:2]    # from index 3 to positive indexes <= 3 produces nothing
[64]: []
```

```
[65]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][3:3]    # from index 3 to positive indexes <= 3 produces nothing
[65]: []
```

Let's see what happens with negative indexes:

```
[66]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][3:-1]
[66]: [50, 60, 10]
```

```
[67]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][3:-2]
[67]: [50, 60]
```

```
[68]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][3:-3]
[68]: [50]
```

```
[69]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][3:-4]
[69]: []
```

```
[70]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][3:-5]
[70]: []
```

It is also possible to start from a negative index and arrive to a positive one. As long as the first index marks a position which precedes the second index, something gets returned:

```
[71]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][-7:3]
[71]: [70, 40, 10]
```

```
[72]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][-6:3]
[72]: [40, 10]
```

```
[73]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6  
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1  
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][-5:3]
```

```
[73]: [10]
```

```
[74]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6  
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1  
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][-4:3]
```

```
[74]: []
```

```
[75]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6  
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1  
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][-3:3]
```

```
[75]: []
```

```
[76]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6  
#-7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1  
[70,40,10,50,60,10,90][-2:3]
```

```
[76]: []
```

**QUESTION:** For each of the following expressions, try guessing which value is produced, or if it gives an error

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.

### Exercise - The NonsenShop

To keep your expenses under control you want to write a software which tracks everything you buy, and reduce useless expenses.

You just need to take a picture of the receipt with the smartphone, and an OCR (Optical Character Recognition) module will automatically obtain read the text.

- **all receipts** have the same schema: shop name, date, “Bought items”, 1 row per item, total, thanks.

- assume all the receipts are always ordered by price

- 1) Write some code to create a NEW list with only the rows of items, for example:

```
[ 'Green varnish for salad      1,12€',
  'Anti-wind lead confetti    4,99€',
  'Comb for pythons           12,00€',
  'Cigarette lighter for diving 23,00€',
  'Transparent home shoes       35,56€']
```

2) Print the most expensive item like this:

```
Most expensive item was: Transparent home shoes
cost: 35,56€
```

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[77]:

```
receipt = ["NonsenShop",
           "July 21, 2021 14:54",
           "Items:",
           "Green varnish for salad      1,12€",
           "Anti-wind lead confetti    4,99€",
           "Comb for pythons           12,00€",
           "Cigarette lighter for diving 23,00€",
           "Transparent home shoes       35,56€",
           "Total                      56,66€",
           "Thanks for buying our nonsense!"]

#receipt = ["Eleganz",
#           "January 3 2020 12:53",
#           "Items:",
#           "'Wedge heels with aquarium and fishes'      342,00€",
#           "'Elvis' suit                                20.000,00€",
#           "Total 20.000,342€",
#           "And now unleash the party animal in you!"]

# write here
items = receipt[3:-2]
last = receipt[-3]

from pprint import pprint
pprint(items)
print()
print("Most expensive item was:", last[:-10])
print("                           cost:", last[-10:].lstrip())

['Green varnish for salad      1,12€',
 'Anti-wind lead confetti    4,99€',
 'Comb for pythons           12,00€',
 'Cigarette lighter for diving 23,00€',
 'Transparent home shoes       35,56€']

Most expensive item was: Transparent home shoes
cost: 35,56€
```

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[77]:

```
receipt = ["NonsenShop",
```

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```
"July 21, 2021 14:54",
"Items:",
"Green varnish for salad      1,12€",
"Anti-wind lead confetti    4,99€",
"Comb for pythons            12,00€",
"Cigarette lighter for diving 23,00€",
"Transparent home shoes       35,56€",
"Total                      56,66€",
"Thanks for buying our nonsense!"]

#recepit = ["Eleganz",
#           "January 3 2020 12:53",
#           "Items:",
#           "'Wedge heels with aquarium and fishes'      342,00€",
#           "'Elvis' suit                                20.000,00€",
#           "Total 20.000,342€",
#           "And now unleash the party animal in you!"]

# write here
```

## Slice - step

It is also possible to specify a third parameter called ‘step’ to tell Python how many cells to skip at each read. For example, here we start from index 3 and arrive to index 9 excluded, **skipping by 2**:

```
[78]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
[ 0,10,20,30,40,50,60,70,80,90] [3:9:2]
[78]: [30, 50, 70]
```

All the sequence, skipping by 3:

```
[79]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
[ 0,10,20,30,40,50,60,70,80,90] [0:10:3]
[79]: [0, 30, 60, 90]
```

We can also omit the limits to obtain the equivalent expression:

```
[80]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
[ 0,10,20,30,40,50,60,70,80,90] [::3]
[80]: [0, 30, 60, 90]
```

## Slices - modifying

Suppose we have the list

```
[81]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
la = [30, 40, 80, 10, 70, 60, 40, 20]
```

and we want to change `la` cells from index 3 INCLUDED to index 6 EXCLUDED in such a way they contain the numbers taken from list `[91, 92, 93]`. We can do it with this special notation which allows us to write a slice *to the left* of operator `=`:

```
[82]: la[3:6] = [91, 92, 93]
```

```
[83]: la
```

```
[83]: [30, 40, 80, 91, 92, 93, 40, 20]
```

In this slightly more complex example we verify in Python Tutor that the original memory region gets actually modified:

```
[84]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
la = [30, 40, 80, 10, 70, 60, 40, 20]
lb = la
lb[3:6] = [91, 92, 93]

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[84]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code - what does it produce?

```
la = [9, 6, 5, 8, 2]
la[1:4] = [4, 7, 0]
print(la)
```

1. modify `la` (how?)
2. an error (which one?)

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**ANSWER:** 1 - MODIFIES `la` like this:

```
# 0 1 2 3 4
[ 9, 4, 7, 0, 2 ]
```

so from index 1 INCLUDED to index 4 EXCLUDED

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**QUESTION:** Look at the following code. What does it produce?

```
la = [7, 6, 8, 4, 2, 4, 2, 3, 1]
i = 3
lb = la[0:i]
la[i:2*i] = lb
print(la)
```

1. modifies `la` (how?)

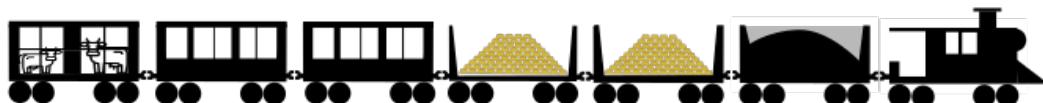
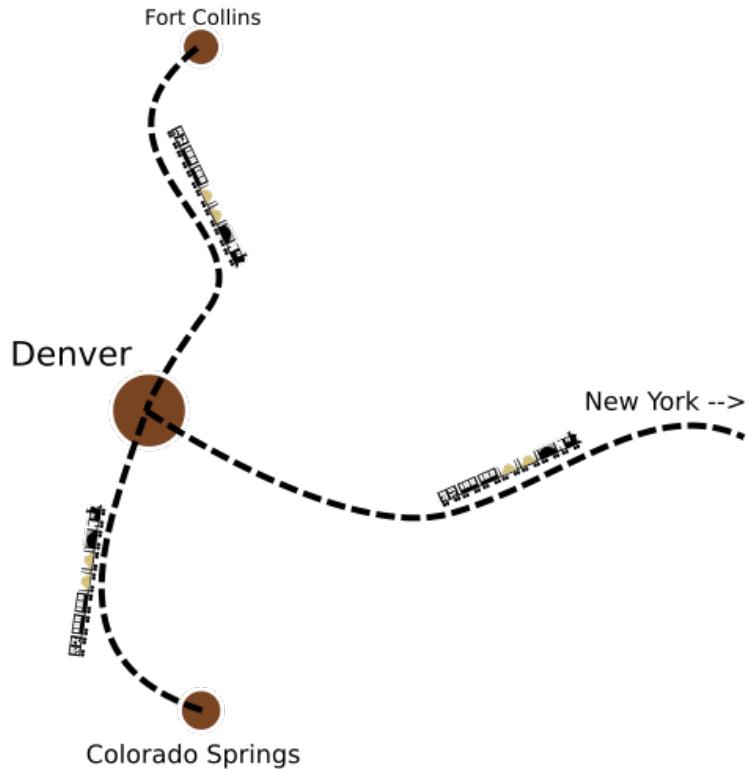
2. an error (which one?)

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**ANSWER:** 1 - modifies `la` by copying first `i` cells into successive ones.

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### Exercise - The railway outlaws



United States - May 13th, 1857

The colonization of the West is a hard job but somebody gotta do it. Mountains are stuffed with rare minerals and cute animals to be transformed into precious fur coats for noblewomans of Europe. As always, with great wealth come great outlaws.

You are the station master of Denver and you must manage the trains. There are three main lines, Colorado Springs, Fort Collins e New York:

- from Colorado Springs always arrive exactly 1 wagon of coal, 3 of minerals and 3 of passengers **alternated**.
- from Fort Collins always arrive exactly 2 wagons of coal, 2 of passengers and 2 of cattle

When trains reach Denver, their content is transferred into the empty wagons of the New York train like this:

- to prevent robberies, all the precious wagons are to be positioned **nearby the locomotive**
- the cattle is to be placed **always behind passengers**, because as much as hygiene in the west is lacking, it is still easier to pretend humans bathe more than cattle

Write some code which MODIFIES new\_york by copying the strings from colorado and fort

- **MINIMIZE the number of assignments!** (the best solution only has two assignments!)

Example - given:

```
[85]: colorado = ["CS locomotive", "coal", "cowboy", "gold", "miners", "gold", "cowboy",
    ↪ "silver"]
fort = ["FC locomotive", "coal", "coal", "gentlmen", "ladies", "cows", "horses"]
new_york = ["NY locomotive", "coal", "", "", "", "", "", "", ""]
    ↪ "", "", "", ""]
```

after your code it must result:

```
>>> print(new_york)
['NY locomotive', 'coal', 'gold', 'gold', 'silver', 'cowboy', 'miners', 'cowboy',
    ↪ 'gentlmen', 'ladies', 'cows', 'horses']
```

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```
[86]: # 0          1          2          3          4          5          6          7 ↴
    ↪ 8 9 10
colorado = ["CS locomotive", "coal", "cowboy", "gold", "miners", "gold", "cowboy",
    ↪ "silver"]
fort = ["FC locomotive", "coal", "coal", "gentlmen", "ladies", "cows", "horses"]
new_york = ["NY locomotive", "coal", "", "", "", "", "", "", ""]
    ↪ "", "", "", ""

# write here
new_york[2:5] = colorado[3::2]
new_york[5:] = colorado[2::2]
new_york[8:] = fort[3:]
print(new_york)

['NY locomotive', 'coal', 'gold', 'gold', 'silver', 'cowboy', 'miners', 'cowboy',
    ↪ 'gentlmen', 'ladies', 'cows', 'horses']
```

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```
[86]: # 0          1          2          3          4          5          6          7 ↴
    ↪ 8 9 10
colorado = ["CS locomotive", "coal", "cowboy", "gold", "miners", "gold", "cowboy",
    ↪ "silver"]
fort = ["FC locomotive", "coal", "coal", "gentlmen", "ladies", "cows", "horses"]
new_york = ["NY locomotive", "coal", "", "", "", "", "", "", ""]
    ↪ "", "", "", ""

# write here
```

### List of lists

**NOTE:** We will talk much more in detail of lists of lists in the tutorial [Matrices - list of lists<sup>112</sup>](#), this is just a brief introduction.

The consideration we've seen so far about string lists are also valid for a list of lists:

```
[87]: couples = [
    [67, 95],      # external list
    [60, 59],      # internal list at index 0
    [86, 75],      # internal list at index 1
    [96, 90],      # internal list at index 2
    [88, 87],      # internal list at index 3
    ]
```

If we want to extract the number 90, we must first extract the sublist from index 3:

```
[88]: couples[3]    # NOTE: the expression result is a list
[88]: [96, 90]
```

and so in the extracted sublist (which has only two elements) we can recover the number at index 0:

```
[89]: couples[3][0]
[89]: 96
```

and at index 1:

```
[90]: couples[3][1]
[90]: 90
```

### Exercise - couples

1. Write some code to extract and print the number 86, 67 and 87
2. Given a row with index  $i$  and a column  $j$ , print the number at row  $i$  and column  $j$  multiplied by the number at successive row and same column

After your code, you should see printed

```
point 1: 86 67 87
point 2: i = 3 j = 1 result = 7830
```

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```
[91]: couples = [
    [67, 95],      # external list
    [60, 59],      # internal list at index 0
    [86, 75],      # internal list at index 1
    [96, 90],      # internal list at index 2
    [88, 87],      # internal list at index 3
    ]
```

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<sup>112</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-lists/matrices-lists1-sol.html>

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```

        ]

i = 3
j = 1

# write here

print("point 1:", couples[2][0], couples[0][0], couples[4][1])
print()
print("point 2:", " i =", i, " j =", j, " result =", couples[i][j]*couples[i+1][j])
point 1: 86 67 87

point 2: i = 3 j = 1 result = 7830

```

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[91]:

```

couples = [
    [67, 95],           # external list
    [60, 59],           # internal list at index 0
    [86, 75],           # internal list at index 1
    [96, 90],           # internal list at index 2
    [88, 87],           # internal list at index 3
]
]

i = 3
j = 1

# write here

```

## Exercise - Glory to Gladiators!

The gladiators fight for the glory of the battle and the entertainment of the Emperor and the people!

Not all gladiators manage to fight the same number of battles..

For each fight, each gladiator receives a reward in sesterces (in case he doesn't survive, it will be offered to his patron...)

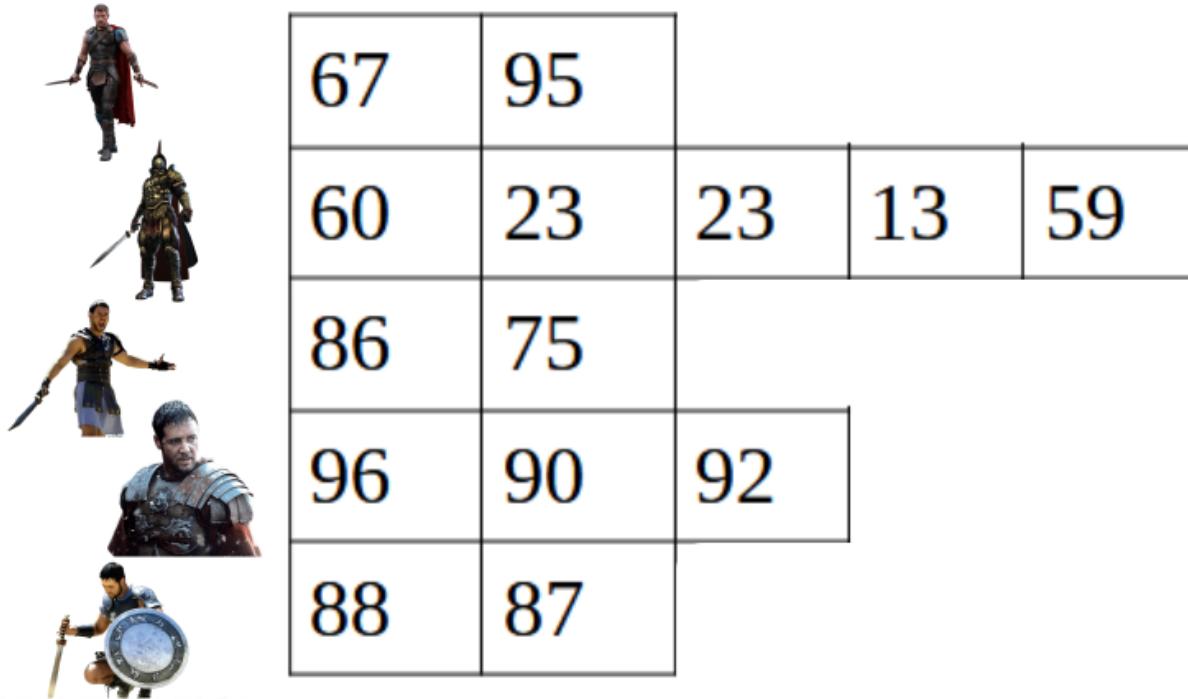
At the end of the games, the Emperor throws the prize in sesterces to his favourite gladiator. The Emperor has bad aim and his weak arms don't allow him to throw everything at once, so he always ends up throwing half of the money to the chosen gladiator and half to the next gladiator.

- NOTE: the Emperor **never** chooses the last of the list

Given a `prize` and `gladiators` list of sublists of arbitrary length, and a gladiator at index `i`, write some code which MODIFIES the sublists of `gladiators` at row `i` and following one so to increase the last element of both lists of half prize.

- Your code must work with any `prize`, `gladiators` and `i`

**Example - given:**



After your code, by writing (we use pprint so printing happens on many lines)

```
from pprint import pprint
pprint(gladiatori, width=30)
```

it must print:

```
[[67, 95],
 [60, 23, 23, 13, 79],
 [86, 95],
 [96, 90, 92],
 [88, 87]]
```

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[92]:

```
prize = 40 # sesterces

gladiators = [
    [67, 95], # external list
    [60, 23, 23, 13, 59], # internal list at index 0
    [86, 75], # internal list at index 1
    [96, 90, 92], # internal list at index 2
    [88, 87], # internal list at index 3
]
i = 1 # gladiator to award
```

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```
# write here
gladiators[i][-1] += prize // 2
gladiators[i+1][-1] += prize // 2

from pprint import pprint
pprint(gladiators, width=30)

[[67, 95],
 [60, 23, 23, 13, 79],
 [86, 95],
 [96, 90, 92],
 [88, 87]]
```

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[92]:

```
prize = 40                      # sesterces

gladiators = [                   # external list
    [67, 95],                  # internal list at index 0
    [60, 23, 23, 13, 59],     # internal list at index 1
    [86, 75],                  # internal list at index 2
    [96, 90, 92],              # internal list at index 3
    [88, 87],                  # internal list at index 4
]

i = 1                           # gladiator to award

# write here
```

## in operator

To verify whether an object is contained in a list, we can use the `in` operator.

Note the result of this expression is a boolean:

[93]: 9 in [6, 8, 9, 7]

[93]: True

[94]: 5 in [6, 8, 9, 7]

[94]: False

[95]: "apple" in ["watermelon", "apple", "banana"]

[95]: True

[96]: "carrot" in ["watermelon", "apple", "banana"]

[96]: False

### Do not abuse in

#### WARNING: in is often used in a wrong / inefficient way

Always ask yourself:

1. Can the list *not* contain the substring we're looking for? Always remember to also handle his case!
2. in performs a search on all the list, which might be inefficient: is it really necessary, or we already know the interval where to search?
3. if we want to know whether element is in a position we know a priori (i.e. 3), in is not needed, it's enough to write my\_list[3] == element. By using in Python might find duplicated elements which are *before* or *after* the one we want to verify!

### QUESTION: What's the result of this expression? True or False?

```
True in [ 5 in [6,7,5],  
          2 in [8,1]  
      ]
```

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**ANSWER:** Gives back True because

```
[ 5 in [6,7,5],  
  2 in [8,1]  
]
```

represents a list of two elements. Each element is an expression with in which gets evaluated. In the first case, 5 in [6,7,5] results True. So the final list becomes [True, False] and by writing True in [True, False] we obtain True

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### not in

We can write the check of **non** belonging in two ways:

**Way 1:**

```
[97]: "carrot" not in ["watermelon", "banana", "apple"]  
[97]: True
```

```
[98]: "watermelon" not in ["watermelon", "banana", "apple"]  
[98]: False
```

**Way 2:**

```
[99]: not "carrot" in ["watermelon", "banana", "apple"]  
[99]: True
```

```
[100]: not "watermelon" in ["watermelon", "banana", "apple"]
[100]: False
```

**QUESTION:** Given any element  $x$  and list  $y$ , what does the following expression produce?

```
x in y and not x in y
```

1. False
2. True
3. False or True according to the values of  $x$  and  $y$
4. an error

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**ANSWER:** 1. Gives back `False`, because internally Python brackets the expression like this:

```
(x in y) and (not x in y)
```

and one element cannot be both contained in the list and not contained in the same list

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**QUESTION:** For each of the following expressions, try to guess the result

1. `3 in [3]`
2. `[4, 5] in [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]`
3. `[4, 5] in [[1, 2, 3], [4, 5]]`
4. `[4, 5] in [[1, 2, 3, 4], [5, 6]]`
5. `'n' in ['alien'[-1]]`
6. `'rts' in 'karts'[1:4]`
7. `[] in [[[[]]]`
8. `[] in [[]]`
9. `[] in ["[]"]`

**QUESTION:** For each of the following expressions, independently from the value of  $x$  and  $y$ , tell whether it always results `True`:

1. `x in x`
2. `x in [x]`
3. `x not in []`

4. `x in [[x]]`

5. `x in [[x][0]]`

6. `(x and y) in [x,y]`

7. `x in [x,y] and y in [x,y]`

### Exercise - vegetables

Given the list `vegetables` of exactly 5 strings and the list of strings `fruits`, MODIFY the variable `vegetables` so that in each cell there is True if the vegetable is a fruit or False otherwise.

- your code must work with any list of 5 strings `vegetables` and any list `fruits`

Example - given:

```
vegetables = ["carrot",
              "cabbage",
              "apple",
              "aubergine",
              "watermelon"]

fruits = ["watermelon", "banana", "apple", ]
```

after execution your code must print:

```
>>> print(vegetables)
[False, False, True, False, True]
```

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[101]:

```
vegetables = ["carrot",
              "cabbage",
              "apple",
              "aubergine",
              "watermelon"]

fruits = ["watermelon", "banana", "apple", ]

# write here

vegetables = [vegetables[0] in fruits,
              vegetables[1] in fruits,
              vegetables[2] in fruits,
              vegetables[3] in fruits,
              vegetables[4] in fruits,
            ]

print(vegetables)
```

```
[False, False, True, False, True]
```

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```
[101]: vegetables = ["carrot",
                   "cabbage",
                   "apple",
                   "aubergine",
                   "watermelon"]

fruits = ["watermelon", "banana", "apple",]

# write here
```

### List concatenation with +

Given two lists `la` and `lb`, we can concatenate them with the operator `+` which produces a NEW list:

```
[102]: la = [70, 60, 80]
lb = [90, 50]

la + lb
```

```
[102]: [70, 60, 80, 90, 50]
```

Note the operator `+` produces a NEW list, so `la` and `lb` remained unchanged:

```
[103]: print(la)
[70, 60, 80]
```

```
[104]: print(lb)
[90, 50]
```

Let's check with Python Tutor:

```
[105]: la = [70, 60, 80]
lb = [90, 50]
lc = la + lb

print(la)
print(lb)
print(lc)

jupman.pytut()

[70, 60, 80]
[90, 50]
[70, 60, 80, 90, 50]
```

```
[105]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**Exercise - concatenation**

Write some code which given lists `la` and `lb`, puts into list `lc` the last two elements of `la` and the first two of `lb`

Example - given:

```
la = [18, 26, 30, 45, 55]
lb = [16, 26, 37, 45]
```

after your code it must print:

```
>>> print(la)
[18, 26, 30, 45, 55]
>>> print(lb)
[16, 26, 37, 45]
>>> print(lc)
[45, 55, 16, 26]
```

[Show solution](#)[Hide](#)>

[106]:

```
la = [18, 26, 30, 45, 55]
lb = [16, 26, 37, 45]

# write here
lc = la[-2:] + lb[:2]
print(la)
print(lb)
print(lc)
```

```
[18, 26, 30, 45, 55]
[16, 26, 37, 45]
[45, 55, 16, 26]
```

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[106]:

```
la = [18, 26, 30, 45, 55]
lb = [16, 26, 37, 45]

# write here
```

**QUESTION:** For each of the following expressions, try guessing the result

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6. `[ [ ] ] + [ ]`
7. `[ [ ] ] + [ [ ] ]`
8. `([ 6 ] + [ 8 ]) [ 0 ]`
9. `([ 6 ] + [ 8 ]) [ 1 ]`
10. `([ 6 ] + [ 8 ]) [ 2 : ]`
11. `len([4, 2, 5]) + len([3, 1, 2])`
12. `len([4, 2, 5] + [3, 1, 2])`
13. `[5, 4, 3] + "3, 1"`
14. `[5, 4, 3] + "[3, 1]"`
15. `"[5, 4, 3]" + "[3, 1]"`
16. `["4", "1", "7"] + ["3", "1"]`
17. `list('coca') + ['c', 'o', 'l', 'a']`

## min and max

A list is a sequence of elements, and as such we can pass it to functions `min` or `max` for finding respectively the minimum or the maximum element of the list.

```
[107]: min([4, 5, 3, 7, 8, 6])
```

```
[107]: 3
```

```
[108]: max([4, 5, 3, 7, 8, 6])
```

```
[108]: 8
```

**V COMMANDMENT<sup>113</sup> :** You shall never ever use `min` and `max` as variable names.

If you do, you will lose the functions!

Note it's also possible to directly pass to `min` and `max` the elements to compare without including them in a list:

```
[109]: min(4, 5, 3, 7, 8, 6)
```

```
[109]: 3
```

<sup>113</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#V-COMMANDMENT>

```
[110]: max(4, 5, 3, 7, 8, 6)
[110]: 8
```

But if we pass only one, without including it in a list, we will get an error:

```
min(4)
-----
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-156-bb3db472b52e> in <module>
----> 1 min(4)

TypeError: 'int' object is not iterable
```

The error tells us that when we pass only an argument, Python expects a sequence like a list:

```
[111]: min([4])
[111]: 4
```

To min and max we can also pass strings, and we will get the character which is alphabetically lesser or greater:

```
[112]: min("orchestra")
[112]: 'a'

[113]: max("orchestra")
[113]: 't'
```

If we pass a list of strings, we will obtain the lesser or greater string in lexicographical order (i.e. the phonebook order)

```
[114]: min(['the', 'sailor', 'walks', 'around', 'the', 'docks'])
[114]: 'around'

[115]: max(['the', 'sailor', 'walks', 'around', 'the', 'docks'])
[115]: 'walks'
```

**QUESTION:** For each of the following expressions, try guessing the result (or if it gives an error)

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.
6.
7.

8. `max(max([3,2,5], max([9,2,3])))`
9. `max(min(3,6), min(8,2))`
10. `min(max(3,6), max(8,2))`
11. `max(['a','b','d','c'])`
12. `max(['boat', 'dice', 'aloha', 'circle'])`
13. `min(['void','','null','nada'])`
14. `max(['hammer'][-1], 'socket'[-1], 'wrench'[-1]))`
15. `min(['hammer'][-1], 'socket'[-1], 'wrench'[-1]))`

## sum

With `sum` we can sum all the elements in a list:

```
[116]: sum([1,2,3])
```

```
[116]: 6
```

```
[117]: sum([1.0, 2.0, 0.14])
```

```
[117]: 3.14
```

**V COMMANDMENT<sup>114</sup> :** You shall never ever use `sum` as variable name.

If you do, you will lose the function!

**QUESTION:** For each of the following expressions, try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. `sum[3,1,2]`
2. `sum(1,2,3)`
3. `la = [1,2,3]  
sum(la) > max(la)`
4. `la = [1,2,3]  
sum(la) > max(la)*len(la)`
5. `la = [4,2,6,4,7]  
lb = [max(la), min(la), max(la)]  
print(max(lb) != max(la))`

<sup>114</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#V-COMMANDMENT>

### Exercise - balance

Given a list of n numbers `balance` with n even, write some code which prints `True` if the sum of all first  $n/2$  numbers is equal to the sum of all successive ones.

- your code must work for *any* number list

Example 1 - given:

```
balance = [4, 3, 7, 1, 5, 8]
```

after your code, it must print:

```
True
```

Example 2 - given:

```
balance = [4, 3, 3, 1, 9, 8]
```

after your code, it must print:

```
False
```

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[118]:

```
balance = [4, 3, 7, 1, 5, 8]
#bilancia = [4, 3, 3, 1, 9, 8]

# write here
n = len(balance)
sum(balance[:n//2]) == sum(balance[n//2:])
```

[118]:

```
True
```

```
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```

[118]:

```
balance = [4, 3, 7, 1, 5, 8]
#bilancia = [4, 3, 3, 1, 9, 8]

# write here
```

### Multiplying lists

To replicate the elements of a list, it's possible to use the operator `*` which produces a NEW list:

[119]:

```
[7, 6, 8] * 2
```

[119]:

```
[7, 6, 8, 7, 6, 8]
```

[120]:

```
[7, 6, 8] * 3
```

[120]:

```
[7, 6, 8, 7, 6, 8, 7, 6, 8]
```

Note a NEW list is produced, and the original one is not modified:

```
[121]: la = [7, 6, 8]
[122]: lb = [7, 6, 8] * 3
[123]: la    # original
[123]: [7, 6, 8]
[124]: lb    # expression result
[124]: [7, 6, 8, 7, 6, 8, 7, 6, 8]
```

We can multiply a list of strings:

```
[125]: la = ["a", "world", "of", "words"]
[126]: lb = la * 2
[127]: print(la)
['a', 'world', 'of', 'words']
[128]: print(lb)
['a', 'world', 'of', 'words', 'a', 'world', 'of', 'words']
```

As long as we multiply lists which contain immutable elements like numbers or strings, no particular problems arise:

```
[129]: la = ["a", "world", "of", "words"]
lb = la * 2
jupman.pytut()
[129]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

The matter becomes much more sophisticated when we multiply lists which contain mutable objects like other lists. Let's see an example:

```
[130]: la = [5, 6]
lb = [7, 8, 9]
lc = [la, lb] * 2
[131]: print(la)
[5, 6]
[132]: print(lb)
[7, 8, 9]
[133]: print(lc)
[[5, 6], [7, 8, 9], [5, 6], [7, 8, 9]]
```

By printing it, we see that the lists `la` and `lb` are represented inside `lc` - but how, exactly? `print` calls may trick you about the effective state of memory - to investigate further it's convenient to use Python Tutor:

```
[134]: la = [5, 6]
lb = [7, 8, 9]
lc = [la, lb] * 2

jupman.pytut()

[134]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

Arggh ! A jungle of arrows will appear ! This happens because when we write `[la, lb]` we create a list with two *references* to other lists `[5, 6]` and `[7, 8, 9]`, and the operator `*` when duplicating it just copies *references*.

For now we stop here, we will see the implications details later in the tutorial [matrices - lists of lists](#)<sup>115</sup>

### Equality

We can check whether two lists are equal with equality operator `==`, which given two lists returns `True` if they contain equal elements or `False` otherwise:

```
[135]: [4, 3, 6] == [4, 3, 6]
```

```
[135]: True
```

```
[136]: [4, 3, 6] == [4, 3]
```

```
[136]: False
```

```
[137]: [4, 3, 6] == [4, 3, 6, 'ciao']
```

```
[137]: False
```

```
[138]: [4, 3, 6] == [2, 2, 8]
```

```
[138]: False
```

We can check equality of lists with heterogenous elements:

```
[139]: ['apples', 3, ['cherries', 2], 6] == ['apples', 3, ['cherries', 2], 6]
```

```
[139]: True
```

```
[140]: ['bananas', 3, ['cherries', 2], 6] == ['apples', 3, ['cherries', 2], 6]
```

```
[140]: False
```

To check for inequality, we can use the operatpr `!=`:

```
[141]: [2, 2, 8] != [2, 2, 8]
```

```
[141]: False
```

```
[142]: [4, 6, 0] != [2, 2, 8]
```

```
[142]: True
```

```
[143]: [4, 6, 0] != [4, 6, 0, 2]
```

<sup>115</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-lists/matrices-lists1-sol.html>

[143]: True

**QUESTION:** For each of the following expressions, guess whether it is `True`, `False` or it produces an error:

1. `[2, 3, 1] != [2, 3, 1]`

2. `[4, 8, 12] == [2*2, 4*2, 6*2]`

3. `[7, 8][:] == [7, 9-1]`

4. `[7][0] == [[7]][0]`

5. `[9] == [9][0]`

6. `[max(7, 9)] == [max([7]), max([9])]`

7. `['a', 'b', 'c'] == ['A', 'B', 'C']`

8. `['a', 'b'] != ['a', 'b', 'c']`

9. `["ciao"] != ["CIAO".lower()]`

10. `[True in [True]] != [False]`

11. `[][:] == []`

12. `[[]] == [] + []`

13. `[[], []] == [] + []`

14. `[[[[]]] == [[[[]+[]]]]`

## Continue

You can find more exercise in the notebook [Lists 3 - basic methods](#)<sup>116</sup>

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### 5.3.3 Lists 3 - Basic methods

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Lists are objects of type `list` and have several methods for performing operations on them:

<sup>116</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists3-sol.html>

<sup>117</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/lists>

Method	Returns	Description
<code>list.append(obj)</code>	None	Adds a new element at the end of the list
<code>list.extend(list)</code>	None	Adds many elements at the end of the list
<code>list.insert(int,obj)</code>	None	Adds a new element into some given position
<code>list.pop()</code>	obj	Removes and return the element at last position
<code>list.pop(int)</code>	obj	Given an index, removes and return the element at that position
<code>list.reverse()</code>	None	Inverts the order of elements
<code>list.sort()</code>	None	Sorts the elements <i>in-place</i>
<code>"sep".join(seq)</code>	string	produces a string concatenating all the elements in seq separated by "sep"

**WARNING 1: LIST METHODS \*MODIFY\* THE LIST ON WHICH ARE CALLED !**

Whenever you call a method of a list (the object to the left of the dot .), you MODIFY the list itself (differently from string methods which always generate a new string without changing the original)

**WARNING 2: LIST METHODS RETURN NOTHING!**

They almost always return the object None (differently from strings which always return a new string)

## What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
lists
  lists1.ipynb
  lists1-sol.ipynb
  lists2.ipynb
  lists2-sol.ipynb
  lists3.ipynb
  lists3-sol.ipynb
  lists4.ipynb
  lists4-sol.ipynb
  lists5-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `lists3.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

## append method

We can MODIFY a list adding a single element at a time with the method `append`.

Suppose to start from an empty list:

```
[2]: la = []
```

If we want to add as element the number 50, we can write like this:

```
[3]: la.append(50)
```

Note the list we initially created got MODIFIED:

```
[4]: la
```

```
[4]: [50]
```

**WARNING: `la.append(50)` returned NOTHING !!!**

Observe carefully the output of cell with instruction `la.append(50)`, you will notice there is absolutely nothing. This happens because the purpose of `append` is to MODIFY the list on which it is called, NOT generating new lists.

We append another number *at the end* of the list:

```
[5]: la.append(90)
```

```
[6]: la
```

```
[6]: [50, 90]
```

```
[7]: la.append(70)
```

```
[8]: la
```

```
[8]: [50, 90, 70]
```

Let's see what happened in Python Tutor:

```
[9]: # WARNING: FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter
#           (it's sufficient to execute it only once)

import jupman
```

```
[10]: la = []
la.append(50)
la.append(90)
la.append(70)
```

```
jupman.pytut()
```

```
[10]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

Note there is only one yellow memory region associated to variable `la` which gets expanded as you click on Next.

We said `append` method returns nothing, let's try to add some detail. In the methods table, there is present a column named *Returns*. If you check it, for almost all methods included `append` there is indicated it returns `None`.

`None` is the most boring object in Python, because it literally means nothing. What can you do with nothing? Very few things, so few that whenever Jupyter finds as result the `None` object it doesn't even print it. Try directly inserting `None` in a cell, you will see it won't be reported in cell output:

```
[11]: None
```

A way to force the print is by using the command `print`:

```
[12]: print (None)
```

```
None
```

**EXERCISE:** What is the type of the object `None`? Discover it by using the function `type`

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```
[13]: # write here
```

```
#type (None)
```

```
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```

```
[13]: # write here
```

Let's try repeating what happens with `append`. If you call the method `append` on a list, `append` silently MODIFIES the list, and RETURNS the object `None` as call result. Notice that Jupyter considers this object as non-interesting, so it doesn't even print it.

Let's try to get explicit about this mysterious `None`. If it's true that `append` produces it as call result, it means we can associate this result to some variable. Let's try to associate it to variable `x`:

```
[14]: la = []
x = la.append(70)
```

Now, if everything went as we wrote, `append` should have modified the list:

```
[15]: la
```

```
[15]: [70]
```

and there should be associated `None` to variable `x`. So, if we ask Jupyter to show the value associated to `x` and that value is `None`, nothing will appear:

```
[16]: x
```

Note there is no output in the cell, apparently we are really in presence of a `None`. Let's force the `print`:

```
[17]: print (x)
```

```
None
```

Here it is! Probably you will be a little confused by all of this, so let's check again what happens in Python Tutor:

```
[18]: la = []
x = la.append(70)
print("la is", la)
```

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```
print("x is", x)

jupman.pytut()

la is [70]
x is None

[18]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

What's the final gist?

### REUSING THE RESULT OF LIST METHODS CALLS IS ALMOST ALWAYS AN ERROR !

Since calling list methods returns `None`, which is a ‘useless’ object, trying to reuse it will almost surely produce an error

**EXERCISE:** Build a list by adding one element at a time with the method `append`. Add the elements `77`, `"test"`, `[60, 93]` with three calls to `append`, and finally print the list.

After your code, you should see `[77, 'test', [60, 93]]`

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```
[19]: 
la = []

# write here
la.append(77)
la.append("test")
la.append([60, 93])

print(la)
```

`[77, 'test', [60, 93]]`

</div>

```
[19]: 
la = []

# write here
```

**QUESTION:** The following code:

```
la = []
la.append(80, 70, 90)
```

1. produces an error (which one?)
2. modifies the list (how?)

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**ANSWER:** 1: `append` accepts only one argument, by passing more than one will produce an error, to see which try to execute the code in a cell.

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**QUESTION:** The following code:

```
la = []
la.append(80).append(90)
```

1. produces an error
2. appends to `la` the numbers 80 and 90

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**ANSWER:** 1: produces an error, because we said the call to `la.append(80)` MODIFIES the list `la` on which it is called and return the value `None`. If on `None` we try calling `.append(90)`, since `None` is not a list we will get an error message. Make sure of this using Python Tutor.

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**QUESTION:** let's briefly go back to strings. Look at the following code (if you don't remember what string methods do see here<sup>118)</sup>

```
sa = '    trento    '
sb = sa.strip().capitalize()
print(sb)
```

1. produces an error (which one?)
2. changes `sa` (how?)
3. prints something (what?)

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**ANSWER:** 3: prints `Trento`. Differently from lists, the strings are *immutable* sequences: this means that when you call a method of strings you are sure it will RETURN a NEW string. So the first call to `sa.strip()` RETURNS the string without spaces at beginning and end of '`trento`', and on this string the method `capitalize()` is called to make the first character uppercase.

If this is not clear to you, try to executing the following code in Python Tutor. It is equivalent to the one in the example but it explicitly shows the passage by assigning the result of calling `sa.strip()` to the extra variable `x`

```
sa = '    trento    '
x = sa.strip()
sb = x.capitalize()
print(sb)
```

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**QUESTION:** Have a look at this code. Will it print something at the end? Or will it produce an error?

```
la = []
lb = []
la.append(lb)
```

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<sup>118</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings3-sol.html#Methods>

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```
lb.append(90)
lb.append(70)

print(la)
```

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**ANSWER:** It will print [ [ 90, 70 ] ], because we put lb inside la.

Even if with first append we added lb as first element of la, afterwards it is perfectly legit keeping on modifying lb by calling lb.append(90).

Try executing the code in Python Tutor, and see the arrows.

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### Exercise - augmenting a list 1

Given the list la of *fixed dimension 7*, write some code to augment the empty list lb so to *only* contain the elements of la with even index (0, 2, 4, ...).

- Your code should work with *any* list la of fixed dimension 7

```
# 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
la=[8, 4, 3, 5, 7, 3, 5]
lb=[]
```

After your code, you should obtain:

```
>>> print(lb)
[8, 3, 7, 5]
```

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```
# 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
la=[8, 4, 3, 5, 7, 3, 5]
lb=[]

# write here
lb.append(la[0])
lb.append(la[2])
lb.append(la[4])
lb.append(la[6])
print(lb)
```

[8, 3, 7, 5]

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[20]:

```
# 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
la=[8, 4, 3, 5, 7, 3, 5]
lb=[]
```

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```
# write here
```

### extend method

We've seen that with `append` we can augment a list *one element at a time*.

What if we wanted to add in a single shot many elements, maybe taken from another list?

We should use the method `extend`, which MODIFIES the list on which it is called by adding all the elements found in the input sequence.

```
[21]: la = [70, 30, 50]
```

```
[22]: lb = [40, 90, 30, 80]
```

```
[23]: la.extend(lb)
```

```
[24]: la
```

```
[24]: [70, 30, 50, 40, 90, 30, 80]
```

```
[25]: lb
```

```
[25]: [40, 90, 30, 80]
```

In the example above, `extend` is called on the variable `la`, and we passed `lb` as parameter

**WARNING:** `la` is MODIFIED, but the sequence we passed in round parenthesis is not (`lb` in the example)

**QUESTION:** the execution of method `extend` returns something? What do you see in the output of cell `la.extend(lb)` ?

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**ANSWER:** `extend`, as all list methods, doesn't return anything. To be more explicit, it returns the object `None`, which is not even printed by Jupyter.

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Let's verify what happened with Python Tutor:

```
[26]: la = [70, 30, 50]
lb = [40, 90, 30, 80]
la.extend(lb)

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```

```
[26]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** Look inside this code. Which will be the values associated to variables `la`,`lb` and `x` after its execution?

```
la = [30, 70, 50]
lb = [80, 40]
x = la.extend(lb)

print('la is ', la)
print('lb is ', lb)
print('x is ', x)
```

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**ANSWER:** It will print this:

```
la is [30, 70, 50, 80, 40]
lb is [80, 40]
x is None
```

la was MODIFIED by adding all the elements of lb.

The call to `extend`, like all list methods, returned the object `None` which was associated to variable `x`. Try to understand well what happened by using Python Tutor.

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## Extending with sequences

We said that `extend` can take any generic sequence in the round parenthesis, not only lists. This means we can also try to pass a string. For example:

```
[27]: la = [70, 60, 80]

s = "hello"

la.extend(s)
```

```
[28]: la
[28]: [70, 60, 80, 'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']
```

Since the string is a character sequence, `extend` took each of these elements and added them to la

**QUESTION:** was the value associated to variable s modified?

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**ANSWER:** absolutely impossible, because a) `extend` only modifies the list on which it is called and b) strings are immutable anyway.

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**QUESTION:** The following code:

```
la = [60, 50]
la.extend(70, 90, 80)
```

1. produces an error (which one?)
2. modifies la (how?)

```
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```

**ANSWER:** 1: produces an error, because we have to pass a SINGLE parameter to `extend`, which must be a *sequence*. Here instead we are passing many parameters. An alternative might be to build a list like this:

```
la = [60, 50]
la.extend([70, 90, 80])
```

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**QUESTION:** If this code is executed, what happens?

```
sa = "hello"
sb = "world"
sa.extend(sb)
```

1. `sa` is modified (how?)
2. we get an error (which one?)

```
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```

**ANSWER:** 2: we obtain an error, because `extend` is an exclusive method of lists. It only belongs to lists because MODIFIES the object on which it is called - since strings are immutable objects, it wouldn't make sense to change them.

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**QUESTION:** If this code is executed, what happens?

```
la = [1, 2, 3]
lb = [4, 5]
lc = [6, 7, 8]

la.extend(lb).extend(lc)
```

1. `la` becomes `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]`
2. an error (which one?)
3. `la` becomes `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]` and an error (which one?)

**QUESTION:** 3: `la` becomes `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]` and right after we get an error, because the call to `la.extend(lb)` MODIFIES `la` to `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]` and RETURN the value `None`. At that point, Python tries to call the method `extend` on the object `None`, but since it is not a list, we get an error (**to convince yourself, verify everything with Python Tutor !!!**)

```
-----
AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-45-0a08a154ada4> in <module>
      3 lc = [6, 7, 8]
      4
----> 5 la.extend(lb).extend(lc)

AttributeError: 'NoneType' object has no attribute 'extend'
```

### Exercise: augmenting a list 2

Given two *lists* `la` and `lb` and an element `x`, write some code to MODIFY `la` so that `la` contains at the end the element `x` followed by all other elements of `lb`

- **NOTE 1:** your code should work with any `la` and `lb`
- **NOTE 2:** `id` is a Python function which associates to each memory region a unique identifier. If you try printing `id(la)` before modifying `la` and `id(la)` afterwards, you should obtain *exactly* the same id. If you obtain a different one, it means you generated an entirely new list. In that case, verify how it's working with Python Tutor.

```
la = [5, 9, 2, 4]
lb = [7, 1, 3]
x = 8
```

You should obtain:

```
>>> print(la)
[5, 9, 2, 4, 8, 7, 1, 3]
>>> print(lb)
[7, 1, 3]
>>> print(x)
8
```

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```
[29]:
```

```
la = [5, 9, 2, 4]
lb = [7, 1, 3]
x = 8

# write here
la.append(x)
la.extend(lb)
print(la)
print(lb)
print(x)
```

```
[5, 9, 2, 4, 8, 7, 1, 3]
[7, 1, 3]
8
```

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```
[29]:
```

```
la = [5, 9, 2, 4]
lb = [7, 1, 3]
x = 8

# write here
```

### Exercise - zslice

Write some code which given two lists `la` (of at least 3 elements) and `lb`, MODIFIES `lb` in such a way to add 3 elements of `la` followed by the last 3 of `la`.

- your code must work with any list
- use extends and slices

```
la = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'o']
lb = ['z']
```

You should obtain:

```
>>> print(la)
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'o']
>>> print(lb)
['z', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'm', 'n', 'o']
```

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[30]:

```
la = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'o']
lb = ['z']

# write here

lb.extend(la[:3]) # a slice generates a list
lb.extend(la[-3:])

print(la)
print(lb)
```

```
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'o']
['z', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'm', 'n', 'o']
```

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[30]:

```
la = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'o']
lb = ['z']

# write here
```

## Exercise - Zebarerun

Write some code which given a list of three strings `words` and an empty list `la`, fills `la` with all the first 3 characters of every string in `words`.

- your code must work with any list of 3 strings
- use slices

Example given:

```
words = ["Zebras", "are", "running"]
la = []
```

Your code must show:

```
>>> print(t)
['Z', 'e', 'b', 'a', 'r', 'e', 'r', 'u', 'n']
```

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[31]:

```
words = ["Zebras", "are", "running"]

la = []

# write here
la.extend(words[0][:3])
la.extend(words[1][:3])
la.extend(words[2][:3])
print(la)

['Z', 'e', 'b', 'a', 'r', 'e', 'r', 'u', 'n']
```

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[31]:

```
words = ["Zebras", "are", "running"]

la = []

# write here
```

## insert method

`insert` MODIFIES the list by inserting an element at a specific index - all elements starting from that index will be shifted of one position to the right.

[32]:

```
#0 1 2 3
la = [6, 7, 8, 9]
```

[33]:

```
la.insert(2, 55) # insert the number 55 at index 2
```

```
[34]: la
```

```
[34]: [6, 7, 55, 8, 9]
```

```
[35]: la.insert(0,77) # insert the number 77 at index 0
```

```
[36]: la
```

```
[36]: [77, 6, 7, 55, 8, 9]
```

We can insert after the end:

```
[37]: la.insert(6,88) # insert the number 88 at index 6
```

```
[38]: la
```

```
[38]: [77, 6, 7, 55, 8, 9, 88]
```

Note that if we go beyond the end, the element is placed right after the end and no empty cells are created:

```
[39]: la.insert(1000,99) # insert number 99 at index 7
```

```
[40]: la
```

```
[40]: [77, 6, 7, 55, 8, 9, 88, 99]
```

**QUESTION:** Given any list `x`, what does this code produce? Can we rewrite it in some other way?

```
x.insert(len(x), 66)
```

1. produces a new list (which one?)
2. modifies `x` (how?)
3. an error

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```

**ANSWER:** 2 - the code MODIFIES the list `x` by adding the element 66 at the end. The code is then equivalent to code

```
x.append(66)
```

```
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```

**QUESTION:** What does the following code produce?

```
la = [3,4,5,6]
la.insert(0,[1,2])
print(la)
```

1. prints [1,2,3,4,5,6]
2. an error (which one?)
3. something else (what?)

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```

**ANSWER:** 3 - the code inserts in `la` the list `[1, 2]` as zero-th element. The print will then show `[[1, 2], 3, 4, 5, 6]`

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**QUESTION:** What does the following code produce?

```
la = [4, 5, 6]
la.insert(0, 1, 2, 3)
print(la)
```

1. prints `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]`
2. an error (which one?)
3. something else (what?)

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**ANSWER:** 2 - an error, because we can only pass 2 parameters to `insert`, the insertion index and the single object to insert.

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**QUESTION:** What does the following code produce?

```
la = [4, 5, 6]
lb = la.insert(0, 3)
lc = lb.insert(0, 2)
ld = lc.insert(0, 1)
print(ld)
```

1. prints `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]`
2. an error (which one?)
3. something else (what?)

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**ANSWER:** 2 - an error: like almost all list methods, `insert` returns `None`, so by writing `lb = la.insert(0, 3)` we are associating `None` to `lb`, so when Python in the next line encounters `lc = lb.insert(0, 2)` and tries to execute `None.insert(0, 2)` it will complain because `None` not being a list doesn't have the `insert` method.

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## Exercise - insertando

Given the list

```
la = [7, 6, 8, 5, 6]
```

write some code which MODIFIES the list by using only calls to `insert`. After your code, `la` should appear like this:

```
>>> print(la)
[7, 70, 90, 6, 8, 80, 5, 6, 50]
```

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[41]:

```
la = [7, 6, 8, 5, 6]

# write here

la.insert(3, 80)
la.insert(1, 90)
la.insert(1, 70)
la.insert(len(la), 50)

print(la)
```

```
[7, 70, 90, 6, 8, 80, 5, 6, 50]
```

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[41]:

```
la = [7, 6, 8, 5, 6]

# write here
```

### WARNING: calling insert is much slower than append !!

A call to `insert` rewrites all the cells after the insertion point, while `append` instead adds only one cell. Given the computer is fast, very often we do not realize the difference, but whenever possible, and especially if you have to write programs which operate on big amounts of data, try writing code using `append` instead of `insert`.

### Exercise - insappend

This code takes as input an empty list `la` and a list of numbers `lb`. Try to understand what it does, and rewrite it using some `append`.

[42]:

```
la = []
lb = [7, 6, 9, 8]
la.insert(0, lb[0]*2)
la.insert(0, lb[1]*2)
la.insert(0, lb[2]*2)
la.insert(0, lb[3]*2)
print(la)
```

```
[16, 18, 12, 14]
```

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[43]:

```
la = []
lb = [7, 6, 9, 8]

# write here
la.append(lb[-1]*2)
la.append(lb[-2]*2)
```

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```
la.append(lb[-3]*2)
la.append(lb[-4]*2)
print(la)

[16, 18, 12, 14]
```

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```
[43]: la = []
lb = [7, 6, 9, 8]

# write here
```

## pop method

pop method does two things: when called without arguments MODIFIES the list by removing the last element, and also RETURNS the removed element:

```
[44]: basket = ['melon', 'strawberry', 'apple']
```

```
[45]: basket.pop()
```

```
[45]: 'apple'
```

```
[46]: basket
```

```
[46]: ['melon', 'strawberry']
```

```
[47]: basket.pop()
```

```
[47]: 'strawberry'
```

```
[48]: basket
```

```
[48]: ['melon']
```

Since the last element is *returned* by pop, we can also assign it to a variable:

```
[49]: fruit = basket.pop()
```

Note we don't see no result printed because the returned element was assigned to the variable fruit:

```
[50]: fruit
```

```
[50]: 'melon'
```

We also notice that basket was MODIFIED indeed:

```
[51]: basket
```

```
[51]: []
```

If you further call pop on an empty list you will get an error:

```
basket.pop()  
-----  
IndexError Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-67-086f38c9fbc0> in <module>()  
----> 1 basket.pop()  
  
IndexError: pop from empty list
```

Optionally, to remove an element from a specific position we can pass `pop` an index from 0 INCLUDED to the length of the list EXCLUDED:

```
[52]: #          0          1          2          3  
       tools = ['hammer', 'screwdriver', 'plier', 'hammer']  
  
[53]: tools.pop(2)  
[53]: 'plier'  
  
[54]: tools  
[54]: ['hammer', 'screwdriver', 'hammer']
```

**QUESTION:** Have a look at following code snippets, and for each of them try to guess the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `la = ['a']  
print(la.pop())  
print(la.pop())`

2. `la = [4, 3, 2, 1]  
print(la.pop(4))  
print(la)`

3. `la = [1, 2, 3, 4]  
print(la.pop(3))  
print(la)`

4. `la = [1, 2, 3, 4]  
print(la.pop(-1))  
print(la)`

5. `s = 'raw'  
print(s.pop())  
print(s)`

6. `la = ['so', 'raw']  
print(la.pop())  
print(la)`

7. `la = ['a', ['a']]  
print(la.pop())  
print(la)`

## Exercise - popcorn

Given the list `corn` of exactly 4 characters, write some code which transfers in reverse order all the characters from `corn` to another list `box` which is initially empty.

- **DO NOT** use methods like `reverse` or functions like `reversed`
- Your code must work with *any* list `corn` of 4 elements

Example - given:

```
corn = ['G', 'u', 'r', 'u']
box = []
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(corn)
[]
>>> print(box)
['u', 'r', 'u', 'G']
```

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```
corn = ['G', 'u', 'r', 'u']
box = []

# write here

box.append(corn.pop())
box.append(corn.pop())
box.append(corn.pop())
box.append(corn.pop())
print(box)

['u', 'r', 'u', 'G']
```

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[55]:

```
corn = ['G', 'u', 'r', 'u']
box = []

# write here
```

**Exercise - zonzo**

Given a list `la` containing some characters, and a list `lb` containing exactly two positions *in ascending order*, write some code which eliminates from `la` the characters at positions specified in `lb`.

- **WARNING:** by calling `pop` the first time you will MODIFY `la`, so the index from the second element to eliminate will need to be properly adjusted !
- **DO NOT** create new lists, so no rows beginning with `la =`
- Your code must work with *any* `la` and *any* `lb` of two elements

Example - given:

```
#      0   1   2   3   4
la = ['z', 'o', 'n', 'z', 'o']
lb = [2, 4]
```

at position 2 in `la` we find the `n` and at 4th the `o`, so after your code it must result:

```
>>> print(la)
['z', 'o', 'z']
```

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[56]:

```
#      0   1   2   3   4
la = ['z', 'o', 'n', 'z', 'o']
lb = [2, 4]

# write here
la.pop(lb[0])
la.pop(lb[1]-1)
print(la)
```

```
['z', 'o', 'z']
```

```
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```

[56]:

```
#      0   1   2   3   4
la = ['z', 'o', 'n', 'z', 'o']
lb = [2, 4]

# write here
```

**reverse method**

`reverse` method MODIFIES the list on which it is called by inverting the order of elements.

Let's see an example:

```
[57]: la = [7, 6, 8, 4]
```

```
[58]: la.reverse()
```

```
[59]: la
```

```
[59]: [4, 8, 6, 7]
```

**WARNING: reverse RETURNS NOTHING!**

To be precise, it returns None

```
[60]: lb = [7, 6, 8, 4]
```

```
[61]: x = lb.reverse()
```

```
[62]: print(x)
```

```
None
```

```
[63]: print(lb)
```

```
[4, 8, 6, 7]
```

**QUESTION:** Which effect does the following code produce?

```
s = "transatlantic"
s.reverse()
print(s)
```

1. an error (which one?)
2. prints the string in reverse

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**ANSWER:** `.reverse()` is a method ONLY present in LISTS, so by using it on strings we will get an error. And we have to expect it, as `reverse` MODIFIES the object on which it is called and since strings are *immutable* no string method can possibly modify the string on which it is called.

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**QUESTION:** If `x` is some list, which effect does the following produce?

```
x.reverse().reverse()
```

1. changes the list (how?)
2. it doesn't change the list
3. generates an error (which one?)

```
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```

**ANSWER:** 3 - generates an error, because `reverse()` returns `None` which is not a list so it doesn't have `reverse()` method.

```
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```

### Exercise - good manners

Write some code which given two lists `la` and `lb` MODIFY `la` adding all the elements of `lb` and then reversing the whole list.

- your code must work with any `la` and `lb`
- **DO NOT** modify `lb`

Example - given:

```
la = ['g', 'o', 'o', 'd']
lb = ['m', 'a', 'n', 'n', 'e', 'r', 's']
```

After your code, it must print:

```
>>> print('la=', la)
la= ['s', 'r', 'e', 'n', 'a', 'm', 'd', 'o', 'o', 'g']
>>> print('lb=', lb)
lb= ['m', 'a', 'n', 'n', 'e', 'r', 's']
```

```
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```

[64]:

```
la = ['g', 'o', 'o', 'd']
lb = ['m', 'a', 'n', 'n', 'e', 'r', 's']

# write here
la.extend(lb)
la.reverse()
print('la=', la)
print('lb=', lb)

la= ['s', 'r', 'e', 'n', 'a', 'm', 'd', 'o', 'o', 'g']
lb= ['m', 'a', 'n', 'n', 'e', 'r', 's']
```

```
</div>
```

[64]:

```
la = ['g', 'o', 'o', 'd']
lb = ['m', 'a', 'n', 'n', 'e', 'r', 's']

# write here
```

## Exercise - precious things

Given two lists `la` and `lb` write some code which PRINTS a list with the elements of `la` and `lb` in reverse order.

- **DO NOT** modify `la` and **DO NOT** modify `lb`
- your code must work with any list `la` and `lb`

Example - given:

```
la = ['p', 'r', 'e', 'c', 'i', 'o', 'u', 's']
lb = ['t', 'h', 'i', 'n', 'g', 's']
```

After your code, it must print:

```
['s', 'g', 'n', 'i', 'h', 't', 's', 'u', 'o', 'i', 'c', 'e', 'r', 'p']
```

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```
[65]: la = ['p', 'r', 'e', 'c', 'i', 'o', 'u', 's']
       lb = ['t', 'h', 'i', 'n', 'g', 's']

       # write here
       lc = la + lb  # the + creates a NEW list
       lc.reverse()
       print(lc)

['s', 'g', 'n', 'i', 'h', 't', 's', 'u', 'o', 'i', 'c', 'e', 'r', 'p']
```

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```
[65]: la = ['p', 'r', 'e', 'c', 'i', 'o', 'u', 's']
       lb = ['t', 'h', 'i', 'n', 'g', 's']

       # write here
```

## Exercise - powers

The following code uses some `insert` which as we already said it is not very efficient. Try to understand what it does, and rewrite it using only `append` and `reverse`

- your code must work for any value of `x`

```
[66]: x = 2
       la = [x]
       la.insert(0,la[0]**2)
       la.insert(0,la[0]**2)
       la.insert(0,la[0]**2)
       la.insert(0,la[0]**2)
       print(la)

[32, 16, 8, 4, 2]
```

```
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```

[67]:

```
x = 2
la = [x]

# write here
la.append(la[-1]*2)
la.append(la[-1]*2)
la.append(la[-1]*2)
la.append(la[-1]*2)
la.reverse()
print(la)
```

```
[32, 16, 8, 4, 2]
```

```
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```

[67]:

```
x = 2
la = [x]

# write here
```

### sort method

If a list contains homogenous elements, it is possible to sort it rapidly with the `sort` method, which MODIFIES the list on which it is called (also called sorting *in-place*):

[68]:

```
la = [8, 6, 7, 9]
```

[69]:

```
la.sort() # NOTE: sort returns nothing !!!
```

[70]:

```
la
```

[70]:

```
[6, 7, 8, 9]
```

Strings are also sortable<sup>119</sup>

[71]:

```
lb = ['Boccaccio', 'Alighieri', 'Manzoni', 'Leopardi']
```

[72]:

```
lb.sort()
```

[73]:

```
lb
```

[73]:

```
['Alighieri', 'Boccaccio', 'Leopardi', 'Manzoni']
```

A list with non-comparable elements it's not sortable, and Python will complain:

[74]:

```
lc = [3, 4, 'cabbage', 7, 'potatoes']
```

<sup>119</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/strings/strings2-sol.html#Comparing-characters>

```
>>> lc.sort()

-----
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-288-0cabfae30939> in <module>
----> 1 lc.sort()

TypeError: '<' not supported between instances of 'str' and 'int'
```

Optionally, for reverse order you can pass the parameter `reverse=True`:

```
[75]: la = [4, 2, 5, 3]
la.sort(reverse=True)
```

```
[76]: la
```

```
[76]: [5, 4, 3, 2]
```

## Custom sorting

If you have custom needs like for example a lists of strings in the format '`name surname`' that you want to sort according to the surname, you should use optional parameter `key` with `lambda` functions, see [Python docs](#)<sup>120</sup>

### Exercise - numlist

Given the list `la = [10, 60, 72, 118, 11, 71, 56, 89, 120, 175]`

1. finds the min, max and the median value (HINT: sort it and extract the right values)
2. create a list only with elements at even indexes (i.e. `[10, 72, 11, ..]`, note that “..” means the list is still not complete!) and ricalculates the values of min, max and median
3. redo the same with the elements at odd indexes (i.e. `[60, 118,..]`)

You should obtain:

```
original: [10, 60, 72, 118, 11, 71, 56, 89, 120, 175]
even: [10, 72, 11, 56, 120]
odd: [60, 118, 71, 89, 175]

sorted: [10, 11, 56, 60, 71, 72, 89, 118, 120, 175]
sorted even: [10, 11, 56, 72, 120]
sorted odd: [60, 71, 89, 118, 175]

original: Min: 10 Max. 175 Median: 72
even: Min: 10 Max. 120 Median: 56
odd: Min: 60 Max. 175 Median: 89
```

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```
[77]:
```

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<sup>120</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/howto/sorting.html#key-functions>

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```
la = [10, 60, 72, 118, 11, 71, 56, 89, 120, 175]

# write here

even = la[0::2]      # we take only elements at even indeces
odd = la[1::2]       # we take only elements at odd indeces

print("original:    " , la)
print("even:        " , even)
print("odd:         " , odd)

la.sort()
even.sort()
odd.sort()

print()
print("sorted:      " , la)
print("sorted even: " , even)
print("sorted odd:  " , odd)
print()
print("original:    Min:", la[0], " Max.", la[-1], " Median: ", la[len(la) // 2])
print("even:        Min:", even[0], " Max.", even[-1], " Median: ", even[len(even) // 
↪ 2])
print("odd:         Min:", odd[0], " Max.", odd[-1], " Median: ", odd[len(odd) // 2])

original:    [10, 60, 72, 118, 11, 71, 56, 89, 120, 175]
even:        [10, 72, 11, 56, 120]
odd:         [60, 118, 71, 89, 175]

sorted:      [10, 11, 56, 60, 71, 72, 89, 118, 120, 175]
sorted even: [10, 11, 56, 72, 120]
sorted odd:  [60, 71, 89, 118, 175]

original:    Min: 10  Max. 175  Median: 72
even:        Min: 10  Max. 120  Median: 56
odd:         Min: 60  Max. 175  Median: 89
```

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[77]:

```
la = [10, 60, 72, 118, 11, 71, 56, 89, 120, 175]

# write here
```

## join - build strings from lists

Given a string to use as separator, and a sequence like for example a list `la` which only contains strings, it's possible to concatenate them into a (new) string with `join` method:

```
[78]: la = ["When", "the", "sun", "raises"]

'SEPARATOR'.join(la)

[78]: 'WhenSEPARATORtheSEPARATORSunSEPARATORraises'
```

As separator we can put any character, like a space:

```
[79]: ' '.join(la)

[79]: 'When the sun raises'
```

Note the original list is not modified:

```
[80]: la

[80]: ['When', 'the', 'sun', 'raises']
```

**QUESTION:** What does this code produce?

```
' '.join(['a', 'b', 'c']).upper()
```

1. an error (which one?)
2. a string (which one?)
3. a list (which one?)

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**ANSWER:** 2: it produces the string 'ABC': first it takes all characters from the list `['a', 'b', 'c']` and it joins them with empty space '' separator to form 'abc', then this string is set all uppercase with `upper()`.

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**QUESTION:** What does this code produce?

```
'a'.join('KRT') + 'E'
```

1. a string (which one?)
2. an error (which one?)
3. a list (which one?)

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**ANSWER:** 1: produces the string 'KaRaTE' - we said that `join` takes as input a sequence, so we are not bounded to pass lists but we can directly pass any string, which is a character sequence. `join` will then interval each character in the string with the separator we provide before the dot.

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**QUESTION:** What does this code produce?

```
'\\''.join('mmmm')
```

1. an error (which one?)
2. a string (which one?)

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**ANSWER:** 2: `\\` is an escape sequence which represents the single character apex ' ', so we will obtain m'm'm'm

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**QUESTION:** Given any string s and a list of strings la of at least two characters, the following code will always give us the same result - which one? (think about it, and if you don't know how to answer try putting random values for s and la)

```
len(s) <= len(s.join(la))
```

1. an errore (which one?)
2. a stringa (which one?)
3. something else (what?)

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**ANSWER:** 3: the code will always produce the boolean True because s.join(la) produces a string containing all the strings in la alternated with the string s. So the length of this string will always be greater or equal to the length of s: by comparing the two lengths with <= operator, we will always obtain the boolean True.

Example:

```
s = "ab"  
la = ['uiief', 'cb', 'sd']  
len(s) <= len(s.join(la))
```

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### Exercise - barzoletta

Given the string

```
sa = 'barzoletta'
```

write some code which creates a NEW string sb by changing the original string in such a way it results:

```
>>> print(sb)  
'barzelletta'
```

- **USE** the method `insert` and cell reassignment
- **NOTE:** you cannot use them an a string, because it is IMMUTABLE - you will then first convert the string to a list

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[81]:

```
sa = 'barzoletta'

# write here

la = list(sa)
la[4] = 'e'
la.insert(5,'l')
sb = ''.join(la)
print(sb)
```

barzelletta

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[81]:

```
sa = 'barzoletta'

# write here
```

**Exercise - dub dab dib dob**

Write some code which given a list of strings `la`, associates to variable `s` a string with the concatenated strings, separating them with a comma and a space.

Example - given:

```
la = ['dub', 'dab','dib', 'dob']
```

After your code, you should obtain this:

```
>>> print(s)
dub, dab, dib, dob
>>> len(s)
18
```

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[82]:

```
la = ['dub', 'dab','dib', 'dob']

# write here

s = ', '.join(la)

print(s)
len(s)
```

dub, dab, dib, dob

[82]:

18

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[82]:

```
la = ['dub', 'dab','dib', 'dob']

# write here
```

### Exercise - ghirgori

Given a list of strings `la` and a list with three separators `seps`, write some code which prints the elements of `la` separated by first separator, followed by the second separator, followed by the elements of `la` separated by the third separator.

- your code must work with any list `la` and `seps`

Example - given:

```
la = ['ghi','ri','go','ri']
seps = [',','_','+']
```

After your code, it must print:

```
ghi,ri,go,ri_ghi+ri+go+ri
```

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[83]:

```
la = ['ghi','ri','go','ri']
seps = [',','_','+']

# write here

print(seps[0].join(la) + seps[1] + seps[2].join(la))
```

```
ghi,ri,go,ri_ghi+ri+go+ri
```

```
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```

[83]:

```
la = ['ghi','ri','go','ri']
seps = [',','_','+']

# write here
```

## Exercise - welldone

Given the list:

```
la = ["walnut", "eggplant", "lemon", "lime", "date", "onion", "nectarine", "endive"]:
```

1. Create another list (call it new) containing the first character of every element of la
2. Add a space to new at position 4 and attach an exclamation mark (' ! ') at the end
3. Print the list
4. Print the list content by joining all elements with an empty space

You should get:

```
['w', 'e', 'l', 'l', ' ', 'd', 'o', 'n', 'e', '!']
```

well done!

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[84]:

```
la = ["walnut", "eggplant", "lemon", "lime", "date", "onion", "nectarine", "endive"]

# write here

new = []
new.append(la[0][0])
new.append(la[1][0])
new.append(la[2][0])
new.append(la[3][0])
new.append(la[4][0])
new.append(la[5][0])
new.append(la[6][0])
new.append(la[7][0])

new.insert(4, " ")
new.append("!")

print(new)
print("\n", "".join(new))

['w', 'e', 'l', 'l', ' ', 'd', 'o', 'n', 'e', '!']

well done!
```

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[84]:

```
la = ["walnut", "eggplant", "lemon", "lime", "date", "onion", "nectarine", "endive"]

# write here
```

### Continue

You can find more exercises in the worksheet [Lists 4 - Search methods](#)<sup>121</sup>

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### 5.3.4 Lists 4 - Metodi di ricerca

#### Download exercises zip

[Browse files online](#)<sup>122</sup>

Lists offer several different methods to perform searches and transformations inside them, but beware: the power is nothing without control! Sometimes you will feel the need to use them, but very often they hide traps you will later regret. So whenever you write code with one of these methods, **always ask yourself the questions we will stress**.

#### What to do

1. Unzip [exercises zip](#) in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
lists
lists1.ipynb
lists1-sol.ipynb
lists2.ipynb
lists2-sol.ipynb
lists3.ipynb
lists3-sol.ipynb
lists4.ipynb
lists4-sol.ipynb
lists5-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `lists4.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

<sup>121</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists4-sol.html>

<sup>122</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/lists>

### split method - from strings to lists

The split method of strings does the opposite of join: it is called on a string and it is passed a separator as parameter, which can be a single character or a substring. The result is a list of strings without the separator.

```
[2]: "Finally the pirates shared the treasure".split("the")
[2]: ['Finally ', ' pirates shared ', ' treasure']
```

By calling split without arguments generic *blanks* are used as separators (space, \n, tab \t, etc)

```
[3]: s = "Finally the\npirates\tshared      the treasure"
print(s)

Finally the
pirates shared      the treasure
```

```
[4]: s.split()
[4]: ['Finally', 'the', 'pirates', 'shared', 'the', 'treasure']
```

It's also possible to limit the number of elements to split by specifying the parameter maxsplit:

```
[5]: s.split(maxsplit=2)
[5]: ['Finally', 'the', 'pirates\tshared      the treasure']
```

**WARNING:** What happens if the string does *not* contain the separator? Remember to also consider this case!

```
[6]: "I talk and overtalk and I never ever take a break".split(',')
[6]: ['I talk and overtalk and I never ever take a break']
```

**QUESTION:** Look at this code. Will it print something? Or will it produce an error?

1. `"revolving\tdoor".split()`
2. `"take great\t\ncare".split()`
3. `"do not\tforget\nabout\tme".split('\t')`
4. `"non ti scordar\ndi\tme".split(' ')`
5. `"The Guardian of the Abyss stared at us".split('abyss')[1]`
6. `"".split('abyss')[0]`
7. `"abyss_0000_abyss".split('abyss')[0]`

### Exercise - trash dance

You have been hired to dance in the last video of the notorious band *Melodic Trash*. You can't miss this opportunity and excited start reading the score, but you find a lot of errors (of course the band doesn't need to know how to write scores to get tv time). There are strange symbols and the last bar is too long (after the sixth bar) and needs to be put one row at a time. Write some code which fixes the score in a list `dance`.

Example - given:

```
music = "Zam Dam\tZa Bum Bum\tZam\tBam To Tum\tRa Ta Pam\tBar Ra\tRammaGumma Unza\n\t\nTACAUACA \n BOOMBOOM!"
```

after your code it must result:

```
>>> print(dance)
['Zam Dam',
 'Za Bum Bum',
 'Zam',
 'Bam To Tum',
 'Ra Ta Pam',
 'Bar Ra',
 'RammaGumma',
 'Unza',
 'TACAUACA',
 'BOOMBOOM!']
```

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[7]:

```
music = "Zam Dam\tZa Bum Bum\tZam\tBam To Tum\tRa Ta Pam\tBar Ra\tRammaGumma Unza\n\t\nTACAUACA \n BOOMBOOM!"
```

```
# write here

dance = music.split('\t', maxsplit=6)
dance = dance[:-1] + dance[-1].split()
dance
```

[7]:

```
['Zam Dam',
 'Za Bum Bum',
 'Zam',
 'Bam To Tum',
 'Ra Ta Pam',
 'Bar Ra',
 'RammaGumma',
 'Unza',
 'TACAUACA',
 'BOOMBOOM!']
```

```
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```

[7]:

```
music = "Zam Dam\tZa Bum Bum\tZam\tBam To Tum\tRa Ta Pam\tBar Ra\tRammaGumma Unza\n\t\nTACAUACA \n BOOMBOOM!"
```

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```
# write here
```

### Exercise - Trash in tour

The *Melodic Trash* band strikes again in the new tour where they present the summer hits. The records company only provides the sales numbers in angosaxon format, before communicating them to Italian media we need a conversion.

Write some code which given the `hits` and a position in the hit parade, (from 1 to 4), prints the sales number.

- **NOTE:** commas must be substituted with dots

Example - given:

```
hits = """6,230,650 - I love you like the moldy tomatoes in the fridge
2,000,123 - The pain of living filthy rich
100,000 - Groupies are never enough
837 - Do you remember the trashcans in the summer..."""

position = 1    # the tomatoes
#position = 4  # the trashcans
```

Prints:

```
Number 1 in hit parade "I love you like the moldy tomatoes in the fridge" sold 6.230.
↪650 copies
```

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[8]:

```
hits = """6,230,650 - I love you like the moldy tomatoes in the fridge
2,000,123 - The pain of living filthy rich
100,000 - Groupies are never enough
837 - Do you remember the trashcans in the summer..."""

position = 1    # the tomatoes
#position = 4  # the trashcans

# write here

lst = hits.split('\n')
ext = lst[position-1].split(' - ')

print("Number", position, "in hit parade", "!" + ext[1] + "!",
      'sold', '.'.join(ext[0].split(',')), 'copies')

Number 1 in hit parade "I love you like the moldy tomatoes in the fridge" sold 6.230.
↪650 copies
```

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[8]:

```
hits = """6,230,650 - I love you like the moldy tomatoes in the fridge
2,000,123 - The pain of living filthy rich
```

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```
100,000 - Groupies are never enough
837 - Do you remember the trashcans in the summer..."""

position = 1    # the tomatoes
#position = 4   # the trashcans

# write here
```

### Exercise - manylines

Given the following string of text:

```
"""This is a string
of text on
several lines which tells nothing."""
```

1. print it
2. prints how many lines, words and characters it contains
3. sort the words in alphabetical order and print the first and last ones in lexicographical order

You should obtain:

```
This is a string
of text on
several lines which tells nothing.

Lines: 3    words: 12    chars: 62

['T', 'h', 'i', 's', ' ', 'i', 's', ' ', 'a', ' ', 's', 't', 'r', 'i', 'n', 'g', '\n',
 ↪ 'o', 'f', ' ', 't', 'e', 'x', 't', ' ', 'o', 'n', '\n', 's', 'e', 'v', 'e', 'r', 'a',
 ↪ 'l', 'l', 'i', 'n', 'e', 's', ' ', 'w', 'h', 'i', 'c', 'h', ' ', 't', 'e',
 ↪ 'l', 'l', 's', ' ', 'n', 'o', 't', 'h', 'i', 'n', 'g', '.']

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First word: This
Last word : which
['This', 'a', 'is', 'lines', 'nothing.', 'of', 'on', 'several', 'string', 'tells',
 ↪ 'text', 'which']
```

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[9]:

```
s = """This is a string
of text on
several lines which tells nothing."""

# write here

# 1) print
print(s)
```

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```

print("")

# 2) prints the lines, words and characters
lines = s.split('\n')

# NOTE: words are separated by a space or a newline

words = lines[0].split(' ') + lines[1].split(' ') + lines[2].split(' ')
num_chars = len(s)
print("Lines:", len(lines), " words:", len(words), " chars:", num_chars)

# alternative method for number of characters
print("")
characters = list(s)
num_chars2 = len(characters)
print(characters)
print(num_chars2)

# 3. alphabetically order the words and prints the first and last one in
# lexicographical order

words.sort() # NOTE: it returns NOTHING !!!!
print("")
print("First word:", words[0])
print("Last word :", words[-1])
print(words)

This is a string
of text on
several lines which tells nothing.

Lines: 3    words: 12    chars: 62

['T', 'h', 'i', 's', ' ', 'i', 's', ' ', 'a', ' ', 's', 't', 'r', 'i', 'n', 'g', '\n',
 'o', 'f', ' ', 't', 'e', 'x', 't', ' ', 'o', 'n', '\n', 's', 'e', 'v', 'e', 'r', 'a',
 'l', ' ', 'l', 'i', 'n', 'e', 's', ' ', 'w', 'h', 'i', 'c', 'h', ' ', 't', 'e',
 'l', 'l', 's', ' ', 'n', 'o', 't', 'h', 'i', 'n', 'g', '.']

62

First word: This
Last word : which
['This', 'a', 'is', 'lines', 'nothing.', 'of', 'on', 'several', 'string', 'tells',
 'text', 'which']

```

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[9]:

```

s = """This is a string
of text on
several lines which tells nothing."""

# write here

```

### Exercise - takechars

⊕ Given a phrase which contains **exactly** 3 words and has **always** as a central word a number  $n$ , write some code which PRINTS the first  $n$  characters of the third word.

Example - given:

```
phrase = "Take 4 letters"
```

your code must print:

```
lett
```

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[10]:

```
phrase = "Take 4 letters"      # lett
#phrase= "Getting 5 caratters"  # carat
#phrase= "Take 10 characters"   # characters

# write here
words = phrase.split()
n = int(words[1])
print(words[2][:n])
```

```
lett
```

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[10]:

```
phrase = "Take 4 letters"      # lett
#phrase= "Getting 5 caratters"  # carat
#phrase= "Take 10 characters"   # characters

# write here
```

### count method

We can find the number of occurrences of a certain element in a list by using the method `count`

[11]:

```
la = ['a', 'n', 'a', 'c', 'o', 'n', 'd', 'a']
```

[12]:

```
la.count('n')
```

[12]:

```
2
```

[13]:

```
la.count('a')
```

[13]:

```
3
```

[14]:

```
la.count('d')
```

[14]:

```
1
```

## Do not abuse count

**WARNING:** `count` is often used in a wrong / inefficient ways

Always ask yourself:

1. could the list contain duplicates? Remember they will get counted!
2. could the list contain *no* duplicate? Remember to also handle this case!
3. `count` performs a search on all the list, which could be inefficient: is it really needed, or do we already know the interval where to search?

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each of them try guessing the result (or if it produces an error)

1. `['A', 'aa', 'a', 'aaAah', "a", "aaaa"[1], " a "].count("a")`
2. `["the", "punishment", "of", "the", "fools"].count('Fools') == 1`
3. `lst = ['oasis', 'date', 'oasis', 'coconut', 'date', 'coconut']  
print(lst.count('date') == 1)`
4. `lst = ['oasis', 'date', 'oasis', 'coconut', 'date', 'coconut']  
print(lst[4] == 'date')`
5. `[2', 2, "2", 2, float("2"), 2.0, 4/2, "1+1", int('3')-float('1')].count(2)`
6. `[] .count([])`
7. `[[], [], []].count([])`

## Exercise - country life

Given a list `country`, write some code which prints `True` if the first half contains a number of elements `e11` equal to the number of elements `e12` in the second half.

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[15]:

```
e11,e12 = 'shovels', 'hoes'          # True
#e11,e12 = 'shovels', 'shovels'      # False
#e11,e12 = 'wheelbarrows', 'plows'   # True
#e11,e12 = 'shovels', 'wheelbarrows' # False

country = ['plows', 'wheelbarrows', 'shovels', 'wheelbarrows', 'shovels', 'hoes',
           ↪'wheelbarrows',
           'hoes', 'plows', 'wheelbarrows', 'plows', 'shovels', 'plows', 'hoes']

# write here
mid = len(country)//2
country[:mid].count(e11) == country[mid:].count(e12)
```

```
[15]: True
```

```
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```

```
[15]:
```

```
el1,el2 = 'shovels', 'hoes'          # True
#el1,el2 = 'shovels', 'shovels'      # False
#el1,el2 = 'wheelbarrows', 'plows'   # True
#el1,el2 = 'shovels', 'wheelbarrows' # False

country = ['plows','wheelbarrows', 'shovels', 'wheelbarrows', 'shovels','hoes',
           ↪'wheelbarrows',
           'hoes', 'plows', 'wheelbarrows', 'plows', 'shovels','plows','hoes']

# write here
```

### index method

The `index` method allows us to find the index of the FIRST occurrence of an element.

```
[16]: #      0   1   2   3   4   5
la = ['p','a','e','s','e']
```

```
[17]: la.index('p')
```

```
[17]: 0
```

```
[18]: la.index('a')
```

```
[18]: 1
```

```
[19]: la.index('e') # we find the FIRST occurrence
```

```
[19]: 2
```

If the element we're looking for is not present, we will get an error:

```
>>> la.index('z')
-----
ValueError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-303-32d9c064ebe0> in <module>
----> 1 la.index('z')

ValueError: 'z' is not in list
```

Optionally, you can specify an index to start from (**included**):

```
[20]: # 0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10
['a','c','c','a','p','a','r','r','a','r','e'].index('a',6)
```

```
[20]: 8
```

And also where to end (**excluded**):

```
# 0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10
['a','c','c','a','p','a','r','r','a','r','e'].index('a',6,8)
```

```
-----
ValueError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-17-7f344c26b62e> in <module>
      1 # 0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10
----> 2 ['a','c','c','a','p','a','r','r','a','r','e'].index('a',6,8)

ValueError: 'a' is not in list
```

## Do not abuse index

### WARNING: `index` is often used in a wrong / inefficient ways

Always ask yourself:

1. could the list contain duplicates? Remember only the *first* will be found!
2. could the list *not* contain the searched element? Remember to also handle this case!
3. `index` performs a search on all the list, which could be inefficient: is it really needed, or do we already know the interval where to search?
4. If we want to know if an `element` is in a position we already know, `index` is useless, it's enough to write `my_list[3] == element`. If you used `index`, it could discover duplicate characters which are *before* or *after* the one we are interested in!

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each one try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives error).

1. `['arc','boat','hollow','dune'].index('hollow') == ['arc','boat','hollow','dune'].index('hollow',1)`
2. `['azure','blue','sky blue','smurfs'][-1:].index('sky blue')`
3. `road = ['asphalt','bitumen','cement','gravel']  
print('mortar' in road or road.index('mortar'))`
4. `road = ['asphalt','bitumen','cement','gravel']  
print('mortar' in road and road.index('mortar'))`
5. `road = ['asphalt','bitumen','mortar','gravel']  
print('mortar' in road and road.index('mortar'))`
6. `la = [0,5,10]  
la.reverse()  
print(la.index(5) > la.index(10))`

### Exercise - Spatoč

In the past you met the Slavic painter Spatoč when he was still dirt poor. He gifted you with 2 or 3 paintings (you don't remember) of dubious artistic value that you hid in the attic, but now you just saw on TV that Spatoč has gained international fame. You run to the attic to retrieve the paintings, which are lost among junk. Every painting is contained in a [ ] box, but you don't know in which rack it is. Write some code which prints where they are.

- shelves are **numbered from 1**. If the third painting was not found, print 0.
- **DO NOT** use loops nor `if`
- **HINT:** printing first two is easy, for printing the last have a look at [Booleans - evaluation order](#)<sup>123</sup>

Exemple 1 - given:

```
[21]:      # 1      2      3      4      5
attic = [3,     'VV',      ['painting'], '---',      ['painting'],
         # 6      7      8      9      10
         5.23, ['shovel'], ['ski'],      ["painting"], ['lamp']]
```

prints:

```
rack of first painting : 3
rack of second painting: 5
rack of third painting : 9
```

Exemple 2 - given:

```
[22]:      # 1      2      3      4      5      6      7
attic = [['painting'], '---', ['ski'], ['painting'], ['statue'], ['shovel'], ['boots']]
```

prints

```
rack of first painting : 1
rack of second painting: 4
rack of third painting : 0
```

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```
[23]:      # 1 2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      -
          ↵ 10
attic = [3, 'VV', ['painting'], '---', ['painting'], 5.23, ['shovel'], ['ski'], ['painting'],
          ↵ ['lamp']]
# 3,5,9
      # 1      2      3      4      5      6      7
#attic = [['painting'], '---', ['ski'], ['painting'], ['statue'], ['shovel'], ['boots']]
# 1,4,0

# write here

i1 = attic.index(['painting'])
print("rack of first painting :", i1+1)
i2 = attic.index(['painting'], i1+1)
print("rack of second painting:", i2+1)
```

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<sup>123</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics2-bools-sol.html#Evaluation-order>

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```
i3 = int(['painting'] in attic[i2+1:]) and (attic.index(['painting'], i2+1) + 1)
print("rack of third painting :", i3)
```

```
rack of first painting : 3
rack of second painting: 5
rack of third painting : 9
```

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[23]:

```
# 1 2      3          4      5          6      7          8      9
↔ 10
attic = [3, '...', ['painting'], '---', ['painting'], 5.23, ['shovel'], ['ski'], ['painting'],
↔ ['lamp']]
# 3,5,9
# 1           2       3       4           5       6       7
#attic = [['painting'], '---', ['ski'], ['painting'], ['statue'], ['shovel'], ['boots']]
# 1,4,0

# write here
```

## remove method

remove takes an object as parameter, searches for the FIRST cell containing that object and eliminates it:

```
[24]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5
la = [6, 7, 9, 5, 9, 8] # the 9 is in the first cell with index 2 and 4
```

```
[25]: la.remove(9) # searches first cell containing 9
```

```
[26]: la
```

```
[26]: [6, 7, 5, 9, 8]
```

As you can see, the cell which was at index 2 and that contained the FIRST occurrence of 9 has been eliminated. The cell containing the SECOND occurrence of 9 is still there.

If you try removing an object which is not present, you will receive an error:

```
la.remove(666)

-----
ValueError                                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-121-5d04a71f9d33> in <module>
----> 1 la.remove(666)

ValueError: list.remove(x): x not in list
```

## Do not abuse remove

### WARNING: `remove` is often used in a wrong / inefficient ways

Always ask yourself:

1. could the list contain duplicates? Remember only the *first* will be removed!
2. could the list *not* contain the searched element? Remember to also handle this case!
3. `remove` performs a search on all the list, which could be inefficient: is it really needed, or do we already know the position *i* where the element to be removed is? In such case it's much better using `.pop(i)`

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result (or if it produces an error).

1. 

```
la = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'b']
la.remove('b')
print(la)
```

2. 

```
la = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'b']
x = la.remove('b')
print(x)
print(la)
```

3. 

```
la = ['a', 'd', 'c', 'd']
la.remove('b')
print(la)
```

4. 

```
la = ['a', 'bb', 'c', 'bbb']
la.remove('b')
print(la)
```

5. 

```
la = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'b']
la.remove('B')
print(la)
```

6. 

```
la = ['a', 9, '99', 9, 'c', str(9), '999']
la.remove("9")
print(la)
```

7. 

```
la = ["don't", "trick", "me"]
la.remove("don't").remove("trick").remove("me")
print(la)
```

8. 

```
la = ["don't", "trick", "me"]
la.remove("don't")
la.remove("trick")
la.remove("me")
print(la)
```

9. 

```
la = [4,5,7,10]
11 in la or la.remove(11)
print(la)
```

```
10. la = [4, 5, 7, 10]
    11 in la and la.remove(11)
    print(la)
```

```
11. la = [4, 5, 7, 10]
    5 in la and la.remove(5)
    print(la)
```

```
12. la = [9, [9], [[9]], [[[9]]] ]
    la.remove([9])
    print(la)
```

```
13. la = [9, [9], [[9]], [[[9]]] ]
    la.remove([[9]])
    print(la)
```

### Exercise - nob

Write some code which removes from list `la` all the numbers contained in the 3 elements list `lb`.

- your code must work with any list `la` and `lb` of three elements
- you can assume that list `la` contains exactly TWO occurrences of all the elements of `lb` (plus also other numbers)

Example - given:

```
lb = [8, 7, 4]
la = [7, 8, 11, 8, 7, 4, 5, 4]
```

after your code it must result:

```
>>> print(la)
[11, 5]
```

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[27]:

```
lb = [8, 7, 4]
la = [7, 8, 11, 8, 7, 4, 5, 4]

# write here

la.remove(lb[0])
la.remove(lb[0])
la.remove(lb[1])
la.remove(lb[1])
la.remove(lb[2])
la.remove(lb[2])
print(la)
```

```
[11, 5]
```

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[27]:

```
lb = [8, 7, 4]
la = [7, 8, 11, 8, 7, 4, 5, 4]

# write here
```

[ ]:

## 5.4 Tuples

### 5.4.1 Tuples

[Download exercise zip](#)

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A tuple in Python is an *immutable* sequence of heterogenous elements which allows duplicates, so we can put inside the objects we want, of different types, and with repetitions.

#### What to do

1. Unzip `exercises zip` in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
tuples
    tuples1.ipynb
    tuples1-sol.ipynb
    tuples2-chal.ipynb
    jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `tuples.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

<sup>124</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/tuples>

## Creating tuples

Tuples are created with round parenthesis () and by separating the elements with commas ,

Some example:

```
[2]: numbers = (6, 7, 5, 7, 7, 9)
```

```
[3]: print(numbers)
```

```
(6, 7, 5, 7, 7, 9)
```

**Tuples of one element:** You can create a tuple of a single element **by adding a comma after the element**:

```
[4]: little_tup = (4,) # notice the comma !!!
```

Let's verify the type is the expected one:

```
[5]: type(little_tup)
```

```
[5]: tuple
```

To see the difference, we write down here (4) without comma and we verify the type of the obtained object:

```
[6]: fake = (4)
```

```
[7]: type(fake)
```

```
[7]: int
```

We see that `fake` is an `int`, because 4 has been evaluated as an expression inside round brackets so the result is the content inside the parenthesis.

## Empty tuple

We can also create an empty tuple:

```
[8]: empty = ()
```

```
[9]: print(empty)
```

```
()
```

```
[10]: type(empty)
```

```
[10]: tuple
```

## Tuples without brackets

When we assign values to some variable, (and *only* when we assign values to variables) it is possible to use a notation like the following, in which on the left of = we put names of variables and on the right we place a sequence of values:

```
[11]: a,b,c = 1, 2, 3
```

```
[12]: a
```

```
[12]: 1
```

```
[13]: b
```

```
[13]: 2
```

```
[14]: c
```

```
[14]: 3
```

If we ask ourselves what that 1, 2, 3 is, we can try putting on the left a single variable:

```
[15]: # WARNING: BETTER AVOID THIS!
x = 1,2,3
```

```
[16]: type(x)
```

```
[16]: tuple
```

We see that Python considered that 1, 2, 3 as a tuple. Typically, you would never write assignments with less variables than values to put, but if it happens, probably you will find yourself with some undesired tuple !

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following code snippets, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error)

```
1. z,w = 5,6
   print(type(z))
   print(type(w))
```

```
2. a,b = 5,6
   a,b = b,a
   print('a=',a)
   print('b=',b)
```

```
3. z = 5,
   print(type(z))
```

```
4. z = ,
   print(type(z))
```

## Heterogenous elements

In a tuple we can put elements of different types, like numbers and strings:

```
[17]: stuff = (4, "paper", 5, 2, "scissors", 7)
```

```
[18]: stuff
```

```
[18]: (4, 'paper', 5, 2, 'scissors', 7)
```

```
[19]: type(stuff)
```

```
[19]: tuple
```

We can also insert other tuples:

```
[20]: salad = ( ("lettuce", 3), ("tomatoes", 9), ("carrots", 4) )
```

```
[21]: salad
```

```
[21]: (('lettuce', 3), ('tomatoes', 9), ('carrots', 4))
```

```
[22]: type(salad)
```

```
[22]: tuple
```

And also lists:

```
[23]: mix = ( ["when", "it", "rains"], ["I", "program"], [7,3,9] )
```

### WARNING: avoid mutable objects inside tuples!

Inserting *mutable* objects like lists inside tuples may cause problems in some situations like when you later want to use the tuple as element of a set or a key in a dictionary (we will see the details in the respective tutorials)

Let's see how the previous examples are represented in Python Tutor:

```
[24]: # WARNING: before using the function jupman.pytut() which follows,
#           it is necessary to first execute this cell with Shift+Enter (once is
#           enough)

import jupman
```

```
[25]: stuff = (4, "paper", 5, 2, "scissors", 7)
salad = ( ("lettuce", 3), ("tomatoes", 9), ("carrots", 4) )
mix = ( ["when", "it", "rains"], ["I", "program"], [7,3,9] )

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[25]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### Creating tuples from sequences

You can create a tuple from any sequence, like for example a list:

```
[26]: tuple([8, 2, 5])
```

```
[26]: (8, 2, 5)
```

Or a string (which is a character sequence):

```
[27]: tuple("abc")
```

```
[27]: ('a', 'b', 'c')
```

### Creating sequences from tuples

Since the tuple is a sequence, it is also possible to generate lists from tuples:

```
[28]: list((3, 4, 2, 3))
```

```
[28]: [3, 4, 2, 3]
```

**QUESTION:** Does it make sense creating a tuple from another tuple like this? Can we rewrite the code in a more concise way?

```
[29]: x = (4, 2, 5)
y = tuple(x)
```

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**ANSWER:** since a tuple is IMMUTABLE, once we create in memory the object (4, 2, 5) we are sure nobody will modify it, so it's not necessary to create a new tuple and we can directly write:

```
x = (4, 2, 5)
y = x
```

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**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following expressions, and for each try to guess which result produces (or if it gives an error):

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7. `(( ), )`
8. `tuple([( 'a' ), ('b' ), ('c' )])`
9. `tuple(tuple(('z', 'u', 'm')))`
10. `str(('a', 'b', 'c'))`
11. `"".join(('a', 'b', 'c'))`

## Operators

The following operators work on tuples and behave exactly as in lists:

Operator	Result	Meaning
<code>len(tuple)</code>	<code>int</code>	Return the length of a tuple
<code>tuple [ int ]</code>	<code>object</code>	Reads an element at specified index
<code>tuple [ int : int ]</code>	<code>tuple</code>	Extracts a sub-tuple - return a NEW tuple
<code>tuple + tuple</code>	<code>tuple</code>	Concatenates two tuples - return a NEW tuple
<code>obj in tuple</code>	<code>bool</code>	Checks whether an element is present in a tuple
<code>tuple * int</code>	<code>tuple</code>	Replicates the tuple - return a NEW tuple
<code>==, !=</code>	<code>bool</code>	Checks if two tuples are equal or different

### len

`len` function returns the tuple length:

```
[30]: len( (4,2,3) )
[30]: 3

[31]: len( (7,) )
[31]: 1

[32]: len( () )
[32]: 0
```

**QUESTION:** Have a look at following expressions, and for each try to guess the result (or if it gives an error)

1. `len(3,2,4)`
2. `len((3,2,4))`
3. `len(('a',))`
4. `len(('a,'))`

5. `len((((),()),(),))`
6. `len(len((1,2,3,4)))`
7. `len([(('d','a','c','d'),((('ab'))),[('a','b','c')])])`

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### Reading an element

Like in strings and lists we can read an element at a certain position:

```
[33]: #      0  1  2  3
      tup = (10,11,12,13)
```

```
[34]: tup[0]
```

```
[34]: 10
```

```
[35]: tup[1]
```

```
[35]: 11
```

```
[36]: tup[2]
```

```
[36]: 12
```

```
[37]: tup[3]
```

```
[37]: 13
```

We can also use negative indexes:

```
[38]: tup[-1]
```

```
[38]: 13
```

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following expressions and for each of them try to guess the result or if it produces an error:

1. `(1,2,3)[0]`
2. `(1,2,3)[3]`
3. `(1,2,3)0`
4. `('a,')[0]`
5. `('a',)[0]`
6. `(1,2,3)[-0]`

7.

8.

9.

10.

11.

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### Exercise - animals

Given the string `animals = "Siamese cat,dog,canary,piglet,rabbit,hamster"`

1. convert it to a list
2. create a tuple of tuples where each tuple has two elements: the animal name and the name length, i.e. ((“dog”,3), (“hamster”,7))
3. print the tuple

You should obtain:

```
Siamese cat,dog,canary,piglet,rabbit,hamster
 (('Siamese cat', 11), ('dog', 3), ('canary', 6), ('piglet', 6), ('rabbit', 6), (
 ↪'hamster', 7))
```

- you can assume `animals` always contains exactly 6 animals

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[39]:

```
animals = "Siamese cat,dog,canary,piglet,rabbit,hamster"

# write here
my_list = animals.split(',')

#print(animals)
print()

animals_tuple = ( (my_list[0], len(my_list[0])), 
                  (my_list[1], len(my_list[1])), 
                  (my_list[2], len(my_list[2])), 
                  (my_list[3], len(my_list[3])), 
                  (my_list[4], len(my_list[4])), 
                  (my_list[5], len(my_list[5])))

print(animals_tuple)

 (('Siamese cat', 11), ('dog', 3), ('canary', 6), ('piglet', 6), ('rabbit', 6), (
 ↪'hamster', 7))
```

```
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```

[39]:

```
animals = "Siamese cat,dog,canary,piglet,rabbit,hamster"  
# write here
```

### Slices

As with strings and lists, by using *slices* we can also extract subsequences from a tuple, that is, on the right of the tuple we can write square brackets with inside a start index INCLUDED, a colon : and an end index EXCLUDED:

[40]: `tup = (10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19)`

[41]: `tup[2:6] # from index 2 INCLUDED to 6 EXCLUDED`

[41]: `(12, 13, 14, 15)`

It is possible to alternate the gathering of elements by adding the number of elements to skip as a third numerical parameter in the square brackets, for example:

[42]: `tup = (10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17)`

[43]: `tup[0:8:5]`

[43]: `(10, 15)`

[44]: `tup[0:8:2]`

[44]: `(10, 12, 14, 16)`

[45]: `tup[1:8:1]`

[45]: `(11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17)`

**WARNING: remeber that slices produce a NEW tuple !**

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following code snippets, and for each try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error)

1. `(7, 6, 8, 9, 5) (1:3)`

2. `(7, 6, 8, 9, 5) [1:3]`

3. `(10,11,12,13,14,15,16) [3:100]`

4. `(10,11,12,13,14,15,16) [-3:5]`

5. `(1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0) [::2]`

6. `(1, 2, 3) [::1]`

7. `(1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0) [1::2]`

8. `tuple("postcards") [0::2]`

9. `(4, 5, 6, 3, 4, 7) [0:::2]`

## Concatenation

It is possible to concatenate two tuples by using the operator `+`, which creates a NEW tuple:

[46]: `t = (1, 2, 3) + (4, 5, 6, 7, 8)`

[47]: `t`

[47]: `(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)`

[48]: `type(t)`

[48]: `tuple`

Let's verify that original tuples are not modified:

[49]: `x = (1, 2, 3)  
y = (4, 5, 6, 7, 8)`

[50]: `t = x + y`

[51]: `t`

[51]: `(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)`

[52]: `x`

[52]: `(1, 2, 3)`

[53]: `y`

[53]: `(4, 5, 6, 7, 8)`

Let's see how they are represented in Python Tutor:

[54]: `# FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE HERE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter  
# (it's sufficient to execute it only once, it's also at the beginning of this  
→notebook)  
import jupman`

[55]: `x = (1, 2, 3)  
y = (4, 5, 6, 7, 8)  
t = x + y  
print(t)  
print(x)`

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```
print(y)

jupman.pytut()

(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)
(1, 2, 3)
(4, 5, 6, 7, 8)

[55]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following code snippets, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error)

1. `(2, 3, 4) + tuple([5, 6, 7])`

2. `"crazy"+('r', 'o', 'c', 'k', 'e', 't')`

3. `() + ()`

4. `type((()) + ())`

5. `len((()) + ())`

6. `() + []`

7. `[] + ()`

## Membership

As in all sequences, if we want to verify whether an element is contained in a tuple we can use the operator `in` which returns a boolean value:

```
[56]: 'e' in ('h', 'e', 'l', 'm', 'e', 't')
```

```
[56]: True
```

```
[57]: 'z' in ('h', 'e', 'l', 'm', 'e', 't')
```

```
[57]: False
```

## not in

To check whether something is **not** belonging to a tuple, we can use two forms:

**not in - form 1:**

```
[58]: "carrot" not in ("watermelon", "banana", "apple")
```

```
[58]: True
```

```
[59]: "watermelon" not in ("watermelon", "banana", "apple")
```

[59]: False

### not in - form 2

[60]: `not "carrot" in ("watermelon", "banana", "apple")`

[60]: True

[61]: `not "watermelon" in ("watermelon", "banana", "apple")`

[61]: False

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following code snippets, and for each try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error)

1. `3 in (1.0, 2.0, 3.0)`

2. `3.0 in (1, 2, 3)`

3. `3 not in (3)`

4. `3 not in (3,)`

5. `6 not in ()`

6. `0 in (0)[0]`

7. `[] in ()`

8. `() in []`

9. `not [] in ()`

10. `() in ()`

11. `() in (( ))`

12. `() in (( ),)`

13. `'ciao' in ('c', 'i', 'a', 'o')`

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**Multiplication**

To replicate the elements in a tuple, it is possible to use the operator \* which produces a NEW tuple:

[62]: `(7, 8, 5) * 3`

[62]: `(7, 8, 5, 7, 8, 5, 7, 8, 5)`

[63]: `(7, 8, 5) * 1`

[63]: `(7, 8, 5)`

[64]: `(7, 8, 5) * 0`

[64]: `()`

**QUESTION:** What is the following code going to print?

```
x = (5, 6, 7)
y = x * 3
print('x=', x)
print('y=', y)
```

**ANSWER:** It will print:

```
x = (5, 6, 7)
y = (5, 6, 7, 5, 6, 7, 5, 6, 7)
```

because the multiplication generates a NEW tuple which is associated to y. The tuple associated to x remains unchanged.

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following expressions, and for each try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error)

1. `(5, 6, 7) * (3.0)`

2. `(5, 6, 7) * (3, 0)`

3. `(5, 6, 7) * (3)`

4. `(5, 6, 7) * 3`

5. `(4, 2, 3) * int(3.0)`

6. `(1, 2) * [3][0]`

7. `(1, 2) * (3, 4)[-1]`

8. `[ (9, 8) ] * 4`

9. `(1+2, 3+4) * 5`

10. `(1+2,) * 4`

11.

12.

13.

14.

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### Exercise - welcome

Given a tuple `x` containing exactly 3 integers, and a tuple `y` containing exactly 3 tuples of characters, write some code to create a tuple `z` containing each tuple of `y` replicated by the corresponding integer in `x`.

Example - given:

```
x = (2, 4, 3)
y = (('w', 'e', 'l', 'c'), ('o',), ('m', 'e'))
```

after your code it should print:

```
>>> print(z)
('w', 'e', 'l', 'c', 'w', 'e', 'l', 'c', 'o', 'o', 'o', 'o', 'm', 'e', 'm', 'e', 'm',
 ↵'e')
```

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[65]:

```
x = (2, 4, 3)
y = (('w', 'e', 'l', 'c'), ('o',), ('m', 'e'))

# write here
z = y[0]*x[0] + y[1]*x[1] + y[2]*x[2]

print(z)
('w', 'e', 'l', 'c', 'w', 'e', 'l', 'c', 'o', 'o', 'o', 'o', 'm', 'e', 'm', 'e', 'm',
 ↵'e')
```

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[65]:

```
x = (2, 4, 3)
y = (('w', 'e', 'l', 'c'), ('o',), ('m', 'e'))

# write here
```

### Write an element

Tuples are *immutable*, so trying to i.e. write an assignment for placing the number 12 into the cell at index 3 provokes an error:

```
#      0 1 2 3 4
tup = (5,8,7,9,11)
tup[3] = 666

-----
TypeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-118-83949b0c81e2> in <module>
      1 tup = (5,8,7,9,11)
----> 2 tup[3] = 666

TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment
```

What we can do is to create a NEW tuple by composing it from sequences takes from the original one:

```
[66]: #      0 1 2 3 4 5 6
       tup = (17,54,34,87,26,95,34)

[67]: tup = tup[0:3] + (12,) + tup[4:]

[68]: tup
[68]: (17, 54, 34, 12, 26, 95, 34)
```

**WARNING:** append, extend, insert, sort **DO NOT WORK WITH TUPLES !**

All the methods you used to modify lists will *not* work with tuples.

### Exercise - badmod

Try writing down here `(1,2,3).append(4)` and see which error appears:

```
[69]: # write here
```

### Exercise - abde

Given a tuple `x`, save in a variable `y` another tuple containing:

- at the beginning, the same elements of `x` *except* the last one
- at the end, the elements '`d`' and '`e`' .
- Your code should work with *any* tuple `x`

Example - given:

```
x = ('a','b','c')
```

after your code, you should see printed:

```
x = ('a', 'b', 'c')
y = ('a', 'b', 'd', 'e')
```

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[70]:

```
x = ('a', 'b', 'c')

# write here
y = x[:-1] + ('d', 'e')

print('x=', x)
print('y=', y)

x= ('a', 'b', 'c')
y= ('a', 'b', 'd', 'e')
```

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[70]:

```
x = ('a', 'b', 'c')

# write here
```

## Exercise - charismatic

Given a tuple `t` having alternating uppercase / lowercase characters, write some code which modifies the assignment of `t` so that `t` becomes equal to a tuple having all characters lowercase as first ones and all uppercase characters as last ones.

Example - given:

```
t = ('C', 'h', 'A', 'r', 'I', 's', 'M', 'a', 'T', 'i', 'C')
```

after your code it must result:

```
>>> print(t)
('C', 'A', 'I', 'M', 'T', 'C', 'h', 'r', 's', 'a', 'i')
```

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[71]:

```
t = ('C', 'h', 'A', 'r', 'I', 's', 'M', 'a', 'T', 'i', 'C')

# write here
t = t[::-2] + t[1::2]
print(t)

('C', 'A', 'I', 'M', 'T', 'C', 'h', 'r', 's', 'a', 'i')

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```

```
[71]:  
t = ('C', 'h', 'A', 'r', 'I', 's', 'M', 'a', 'T', 'i', 'C')  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - sorting

Given a tuple `x` of unordered numbers, write some code which changes the assignment of `x` so that `x` results assigned to a sorted tuple

- your code must work for *any* tuple `x`
- **HINT:** as we've already written, tuples DO NOT have `sort` method (because it would mutate them), but lists have it ...

Example - given:

```
x = (3, 4, 2, 5, 5, 5, 2, 3)
```

after your code it must result:

```
>>> print(x)  
(2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5, 5)
```

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```
[72]:  
x = (3, 4, 2, 5, 5, 5, 2, 3)  
  
# write here  
y = list(x)  
y.sort()  
x = tuple(y)  
print(x)  
  
(2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5, 5)
```

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```
[72]:  
x = (3, 4, 2, 5, 5, 5, 2, 3)  
  
# write here
```

## Methods

Tuples are objects of type `tuple` and have methods which allows to operate on them:

Method	Return	Description
<code>tuple.index(obj)</code>	int	Searches for the first occurrence of an element and returns its position
<code>tuple.count(obj)</code>	int	Count the occurrences of an element

### index method

`index` method allows to find the index of the FIRST occurrence of an element.

```
[73]: tup = ('b', 'a', 'r', 'a', 't', 't', 'o')
```

```
[74]: tup.index('b')
```

```
[74]: 0
```

```
[75]: tup.index('a')
```

```
[75]: 1
```

```
[76]: tup.index('t')
```

```
[76]: 4
```

If the element we're looking for is not present, we will get an error:

```
>>> tup.index('z')
-----
ValueError                                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-318-96cf33478b69> in <module>
----> 1 tup.index('z')

ValueError: tuple.index(x): x not in tuple
```

Optionally, you can specify an index to start searching from (**included**):

```
[77]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
('b', 'a', 'r', 'a', 't', 't', 'a', 'r', 'e').index('r', 3)
```

```
[77]: 7
```

and also where to end (**excluded**):

```
# 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
('b', 'a', 'r', 'a', 't', 't', 'a', 'r', 'e').index('r', 3, 7)
-----
ValueError                                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-12-e91a1f6569d7> in <module>
      1 # 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
----> 2 ('b', 'a', 'r', 'a', 't', 't', 'a', 'r', 'e').index('r', 3, 7)

ValueError: tuple.index(x): x not in tuple
```

### Do not abuse index

#### WARNING: `index` is often used in a wrong / inefficient ways

Always ask yourself:

1. could the tuple contain duplicates? Remember only the *first* will be found!
2. could the tuple *not* contain the searched element? Remember to also handle this case!
3. `index` performs a search on all the tuple, which could be inefficient: is it really needed, or do we already know the interval where to search?
4. If we want to know if an element is in a position we already know (i.e. 3), `index` is useless, it's enough to write `my_tuple[3] == element`. If you used `index`, it could discover duplicate characters which are *before* or *after* the one we are interested in!

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following expressions, and for each try to guess which result (or if it gives an error)

1. `(3, 4, 2).index(4)`
2. `(3, 4, ---1).index(-1)`
3. `(2.2, .2, 2, ).index(2)`
4. `(3, 4, 2).index(len([3, 8, 2, 9]))`
5. `(6, 6, 6).index(666)`
6. `(4, 2, 3).index(3).index(3)`
7. `tuple("GUG").index("g")`
8. `(tuple("ci") + ("a", "o")).index('a')`
9. `((()).index(()))`
10. `(((), ).index(()))`

### Exercise - The chinese boxes

Write some code which searches the word "Chinese" in each of 3 tuples nested into each other, printing the effective position relative to the tuple which contains the occurrence.

- the tuples always start with 4 strings

Example - given:

```
tup = ('Open', 'The', 'Chinese', 'Boxes', ('Boxes', 'Open', 'The', 'Chinese', ('Chinese',
    ↪ 'Open', 'The', 'Boxes')))
```

after your code, it must print:

```
('Open', 'The', 'Chinese', 'Boxes') contains Chinese at position 2
('Boxes', 'Open', 'The', 'Chinese') contains Chinese at position 3
('Chinese', 'Open', 'The', 'Boxes') contains Chinese at position 0
```

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[78]:

```
word = 'Chinese'
tup = ('Open', 'The', 'Chinese', 'Boxes', ('Boxes', 'Open', 'The', 'Chinese', ('Chinese',
˓→'Open', 'The', 'Boxes')))
#           2                   3                   0

#word = 'c'
#tup = ('a', 'b', 'c', 'd', ('e', 'f', 'g', 'h', ('a', 'b', 'd', 'c')))
#           2               1                   3

# write here

t1 = tup[:4]
t2 = tup[4][:4]
t3 = tup[4][4]
i1 = t1.index(word)
i2 = t2.index(word)
i3 = t3.index(word)

print(t1,"contains", word, "at position", i1)
print(t2,"contains", word, "at position", i2)
print(t3,"contains", word, "at position", i3)

('Open', 'The', 'Chinese', 'Boxes') contains Chinese at position 2
('Boxes', 'Open', 'The', 'Chinese') contains Chinese at position 3
('Chinese', 'Open', 'The', 'Boxes') contains Chinese at position 0
```

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[78]:

```
word = 'Chinese'
tup = ('Open', 'The', 'Chinese', 'Boxes', ('Boxes', 'Open', 'The', 'Chinese', ('Chinese',
˓→'Open', 'The', 'Boxes')))
#           2                   3                   0

#word = 'c'
#tup = ('a', 'b', 'c', 'd', ('e', 'f', 'g', 'h', ('a', 'b', 'd', 'c')))
#           2               1                   3

# write here
```

### count method

We can obtain the number of occurrences of a certain element in a list by using the method `count`:

```
[79]: t = ('a', 'c', 'a', 'd', 'e', 'm', 'i', 'a')
```

```
[80]: t.count('a')
```

```
[80]: 3
```

```
[81]: t.count('d')
```

```
[81]: 1
```

If an element is not present 0 is returned:

```
[82]: t.count('z')
```

```
[82]: 0
```

### Do not abuse count

#### WARNING: `count` is often used in a wrong / inefficient ways

Always ask yourself:

1. could the tuple contain duplicates? Remember only the *first* will be found!
2. could the tuple *not* contain the element to count? Remember to also handle this case!
3. `count` performs a search on all the tuple, which could be inefficient: is it really needed, or do we already know the interval where to search?

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following expressions, and for each try to guess which result (or if it gives an error)

1. `('p', 'o', 'r', 't', 'e', 'n', 't', 'o', 's', 'o').count('o')`

2. `('p', 'o', 'r', 't', 'e', 'n', 't', 'o', 's', 'o').count( ('o') )`

3. `('p', 'o', 'r', 't', 'e', 'n', 't', 'o', 's', 'o').count( ('o',) )`

4. `(1, 0, 0, 0).count( 0 )`

5. `(1, 0, 0, 0).count( (0) )`

6. `(1, 0, 0, 0).count( (0,) )`

7. `(1, 0, (0,), (0,)).count( (0,) )`

8. `(1, 0, (0.0), ((0,0), (0,0))).count( (0,0) )`

## Exercise - fruits

Given the string `s = "apple|pear|apple|cherry|pear|apple|pear|pear|cherry|pear|strawberry"`

Insert the elements separated by " | " (pipe character) in a list.

1. How many elements must the list have?
2. Knowing the list created at previous point has only four distinct elements (es "apple", "pear", "cherry", and "strawberry"), create another list where each element is a tuple containing the name of the fruit and its multiplicity (that is, the number of times it appears in the original list).

Example - given:

```
counts = [("apple", 3), ("pear", 5), ...]
```

Here you can write code which works given a specific constant, so you don't need cycles.

3. Print the content of each tuple in a separate line (i.e.: first line; "apple" is present 3 times)

You should obtain:

```
[('apple', 3), ('pear', 5), ('cherry', 2), ('strawberry', 1)]  
  
apple is present 3 times  
pear is present 5 times  
cherry is present 2 times  
strawberry is present 1 times
```

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```
[83]: s = "apple|pear|apple|cherry|pear|apple|pear|pear|cherry|pear|strawberry"
```

```
# write here

words = s.split("|")
#print(words)

tapples = ("apple", words.count("apple"))
tpears = ("pear", words.count("pear"))
tcherries = ("cherry", words.count("cherry"))
tstrawberries = ("strawberry", words.count("strawberry"))
counts =[tapples, tpears, tcherries, tstrawberries]

print(counts)
print()
print(tapples[0], "is present", tapples[1], "times")
print(tpears[0], "is present", tpears[1], "times")
print(tcherries[0], "is present", tcherries[1], "times")
print(tstrawberries[0], "is present", tstrawberries[1], "times")

[('apple', 3), ('pear', 5), ('cherry', 2), ('strawberry', 1)]  
  
apple is present 3 times  
pear is present 5 times  
cherry is present 2 times  
strawberry is present 1 times
```

```
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[83]: s = "apple|pear|apple|cherry|pear|apple|pear|pear|cherry|pear|strawberry"

# write here

[('apple', 3), ('pear', 5), ('cherry', 2), ('strawberry', 1)]

apple is present 3 times
pear is present 5 times
cherry is present 2 times
strawberry is present 1 times
```

## 5.5 Sets

### 5.5.1 Sets

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A set is a *mutable unordered* collection of *immutable distinct* elements (that is, without duplicates). The Python datatype to represent sets is called `set`.

#### What to do

1. Unzip `exercises zip` in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
sets
    sets1.ipynb
    sets1-sol.ipynb
    jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `sets.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** graded from  $\oplus$  to  $\oplus\oplus\oplus$  which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press `Control + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press `Shift + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press `Alt + Enter`
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select `Kernel -> Restart`

<sup>125</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/sets>

## Creating a set

We can create a set using curly brackets, and separating the elements with commas ,

Let's try a set of characters:

```
[2]: s = {'b', 'a', 'd', 'c'}
```

```
[3]: type(s)
```

```
[3]: set
```

**WARNING: SETS ARE \*NOT\* ORDERED !!!**

**DO NOT BELIEVE IN WHAT YOU SEE !!**

Let's try printing the set:

```
[4]: print(s)
{'a', 'b', 'c', 'd'}
```

The output shows the order in which the print was made is different from the order in which we built the set. Also, according to the Python version you're using, on your computer it might be even different!

This is because order in sets is NOT guaranteed: the only thing that matters is whether or not an element belongs to a set.

As a further demonstration, we may ask Jupyter to show the content of the set, by writing only the variable `s` WITHOUT `print`:

```
[5]: s
[5]: {'a', 'b', 'c', 'd'}
```

Now it appears in alphabetical order! It happens like so because Jupyter show variables by implicitly using the `pprint`<sup>126</sup> (*pretty print*), which ONLY for sets gives us the courtesy to order the result before printing it. We can thank Jupyter, but let's not allow it to confuse us!

**Elements index:** since sets have no order, asking Python to extract an element at a given position would make no sense. Thus, differently from strings, lists and tuples, with sets it's NOT possible to extract an element from an index:

```
s[0]
-----
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-352-c9c96910e542> in <module>
----> 1 s[0]

TypeError: 'set' object is not subscriptable
```

We said that a set has only *distinct* elements, that is without duplicates - what happens if we try to place some duplicate anyway?

```
[6]: s = {6, 7, 5, 9, 5, 5, 7}
```

<sup>126</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/pprint.html>

```
[7]: s  
[7]: {5, 6, 7, 9}
```

We note that Python silently removed the duplicates.

### Converting sequences to sets

As for lists and strings, we can create a `set` from another sequence:

```
[8]: set('acacia') # from string  
[8]: {'a', 'c', 'i'}  
  
[9]: set([1,2,3,1,2,1,2,1,3,1]) # from list  
[9]: {1, 2, 3}  
  
[10]: set((4,6,1,5,1,4,1,5,4,5)) # from tuple  
[10]: {1, 4, 5, 6}
```

Again, we notice in the generated set there are no duplicates

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### REMEMBER: Sets are useful to remove duplicates from a sequence

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### Mutable elements and hashes

Let's see again the definition from the beginning:

A set is a *mutable unordered* collection of *immutable distinct* elements

So far we only created the set using *immutable* elements like numbers and strings.

What happens if we place some mutable elements, like lists?

```
>>> s = {[1,2,3], [4,5]}  
-----  
TypeError Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-40-a6c538692ccb> in <module>  
----> 1 s = {[1,2,3], [4,5]}  
  
TypeError: unhashable type: 'list'
```

We obtain `TypeError: unhashable type: 'list'`, which literally means Python didn't manage to calculate the *hash* of the list. What could this particular dish ever be?

**What is the hash?** The *hash* of an object is a number that Python can associate to it, for example you can see the hash of an object by using the function with the same name:

```
[11]: hash("This is a nice day") # string  
[11]: -1276273449930679549
```

```
[12]: hash( 1111122222333333444444555555555 ) # number
[12]: 651300278308214397
```

Imagine the *hash* is some kind of label with these properties:

- it is too short to completely describe the object to which it is associated (that is: given a hash label, you *cannot* reconstruct the object it represents)
- it is enough long to identify *almost uniquely* the object...
- ... even if in the world there *might* be different objects which have associated exactly the same label

**What's the relation with our sets?** The *hash* has various applications, but typically Python uses it to quickly find an object in collections which are based on hashes, like sets and dictionaries. How much fast? Very: even with homongous sets, we always obtain an answer in a constant very short time! In other words, the answer speed *does not* depend on the set dimension (except for pathological cases we don't review here).

This velocity is permitted by the fact that given some object to search, Python is able to rapidly calculate its *hash* label: then, with the label in the hand, so to speak, it can manage to quickly find in the memory store whether there are objects which have the same label. If they are found, they will almost surely be very few, so Python will only need to compare them with the searched one.

**\*Immutable\* objects always have the same hash label** from when they are created until the end of the program. Instead, the *mutable* ones behave differently: each time we change an object, the *hash* also changes. Imagine a market where employees place food by looking at labels and separating accordingly for example the coffee in the shelves for the breakfast and bleach in the shelves for detergents. If you are a customer and you want some coffee, you look at signs and directly go toward the shelves for breakfast stuff. Image what could happen if an evil sorcerer could transform the objects already placed into other objects, like for example the coffee into bleach (let's assume that at the moment of the transmutation the *hash* label also changes). Much confusion would certainly follow, and, if we aren't cautious, also a great stomachache or worse.

So to offer you the advantage of a fast search while avoiding disastrous situations, Python imposes to place inside sets only objects with a stable *hash*, that is *immutable* objects.

**QUESTION:** Can we insert a tuple inside a set? Try to verify your intuition with a code example.

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```

**ANSWER:** Yes, tuples are *immutable*, so they have a corrisponding *hash* which remains stable for all the program duration, for example this is a tuple set: { (1, 2), (3, 4, 5) }

Note we can consider a tuple as really immutable only if it contains elements which are also immutable.

```
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```

## Empty set

**WARNING: If you write {} you will obtain a dictionary, NOT a set !!!**

To create an empty set we must call the function `set()`:

```
[13]: s = set()
```

```
[14]: s
```

[14]: `set()`

**EXERCISE:** try writing `{ }` in the cell below and look at the object type obtained with `type`

[15]: `# write here`

**QUESTION:** Can we try inserting a set inside another set? Have a careful look at the set definition, then verify your suppositions by writing some code to create a set which has another set inside.

**WARNING: To perform the check, DO NOT use the `set` function, only use creation with curly brackets**

```
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```

**ANSWER:** A set is *mutable*, so we *cannot* insert it as an element of another set (its *hash* label could vary over time). By writing `{ {1, 2, 3} }` you will get an error.

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**QUESTION:** If we write something like this, what do we get? (careful!)

```
set(set(['a', 'b']))
```

1. a set with a and b inside
2. a set containing another set which contains a and b as elements
3. an error (which one?)

```
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```

**ANSWER:** 1:

- inside we have the expression `set(['a', 'b'])` which generates the set `{'a', 'b'}`
- outside we have the expression `set( set(['a', 'b']) )` which is given the set just created, so we can rewrite it as `set({'a', 'b'})`
- Since `set` when used as a function expects a sequence, and a set *is* a sequence, the external `set` takes all the elements it finds inside the sequence `{'a', 'b'}` we passed, and generates a new set with '`a`' and '`b`' inside.

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**QUESTION:** Have a look at following expressions, and for each of them try to guess which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `{'oh', 'la', 'la'}`

2. `set([3, 4, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, -1])`

3. `{(1, 2), (2, 3)}`

4. `set('aba')`

5. `str({'a'})`

6. `{1, 2, 3}`

7. `set( 1, 2, 3 )`

8. `set( {1, 2, 3} )`

9. `set( [1, 2, 3] )`

10. `set( (1, 2, 3) )`

11. `set( "abc" )`

12. `set( "1232" )`

13. `set( [ {1, 2, 3, 2} ] )`

14. `set( [ [1, 2, 3, 2] ] )`

15. `set( [ (1, 2, 3, 2) ] )`

16. `set( [ "abcb" ] )`

17. `set( [ "1232" ] )`

18. `set((1, 2, 3, 2))`

19. `set([((), ())])`

20. `set([])`

21. `set(list(set()))`

### Exercise - dedup

Write some brief code to create a list `lb` which contains all the elements of the list `la` without duplicates and alphabetically sorted.

- DO NOT change original list `la`
- DO NOT use cycles
- your code should work for any `la`

```
la = ['c', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'b', 'e']
```

After your code, you should obtain:

```
>>> print(la)
['c', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'b', 'e']
>>> print(lb)
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']
```

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```
[16]: la = ['c', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'b', 'e']

# write here

lb = list(set(la))
lb.sort()
#lb = list(sorted(set(la))) # alternative, NOTE sorted generates a NEW sequence

print("la =",la)
print("lb =",lb)

la = ['c', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'b', 'e']
lb = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']
```

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```
[16]: la = ['c', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'b', 'e']

# write here

la = ['c', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'b', 'e']
lb = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']
```

## Frozenset

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### INFO: this topic is optional for the purposes of the book

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In Python also exists *immutable* sets which are called `frozenset`. Here we just remind that since frozensets are *immutable* they do have associated a `hash` label and thus they can be inserted as elements of other sets. For other info we refer to the [official documentation](#)<sup>127</sup>.

## Operators

Operator	Result	Description
<code>len(set)</code>	<code>int</code>	the number of elements in the set
<code>el in set</code>	<code>bool</code>	verifies whether an element is contained in the set
<code>set   set</code>	<code>set</code>	union, creates a NEW set
<code>set &amp; set</code>	<code>set</code>	intersection, creates a NEW set
<code>set - set</code>	<code>set</code>	difference, creates a NEW set
<code>set ^ set</code>	<code>set</code>	symmetric difference, creates a NEW set
<code>==, !=</code>	<code>bool</code>	checks whether two sets are equal or different

<sup>127</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/stdtypes.html#frozenset>

**len**

```
[17]: len( {'a','b','c'} )
```

```
[17]: 3
```

```
[18]: len( set() )
```

```
[18]: 0
```

**Exercise - distincts**

Given a string `word`, write some code that:

- prints the distinct characters present in `word` as alphabetically ordered (without the square brackets!), together with their number
- prints the number of duplicate characters found in total

Example 1 - given:

```
word = "ababbbbcddd"
```

after your code it must print:

```
word      : ababbbbcddd
4 distincts : a,b,c,d
6 duplicates
```

Example 2 - given:

```
word = "cccccaaabbba"
```

after your code it must print:

```
word      : ccccaaaabbba
3 distinct : a,b,c
9 duplicates
```

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```
[19]: # write here
word = "ababbbbcddd"
#word = "cccccaaabbba"
s = set(word)
print("word      :", word)
la = list(s)
la.sort()
print(len(s), 'distincts :', ", ".join(la))
#print(len(s), 'distincts :', list(sorted(s)))  # ALTERNATIVE WITH SORTED
print(len(word) - len(s), 'duplicates')

word      : ababbbbcddd
4 distincts : a,b,c,d
6 duplicates
```

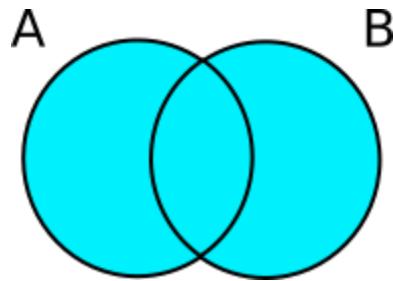
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```
[19]: # write here
```

```
word      : ababbbbcd
4 distincts : a,b,c,d
6 duplicates
```

### Union

The union operator `|` (called *pipe*) produces a NEW set containing all the elements from both the first and second set.



```
[20]: {'a', 'b', 'c'} | {'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'}
```

```
[20]: {'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'}
```

Note there aren't duplicated elements

**EXERCISE:** What if we use the `+`? Try writing in a cell `{'a', 'b'} + {'c', 'd', 'e'}`. What happens?

```
[21]: # write here
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if they give an error):

1. `{'a', 'd', 'b'} | {'a', 'b', 'c'}`

2. `{'a'} | {'a'}`

3. `{'a' | 'b'}`

4. `{1 | 2 | 3}`

5. `{'a' | 'b' | 'a'}`

6. `{}{'a'} | {'b'} | {'a'}`

7. `[1, 2, 3] | [3, 4]`

8. `(1, 2, 3) | (3, 4)`

9. `"abc" | "cd"`

10. `{'a'} | set(['a', 'b'])`

11. `set(".".join('pacca'))`

12. `'{a}'|'{b}'|'{a}'`

13. `set((1, 2, 3)) | set([len([4, 5])])`

14. `{()}|{()}`

15. `{'|'|}|{|'|'}`

**QUESTION:** Given two sets  $x$  and  $y$ , the expression

```
len(x | y) <= len(x) + len(y)
```

produces:

1. an error (which one?)
2. always True
3. always False
4. sometimes True sometimes False according to values of  $x$  and  $y$

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**ANSWER:** 2: the number of elements from the union will always be lesser or equal to the sum of the number of elements of each single set we are going to merge, so from the  $\leq$  comparison we will always get True.

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### Exercise - everythingbut 1

Write some code which creates a set  $s4$  which contains all the elements of  $s1$  and  $s2$  but does not contain the elements of  $s3$ .

- Your code should work with *any* set  $s1$ ,  $s2$ ,  $s3$

Example - given:

```
s1 = set(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'])
s2 = set(['b', 'c', 'f', 'g'])
s3 = set(['b', 'f'])
```

After your code you should obtain:

```
>>> print(s4)
{'d', 'a', 'c', 'g', 'e'}
```

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```
[22]: s1 = set(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'])
s2 = set(['b', 'c', 'f', 'g'])
s3 = set(['b', 'f'])

# write here
s4 = (s1 | s2) - s3
#print(s4)
```

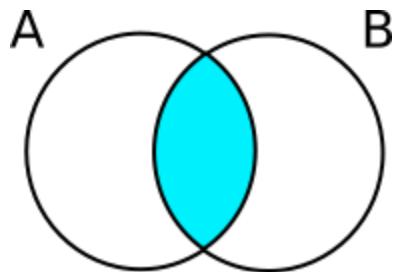
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```
[22]: s1 = set(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'])
s2 = set(['b', 'c', 'f', 'g'])
s3 = set(['b', 'f'])

# write here
```

### Intersection

The intersection operator & produces a NEW set which contains all the common elements of the first and second set.



```
[23]: {'a', 'b', 'c'} & {'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'}
```

```
[23]: {'b', 'c'}
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing wthe result (or if it gives an error):

1.

2.

3.

4.

5. 

6.

7.

8.

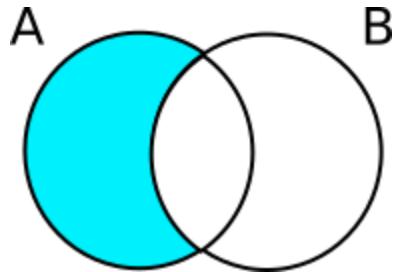
9. `set([1,2,3,4,5][::2]) & set([1,2,3,4,5][2::2])`

10. `{(), ()}&{(), ()}`

11. `{(), ()}&{(), ()}`

## Difference

The difference operator – produces a NEW set containing all the elements of the first set except the ones from the second:



[24]: `{'a', 'b', 'c', 'd'} - {'b', 'c', 'e', 'f', 'g'}`

[24]: `{'a', 'd'}`

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. `{3, 4, 2}-2`

2. `{1, 2, 3}-{3, 4}`

3. `'{"a"}-{ "a" }'`

4. `{1, 2, 3}--{3, 4}`

5. `{1, 2, 3}-(-{3, 4})`

6. `set("chiodo") - set("chiave")`

7. `set("prova") - set("prova".capitalize())`

8. `set("Barba") - set("BARBA".lower())`

9. `set([(1, 2), (3, 4), (5, 6)]) - set([(2, 3), (4, 5)])`

10. `set([(1, 2), (3, 4), (5, 6)]) - set([(3, 4), (5, 6)])`

11. `{1, 2, 3} - set()`

12. `set() - {1, 2, 3}`

**QUESTION:** Given two sets `x` and `y`, what does the following code produce? An error? Is it simplifiable?

```
(x & y) | (x-y)
```

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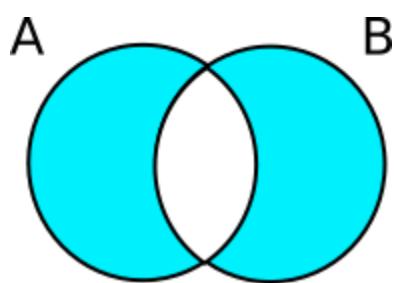
**ANSWER:** We are merging the common elements between  $x$  and  $y$ , with the elements present in  $x$  but not in  $y$ . Thus, we are taking all the elements of  $x$ , so the expression can be greatly simplified by just writing:

```
x
```

```
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```

### Symmetric difference

The symmetric difference of two sets is their union except their intersection, that is all elements except the common ones:



In Python you can directly express it with the  $\wedge$  operator:

```
[25]: {'a', 'b', 'c'} ^ {'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'}
[25]: {'a', 'd', 'e'}
```

Let's check the result corresponds to the definition:

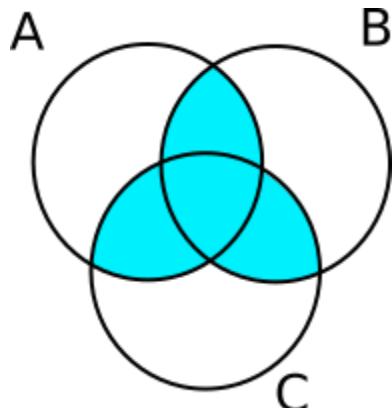
```
[26]: s1 = {'a', 'b', 'c'}
s2 = {'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'}

(s1 | s2) - (s1 & s2)
[26]: {'a', 'd', 'e'}
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. `{'p', 'e', 'p', 'p', 'o'} ^ {'p', 'a', 'p', 'p', 'e'}`
2. `{'ab', 'cd'} ^ {'ba', 'dc'}`
3. `set('brodino') ^ set('bordo')`
4. `set((1, 2, 5, 3, 2, 3, 1)) ^ set((1, 4, 3, 2))`

**QUESTION:** given 3 sets  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , what's the expression to obtain the azure part?



Show answer

<math>(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)</math>

**ANSWER:**

```
(A & B) | (A & C) | (B & C)
```

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**QUESTION:** If we use the following values in the previous exercise, what would the set which denotes the azure part contain?

```
A = {'a', 'ab', 'ac', 'abc'}
B = {'b', 'ab', 'bc', 'abc'}
C = {'c', 'ac', 'bc', 'abc'}
```

Once you guessed the result, try executing the formula you obtained in the previous exercise with the provided values and compare the results with the solution.

Show answer

<math>\{ 'abc', 'ac', 'bc', 'ab' \}</math>

**ANSWER:** If the formula is correct you should obtain:

```
{ 'abc', 'ac', 'bc', 'ab' }
```

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## Membership

As for any sequence, when we want to check whether an element is contained in a set we can use the `in` operator which returns a boolean value:

```
[27]: 'a' in {'m', 'e', 'n', 't', 'a'}
```

```
[27]: True
```

```
[28]: 'z' in {'m', 'e', 'n', 't', 'a'}
```

```
[28]: False
```

### in WHEN USED IN SETS IS VERY FAST

The speed of `in` operator DOES NOT depend on the set dimension

This is a substantial difference with respect to other sequences we've already seen: if you try searching for an element with `in` in strings, lists or tuples, and the element to find is toward the end (or there isn't at all), Python will have to look through the whole sequence.

### not in

To check whether something is **not** belonging to a sequence, we can use two forms:

#### not in - form 1:

```
[29]: "carrot" not in {"watermelon", "banana", "apple"}
```

```
[29]: True
```

```
[30]: "watermelon" not in {"watermelon", "banana", "apple"}
```

```
[30]: False
```

#### not in - forma 2

```
[31]: not "carrot" in {"watermelon", "banana", "apple"}
```

```
[31]: True
```

```
[32]: not "watermelon" in {"watermelon", "banana", "apple"}
```

```
[32]: False
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. `2*10 in {10, 20, 30, 40}`

2. `'four' in {'f', 'o', 'u', 'r'}`

3. `'aa' in set('aa')`

4. `'a' in set(['a', 'a'])`

5. `'c' in (set('parco') - set('cassa'))`

6. `'cc' in (set('pacca') & set('zucca'))`

7. `[3 in {3, 4}, 6 in {3, 4}]`

8. `4 in set([1, 2, 3]*4)`

9. `2 in {len('3.4'.split('.'))}`

10. `4 not in {1,2,3}`

11. `'3' not in {1,2,3}`

12. `not 'a' in {'b', 'c'}`

13. `not {} in set([])`

14. `{not 'a' in {'a'}}`

15. `4 not in set((4,))`

16. `() not in set([(0)])`

**QUESTION:** the following expressions are similar. What do they have in common? What is the difference with the last one (beyond the fact it is a set)?

1. `'e' in 'abcde'`

2. `'abcde'.find('e') >= 0`

3. `'abcde'.count('e') > 0`

4. `'e' in ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']`

5. `['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'].count('e') > 0`

6. `'e' in ('a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e')`

7. `('a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e').count('e') > 0`

8. `'e' in {'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'}`

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**ANSWER:** All the expressions reported above return a boolean which is `True` if the element '`e`' is present in the sequence.

All the operations of search and/counting (`in`, `find`, `index`, `count`) on strings, lists and tuples take a search time which in the worst case like here can be equal to the sequence dimension ('`e`' is at the end).

On the other hand, since sets (expression 8.) are based on *hashes*, they allow an immediate search, independently from the set dimension or the elements position (so creating the set with `e` at the end makes no difference).

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To make performant searches it's preferable to use hash based collections, like sets or dictionaries !

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## Equality

We can check whether two sets are equal by using the equality operator `==`, which given two sets return `True` if they contain the same elements or `False` otherwise:

```
[33]: {4, 3, 6} == {4, 3, 6}
```

```
[33]: True
```

```
[34]: {4, 3, 6} == {4, 3}
```

```
[34]: False
```

```
[35]: {4, 3, 6} == {4, 3, 6, 'hello'}
```

```
[35]: False
```

Careful about removal of duplicates !

```
[36]: {2, 8} == {2, 2, 8}
```

```
[36]: True
```

To verify the inequality, we can use the `!=` operator:

```
[37]: {2, 5} != {2, 5}
```

```
[37]: False
```

```
[38]: {4, 6, 0} != {2, 8}
```

```
[38]: True
```

```
[39]: {4, 6, 0} != {4, 6, 0, 2}
```

```
[39]: True
```

Beware of duplicates and order!

```
[40]: {0, 1} != {1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0}
```

```
[40]: False
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. `{2 == 2, 3 == 3}`

2. `{1, 2, 3, 2, 1} == {1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3}`

3. `{'aa'} == {'a'}`

4. `set('aa') == {'a'}`

5. `[{1, 2, 3}] == {[1, 2, 3]}`

6. `set({1, 2, 3}) == {1, 2, 3}`

7. `set((1, 2, 3)) == { (1, 2, 3) }`
8. `{ 'aa' } != { 'a', 'aa' }`
9. `{set() != set()}`
10. `set('scarpa') == set('capras')`
11. `set('papa') != set('pappa')`
12. `set('pappa') != set('reale')`
13. `{(), ()} == {((), ())}`
14. `{(), ()} != {((()), ((()))}`
15. `[set()] == [set(), set()]`
16. `(set('gosh') | set('posh')) == (set('shopping') - set('in'))`

## Methods like operators

There are methods which behave like the operators `|`, `&`, `-`, `^` by creating a **NEW** set.

**NOTE:** differently from operators, these methods accept as parameter *any* sequence, not just sets:

Method	Re-sult	Description	Related operator
<code>set.union(seq)</code>	<code>set</code>	union, creates a NEW set	<code> </code>
<code>set.intersection(seq)</code>	<code>set</code>	intersection, creates a NEW set	<code>&amp;</code>
<code>set.difference(seq)</code>	<code>set</code>	difference, creates a NEW set	<code>-</code>
<code>set.symmetric_difference(seq)</code>	<code>set</code>	symmetric difference, creates a NEW set	<code>^</code>

Methods which **MODIFY** the first set on which they are called (and return `None!`):

Method	Result	Description
<code>setA.update(setB)</code>	<code>None</code>	union, MODIFIES <code>setA</code>
<code>setA.intersection_update(setB)</code>	<code>None</code>	intersection, MODIFIES <code>setA</code>
<code>setA.difference_update(setB)</code>	<code>None</code>	difference, MODIFIES <code>setA</code>
<code>setA.symmetric_difference_update(setB)</code>	<code>None</code>	symmetric difference, MODIFIES <code>setA</code>

### union

We'll only have a look at union/update, all other methods behave similarly

With union, given a set and a generic sequence (so not necessarily a set) we can create a NEW set:

```
[41]: sa = {'g', 'a', 'r', 'a'}
```

```
[42]: la = ['a', 'g', 'r', 'a', 'r', 'i', 'o']
```

```
[43]: sb = sa.union(la)
```

```
[44]: sb
```

```
[44]: {'a', 'g', 'i', 'o', 'r'}
```

**EXERCISE:** with union we can use any sequence, but that's not the case with operators. Try writing `{1, 2, 3} | [2, 3, 4]` and see what happens.

```
[45]: # write here
```

We can verify union creates a new set with Python Tutor:

```
[46]: sa = {'g', 'a', 'r', 'a'}
la = ['a', 'g', 'r', 'a', 'r', 'i', 'o']
sb = sa.union(la)

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[46]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### update

If we want to MODIFY the first set instead, we can use the methods ending with update:

```
[47]: sa = {'g', 'a', 'r', 'a'}
```

```
[48]: la = ['a', 'g', 'r', 'a', 'r', 'i', 'o']
```

```
[49]: sa.update(la)
```

```
[50]: print(sa)
{'r', 'i', 'g', 'a', 'o'}
```

**QUESTION:** what did the call to update return?

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**ANSWER:** since Jupyter didn't show anything, it means the call to update method implicitly returned the None object.

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Let's look what happened with Python Tutor - we also added a `x =` to put in evidence what was returned by calling `.update`:

```
[51]: sa = {'g','a','r','a'}
la = ['a','g','r','a','r','i','o']
x = sa.update(la)
print(sa)
print(x)

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{'r', 'i', 'g', 'a', 'o'}
None

[51]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. `set('case').intersection('sebo') == 'se'`

2. `set('naso').difference('caso')`

3. `s = {1,2,3}
s.intersection_update([2,3,4])
print(s)`

4. `s = {1,2,3}
s = s & [2,3,4]`

5. `s = set('cartone')
s = s.intersection('parto')
print(s)`

6. `sa = set("mastice")
sb = sa.difference("mastro").difference("collo")
print(sa)
print(sb)`

7. `sa = set("mastice")
sb = sa.difference_update("mastro").difference_update("collo")
print(sa)
print(sb)`

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### Exercise - everythingbut 2

Given sets `s1`, `s2` e `s3`, write some code which MODIFIES `s1` so that it also contains the elements of `s2` but not the elements of `s3`:

- Your code should work with *any* set `s1`, `s2`, `s3`
- **DO NOT** create new sets

Example - given:

```
s1 = set(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'])
s2 = set(['b', 'c', 'f', 'g'])
s3 = set(['b', 'f'])
```

After your code you should obtain:

```
>>> print(s1)
{'a', 'g', 'e', 'd', 'c'}
```

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```
[52]: s1 = set(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'])
s2 = set(['b', 'c', 'f', 'g'])
s3 = set(['b', 'f'])

# write here
s1.update(s2)
s1.difference_update(s3)
print(s1)

{'e', 'c', 'a', 'd', 'g'}
```

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```
[52]: s1 = set(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'])
s2 = set(['b', 'c', 'f', 'g'])
s3 = set(['b', 'f'])

# write here

{'e', 'c', 'a', 'd', 'g'}
```

### Other methods

Method	Result	Description
<code>set.add(el)</code>	None	adds the specified element - if already present does nothing
<code>set.remove(el)</code>	None	removes the specified element - if not present raises an error
<code>set.discard(el)</code>	None	removes the specified element - if not present does nothing
<code>set.pop()</code>	obj	removes an arbitrary element from the set and returns it
<code>set.clear()</code>	None	removes all the elements
<code>setA.issubset(setB)</code>	bool	checks whether <code>setA</code> is a subset of <code>setB</code>
<code>setA.issuperset(setB)</code>	bool	checks whether <code>setA</code> contains all the elements of <code>setB</code>
<code>setA.isdisjoint(setB)</code>	bool	checks whether <code>setA</code> has no element in common with <code>setB</code>

## add method

Given a set, we can add an element with the method `.add`:

```
[53]: s = {3, 7, 4}
```

```
[54]: s.add(5)
```

```
[55]: s
```

```
[55]: {3, 4, 5, 7}
```

If we add the same element twice, nothing happens:

```
[56]: s.add(5)
```

```
[57]: s
```

```
[57]: {3, 4, 5, 7}
```

**QUESTION:** If we write this code, which result do we get?

```
s = {'a', 'b'}
s.add({'c', 'd', 'e'})
print(s)
```

1. prints {'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'}
2. prints {{'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'}}}
3. prints {'a', 'b', {'c', 'd', 'e'}}}
4. an error (which one?)

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**ANSWER:** 4 - produces `TypeError: unhashable type: 'set'`: we are trying to insert a set as element of another set, but sets are *mutable* so their *hash* label (which allows Python to find them quickly) might vary over time.

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**QUESTION:** Look at the following code, which result does it produce?

```
x = {'a', 'b'}
y = set(x)
x.add('c')
print('x=', x)
print('y=', y)
```

1. an error (which one?)
2. `x` and `y` will be the same (how?)
3. `x` and `y` will be different (how?)

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**ANSWER:** 3. It will print:

```
x= {'c', 'a', 'b'}
y= {'a', 'b'}
```

because `y=set(x)` creates a NEW set by copying all the elements in the input sequence `x`.

Let's verify with Python Tutor:

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```
[58]: x = {'a', 'b'}
y = set(x)
x.add('c')

jupman.pytut()

[58]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### remove method

The `remove` method takes the specified element out of the set. If it doesn't exist, it produces an error:

```
[59]: s = {'a', 'b', 'c'}
```

```
[60]: s.remove('b')
```

```
[61]: s
```

```
[61]: {'a', 'c'}
```

```
[62]: s.remove('c')
```

```
[63]: s
```

```
[63]: {'a'}
```

```
s.remove('z')
```

```
-----
```

```
KeyError Traceback (most recent call last)
```

```
<ipython-input-266-a9e7a977e50c> in <module>
----> 1 s.remove('z')
```

```
KeyError: 'z'
```

### Exercise - bababiba

Given a string `word` of exactly 4 syllabs of two characters each, create a set `s` which contains tuples with 2 characters each. Each tuple must represent a syllab taken from `word`.

- to add elements to the set, only use `add`
- your code must work for any `word` of 4 bisyllabs

Example 1 - given:

```
word = "bababiba"
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(s)
{('b', 'a'), ('b', 'i')}
```

Example 2 - given

```
word = "rubareru"
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(s)
{('r', 'u'), ('b', 'a'), ('r', 'e')}
```

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```
[64]: word = "bababiba"
#word = "rubareru"

# write here

s = set()
s.add(tuple(word[:2]))
s.add(tuple(word[2:4]))
s.add(tuple(word[4:6]))
s.add(tuple(word[6:8]))
print(s)

{('b', 'i'), ('b', 'a')}
```

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```
[64]: word = "bababiba"
#word = "rubareru"

# write here

{('b', 'i'), ('b', 'a')}
```

### discard method

The `discard` method removes the specified element from the set. If it doesn't exists, it does nothing (we may also say it *silently* discards the element):

```
[65]: s = {'a', 'b', 'c'}
```

```
[66]: s.discard('a')
```

```
[67]: s
```

```
[67]: { 'b', 'c'}
```

```
[68]: s.discard('c')
```

```
[69]: s
```

```
[69]: {'b'}
```

```
[70]: s.discard('z')
```

```
[71]: s
```

```
[71]: {'b'}
```

### Exercise - trash

⊗⊗ A waste processing plant receives a load of trash, which we represent as a set of strings:

```
trash = {'alkenes', 'vegetables', 'mercury', 'paper'}
```

To remove the contaminant elements which *might* be present (NOTE: they're not always present), the plant has exactly 3 filters (as list of strings) which will apply in series to the trash:

```
filters = ['cadmium', 'mercury', 'alkenes']
```

In order to check whether filters have effectively removed the contaminant(s), for each applied filter we want to see the state of the processed trash.

At the end, we also want to print all and *only* the contaminants which were actually removed (put them together in the variable separated)

- **DO NOT** use if commands
- **DO NOT** use cycles (the number of filters is fixed to 3, so you can just copy and paste code)
- Your code must work for *any* list filters of 3 elements and *any* set trash

Example - given:

```
filters = ['cadmium', 'mercury', 'alkenes']
trash = {'alkenes', 'vegetables', 'mercury', 'paper'}
```

After your code, it must show:

```
Initial trash: {'mercury', 'alkenes', 'vegetables', 'paper'}
Applying filter for cadmium : {'mercury', 'alkenes', 'vegetables', 'paper'}
Applying filter for mercury : {'alkenes', 'vegetables', 'paper'}
Applying filter for alkenes : {'vegetables', 'paper'}

Separated contaminants: {'mercury', 'alkenes'}
```

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```
[72]: filters = ['cadmium', 'mercury', 'alkenes']
trash = {'alkenes', 'vegetables', 'mercury', 'paper'}

separated = trash.intersection(filters) # creates a NEW set

# write here
s = "Applying filter for"
print("Initial trash:", trash)
trash.discard(filters[0])
print(s, filters[0], ":", trash)
trash.discard(filters[1])
print(s, filters[1], ":", trash)
trash.discard(filters[2])
print(s, filters[2], ":", trash)
print("")

print("Separated contaminants:", separated)

Initial trash: {'vegetables', 'mercury', 'alkenes', 'paper'}
Applying filter for cadmium : {'vegetables', 'mercury', 'alkenes', 'paper'}
Applying filter for mercury : {'vegetables', 'alkenes', 'paper'}
Applying filter for alkenes : {'vegetables', 'paper'}

Separated contaminants: {'alkenes', 'mercury'}
```

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```
[72]: filters = ['cadmium', 'mercury', 'alkenes']
trash = {'alkenes', 'vegetables', 'mercury', 'paper'}

separated = trash.intersection(filters) # creates a NEW set

# write here

Initial trash: {'vegetables', 'mercury', 'alkenes', 'paper'}
Applying filter for cadmium : {'vegetables', 'mercury', 'alkenes', 'paper'}
Applying filter for mercury : {'vegetables', 'alkenes', 'paper'}
Applying filter for alkenes : {'vegetables', 'paper'}

Separated contaminants: {'alkenes', 'mercury'}
```

### issubset method

To check whether all elements in a set `sa` are contained in another set `sb` we can write `sa.issubset(sb)`. Examples:

```
[73]: {2,4}.issubset({1,2,3,4})
```

```
[73]: True
```

```
[74]: {3,5}.issubset({1,2,3,4})
```

```
[74]: False
```

**WARNING: the empty set is always considered a subset of any other set**

```
[75]: set().issubset({3, 4, 2, 5})
```

```
[75]: True
```

### issuperset method

To verify whether a set `sa` contains all the elements of another set `sb` we can write `sa.issuperset(sb)`. Examples:

```
[76]: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}.issuperset({1, 3, 5})
```

```
[76]: True
```

```
[77]: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}.issuperset({2, 4})
```

```
[77]: True
```

```
[78]: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}.issuperset({1, 3, 5, 7, 9})
```

```
[78]: False
```

**WARNING: the empty set is always considered a subset of any other set**

```
[79]: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}.issuperset({})
```

```
[79]: True
```

### isdisjoint method

A set is disjoint from another one if it doesn't have any element in common, we can check for disjointness by using the method `isdisjoint`:

```
[80]: {1, 3, 5}.isdisjoint({2, 4})
```

```
[80]: True
```

```
[81]: {1, 3, 5}.isdisjoint({2, 3, 4})
```

```
[81]: False
```

**QUESTION:** Given a set `x`, what does the following expression produce?

```
x.isdisjoint(x)
```

1. an error (which one?)
2. always True
3. always False
4. True or False according to the value of `x`

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**ANSWER:** 4, True or False according to the value of `x`.

Probably you thought the expression always returns `False`: after all, how could a set ever be disjoint from itself? In fact the expression almost always returns `False` *except* for the particular case of the empty set:

```
x = set()
x.isdisjoint(x)
```

in which it returns `True`.

### MORAL OF THE STORY: ALWAYS CHECK FOR THE EMPTY SET !

For this and many other methods the empty set often causes behaviours which aren't always intuitive, so we invite you to always check case by case.

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### Exercise - matrioska

⊕⊕ Given a list `sets` of exactly 4 sets, we define it a *matrioska* if each set contains all the elements of the previous set (plus eventually others). Write some code which PRINTS `True` if the sequence is a matrioska, otherwise PRINTS `False`.

- **DO NOT** use `if`
- your code must work for *any* sequence of exactly 4 sets
- **HINT:** you can create a list of 3 booleans which verify whether a set is contained in the next one ...

Example 1 - given:

```
sets = [{ 'a', 'b' },
         { 'a', 'b', 'c' },
         { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e' },
         { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i' }]
```

after your code, it must print:

```
Is the sequence a matrioska? True
```

Example 2 - given:

```
sets = [{ 'a', 'b' },
         { 'a', 'b', 'c' },
         { 'a', 'e', 'd' },
         { 'a', 'b', 'd', 'e' }]
```

after your code, it must print:

```
Is the sequence a matrioska? False
```

```
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```

```
[82]: sets = [{ 'a', 'b' },
             { 'a', 'b', 'c' },
             { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e' },
             { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i' }]

#sets = [{ 'a', 'b' },
#         { 'a', 'b', 'c' },
#         { 'a', 'e', 'd' },
#         { 'a', 'b', 'd', 'e' }]

# write here

checks = [ sets[0].issubset(sets[1]),
            sets[1].issubset(sets[2]),
            sets[2].issubset(sets[3]) ]

print("Is the sequence a matrioska?", checks.count(True) == 3)
```

```
Is the sequence a matrioska? True
```

```
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```

```
[82]: sets = [{ 'a', 'b' },
             { 'a', 'b', 'c' },
             { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e' },
             { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i' }]

#sets = [{ 'a', 'b' },
#         { 'a', 'b', 'c' },
#         { 'a', 'e', 'd' },
#         { 'a', 'b', 'd', 'e' }]

# write here
```

```
Is the sequence a matrioska? True
```

### Exercise with functions

**WARNING:** The following exercises require to know:

Control flow<sup>128</sup>

Functions<sup>129</sup>

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<sup>128</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/#control-flow>

<sup>129</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/functions/functions-sol.html>

## Exercise - syllabs

Write a function `syllabs` which given a string `word` made by only bisyllabs and a set `found`, finds all the distinct bisyllabs and puts them into the set `found`.

- **NOTE:** the function `syllabs` return NOTHING !

Example 1:

```
>>> found = set()
>>> syllabs("banana", found)
>>> print(found)
{'an', 'ba'}
```

Example 2:

```
>>> found = set()
>>> syllabs("bonobo", found)
>>> print(found)
{'bo', 'on'}
```

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```
[83]: # write here
def syllabs(word, t):
    for i in range(len(word) // 2):
        t.add(word[i:i+2])

found = set()
syllabs("banana", found)
#print (found)

found = set()
syllabs("bonobo", found)
#print (found)
```

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```
[83]: # write here
```

## Exercise - distinguish

⊕⊕ Write a function `distinguish` which given a list `big_list` containing sublists of *two* characters each, RETURN a NEW LIST containing all the *distinct* sublists (ignoring the duplicated sublists)

- the returned list must have the elements *in the same order* in which they were found in `big_list`
- to know fast whether a sublist was already found, **use a set**
- **DO NOT** search in lists (so no `count`, `index`, `in` in lists - they're slow!)
- **DO NOT** remove from lists (so no `remove` from lists - it's slow!)
- **HINT:** lists are *mutable*, can we place them in a set? If it's not possible, what can we do?

Example:

```
>>> big_list= [ ['d','d'], ['a','b'], ['d','d'], ['c','a'], ['c','a'], ['d','d'], ['a','b'] ]
>>>
>>> print(distinguish( big_list))
[['d', 'd'], ['a', 'b'], ['c', 'a']]
#NOTE: variable big_list MUST NOT be modified:
>>> print(big_list)
[ ['d','d'], ['a','b'], ['d','d'], ['c','a'], ['c','a'], ['d','d'], ['a','b'] ]
```

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```
[84]: # write here

def distinguish(blist):
    s = set()
    ret = []

    for sublist in blist:
        # In sets we can't place lists because they are mutable,
        # but we can insert tuples
        tup = tuple(sublist)

        # Checking whether an element belongs to a set it's very fast:
        # it is independent from the set dimension!

        if tup not in s:
            ret.append(sublist)
            # Adding an element to a set is very fast:
            # it is independent from the set dimension!
            s.add(tup)

    return ret

big_list = [ ['d','d'], ['a','b'], ['d','d'], ['c','a'], ['c','a'], ['d','d'], ['a','b'] ]
#print('distincts:', distinguish(big_list))
#print('big_list:', big_list)
```

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```
[84]: # write here
```

### Verify comprehension

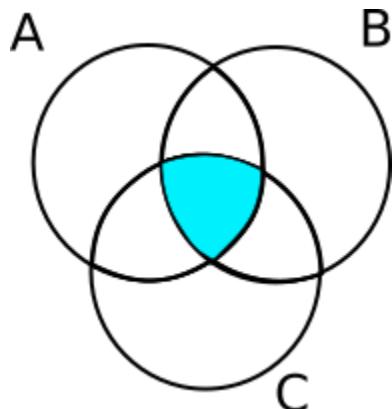
#### WARNING

The following exercises contain tests with *asserts*. To understand how to execute them, read first [Error handling and testing](#)<sup>130</sup>

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<sup>130</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/errors-and-testing/errors-and-testing-sol.html>

### Exercise - intersection



Given a list `sets` containing an arbitrary number of sets, RETURN a NEW set which contains the elements common to all sets.

To solve the exercise, you can intersect a set at a time with a `for` cycle (slow) or with the technique described here<sup>131</sup> (short and fast).

- try to solve it in **both** ways
- **BEWARE** of the empty list!
- your code must work with **any** number of sets (the image is just an example)

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```
[85]: def inter_for(sets):

    if len(sets) == 0:
        return set()

    first = True

    for el in sets:
        if first:
            ret = set(el)
            first = False
        else:
            ret.intersection_update(el)
    return ret

# TEST START - DO NOT TOUCH !
assert inter_for([]) == set()
assert inter_for([set(), set()]) == set()
assert inter_for([set(), set(), set()]) == set()
assert inter_for([{ 'a' }, { 'a' }, { 'a' }]) == { 'a' }
assert inter_for([{ 'a', 'b' }, { 'b' }, { 'b' }]) == { 'b' }
assert inter_for([{ 'a' }, { 'a', 'b' }, { 'a' }]) == { 'a' }
assert inter_for([{ 'c' }, { 'c' }, { 'c', 'b' }]) == { 'c' }
```

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<sup>131</sup> <https://stackoverflow.com/a/2541814>

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```
assert inter_for([{a, b}, {a, b}, {a, b}]) == {a, b}
assert inter_for([{a, b}, {c}, {a, b}, {c, d}, {b, c, d}, {b, c}]) == {b,
    ↪c}

# check we didn't modify the input sets
s = {a, b}
assert inter_for([s, {b, c}]) == {b}
assert s == {a, b}

# TEST END
```

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```
[85]: def inter_for(sets):

    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# TEST START - DO NOT TOUCH !
assert inter_for([]) == set()
assert inter_for([set(), set()]) == set()
assert inter_for([set(), set(), set()]) == set()
assert inter_for([{a}], {a}, {a}) == {a}
assert inter_for([{a, b}, {b}, {b}]) == {b}
assert inter_for([{a}, {a, b}, {a}]) == {a}
assert inter_for([{c}, {c}, {c, b}]) == {c}
assert inter_for([{a, b}, {a}, {b}, {a, b}]) == {a, b}
assert inter_for([{a, b}, {c}, {a, b}, {d}, {b, c, d}, {b, c}]) == {b,
    ↪c}

# check we didn't modify the input sets
s = {a, b}
assert inter_for([s, {b, c}]) == {b}
assert s == {a, b}

# TEST END
```

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```
[86]: def inter_fast(sets):

    if len(sets) == 0:
        return set()

    return set.intersection(*sets)

# TEST START - DO NOT TOUCH !
assert inter_fast([]) == set()
assert inter_fast([set(), set()]) == set()
assert inter_fast([set(), set(), set()]) == set()
assert inter_fast([{a}, {a}, {a}]) == {a}
assert inter_fast([{a, b}, {b}, {b}]) == {b}
assert inter_fast([{a}, {a, b}, {a}]) == {a}
assert inter_fast([{c}, {c}, {c, b}]) == {c}
assert inter_fast([{a, b}, {a}, {b}, {a, b}]) == {a, b}
assert inter_fast([{a, b}, {c}, {a, b}, {d}, {b, c, d}, {b, c}]) == {b,
    ↪c}
```

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```
# check we didn't modify the input sets
s = {'a', 'b'}
assert inter_fast([s, {'b', 'c'}]) == {'b'}
assert s == {'a', 'b'}
# TEST END
```

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```
[86]: def inter_fast(sets):

    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# TEST START - DO NOT TOUCH !
assert inter_fast([]) == set()
assert inter_fast([set(), set()]) == set()
assert inter_fast([set(), set(), set()]) == set()
assert inter_fast([{ 'a' }, { 'a' }, { 'a' }]) == {'a'}
assert inter_fast([{ 'a', 'b' }, { 'b' }, { 'b' }]) == {'b'}
assert inter_fast([{ 'a' }, { 'a', 'b' }, { 'a' }]) == {'a'}
assert inter_fast([{ 'c' }, { 'c' }, { 'c', 'b' }]) == {'c'}
assert inter_fast([{ 'a', 'b' }, { 'a', 'b' }, { 'a', 'b' }]) == {'a', 'b'}
assert inter_fast([{ 'a', 'b', 'c' }, { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd' }, { 'b', 'c', 'd' }, { 'b', 'c' }]) == {'b',
    ↪ 'c'}
# check we didn't modify the input sets
s = {'a', 'b'}
assert inter_fast([s, {'b', 'c'}]) == {'b'}
assert s == {'a', 'b'}
# TEST END
```

## 5.6 Dictionaries

### 5.6.1 Dictionaries 1 - Introduction

[Download exercises zip](#)

[Browse files online<sup>132</sup>](#)

Dictionaries are mutable containers which allow us to rapidly associate elements called *keys* to some *values*

- *Keys* are immutable, don't have order and there cannot be duplicates
- *Values* can be duplicated

Given a key, we can find the corresponding value very fast.

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<sup>132</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/dictionaries>

### What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
sets
    dictionaries1.ipynb
    dictionaries1-sol.ipynb
    dictionaries2.ipynb
    dictionaries2-sol.ipynb
    dictionaries3.ipynb
    dictionaries3-sol.ipynb
    dictionaries4.ipynb
    dictionaries4-sol.ipynb
    dictionaries5-chal.ipynb
    jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `dictionaries1.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### Creating a dictionary

In everyday life, when thinking about a dictionary we typically refer to a book which given an item (for example 'chair'), allows us to **rapidly** find the related description (i.e. a piece of furniture to sit on).

In Python we have a data structure called `dict` which provides an easy way to represent dictionaries.

Following the previous example, we might create a `dict` with different items like this:

```
[2]: {'chair': 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
      'cupboard': 'a cabinet for storage',
      'lamp': 'a device to provide illumination'}
```

```
[2]: {'chair': 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
      'cupboard': 'a cabinet for storage',
      'lamp': 'a device to provide illumination'}
```

Let's be clear about the naming:

Dictionaries are mutable containers which allow us to rapidly associate elements called **keys** to some **values**.

The definition says we have *keys* (in the example 'chair', 'cupboard', etc), while the descriptions from the example ('a piece of furniture to sit on') in Python are going to be called *values*.

When we create a dictionary, we first write a curly bracket {, then we follow it with a series of key : value couples, each followed by a comma , (except the last one, in which the comma is optional). At the end we close with a curly bracket }

Placing spaces or newlines inside **is optional**. So we can also write like this:

```
[3]: {'chair' : 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
      'cupboard' : 'a cabinet for storage',
      'lamp' : 'a device to provide illumination'}
```

```
[3]: {'chair': 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
      'cupboard': 'a cabinet for storage',
      'lamp': 'a device to provide illumination'}
```

Or also everything on a row:

```
[4]: {'chair':'a piece of furniture to sit on','cupboard':'a cabinet for storage','lamp':
      ↪'a device to provide illumination'}
```

```
[4]: {'chair': 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
      'cupboard': 'a cabinet for storage',
      'lamp': 'a device to provide illumination'}
```

Note if we use short words Python will probably print the dictionary in single a row anyway:

```
[5]: {'barca': 'remo',
      'auto': 'ruota',
      'aereo': 'ala'}
```

```
[5]: {'barca': 'remo', 'auto': 'ruota', 'aereo': 'ala'}
```

Putting a comma after the last couple does not give errors:

```
[6]: {
      'ship': 'paddle',
      'car': 'wheel',
      'airplane': 'wing', # note 'extra' comma
    }
```

```
[6]: {'ship': 'paddle', 'car': 'wheel', 'airplane': 'wing'}
```

Let's see how a dictionary is represented in Python Tutor - to ease the job, we will assign the variable `furniture` to it

```
[7]: # WARNING: FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter
#           (it's sufficient to execute it only once)

import jupman
```

```
[8]: furniture = {
      'chair' : 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
      'cupboard' : 'a cabinet for storage',
      'lamp' : 'a device to provide illumination'
}
print(furniture)

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[8]: {'chair': 'a piece of furniture to sit on', 'cupboard': 'a cabinet for storage', 'lamp  
→': 'a device to provide illumination'}
```

```
[8]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

We note that once executed, an arrow appears pointing from `furniture` to an orange/yellow memory region. The keys have orange background, while the corresponding values have yellow background. Looking at arrows and colors, we can guess that whenever we're assigning variables, dictionaries behave like other data structures, like lists and sets.

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code, and try guessing what happens during execution - at the end, how will memory be organized? What will be printed? Where will arrows go?

```
[9]: da = {  
    'chair' : 'a piece of furniture to sit on',  
    'cupboard' : 'a cabinet for storage',  
    'lamp' : 'a device to provide illumination'  
}  
  
db = {  
    'ship': 'paddle',  
    'car': 'wheel',  
    'airplane': 'wing'  
}  
dc = db  
db = da  
da = dc  
dc = db  
#print(da)  
#print(db)  
#print(dc)  
  
jupman.pytut()
```

```
[9]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### The keys

Let's try to better understand which keys we can use by looking again at the definition:

Dictionaries are mutable containers which allow us to rapidly associate elements called *keys* to some *values*

- Keys are immutable, don't have order and there cannot be duplicates
- Values can be duplicated

**QUESTION:** have a careful look at the words in bold - can you tell a data structure we've already seen which has these features?

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**ANSWER:** The keys of dictionaries for many aspects behave like elements of a set.

Have you read the tutorial on sets<sup>133</sup>?

Before going on, make sure to understand well the section on mutable elements and hashes<sup>134</sup>

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## Keys are immutable

**QUESTION:** The definition does not force us to use strings as keys, other types are also allowed. But can we use all the types we want?

For each of the following examples, try to tell whether the dictionary can be created or we will get an error (which one?). Also check how they are represented in Python Tutor.

### 1. integers

```
{
    4 : 'cats',
    3 : 'dogs'
}
```

### 2. float

```
{
    4.0 : 'cats',
    3.0 : 'dogs'
}
```

### 3. strings

```
{
    'a' : 'cats',
    'b' : 'dogs'
}
```

### 4. lists

```
{
    [1,2] : 'zam',
    [3,4] : 'zum'
}
```

### 5. tuples

```
{
    (1,2) : 'zam',
    (4,3) : 'zum'
}
```

### 6. sets

```
{
    {1,2} : 'zam',
    {3,4} : 'zum'
}
```

### 7. other dictionaries (check the first part of the definition !)

<sup>133</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/sets/sets-sol.html>

<sup>134</sup> <https://eb.softpython.org/sets/sets-sol.html#Mutable-elements-and-hashes>

```
{  
    {'a':'x', 'b':'y'} : 'zam',  
    {'c':'w', 'd':'z'} : 'zum'  
}
```

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**ANSWER:** integers, float, strings and tuples are IMMUTABLE and so we can use them as keys (see definition). Instead, lists, sets (and other dictionaries) are MUTABLE, so we cannot use them as keys. If we try using a MUTABLE element such as a list like if it were the key of a dictionary, Python will complain, telling us the object is not *hashable* (exactly as it would complain if we tried to insert it in a set)

```
>>> { [1,2]:'zam',  
       [3,4]:'zum' }  
  
-----  
TypeError Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-12-c3c2d6cc97b8> in <module>  
      1 { [1,2]:'zam',  
----> 2     [3,4]:'zum' }  
  
TypeError: unhashable type: 'list'
```

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### Keys don't have order

In a real-life dictionary, items are always ordered according to some criteria, typically in alphabetical order.

With Python we need to consider this important difference:

- The keys are immutable, **don't have order** and there cannot be duplicates

When we say that a collection ‘does not have order’, it means that the order of elements we see when we insert or print them does not matter to determine whether a collection is equal to another one. In dictionaries, it means that if we specify couples in a different order, we obtain dictionaries that Python considers as equal.

For example, the following dictionaries can all be considered as equal:

```
[10]: {  
        'ships' : 'port',  
        'airplanes': 'airport',  
        'trains': 'station'  
    }  
  
[10]: {'ships': 'port', 'airplanes': 'airport', 'trains': 'station'}  
  
[11]: {  
        'airplanes': 'airport',  
        'ships' : 'port',  
        'trains': 'station'  
    }  
  
[11]: {'airplanes': 'airport', 'ships': 'port', 'trains': 'station'}
```

```
[12]: {
    'trains': 'station',
    'ships' : 'port',
    'airplanes': 'airport'
}

[12]: {'trains': 'station', 'ships': 'port', 'airplanes': 'airport'}
```

**Printing a dictionary:** you may have noticed that Jupyter always prints the keys in alphabetical order. This is just a courtesy for us, but do not be fooled by it! If we try a native print we will obtain a different result!

```
[13]: print({
    'ships' : 'port',
    'airplanes': 'airport',
    'trains': 'station'
})

{'ships': 'port', 'airplanes': 'airport', 'trains': 'station'}
```

## Key duplicates

- Keys are immutable, don't have order and **there cannot be duplicates**

We might ask ourselves how Python manages duplicates in keys. Let's try to create a duplicated couple on purpose:

```
[14]: {
    'chair' : 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
    'chair' : 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
    'lamp'   : 'a device to provide illumination'
}

[14]: {'chair': 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
       'lamp': 'a device to provide illumination'}
```

We notice Python didn't complain and silently discarded the duplicate.

What if we try inserting a couple with the same key but different value?

```
[15]: {
    'chair' : 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
    'chair' : 'a type of seat',
    'lamp'   : 'a device to provide illumination'
}

[15]: {'chair': 'a type of seat', 'lamp': 'a device to provide illumination'}
```

Notice Python kept only the last couple.

### The values

Let's see once again the definition:

Dictionaries are mutable containers which allow us to rapidly associate elements called keys to some values

- Keys are immutable, don't have order and there cannot be duplicates
- **Values can be duplicated**

Seems like values have less constraints than keys.

**QUESTION:** For each of the following examples, try to tell whether we can create the dictionary or we will get an error (which one?). Check how they are represented in Python Tutor.

1. integers

```
{  
    'a':3,  
    'b':4  
}
```

2. duplicated integers

```
{  
    'a':3,  
    'b':3  
}
```

3. float

```
{  
    'a':3.0,  
    'b':4.0  
}
```

4. strings

```
{  
    'a' : 'ice',  
    'b' : 'fire'  
}
```

5. lists

```
{  
    'a' : ['t','w'],  
    'b' : ['x'],  
    'c' : ['y','z','k']  
}
```

6. duplicated lists

```
{  
    'a' : ['x','y','z'],  
    'b' : ['x','y','z']  
}
```

7. lists containing duplicates

```
{
    'a' : [ 'x', 'y', 'y' ],
    'b' : [ 'z', 'y', 'z' ]
}
```

## 8. tuples

```
{
    'a': (6, 9, 7),
    'b': (8, 1, 7, 4)
}
```

## 9. sets

```
{
    'a' : { 6, 5, 6 },
    'b' : { 2, 4, 1, 5 }
}
```

## 10. dictionaries

```
{
    'a' : {
        'x': 3,
        'y': 9
    },
    'b' : {
        'x': 3,
        'y': 9,
        'z': 10
    },
}
```

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**ANSWER:** We can freely put whatever we please as values, Python will not complain. In particular, notice how different keys can have the same value.

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### Empty dictionary

We can create an empty dictionary by writing {}:

**WARNING: THIS IS NOT THE EMPTY SET<sup>135</sup> !!**

[16]: {}

[16]: {}

[17]: type({})

<sup>135</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/sets/sets-sol.html#Empty-set>

[17]: dict

A dictionary is a collection, and as we've already seen (with lists, tuples and sets), we can create an empty collection by typing its type, in this case `dict`, followed by round brackets:

[18]: dict()

[18]: {}

Let's see how it's represented in Python Tutor:

[19]: diz = dict()

jupman.pytut()

[19]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

### Keys and heterogenous values

So far we've always used keys all of the same type and values all of the same type, but this is not mandatory. (the only required thing is for key types to be immutable):

[20]: {

```
"a": 3,  
"b": ["a", "list"],  
    7 : ("this", "is", "a", "tuple")  
}
```

[20]: {'a': 3, 'b': ['a', 'list'], 7: ('this', 'is', 'a', 'tuple')}

#### NOTE: Although mixing types is possible, it's not advisable!

Throwing different types inside a dictionary often brings misfortune, as it increases probability of incurring into bugs.

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. { 'a': 'b',  
 'c': 'd'  
 }

2. { 'a b': 'c',  
 'c d': 'e f' }

3. { 'a' = 'c',  
 'b' = 'd' }

4. { 'a': 'b':  
 'c': 'd' }

5. {  
 "1": [2, 3],  
 "2, 3": 1,  
 }

6. `type({'a:b', 'c:d'})`

7. `{'a': 'b',  
'c': 'd'}`

8. `{'a:b',  
'c:d'}`

9. `{5, 2:  
4, 5}`

10. `{1:2,  
1:3}`

11. `{2:1,  
3:1}`

12. `{'a': 'b',  
'c': 'd', }`

13. `type({'a', 'b',  
'c', 'd'})`

14. `{'a': 'b',  
'c': 'd',  
'e', 'f'}`

15. `{(): 2}`

16. `{(1, 2): [3, 4]}`

17. `{[1, 2]: (3, 4)}`

18. `{'[1, 2]': (3, 4)}`

19. `{ {1, 2}: (3, 4) }`

20. `{len({1, 2}): (3, 4) }`

21. `{5:{'a': 'b'}}}`

22. `{"a":{1:2}}`

23. `{"a":{[1]:2}}`

24. `{"a":{1:[2]}}`

25. `{["a":{1:[2]}]}`

```
26. set([{2:4}])
```

### Exercise - barone

Given a list of **exactly** 6 characters, build a dictionary `diz` as follows:

Example 1 - given:

```
lst = ['b', 'a', 'r', 'o', 'n', 'e']
```

after your code it must result (NOTE: the key order DOESN'T matter!)

```
>>> diz
{'b': ['a', 'r', 'o', 'n', 'e'],
 ('b', 'a', 'r', 'o', 'n', 'e'): {'a': 'b', 'b': 'e', 'n': 'o', 'o': 'r', 'r': 'n', 'e': 'e'},
 ('b', 'a', 'b', 'a'): ['r', 'o', 'r', 'o', 'n', 'e', 'n', 'e'],
 'b/a/r/o/n/e': {'b': 'a', 'r': 'o', 'n': 'e'}}
```

Example 2 - given:

```
lst = ['p', 'r', 'i', 'o', 'r', 'e']
```

it must result:

```
>>> diz
{'p': ['r', 'i', 'o', 'r', 'e'],
 ('p', 'r', 'i', 'o', 'r', 'e'): {'e': 'p', 'i': 'r', 'o': 'i', 'p': 'r', 'r': 'e', 'r': 'o'},
 ('p', 'r', 'p', 'r'): ['i', 'o', 'i', 'o', 'r', 'e', 'r', 'e'],
 'p/r/i/o/r/e': {'p': 'r', 'i': 'o', 'r': 'e'}}}
```

- USE only `lst`
- **IMPORTANT: DO NOT write string constants** (so no "barone", "b" ....)

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[21]:

```
lst = ['b', 'a', 'r', 'o', 'n', 'e']
lst = ['p', 'r', 'i', 'o', 'r', 'e']

# write here

{lst[0]: lst[1:],
 tuple(lst) : set(lst),
 tuple(lst[:2]) * 2 : lst[2:4]*2 + lst[4:]*2,
 '/'.join(lst) : {lst[0]:lst[1],
                   lst[2]:lst[3],
                   lst[4]:lst[5]}

[21]: {'p': ['r', 'i', 'o', 'r', 'e'],
 ('p', 'r', 'i', 'o', 'r', 'e'): {'e', 'i', 'o', 'p', 'r'},
 ('p', 'r', 'p', 'r'): ['i', 'o', 'i', 'o', 'r', 'e', 'r', 'e'],
 'p/r/i/o/r/e': {'p': 'r', 'i': 'o', 'r': 'e'}}}
```

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```
[21]: lst = ['b', 'a', 'r', 'o', 'n', 'e']
lst = ['p', 'r', 'i', 'o', 'r', 'e']

# write here
```

## Dictionary from a sequence of couples

We can obtain a dictionary by specifying a sequence of key/value couples as parameter of the function `dict`. For example we could pass a list of tuples:

```
[22]: dict([
    ('flour', 500),
    ('eggs', 2),
    ('sugar', 200),
])

[22]: {'flour': 500, 'eggs': 2, 'sugar': 200}
```

We can also use other sequences, the important bit is that subsequences must all have two elements. For example, here is a tuple of lists:

```
[23]: dict((
    ['flour', 500],
    ['eggs', 2],
    ['sugar', 200],
))

[23]: {'flour': 500, 'eggs': 2, 'sugar': 200}
```

If a subsequence has a number of elements different from two, we obtain this error:

```
>>> dict((
    ['flour', 500],
    ['rotten', 'eggs', 3],
    ['sugar', 200],
))

-----
ValueError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-88-563d301b4aef> in <module>
      2     ['flour', 500],
      3     ['rotten', 'eggs', 3],
      4     ['sugar', 200],
      5   )

ValueError: dictionary update sequence element #1 has length 3; 2 is required
```

**QUESTION:** Compare the following expressions. Do they do the same thing? If so, which one would you prefer?

```
dict({
    ('a', 5),
    ('b', 8),
    ('c', 3)
})
```

```
dict( (  
    {'a': 5},  
    {'b': 8},  
    {'c': 3}  
)  
)
```

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**ANSWER:** The expressions do NOT produce the same result, and we must definitely prefer the first one.

On our pc, we obtained this:

**WARNING: on your computer you may get different results!**

```
# first  
>>> dict( {  
    ('a', 5),  
    ('b', 8),  
    ('c', 3) } )  
  
{'b': 8, 'a': 5, 'c': 3}
```

```
# second  
>>> dict( (  
    {'a': 5},  
    {'b': 8},  
    {'c': 3} ) )  
  
{'a': 5, 8: 'b', 3: 'c'}
```

In the first case we started with a set of tuples: since it is a set, the elements inside it are memorized in an order we *cannot* predict. When Python checks the tuples inside, for each of them obtains a key/value couple. Now, from the dictionary definition we know dictionary keys are also memorized without a precise order. Thus, inserting keys in an order or another doesn't matter, the only important thing is keeping the key/value distinction. In the dictionary print we see the same couples we specified, only in different order: the proper couples have been created because tuples *are* ordered indeed.

In the second case we started instead from a tuple of sets, so Python visited the elements of the tuple in the same order as the one we see: alas, by specifying the couples like sets the order in which Python read the elements becomes unpredictable. On our computer, with the first set we've been lucky and Python first read 'a' and then 5, with the following sets it read instead first the number and then the character! On your computer you might see a completely different result!

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**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `dict('abcd')`

2. `dict([('ab', 'cd')])`

3. `dict([('a1', 'c2')])`

4. `dict([])`

5. `dict(())`

6. `dict(( ' ', ),) # nasty`

### Exercise - galattico veramente

Given some variables use the constructor from sequences of couples to obtain the variable `diz`

- **DO NOT** use string constants in the code, nor particular numbers (so no 'Ga' nor 759). Using indexes is allowed.

Example 1 - given:

```
s = 'Ga'
t = ('LA', 'tt')
l1 = ['Ic', 'Co', 'Ve']
l2 = ['Ra', 'Me', 'Nt']
l3 = [[[ 'EEE', '...', ]]]
n = 43.759
```

After your code, it must result (NOTE: the order of keys DOESN'T matter!)

```
>>> diz
{'G': 'a',
 'LA': 'tt',
 'I': 'c',
 'C': 'o',
 'V': 'e',
 'R': 'a',
 'M': 'e',
 'N': 't',
 'EEE': '...',
 '43': '759'}
```

Example 2 - given:

```
s = 'Sp'
t = ('Az', 'ia')
l1 = ['Le', 'Si', 'De']
l2 = ['Ra', 'Le', 'In']
l3 = [[[ 'CREDIBBILE', '!!!!!!' ]]]
n = 8744.92835
```

must result in:

```
>>> diz
{'S': 'i',
 'Az': 'ia',
 'L': 'e',
 'D': 'e',
 'R': 'a',
 'I': 'n',
 'CREDIBBILE': '!!!!!!',
 '8744': '92835'}
```

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```

[24]:

```
s = 'Ga'
t = ('LA', 'tt')
l1 = ['Ic', 'Co', 'Ve']
l2 = ['Ra', 'Me', 'Nt']
l3 = [[[ 'EEE', '...']]]
n = 43.759

#s = 'Sp'
#t = ('Az', 'ia')
#l1 = ['Le', 'Si', 'De']
#l2 = ['Ra', 'Le', 'In']
#l3 = [[[ 'CREDIBBILE', '!!!!!!']]]
#n = 8744.92835

# write here

diz = dict([s, t] + l1 + l2 + l3[0] + [str(n).split('.')])
diz
```

[24]:

```
{'G': 'a',
 'LA': 'tt',
 'I': 'c',
 'C': 'o',
 'V': 'e',
 'R': 'a',
 'M': 'e',
 'N': 't',
 'EEE': '...',
 '43': '759'}
```

```
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```

[24]:

```
s = 'Ga'
t = ('LA', 'tt')
l1 = ['Ic', 'Co', 'Ve']
l2 = ['Ra', 'Me', 'Nt']
l3 = [[[ 'EEE', '...']]]
n = 43.759

#s = 'Sp'
#t = ('Az', 'ia')
#l1 = ['Le', 'Si', 'De']
#l2 = ['Ra', 'Le', 'In']
#l3 = [[[ 'CREDIBBILE', '!!!!!!']]]
#n = 8744.92835

# write here
```

## Dictionary from keyword arguments

As further creation method, we can specify keys as they were parameters with a name:

```
[25]: dict(a=5,b=6)
[25]: {'a': 5, 'b': 6}
```

**WARNING: keys will be subject to the same restrictive rules of function parameter names!**

For example, by using curly brackets this dictionary is perfectly lecit:

```
[26]: {'a b' : 2,
       'c d' : 6}
[26]: {'a b': 2, 'c d': 6}
```

But if we try creating it using `a b` as argument of `dict`, we will incur into problems:

```
>>> dict(a b=2, c d=6)

File "<ipython-input-97-444f8661585a>", line 1
    dict(a b=2, c d=6)
          ^
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
```

Strings will also give trouble:

```
>>> dict('a b'=2,'c d'=6)

File "<ipython-input-98-45aafbb56e81>", line 1
    dict('a b'=2,'c d'=6)
          ^
SyntaxError: keyword can't be an expression
```

And be careful about tricks like using variables, we won't obtain the desired result:

```
[27]: ka = 'a b'
kc = 'c d'

dict(ka=2,kc=6)
[27]: {'ka': 2, 'kc': 6}
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. `dict(3=5,2=8)`

2. `dict('costs'=9,'benefits'=15)`

3. `dict(_costs=9,_benefits=15)`

4. `dict(33trentini=5)`

```
5. dict(trentini33=5)
```

```
6. dict(trentini_33=5)
```

```
7. dict(trentini-33=5)
```

```
8. dict(costs=1=2,benefits=3=3)
```

```
9. dict(costs=1==2,benefits=3==3)
```

```
10. v1 = 6
     v2 = 8
     dict(k1=v1,k2=v2)
```

### Copying a dictionary

There are two ways to copy a dictionary, you can either do a *shallow* copy or a *deep* copy.

#### Shallow copy

It is possible to create a shallow copy by passing another dictionary to function `dict`:

```
[28]: da = {'x':3,
           'y':5,
           'z':1}
```

```
[29]: db = dict(da)
```

```
[30]: print(da)
{'x': 3, 'y': 5, 'z': 1}
```

```
[31]: print(db)
{'x': 3, 'y': 5, 'z': 1}
```

In Python Tutor we will see two different memory regions:

```
[32]: da = {'x':3,
           'y':5,
           'z':1}
db = dict(da)

jupman.pytut()

[32]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** can we also write like this? With respect to the previous example, will we obtain different results?

```
[33]: da = {'x':3,
           'y':5,
           'z':1}
```

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```
[33]: db = dict(dict(da))

jupman.pytut()

<IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

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**ANSWER:** The code produces the same results of previous example, although it is not efficient (a temporary dictionary will be created by the internal `dict` and then it will be immediately discarded)

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**Mutable values:** In the example we used integer values, which are *immutable*. If we tried *mutable* values like lists, what would happen?

```
[34]: da = {'x': ['a', 'b', 'c'],
          'y': ['d'],
          'z': ['e', 'f']}
db = dict(da)

jupman.pytut()

<IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

If you try executing Python Tutor, you will see an explosion of arrows which go from the new dictionary `db` to the values of `da` (which are lists). No panic! We are going to give a better explanation in the next notebook, for now just note that **with the shallow copy of mutable values the new dictionary will have memory regions in common with the original dictionary.**

## Deep copy

When there are mutable shared memory regions like in the case above, it's easy to do mistakes and introduce subtle bugs you might notice much later in the development cycle.

In order to have completely separated memory regions, we can use *deep copy*.

First we must tell Python we intend to use functions from the module `copy`, and then we will be allowed to call its `deepcopy` function:

```
[35]: from copy import deepcopy

da = {'x': ['a', 'b', 'c'],
      'y': ['d'],
      'z': ['e', 'f']}
db = deepcopy(da)

jupman.pytut()

<IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

If you execute the code in Python Tutor, you will notice that by following the arrow from `db` we will end up in an totally new orange/yellow memory region, which shares nothing with the memory region pointed by `da`.

**QUESTION:** Have a look at the following code - after its execution, will you see arrows going from `db` to elements of `da`?

```
[36]: da = { 'x': {1, 2, 3},  
           'y': {4, 5}}  
db = dict(da)  
jupman.pytut()  
  
[36]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

```
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```

**ANSWER:** Yes, because the values from da are sets which are mutable.

```
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```

### Continue

Go on reading Dictionaries 2<sup>136</sup>

```
[ ]:
```

## 5.6.2 Dictionaries 2 - operators

[Download exercise zip](#)

Browse online files<sup>137</sup>

There are several operators to manipulate dictionaries:

Operator	Return	Description
len(dict)	int	Retorn the number of keys
dict [key]	obj	Return the value associated to the key
dict [key] = valore		Adds or modify the value associated to the key
del dict [key]		Removes the key/value couple
obj in dict	bool	Return True if the key obj is present in dict
==, !=	bool	Checks whether two dictionaries are equal or different

### What to do

1. Unzip [exercises zip](#) in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
dictionaries  
    dictionaries1.ipynb  
    dictionaries1-sol.ipynb  
    dictionaries2.ipynb  
    dictionaries2-sol.ipynb  
    dictionaries3.ipynb  
    dictionaries3-sol.ipynb  
    dictionaries4.ipynb  
    dictionaries4-sol.ipynb  
    dictionaries5-chal.ipynb  
    jupman.py
```

<sup>136</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/dictionaries/dictionaries2-sol.html>

<sup>137</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/dictionaries>

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `dictionaries2.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

## len

We can obtain the number of key/value associations in a dictionary by using the function `len`:

```
[2]: len({'a':5,
         'b':9,
         'c':7
     })
```

```
[2]: 3
```

```
[3]: len({3:8,
         1:3
     })
```

```
[3]: 2
```

```
[4]: len({})
```

```
[4]: 0
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. `len(dict())`

2. `len({'a':{}})`

3. `len({(1,2):{3}, (4,5):{6}, (7,8):{9}})`

4. `len({1:2, 1:2, 2:4, 2:4, 3:6, 3:6})`

5. `len({1:2, ':3', ':4, :4})`

6. `len(len({3:4, 5:6}))`

### Reading a value

At the end of dictionaries definition, it is reported:

**Given a key, we can find the corresponding value very fast**

How can we specify the key to search? It's sufficient to use square brackets [ ], a bit like we already did for lists:

```
[5]: furniture = {  
    'chair' : 'a piece of furniture to sit on',  
    'cupboard' : 'a cabinet for storage',  
    'lamp' : 'a device to provide illumination'  
}
```

```
[6]: furniture['chair']
```

```
[6]: 'a piece of furniture to sit on'
```

```
[7]: furniture['lamp']
```

```
[7]: 'a device to provide illumination'
```

**WARNING:** What we put in square parenthesis **must** be a key present in the dictionary

If we put keys which are not present, we will get an error:

```
>>> furniture['armchair']  
  
-----  
KeyError Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-19-ee891f51417b> in <module>  
----> 1 furniture['armchair']  
  
KeyError: 'armchair'
```

### Fast disorder

Whenever we give a key to Python, how fast is it in getting the corresponding value? Very fast, so much so the speed *does not depend on the dictionary dimension*. Whether it is small or huge, given a key it will always find the associated value in about the same time.

When we hold a dictionary in real life, we typically have an item to search for and we turn pages until we get what we're looking for: the fact items are sorted allows us to rapidly find the item.

We might expect the same also in Python, but if we look at the definition we find a notable difference:

Dictionaries are mutable containers which allow us to rapidly associate elements called keys to some values

Keys are immutable, **don't have order** and there cannot be duplicates Values can be duplicated

If keys are *not* ordered, how can Python get the values so fast? The speed stems from the way Python memorizes keys, which is based on *hashes*, similarly for what happens with sets<sup>138</sup>. The downside is we can only *immutable* objects as keys.

<sup>138</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/sets/sets-sol.html#Mutable-elements-and-hashes>

**QUESTION:** If we wanted to print the value 'a device to provide illumination' we see at the bottom of the dictionary, without knowing it corresponds to lamp, would it make sense to write something like this?

```
furniture = {'chair':'a piece of furniture to sit on',
             'cupboard':'a cabinet for storage',
             'lamp': 'a device to provide illumination'
}

print( furniture[2] )
```

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**ANSWER:** Absolutely NOT. The couples key/value in the dictionary *are not* ordered, so it makes no sense to get a value at a given position.

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**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

```
kabbalah = {
    1 : 'Progress',
    3 : 'Love',
    5 : 'Creation'
}
```

- kabbalah[0]
- kabbalah[1]
- kabbalah[2]
- kabbalah[3]
- kabbalah[4]
- kabbalah[5]
- kabbalah[-1]

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**ANSWER:** In the dictionary we have keys which are integer numbers: so we can use numbers among square brackets, which we will call *keys*, but not *positions*.

The unique expressions which will produce results are those for which the number specified among the square brackets is effectively present among the keys:

```
>>> kabbalah[1]
'Progress'
>>> kabbalah[3]
'Love'
>>> kabbalah[5]
'Creation'
```

All others will give `KeyError`, like:

```
>>> kabbalah[2]
-----
KeyError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-29-de66b9721e9b> in <module>
      5 }
      6
----> 7 kabbalah[2]

KeyError: 2
```

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**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `{'a':4, 'b':5}('a')`

2. `{1:2, 2:3, 3:4}[2]`

3. `{'a':1, 'b':2}['c']`

4. `{'a':1, 'b':2}[a]`

5. `{'a':1, 'b':2}[1]`

6. `{'a':1, 'b':2, 'c':3}['c']`

7. `{'a':1, 'b':2, 'c':3}[len(['a', 'b', 'c'])]`

8. `{(3,4):(1,2)}[(1,2)]`

9. `{(1,2):(3,4)}[(1,2)]`

10. `{[1,2]:[3,4]}[[1,2]]`

11. `{'a','b','c'}['a']`

12. `{'a:b','c:d'}['c']`

13. `{'a':4, 'b':5}{'a'}`

14. `d1 = {'a':'b'}
d2 = {'b':'c'}
print(d1[d2['c']])`

15. `d1 = {'a':'b'}
d2 = {'b':'c'}
print(d2[d1['a']])`

16. `{[]}`

17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 

### Exercise - z7

⊕ Given a dictionary d1 with keys 'b' and 'c' and integer values, create a dictionary d2 containing the key 'z' and associate to it the sum of values of keys from d1

- your code must work for *any* d1 with keys 'b' and 'c'

Example - given:

```
d1 = {'a':6, 'b':2, 'c':5}
```

After your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(d2)
{'z': 7}
```

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[8]:

```
d1 = {'a':6, 'b':2, 'c':5}

# write here

d2 = {'z' : d1['b'] + d1['c']}

print(d2)
```

```
{'z': 7}
```

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[8]:

```
d1 = {'a':6, 'b':2, 'c':5}
```

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```
# write here
```

### Writing in the dictionary

Can we write in a dictionary?

**Dictionaries are mutable containers** which allow us to rapidly associate elements called keys to some values

The definition talks about mutability, so we are allowed to modify dictionaries after creation.

Dictionaries are collections of key/value couples, and among the possible modifications we find:

1. adding a key/value couple
2. associate an existing key to a different value
3. remove a key/value couple

### Writing - adding key/value

Suppose we created our dictionary furniture:

[9]:

```
furniture = {
    'chair' : 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
    'cupboard' : 'a cabinet for storage',
    'lamp' : 'a device to provide illumination'
}
```

and afterwards we want to add a definition for 'armchair'. We can reuse the variable furniture followed by square brackets with inside the key we want to add [ 'armchair' ] and after the brackets we will put an equality sign =

[10]: furniture['armchair'] = 'a chair with armrests'

Note Jupyter didn't show results, because the previous operation is an assignment *command* (only *expressions* generate results).

But something did actually happen in memory, we can check it by furniture:

[11]: furniture

```
{'chair': 'a piece of furniture to sit on',
 'cupboard': 'a cabinet for storage',
 'lamp': 'a device to provide illumination',
 'armchair': 'a chair with armrests'}
```

Note the dictionary associated to the variable furniture was **MODIFIED** with the addition of 'armchair'.

When we add a key/value couple, we can use heterogenous types:

```
[12]: trashcan = {
    'bla' : 3,
    4     : 'boh',
(7, 9) : ['gar', 'bage']
}
```

```
[13]: trashcan[5.0] = 'a float'
```

```
[14]: trashcan
```

```
[14]: {'bla': 3, 4: 'boh', (7, 9): ['gar', 'bage'], 5.0: 'a float'}
```

We are subject to the same constraints on keys we have during the creation, so we can only use *immutable* keys. If we try inserting a *mutable* type, for example a list, we will get an error:

```
>>> trashcan[ ['some', 'list'] ] = 8
-----
TypeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-51-195ac9c21bcd> in <module>
----> 1 trashcan[ ['some', 'list'] ] = 8
      TypeError: unhashable type: 'list'
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if gives an error):

1.

```
d = {1:'a'}
d[2] = 'a'
print(d)
```

2.

```
d = {}
print(len(d))
d['a'] = 'b'
print(len(d))
```

3.

```
d1 = {'a':3, 'b':4}
diz2 = diz1
diz1['a'] = 5
print(diz1)
print(diz2)
```

4.

```
diz1 = {'a':3, 'b':4}
diz2 = dict(diz1)
diz1['a'] = 5
print(diz1)
print(diz2)
```

5.

```
la = ['a', 'c']
diz = {'a':3,
       'b':4,
       'c':5}
diz['d'] = diz[la[0]] + diz[la[1]]
print(diz)
```

```
6. diz = {}  
diz[()] = ''  
diz[('a',)] = 'A'  
diz[('a', 'b')] = 'AB'  
print(diz)
```

```
7. la = [5, 8, 6, 9]  
diz = {}  
diz[la[0]] = la[2]  
diz[la[2]] = la[0]  
print(diz)
```

```
8. diz = {}  
diz[(4, 5, 6)[2]] = 'c'  
diz[(4, 5, 6)[1]] = 'b'  
diz[(4, 5, 6)[0]] = 'a'  
print(diz)
```

```
9. diz1 = {  
    'a' : 'x',  
    'b' : 'x',  
    'c' : 'y',  
    'd' : 'y',  
}  
  
diz2 = {}  
diz2[diz1['a']] = 'a'  
diz2[diz1['b']] = 'b'  
diz2[diz1['c']] = 'c'  
diz2[diz1['d']] = 'd'  
print(diz2)
```

### Writing - reassocciate a key

Let's suppose to change the definition of a lamp:

```
[15]: furniture = {'chair': 'a piece of furniture to sit on',  
                  'cupboard': 'a cabinet for storage',  
                  'lamp': 'a device to provide illumination'}  
}
```

```
[16]: furniture['lamp'] = 'a device to provide visible light from electric current'
```

```
[17]: furniture  
{'chair': 'a piece of furniture to sit on',  
 'cupboard': 'a cabinet for storage',  
 'lamp': 'a device to provide visible light from electric current'}
```

## Exercise - workshop

⊕ MODIFY the dictionary `workshop`:

1. set the '`bolts`' key value equal to the value of the '`pincers`' key
2. increment the value of `wheels` key of 1
  - your code must work with any number associated to the keys
  - **DO NOT** create new dictionaries, so no lines beginning with `workshop = {`

Example - given:

```
workshop = {'wheels':3,
            'bolts':2,
            'pincers':5}
```

after your code, you should obtain:

```
>>> print(workshop)
{'bolts': 5, 'wheels': 4, 'pincers': 5}
```

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```
[18]: workshop = {'wheels' : 3,
                  'bolts' : 2,
                  'pincers': 5}

# write here

workshop['wheels'] = workshop['wheels'] + 1
workshop['bolts'] = workshop['pincers']
#print(workshop)
```

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```
[18]: workshop = {'wheels' : 3,
                  'bolts' : 2,
                  'pincers': 5}

# write here
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments expressions, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. 

```
diz = {'a':'b'}
diz['a'] = 'a'
print(diz)
```

2. 

```
diz = {'1':'2'}
diz[1] = diz[1] + 5    # nasty
print(diz)
```

```
3. diz = {1:2}
diz[1] = diz[1] + 5
print(diz)
```

```
4. d1 = {1:2}
d2 = {2:3}
d1[1] = d2[d1[1]]
print(d1)
```

### Writing - deleting

To remove a key/value couple the special command `del` is provided. Let's take a dictionary:

```
[19]: kitchen = {
    'pots' : 3,
    'pans' : 7,
    'forks' : 20
}
```

If we want to eliminate the couple `pans : 7`, we will write `del` followed by the name of the dictionary and the key to eliminate among square brackets:

```
[20]: del kitchen['pans']
```

```
[21]: kitchen
```

```
[21]: {'pots': 3, 'forks': 20}
```

Trying to delete a non-existent key will produce an error:

```
>>> del cucina['crankshaft']

-----
KeyError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-34-c0d541348698> in <module>
----> 1 del cucina['crankshaft']

KeyError: 'crankshaft'
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

```
1. diz = {'a':'b'}
del diz['b']
print(diz)
```

```
2. diz = {'a':'b', 'c':'d'}
del diz['a']
print(diz)
```

```
3. diz = {'a':'b', 'c':'d'}
del diz['a']
del diz['a']
print(diz)
```

```
4. diz = {'a':'b'}
new_diz = del diz['a']
print(diz)
print(new_diz)
```

```
5. diz1 = {'a':'b', 'c':'d'}
diz2 = diz1
del diz1['a']
print(diz1)
print(diz2)
```

```
6. diz1 = {'a':'b', 'c':'d'}
diz2 = dict(diz1)
del diz1['a']
print(diz1)
print(diz2)
```

```
7. diz = {'a':'b'}
del diz['c']
print(diz)
```

```
8. diz = {'a':'b'}
diz.del('a')
print(diz)
```

```
9. diz = {'a':'b'}
diz['a'] = None
print(diz)
```

### Exercise - desktop

Given a dictionary desktop:

```
desktop = {
    'paper' : 5,
    'pencils': 2,
    'pens'   : 3
}
```

write some code which MODIFIES it so that after executing your code, the dictionary appears like this:

```
>>> print(desktop)
{'pencil sharpeners': 1, 'paper': 5, 'pencils': 2, 'papers': 4}
```

- **DO NOT** write lines which begin with desktop =

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[22]:

```
desktop = {
    'paper' : 5,
    'pencils': 2,
    'pens'   : 3
```

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```
}
```

```
# write here
desktop['papers'] = 4
del desktop['pens']
desktop['pencil sharpeners'] = 1
print(desktop)
```

```
{'paper': 5, 'pencils': 2, 'papers': 4, 'pencil sharpeners': 1}
```

```
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```

```
[22]:
```

```
desktop = {
    'paper' : 5,
    'pencils': 2,
    'pens'   : 3
}
```

```
# write here
```

### Exercise - garden

You have a dictionary `garden` which associates the names of present objects and their quantity. You are given:

- a list `to_remove` containing the names of exactly two objects to eliminate
- a dictionary `to_add` containing exactly two names of flowers associated to their quantity to add

MODIFY the dictionary `garden` according to the quantities given in `to_remove` (**deleting the keys**) and `to_add` (**increasing the corresponding values**)

- assume that `garden` always contains the objects given in `to_remove` and `to_add`
- assume that `to_add` always and only contains `tulips` and `roses`

Example - given:

```
to_remove = ['weeds', 'litter']
to_add = { 'tulips': 4,
           'roses' : 2
}

garden = { 'sunflowers': 3,
           'tulips'     : 7,
           'weeds'      : 10,
           'roses'      : 5,
           'litter'     : 6,
}
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(garden)
{'roses': 7, 'tulips': 11, 'sunflowers': 3}
```

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[23]:

```
to_remove = ['weeds', 'litter']
to_add = { 'tulips': 4,
           'roses' : 2
         }

garden = { 'sunflowers': 3,
           'tulips' : 7,
           'weeds' : 10,
           'roses' : 5,
           'litter' : 6,
         }

# write here

del garden[to_remove[0]]
del garden[to_remove[1]]
garden['roses'] = garden['roses'] + to_add['roses']
garden['tulips'] = garden['tulips'] + to_add['tulips']
print(garden)

{'sunflowers': 3, 'tulips': 11, 'roses': 7}
```

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[23]:

```
to_remove = ['weeds', 'litter']
to_add = { 'tulips': 4,
           'roses' : 2
         }

garden = { 'sunflowers': 3,
           'tulips' : 7,
           'weeds' : 10,
           'roses' : 5,
           'litter' : 6,
         }

# write here
```

## Exercise - translations

Given two dictionaries `en_it` and `it_es` of English-Italian and Italian-Spanish translations, write some code which MODIFIES a third dictionary `en_es` by placing translations from English to Spanish

- assume that `en_it` always and only contains translations of `hello` and `road`
- assume that `it_es` always and only contains translations of `ciao` and `strada`
- in the solution, **ONLY** use the constants '`hello`' and '`road`', you will take the others you need from the dictionaries
- **DO NOT** create a new dictionary - so no lines beginning with `en_es = {`

Example - given:

```
en_it = {  
    'hello' : 'ciao',  
    'road' : 'strada'  
}  
  
it_es = {  
    'ciao' : 'hola',  
    'strada' : 'carretera'  
}  
en_es = {}
```

after your code, it must print:

```
>>> print(en_es)  
{'hello': 'hola', 'road': 'carretera'}
```

```
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```

[24]:

```
en_it = {  
    'hello' : 'ciao',  
    'road' : 'strada'  
}  
  
it_es = {  
    'ciao' : 'hola',  
    'strada' : 'carretera'  
}  
  
en_es = {}  
  
# write here  
en_es['hello'] = it_es[en_it['hello']]  
en_es['road'] = it_es[en_it['road']]  
print(en_es)
```

```
{'hello': 'hola', 'road': 'carretera'}
```

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[24]:

```
en_it = {  
    'hello' : 'ciao',  
    'road' : 'strada'  
}  
  
it_es = {  
    'ciao' : 'hola',  
    'strada' : 'carretera'  
}  
  
en_es = {}  
  
# write here
```

## Membership with `in`

We can check whether a *key* is present in a dictionary by using the operator `in`:

```
[25]: 'a' in {'a':5,'b':7}
```

```
[25]: True
```

```
[26]: 'b' in {'a':5,'b':7}
```

```
[26]: True
```

```
[27]: 'z' in {'a':5,'b':7}
```

```
[27]: False
```

**WARNING:** `in` searches among the *keys*, not in *values*!

```
[28]: 5 in {'a':5,'b':7}
```

```
[28]: False
```

As always when dealing with keys, we *cannot* search for a mutable object, like for example lists:

```
>>> [3,5] in {'a':'c','b':'d'}
-----
TypeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-41-3e3e336117aa> in <module>
----> 1 [3,5] in {'a':'c','b':'d'}

TypeError: unhashable type: 'list'
```

## not `in`

It is possible to check for *non* belonging with the `not in` operator:

```
[29]: 'z' not in {'a':5,'b':7}
```

```
[29]: True
```

```
[30]: 'a' not in {'a':5,'b':7}
```

```
[30]: False
```

Equivalently, we can use this other form:

```
[31]: not 'z' in {'a':5,'b':7}
```

```
[31]: True
```

```
[32]: not 'a' in {'a':5,'b':7}
```

```
[32]: False
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. ('a') in {'a':5}
2. ('a', 'b') in {('a', 'b'):5}
3. ('a', 'b',) in {('a', 'b'):5}
4. ['a', 'b'] in {('a', 'b'):5}
5. {3: 'q' in {'q':5}}
6. {'q' not in {'q':0} : 'q' in {'q':0}}
7. {'a' in 'b'}
8. {'a' not in {'b':'a'}}
9. len({'a':6, 'b':4}) in {1:2}
10. 'ab' in {('a', 'b'): 'ab'}
11. None in {}
12. None in {'None':3}
13. None in {None:3}
14. not None in {0:None}

### Exercise - The Helmsman

The restaurant “The Helmsman” serves a menu with exactly 3 courses each coupled with a side dish. The courses and the side dishes are **numbered from 1 to 12**. There are many international clients who don’t speak well the local language, so they often simply point a course number. They never point a side dish. Once the `order` is received, the waiter with a tablet verifies whether the course is ready with the correct side dish. Write some code which given an index of a `course` shows `True` if this is in the `kitchen` coupled with the course, `False` otherwise.

- **DO NOT** use `if`
- **DO NOT** use loops nor list comprehensions
- **HINT:** if you don’t know how to do it, look at [Booleans - Evaluation order](#)<sup>139</sup>

Exemple 1 - given:

```
# 1          2          3          4          5          6
menu = ['herring', 'butter', 'orata', 'salad',   'salmon',   'potatoes',
# 7          8          9          10         11         12
      'tuna',    'beans',    'salmon',  'lemon',  'herring', 'salad']
```

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<sup>139</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics2-bools-sol.html#Evaluation-order>

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```
kitchen = {'orata':'salad',
           'salmon':'potatoes',
           'herring':'salad',
           'tuna':'beans'}
```

order = 1

The program will show False, because there is no association "herring" : "butter" in kitchen

Example 2 - given:

```
order = 3
```

the program will show True because there is the association "orata" : "salad" in cambusa

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```
order = 1      # False
#order = 3    # True
#order = 5    # True
#order = 7    # True
#order = 9    # False
#order = 11   # True

      # 1          2          3          4          5          6
menu = ['herring', 'butter', 'orata', 'salad', 'salmon', 'potatoes',
        # 7          8          9          10         11         12
        'tuna',     'beans',    'salmon',   'lemon',   'herring', 'salad']
```

```
kitchen = {'orata':'salad',
           'salmon':'potatoes',
           'herring':'salad',
           'tuna':'beans'}
```

# write here

```
menu[order-1] in kitchen and kitchen[menu[order-1]] == menu[order]
```

[33]:

False

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[33]:

```
order = 1      # False
#order = 3    # True
#order = 5    # True
#order = 7    # True
#order = 9    # False
#order = 11   # True

      # 1          2          3          4          5          6
menu = ['herring', 'butter', 'orata', 'salad', 'salmon', 'potatoes',
        # 7          8          9          10         11         12
        'tuna',     'beans',    'salmon',   'lemon',   'herring', 'salad']
```

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```
kitchen = {'orata':'salad',
            'salmon':'potatoes',
            'herring':'salad',
            'tuna':'beans'}
```

# write here

### Dictionaries of sequences

So far we almost always associated a single value to keys. What if wanted to associate more? For example, suppose we are in a library and we want to associate users with the books they borrowed. We could represent everything as a dictionary where a list of borrowed books is associated to each customer:

```
[34]: loans = {'Marco': ['Les Misérables', 'Ulysses'],
              'Gloria': ['War and Peace'],
              'Rita': ['The Shining', 'Dracula', '1984']}
```

Let's see how it gets represented in Python Tutor:

```
[35]: # WARNING: FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter
#           (it's sufficient to execute it only once)

import jupman
```

```
[36]: loans = {'Marco': ['Les Misérables', 'Ulysses'],
              'Gloria': ['War and Peace'],
              'Rita': ['The Shining', 'Dracula', '1984']}
jupman.pyput()
```

```
[36]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

If we try writing the expression:

```
[37]: loans['Rita']
[37]: ['The Shining', 'Dracula', '1984']
```

Python shows the corresponding list: for all intents and purposes Python considers `loans['Rita']` as if it were a list, and we can use it as such. For example, if we wanted to access the 1-indexed book of the list, we would write `[1]` after the expression:

```
[38]: loans['Rita'][1]
[38]: 'Dracula'
```

Equivalently, we might also save a pointer to the list by assigning the expression to a variable:

```
[39]: ritas_list = loans['Rita']
[40]: ritas_list
```

```
[40]: ['The Shining', 'Dracula', '1984']
```

```
[41]: ritas_list[1]
```

```
[41]: 'Dracula'
```

Let's see everything in Python Tutor:

```
[42]: loans = {'Marco': ['Les Misérables', 'Ulysses'],
             'Gloria': ['War and Peace'],
             'Rita': ['The Shining', 'Dracula', '1984']}
ritas_list = loans['Rita']
print(ritas_list[1])

jupman.pytut()

Dracula
```

```
[42]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

If you execute the code in Python Tutor, you will notice that as soon as we assign `ritas_list`, the corresponding list appears to ‘detach’ from the dictionary. This is only a graphical effect caused by Python Tutor, but from the point of view of the dictionary nothing changed. The intention is to show the list now is *reachable* both from the dictionary and from the new variable `ritas_list`.

### Exercise - loans

Write some code to extract and print:

1. The first book borrowed by Gloria ('War and Peace') and the last one borrowed by Rita ('1984')
2. The number of books borrowed by Rita
3. True if everybody among Marco, Gloria and Rita borrowed at least a book, `False` otherwise

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```
[43]: loans = {'Marco': ['Les Misérables', 'Ulysses'],
             'Gloria': ['War and Peace'],
             'Rita': ['The Shining', 'Dracula', '1984']}

# write here
print("1. The first book borrowed by Gloria is", loans['Gloria'][0])
print("  The last book borrowed by Rita is", loans['Rita'][-1])
print("2. Rita borrowed", len(loans['Rita']), "book(s)")
res = len(loans['Marco']) > 0 and len(loans['Gloria']) > 0 and len(loans['Rita']) > 0
print("3. Have everybody borrowed at least a book?", res)
```

1. The first book borrowed by Gloria is War and Peace  
The last book borrowed by Rita is 1984
2. Rita borrowed 3 book(s)
3. Have everybody borrowed at least a book? True

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```
[43]: loans = {'Marco': ['Les Misérables', 'Ulysses'],
             'Gloria': ['War and Peace'],
```

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```
'Rita': ['The Shining', 'Dracula', '1984']}  
  
# write here
```

- ```
1. The first book borrowed by Gloria is War and Peace  
   The last book borrowed by Rita is 1984  
2. Rita borrowed 3 book(s)  
3. Have everybody borrowed at least a book? True
```

## Exercise - Shark Bay

The West India Company asked you to explore the tropical seas, which are known for the dangerous species which live in their waters. You are provided with a dmap which associates places to species found therein:

```
dmap = {  
    "Shark Bay" : ["sharks"],  
    "Estuary of Bad Luck" : ["crocodiles", "piraña"],  
    "Shipwreck Trench" : ["killer whales", "tiger fishes"],  
}
```

You are also given vague directions about how to update the dmap, using these variables:

```
place = "Shipwreck Trench"  
dangers = ["morays", "blue spotted octopus"]  
travel = "Sunken Sails Offshore"  
exploration = ["barracudas", "jellyfishes"]
```

Try writing some code which uses the variables above (or data from the map itself) MODIFIES dmap so to obtain:

```
>>> dmap  
{'Shark Bay' : ['sharks'],  
 'Estuary of Bad Luck' : ['crocodiles', 'piraña', 'jellyfishes'],  
 'Shipwreck Trench' : ['killer whales', 'tiger fishes'],  
 'Jellyfishes Offshore': ['barracudas', 'jellyfishes', 'crocodiles', 'piraña']}
```

- **IMPORTANT: DO NOT use constant strings in your code** (so no "Shipwreck Trench" ...). Numerical constants are instead allowed.

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[44]:

```
place = "Estuary of Bad Luck"  
dangers = ["morays", "blue spotted octopus"]  
travel = "Sunken Sails Offshore"  
exploration = ["barracudas", "jellyfishes"]  
  
dmap = {  
    "Shark Bay" : ["sharks"],  
    "Estuary of Bad Luck": ["crocodiles", "piraña"],  
    "Shipwreck Trench" : ["killer whales", "tiger fishes"],  
}
```

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```
# write here

dmap[travel] = dangers
dmap[exploration[1].capitalize() + travel[-9:]] = exploration + dmap[place]
dmap[place].append(exploration[1])
del dmap[travel]

dmap

[44]: {'Shark Bay': ['sharks'],
 'Estuary of Bad Luck': ['crocodiles', 'piraña', 'jellyfishes'],
 'Shipwreck Trench': ['killer whales', 'tiger fishes'],
 'Jellyfishes Offshore': ['barracudas', 'jellyfishes', 'crocodiles', 'piraña']}
```

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```
[44]: place = "Estuary of Bad Luck"
dangers = ["morays", "blue spotted octopus"]
travel = "Sunken Sails Offshore"
exploration = ["barracudas", "jellyfishes"]

dmap = {
    "Shark Bay" : ["sharks"],
    "Estuary of Bad Luck": ["crocodiles", "piraña"],
    "Shipwreck Trench" : ["killer whales", "tiger fishes"],
}
# write here
```

## Exercise - The Storm Sea

The West India Company asks you now to produce a new map starting from `dmap1` and `dmap2`. The new map must contain **all** the items from `dmap1`, expanded with the items from `place1` and `place2`.

- assume the items `place1` and `place2` are always present in `dmap1` and `dmap2`.
- **IMPORTANT:** the execution of your code must **not** change `dmap1` nor `dmap2`

Example - given:

```
dmap1 = {
    "Shark Bay" : ["sharks"],
    "Estuary of Bad Luck" : ["crocodiles", "piraña"],
    "Storm Sea" : ["barracudas", "morays"]
}

dmap2 = {
    "Estuary of Bad Luck" : ["morays", "shark fishes"],
    "Storm Sea" : ["giant octupses"],
    "Shipwreck Trench" : ["killer whales"],
    "Lake of the Hopeless" : ["water vortexes"]
}

place1, place2 = "Estuary of Bad Luck", "Storm Sea"
```

After your code, it must result:

```
>>> new
{'Estuary of Bad Luck': ['crocodiles', 'piraña', 'morays', 'shark fishes'],
 'Shark Bay': ['sharks'],
 'Storm Sea': ['barracudas', 'morays', 'giant octupses']}
>>> dmap1 # not changed
{'Estuary of Bad Luck': ['crocodiles', 'piraña'],
 'Shark Bay': ['sharks'],
 'Storm Sea': ['barracudas', 'morays']}
>>> dmap2 # not changed
{'Estuary of Bad Luck': ['morays', 'shark fishes'],
 'Lake of the Hopeless': ['water vortexes'],
 'Shipwreck Trench': ['killer whales'],
 'Storm Sea': ['giant octupses']}
```

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```
dmap1 = {
    "Shark Bay" : ["sharks"],
    "Estuary of Bad Luck" : ["crocodiles", "piraña"],
    "Storm Sea" : ["barracudas", "morays"]
}

dmap2 = {
    "Estuary of Bad Luck" : ["morays", "shark fishes"],
    "Storm Sea" : ["giant octupses"],
    "Shipwreck Trench" : ["killer whales"],
    "Lake of the Hopeless" : ["water vortexes"]
}

place1, place2 = "Estuary of Bad Luck", "Storm Sea"

# write here

import copy

new = copy.deepcopy(dmap1)
new[place1].extend(dmap2[place1])
new[place2].extend(dmap2[place2])

from pprint import pprint
print("new:")
pprint(new)
print("dmap1:")
pprint(dmap1)
print("dmap2:")
pprint(dmap2)

new:
{'Estuary of Bad Luck': ['crocodiles', 'piraña', 'morays', 'shark fishes'],
 'Shark Bay': ['sharks'],
 'Storm Sea': ['barracudas', 'morays', 'giant octupses']}
dmap1:
{'Estuary of Bad Luck': ['crocodiles', 'piraña'],
 'Shark Bay': ['sharks'],
```

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```
'Storm Sea': ['barracudas', 'morays']}
dmap2:
{'Estuary of Bad Luck': ['morays', 'shark fishes'],
 'Lake of the Hopeless': ['water vortexes'],
 'Shipwreck Trench': ['killer whales'],
 'Storm Sea': ['giant octupses']}
```

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[45]:

```
dmap1 = {
    "Shark Bay" : ["sharks"],
    "Estuary of Bad Luck" : ["crocodiles", "piraña"],
    "Storm Sea" : ["barracudas", "morays"]
}

dmap2 = {
    "Estuary of Bad Luck" : ["morays", "shark fishes"],
    "Storm Sea" : ["giant octupses"],
    "Shipwreck Trench" : ["killer whales"],
    "Lake of the Hopeless" : ["water vortexes"]
}

place1, place2 = "Estuary of Bad Luck", "Storm Sea"

# write here
```

## Equality

We can verify whether two dictionaries are equal with `==` operator, which given two dictionaries return `True` if they contain key/value couples or `False` otherwise:

[46]: `{'a':3, 'b':4} == {'a':3, 'b':4}`[46]: `True`[47]: `{'a':3, 'b':4} == {'c':3, 'b':4}`[47]: `False`[48]: `{'a':3, 'b':4} == {'a':3, 'b':999}`[48]: `False`

We can verify equality of dictionaries with a different number of elements:

[49]: `{'a':3, 'b':4} == {'a':3}`[49]: `False`[50]: `{'a':3, 'b':4} == {'a':3, 'b':3, 'c':5}`[50]: `False`

... and with heterogenous elements:

```
[51]: {'a':3, 'b':4} == {2:('q','p'), 'b':[99,77]}

[51]: False
```

### Equality and order

From the definition:

- Keys are immutable, **don't have order** and there cannot be duplicates

Since order has no importance, dictionaries created by inserting the same key/value couples in a different order will be considered equal.

For example, let's try direct creation:

```
[52]: {'a':5, 'b':7} == {'b':7, 'a':5}

[52]: True
```

What about incremental update?

```
[53]: diz1 = {}
diz1['a'] = 5
diz1['b'] = 7

diz2 = {}
diz2['b'] = 7
diz2['a'] = 5

print(diz1 == diz2)

True
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `{1:2} == {2:1}`

2. `{1:2,3:4} == {3:4,1:2}`

3. `{'a'.upper():3} == {'a':3}`

4. `{'A'.lower():3} == {'a':3}`

5. `{'a': {1:2}} == {3:4}`

6. `diz1 = {}
diz1[2] = 5
diz1[3] = 7`

```
diz2 = {}
diz2[3] = 7
diz2[2] = 5
print(diz1 == diz2)
```

```
7. diz1 = {'a':3, 'b':8}
diz2 = diz1
diz1['a'] = 7
print(diz1 == diz2)
```

```
8. diz1 = {}
diz1['a']=3
diz2 = diz1
diz2['a']=4
print(diz1 == diz2)
```

```
9. diz1 = {'a':3, 'b':4, 'c':5}
diz2 = {'a':3, 'c':5}
del diz1['a']
print(diz1 == diz2)
```

```
10. diz1 = {}
diz2 = {'a':3}
diz1['a'] = 3
diz1['b'] = 5
diz2['b'] = 5
print(diz1 == diz2)
```

## Equality and copies

When duplicating containers which hold mutable objects, if we do not pay attention we might get surprises. Let's go back on the topic of shallow and deep copies of dictionaries, this time trying to verify the effective equality in Python.

**WARNING:** Have you read [Dictionaries 1 - Copying a dictionary<sup>140</sup>](#) ?

If not, do it now!

**QUESTION:** Let's see a simple example, with a 'manual' copy. If you execute the following code in Python Tutor, what will it print? How many memory regions will you see?

```
d1 = {'a':3,
      'b':8}
d2 = {'a':d1['a'],
      'b':d1['b']}
d1['a'] = 6

print('equal?', d1 == d2)
print('d1=', d1)
print('d2=', d2)
```

NOTE: all values (3 and 8) are **immutable**.

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**ANSWER:** In this case we manually created a dictionary `d2` using *immutable* values taken from `d1`. So in Python Tutor we will see two distinct memory regions and a successive modification to `d1` will not alter `d2`:

<sup>140</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/dictionaries/dictionaries1-sol.html#Copying-a-dictionary>

```
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[54]: d1 = {'a':3,
           'b':8}
d2 = {'a':d1['a'],
       'b':d1['b'] }
d1['a'] = 6

print('equal?', d1 == d2)
print('d1=', d1)
print('d2=', d2)

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equal? False
d1= {'a': 6, 'b': 8}
d2= {'a': 3, 'b': 8}

[54]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** If you execute the following code in Python Tutor, what will it print?

1. Which type of copy did we do? Shallow? Deep? (or both ...?)
2. How many memory regions will you see?

```
d1 = {'a':3,
      'b':8}
d2 = dict(d1)
d1['a'] = 7

print('equal?', d1 == d2)
print('d1=', d1)
print('d2=', d2)
```

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**ANSWER:** when used as a function, `dict` executes a *shallow* copy, that is, copies the structure of the dictionary without duplicating the mutable values. In this specific case, all values we have are immutable integers, so the copy can also be considered a complete duplication. When we assign the value `7` to the key '`a`' in `d1` we are modifying the original data structure , leaving the copy we just made `d2` unaltered, so `d1 == d2` will be `False`.

Let's verify it in Python Tutor:

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[55]: d1 = {'a':3,
           'b':8}
d2 = dict(d1)
d1['a'] = 7

print('equal?', d1 == d2)
print('d1=', d1)
print('d2=', d2)

jupman.pytut()

equal? False
d1= {'a': 7, 'b': 8}
d2= {'a': 3, 'b': 8}
```

[55]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

**QUESTION:** If you execute the following code in Python Tutor, what will it print?

1. Which type of copy did we do? Shallow? Deep? (or both ...?)
2. How many memory regions will you see?

**NOTE:** the values are lists, thus they are **mutable**

```
d1 = {'a': [1, 2],
      'b': [4, 5, 6]}
d2 = dict(d1)
d1['a'].append(3)

print('equal?', d1 == d2)
print('d1=', d1)
print('d2=', d2)
```

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**ANSWER:** We used `dict` like a function, so we did a *shallow copy*. In this case we have lists as values, which are *mutable* objects. This means the shallow copy only copied references to the lists, but *not* the lists themselves. For this reason you will see arrows going from the copy of the dictionary `d2` to memory regions of the original lists. This means that if you try to modify a list after the copy occurred (for example with the method `.append(3)`), as a matter of fact you will also modify the list reachable from the copied dictionary `d2`. Let's check this out in Python Tutor:

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```
d1 = {'a': [1, 2],
      'b': [4, 5, 6]}
d2 = dict(d1)
d1['a'].append(3)

print('equal?', d1 == d2)
print('d1=', d1)
print('d2=', d2)

jupman.pytut()

equal? True
d1= {'a': [1, 2, 3], 'b': [4, 5, 6]}
d2= {'a': [1, 2, 3], 'b': [4, 5, 6]}
```

[56]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

**QUESTION:** If you execute the following code in Python Tutor, what will it print?

1. Which type of copy did we do? Shallow? Deep? (or both ...?)
2. How many memory regions will you see?

**NOTE:** the values are lists, so they are **mutable**

```
import copy
d1 = {'a': [1, 2],
      'b': [4, 5, 6]}
d2 = copy.deepcopy(d1)
d1['a'].append(3)
```

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```
print('equal?', d1 == d2)
print('d1=', d1)
print('d2=', d2)
```

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**ANSWER:** We used `copy.deepcopy`, making an in-depth copy. In this case we have mutable lists as values. The deep copy duplicated all the objects it was able to reach, lists included. So in this case we will obtain two completely distinct memory regions. After the copy, if we modify a list reachable from the original `d1`, we will be sure that we cannot tarnish objects reachable from `d2`. Let's check it in Python Tutor:

```
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```

```
[57]: import copy
d1 = {'a': [1, 2],
      'b': [4, 5, 6]}
d2 = copy.deepcopy(d1)
d1['a'].append(3)

print('equal?', d1 == d2)
print('d1=', d1)
print('d2=', d2)

jupman.pytut()

equal? False
d1= {'a': [1, 2, 3], 'b': [4, 5, 6]}
d2= {'a': [1, 2], 'b': [4, 5, 6]}
```

```
[57]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

```
1. diz1 = {'a':[4,5],
           'b':[6,7]}
diz2 = dict(diz1)
diz2['a'] = diz1['b']
diz2['b'][0] = 9
print(diz1 == diz2)
print(diz1)
print(diz2)
```

```
2. da = {'a':['x','y','z']}
db = dict(da)
db['a'] = ['w','t']
dc = dict(db)
print(da)
print(db)
print(dc)
```

```
3. import copy

la = ['x','y','z']
diz1 = {'a':la,
```

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```
'b':la }
diz2 = copy.deepcopy(diz1)
diz2['a'][0] = 'w'
print('uguali?', diz1 == diz2)
print('diz1=', diz1)
print('diz2=', diz2)
```

## Exercise - Zoom Doom

Write some code which given a string  $s$  (i.e. 'ZOOM'), creates a dictionary  $zd$  and assigns to keys 'a', 'b' and 'c' the *same identical list* containing the string characters as elements (i.e. ['Z', 'O', 'O', 'M']).

- in Python Tutor you should see 3 arrows which go from keys to *the same identical memory region*
- by modifying the list associated to each key, you should see the modification also in the lists associated to other keys
- your code must work for *any* string  $s$

Example - given:

```
s = 'ZOOM'
```

After your code, it should result:

```
>>> print(zd)
{'a': ['Z', 'O', 'O', 'M'],
 'b': ['Z', 'O', 'O', 'M'],
 'c': ['Z', 'O', 'O', 'M'],
}
>>> zd['a'][0] = 'D'
>>> print(zd)
{'a': ['D', 'O', 'O', 'M'],
 'b': ['D', 'O', 'O', 'M'],
 'c': ['D', 'O', 'O', 'M'],
}
```

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```
s = 'ZOOM'

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zoom = list(s)

zd = {'a':zoom,
      'b':zoom,
      'c':zoom}
print(zd)
zd['a'][0] = 'D'
print(zd)

#jupman.pytut()
```

```
{'a': ['Z', 'O', 'O', 'M'], 'b': ['Z', 'O', 'O', 'M'], 'c': ['Z', 'O', 'O', 'M']}
{'a': ['D', 'O', 'O', 'M'], 'b': ['D', 'O', 'O', 'M'], 'c': ['D', 'O', 'O', 'M']}
```

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```
[58]:
```

```
s = 'ZOOM'

# write here
```

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### 5.6.3 Dictionaries 3 - Methods

#### Download exercise zip

Browse online files<sup>142</sup>

In this notebook we will see the main methods to extract data and manipulate dictionaries.

#### Methods:

Method	Return	Description
<code>dict.keys()</code>	<code>dict_keys</code>	Return a <i>view</i> of keys which are present in the dictionary
<code>dict.values()</code>	<code>dict_values</code>	Return a <i>view</i> of values which are present in the dictionary
<code>dict.items()</code>	<code>dict_items</code>	Return a <i>view</i> of (key/value) couples present in the dictionary
<code>d1.update(d2)</code>	None	MODIFY the dictionary d1 with the key / value couples found in d2

### What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
sets
    dictionaries1.ipynb
    dictionaries1-sol.ipynb
    dictionaries2.ipynb
    dictionaries2-sol.ipynb
    dictionaries3.ipynb
    dictionaries3-sol.ipynb
    dictionaries4.ipynb
    dictionaries4-sol.ipynb
    dictionaries5-chal.ipynb
    jupman.py
```

<sup>141</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/dictionaries/dictionaries3-sol.html>

<sup>142</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/dictionaries>

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `dictionaries3.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### keys method

By calling the method `.keys()` we can obtain the dictionary keys:

```
[2]: vegetables = {'carrots' : 5,
                  'tomatoes' : 8,
                  'cabbage' : 3}
```

```
[3]: vegetables.keys()
[3]: dict_keys(['carrots', 'tomatoes', 'cabbage'])
```

**WARNING: THE RETURNED SEQUENCE IS OF TYPE `dict_keys`**

`dict_keys` might look like a list but it is well different!

In particular, the returned sequence `dict_keys` is a **view** on the original dictionary. In computer science, when we talk about *views* we typically intend collections which contain a part of the objects contained in another collection, *and if the original collection gets modified, so is the view at the same time*.

Let's see what this means. First let's assign the sequence of keys to a variable:

```
[4]: ks = vegetables.keys()
```

Then we modify the original dictionary, adding an association:

```
[5]: vegetables['potatoes'] = 8
```

If we now print `ks`, we should see the change:

```
[6]: ks
[6]: dict_keys(['carrots', 'tomatoes', 'cabbage', 'potatoes'])
```

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**Sequence returned by `.keys()` can change over time!**

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When reusing the sequence from `.keys()`, ask yourself if the dictionary could have changed in the meanwhile

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If we want a stable version as a sort of static ‘picture’ of dictionary keys at a given moment in time, we must explicitly convert them to another sequence, like for example a list:

```
[7]: as_list = list(vegetables.keys())
[8]: as_list
[8]: ['carrots', 'tomatoes', 'cabbage', 'potatoes']
[9]: vegetables['cucumber'] = 9
[10]: as_list      # no cucumbers
[10]: ['carrots', 'tomatoes', 'cabbage', 'potatoes']
```

Let's see again the example in Python Tutor:

```
[11]: # WARNING: FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter
#           (it's sufficient to execute it only once)

import jupman

[12]: vegetables = {'carrots' : 5,
                  'tomatoes' : 8,
                  'cabbage' : 3}
keys = vegetables.keys()
vegetables['potatoes'] = 8
as_list = list(vegetables.keys())
vegetables['cucumbers'] = 9
#print(as_list)

jupman.pytut()

[12]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### WARNING: WE CAN'T USE INDEXES WITH dict\_keys

If we try, we will obtain an error:

```
>>> vegetables = {'carrots' : 5,
                  'tomatoes' : 8,
                  'cabbage' : 3}
>>> ks = vegetables.keys()
>>> ks[0]

-----
TypeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-90-c888bf602918> in <module>()
----> 1 ks[0]

TypeError: 'dict_keys' object does not support indexing
```

### WARNING: WE CANNOT DIRECTLY MODIFY dict\_keys

There aren't operations nor methods which allow us to change the elements of `dict_keys`, you can only act on the original dictionary.

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing if it can work (or if it gives an error):

1. `diz = {'a':4,  
 'b':5}`

```
ks = diz.keys()  
ks.append('c')
```

2. `diz = {'a':4,  
 'b':5}`

```
ks = diz.keys()  
ks.add('c')
```

3. `diz = {'a':4,  
 'b':5}`

```
ks = diz.keys()  
ks['c'] = 3
```

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**ANSWER:** None of the examples above can work, because we can't directly modify objects of type `dict_keys`. Operators like square brackets or methods like `.append`, `.add`, etc are not supported.

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**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `diz = {'a':1, 'b':2}  
s = set(diz.keys())  
s.add(('c', 3))  
print(diz)  
print(s)`

2. `diz = {'a':3, 'b':4}  
k = diz.keys()  
diz['c'] = 5  
print(len(k))`

3. `diz = {'a':'x',  
 'b':'y'}  
print('a' in diz.keys())`

4. `diz1 = {'a':1, 'b':2}  
chiavi = diz1.keys()  
diz2 = dict(diz1)  
diz2['c'] = 3  
print('diz1=', diz1)  
print('diz2=', diz2)  
print('chiavi=', chiavi)`

```
5. diz1 = {'a':'b', 'c':'d'}
diz2 = {'a':'b', 'b':'c'}
print( set(diz1.keys()) - set(diz2.keys()) )
```

```
6. diz1 = {'a':'b', 'c':'d'}
diz2 = {'e':'a', 'f':'c'}
ks = diz1.keys()
del diz1[diz2['e']]
del diz1[diz2['f']]
print(len(ks))
```

### Exercise - messy keys

⊕ PRINT a LIST with all the keys in the dictionary

- **NOTE 1:** it is NOT necessary for the list to be sorted
- **NOTE 2:** to convert any sequence to a list, use the predefined function `list`

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[13]:

```
d = {'c':6, 'b':2, 'a':5}
```

```
# write here
```

```
list(d.keys())
```

[13]:

```
['c', 'b', 'a']
```

```
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```

[13]:

```
d = {'c':6, 'b':2, 'a':5}
```

```
# write here
```

### Exercise - sorted keys

⊕ PRINT a LIST with all the dictionary keys

- **NOTE 1:** Now it IS necessary for the list to be sorted
- **NOTE 2:** to convert any sequence to a list, use the predefined function `list`

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[14]:

```
d = {'c':6, 'b':2, 'a':5}
```

```
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```
my_list = list(d.keys())
my_list.sort()
print(my_list)
['a', 'b', 'c']
```

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[14]:

```
d = {'c':6, 'b':2, 'a':5}
# write here
```

### Exercise - keyring

Given the dictionaries d1 and d2, write some code which puts into a **list** ks all the keys in the two dictionaries, **without duplicates** and **alphabetically sorted**, and finally prints the list.

- your code must work with any d1 and d2

Example - given:

```
d1 = {
    'a':5,
    'b':9,
    'e':2,
}
d2 = {'a':9,
      'c':2,
      'e':2,
      'f':6}
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(keys)
['a', 'b', 'c', 'e', 'f']
```

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[15]:

```
d1 = {
    'a':5,
    'b':9,
    'e':2,
}
d2 = {'a':9,
      'c':2,
      'e':2,
      'f':6}

# write here
ks = list(set(d1.keys()) | set(d2.keys()))
```

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```
ks.sort()
print(ks)

['a', 'b', 'c', 'e', 'f']

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```

```
[15]: d1 = {
    'a':5,
    'b':9,
    'e':2,
}
d2 = {'a':9,
      'c':2,
      'e':2,
      'f':6}

# write here
```

### values method

Given a dictionary, we can obtain all the values by calling the method `.values()`

Imagine we have a dictionary `vehicles` which assigns an owner to each car plate:

```
[16]: vehicles = {
    'AA111AA' : 'Mario',
    'BB222BB' : 'Lidia',
    'CC333CC' : 'Mario',
    'DD444DD' : 'Gino',
    'EE555EE' : 'Gino'
}

owners = vehicles.values()
```

**WARNING: THE RETURNED SEQUENCE IS OF TYPE `dict_values`**

`dict_values` may seem a list but it's not!

We've seen `dict_keys` is a view on the original dictionary, and so is `dict_values`, thus by adding an association to `vehicles` ...

```
[17]: vehicles['FF666FF'] = 'Paola'
```

... the view `owners` will automatically result changed:

```
[18]: owners
[18]: dict_values(['Mario', 'Lidia', 'Mario', 'Gino', 'Gino', 'Paola'])
```

We also note that being *values* of a dictionary, duplicates are allowed.

**WARNING: WE CANNOT USE INDEXES WITH dict\_values**

If we try, we will get an error:

```
>>> owners[0]
-----
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-90-c888bf602918> in <module>()
      1 owners[0]
TypeError: 'dict_values' object does not support indexing
```

**WARNING: WE CANNOT DIRECTLY MODIFY dict\_values**

There aren't operations nor methods that allow us to change the elements of `dict_values`, we can only act on the original dictionary.

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `diz = {'a':4,  
 'b':5}`

```
vals = diz.values()  
vals.append(4)
```

2. `d = {0:'a',  
 1:'b',  
 2:'b'}`

```
vals = d.values()  
d[2]='c'  
print(vals)
```

3. `diz = {'a':4,  
 'b':5}`

```
vals = diz.values()  
vals.add(5)
```

4. `diz = {0:1,  
 1:2,  
 2:3}`

```
diz[list(diz.values())[0]-1]
```

5. `diz = {'a':4,  
 'b':5}`

```
vals = diz.values()  
vals['c'] = 6
```

```
6. diz = {'a':4,
          'b':5}

        vals = diz.values()
        vals[6] = 'c'
```

### Exercise - one by one

Given a dictionary `my_dict`, write some code which prints `True` if each key is associated to a value *different* from the values of all other keys. Otherwise prints `False`.

Example 1 - given:

```
my_dict = {'a' : 3,
           'c' : 6,
           'g' : 8}
```

After your code, it must print `True` (because 3,6 and 8 are all different)

```
True
```

Example 2 - given:

```
my_dict = {'x' : 5,
           'y' : 7,
           'z' : 5}
```

it must print:

```
False
```

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[19]:

```
my_dict = {'a' : 3,
           'c' : 6,
           'g' : 8}

"""

my_dict= {'x' : 5,
          'y' : 7,
          'z' : 5}

"""

# write here

print(len(my_dict.keys()) == len(set(my_dict.values())))

True
```

[19]:

```
my_dict = {'a' : 3,
           'c' : 6,
```

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```
'g' : 8}

"""
my_dict= {'x' : 5,
          'y' : 7,
          'z' : 5}
"""

# write here
```

### Exercise - bag

Given a dictionary `my_dict` of character associations, write some code which puts into the variable `bag` the sorted list of all the keys and values.

Example - given:

```
my_dict = {
    'a':'b',
    'b':'f',
    'c':'b',
    'd':'e'
}
```

After your code, it must print:

```
>>> print(bag)
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f']
```

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[20]:

```
my_dict = {
    'a':'b',
    'b':'f',
    'c':'b',
    'd':'e'
}

# write here

bag = list(set(my_dict.keys()) | set(my_dict.values()))
bag.sort()

print(bag)
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f']
```

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[20]:

```
my_dict = {
```

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```
'a':'b',
'b':'f',
'c':'b',
'd':'e'
}

# write here
```

### Exercise - common values

Given two dictionaries d1 and d2, write some code which PRINTS True if they have *at least* a value in common (without considering the keys)

Example 1 - given:

```
d1 = {
    'a':4,
    'k':2,
    'm':5
}

d2 = {
    'b':2,
    'e':4,
    'g':9,
    'h':1
}
```

after your code, it must print True (because they have the values 2 and 4 in common):

```
Common values? True
```

Example 2 - given:

```
d1 = {
    'd':1,
    'e':2,
    'f':6
}

d2 = {
    'a':3,
    'b':5,
    'c':9,
    'd':7
}
```

after your code, it must print:

```
Common values? False
```

```
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```

```
[21]:
```

```

d1 = {
    'a':4,
    'k':2,
    'm':5
}

d2 = {
    'b':2,
    'e':4,
    'g':9,
    'h':1
}

"""
d1 = {
    'd':1,
    'e':2,
    'f':6
}

d2 = {
    'a':3,
    'b':5,
    'c':9,
    'd':7
}
"""

# write here

print('Common values?', len(set(d1.values()) & set(d2.values())) > 0)
Common values? True

```

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```
[21]:
```

```

d1 = {
    'a':4,
    'k':2,
    'm':5
}

d2 = {
    'b':2,
    'e':4,
    'g':9,
    'h':1
}

"""
d1 = {
    'd':1,
    'e':2,
    'f':6
}

```

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```
d2 = {  
    'a':3,  
    'b':5,  
    'c':9,  
    'd':7  
}  
"""  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - small big

Given a dictionary d which has integers as keys and values, print True if the smaller key is equal to the greatest value.

Example 1 - given:

```
d = {  
    14:1,  
    11:7,  
    7:3,  
    70:5  
}
```

after your code, it must print True (because the smallest key is 7 which is equal to the greatest value 7):

```
True
```

Example 2 - given:

```
d = {  
    12:1,  
    11:9,  
    7:3,  
    2:5,  
    9:1  
}
```

after your code, it must print False (because the smallest key 2 is different from the greatest value 9):

```
False
```

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[22]:

```
d = {  
    14:1,  
    11:7,  
    7:3,  
    70:5  
}  
"""
```

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```
d = {
    12:1,
    11:9,
    7:3,
    2:5,
    9:1
}
"""

# write here

min(d.keys()) == max(d.values())
[22]: True
```

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```
[22]: d = {
    14:1,
    11:7,
    7:3,
    70:5
}

"""

d = {
    12:1,
    11:9,
    7:3,
    2:5,
    9:1
}
"""

# write here
```

## items method

We can extract all the key/value associations as a list of couples of type tuple with the method `.items()`. Let's see an example which associates attractions to the city they are in:

```
[23]: holiday = {'Piazza S.Marco' : 'Venezia',
                'Fontana di Trevi': 'Roma',
                'Uffizi' : 'Firenze',
                'Colosseo' : 'Roma',
                }
```

```
[24]: holiday.items()
```

```
[24]: dict_items([('Piazza S.Marco', 'Venezia'), ('Fontana di Trevi', 'Roma'), ('Uffizi',
    ↵'Firenze'), ('Colosseo', 'Roma'))]
```

In this case we see that an object of type `dict_items` is returned. As in previous cases, it is a **view** which we **can't** directly modify. If the original dictionary gets changed, the mutation will be reflected in the view:

```
[25]: attractions = holiday.items()
```

```
[26]: holiday['Palazzo Ducale'] = 'Venezia'
```

```
[27]: attractions
```

```
[27]: dict_items([('Piazza S.Marco', 'Venezia'), ('Fontana di Trevi', 'Roma'), ('Uffizi',  
    ↪'Firenze'), ('Colosseo', 'Roma'), ('Palazzo Ducale', 'Venezia')])
```

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing which result it produces (or if it gives an error):

```
1. {'a':7, 'b':9}.items()[0] = ('c',8)
```

```
2. dict({'a':7,'b':5}.items())['a']
```

```
3. len(set({'a':'b', 'a':'B'}).items()))
```

```
4. {'a':2}.items().find(('a',2))
```

```
5. {'a':2}.items().index(('a',2))
```

```
6. list({'a':2}.items()).index(('a',2))
```

```
7. diz1 = {'a':7,  
          'b':5}  
diz2 = dict(diz1.items())  
diz1['a'] = 6  
print(diz1 == diz2)
```

```
8. ('a','b') in {'a':('a','b'), 'b':('a','b')}.items()
```

```
9. ('a','b') in list({'a':('a','b'), 'b':('a','b')}.items())[0]
```

### Exercise - union without update

Given the dictionaries `d1` and `d2`, write some code which creates a NEW dictionary `d3` containing all the key/value couples from `d1` and `d2`.

- we suppose all the key/value couples are distinct
- **DO NOT** use cycles
- **DO NOT** use `.update()`
- your code must work for *any* `d1` and `d2`

Example - given:

```
d1 = {'a':4,
      'b':7}
d2 = {'c':5,
      'd':8,
      'e':2}
```

after your code, it must result (order is not important):

```
>>> print(d3)
{'a': 4, 'e': 2, 'd': 8, 'c': 5, 'b': 7}
```

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[28]:

```
d1 = {'a':4,
      'b':7}
d2 = {'c':5,
      'd':8,
      'e':2}

# write here
diz3 = dict(list(d1.items()) + list(d2.items()))
#print(d3)
```

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[28]:

```
d1 = {'a':4,
      'b':7}
d2 = {'c':5,
      'd':8,
      'e':2}

# write here
```

## update method

Having a dictionary to start with, it is possible to MODIFY it by joining another with the method `.update()`:

[29]:

```
d1 = {'goats' :6,
      'cabbage' :9,
      'shepherds':1}

d2 = {'goats' :12,
      'cabbage':15,
      'benches':3,
      'hay' :7}
```

[30]:

```
d1.update(d2)
```

```
[31]: d1
[31]: {'goats': 12, 'cabbage': 15, 'shepherds': 1, 'benches': 3, 'hay': 7}
```

Note how the common keys among the two dictionaries like 'goats' and 'cabbage' have values from the second.

If we will, it's also possible to pass a sequence of couples like this:

```
[32]: d1.update([('hay', 3), ('benches', 18), ('barns', 4)])
```

```
[33]: d1
```

```
[33]: {'goats': 12,
       'cabbage': 15,
       'shepherds': 1,
       'benches': 18,
       'hay': 3,
       'barns': 4}
```

### Exercise - axby

Given a dictionary `dcc` which associates characters to characters and a string `s` formatted with couples of characters like `ax` separated by a semi-colon ;, substitute all the values in `dcc` with the corresponding values denoted in the string.

- your code must work for *any* dictionary `my_dict` and lists

Example - given:

```
dcc = {
    'a': 'x',
    'b': 'y',
    'c': 'z',
    'd': 'w'
}
s = 'bx;cw;ex'
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> dcc
{'a': 'x', 'b': 'y', 'c': 'z', 'd': 'w', 'e': 'x'}
```

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```
[34]: 
dcc = {
    'a': 'x',
    'b': 'y',
    'c': 'z',
    'd': 'w'
}
s = 'bx;cw;ex'

# write here

la = s.split(';')
```

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```

dcc.update(la)
dcc
[34]: {'a': 'x', 'b': 'x', 'c': 'w', 'd': 'w', 'e': 'x'}

```

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```

[34]: 
dcc = {
    'a':'x',
    'b':'y',
    'c':'z',
    'd':'w'
}
s = 'bx;cw;ex'

# write here

```

## Continue

Go on with Dictionaries 4<sup>143</sup>

### 5.6.4 Dictionaries 4 - classi speciali

#### Download exercise zip

Browse online files<sup>144</sup>

There are special classes we can use:

Class	Description
<i>OrderedDict</i>	Dictionary which allows to maintain the order of insertion of keys
<i>Counter</i>	Dictionary which allows to rapidly calculate histograms

## What to do

1. Unzip exercises.zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```

sets
dictionaries1.ipynb
dictionaries1-sol.ipynb
dictionaries2.ipynb
dictionaries2-sol.ipynb
dictionaries3.ipynb
dictionaries3-sol.ipynb
dictionaries4.ipynb
dictionaries4-sol.ipynb

```

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<sup>143</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/dictionaries/dictionaries4-sol.html>

<sup>144</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/dictionaries>

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```
dictionaries5-chal.ipynb  
jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `dictionaries4.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press **Control + Enter**
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press **Shift + Enter**
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press **Alt + Enter**
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select **Kernel -> Restart**

### OrderedDict

As we said before, when we print a dictionary with `print` or we leave the visualization to Jupyter, most of the times couples are not in insertion order. For the order to be predictable, you must use an `OrderedDict`

First you need to import it from the `collections` module:

```
[2]: from collections import OrderedDict
```

```
[3]: od = OrderedDict()
```

An `OrderedDict` appears and behaves like regular dictionaries:

```
[4]: od['some key'] = 5  
od['some other key'] = 7  
od[('an', 'immutable', 'tuple', 'as key')] = 3  
od['Another key'] = 'now a string!'  
od[123] = 'hello'
```

When visualizing with Jupyter, we see the insertion order:

```
[5]: od  
[5]: OrderedDict([('some key', 5),  
                 ('some other key', 7),  
                 (('an', 'immutable', 'tuple', 'as key'), 3),  
                 ('Another key', 'now a string!'),  
                 (123, 'hello'))]
```

As we see it with a regular `print`:

```
[6]: print(od)  
OrderedDict([('some key', 5), ('some other key', 7), (('an', 'immutable', 'tuple',  
           ↴'as key'), 3), ('Another key', 'now a string!'), (123, 'hello'))]
```

Let's see how it appears in Python Tutor:

```
[7]: from collections import OrderedDict
od = OrderedDict()
od['some key'] = 5
od['some other key'] = 7
od[('an', 'immutable', 'tuple', 'as key')] = 3
od['Another key'] = 'now a string!'
od[123] = 'hello'

jupman.pytut()

[7]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

## Exercise - phonebook

Write some code which given three tuples with names and phone numbers, PRINTS an `OrderedDict` which associates names to phone numbers, in the order in which are proposed

- Your code must work with *any tuple*
- Do not forget to import `OrderedDict` from `collections`

Example:

```
t1 = ('Alice', '143242903')
t2 = ('Bob', '417483437')
t3 = ('Charles', '423413213')
```

after your code, it should result:

```
OrderedDict([('Alice', '143242903'), ('Bob', '417483437'), ('Charles', '423413213')])
```

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```
[8]: t1 = ('Alice', '143242903')
t2 = ('Bob', '417483437')
t3 = ('Charles', '423413213')

# write here

# first we need to import some collection
from collections import OrderedDict

od = OrderedDict([t1, t2, t3])
print(od)

OrderedDict([('Alice', '143242903'), ('Bob', '417483437'), ('Charles', '423413213')])
```

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```
[8]: t1 = ('Alice', '143242903')
t2 = ('Bob', '417483437')
t3 = ('Charles', '423413213')
```

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```
# write here
```

### Exercise - OrderedDict copy

Given an OrderedDict od1 containing English to Italian translations, create a NEW OrderedDict called od2 which contains the same translations as input PLUS the translation 'water' : 'acqua'

- NOTE 1: your code should work with any ordered dict as input
- NOTE 2: od2 MUST be associated to a NEW OrderedDict !!

Example - given:

```
od1 = OrderedDict()  
od1['dog'] = 'cane'  
od1['home'] = 'casa'  
od1['table'] = 'tavolo'
```

after your code, you should obtain:

```
>>> print(od1)  
OrderedDict([('dog', 'cane'), ('home', 'casa'), ('table', 'tavolo'))  
>>> print(od2)  
OrderedDict([('dog', 'cane'), ('home', 'casa'), ('table', 'tavolo'), ('water', 'acqua  
↳ ')])
```

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[9]:

```
from collections import OrderedDict  
  
od1 = OrderedDict()  
od1['dog'] = 'cane'  
od1['home'] = 'casa'  
od1['table'] = 'tavolo'  
  
# write here  
od2 = OrderedDict(od1)  
od2['water'] = 'acqua'  
  
print("od1=", od1)  
print("od2=", od2)  
  
od1= OrderedDict([('dog', 'cane'), ('home', 'casa'), ('table', 'tavolo'))  
od2= OrderedDict([('dog', 'cane'), ('home', 'casa'), ('table', 'tavolo'), ('water',  
↳ 'acqua')))
```

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[9]:

```
from collections import OrderedDict  
  
od1 = OrderedDict()
```

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```
od1['dog'] = 'cane'
od1['home'] = 'casa'
od1['table'] = 'tavolo'

# write here
```

## Counter

If we need to know how many different elements there are in a sequence (in other words, if we need to calculate a frequency histogram), the class `Counter` from `collections` module comes useful. `Counter` is a special type of dictionary, and first of all, we must declare to Python our intention to use it:

```
[10]: from collections import Counter
```

Suppose we want to count how many different characters there are in this list:

```
[11]: my_seq = ['t', 'e', 'm', 'p', 'e', 'r', 'a', 'm', 'e', 'n', 't']
```

We can initialize `Counter` like this:

```
[12]: histogram = Counter(my_seq)
```

If we print it, we see that the first elements are the most frequent:

```
[13]: print(histogram)
```

```
Counter({'e': 3, 't': 2, 'm': 2, 'p': 1, 'r': 1, 'a': 1, 'n': 1})
```

**WARNING: IF WE DON'T USE `print` JUPYTER WILL PRINT IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER!**

```
[14]: histogram # careful !
```

```
Counter({'t': 2, 'e': 3, 'm': 2, 'p': 1, 'r': 1, 'a': 1, 'n': 1})
```

We can obtain a list with the `n` most frequent items by using the method `most_common`, which returns a list of tuples:

```
[15]: histogram.most_common(5)
```

```
[('e', 3), ('t', 2), ('m', 2), ('p', 1), ('r', 1)]
```

`Counter` can be initialized with any sequence, for example with tuples:

```
[16]: ct = Counter((50, 70, 40, 60, 40, 50, 40, 70, 50, 50, 50, 60, 50, 30, 50, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70))
print(ct)
```

```
Counter({50: 8, 40: 4, 70: 3, 60: 3, 30: 2})
```

or strings:

```
[17]: cs = Counter('condonation')
```

```
[18]: print(cs)
```

```
Counter({'o': 3, 'n': 3, 'c': 1, 'd': 1, 'a': 1, 't': 1, 'i': 1})
```

For other methods we refer to [Python documentation](#)<sup>145</sup>

### Exercise - saddened

Given a string `s`, write some code which prints:

- the most frequent character
- the least frequent character
- how many and which different frequencies there are
- Your code must work with *any* string `s`
- Ignore the possibility there could be ties among the most/least frequent items
- remember to import `Counter` from `collections`

Example - given:

```
s = 'saddened'
```

your code must print:

```
Among the most frequent ones we find ('d', 3)
Among the least frequent ones we find ('a', 1)
There are 3 different frequencies: {1, 2, 3}
```

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```
[19]: s = 'saddened'

# write here
from collections import Counter

c = Counter(s)

print("Among the most frequent ones we find", c.most_common()[0])
print("Among the least frequent ones we find", c.most_common()[-1])
print("There are", len(set(c.values())), "different frequencies:", set(c.values()))
```

```
Among the most frequent ones we find ('d', 3)
Among the least frequent ones we find ('n', 1)
There are 3 different frequencies: {1, 2, 3}
```

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```
[19]: s = 'saddened'

# write here
```

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<sup>145</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/collections.html#collections.Counter>

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## A2 CONTROL FLOW

### 6.1 If command

#### 6.1.1 Conditionals - if else

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We can use the conditional command `if` every time the computer must take a decision according to the value of some condition. If the condition is evaluated as true (that is, the boolean `True`), then a code block will be executed, otherwise execution will pass to another one.

References:

- [Basics - booleans<sup>147</sup>](#)

#### What to do

1. Unzip `exercises zip` in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
if
  if1.ipynb
  if1-sol.ipynb
  if2-chal.ipynb
  jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `flow1-if.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press `Control + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press `Shift + Enter`

<sup>146</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/if>

<sup>147</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basics2-bools-sol.html>

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### The basic command if else

Let's see a small program which takes different decisions according to the value of a variable sweets:

```
[2]: sweets = 20

if sweets > 10 :
    print('We found...')
    print('Many sweets!')
else:
    print("Alas there are.. ")
    print('few sweets')

print()
print("Let's find other sweets!")
```

We found...  
Many sweets!

Let's find other sweets!

The condition here is sweets > 10

```
[3]: sweets > 10
[3]: True
```

**WARNING: Right after the condition you must place a colon :**

```
if sweets > 10:
```

Since in the example above sweets is valued 20, the condition gets evaluated to True and so the code block following the if row gets executed.

Let's try instead to place a small number, like sweets = 5:

```
[4]: sweets = 5

if sweets > 10 :
    print('We found...')
    print('Many sweets!')
else:
    print("Alas there are.. ")
    print('Few sweets')

print()
print("Let's find other sweets!")

Alas there are..
Few sweets!

Let's find other sweets!
```

In this case, the code block after the `else:` row got executed

**WARNING: Careful about block indentation!**

As all code blocks in Python, they are preceded by spaces. Usually there are 4 spaces (in some Python projects you can find only 2, but official Python guidelines recommend 4)

### else is optional

It is not mandatory to use `else`. If we omit it and the condition becomes `False`, the control directly pass to commands with the same indentation level of `if` (without errors):

```
[5]: sweets = 5

if sweets > 10 :
    print('We found...')
    print('Many sweets!')

print()
print("Let's find other sweets!")
```

Let's find other sweets!

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `x = 3  
if x > 2 and if x < 4:  
 print('ABBA')`

2. `x = 3  
if x > 2 and x < 4  
 print('ABBA')`

3. `x = 3  
if x > 2 and x < 4:  
 print('ABBA')`

4. `x = 2  
if x > 1:  
 print(x+1, x):`

5. `x = 3  
if x > 5 or x:  
 print('ACDC')`

6. `x = 7  
if x == 7:  
 print('GLAM')`

7. `x = 7  
if x < 1:`

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```
    print('BIM')
else:
    print('BUM')
print('BAM')
```

8. `x = 30
if x > 8:
 print('DOH')
if x > 10:
 print('DUFF')
if x > 20:
 print('BURP')`

9. `if not True:
 print('upside down')
else:
 print('down upside')`

10. `if False:
else:
 print('ZORB')`

11. `if False:
 pass
else:
 print('ZORB')`

12. `if 0:
 print('Brandy')
else:
 print('Rum')`

13. `if False:
 print('illustrious')
else:
 print('distinguished')
else:
 print('excellent')`

14. `if 2 != 2:
 'BE'
else:
 'CAREFUL'`

15. `if 2 != 2:
 print('BE')
else:
 print('CAREFUL')`

16. `x = [1, 2, 3]
if 4 in x:
 x.append(4)
else:`

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```
x.remove(3)
print(x)
```

17. `if 'False':
 print('WATCH OUT FOR THE STRING!')
else:
 print('CRUEL')`

### Exercise - no fuel

You want to do a car trip for which you need at least 30 litres of fuel. Write some code that:

- if the fuel variable is less than 30, prints 'Not enough fuel, I must fill up' and increments fuel of 20 litres
- Otherwise, prints Enough fuel!
- In any case, prints at the end 'We depart with ' followed by the final quantity of fuel

Example - given:

```
fuel = 5
```

After your code, it must print:

```
Not enough fuel, I must fill up
We depart with 25 litres
```

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[6]:

```
fuel = 5
#fuel = 30

# write here

if fuel < 30:
    print('Not enough fuel, I must fill up')
    fuel += 20
else:
    print('Enough fuel!')

print('We depart with', fuel, 'litres')
```

```
Not enough fuel, I must fill up
We depart with 25 litres
```

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[6]:

```
fuel = 5
#fuel = 30

# write here
```

### The command *if - elif - else*

By examining the little sweets program we just saw, you may have wondered what it should print when there are no sweets at all. To handle many conditions, we could chain them with the command `elif` (abbreviation of *else if*):

```
[7]: sweets = 0 # WE PUT ZERO

if sweets > 10:
    print('We found...')
    print('Many sweets!')
elif sweets > 0:
    print("Alas there are... ")
    print('Few sweets!')
else:
    print("Too bad!")
    print('There are no sweets!')

print()
print("Let's find other sweets!")

Too bad!
There are no sweets!

Let's find other sweets!
```

**EXERCISE:** Try changing the values of `sweets` in the above cell and see what happens

The little program behaves exactly like the previous ones and when no condition is satisfied the last code block after the `else` is executed:

We can add as many `elif` as we want, so we could even put a specific `elif x == 0:` and handle in the `else` all other cases, even the unforeseen or absurd ones like for example placing a negative number of sweets. Why should we do it? Accidents can always happen, you surely found a good deal of *bugged* programs in your daily life... (we will see how to better handle these situations in the tutorial [Errors handling and testing<sup>148</sup>](#))

```
[8]: sweets = -2 # LET'S TRY A NEGATIVE NUMBER

if sweets > 10:
    print('We found...')
    print('Many sweets!')
elif sweets > 0:
    print("Alas there are... ")
    print('Few sweets!')
elif sweets == 0:
    print("Too bad! ")
    print('There are no sweets!')
else:
    print('Something went VERY WRONG! We found', sweets, 'sweets')

print()
print("Let's find other sweets!")

Something went VERY WRONG! We found -2 sweets

Let's find other sweets!
```

**EXERCISE:** Try changing the values of `sweets` in the cell above and see what happens

<sup>148</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/errors-and-testing/errors-and-testing-sol.html>

## Questions

Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

```
1. y = 2
   if y < 3:
       print('bingo')
   elif y <= 2:
       print('bango')
```

```
2. z = 'q'
   if not 'quando'.startswith(z):
       print('BAR')
   elif not 'spqr'[2] == z:
       print('WAR')
   else:
       print('ZAR')
```

```
3. x = 1
   if x < 5:
       print('SHIPS')
   elif x < 3:
       print('RAFTS')
   else:
       print('LIFEBOATS')
```

```
4. x = 5
   if x < 3:
       print('GOLD')
   else if x >= 3:
       print('SILVER')
```

```
5. if 0:
       print(0)
   elif 1:
       print(1)
```

## Questions - Are they equivalent?

Look at the following code fragments: each contains two parts, A and B. For each value of the variables they depend on, try guessing whether part A will print exactly the same result printed by code in part B

- **FIRST** think about the answer
- **THEN** try executing with each of the values of suggested variables

**Are they equivalent? - strawberries**

Try changing the value of strawberries by removing the comments

```
strawberries = 5
#strawberries = 2
#strawberries = 10

print('strawberries =', strawberries)
print('A:')
if strawberries > 5:
    print("The strawberries are > 5")
elif strawberries > 5:
    print("I said the strawberries are > 5!")
else:
    print("The strawberries are <= 5")

print('B:')
if strawberries > 5:
    print("The strawberries are > 5")
if strawberries > 5:
    print("I said the strawberries are > 5!")
if strawberries <= 5:
    print("The strawberries are <= 5")
```

**Are they equivalent? - max**

```
x, y = 3, 5
#x, y = 5, 3
#x, y = 3, 3

print('x =', x)
print('y =', y)

print('A:')
if x > y:
    print(x)
else:
    print(y)

print('B:')
print(max(x,y))
```

**Are they equivalent? - min**

```
x, y = 3, 5
#x, y = 5, 3
#x, y = 3, 3

print('x =', x)
print('y =', y)

print('A:')
```

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```

if x < y:
    print(y)
else:
    print(x)

print('B:')
print(min(x,y))

```

**Are they equivalent? - big small**

```

x = 2
#x = 4
#x = 3

print('x =',x)

print('A:')
if x > 3:
    print('big')
else:
    print('small')

print('B:')
if x < 3:
    print('small')
else:
    print('big')

```

**Are they equivalent? - Cippirillo**

```

x = 3
#x = 10
#x = 11
#x = 15

print('x =', x)

print('A:')
if x % 5 == 0:
    print('cippirillo')
if x % 3 == 0:
    print('cippirillo')

print('B:')
if x % 3 == 0 or x % 5 == 0:
    print('cippirillo')

```

### Exercise - farm

Given a string `s`, write some code which prints 'BARK!' if the string ends with `dog`, prints 'CROAK!' if the string ends with '`frog`' and prints '???' in all other cases

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[9]:

```
s = 'bulldog'
#s = 'bullfrog'
#s = 'frogbull'

print(s)

# write here

if s.endswith('dog'):
    print('BAU')
elif s.endswith('frog'):
    print('CROAK!')
else:
    print('????')

bulldog
BAU
```

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[9]:

```
s = 'bulldog'
#s = 'bullfrog'
#s = 'frogbull'

print(s)

# write here
```

### Exercise - accents

Write some code which prints whether a `word` ends or not with an accented character.

- To determine if a character is accented, use the strings of accents `acute` and `grave`
- Your code must work with any `word`

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[10]:

```
acute = "áéíóú"
grave = "àèìòù"

word = 'urrà'          # ends with an accent
#word = 'martello'   # does not end with an accent
```

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```
#word = 'ahó'          # ends with an accent
#word = 'però'         # ends with an accent
#word = 'capitaneria' # does not end with an accent
#word = 'viceré'       # ends with an accent
#word = 'cioè'          # ends with an accent
#word = 'chéto'         # does not end with an accent
#word = 'Chi dice che la verità è una sòla?' # does not end with an accent

# write here

if word[-1] in acute or word[-1] in grave:
    print(word, 'ends with an accent!')
else:
    print(word, 'does not end with an accent')

urrà ends with an accent!
```

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[10]:

```
acute = "áéíóú"
grave = "àèìòù"

word = 'urrà'          # ends with an accent
#word = 'martello'    # does not end with an accent
#word = 'ahó'          # ends with an accent
#word = 'però'          # ends with an accent
#word = 'capitaneria' # does not end with an accent
#word = 'viceré'        # ends with an accent
#word = 'cioè'          # ends with an accent
#word = 'chéto'         # does not end with an accent
#word = 'Chi dice che la verità è una sòla?' # does not end with an accent

# write here
```

## Exercise - Arcana

Given an arcana `x` expressed as a string and a list of `majors` and `minors` arcana, print to which category `x` belongs. If `x` does not belong to any category, prints is a `Mistery`.

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[11]:

```
x = 'Wheel of Fortune' # The Wheel of Fortune is a Major Arcana
#x = 'The Tower'        # major
#x = 'Ace of Swords'   # minor
#x = 'Two of Coins'    # minor
#x = 'Coding'           # mystery

majors = ['Wheel of Fortune', 'The Chariot', 'The Tower']
minors = ['Ace of Swords', 'Two of Coins', 'Queen of Cups']
```

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```
# write here
if x in majors:
    print('The', x, 'is a Major Arcana')
elif x in minors:
    print('The', x, 'is a Minor Arcana')
else:
    print(x, 'is a Mystery')
```

```
The Wheel of Fortune is a Major Arcana
```

```
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```

```
[11]:
```

```
x = 'Wheel of Fortune' # The Wheel of Fortune is a Major Arcana
#x = 'The Tower'        # major
#x = 'Ace of Swords'   # minor
#x = 'Two of Coins'    # minor
#x = 'Coding'          # mystery

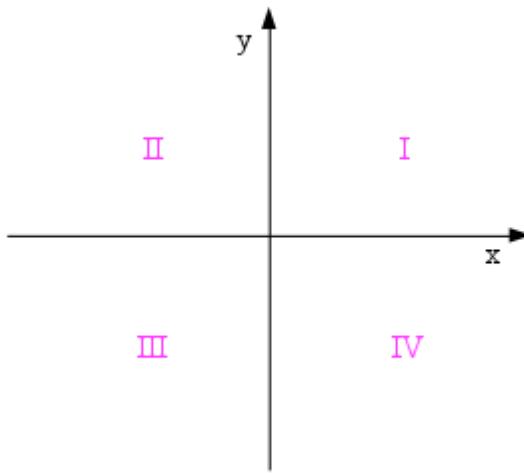
majors = ['Wheel of Fortune', 'The Chariot', 'The Tower']
minors = ['Ace of Swords', 'Two of Coins', 'Queen of Cups']

# write here
```

## Nested ifs

`if` commands are *blocks* so they can be nested as any other block.

Let's make an example. Suppose you have a point at coordinates `x` and `y` and you want to know in which quadrant it lies:



You might write something like this:

```
[12]: x, y = 5, 9
#x, y = -5, 9
#x, y = -5, -9
```

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```
#x,y = 5,-9

print('x =',x,'y =', y)

if x >= 0:
    if y >= 0:
        print('first quadrant')
    else:
        print('fourth quadrant')
else:
    if y >= 0:
        print('second quadrant')
    else:
        print('third quadrant')

x = 5 y = 9
first quadrant
```

**EXERCISE:** try the various couples of suggested points by removing the comments and convince yourself the code is working as expected.

**NOTE:** Sometime the nested `if` can be avoided by writing sequences of `elif` with boolean expressions which verify two conditions at a time:

```
[13]: x,y = 5,9
#x,y = -5,9
#x,y = -5,-9
#x,y = 5,-9

print('x =',x,'y =', y)

if x >= 0 and y >= 0:
    print('first quadrant')
elif x >= 0 and y < 0:
    print('fourth quadrant')
elif x < 0 and y >= 0:
    print('second quadrant')
elif x < 0 and y < 0:
    print('third quadrant')

x = 5 y = 9
first quadrant
```

## Exercise - abscissae and ordinates 1

The code above is not very precise, as doesn't consider the case of points which lie on axes. In these cases instead of the quadrant number it should print:

- ‘origin’ when `x` and `y` are equal to 0
- ‘ascissae’ when `y` is 0
- ‘ordinate’ when `x` is 0

Write down here a modified version of the code with nested ifs which takes into account also these cases, then test it by removing the comments from the various suggested point coordinates.

```
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```

[14]:

```
x,y = 0,0      # origin
#x,y = 0,5      # ordinate
#x,y = 5,0      # abscissa
#x,y = 5,9      # first
#x,y = -5,9     # second
#x,y = -5,-9    # third
#x,y = 5,-9     # fourth

print('x =',x,'y =', y)

# write here
if x == 0 and y == 0:
    print('origin')
elif x == 0:
    print('ordinate')
elif x > 0:
    if y == 0:
        print('abscissa')
    elif y > 0:
        print('first quadrant')
    else:
        print('fourth quadrant')
else:
    if y == 0:
        print('abscissa')
    elif y > 0:
        print('second quadrant')
    else:
        print('third quadrant')

x = 0 y = 0
origin
```

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[14]:

```
x,y = 0,0      # origin
#x,y = 0,5      # ordinate
#x,y = 5,0      # abscissa
#x,y = 5,9      # first
#x,y = -5,9     # second
#x,y = -5,-9    # third
#x,y = 5,-9     # fourth

print('x =',x,'y =', y)

# write here
```

## Esercise - abscissae and ordinates 2

If we wanted to be even more specific, instead of a generic ‘abscissa’ or ‘ordinate’, we might print:

- ‘abscissa between the first and fourth quadrant’
- ‘abscissa between the second and third quadrant’
- ‘ordinate between the first and the second quadrant’
- ‘ordinate between the third and the fourth quadrant’

Copy the code from the previous exercise, and modify it to also consider such cases.

```
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```

[15]:

```
x,y = 0,0      # origin
#x,y = 0,5    # ordinate between the first and the second quadrant
#x,y = 0,-5   # ordinate between the third and the fourth quadrant
#x,y = 5,0    # abscissa between the first and the fourth quadrant
#x,y = -5,0   # abscissa between the second and the third quadrant
#x,y = 5,9    # first
#x,y = -5,9   # second
#x,y = -5,-9  # third
#x,y = 5,-9   # fourth

print('x =',x,'y =', y)

# write here
if x == 0 and y == 0:
    print('origin')
elif x == 0:
    if y > 0:
        print('ordinate between the first and the second quadrant')
    else:
        print('ordinate between the third and the fourth quadrant')
elif x > 0:
    if y == 0:
        print('abscissa between the first and the fourth quadrant')
    elif y > 0:
        print('first quadrant')
    else:
        print('fourth quadrant')
else:
    if y == 0:
        print('abscissa between the second and the third quadrant')
    elif y > 0:
        print('second quadrant')
    else:
        print('third quadrant')

x = 0 y = 0
origin
```

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[15]:

```
x,y = 0,0      # origin
```

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```
#x,y = 0, 5      # ordinate between the first and the second quadrant
#x,y = 0, -5     # ordinate between the third and the fourth quadrant
#x,y = 5, 0      # abscissa between the first and the fourth quadrant
#x,y = -5, 0     # abscissa between the second and the third quadrant
#x,y = 5, 9      # first
#x,y = -5, 9     # second
#x,y = -5, -9    # third
#x,y = 5, -9     # fourth

print('x =',x,'y =', y)

# write here
```

## Exercise - bus

You must catch the bus, and only have few minutes left. To do the trip:

- you need the backpack, otherwise you remain at home
- you also need money for the ticket or the transport card or both, otherwise you remain at home.

Write some code which given three variables `backpack`, `money` and `card`, prints what you see in the comments according to the various cases. Once you're done writing the code, test the results by removing comments from the assignments.

- **HINT:** to keep track of the found objects, try creating a list of strings which holds the objects

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[16]:

```
backpack, money, card = True, False, True
# I have no money !
# I've found: backpack,card
# I can go !

#backpack, money, card = False, False, True
# I don't have the backpack, I can't go !

#backpack, money, card = True, True, False
# I have no card !
# I've found: backpack,money
# I can go !

#backpack, money, card = True, True, True
# I've found: backpack,money,card
# I can go !

#backpack, money, card = True, False, False
# I have no money !
# I have no card !
# I don't have the card nor the money, I can't go !
```

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```
# write here

found = []
if backpack:
    found.append('backpack')
    if money:
        found.append('money')
    else:
        print('I have no money !')
    if card:
        found.append('card')
    else:
        print('I have no card !')
    if money or card:
        print("I've found:", ', '.join(found))
        print('I can go !')
    else:
        print("I don't have the card nor the money, I can't go !")
else:
    print("I don't have the backpack, I can't go !")
```

```
I have no money !
I've found: backpack,card
I can go !
```

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[16]:

```
backpack, money, card = True, False, True
# I have no money !
# I've found: backpack,card
# I can go !

#backpack, money, card = False, False, True
# I don't have the backpack, I can't go !

#backpack, money, card = True, True, False
# I have no card !
# I've found: backpack,money
# I can go !

#backpack, money, card = True, True, True
# I've found: backpack,money,card
# I can go !

#backpack, money, card = True, False, False
# I have no money !
# I have no card !
# I don't have the card nor the money, I can't go !

# write here
```

### Exercise - chronometer

A chronometer is counting the hours, minutes and seconds since the midnight of a certain day in a string chronometer, in which the numbers of hours, minutes and seconds are separated by colon :

Write some code which prints the day phase according to the number of passed hours:

- from 6:00 included to 12:00 excluded: prints morning
- from 12:00 included to 18:00 excluded: prints afternoon
- from 18:00 included to 21:00 excluded: prints evening
- from 21:00 included to 6:00 excluded: prints night
- **USE elif** with multiple boolean expressions
- Your code **MUST** work even if the chronometer goes beyond 23:59:59, see examples
- **HINT:** use the modulo operator % for having hours which only go from 0 to 23

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[17]:

```
chronometer = '10:23:43'    # morning
#chronometer = '12:00:00'    # afternoon
#chronometer = '15:56:02'    # afternoon
#chronometer = '19:23:27'    # evening
#chronometer = '21:45:15'    # night
#chronometer = '02:45:15'    # night
#chronometer = '27:45:30'    # night
#chronometer = '32:28:30'    # morning

# write here
hour = int(chronometer.split(':')[0]) % 24

if hour >= 6 and hour < 12:
    print('morning')
elif hour >=12 and hour < 18:
    print('afternoon')
elif hour >=18 and hour < 21:
    print('evening')
else:
    print('night')

morning
```

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[17]:

```
chronometer = '10:23:43'    # morning
#chronometer = '12:00:00'    # afternoon
#chronometer = '15:56:02'    # afternoon
#chronometer = '19:23:27'    # evening
#chronometer = '21:45:15'    # night
#chronometer = '02:45:15'    # night
#chronometer = '27:45:30'    # night
#chronometer = '32:28:30'    # morning

# write here
```

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## Questions - Are they equivalent?

Look at the following code fragments: each contains two parts, A and B. For each value of `x`, try guessing whether part A will print exactly the same result printed by code in part B

- **FIRST** think about the answer
- **THEN** try executing with each of the suggested values of `x`

### Are they equivalent? - inside outside 1

```
x = 3
#x = 4
#x = 5

print('x =', x)

print('A:')
if x > 3:
    if x < 5:
        print('inside')
    else:
        print('outside')
else:
    print('outside')

print('B:')
if x > 3 and x < 5:
    print('inside')
else:
    print('outside')
```

### Are they equivalent? - stars planets

```
x = 2
#x = 3
#x = 4

print('x =', x)

print('A:')
if not x > 3:
    print('stars')
else:
    print('planets')

print('B:')
if x > 3:
```

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```
    print('planets')
else:
    print('stars')
```

### Are they equivalent? - green red

```
x = 10
#x = 5
#x = 0

print('x =', x)

print('A:')
if x >= 5:
    print('green')
    if x >= 10:
        print('red')

print('B:')
if x >= 10:
    if x >= 5:
        print('green')
    print('red')
```

### Are they equivalent? - circles squares

```
x = 4
#x = 3
#x = 2
#x = 1
#x = 0

print('x =', x)

print('A:')
if x > 3:
    print('circles')
else:
    if x > 1:
        print('squares')
    else:
        print('triangles')

print('B:')
if x <= 1:
    print('triangles')
elif x <= 3:
    print('squares')
else:
    print('circles')
```

### Are they equivalent? - inside outside 2

```
x = 7
#x = 0
#x = 15

print('x =', x)

print('A:')
if x > 5:
    if x < 10:
        print('inside')
    else:
        print('outside')
else:
    print('outside')

print('B:')
if not x > 5 and not x < 10:
    print('outside')
else:
    print('inside')
```

### Are they equivalent? - Ciabanga

```
x = 4
#x = 5
#x = 6
#x = 9
#x = 10
#x = 11

print('x =', x)

print('A:')
if x < 6:
    print('Ciabanga!')
else:
    if x >= 10:
        print('Ciabanga!')

print('B:')
if x <= 5 or not x < 10:
    print('Ciabanga!')
```

**Exercise - The maximum**

Write some code which prints the maximum value among the numbers x, y and z

- use **nested ifs**
- **DO NOT** use the function `max`
- **DO NOT** create variables called `max` (it would violate the V Commandment<sup>149</sup>: you shall never ever redefine system functions)

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[18]:

```
x,y,z = 1,2,3
#x,y,z = 1,3,2
#x,y,z = 2,1,3
#x,y,z = 2,3,1
#x,y,z = 3,1,2
#x,y,z = 3,2,1

# write here

if x > y:
    if x > z:
        print(x)
    else:
        print(z)
elif y > z:
    print(y)
else:
    print(z)
```

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[18]:

```
x,y,z = 1,2,3
#x,y,z = 1,3,2
#x,y,z = 2,1,3
#x,y,z = 2,3,1
#x,y,z = 3,1,2
#x,y,z = 3,2,1

# write here
```

<sup>149</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#V-COMMANDMENT>

## Ternary operator

In some cases, initializing a variable with different values according to a condition may result convenient.

### Example:

The discount which is applied to a purchase depends on the purchased quantity. Create a variable `discount` by setting its value to 0 if the variable `expense` is less than 100€, or 10% if it is greater.

```
[19]: expense = 200
discount = 0

if expense > 100:
    discount = 0.1
else:
    discount = 0 # not necessary

print("expense:", expense, " discount:", discount)
expense: 200 discount: 0.1
```

The previous code can be written more concisely like this:

```
[20]: expense = 200
discount = 0.1 if expense > 100 else 0
print("expense:", expense, " discount:", discount)
expense: 200 discount: 0.1
```

The syntax of the ternary operator is:

```
VARIABLE = VALUE if CONDITION else ANOTHER_VALUE
```

which means that VARIABLE is initialized to VALUE if CONDITION is True, otherwise it is initialized to OTHER\_VALUE

## Questions ternary ifs

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. 

```
y = 3
x = 8 if y < 2 else 9
print(x)
```

2. 

```
y = 1
z = 2 if y < 3
```

3. 

```
y = 10
z = 2 if y < 3 elif y > 5 9
```

### Exercise - shoes

Write some code which given the numerical variable `shoes`, if `shoes` is less than 10 it gets incremented by 1, otherwise it is decremented by 1

- USE ONLY the **ternary if**
- Your code must work for *any* value of `shoes`

Example 1 - given:

```
shoes = 2
```

After your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(shoes)
3
```

Example 2 - given:

```
shoes = 16
```

After your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(shoes)
15
```

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[21]:

```
shoes = 2
#shoes = 16

# write here

shoes = shoes + 1 if shoes < 10 else shoes - 1
print('shoes =', shoes)

shoes = 3
```

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[21]:

```
shoes = 2
#shoes = 16

# write here
```

## Exercise - the little train

Write some code which given 3 strings `sa`, `sb` and `sc` assigns the string `CHOO CHOO` to variable `x` if it is possible to compose `sa`, `sb` and `sc` to obtain the writing '`the little train`', otherwise assigns the string '`:-()`'

- **USE** a ternary if
- your code must work for **any** triplet of strings
- **NOTE:** we are only interested to know IF it is possible to compose writings like '`the little train`', we are NOT interested in which order they will get composed
- **HINT:** you are allowed to create a helper list

Example 1 - given:

```
sa, sb, sc = "little", "train", "the"
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(x)
CHOO CHOO
```

Example 2 - given:

```
sa, sb, sc = "quattro", "ni", "no"
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(x)
:-()
```

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[22]:

```
sa, sb, sc = "little", "train", "the"      # CHOO CHOO
#sa, sb, sc = "little", "the", "train"    # CHOO CHOO
#sa, sb, sc = "a", "little", "train"      # :-(
#sa, sb, sc = "train", "no", "no"         # :-()

# write here
words = [sa, sb, sc]
x = 'CHOO CHOO' if 'the' in words and 'little' in words and 'train' in words else ':-('
print(x)
```

CHOO CHOO

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[22]:

```
sa, sb, sc = "little", "train", "the"      # CHOO CHOO
#sa, sb, sc = "little", "the", "train"    # CHOO CHOO
#sa, sb, sc = "a", "little", "train"      # :-(
#sa, sb, sc = "train", "no", "no"         # :-()
```

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```
# write here
```

```
[ ]:
```

## 6.2 For cycle

### 6.2.1 Conditionals - for loops

[Download exercises zip](#)

Browse online files<sup>150</sup>

If we want to perform some actions for each element of a collection, we will need the so-called `for` loop, which allows to *iterate* any sequence.

#### What to do

1. Unzip `exercises zip` in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
for
    for1-intro.ipynb
    for1-intro-sol.ipynb
    for2-strings.ipynb
    for2-strings-sol.ipynb
    for3-lists.ipynb
    for3-lists-sol.ipynb
    for4-tuples.ipynb
    for4-tuples-sol.ipynb
    for5-sets.ipynb
    for5-sets-sol.ipynb
    for6-dictionaries.ipynb
    for6-dictionaries-sol.ipynb
    for7-nested.ipynb
    for7-nested-sol.ipynb
    for8-chal.ipynb
    jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `for1-intro.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

<sup>150</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/for>

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

## Iteration by element

If we have a sequence like this list:

```
[2]: sports = ['volleyball', 'tennis', 'soccer', 'swimming']
```

and we want to use every element of the list in some way (for example to print them), we can go through them (more precisely, *iterate*) with a `for` cycle:

```
[3]: for element in sports:
    print('Found an element!')
    print(element)

print('Done!')
```

```
Found an element!
volleyball
Found an element!
tennis
Found an element!
soccer
Found an element!
swimming
Done!
```

Let's see what happens in Python Tutor:

```
[4]: # WARNING: FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter
#           (it's sufficient to execute it only once)

import jupman
```

```
[5]: sports = ['volleyball', 'tennis', 'soccer', 'swimming']
for element in sports:
    print('Found an element!')
    print(element)

print('Done!')

jupman.pytut()
```

```
Found an element!
volleyball
Found an element!
tennis
Found an element!
soccer
Found an element!
swimming
Done!
```

```
[5]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### Names of variables in for

At each iteration, an element of the list is assigned to the variable `element`.

As variable name we can choose whatever we like, for example this code is totally equivalent to the previous one:

```
[6]: sports = ['volleyball', 'tennis', 'soccer', 'swimming']
for name in sports:
    print('Found an element!')
    print(name)

print('Done!')

Found an element!
volleyball
Found an element!
tennis
Found an element!
soccer
Found an element!
swimming
Done!
```

We need to be careful about one thing:

**II COMMANDMENT<sup>151</sup>:** Whenever you insert a variable in a `for` cycle, such variables must be new

If you defined the variable before, you shall not reintroduce it in a `for`, as this would bring confusion in the readers' mind.

For example:

```
[7]: sports = ['volleyball', 'tennis', 'soccer', 'swimming']
my_var = 'hello'

for my_var in sports: # you lose the original variable
    print(my_var)

print(my_var) # prints 'swimming' instead of 'hello'

volleyball
tennis
soccer
swimming
swimming
```

<sup>151</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#II-COMMANDMENT>

## Iterating strings

Strings are sequences of characters, so we can iterate them with `for`:

```
[8]: for character in "hello":
    print(character)
```

```
h
e
l
l
o
```

## Iterating tuples

Tuples are also sequences so we can iterate them:

```
[9]: for word in ("I'm", 'visiting', 'a', 'tuple'):
    print(word)
```

```
I'm
visiting
a
tuple
```

## Questions - iteration

Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. 

```
for i in [1,2,3]:
    print(i)
```

2. 

```
for x in 7:
    print(x)
```

3. 

```
for x in [7]:
    print(x)
```

4. 

```
for x in ['a','b','c']:
    x
```

5. 

```
for i in []:
    print('GURB')
```

6. 

```
for i in [1,2,3]:
    print(type(i))
```

7. 

```
for i in '123':
    print(type(i))
```

8. 

```
for i in 'abc':
    print(i)
```

```
9. for x in ((4,5,6)):
    print(x)
```

```
10. for x in [[1],[2,3],[4,5,6]]:
    print(x)
```

```
11. x = 5
    for x in ['a','b','c']:
        print(x)
    print(x)
```

```
12. for x in ['a','b','c']:
    pass
    print(x)
```

```
13. for x in [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8]:
    if x % 2 == 0:
        print(x)
```

```
14. la = [4,5,6]
    for x in la:
        print(x)
    la.reverse()
    for x in la[1:]:
        print(x)
```

### Exercise - magic carpet

⊕ Months ago you bought a carpet from a pitchman. After some time, after a particularly stressful day, you say 'I wish I went on vacation to some exotic places, like say, *Marrakesh!*' To your astonishment, the carpet jumps in the air and answers: 'I hear and obey!'

Write some code which given the lists of places `trip1` and `trip2` prints all the visited stops.

Example - given:

```
trip1 = ['Marrakesh', 'Fez', 'Bazaar', 'Kasbah']
trip2 = ['Koutoubia', 'El Badii', 'Chellah']
```

Prints:

```
The first trip starts
    You: Let's go to Marrakesh !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
    You: Let's go to Fez !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
    You: Let's go to Bazaar !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
    You: Let's go to Kasbah !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
End of second trip
```

```
The second trip starts
    You: Let's go to Koutoubia !
```

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```

Carpet: I hear and obey
You: Let's go to El Badii !
Carpet: I hear and obey
You: Let's go to Chellah !
Carpet: I hear and obey
End of second trip

```

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[10]:

```

trip1 = ['Marrakesh', 'Fez', 'Bazaar', 'Kasbah']
trip2 = ['Koutoubia', 'El Badii', 'Chellah']

# write here
print('The first trip starts')
for place in trip1:
    print("    You: Let's go to", place, '!')
    print('    Carpet: I hear and obey')
print('End of second trip')

print()

print('The second trip starts')
for place in trip2:
    print("    You: Let's go to", place, '!')
    print('    Carpet: I hear and obey')
print('End of second trip')

```

```

The first trip starts
    You: Let's go to Marrakesh !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
    You: Let's go to Fez !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
    You: Let's go to Bazaar !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
    You: Let's go to Kasbah !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
End of second trip

```

```

The second trip starts
    You: Let's go to Koutoubia !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
    You: Let's go to El Badii !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
    You: Let's go to Chellah !
    Carpet: I hear and obey
End of second trip

```

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[10]:

```

trip1 = ['Marrakesh', 'Fez', 'Bazaar', 'Kasbah']
trip2 = ['Koutoubia', 'El Badii', 'Chellah']

# write here

```

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### Esercise - evensum

- ⊕ Given the list `numbers`, write some code which calculates and prints the sum of the even **elements** (**not** the elements at even indexes !)

Example - given:

```
numbers = [3, 4, 1, 5, 12, 7, 9]
```

finds 4 and 12 so it must print:

```
16
```

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[11]:

```
numbers = [3, 4, 1, 5, 12, 7, 9]
```

```
# write here
s = 0
for x in numbers:
    if x % 2 == 0:
        s += x
print(s)
```

```
16
```

```
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```

[11]:

```
numbers = [3, 4, 1, 5, 12, 7, 9]
```

```
# write here
```

### Exercise - birbantello

- ⊕ Given a string in lowercase, write some code which prints each character in uppercase followed by the character as lowercase.

- **HINT:** to obtain uppercase characters use the `.upper()` method

Example - given:

```
s = "birbantello"
```

Prints:

```
B b
I i
R r
B b
A a
N n
T t
E e
L l
L l
O o
```

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[12]:

```
s = "birbantello"

# write here
for x in s:
    print(x.upper(), x)
```

```
B b
I i
R r
B b
A a
N n
T t
E e
L l
L l
O o
```

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[12]:

```
s = "birbantello"

# write here
```

## Exercise - articulate

⊕ A new word is taught to a kid. He knows a lot of characters from the alphabet, but not all of them. To remember the known ones, he treats them as they were actors divided in three categories: the good, bad ad ugly. Write some code which given a word prints all the characters and for each of them tells whether it is good, bad or ugly. If a character is not recognized by the kid, prints 'not interesting'.

Example - given:

```
word = 'articulate'

good = 'abcde'
```

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```
bad = 'ru'  
ugly = 'ijklmn'
```

Prints:

```
a is good  
r is bad  
t is not interesting  
i is ugly  
c is good  
u is bad  
l is ugly  
a is good  
t is not interesting  
e is good
```

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[13]:

```
word = 'articulate'

good = 'abcde'
bad = 'ru'
ugly = 'ijklmn'

# write here

for c in word:
    if c in good:
        print(c, 'is good')
    elif c in bad:
        print(c, 'is bad')
    elif c in ugly:
        print(c, 'is ugly')
    else:
        print(c, 'is not interesting')
```

```
a is good  
r is bad  
t is not interesting  
i is ugly  
c is good  
u is bad  
l is ugly  
a is good  
t is not interesting  
e is good
```

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[13]:

```
word = 'articulate'

good = 'abcde'
bad = 'ru'
ugly = 'ijklmn'
```

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```
# write here
```

### Exercise - gala

⊕ At a gala event high-society people are invited. At the beginning of the evening, doors are opened and guests enter a queue. Unfortunately, during these occasions uninvited guests always show up, so the concierge in the atrium is given a list of unwelcome ones. Whenever a guest is recognized as unwelcome, he will be taken care by the strong hands of Ferruccio the bouncer. Illustrious guests will be written instead in the list admitted.

Write some code which prints the various passages of the event.

Example - given:

```
queue = ['Consul', 'Notary', 'Skeleton', 'Dean', 'Goblin', 'Vampire', 'Jeweller']
unwelcome = {'Vampire', 'Goblin', 'Skeleton'}
admitted = []
```

Prints:

```
Open the doors!

Good evening Mr Consul
This way, Your Excellence
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Notary
This way, Your Excellence
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Skeleton
Ferruccio, would you please take care of Mr Skeleton ?
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Dean
This way, Your Excellence
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Goblin
Ferruccio, would you please take care of Mr Goblin ?
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Vampire
Ferruccio, would you please take care of Mr Vampire ?
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Jeweller
This way, Your Excellence
Next in line !

These guests were admitted: Consul, Notary, Dean, Jeweller
```

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```
queue = ['Consul', 'Notary', 'Skeleton', 'Dean', 'Goblin', 'Vampire', 'Jeweller']
unwelcome = {'Vampire', 'Goblin', 'Skeleton'}
admitted = []
```

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```
# write here
print('Open the doors!')
print()
for guest in queue:

    print('Good evening Mr', guest)
    if guest in unwelcome:
        print(" Ferruccio, would you please take care of Mr", guest, '?')
    else:
        print(" This way, Your Excellence")
        admitted.append(guest)
    print(' Next in line !')

print()
print('These guests were admitted:', ', '.join(admitted))
```

Open the doors!

```
Good evening Mr Consul
This way, Your Excellence
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Notary
This way, Your Excellence
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Skeleton
Ferruccio, would you please take care of Mr Skeleton ?
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Dean
This way, Your Excellence
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Goblin
Ferruccio, would you please take care of Mr Goblin ?
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Vampire
Ferruccio, would you please take care of Mr Vampire ?
Next in line !
Good evening Mr Jeweller
This way, Your Excellence
Next in line !
```

These guests were admitted: Consul, Notary, Dean, Jeweller

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[14]:

```
queue = ['Consul', 'Notary', 'Skeleton', 'Dean', 'Goblin', 'Vampire', 'Jeweller']
unwelcome = {'Vampire', 'Goblin', 'Skeleton'}
admitted = []

# write here
```

## Exercise - balance

⊕⊕ A crop of seeds has been harvested, and seeds will be poured in a certain number of bags of a given capacity each (i.e. 15 kilograms).

The seeds arrive in containers of variable capacity. Each container is placed on a weight scale and its content is poured in the current bag. As soon as the quantity capacity is reached, the scale weight is emptied, the bag is substituted with a new one which starts being filled from what remains from the previous fill. Write some code which prints the procedure.

Example - given:

```
containers = [5, 1, 7, 4, 3, 9, 5, 2, 7, 3]
capacity = 15
```

Prints:

```
Take 5 kg
The scale weight shows 5 kg
Take 1 kg
The scale weight shows 6 kg
Take 7 kg
The scale weight shows 13 kg
Take 4 kg
The scale weight shows 17 kg
We reached the capacity of 15 kg, there remain 2 kg

Take 3 kg
The scale weight shows 5 kg
Take 9 kg
The scale weight shows 14 kg
Take 5 kg
The scale weight shows 19 kg
We reached the capacity of 15 kg, there remain 4 kg

Take 2 kg
The scale weight shows 6 kg
Take 7 kg
The scale weight shows 13 kg
Take 3 kg
The scale weight shows 16 kg
We reached the capacity of 15 kg, there remain 1 kg

We filled 3 bags
```

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[15]:

```
containers = [5, 1, 7, 4, 3, 9, 5, 2, 7, 3]
capacity = 15

# write here
bags = 0
k = 0
for n in containers:
    k += n
    print('Take', n, 'kg')
    print('The scale weight shows', k, 'kg')
```

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```
if k >= capacity:
    print('We reached the capacity of',capacity,'kg, there remain', k - capacity,
          'kg')
    print()
    k = k - capacity
    bags += 1

print('We filled', bags, 'bags')

Take 5 kg
The scale weight shows 5 kg
Take 1 kg
The scale weight shows 6 kg
Take 7 kg
The scale weight shows 13 kg
Take 4 kg
The scale weight shows 17 kg
We reached the capacity of 15 kg, there remain 2 kg

Take 3 kg
The scale weight shows 5 kg
Take 9 kg
The scale weight shows 14 kg
Take 5 kg
The scale weight shows 19 kg
We reached the capacity of 15 kg, there remain 4 kg

Take 2 kg
The scale weight shows 6 kg
Take 7 kg
The scale weight shows 13 kg
Take 3 kg
The scale weight shows 16 kg
We reached the capacity of 15 kg, there remain 1 kg

We filled 3 bags
```

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[15]:

```
containers = [5,1,7,4,3,9,5,2,7,3]
capacity = 15

# write here
```

## Counting with range

If we need to keep track of the iteration number, we can use the iterable sequence `range`, which produces a series of integer numbers from 0 INCLUDED until the specified number EXCLUDED:

```
[16]: for i in range(5):
    print(i)
```

0  
1  
2  
3  
4

Note it *did not* print the limit 5

When we call `range` we can also specify the starting index, which is INCLUDED in the generated sequence, while the arrival index is always EXCLUDED:

```
[17]: for i in range(3, 7):
    print(i)
```

3  
4  
5  
6

**Counting intervals:** we can specify the increment to apply to the counter at each iteration by passing a third parameter, for example here we specify an increment of 2 (note the final 18 index is EXCLUDED from the sequence):

```
[18]: for i in range(4, 18, 2):
    print(i)
```

4  
6  
8  
10  
12  
14  
16

**Reverse order:** we can count in reverse by using a negative increment:

```
[19]: for i in range(5, 0, -1):
    print(i)
```

5  
4  
3  
2  
1

Note how the limit 0 *was not* reached, in order to arrive there we need to write

```
[20]: for i in range(5, -1, -1):
    print(i)
```

5  
4  
3

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```
2  
1  
0
```

### Questions - range

Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `for x in range(1):  
 print(x)`

2. `for i in range(3):  
 i`

3. `for i in range(3):  
 print(i)`

4. `for x in range(-1):  
 print(x)`

5. `for 'm' in range(3):  
 print('m')`

6. `for i in range(3):  
 i-1`

7. `for x in range(6,4,-1):  
 print(x)`

8. `for x in range(1,0,-1):  
 print(x)`

9. `for x in range(3,-3,-2):  
 print(x)`

10. `for x in 3:  
 print(x)`

11. `x = 3  
for i in range(x):  
 print(i)  
for i in range(x,2*x):  
 print(i)`

12. `for x in range(range(3)):  
 print(x)`

## Exercise - printdoubles

⊕ Given a positive number n (i.e. n=4) write some code which prints:

```
The double of 0 is 0
The double of 1 is 2
The double of 2 is 4
The double of 3 is 6
```

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[21]:

```
n = 4
# write here
for i in range(n):
    print('The double of', i, 'is', i*2)
```

```
The double of 0 is 0
The double of 1 is 2
The double of 2 is 4
The double of 3 is 6
```

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[21]:

```
n = 4
# write here
```

## Exercise - multiples or not

⊕⊕ Write some code which given two integer positive numbers k and b:

- first prints all the numbers from k INCLUDED to b INCLUDED which are multiples of k
- the prints all the numbers from k EXCLUDED to b EXCLUDED which are NOT multiples of k

Example - given:

```
k,b = 3,15
```

it prints:

```
Multiples of 3
3
6
9
12
15

Not divisible by 3
4
5
7
8
```

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10  
11  
13  
14

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[22]:

```
k,b = 3,15

# write here
print('Multiples of', k)
for i in range(k,b+1,k):
    print(i)
print()
print('Not divisible by', k)
for i in range(k+1,b):
    if i % k != 0:
        print(i)
```

```
Multiples of 3
3
6
9
12
15
```

```
Not divisible by 3
4
5
7
8
10
11
13
14
```

```
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```

[22]:

```
k,b = 3,15

# write here
```

### Exercise - ab interval

⊕⊕ Given two integers  $a$  and  $b$  greater or equal than zero, write some code which prints all the integer numbers among the two bounds INCLUDED.

- NOTE:  $a$  may be greater, equal or less than  $b$ , your code must handle all the cases.

Example 1 - given:

```
a, b = 5, 9
```

it must print:

```
5
6
7
8
9
```

Example 2 - given:

```
a, b = 8, 3
```

it must print:

```
3
4
5
6
7
8
```

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[23]:

```
a, b = 5, 9    # 5 6 7 8 9
#a, b = 8, 3    # 3 4 5 6 7 8
#a, b = 6, 6    # 6

# write here

mn = min(a, b)
mx = max(a, b)

for x in range(mn, mx + 1):
    print(x)
```

```
5
6
7
8
9
```

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[23]:

```
a, b = 5, 9    # 5 6 7 8 9
```

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```
#a,b = 8,3 # 3 4 5 6 7 8  
#a,b = 6,6 # 6  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - FizzBuzz

Write some code which prints the numbers from 1 to 35 INCLUDED, but when a number is divisible by 3 prints instead FIZZ, when it is divisible by 5 prints BUZZ, and when it is divisible by 3 and 5 prints FIZZBUZZ.

Expected output:

```
1  
2  
FIZZ  
4  
BUZZ  
FIZZ  
7  
8  
FIZZ  
BUZZ  
11  
FIZZ  
13  
14  
FIZZBUZZ  
16  
17  
FIZZ  
19  
BUZZ  
FIZZ  
22  
23  
FIZZ  
BUZZ  
26  
FIZZ  
28  
29  
FIZZBUZZ  
31  
32  
FIZZ  
34  
BUZZ
```

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```
# write here
for i in range(1,36):
    if i % 15 == 0:
        print('FIZZBUZZ')
    elif i % 3 == 0:
        print('FIZZ')
    elif i % 5 == 0:
        print('BUZZ')
    else:
        print(i)
```

```
1
2
FIZZ
4
BUZZ
FIZZ
7
8
FIZZ
BUZZ
11
FIZZ
13
14
FIZZBUZZ
16
17
FIZZ
19
BUZZ
FIZZ
22
23
FIZZ
BUZZ
26
FIZZ
28
29
FIZZBUZZ
31
32
FIZZ
34
BUZZ
```

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[24]:

```
# write here
```

### Iterating by index

If we have a sequence like a list, sometimes during the iteration it is necessary to know in which cell position we are. We can generate the indexes with `range`, and use them to access a list:

```
[25]: sports = ['volleyball', 'tennis', 'soccer', 'swimming']

for i in range(len(sports)):
    print('position', i)
    print(sports[i])

position 0
volleyball
position 1
tennis
position 2
soccer
position 3
swimming
```

Note we passed to `range` the dimension of the list obtained with `len`.

### Exercise - kitchen

⊕ Write some code which given a list of an even number of strings `kitchen`, prints the couples of elements we can find in sequences, one row at a time

Example - given:

```
kitchen = ['oil', 'soup', 'eggs', 'pie', 'tomato sauce', 'pasta', 'meat sauce',
↪'lasagna']
```

Prints:

```
oil, soup
eggs, pie
tomato sauce, pasta
meat sauce, lasagna
```

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```
[26]: kitchen = ['oil', 'soup', 'eggs', 'pie', 'tomato sauce', 'pasta', 'meat sauce',
↪'lasagna']

# write here
for i in range(0, len(kitchen)-1, 2):
    print(kitchen[i] + ',', kitchen[i+1])
```

```
oil, soup
eggs, pie
tomato sauce, pasta
meat sauce, lasagna
```

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[26]:

```
kitchen = ['oil', 'soup', 'eggs', 'pie', 'tomato sauce', 'pasta', 'meat sauce',
↪'lasagna']

# write here
```

**Exercise - neon**

⊕ Given two lists `la` and `lb` of *equal length n*, write some code which prints their characters separated by a space on *n* rows

Example - given:

```
la = ['n', 'e', 'o', 'n']
lb = ['s', 'h', 'o', 'w']
```

prints:

```
n s
e h
o o
n w
```

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[27]:

```
la = ['n', 'e', 'o', 'n']
lb = ['s', 'h', 'o', 'w']

# write here

for i in range(len(la)):
    print(la[i], lb[i])
```

```
n s
e h
o o
n w
```

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[27]:

```
la = ['n', 'e', 'o', 'n']
lb = ['s', 'h', 'o', 'w']

# write here
```

**Exercise - emotions**

⊕ Given the list of strings `emotions` and another one `grade` containing the numbers `-1` and `1`, write some code which prints the emotions followed with ‘positive’ if their corresponding grade is a number greater than zero or ‘negative’ otherwise

Example - given:

```
emotions = ['Fear', 'Anger', 'Sadness', 'Joy', 'Disgust', 'Ecstasy']
grade = [-1, -1, -1, 1, -1, 1]
```

prints:

```
Fear : negative
Anger : negative
Sadness : negative
Joy : positive
Disgust : negative
Ecstasy : positive
```

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[28]:

```
emotions = ['Fear', 'Anger', 'Sadness', 'Joy', 'Disgust', 'Ecstasy']
grade = [-1, -1, -1, 1, -1, 1]

# write here
for i in range(len(emotions)):
    if grade[i] > 0:
        print(emotions[i], ': positive')
    else:
        print(emotions[i], ': negative')
```

```
Fear : negative
Anger : negative
Sadness : negative
Joy : positive
Disgust : negative
Ecstasy : positive
```

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[28]:

```
emotions = ['Fear', 'Anger', 'Sadness', 'Joy', 'Disgust', 'Ecstasy']
grade = [-1, -1, -1, 1, -1, 1]

# write here
```

## Exercise - organetto

⊕ Given a string  $s$ , write some code which prints all the substrings you can obtain from the position of the character ' $n$ ' and which terminates with the last character of  $s$ .

Example - given:

```
s = 'organetto'
```

Prints:

```
netto
etto
tto
to
o
```

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[29]:

```
s = 'organetto'

# write here
for i in range(s.index('n'), len(s)):
    print(s[i:])
```

```
netto
etto
tto
to
o
```

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[29]:

```
s = 'organetto'

# write here
```

## Exercise - sghiribizzo

Write some code which given the string  $s$  prints all the possible combinations of row couples such that a row begins with the first characters of  $s$  and the successive continues with the following characters.

Example - given:

```
s = 'sghiribizzo'
```

Prints:

```
s
ghiribizzo
sg
```

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```
hiribizzo
sgh
    iribizzo
sghi
    ribizzo
sghir
    ibizzo
sghiri
    bizzo
sghirib
    izzo
sghiribi
    zzo
sghiribiz
    zo
sghiribizz
    o
sghiribizzo
```

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[30]:

```
s = 'sghiribizzo'
# write here
for i in range(len(s)):
    print(s[:i+1])
    print(' '*i,s[i+1:])
```

```
s
ghiribizzo
sg
    hiribizzo
sgh
    iribizzo
sghi
    ribizzo
sghir
    ibizzo
sghiri
    bizzo
sghirib
    izzo
sghiribi
    zzo
sghiribiz
    zo
sghiribizz
    o
sghiribizzo
```

```
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```

[30]:

```
s = 'sghiribizzo'
# write here
```

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### Exercise - dna

Given two DNA strings `s1` and `s2` of equal length, write some code which prints among the first and second string another string made by spaces  `` `` and pipe `|` where equal characters are found.

- **HINT:** create a list containing the characters space or the character `|`, and only at the end convert the string by using strings `join` method (doing so is much more efficient than keep generating strings with `+` operator)

Example - given:

```
s1 = "ATACATATAGGCCAATTATTATAAGTCAC"
s2 = "CGCCACTTAAGGCCCTGTATTAAAGTCGC"
```

Prints:

```
ATACATATAGGCCAATTATTATAAGTCAC
|| || | | | | | | | |
CGCCACTTAAGGCCCTGTATTAAAGTCGC
```

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[31]:

```
s1 = "ATACATATAGGCCAATTATTATAAGTCAC"
s2 = "CGCCACTTAAGGCCCTGTATTAAAGTCGC"

# write here
lst = []
for i in range(len(s1)):
    if(s1[i] == s2[i]):
        lst.append(' | ')
    else:
        lst.append(' ` ')
bars = ''.join(lst)

print(s1)
print(bars)
print(s2)
```

```
ATACATATAGGCCAATTATTATAAGTCAC
|| || | | | | | | | |
CGCCACTTAAGGCCCTGTATTAAAGTCGC
```

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[31]:

```
s1 = "ATACATATAGGCCAATTATTATAAGTCAC"
s2 = "CGCCACTTAAGGCCCTGTATTAAAGTCGC"

# write here
```

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### Exercise - sportello

⊕⊕ Given a string `s`, prints the first half of the characters as lowercase and the following half as uppercase.

- if the string is of odd length, the first half must have one character *more* than the second string.

Example - given:

```
s = 'sportello'
```

Your code must print:

```
s  
p  
o  
r  
t  
E  
L  
L  
O
```

(note that 'sportello' has odd length and there are *five* characters in the first half and *four* in the second

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[32]:

```
s = 'sportello' # sportELLO  
#s = 'maglia' # magLIA  
  
# write here  
  
if len(s) % 2 == 1:  
    midpoint = (len(s) // 2) + 1  
else:  
    midpoint = (len(s) // 2)  
  
for i in range(midpoint):  
    print(s[i])  
  
for i in range(midpoint, len(s)):  
    print(s[i].upper())
```

```
s  
p  
o  
r  
t  
E  
L  
L  
O
```

```
</div>
```

[32]:

```
s = 'sportello' # sportELLO
#s = 'maglia' # magLIA

# write here
```

### Exercise - farm

⊕⊕ Given a dictionary `sounds` which associates animal names to the sounds they produce, and a list `rooms` of tuples of 2 elements containing the animal names, write some code that for each room prints the sounds you hear while passing in front of it.

- NOTE: the rooms to print are numbered **from 1**

Example - given:

```
sounds = {'dog':'Bark!',  
         'cat':'Mew!',  
         'cow':'Moo!',  
         'sheep':'Bleat!'}

rooms = [ ('dog', 'sheep'),  
         ('cat', 'cow'),  
         ('cow', 'dog') ]
```

Prints:

```
In the room 1 we hear Bark! and Bleat!  
In the room 2 we hear Mew! and Moo!  
In the room 3 we hear Moo! and Bark!
```

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[33]:

```
sounds = {'dog':'Bark!',  
         'cat':'Mew!',  
         'cow':'Moo!',  
         'sheep':'Bleat!'}

rooms = [ ('dog', 'sheep'),  
         ('cat', 'cow'),  
         ('cow', 'dog') ]

# write here

for i in range(len(rooms)):  
    room = rooms[i]  
    print('In the room',i+1,'we hear',sounds[room[0]], 'and', sounds[room[1]])
```

```
In the room 1 we hear Bark! and Bleat!  
In the room 2 we hear Mew! and Moo!  
In the room 3 we hear Moo! and Bark!
```

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[33]:

```
sounds = {'dog':'Bark!',  
         'cat':'Mew!',  
         'cow':'Moo!',  
         'sheep':'Bleat!'}  
  
rooms = [('dog', 'sheep'),  
          ('cat', 'cow'),  
          ('cow', 'dog')]  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - pokemon

⊗⊗⊗ Given a list `pokemon` and a number `g` of groups, write some code which prints `g` rows showing all the group components. Group the pokemons in the order you find them in the list.

- **HINT 1:** To obtain the number of group components you should use integer division `//`
- **HINT 2:** to print group components use the method `join` of strings

Example 1 - given:

```
#           0           1           2           3           4           5  
pokemon = ['Charizard', 'Gengar', 'Arcanine', 'Bulbasaur', 'Blaziken', 'Umbreon',  
#           6           7           8           9           10          11  
          'Lucario', 'Gardevoir', 'Eevee', 'Dragonite', 'Volcarona', 'Sylveon' ]  
g = 3
```

prints:

```
group 1 : Charizard and Gengar and Arcanine and Bulbasaur  
group 2 : Blaziken and Umbreon and Lucario and Gardevoir  
group 3 : Eevee and Dragonite and Volcarona and Sylveon
```

Example 2 - given:

```
#           0           1           2           3           4           5  
pokemon = ['Charizard', 'Gengar', 'Arcanine', 'Bulbasaur', 'Blaziken', 'Umbreon',  
#           6           7           8           9           10          11  
          'Lucario', 'Gardevoir', 'Eevee', 'Dragonite', 'Volcarona', 'Sylveon' ]  
g = 4
```

prints:

```
group 1 : Charizard and Gengar and Arcanine  
group 2 : Bulbasaur and Blaziken and Umbreon  
group 3 : Lucario and Gardevoir and Eevee  
group 4 : Dragonite and Volcarona and Sylveon
```

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[34]:

```
#          0      1      2      3      4      5
pokemon = ['Charizard', 'Gengar', 'Arcanine', 'Bulbasaur', 'Blaziken', 'Umbreon',
#          6      7      8      9      10     11
           'Lucario', 'Gardevoir', 'Eevee', 'Dragonite', 'Volcarona', 'Sylveon' ]
g = 3
#g = 4

# write here
k = len(pokemon) // g # pokemon in a group

for i in range(0, g):
    print('group', i+1, ':', ' and '.join(pokemon[i*k:(i+1)*k]))
```

group 1 : Charizard and Gengar and Arcanine and Bulbasaur  
group 2 : Blaziken and Umbreon and Lucario and Gardevoir  
group 3 : Eevee and Dragonite and Volcarona and Sylveon

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[34]:

```
#          0      1      2      3      4      5
pokemon = ['Charizard', 'Gengar', 'Arcanine', 'Bulbasaur', 'Blaziken', 'Umbreon',
#          6      7      8      9      10     11
           'Lucario', 'Gardevoir', 'Eevee', 'Dragonite', 'Volcarona', 'Sylveon' ]
g = 3
#g = 4

# write here
```

## Modifying during iteration

Suppose you have a list `lst` containing characters, and you are asked to duplicate all the elements, for example if you have

```
lst = ['a', 'b', 'c']
```

after your code it must result

```
>>> print(lst)
['a', 'b', 'c', 'a', 'b', 'c']
```

Since you gained such great knowledge about iteration, you might be tempted to write something like this:

```
for char in lst:
    lst.append(char) # WARNING !
```

**QUESTION:** Do you see any problem?

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**ANSWER:** if we go through the list and in *the meanwhile* we keep adding pieces, there is a concrete risk we will never terminate examining the list! Read carefully what follows:

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**X COMMANDMENT<sup>152</sup>:** You shall never ever add nor remove elements from a sequence you are iterating with a `for`!

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Falling into such temptations **would produce totally unpredictable behaviours** (do you know the expression *pulling the rug out from under your feet*?)

**What about removing?** We've seen that adding is dangerous, but so is removing. Suppose you have to eliminate all the elements from a list, you might be tempted to write something like this:

```
[35]: my_list = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']

for el in my_list:
    my_list.remove(el)      # VERY BAD IDEA
```

Have a close look at the code. Do you think we removed everything, uh?

```
[36]: my_list
[36]: ['b', 'd']
```

○○○ The absurd result is given by the internal implementation of Python, our version of Pyhton gives this result, yours might give a completely different one. **So be careful!**

**If you really need to remove elements from a sequence you are iterating,** use a `while cycle`<sup>153</sup> or duplicate first a copy of the original sequence.

### Exercise - duplicate

⊕ Try writing some code which MODIFIES a list `la` by duplicating the elements

- use a `for` cycle
- **DO NOT** use list multiplication

Example - given:

```
la = ['a', 'b', 'c']
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> la
['a', 'b', 'c', 'a', 'b', 'c']
```

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```
[37]: la = ['a', 'b', 'c']

# write here
for element in list(la): # with list we create a *copy* of the original list, which
    ↪remains stable
    la.append(element)
print(la)
```

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<sup>152</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commands.html#X-COMMANDMENT>

<sup>153</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/while/while1-sol.html>

```
['a', 'b', 'c', 'a', 'b', 'c']
```

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[37]:

```
la = ['a', 'b', 'c']

# write here
```

### Exercise - hammers

⊕ Given a list of characters la, MODIFY the list by changing all the characters at even indeces with the character z

Example - given:

```
la = ['h', 'a', 'm', 'm', 'e', 'r', 's']
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(la)
['z', 'a', 'z', 'm', 'z', 'r', 'z']
```

- NOTE: here we *are not* adding nor removing cells from the list

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[38]:

```
la = ['h', 'a', 'm', 'm', 'e', 'r', 's']

# write here
for i in range(len(la)):
    if i % 2 == 0:
        la[i] = 'z'
print(la)
```

```
['z', 'a', 'z', 'm', 'z', 'r', 'z']
```

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[38]:

```
la = ['h', 'a', 'm', 'm', 'e', 'r', 's']

# write here
```

### Exercise - Orangutan

⊕⊕ Given two strings `sa` and `sb`, write some code which places in the string `sc` a string composed by alternating all the characters in `sa` and `sb`.

- if a string is shorter than the other one, at the end of `sc` put all the remaining characters from the other string.
- **HINT:** even if it is possible to augment a string a character at a time at each iteration, each time you do so a new string is created (because strings are immutable). So it's more efficient to keep augmenting a list, and then convert to string only at the very end.

Example - given:

```
sa, sb = 'gibbon', 'ORANGUTAN'
```

after your code it must result:

```
>>> print(sc)
gOiRbAbNoGnUTAN
```

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[39]:

```
sa, sb = 'gibbon', 'ORANGUTAN'    # gOiRbAbNoGnUTAN
#sa, sb = 'cruise ship', 'BOAT'   # cBrOuAiTse ship

# write here
temp = []

for i in range(len(sa)):
    temp.append(sa[i])
    if i < len(sb):
        temp.append(sb[i])

if i < len(sb):
    temp.extend(sb[i+1:])

sc = ''.join(temp)
print(sc)
```

```
gOiRbAbNoGnUTAN
```

```
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```

[39]:

```
sa, sb = 'gibbon', 'ORANGUTAN'    # gOiRbAbNoGnUTAN
#sa, sb = 'cruise ship', 'BOAT'   # cBrOuAiTse ship

# write here
```

## Exercise - basket

⊕⊕⊕ There is a basket full of fruits, which we represent as a list of strings. We want to take all the fruits and put them in a plate, in the same order we find them in the basket. We must take only the fruits contained in the set preferences.

- The basket may contain duplicates, if they are in the preferences you must take them all
- the fruits are to be taken **in the same order** in which they were found

Example - given:

```
basket = ['strawberry', 'melon', 'cherry', 'watermelon', 'apple', 'melon', 'watermelon',
          ↵, 'apple', ]
preferences = {'cherry', 'apple', 'strawberry'}
plate = []
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(basket)
['melon', 'watermelon', 'melon', 'watermelon']
>>> print(plate)
['strawberry', 'cherry', 'apple', 'apple']
```

You can solve the problem in two ways:

- Way 1 (simple and recommended): create a list new\_basket and finally assign the variable basket to it
- Way 2 (hard, slow, not recommended but instructive): MODIFY the original basket list, using the **pop method**<sup>154</sup> and without ever reassigning basket, so no rows beginning with basket =

Try solving the exercise in both ways.

**WARNING: Either way, always remember the sacred X COMMANDMENT<sup>155</sup>: You shall never ever add nor remove elements from a sequence you are iterating with a for !**

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[40]:

```
# WAY 1

basket = ['strawberry', 'melon', 'cherry', 'watermelon', 'apple', 'melon', 'watermelon',
          ↵, 'apple', ]
preferences = {'cherry', 'apple', 'strawberry'}
plate = []

# write here
new_basket = []
for fruit in basket:
    if fruit in preferences:
        plate.append(fruit)
    else:
        new_basket.append(fruit)
```

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<sup>154</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists3-sol.html#pop-method>

<sup>155</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#X-COMMANDMENT>

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```
basket = new_basket # we substitute the original list
print('basket:', basket)
print('plate:', plate)

basket: ['melon', 'watermelon', 'melon', 'watermelon']
plate: ['strawberry', 'cherry', 'apple', 'apple']
```

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[40]:

```
# WAY 1

basket = ['strawberry', 'melon', 'cherry', 'watermelon', 'apple', 'melon', 'watermelon',
          'apple', ]
preferences = {'cherry', 'apple', 'strawberry'}
plate = []

# write here
```

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[41]:

```
# WAY 2

basket = ['strawberry', 'melon', 'cherry', 'watermelon', 'apple', 'melon', 'watermelon',
          'apple', ]
preferences = {'cherry', 'apple', 'strawberry'}
plate = []

# write here
copy = list(basket)
j = 0
# so we're sure to iterate on a different sequence from the one we're modifying
for i in range(len(copy)):
    fruit = copy[i]
    if fruit in preferences:
        plate.append(fruit)
        basket.pop(j)
    else:
        j += 1

print('basket:', basket)
print('plate:', plate)

basket: ['melon', 'watermelon', 'melon', 'watermelon']
plate: ['strawberry', 'cherry', 'apple', 'apple']
```

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[41]:

# WAY 2

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```
basket = ['strawberry', 'melon', 'cherry', 'watermelon', 'apple', 'melon', 'watermelon'
          ↵, 'apple', ]
preferences = {'cherry', 'apple', 'strawberry'}
plate = []

# write here
```

### break and continue commands

We can use the commands `break` and `continue` to have even more control on loop execution.

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#### NOTE: Please use sparingly!

When there is a lot of code in the cycle it's easy to 'forget' about their presence and introduce hard-to-discover bugs. On the other hand, in some selected cases these commands *may* increase code readability, so as everything use your judgement.

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### Terminate with `break`

To immediately exit a cycle you can use the `break` command:

```
[42]: for x in 'PARADE':
    if x == 'D':
        print('break, exits the loop!')
        break
        print('After the break')

    print(x)

print('Loop is over !')
```

P  
A  
R  
A  
break, exits the loop!  
Loop is over !

Note how the instruction which prints 'After the break' was *not* executed

### Jumping with `continue`

By calling `continue` execution is immediately brought to the next iteration , so we jump to the next element in the sequence without executing the instructions after the `continue`.

```
[43]: i = 1
for x in 'PARADE':
    if x == 'A':
        print("continue, jumps to next element")
        continue
    print(x)
print('Loop is over !')
```

```
P
continue, jumps to next element
R
continue, jumps to next element
D
E
Loop is over !
```

### Combining `break` and `continue`

Let's see both in Python Tutor:

```
[44]: i = 1
for x in 'PARADE':
    if x == 'A':
        print("continue, jumps to next element")
        continue
    if x == 'D':
        print('break, exits loop!')
        break
    print(x)

print('Loop is over !')

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```

```
P
continue, jumps to next element
R
continue, jumps to next element
break, exits loop!
Loop is over !
```

```
[44]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

## Questions - break and continue

Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 print(x)  
 break`

2. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 print(x)  
 break  
 print('GLAM')`

3. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 print(x)  
 break  
 break`

4. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 break  
 print(x)`

5. `break  
for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 print(x)`

6. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 print(x)  
 break`

7. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 continue  
 print(x)`

8. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 print(x)  
 continue`

9. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 print(x)  
 continue  
 print('BAM')`

10. `continue  
for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 print(x)`

11. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 print(x)  
 continue`

12. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 break`

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- ```
1/0
print('BAD KARMA')
```
13. `for x in ['a', 'b', 'c']:  
 1/0  
 break  
print('BAD KARMA')`
14. `for x in range(8):  
 if x < 4:  
 continue  
 print('ZAM', x)`
15. `for x in range(8):  
 if x >= 4:  
 break  
 print('ZUM', x)`
16. `for x in range(6):  
 if x % 2 == 0:  
 continue  
 print(x)`
17. `for x in ['M', 'C', 'M']:  
 print(x)  
 for y in ['S', 'P', 'Q', 'R']:  
 print(y)  
 break`
18. `for x in ['M', 'C', 'M']:  
 print(x)  
 break  
 for y in ['S', 'P', 'Q', 'R']:  
 print(y)`
19. `for x in ['M', 'C', 'M']:  
 print(x)  
 for y in ['S', 'P', 'Q', 'R']:  
 print(y)  
 continue`
20. `for x in ['M', 'C', 'M']:  
 print(x)  
 continue  
 for y in ['S', 'P', 'Q', 'R']:  
 print(y)`

## Exercise - autonomous walking

⊕ Write some code which given a string `phrase`, prints all the characters *except* the vocals.

Example - given:

```
phrase = 'autonomous walking'
```

prints:

```
t  
n  
m  
s  
  
w  
l  
k  
n  
g
```

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[45]:

```
phrase = 'autonomous walking'  
#phrase='continuous'  
  
# write here  
for x in phrase:  
    if x in 'aeiou':  
        continue  
    else:  
        print(x)
```

```
t  
n  
m  
s  
  
w  
l  
k  
n  
g
```

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[45]:

```
phrase = 'autonomous walking'  
#phrase='continuous'  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - breaking bad

⊕ Write some code which prints all the characters from `string` until it finds the string 'bad'.

Example - given:

```
string = 'cascapirillabadgnippobadzarpogno'
```

prints

```
c  
a  
s  
c  
a  
p  
i  
r  
i  
l  
l  
a
```

[46]:

```
string = 'cascapirillabadgnippobadzarpogno'    # cascapiroilla  
#string = 'sobad'  # 'so'  
#string = 'bad'   # ''  
#string = 'badso' # ''  
  
for i in range(len(string)):  
    if string[i:i+3] == 'bad':  
        break  
    else:  
        print(string[i])
```

### Exercise - breaking point

⊕⊕ Given a phrase, prints all the words one per row *until* it finds a dot, and in that case it stops.

- **DO NOT** use `phrase.split('.')`. Splits on other characters are allowed.

Example - given:

```
phrase = 'At some point you must stop. Never go beyond the limit.'
```

prints:

```
At  
some  
point  
you  
must  
stop
```

```
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```

[47]:

```
phrase = 'At some point you must stop. Never go beyond the limit.'
#phrase = "Respect the halt. Do you want to have us arrested?"
#phrase = 'Stop.'
#phrase = 'No stop'

# write here

for word in phrase.split():
    if '.' in word:
        print(word[:-1])
        break
    else:
        print(word)
```

At  
some  
point  
you  
must  
stop

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[47]:

```
phrase = 'At some point you must stop. Never go beyond the limit.'
#phrase = "Respect the halt. Do you want to have us arrested?"
#phrase = 'Stop.'
#phrase = 'No stop'

# write here
```

## Exercise - breakdance

⊕⊕ As a skilled breakdancer, you're given `music` as a list of sounds. You will have to perform a couple of dances:

- during the first one, you will have to repeat the music sounds until you find exactly 3 sounds 'pa', then you will shout BREAKDANCE!.
- during the second one, you will have to repeat the music sounds *in reverse* until you find exactly 3 sounds 'pa', then you will shout BREAKDANCE!
- **DO NOT** modify `music`, so no `music.reverse()`

Example - given:

```
music = ['unz', 'pa', 'pa', 'tud', 'unz', 'pa', 'pa', 'tud', 'unz', 'boom', 'boom', 'tud']
```

Prints:

unz  
pa  
pa  
tud  
unz

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```
pa
BREAKDANCE!

tud
boom
boom
unz
tud
pa
pa
unz
tud
pa
BREAKDANCE!
```

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```
[48]: music = ['unz', 'pa', 'pa', 'tud', 'unz', 'pa', 'pa', 'tud', 'unz', 'boom', 'boom', 'tud']

# write here

k = 0
for x in music:
    print(x)
    if x == 'pa':
        k += 1
    if k == 3:
        print('BREAKDANCE!')
        print()
        break

k = 0
for i in range(len(music)-1, -1, -1):
    print(music[i])
    if music[i] == 'pa':
        k += 1
    if k == 3:
        print('BREAKDANCE!')
        break
```

```
unz
pa
pa
tud
unz
pa
BREAKDANCE!

tud
boom
boom
unz
tud
pa
pa
unz
```

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```
tud  
pa  
BREAKDANCE!
```

```
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```

```
[48]: music = ['unz', 'pa', 'pa', 'tud', 'unz', 'pa', 'pa', 'tud', 'unz', 'boom', 'boom', 'tud']  
  
# write here
```

```
unz  
pa  
pa  
tud  
unz  
pa  
BREAKDANCE!  
  
tud  
boom  
boom  
unz  
tud  
pa  
pa  
unz  
tud  
pa  
BREAKDANCE!
```

## Continue

Go on with exercises on for and strings<sup>156</sup>

### 6.2.2 For loops 2 - iterating strings

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Let's see some exercise about strings.

<sup>156</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/for/for2-strings-sol.html>

<sup>157</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/for>

**Exercise - Impertinence**

Given the sequence of characters having a length multiple of 3, write some code which puts into variable `triplets` all the sub-sequences of three characters

Example - given:

```
sequence = "IMPERTINENCE"  
          IMPERTINENTE
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(triplets)  
['IMP', 'ERT', 'INE', 'NCE']
```

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[2] :

```
sequence = "IMPERTINENCE" # ['IMP', 'ERT', 'INE', 'NCE']  
#sequence = "CUTOOUT"      # ['CUT', 'OUT']  
#sequence = "O_o"          # ['O_o']  
  
# write here  
triplets = []  
for i in range(len(sequence)):  
    if i % 3 == 0:  
        triplets.append(sequence[i:i+3])  
print(triplets)
```

```
['IMP', 'ERT', 'INE', 'NCE']
```

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[2] :

```
sequence = "IMPERTINENCE" # ['IMP', 'ERT', 'INE', 'NCE']  
#sequence = "CUTOOUT"      # ['CUT', 'OUT']  
#sequence = "O_o"          # ['O_o']  
  
# write here
```

**Exercise - rosco**

⊕ Given a string `word` and string `repetitions` containing only digits, write some code which puts in variable `result` a string containing all the characters of `word` repeated by the number of times reported in the corresponding position of `repetitions`.

Example - given:

```
word, repetitions = "rosco", "14323"
```

After your code it must result:

```
>>> result  
'rooooosssccooo'
```

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[3]:

```
word, repetitions = "rosco", "14323"      # 'rooooosssccooo'
word, repetitions = "chocolate", "144232312" # 'chhhoooooccooollaatee'

# write here
res = []

for i in range(len(word)):
    res.append(word[i]*int(repetitions[i]))

result = "".join(res)
print(result)
```

chhhoooooccooollaatee

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[3]:

```
word, repetitions = "rosco", "14323"      # 'rooooosssccooo'
word, repetitions = "chocolate", "144232312" # 'chhhoooooccooollaatee'

# write here
```

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### 6.2.3 For loops 3 - iterating lists

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Let's see some exercise about lists.

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<sup>158</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/for/for3-lists-sol.html>

<sup>159</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/for>

### Exercise - The contest

⊕ A list of participant has won a contest, and now we want to show on a display their rank. Write some code which MODIFIES the list by writing the rank of the participant next to the name.

Example - given:

```
partecipants = ['Marta', 'Peppo', 'Elisa', 'Gioele', 'Rosa']
```

After your code it must result:

```
>>> partecipants  
['Marta-1', 'Peppo-2', 'Elisa-3', 'Gioele-4', 'Rosa-5']
```

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[2]:

```
partecipants = ['Marta', 'Peppo', 'Elisa', 'Gioele', 'Rosa']  
#partecipants = ['Gioele', 'Carmela', 'Rosario']  
  
# write here  
  
for i in range(len(partecipants)):  
    partecipants[i] = partecipants[i] + '-' + str(i+1)  
  
partecipants
```

[2]:

```
['Marta-1', 'Peppo-2', 'Elisa-3', 'Gioele-4', 'Rosa-5']  
  
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[2]:
```

```
partecipants = ['Marta', 'Peppo', 'Elisa', 'Gioele', 'Rosa']  
#partecipants = ['Gioele', 'Carmela', 'Rosario']  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - babbà

⊕⊕ Write some code which given a character `search` to find and a phrase, produces a list with all the words containing that character.

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[3]:

```
search = 's' # ['This', 'is', 'donuts', 'croissant']  
#search = 'f' # ['full', 'of', 'coffee']  
  
phrase = "This city is full of donuts, croissant and coffee"  
  
# write here  
  
res = []
```

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```

for word in phrase.split():
    if search in word:
        res.append(word)
print(res)

['This', 'is', 'donuts,', 'croissant']

```

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[3]:

```

search = 's'    # ['This', 'is', 'donuts,', 'croissant']
#search = 'f'  # ['full', 'of', 'coffee']

phrase = "This city is full of donuts, croissant and coffee"

# write here

```

### Exercise - The Temple of Fortune

⊗⊗ While exploring a temple in the region of Uttar Pradesh, you found precious stones each one with a sacred number carved on it. You are tempted to take them all, but a threatening message looms over the stones, telling only the fools takes the numbers without first consult the Oracle.

To the side you find the statue of a Buddha with crossed legs, who keeps on his lap a tray with some holes in sequence. Some hole is filled with a bean, others aren't.

Given a list `stones` of numbers and one `oracle` of booleans, write some code which MODIFIES the list `bag` by putting inside only the numbers of `stones` such that there is a `True` in a corresponding position of `oracle`.

- assume both the lists have exactly the same dimensions

Example - given:

```
[4]: stones = [9, 7, 6, 8, 7]
oracle = [True, False, True, True, False]
```

After your code it must result:

```
>>> print(bag)
[9, 6, 8]
```

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[5]:

```

stones, oracle = [9, 7, 6, 8, 7], [True, False, True, True, False]  # [9, 6, 8]
#stones, oracle = [3, 5, 2, 3, 4, 2, 4], [True, True, False, True, False, True, False] # ↵ [3, 5, 3, 2]
bag = []

# write here

for i in range(len(stones)):
    if oracle[i]:

```

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```
    bag.append(stones[i])  
  
print(bag)  
[9, 6, 8]
```

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```
[5]:  
stones, oracle = [9,7,6,8,7], [True, False, True, True, False] # [9, 6, 8]  
#stones, oracle = [3,5,2,3,4,2,4], [True, True, False, True, False, True, False] #  
# ↪ [3,5,3,2]  
bag = []  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - the longest word

⊕⊕ Write some code which given a phrase, prints the **length** of the longest word.

- **NOTE:** we only want to know the length of the longest word, not the word itself!

Example - given:

```
phrase = "The hiker is climbing the brink of the mountain"
```

your code must print

```
8
```

which is the length of the most long word, in this case climbing and mountain in a tie.

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```
[6]:  
phrase = "The hiker is climbing the brink of the mountain" # 8  
#phrase = "The fearsome pirate Le Chuck ruled ruthlessly the South seas" # 10  
#phrase = "Practically obvious" # 11  
  
# write here  
  
lengths = []  
  
for word in phrase.split():  
    lengths.append(len(word))  
print(max(lengths))  
8
```

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```
[6]:  
phrase = "The hiker is climbing the brink of the mountain" # 8  
#phrase = "The fearsome pirate Le Chuck ruled ruthlessly the South seas" # 10
```

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```
#phrase = "Practically obvious" # 11
# write here
```

**Exercise - desert**

⊕⊕⊕ Write some code which given a string `trip` produces a list with all the words which *precede* the commas.

Example - given:

[7]: `trip = "They crossed deserts, waded across rivers, clambered over the mountains, and"
 ↪finally arrived to the Temple"`

your code must produce:

```
[ 'deserts', 'rivers', 'mountains' ]
```

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[8]: `trip = "They crossed deserts, waded across rivers, clambered over the mountains, and"
 ↪finally arrived to the Temple"
# ['deserts', 'rivers', 'mountains']
#trip = "They walked with across the strees, the crowded markets, the alleys, the"
 ↪porches, until they found the cathedral."
# ['strees', 'markets', 'alleys', 'porches']
#trip = "The trip ended."
# []

# write here
words = trip.split(',')`

`res = []`

`for phrase in words[:-1]:
 res.append(phrase.split()[-1])
res`

[8]: `[ 'deserts', 'rivers', 'mountains' ]`

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[8]: `trip = "They crossed deserts, waded across rivers, clambered over the mountains, and"
 ↪finally arrived to the Temple"
# ['deserts', 'rivers', 'mountains']
#trip = "They walked with across the strees, the crowded markets, the alleys, the"
 ↪porches, until they found the cathedral."
# ['strees', 'markets', 'alleys', 'porches']
#trip = "The trip ended."
# []

# write here`

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### Exercise - splash

⊕⊕⊕ Given a `lst` of odd length filled with zeros except the number in the middle, write some code which MODIFIeS the list to write numbers which decrease accordidng to the distance from the middle.

- the length of the list is always odd
- assume the list is always long enough to host a zero at each side
- a list of dimension 1 will only contain one zero

Example 1 - given:

```
lst = [0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 0]
```

After your code, it must result:

```
>>> lst  
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0]
```

Example 2 - given:

```
lst = [0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0]
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> lst  
[0, 1, 2, 3, 2, 1, 0]
```

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[9]:

```
lst = [0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0] # -> [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0]  
#lst = [0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0]      # -> [0, 1, 2, 3, 2, 1, 0]  
#lst = [0, 0, 2, 0, 0]           # -> [0, 1, 2, 1, 0]  
#lst = [0] # -> [0]
```

```
# write here
```

```
m = len(lst) // 2  
  
for i in range(m):  
    lst[m+i] = m - i  
  
for i in range(m):  
    lst[i] = i  
lst
```

[9]:

```
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0]
```

```
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```

[9]:

```
lst = [0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0] # -> [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0]
#lst = [0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0]      # -> [0, 1, 2, 3, 2, 1, 0]
#lst = [0, 0, 2, 0, 0]         # -> [0, 1, 2, 1, 0]
#lst = [0] # -> [0]

# write here
```

## Continue

Go on with exercises about `for` and tuples<sup>160</sup>

### 6.2.4 For loops 4 - iterating tuples

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Let's see some exercise about tuples.

#### Exercise - double couples

⊕⊕ Given a `lst` with  $n$  integer numbers, places in `res` a NEW list which contains  $n$  tuples having each two elements. Every tuple contains a number taken from the corresponding position of the initial list, and its double.

For example - given:

```
lst = [ 5, 3, 8 ]
```

After your code it must result:

```
>>> print(res)
[(5,10), (3,6), (8,16)]
```

[Show solution](#)

[2]:

```
lst = [5,3,8]
#lst = [2,7] # [(2,4), (7,14)]

res = []

# write here

for element in lst:
    res.append((element, element * 2))
print(res)
```

<sup>160</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/for/for4-tuples-sol.html>

<sup>161</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/for>

```
[ (5, 10), (3, 6), (8, 16) ]
```

```
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```

[2]:

```
lst = [5,3,8]
#lst = [2,7] # [(2,4),(7,14)]

res = []

# write here
```

### Exercise - carpet

⊕⊕ Let's call a *touple* a tuple with a couple of elements. Write some code which given a tuple  $t$ , produces a list having as elements *touples* each taken in alternation from  $t$ .

- if the input tuple  $t$  has an odd number of elements, the last tuple in the list to return will be made of only one element

Example 1 - given:

```
>>> t = ('c', 'a', 'r', 'p', 'e', 't')      # even length
```

after your code it must result:

```
>>> print(res)
[('c', 'a'), ('r', 'p'), ('e', 't')]
```

Example 2 - given:

```
>>> t = ('s', 'p', 'i', 'd', 'e', 'r', 's')      # odd length
```

After your code it must result:

```
>>> print(res)
[('s', 'p'), ('i', 'd'), ('e', 'r'), ('s',)]
```

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[3]:

```
t = ('c', 'a', 'r', 'p', 'e', 't')
#t = ('s', 'p', 'i', 'd', 'e', 'r', 's')

# write here
res = []
i = 0
for i in range(0, len(t)-1, 2):
    res.append((t[i], t[i+1]))
if len(t) % 2 == 1:
    res.append((t[-1],))
print(res)
```

```
[('c', 'a'), ('r', 'p'), ('e', 't')]
```

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[3]:

```
t = ('c', 'a', 'r', 'p', 'e', 't')
#t = ('s', 'p', 'i', 'd', 'e', 'r', 's')

# write here
```

## Continue

Go on with `for` and sets<sup>162</sup>

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### 6.2.5 For loops 5 - iterating sets

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Given a set, we can examine the element sequence with a `for` cycle.

**WARNING:** sets iteration order is **not** predictable !

To better understand why, you can see again the tutorial on sets<sup>164</sup>

[2]:

```
for word in {'this', 'is', 'a', 'set'}:
    print(word)
```

```
this
a
is
set
```

[3]:

```
s = set()
s.add('pan')
s.add('de')
s.add('mo')
s.add('nium')
print(s)

{'de', 'mo', 'nium', 'pan'}
```

<sup>162</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/for/for5-sets-sol.html>

<sup>163</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/for>

<sup>164</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/sets/sets-sol.html#Creating-a-set>

### Questions - sets

Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

```
1. s = set()
   s.add('pan')
   s.add('de')
   s.add('mo')
   s.add('nium')
   print(s)
```

```
2. for x in {'a',12,'34',56,34}[2:4]:
   print(x)
```

```
3. for x in set(['a']) | set(['b']):
   print(x)
```

```
4. for x in set(['a']) & set(['b']):
   print(x)
```

### TODO

```
[6]: # TODO
# write here
```

### Continue

Go on with `for` and dictionaries<sup>165</sup>

```
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```

## 6.2.6 For loops 2 - iterating dictionaries

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Given a dictionary, we can examine the sequence of its keys, values or both with a `for` cycle.

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<sup>165</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/for/for6-dictionaries-sol.html>

<sup>166</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/for>

## Iterating keys

To iterate **only the keys** it is sufficient to use the `in` operator:

**WARNING:** keys iteration order is **not** predictable !

```
[2]: pastries = {
    'cream puff':5,
    'brioche':8,
    'donut':2
}
```

```
[3]: for key in pastries:
    print('Found key :', key)
    print(' with value:', pastries[key])

Found key : cream puff
with value: 5
Found key : brioche
with value: 8
Found key : donut
with value: 2
```

At each iteration, the declared variable `key` is assigned to a key taken from the dictionary, in an order we cannot predict.

## Iterating key-value pairs

We can also directly obtain both the key and the associated value with this notation:

```
[4]: for key, value in pastries.items():
    print('Found key :', key)
    print(' with value:', pastries[key])

Found key : cream puff
with value: 5
Found key : brioche
with value: 8
Found key : donut
with value: 2
```

`.items()` return a list of key/value couples, and during each iteration a couple is assigned to the variable `key` and `value`.

## Iterating values

We can iterate the values calling the method `values()`

**WARNING:** values iteration order is also **not** predictable !

```
[5]: for value in pastries.values():
    print('Found value', value)
```

```
Found value 5  
Found value 8  
Found value 2
```

### Questions - iteration

Look at the following code fragments , and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

**WARNING:** Remember the order is IMPOSSIBLE to foresee, so the important bit is to guess all the printed stuff

1. `for x in {'a':1,'b':2,'c':3}:  
 print(x)`

2. `for x in {1:'a',2:'b',3:'c'}:  
 print(x)`

3. `diz = {'a':1,'b':2,'c':3}  
for x in diz:  
 print(x[diz])`

4. `diz = {'a':1,'b':2,'c':3}  
for x in diz:  
 print(diz[x])`

5. `diz = {'a':1,'b':2,'c':3}  
for x in diz:  
 if x == 'b':  
 print(diz[x])`

6. `for k,v in {1:'a',2:'b',3:'c'}:  
 print(k,v)`

7. `for x in {1:'a',2:'b',3:'c'}.values():  
 print(x)`

8. `for x in {1:'a',2:'b',3:'c'}.keys():  
 print(x)`

9. `for x in {1:'a',2:'b',3:'c'}.items():  
 print(x)`

10. `for x,y in {1:'a',2:'b',3:'c'}.items():  
 print(x,y)`

### Questions - Are they equivalent?

Look at the following code fragments: each contains two parts, A and B. For each fragment, try guessing whether part A will print exactly the same result printed by code in part B

- **FIRST** think about the answer
- **THEN** try executing

### Are they equivalent ? postin

```
diz = {
    'p':'t',
    'o':'i',
    's':'n',
}

print('A:')
for x in diz.keys():
    print(x)

print('\nB:')
for y in diz:
    print(y)
```

### Are they equivalent ? cortel

```
diz = {
    'c':'t',
    'o':'e',
    'r':'l',
}

print('A:')
for p,q in diz.items():
    print(q)

print('\nB:')
for x in diz.values():
    print(x)
```

### Are they equivalent ? - gel

```
diz = {
    'g':'l',
    'e':'e',
    'l':'g',
}

print('A:')
for x in diz.values():
    print(x)
```

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```
print ('\nB:')
for z in diz.items():
    print(z[0])
```

### Are they equivalent ? - giri

```
diz = {
    'p':'g',
    'e':'i',
    'r':'r',
    'i':'i',
}

print('A:')
for p,q in diz.items():
    if p == q:
        print(p)

print ('\nB:')
for x in diz:
    if x == diz[x]:
        print(x)
```

### Are they equivalent? - Found

First think if they are equivalent, then check with all the proposed values of k.

**Be very careful about this exercise !**

Getting this means having *really* understood dictionaries ;-)

```
k = 'w'
#k = 'h'
#k = 'y'
#k = 'z'

dct = {
    'w':'s',
    'h':'o',
    'y':'?',
}

print('A:')
for x in dct:
    if x == k:
        print('Found', dct[x])

print ('\nB:')
if k in dct:
    print('Found', dct[k])
```

```
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```

**ANSWER:** The two codes reported above are equivalent, with an important difference: code A will be executed in a time proportional to the dimension of `dct` (because it needs to go through all the dictionary), code B instead will be always executed in a short constant time which does *not* depend on the dimension of `dct`. Both the command `if k in dct`, and the expression `dct [k]` (which retrieves the value associated to key `k`) are extremely fast.

**WARNING: be sure to fully understand this point!**

So many people write code as in part A, losing the main feature of dictionaries which is fast access. As long as data is small you may not notice, but when we have several megabytes of key/value couples you start feeling the time lost in pointless loops! For more you can read (or review) the section [Fast disorder<sup>167</sup>](#) in the dictionaries tutorial.

```
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```

## Iteration exercises

### Exercise - color of hearts

⊕ Write some code which given a dictionary `suits`, for each suits prints its color.

Example - given:

```
suits = {
    'hearts':'red',
    'spades':'black',
    'diamonds':'red',
    'clubs':'black'
}
```

Prints:

**WARNING:** do not care about the order in which values are printed!

On your computer you might see different results, the important bit is that all rows get printed.

```
The color of spades is black
The color of diamonds is red
The color of hearts is red
The color of clubs is black
```

```
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```

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```
suits = {
    'hearts':'red',
    'spades':'black',
    'diamonds':'red',
    'clubs':'black'
```

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<sup>167</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/dictionaries/dictionaries2-sol.html#Fast-disorder>

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```
}
```

# write here

```
for k in suits.keys():
    print('The color of', k, 'is', suits[k])
```

The color of hearts is red  
The color of spades is black  
The color of diamonds is red  
The color of clubs is black

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[6]:

```
suits = {
    'hearts':'red',
    'spades':'black',
    'diamonds':'red',
    'clubs':'black'
}

# write here
```

### Exercise - jewels

⊕ In the dictionary `jewels` some keys are equal to the respective values. Write some code which find such keys and prints them all.

Example - given:

```
jewels = {
    'rubies': 'jade',
    'opals': 'topazes',
    'gems': 'gems',
    'diamonds': 'gems',
    'rubies': 'rubies'
}
```

prints:

```
couple of equal elements: gems and gems
couple of equal elements: rubies and rubies
```

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[7]:

```
jewels = {
    'rubies': 'jade',
    'opals': 'topazes',
    'gems': 'gems',
    'diamonds': 'gems',
```

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```

    'rubies':'rubies'
}

# write here
for k,v in jewels.items():
    if k == v:
        print('couple of equal elements:',k, 'and', v)

couple of equal elements: rubies and rubies
couple of equal elements: gems and gems

```

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[7]:

```

jewels = {
    'rubies': 'jade',
    'opals': 'topazes',
    'gems': 'gems',
    'diamonds': 'gems',
    'rubies': 'rubies'
}

# write here

```

## Exercise - powers

⊕ Given a number n, write some code which creates a NEW dictionary d containing as keys the numbers from 1 a n INCLUDED, by associating keys to their squares.

Example - given:

n = 5

after your code, it must result:

```

>>> print(d)
{1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9, 4: 16, 5: 25}

```

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[8]:

```

n = 5

# write here
d = {}
for i in range(1,n+1):
    d[i] = i*i

print(d)
{1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9, 4: 16, 5: 25}

```

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[8]:

```
n = 5  
# write here
```

### Exercise - flowers

⊕ Given a list `flowers`, write some code which creates a NEW dictionary `is_cap` which associates to each flower True if the flower name is written all uppercase, and False otherwise

- **HINT:** to verify whether a string is all uppercase, use `.isupper()` method

```
flowers = ['sunflower', 'GILLYFLOWER', 'tulip', 'PASSION FLOWER', 'ROSE', 'violet']
```

prints (they are in alphabetical order because we print with `pprint`):

```
>>> from pprint import pprint  
>>> pprint(is_cap)  
{'GILLYFLOWER': True,  
 'PASSION FLOWER': True,  
 'ROSE': True,  
 'sunflower': False,  
 'tulip': False,  
 'violet': False}
```

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[9]:

```
flowers = ['sunflower', 'GILLYFLOWER', 'tulip', 'PASSION FLOWER', 'ROSE', 'violet']  
  
# write here  
  
is_cap = {}  
for el in flowers:  
    is_cap[el] = el.isupper()  
  
from pprint import pprint  
pprint(is_cap)  
  
{'GILLYFLOWER': True,  
 'PASSION FLOWER': True,  
 'ROSE': True,  
 'sunflower': False,  
 'tulip': False,  
 'violet': False}
```

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[9]:

```
flowers = ['sunflower', 'GILLYFLOWER', 'tulip', 'PASSION FLOWER', 'ROSE', 'violet']  
  
# write here
```

## Exercise - art

⊕ An artist painted a series of works with different techniques. In the dictionary `prices` he writes the price of each technique. The artist intend to promote a series of exhibitions, and in each of them he will present a particular technique. Supposing for each technique he produced `q` paintings, show how much he will learn in each exhibition (suppose he sells everything).

Example - given:

```
q = 20

exhibitions = ['watercolor', 'oil', 'mural', 'tempera', 'charcoal', 'ink']

prices = {'watercolor': 3000,
          'oil'      : 6000,
          'mural'    : 2000,
          'tempera'  : 4000,
          'charcoal' : 7000,
          'ink'      : 1000
        }
```

Prints - **this time order matters!!**

```
Expected Income:
exhibition watercolor : 60000 €
exhibition oil : 120000 €
exhibition mural : 40000 €
exhibition tempera : 80000 €
exhibition charcoal : 140000 €
exhibition ink : 20000 €
```

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[10]:

```
q = 20

exhibitions = ['watercolor', 'oil', 'mural', 'tempera', 'charcoal', 'ink']

prices = {'watercolor': 3000,
          'oil'      : 6000,
          'mural'    : 2000,
          'tempera'  : 4000,
          'charcoal' : 7000,
          'ink'      : 1000
        }

# write here

print('Expected Income:')
for i in range(len(exhibitions)):
    technique = exhibitions[i]
    print(' exhibition', technique, ":", prices[technique]*q, '€')
```

Expected Income:

```
exhibition watercolor : 60000 €
exhibition oil : 120000 €
exhibition mural : 40000 €
```

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```
exhibition tempера : 80000 €  
exhibition charcoal : 140000 €  
exhibition ink : 20000 €
```

```
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```

[10]:

```
q = 20  
  
exhibitions = ['watercolor', 'oil', 'mural', 'tempера', 'charcoal', 'ink']  
  
prices = {'watercolor': 3000,  
          'oil' : 6000,  
          'mural' : 2000,  
          'tempера' : 4000,  
          'charcoal' : 7000,  
          'ink' : 1000  
}  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - stationery stores

⊕ An owner of two stationery shops, in order to reorganize the stores wants to know the materials which are in common among the shops. Given two dictionaries `store1` and `store2` which associates objects to their quantity, write some code which finds all the keys in common and for each prints the sum of the found quantities.

Example - given:

```
store1 = {'pens':10,  
          'folders':20,  
          'papers':30,  
          'scissors':40}  
  
store2 = {'pens':80,  
          'folders':90,  
          'goniometer':130,  
          'scissors':110,  
          'rulers':120,  
          }  
  
prints (order is not important):
```

```
materials in common:  
  pens : 90  
  folders : 110  
  scissors : 150
```

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[11]:

```
store1 = {'pens':10,
```

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```

'folders':20,
'papers':30,
'scissors':40}

store2 = {'pens':80,
          'folders':90,
          'goniometer':130,
          'scissors':110,
          'rulers':120,
        }
# write here

print('materials in common:')
for k in store1:
    if k in store2:
        print(' ',k, ':', store1[k] + store2[k])

materials in common:
pens : 90
folders : 110
scissors : 150

```

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[11]:

```

store1 = {'pens':10,
          'folders':20,
          'papers':30,
          'scissors':40}

store2 = {'pens':80,
          'folders':90,
          'goniometer':130,
          'scissors':110,
          'rulers':120,
        }
# write here

```

## Exercise - legumes

⊕ A store has numbered shelves, each containing a number of legumes expressed in kilograms. We represent `store` as a list. There is also a `registry` available as a dictionary which associates to legume names the shelves number in which they are contained.

Write some code which given a list of legume names, shows the sum of kilograms in the store for those legumes.

Example - given:

```

legumes = ['lentils', 'soy']

#      0  1  2  3  4  5
store = [50,90,70,10,20,50]

registry = {'peas':3,

```

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```
'soy':1,  
'chickpeas':5,  
'lentils':4,  
'broad beans':2,  
'beans':0,  
}
```

after your code, it must print (order does **not** matter):

```
Searching for lentils and soy ...  
Found 20 kg of lentils  
Found 90 kg of soy  
Total: 110 kg
```

```
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```
legumes = ['lentils', 'soy']      # 110  
#legumes = ['beans', 'broad beans', 'chickpeas']    # 170  
  
#      0  1  2  3  4  5  
store = [50,90,70,10,20,50]  
  
registry = {'peas':3,  
            'soy':1,  
            'chickpeas':5,  
            'lentils':4,  
            'broad beans':2,  
            'beans':0,  
        }  
# write here  
print('Searching for', ' and '.join(legumes), '...')  
s = 0  
for leg in legumes:  
    print('Found', store[registry[leg]], 'kg of', leg)  
    s += store[registry[leg]]  
  
print('Total:', s, 'kg')
```

```
Searching for lentils and soy ...  
Found 20 kg of lentils  
Found 90 kg of soy  
Total: 110 kg
```

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[12]:

```
legumes = ['lentils', 'soy']      # 110  
#legumes = ['beans', 'broad beans', 'chickpeas']    # 170  
  
#      0  1  2  3  4  5  
store = [50,90,70,10,20,50]  
  
registry = {'peas':3,  
            'soy':1,  
            'chickpeas':5,
```

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```

        'lentils':4,
        'broad beans':2,
        'beans':0,
}
# write here

```

### Exercise - smog

⊕ Write some code which given two dictionaries `smog` and `prepositions` which associate places to respectively values of smog and prepositions, prints all the places telling:

- ‘PREPOSITION PLACE’ the smog is excessive if the value is greater than 30
- ‘PREPOSITION PLACE’ the smog is tolerable otherwise
- **NOTE:** when printing the first preposition character must be capital: to transform the string you can use the method `.capitalize()`

Example - given:

```

smog = {'streets'      : 40,
        'cities'       : 20,
        'intersections' : 90,
        'trains'       : 15,
        'lakes'        : 5
}

propositions = {
    'streets'      : 'on',
    'cities'       : 'in',
    'lakes'        : 'at',
    'trains'       : 'on',
    'intersections' : 'at',
}

```

prints (order **does not** matter):

```

On streets the smog level is excessive
In cities the smog level is tolerable
At intersections the smog level is excessive
On trains the smog level is tolerable
At lakes the smog level is tolerable

```

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[13]:

```

smog = {'streets'      : 40,
        'cities'       : 20,
        'intersections' : 90,
        'trains'       : 15,
        'lakes'        : 5
}

```

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```

prepositions = {
    'streets'      : 'on',
    'cities'       : 'in',
    'lakes'        : 'at',
    'trains'       : 'on',
    'intersections': 'at',
}

# write here
for x in smog:
    if smog[x] > 30:
        print(prepositions[x].capitalize(), x, "the smog level is excessive")
    else:
        print(prepositions[x].capitalize(), x, "the smog level is tolerable")

On streets the smog level is excessive
In cities the smog level is tolerable
At intersections the smog level is excessive
On trains the smog level is tolerable
At lakes the smog level is tolerable

```

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[13]:

```

smog = {'streets'      : 40,
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        'intersections': 90,
        'trains'       : 15,
        'lakes'        : 5
    }

prepositions = {
    'streets'      : 'on',
    'cities'       : 'in',
    'lakes'        : 'at',
    'trains'       : 'on',
    'intersections': 'at',
}

# write here

```

## Exercise - sports

⊗⊗ Write some code which given a dictionary `sports` in which people are associated to the favourite sport, create a NEW dictionary `counts` in which associates each sport to the number of people that prefer it

Exemple - given:

```

sports = {
    'Gianni':'soccer',
    'Paolo':'tennis',
    'Sara':'volleyball',
    'Elena':'tennis',
}

```

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```
'Roberto':'soccer',
'Carla':'soccer',
}
```

After your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(counts)
{'tennis': 2, 'soccer': 3, 'volleyball': 1}
```

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```
[14]: sports = {
    'Gianni':'soccer',
    'Paolo':'tennis',
    'Sara':'volleyball',
    'Elena':'tennis',
    'Roberto':'soccer',
    'Carla':'soccer',
}

# write here

counts = {}

for k,v in sports.items():
    if v in counts:
        counts[v] += 1
    else:
        counts[v] = 1

print(counts)
{'soccer': 3, 'tennis': 2, 'volleyball': 1}
```

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```
[14]: sports = {
    'Gianni':'soccer',
    'Paolo':'tennis',
    'Sara':'volleyball',
    'Elena':'tennis',
    'Roberto':'soccer',
    'Carla':'soccer',
}

# write here

{'soccer': 3, 'tennis': 2, 'volleyball': 1}
```

**Exercise - green lizard**

⊗⊗ Write some code which given a set search of characters to find, counts for each how many are present in the string text and places the number in the dictionary counts

Example - given:

```
[15]: search = {'i','t','r'}
text = "A diurnal lizard of green and brown color A pattern may also be present in_
→the form of dark slate grey streaks or spots. When found with a brown coloration,_
→sometimes with lighter stripe down the back."
counts = {}
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(counts)
{'r': 5, 'i': 2, 't': 0}
```

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```
[16]: #jupman-ignore-output
search = {'i','t','r'}
text = "A diurnal lizard of green and brown color."
counts = {}

# write here

# solution 1, most efficient
for char in search:
    counts[char] = 0
for char in text:
    if char in search:
        counts[char] += 1

print(counts)

# solution 2, less efficient (scans text n times with count)
for char in search:
    counts[char] = text.count(char)

print(counts)
```

{'t': 0, 'i': 2, 'r': 5}  
{'t': 0, 'i': 2, 'r': 5}

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```
[16]: #jupman-ignore-output
search = {'i','t','r'}
text = "A diurnal lizard of green and brown color."
counts = {}

# write here
```

{'t': 0, 'i': 2, 'r': 5}  
{'t': 0, 'i': 2, 'r': 5}

## Modifying a dictionary during iteration

Suppose you have a dictionary of provinces:

```
provinces = {
    'tn': 'Trento',
    'mi': 'Milano',
    'na': 'Napoli',
}
```

and you want to MODIFY it so that after your code the acronyms are added as capitalized:

```
>>> print(provinces)
{'tn': 'Trento',
 'mi': 'Milano',
 'na': 'Napoli',
 'TN': 'Trento',
 'MI': 'Milano',
 'NA': 'Napoli'}
```

You might think to write something like this:

```
for key in provinces:
    provinces[key.upper()] = provinces[key]      # WARNING !
```

**QUESTION:** Do you see any problem?

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**ANSWER:** if you go through a dictionary and in *the meanwhile* you keep adding pieces, there is a concrete risk we will never terminate examining the keys !

So carefully read what follows:

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**X COMMANDMENT<sup>168</sup>:** You shall never ever add nor remove elements from a dictionary you are iterating with a for !

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In this case, if we try executing the code, we will get an explicit error:

```
-----
RuntimeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-26-9b20900057e8> in <module>()
----> 1 for key in provinces:
        2     provinces[key.upper()] = provinces[key]      # WARNING !
RuntimeError: dictionary changed size during iteration
```

but in other cases (like for example lists) modifying stuff **may produce totally unpredictable behaviours** (do you know the expression *pulling the rug out from under your feet ?* )

**What about removing?** We've seen adding is dangerous, but so is removing.

Suppose we want to remove any couple having as value 'Trento'

<sup>168</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commands.html#X-COMMANDMENT>

```
provinces = {
    'tn': 'Trento',
    'mi':'Milano',
    'na':'Napoli',
}
```

to obtain:

```
>>> print(provinces)
{'mi':'Milano',
 'na':'Napoli'}
```

If we try executing something like this Python notices and raises an exception:

```
provinces = {
    'tn': 'Trento',
    'mi':'Milano',
    'na':'Napoli',
}

for key in provinces:
    if provinces[key] == 'Trento':
        del provinces[key]      # VERY BAD IDEA
```

```
-----
RuntimeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-23-5df0fd659120> in <module>()
      5     'na':'Napoli'
      6 }
----> 7 for key in provinces:
     8     if provinces[key] == 'Trento':
     9         del provinces[key]      # VERY BAD IDEA

RuntimeError: dictionary changed size during iteration
```

If you really need to remove elements from the sequence in which you are iterating, use a `while` cycle<sup>169</sup> or first copy the original sequence.

### Exercise - zazb

⊕⊕ Write some code which given a dictionary `chars` with characters as keys, MODIFY the dictionary so to add keys like the existing ones prefixed with character '`'z'`' - new keys should be associated with the constant integer 10

Example - given:

```
chars = {
    'a':3,
    'b':8,
    'c':4
}
```

after your code, `chars` should result MODIFIED like this:

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<sup>169</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/control-flow/flow3-while-sol.html>

```
>>> chars
{
    'a':3,
    'b':8,
    'c':4,
    'za':10,
    'zb':10,
    'zc':10
}
```

**QUESTION:** Is it desirable to write a solution like the following one? Read carefully!

```
chars = {
    'a':3,
    'b':8,
    'c':4
}

for key in chars:
    chars['z'+key] = 10      # WARNING !! TROUBLE AHEAD !!
```

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**ANSWER:** Absolutely not - in this case we're lucky and we will obtain an explicit error, in other cases we might obtain infinite loops or incomprehensible results:

```
-----
RuntimeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-36-550c4c302120> in <module>()
    5 }
    6
----> 7 for key in chars:
     8     chars['z'+key] = 10

RuntimeError: dictionary changed size during iteration
```

**Do something better:** try now rewriting a version of the program without this bug:

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[17]:

```
chars = {
    'a':3,
    'b':8,
    'c':4
}

# write here

for el in list(chars.keys()): # list 'takes a picture' of the current keys state
    chars['z'+el] = 10

chars
[17]: {'a': 3, 'b': 8, 'c': 4, 'za': 10, 'zb': 10, 'zc': 10}
```

```
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```

[17]:

```
chars = {
    'a':3,
    'b':8,
    'c':4
}

# write here
```

### Exercise - DIY

⊕⊕ A depot for do-it-yourself hobbists has a catalog which associates object types to the shelves where to put them. Each day, a list of entries is populated with the newly arrived object types. Such types are placed in the depot, a dictionary which associates to each shelf the object type pointed by the catalog. Write some code which given the list entries and catalog, populates the dictionary depot

Example - given:

```
entries = ['chairs', 'lamps', 'cables']

catalog = {'stoves' : 'A',
           'chairs' : 'B',
           'carafes' : 'D',
           'lamps' : 'C',
           'cables' : 'F',
           'gardening' : 'E'}

depot = {}
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(depot)
{'B': 'chairs', 'C': 'lamps', 'F': 'cables'}
```

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[18]:

```
entries = ['chairs', 'lamps', 'cables'] # depot becomes: {'B': 'chairs', 'C': 'lamps'
                                         ↵, 'F': 'cables'}
#entries = ['carafes', 'gardening']      # depot becomes: {'D': 'carafes', 'E':
                                         ↵'gardening'}
#entries = ['stoves']                   # depot becomes: {'A': 'stoves'}

catalog = {'stoves' : 'A',
           'chairs' : 'B',
           'carafes' : 'D',
           'lamps' : 'C',
           'cables' : 'F',
           'gardening' : 'E'}

depot = {}
```

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```
# write here

depot = {}

for shipment in entries:
    depot[catalog[shipment]] = shipment

depot
[18]: {'B': 'chairs', 'C': 'lamps', 'F': 'cables'}
```

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```
[18]: entries = ['chairs', 'lamps', 'cables'] # depot becomes: {'B': 'chairs', 'C': 'lamps'
      ↪, 'F': 'cables'}
#entries = ['carafes', 'gardening']          # depot becomes: {'D': 'carafes', 'E':
      ↪'gardening'}
#entries = ['stoves']                         # depot becomes: {'A': 'stoves'}

catalog = {'stoves' : 'A',
           'chairs' : 'B',
           'carafes' : 'D',
           'lamps' : 'C',
           'cables' : 'F',
           'gardening' : 'E'}

depot = {}

# write here
```

## Exercise - mine

⊕⊕ Given a dictionary `mine` which associates keys to numbers, MODIFY the dictionary `extracted` associating the same keys of `mine` to lists with keys repeated the given number of times

Example - given:

```
mine = {'brass': 5,
        'iron' : 8,
        'copper' : 1}
extracted = {}
```

after your code it must result:

```
>>> print(extracted)
{'brass': ['brass', 'brass', 'brass', 'brass', 'brass'],
 'iron': ['iron', 'iron', 'iron', 'iron', 'iron', 'iron', 'iron'],
 'copper': ['copper']}
```

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[19]:

```
mine = {'brass': 5,
        'iron' : 8,
        'copper' : 1}
extracted = {}

# write here

for key in mine:
    extracted[key] = [key] * mine[key]

extracted
[19]: {'brass': ['brass', 'brass', 'brass', 'brass', 'brass'],
       'iron': ['iron', 'iron', 'iron', 'iron', 'iron', 'iron', 'iron'],
       'copper': ['copper']}</div>
```

[19]:

```
mine = {'brass': 5,
        'iron' : 8,
        'copper' : 1}
extracted = {}

# write here
```

### Continue

Go on with [nested for loops](#)<sup>170</sup>

## 6.2.7 For loops 7 - nested loops

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It's possible to include a `for` cycle inside another one, for example we could visit all the words of a list of strings and for each word we could print all its characters:

[2]:

```
lst = ["some",
       "light",
       "ahead"]

for string in lst:
    for char in string:
        print(char)
    print()
```

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<sup>170</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/for/for7-nested-sol.html>

<sup>171</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/for>

```
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g
h
t

a
h
e
a
d
```

## Nested for

What we said previously about variable names is still more important with nested loops:

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### II COMMANDMENT<sup>172</sup> Whenever you insert a variable in a `for` cycle, such variable must be new

---

If you defined a variable in an external `for`, you shall not reintroduce it in an internal `for`, because this would bring a lot of confusion. For example here `s` is introduced both in the external and in the internal loop:

```
[3]: for s in ['volleyball', 'tennis', 'soccer', 'swimming']:
    for s in range(3): # debugging hell, you lose the external cycle s
        print(s)

    print(s) # prints 2 instead of a sport!
```

```
0
1
2
0
1
2
0
1
2
0
1
2
```

---

<sup>172</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#II-COMMANDMENT>

### Questions - nested for

Look at the following code fragments , and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `for y in for x in range(3):  
 print(x,y)`

2. `for y in for x in range(2) in range(3):  
 print(x,y)`

3. `for y in range(3):  
 for x in range(2):  
 print(x,y)`

4. `for x in range(2):  
 for x in range(3):  
 print(x)  
 print(x)`

5. `for x in range(2):  
 for y in range(3):  
 print(x,y)  
 print(x,y)`

6. `for x in range(1):  
 for y in range(1):  
 print(x,y)`

7. `for x in range(2):  
 for y in range(3):  
 print(x,y)`

8. `la = 'abc'  
for x in la:  
 for y in la:  
 print(x)`

9. `for x in 'ab':  
 for y in 'cd':  
 print(x,y)  
 for y in 'ef':  
 print(x,y)`

10. `for x in 'abc':  
 for y in 'abc':  
 if x == y:  
 print(x)`

11. `for x in 'abc':  
 for y in 'abc':  
 if x != y:  
 print(x,y)`

```
12. lst = []
    for x in 'a':
        for y in 'bc':
            lst.append(x)
            lst.append(y)
    print(lst)
```

```
13. lst = []
    for x in 'abc':
        for y in 'de':
            lst.append('z')
    print(len(lst))
```

```
14. c = 1
    for x in range(1, 4):
        s = ''
        for y in range(1, 4):
            s = s + str(c)
            c += 1
    print(s)
```

### Exercise - casting

⊕ A new USA-Japanese videocultural production is going to be launched, so actors are called for casting. The director wants to try a scene with all the possible couples which can be formed among actors and actresses. Write some code which prints all the couples, also putting introduction messages.

- **NOTE:** the number of actors and actresses may be different

Exemple - given:

```
actresses = ['Leela', 'Wilma']
actors = ['Captain Harlock', 'Lupin', 'Kenshiro']
```

prints:

```
Leela enters the scene!
Captain Harlock enters the scene!
    Leela and Captain Harlock get ready ... ACTION!
    Thanks Captain Harlock - next one !
Lupin enters the scene!
    Leela and Lupin get ready ... ACTION!
    Thanks Lupin - next one !
Kenshiro enters the scene!
    Leela and Kenshiro get ready ... ACTION!
    Thanks Kenshiro - next one !
Thanks Leela - next one !
Wilma enters the scene!
Captain Harlock enters the scene!
    Wilma and Captain Harlock get ready ... ACTION!
    Thanks Captain Harlock - next one !
Lupin enters the scene!
    Wilma and Lupin get ready ... ACTION!
    Thanks Lupin - next one !
Kenshiro enters the scene!
```

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```
Wilma and Kenshiro get ready ... ACTION!
Thanks Kenshiro - next one !
Thanks Wilma - next one !

Casting is over for today!
```

```
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```

[4]:

```
actresses = ['Leela', 'Wilma']
actors = ['Captain Harlock', 'Lupin', 'Kenshiro']

# write here
for actress in actresses:
    print(actress, 'enters the scene!')
    for actor in actors:
        print(' ', actor, 'enters the scene!')

        print(' ', actress, 'and', actor, 'get ready ... ACTION!')
        print(' Thanks', actor, '- next one !')
    print('Thanks', actress, '- next one !')
print()
print('Casting is over for today!')
```

```
Leela enters the scene!
Captain Harlock enters the scene!
Leela and Captain Harlock get ready ... ACTION!
Thanks Captain Harlock - next one !
Lupin enters the scene!
Leela and Lupin get ready ... ACTION!
Thanks Lupin - next one !
Kenshiro enters the scene!
Leela and Kenshiro get ready ... ACTION!
Thanks Kenshiro - next one !
Thanks Leela - next one !
Wilma enters the scene!
Captain Harlock enters the scene!
Wilma and Captain Harlock get ready ... ACTION!
Thanks Captain Harlock - next one !
Lupin enters the scene!
Wilma and Lupin get ready ... ACTION!
Thanks Lupin - next one !
Kenshiro enters the scene!
Wilma and Kenshiro get ready ... ACTION!
Thanks Kenshiro - next one !
Thanks Wilma - next one !

Casting is over for today!
```

```
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```

[4]:

```
actresses = ['Leela', 'Wilma']
actors = ['Captain Harlock', 'Lupin', 'Kenshiro']

# write here
```

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### Exercise - cover the plane

- ⊕ Given the integers  $a$  and  $b$ , write some code which prints all the possible couples of numbers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $1 \leq x \leq a$  and  $1 \leq y \leq b$

For example, given:

```
a, b = 5, 3
```

it must print:

```
1 1
1 2
1 3
2 1
2 2
2 3
3 1
3 2
3 3
4 1
4 2
4 3
5 1
5 2
5 3
```

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[5] :

```
a, b = 5, 3

# write here
for x in range(1, a+1):
    for y in range(1, b+1):
        print(x, y)
```

```
1 1
1 2
1 3
2 1
2 2
2 3
3 1
3 2
3 3
4 1
4 2
4 3
5 1
5 2
5 3
```

```
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```

[5]:

```
a, b = 5, 3  
# write here
```

### Exercise - triangular

⊕ Given the integer  $a$ , write some code which prints all the possible couples of numbers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $0 \leq x \leq y < a$

For example, for

```
a = 5
```

it must print:

```
0 0  
0 1  
0 2  
0 3  
0 4  
1 1  
1 2  
1 3  
1 4  
2 2  
2 3  
2 4  
3 3  
3 4  
4 4
```

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[6]:

```
a = 5  
# write here  
for x in range(a):  
    for y in range(x,a):  
        print(x,y)
```

```
0 0  
0 1  
0 2  
0 3  
0 4  
1 1  
1 2  
1 3  
1 4  
2 2  
2 3  
2 4
```

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```
3 3
3 4
4 4
```

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[6]:

```
a = 5
# write here
```

### Exercise - port

⊕ Write some code which given a list `words` and a list `characters`, for each word calculates how many characters it contains

- **ONLY** count the characters present in `characters`
- **ONLY** print the result if the number is greater than zero

Example - given:

```
words = ['ships', 'pier', 'oar', 'fish trap', 'sails', 'trawling net']
characters = ['n', 'i', 's']
```

prints:

```
ships contains 1 i
ships contains 2 s
pier contains 1 i
fish trap contains 1 i
fish trap contains 1 s
sails contains 1 i
sails contains 2 s
trawling net contains 2 n
trawling net contains 1 i
```

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[7]:

```
words = ['ships', 'pier', 'oar', 'fish trap', 'sails', 'trawling net']
characters = ['n', 'i', 's']
```

```
# write here
```

```
for x in words:
    for y in characters:
        if y in x:
            print(x, 'contains', x.count(y), y)
```

```
ships contains 1 i
ships contains 2 s
pier contains 1 i
```

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```
fish trap contains 1 i
fish trap contains 1 s
sails contains 1 i
sails contains 2 s
trawling net contains 2 n
trawling net contains 1 i
```

```
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```

```
[7]:
```

```
words = ['ships', 'pier', 'oar', 'fish trap', 'sails', 'trawling net']
characters = ['n', 'i', 's']

# write here
```

## Exercise - polygons

⊕⊕ Given a list `polygons` with polygon names ordered by sides number starting from a triangle, write some code which prints all the possible questions we can form regarding the number of sides. Start from a minimum of 3 sides until a maximum corresponding to the number of sides of the last polygon (remember names are ordered by number of sides!)

Example - given:

```
#          0      1      2      3
polygons = ["triangle", "square", "pentagon", "hexagon"]
```

prints:

```
Does the triangle have 3 sides? True
Does the triangle have 4 sides? False
Does the triangle have 5 sides? False
Does the triangle have 6 sides? False
Does the square have 3 sides? False
Does the square have 4 sides? True
Does the square have 5 sides? False
Does the square have 6 sides? False
Does the pentagon have 3 sides? False
Does the pentagon have 4 sides? False
Does the pentagon have 5 sides? True
Does the pentagon have 6 sides? False
Does the hexagon have 3 sides? False
Does the hexagon have 4 sides? False
Does the hexagon have 5 sides? False
Does the hexagon have 6 sides? True
```

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```
[8]:
```

```
#          0      1      2      3
polygons = ["triangle", "square", "pentagon", "hexagon"]
```

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```
# write here
for i in range(len(polygons)):
    for j in range(len(polygons)):
        print('Does the', polygons[i], 'have', j+3, 'sides?', i+3 == j+3 )
```

```
Does the triangle have 3 sides? True
Does the triangle have 4 sides? False
Does the triangle have 5 sides? False
Does the triangle have 6 sides? False
Does the square have 3 sides? False
Does the square have 4 sides? True
Does the square have 5 sides? False
Does the square have 6 sides? False
Does the pentagon have 3 sides? False
Does the pentagon have 4 sides? False
Does the pentagon have 5 sides? True
Does the pentagon have 6 sides? False
Does the hexagon have 3 sides? False
Does the hexagon have 4 sides? False
Does the hexagon have 5 sides? False
Does the hexagon have 6 sides? True
```

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[8]:

```
#          0           1           2           3
polygons = ["triangle", "square", "pentagon", "hexagon"]

# write here
```

### Exercise - bon jour

⊕⊕⊕ Given two strings `sa` and `sb` in lowercase, write some code which prints single letters from `sa` as upper case, followed by all possible combinations of `sb` where ONLY ONE character is uppercase.

Example - given:

```
sa = 'bon'
sb = 'jour'
```

Must print:

```
B Jour
B jOur
B joUr
B jouR
O Jour
O jOur
O joUr
O jouR
N Jour
N jOur
N joUr
N jouR
```

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[9] :

```
sa = 'bon'
sb = 'jour'

# write here

for c1 in sa:
    for i in range(len(sb)):
        print(c1.upper() + ' ' + sb[:i] + sb[i].upper() + sb[i+1:])

B Jour
B jOur
B joUr
B jouR
O Jour
O jOur
O joUr
O jouR
N Jour
N jOur
N joUr
N jouR
```

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[9] :

```
sa = 'bon'
sb = 'jour'

# write here
```

## 6.3 While cycle

### 6.3.1 Cicli while

[Download exercises zip](#)

Browse online files<sup>173</sup>

Let's see how to repeat instructions by executing them inside `while` loops.

The main feature of `while` loop is allowing to explicitly control when the loop should end. Typically, such loops are used when we must *iterate* on a sequence of which we don't know the dimension, or it can vary over time, or several conditions might determine the cycle stop.

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<sup>173</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/while>

## What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
while
    while1.ipynb
    while1-sol.ipynb
    while2-chal.ipynb
    jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `while.ipynb`
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press `Control + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press `Shift + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press `Alt + Enter`
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select `Kernel -> Restart`

## Counting with a while

A `while` cycle is a code block which is executed when a certain boolean condition is verified. The code block is repeatedly executed as long as the condition is true.

Let's see an example:

```
[2]: i = 1

while i < 4:
    print('Counted', i)
    i += 1

print('Loop is over!')
```

Counted 1  
Counted 2  
Counted 3  
Loop is over!

In the example, the boolean condition is

```
i < 4
```

the block to repeatedly executed is

```
print('Counted', i)
i += 1
```

Like any Python code blocks, the block is indented with spaces (usually 4).

Have a better look at the execution in Python Tutor and read the following comment.

```
[3]: # WARNING: FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter
#           (it's sufficient to execute it only once)

import jupman
```

```
[4]: i = 1
while i < 4:
    print('Counted', i)
    i += 1

print('Loop is over !')

jupman.pytut()
```

```
Counted 1
Counted 2
Counted 3
Loop is over !
```

```
[4]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

In the example we used a variable we called `i` and we initialized it to zero.

At the beginning of the cycle `i` is valued 1, so the boolean expression `i < 4` is evaluated as `True`. Since it's `True`, execution continues inside the block with the `print` and finally MODIFIES `i` by incrementing `i += 1`.

Now the execution goes to `while` row, and condition `i < 4` is evaluated again. At this second iteration `i` is valued 2, so the boolean expression `i < 4` is again evaluated to `True` and the execution remains inside the block. A new `print` is done and `i` gets incremented.

Another loop is done until `i` is valued 4. A that point `i < 4` produces `False` so in that moment execution *exits* the `while` block and goes on with the commands at the same indentation level as the `while`

### Terminating while

When we have a `while` cycle, typically sooner or later we want it to terminate (programs which hang aren't users' favourites ...). To guarantee termination, we need:

1. initializing a variable outside the cycle
2. a condition after the `while` command which evaluates that variable (and optionally other things)
3. at least one instruction in the internal block which MODIFIES the variable, so that sooner or later is going to satisfy condition 2

If any of these points is omitted, we will have problems. Let's try forgetting them on purpose:

**Error 1: omit initialization.** As in those cases in Python where we forgot to initialize a variable (let's try `j` in this case), the execution is interrupted as soon we try using the variable:

```
print("About to enter the cycle .")
while j < 4:
    print('Counted', j)
    j += 1

print('Loop is over !')
```

```
About to enter the cycle ..
```

```
NameError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-277-3f311955204d> in <module>()
      1 print("About to enter the cycle ..")
----> 2 while j < 4:
      3     print('Counted', j)
      4     j += 1
      5

NameError: name 'j' is not defined
```

**Error 2: omit using the variable in the condition.** If we forget to evaluate the variable, for example using another one by mistake (say `x`), the loop will never stop:

```
i = 1
x = 1
print('About to enter the cycle ..')
while x < 4: # evaluates x instead of i
    print('Counted', i)
    i += 1

print('Loop is over !')
```

```
About to enter the cycle ..
```

```
Counted 1
Counted 2
Counted 3
Counted 4
Counted 5
Counted 6
.
.
```

**Error 3: Omit to MODIFY the variable in the internal block.** If we forget to place at least one instruction which MODIFIES the variable used in the condition, whenever the condition is evaluated it will always produce the same boolean value `False` preventing a cycle exit:

```
i = 1
print('About to enter the cycle ..')
while i < 4:
    print('Counted', i)

print('Loop is over !')
```

```
About to enter the cycle ..
```

```
Counted 1
Counted 1
Counted 1
Counted 1
Counted 1
.
.
```

### Non terminating while

**QUESTION:** Can you imagine a program which *never* terminates?

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**ANSWER:** if you live nearby a hydropower or nuclear plant, what happens if the program regulating the water stops?

Or: suppose you are inside an airplane and the program which checks the fuel flux to the engine suddenly stops. Could this be a problem?

All programs if well written must foresee termination, but some software are executed for such a long time that termination is to be considered an exceptional event.

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### Questions

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments , and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. 

```
i = 0
while i < 3:
    print(i)
```

2. 

```
k = 0
while k < 5:
    print(k)
    k + 1
```

3. 

```
i = 0
while i < 3:
    print(i)
i += 1
```

4. 

```
i = 0
while False:
    print(i)
    i += 1
print('Done !')
```

5. 

```
i = 0
while i < 3:
    print(i)
    i += 1
```

6. 

```
k = 0
while k < 2:
    print(i)
    k += 1
```

7. 

```
i = 0
while i < 3:
    print('GAM')
    i = i + 1
```

```
8. while zanza < 2
    print('ZANZA')
    zanza += 1
```

```
9. i = 0
while False:
    print(i)
    i = i + 1
print('DARK')
```

```
10. i = 0
while True:
    print(i)
    i = i + 1
print('LIGHT')
```

```
11. while 2 + 3:
    print('z')
    print('')
```

```
12. i = 10
while i > 0:
    if i > 5:
        print(i)
        i -= 1
print('WAM')
```

```
13. i = 10
while i > 0:
    if i > 5:
        print(i)
    i -= 1
print('MAW')
```

```
14. import random
x = 0
while x < 7:
    x = random.randint(1, 10)
    print(x)

print('LUCK')
```

```
15. x, y = 0, 0
while x + y < 4:
    x += 1
    y += 1
    print(x, y)
```

```
16. x, y = 0, 3
while x < y:
    print(x, y)
    x += 1
    y -= 1
```

## Esercises

### Exercise - printeven

⊕ Write some code to print all the odd numbers from 1 to k in a while cycle

- for  $k < 1$  prints nothing

Example - given:

```
k = 5
```

after your code it must print:

```
1  
3  
5
```

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[5] :

```
k = 5    # 1 3 5  
#k = 1    # 1  
#k = 0    # no print  
  
# write here  
i = 1  
while i <= k:  
    if i % 2 == 1:  
        print(i)  
    i += 1
```

```
1  
3  
5
```

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[5] :

```
k = 5    # 1 3 5  
#k = 1    # 1  
#k = 0    # no print  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - average

⊕ Write some code that given a list `numbers`, calculates the average of values using a `while` and then prints it.

- if the list is not empty, the average is supposed to be `0.0`
- **DO NOT** use the function `sum`
- DO NOT create variables called `sum` (would violate the **V COMMANDMENT**<sup>174</sup>: you shall never ever redefine system functions)

Example - given:

```
numbers = [8, 6, 5, 9]
```

prints

```
7.0
```

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[6]:

```
numbers = [8, 6, 5, 9] # 7.0
#numbers = [3, 1, 2] # 2.0
#numbers = [] # 0

# write here
s = 0.0
i = 0
while i < len(numbers):
    s += numbers[i]
    i += 1

if len(numbers) > 0:
    print(s / len(numbers))
else:
    print(0.0)
```

```
7.0
```

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[6]:

```
numbers = [8, 6, 5, 9] # 7.0
#numbers = [3, 1, 2] # 2.0
#numbers = [] # 0

# write here
```

<sup>174</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commands.html#V-COMMANDMENT>

### break and continue commands

For getting even more control on cycle execution we can use the commands `break` and `continue`

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#### NOTE: Use them sparingly!

When there is a lot of code in the cycle it's easy to 'forget' about their presence and introduce hard-to-discover bugs. On the other hand, in some selected cases these commands may increase code readability, so as everything use your judgement.

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### Terminate with a break

The scheme we've seen to have a terminating `while` is the recommended one, but if we have a condition which does NOT evaluate the variable we are incrementing (like for example the constant expression `True`), as an alternative to immediately exit the cycle we can use the command `break`:

```
[7]: i = 1
while True:

    print('Counted', i)

    if i > 3:
        print('break! Exiting the loop!')
        break
        print('After the break')

    i += 1

print('Loop is over !')
```

Counted 1  
Counted 2  
Counted 3  
Counted 4  
break! Exiting the loop!  
Loop is over !

Note After the `break` is *not* shown.

### Jumping with continue

We can bring the execution immediately to the next iteration by calling `continue`, which directly jumps to the condition check without executing the instructions after the `continue`.

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#### WARNING: `continue` instructions if used carelessly can cause infinite loops !

When using `continue` ensure it doesn't jump the instruction which modifies the variable used in the termination condition (or it doesn't jump a `break` needed for exiting the cycle)!

To avoid problems here we incremented `i` before the `if` with a `continue`:

```
[8]: i = 1
while i < 5:
    print('Counted', i)

    i += 1

    if i % 2 == 1:
        print('continue, jumping to condition check')
        continue
        print('After the continue')

    print('arrived till the end')

print('Loop is over !')

Counted 1
arrived till the end
Counted 2
continue, jumping to condition check
Counted 3
arrived till the end
Counted 4
continue, jumping to condition check
Loop is over !
```

Let's try combining break and continue, and see what happens in Python Tutor:

```
[9]: i = 1
while i < 5:
    print('Counted', i)
    if i > 3:
        print('break! Exiting the cycle!')
        break
        print('After the break')
    i += 1
    if i % 2 == 1:
        print('continue, jumping to next condition check')
        continue
        print('After the continue')
    print('arrived till the end')

print('Loop is over !')

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Counted 1
arrived till the end
Counted 2
continue, jumping to next condition check
Counted 3
arrived till the end
Counted 4
break! Exiting the cycle!
Loop is over !
```

[9]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

### Questions about break and continue

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments , and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. 

```
i = 1
while i < 4:
    print('Counted', i)
    i += 1
    continue

print('Loop is over !')
```

2. 

```
i = 1
while i < 4:
    print('Counted', i)
    continue
    i += 1

print('Loop is over !')
```

3. 

```
i = 3
while i > 0:
    print('Counted', i)
    if i == 2:
        print('continue, jumping to condition check')
        continue
    i -= 1
    print('arrived till the end')

print('Loop is over !')
```

4. 

```
i = 0
while True:
    i += 1
    print(i)
    if i > 3:
        break

print('BONG')
```

5. 

```
i = 0
while True:
    if i < 3:
        continue
    else:
        break
    i += 1

print('ZONG')
```

6. 

```
i = 0
while True:
    i += 1
    if i < 3:
```

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```

    continue
else:
    break

print('ZANG')

```

### Questions - Are they equivalent?

Look at the following code fragments: each contains two parts, A and B. For each value of the variables they depend on, try guessing whether part A will print exactly the same result printed by code in part B

- **FIRST** think about the answer and **write down the expected output**
- **THEN** try executing with each of the values of suggested variables

### Are they equivalent? - BORG

```

print('A:')
while True:
    print('BORG')
    break

print('\nB:')
while False:
    pass
print('BORG')

```

### Are they equivalent? - until 3

```

print('A:')
x = 0
while x < 3:
    print(x)
    x += 1

print('\nB:')
x = 1
while x <= 3:
    print(x-1)
    x += 1

```

### Are they equivalent? - by chance

Remember randint (a, b) gives back a random integer N such that a <= N <= b

```
print('A:')
x = 0
while x < 3:
    x += 1
print(x)

print('\nB:')
x = 0
import random
while x != 3:
    x = random.randint(1,5)
print(x)
```

### Are they equivalent? - until six

```
print('A:')
i = 0
while i < 3:
    print(i)
    i += 1
while i < 6:
    print(i)
    i += 1

print('\nB:')
i = 0
while i < 6:
    print(i)
    i += 1
```

### Are they equivalent? - countdown 1

```
print('A:')
i = 2
print(i)
while i > 0:
    i -= 1
    print(i)

print('\nB:')
i = 2
while i > 0:
    print(i)
    i -= 1
```

### Are they equivalent? - countdown 2

```
print('A:')
i = 2
print(i)
while i > 0:
    i -= 1
    print(i)

print('\nB:')
i = 2
while i > 0:
    print(i)
    i -= 1
print(i)
```

[10]:

```
print('A:')
i = 2
print(i)
while i > 0:
    i -= 1
    print(i)

print('\nB:')
i = 2
while i > 0:
    print(i)
    i -= 1
print(i)
```

A:  
2  
1  
0

B:  
2  
1  
0

### Are they equivalent? - sorcery

```
print('A:')
s = 'sorcery'
i = 0
while s[i] != 'e':
    i += 1
print(s[i:])

print('B:')
s = 'sorcery'
i = len(s)
while s[i] != 'e':
    i -= 1
print(s[i:])
```

### Are they equivalent? - ping pong

```
print('A:')
ping,pong = 0,3
while ping < 3 or pong > 0:
    print(ping,pong)
    ping += 1
    pong -= 1

print('\nB:')
ping,pong = 0,3
while not(ping >= 3 and pong <= 0):
    print(ping,pong)
    ping += 1
    pong -= 1
```

### Are they equivalent? - zanna

```
print('A:')
n,i,s = 0,0,'zanna'
while i < len(s):
    if s[i] == 'n':
        n += 1
    i += 1
print(n)

print('\nB:')
n,i,s = 0,0,'zanna'
while i < len(s):
    i += 1
    if s[i-1] == 'n':
        n += 1
print(n)
```

### Are they equivalent? - pasticcio

```
print('A:')
c,i,s = 0,0,'pasticcio'
while i < len(s):
    if s[i] == 'c':
        c += 1
    i += 1
print(c)

print('\nB:')
no,k,s = 0,0,'pasticcio'
while k < len(s):
    if s[k] != 'c':
        no += 1
    else:
        k += 1
print(len(s) - no)
```

## Exercises - counters

### Exercise - don't break 1

⊕ Look at the following code, and write in the following cell some code which produces the same result with a `while` and **without using** `break`

```
[11]: x = 3
while True:
    print(x)
    if x == 0:
        break
    x -= 1
```

3  
2  
1  
0

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```
[12]: x = 3

# write here

while x >= 0:
    print(x)
    x -= 1
```

3  
2  
1  
0

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```
[12]: x = 3

# write here
```

### Exercise - don't break 2

⊕ Look at the following code, and write in the following cell some code which produces the same result with a `while` and **without using** `break`

```
[13]: la = [2, 3, 7, 5, 6]
k = 7 # 2 3 7
#k = 5 # 2 3 7 5 6
#k = 13 # 2 3 7 5 6

i = 0
```

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```
while True:
    print(la[i])
    if i >= len(la)-1 or la[i] == k:
        break
    else:
        i += 1
```

2  
3  
7

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[14]:

```
la = [2, 3, 7, 5, 6]
k = 7    # 2 3 7
#k = 6  # 2 3 7 5 6
#k = 13 # 2 3 7 5 6

i = 0

# write here

while i < len(la) and la[i] != k:
    print(la[i])
    i += 1
if i < len(la) and la[i] == k:
    print(la[i])
```

2  
3  
7

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[14]:

```
la = [2, 3, 7, 5, 6]
k = 7    # 2 3 7
#k = 6  # 2 3 7 5 6
#k = 13 # 2 3 7 5 6

i = 0

# write here
```

### Exercise - Give me a break

⊕ Look at the following code, and write in the next cell some code which produces the same result with a `while` **this time using a break**

[15]:

```
x,y = 1,5      # (1,5)  (2,4)
#x,y = 2,8      # (2, 8) (3, 7) (4, 6)

while x < y or x == 4:
    print((x,y))
    x += 1
    y -= 1

(1, 5)
(2, 4)
```

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[16]:

```
x,y = 1,5      # (1,5)  (2,4)
#x,y = 2,8      # (2, 8) (3, 7) (4, 6)

# write here
while True:

    if x >= y or x == 4:
        break
    else:
        print((x,y))
        x += 1
        y -= 1

if x < y or x == 4:
    print((x,y))

(1, 5)
(2, 4)
```

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[16]:

```
x,y = 1,5      # (1,5)  (2,4)
#x,y = 2,8      # (2, 8) (3, 7) (4, 6)

# write here
```

**Exercise - paperboard**

⊕ Prints integer numbers from 0 to k INCLUDED using a `while`, and for each number prints to its side one among the strings 'PA', 'PER' and 'BOARD' alternating them

Ex - for k=8 prints

```
0 PA
1 PER
2 BOARD
3 PA
4 PER
5 BOARD
6 PA
7 PER
8 BOARD
```

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[17] :

```
k = 8

# write here
x = 0
while x <= k:
    if x % 3 == 0:
        print(x, 'PA')
    elif x % 3 == 1:
        print(x, 'PER')
    else:
        print(x, 'BOARD')
    x += 1
```

```
0 PA
1 PER
2 BOARD
3 PA
4 PER
5 BOARD
6 PA
7 PER
8 BOARD
```

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[17] :

```
k = 8

# write here
```

**Exercise - until ten**

⊕ Given two numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , write some code with a `while` which prints and increments the numbers, stopping as soon as one of them reaches ten.

```
x, y = 5, 7
```

after your code it must result:

```
5 7
6 8
7 9
8 10
```

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[18]:

```
x, y = 5, 7
#x, y = 8, 4

# write here
while x <= 10 and y <= 10:
    print(x,y)
    x += 1
    y += 1
```

```
5 7
6 8
7 9
8 10
```

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[18]:

```
x, y = 5, 7
#x, y = 8, 4

# write here
```

**Exercise - cccc**

⊕ Write some code using a `while` which given a number  $y$ , prints  $y$  rows containing the character `c` as many times as the row number.

Example - given:

```
y = 4
```

Prints:

```
c
cc
ccc
cccc
```

```
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```

[19]:

```
y = 4

# write here
x = 0
while x <= y:
    print('c'*x)
    x += 1
```

```
c
cc
ccc
cccc
```

```
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```

[19]:

```
y = 4

# write here
```

### Exercise - converge

⊕ Given two numbers  $x$  and  $k$ , using a `while` modify and print  $x$  until it reaches  $k$  included

- **NOTE:**  $k$  can either be greater or lesser than  $x$ , you must handle both cases

Example 1 - given:

```
x, k = 3, 5
```

prints:

```
3
4
5
```

Example 2 - given:

```
x, k = 6, 2
```

prints:

```
6
5
4
3
2
```

```
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```

[20]:

```
x, k = 3, 5      # 3 4 5
#x, k = 6, 2      # 6 5 4 3 2
#x, k = 4, 4      # 4

# write here

while x != k:
    print(x)
    if x < k:
        x += 1
    else:
        x -= 1
print(x)
```

```
3
4
5
```

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[20]:

```
x, k = 3, 5      # 3 4 5
#x, k = 6, 2      # 6 5 4 3 2
#x, k = 4, 4      # 4

# write here
```

## Searching a sequence

We are at the airport, and we've been told to reach the gate of our trusted airline company *Turbulenz*. We don't remember exactly the gate, but we know we have to stop at the first *Turbulenz* sign we find. If by mistake we went further, we might encounter other gates for international flights, and who knows where we would end up.

If we have to perform searches in potentially long sequences, knowing that probably a complete visit is not needed, it is convenient to use a `while` loop.

We could represent the example above as a list:

[21]:

#	0	1	2	3	4	5	...
→ 6	7						

```
airport = ['Flyall', 'PiercedWings', 'PigeonJet', 'Turbolenz', 'BoingBoing', 'Jettons',
           → 'Turbulenz', 'BoingBoing']
```

Once the element is found, we would like the program to print the position in which it was found, in this case 3.

Naturally, if you read well the [list methods]<https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists4-sol.html> you will know we already have a handy method `index`, but in this notebook we will adopt the philosophy of 'do it yourself' and will try building our search algorithms from scratch.

**QUESTION:** Can you think of some corner case where `index` method can also bring a problem?

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**ANSWER:** if the list does *not* contain what we're looking for, `index` will raise an exception thus stopping the program.

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To build our search, we will need:

1. control variable
2. stop condition
3. control variable update

In this case the control variable could be an index, the stop condition will evaluate whether we reached the end of the airport, and inside the cycle we will update the index to go on with the search. But where should we evaluate whether or not we have found the gate? Furthermore, since we are expert programmers we believe in misfortune, and know the horror scenario of Turbolenz company going bankrupt the very same day of our arrival could happen indeed! So we will also need to foresee the case our search could give no result, and decide what should happen in this situation.

### How to check

There are two ways to check a discovery:

- the most direct is to do an exit check inside the body of `while` itself, by putting an `if` which when we element is found performs the execution of a `break` command. It is by no means elegant, yet it could be a first approach.
- a better option is performing the check in the boolean condition of the `while`, but it could be slightly trickier devising a program which works in all the cases.

Let's try them both in the following exercises.

### Exercise - Turbolenz with a break

⊕⊕ Write some code which using a `while` searches the list `airport` for the FIRST occurrence of `company`: as soon as it is found, stops searching and PRINTS the index where it was found.

- If the company is not found, PRINTS 'Not found'
- USE a `break` to stop the search
- **REMEMBER** to try your code also with the other suggested airports

Example 1 - given:

```
company='Turbolenz'
airport = ['Flyall','PiercedWings','PigeonJet','Turbolenz', 'BoingBoing','Jettons',
↪'Turbulenz','BoingBoing']
```

after your code it must print:

```
Found the first Turbolenz at index 3
```

Example 2 - given:

```
company = 'FlapFlap'
airport = ['PiercedWings','BoingBoing','Turbolenz','PigeonJet']
```

it must print:

```
FlapFlap was not found
```

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[22]:

```
# write here

company = 'Turbolenz'
airport = ['Flyall', 'PiercedWings', 'PigeonJet', 'Turbolenz', 'BoingBoing', 'Jettons',
           ↵ 'Turbulenz', 'BoingBoing']

#company = 'FlapFlap'
#airport = ['PiercedWings', 'BoingBoing', 'Turbolenz', 'PigeonJet']
#airport = []
#airport = ['FlapFlap']
#airport = ['Turbolenz', 'FlapFlap']

# write here
i = 0
while i < len(airport):
    if airport[i] == company:
        print("Found the first", company, "at index", i)
        break
    i += 1
if i == len(airport):
    print(company, 'was not found')

Found the first Turbolenz at index 3
```

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[22]:

```
# write here
```

## Exercise - Turbulenz without break

⊕⊕ Try now to rewrite the previous program, **without** using `break` nor `continue`: to verify the finding, you will need to enrich the termination condition.

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[23]:

```
company = 'Turbolenz'
airport = ['Flyall', 'PiercedWings', 'PigeonJet', 'Turbolenz', 'BoingBoing', 'Jettons',
           ↵ 'Turbulenz', 'BoingBoing']

#company = 'FlapFlap'
#airport = ['PiercedWings', 'BoingBoing', 'Turbolenz', 'PigeonJet']
#airport = []
#airport = ['FlapFlap']
#airport = ['Turbolenz', 'FlapFlap']

# write here
```

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```
i = 0
while i < len(airport) and airport[i] != company:
    i += 1

if i == len(airport):
    print(company, 'was not found')
else:
    print("Found the first", company, "at index", i)

Found the first Turbolenz at index 2
```

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[23]:

```
company = 'Turbolenz'
airport = ['Flyall', 'PiercedWings', 'PigeonJet', 'Turbolenz', 'BoingBoing', 'Jettons',
           ↪'Turbulenz', 'BoingBoing']

#company = 'FlapFlap'
#airport = ['PiercedWings', 'BoingBoing', 'Turbolenz', 'PigeonJet']
#airport = []
#airport = ['FlapFlap']
#airport = ['Turbolenz', 'FlapFlap']

# write here
```

**QUESTION:** you probably used two conditions in the `while`. By exchanging the order of the conditions in the proposed solution, would the program work fine? If not, in which cases would it fail?

- **HINT:** If you have doubts try reading the chapter [booleans - evaluation order](#)<sup>175</sup>

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**ANSWER:** the comparison between the index with the airport length must be done first, because when it gives `False` the evaluation of the `and` expression stops immediately without proceeding with the dangerous `airport[i] != company` which in an airport without FlapFlap company would become `airport[4] != company` and thus produce an index error:

```
company = 'FlapFlap'
          #      0          1          2          3
airport = ['PiercedWings', 'BoingBoing', 'Turbolenz', 'PigeonJet']

# write here
i = 0
# WARNING: WRONG ORDER!
while airport[i] != company and i < len(airport):
    i += 1

if i == len(airport):
    print(company, 'was not found')
else:
    print("Found the first", company, "at index", i)
```

<sup>175</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/basics/basic2-bools-sol.html#Evaluation-order>

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### Exercise - hangar

⊕⊕ Our plane just landed but now it must reach the hangar, dodging all the extraneous objects which it finds on the track!

Write some code which given a string `track` with a certain number of non-alphanumeric characters at the beginning, PRINTS the word which follows these characters.

Exemple - given:

```
track = '★☆◆♦◆◆hangar★★★'
```

your code must print:

hangar★★★

- **YOU CAN'T** know beforehand which extra characters you will find in the string
- **DO NOT** write characters like ★◆♦-\_ in the code

**HINT:** to determine if you found alphanumeric characters or numbers, use `.isalpha()` and `.isdigit()` methods

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[24] :

```
track = '★☆◆♦◆◆hangar★★★'      # hangar★★★
#track = '◆twinengine'            # twinengine
#track = '-◆---♦---747-◆'        # 747-◆
#track = 'glider'                # glider
#track = '__◆_◆__◆_'             # prints nothing

# write here

i = 0
while i < len(track) and not (track[i].isalpha() or track[i].isdigit()):
    i += 1
print(track[i:])

hangar★★★
```

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[24] :

```
track = '★☆◆♦◆◆hangar★★★'      # hangar★★★
#track = '◆twinengine'            # twinengine
#track = '-◆---♦---747-◆'        # 747-◆
#track = 'glider'                # glider
#track = '__◆_◆__◆_'             # prints nothing

# write here
```

### Exercise - Wild West

⊗⊗ The two outlaws Carson and Butch agreed to bury a treasure in the jolly town of Tombstone, ma now each of them wants to take back the treasure without sharing anything with the partner.

- For arriving to the treasure there is a road from Santa Fe until Tombstone which we represent as a list of strings
- we use two indexes butch and carson to represent where the outlaws are on the road
- each outlaw starts from a different town
- at each turn Carson moves of **one** city
- at each turn Butch moves of **two** cities, because he has a fast Mustang horse

Write some code which prints the run and terminates as soon as one them arrives to the last city, telling who got the treasure.

- In the case both outlaws arrive to the last city at the same time, prints Final duel in Tombstone !
- your code must work for *any* road and initial position carson and butch

Example - 1 given:

```
#          0      1      2      3      4      5
road = ['Santa Fe', 'Denver', 'Dodge City', 'Silverton', 'Agua Caliente', 'Tombstone']
carson, butch = 3, 0
```

it must print:

```
Carson starts from Silverton
Butch starts from Santa Fe
Carson reaches Agua Caliente
Butch reaches Dodge City
Carson reaches Tombstone
Butch reaches Agua Caliente

Carson takes the treasure in Tombstone !
```

Example 2 - given:

```
#          0      1      2      3      4      5
road = ['Santa Fe', 'Denver', 'Dodge City', 'Silverton', 'Agua Caliente', 'Tombstone']
carson, butch = 3, 2
```

it must print:

```
Carson starts from Silverton
Butch starts from Dodge City
Carson reaches Agua Caliente
Butch reaches Agua Caliente
Carson reaches Tombstone
Butch reaches Tombstone

Final duel in Tombstone !
```

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```
[25]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5
road = ['Santa Fe', 'Denver', 'Dodge City', 'Silverton', 'Agua Caliente', 'Tombstone']

carson, butch = 3, 0    # Carson takes the treasure in Tombstone !
#carson, butch = 0, 0    # Butch takes the treasure in Tombstone !
#carson, butch = 3, 2    # Final duel in Tombstone !

# write here

print('Carson starts from', road[carson])
print('Butch starts from', road[butch])

while carson < len(road)-1 and butch < len(road)-1:
    carson = min(len(road)-1, carson + 1)
    butch = min(len(road)-1, butch + 2)
    print('Carson reaches', road[carson])
    print('Butch reaches', road[butch])

print()
if carson == len(road)-1 and butch == len(road)-1:
    print('Final duel in ', road[-1], '!')
elif carson == len(road)-1:
    print('Carson takes the treasure in ', road[-1], '!')
else:
    print('Butch takes the treasure in ', road[-1], '!')

Carson starts from Silverton
Butch starts from Santa Fe
Carson reaches Agua Caliente
Butch reaches Dodge City
Carson reaches Tombstone
Butch reaches Agua Caliente

Carson takes the treasure in Tombstone !
```

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```
[25]: # 0 1 2 3 4 5
road = ['Santa Fe', 'Denver', 'Dodge City', 'Silverton', 'Agua Caliente', 'Tombstone']

carson, butch = 3, 0    # Carson takes the treasure in Tombstone !
#carson, butch = 0, 0    # Butch takes the treasure in Tombstone !
#carson, butch = 3, 2    # Final duel in Tombstone !

# write here

Carson starts from Silverton
Butch starts from Santa Fe
Carson reaches Agua Caliente
Butch reaches Dodge City
Carson reaches Tombstone
Butch reaches Agua Caliente

Carson takes the treasure in Tombstone !
```

### Exercise - The Balance of Language

⊗⊗ In the sacred writings of Zamfir is predicted that when all Earth inhabitants will speak a language with all the words of same length, universal harmony will be reached among human people. This event is probably in far in time and by that epoch the vocabulary of humans will be so wide and varied that checking all the words will certainly require an automata of jade: you are asked to program the underwater servers of Atlantis to perform a check in the centuries to come.

Given a string of words `language`, write some code which prints `True` if all the words have the same length, `False` otherwise.

To have an efficient algorithm, you must use a `while`:

- stop the loop as soon you can determine with certainty the program result
- **DO NOT** use `break` nor `continue`

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[26] :

```
language = "bright cosmic armony"    # True
#language = "war and violence"      # False
#language = "vi rt uo si ty"        # True
#language = "bullying deceit"       # False
#language = "armony cannot exist"   # False
#language = "peace"                 # True
#language = ""                      # True

# write here
li = language.split()

n = len(li[0]) if len(li) > 0 else 0

all_equal = True
i = 1
while i < len(li) and all_equal:
    if n != len(li[i]):
        all_equal = False
    i += 1

print(all_equal)
```

True

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[26] :

```
language = "bright cosmic armony"    # True
#language = "war and violence"      # False
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#language = "bullying deceit"       # False
#language = "armony cannot exist"   # False
#language = "peace"                 # True
#language = ""                      # True

# write here
```

### Exercise - the tree shaker

⊕⊕⊕ Giustino the farmer decides to radically improve his farm productivity with high-tech devices, and asks you to develop a ‘tree shaker’ (so he calls it..) to perturbate the trees and harvest the exotic fruits he planted in the high lands (the climate change now allows this...)

The plantation is a sequence of fruit trees, elements of the landscape (stones, gravel, etc) and signs S. The beginning and end of a subsequence of trees is always marked by a sign.

The vehicle to design has a cargo\_bed of **capacity 7** where it can store the harvest.

Write some code to scan the plantation and harvests in cargo\_bed the found fruits.

- **USE** a while, **stopping** as soon as the cargo\_bed is full
- **DO NOT** use break nor continue
- **DO NOT** write fruit names or landscape elements (no bananas nor rocks ..). You can write 'S'.

Example - given:

```
plantation=['rocks', 'stones', 'S', 'bananas', 'oranges', 'mangos', 'S', 'sand', 
← 'stones', 'stones',
      'S', 'avocados', 'S', 'weeds', 'S', 'kiwi', 'mangos', 'S',
← 'S', 'S',
      'rocks', 'S', 'lime', 'S', 'pebbles', 'S', 'oranges', 'coconuts
← ', 'S',
      'gravel']
```

after your code, it must result:

```
>>> print(cargo_bed)
['bananas', 'oranges', 'mangos', 'avocados', 'kiwi', 'mangos', 'lime']
```

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```
[27]:          # 0       1       2       3       4       5       6       7       -
← 8         9
plantation=['rocks', 'stones', 'S', 'bananas', 'oranges', 'mangos', 'S', 'sand', 
← 'stones', 'stones',
      # 10      11      12      13      14      15      16      17      -
← 18      19
      'S', 'avocados', 'S', 'weeds', 'S', 'kiwi', 'mangos', 'S',
← 'S', 'S',
      # 20      21      22      23      24      25      26      27      -
← 28      29
      'rocks', 'S', 'lime', 'S', 'pebbles', 'S', 'oranges', 'coconuts
← ', 'S',
      'gravel']

#plantation = ['S', 'S']    # []
#plantation = ['S', 'lemons', 'S']    # ['lemons']
#plantation = ['sand', 'S', 'lemons', 'S']    # ['lemons']
#plantation = ['oranges']    # []
#plantation = ['S', '1', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7', '8', 'S']    # ['1', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6',
← '7']
#plantation = ['S', '1', '2', 'S', 'x', 'S', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7', '8', 'S', '9']    # ['1', '2',
← '3', '4', '5', '6', '7']

cargo_bed = []
```

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```
# write here

harvesting = False
i = 0
while i < len(plantation) and len(cargo_bed) < 7:
    if plantation[i] == 'S':
        harvesting = not harvesting
    else:
        if harvesting: cargo_bed.append(plantation[i])
    i += 1

print(cargo_bed)
['bananas', 'oranges', 'mangos', 'avocados', 'kiwi', 'mangos', 'lime']
```

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```
[27]:      # 0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8
          ↵  8      9
plantation=['rocks','stones', 'S',   'bananas','oranges','mangos','S',   'sand', 
          ↵ 'stones','stones',
          ↵      # 10     11     12     13     14     15     16     17
          ↵  18     19
          ↵      'S',   'avocados','S',   'weeds', 'S',   'kiwi', 'mangos', 'S',
          ↵ 'S',   'S',
          ↵      # 20     21     22     23     24     25     26     27
          ↵  28     29
          ↵      'rocks','S',   'lime','S',   'pebbles','S',   'oranges', 'coconuts
          ↵ ', 'S',   'gravel']

#plantation = ['S','S']  # []
#plantation = ['S','lemons','S']  # ['lemons']
#plantation = ['sand','S','lemons','S']  # ['lemons']
#plantation = ['oranges']  # []
#plantation = ['S','1','2','3','4','5','6','7', '8','S']  # ['1','2','3','4','5','6',
          ↵ '7']
#plantation = ['S','1','2','S','x','S','3','4','5','6','7','8','S','9']  # ['1','2',
          ↵ '3','4','5','6','7']

cargo_bed = []

# write here
```

```
[ 'bananas', 'oranges', 'mangos', 'avocados', 'kiwi', 'mangos', 'lime']
```

### Exercise - fantastic story of the ghost castle

⊕⊕⊕ Given the string and two characters char1 and char2, write some code which PRINTS True if all occurrences of char1 in string are **always** followed by char2

Example - given:

```
string,char1,char2 = 'fantastic story of the ghost castle', 's','t'
```

prints True because all the occurrences of s are followed by t

```
string,char1,char2 = "enthusiastic dadaist", 's','t'
```

prints False, because the sequence si is found, where s is not followed by t

- **USE** a while, try to make it efficient by stopping as soon as possible.
- **DO NOT** use break

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[28]:

```
string,char1,char2 = 'fantastic story of the ghost castle', 's','t' # True
#string,char1,char2 = "enthusiastic dadaist", 's','t'      # False
#string,char1,char2 = "beetroots", 'r','o'                  # True
#string,char1,char2 = "beetroots", 'e','o'                  # False
#string,char1,char2 = "a", 'a','b'                         # False
#string,char1,char2 = "ab", 'a','b'                         # True
#string,char1,char2 = "aa", 'a','b'                         # False

# write here
i = 0

res = True

if len(string) == 1:
    res = False

while i + 1 < len(string) and res:
    if string[i] == char1 and string[i+1] != char2:
        res = False
    i += 1

res
```

[28]:

```
True
```

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[28]:

```
string,char1,char2 = 'fantastic story of the ghost castle', 's','t' # True
#string,char1,char2 = "enthusiastic dadaist", 's','t'      # False
#string,char1,char2 = "beetroots", 'r','o'                  # True
#string,char1,char2 = "beetroots", 'e','o'                  # False
#string,char1,char2 = "a", 'a','b'                         # False
#string,char1,char2 = "ab", 'a','b'                         # True
#string,char1,char2 = "aa", 'a','b'                         # False
```

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```
# write here
```

### Modifying sequences

In the tutorial on `for` loops we've seen an important warning we repeat here:

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**X COMMANDMENT<sup>176</sup>:** You shall never ever add or remove elements from a sequence you are iterating with a `for`!

Falling into such temptations would produce totally unpredictable behaviours (do you know the expression *pulling the rug out from under your feet*?)

If you really need to remove elements from a sequence you are iterating, use a `while` cycle or duplicate first a copy of the original sequence.

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Note the advice is only about `for` cycles. In case of necessity, at the end suggests to adopt `while` loops. Let's see when and how ot use them.

### Stack - Drawing from a card deck

Suppose having a deck of cards which we represent as a list of strings, and we want to draw all the cards, reading them one by one.

We can write a `while` that as long as the deck contains cards, keeps removing cards from the top with the `pop` method<sup>177</sup> and prints their name. Remember `pop` MODIFIES the list by removing the last element AND gives back the element as call result, which we can save in a variable we will call `card`:

```
[29]: deck = ['3 hearts',    # ----- bottom
            '2 spades',
            '9 hearts',
            '5 diamonds',
            '8 clubs']   # ----- top

while len(deck) > 0:
    card = deck.pop()
    print('Drawn', card)

print('No more cards!')
```

jupman.pytut()

```
Drawn 8 clubs
Drawn 5 diamonds
Drawn 9 hearts
Drawn 2 spades
Drawn 3 hearts
No more cards!
```

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<sup>176</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#X-COMMANDMENT>

<sup>177</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists3-sol.html#pop-method>

[29]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

Looking at the code, we can notice that:

1. the variable `deck` is initialized
2. we verify that `deck` dimension is greater than zero
3. at each step the list `deck` is MODIFIED by reducing its dimension
4. it returns to step 2

The first three points are the conditions which guarantee the `while` loop will sooner or later actually terminate.

### Stack - Drawing until condition

Suppose now to continue drawing cards until we find a heart suit. The situation is more complicated, because now the cycle can terminate in two ways:

1. we find hearts, and interrupt the search
2. there aren't heart cards, and the deck is exhausted

In any case, in the end we must tell the user a result. To do so, it's convenient initializing `card` at the beginning like an empty string for handling the case when no hearts cards are found (or the deck is empty).

Let's try a first implementation which uses an internal `if` to verify whether we have found hearts, and in that case exits with a `break` command.

- Try executing the code by uncomment the second deck which has no hearts cards, and look at the different execution.

```
[30]: deck = ['3 hearts', '2 spades', '9 hearts', '5 diamonds', '8 clubs']
#deck = ['8 spades', '2 spades', '5 diamonds', '4 clubs']    # no hearts!

card = ''
while len(deck) > 0:
    card = deck.pop()
    print('Drawn', card)
    if 'hearts' in card:
        break

if 'hearts' in card:
    print('Found hearts!')
else:
    print("Didn't find hearts!")

jupman.pytut()

Drawn 8 clubs
Drawn 5 diamonds
Drawn 9 hearts
Found hearts!
```

[30]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

### Exercise - Don't break my heart

⊕ Write some code which solves the same previous problem:

- this time **DO NOT** use `break`
- ensure the code works with a deck without hearts, and also with an empty deck
- **HINT:** put a multiple condition in the `while`

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[31]:

```
deck = ['3 hearts', '2 spades', '9 hearts', '5 diamonds', '8 clubs']
#deck = ['8 spades', '2 spades', '5 diamonds', '4 clubs']    # no hearts!
#deck = []    # no hearts !

card = ''

# write here

while len(deck) > 0 and 'hearts' not in card:
    card = deck.pop()
    print('Drawn', card)

if 'hearts' in card:
    print("Found hearts!")
else:
    print("Didn't find hearts!")
```

```
Drawn 8 clubs
Drawn 5 diamonds
Drawn 9 hearts
Found hearts!
```

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[31]:

```
deck = ['3 hearts', '2 spades', '9 hearts', '5 diamonds', '8 clubs']
#deck = ['8 spades', '2 spades', '5 diamonds', '4 clubs']    # no hearts!
#deck = []    # no hearts !

card = ''

# write here
```

## Questions - what happens?

**QUESTION:** Look at the following code fragments , and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `while []:  
 print('z')  
print('BIG')`

2. `while ['a']:  
 print('z')  
print('BUG')`

3. `la = []  
while len(la) < 3:  
 la.append('x')  
print(la)`

4. `la = ['x', 'y', 'z']  
while len(la) > 0:  
 print(la.pop())`

5. `la = ['x', 'y', 'z']  
while la:  
 print(la.pop(0))`

6. `la = [4,5,8,10]  
while la.pop() % 2 == 0:  
 print(la)`

## Questions - are they equivalent?

Look at the following code fragments: each contains two parts, A and B. For each value of the variables they depend on, try guessing whether part A will print exactly the same result printed by code in part B

- **FIRST** think about the answer
- **THEN** try executing with each of the values of suggested variables

## Are they equivalent? - train

```
print('A:')  
la = ['t','r','a','i','n']  
while len(la) > 0:  
    print(la.pop())  
  
print('\nB:')  
la = ['t','r','a','i','n']  
la.reverse()  
while len(la) > 0:  
    print(la.pop(0))
```

## Are they equivalent? - append nx

```
print('A:')
x,n,la = 2,0, []
while x not in la:
    la.append(n)
    n += 1
print(la)

print('\nB:')
x,la = 2, []
while len(la) < 3:
    la.append(x)
    x += 1
print(la)
```

## Exercises - stack

### Exercise - break sum

⊕ Look at the following code, and rewrite it in the following cell as while

- this time use command **break**

```
[32]: lst = []
i = 0
k = 10
while sum(lst) < k:
    lst.append(i)
    i += 1
print(lst)
```

```
[0]
[0, 1]
[0, 1, 2]
[0, 1, 2, 3]
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
```

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```
[33]: lst = []
i = 0

# write here

while True:
    if sum(lst) >= k:
        break
    else:
        lst.append(i)
        i += 1
print(lst)
```

```
[0]
[0, 1]
[0, 1, 2]
[0, 1, 2, 3]
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
```

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[33]:

```
lst = []
i = 0

# write here
```

## Exercise - travelbook

⊕⊕ Suppose you visited the attic and found a stack of books, which we represent as a list of strings. Each string is prefixed by a label of one character indicating the category (D for Detective story, T for Travel, H for History)

```
stack = ['H-Middle Ages',    # <---- bottom
         'T-Australia',
         'T-Scotland',
         'D-Suspects',
         'T-Caribbean']   # <---- top
```

Since we are passionate about travel books, we want to examine `stack` one book at a time to transfer books into another pile we call `travel`, which at the beginning is empty. We start from the top book in `stack`, and transfer into `travel` only the books starting with the label T like ('T-Australia')

```
travel = []
```

Write some code that produces the following print:

```
At the beginning:
  stack:  ['H-Middle Ages', 'T-Australia', 'T-Scotland', 'D-Suspects', 'T-Caribbean'
→']
  travel: []
Taken T-Caribbean
  stack:  ['H-Middle Ages', 'T-Australia', 'T-Scotland', 'D-Suspects']
  travel: ['T-Caribbean']
Discarded D-Suspects
  stack:  ['H-Middle Ages', 'T-Australia', 'T-Scotland']
  travel: ['T-Caribbean']
Taken T-Scotland
  stack:  ['H-Middle Ages', 'T-Australia']
  travel: ['T-Caribbean', 'T-Scotland']
Taken T-Australia
  stack:  ['H-Middle Ages']
  travel: ['T-Caribbean', 'T-Scotland', 'T-Australia']
Discarded H-Middle Ages
  stack:  []
  travel: ['T-Caribbean', 'T-Scotland', 'T-Australia']
```

- The non-travel books are not interesting and must be discarded

- Your code must work with *any* stack list

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[34]:

```
stack = ['H-Middle Ages',    # <---- bottom
         'T-Australia',
         'T-Scotland',
         'D-Suspects',
         'T-Caribbean']      # <---- top

travel = []

# write here
print("At the beginning:")
print('    stack: ', stack)
print('    travel:', travel)

while len(stack) > 0:
    book = stack.pop()
    if book.startswith('T'):
        print('Taken',book)
        travel.append(book)
    else:
        print('Discarded', book)
print('    stack: ', stack)
print('    travel:', travel)

At the beginning:
    stack:  ['H-Middle Ages', 'T-Australia', 'T-Scotland', 'D-Suspects', 'T-Caribbean'
    ↵']
    travel: []
Taken T-Caribbean
    stack:  ['H-Middle Ages', 'T-Australia', 'T-Scotland', 'D-Suspects']
    travel: ['T-Caribbean']
Discarded D-Suspects
    stack:  ['H-Middle Ages', 'T-Australia', 'T-Scotland']
    travel: ['T-Caribbean']
Taken T-Scotland
    stack:  ['H-Middle Ages', 'T-Australia']
    travel: ['T-Caribbean', 'T-Scotland']
Taken T-Australia
    stack:  ['H-Middle Ages']
    travel: ['T-Caribbean', 'T-Scotland', 'T-Australia']
Discarded H-Middle Ages
    stack:  []
    travel: ['T-Caribbean', 'T-Scotland', 'T-Australia']
```

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[34]:

```
stack = ['H-Middle Ages',    # <---- bottom
         'T-Australia',
         'T-Scotland',
         'D-Suspects',
         'T-Caribbean']      # <---- top
```

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```
travel = []
# write here
```

### Exercise - BANG !

⊕⊕ There are two stacks of objects `right_stack` and `left_stack` which we represent as lists of strings. As a pastime, a cowboy decides to shoot the objects at the top of the stacks, alternating the stack at each shoot. The cowboy is skilled and always hits the target, so each shot decreases a stack.

- Suppose the objects on top are the ones at the end of the list
- To keep track of which stack to hit, use a variable `shoot` holding either 'R' or 'L' character
- After each shot the cowboy if possible changes the stack , otherwise keeps shooting at the same stack until it's empty.
- your code must work for *any* stack and initial shot

Example - given:

```
left_stack = ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe', 'bucket']
right_stack = ['bin', 'saddle', 'tin can']
shoot = 'R'
```

after your code, it must print:

```
Ready?
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe', 'bucket']
    right_stack: ['bin', 'saddle', 'tin can']
BANG! right: tin can
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe', 'bucket']
    right_stack: ['bin', 'saddle']
BANG! left: bucket
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe']
    right_stack: ['bin', 'saddle']
BANG! right: saddle
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe']
    right_stack: ['bin']
BANG! left: horseshoe
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot']
    right_stack: ['bin']
BANG! right: bin
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot']
    right_stack: []
BANG! left: boot
    left_stack: ['box']
    right_stack: []
Nothing to shoot on the right!
    left_stack: ['box']
    right_stack: []
BANG! left: box
    left_stack: []
    right_stack: []
```

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[35]:

```
left_stack = ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe', 'bucket']
right_stack = ['bin', 'saddle', 'tin can']
shoot = 'R'
#shoot = 'L'
#left_stack = ['bucket', 'box']

# write here

print('Ready?')
print('    left_stack:', left_stack)
print('    right_stack:', right_stack)
while len(right_stack) > 0 or len(left_stack) > 0:
    if shoot == 'R':
        if len(right_stack) > 0:
            print('BANG! right: ', right_stack.pop())
        else:
            print('Nothing to shoot on the right!')
            shoot = 'L'
    else:
        if len(left_stack) > 0:
            print('BANG! left: ', left_stack.pop())
        else:
            print('Nothing to shoot on the left!')
            shoot = 'R'

    print('    left_stack:', left_stack)
    print('    right_stack:', right_stack)
```

```
Ready?
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe', 'bucket']
    right_stack: ['bin', 'saddle', 'tin can']
BANG! right: tin can
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe', 'bucket']
    right_stack: ['bin', 'saddle']
BANG! left: bucket
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe']
    right_stack: ['bin', 'saddle']
BANG! right: saddle
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe']
    right_stack: ['bin']
BANG! left: horseshoe
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot']
    right_stack: ['bin']
BANG! right: bin
    left_stack: ['box', 'boot']
    right_stack: []
BANG! left: boot
    left_stack: ['box']
    right_stack: []
Nothing to shoot on the right!
    left_stack: ['box']
    right_stack: []
BANG! left: box
    left_stack: []
    right_stack: []
```

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```

[35]:

```
left_stack = ['box', 'boot', 'horseshoe', 'bucket']
right_stack = ['bin', 'saddle', 'tin can']
shoot = 'R'
#shoot = 'L'
#left_stack = ['bucket', 'box']

# write here
```

### Exercise - Growing or degrowing?

⊕⊕ Write some code which given a list `la`, keeps MODIFYING the list according to this procedure:

- if the last element is odd (i.e. 7), attaches a new number at the end of the list obtained by multiplying by two the last element (i.e. attaches 14)
- if the last element is even, removes the last two elements
- **DO NOT** create a new list (so no rows starting with `la =`)
- **WARNING:** when we want both grow and degrow the sequence we are considering in a cycle, we must convince ourselves that sooner or later the termination condition will happen, it's easy to make mistakes and end up with an infinite cycle!
- **HINT:** to degrow the list, you can use the `pop` method<sup>178</sup>

Example - given:

```
la = [3, 5, 6, 7]
```

Executing the code, it must print:

```
Odd: attaching 14
    la becomes [3, 5, 6, 7, 14]
Even: removing 14
      removing 7
      la becomes [3, 5, 6]
Even: removing 6
      removing 5
      la becomes [3]
Odd: attaching 6
      la becomes [3, 6]
Even: removing 6
      removing 3
      la becomes []
Done! la is []
```

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[36]:

```
la = [3, 5, 6, 7]
```

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<sup>178</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists3-sol.html#pop-method>

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```
# write here

i = 0
while len(la) > 0:
    if la[-1] % 2 == 1:
        new = la[-1]*2
        la.append(new)
        print(' Odd: attaching', new)
    else:
        print('Even: removing', la.pop())
        print('      removing', la.pop())
    print('      la becomes', la)
    i += 1
print('Done! la is', la)
```

```
Odd: attaching 14
      la becomes [3, 5, 6, 7, 14]
Even: removing 14
      removing 7
      la becomes [3, 5, 6]
Even: removing 6
      removing 5
      la becomes [3]
Odd: attaching 6
      la becomes [3, 6]
Even: removing 6
      removing 3
      la becomes []
Done! la is []
```

```
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```

```
[36]: la = [3,5,6,7]

# write here
```

```
[ ]:
```

## 6.4 Sequences

### 6.4.1 Sequences and comprehensions

[Download exercises zip](#)

Browse online files<sup>179</sup>

We can write elegant and compact code with sequences. First we will see how to scan sequences with iterators, and then how to build them with comprehensions of lists.

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<sup>179</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/sequences>

## What to do

1. Unzip exercises zip in a folder, you should obtain something like this:

```
sequences
  sequences1.ipynb
  sequences1-sol.ipynb
  sequences2-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING: to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !**

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then a browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook sequences.ipynb
3. Go on reading the exercises file, sometimes you will find paragraphs marked **Exercises** which will ask to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

## Iterables - lists

When dealing with loops we often talked about *iterating* sequences, but what does it exactly mean for a sequence to be *iterable*? Concretely, it means we can call the function `iter` on that sequence.

Let's try for example with familiar lists:

```
[2]: iter(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])
[2]: <list_iterator at 0x7f1b440f0510>
```

We notice Python just created an object of type `list_iterator`.

---

**NOTE:** the list was not shown!

---

You can imagine an iterator as a sort of still machine, that each time is activated it produces an element from the sequence, one at a time

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Typically, an iterator only knows its *position* inside the sequence, and can provide us with the sequence elements one by one if we keep asking with calls to the function `next`:

```
[3]: iterator = iter(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])
[4]: next(iterator)
[4]: 'a'
```

```
[5]: next(iterator)
```

```
[5]: 'b'
```

```
[6]: next(iterator)
```

```
[6]: 'c'
```

```
[7]: next(iterator)
```

```
[7]: 'd'
```

Note how the iterator has a *state* to keep track of where it is in the sequence (in other words, it's *stateful*). The state is changed at each call of function `next`.

If we try asking more elements of the available ones, Python raises the exception `StopIteration`:

```
next(iterator)

-----
StopIteration                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-65-4518bd5da67f> in <module>()
----> 1 next(iterator)

StopIteration:
```

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### V COMMANDMENT<sup>180</sup> You shall never ever redefine `next` and `iter` system functions.

DO NOT use them as variables !!

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## iterables - range

We iterated a list, which is a completely materialized in memory sequence we scanned with the iterator object. There are also other peculiar sequences which are *not* materialized in memory, like for example `range`.

Previously we used `range` in for loops<sup>181</sup> to obtain a sequence of numbers, but exactly, what is `range` doing? Let's try calling it on its own:

```
[8]: range(4)
```

```
[8]: range(0, 4)
```

Maybe we expected a sequence of numbers, instead, Python is showing us an object of type `range` (with the lower range limit).

**NOTE:** No number sequence is currently present in memory

We only have a 'still' *iterable* object, which if we want can provide us with numbers

How can we ask for numbers?

We've seen we can use a `for` loop:

<sup>180</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commands.html#V-COMMANDMENT>

<sup>181</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/control-flow/flow2-for-sol.html#Counting-with-range>

```
[9]: for x in range(4):
      print(x)
```

0  
1  
2  
3

As an alternative, we can pass `range` to the function `iter` which produces an *iterator*.

**WARNING:** `range` is iterable but it is NOT an iterator !!

To obtain the iterator we must call the `iter` function on the `range` object

```
[10]: iterator = iter(range(4))
```

`iter` also produces a ‘still’ object, which hasn’t materialized numbers in memory yet:

```
[11]: iterator
```

```
[11]: <range_iterator at 0x7f1b479aab70>
```

In order to ask we must use the function `next`:

```
[12]: next(iterator)
```

```
[12]: 0
```

```
[13]: next(iterator)
```

```
[13]: 1
```

```
[14]: next(iterator)
```

```
[14]: 2
```

```
[15]: next(iterator)
```

```
[15]: 3
```

Note the iterator has a *state*, which is changed at each `next` call to keep track of where it is in the sequence.

If we try asking for more elements than actually available, Python raises a `StopIteration` exception:

```
next(iterator)

-----
StopIteration                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-65-4518bd5da67f> in <module>()
----> 1 next(iterator)

StopIteration:
```

### Materializing a sequence

We said a `range` object does not physically materialize in memory all the numbers at the same time. We can get them one by one by only using the iterator. What if we wanted a list with all the numbers? In the tutorial [on lists<sup>182</sup>](#) we've seen that by passing a sequence to function `list`, a new list is created with all the sequence elements. We talked generically about a *sequence*, but the more correct term would have been *iterable*.

If we pass any *iterable* object to `list`, then a new list will be built - we've seen `range` is iterable so let's try:

```
[16]: list(range(4))  
[16]: [0, 1, 2, 3]
```

Voilà ! Now the sequence is all physically present in memory.

**WARNING: `list` consumes the iterator!**

If you try calling twice `list` on the same iterator, you will get an empty list:

```
[17]:  
sequence = range(4)  
iterator = iter(sequence)
```

```
[18]: new1 = list(iterator)
```

```
[19]: new1
```

```
[19]: [0, 1, 2, 3]
```

```
[20]: new2 = list(iterator)
```

```
[21]: new2
```

```
[21]: []
```

What if we wanted to directly access a specific position in the sequence generated by the iterator? Let's try extracting the character at index 2:

```
[22]: sequence = range(4)  
iterator = iter(sequence)
```

```
iterator[2]  
-----  
TypeError Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-129-3c080cc9e700> in <module>()  
      1 sequence = range(4)  
      2 iterator = iter(sequence)  
----> 3 iterator[3]  
  
TypeError: 'range_iterator' object is not subscriptable
```

... sadly we get an error!

We are left with only two alternatives. Either:

<sup>182</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists1-sol.html#Convert-sequences-into-lists>

- a) First we convert to list and then use the squared brackets
- b) We call `next` 4 times (remember indexes start from zero)

Option a) very often looks handy, but careful: **converting an iterator into a list creates a NEW list in memory**. If the list is very big and/or this operation is repeated many times, you risk occupying memory for nothing.

Let's see the example in Python Tutor again:

```
[23]: # WARNING: FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter
#           (it's sufficient to execute it only once)

import jupman
```

```
[24]: sequence = range(4)
iterator = iter(sequence)
new1 = list(iterator)
new2 = list(iterator)

jupman.pytut()
```

```
[24]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION:** Which object occupies more memory? a or b?

```
a = range(10)
b = range(10000000)
```

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**ANSWER:** they both occupy the same amount of memory.

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**QUESTION:** Which object occupies more memory? a or b ?

```
a = list(range(10))
b = list(range(10000000))
```

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this); " data-jupman-show="Show answer" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show answer</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-question" style="display:none">

**ANSWER:** b occupies more (the list is materialized)

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## Questions - range

Look at the following expressions, and for each try guessing the result (or if it gives an error):

1. `range(3)`

2. `range()`

3. `list(range(-3))`

4. `range(3, 6)`
5. `list(range(5, 4))`
6. `list(range(3, 3))`
7. `range(3) + range(6)`
8. `list(range(3)) + list(range(6))`
9. `list(range(0, 6, 2))`
10. `list(range(9, 6, -1))`

### reversed

`reversed` is a *function* which takes a sequence as parameter and PRODUCES a NEW *iterator* which allows to run through the sequence in reverse order.

**WARNING:** by calling `reversed` we directly obtain an *iterator* !

So you do *not* need to make further calls to `iter` as done with `range`!

Let's have a better look with an example:

```
[25]: la = ['s', 'c', 'a', 'n']
[26]: reversed(la)
[26]: <list_reverseiterator at 0x7f1b26ec5910>
```

We see `reversed` has produced an *iterator* as result (not a reversed list)

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### INFO: iterators occupy a small amount of memory

Creating an iterator from a sequence only creates a sort of pointer, it *does not* create new memory regions.

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Furthermore , we see the original list associated to `la` was *not* changed:

```
[27]: print(la)
['s', 'c', 'a', 'n']
```

**WARNING:** the function `reversed` is different from `reverse` method<sup>183</sup>

Note the final **d!** If we tried to call it as a method we would get an error:

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<sup>183</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists3-sol.html#reverse-method>

```
>>> la.reversed()
-----
AttributeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-182-c8d1eec57fdd> in <module>
----> 1 la.reversed()

AttributeError: 'list' object has no attribute 'reversed'
```

## Iterating with `next`

How can we obtain a reversed list in memory? In other words, how can we actionate the iterator machine?

We can ask the iterator for one element at a time with the function `next`:

```
[28]: la = ['a', 'b', 'c']
```

```
[29]: iterator = reversed(la)
```

```
[30]: next(iterator)
```

```
[30]: 'c'
```

```
[31]: next(iterator)
```

```
[31]: 'b'
```

```
[32]: next(iterator)
```

```
[32]: 'a'
```

Once the iterator is exhausted, by calling `next` again we will get an error:

```
next(iterator)
-----
StopIteration                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-248-4518bd5da67f> in <module>
----> 1 next(iterator)

StopIteration:
```

Let's try manually creating a destination list `lb` and adding elements we obtain one by one:

```
[33]: la = ['a', 'b', 'c']
iterator = reversed(la)
lb = []
lb.append(next(iterator))
lb.append(next(iterator))
lb.append(next(iterator))
print(lb)

jupman.pytut()
['c', 'b', 'a']
```

```
[33]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

### Exercise - sconcerto

Write some code which given a list of characters `la`, puts in a list `lb` all the characters at odd position taken from reversed list `la`.

- use `reversed` and `next`
- **DO NOT** modify `la`
- **DO NOT** use negative indexes
- **DO NOT** use list

Example - given:

```
#      8   7   6   5   4   3   2   1   0
la = ['s', 'c', 'o', 'n', 'c', 'e', 'r', 't', 'o']
lb = []
```

After your code it must show:

```
>>> print(lb)
['t', 'e', 'n', 'c']
>>> print(la)
['s', 'c', 'o', 'n', 'c', 'e', 'r', 't', 'o']
```

We invite you to solve the problem in several ways:

**WAY 1 - without cycle:** Suppose the list length **is fixed**, and repeatedly call `next` *without using a loop*

**WAY 2 - while:** Suppose having a list of arbitrary length, and try generalizing previous code by *using a while cycle*, and calling `next` inside

- **HINT 1:** keep track of the position in which you are with a counter `i`
- **HINT 2:** you cannot call `len` on an iterator, so in the `while` conditions you will have to use the original list length

**WAY 3 - for:** this is the most elegant way. Suppose having a list of arbitrary length and *use a loop* like `for x in reversed(la)`

- **HINT:** you will still need to keep track of the position in which you are with an `i` counter

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```
[34]:
```

```
# WAY 1: MANUAL

#      8   7   6   5   4   3   2   1   0
la = ['s', 'c', 'o', 'n', 'c', 'e', 'r', 't', 'o']
lb = []

# write here

iterator = reversed(la)

next(iterator)
```

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```

lb.append(next(iterator))
next(iterator)
lb.append(next(iterator))
next(iterator)
lb.append(next(iterator))
next(iterator)
lb.append(next(iterator))
print(lb)

#jupman.pytut()

['t', 'e', 'n', 'c']

```

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[34]:

```

# WAY 1: MANUAL

#      8      7      6      5      4      3      2      1      0
la = ['s', 'c', 'o', 'n', 'c', 'e', 'r', 't', 'o']
lb = []

# write here

```

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[35]:

```

# WAY 2: WHILE

#      8      7      6      5      4      3      2      1      0
la = ['s', 'c', 'o', 'n', 'c', 'e', 'r', 't', 'o']
lb = []

# write here

iterator = reversed(la)

i = 1
while i < len(la):
    if i % 2 == 1:
        next(iterator)
        lb.append(next(iterator))
    i += 2

print(lb)

```

['t', 'e', 'n', 'c']

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# WAY 2: WHILE

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```
#      8      7      6      5      4      3      2      1      0
la = ['s', 'c', 'o', 'n', 'c', 'e', 'r', 't', 'o']
lb = []

# write here
```

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[36]:

```
# WAY 3: for

#      8      7      6      5      4      3      2      1      0
la = ['s', 'c', 'o', 'n', 'c', 'e', 'r', 't', 'o']
lb = []

# write here
i = 0

for x in reversed(la):
    if i % 2 == 1:
        lb.append(x)
    i += 1
print(lb)

['t', 'e', 'n', 'c']
```

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[36]:

```
# WAY 3: for

#      8      7      6      5      4      3      2      1      0
la = ['s', 'c', 'o', 'n', 'c', 'e', 'r', 't', 'o']
lb = []

# write here
```

## Materializing an iterator

Luckily enough, we can obtain a list from an iterator with a less laborious method.

We've seen that when we want to create a new list from a sequence, we can use `list` as if it were a function. We can also do it in this case, interpreting the iterator as if it were a sequence:

[37]:

```
la = ['s', 'c', 'a', 'n']
list(reversed(la))
```

[37]:

```
['n', 'a', 'c', 's']
```

Notice we generated a NEW list, the original one associated to `la` is always the same:

```
[38]: la
[38]: ['s', 'c', 'a', 'n']
```

Let's see what happens using Python Tutor (we created some extra variables to evidence relevant passages):

```
[39]: la = ['s', 'c', 'a', 'n']
iterator = reversed(la)
new = list(iterator)
print("la is", la)
print("new is", new)

jupman.pytut()

la is ['s', 'c', 'a', 'n']
new is ['n', 'a', 'c', 's']

[39]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

**QUESTION** Which effect is the following code producing?

```
la = ['b', 'r', 'i', 'd', 'g', 'e']
lb = list(reversed(reversed(la)))
```

**sorted**

The **function sorted** takes as parameter a sequence and returns a NEW sorted list.

**WARNING:** sorted returns a LIST, not an iterator!

```
[40]: sorted(['g', 'a', 'e', 'd', 'b'])
[40]: ['a', 'b', 'd', 'e', 'g']
```

**WARNING:** sorted is a **function** different from sort metod<sup>184</sup> !

Note the final **ed!** If we tried to call it with a different method we would get an error:

```
>>> la.sorted()
-----
AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-182-c8d1eec57fdd> in <module>
----> 1 la.reversed()

AttributeError: 'list' object has no attribute 'sorted'
```

<sup>184</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/lists/lists3-sol.html#sort-method>

### Exercise - reversort

⊕ Given a list of names, write some code to produce a list sorted in reverse

There are at least a couple of ways to do it in a single line of code, find them both

- INPUT: ['Maria', 'Paolo', 'Giovanni', 'Alessia', 'Greta']
- OUTPUT: ['Paolo', 'Maria', 'Greta', 'Giovanni', 'Alessia']

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```
[41]: # write here

list(sorted(['Maria', 'Paolo', 'Giovanni', 'Alessia', 'Greta'], reverse=True))

# or
#list(reversed(sorted(['Maria', 'Paolo', 'Giovanni', 'Alessia', 'Greta'])))
```

```
[41]: ['Paolo', 'Maria', 'Greta', 'Giovanni', 'Alessia']

[41]: </div>
```

```
[41]: # write here
```

### zip

Suppose we have two lists paintings and years, with respectively names of famous paintings and the dates in which they were painted:

```
[42]: paintings = ["The Mona Lisa", "The Birth of Venus", "Sunflowers"]
years = [1503, 1482, 1888]
```

We want to produce a new list which contains some tuples which associate each painting with the year it was made:

```
[('The Mona Lisa', 1503),
 ('The Birth of Venus', 1482),
 ('Sunflowers', 1888)]
```

There are various ways to do it but certainly the most elegant is by using the **function** `zip` which produces an **iterator**:

```
[43]: zip(paintings, years)
[43]: <zip at 0x7f1b26eec550>
```

Even if you don't see written 'iterator' in the object name, we can still use it as such with `next`:

```
[44]: iterator = zip(paintings, years)
next(iterator)
[44]: ('The Mona Lisa', 1503)
```

```
[45]: next(iterator)
[45]: ('The Birth of Venus', 1482)
```

```
[46]: next(iterator)
[46]: ('Sunflowers', 1888)
```

As done previously, we can convert everything to a list with `list`:

```
[47]: paintings = ["The Mona Lisa", "The Birth of Venus", "Sunflowers"]
years = [1503, 1482, 1888]

list(zip(paintings, years))
[47]: [('The Mona Lisa', 1503), ('The Birth of Venus', 1482), ('Sunflowers', 1888)]
```

If the lists have different length, the sequence produced by `zip` will be as long as the shortest input sequence:

```
[48]: list(zip([1,2,3], ['a','b','c','d','e']))
[48]: [(1, 'a'), (2, 'b'), (3, 'c')]
```

If we will, we can pass an arbitrary number of sequences - for example, by passing three of them we will obtain triplets of values:

```
[49]: songs = ['Imagine', 'Hey Jude', 'Satisfaction', 'Yesterday']
authors = ['John Lennon', 'The Beatles', 'The Rolling Stones', 'The Beatles']
years = [1971, 1968, 1965, 1965]
list(zip(songs, authors, years))
[49]: [('Imagine', 'John Lennon', 1971),
('Hey Jude', 'The Beatles', 1968),
('Satisfaction', 'The Rolling Stones', 1965),
('Yesterday', 'The Beatles', 1965)]
```

## Exercise - ladder

Given a number  $n$ , create a list of tuples that for each integer number  $x$  such that  $0 \leq x \leq n$  associates the number  $n - x$

- INPUT:  $n=5$
- OUTPUT:  $[(0, 4), (1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 1), (4, 0)]$

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```
[50]:
n = 5
# write here
list(zip(range(n), reversed(range(n))))
[50]: [(0, 4), (1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 1), (4, 0)]
```

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```
[50]:
n = 5
```

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```
# write here
```

## List comprehensions

List comprehensions are handy when you need to generate a NEW list by executing the same operation on all the elements of a sequence. Comprehensions start and end with square brackets [ ] so their syntax reminds lists, but inside they contain a special `for` to loop inside a sequence:

```
[51]: numbers = [2, 5, 3, 4]

doubled = [x*2 for x in numbers]

doubled
[51]: [4, 10, 6, 8]
```

Note the variable `numbers` is still associated to the original list:

```
[52]: numbers
[52]: [2, 5, 3, 4]
```

What happened ? We wrote the name of a variable `x` we just invented, and we told Python to go through the list `numbers`: at each iteration, the variable `x` is associated to a different value of the list `numbers`. This value can be reused in the expression we wrote on left of the `for`, which in this case is `x*2`

As name for the variable we used `x`, but we could have used any other name, for example this code is equivalent to the previous one:

```
[53]: numbers = [2, 5, 3, 4]

doubled = [number * 2 for number in numbers]

doubled
[53]: [4, 10, 6, 8]
```

On the left of the `for` we can write any expression which produces a value, for example here we write `x + 1` to increment all the numbers of the original list:

```
[54]: numbers = [2, 5, 3, 4]

augmented = [x + 1 for x in numbers]

augmented
[54]: [3, 6, 4, 5]
```

**QUESTION:** What is this code going to produce? If we visualize it in Python Tutor, will `la` and `lb` point to different objects?

```
la = [7, 5, 6, 9]
lb = [x for x in la]
```

```
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  data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show answer</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-question" style="display:none">
```

**ANSWER:** When `[x for x in la]` is executed, during the first iteration `x` is valued 7, during the second 5, during the third one 6 and so on and so forth. In the expression on the left of the `for` we put only `x`, so as expression result we will get the same identical number taken from the original string.

The code will produce a NEW list `[7, 5, 6, 9]` and it will be associated to the variable `lb`.

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```
[55]: la = [7, 5, 6, 9]
lb = [x for x in la]

jupman.pytut()

[55]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

## List comprehensions on strings

**QUESTION:** What is this code going to produce?

```
[x for x in 'question']
```

```
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  data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show answer</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-question" style="display:none">
```

**ANSWER:** It will produce `['q', 'u', 'e', 's', 't', 'i', 'o', 'n']`

Since `question` is a string, if we interpret it as a sequence each element of it is a character, so during the first iteration `x` is valued '`q`', during the second '`u`', during the third '`e`' and so on and so forth. In the expression on the left of the `for` we put only `x`, so as expression result we will obtain the same identical character taken from the original string.

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Let's now suppose to have a list of `animals` and we want to produce another one with the same names as uppercase. We can do it in a compact way with a list comprehension like this:

```
[56]: animals = ['dogs', 'cats', 'squirrels', 'elks']

new_list = [animal.upper() for animal in animals]

[57]: new_list

[57]: ['DOGS', 'CATS', 'SQUIRRELS', 'ELKS']
```

In the left part reserved to the expression we used the method `.upper()` on the string variable `animal`. We know strings are immutable, so we're sure the method call produces a NEW string. Let's see what happened with Python Tutor:

```
[58]: animals = ['dogs', 'cats', 'squirrels', 'elks']

new_list = [animal.upper() for animal in animals]

jupman.pytut()

[58]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

⊕ EXERCISE: Try writing here a list comprehension to put all characters as lowercase (`.lower()` method)

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[59]:

```
animals = ['doGS', 'caTS', 'SQUIrreLs', 'ELks']

# write here

[animal.lower() for animal in animals]
```

[59]:

```
['dogs', 'cats', 'squirrels', 'elks']
```

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[59]:

```
animals = ['doGS', 'caTS', 'SQUIrreLs', 'ELks']

# write here
```

### Questions - List comprehensions

Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `[x for [4,2,5]]`

2. `x for x in range(3)`

3. `[x for y in 'cartoccio']`

4. `[for x in 'zappa']`

5. `[for [3,4,5]]`

6. `[k + 1 for k in 'bozza']`

7. `[k + 1 for k in range(5)]`

8. `[k > 3 for k in range(7)]`

9. `[s + s for s in ['lam','pa','da']]`

10. `la = ['x','z','z']
[x for x in la] + [y for y in la]`

11. `[x.split('-') for x in ['a-b', 'c-d', 'e-f']]`

12. `['@'.join(x) for x in [['a','b.com'],['c','d.org'], ['e','f.net']] ]`

```
13. ['z' for y in 'borgo'].count('z') == len('borgo')
```

```
14. m = [['a', 'b'], ['c', 'd'], ['e', 'f']]
la = [x.pop() for x in m] # not advisable - why ?
print('m:', m)
print('la:', la)
```

## Exercises - list comprehension

### Exercise - Bubble bubble

⊕ Given a list of strings, produce a sequence with all the strings replicated 4 times

- INPUT: ['chewing', 'gum', 'bubble']
- OUTPUT: ['chewingchewingchewingchewing', 'gumgumgumgum', 'bubblebubblebubblebubble']

[Show solution](#)</div><div class="jupman-sol" style="display:none">

[60]:

```
import math

bubble_bubble = ['chewing', 'gum', 'bubble']

# write here
[x*4 for x in bubble_bubble]
```

[60]:

```
['chewingchewingchewingchewing', 'gumgumgumgum', 'bubblebubblebubblebubble']
```

### Exercise - root

⊕ Given a list of numbers, produce a list with the square root of the input numbers

- INPUT: [16, 25, 81]
- OUTPUT: [4.0, 5.0, 9.0]

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```
[61]:  
import math  
  
# write here  
[math.sqrt(x) for x in [16, 25, 81]]  
[61]: [4.0, 5.0, 9.0]
```

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```
[61]:  
import math  
  
# write here
```

### Exercise - When The Telephone Rings

- ⊕ Given a list of strings, produce a list with the first characters of each string
- INPUT: ['When', 'The', 'Telephone', 'Rings']
  - OUTPUT: ['W', 'T', 'T', 'R']

[Show solution](#)</div><div class="jupman-sol" style="display:none">

```
[62]:  
# write here  
[x[0] for x in ['When', 'The', 'Telephone', 'Rings']]  
[62]: ['W', 'T', 'T', 'R']
```

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```
[62]:  
# write here
```

### Exercise - don't worry

- ⊕ Given a list of strings, produce a list with the lengths of all the lists
- INPUT: ["don't", 'worry', 'and', 'be', 'happy']
  - OUTPUT: [5, 5, 3, 2, 5]

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```
[63]:  
# write here  
[len(x) for x in ["don't", 'worry', 'and', 'be', 'happy']]
```

```
[63]: [5, 5, 3, 2, 5]
```

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```
[63]: # write here
```

### Exercise - greater than 3

⊕ Given a list of numbers, produce a list with True if the corresponding element is greater than 3, False otherwise

- INPUT: [4, 1, 0, 5, 0, 9, 1]
- OUTPUT: [True, False, False, True, False, True, False]

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>

```
[64]: # write here
[x > 3 for x in [4, 1, 0, 5, 0, 9, 1]]
```

```
[64]: [True, False, False, True, False, True, False]
```

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```
[64]: # write here
```

### Exercise - even

⊕ Given a list of numbers, produce a list with True if the corresponding element is even

- INPUT: [3, 2, 4, 1, 5, 3, 2, 9]
- OUTPUT: [False, True, True, False, False, False, True, False]

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>

```
[65]: # write here
[x % 2 == 0 for x in [3, 2, 4, 1, 5, 3, 2, 9]]
```

```
[65]: [False, True, True, False, False, False, True, False]
```

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```
[65]: # write here
```

**Exercise - both ends**

⊕ Given a list of strings having at least two characters each, produce a list of strings with the first and last characters of each

- INPUT: ['departing', 'for', 'the', 'battlefront']
- OUTPUT: ['dg', 'fr', 'te', 'bt']

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[66]:

```
# write here  
[x[0] + x[-1] for x in ['departing', 'for', 'the', 'battlefront']]
```

[66]:

```
['dg', 'fr', 'te', 'bt']
```

```
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```

[66]:

```
# write here
```

**Exercise - dashes**

⊕ Given a list of lists of characters, produce a list of strings with characters separated by dashes

- INPUT: [['a', 'b'], ['c', 'd', 'e'], ['f', 'g']]
- OUTPUT: ['a-b', 'c-d-e', 'f-g']

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[67]:

```
# write here  
['-'.join(x) for x in [['a', 'b'], ['c', 'd', 'e'], ['f', 'g']]]
```

[67]:

```
['a-b', 'c-d-e', 'f-g']
```

```
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```

[67]:

```
# write here
```

### Exercise - lollosa

⊕ Given a string  $s$ , produce a list of tuples having for each character the number of occurrences of that character in the string

- INPUT:  $s = \text{'lollosa'}$
- OUTPUT:  $[('l', 3), ('o', 2), ('l', 3), ('l', 3), ('o', 2), ('s', 1), ('a', 1)]$

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[68]:

```
s = 'lollosa'
# write here
[(car, s.count(car)) for car in s]
```

[68]:

```
[('l', 3), ('o', 2), ('l', 3), ('l', 3), ('o', 2), ('s', 1), ('a', 1)]
```

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[68]:

```
s = 'lollosa'
# write here
```

### Exercise - dog cat

⊕ Given a list of strings of at least two characters each, produce a list with the strings without intial and final characters

- INPUT:  $[\text{'donkey'}, \text{'eagle'}, \text{'ox'}, \text{'dog'}]$
- OUTPUT:  $[\text{'onke'}, \text{'agl'}, \text{''}, \text{'o'}]$

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[69]:

```
# write here
[x[1:-1] for x in ['donkey', 'eagle', 'ox', 'dog']]
```

[69]:

```
['onke', 'agl', '', 'o']
```

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[69]:

```
# write here
```

### Exercise - smurfs

⊕ Given some names produce a list with the names sorted alphabetically and all in uppercase

- INPUT: ['Brainy', 'Hefty', 'Smurfette', 'Clumsy']
- OUTPUT: ['BRAINY', 'CLUMSY', 'HEFTY', 'SMURFETTE']

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[70]:

```
# write here
[x.upper() for x in sorted(['Brainy', 'Hefty', 'Smurfette', 'Clumsy'])]
```

[70]:

```
['BRAINY', 'CLUMSY', 'HEFTY', 'SMURFETTE']
```

```
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```

[70]:

```
# write here
```

### Exercise - precious metals

⊕ Given two lists `values` and `metals` produce a list containing all the couples value-metal as tuples

INPUT:

```
values = [10, 25, 50]
metals = ['silver', 'gold', 'platinum']
```

OUTPUT: [(10, 'silver'), (25, 'gold'), (50, 'platinum')]

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[71]:

```
values = [10, 25, 50]
metals = ['silver', 'gold', 'platinum']
```

```
# write here
list(zip(values, metals))
```

[71]:

```
[(10, 'silver'), (25, 'gold'), (50, 'platinum')]
```

```
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```

[71]:

```
values = [10, 25, 50]
metals = ['silver', 'gold', 'platinum']
```

```
# write here
```

## Filtered list comprehensions

During the construction of a list comprehension we can filter the elements taken from the sequence by using an `if`. For example, the following expression takes from the sequence only numbers greater than 5:

```
[72]: [x for x in [7, 4, 8, 2, 9] if x > 5]
```

```
[72]: [7, 8, 9]
```

After the `if` we can put any expression which reuses the variable on which we are iterating, for example if we are iterating a string we can keep only the uppercase characters:

```
[73]: [x for x in 'The World Goes Round' if x.isupper()]
```

```
[73]: ['T', 'W', 'G', 'R']
```

**WARNING: `else` is not supported**

For example, writing this generates an error:

```
[x for x in [7, 4, 8, 2, 9] if x > 5 else x + 1] # WRONG!

File "<ipython-input-74-9ba5c135c58c>", line 1
    [x for x in [7, 4, 8, 2, 9] if x > 5 else x + 1]
                           ^
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
```

## Questions - filtered list comprehensions

Look at the following code fragments, and for each try guessing the result it produces (or if it gives an error):

1. `[x for x in range(100) if False]`

2. `[x for x in range(3) if True]`

3. `[x for x in range(6) if x > 3 else 55]`

4. `[x for x in range(6) if x % 2 == 0]`

5. `[x for x in {'a', 'b', 'c'}] # careful about ordering`

6. `[x for x in [[5], [2, 3], [4, 2, 3], [4]] if len(x) > 2]`

7. `[(x, x) for x in 'xyxyxxy' if x != 'x']`

8. `[x for x in ['abCdEFg'] if x.upper() == x]`

9. `la = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
[x for x in la if x > la[len(la)//2]]`

### Exercises - filtered list comprehensions

#### Exercise - savannah

Given a list of strings, produce a list with only the strings of length greater than 6:

- INPUT: ['zebra', 'leopard', 'giraffe', 'gnu', 'rhinoceros', 'lion']
- OUTPUT: ['leopard', 'giraffe', 'rhinoceros']

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[74]:

```
# write here
[x for x in ['zebra', 'leopard', 'giraffe', 'gnu', 'rhinoceros', 'lion'] if len(x) >_  
→ 6]
```

[74]:

```
['leopard', 'giraffe', 'rhinoceros']
```

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[74]:

```
# write here
```

#### Exercise - puZZled

Given a list of strings, produce a list with only the strings which contain at least a 'z'. The selected strings must be transformed so to place the Z in uppercase.

- INPUT: ['puzzled', 'park', 'Aztec', 'run', 'mask', 'zodiac']
- OUTPUT: ['puZZled', 'AZtec', 'Zodiac']

[75]:

```
[x.replace('z','Z') for x in ['puzzled', 'park','Aztec', 'run', 'mask', 'zodiac'] if  
→ 'z' in x]
```

#### Exercise - Data science

Produce a string with the words of the input string alternated uppercase / lowercase

- INPUT:

[76]:

```
phrase = """Data science is an interdisciplinary field  
that uses scientific methods, processes, algorithms and systems  
to extract knowledge and insights from noisy, structured  
and unstructured data, and apply knowledge and actionable insights  
from data across a broad range of application domains."""
```

- OUTPUT (only one line):

```
DATA science IS an INTERDISCIPLINARY field THAT uses SCIENTIFIC methods,_  
→ PROCESSES, algorithms AND systems TO extract KNOWLEDGE and INSIGHTS from NOISY,_  
→ structured AND unstructured DATA, and APPLY knowledge AND actionable INSIGHTS,_  
→ from DATA across A broad RANGE of APPLICATION domains.  
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```

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⊕⊕⊕ **WRITE ONLY ONE** code line

⊕⊕⊕⊕ **USE ONLY ONE** list comprehension

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[77]:

```
phrase = """Data science is an interdisciplinary field
that uses scientific methods, processes, algorithms and systems
to extract knowledge and insights from noisy, structured
and unstructured data, and apply knowledge and actionable insights
from data across a broad range of application domains."""

# write here

print(' '.join(
    [t[0].upper() + ' ' + t[1] for t in zip(phrase.split()[:2], phrase.split()[1::2])])

# or
#print(' '.join([phrase.split()[i].upper() + ' ' + phrase.split()[i + 1] for i in
#range(0, len(phrase.split())-1, 2)]))

DATA science IS an INTERDISCIPLINARY field THAT uses SCIENTIFIC methods, PROCESSES,
algorithms AND systems TO extract KNOWLEDGE and INSIGHTS from NOISY, structured AND
unstructured DATA, and APPLY knowledge AND actionable INSIGHTS from DATA across A
broad RANGE of APPLICATION domains.
```

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[77]:

```
phrase = """Data science is an interdisciplinary field
that uses scientific methods, processes, algorithms and systems
to extract knowledge and insights from noisy, structured
and unstructured data, and apply knowledge and actionable insights
from data across a broad range of application domains."""

# write here
```

[ ]:



## A3 ALGORITHMS

### 7.1 Functions, error handling and testing

#### 7.1.1 Functions 1 - introduction

**Download exercises zip**

Browse files online<sup>185</sup>

#### Introduction

#### References:

A function takes some parameters and uses them to produce or report some result.

In this notebook we will see how to define functions to reuse code, and talk about the scope of variables

#### References

- Andrea Passerini slides A04<sup>186</sup>
- Thinking in Python, Chapter 3, Functions<sup>187</sup>
- Thinking in Python, Chapter 6, Fruitful functions<sup>188</sup> **NOTE:** in the book they use the weird term ‘fruitful functions’ for those functions which RETURN a value (mind you, RETURN a value, which is different from PRINTing it), and use also the term ‘void functions’ for functions which do not return anything but have some effect like PRINTing to screen. Please ignore these terms.

#### What to do

- unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
-jupman.py
-exercises
  |- functions
    |- functions.ipynb
    |- functions-sol.ipynb
```

<sup>185</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/functions>

<sup>186</sup> <http://disi.unitn.it/~passerini/teaching/2019-2020/sci-pro/slides/A04-functions.pdf>

<sup>187</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2004.html>

<sup>188</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2007.html>

**WARNING:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

- open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `functions/functions.ipynb`
- Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### What is a function ?

A function is a block of code that has a name and that performs a task. A function can be thought of as a box that gets an input and returns an output.

**Why should we use functions?** For a lot of reasons including:

1. *Reduce code duplication:* put in functions parts of code that are needed several times in the whole program so that you don't need to repeat the same code over and over again;
2. *Decompose a complex task:* make the code easier to write and understand by splitting the whole program in several easier functions;

both things improve code readability and make your code easier to understand.

The basic definition of a function is:

```
def function_name(input) :  
    #code implementing the function  
    ...  
    ...  
    return return_value
```

Functions are defined with the `def` keyword that proceeds the *function\_name* and then a list of parameters is passed in the brackets. A colon `:` is used to end the line holding the definition of the function. The code implementing the function is specified by using indentation. A function **might** or **might not** return a value. In the first case a `return` statement is used.

#### Example:

Define a function that implements the sum of two integer lists (note that there is no check that the two lists actually contain integers and that they have the same size).

```
[2]: def int_list_sum(la,lb):  
    """Implements the sum of two lists of integers having the same size  
    """  
    ret = []  
    for i in range(len(la)):  
        ret.append(la[i] + lb[i])  
    return ret  
  
La = list(range(1,10))  
print("La:", La)
```

```
La: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

```
[3]: Lb = list(range(20,30))
print("Lb:", Lb)
Lb: [20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29]
```

```
[4]: res = int_list_sum(La,Lb)
```

```
[5]: print("La+Lb:", res)
La+Lb: [21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 37]
```

```
[6]: res = int_list_sum(La,La)
```

```
[7]: print("La+La", res)
La+La [2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18]
```

Note that once the function has been defined, it can be called as many times as wanted with different input parameters. Moreover, **a function does not do anything until it is actually called**. A function can return **0** (in this case the return value would be “None”), **1 or more** results. Notice also that collecting the results of a function is **not mandatory**.

**Example:** Let’s write a function that, given a list of elements, prints only the even-placed ones without returning anything.

```
[8]: def get_even_placed(myList):
    """returns the even placed elements of myList"""
    ret = [myList[i] for i in range(len(myList)) if i % 2 == 0]
    print(ret)
```

```
[9]: L1 = ["hi", "there", "from", "python", "!" ]
```

```
[10]: L2 = list(range(13))
```

```
[11]: print("L1:", L1)
L1: ['hi', 'there', 'from', 'python', '!']
```

```
[12]: print("L2:", L2)
L2: [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]
```

```
[13]: print("even L1:")
get_even_placed(L1)
even L1:
['hi', 'from', '!']
```

```
[14]: print("even L2:")
get_even_placed(L2)
even L2:
[0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12]
```

**Note that the function above is polymorphic** (i.e. it works on several data types, provided that we can iterate through them).

**Example:** Let’s write a function that, given a list of integers, returns the number of elements, the maximum and minimum.

```
[15]: def get_info(myList):
    """returns len of myList, min and max value (assumes elements are integers)"""
    tmp = myList[:] #copy the input list
    tmp.sort()
    return len(tmp), tmp[0], tmp[-1] #return type is a tuple

A = [7, 1, 125, 4, -1, 0]

print("Original A:", A, "\n")
Original A: [7, 1, 125, 4, -1, 0]
```

```
[16]: result = get_info(A)
```

```
[17]: print("Len:", result[0], "Min:", result[1], "Max:", result[2], "\n")
Len: 6 Min: -1 Max: 125
```

```
[18]: print("A now:", A)
```

```
A now: [7, 1, 125, 4, -1, 0]
```

```
[19]: def my_sum(myList):
    ret = 0
    for el in myList:
        ret += el # == ret = ret + el
    return ret

A = [1,2,3,4,5,6]
B = [7, 9, 4]
```

```
[20]: s = my_sum(A)
```

```
[21]: print("List A:", A)
print("Sum:", s)

List A: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
Sum: 21
```

```
[22]: s = my_sum(B)
```

```
[23]: print("List B:", B)
print("Sum:", s)

List B: [7, 9, 4]
Sum: 20
```

Please note that the return value above is actually a tuple. Importantly enough, a function needs to be defined (i.e. its code has to be written) before it can actually be used.

```
[24]: A = [1,2,3]
my_sum(A)

def my_sum(myList):
```

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```

ret = 0
for el in myList:
    ret += el
return ret

```

## Namespace and variable scope

**Namespaces** are mappings from *names* to objects, or in other words places where names are associated to objects. Namespaces can be considered as the context. According to Python's reference a **scope** is a *textual region of a Python program, where a namespace is directly accessible*, which means that Python will look into that *namespace* to find the object associated to a name. Four **namespaces** are made available by Python:

1. **Local**: the innermost that contains local names (inside a function or a class);
2. **Enclosing**: the scope of the enclosing function, it does not contain local nor global names (nested functions) ;
3. **Global**: contains the global names;
4. **Built-in**: contains all built in names (e.g. print, if, while, for,...)

When one refers to a name, Python tries to find it in the current namespace, if it is not found it continues looking in the namespace that contains it until the built-in namespace is reached. If the name is not found there either, the Python interpreter will throw a **NameError** exception, meaning it cannot find the name. The order in which namespaces are considered is: Local, Enclosing, Global and Built-in (LEGB).

Consider the following example:

```
[25]: def my_function():
    var = 1 #local variable
    print("Local:", var)
    b = "my string"
    print("Local:", b)
```

```
var = 7 #global variable
my_function()
print("Global:", var)
print(b)
```

```

Local: 1
Local: my string
Global: 7

-----
NameError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-56-7dd8330a24f0> in <module>
      8 my_function()
      9     print("Global:", var)
--> 10     print(b)

NameError: name 'b' is not defined

```

Variables defined within a function can only be seen within the function. That is why variable *b* is defined only within the function. Variables defined outside all functions are **global** to the whole program. The namespace of the local variable is within the function *my\_function*, while outside it the variable will have its global value.

And the following:

```
[26]: def outer_function():
    var = 1 #outer

    def inner_function():
        var = 2 #inner
        print("Inner:", var)
        print("Inner:", B)

    inner_function()
    print("Outer:", var)

var = 3 #global
B = "This is B"
outer_function()
print("Global:", var)
print("Global:", B)
```

Inner: 2  
Inner: This is B  
Outer: 1  
Global: 3  
Global: This is B

Note in particular that the variable B is global, therefore it is accessible everywhere and also inside the inner\_function. On the contrary, the value of var defined within the inner\_function is accessible only in the namespace defined by it, outside it will assume different values as shown in the example.

In a nutshell, remember the three simple rules seen in the lecture. Within a **def**:

1. Name assignments create local names by default;
2. Name references search the following four scopes in the order:  
local, enclosing functions (if any), then global and finally built-in (LEGB)
3. Names declared in global and nonlocal statements map assigned names to enclosing module and function scopes.

## Argument passing

Arguments are the parameters and data we pass to functions. When passing arguments, there are three important things to bear in mind are:

1. Passing an argument is actually assigning an object to a local variable name;
2. Assigning an object to a variable name within a function **does not affect the caller**;
3. Changing a **mutable** object variable name within a function **affects the caller**

Consider the following examples:

```
[27]: """Assigning the argument does not affect the caller"""

def my_f(x):
    x = "local value" #local
    print("Local: ", x)

x = "global value" #global
my_f(x)
print("Global:", x)
```

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```
my_f(x)
```

```
Local: local value
Global: global value
Local: local value
```

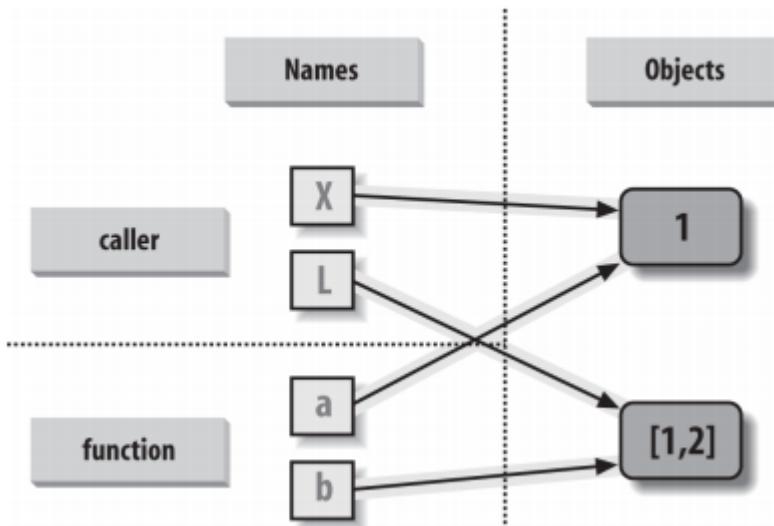
[28]: *"'"Changing a mutable affects the caller"""*

```
def my_f(myList):
    myList[1] = "new value1"
    myList[3] = "new value2"
    print("Local: ", myList)

myList = ["old value"]*4
print("Global:", myList)
my_f(myList)
print("Global now: ", myList)

Global: ['old value', 'old value', 'old value', 'old value']
Local: ['old value', 'new value1', 'old value', 'new value2']
Global now: ['old value', 'new value1', 'old value', 'new value2']
```

Recall what seen in the lecture:



The behaviour above is because **immutable objects** are passed **by value** (therefore it is like making a copy), while **mutable objects** are passed **by reference** (therefore changing them effectively changes the original object).

To avoid making changes to a **mutable object** passed as parameter one needs to **explicitely make a copy** of it.

Consider the example seen before. **Example:** Let's write a function that, given a list of integers, returns the number of elements, the maximum and minimum.

[29]: 

```
def get_info(myList):
    """returns len of myList, min and max value (assumes elements are integers)"""
    myList.sort()
    return len(myList), myList[0], myList[-1] #return type is a tuple
```

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```
def get_info_copy(myList):
    """returns len of myList, min and max value (assumes elements are integers)"""
    tmp = myList[:] #copy the input list!!!!
    tmp.sort()
    return len(tmp), tmp[0], tmp[-1] #return type is a tuple

A = [7, 1, 125, 4, -1, 0]
B = [70, 10, 1250, 40, -10, 0, 10]

print("A:", A)
result = get_info(A)

A: [7, 1, 125, 4, -1, 0]
```

```
[30]: print("Len:", result[0], "Min:", result[1], "Max:", result[2] )

Len: 6 Min: -1 Max: 125
```

```
[31]: print("A now:", A) #whoops A is changed!!!

A now: [-1, 0, 1, 4, 7, 125]
```

```
[32]: print("\nB:", B)

B: [70, 10, 1250, 40, -10, 0, 10]
```

```
[33]: result = get_info_copy(B)
```

```
[34]: print("Len:", result[0], "Min:", result[1], "Max:", result[2] )

Len: 7 Min: -10 Max: 1250
```

```
[35]: print("B now:", B) #B is not changed!!!

B now: [70, 10, 1250, 40, -10, 0, 10]
```

## Positional arguments

Arguments can be passed to functions following the order in which they appear in the function definition.

Consider the following example:

```
[36]: def print_parameters(a,b,c,d):
        print("1st param:", a)
        print("2nd param:", b)
        print("3rd param:", c)
        print("4th param:", d)

print_parameters("A", "B", "C", "D")

1st param: A
2nd param: B
3rd param: C
4th param: D
```

## Passing arguments by keyword

Given the name of an argument as specified in the definition of the function, parameters can be passed using the **name = value** syntax.

For example:

```
[37]: def print_parameters(a,b,c,d):
    print("1st param:", a)
    print("2nd param:", b)
    print("3rd param:", c)
    print("4th param:", d)

print_parameters(a = 1, c=3, d=4, b=2)

1st param: 1
2nd param: 2
3rd param: 3
4th param: 4
```

```
[38]: print_parameters("first","second",d="fourth",c="third")

1st param: first
2nd param: second
3rd param: third
4th param: fourth
```

Arguments passed positionally and by name can be used at the same time, but parameters passed by name must always be to the left of those passed by name. The following code in fact is not accepted by the Python interpreter:

```
def print_parameters(a,b,c,d):
    print("1st param:", a)
    print("2nd param:", b)
    print("3rd param:", c)
    print("4th param:", d)

print_parameters(d="fourth",c="third", "first","second")
```

```
File "<ipython-input-60-4991b2c31842>", line 7
    print_parameters(d="fourth",c="third", "first","second")
                                         ^
SyntaxError: positional argument follows keyword argument
```

## Specifying default values

During the definition of a function it is possible to specify default values. The syntax is the following:

```
def my_function(par1 = val1, par2 = val2, par3 = val3):
```

Consider the following example:

```
[39]: def print_parameters(a="defaultA", b="defaultB",c="defaultC"):
    print("a:",a)
    print("b:",b)
    print("c:",c)
```

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```
print_parameters("param_A")
a: param_A
b: defaultB
c: defaultC
```

```
[40]: print_parameters(b="PARAMETER_B")
a: defaultA
b: PARAMETER_B
c: defaultC
```

```
[41]: print_parameters()
a: defaultA
b: defaultB
c: defaultC
```

```
[42]: print_parameters(c="PARAMETER_C", b="PAR_B")
a: defaultA
b: PAR_B
c: PARAMETER_C
```

### Simple exercises

#### sum2

⊕ Write function `sum2` which given two numbers `x` and `y` RETURN their sum

**QUESTION:** Why do we call it `sum2` instead of just `sum` ??

```
[43]: sum([2, 51])
```

```
[43]: 53
```

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**ANSWER:** `sum` is already defined as standard python function, we do not want to overwrite it. Look at how in the following snippet it displays in green:

```
>>> sum([5, 8])
13
```

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```
[44]: # write here
def sum2(x, y):
    return x + y
```

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[44]: # write here

[45]: s = sum2(3, 6)  
print(s)

9

[46]: s = sum2(-1, 3)  
print(s)

2

## comparep

⊕ Write a function comparep which given two numbers x and y, PRINTS x is greater than y, x is less than y, x is equal to y

**NOTE:** in print, put real numbers. For example, comparep(10,5) should print:

10 is greater than 5

HINT: to print numbers and text, use commas in print:

print(x, " is greater than ")

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[47]: # write here  
def comparep(x, y):  
 if x > y:  
 print(x, " is greater than ", y)  
 elif x < y:  
 print(x, " is less than ", y)  
 else:  
 print(x, " is equal to ", y)

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[47]: # write here

[48]: comparep(10, 5)

10 is greater than 5

[49]: comparep(3, 8)

3 is less than 8

[50]: comparep(3, 3)

```
3 is equal to 3
```

### comparer

⊕ Write function `comparer` which given two numbers `x` and `y` RETURN the STRING '`>`' if `x` is greater than `y`, the STRING '`<`' if `x` is less than `y` or the STRING '`==`' if `x` is equal to `y`

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```
[51]: # write here
def comparer(x,y):
    if x > y:
        return '>'
    elif x < y:
        return '<'
    else:
        return '=='
```

```
</div>
```

```
[51]: # write here
```

```
[52]: c = comparer(10,5)
print(c)

>
```

```
[53]: c = comparer(3,7)
print(c)

<
```

```
[54]: c = comparer(3,3)
print(c)

==
```

### even

⊕ Write a function `even` which given a number `x`, RETURN True if `x` is even, otherwise RETURN False

**HINT:** a number is even when the rest of division by two is zero. To obtaining the remainder of division, write `x % 2`

```
[55]: # Example:
2 % 2
```

```
[55]: 0
```

```
[56]: 3 % 2
```

```
[56]: 1
```

```
[57]: 4 % 2
```

```
[57]: 0
```

```
[58]: 5 % 2
```

```
[58]: 1
```

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```
[59]: # write here
def even(x):
    return x % 2 == 0
```

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```
[59]: # write here
```

```
[60]: p = even(2)
print(p)

True
```

```
[61]: p = even(3)
print(p)

False
```

```
[62]: p = even(4)
print(p)

True
```

```
[63]: p = even(5)
print(p)

False
```

```
[64]: p = even(0)
print(p)

True
```

**gre**

⊕ Write a function `gre` that given two numbers `x` and `y`, RETURN the greatest number.

If they are equal, RETURN any number.

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```
[65]: # write here

def gre(x,y):
    if x > y:
        return x
    else:
        return y
```

```
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```

```
[65]: # write here
```

```
[66]: m = gre(3,5)
print(m)

5
```

```
[67]: m = gre(6,2)
print(m)

6
```

```
[68]: m = gre(4,4)
print(m)

4
```

```
[69]: m = gre(-5,2)
print(m)

2
```

```
[70]: m = gre(-5, -3)
print(m)

-3
```

### is\_vocal

⊕ Write a function `is_vocal` in which a character `car` is passed as parameter, and PRINTs 'yes' if the carachter is a vocal, otherwise PRINTs 'no' (using the `prints`).

```
>>> is_vocal("a")
'yes'

>>> is_vocal("c")
'no'
```

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```
[71]: # write here
```

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```
def is_vocal(char):
    if char == 'a' or char == 'e' or char == 'i' or char == 'o' or char == 'u':
        print('yes')
    else:
        print('no')
```

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[71]: # write here

**sphere\_volume**⊕ The volume of a sphere of radius  $r$  is  $4/3\pi r^3$ Write a function `sphere_volume(radius)` which given a `radius` of a sphere, PRINTs the volume.**NOTE:** assume `pi = 3.14`

```
>>> sphere_volume(4)
267.9466666666666
```

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[72]: # write here

```
def sphere_volume(radius):
    print((4/3)*3.14*(radius**3))
```

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[72]: # write here

**ciri**⊕ Write a function `ciri(name)` which takes as parameter the string `name` and RETURN `True` if it is equal to the name 'Cirillo'

```
>>> r = ciri("Cirillo")
>>> r
True

>>> r = ciri("Cirillo")
>>> r
False
```

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```
[73]: # write here

def ciri(name):
    if name == "Cirillo":
        return True
    else:
        return False
```

```
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```

```
[73]: # write here
```

### age

⊕ Write a function `age` which takes as parameter `year` of birth and RETURN the age of the person

\*\*Suppose the current year is known, so to represent it in the function body use a constant like 2019:

```
>>> a = age(2003)
>>> print(a)
16
```

```
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```

```
[74]: # write here
```

```
def age(year):
    return 2019 - year
```

```
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```

```
[74]: # write here
```

### Verify comprehension

Following exercises require you to know:

#### ATTENTION

Following exercises require you to know:

Complex statements: Andrea Passerini slides A03<sup>189</sup>

Tests with asserts<sup>190</sup>: Following exercises contain automated tests to help you spot errors. To understand how to do them, read before Error handling and testing<sup>191</sup>

<sup>189</sup> <http://disi.unitn.it/~passerini/teaching/2019-2020/sci-pro/slides/A03-controlflow.pdf>

<sup>190</sup> <https://sciprog.davidleoni.it/errors-and-testing/errors-and-testing-sol.html#Testing-with-asserts>

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## Lambda functions

Lambda functions are functions which:

- have no name
- are defined on one line, typically right where they are needed
- their body is an expression, thus you need no `return`

Let's create a lambda function which takes a number `x` and doubles it:

```
[75]: lambda x: x*2
[75]: <function __main__.lambda(x)>
```

As you see, Python created a function object, which gets displayed by Jupyter. Unfortunately, at this point the function object got lost, because that is what happens to any object created by an expression that is not assigned to a variable.

To be able to call the function, we will thus convenient to assign such function object to a variable, say `f`:

```
[76]: f = lambda x: x*2
[77]: f
[77]: <function __main__.lambda(x)>
```

Great, now we have a function we can call as many times as we want:

```
[78]: f(5)
[78]: 10
[79]: f(7)
[79]: 14
```

So writing

```
[80]: def f(x):
        return x*2
```

or

```
[81]: f = lambda x: x*2
```

are completely equivalent forms, the main difference being with `def` we can write functions with bodies on multiple lines. Lambdas may appear limited, so why should we use them? Sometimes they allow for very concise code. For example, imagine you have a list of tuples holding animals and their lifespan:

```
[82]: animals = [('dog', 12), ('cat', 14), ('pelican', 30), ('eagle', 25), ('squirrel', 6)]
```

If you want to sort them, you can try the `.sort` method but it will not work:

```
[83]: animals.sort()
[84]: animals
[84]: [('cat', 14), ('dog', 12), ('eagle', 25), ('pelican', 30), ('squirrel', 6)]
```

Clearly, this is not what we wanted. To get proper ordering, we need to tell python that when it considers a tuple for comparison, it should extract the lifespan number. To do so, Pyhton provides us with `key` parameter, which we must pass a function that takes as argument the list element under consideration (in this case a tuple) and will return a trasformation of it (in this case the number at 1-th position):

```
[85]: animals.sort(key=lambda t: t[1])
```

```
[86]: animals
```

```
[86]: [('squirrel', 6), ('dog', 12), ('cat', 14), ('eagle', 25), ('pelican', 30)]
```

Now we got the ordering we wanted. We could have written the thing as

```
[87]: def myf(t):
        return t[1]
```

```
animals.sort(key=myf)
animals
```

```
[87]: [('squirrel', 6), ('dog', 12), ('cat', 14), ('eagle', 25), ('pelican', 30)]
```

but lambdas clearly save some keyboard typing

Notice lambdas can take multiple parameters:

```
[88]: mymul = lambda x,y: x * y
```

```
mymul(2,5)
```

```
[88]: 10
```

### Exercises: lambdas

#### apply\_borders

⊕ Write a function `apply_borders` which takes a function `f` as parameter and a sequence, and RETURN a tuple holding two elements:

- first element is obtained by applying `f` to the first element of the sequence
- second element is obtained by appling `f` to the last element of the sequence

Example:

```
>>> apply_borders(lambda x: x.upper(), ['the', 'river', 'is', 'very', 'long'])
('THE', 'LONG')
>>> apply_borders(lambda x: x[0], ['the', 'river', 'is', 'very', 'long'])
('t', 'l')
```

```
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```

```
[89]: # write here
```

```
def apply_borders(f, seq):
    return ( f(seq[0]),    f(seq[-1]) )
```

```
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```

```
[89]: # write here
```

```
[90]: print(apply_borders(lambda x: x.upper(), ['the', 'river', 'is', 'very', 'long']))
print(apply_borders(lambda x: x[0], ['the', 'river', 'is', 'very', 'long']))

('THE', 'LONG')
('t', 'l')
```

## process

⊕⊕ Write a lambda expression to be passed as first parameter of the function process defined down here, so that a call to process generates a list as shown here:

```
>>> f = PUT_YOUR_LAMBDA_FUNCTION
>>> process(f, ['d', 'b', 'a', 'c', 'e', 'f'], ['q', 's', 'p', 't', 'r', 'n'])
['An', 'Bp', 'Cq', 'Dr', 'Es', 'Ft']
```

**NOTE:** process is already defined, you do not need to change it

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```
[91]: def process(f, lista, listb):
    orda = list(sorted(lista))
    ordb = list(sorted(listb))
    ret = []
    for i in range(len(lista)):
        ret.append(f(orda[i], ordb[i]))
    return ret

# write here the f = lambda ...
```

```
f = lambda x,y: x.upper() + y
```

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```
[91]: def process(f, lista, listb):
    orda = list(sorted(lista))
    ordb = list(sorted(listb))
    ret = []
    for i in range(len(lista)):
        ret.append(f(orda[i], ordb[i]))
    return ret

# write here the f = lambda ...
```

```
[92]: process(f, ['d', 'b', 'a', 'c', 'e', 'f'], ['q', 's', 'p', 't', 'r', 'n'])
```

```
[92]: ['An', 'Bp', 'Cq', 'Dr', 'Es', 'Ft']
```

## 7.1.2 Error handling and testing solutions

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#### Introduction

In this notebook we will try to understand what our program should do when it encounters unforeseen situations, and how to test the code we write.

For some strange reason, many people believe that computer programs do not need much error handling nor testing. Just to make a simple comparison, would you ever drive a car that did not undergo scrupulous checks? We wouldn't.

#### What to do

1. unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

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  fun4-lists-sol.ipynb
  fun5-tuples.ipynb
  fun5-tuples-sol.ipynb
  fun6-sets.ipynb
  fun6-sets-sol.ipynb
  fun7-dictionaries.ipynb
  fun7-dictionaries-sol.ipynb
  fun8-chal.ipynb
  jupman.py
```

**WARNING:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `functions/fun2-errors-and-testing.ipynb`
3. Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside. Sometimes you will find cells marked with **Exercise** which will ask you to write Python commands in the following cells.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

<sup>192</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/functions>

## Unforeseen situations

It is evening, there is to party for a birthday and they asked you to make a pie. You need the following steps:

1. take milk
2. take sugar
3. take flour
4. mix
5. heat in the oven

You take the milk, the sugar, but then you discover there is no flour. It is evening, and there aren't open shops. Obviously, it makes no sense to proceed to point 4 with the mixture, and you have to give up on the pie, telling the guest of honor the problem. You can only hope she/he decides for some alternative.

Translating everything in Python terms, we can ask ourselves if during the function execution, when we find an unforeseen situation, is it possible to:

1. **interrupt** the execution flow of the program
2. **signal** to whoever called the function that a problem has occurred
3. **allow to manage** the problem to whoever called the function

The answer is yes, you can do it with the mechanism of **exceptions** (Exception)

### **make\_problematic\_pie**

Let's see how we can represent the above problem in Python. A basic version might be the following:

```
[2]: def make_problematic_pie(milk, sugar, flour):
    """ Suppose you need 1.3 kg for the milk, 0.2kg for the sugar and 1.0kg for the
    flour

        - takes as parameters the quantities we have in the sideboard
    """

    if milk > 1.3:
        print("take milk")
    else:
        print("Don't have enough milk !")

    if sugar > 0.2:
        print("take sugar")
    else:
        print("Don't have enough sugar!")

    if flour > 1.0:
        print("take flour")
    else:
        print("Don't have enough flour !")

    print("Mix")
    print("Heat")
    print("I made the pie!")
```

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```
make_problematic_pie(5,1,0.3) # not enough flour ...

print("Party")

take milk
take sugar
Don't have enough flour !
Mix
Heat
I made the pie!
Party
```

**QUESTION:** this above version has a serious problem. Can you spot it ??

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**ANSWER:** the program above is partying even when we do not have enough ingredients !

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### Check with the return

**EXERCISE:** We could correct the problems of the above pie by adding `return` commands. Implement the following function.

#### WARNING: DO NOT move the `print ("Party")` inside the function

The exercise goal is keeping it outside, so to use the value returned by `make_pie` for deciding whether to party or not.

If you have any doubts on functions with return values, check Chapter 6 of Think Python<sup>193</sup>

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```
[3]: def make_pie(milk, sugar, flour):
    """ - suppose we need 1.3 kg for milk, 0.2kg for sugar and 1.0kg for flour
        - takes as parameters the quantities we have in the sideboard
        IMPROVE WITH return COMMAND: RETURN True if the pie is doable,
                                         False otherwise

        *OUTSIDE* USE THE VALUE RETURNED TO PARTY OR NOT

    """
    # implement here the function

    if milk > 1.3:
        print("take milk")
        # return True # NO, it would finish right here
    else:
        print("Don't have enough milk !")
        return False
```

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<sup>193</sup> <http://greenteapress.com/thinkpython2/html/thinkpython2007.html>

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```

if sugar > 0.2:
    print("take sugar")
else:
    print("Don't have enough sugar !")
    return False

if flour > 1.0:
    print("take flour")
else:
    print("Don't have enough flour !")
    return False

print("Mix")
print("Heat")
print("I made the pie !")
return True

# now write here the function call, make_pie(5,1,0.3)
# using the result to declare whether it is possible or not to party :-(

made_pie = make_pie(5,1,0.3)

if made_pie == True:
    print("Party")
else:
    print("No party !")

take milk
take sugar
Don't have enough flour !
No party !

```

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```
[3]: def make_pie(milk, sugar, flour):
    """ - suppose we need 1.3 kg for milk, 0.2kg for sugar and 1.0kg for flour

        - takes as parameters the quantities we have in the sideboard
        IMPROVE WITH return COMMAND: RETURN True if the pie is doable,
                                         False otherwise

        *OUTSIDE* USE THE VALUE RETURNED TO PARTY OR NOT

    """
    # implement here the function

# now write here the function call, make_pie(5,1,0.3)
# using the result to declare whether it is possible or not to party :-(
```

```
take milk
take sugar
Don't have enough flour !
No party !
```

### Exceptions

Real Python - Python Exceptions: an Introduction<sup>194</sup>

Using `return` we improved the previous function, but remains a problem: the responsibility to understand whether or not the pie is properly made is given to the caller of the function, who has to take the returned value and decide upon that whether to party or not. A careless programmer might forget to do the check and party even with an ill-formed pie.

So we ask ourselves: is it possible to stop the execution not just of the function, but of the whole program when we find an unforeseen situation?

To improve on our previous attempt, we can use the *exceptions*. To tell Python to **interrupt** the program execution in a given point, we can insert the instruction `raise` like this:

```
raise Exception()
```

If we want, we can also write a message to help programmers (who could be ourselves ...) to understand the problem origin. In our case it could be a message like this:

```
raise Exception("Don't have enough flour !")
```

Note: in professional programs, the exception messages are intended for programmers, verbose, and typically end up hidden in system logs. To final users you should only show short messages which are understandable by a non-technical public. At most, you can add an error code which the user might give to the technician for diagnosing the problem.

**EXERCISE:** Try to rewrite the function above by substituting the rows containing `return` with `raise Exception()`:

```
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```
[4]: def make_exceptional_pie(milk, sugar, flour):
    """ - suppose we need 1.3 kg for milk, 0.2kg for sugar and 1.0kg for flour
        - takes as parameters the quantities we have in the sideboard
        - if there are missing ingredients, raises Exception

    """
    # implement function

    if milk > 1.3:
        print("take milk")
    else:
        raise Exception("Don't have enough milk !")
    if sugar > 0.2:
        print("take sugar")
    else:
        raise Exception("Don't have enough sugar!")
```

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<sup>194</sup> <https://realpython.com/python-exceptions/>

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```

if flour > 1.0:
    print("take flour")
else:
    raise Exception("Don't have enough flour!")
print("Mix")
print("Heat")
print("I made the pie !")

```

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[4]: `def make_exceptional_pie(milk, sugar, flour):`

""" – suppose we need 1.3 kg for milk, 0.2kg for sugar and 1.0kg for flour

– takes as parameters the quantities we have in the sideboard

– if there are missing ingredients, raises Exception

"""

# implement function

Once implemented, by writing

```
make_exceptional_pie(5,1,0.3)
print("Party")
```

you should see the following (note how “Party” is *not* printed):

```

take milk
take sugar

-----
Exception                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-10-02c123f44f31> in <module>()
----> 1 make_exceptional_pie(5,1,0.3)
      2
      3 print("Party")

<ipython-input-9-030239f08ca5> in make_exceptional_pie(milk, sugar, flour)
     18         print("take flour")
     19     else:
--> 20         raise Exception("Don't have enough flour !")
     21     print("Mix")
     22     print("Heat")

Exception: Don't have enough flour !

```

We see the program got interrupted before arriving to mix step (inside the function), and it didn’t even arrived to party (which is outside the function). Let’s try now to call the function with enough ingredients in the sideboard:

[5]: `make_exceptional_pie(5,1,20)`

```
take milk
take sugar
take flour
```

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```
Mix
Heat
I made the pie !
Party
```

## Manage exceptions

Instead of brutally interrupting the program when problems are spotted, we might want to try some alternative (like go buying some ice cream). We could use some `try except` blocks like this:

```
[6]: try:
    make_exceptional_pie(5,1,0.3)
    print("Party")
except:
    print("Can't make the pie, what about going out for an ice cream?")
```

```
take milk
take sugar
Can't make the pie, what about going out for an ice cream?
```

If you note, the execution jumped the `print ("Party")` but no exception has been printed, and the execution passed to the row right after the `except`

## Particular exceptions

Until now we used a generic `Exception`, but, if you will, you can use more specific exceptions to better signal the nature of the error. For example, when you implement a function, since checking the input values for correctness is very frequent, Python gives you an exception called `ValueError`. If you use it instead of `Exception`, you allow the function caller to intercept only that particular error type.

If the function raises an error which is not intercepted in the catch, the program will halt.

```
[7]: def make_exceptional_pie_2(milk, sugar, flour):
    """ - suppose we need 1.3 kg for milk, 0.2kg for sugar and 1.0kg for flour
        - takes as parameters the quantities we have in the sideboard
        - if there are missing ingredients, raises Exception
    """

    if milk > 1.3:
        print("take milk")
    else:
        raise ValueError("Don't have enough milk !")
    if sugar > 0.2:
        print("take sugar")
    else:
        raise ValueError("Don't have enough sugar!")
    if flour > 1.0:
        print("take flour")
    else:
        raise ValueError("Don't have enough flour!")
```

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```

print("Mix")
print("Heat")
print("I made the pie !")

try:
    make_exceptional_pie_2(5,1,0.3)
    print("Party")
except ValueError:
    print()
    print("There must be a problem with the ingredients!")
    print("Let's try asking neighbors !")
    print("We're lucky, they gave us some flour, let's try again!")
    print("")
    make_exceptional_pie_2(5,1,4)
    print("Party")
except: # manages all exceptions
    print("Guys, something bad happened, don't know what to do. Better to go out and"
→ take an ice-cream !")

take milk
take sugar

There must be a problem with the ingredients!
Let's try asking neighbors !
We're lucky, they gave us some flour, let's try again!

take milk
take sugar
take flour
Mix
Heat
I made the pie !
Party

```

For more explanations about `try catch`, you can see [Real Python - Python Exceptions: an Introduction](#)<sup>195</sup>

## assert

They asked you to develop a program to control a nuclear reactor. The reactor produces a lot of energy, but requires at least 20 meters of water to cool down, and your program needs to regulate the water level. Without enough water, you risk a meltdown. You do not feel exactly up to the job, and start sweating.

Nervously, you write the code. You check and recheck the code - everything looks fine.

On inauguration day, the reactor is turned on. Unexpectedly, the water level goes down to 5 meters, and an uncontrolled chain reaction occurs. Plutonium fireworks follow.

Could we have avoided all of this? We often believe everything is good but then for some reason we find variables with unexpected values. The wrong program described above might have been written like so:

```
[8]: # we need water to cool our reactor

water_level = 40 # seems ok
```

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<sup>195</sup> <https://realpython.com/python-exceptions/>

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```
print("water level: ", water_level)

# a lot of code

water_level = 5 # forgot somewhere this bad row !

print("WARNING: water level low! ", water_level)

# a lot of code

# after a lot of code we might not know if there are the proper conditions so that ↵ everything works alright

print("turn on nuclear reactor")

water level: 40
WARNING: water level low! 5
turn on nuclear reactor
```

How could we improve it? Let's look at the `assert` command, which must be written by following it with a boolean condition.

`assert True` does absolutely nothing:

```
[9]: print("before")
      assert True
      print("after")
```

before  
after

Instead, `assert False` completely blocks program execution, by launching an exception of type `AssertionError` (Note how "after" is not printed):

```
print("before")
assert False
print("after")
```

before  
-----  
AssertionError Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-7-a871fdc9ebee> in <module>()  
----> 1 assert False  
  
AssertionError:

To improve the previous program, we might use `assert` like this:

```
# we need water to cool our reactor

water_level = 40    # seems ok

print("water level: ", water_level)

# a lot of code

water_level = 5    # forgot somewhere this bad row !

print("WARNING: water level low! ", water_level)

# a lot of code

# after a lot of code we might not know if there are the proper conditions so that
# everything works allright so before doing critical things, it is always a good idea
# to perform a check ! if asserts fail (that is, the boolean expression is False),
# the execution suddenly stops

assert water_level >= 20

print("turn on nuclear reactor")
```

```
water level: 40
WARNING: water level low! 5

-----
AssertionError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-3-d553a90d4f64> in <module>
      31 # the execution suddenly stops
      32
--> 33 assert water_level >= 20
      34
      35 print("turn on nuclear reactor")

AssertionError:
```

### When to use assert?

The case above is willingly exaggerated, but shows how a check more sometimes prevents disasters.

Asserts are a quick way to do checks, so much so that Python even allows to ignore them during execution to improve the performance (calling `python` with the `-O` parameter like in `python -O my_file.py`).

But if performance are not a problem (like in the reactor above), it's more convenient to rewrite the program using an `if` and explicitly raising an `Exception`:

```
# we need water to cool our reactor

water_level = 40    # seems ok

print("water level: ", water_level)

# a lot of code

water_level = 5    # forgot somewhere this bad row !

print("WARNING: water level low! ", water_level)

# a lot of code

# after a lot of code we might not know if there are the proper conditions so
# that everything works all right. So before doing critical things, it is always
# a good idea to perform a check !

if water_level < 20:
    raise Exception("Water level too low !")    # execution stops here

print("turn on nuclear reactor")
```

```
water level: 40
WARNING: water level low! 5

-----
Exception                                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-30-4840536c3388> in <module>
      30
      31 if water_level < 20:
--> 32     raise Exception("Water level too low !")    # execution stops here
      33
      34 print("turn on nuclear reactor")
```

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Exception: Water level too low !
----------------------------------

Note how the reactor was *not* turned on.

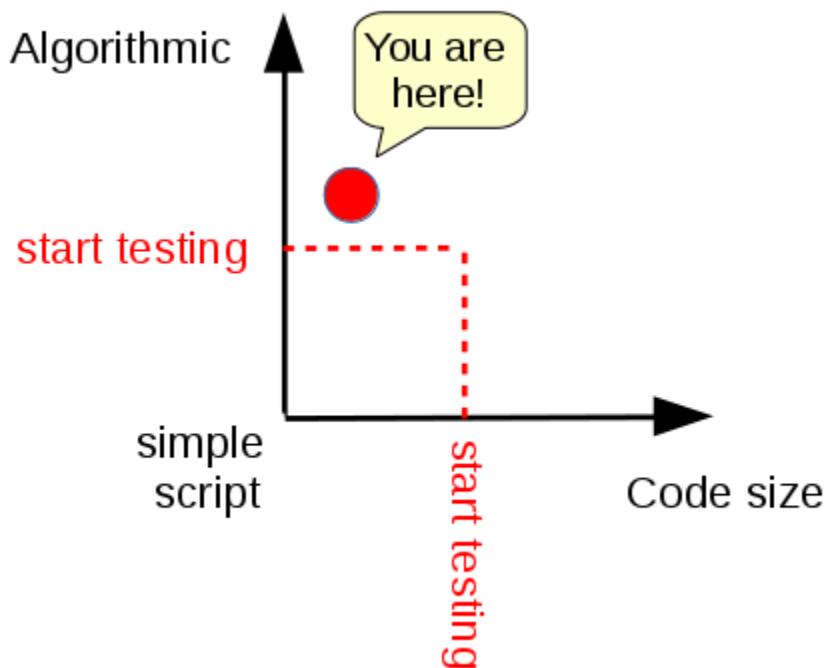
## Testing

- If it seems to work, then it actually works? *Probably not.*
- The devil is in the details, especially for complex algorithms.
- We will do a crash course on testing in Python

<b>WARNING:</b> Bad software can cause losses of million \$/€ or even harm people. Suggested reading: Software Horror Stories <sup>196</sup>
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## Where Is Your Software?

As a data scientist, you might likely end up with code which is moderately complex from an algorithmic point of view, but maybe not too big in size. Either way, when red line is crossed you should start testing properly:



<sup>196</sup> <https://www.cs.tau.ac.il/~nachumd/horror.html>

### Testing with asserts

**NOTE: in this book we test with assert, but there are much better frameworks for testing!**

If you get serious about software development, please consider using something like [PyTest<sup>197</sup>](#) (recent and clean) or [Unittest<sup>198</sup>](#) (Python default testing suite, has more traditional approach)

In the part about [Python Foundations - A.3 Algorithms<sup>199</sup>](#), we often use `assert` to perform tests, that is, to verify a function behaves as expected.

Look for example at this function:

```
[10]: def my_sum(x, y):  
    s = x + y  
    return s
```

We expect that `my_sum(2, 3)` gives 5. We can write in Python this expectation by using an `assert`:

```
[11]: assert my_sum(2, 3) == 5
```

Se `my_sum` is correctly implemented:

1. `my_sum(2, 3)` will give 5
2. the boolean expression `my_sum(2, 3) == 5` will give True
3. `assert True` will be executed without producing any result, and the program execution will continue.

Otherwise, if `my_sum` is NOT correctly implemented like in this case:

```
def my_sum(x, y):  
    return 666
```

1. `my_sum(2, 3)` will produce the number 666
2. the boolean expression `my_sum(2, 3) == 5` will give False
3. `assert False` will interrupt the program execution, raising an exception of type `AssertionError`

### Exercise structure

Exercises in the [Foundations - A.3 Algorithms<sup>200</sup>](#) are often structured in the following format:

```
def my_sum(x, y):  
    """ RETURN the sum of numbers x and y  
    """  
    raise Exception("TODO IMPLEMENT ME!")  
  
assert my_sum(2, 3) == 5  
assert my_sum(3, 1) == 4  
assert my_sum(-2, 5) == 3
```

<sup>197</sup> <https://docs.pytest.org/en/stable/>

<sup>198</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/unittest.html>

<sup>199</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/index.html#A.3---Foundations>

<sup>200</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/index.html#A.3---Foundations>

If you attempt to execute the cell, you will see this error:

```
-----
Exception                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-16-5f5c8512d42a> in <module>()
    6
    7
--> 8 assert my_sum(2,3) == 5
    9 assert my_sum(3,1) == 4
   10 assert my_sum(-2,5) == 3

<ipython-input-16-5f5c8512d42a> in somma(x, y)
    3     """ RETURN the sum of numbers x and y
    4 """
--> 5     raise Exception("TODO IMPLEMENT ME!")
    6
    7

Exception: TODO IMPLEMENT ME!
```

To fix them, you will need to:

1. substitute the row `raise Exception("TODO IMPLEMENT ME!")` with the body of the function
2. execute the cell

If cell execution doesn't result in raised exceptions, perfect ! It means your function does what it is expected to do (the `assert` which succeed do not produce any output)

Otherwise, if you see some `AssertionError`, probably you did something wrong.

**NOTE:** The `raise Exception("TODO IMPLEMENT ME")` is put there to remind you that the function has a big problem, that is, it doesn't have any code !!! In long programs, it might happen you know you need a function, but in that moment you don't know what code put in the function body. So, instead of putting in the body commands that do nothing like `print()` or `pass` or `return None`, it is WAY BETTER to raise exceptions so that if by chance the program reaches the function, the execution is suddenly stopped and the user is signalled with the nature and position of the problem. Many editors for programmers, when automatically generating code, put inside function skeletons to implement some Exception like this.

Let's try to willingly write a wrong function body, which always return 5, independently from `x` and `y` given in input:

```
def my_sum(x,y):
    """ RETURN the sum of numbers x and y
    """
    return 5

assert my_sum(2,3) == 5
assert my_sum(3,1) == 4
assert my_sum(-2,5) == 3
```

In this case the first assertion succeeds and so the execution simply passes to the next row, which contains another `assert`. We expect that `my_sum(3,1)` gives 4, but our ill-written function returns 5 so this `assert` fails. Note how the execution is interrupted at the *second* assert:

```
-----
AssertionError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-19-e5091c194d3c> in <module>()
    6
--> 7 assert my_sum(2,3) == 5
```

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```
----> 8 assert my_sum(3,1) == 4
      9 assert my_sum(-2,5) == 3

AssertionError:
```

If we implement well the function and execute the cell we will see no output: this means the function successfully passed the tests and we can conclude that it is *correct with reference to the tests* !

**ATTENTION:** always remember that these kind of tests are *never* exhaustive ! If tests pass it is only an indication the function *might* be correct, but it is never a certainty !

[12]:

```
def my_sum(x,y):
    """ RETURN the sum of numbers x and y
    """
    return x + y

assert my_sum(2,3) == 5
assert my_sum(3,1) == 4
assert my_sum(-2,5) == 3
```

**EXERCISE:** Try to write the body of the function `multiply`:

- substitute `raise Exception("TODO IMPLEMENT ME")` with `return x * y` and execute the cell. If you have written correctly, nothing should happen. In this case, congratulations! The code you have written is *correct with reference to the tests* !
- Try to substitute instead with `return 10` and see what happens.

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[13]:

```
def my_mul(x,y):
    """ RETURN the multiplication of numbers x and y
    """

    return x * y

assert my_mul(2,5) == 10
assert my_mul(0,2) == 0
assert my_mul(3,2) == 6
```

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[13]:

```
def my_mul(x,y):
    """ RETURN the multiplication of numbers x and y
    """

    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert my_mul(2,5) == 10
assert my_mul(0,2) == 0
assert my_mul(3,2) == 6
```

### Exercise - gre3

⊕⊕ Write a function `gre3` which takes three numbers and RETURN the greatest among them

Examples:

```
>>> gre3(1, 2, 4)
4

>>> gre3(5, 7, 3)
7

>>> gre3(4, 4, 4)
4
```

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[14] :

```
def gre3(a, b, c):
    if a > b:
        if a>c:
            return a
        else:
            return c
    else:
        if b > c:
            return b
        else:
            return c

assert gre3(1, 2, 4) == 4
assert gre3(5, 7, 3) == 7
assert gre3(4, 4, 4) == 4
```

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[14] :

```
assert gre3(1, 2, 4) == 4
assert gre3(5, 7, 3) == 7
assert gre3(4, 4, 4) == 4
```

### Exercise - final\_price

⊕⊕ The cover price of a book is € 24,95, but a library obtains 40% of discount. Shipping costs are € 3 for first copy and 75 cents for each additional copy. How much `n` copies cost ?

Write a function `final_price(n)` which RETURN the price.

**ATTENTION 1:** For numbers Python wants a dot, NOT the comma !

**ATTENTION 2:** If you ordered zero books, how much should you pay ?

**HINT:** the 40% of 24,95 can be calculated by multiplying the price by 0.40

```
>>> p = final_price(10)
>>> print(p)

159.45

>>> p = final_price(0)
>>> print(p)

0
```

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```
[15]: def final_price(n):

    if n == 0:
        return 0
    else:
        return n* 24.95*0.6 + 3 +(n-1)*0.75
```

```
assert final_price(10) == 159.45
assert final_price(0) == 0
```

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```
[15]: def final_price(n):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert final_price(10) == 159.45
assert final_price(0) == 0
```

### Exercise - arrival\_time

⊕⊕⊕ By running slowly you take 8 minutes and 15 seconds per mile, and by running with moderate rhythm you take 7 minutes and 12 seconds per mile.

Write a function `arrival_time(n, m)` which, supposing you start at 6:52, given `n` miles run with slow rhythm and `m` with moderate rhythm, PRINTs arrival time.

- **HINT 1:** to calculate an integer division, use `//`
- **HINT 2:** to calculate the remainder of integer division, use the module operator `%`

```
>>> arrival_time(2,2)
7:22
```

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```
[16]: def arrival_time(n,m):

    start_hour = 6
    start_minutes = 52

    # past time
```

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```

seconds = start_hour*60*60 + start_minutes*60 + n * (8*60+15) + m * (7*60+12)
minutes = seconds // 60
hours = minutes // 60

hours_display = hours % 24
minutes_display = minutes % 60

return "%s:%s" % (hours_display, minutes_display)

assert arrival_time(0,0) == '6:52'
assert arrival_time(2,2) == '7:22'
assert arrival_time(2,5) == '7:44'
assert arrival_time(8,5) == '8:34'
assert arrival_time(40,5) == '12:58'
assert arrival_time(100,25) == '23:37'
assert arrival_time(100,40) == '1:25'
assert arrival_time(700,305) == '19:43' # Forrest Gump

```

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```
[16]: def arrival_time(n,m):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')
```

```

assert arrival_time(0,0) == '6:52'
assert arrival_time(2,2) == '7:22'
assert arrival_time(2,5) == '7:44'
assert arrival_time(8,5) == '8:34'
assert arrival_time(40,5) == '12:58'
assert arrival_time(100,25) == '23:37'
assert arrival_time(100,40) == '1:25'
assert arrival_time(700,305) == '19:43' # Forrest Gump

```

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## 7.2 Matrices of lists

### 7.2.1 Matrices: list of lists

[Download exercises zip](#)

Browse files online<sup>201</sup>

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<sup>201</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/matrices-lists>

### Introduction

There are a couple of ways in Python to represent matrices: as lists of lists, or with the external library [Numpy](#)<sup>202</sup>. The most used is surely Numpy but we see both representations anyway. Let's see the reason and main differences:

Lists of lists - as in this notebook:

1. native in Python
2. not efficient
3. lists are pervasive in Python, you will probably encounter matrices expressed as lists of lists anyway
4. you get an idea of how to construct a nested data structure
5. we can discuss memory references and copies along the way

Numpy - see other tutorial [Numpy matrices](#)<sup>203</sup>

1. not natively available in Python
2. efficient
3. used by many scientific libraries (scipy, pandas)
4. the syntax to access elements is slightly different from lists of lists
5. in rare cases it might bring installation problems and/or conflicts (implementation is not pure Python)

### What to do

- unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
matrices-lists
  matrices-lists1.ipynb
  matrices-lists1-sol.ipynb
  matrices-lists2.ipynb
  matrices-lists2-sol.ipynb
  matrices-lists3-chal.ipynb
  jupman.py
```

**WARNING:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

- open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `matrices-lists/matrices-lists1.ipynb`
- Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press `Control + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press `Shift + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press `Alt + Enter`
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select `Kernel -> Restart`

<sup>202</sup> <https://www.numpy.org/>

<sup>203</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-numpy/matrices-numpy-sol.html>

## Overview

Let's see these lists of lists. Consider the following a matrix with 3 rows and 2 columns, or in short 3x2 matrix:

```
[2]: m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e']
]
```

For convenience, we assume as input to our functions there won't be matrices with no rows, nor rows with no columns.

Going back to the example, in practice we have a big external list:

```
m = [
]
```

and each of its elements is another list which represents a row:

```
m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e']
]
```

So, to access the whole first row ['a', 'b'], we would simply access the element at index 0 of the external list m:

```
[3]: m[0]
[3]: ['a', 'b']
```

To access the second whole second row ['c', 'd'], we would access the element at index 1 of the external list m:

```
[4]: m[1]
[4]: ['c', 'd']
```

To access the second whole third row ['c', 'd'], we would access the element at index 2 of the external list m:

```
[5]: m[2]
[5]: ['a', 'e']
```

To access the first element 'a' of the first row ['a', 'b'] we would add another subscript operator with index 0:

```
[6]: m[0][0]
[6]: 'a'
```

To access the second element 'b' of the first row ['a', 'b'] we would use instead index 1 :

```
[7]: m[0][1]
[7]: 'b'
```

**WARNING:** When a matrix is a list of lists, you can only access values with notation `m[i][j]`, NOT with `m[i, j]` !!

```
[8]: # write here the wrong notation m[0,0] and see which error you get:
```

### Exercises

Now implement the following functions.

**REMEMBER:** if the cell is executed and nothing happens, it is because all the assert tests have worked! In such case you probably wrote correct code but careful, these kind of tests are never exhaustive so you could have still made some error.

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**III COMMANDMENT<sup>204</sup>:** You shall never reassign function parameters

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**VI COMMANDMENT<sup>205</sup>** You shall use `return` command only if you see written RETURN in the function description!

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### Matrix dimensions

⊕ **EXERCISE:** For getting matrix dimensions, we can use normal list operations. Which ones? You can assume the matrix is well formed (all rows have equal length) and has at least one row and at least one column

```
[9]: m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e']
]
```

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```
[10]: # write here code for printing rows and columns

# the outer list is a list of rows, so to count them we just use len(m)

print("rows")
print(len(m))

# if we assume the matrix is well formed and has at least one row and column,
# we can directly check the length of the first row

print("columns")
print(len(m[0]))

rows
3
columns
2
```

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<sup>204</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#III-COMMANDMENT>

<sup>205</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#VI-COMMANDMENT>

```
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[10]: # write here code for printing rows and columns

rows
3
columns
2
```

## Extracting rows and columns

### How to extract a row

One of the first things you might want to do is to extract the  $i$ -th row. If you're implementing a function that does this, you have basically two choices. Either you

1. return a *pointer* to the *original* row
2. return a *copy* of the row.

Since a copy consumes memory, why should you ever want to return a copy? Sometimes you should because you don't know which use will be done of the data structure. For example, suppose you got a book of exercises which has empty spaces to write exercises in. It's such a great book everybody in the classroom wants to read it - but you are afraid if the book starts changing hands some careless guy might write on it. To avoid problems, you make a copy of the book and distribute it (let's leave copyright infringement matters aside :-)

### Extracting row pointers

So first let's see what happens when you just return a *pointer* to the *original* row.

**NOTE:** For convenience, at the end of the cell we put a magic call to `jupman.pytut()` which shows the code execution like in Python tutor (for further info about `jupman.pytut()`, see here<sup>206</sup>). If you execute all the code in Python tutor, you will see that at the end you have two arrow pointers to the row `['a', 'b']`, one starting from `m` list and one from `row` variable.

```
[11]: # WARNING: FOR PYTHON TUTOR TO WORK, REMEMBER TO EXECUTE THIS CELL with Shift+Enter
#           (it's sufficient to execute it only once)
import jupman
```

```
[12]: def extrowp(mat, i):
    """ RETURN the ith row from mat
    """
    return mat[i]

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]
```

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<sup>206</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/tools/tools-sol.html#Visualizing-the-execution-with-Python-Tutor>

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```
row = extrowp(m, 0)

jupman.pytut()

[12]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

## Extract row with a for

⊕ Now try to implement a version which returns a **copy** of the row.

**QUESTION:** You might be tempted to implement something like this - but it wouldn't work. Why?

```
[13]: # WARNING: WRONG CODE!!!!!

def extrow_wrong(mat, i):
    """ RETURN the ith row from mat. NOTE: the row MUST be a new list ! """

    row = []
    row.append(mat[i])
    return row

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

row = extrow_wrong(m, 0)

jupman.pytut()

[13]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

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**ANSWER:** The code above adds a LIST as element to another empty list. In other words, it is wrapping the row (which is already a list) into another list. If you checj the problem in Python Tutor, you will see an arrow going from row to a list of one element which will contain exactly one arrow to the original row.

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You can build an actual copy in several ways, with a `for`, a slice or a list comprehension. Try to implement all versions, starting with the `for` here. Be sure to check your result with Python Tutor - to visualize python tutor inside the cell output, you might use the special command `jupman.pytut()` at the end of the cell as we did before. If you run the code with Python Tutor, you should only see *one* arrow going to the original `['a', 'b']` row in `m`, and there should be *another* `['a', 'b']` copy somewhere, with `row` variable pointing to it.

⊕ **EXERCISE:** Implement the function `esrowf` which RETURNS the *i*-th row from `mat`

- **NOTE:** the row MUST be a new list! To create a new list use a for cycle which iterates over the elements, *not* the indeces (so don't use range!)

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```
[14]: def extrowf(mat, i):

    row = []
    for x in mat[i]:
        row.append(x)
    return row

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extrowf(m, 0) == ['a', 'b']
assert extrowf(m, 1) == ['c', 'd']
assert extrowf(m, 2) == ['a', 'e']

# check it didn't change the original matrix !
r = extrowf(m, 0)
r[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

# uncomment to visualize execution here
#jupman.pytut()
```

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```
[14]: def extrowf(mat, i):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extrowf(m, 0) == ['a', 'b']
assert extrowf(m, 1) == ['c', 'd']
assert extrowf(m, 2) == ['a', 'e']

# check it didn't change the original matrix !
r = extrowf(m, 0)
r[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

# uncomment to visualize execution here
#jupman.pytut()
```

## Extract row with range

Let's first rapidly see `range(n)`. Maybe you think it should return a sequence of integers, from zero to  $n - 1$ . Is it really like this?

```
[15]: range(5)
```

```
[15]: range(0, 5)
```

Maybe you expected something like a list `[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]`, instead we discovered that Python is quite lazy here: as a matter of fact, `range(n)` returns an *iterable* object, which is not a real sequence materialized in memory.

To take a real integer list, we must explicitly ask this iterable object to give us the objects one by one.

When you write `for i in range(s)` the `for` loop is doing exactly this, at each round it asks the object `range` to generate a number from the sequence. If we want the whole sequence materialized in memory, we can generate it by converting the `range` into a list object:

```
[16]: list(range(5))
```

```
[16]: [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
```

Be careful, though. According to the sequence dimension, this might be dangerous. A billion elements list might saturate your computer RAM (in 2020 notebooks often have 4 gigabytes of RAM, that is, 4 billion bytes).

⊕ **EXERCISE:** Now implement the `extrowr` iterating over a range of row indexes:

- **NOTE 1:** the row MUST be a new list! To create a new list use a `for` loop
- **NOTE 2:** remember to use a new name for the column index!

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```
[17]: def extrowr(mat, i):  
    """ RETURN the ith row from mat.  
    """  
  
    row = []  
    for j in range(len(mat[0])):  
        row.append(mat[i][j])  
    return row  
  
m = [  
    ['a', 'b'],  
    ['c', 'd'],  
    ['a', 'e'],  
]  
  
assert extrowr(m, 0) == ['a', 'b']  
assert extrowr(m, 1) == ['c', 'd']  
assert extrowr(m, 2) == ['a', 'e']  
  
# check it didn't change the original matrix !  
r = extrowr(m, 0)  
r[0] = 'z'  
assert m[0][0] == 'a'
```

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```
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#jupman.pytut()
```

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```
[17]: def extrowr(mat, i):
    """ RETURN the i-th row from mat.
    """
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extrowr(m, 0) == ['a', 'b']
assert extrowr(m, 1) == ['c', 'd']
assert extrowr(m, 2) == ['a', 'e']

# check it didn't change the original matrix !
r = extrowr(m, 0)
r[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

# uncomment to visualize execution here
#jupman.pytut()
```

## Extract row with a slice

⊕ Remember slices return a *copy* of a list? Now try to use them.

Implement `extrows`, which RETURN the i-th row from `mat`.

- **NOTE:** the row MUST be a new list! To create it, use slices.

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```
[18]: def extrows(mat, i):

    return mat[i][:] # if you omit start end indexes, you get a copy of the
    ↵whole list

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extrows(m, 0) == ['a', 'b']
assert extrows(m, 1) == ['c', 'd']
assert extrows(m, 2) == ['a', 'e']
```

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```
# check it didn't change the original matrix !
r = extrows(m, 0)
r[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

# uncomment to visualize execution here
#jupman.pytut()
```

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```
[18]: def extrows(mat, i):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extrows(m, 0) == ['a', 'b']
assert extrows(m, 1) == ['c', 'd']
assert extrows(m, 2) == ['a', 'e']

# check it didn't change the original matrix !
r = extrows(m, 0)
r[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

# uncomment to visualize execution here
#jupman.pytut()
```

## Extract row with list comprehension

⊕ Implement `extrowc`, which RETURNS the  $i$ -th row from `mat`. To create a new list use a *list comprehension*.

- **NOTE:** the row MUST be a new list!

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```
[19]: def extrowc(mat, i):

    return [x for x in mat[i]]

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extrowc(m, 0) == ['a', 'b']
assert extrowc(m, 1) == ['c', 'd']
assert extrowc(m, 2) == ['a', 'e']
```

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```
# check it didn't change the original matrix !
r = extrowc(m, 0)
r[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

#jupman.pytut()
```

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```
[19]: def extrowc(mat, i):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extrowc(m, 0) == ['a', 'b']
assert extrowc(m, 1) == ['c', 'd']
assert extrowc(m, 2) == ['a', 'e']

# check it didn't change the original matrix !
r = extrowc(m, 0)
r[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

#jupman.pytut()
```

## Extract column with a for

⊗⊗ Now try extracting a column at  $j$ th position. This time we will be forced to create a new list, so we don't have to wonder if we need to return a pointer or a copy.

Implement `extcolf`, which RETURN the  $j$ -th column from `mat`. To create it, use a `for` loop.

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```
[20]: def extcolf(mat, j):

    ret = []
    for row in mat:
        ret.append(row[j])
    return ret

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extcolf(m, 0) == ['a', 'c', 'a']
```

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```
assert extcolf(m, 1) == ['b', 'd', 'e']

# check returned column does not modify m
c = extcolf(m, 0)
c[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

#jupman.pytut()
```

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```
[20]: def extcolf(mat, j):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extcolf(m, 0) == ['a', 'c', 'a']
assert extcolf(m, 1) == ['b', 'd', 'e']

# check returned column does not modify m
c = extcolf(m, 0)
c[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

#jupman.pytut()
```

## Extract column with a list comprehension

⊕⊕ Implement `extcolc`, which RETURNS the  $j$ -th column from `mat`: to create it, use a list comprehension.

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```
[21]: def extcolc(mat, j):

    return [row[j] for row in mat]

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extcolc(m, 0) == ['a', 'c', 'a']
assert extcolc(m, 1) == ['b', 'd', 'e']

# check returned column does not modify m
c = extcolc(m, 0)
c[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'
```

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```
#jupman.pytut()

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[21]: def extcolc(mat, j):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['a', 'e'],
]

assert extcolc(m, 0) == ['a', 'c', 'a']
assert extcolc(m, 1) == ['b', 'd', 'e']

# check returned column does not modify m
c = extcolc(m, 0)
c[0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'

#jupman.pytut()
```

## Creating new matrices

### empty matrix

⊕⊕ There are several ways to create a new empty 3x5 matrix as lists of lists which contains zeros.

Implement `empty_matrix`, which RETURN a NEW matrix nxn as a list of lists filled with zeroes

- use two nested `for` cycles:

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```
[22]: def empty_matrix(n, m):

    ret = []
    for i in range(n):
        row = []
        ret.append(row)
        for j in range(m):
            row.append(0)
    return ret

assert empty_matrix(1, 1) == [[0]]
assert empty_matrix(1, 2) == [[0, 0]]
assert empty_matrix(2, 1) == [[0], [0]]
```

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```
assert empty_matrix(2, 2) == [ [0, 0],  
                             [0, 0] ]  
  
assert empty_matrix(3, 3) == [ [0, 0, 0],  
                             [0, 0, 0],  
                             [0, 0, 0] ]
```

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```
[22]: def empty_matrix(n, m):  
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
assert empty_matrix(1, 1) == [[0]]  
  
assert empty_matrix(1, 2) == [ [0, 0] ]  
  
assert empty_matrix(2, 1) == [ [0],  
                             [0] ]  
  
assert empty_matrix(2, 2) == [ [0, 0],  
                             [0, 0] ]  
  
assert empty_matrix(3, 3) == [ [0, 0, 0],  
                             [0, 0, 0],  
                             [0, 0, 0] ]
```

### empty\_matrix the elegant way

To create a new list of 3 elements filled with zeros, you can write like this:

```
[23]: [0]*3
```

```
[23]: [0, 0, 0]
```

The \* is kind of multiplying the elements in a list

Given the above, to create a 5x3 matrix filled with zeros, which is a list of seemingly equal lists, you might then be tempted to write like this:

```
[24]: # WRONG  
[[0]*3]*5
```

```
[24]: [[0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]]
```

Why is that (possibly) wrong? Let's try to inspect it in Python Tutor:

```
[25]: bad = [[0]*3]*5  
jupman.pytut()
```

```
[25]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

If you look closely, you will see many arrows pointing to the same list of 3 zeros. This means that if we change one number, we will apparently change 5 of them in the whole column !

The right way to create a matrix as list of lists with zeroes is the following:

```
[26]: # CORRECT
[[0]*3 for i in range(5)]
[26]: [[0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]]
```

**EXERCISE:** Try creating a matrix with 7 rows and 4 columns and fill it with 5.

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```
[27]: # write here
[[5]*4 for i in range(7)]
[27]: [[5, 5, 5, 5],
[5, 5, 5, 5],
[5, 5, 5, 5],
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[5, 5, 5, 5]]
```

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```
[27]: # write here
[27]: [[5, 5, 5, 5],
[5, 5, 5, 5],
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[5, 5, 5, 5],
[5, 5, 5, 5],
[5, 5, 5, 5],
[5, 5, 5, 5]]
```

## deep\_clone

⊗⊗ Let's try to produce a *complete* clone of the matrix, also called a *deep clone*, by creating a copy of the external list and also the internal lists representing the rows.

**QUESTION:** You might be tempted to write code like this, but it will not work. Why?

```
[28]: # WARNING: WRONG CODE
def deep_clone_wrong(mat):
    """ RETURN a NEW list of lists which is a COMPLETE DEEP clone
    of mat (which is a list of lists)
    """
    return mat[:]

m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['b', 'd']
]

res = deep_clone_wrong(m)
```

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```
# Notice you will have arrows in res list going to the _original_ mat. We don't want this !
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```

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```

**ANSWER:** return `mat[:]` is not sufficient, because it's a SHALLOW clone, and only copies the *external* list and not also the internal ones ! Note you will have rows in the `res` list which goes to the original matrix. We don't want this!

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```

To fix the above code, you will need to iterate through the rows and *for each* row create a copy of that row.

⊕⊕ **EXERCISE:** Implement `deep_clone`, which RETURNS a NEW list as a complete DEEP CLONE of `mat` (which is a list of lists)

```
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```

```
[29]: def deep_clone(mat):
```

```
    ret = []
    for row in mat:
        ret.append(row[:])
    return ret

m = [ ['a', 'b'],
      ['b', 'd'] ]

res = [ ['a', 'b'],
        ['b', 'd'] ]

# verify the copy
c = deep_clone(m)
assert c == res

# verify it is a DEEP copy (that is, it created also clones of the rows!)
c[0][0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'
```

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```

```
[29]: def deep_clone(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')
```

```
m = [ ['a', 'b'],
      ['b', 'd'] ]

res = [ ['a', 'b'],
        ['b', 'd'] ]
```

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```
# verify the copy
c = deep_clone(m)
assert c == res

# verify it is a DEEP copy (that is, it created also clones of the rows!)
c[0][0] = 'z'
assert m[0][0] == 'a'
```

## Modifying matrices

### fillc

⊕⊕ Implement the function `fillc` which takes as input `mat` (a list of lists with dimension `nrows x ncol`) and MODIFIES it by placing the character `c` inside all the matrix cells.

- to visit the matrix use for in range cycles

Ingredients:

- find matrix dimension
- two nested fors
- use range

### NOTE: This function returns nothing!

If in the function text it is not mentioned to return values, DO NOT place the `return`. If by chance you put it anyway it is not the world's end, but to avoid confusion is much better having a behaviour consistent with the text.

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```
[30]: def fillc(mat, c):

    nrows = len(mat)
    ncols = len(mat[0])

    for i in range(nrows):
        for j in range(ncols):
            mat[i][j] = c

m1 = [ ['a'] ]
m2 = [ ['z'] ]
fillc(m1, 'z')
assert m1 == m2

m3 = [ ['a'] ]
m4 = [ ['y'] ]
fillc(m3, 'y')
assert m3 == m4

m5 = [ ['a', 'b'] ]
```

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```
m6 = [ ['z', 'z'] ]
fillc(m5, 'z')
assert m5 == m6

m7 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
       ['d', 'e', 'f'],
       ['g', 'h', 'i'] ]

m8 = [ ['y', 'y', 'y'],
       ['y', 'y', 'y'],
       ['y', 'y', 'y'] ]
fillc(m7, 'y')
assert m7 == m8

#      j  0  1
m9 = [ ['a', 'b'],      # 0
       ['c', 'd'],      # 1
       ['e', 'f'] ]     # 2

m10 = [ ['x', 'x'],     # 0
        ['x', 'x'],    # 1
        ['x', 'x']]   # 2
fillc(m9, 'x')
assert m9 == m10
```

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```
[30]: def fillc(mat, c):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [ ['a'] ]
m2 = [ ['z'] ]
fillc(m1, 'z')
assert m1 == m2

m3 = [ ['a'] ]
m4 = [ ['y'] ]
fillc(m3, 'y')
assert m3 == m4

m5 = [ ['a', 'b'] ]
m6 = [ ['z', 'z'] ]
fillc(m5, 'z')
assert m5 == m6

m7 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
       ['d', 'e', 'f'],
       ['g', 'h', 'i'] ]

m8 = [ ['y', 'y', 'y'],
       ['y', 'y', 'y'],
       ['y', 'y', 'y'] ]
fillc(m7, 'y')
assert m7 == m8

#      j  0  1
m9 = [ ['a', 'b'],      # 0
```

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```

['c', 'd'],    # 1
['e', 'f'] ]   # 2

m10 = [ [ 'x', 'x'],    # 0
        [ 'x', 'x'],    # 1
        [ 'x', 'x'] ]  # 2
fillc(m9, 'x')
assert m9 == m10

```

**fillx**

$\otimes\otimes$  Takes a matrix mat as list of lists and a column index j, and MODIFIES mat by placing the 'x' character in all cells of the j-th column.

Example:

```
m = [
    ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'],
    ['e', 'f', 'g', 'h'],
    ['i', 'l', 'm', 'n']
]
```

After the call to

```
fillx(m, 2)
```

the matrix m will be changed like this:

```
>>> print (m)
[
    ['a', 'b', 'x', 'd'],
    ['e', 'f', 'x', 'h'],
    ['i', 'l', 'x', 'n']
]
```

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```
[31]: def fillx(mat, j):

    for row in mat:
        row[j] = 'x'

m1 = [ ['a'] ]
fillx(m1, 0)
assert m1 == [ ['x'] ]

m2 = [ ['a', 'b'],
       ['c', 'd'],
       ['e', 'f'] ]
fillx(m2, 0)
assert m2 == [ ['x', 'b'],
                ['c', 'd'],
                ['e', 'f'] ]
```

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```

        ['x', 'd'],
        ['x', 'f'] ]

m3 = [ ['a', 'b'],
       ['c', 'd'],
       ['e', 'f'] ]
fillx(m3, 1)
assert m3 == [ ['a', 'x'],
               ['c', 'x'],
               ['e', 'x'] ]

m4 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'],
       ['e', 'f', 'g', 'h'],
       ['i', 'l', 'm', 'n'] ]
fillx(m4, 2)
assert m4 == [ ['a', 'b', 'x', 'd'],
               ['e', 'f', 'x', 'h'],
               ['i', 'l', 'x', 'n'] ]

```

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```
[31]: def fillx(mat, j):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [ ['a'] ]
fillx(m1, 0)
assert m1 == [ ['x'] ]

m2 = [ ['a', 'b'],
       ['c', 'd'],
       ['e', 'f'] ]
fillx(m2, 0)
assert m2 == [ ['x', 'b'],
               ['x', 'd'],
               ['x', 'f'] ]

m3 = [ ['a', 'b'],
       ['c', 'd'],
       ['e', 'f'] ]
fillx(m3, 1)
assert m3 == [ ['a', 'x'],
               ['c', 'x'],
               ['e', 'x'] ]

m4 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'],
       ['e', 'f', 'g', 'h'],
       ['i', 'l', 'm', 'n'] ]
fillx(m4, 2)
assert m4 == [ ['a', 'b', 'x', 'd'],
               ['e', 'f', 'x', 'h'],
               ['i', 'l', 'x', 'n'] ]
```

**fillz**

⊗⊗ Takes a matrix `mat` as list of lists and a row index `i`, and MODIFIES `mat` by placing the character '`z`' in all the cells of the `i`-th row.

Example:

```
m = [
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['e', 'f'],
    ['g', 'h']
]
```

After the call to

```
>>> fillz(m, 2)
```

the matrix `m` will be changed like so:

```
>>> print(m)

[
    ['a', 'b'],
    ['c', 'd'],
    ['z', 'z'],
    ['g', 'h']
]
```

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```
[32]: def fillz(mat, i):

    ncol=len(mat[0])
    for j in range(ncol):
        mat[i][j] = 'z'

m1 = [ ['a'] ]
fillz(m1,0)
assert m1 == [ ['z'] ]

m2 = [ ['a', 'b'],
       ['c', 'd'],
       ['e', 'f'] ]
fillz(m2,0)
assert m2 == [ ['z', 'z'],
               ['c', 'd'],
               ['e', 'f'] ]

m3 = [ ['a', 'b'],
       ['c', 'd'],
       ['e', 'f'] ]
fillz(m3,1)
assert m3 == [ ['a', 'b'],
               ['z', 'z'],
               ['e', 'f'] ]
```

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```
        ['e', 'f'] ]\n\nm4 = [ ['a', 'b'],\n       ['c', 'd'],\n       ['e', 'f'] ]\nfillz(m4, 2)\nassert m4 == [ ['a', 'b'],\n               ['c', 'd'],\n               ['z', 'z'] ]
```

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```
[32]: def fillz(mat, i):\n    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')\n\nm1 = [ ['a'] ]\nfillz(m1, 0)\nassert m1 == [ ['z'] ]\n\nm2 = [ ['a', 'b'],\n       ['c', 'd'],\n       ['e', 'f'] ]\nfillz(m2, 0)\nassert m2 == [ ['z', 'z'],\n               ['c', 'd'],\n               ['e', 'f'] ]\n\nm3 = [ ['a', 'b'],\n       ['c', 'd'],\n       ['e', 'f'] ]\nfillz(m3, 1)\nassert m3 == [ ['a', 'b'],\n               ['z', 'z'],\n               ['e', 'f'] ]\n\nm4 = [ ['a', 'b'],\n       ['c', 'd'],\n       ['e', 'f'] ]\nfillz(m4, 2)\nassert m4 == [ ['a', 'b'],\n               ['c', 'd'],\n               ['z', 'z'] ]
```

## stitch\_down

⊗⊗ Given matrices mat1 and mat2 as list of lists, with mat1 of size u x n and mat2 of size d x n, RETURN a NEW matrix of size (u+d) x n as list of lists, by stitching second mat to the bottom of mat1

- **NOTE:** by NEW matrix we intend a matrix with no pointers to original rows (see previous deep clone exercise)
- for examples, see asserts

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```
[33]: def stitch_down(mat1, mat2):

    res = []
    for row in mat1:
        res.append(row[:])
    for row in mat2:
        res.append(row[:])
    return res

m1 = [ ['a'] ]
m2 = [ ['b'] ]
assert stitch_down(m1, m2) == [ ['a'],
                                ['b'] ]

# check we are giving back a deep clone
s = stitch_down(m1, m2)
s[0][0] = 'z'
assert m1[0][0] == 'a'

m1 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
       ['d', 'b', 'a'] ]
m2 = [ ['f', 'b', 'h'],
       ['g', 'h', 'w'] ]
assert stitch_down(m1, m2) == [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
                                ['d', 'b', 'a'],
                                ['f', 'b', 'h'],
                                ['g', 'h', 'w'] ]
```

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```
[33]: def stitch_down(mat1, mat2):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [ ['a'] ]
m2 = [ ['b'] ]
assert stitch_down(m1, m2) == [ ['a'],
                                ['b'] ]

# check we are giving back a deep clone
s = stitch_down(m1, m2)
s[0][0] = 'z'
assert m1[0][0] == 'a'

m1 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
       ['d', 'b', 'a'] ]
m2 = [ ['f', 'b', 'h'],
       ['g', 'h', 'w'] ]
assert stitch_down(m1, m2) == [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
                                ['d', 'b', 'a'],
                                ['f', 'b', 'h'],
                                ['g', 'h', 'w'] ]
```

## stitch\_up

⊕ Given matrices `mat1` and `mat2` as list of lists, with `mat1` of size  $u \times n$  and `mat2` of size  $d \times n$ , RETURN a NEW matrix of size  $(u+d) \times n$  as list of lists, by stitching first mat to the bottom of mat2

- **NOTE:** by NEW matrix we intend a matrix with no pointers to original rows (see previous `deep_clone` exercise)
- To implement this function, use a call to the method `stitch_down` you implemented before.
- For examples, see assert

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```
[34]: def stitch_up(mat1, mat2):  
  
    return stitch_down(mat2, mat1)  
  
  
m1 = [ ['a'] ]  
m2 = [ ['b'] ]  
assert stitch_up(m1, m2) == [ ['b'],  
                             ['a'] ]  
  
# check we are giving back a deep clone  
s = stitch_up(m1, m2)  
s[0][0] = 'z'  
assert m1[0][0] == 'a'  
  
m1 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],  
       ['d', 'b', 'a'] ]  
m2 = [ ['f', 'b', 'h'],  
       ['g', 'h', 'w'] ]  
  
assert stitch_up(m1, m2) == [ ['f', 'b', 'h'],  
                             ['g', 'h', 'w'],  
                             ['a', 'b', 'c'],  
                             ['d', 'b', 'a'] ]
```

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```
[34]: def stitch_up(mat1, mat2):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
  
m1 = [ ['a'] ]  
m2 = [ ['b'] ]  
assert stitch_up(m1, m2) == [ ['b'],  
                             ['a'] ]  
  
# check we are giving back a deep clone  
s = stitch_up(m1, m2)  
s[0][0] = 'z'  
assert m1[0][0] == 'a'  
  
m1 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],  
       ['d', 'b', 'a'] ]  
m2 = [ ['f', 'b', 'h'],
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```

['g', 'h', 'w'] ]

assert stitch_up(m1, m2) == [ ['f', 'b', 'h'],
                               ['g', 'h', 'w'],
                               ['a', 'b', 'c'],
                               ['d', 'b', 'a'] ]

```

## stitch\_right

$\oplus\oplus\oplus$  Given matrices `mata` and `matb` as list of lists, with `mata` of size  $n \times 1$  and `matb` of size  $n \times r$ , RETURN a NEW matrix of size  $n \times (1 + r)$  as list of lists, by stitching second `matb` to the right end of `mata`

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[35]:

```

def stitch_right(mata, matb):

    ret = []
    for i in range(len(mata)):
        row_to_add = mata[i][:]
        row_to_add.extend(matb[i])
        ret.append(row_to_add)
    return ret

ma1 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
        ['d', 'b', 'a'] ]
mb1 = [ ['f', 'b'],
        ['g', 'h'] ]

assert stitch_right(ma1, mb1) == [ ['a', 'b', 'c', 'f', 'b'],
                                       ['d', 'b', 'a', 'g', 'h'] ]

```

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[35]:

```

def stitch_right(mata, matb):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

ma1 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
        ['d', 'b', 'a'] ]
mb1 = [ ['f', 'b'],
        ['g', 'h'] ]

assert stitch_right(ma1, mb1) == [ ['a', 'b', 'c', 'f', 'b'],
                                       ['d', 'b', 'a', 'g', 'h'] ]

```

## insercol

⊗⊗ Given a matrix `mat` as list of lists, a column index `j` and a list `new_col`, write a function `insercol(mat, j, new_col)` which MODIFIES `mat` inserting the new column at position `j`.

Example - given:

```
[36]:      # 0 1 2
m = [
    [5, 4, 6],
    [4, 7, 1],
    [3, 2, 6],
]
```

By calling

```
>>> insercol(m, 2, [7, 9, 3])
```

`m` will be MODIFIED with the insertion of column `[7, 9, 3]` at position `j=2`

```
>>> m
      # 0 1 2 3
[
    [5, 4, 7, 6],
    [4, 7, 9, 1],
    [3, 2, 3, 6],
]
```

- for other examples, see asserts
- **HINT:** lists already have a handy method `.insert`, so there is isn't much code to write, just write the right one ;)

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```
[37]: def insercol(mat, j, nuova_col):

    for i in range(len(mat)):
        mat[i].insert(j, nuova_col[i])

m1 = [
    [5]
]
assert insercol(m1, 1, [8]) == None # the function returns nothing!
assert m1 == [ [5, 8] ]

m2 = [ [5] ]
insercol(m2, 0, [8])
assert m2 == [ [8, 5] ]

m3 = [ [5, 4, 2],
       [8, 9, 3] ]
insercol(m3, 1, [7, 6])
assert m3 == [ [5, 7, 4, 2],
```

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```
[8, 6, 9, 3] ]  
  
m4 = [ [5, 4, 6],  
       [4, 7, 1],  
       [3, 2, 6] ]  
insercol(m4, 2, [7, 9, 3])  
  
assert m4 == [ [5, 4, 7, 6],  
                 [4, 7, 9, 1],  
                 [3, 2, 3, 6] ]
```

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[37]:

```
def insercol(mat, j, nuova_col):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
m1 = [  
      [5]  
    ]  
assert insercol(m1, 1, [8]) == None # the function returns nothing!  
assert m1 == [ [5, 8] ]  
  
m2 = [ [5] ]  
insercol(m2, 0, [8])  
assert m2 == [ [8, 5] ]  
  
m3 = [ [5, 4, 2],  
       [8, 9, 3] ]  
insercol(m3, 1, [7, 6])  
assert m3 == [ [5, 7, 4, 2],  
               [8, 6, 9, 3] ]  
  
m4 = [ [5, 4, 6],  
       [4, 7, 1],  
       [3, 2, 6] ]  
insercol(m4, 2, [7, 9, 3])  
  
assert m4 == [ [5, 4, 7, 6],  
                 [4, 7, 9, 1],  
                 [3, 2, 3, 6] ]
```

## threshold

⊕⊕ Takes a matrix as a list of lists (every list has the same dimension) and RETURN a NEW matrix as list of lists where there is `True` if the corresponding input element is greater than `t`, otherwise return `False`

Ingredients:

- a variable for the matrix to return
- for each original row, we need to create a new list

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```
[38]: def threshold(mat, t):  
  
    ret = []  
    for row in mat:  
        new_row = []  
        ret.append(new_row)  
        for el in row:  
            new_row.append(el > t)  
  
    return ret  
  
morig = [ [1, 4, 2],  
          [7, 9, 3] ]  
  
m1 = [ [1, 4, 2],  
       [7, 9, 3] ]  
  
r1 = [ [False, False, False],  
       [True, True, False] ]  
assert threshold(m1, 4) == r1  
assert m1 == morig # verify original didn't change  
  
m2 = [ [5, 2],  
       [3, 7] ]  
  
r2 = [ [True, False],  
       [False, True] ]  
assert threshold(m2, 4) == r2
```

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```
[38]: def threshold(mat, t):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
morig = [ [1, 4, 2],  
          [7, 9, 3] ]  
  
m1 = [ [1, 4, 2],  
       [7, 9, 3] ]  
  
r1 = [ [False, False, False],  
       [True, True, False] ]  
assert threshold(m1, 4) == r1  
assert m1 == morig # verify original didn't change  
  
m2 = [ [5, 2],  
       [3, 7] ]  
  
r2 = [ [True, False],  
       [False, True] ]  
assert threshold(m2, 4) == r2
```

## swap\_rows

⊕⊕ We will try swapping a couple of rows of a matrix

There are several ways to proceed. Before continuing, make sure to know how to exchange two values by solving this simple exercise - check your result in Python Tutor

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```
[39]: x = 3
y = 7

# write here the code to swap x and y (do not directly use the constants 3 and 7!)

k = x
x = y
y = k

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```

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```
[39]: x = 3
y = 7

# write here the code to swap x and y (do not directly use the constants 3 and 7!)
```

⊕⊕ Takes a matrix mat as list of lists, and RETURN a NEW matrix where rows at indexes i1 and i2 are swapped

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```
[40]: def swap_rows(mat, i1, i2):
```

```
# deep clones
ret = []
for row in mat:
    ret.append(row[:])
#swaps
s = ret[i1]
ret[i1] = ret[i2]
ret[i2] = s
return ret
```

```
m1 = [ ['a', 'd'],
       ['b', 'e'],
       ['c', 'f'] ]
```

```
r1 = swap_rows(m1, 0, 2)
```

```
assert r1 == [ ['c', 'f'],
               ['b', 'e'],
               ['a', 'd'] ]
```

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```
        ['a', 'd'] ]\n\nr1[0][0] = 'z'\nassert m1[0][0] == 'a'\n\nm2 = [ ['a', 'd'],\n       ['b', 'e'],\n       ['c', 'f'] ]\n\n# swap with itself should in fact generate a deep clone\nr2 = swap_rows(m2, 0, 0)\n\nassert r2 == [ ['a', 'd'],\n               ['b', 'e'],\n               ['c', 'f'] ]\n\nr2[0][0] = 'z'\nassert m2[0][0] == 'a'
```

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```
[40]: def swap_rows(mat, i1, i2):\n    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')\n\nm1 = [ ['a', 'd'],\n       ['b', 'e'],\n       ['c', 'f'] ]\n\nr1 = swap_rows(m1, 0, 2)\n\nassert r1 == [ ['c', 'f'],\n               ['b', 'e'],\n               ['a', 'd'] ]\n\nr1[0][0] = 'z'\nassert m1[0][0] == 'a'\n\nm2 = [ ['a', 'd'],\n       ['b', 'e'],\n       ['c', 'f'] ]\n\n# swap with itself should in fact generate a deep clone\nr2 = swap_rows(m2, 0, 0)\n\nassert r2 == [ ['a', 'd'],\n               ['b', 'e'],\n               ['c', 'f'] ]\n\nr2[0][0] = 'z'\nassert m2[0][0] == 'a'
```

## swap\_cols

⊗⊗ Takes a matrix `mat` and two column indeces `j1` and `j2` and RETURN a NEW matrix where the columns `j1` and `j2` are swapped

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```
[41]: def swap_cols(mat, j1, j2):

    ret = []
    for row in mat:
        new_row = row[:]
        new_row[j1] = row[j2]
        new_row[j2] = row[j1]
        ret.append(new_row)
    return ret

m1 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
       ['d', 'e', 'f'] ]

r1 = swap_cols(m1, 0, 2)

assert r1 == [ ['c', 'b', 'a'],
               ['f', 'e', 'd'] ]

r1[0][0] = 'z'
assert m1[0][0] == 'a'
```

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```
[41]: def swap_cols(mat, j1, j2):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
       ['d', 'e', 'f'] ]

r1 = swap_cols(m1, 0, 2)

assert r1 == [ ['c', 'b', 'a'],
               ['f', 'e', 'd'] ]

r1[0][0] = 'z'
assert m1[0][0] == 'a'
```

## Continue

Go on with [Matrices 2 - other exercises](#)<sup>207</sup>

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<sup>207</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-lists/matrices-lists2-sol.html>

## 7.2.2 Matrices 2: list of lists - other exercises

**Download exercises zip**

Browse files online<sup>208</sup>

### Introduction

There are a couple of ways in Python to represent matrices: as lists of lists, or with the external library [Numpy](#)<sup>209</sup>. The most used is surely Numpy but we see both representations anyway. Let's see the reason and main differences:

Lists of lists - as in this notebook:

1. native in Python
2. not efficient
3. lists are pervasive in Python, you will probably encounter matrices expressed as lists of lists anyway
4. you get an idea of how to construct a nested data structure
5. we can discuss memory references and copies along the way

Numpy - see other tutorial [Numpy matrices](#)<sup>210</sup>

1. not natively available in Python
2. efficient
3. used by many scientific libraries (scipy, pandas)
4. the syntax to access elements is slightly different from lists of lists
5. in rare cases it might bring installation problems and/or conflicts (implementation is not pure Python)

### What to do

- unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
matrices-lists
  matrices-lists1.ipynb
  matrices-lists1-sol.ipynb
  matrices-lists2.ipynb
  matrices-lists2-sol.ipynb
  matrices-lists3-chal.ipynb
  jupman.py
```

**WARNING:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

- open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `matrices-lists/matrices-lists1.ipynb`
- Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

<sup>208</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/matrices-lists>

<sup>209</sup> <https://www.numpy.org/>

<sup>210</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-numpy/matrices-numpy-sol.html>

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### Exercise - diag

`diag` extracts the diagonal of a matrix. To do so, `diag` requires an  $n \times n$  matrix as input. To make sure we actually get an  $n \times n$  matrix, this time you will have to validate the input, that is check if the number of rows is equal to the number of columns (as always we assume the matrix has at least one row and at least one column). If the matrix is not  $n \times n$ , the function should stop raising an exception. In particular, it should raise a `ValueError`<sup>211</sup>, which is the standard Python exception to raise when the expected input is not correct and you can't find any other more specific error.

Just for illustrative purposes, we show here the index numbers `i` and `j` and avoid putting apices around strings:

```
\ j  0,1,2,3
i
 [
0  [a,b,c,d],
1  [e,f,g,h],
2  [p,q,r,s],
3  [t,u,v,z]
]
```

Let's see a step by step execution:

```
\ j  0,1,2,3
i
 [
extract from row at i=0  --> 0  [a,b,c,d],    'a' is extracted from mat[0][0]
                                1  [e,f,g,h],
                                2  [p,q,r,s],
                                3  [t,u,v,z]
]
```

```
\ j  0,1,2,3
i
 [
0  [a,b,c,d],
extract from row at i=1  --> 1  [e,f,g,h],    'f' is extracted from mat[1][1]
                                2  [p,q,r,s],
                                3  [t,u,v,z]
]
```

```
\ j  0,1,2,3
i
 [
0  [a,b,c,d],
1  [e,f,g,h],
extract from row at i=2  --> 2  [p,q,r,s],    'r' is extracted from mat[2][2]
```

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<sup>211</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/exceptions.html#ValueError>

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```
3   [t,u,v,z]
    ]
```

```
\ j  0,1,2,3
i
[
0  [a,b,c,d],
1  [e,f,g,h],
2  [p,q,r,s],
extract from row at i=3 --> 3 [t,u,v,z]      'z' is extracted from mat[3][3]
]
```

From the above, we notice we need elements from these indeces:

```
i, j
1, 1
2, 2
3, 3
```

There are two ways to solve this exercise, one is to use a double `for` (a nested `for` to be precise) while the other method uses only one `for`. Try to solve it in both ways. How many steps do you need with double `for`? and with only one?

**⊕⊕ EXERCISE:** Implement the `diag` function, which given an  $n \times n$  matrix `mat` as a list of lists, RETURN a list which contains the elemets in the diagonal (top left to bottom right corner).

- if `mat` is not  $n \times n$  raise `ValueError`

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[2]:

```
def diag(mat):

    if len(mat) != len(mat[0]):
        raise ValueError("Matrix should be nxn, found instead %s x %s" % (len(mat), ↵len(mat[0])))
    ret = []
    for i in range(len(mat)):
        ret.append(mat[i][i])
    return ret

# TEST START - DO NOT TOUCH!
# if you wrote the whole code correct, and execute the cell, Python shouldn't raise ↵`AssertionError`
m = [ ['a','b','c'],
      ['d','e','f'],
      ['g','h','i'] ]

assert diag(m) == ['a','e','i']

try:
    diag([ ['a','b'] ])      # 1x2 dimension, not square

    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")  # if diag raises an exception which is ↵ValueError as we
                                                # expect it to do, the code should never ↵arrive here
```

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```
except ValueError: # this only catches ValueError. Other types of errors are not_
→caught
    pass          # In an except clause you always need to put some code.
                  # Here we put a placeholder just to fill in
# TEST END
```

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[2]:

```
def diag(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# TEST START - DO NOT TOUCH!
# if you wrote the whole code correct, and execute the cell, Python shouldn't raise_
→`AssertionError`
m = [ ['a','b','c'],
      ['d','e','f'],
      ['g','h','i'] ]

assert diag(m) == ['a','e','i']

try:
    diag([ ['a','b'] ])      # 1x2 dimension, not square

    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")  # if diag raises an exception which is_
→ValueError as we
                                              # expect it to do, the code should never_
→arrive here

except ValueError: # this only catches ValueError. Other types of errors are not_
→caught
    pass          # In an except clause you always need to put some code.
                  # Here we put a placeholder just to fill in
# TEST END
```

### Exercise - anti\_diag

⊕⊕ Given an nxn matrix mat as a list of lists, RETURN a list which contains the elements in the antidiagonal (top right to bottom left corner).

- If mat is not nxn raise ValueError

Before implementing it, be sure to write down understand the required indeces as we did in the example for the *diag* function.

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```
[3]: def anti_diag(mat):

    n = len(mat)
    ret = []
    for i in range(n):
        ret.append(mat[i][n-i-1])
    return ret
```

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```
m = [ ['a','b','c'],
      ['d','e','f'],
      ['g','h','i'] ]

assert anti_diag(m) == ['c','e','g']

# If you have doubts about the indexes remember to try it in python tutor !
# jupman.pytut()
```

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```
[3]: def anti_diag(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m = [ ['a','b','c'],
      ['d','e','f'],
      ['g','h','i'] ]

assert anti_diag(m) == ['c','e','g']

# If you have doubts about the indexes remember to try it in python tutor !
# jupman.pytut()
```

### Exercise - is\_utriang

⊕⊕⊕ You will now try to iterate only the lower triangular half of a matrix. Let's look at an example:

```
[4]: m = [
    [3,2,5,8],
    [0,6,2,3],
    [0,0,4,9],
    [0,0,0,5]
]
```

Just for illustrative purposes, we show here the index numbers *i* and *j*:

```
\ j  0,1,2,3
i
[
0  [3,2,5,8],
1  [0,6,2,3],
2  [0,0,4,9],
3  [0,7,0,5]
]
```

Let's see a step by step execution an a non-upper triangular matrix:

```
\ j  0,1,2,3
i
[
0  [3,2,5,8],
start from row at index i=1 -> 1  [0,6,2,3],  Check until column limit j=0 included
2  [0,0,4,9],
```

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3	[0, 7, 0, 5]
	]

One zero is found, time to check next row.

\ j 0, 1, 2, 3
i
[
0 [3, 2, 5, 8],
1 [0, 6, 2, 3],
check row at index i=2    ---> 2 [0, 0, 4, 9], Check until column limit j=1 included
3 [0, 7, 0, 5]
]

Two zeros are found. Time to check next row.

\ j 0, 1, 2, 3
i
[
0 [3, 2, 5, 8],
1 [0, 6, 2, 3],
2 [0, 0, 4, 9],
check row at index i=3    ---> 3 [0, 7, 0, 5]    Check until column limit j=2 included
BUT can stop sooner at j=1 because
number at j=1 is different from zero.
As soon as 7 is found, can return
False
In this case the matrix is not upper triangular

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## VII COMMANDMENT<sup>212</sup> You shall also write on paper!

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When you develop these algorithms, it is fundamental to write down a step by step example like the above to get a clear picture of what is happening. Also, if you write down the indeces correctly, you will easily be able to derive a generalization. To find it, try to further write the found indeces in a table.

For example, from above for each row index *i* we can easily find out which limit index *j* we need to reach for our hunt for zeros:

i	limit j (included)	Notes
1	0	we start from row at index i=1
2	1	
3	2	

From the table, we can see the limit for *j* can be calculated in terms of the current row index *i* with the simple formula *i - 1*

The fact you need to span through rows and columns suggest you need two `fors`, one for rows and one for columns - that is, a *nested for*.

- please use ranges of indexes to carry out the task (no `for row in mat ..`)
- please use letter *i* as index for rows, *j* as index of columns and in case you need it *n* letter as matrix dimension

<sup>212</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#VII-COMMANDMENT>

**HINT 1:** remember you can set range to start from a specific index, like `range(3, 7)` will start from 3 and end to 6 *included* (last 7 is *excluded*!)

**HINT 2:** To implement this, it's best looking for numbers *different* from zero. As soon as you find one, you can stop the function and return False. Only after *all* the number checking is done you can return True.

Finally, be reminded of the following:

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## II COMMANDMENT<sup>213</sup> Whenever you introduce a variable with a `for` cycle, such variable must be new

---

If you defined a variable before, you shall not reintroduce it in a `for`, since it's confusing and error prone.

So avoid these sins:

```
[5]: i = 7
for i in range(3): # sin, you lose i variable
    print(i)

0
1
2
```

```
[6]: def f(i):
    for i in range(3): # sin again, you lose i parameter
        print(i)
```

```
[7]: for i in range(2):
    for i in range(3): # debugging hell, you lose i from outer for
        print(i)

0
1
2
0
1
2
```

⊕⊕⊕ **EXERCISE:** If you read *all* the above, start implementing the function `is_utriang`, which RETURN True if the provided nxn matrix is upper triangular, that is, has all the entries below the diagonal set to zero. Return False otherwise.

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```
[8]: def is_utriang(mat):

    n = len(mat)
    m = len(mat[0])

    for i in range(1,n):
        for j in range(i): # notice it arrives until i *excluded*, that is, arrives ..
        ↪to i - 1 *included*
            if mat[i][j] != 0:
                return False
    return True
```

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<sup>213</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#VII-COMMANDMENT>

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```

assert is_utriang([ [1] ]) == True
assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [0,6,2],
                     [0,0,4] ]) == True

assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [0,6,2],
                     [1,0,4] ]) == False

assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [0,6,2],
                     [1,1,4] ]) == False

assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [0,6,2],
                     [0,1,4] ]) == False

assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [1,6,2],
                     [1,0,4] ]) == False

```

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```
[8]: def is_utriang(mat):
       raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert is_utriang([ [1] ]) == True
assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [0,6,2],
                     [0,0,4] ]) == True

assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [0,6,2],
                     [1,0,4] ]) == False

assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [0,6,2],
                     [1,1,4] ]) == False

assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [0,6,2],
                     [0,1,4] ]) == False

assert is_utriang([ [3,2,5],
                     [1,6,2],
                     [1,0,4] ]) == False
```

**Exercise - stitch\_left\_mod**

This time let's try to *modify* mat1 *in place*, by stitching mat2 *to the left* of mat1.

So this time **don't** put a `return` instruction.

You will need to perform list insertion, which can be tricky. There are many ways to do it in Python, one could be using the weird splice assignment insertion:

```
mylist[0:0] = list_to_insert
```

see here for more info: <https://stackoverflow.com/a/10623383>

⊕⊕⊕ EXERCISE: Implement `stitch_left_mod`, which given the matrices mat1 and mat2 as list of lists, with mat1 of size n x 1 and mat2 of size n x r, MODIFIES mat1 so that it becomes of size n x (1 + r), by stitching second mat2 to the left of mat1

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```
[9]: def stitch_left_mod(mat1,mat2):
```

```
    for i in range(len(mat1)):
        mat1[i][0:0] = mat2[i]
```

```
m1 = [ ['a','b','c'],
       ['d','b','a'] ]
m2 = [ ['f','b'],
       ['g','h'] ]
```

```
res = [ ['f','b','a','b','c'],
       ['g','h','d','b','a'] ]
```

```
stitch_left_mod(m1, m2)
assert m1 == res
```

```
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```

```
[9]: def stitch_left_mod(mat1,mat2):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')
```

```
m1 = [ ['a','b','c'],
       ['d','b','a'] ]
m2 = [ ['f','b'],
       ['g','h'] ]
```

```
res = [ ['f','b','a','b','c'],
       ['g','h','d','b','a'] ]
```

```
stitch_left_mod(m1, m2)
assert m1 == res
```

### Exercise - transpose\_1

Let's see how to transpose a matrix *in-place*. The transpose  $M^T$  of a matrix  $M$  is defined as

$$M^T[i][j] = M[j][i]$$

The definition is simple yet implementation might be tricky. If you're not careful, you could easily end up swapping the values twice and get the same original matrix. To prevent this, iterate only the upper triangular part of the matrix and remember `range` function can also have a start index:

```
[10]: list(range(3, 7))
[10]: [3, 4, 5, 6]
```

Also, make sure you know how to swap just two values by solving first this very simple exercise - also check the result in Python Tutor

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```
[11]: x = 3
y = 7

# write here code for swapping x and y (don't directly use the constants 3 and 7!)

k = x
x = y
y = k

#jupman.pytut()
```

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```
[11]: x = 3
y = 7

# write here code for swapping x and y (don't directly use the constants 3 and 7!)
```

Going back to the transpose, for now we will consider only an  $n \times n$  matrix. To make sure we actually get an  $n \times n$  matrix, we will validate the input as before.

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#### IV COMMANDMENT<sup>214</sup> (adapted for matrices): You shall never ever reassign function parameters

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```
def myfun(M):
    # M is a parameter, so you shall *not* do any of such evil:
    M = [
        [6661, 6662],
        [6663, 6664]
    ]
```

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<sup>214</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/commandments.html#IV-COMMANDMENT>

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```
# For the sole case of composite parameters like lists (or lists of lists ..)
# you can write stuff like this IF AND ONLY IF the function specification
# requires you to modify the parameter internal elements (i.e. transposing _in-
#place_):

M[0][1] = 6663
```

⊗⊗⊗ EXERCISE If you read *all* the above, you can now proceed implementing the transpose\_1 function, which MODIFIES the given nxn matrix mat by transposing it *in-place*.

- If the matrix is not nxn, raises a ValueError

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```
[12]: def transpose_1(mat):

    if len(mat) != len(mat[0]):
        raise ValueError("Matrix should be nxn, found instead %s x %s" % (len(mat), len(mat[0])))
    for i in range(len(mat)):
        for j in range(i+1, len(mat[i])):
            el = mat[i][j]
            mat[i][j] = mat[j][i]
            mat[j][i] = el

    # let's try wrong matrix dimensions:
try:
    transpose_1([ [3,5] ])
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    pass

m1 = [ ['a'] ]

transpose_1(m1)
assert m1 == [ ['a'] ]

m2 = [ ['a','b'],
       ['c','d'] ]

transpose_1(m2)
assert m2 == [ ['a','c'],
               ['b','d'] ]
```

```
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[12]: def transpose_1(mat):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')
```

```
# let's try wrong matrix dimensions:
try:
```

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```

transpose_1([ [3,5] ])
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    pass

m1 = [ [ 'a' ] ]

transpose_1(m1)
assert m1 == [ [ 'a' ] ]

m2 = [ [ 'a','b'],
       [ 'c','d' ] ]

transpose_1(m2)
assert m2 == [ [ 'a','c'],
               [ 'b','d' ] ]

```

### Exercise - transpose\_2

⊕⊕ Now let's try to transpose a generic nxm matrix. This time for simplicity we will return a whole new matrix.

RETURN a NEW mxn matrix which is the transpose of the given nxm matrix mat as list of lists.

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```
[13]: def transpose_2(mat):

    n = len(mat)
    m = len(mat[0])
    ret = [[0]*n for i in range(m)]
    for i in range(n):
        for j in range(m):
            ret[j][i] = mat[i][j]
    return ret

m1 = [ [ 'a' ] ]

r1 = transpose_2(m1)

assert r1 == [ [ 'a' ] ]
r1[0][0] = 'z'
assert m1[0][0] == 'a'

m2 = [ [ 'a','b','c'],
       [ 'd','e','f' ] ]

assert transpose_2(m2) == [ [ 'a','d'],
                           [ 'b','e'],
                           [ 'c','f' ] ]

```

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```
[13]: def transpose_2(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')
```

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```
m1 = [ ['a'] ]

r1 = transpose_2(m1)

assert r1 == [ ['a'] ]
r1[0][0] = 'z'
assert m1[0][0] == 'a'

m2 = [ ['a','b','c'],
       ['d','e','f'] ]

assert transpose_2(m2) == [ ['a','d'],
                               ['b','e'],
                               ['c','f'] ]
```

### Exercise - cirpillino

Given a string and an integer n, RETURN a NEW matrix as list of lists containing all the characters in string subdivides in rows of n elements each.

- if the string length is not exactly divisible by n, raises ValueError

Example:

```
>>> cirpillino('cirpillinozimpirelloulalimpo')
[['c', 'i', 'r', 'p'],
 ['i', 'l', 'l', 'i'],
 ['n', 'o', 'z', 'i'],
 ['m', 'p', 'i', 'r'],
 ['e', 'l', 'l', 'o'],
 ['u', 'l', 'a', 'l'],
 ['i', 'm', 'p', 'o']]
```

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```
def cirpillino(string, n):

    if len(string) % n != 0:
        raise ValueError('The string is not divisible by %s' % n)
    ret = []

    for i in range(len(string) // n):
        ret.append(list(string[i*n:(i+1)*n]))
    return ret

# TEST
assert cirpillino('z', 1) == [ ['z'] ]

assert cirpillino('abc', 1) == [ ['a'],
                                 ['b'],
                                 ['c']]
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```

['c']]]

assert cirpillino('abcdef', 2) == [[['a', 'b'],
                                         ['c', 'd'],
                                         ['e', 'f']]]

assert cirpillino('abcdef', 3) == [[['a', 'b', 'c'],
                                         ['d', 'e', 'f']]]

assert cirpillino('cirpillinozimpirelloulalimpo', 4) == [[['c', 'i', 'r', 'p'],
                                                               ['i', 'l', 'l', 'i'],
                                                               ['n', 'o', 'z', 'i'],
                                                               ['m', 'p', 'i', 'r'],
                                                               ['e', 'l', 'l', 'o'],
                                                               ['u', 'l', 'a', 'l'],
                                                               ['i', 'm', 'p', 'o']]]

try:
    cirpillino('abc', 5)
    raise Exception("Avrei dovuto fallire !")
except ValueError:
    pass

```

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[14]:

```

def cirpillino(string, n):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# TEST
assert cirpillino('z', 1) == [['z']]

assert cirpillino('abc', 1) == [[['a'],
                                         ['b'],
                                         ['c']]]

assert cirpillino('abcdef', 2) == [[['a', 'b'],
                                         ['c', 'd'],
                                         ['e', 'f']]]

assert cirpillino('abcdef', 3) == [[['a', 'b', 'c'],
                                         ['d', 'e', 'f']]]

assert cirpillino('cirpillinozimpirelloulalimpo', 4) == [[['c', 'i', 'r', 'p'],
                                                               ['i', 'l', 'l', 'i'],
                                                               ['n', 'o', 'z', 'i'],
                                                               ['m', 'p', 'i', 'r'],
                                                               ['e', 'l', 'l', 'o'],
                                                               ['u', 'l', 'a', 'l'],
                                                               ['i', 'm', 'p', 'o']]]

try:
    cirpillino('abc', 5)
    raise Exception("Avrei dovuto fallire !")
except ValueError:
    pass

```

### Exercise - flag

Given two integer numbers  $n$  and  $m$ , with  $m$  a multiple of 3, RETURN a matrix  $n \times m$  as a list of lists having in the cells numbers from 0 to 2 divided in three vertical stripes.

- if  $m$  is not a multiple of 3, raises ValueError

Example:

```
>>> flag(5,12)
[[0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
 [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
 [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
 [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
 [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2]]
```

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```
[15]: def flag(n,m):
```

```
    if m % 3 != 0:
        raise ValueError('The number of columns is not a multiple of 3: %s' % m)

    ret = []

    for i in range(n):
        row = []
        for j in range(m):
            num = j // (m // 3)
            row.append(num)
        ret.append(row)
    return ret

# TEST
assert flag(1,3) == [[0, 1, 2]]

assert flag(1,6) == [[0,0,1,1, 2,2]]

assert flag(4,6) == [[0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2],
                     [0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2],
                     [0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2],
                     [0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2]]

assert flag(2,9) == [[0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2],
                     [0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2]]

assert flag(5,12) == [[0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
                      [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
                      [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
                      [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
                      [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2]]
```

```
try:
    flag(3,7)
```

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```

    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass

```

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```
[15]: def flag(n,m):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# TEST
assert flag(1,3) == [[0, 1, 2]]

assert flag(1,6) == [[0,0,1,1, 2,2]]

assert flag(4,6) == [[0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2],
                     [0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2],
                     [0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2],
                     [0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2]]

assert flag(2,9) == [[0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2],
                     [0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2]]

assert flag(5,12) == [[0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
                      [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
                      [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
                      [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2],
                      [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2]]

try:
    flag(3,7)
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

### Exercise - avoid\_diag

⊕⊕ Given a square matrix  $n \times n$  as a list of lists, RETURN a NEW list with the sum of all numbers of every row EXCEPT the diagonal

- if the matrix is not square, raise ValueError

Example:

```
>>> avoid_diag([ [5,6,2],
                  [4,7,9],
                  [1,9,8]])
[8, 13, 10]
```

because

```
8 = 6 + 2
13 = 4 + 7
10 = 1 + 9
```

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[16]:

```
def avoid_diag(mat):

    if len(mat) != len(mat[0]):
        raise ValueError("Non square matrix: %s x %s" % (len(mat), len(mat[0])))
    ret = []
    i = 0
    for row in mat:
        ret.append(sum(row) - row[i])
        i += 1
    return ret

assert avoid_diag([[5]]) == [0]

m2 = [[5, 7],
      [9, 1]]
assert avoid_diag(m2) == [7, 9]
assert m2 == [[5, 7],
              [9, 1]]

assert avoid_diag([[5, 6, 2],
                  [4, 7, 9],
                  [1, 9, 8]]) == [8, 13, 10]

try:
    avoid_diag([[2, 3, 5],
                [1, 5, 2]])
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

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[16]:

```
def avoid_diag(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert avoid_diag([[5]]) == [0]

m2 = [[5, 7],
      [9, 1]]
assert avoid_diag(m2) == [7, 9]
assert m2 == [[5, 7],
              [9, 1]]

assert avoid_diag([[5, 6, 2],
                  [4, 7, 9],
                  [1, 9, 8]]) == [8, 13, 10]

try:
    avoid_diag([[2, 3, 5],
                [1, 5, 2]])
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

### Exercise - no\_diag

⊕⊕ Given a matrix  $n \times n$  as a list of lists, RETURN a NEW matrix  $n \times n-1$  having the same cells as the original one EXCEPT the cells in the diagonal.

- if the matrix is not squared, raises ValueError

Example:

```
>>> m = [[8, 5, 3, 4],
        [7, 2, 4, 1],
        [9, 8, 3, 5],
        [6, 0, 4, 7]]
>>> no_diag(m)
[[5, 3, 4],
 [7, 4, 1],
 [9, 8, 5],
 [6, 0, 4]]
```

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```
[17]: def no_diag(mat):

    if len(mat) != len(mat[0]):
        raise ValueError("Non square matrix: %s x %s" % (len(mat), len(mat[0])))

    ret = []
    i = 0
    for row in mat:
        new_row = row[0:i] + row[i+1:]
        ret.append(new_row)
        i += 1

    return ret

# TEST
m1 = [[3, 4],
       [8, 7]]
assert no_diag(m1) == [[4],
                      [8]]
assert m1 == [[3, 4],  # verify the original was not changed
              [8, 7]]

m2 = [[9, 4, 3],
       [8, 5, 6],
       [0, 2, 7]]
assert no_diag(m2) == [[4, 3],
                      [8, 6],
                      [0, 2]]

m3 = [[8, 5, 3, 4],
       [7, 2, 4, 1],
       [9, 8, 3, 5],
       [6, 0, 4, 7]]
assert no_diag(m3) == [[5, 3, 4],
                      [7, 4, 1],
                      [9, 8, 5],
```

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```
[6, 0, 4]]  
try:  
    no_diag([[2, 3, 5],  
             [1, 5, 2]])  
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")  
except ValueError:  
    pass
```

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```
[17]: def no_diag(mat):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
# TEST  
m1 = [[3, 4],  
      [8, 7]]  
assert no_diag(m1) == [[4],  
                      [8]]  
assert m1 == [[3, 4], # verify the original was not changed  
              [8, 7]]  
  
m2 = [[9, 4, 3],  
      [8, 5, 6],  
      [0, 2, 7]]  
assert no_diag(m2) == [[4, 3],  
                      [8, 6],  
                      [0, 2]]  
  
m3 = [[8, 5, 3, 4],  
      [7, 2, 4, 1],  
      [9, 8, 3, 5],  
      [6, 0, 4, 7]]  
assert no_diag(m3) == [[5, 3, 4],  
                      [7, 4, 1],  
                      [9, 8, 5],  
                      [6, 0, 4]]  
  
try:  
    no_diag([[2, 3, 5],  
             [1, 5, 2]])  
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")  
except ValueError:  
    pass
```

### Exercise - no\_anti\_diag

⊕⊕⊕ Given a ⊕⊕ Given a matrix  $n \times n$  as a list of lists, RETURN a NEW matrix  $n \times n-1$  having the same cells as the original one EXCEPT the cells in the ANTI-diagonal. For examples, see asserts.

- if the matrix is not squared, raises ValueError

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```
[18]: def no_anti_diag(mat):  
  
    if len(mat) != len(mat[0]):
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```

    raise ValueError("Matrice non quadrata: %s x %s" % (len(mat), len(mat[0])))
ret = []
for i in range(len(mat)):
    k = len(mat) - i - 1
    nuova = mat[i][:k] + mat[i][k+1:]
    ret.append(nuova)
return ret

m1 = [[3,4],
      [8,7]]
assert no_anti_diag(m1) == [[3],
                             [7]]

assert m1 == [[3,4],  # verifica che non abbia cambiato l'originale
              [8,7]]

m2 = [[9,4,3],
      [8,5,6],
      [0,2,7]]
assert no_anti_diag(m2) == [[9,4],
                           [8,6],
                           [2,7]]

m3 = [[8,5,3,4],
      [7,2,4,1],
      [9,8,3,5],
      [6,0,4,7]]
assert no_anti_diag(m3) == [[8,5,3],
                           [7,2,1],
                           [9,3,5],
                           [0,4,7]]

try:
    no_anti_diag([[2,3,5],
                  [1,5,2]])
    raise Exception("Avrei dovuto fallire!")
except ValueError:
    pass

```

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```
[18]: def no_anti_diag(mat):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [[3,4],
      [8,7]]
assert no_anti_diag(m1) == [[3],
                             [7]]

assert m1 == [[3,4],  # verifica che non abbia cambiato l'originale
              [8,7]]

m2 = [[9,4,3],
      [8,5,6],
      [0,2,7]]
assert no_anti_diag(m2) == [[9,4],
                           [8,6],
                           [2,7]]
```

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```
m3 = [[8, 5, 3, 4],
      [7, 2, 4, 1],
      [9, 8, 3, 5],
      [6, 0, 4, 7]]
assert no_anti_diag(m3) == [[8, 5, 3],
                            [7, 2, 1],
                            [9, 3, 5],
                            [0, 4, 7]]
try:
    no_anti_diag([[2, 3, 5],
                  [1, 5, 2]])
    raise Exception("Avrei dovuto fallire!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

**Exercise - repcol**

⊗⊗ Given a matrix mat  $n \times m$  and a lst of  $n$  elements, MODIFY mat by writing into each cell the corresponding value from lst

- if lst has a different length from  $n$ , raise ValueError
- **DO NOT** create new lists

Example:

```
>>> m = [
    ['z', 'a', 'p', 'p', 'a'],
    ['c', 'a', 'r', 't', 'a'],
    ['p', 'a', 'l', 'l', 'a']
]
>>> repcol( m, ['E', 'H', '?'])    # returns nothing!
>>> m
[['E', 'E', 'E', 'E', 'E'],
 ['H', 'H', 'H', 'H', 'H'],
 ['?', '?', '?', '?', '?']]
```

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```
[1]: def repcol(mat, lst):

    for i in range(len(mat)):
        for j in range(len(mat[0])):
            mat[i][j] = lst[i]

# INIZIO TEST
m1 = [ ['a'] ]
v1 = ['Q']
repcol(m1,v1)    # returns nothing
assert m1 == [ ['Q'] ]

m2 = [
```

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```

['a','b'],
['c','d'],
['e','f'],
['g','h'],
]

saved = m2[0]    # we save a pointer to the first original row
v2 = ['P','A','L','A']
repcol(m2,v2)   # returns nothing
assert m2 == [[P, P],
              [A, A],
              [L, L],
              [A, A]]
assert id(saved) == id(m2[0])  # must not create new lists

m3 = [
      ['z','a','p','p','a'],
      ['c','a','r','t','a'],
      ['p','a','l','l','a']
]

v3 = ['E','H','?']
repcol(m3,v3)   # returns nothing
assert m3 == [[E, E, E, E, E],
              [H, H, H, H, H],
              [?, ?, ?, ?, ?]]

```

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```
[1]: def repcol(mat, lst):
       raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# INIZIO TEST
m1 = [ [a] ]
v1 = [Q]
repcol(m1,v1)   # returns nothing
assert m1 == [[Q]]

m2 = [
      ['a','b'],
      ['c','d'],
      ['e','f'],
      ['g','h'],
]

saved = m2[0]    # we save a pointer to the first original row
v2 = ['P','A','L','A']
repcol(m2,v2)   # returns nothing
assert m2 == [[P, P],
              [A, A],
              [L, L],
              [A, A]]
assert id(saved) == id(m2[0])  # must not create new lists

m3 = [
      ['z','a','p','p','a'],
      ['c','a','r','t','a'],
      ['p','a','l','l','a'],

```

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```
    ['p', 'a', 'l', 'l', 'a']
]

v3 = ['E', 'H', '?']
repcol(m3, v3) # returns nothing
assert m3 == [['E', 'E', 'E', 'E', 'E'],
              ['H', 'H', 'H', 'H', 'H'],
              ['?', '?', '?', '?', '?']]
```

### Exercise - matinc

⊕⊕ Given a matrix of integers RETURN True if all the rows are strictly increasing from left to right, otherwise return False

#### Example 1:

```
>>> m = [[1, 4, 6, 7, 9],
          [0, 1, 2, 4, 8],
          [2, 6, 8, 9, 10]]
>>> matinc(m)
True
```

#### Example 2:

```
>>> m = [[0, 1, 3, 4],
          [4, 6, 9, 10],
          [3, 7, 7, 15]]
>>> matinc(m)
False
```

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```
[20]: def matinc(mat):

    for i in range(len(mat)):
        for j in range(1, len(mat[0])):
            if mat[i][j] <= mat[i][j-1]:
                return False
    return True

# TEST
m1 = [[5]]
assert matinc(m1) == True

m2 = [[7],
      [4]]
assert matinc(m2) == True

m3 = [[2, 3],
      [3, 5]]
assert matinc(m3) == True

m4 = [[9, 4]]
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```

assert matinc(m4) == False

m5 = [[5,5]]
assert matinc(m5) == False

m6 = [[1,4,6,7,9],
       [0,1,2,4,8],
       [2,6,8,9,10]]
assert matinc(m6) == True

m7 = [[0,1,3,4],
       [4,6,9,10],
       [3,7,7,15]]
assert matinc(m7) == False

m8 = [[1,4,8,7,9],
       [0,1,2,4,8]]
assert matinc(m8) == False

```

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```
[20]: def matinc(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# TEST
m1 = [[5]]
assert matinc(m1) == True

m2 = [[7],
      [4]]
assert matinc(m2) == True

m3 = [[2,3],
      [3,5]]
assert matinc(m3) == True

m4 = [[9,4]]
assert matinc(m4) == False

m5 = [[5,5]]
assert matinc(m5) == False

m6 = [[1,4,6,7,9],
       [0,1,2,4,8],
       [2,6,8,9,10]]
assert matinc(m6) == True

m7 = [[0,1,3,4],
      [4,6,9,10],
      [3,7,7,15]]
assert matinc(m7) == False

m8 = [[1,4,8,7,9],
      [0,1,2,4,8]]
assert matinc(m8) == False
```

**Exercise - flip**

⊕⊕ Takes a matrix as a list of lists containing zeros and ones, and RETURN a NEW matrix (as list of lists), built first inverting all the rows and then flipping all the rows.

Inverting a list means transform the 0 into 1 and 1 into 0. For example:

- [0, 1, 1] becomes [1, 0, 0]
- [0, 0, 1] becomes [1, 1, 0]

Flipping a list means flipping the elements order. For example:

- [0, 1, 1] becomes [1, 1, 0]
- [0, 0, 1] becomes [1, 0, 0]

**Example:** By combining inversion and reversal, if we start from

```
[  
    [1, 1, 0, 0],  
    [0, 1, 1, 0],  
    [0, 0, 1, 0]  
]
```

First we invert each element:

```
[  
    [0, 0, 1, 1],  
    [1, 0, 0, 1],  
    [1, 1, 0, 1]  
]
```

Then we flip weach row:

```
[  
    [1, 1, 0, 0],  
    [1, 0, 0, 1],  
    [1, 0, 1, 1]  
]
```

**HINTS:**

- to flip a list use `.reverse()` method as in `my_list.reverse()`. Note it MODIFIES `my_list`, *does not* return a new list !!
- remember `return !!`

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```
[21]: def flip(mat):  
  
    ret = []  
    for row in mat:  
        new_row = []  
        for elem in row:  
            new_row.append(1 - elem)  
  
        new_row.reverse()
```

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```

    ret.append(new_row)
    return ret

assert flip([]) == []
assert flip([[1]]) == [[0]]
assert flip([[1,0]]) == [[1,0]]

m1 = [ [1,0,0],
       [1,0,1] ]
r1 = [ [1,1,0],
       [0,1,0] ]
assert flip(m1) == r1

m2 = [ [1,1,0,0],
       [0,1,1,0],
       [0,0,1,0] ]

r2 = [ [1,1,0,0],
       [1,0,0,1],
       [1,0,1,1] ]

assert flip(m2) == r2

# verify the original m was not changed!
assert m2 == [ [1,1,0,0],
               [0,1,1,0],
               [0,0,1,0] ]
# FINE TEST

```

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```
[21]: def flip(mat):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert flip([]) == []
assert flip([[1]]) == [[0]]
assert flip([[1,0]]) == [[1,0]]

m1 = [ [1,0,0],
       [1,0,1] ]
r1 = [ [1,1,0],
       [0,1,0] ]
assert flip(m1) == r1

m2 = [ [1,1,0,0],
       [0,1,1,0],
       [0,0,1,0] ]

r2 = [ [1,1,0,0],
       [1,0,0,1],
       [1,0,1,1] ]
```

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```
[1,0,1,1] ]  
  
assert flip(m2) == r2  
  
# verify the original m was not changed!  
assert m2 == [ [1,1,0,0],  
               [0,1,1,0],  
               [0,0,1,0] ]  
# FINE TEST
```

## Exercise - wall

⊕⊕⊕ Given a list `ripe` of repetitions and an  $n \times m$  matrix `mat` as list of lists, RETURN a **completely NEW** matrix by taking the rows of `mat` and replicating them the number of times reported in the corresponding cells of `ripe`

- **DO NOT** create structures with pointers to input matrix (or part of it)!

Example:

```
>>> wall([3,4,1,2], [ ['i','a','a'],  
                      ['q','r','f'],  
                      ['y','e','v'],  
                      ['e','g','h']])  
[[['i', 'a', 'a'],  
 ['i', 'a', 'a'],  
 ['i', 'a', 'a'],  
 ['q', 'r', 'f'],  
 ['q', 'r', 'f'],  
 ['q', 'r', 'f'],  
 ['q', 'r', 'f'],  
 ['y', 'e', 'v'],  
 ['e', 'g', 'h'],  
 ['e', 'g', 'h']]
```

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```
[22]: def wall(ripe, mat):  
  
    res = []  
  
    i = 0  
    for i in range(len(mat)):  
        row = mat[i]  
        n = ripe[i]  
        for i in range(n):  
            res.append(row[:])  
    return res  
  
m1 = [[ 'a' ]]  
assert wall([2], m1) == [ [ 'a' ],  
                         [ 'a' ]]  
  
m2 = [ [ 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd' ],
```

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```

['e','q','v','r']]
r2 = wall([3,2], m2)
assert r2 == [[['a','b','c','d'],
                ['a','b','c','d'],
                ['a','b','c','d'],
                ['e','q','v','r'],
                ['e','q','v','r']]]
r2[0][0] = 'z'
assert m2 == [[['a','b','c','d'], # we want a NEW matrix
                ['e','q','v','r']]]

m3 = [[['i','a','a'],
        ['q','r','f'],
        ['y','e','v'],
        ['e','g','h']]]
r3 = wall([3,4,1,2], m3)
assert r3 == [[['i', 'a', 'a'],
                ['i', 'a', 'a'],
                ['i', 'a', 'a'],
                ['q', 'r', 'f'],
                ['q', 'r', 'f'],
                ['q', 'r', 'f'],
                ['q', 'r', 'f'],
                ['y', 'e', 'v'],
                ['e', 'g', 'h'],
                ['e', 'g', 'h']]]

```

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```

[22]: def wall(ripe, mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [[['a']]]
assert wall([2], m1) == [[['a']],
                           ['a']]

m2 = [[['a','b','c','d'],
       ['e','q','v','r']]]
r2 = wall([3,2], m2)
assert r2 == [[['a','b','c','d'],
                ['a','b','c','d'],
                ['a','b','c','d'],
                ['e','q','v','r'],
                ['e','q','v','r']]]
r2[0][0] = 'z'
assert m2 == [[['a','b','c','d'], # we want a NEW matrix
                ['e','q','v','r']]]

m3 = [[['i','a','a'],
        ['q','r','f'],
        ['y','e','v'],
        ['e','g','h']]]
r3 = wall([3,4,1,2], m3)
assert r3 == [[['i', 'a', 'a'],
                ['i', 'a', 'a'],
                ['i', 'a', 'a'],
                ['q', 'r', 'f'],
                ['q', 'r', 'f'],
                ['q', 'r', 'f'],
                ['q', 'r', 'f'],
                ['y', 'e', 'v'],
                ['e', 'g', 'h'],
                ['e', 'g', 'h']]]

```

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```
[ 'q', 'r', 'f'],
[ 'q', 'r', 'f'],
[ 'q', 'r', 'f'],
[ 'y', 'e', 'v'],
[ 'e', 'g', 'h'],
[ 'e', 'g', 'h']]
```

### Exercise - sortast

⊕⊕⊕ Given a matrix as a list of lists of integer numbers, MODIFY the matrix by sorting ONLY the numbers of last column

- All other cells must NOT change

Example:

```
>>> m = [[8, 5, 3, 2, 4],
          [7, 2, 4, 1, 1],
          [9, 8, 3, 3, 7],
          [6, 0, 4, 2, 5]]
>>> sortast(m)
>>> m
[[8, 5, 3, 2, 1],
 [7, 2, 4, 1, 4],
 [9, 8, 3, 3, 5],
 [6, 0, 4, 2, 7]]
```

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```
[23]: def sortast(mat):

    ordinata = sorted([mat[i][-1] for i in range(len(mat))])
    for i in range(len(mat)):
        mat[i][-1] = ordinata[i]

# TEST
m1 = [[3]]
sortast(m1)
assert m1 == [[3]]

m2 = [[9, 3, 7],
      [8, 5, 4]]
sortast(m2)
assert m2 == [[9, 3, 4],
              [8, 5, 7]]

m3 = [[8, 5, 9],
      [7, 2, 3],
      [9, 8, 7]]
sortast(m3)
assert m3 == [[8, 5, 3],
              [7, 2, 7],
```

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```
[9,8,9]]  
  
m4 = [[8,5,3,2,4],  
       [7,2,4,1,1],  
       [9,8,3,3,7],  
       [6,0,4,2,5]]  
sortast(m4)  
assert m4 == [[8, 5, 3, 2, 1],  
                 [7, 2, 4, 1, 4],  
                 [9, 8, 3, 3, 5],  
                 [6, 0, 4, 2, 7]]  
  
assert sortast([[3]]) == None
```

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```
[23]: def sortast(mat):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
# TEST  
m1 = [[3]]  
sortast(m1)  
assert m1 == [[3]]  
  
m2 = [[9,3,7],  
      [8,5,4]]  
sortast(m2)  
assert m2 == [[9,3,4],  
                 [8,5,7]]  
  
m3 = [[8,5,9],  
      [7,2,3],  
      [9,8,7]]  
sortast(m3)  
assert m3 == [[8,5,3],  
                 [7,2,7],  
                 [9,8,9]]  
  
m4 = [[8,5,3,2,4],  
       [7,2,4,1,1],  
       [9,8,3,3,7],  
       [6,0,4,2,5]]  
sortast(m4)  
assert m4 == [[8, 5, 3, 2, 1],  
                 [7, 2, 4, 1, 4],  
                 [9, 8, 3, 3, 5],  
                 [6, 0, 4, 2, 7]]  
  
assert sortast([[3]]) == None
```

### Exercise - skyscraper

The profile of a city can be represented as a 2D matrix where the 1 represent the buildings. In the example below, the building height is 4 (second column from the right)

```
[[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],  
 [0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0],  
 [0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0],  
 [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0],  
 [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]]
```

Write a function which takes the profile of a 2-D list of 0 and 1 and RETURN the height of the highest skyscraper, for other examples see asserts

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[24]:

```
def skyscraper(mat):  
  
    n,m = len(mat), len(mat[0])  
    for i in range(n):  
        for j in range(m):  
            if mat[i][j] == 1:  
                return n-i  
    return 0  
  
  
assert skyscraper([ [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],  
                    [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0],  
                    [0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0],  
                    [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0],  
                    [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1] ]) == 4  
  
assert skyscraper([ [0, 0, 0, 0],  
                    [0, 1, 0, 0],  
                    [0, 1, 1, 0],  
                    [1, 1, 1, 1] ]) == 3  
  
assert skyscraper([ [0, 1, 0, 0],  
                    [0, 1, 0, 0],  
                    [0, 1, 1, 0],  
                    [1, 1, 1, 1] ]) == 4  
  
assert skyscraper([ [0, 0, 0, 0],  
                    [0, 0, 0, 0],  
                    [1, 1, 1, 0],  
                    [1, 1, 1, 1] ]) == 2
```

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[24]:

```
def skyscraper(mat):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
assert skyscraper([ [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],  
                    [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0],  
                    [0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0],  
                    [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1] ]) == 4
```

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```
[0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0],
[1, 1, 1, 1, 1] ]) == 4

assert skyscraper([ [0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 1, 0, 0],
[0, 1, 1, 0],
[1, 1, 1, 1] ]) == 3

assert skyscraper([ [0, 1, 0, 0],
[0, 1, 0, 0],
[0, 1, 1, 0],
[1, 1, 1, 1] ]) == 4

assert skyscraper([ [0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 0, 0, 0],
[1, 1, 1, 0],
[1, 1, 1, 1] ]) == 2
```

### Exercise - school lab

⊕⊕⊕ If you're a teacher that often see new students, you have this problem: if two students who are friends sit side by side they can start chatting way too much. To keep them quiet, you want to somehow randomize student displacement by following this algorithm:

1. first sort the students alphabetically
2. then sorted students progressively sit at the available chairs one by one, first filling the first row, then the second, till the end.

Now implement the algorithm.

INPUT:

- students: a list of strings of length  $\leq n*m$
- chairs: an  $n*m$  matrix as list of lists filled with None values (empty chairs)

OUTPUT: MODIFIES BOTH students and chairs inputs, without returning anything

If students are more than available chairs, raises ValueError

Example:

```
ss = ['b', 'd', 'e', 'g', 'c', 'a', 'h', 'f']

mat = [
    [None, None, None],
    [None, None, None],
    [None, None, None],
    [None, None, None]
]

lab(ss, mat)

# after execution, mat should result changed to this:

assert mat == [
    ['a', 'b', 'c'],
    [None, None, None],
    [None, None, None],
    [None, None, None]
```

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```
[ 'd',  'e',  'f'],
[ 'g',  'h',  None],
[None, None, None],
]
# after execution, input ss should now be ordered:

assert ss == ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'f']
```

For more examples, see tests

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```
[25]: def lab(students, chairs):

    n = len(chairs)
    m = len(chairs[0])

    if len(students) > n*m:
        raise ValueError("There are more students than chairs ! Students = %s, chairs = %sx%s" % (len(students), n, m))

    i = 0
    j = 0
    students.sort()
    for s in students:
        chairs[i][j] = s

        if j == m - 1:
            j = 0
            i += 1
        else:
            j += 1

    try:
        lab(['a', 'b'], [[None]])
        raise Exception("TEST FAILED: Should have failed before with a ValueError!")
    except ValueError:
        "Test passed"

    try:
        lab(['a', 'b', 'c'], [[None, None]])
        raise Exception("TEST FAILED: Should have failed before with a ValueError!")
    except ValueError:
        "Test passed"

m0 = [ [None] ]

r0 = lab([], m0)
assert m0 == [ [None] ]
assert r0 == None # function is not meant to return anything (so returns None by default)
```

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```

m1 = [ [None] ]
r1 = lab(['a'], m1)

assert m1 == [ ['a'] ]
assert r1 == None # function is not meant to return anything (so returns None by_
↪default)

m2 = [ [None, None] ]
lab(['a'], m2) # 1 student 2 chairs in one row

assert m2 == [ ['a', None] ]

m3 = [ [None],
       [None] ]
lab(['a'], m3) # 1 student 2 chairs in one column
assert m3 == [ ['a'],
                  [None] ]

ss4 = ['b', 'a']
m4 = [ [None, None] ]
lab(ss4, m4) # 2 students 2 chairs in one row

assert m4 == [ ['a', 'b'] ]

assert ss4 == ['a', 'b'] # also modified input list as required by function text

m5 = [ [None, None],
       [None, None] ]
lab(['b', 'c', 'a'], m5) # 3 students 2x2 chairs

assert m5 == [ ['a', 'b'],
                  ['c', None] ]

m6 = [ [None, None],
       [None, None] ]
lab(['b', 'd', 'c', 'a'], m6) # 4 students 2x2 chairs

assert m6 == [ ['a', 'b'],
                  ['c', 'd'] ]

m7 = [ [None, None, None],
       [None, None, None] ]
lab(['b', 'd', 'e', 'c', 'a'], m7) # 5 students 3x2 chairs

assert m7 == [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
                  ['d', 'e', None] ]

ss8 = ['b', 'd', 'e', 'g', 'c', 'a', 'h', 'f' ]
m8 = [ [None, None, None],
       [None, None, None],
       [None, None, None],
       [None, None, None] ]
lab(ss8, m8) # 8 students 3x4 chairs

assert m8 == [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
                  ['d', 'e', 'f'],
                  ['g', 'h', 'i'] ]

```

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```
['d',  'e',  'f'],
['g',  'h',  None],
[None, None, None] ]  
  
assert ss8 == ['a','b','c','d','e','f','g','h']
```

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```
[25]: def lab(students, chairs):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

try:
    lab(['a','b'], [[None]])
    raise Exception("TEST FAILED: Should have failed before with a ValueError!")
except ValueError:
    "Test passed"

try:
    lab(['a','b','c'], [[None,None]])
    raise Exception("TEST FAILED: Should have failed before with a ValueError!")
except ValueError:
    "Test passed"

m0 = [ [None] ]  
  
r0 = lab([],m0)
assert m0 == [ [None] ]
assert r0 == None # function is not meant to return anything (so returns None by default)

m1 = [ [None] ]
r1 = lab(['a'], m1)

assert m1 == [ ['a'] ]
assert r1 == None # function is not meant to return anything (so returns None by default)

m2 = [ [None, None] ]
lab(['a'], m2) # 1 student 2 chairs in one row

assert m2 == [ ['a', None] ]  
  
m3 = [ [None],
        [None] ]
lab(['a'], m3) # 1 student 2 chairs in one column
assert m3 == [ ['a'],
               [None] ]  
  
ss4 = ['b', 'a']
m4 = [ [None, None] ]
lab(ss4, m4) # 2 students 2 chairs in one row

assert m4 == [ ['a', 'b'] ]
```

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```

assert ss4 == ['a', 'b'] # also modified input list as required by function text

m5 = [ [None, None],
        [None, None] ]
lab(['b', 'c', 'a'], m5) # 3 students 2x2 chairs

assert m5 == [ ['a', 'b'],
                  ['c', None] ]

m6 = [ [None, None],
        [None, None] ]
lab(['b', 'd', 'c', 'a'], m6) # 4 students 2x2 chairs

assert m6 == [ ['a', 'b'],
                  ['c', 'd'] ]

m7 = [ [None, None, None],
        [None, None, None] ]
lab(['b', 'd', 'e', 'c', 'a'], m7) # 5 students 3x2 chairs

assert m7 == [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
                  ['d', 'e', None] ]

ss8 = ['b', 'd', 'e', 'g', 'c', 'a', 'h', 'f' ]
m8 = [ [None, None, None],
        [None, None, None],
        [None, None, None],
        [None, None, None] ]
lab(ss8, m8) # 8 students 3x4 chairs

assert m8 == [ ['a', 'b', 'c'],
                  ['d', 'e', 'f'],
                  ['g', 'h', None],
                  [None, None, None] ]

assert ss8 == ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h']

```

### Exercise - dump

The multinational ToxiCorp wants to hire you for devising an automated truck driver which will deposit highly contaminated waste in the illegal dumps they own worldwide. You find it ethically questionable, but they pay well, so you accept.

A dump is modelled as a rectangular region of dimensions `nrow` and `ncol`, implemented as a list of lists matrix. Every cell  $i, j$  contains the tons of waste present, and can contain *at most* 7 tons of waste.

The dumpster truck will transport `q` tons of waste, and try to fill the dump by depositing waste in the first row, filling each cell up to 7 tons. When the first row is filled, it will proceed to the second one *from the left*, then to the third one again *from the left* until there is no waste to dispose of.

Function `dump(m, q)` takes as input the dump mat and the number of tons `q` to dispose of, and RETURN a NEW list representing a plan with the sequence of tons to dispose. If waste to dispose exceeds dump capacity, raises `ValueError`.

**NOTE:** the function does **not** modify the matrix

**Example:**

```
m = [
    [5, 4, 6],
    [4, 7, 1],
    [3, 2, 6],
    [3, 6, 2],
]

dump(m, 22)

[2, 3, 1, 3, 0, 6, 4, 3]
```

For first row we dispose of 2,3,1 tons in three cells, for second row we dispose of 3,0,6 tons in three cells, for third row we only dispose 4, 3 tons in two cells as limit q=22 is reached.

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```
[26]: def dump(mat, q):

    rem = q
    ret = []

    for row in mat:
        for j in range(len(row)):
            cellfill = 7 - row[j]
            unload = min(cellfill, rem)
            rem -= unload

            if rem > 0:
                ret.append(unload)
            else:
                if unload > 0:
                    ret.append(unload)
    return ret

if rem > 0:
    raise ValueError("Couldn't fill the dump, %s tons remain!")
```

```
m1 = [[5]]

assert dump(m1, 0) == [] # nothing to dump

m2 = [[4]]

assert dump(m2, 2) == [2]

m3 = [[5, 4]]

assert dump(m3, 3) == [2, 1]

m3 = [[5, 7, 3]]

assert dump(m3, 3) == [2, 0, 1]
```

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```
m5 = [ [2,5],    # 5 2
       [4,3] ]  # 3 1

assert dump(m5, 11) == [5,2,3,1]

# tons to dump in each cell
m6 = [ [5,4,6],   # 2 3 1
       [4,7,1],   # 3 0 6
       [3,2,6],   # 4 3 0
       [3,6,2] ] # 0 0 0

assert dump(m6, 22) == [2,3,1,3,0,6,4,3]

try:
    dump ([[5]], 10)
    raise Exception("Should have failed !")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

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```
[26]: def dump(mat, q):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [ [5] ]

assert dump(m1,0) == [] # nothing to dump

m2 = [ [4] ]

assert dump(m2,2) == [2]

m3 = [ [5,4] ]

assert dump(m3,3) == [2, 1]

m3 = [ [5,7,3] ]

assert dump(m3,3) == [2, 0, 1]

m5 = [ [2,5],    # 5 2
       [4,3] ]  # 3 1

assert dump(m5,11) == [5,2,3,1]

# tons to dump in each cell
m6 = [ [5,4,6],   # 2 3 1
       [4,7,1],   # 3 0 6
       [3,2,6],   # 4 3 0
       [3,6,2] ] # 0 0 0

assert dump(m6, 22) == [2,3,1,3,0,6,4,3]

try:
    dump ([[5]], 10)
```

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```
raise Exception("Should have failed !")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

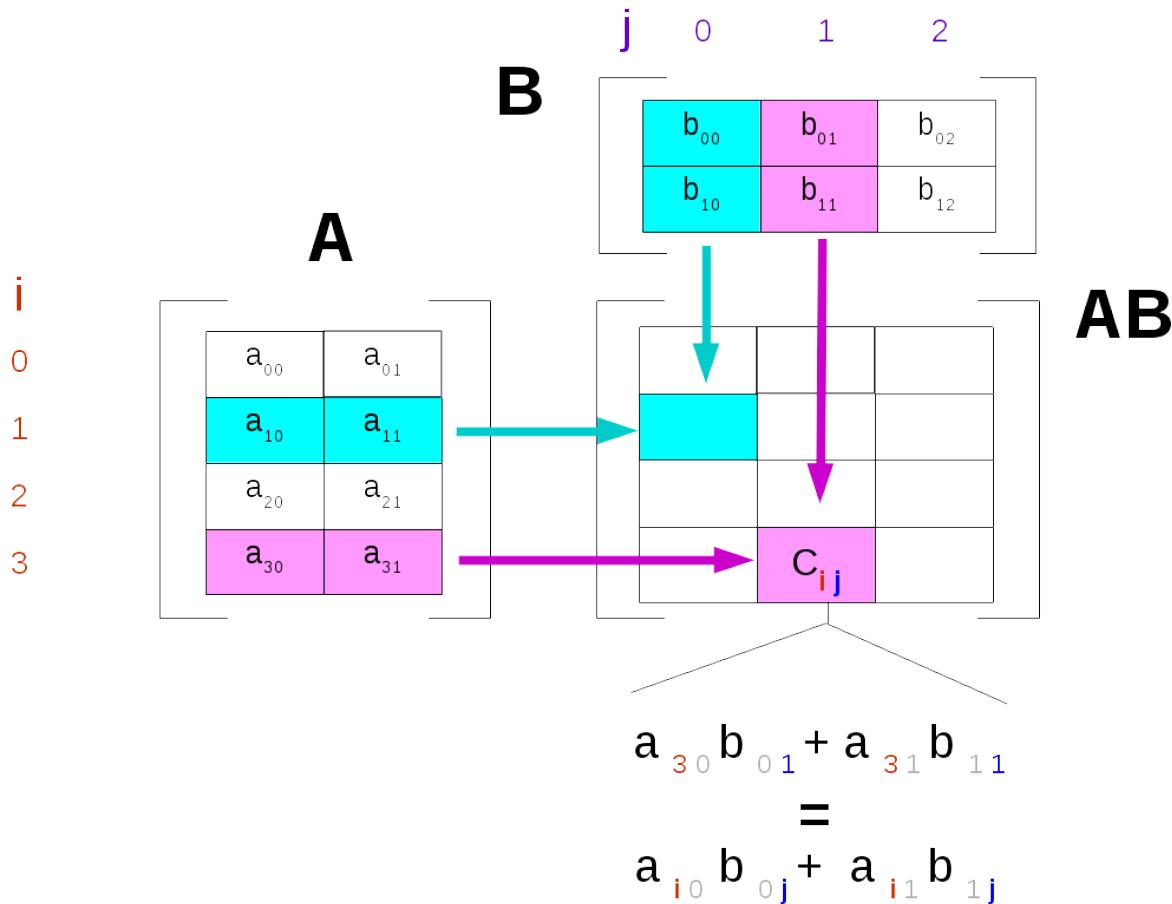
**Exercise - matrix multiplication**

Have a look at [matrix multiplication definition<sup>215</sup>](#) on Wikipedia and try to implement it in the following function.

Basically, given  $n \times m$  matrix A and  $m \times p$  matrix B you need to output an  $n \times p$  matrix C calculating the entries  $c_{ij}$  with the formula

$$c_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + \cdots + a_{im}b_{mj} = \sum_{k=1}^m a_{ik}b_{kj}$$

You need to fill all the  $n \times p$  cells of C, so sure enough to fill a rectangle you need two `fors`. Do you also need another `for`? Help yourself with the following visualization.



⊗⊗⊗ **EXERCISE:** Given matrices  $n \times m$  `matA` and  $m \times p$  `matB`, RETURN a NEW  $n \times p$  matrix which is the result of the multiplication of `matA` by `matB`.

- If `matA` has column number different from `matB` row number, raises a `ValueError`.

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<sup>215</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Matrix\\_multiplication&section=2#Definition](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Matrix_multiplication&section=2#Definition)

```
[27]: def mul(mata, matb):

    n = len(mata)
    m = len(mata[0])
    p = len(matb[0])
    if m != len(matb):
        raise ValueError("mat1 column number %s must be equal to mat2 row number %s !
→ % (m, len(matb)))
    ret = [[0]*p for i in range(n)]
    for i in range(n):
        for j in range(p):
            ret[i][j] = 0
            for k in range(m):
                ret[i][j] += mata[i][k] * matb[k][j]
    return ret

# TEST START - DO NOT TOUCH!
# if you wrote the whole code correct, and execute the cell, Python shouldn't raise
→ `AssertionError`

# let's try wrong matrix dimensions:
try:
    mul([[3,5]], [[7]])
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED!")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

ma1 = [ [3] ]
mb1 = [ [5] ]
r1 = mul(ma1,mb1)
assert r1 == [ [15] ]

ma2 = [ [3],
        [5] ]

mb2 = [ [2,6] ]

r2 = mul(ma2,mb2)

assert r2 == [ [3*2, 3*6],
               [5*2, 5*6] ]

ma3 = [ [3,5] ]

mb3 = [ [2],
        [6] ]

r3 = mul(ma3,mb3)

assert r3 == [ [3*2 + 5*6] ]

ma4 = [ [3,5],
        [7,1],
        [9,4] ]

mb4 = [ [4,1,5,7],
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```
[8, 5, 2, 7] ]  
r4 = mul(ma4,mb4)  
  
assert r4 == [ [52, 28, 25, 56],  
                [36, 12, 37, 56],  
                [68, 29, 53, 91] ]
```

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```
[27]: def mul(mata, matb):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
# TEST START - DO NOT TOUCH!  
# if you wrote the whole code correct, and execute the cell, Python shouldn't raise  
# `AssertionError`  
  
# let's try wrong matrix dimensions:  
try:  
    mul([[3,5]], [[7]])  
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED!")  
except ValueError:  
    "passed test"  
  
ma1 = [ [3] ]  
mb1 = [ [5] ]  
r1 = mul(ma1,mb1)  
assert r1 == [ [15] ]  
  
ma2 = [ [3],  
        [5] ]  
  
mb2 = [ [2,6] ]  
  
r2 = mul(ma2,mb2)  
  
assert r2 == [ [3*2, 3*6],  
                [5*2, 5*6] ]  
  
ma3 = [ [3,5] ]  
  
mb3 = [ [2],  
        [6] ]  
  
r3 = mul(ma3,mb3)  
  
assert r3 == [ [3*2 + 5*6] ]  
  
ma4 = [ [3,5],  
        [7,1],  
        [9,4] ]  
  
mb4 = [ [4,1,5,7],  
        [8,5,2,7] ]  
r4 = mul(ma4,mb4)  
  
assert r4 == [ [52, 28, 25, 56],  
                [36, 12, 37, 56],  
                [68, 29, 53, 91] ]
```

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[ 68, 29, 53, 91 ]
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### Exercise - check\_nqueen

⊕⊕⊕⊕ This is a hard problem but don't worry, exam exercises will be simpler!

You have an  $n \times n$  matrix of booleans representing a chessboard where True means there is a queen in a cell, and False there is nothing.

For the sake of visualization, we can represent configurations using `o` to mean `False` and letters like '`A`' and '`B`' are queens. Contrary to what we've done so far, for later convenience we show the matrix with the `j` going from bottom to top.

Let's see an example. In this case A and B can not attack each other, so the algorithm would return `True`:

```

7 .....B.
6 .......
5 .......
4 .......
3 ....A...
2 .......
1 .......
0 .......
i
j 01234567

```

Let's see why by evidencing A attack lines ..

```

7 \...|.B.
6 .\..|../
5 ..\..|./.
4 ...|\//..
3 ---A---
2 .../|\..
1 .../..|\..
0 ./...|..\.
i
j 01234567

```

... and B attack lines:

```

7 -----B-
6 ...../|\\
5 ...../.|.
4 .../..|..
3 .../..A..|..
2 ./....|..
1 /.....|..
0 .....|..
i
j 01234567

```

In this other case the algorithm would return `False` as `A` and `B` can attack each other:

```

7 \./. |...
6 -B--|--
5 /|\./.|.
4 .|.|/.|.
3 ---A---
2 .|./|\...
1 .|/./\|.
0 ./...|...
i
j 01234567

```

In your algorithm, first you need to scan for queens. When you find one (and for each one of them !), you need to check if it can hit some other queen. Let's see how:

In this 7x7 table we have only one queen A, with at position  $i=1$  and  $j=4$

```

6 ....|..
5 \....|..
4 .\...|..
3 ..\..|./
2 ...|\|/..
1 ----A--
0 .../|\|.
i
j 0123456

```

To completely understand the range of the queen and how to calculate the diagonals, it is convenient to visually extend the table like so to have the diagonals hit the vertical axis. Notice we also added letters y and x

**NOTE:** in the algorithm you **do not** need to extend the matrix !

```

Y
6 ....|.....
5 \....|.../
4 .\...|.../..
3 ..\..|.../..
2 ...|\|/...
1 ----A---
0 .../|\|...
-1 .../|\|...
-2 .../|\|...
-3 .../|\|...
i
j 01234567 x

```

We see that the top-left to bottom-right diagonal hits the vertical axis at  $y = 5$  and the bottom-left to top-right diagonal hits the axis at  $y = -3$ . You should use this info to calculate the line equations.

Now you should have all the necessary hints to proceed with the implementation.

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[28]:

```

def check_nqueen(mat):
    """ Takes an nxn matrix of booleans representing a chessboard where True means
    ↪there is a queen in a cell,

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and False there is nothing. RETURN True if no queen can attack any other one,  
 ↪False otherwise

```
"""
# bottom-left to top-right line equation
# y = x - 3
# -3 = -j + i
# y = x - j + i

# top-left to bottom-right line equation
# y = x + 5
# 5 = j + i
# y = x + j + i

n = len(mat)
for i in range(n):
    for j in range(n):
        if mat[i][j]: # queen is found at i,j
            for y in range(n): # vertical scan
                if y != i and mat[y][j]:
                    return False
            for x in range(n): # horizontal scan
                if x != j and mat[i][x]:
                    return False
            for x in range(n):
                y = x + j + i # top-left to bottom-right
                if y >= 0 and y < n and y != i and x != j and mat[y][x]:
                    return False
                y = x - j + i # bottom-left to top-right
                if y >= 0 and y < n and y != i and x != j and mat[y][x]:
                    return False

return True

assert check_nqueen([[True]])
assert check_nqueen([[True, True],
                     [False, False]]) == False

assert check_nqueen([[True, False],
                     [False, True]]) == False

assert check_nqueen([[True, False],
                     [True, False]]) == False

assert check_nqueen([[True, False, False],
                     [False, False, True],
                     [False, False, False]]) == True

assert check_nqueen([[True, False, False],
                     [False, False, False],
                     [False, False, True]]) == False

assert check_nqueen([[False, True, False]],
```

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```
[False, False, False],  
[False, False, True] ]) == True  
  
assert check_nqueen([ [False, True, False],  
                      [False, True, False],  
                      [False, False, True] ]) == False
```

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[28]:

```
def check_nqueen(mat):  
    """ Takes an nxn matrix of booleans representing a chessboard where True means  
    ↪there is a queen in a cell,  
    and False there is nothing. RETURN True if no queen can attack any other one,  
    ↪False otherwise  
  
    """  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
assert check_nqueen([ [True] ])  
assert check_nqueen([ [True, True],  
                      [False, False] ]) == False  
  
assert check_nqueen([ [True, False],  
                      [False, True] ]) == False  
  
assert check_nqueen([ [True, False],  
                      [True, False] ]) == False  
  
assert check_nqueen([ [True, False, False],  
                      [False, False, True],  
                      [False, False, False] ]) == True  
  
assert check_nqueen([ [True, False, False],  
                      [False, False, False],  
                      [False, False, True] ]) == False  
  
assert check_nqueen([ [False, True, False],  
                      [False, False, False],  
                      [False, False, True] ]) == True  
  
assert check_nqueen([ [False, True, False],  
                      [False, True, False],  
                      [False, False, True] ]) == False
```

## 7.3 Mixed structures

### 7.3.1 Mixed structures 1

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In this notebook we will see how to manage more complex data structures like lists of dictionaries and dictionaries of lists, examining also the meaning of shallow and deep copy.

#### Exercise - Luxury Holding

##### WARNING

The following exercises contain tests with *asserts*. To understand how to carry them out, read first [Error handling and testing](#)<sup>217</sup>

A luxury holding groups several companies and has a database of managers as a list of dictionaries. Each employee is represented by a dictionary:

```
{
    "name": "Alessandro",
    "surname": "Borgoloso",
    "age": 34,
    "company": {
        "name": "Aringhe Candite Spa",
        "sector": "Alimentari"
    }
},
```

The dictionary has several simple attributes like name, surname, age. The attribute company is more complex, because it is represented as another dictionary:

```
"company": {
    "name": "Aringhe Candite Spa",
    "sector": "Alimentari"
}
```

```
[1]: managers_db = [
    {
        "name": "Alessandro",
        "surname": "Borgoloso",
        "age": 34,
        "company": {
            "name": "Candied Herrings",
            "sector": "Food"
        }
    },
    {
```

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<sup>216</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/mixed-structures>

<sup>217</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/functions/fun2-errors-and-testing-sol.html>

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```
"name":"Matilda",
"surname": "Delle Sòle",
"age": 25,
"company": {
    "name": "Pythonic Footwear",
    "sector": "Fashion"
},
{
    "name": "Alfred",
    "surname": "Pennyworth",
    "age": 20,
    "company": {
        "name": "Batworks",
        "sector": "Fashion"
    }
},
{
    "name": "Arianna",
    "surname": "Schei",
    "age": 37,
    "company": {
        "name": "MegaDiamonds Unlimited",
        "sector": "Precious stones"
    }
},
{
    "name": "Antonione",
    "surname": "Cannavacci",
    "age": 25,
    "company": {
        "name": "Candied Herrings",
        "sector": "Food"
    }
},
]
```

### Exercise - extract\_managers

⊕⊕ RETURN the manager names in a list

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[2]:

```
def extract_managers(db):

    ret = []
    for d in db:
        ret.append(d["name"])
    return ret

assert extract_managers([]) == []
```

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```
# if it doesn't find managers_db, remember to execute the cell above which defines it
↪!
assert extract_managers(managers_db) == ['Alessandro', 'Matilda', 'Alfred', 'Arianna',
↪ 'Antonione']
```

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[2]:

```
def extract_managers(db):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert extract_managers([]) == []

# if it doesn't find managers_db, remember to execute the cell above which defines it
↪!
assert extract_managers(managers_db) == ['Alessandro', 'Matilda', 'Alfred', 'Arianna',
↪ 'Antonione']
```

## Exercise - extract\_companies

⊗⊗ RETURN the names of departments in a list.

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[3]: **def** extract\_companies(db):

```
    ret = []
    for d in db:
        ret.append(d["company"]["name"])

    return ret

assert extract_companies([]) == []
# if it doesn't find managers_db, remember to execute the cell above which defines it
↪!
assert extract_companies(managers_db) == ["Candied Herrings", "Pythonic Footwear",
↪ "Batworks", "MegaDiamonds Unlimited", "Candied Herrings"]
```

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[3]: **def** extract\_companies(db):
 **raise** Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

```
assert extract_companies([]) == []
# if it doesn't find managers_db, remember to execute the cell above which defines it
↪!
assert extract_companies(managers_db) == ["Candied Herrings", "Pythonic Footwear",
↪ "Batworks", "MegaDiamonds Unlimited", "Candied Herrings"]
```

**Exercise - avg\_age**

⊕⊕ RETURN the average age of managers

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[4] :

```
def avg_age(db):  
  
    s = 0  
    for d in db:  
        s += d["age"]  
  
    return s / len(db)  
  
  
# since the function returns a float we can't compare for exact numbers but  
# only for close numbers with the function math.isclose  
import math  
assert math.isclose(avg_age(managers_db), (34 + 25 + 20 + 37 + 25) / 5)
```

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[4] :

```
def avg_age(db):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
  
# since the function returns a float we can't compare for exact numbers but  
# only for close numbers with the function math.isclose  
import math  
assert math.isclose(avg_age(managers_db), (34 + 25 + 20 + 37 + 25) / 5)
```

**Exercise - sectors**

⊕⊕ RETURN the company sectors in a list, WITHOUT duplicates and alphabetiacally sorted!!!

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[5] :

```
def sectors(db):  
  
    ret = []  
    for d in db:  
        sector = d["company"]["sector"]  
        if sector not in ret:  
            ret.append(sector)  
  
    ret.sort()  
    return ret  
  
  
assert sectors([]) == []  
assert sectors(managers_db) == ["Fashion", "Food", "Precious stones"]
```

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```

```
[5]: def sectors(db):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert sectors([]) == []
assert sectors(managers_db) == ["Fashion", "Food", "Precious stones"]
```

## Other exercises

### Exercise - medie

⊕⊕ Given a dictionary structured as a tree regarding the grades of a student in class V and VI, RETURN an array containing the average for each subject

Example:

```
>>> averages([
    {'id' : 1, 'subject' : 'math',      'V' : 70, 'VI' : 82},
    {'id' : 1, 'subject' : 'italian',   'V' : 73, 'VI' : 74},
    {'id' : 1, 'subject' : 'german',    'V' : 75, 'VI' : 86}
])
```

returns

```
[ 76.0 , 73.5, 80.5 ]
```

which corresponds to

```
[ (70+82)/2 , (73+74)/2, (75+86)/2 ]
```

```
[1]: def averages(lst):
    ret = [0.0, 0.0, 0.0]

    for i in range(len(lst)):
        ret[i] = (lst[i]['V'] + lst[i]['VI']) / 2

    return ret

# TEST START - DO NOT TOUCH!
# if you wrote the whole code correct, and execute the cell, Python shouldn't raise
# `AssertionError`
import math

def is_list_close(lista, listb):
    """ Verifies the float numbers in lista are similar to numbers in listb

    """

    if len(lista) != len(listb):
        return False

    for i in range(len(lista)):
        if not math.isclose(lista[i], listb[i]):
```

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```
    return False

    return True

assert is_list_close(averages([
        {'id' : 1, 'subject' : 'math', 'V' : 70, 'VI' : 82},
        {'id' : 1, 'subject' : 'italian', 'V' : 73, 'VI' : 74},
        {'id' : 1, 'subject' : 'german', 'V' : 75, 'VI' : 86}
    ]),
    [ 76.0 , 73.5, 80.5 ])
# TEST END
```

### Exercise - has\_pref

⊕⊕ A big store has a database of clients modelled as a dictionary which associates customer names to their preferences regarding the categories of articles they usually buy:

```
{  
    'aldo':      ['cinema', 'music', 'sport'],  
    'giovanni': ['music'],  
    'giacomo':   ['cinema', 'videogames']  
}
```

Given the dictionary, the customer name and a category, write a function `has_pref` which RETURN `True` if that client has the given preference, `False` otherwise

Example:

```
ha_pref({  
    'aldo':      ['cinema', 'musica', 'sport'],  
    'giovanni': ['musica'],  
    'giacomo':   ['cinema', 'videogiochi']  
  
, 'aldo', 'musica')
```

must return `True`, because aldo likes music, while instead:

```
has_pref({'aldo':      ['cinema', 'music', 'sport'],  
          'giovanni': ['music'],  
          'giacomo':   ['cinema', 'videogames']  
  
, 'giacomo', 'sport')
```

must return `False` because giacomo doesn't like sport.

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[7]:

```
def has_pref(d, name, pref):  
  
    if name in d:  
        return pref in d[name]  
    else:  
        return False
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```

assert has_pref({}, 'a', 'x') == False
assert has_pref({'a':[]}, 'a', 'x') == False
assert has_pref({'a':['x']}, 'a', 'x') == True
assert has_pref({'a':['x']}, 'b', 'x') == False
assert has_pref({'a':['x','y']}, 'a', 'y') == True
assert has_pref({'a':['x','y'],
                  'b':['y','x','z']}, 'b', 'y') == True
assert has_pref({'aldo': ['cinema', 'music', 'sport'],
                  'giovanni': ['music'],
                  'giacomo': ['cinema', 'videogames']
                 }, 'aldo', 'music') == True
assert has_pref({'aldo': ['cinema', 'music', 'sport'],
                  'giovanni': ['music'],
                  'giacomo': ['cinema', 'videogames']
                 }, 'giacomo', 'sport') == False

```

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[7]:

```

def has_pref(d, name, pref):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert has_pref({}, 'a', 'x') == False
assert has_pref({'a':[]}, 'a', 'x') == False
assert has_pref({'a':['x']}, 'a', 'x') == True
assert has_pref({'a':['x']}, 'b', 'x') == False
assert has_pref({'a':['x','y']}, 'a', 'y') == True
assert has_pref({'a':['x','y'],
                  'b':['y','x','z']}, 'b', 'y') == True
assert has_pref({'aldo': ['cinema', 'music', 'sport'],
                  'giovanni': ['music'],
                  'giacomo': ['cinema', 'videogames']
                 }, 'aldo', 'music') == True
assert has_pref({'aldo': ['cinema', 'music', 'sport'],
                  'giovanni': ['music'],
                  'giacomo': ['cinema', 'videogames']
                 }, 'giacomo', 'sport') == False

```

## Exercise - festival

⊕⊕⊕ During a country festival in Italy, the local pastry shops decide to donate each a certain amount of pastries. Every shop is represented as a dictionary, which contains pastries names as keys plus the special key name which represents the shop name itself (assume all the shops produce the same types of pastries)

```

shops = [{'babbà':3,
          'bignè':4,
          'zippole':2,
          'name':'Da Gigi'},
          {'babbà':5,
          'bignè':3,
          'zippole':9,
          'name':'La Delizia'},
          {'babbà':1,

```

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```
'bignè':2,
'zippole':6,
'name':'Gnam gnam'},
{'babbà':7,
'bignè':8,
'zippole':4,
'name':'Il Dessert'}]
```

Given a list of such dictionaries and a list of pastries `pastries`, we want to produce as output a NEW list of lists structured like this:

```
>>> festival(shops, ['babbà', 'bignè', 'zippole'])

[['Name',      'babbà', 'bignè', 'zippole'],
 ['Da Gigi',    3,      4,      2      ],
 ['La Delizia', 5,      3,      9      ],
 ['Gnam gnam',  1,      2,      6      ],
 ['Il Dessert', 7,      8,      4      ],
 ['Totals',     16,     17,     21     ]]
```

which has the totals of each pastry type.

[Show solution](#)[Hide](#)

[8]:

```
def festival(shops, pastries):

    ret = []
    ret.append(['Name']+ pastries[:]) # we make a copy of pastries to prevent
    ↪modification of the input
    sums = [0]*(len(pastries)+1)
    sums[0] = 'Totals'
    for p in shops:
        j = 1
        row = [p['name']]
        for pastry in pastries:
            row.append(p[pastry])
            sums[j] += p[pastry]
            j += 1
        ret.append(row)
    ret.append(sums)
    return ret

from pprint import pprint

pastries1 = ['cornetti']
res1 = festival([{'name':'La Patisserie',
                  'cornetti':2},
                  {'cornetti':5,
                   'name':'La Casa Del Cioccolato'}], pastries1)
assert res1 == [['Name',           'cornetti'],
                 ['La Patisserie', 2],
                 ['La Casa Del Cioccolato', 5],
                 ['Totals',        7]]
assert pastries1 == ['cornetti'] # verify the input didn't change
```

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```

shops2 = [{ 'babbà':3,
            'bignè':4,
            'zippole':2,
            'name':'Da Gigi'},
           {'babbà':5,
            'bignè':3,
            'zippole':9,
            'name':'La Delizia'},
           {'babbà':1,
            'bignè':2,
            'zippole':6,
            'name':'Gnam gnam'},
           {'babbà':7,
            'bignè':8,
            'zippole':4,
            'name':'Il Dessert'}]

res2 = festival(shops2, ['bignè', 'babbà', 'zippole'])
#pprint(res2, width=43)

assert res2 == [['Name',      'bignè',   'babbà',   'zippole'],
                 ['Da Gigi',    4,          3,          2       ],
                 ['La Delizia', 3,          5,          9       ],
                 ['Gnam gnam',  2,          1,          6       ],
                 ['Il Dessert', 8,          7,          4       ],
                 ['Totals',     17,         16,         21      ]]

```

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[8]:

```

def festival(shops, pastries):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

from pprint import pprint

pastries1 = ['cornetti']
res1 = festival([{ 'name':'La Patisserie',
                    'cornetti':2},
                  {'cornetti':5,
                   'name':'La Casa Del Cioccolato}], pastries1)
assert res1 == [['Name',                  'cornetti' ],
                 ['La Patisserie',        2       ],
                 ['La Casa Del Cioccolato', 5       ],
                 ['Totals',               7       ]]
assert pastries1 == ['cornetti'] # verify the input didn't change

shops2 = [{ 'babbà':3,
            'bignè':4,
            'zippole':2,
            'name':'Da Gigi'},
           {'babbà':5,
            'bignè':3,
            'zippole':9,
            'name':'La Delizia'},

```

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```

{'babbà':1,
 'bignè':2,
 'zippole':6,
 'name':'Gnam gnam'},
 {'babbà':7,
 'bignè':8,
 'zippole':4,
 'name':'Il Dessert']}]

res2 = festival(shops2, ['bignè', 'babbà', 'zippole'])
#pprint(res2, width=43)

assert res2 == [[['Name',      'bignè',    'babbà',    'zippole'],
                  ['Da Gigi',     4,          3,          2       ],
                  ['La Delizia',  3,          5,          9       ],
                  ['Gnam gnam',   2,          1,          6       ],
                  ['Il Dessert',  8,          7,          4       ],
                  ['Totals',       17,         16,         21      ]]]

```

## Exercise - actorswap

⊕⊕⊕ Given a movie list where each movie is represented as a dictionary, RETURN a NEW list with NEW dictionaries having the male actor names swapped with the female ones.

- **ONLY** swap actor names
- you can't predict actor names
- you only know each dictionary holds exactly three keys, of which two are known: title and year.

Example:

```

db = [
    {'title':'Jerry Maguire',
     'year':1996,
     'Jerry':'Dorothy',},
    {'title':'Superman',
     'Kent':'Lois',
     'year': 1978},
    {'title':'The Lord of the Rings',
     'year': 2001,
     'Aragorn':'Arwen',},
    {'Ron Weasley':'Hermione',
     'title': 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 2',
     'year': 2011}
]

>>> actorswap(db)
[{'title': 'Jerry Maguire',
  'year': 1996,
  'Dorothy': 'Jerry',},
 {'title': 'Superman',
  'year': 1978,
  'Lois': 'Kent'},
```

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```
{'title': 'The Lord of the Rings',
'year': 2001,
'Arwen': 'Aragorn'},
{'title': 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 2',
'year': 2011,
'Hermione': 'Ron Weasley',
}]
```

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[1]:

```
def actorswap(movies):

    ret = []
    for diz in movies:
        nuovo = {}
        ret.append(nuovo)
        for k in diz:
            if k == 'title' or k == 'year':
                nuovo[k] = diz[k]
            else:
                nuovo[diz[k]] = k
    return ret

# TEST START
l1 = []
assert actorswap(l1) == []

l2 = [ {'title': 'Pretty Woman',
        'year': 1990,
        'Edward':'Vivian'},
       {'title': 'Titanic',
        'year': 1997,
        'Jack' : 'Rose'}
      ]
orig_film = l2[0]
res2 = actorswap(l2)
assert res2 == [ {'title': 'Pretty Woman',
                  'year': 1990,
                  'Vivian':'Edward'},
                  {'title': 'Titanic',
                   'year': 1997,
                   'Rose' : 'Jack'}
                 ]
assert id(l2) != id(res2)           # must produce a NEW list
assert id(orig_film) != id(res2[0]) # must produce a NEW dictionary

l3 = [
      {'title':'Jerry Maguire',
       'year':1996,
       'Jerry':'Dorothy',},
      {'title':'Superman',
       'Kent':'Lois',
       'year': 1978},
```

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```
{'title':'The Lord of the Rings',
 'year': 2001,
 'Aragorn':'Arwen',},
 {'Ron Weasley':'Hermione',
 'title': 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 2',
 'year': 2011}
]

assert actorswap(l3) == [ {'title': 'Jerry Maguire',
 'year': 1996,
 'Dorothy': 'Jerry'},
 {'title': 'Superman',
 'year': 1978,
 'Lois': 'Kent'},
 {'title': 'The Lord of the Rings',
 'year': 2001,
 'Arwen': 'Aragorn'},
 {'title': 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 2',
 'year': 2011,
 'Hermione': 'Ron Weasley',
}]
```

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```
[1]:  
def actorswap(movies):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
# TEST START  
l1 = []  
assert actorswap(l1) == []  
  
l2 = [ { 'title': 'Pretty Woman',
 'year': 1990,
 'Edward':'Vivian'},
 { 'title': 'Titanic',
 'year': 1997,
 'Jack' : 'Rose'}
 ]  
orig_film = l2[0]  
res2 = actorswap(l2)  
assert res2 == [ { 'title': 'Pretty Woman',
 'year': 1990,
 'Vivian':'Edward'},
 { 'title': 'Titanic',
 'year': 1997,
 'Rose' : 'Jack'}
 ]  
assert id(l2) != id(res2)          # must produce a NEW list  
assert id(orig_film) != id(res2[0]) # must produce a NEW dictionary  
  
l3 = [
     { 'title':'Jerry Maguire',
      'year':1996,
      'Jerry':'Dorothy',},
     { 'title':'Superman',
      'Kent':'Lois',}
```

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```

        'year': 1978},
    {'title':'The Lord of the Rings',
     'year': 2001,
     'Aragorn':'Arwen',},
    {'Ron Weasley':'Hermione',
     'title': 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 2',
     'year': 2011}
]

assert actorswap(13) == [{"title": "Jerry Maguire",
                            'year': 1996,
                            'Dorothy': 'Jerry'},
                           {"title": "Superman",
                            'year': 1978,
                            'Lois': 'Kent'},
                           {"title": "The Lord of the Rings",
                            'year': 2001,
                            'Arwen': 'Aragorn'},
                           {"title": "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 2",
                            'year': 2011,
                            'Hermione': 'Ron Weasley'},
                          ]
]

```

## 7.4 Numpy matrices

### 7.4.1 Matrices: Numpy 1

[Download exercises zip](#)

Browse files online<sup>218</sup>

#### Introduction

Previously we've seen [Matrices as lists of lists](#)<sup>219</sup>, here we focus on matrices using Numpy library

There are substantially two ways to represent matrices in Python: as list of lists, or with the external library [numpy](#)<sup>220</sup>. The most used is surely Numpy, let's see the reason the principal differences:

List of lists - [see separate notebook](#)<sup>221</sup>

1. native in Python
2. not efficient
3. lists are pervasive in Python, probably you will encounter matrices expressed as list of lists anyway
4. give an idea of how to build a nested data structure
5. may help in understanding important concepts like pointers to memory and copies

Numpy - this notebook

<sup>218</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/matrices-numpy>

<sup>219</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-lists/matrices-lists-sol.html>

<sup>220</sup> <https://www.numpy.org>

<sup>221</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-lists/matrices-lists1-sol.html>

1. not natively available in Python
2. efficient
3. many libraries for scientific calculations are based on Numpy (scipy, pandas)
4. syntax to access elements is slightly different from list of lists
5. in rare cases might give problems of installation and/or conflicts (implementation is not pure Python)

Here we will see data types and essential commands of [Numpy library<sup>222</sup>](#), but we will not get into the details.

The idea is to simply pass using the the data format `ndarray` without caring too much about performances: for example, even if `for` cycles in Python are slow because they operate cell by cell, we will use them anyway. In case you actually need to execute calculations fast, you will want to use operators on vectors but for this we invite you to read links below

**ATTENTION:** Numpy does not work in [Python Tutor<sup>223</sup>](#)

### What to do

- unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
matrices-numpy  
matrices-numpy1.ipynb  
matrices-numpy1-sol.ipynb  
matrices-numpy2.ipynb  
matrices-numpy2-sol.ipynb  
matrices-numpy3-chal.ipynb  
numpy-images.ipynb  
numpy-images-sol.ipynb  
jupman.py
```

**WARNING:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

- open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `matrices-numpy/matrices-numpy.ipynb`
- Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press `Control + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press `Shift + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND a create a new cell afterwards, press `Alt + Enter`
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select `Kernel -> Restart`

<sup>222</sup> <https://www.numpy.org>

<sup>223</sup> <http://www.pythontutor.com/visualize.html#mode=edit>

## np.array

First of all, we import the library, and for convenience we rename it to np

```
[2]: import numpy as np
```

With lists of lists we have often built the matrices one row at a time, adding lists as needed. In Numpy instead we usually create in one shot the whole matrix, filling it with zeroes.

In particular, this command creates an ndarray filled with zeroes:

```
[3]: mat = np.zeros( (2,3) ) # 2 rows, 3 columns
```

```
[4]: mat
```

```
[4]: array([[0., 0., 0.],
           [0., 0., 0.]])
```

Note like inside `array()` the content seems represented like a list of lists, BUT in reality in physical memory the data is structured in a linear sequence which allows Python to access numbers in a faster way.

We can also create an ndarray from a list of lists:

```
[5]: mat = np.array( [ [5.0,8.0,1.0],
                     [4.0,3.0,2.0]] )
```

```
[6]: mat
```

```
[6]: array([[5., 8., 1.],
           [4., 3., 2.]])
```

```
[7]: type(mat)
```

```
[7]: numpy.ndarray
```

## Creating a matrix filled with ones

```
[8]: np.ones((3,5)) # 3 rows, 5 columns
```

```
[8]: array([[1., 1., 1., 1., 1.],
           [1., 1., 1., 1., 1.],
           [1., 1., 1., 1., 1.]])
```

## Creating a matrix filled with a number k

```
[9]: np.full((3,5), 7)
```

```
[9]: array([[7, 7, 7, 7, 7],
           [7, 7, 7, 7, 7],
           [7, 7, 7, 7, 7]])
```

### Dimensions of a matrix

To obtain the dimension, we write like the following:

**ATTENTION:** after `shape` there are **no** round parenthesis !

`shape` is an attribute, not a function to call

```
[10]: mat = np.array( [ [5.0,8.0,1.0],  
                      [4.0,3.0,2.0]])  
  
mat.shape  
  
[10]: (2, 3)
```

If we want to memorize the dimension in separate variables, we can use thi more pythonic mode (note the comma between `num_rows` and `num_cols`):

```
[11]: num_rows, num_cols = mat.shape  
  
[12]: num_rows  
[12]: 2  
  
[13]: num_cols  
[13]: 3
```

### Reading and writing

To access data or overwrite square bracket notation is used, with the important difference that in Numpy you can write *both* the indeces *inside* the same brackets, separated by a comma:

**ATTENTION:** notation `mat[i, j]` is only for Numpy, with list of lists **does not** work!

```
[14]: mat = np.array( [ [5.0,8.0,1.0],  
                      [4.0,3.0,2.0]])  
  
# Let's put number `9` in cell at row `0` and column `1`  
  
mat[0,1] = 9
```

```
[15]: mat  
[15]: array([[5.,  9.,  1.],  
           [4.,  3.,  2.]])
```

Let's access cell at row 0 and column 1

```
[16]: mat[0,1]  
[16]: 9.0
```

We put number 7 into cell at row 1 and column 2

```
[17]: mat[1,2] = 7
```

```
[18]: mat
```

```
[18]: array([[5., 9., 1.],
           [4., 3., 7.]])
```

⊕ EXERCISE: try to write like the following, what happens?

```
mat[0,0] = "c"
```

```
[19]: # write here
```

⊕ EXERCISE: Try writing like this, what happens?

```
mat[1,1.0]
```

```
[20]: # write here
```

## Filling the whole matrix

We can MODIFY the matrix by writing inside a number with `fill()`

```
[21]: mat = np.array([[3.0, 5.0, 2.0],
                   [6.0, 2.0, 9.0]])

mat.fill(7) # NOTE: returns nothing !!
```

```
[22]: mat
```

```
[22]: array([[7., 7., 7.],
           [7., 7., 7.]])
```

## Slices

To extract data from an ndarray we can use slices, with the notation we already used for regular lists. There are important difference, though. Let's see them.

The first difference is that we can extract sub-matrices by specifying two ranges among the same squared brackets:

```
[23]: mat = np.array( [ [5, 8, 1],
                     [4, 3, 2],
                     [6, 7, 9],
                     [9, 3, 4],
                     [8, 2, 7]] )
```

```
[24]: mat[0:4, 1:3] # rows from 0 *included* to 4 *excluded*
          # and columns from 1 *included* to 3 *excluded*
```

```
[24]: array([[8, 1],  
           [3, 2],  
           [7, 9],  
           [3, 4]])
```

```
[25]: mat[0:1,0:3] # the whole first row
```

```
[25]: array([[5, 8, 1]])
```

```
[26]: mat[0:1,:] # another way to extract the whole first row
```

```
[26]: array([[5, 8, 1]])
```

```
[27]: mat[0:5, 0:1] # the whole first column
```

```
[27]: array([[5],  
           [4],  
           [6],  
           [9],  
           [8]])
```

```
[28]: mat[:, 0:1] # another way to extract the whole first column
```

```
[28]: array([[5],  
           [4],  
           [6],  
           [9],  
           [8]])
```

**The step:** We can also specify a step as a third parameter after the `:`. For example, to extract only even rows we can add a `2` like this:

```
[29]: mat[0:5:2, :]
```

```
[29]: array([[5, 8, 1],  
           [6, 7, 9],  
           [8, 2, 7]])
```

**WARNING: by modifying the numpy slice you also modify the original matrix!**

Differently from slices of lists which always produce new lists, this time of performance reasons with numpy slices we only obtain a *view* on the original data: by writing into the view we will also write on the original matrix:

```
[30]: mat = np.array( [ [5, 8, 1],  
                     [4, 3, 2],  
                     [6, 7, 9],  
                     [9, 3, 4],  
                     [8, 2, 7]] )
```

```
[31]: sub_mat = mat[0:4, 1:3]  
sub_mat
```

```
[31]: array([[8, 1],  
           [3, 2],  
           [7, 9],  
           [3, 4]])
```

```
[32]: sub_mat[0,0] = 999
```

```
[33]: mat
```

```
[33]: array([[ 5, 999,  1],
       [ 4,   3,  2],
       [ 6,   7,  9],
       [ 9,   3,  4],
       [ 8,   2,  7]])
```

## Writing a constant in a slice

We can also write a constant in all the cells of a region by identifying the region with a slice, and assigning a constant to it:

```
[34]: mat = np.array( [ [5, 8, 1],
                     [4, 3, 2],
                     [6, 7, 9],
                     [9, 3, 4],
                     [8, 2, 5]])

mat[0:4, 1:3] = 7
```

```
mat
```

```
[34]: array([[5, 7, 7],
       [4, 7, 7],
       [6, 7, 7],
       [9, 7, 7],
       [8, 2, 5]])
```

## Writing a matrix into a slice

We can also write into all the cells in a region by identifying the region with a slice, and then assigning to it a matrix from which we want to read the cells.

**WARNING:** To avoid problems, **double check** you're using the same dimensions in both left and right slices!

```
[35]: mat = np.array( [ [5, 8, 1],
                     [4, 3, 2],
                     [6, 7, 9],
                     [9, 3, 4],
                     [8, 2, 5]])

mat[0:4, 1:3] = np.array([
                         [10,50],
                         [11,51],
                         [12,52],
                         [13,53],
                         ])

mat
```

```
[35]: array([[ 5, 10, 50],
       [ 4, 11, 51],
```

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```
[ 6, 12, 52],  
[ 9, 13, 53],  
[ 8, 2, 5]])
```

## Assignment and copy

With Numpy we must take particular care when using the assignment operator `=`: as with regular lists, if we perform an assignment into the new variable, it will only contain a pointer to the original region of memory.

```
[36]: va = np.array([1,2,3])
```

```
[37]: va
```

```
[37]: array([1, 2, 3])
```

```
[38]: vb = va
```

```
[39]: vb[0] = 100
```

```
[40]: vb
```

```
[40]: array([100, 2, 3])
```

```
[41]: va
```

```
[41]: array([100, 2, 3])
```

If we wanted a complete copy of the array, we should use the `.copy()` method:

```
[42]: va = np.array([1,2,3])
```

```
[43]: vc = va.copy()
```

```
[44]: vc
```

```
[44]: array([1, 2, 3])
```

```
[45]: vc[0] = 100
```

```
[46]: vc
```

```
[46]: array([100, 2, 3])
```

```
[47]: va
```

```
[47]: array([1, 2, 3])
```

## Calculations

Numpy is extremely flexible, and allows us to perform on arrays almost the same operations from classical vector and matrix algebra:

```
[48]: va = np.array([5, 9, 7])
va
```

```
[48]: array([5, 9, 7])
```

```
[49]: vb = np.array([6, 8, 0])
vb
```

```
[49]: array([6, 8, 0])
```

Whenever we perform an algebraic operation, typically a NEW array is created:

```
[50]: vc = va + vb
vc
```

```
[50]: array([11, 17, 7])
```

Note the sum didn't change the input:

```
[51]: va
```

```
[51]: array([5, 9, 7])
```

```
[52]: vb
```

```
[52]: array([6, 8, 0])
```

## Scalar multiplication

```
[53]: m = np.array([[5, 9, 7],
                  [6, 8, 0]])
```

```
[54]: 3 * m
```

```
[54]: array([[15, 27, 21],
            [18, 24, 0]])
```

## Scalar sum

```
[55]: 3 + m
```

```
[55]: array([[ 8, 12, 10],
            [ 9, 11,  3]])
```

## Multiplication

Be careful about multiplying with `*`: differently from classical matrix multiplication, it multiplies *element by element* and so requires matrices of identical dimensions:

```
[56]: ma = np.array([[1, 2, 3],
                   [10, 20, 30]])

mb = np.array([[1, 0, 1],
               [4, 5, 6]])

ma * mb
```

[56]: array([[ 1, 0, 3],
 [ 40, 100, 180]])

If we want the matrix multiplication from classical algebra<sup>224</sup>, we must use the `@` operator taking care of having compatible matrix dimensions:

```
[57]: mc = np.array([[1, 2, 3],
                   [10, 20, 30]])
md = np.array([[1, 4],
               [0, 5],
               [1, 6]])

mc @ md
```

[57]: array([[ 4, 32],
 [ 40, 320]])

## Dividing by a scalar

```
[58]: ma = np.array([[1, 2, 0.0],
                   [10, 0.0, 30]])

ma / 4
```

[58]: array([[0.25, 0.5 , 0. ],
 [2.5 , 0. , 7.5 ]])

Careful about dividing by `0.0`, the program execution will still continue with a warning and we will find a matrix with strange `nan` and `inf` which have a bad tendency to create problems later - see the section [NaNs and infinities](#)

```
[59]: print(ma / 0.0)
print("AFTER")

[[inf inf nan]
 [inf nan inf]]
AFTER

/home/da/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:1: RuntimeWarning:_
divide by zero encountered in true_divide
    """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.
/home/da/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:1: RuntimeWarning:_
invalid value encountered in true_divide
    """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.
```

<sup>224</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Matrix\\_multiplication](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Matrix_multiplication)

## Aggregation

Numpy provides several functions to calculate statistics, we only show some:

```
[60]: m = np.array([[5, 4, 6],
                  [3, 7, 1]])
np.sum(m)
```

```
[60]: 26
```

```
[61]: np.max(m)
```

```
[61]: 7
```

```
[62]: np.min(m)
```

```
[62]: 1
```

## Aggregating by row or column

By adding the `axis` parameter we can tell numpy to perform the aggregation on each column (`axis=0`) or row (`axis=1`):

```
[63]: np.max(m, axis=0) # the maximum of each column
[63]: array([5, 7, 6])
```

```
[64]: np.sum(m, axis=0) # sum each column
[64]: array([ 8, 11,  7])
```

```
[65]: np.max(m, axis=1) # the maximum of each row
[65]: array([6, 7])
```

```
[66]: np.sum(m, axis=1) # sum each row
[66]: array([15, 11])
```

## Filtering

Numpy offers a mini-language to filter the numbers in an array, by specifying the selection criteria. Let's see an example:

```
[67]: mat = np.array([[5, 2, 6],
                  [1, 4, 3]])
mat
```

```
[67]: array([[5, 2, 6],
           [1, 4, 3]])
```

Suppose you want to obtain an array with all the numbers from `mat` which are greater than 2.

We can tell numpy the matrix `mat` we want to use, then *inside square brackets* we put a kind of boolean conditions, *reusing* the `mat` variable like so:

```
[68]: mat[ mat > 2 ]
```

```
[68]: array([5, 6, 4, 3])
```

Exactly, what is that strange expression we put inside the squared brackets? Let's try executing it alone:

```
[69]: mat > 2
```

```
[69]: array([[ True, False,  True],
           [False,  True,  True]])
```

We note it gives us a matrix of booleans, which are `True` whenever the corresponding cell in the original matrix satisfies the condition we imposed.

By then placing this expression inside `mat [ ]` we obtain the values from the original matrix which satisfy the expression:

```
[70]: mat[ mat > 2 ]
```

```
[70]: array([5, 6, 4, 3])
```

Not only that, we can also build more complex expressions by using

- `&` symbol as the logical conjunction *and*
- `|` (pipe character) as the logical conjunction *or*

```
[71]: mat = np.array([[5, 2, 6],
                   [1, 4, 3]])
mat[(mat > 3) & (mat < 6)]
```

```
[71]: array([5, 4])
```

```
[72]: mat = np.array([[5, 2, 6],
                   [1, 4, 3]])
mat[(mat < 2) | (mat > 4)]
```

```
[72]: array([5, 6, 1])
```

### WARNING: REMEMBER THE ROUND PARENTHESIS AMONG THE VARIOUS EXPRESSIONS!

**EXERCISE:** try to rewrite the expressions above by ‘forgetting’ the round parenthesis in the various components (left/right/both) and see what happens. Do you obtain errors or unexpected results?

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```
[73]:
```

```
mat = np.array([[5, 2, 6],
               [1, 4, 3]])

# write here
print( mat[(mat > 3) & mat < 6] )
print( mat[(mat > 3) & (mat < 6)] )
#print( mat[(mat > 3) & (mat < 6)] )
# the last one produces:
#
# -----
# ValueError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
# <ipython-input-212-33c5a083b265> in <module>
#      3 print( mat[(mat > 3) & mat < 6] )
#      4 print( mat[(mat > 3) & (mat < 6)] )
```

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```
# ----> 5 print( mat[mat > 3 & mat < 6]      )
# ValueError: The truth value of an array with more than one element is ambiguous. Use a.any() or a.all()
[5 2 6 1 4 3]
[5 2 6 4 3]
```

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[73]:

```
mat = np.array([[5, 2, 6],
               [1, 4, 3]])

# write here
```

**WARNING:** and **and** or **DON'T WORK!**

**EXERCISE:** try rewriting the expressions above by substituting `&` with `and` and `|` with `or` and see what happens. Do you get errors or unexpected results?

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[74]:

```
mat = np.array([[5, 2, 6],
               [1, 4, 3]])

# write here
#print( mat[(mat > 3) and (mat < 6)]    )
#-----
#ValueError                                         Traceback (most recent call last)
#<ipython-input-218-3edf025af7c0> in <module>
#      4
#      5 # write here
#----> 6 print( mat[(mat > 3) and (mat < 6)]    )

#ValueError: The truth value of an array with more than one element is ambiguous. Use
#<a.any() or a.all()

#print( mat[(mat > 3) or (mat < 6)]      )
#-----
#ValueError                                         Traceback (most recent call last)
#<ipython-input-219-192c022d9d87> in <module>
#      16
#      17
#---> 18 print( mat[(mat > 3) or (mat < 6)]      )

#ValueError: The truth value of an array with more than one element is ambiguous. Use
```

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[74]:

```
mat = np.array([[5, 2, 6],  
               [1, 4, 3]])  
  
# write here
```

## Finding indexes with `np.where`

We've seen how to find the content of cells which satisfy a certain criteria. What if we wanted to find the *indexes* of those cells? In that case we would use the function `np.where`, passing as parameter the condition expressed in the same language used before.

For example, if we wanted to find the *indexes* of cells containing numbers less than 40 or greater than 60 we would write like so:

[75]:

```
#0 1 2 3 4 5  
v = np.array([30, 60, 20, 70, 40, 80])  
  
np.where((v < 40) | (v > 60))
```

[75]:

```
(array([0, 2, 3, 5]),)
```

## Writing into cells which satisfy a criteria

We can use `np.where` to substitute values in the cells which satisfy a criteria with other values which we'll be expressed in two extra matrices `ma` and `mb`. In case the criteria is satisfied, numpy will take the corresponding values from `ma`, otherwise from `mb`.

[76]:

```
ma = np.array([  
    [ 1, 2, 3, 4],  
    [ 5, 6, 7, 8],  
    [ 9, 10, 11, 12]  
)  
  
mb = np.array([  
    [ -1, -2, -3, -4],  
    [ -5, -6, -7, -8],  
    [ -9, -10, -11, -12]  
)  
  
mat = np.array([  
    [40, 70, 10, 80],  
    [20, 30, 60, 40],  
    [10, 60, 80, 90]  
)  
  
np.where(mat < 50, ma, mb)
```

[76]:

```
array([[ 1, -2,  3, -4],  
       [ 5,  6, -7,  8],  
       [ 9, -10, -11, -12]])
```

## arange and linspace sequences

The standard function `range` of Python does not allow for float increments, which we can instead obtain by building sequences of float numbers with `np.arange`

La funzione standard `range` Python non permette incrementi con la virgola, che possiamo invece ottenere costruendo sequenze di numeri float con `np.arange`, by specifying left limit (**included**), right limit (**excluded**) and the increment:

```
[77]: np.arange(0.0, 1.0, 0.2)
[77]: array([0. , 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8])
```

Alternatively, we can use `np.linspace`, which takes a left limit **included**, a right limit this time **included**, and the **number of repetitions** to subdivide this space:

```
[78]: np.linspace(0, 0.8, 5)
[78]: array([0. , 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8])
[79]: np.linspace(0, 0.8, 10)
[79]: array([0.          , 0.08888889, 0.17777778, 0.26666667, 0.35555556,
       0.44444444, 0.53333333, 0.62222222, 0.71111111, 0.8        ])
```

## NaN<sup>s</sup> and infinities

Float numbers can be numbers and.... not numbers, and infinities. Sometimes during calculations extremal conditions may arise, like when dividing a small number by a huge number. In such cases, you might end up having a float which is a dreaded *Not a Number*, *NaN* for short, or you might get an infinity. This can lead to very awful unexpected behaviours, so you must be well aware of it.

Following behaviours are dictated by IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754) which Numpy uses and is implemented in all CPUs, so they actually regard all programming languages.

### NaN<sup>s</sup>

A NaN is *Not a Number*. Which is already a silly name, since a NaN is actually a very special member of floats, with this astonishing property:

#### WARNING: NaN IS NOT EQUAL TO ITSELF !!!

Yes you read it right, NaN is really *not* equal to itself.

Even if your mind wants to refuse it, we are going to confirm it.

To get a NaN, you can use Python module `math` which holds this alien item:

```
[80]: import math
math.nan    # notice it prints as 'nan' with lowercase n
[80]: nan
```

As we said, a NaN is actually considered a float:

```
[81]: type(math.nan)
[81]: float
```

Still, it behaves very differently from its fellow floats, or any other object in the known universe:

```
[82]: math.nan == math.nan    # what the F... also
[82]: False
```

### Detecting NaN

Given the above, if you want to check if a variable `x` is a NaN, you *cannot* write this:

```
[83]: x = math.nan
if x == math.nan:    # WRONG
    print("I'm NaN ")
else:
    print("x is something else ??")
x is something else ??
```

To correctly handle this situation, you need to use `math.isnan` function:

```
[84]: x = math.nan
if math.isnan(x):    # CORRECT
    print("x is NaN ")
else:
    print("x is something else ??")
x is NaN
```

Notice `math.isnan` also work with *negative* NaN:

```
[85]: y = -math.nan
if math.isnan(y):    # CORRECT
    print("y is NaN ")
else:
    print("y is something else ??")
y is NaN
```

### Sequences with NaNs

Still, not everything is completely crazy. If you compare a sequence holding NaNs to another one, you will get reasonable results:

```
[86]: [math.nan, math.nan] == [math.nan, math.nan]
[86]: True
```

## Exercise NaN: two vars

Given two number variables `x` and `y`, write some code that prints "same" when they are the same, *even* when they are `NaN`. Otherwise, prints "not the same"

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```
[87]: # expected output: same
x = math.nan
y = math.nan

# expected output: not the same
#x = 3
#y = math.nan

# expected output: not the same
#x = math.nan
#y = 5

# expected output: not the same
#x = 2
#y = 7

# expected output: same
#x = 4
#y = 4

# write here
if math.isnan(x) and math.isnan(y):
    print('same')
elif x == y:
    print('same')
else:
    print('not the same')

same
```

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```
[87]: # expected output: same
x = math.nan
y = math.nan

# expected output: not the same
#x = 3
#y = math.nan

# expected output: not the same
#x = math.nan
#y = 5

# expected output: not the same
#x = 2
#y = 7

# expected output: same
#x = 4
```

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```
#y = 4  
  
# write here  
  
same
```

### Operations on NaNs

Any operation on a NaN will generate another NaN:

```
[88]: 5 * math.nan
```

```
[88]: nan
```

```
[89]: math.nan + math.nan
```

```
[89]: nan
```

```
[90]: math.nan / math.nan
```

```
[90]: nan
```

The only thing you cannot do is dividing by zero with an unboxed NaN:

```
math.nan / 0
```

```
-----  
ZeroDivisionError Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-94-1da38377fac4> in <module>  
----> 1 math.nan / 0  
  
ZeroDivisionError: float division by zero
```

NaN corresponds to boolean value True:

```
[91]: if math.nan:  
      print("That's True")
```

```
That's True
```

### NaN and Numpy

When using Numpy you are quite likely to encounter NaNs, so much so they get redefined inside Numpy, but they are exactly the same as in math module:

```
[92]: np.nan
```

```
[92]: nan
```

```
[93]: math.isnan(np.nan)
```

```
[93]: True
```

```
[94]: np.isnan(math.nan)
```

```
[94]: True
```

In Numpy when you have unknown numbers you might be tempted to put a `None`. You can actually do it, but look closely at the result:

```
[95]: import numpy as np
np.array([4.9, None, 3.2, 5.1])
```

```
[95]: array([4.9, None, 3.2, 5.1], dtype=object)
```

The resulting array type is *not* an array of float64 which allows fast calculations, instead it is an array containing generic *objects*, as Numpy is assuming the array holds heterogenous data. So what you gain in generality you lose it in performance, which should actually be the whole point of using Numpy.

Despite being weird, NaNs are actually regular float citizen so they can be stored in the array:

```
[96]: np.array([4.9, np.nan, 3.2, 5.1])    # Notice how the `dtype=object` has disappeared
```

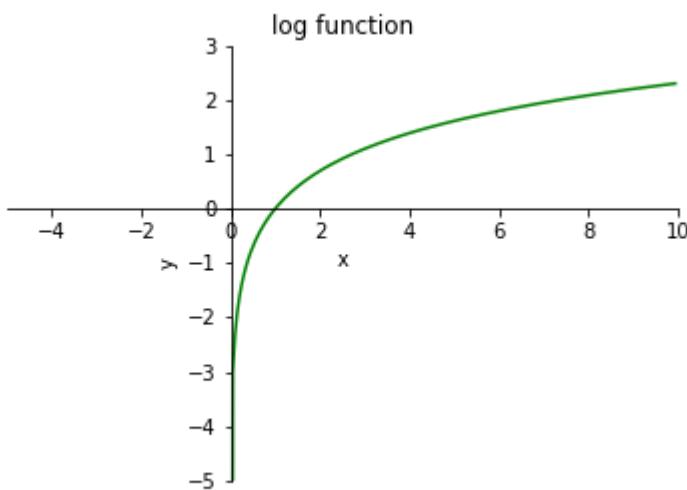
```
[96]: array([4.9, nan, 3.2, 5.1])
```

## Where are the NaNs ?

Let's try to see where we can spot NaNs and other weird things such infinities in the wild

First, let check what happens when we call function `log` of standard module `math`. As we know, log function behaves like this:

- $x < 0$ : not defined
- $x = 0$ : tends to minus infinity
- $x > 0$ : defined



So we might wonder what happens when we pass to it a value where it is not defined. Let's first try with the standard `math.log` from Python library:

```
>>> math.log(-1)
```

```
ValueError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-38-d6e02ba32da6> in <module>
----> 1 math.log(-1)

ValueError: math domain error
```

In this case ValueError is raised and **the execution gets interrupted**.

Let's try the equivalent with Numpy:

```
[97]: np.log(-1)

/home/da/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:1: RuntimeWarning:_
    invalid value encountered in log
    """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.

[97]: nan
```

In this case we **actually got as a result** np.nan, so execution was not interrupted, Jupyter only informed us with an extra print that something dangerous happened.

The default behaviour of Numpy regarding dangerous calculations is to perform them anyway and storing the result in as a NaN or other limit objects. This also works for arrays calculations:

```
[98]: np.log(np.array([3,7,-1,9]))

/home/da/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:1: RuntimeWarning:_
    invalid value encountered in log
    """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.

[98]: array([1.09861229, 1.94591015,      nan,  2.19722458])
```

## Infinities

As we said previously, NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). Since somebody at IEEE decided to capture the mysteries of infinity into floating numbers, we have yet another citizen to take into account when performing calculations (for more info see [Numpy documentation on constants<sup>225</sup>](#)):

### Positive infinity np.inf

```
[99]: np.array( [ 5 ] ) / 0

/home/da/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:1: RuntimeWarning:_
    divide by zero encountered in true_divide
    """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.

[99]: array([inf])

[100]: np.array( [ 6,9,5,7 ] ) / np.array( [ 2,0,0,4 ] )

/home/da/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:1: RuntimeWarning:_
    divide by zero encountered in true_divide
    """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.
```

<sup>225</sup> <https://numpy.org/devdocs/reference/constants.html>

```
[100]: array([3., inf, inf, 1.75])
```

Be aware that:

- Not a Number is **not** equivalent to infinity
- positive infinity is **not** equivalent to negative infinity
- infinity is equivalent to positive infinity

This time, infinity is equal to infinity:

```
[101]: np.inf == np.inf
[101]: True
```

so we can safely detect infinity with ==:

```
[102]: x = np.inf

if x == np.inf:
    print("x is infinite")
else:
    print("x is finite")

x is infinite
```

Alternatively, we can use the function np.isinf:

```
[103]: np.isinf(np.inf)
[103]: True
```

## Negative infinity

We can also have negative infinity, which is different from positive infinity:

```
[104]: -np.inf == np.inf
[104]: False
```

Note that isinf detects *both* positive and negative:

```
[105]: np.isinf(-np.inf)
[105]: True
```

To actually check for negative infinity you have to use isneginf:

```
[106]: np.isneginf(-np.inf)
[106]: True

[107]: np.isneginf(np.inf)
[107]: False
```

Where do they appear? As an example, let's try np.log function:

```
[108]: np.log(0)
/home/da/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:1: RuntimeWarning:___
divide by zero encountered in log
    """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.

[108]: -inf
```

### Combining infinities and NaNs

When performing operations involving infinities and NaNs, IEEE arithmetics tries to mimic classical analysis, sometimes including NaN as a result:

```
[109]: np.inf + np.inf
[109]: inf

[110]: - np.inf - np.inf
[110]: -inf

[111]: np.inf * -np.inf
[111]: -inf
```

What in classical analysis would be undefined, here becomes NaN:

```
[112]: np.inf - np.inf
[112]: nan

[113]: np.inf / np.inf
[113]: nan
```

As usual, combining with NaN results in NaN:

```
[114]: np.inf + np.nan
[114]: nan

[115]: np.inf / np.nan
[115]: nan
```

### Negative zero

We can even have a *negative* zero - who would have thought?

```
[116]: np.NZERO
[116]: -0.0
```

Negative zero of course pairs well with the more known and much appreciated *positive* zero:

```
[117]: np.PZERO
[117]: 0.0
```

**NOTE:** Writing `np.NZERO` or `-0.0` is *exactly* the same thing. Same goes for positive zero.

At this point, you might start wondering with some concern if they are actually *equal*. Let's try:

```
[118]: 0.0 == -0.0
[118]: True
```

Great! Finally one thing that makes sense.

Given the above, you might think in a formula you can substitute one for the other one and get same results, in harmony with the rules of the universe.

Let's make an attempt of substitution, as an example we first try dividing a number by positive zero (even if math teachers tell us such divisions are forbidden) - what will we ever get??

$$\frac{5.0}{0.0} = ???$$

In Numpy terms, we might write like this to box everything in arrays:

```
[119]: np.array( [ 5.0 ] ) / np.array( [ 0.0 ] )
/home/da/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:1: RuntimeWarning: u
  divide by zero encountered in true_divide
  """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.

[119]: array([inf])
```

Hmm, we got an array holding an `np.inf`.

If `0.0` and `-0.0` are actually the same, dividing a number by `-0.0` we should get the very same result, shouldn't we?

Let's try:

```
[120]: np.array( [ 5.0 ] ) / np.array( [ -0.0 ] )
/home/da/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:1: RuntimeWarning: u
  divide by zero encountered in true_divide
  """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.

[120]: array([-inf])
```

Oh gosh. This time we got an array holding a *negative* infinity `-np.inf`

If all of this seems odd to you, do not bash at Numpy. This is the way pretty much any CPUs does floating point calculations so you will find it in almost ALL computer languages.

What programming languages can do is add further controls to protect you from paradoxical situations, for example when you directly write `1.0/0.0` Python raises `ZeroDivisionError` (blocking thus execution), and when you operate on arrays Numpy emits a warning (but doesn't block execution).

**Exercise: detect proper numbers**

Write some code that PRINTS equal numbers if two numbers x and y passed are equal and actual numbers, and PRINTS not equal numbers otherwise.

**NOTE:** not equal numbers must be printed if any of the numbers is infinite or NaN.

To solve it, feel free to call functions indicated in Numpy documentation about constants<sup>226</sup>

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```
[121]: # expected: equal numbers
x = 5
y = 5

# expected: not equal numbers
#x = np.inf
#y = 3

# expected: not equal numbers
#x = 3
#y = np.inf

# expected: not equal numbers
#x = np.inf
#y = np.nan

# expected: not equal numbers
#x = np.nan
#y = np.inf

# expected: not equal numbers
#x = np.nan
#y = 7

# expected: not equal numbers
#x = 9
#y = np.nan

# expected: not equal numbers
#x = np.nan
#y = np.nan

# write here

# SOLUTION 1 - the ugly one
if np.isinf(x) or np.isinf(y) or np.isnan(x) or np.isnan(y):
    print('not equal numbers')
else:
    print('equal numbers')

# SOLUTION 2 - the pretty one
if np.isfinite(x) and np.isfinite(y):
    print('equal numbers')
```

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<sup>226</sup> <https://docs.scipy.org/doc/numpy/reference/constants.html>

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```
else:  
    print('not equal numbers')  
  
equal numbers  
equal numbers
```

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```
[121]: # expected: equal numbers  
x = 5  
y = 5  
  
# expected: not equal numbers  
#x = np.inf  
#y = 3  
  
# expected: not equal numbers  
#x = 3  
#y = np.inf  
  
# expected: not equal numbers  
#x = np.inf  
#y = np.nan  
  
# expected: not equal numbers  
#x = np.nan  
#y = np.inf  
  
# expected: not equal numbers  
#x = np.nan  
#y = 7  
  
# expected: not equal numbers  
#x = 9  
#y = np.nan  
  
# expected: not equal numbers  
#x = np.nan  
#y = np.nan  
  
# write here
```

```
equal numbers  
equal numbers
```

### Exercise: guess expressions

For each of the following expressions, try to guess the result

**WARNING: the following may cause severe convulsions and nausea.**

During clinical trials, both mathematically inclined and math-averse patients have experienced illness, for different reasons which are currently being investigated.

```
a. 0.0 * -0.0
b. (-0.0)**3
c. np.log(-7) == math.log(-7)
d. np.log(-7) == np.log(-7)
e. np.isnan(1 / np.log(1))
f. np.sqrt(-1) * np.sqrt(-1)    # sqrt = square root
g. 3 ** np.inf
h. 3 ** -np.inf
i. 1/np.sqrt(-3)
j. 1/np.sqrt(-0.0)
m. np.sqrt(np.inf) - np.sqrt(-np.inf)
n. np.sqrt(np.inf) + (1 / np.sqrt(-0.0))
o. np.isneginf(np.log(np.e) / np.sqrt(-0.0))
p. np.isinf(np.log(np.e) / np.sqrt(-0.0))
q. [np.nan, np.inf] == [np.nan, np.inf]
r. [np.nan, -np.inf] == [np.nan, np.inf]
s. [np.nan, np.inf] == [-np.nan, np.inf]
```

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Go on with [numpy exercises](#)<sup>227</sup>.

## 7.4.2 Matrices: Numpy 2 - Exercises

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### Introduction

Let's see now some exercises. First ones will be given in two versions: first ones usually adopt for cycles and are thus slow, second ones are denoted 'pro' and avoid loops using all the power offered by Numpy. In particular in many cases you can obtain very efficient and compact programs by using slices in smart ways.

Numpy - this notebook

1. not natively available in Python
2. efficient
3. many libraries for scientific calculations are based on Numpy (scipy, pandas)

<sup>227</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-numpy/matrices-numpy2-sol.html>

<sup>228</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/matrices-numpy>

4. syntax to access elements is slightly different from list of lists
5. in rare cases might give problems of installation and/or conflicts (implementation is not pure Python)

### ATTENTION

Following exercises contain tests with *asserts*. To understand how to carry them out, read first [Error handling and testing](#)<sup>229</sup>

## frame

⊗⊗⊗ RETURN a NEW Numpy matrix of n rows and n columns, in which all the values are zero except those on borders, which must be equal to a given k

For example, frame(4, 7.0) must give:

```
array([[7.0, 7.0, 7.0, 7.0],
       [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
       [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
       [7.0, 7.0, 7.0, 7.0]])
```

Ingredients:

- create a matrix filled with zeros. ATTENTION: which dimensions does it have? Do you need n or k ? Read WELL the text.

For this first version, try filling the rows and columns using `for` in `range` and writing directly in the single cells

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```
[2]: import numpy as np

def frame(n, k):

    #SLOW SOLUTION
    mat = np.zeros((n,n))
    for i in range(n):
        mat[0, i] = k
        mat[i, 0] = k
        mat[i, n-1] = k
        mat[n-1, i] = k
    return mat

expected_mat = np.array([[7.0, 7.0, 7.0, 7.0],
                        [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
                        [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
                        [7.0, 7.0, 7.0, 7.0]])

# all_close return True if all the values in the first matrix are close enough
# (that is, within a given tolerance) to corresponding values in the second
assert np.allclose(frame(4, 7.0), expected_mat)

expected_mat = np.array([ [7.0]
```

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<sup>229</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/functions/fun2-errors-and-testing-sol.html>

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```
        ])
assert np.allclose(frame(1, 7.0), expected_mat)

expected_mat = np.array( [ [7.0, 7.0],
                          [7.0, 7.0]
                        ])
assert np.allclose(frame(2, 7.0), expected_mat)
```

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```
[2]: import numpy as np

def frame(n, k):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

expected_mat = np.array( [[7.0, 7.0, 7.0, 7.0],
                         [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
                         [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
                         [7.0, 7.0, 7., 7.0]])
# all_close return True if all the values in the first matrix are close enough
# (that is, within a given tolerance) to corresponding values in the second
assert np.allclose(frame(4, 7.0), expected_mat)

expected_mat = np.array( [ [7.0]
                           ])
assert np.allclose(frame(1, 7.0), expected_mat)

expected_mat = np.array( [ [7.0, 7.0],
                           [7.0, 7.0]
                         ])
assert np.allclose(frame(2, 7.0), expected_mat)
```

## Exercise - frameslices

⊕⊕⊕ Solve the precious exercise, this time **using 4 slices**

- **DO NOT** use for nor while loops

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```
[3]: def frameslices(n, k):

    mat = np.zeros( (n,n) )

    mat[0, :] = k
    mat[:, 0] = k
    mat[:, n-1] = k
    mat[n-1, :] = k

    return mat
```

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```
r1 = np.array( [[7.0, 7.0, 7.0, 7.0],
                [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
                [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
                [7.0, 7.0, 7., 7.0]])

# all_close return True if all the values in the first matrix are close enough
# (that is, within a given tolerance) to corresponding values in the second
assert np.allclose(frameslices(4, 7.0), r1)

r2 = np.array( [ [7.0] ])
assert np.allclose(frameslices(1, 7.0), r2)

r3 = np.array( [ [7.0, 7.0],
                [7.0, 7.0]])
assert np.allclose(frameslices(2, 7.0), r3)
```

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[3]:

```
def frameslices(n, k):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

r1 = np.array( [[7.0, 7.0, 7.0, 7.0],
                [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
                [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],
                [7.0, 7.0, 7., 7.0]])

# all_close return True if all the values in the first matrix are close enough
# (that is, within a given tolerance) to corresponding values in the second
assert np.allclose(frameslices(4, 7.0), r1)

r2 = np.array( [ [7.0] ])
assert np.allclose(frameslices(1, 7.0), r2)

r3 = np.array( [ [7.0, 7.0],
                [7.0, 7.0]])
assert np.allclose(frameslices(2, 7.0), r3)
```

## Exercise - framefill

⊕⊕⊕ Solve the precious exercise, this using `np.full` function and with **only one slice**

- **DO NOT** use `for` nor `while` loops

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[4]:

```
def framefill(n, k):

    mat = np.full( (n,n), k)

    mat[1:n-1, 1:n-1] = 0.0

    return mat
```

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```
r1 = np.array( [[7.0, 7.0, 7.0, 7.0],  
                 [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],  
                 [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],  
                 [7.0, 7.0, 7., 7.0]])  
  
# all_close return True if all the values in the first matrix are close enough  
# (that is, within a given tolerance) to corresponding values in the second  
assert np.allclose(framefill(4, 7.0), r1)  
  
r2 = np.array( [ [7.0] ])  
assert np.allclose(framefill(1, 7.0), r2)  
  
r3 = np.array( [ [7.0, 7.0],  
                 [7.0, 7.0]] )  
assert np.allclose(framefill(2, 7.0), r3)
```

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[4]:

```
def framefill(n, k):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
r1 = np.array( [[7.0, 7.0, 7.0, 7.0],  
                 [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],  
                 [7.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.0],  
                 [7.0, 7.0, 7., 7.0]])  
  
# all_close return True if all the values in the first matrix are close enough  
# (that is, within a given tolerance) to corresponding values in the second  
assert np.allclose(framefill(4, 7.0), r1)  
  
r2 = np.array( [ [7.0] ])  
assert np.allclose(framefill(1, 7.0), r2)  
  
r3 = np.array( [ [7.0, 7.0],  
                 [7.0, 7.0]] )  
assert np.allclose(framefill(2, 7.0), r3)
```

### Exercise - avg\_rows

⊕⊕⊕ Takes a numpy matrix n x m and RETURN a NEW numpy matrix consisting in a single column in which the values are the average of the values in corresponding rows of input matrix

Example:

Input: 5x4 matrix

3	2	1	4
6	2	3	5
4	3	6	2
4	6	5	4
7	2	9	3

Output: 5x1 matrix

```
(3+2+1+4) / 4
(6+2+3+5) / 4
(4+3+6+2) / 4
(4+6+5+4) / 4
(7+2+9+3) / 4
```

Basic version ingredients (slow)

- create a matrix  $n \times 1$  to return, filling it with zeros
- visit all cells of original matrix with two nested fors
- during visit, accumulate in the matrix to return the sum of elements takes from each row of original matrix
- once completed the sum of a row, you can divide it by the dimension of columns of original matrix
- return the matrix

Pro version (fast):

- try using axis parameter and `reshape`<sup>230</sup>

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```
[5]: def avg_rows(mat):

    #SLOW SOLUTION
    nrows, ncols = mat.shape

    ret = np.zeros( (nrows,1) )

    for i in range(nrows):
        for j in range(ncols):
            ret[i] += mat[i,j]

        ret[i] = ret[i] / ncols
        # for brevity we could also write
        # ret[i] /= ncols

    return ret

m1 = np.array([ [5.0] ])
r1 = np.array([ [5.0] ])
assert np.allclose(avg_rows(m1), r1)

m2 = np.array([ [5.0, 3.0] ])
r2 = np.array([ [4.0] ])
assert np.allclose(avg_rows(m2), r2)

m3 = np.array([ [3,2,1,4],
                [6,2,3,5],
                [4,3,6,2],
                [4,6,5,4],
```

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<sup>230</sup> [https://www.tutorialspoint.com/numpy/numpy\\_reshape.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/numpy/numpy_reshape.htm)

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```
[7,2,9,3] ]))

r3 = np.array([
    [(3+2+1+4)/4],
    [(6+2+3+5)/4],
    [(4+3+6+2)/4],
    [(4+6+5+4)/4],
    [(7+2+9+3)/4]
])

assert np.allclose(avg_rows(m3), r3)
```

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```
[5]: def avg_rows(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')
    return ret

m1 = np.array([ [5.0] ])
r1 = np.array([ [5.0] ])
assert np.allclose(avg_rows(m1), r1)

m2 = np.array([ [5.0, 3.0] ])
r2 = np.array([ [4.0] ])
assert np.allclose(avg_rows(m2), r2)

m3 = np.array([
    [3,2,1,4],
    [6,2,3,5],
    [4,3,6,2],
    [4,6,5,4],
    [7,2,9,3]
])

r3 = np.array([
    [(3+2+1+4)/4],
    [(6+2+3+5)/4],
    [(4+3+6+2)/4],
    [(4+6+5+4)/4],
    [(7+2+9+3)/4]
])

assert np.allclose(avg_rows(m3), r3)
```

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```
[6]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION avg_rows_pro

def avg_rows_pro(mat):
    rows, cols = mat.shape      # obtain number of rows and columns
    media = np.mean(mat, axis=1) # average for rows
    media.shape = (rows, 1)      # trasform into a matrix with one col and n rows
    return media

m1 = np.array([ [5.0] ])
r1 = np.array([ [5.0] ])
assert np.allclose(avg_rows_pro(m1), r1)
```

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```
m2 = np.array([ [5.0, 3.0] ])
r2 = np.array([ [4.0] ])
assert np.allclose(avg_rows_pro(m2), r2)

m3 = np.array(
    [[3,2,1,4],
     [6,2,3,5],
     [4,3,6,2],
     [4,6,5,4],
     [7,2,9,3]])

r3 = np.array([ [(3+2+1+4)/4],
               [(6+2+3+5)/4],
               [(4+3+6+2)/4],
               [(4+6+5+4)/4],
               [(7+2+9+3)/4] ])

assert np.allclose(avg_rows_pro(m3), r3)
```

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[6]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION avg\_rows\_pro

## Exercise - matrot

⊗⊗⊗ RETURN a NEW Numpy matrix which has the numbers of input matrix rotated by a column.

With rotation we mean that:

- if a number of input matrix is found in column  $j$ , in the output matrix it will be in the column  $j+1$  in the same row.
- if a number is found in the last column, in the output matrix it will be in the zertoth column

Example:

If we have as input:

```
np.array([
    [0,1,0],
    [1,1,0],
    [0,0,0],
    [0,1,1]
])
```

We expect as output:

```
np.array([
    [0,0,1],
    [0,1,1],
    [0,0,0],
    [1,0,1]
])
```

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```
[7]: import numpy as np

def matrot(mat):

    #SLOW SOLUTION
    ret = np.zeros(mat.shape)

    for i in range(mat.shape[0]):
        ret[i,0] = mat[i,-1]
        for j in range(1, mat.shape[1]):
            ret[i,j] = mat[i,j-1]
    return ret

m1 = np.array( [ [1] ] )
r1 = np.array( [ [1] ] )

assert np.allclose(matrot(m1), r1)

m2 = np.array( [ [0,1] ] )
r2 = np.array( [ [1,0] ] )
assert np.allclose(matrot(m2), r2)

m3 = np.array( [ [0,1,0] ] )
r3 = np.array( [ [0,0,1] ] )

assert np.allclose(matrot(m3), r3)

m4 = np.array( [
                  [0,1,0],
                  [1,1,0]
              ])
r4 = np.array( [
                  [0,0,1],
                  [0,1,1]
              ])
assert np.allclose(matrot(m4), r4)

m5 = np.array([
                  [0,1,0],
                  [1,1,0],
                  [0,0,0],
                  [0,1,1]
              ])
r5 = np.array([
                  [0,0,1],
                  [0,1,1],
                  [0,0,0],
                  [1,0,1]
              ])
assert np.allclose(matrot(m5), r5)
```

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```
[7]: import numpy as np

def matrot(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = np.array( [ [1] ] )
r1 = np.array( [ [1] ] )

assert np.allclose(matrot(m1), r1)

m2 = np.array( [ [0,1] ] )
r2 = np.array( [ [1,0] ] )
assert np.allclose(matrot(m2), r2)

m3 = np.array( [ [0,1,0] ] )
r3 = np.array( [ [0,0,1] ] )

assert np.allclose(matrot(m3), r3)

m4 = np.array( [
                  [0,1,0],
                  [1,1,0]
              ] )
r4 = np.array( [
                  [0,0,1],
                  [0,1,1]
              ] )
assert np.allclose(matrot(m4), r4)

m5 = np.array([
                  [0,1,0],
                  [1,1,0],
                  [0,0,0],
                  [0,1,1]
              ] )
r5 = np.array([
                  [0,0,1],
                  [0,1,1],
                  [0,0,0],
                  [1,0,1]
              ] )
assert np.allclose(matrot(m5), r5)
```

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```
[8]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

def matrot_pro(mat):
    m = mat.shape[0]
    n = mat.shape[1]

    ret = np.zeros((m, n))

    ret[:, 0] = mat[:, -1]
    ret[:, 1:] = mat[:, :-1]
```

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```

    return ret

m1 = np.array( [ [1] ] )
r1 = np.array( [ [1] ] )
assert np.allclose(matrot_pro(m1), r1)

m2 = np.array( [ [0,1] ] )
r2 = np.array( [ [1,0] ] )
assert np.allclose(matrot_pro(m2), r2)

m3 = np.array([ [0,1,0] ])
r3 = np.array([ [0,0,1] ])
assert np.allclose(matrot_pro(m3), r3)

m4 = np.array( [[0,1,0],
                [1,1,0]])
r4 = np.array( [[0,0,1],
                [0,1,1]])
assert np.allclose(matrot_pro(m4), r4)

m5 = np.array([ [0,1,0],
                [1,1,0],
                [0,0,0],
                [0,1,1]])
r5 = np.array([ [0,0,1],
                [0,1,1],
                [0,0,0],
                [1,0,1]])
assert np.allclose(matrot_pro(m5), r5)

```

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[8]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

**Exercise - odd**

⊕⊕⊕ Takes a Numpy matrix mat of dimension nrows by ncols containing integer numbers and RETURN a NEW Numpy matrix of dimension nrows by ncols which is like the original, ma in the cells which contained even numbers now there will be odd numbers obtained by summing 1 to the existing even number.

Example:

```

odd(np.array([
            [2,5,6,3],
            [8,4,3,5],
            [6,1,7,9]
        ]))

```

Must give as output

```

array([[ 3.,  5.,  7.,  3.],
       [ 9.,  5.,  3.,  5.],
       [ 7.,  1.,  7.,  9.]])

```

Basic versions hints (slow):

- Since you need to return a matrix, start with creating an empty one
- go through the whole input matrix with indeces *i* and *j*

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```
[9]: import numpy as np

def odd(mat):

    #SLOW SOLUTION
    nrows, ncols = mat.shape
    ret = np.zeros( (nrows, ncols) )

    for i in range(nrows):
        for j in range(ncols):
            if mat[i,j] % 2 == 0:
                ret[i,j] = mat[i,j] + 1
            else:
                ret[i,j] = mat[i,j]
    return ret

m1 = np.array([ [2] ])
m2 = np.array([ [3] ])
assert np.allclose(odd(m1), m2)
assert m1[0][0] == 2 # checks we are not modifying original matrix
```

```
m3 = np.array( [ [2,5,6,3],
                 [8,4,3,5],
                 [6,1,7,9] ] )
m4 = np.array( [ [3,5,7,3],
                 [9,5,3,5],
                 [7,1,7,9] ] )
assert np.allclose(odd(m3), m4)
```

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```
[9]: import numpy as np

def odd(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = np.array([ [2] ])
m2 = np.array([ [3] ])
assert np.allclose(odd(m1), m2)
assert m1[0][0] == 2 # checks we are not modifying original matrix

m3 = np.array( [ [2,5,6,3],
```

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```
[8, 4, 3, 5],  
[6, 1, 7, 9] ])  
m4 = np.array( [ [3, 5, 7, 3],  
[9, 5, 3, 5],  
[7, 1, 7, 9] ])  
assert np.allclose(odd(m3), m4)
```

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[10]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION 1 with np.where

```
def odd_pro1(mat):  
    ret = np.array(np.where(mat % 2 == 0, mat+1, mat))  
    return ret  
  
m1 = np.array([ [2] ])  
m2 = np.array([ [3] ])  
assert np.allclose(odd_pro1(m1), m2)  
assert m1[0][0] == 2 # checks we are not modifying original matrix  
  
m3 = np.array( [ [2, 5, 6, 3],  
[8, 4, 3, 5],  
[6, 1, 7, 9] ])  
m4 = np.array( [ [3, 5, 7, 3],  
[9, 5, 3, 5],  
[7, 1, 7, 9] ])  
assert np.allclose(odd_pro1(m3), m4)
```

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[10]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION 1 with np.where

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[11]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION 2 without np.where

```
def odd_pro2(mat):  
    ret = mat.copy()  
    ret[ret % 2 == 0] += 1  
    return ret  
  
m1 = np.array([ [2] ])  
m2 = np.array([ [3] ])  
assert np.allclose(odd_pro2(m1), m2)  
assert m1[0][0] == 2 # checks we are not modifying original matrix
```

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```
m3 = np.array( [ [2,5,6,3],
                 [8,4,3,5],
                 [6,1,7,9] ] )
m4 = np.array( [ [3,5,7,3],
                 [9,5,3,5],
                 [7,1,7,9] ] )
assert np.allclose(odd_pro2(m3), m4)
```

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[11]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION 2 without np.where

### Exercise - doublealt

⊕⊕⊕ Takes a Numpy matrix mat of dimensions nrows x ncols containing integer numbers and RETURN a NEW Numpy matrix of dimension nrows x ncols having at rows of even index the numbers of original matrix multiplied by two, and at rows of odd index the same numbers as the original matrix.

Example:

```
m = np.array( [
    [ 2, 5, 6, 3],      #   index
    [ 8, 4, 3, 5],      #     0   even
    [ 7, 1, 6, 9],      #     1   odd
    [ 5, 2, 4, 1],      #     2   even
    [ 6, 3, 4, 3]       #     3   odd
])
```

A call to

```
doublealt(m)
```

will return the Numpy matrix:

```
array([[ 4, 10, 12,  6],
       [ 8,  4,  3,  5],
       [14,  2, 12, 18],
       [ 5,  2,  4,  1],
       [12,  6,  8,  6]])
```

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[12]: import numpy as np

```
def doublealt(mat):

    #SLOW SOLUTION
    nrows, ncols = mat.shape
    ret = np.zeros( (nrows, ncols) )

    for i in range(nrows):
```

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```
for j in range(ncols):
    if i % 2 == 0:
        ret[i,j] = mat[i,j] * 2
    else:
        ret[i,j] = mat[i,j]
return ret

m1 = np.array([[2]])
m2 = np.array([[4]])
assert np.allclose(doublealt(m1), m2)
assert m1[0][0] == 2 # checks we are not modifying original matrix

m3 = np.array( [[ 2,  5,  6],
                [ 8,  4,  3] ])
m4 = np.array( [[ 4,10,12],
                [ 8,  4,  3] ])
assert np.allclose(doublealt(m3), m4)

m5 = np.array( [[ 2,  5,  6,  3],
                [ 8,  4,  3,  5],
                [ 7,  1,  6,  9],
                [ 5,  2,  4,  1],
                [ 6,  3,  4,  3] ])
m6 = np.array( [[ 4,10,12, 6],
                [ 8,  4,  3,  5],
                [14,  2,12,18],
                [ 5,  2,  4,  1],
                [12,  6,  8,  6] ])
assert np.allclose(doublealt(m5), m6)
```

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```
[12]: import numpy as np

def doublealt(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = np.array([[2]])
m2 = np.array([[4]])
assert np.allclose(doublealt(m1), m2)
assert m1[0][0] == 2 # checks we are not modifying original matrix

m3 = np.array( [[ 2,  5,  6],
                [ 8,  4,  3] ])
m4 = np.array( [[ 4,10,12],
                [ 8,  4,  3] ])
assert np.allclose(doublealt(m3), m4)

m5 = np.array( [[ 2,  5,  6,  3],
                [ 8,  4,  3,  5],
                [ 7,  1,  6,  9],
                [ 5,  2,  4,  1] ])
```

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```
[ 6,  3,  4,  3] ])
m6 = np.array( [ [ 4,10,12, 6],
                 [ 8,  4,  3,  5],
                 [14,  2,12,18],
                 [ 5,  2,  4,  1],
                 [12,  6,  8,  6] ])
assert np.allclose(doublealt(m5), m6)
```

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[13]: # EFFICIENT SOLUTION

```
def radalt_pro(mat):
    ret = mat.copy()
    ret[::2,:] *= 2
    return ret

m1 = np.array([ [2] ])
m2 = np.array([ [4] ])
assert np.allclose(doublealt(m1), m2)
assert m1[0][0] == 2 # checks we are not modifying original matrix

m3 = np.array( [ [ 2,  5,  6],
                 [ 8,  4,  3] ])
m4 = np.array( [ [ 4,10,12],
                 [ 8,  4,  3] ])
assert np.allclose(doublealt(m3), m4)

m5 = np.array( [ [ 2,  5,  6,  3],
                 [ 8,  4,  3,  5],
                 [ 7,  1,  6,  9],
                 [ 5,  2,  4,  1],
                 [ 6,  3,  4,  3] ])
m6 = np.array( [ [ 4,10,12, 6],
                 [ 8,  4,  3,  5],
                 [14,  2,12,18],
                 [ 5,  2,  4,  1],
                 [12,  6,  8,  6] ])
assert np.allclose(doublealt(m5), m6)
```

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[13]: # EFFICIENT SOLUTION

### Exercise - chessboard

⊗⊗⊗ RETURN a NEW Numpy matrix of n rows and n columns, in which all cells alternate zeros and ones.

For example, `chessboard(4)` must give:

```
array([[1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
       [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0],
       [1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
       [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0]])
```

Basic version ingredients (slow):

- to alternate, you can use `range` in the form in which takes 3 parameters, for example `range(0, n, 2)` starts from 0, arrives to n excluded by jumping one item at a time, generating 0,2,4,6,8, ...
- `range(1, n, 2)` would instead generate 1,3,5,7, ...

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```
[14]: def chessboard(n):

    #SLOW SOLUTION
    mat = np.zeros( (n,n) )

    for i in range(0,n, 2):
        for j in range(0,n, 2):
            mat[i, j] = 1

    for i in range(1,n, 2):
        for j in range(1,n, 2):
            mat[i, j] = 1

    return mat

r1 = np.array([[1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
               [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0],
               [1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
               [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0]])
assert np.allclose(chessboard(4), r1)

r2 = np.array( [ [1.0] ] )
assert np.allclose(chessboard(1), r2)

r3 = np.array( [ [1.0, 0.0],
                 [0.0, 1.0] ] )
assert np.allclose(chessboard(2), r3)
```

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```
[14]: def chessboard(n):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

r1 = np.array([[1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
               [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0],
```

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```
[1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
[0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0]])
assert np.allclose(chessboard(4), r1)

r2 = np.array( [ [1.0] ] )
assert np.allclose(chessboard(1), r2)

r3 = np.array( [ [1.0, 0.0],
                 [0.0, 1.0] ])
assert np.allclose(chessboard(2), r3)
```

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[15]: #FAST SOLUTION

```
def chessboard_pro(n):
    ret = np.zeros((n, n))
    ret[::2, ::2] = 1
    ret[1::2, 1::2] = 1
    return ret

r1 = np.array([[1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
               [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0],
               [1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
               [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0]])
assert np.allclose(chessboard_pro(4), r1)

r2 = np.array( [ [1.0] ] )
assert np.allclose(chessboard_pro(1), r2)

r3 = np.array( [ [1.0, 0.0],
                 [0.0, 1.0] ])
assert np.allclose(chessboard_pro(2), r3)
```

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[15]: #FAST SOLUTION

## Exercise - altsum

⊕⊕⊕ MODIFY the input Numpy matrix ( $n \times n$ ), by summing to all the odd rows the even rows. For example

```
m = [[1.0, 3.0, 2.0, 5.0],
      [2.0, 8.0, 5.0, 9.0],
      [6.0, 9.0, 7.0, 2.0],
      [4.0, 7.0, 2.0, 4.0]]
altsum(m)
```

after the call to altsum m should be:

```
m = [[1.0, 3.0, 2.0, 5.0],
      [3.0, 11.0, 7.0, 14.0],
      [6.0, 9.0, 7.0, 2.0],
      [10.0, 16.0, 9.0, 6.0]]
```

Basic version ingredients (slow):

- to alternate, you can use `range` in the form in which takes 3 parameters, for example `range(0, n, 2)` starts from 0, arrives to n excluded by jumping one item at a time, generating 0,2,4,6,8, ....
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```
[16]: def altsum(mat):

    #SLOW SOLUTION
    nrows, ncols = mat.shape
    for i in range(1,nrows, 2):
        for j in range(0,ncols):
            mat[i, j] = mat[i,j] + mat[i-1, j]

m1 = np.array( [ [1.0, 3.0, 2.0, 5.0],
                 [2.0, 8.0, 5.0, 9.0],
                 [6.0, 9.0, 7.0, 2.0],
                 [4.0, 7.0, 2.0, 4.0] ] )

r1 = np.array( [ [1.0, 3.0, 2.0, 5.0],
                 [3.0, 11.0, 7.0, 14.0],
                 [6.0, 9.0, 7.0, 2.0],
                 [10.0, 16.0, 9.0, 6.0] ] )

altsum(m1)
assert np.allclose(m1, r1) # checks we MODIFIED the original matrix

m2 = np.array( [ [5.0] ] )
r2 = np.array( [ [5.0] ] )
altsum(m1)
assert np.allclose(m2, r2)

m3 = np.array( [ [6.0, 1.0],
                 [3.0, 2.0] ] )
r3 = np.array( [ [6.0, 1.0],
                 [9.0, 3.0] ] )
altsum(m3)
assert np.allclose(m3, r3)
```

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```
[16]: def altsum(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = np.array( [ [1.0, 3.0, 2.0, 5.0],
                 [2.0, 8.0, 5.0, 9.0],
```

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```
[6.0, 9.0, 7.0, 2.0],
[4.0, 7.0, 2.0, 4.0] ])

r1 = np.array( [ [1.0, 3.0, 2.0, 5.0],
                 [3.0, 11.0, 7.0, 14.0],
                 [6.0, 9.0, 7.0, 2.0],
                 [10.0, 16.0, 9.0, 6.0] ])

altsum(m1)
assert np.allclose(m1, r1) # checks we MODIFIED the original matrix

m2 = np.array( [ [5.0] ] )
r2 = np.array( [ [5.0] ] )
altsum(m1)
assert np.allclose(m2, r2)

m3 = np.array( [ [6.0, 1.0],
                 [3.0, 2.0] ])
r3 = np.array( [ [6.0, 1.0],
                 [9.0, 3.0] ])
altsum(m3)
assert np.allclose(m3, r3)
```

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[17]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

```
def altsum_pro(mat):
    mat[1::2] += mat[::-2]
    return mat

m1 = np.array( [ [1.0, 3.0, 2.0, 5.0],
                 [2.0, 8.0, 5.0, 9.0],
                 [6.0, 9.0, 7.0, 2.0],
                 [4.0, 7.0, 2.0, 4.0] ])

r1 = np.array( [ [1.0, 3.0, 2.0, 5.0],
                 [3.0, 11.0, 7.0, 14.0],
                 [6.0, 9.0, 7.0, 2.0],
                 [10.0, 16.0, 9.0, 6.0] ])

altsum_pro(m1)
assert np.allclose(m1, r1) # checks we MODIFIED the original matrix

m2 = np.array( [ [5.0] ] )
r2 = np.array( [ [5.0] ] )
altsum_pro(m1)
assert np.allclose(m2, r2)

m3 = np.array( [ [6.0, 1.0],
                 [3.0, 2.0] ])
r3 = np.array( [ [6.0, 1.0],
                 [9.0, 3.0] ])
altsum_pro(m3)
```

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```
assert np.allclose(m3, r3)
```

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```

```
[17]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION
```

### Exercise - avg\_half

⊕⊕⊕ Takes as input a Numpy matrix within even number of columns, and RETURN as output a Numpy matrix 1x2, in which the first element will be the average of the left half of the matrix, and the second element will be the average of the right half.

Ingredients:

- to obtain the number of columns divided by two as integer number, use // operator

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```
[18]: def avg_half(mat):
```

```
    nrows, ncols = mat.shape
    half_cols = ncols // 2

    avg_sx = 0.0
    avg_dx = 0.0

    for i in range(nrows):
        for j in range(half_cols):
            avg_sx += mat[i,j]
        for j in range(half_cols, ncols):
            avg_dx += mat[i,j]

    half_elements = nrows * half_cols
    avg_sx /= half_elements
    avg_dx /= half_elements
    return np.array([avg_sx, avg_dx])
```

```
m1 = np.array([ [7,9] ])
```

```
r1 = np.array([(7)/1, (9)/1])
assert np.allclose( avg_half(m1), r1)
```

```
m2 = np.array([
    [3,4],
    [6,3],
    [5,2] ])
```

```
r2 = np.array([(3+6+5)/3, (4+3+2)/3])
assert np.allclose( avg_half(m2), r2)
```

```
m3 = np.array([ [3,2,1,4],
```

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```
[6,2,3,5],
[4,3,6,2],
[4,6,5,4],
[7,2,9,3] ])

r3 = np.array([(3+2+6+2+4+3+4+6+7+2)/10, (1+4+3+5+6+2+5+4+9+3)/10])

assert np.allclose( avg_half(m3), r3)
```

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```
[18]: def avg_half(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = np.array([ [7,9] ])

r1 = np.array([(7)/1, (9)/1])
assert np.allclose( avg_half(m1), r1)

m2 = np.array([ [3,4],
                [6,3],
                [5,2] ])

r2 = np.array([(3+6+5)/3, (4+3+2)/3])
assert np.allclose( avg_half(m2), r2)

m3 = np.array([ [3,2,1,4],
                [6,2,3,5],
                [4,3,6,2],
                [4,6,5,4],
                [7,2,9,3] ])

r3 = np.array([(3+2+6+2+4+3+4+6+7+2)/10, (1+4+3+5+6+2+5+4+9+3)/10])

assert np.allclose( avg_half(m3), r3)
```

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```
[19]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

def avg_half_pro(mat):
    n,m = mat.shape

    m2 = m // 2
    half_els = n * m2

    avg=np.zeros((1,2))

    avg[0,0]= np.sum(mat[:, :m2]) / half_els
    avg[0,1]= np.sum(mat[:, m2:]) / half_els

    return avg

m1 = np.array([ [7,9] ])
```

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```
r1 = np.array([(7)/1, (9)/1])
assert np.allclose( avg_half_pro(m1), r1)

m2 = np.array([
    [3,4],
    [6,3],
    [5,2]
])
r2 = np.array([(3+6+5)/3, (4+3+2)/3])
assert np.allclose( avg_half_pro(m2), r2)

m3 = np.array([
    [3,2,1,4],
    [6,2,3,5],
    [4,3,6,2],
    [4,6,5,4],
    [7,2,9,3]
])
r3 = np.array([(3+2+6+2+4+3+4+6+7+2)/10, (1+4+3+5+6+2+5+4+9+3)/10])
assert np.allclose( avg_half_pro(m3), r3)
```

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[19]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

### Exercise - matxarr

⊗⊗ Takes a Numpy matrix  $n \times m$  and an ndarray of  $m$  elements, and RETURN a NEW Numpy matrix in which the values of each column of input matrix are multiplied by the corresponding value in the  $n$  elements array.

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[20]:

```
def matxarr(mat, arr):

    #SLOW SOLUTION

    ret = np.zeros( mat.shape )

    for i in range(mat.shape[0]):
        for j in range(mat.shape[1]):
            ret[i,j] = mat[i,j] * arr[j]

    return ret

m1 = np.array([
    [3,2,1],
    [6,2,3],
    [4,3,6],
    [4,6,5]
])
a1 = [5, 2, 6]
r1 = [
    [3*5, 2*2, 1*6],
    [6*5, 2*2, 3*6],
    [4*5, 3*2, 6*6],
]
```

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```
[4*5, 6*2, 5*6]]  
  
assert np.allclose(matxarr(m1,a1), r1)
```

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[20]:

```
def matxarr(mat, arr):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
m1 = np.array([ [3,2,1],  
                [6,2,3],  
                [4,3,6],  
                [4,6,5]])  
a1 = [5, 2, 6]  
r1 = [ [3*5, 2*2, 1*6],  
        [6*5, 2*2, 3*6],  
        [4*5, 3*2, 6*6],  
        [4*5, 6*2, 5*6]]  
  
assert np.allclose(matxarr(m1,a1), r1)
```

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[21]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

```
def matxarr_pro(mat, arr):  
    return np.array(arr) * mat  
  
m1 = np.array([ [3,2,1],  
                [6,2,3],  
                [4,3,6],  
                [4,6,5]])  
a1 = [5, 2, 6]  
r1 = [ [3*5, 2*2, 1*6],  
        [6*5, 2*2, 3*6],  
        [4*5, 3*2, 6*6],  
        [4*5, 6*2, 5*6]]  
  
assert np.allclose(matxarr_pro(m1,a1), r1)
```

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[21]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

### Exercise - colgap

⊕⊕ Given a numpy matrix of  $n$  rows and  $m$  columns, RETURN a numpy vector of  $m$  elements consisting in the difference between the maximum and minimum values of each column.

Example:

```
m = np.array([[5, 4, 2],  
             [8, 5, 1],  
             [6, 7, 9],  
             [3, 6, 4],  
             [4, 3, 7]])  
>>> colgap(m)  
array([5, 4, 8])
```

because:

```
5 = 8 - 3  
4 = 7 - 3  
8 = 9 - 1
```

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```
[22]: import numpy as np  
  
def colgap(mat):  
  
    #SLOW SOLUTION  
    mx = mat[0].copy()  
    mn = mat[0].copy()  
    for i in range(mat.shape[0]):  
        for j in range(mat.shape[1]):  
            if mat[i,j] > mx[j]:  
                mx[j] = mat[i,j]  
            if mat[i,j] < mn[j]:  
                mn[j] = mat[i,j]  
    return mx - mn  
  
# TEST  
m1 = np.array([[6]])  
assert np.allclose(colgap(m1), np.array([0]))  
ret = colgap(m1)  
assert type(ret) == np.ndarray  
  
m2 = np.array([[6,8]])  
assert np.allclose(colgap(m2), np.array([0,0]))  
m3 = np.array([[2],  
              [5]])  
  
assert np.allclose(colgap(m3), np.array([3]))  
m4 = np.array([[5,7],  
              [2,9]])  
assert np.allclose(colgap(m4), np.array([3,2]))  
m5 = np.array([[4,7],  
              [4,9]])  
assert np.allclose(colgap(m5), np.array([0,2]))
```

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```
m6 = np.array([[5,2],
              [3,7],
              [9,0]])
assert np.allclose(colgap(m6), np.array([6,7]))
m7 = np.array([[5,4,2],
              [8,5,1],
              [6,7,9],
              [3,6,4],
              [4,3,7]])
assert np.allclose(colgap(m7), np.array([5,4,8]))
```

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```
[22]: import numpy as np

def colgap(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# TEST
m1 = np.array([[6]])
assert np.allclose(colgap(m1), np.array([0]))
ret = colgap(m1)
assert type(ret) == np.ndarray

m2 = np.array([[6,8]])
assert np.allclose(colgap(m2), np.array([0,0]))
m3 = np.array([[2],
              [5]])

assert np.allclose(colgap(m3), np.array([3]))
m4 = np.array([[5,7],
              [2,9]])
assert np.allclose(colgap(m4), np.array([3,2]))
m5 = np.array([[4,7],
              [4,9]])
assert np.allclose(colgap(m5), np.array([0,2]))
m6 = np.array([[5,2],
              [3,7],
              [9,0]])
assert np.allclose(colgap(m6), np.array([6,7]))
m7 = np.array([[5,4,2],
              [8,5,1],
              [6,7,9],
              [3,6,4],
              [4,3,7]])
assert np.allclose(colgap(m7), np.array([5,4,8]))
```

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[23]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION
```

```
def colgap_pro(mat):
    mx = np.max(mat, axis=0)
    mn = np.min(mat, axis=0)
    return mx - mn
```

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```
# TEST
m1 = np.array([[6]])
assert np.allclose(coltgap_pro(m1), np.array([0]))
ret = colgap_pro(m1)
assert type(ret) == np.ndarray

m2 = np.array([[6,8]])
assert np.allclose(coltgap_pro(m2), np.array([0,0]))
m3 = np.array([[2,
                [5]])
assert np.allclose(coltgap_pro(m3), np.array([3]))
m4 = np.array([[5,7],
                [2,9]])
assert np.allclose(coltgap_pro(m4), np.array([3,2]))
m5 = np.array([[4,7],
                [4,9]])
assert np.allclose(coltgap_pro(m5), np.array([0,2]))
m6 = np.array([[5,2],
                [3,7],
                [9,0]])
assert np.allclose(coltgap_pro(m6), np.array([6,7]))
m7 = np.array([[5,4,2],
                [8,5,1],
                [6,7,9],
                [3,6,4],
                [4,3,7]])
assert np.allclose(coltgap_pro(m7), np.array([5,4,8]))
```

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[23]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

### Exercise - substmax

⊕⊕ Given an  $n \times m$  numpy matrix mat, MODIFY the matrix substituting each cell with the maximum value found in the corresponding column.

Example:

```
>>> m = np.array([[5,4,2],
                  [8,5,1],
                  [6,7,9],
                  [3,6,4],
                  [4,3,7]])
>>> substmax(m)      # returns nothing!
>>> m
np.array([[8, 7, 9],
          [8, 7, 9],
          [8, 7, 9],
          [8, 7, 9],
          [8, 7, 9]])
```

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[24] :

```

import numpy as np

def substmax(mat):

    #SLOW SOLUTION
    mx = mat[0].copy()
    for i in range(mat.shape[0]):
        for j in range(mat.shape[1]):
            if mat[i,j] > mx[j]:
                mx[j] = mat[i,j]
    for i in range(mat.shape[0]):
        for j in range(mat.shape[1]):
            mat[i,j] = mx[j]

# TEST
m1 = np.array([[6]])
substmax(m1)
assert np.allclose(m1, np.array([6]))
ret = substmax(m1)
assert ret == None # returns nothing!

m2 = np.array([[6,8]])
substmax(m2)
assert np.allclose(m2, np.array([6,8]))

m3 = np.array([[2],
              [5]])
substmax(m3)
assert np.allclose(m3, np.array([[5],
                                 [5]]))

m4 = np.array([[5,7],
              [2,9]])
substmax(m4)

assert np.allclose(m4, np.array([[5,9],
                                 [5,9]]))

m5 = np.array([[4,7],
              [4,9]])
substmax(m5)
assert np.allclose(m5, np.array([[4,9],
                                 [4,9]]))

m6 = np.array([[5,2],
              [3,7],
              [9,0]])
substmax(m6)
assert np.allclose(m6, np.array([[9,7],
                                 [9,7],
                                 [9,7]]))

m7 = np.array([[5,4,2],
              [3,2,1],
              [9,0,1]])

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```
[8, 5, 1],  
[6, 7, 9],  
[3, 6, 4],  
[4, 3, 7]])  
substmax(m7)  
assert np.allclose(m7, np.array([[8, 7, 9],  
[8, 7, 9],  
[8, 7, 9],  
[8, 7, 9],  
[8, 7, 9]]))
```

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[24]:

```
import numpy as np  
  
def substmax(mat):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
# TEST  
m1 = np.array([[6]])  
substmax(m1)  
assert np.allclose(m1, np.array([6]))  
ret = substmax(m1)  
assert ret == None # returns nothing!  
  
m2 = np.array([[6, 8]])  
substmax(m2)  
assert np.allclose(m2, np.array([6, 8]))  
  
m3 = np.array([[2],  
[5]])  
substmax(m3)  
assert np.allclose(m3, np.array([[5],  
[5]]))  
  
m4 = np.array([[5, 7],  
[2, 9]])  
substmax(m4)  
  
assert np.allclose(m4, np.array([[5, 9],  
[5, 9]]))  
  
m5 = np.array([[4, 7],  
[4, 9]])  
substmax(m5)  
assert np.allclose(m5, np.array([[4, 9],  
[4, 9]]))  
  
m6 = np.array([[5, 2],  
[3, 7],  
[9, 0]])  
substmax(m6)  
assert np.allclose(m6, np.array([[9, 7],  
[9, 7],  
[9, 7]]))
```

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```
m7 = np.array([[5, 4, 2],
              [8, 5, 1],
              [6, 7, 9],
              [3, 6, 4],
              [4, 3, 7]]))

substmax(m7)
assert np.allclose(m7, np.array([[8, 7, 9],
                                 [8, 7, 9],
                                 [8, 7, 9],
                                 [8, 7, 9],
                                 [8, 7, 9]]))
```

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[25]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

```
def substmax_pro(mat):
    mat[:, :] = np.max(mat, axis=0)

# TEST
m1 = np.array([[6]])
substmax_pro(m1)
assert np.allclose(m1, np.array([6]))
ret = substmax_pro(m1)
assert ret == None # non ritorna nulla!

m2 = np.array([[6, 8]])
substmax_pro(m2)
assert np.allclose(m2, np.array([6, 8]))

m3 = np.array([[2],
              [5]])
substmax_pro(m3)
assert np.allclose(m3, np.array([[5],
                                 [5]]))

m4 = np.array([[5, 7],
              [2, 9]])
substmax_pro(m4)

assert np.allclose(m4, np.array([[5, 9],
                                 [5, 9]]))

m5 = np.array([[4, 7],
              [4, 9]])
substmax_pro(m5)
assert np.allclose(m5, np.array([[4, 9],
                                 [4, 9]]))

m6 = np.array([[5, 2],
              [3, 7],
              [9, 0]])
substmax_pro(m6)
assert np.allclose(m6, np.array([[9, 7],
```

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```
[9, 7],  
[9, 7]])))  
  
m7 = np.array([[5, 4, 2],  
               [8, 5, 1],  
               [6, 7, 9],  
               [3, 6, 4],  
               [4, 3, 7]])  
substmax_pro(m7)  
assert np.allclose(m7, np.array([[8, 7, 9],  
                                 [8, 7, 9],  
                                 [8, 7, 9],  
                                 [8, 7, 9],  
                                 [8, 7, 9]]))
```

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[25] : #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

### Exercise - quadrants

⊕⊕⊕ Given a matrix  $2n \times 2n$ , divide the matrix in 4 equal square parts (see example) and RETURN a NEW matrix  $2 \times 2$  containing the average of each quadrant.

We assume the matrix is always of even dimensions

HINT: to divide by two and obtain an integer number, use // operator

Example:

```
1, 2 , 5 , 7  
4, 1 , 8 , 0  
2, 0 , 5 , 1  
0, 2 , 1 , 1
```

can be divided in

```
1, 2 | 5 , 7  
4, 1 | 8 , 0  
-----  
2, 0 | 5 , 1  
0, 2 | 1 , 1
```

and returns

```
(1+2+4+1) / 4 | (5+7+8+0) / 4          2.0 , 5.0  
-----           =>           1.0 , 2.0  
(2+0+0+2) / 4 | (5+1+1+1) / 4
```

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[26] :

```
import numpy as np
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```

def quadrants (mat):

    #SLOW SOLUTION
    ret = np.zeros( (2,2) )

    dim = mat.shape[0]
    n = dim // 2
    elements_per_quad = n * n

    for i in range(n):
        for j in range(n):
            ret[0,0] += mat[i,j]
    ret[0,0] /= elements_per_quad

    for i in range(n,dim):
        for j in range(n):
            ret[1,0] += mat[i,j]
    ret[1,0] /= elements_per_quad

    for i in range(n,dim):
        for j in range(n,dim):
            ret[1,1] += mat[i,j]
    ret[1,1] /= elements_per_quad

    for i in range(n):
        for j in range(n,dim):
            ret[0,1] += mat[i,j]
    ret[0,1] /= elements_per_quad

    return ret

m1 = np.array( [ [3.0, 5.0],
                 [4.0, 9.0] ] )
r1 = np.array([ [3.0, 5.0],
                [4.0, 9.0],
                ])
assert np.allclose(quadrants(m1),r1)

m2 = np.array( [ [1.0, 2.0 , 5.0 , 7.0],
                 [4.0, 1.0 , 8.0 , 0.0],
                 [2.0, 0.0 , 5.0 , 1.0],
                 [0.0, 2.0 , 1.0 , 1.0] ] )
r2 = np.array( [ [2.0, 5.0],
                 [1.0, 2.0] ] )
assert np.allclose(quadrants(m2),r2)

```

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[26]:

```

import numpy as np

def quadrants (mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

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```
m1 = np.array( [ [3.0, 5.0],  
                 [4.0, 9.0] ] )  
r1 = np.array([ [3.0, 5.0],  
                 [4.0, 9.0],  
                 []])  
assert np.allclose(quadrants(m1), r1)  
  
m2 = np.array( [ [1.0, 2.0, 5.0, 7.0],  
                 [4.0, 1.0, 8.0, 0.0],  
                 [2.0, 0.0, 5.0, 1.0],  
                 [0.0, 2.0, 1.0, 1.0] ] )  
r2 = np.array( [ [2.0, 5.0],  
                 [1.0, 2.0] ] )  
assert np.allclose(quadrants(m2), r2)
```

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[27]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

```
def quadrants_pro(matrice):  
    m = matrice.shape[0]  
  
    ret = np.zeros((2, 2))  
  
    n = m // 2  
  
    qarea = n * n  
  
    ret[0, 0] = np.sum(matrice[:n, :n]) / qarea  
    ret[0, 1] = np.sum(matrice[:n, n:]) / qarea  
    ret[1, 0] = np.sum(matrice[n:, :n]) / qarea  
    ret[1, 1] = np.sum(matrice[n:, n:]) / qarea  
  
    return ret  
  
m1 = np.array( [ [3.0, 5.0],  
                 [4.0, 9.0] ] )  
r1 = np.array([ [3.0, 5.0],  
                 [4.0, 9.0],  
                 []])  
assert np.allclose(quadrants_pro(m1), r1)  
  
m2 = np.array( [ [1.0, 2.0, 5.0, 7.0],  
                 [4.0, 1.0, 8.0, 0.0],  
                 [2.0, 0.0, 5.0, 1.0],  
                 [0.0, 2.0, 1.0, 1.0] ] )  
r2 = np.array( [ [2.0, 5.0],  
                 [1.0, 2.0] ] )  
assert np.allclose(quadrants_pro(m2), r2)
```

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```
[27]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION
```

### Exercise - downup

⊕⊕⊕ Write a function which given the dimensions of  $n$  rows and  $m$  columns, RETURN a NEW  $n \times m$  numpy matrix with sequences which go down and up in alternating rows as in the examples.

- if  $m$  is odd, raises ValueError

```
>>> downup(6,10)
array([[0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 4., 3., 2., 1., 0.],
       [0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 4., 3., 2., 1., 0.],
       [0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 4., 3., 2., 1., 0.],
       [0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]])
```

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```
[28]: import numpy as np
```

```
def downup(n,m):

    #SLOW SOLUTION

    if m%2 == 1:
        raise ValueError("m deve essere pari, trovato %s" % m)
    mat = np.zeros((n,m))
    for i in range(0,n,2):
        for j in range(m//2):
            mat[i,j+m//2] = m//2 - j - 1
    for i in range(1,n,2):
        for j in range(m//2):
            mat[i,j] = j
    return mat

assert np.allclose(downup(2,2), np.array([
    [0., 0.],
    [0., 0.]]))
assert type(downup(2,2)) == np.ndarray

assert np.allclose(downup(2,6), np.array([
    [0., 0., 0., 2., 1., 0.],
    [0., 1., 2., 0., 0., 0.])))
assert np.allclose(downup(6,10), np.array([
    [0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 4., 3., 2., 1., 0.],
    [0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
    [0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 4., 3., 2., 1., 0.],
    [0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
    [0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 4., 3., 2., 1., 0.],
    [0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.])))
```

try:

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```
downup(2,3)
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

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```
[28]: import numpy as np

def downup(n,m):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert np.allclose(downup(2,2), np.array([[0., 0.], [0., 0.]]))
assert type(downup(2,2)) == np.ndarray

assert np.allclose(downup(2,6), np.array([[0., 0., 0., 2., 1., 0.],
                                         [0., 1., 2., 0., 0., 0.]]))

assert np.allclose(downup(6,10), np.array([[0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 4., 3., 2., 1., 0.],
                                         [0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
                                         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 4., 3., 2., 1., 0.],
                                         [0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
                                         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 4., 3., 2., 1., 0.],
                                         [0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]]))

try:
    downup(2,3)
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

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```
[29]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION (HINT: use np.tile)
```

```
import numpy as np

def downup_pro(n,m):

    if m%2 == 1:
        raise ValueError("m must be even, found %s" % m)

    ret = np.zeros((n,m))

    left = np.tile(np.arange(0.0,m/2,1.0),(n//2,1))
    right = np.tile(np.arange(m/2 - 1,-0.5,-1.0),(n//2,1))
    ret[1::2,:m//2] = left
    ret[0::2,m//2:] = right
    return ret
```

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```

assert np.allclose(downup_pro(2,2), np.array([[ 0.,  0.],
                                              [ 0.,  0.]]))
assert type(downup_pro(2,2)) == np.ndarray

assert np.allclose(downup_pro(2,6), np.array([[ 0.,  0.,  0.,  2.,  1.,  0.],
                                              [ 0.,  1.,  2.,  0.,  0.,  0.])))
assert np.allclose(downup_pro(6,10), np.array([[ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  4.,  3.,  2.,  1.,  0.],
                                              [ 0.,  1.,  2.,  3.,  4.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.],
                                              [ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  4.,  3.,  2.,  1.,  0.],
                                              [ 0.,  1.,  2.,  3.,  4.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.],
                                              [ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  4.,  3.,  2.,  1.,  0.],
                                              [ 0.,  1.,  2.,  3.,  4.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.]]))
try:
    downup_pro(2,3)
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass

```

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[29]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION (HINT: use np.tile)

### Exercise - stairsteps

⊕⊕⊕ Given a numpy square matrix `mat` of dimension `n`, RETURN a NEW numpy array containing the values retrieved from the matrix in the followin order:

```

1,2,*,*,*
*,3,4,*,*
*,*,5,6,*
*,*,*,7,8
*,*,*,*,9

```

- if the matrix is not square, raises `ValueError`
- **DO NOT** use python lists!
- **HINT:** how many elements must the array to return have?

Example:

```

>>> stairsteps(np.array([[ 6, 3, 5, 2, 5],
                        [ 3, 4, 2, 3, 4],
                        [ 6, 5, 4, 5, 1],
                        [ 4, 3, 2, 3, 9],
                        [ 2, 5, 1, 6, 7] ] ))
array([6., 3., 4., 2., 4., 5., 3., 9., 7.])

```

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```
[30]: import numpy as np

def stairsteps(mat):

    #SLOW SOLUTION

    n,m = mat.shape
    if n != m:
        raise ValueError("Required a square matrix, found instead: %s x %s" % (n,m))

    res = np.zeros(n + n - 1)

    for i in range(n):
        res[2*i] = mat[i,i]

    for i in range(n-1):
        res[2*i+1] = mat[i,i+1]

    return res

m1 = np.array([ [7] ])
assert np.allclose(stairsteps(m1), np.array([7]))
assert type(m1) == np.ndarray

m2 = np.array([ [6,8],
                [9,3]])
assert np.allclose(stairsteps(m2), np.array([6,8,3]))
assert type(m1) == np.ndarray

m3 = np.array([ [6,3,5,2,5],
                [3,4,2,3,4],
                [6,5,4,5,1],
                [4,3,2,3,9],
                [2,5,1,6,7]])

assert np.allclose(stairsteps(m3), np.array([6,3,4,2,4,5,3,9,7]))

try:
    stairsteps(np.array([[1,2,3],
                        [4,5,6]]))
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

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```
[30]: import numpy as np

def stairsteps(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = np.array([ [7] ])
```

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```

assert np.allclose(stairsteps(m1), np.array([7]))
assert type(m1) == np.ndarray

m2 = np.array([
    [6, 8],
    [9, 3]])
assert np.allclose(stairsteps(m2), np.array([6, 8, 3]))
assert type(m1) == np.ndarray

m3 = np.array([
    [6, 3, 5, 2, 5],
    [3, 4, 2, 3, 4],
    [6, 5, 4, 5, 1],
    [4, 3, 2, 3, 9],
    [2, 5, 1, 6, 7]])

assert np.allclose(stairsteps(m3), np.array([6, 3, 4, 2, 4, 5, 3, 9, 7]))

try:
    stairsteps(np.array([
        [1, 2, 3],
        [4, 5, 6]))
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass

```

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[31]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION

```

import numpy as np
def gradini_pro(mat):

    n,m = mat.shape
    if n != m:
        raise ValueError("Richiesta una n x n, trovata invece una %s x %s" % (n,m))
    a = np.diag(mat)
    b = np.diag(mat, 1)
    ret = np.zeros((1, a.shape[0] + b.shape[0]))
    ret[:, ::2] = a
    ret[:, 1::2] = b
    return ret

m1 = np.array([
    [7]
])
assert np.allclose(gradini_pro(m1), np.array([7]))
assert type(m1) == np.ndarray

m2 = np.array([
    [6, 8],
    [9, 3]])
assert np.allclose(gradini_pro(m2), np.array([6, 8, 3]))

m3 = np.array([
    [6, 3, 5, 2, 5],
    [3, 4, 2, 3, 4],
    [6, 5, 4, 5, 1],
    [4, 3, 2, 3, 9],
    [2, 5, 1, 6, 7]])

assert np.allclose(gradini_pro(m3), np.array([6, 3, 4, 2, 4, 5, 3, 9, 7]))

```

```
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[31]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION
```

### Exercise - vertstairs

⊕⊕⊕ Given a numbers of rows n and of columns m, RETURN a NEW n x m numpy matrix having the numbers in even columns progressively increasing from 1 to n, and numbers in odd columns progressively decreasing from n to 1.

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```
[32]: import numpy as np  
  
def vertstairs(n,m):  
  
    #SLOW SOLUTION  
    ret = np.zeros((n,m))  
    for i in range(n):  
        for j in range(m):  
            if j % 2 == 0:  
                ret[i,j] = i + 1  
            else:  
                ret[i,j] = n - i  
    return ret  
  
  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(1,1), np.array([[1]]))  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(1,2), np.array([[1,1]]))  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(2,1), np.array([[1],  
                                             [2]]))  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(2,2), np.array([[1,2],  
                                             [2,1]]))  
assert type(vertstairs(2,2)) == np.ndarray  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(4,5), np.array([[1,4,1,4,1],  
                                             [2,3,2,3,2],  
                                             [3,2,3,2,3],  
                                             [4,1,4,1,4]]))
```

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```
[32]: import numpy as np  
  
def vertstairs(n,m):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(1,1), np.array([[1]]))  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(1,2), np.array([[1,1]]))  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(2,1), np.array([[1],  
                                             [2]]))  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(2,2), np.array([[1,2],  
                                             [2,1]]))  
assert type(vertstairs(2,2)) == np.ndarray  
assert np.allclose(vertstairs(4,5), np.array([[1,4,1,4,1]]))
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```
[2,3,2,3,2],
[3,2,3,2,3],
[4,1,4,1,4] ]))
```

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[33]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION (HINT: use np.tile)

```
def vertstairs_pro(n,m):

    ret = np.zeros((n,m))
    ret[:,0::2] = np.tile(np.transpose([np.arange(1,n+1,1)]), (m+1) // 2)
    ret[:,1::2] = np.tile(np.transpose([np.arange(n,0,-1)]), m // 2)

    return ret

assert np.allclose(vertstairs_pro(1,1), np.array([[1]]))
assert np.allclose(vertstairs_pro(1,2), np.array([[1,1]]))
assert np.allclose(vertstairs_pro(2,1), np.array([[1],[2]]))
assert np.allclose(vertstairs_pro(2,2), np.array([[1,2],[2,1]]))
assert type(vertstairs_pro(2,2)) == np.ndarray
assert np.allclose(vertstairs_pro(4,5), np.array([[1,4,1,4,1],
                                                [2,3,2,3,2],
                                                [3,2,3,2,3],
                                                [4,1,4,1,4]]))
```

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[33]: #EFFICIENT SOLUTION (HINT: use np.tile)

## Exercise - comprescol

⊕⊕⊕ Given an  $n \times 2m$  matrix mat with an even number of columns, RETURN a NEW  $n \times m$  matrix in which the columns are given by the sum of corresponding column pairs from mat

- if mat doesn't have an even number of columns, raise ValueError

Example:

```
>>> m = np.array([[5,4,2,6,4,2],
                  [7,5,1,0,6,1],
                  [6,7,9,2,3,7],
                  [5,2,4,6,1,3],
                  [7,2,3,4,2,5]])

>>> comprescol(m)
np.array([[ 9,  8,  6],
          [12,  1,  7],
```

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```
[13,11,10],  
[ 7,10, 4],  
[ 9, 7, 7])
```

because

```
9 = 5 + 4      8 = 2 + 6      6 = 4 + 2  
12= 7 + 5      1 = 1 + 0      7 = 6 + 1  
. . .
```

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```
[34]: import numpy as np  
  
def comprescol(mat):  
  
    #EFFICIENT SOLUTION  
    if mat.shape[1] % 2 != 0:  
        raise ValueError("Expected matrix with an even number of columns, got instead  
←%s" % mat.shape[1])  
    n,m = mat.shape[0], mat.shape[1] // 2  
    ret = mat[:,::2].copy()  
    ret += mat[:,1::2]  
    return ret  
  
m1 = [[7,9]]  
res = comprescol(np.array(m1))  
assert type(res) == np.ndarray  
assert np.allclose(res, np.array([[16]]))  
  
m2 = np.array([[5,8],  
               [7,2]])  
assert np.allclose(comprescol(m2), np.array([[13],  
                                              [9]]))  
assert np.allclose(m2, np.array([[5,8],  
                               [7,2]])) # check doesn't MODIFY original matrix  
  
m3 = np.array([[5,4,2,6,4,2],  
               [7,5,1,0,6,1],  
               [6,7,9,2,3,7],  
               [5,2,4,6,1,3],  
               [7,2,3,4,2,5]])  
  
assert np.allclose(comprescol(m3), np.array([[ 9, 8, 6],  
                                              [12, 1, 7],  
                                              [13,11,10],  
                                              [ 7,10, 4],  
                                              [ 9, 7, 7]]))  
  
try:  
    comprescol(np.array([[7,1,6],  
                        [5,2,4]]))  
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
```

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```
except ValueError:
    pass
```

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```
[34]: import numpy as np

def comprescol(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [[7, 9]]
res = comprescol(np.array(m1))
assert type(res) == np.ndarray
assert np.allclose(res, np.array([[16]]))

m2 = np.array([[5, 8],
               [7, 2]])
assert np.allclose(comprescol(m2), np.array([[13],
                                              [9]]))
assert np.allclose(m2, np.array([[5, 8],
                                 [7, 2]])) # check doesn't MODIFY original matrix

m3 = np.array([[5, 4, 2, 6, 4, 2],
               [7, 5, 1, 0, 6, 1],
               [6, 7, 9, 2, 3, 7],
               [5, 2, 4, 6, 1, 3],
               [7, 2, 3, 4, 2, 5]])

assert np.allclose(comprescol(m3), np.array([[ 9,  8,  6],
                                              [12,  1,  7],
                                              [13, 11, 10],
                                              [ 7, 10,  4],
                                              [ 9,  7,  7]]))

try:
    comprescol(np.array([[7, 1, 6],
                        [5, 2, 4]]))
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

## Exercise - revtriang

⊕⊕⊕ Given a square numpy matrix, RETURN a NEW numpy matrix having the same dimensions as the original one, and the numbers in the lower triangular part (excluding the diagonal) in reverse.

- if the matrix is not square, raise ValueError

Example:

```
m = np.array([[ 5, 4, 2, 6, 4],
              [3, 5, 1, 0, 6],
              [6, 4, 9, 2, 3],
              [5, 2, 8, 6, 1],
              [7, 9, 3, 2, 2]])
```

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```
>>> revtriang(m)
np.array([
    [5, 4, 2, 6, 4],           # 3          -> 3
    [3, 5, 1, 0, 6],           # 6, 4      -> 4, 6
    [4, 6, 9, 2, 3],           # 5, 2, 8   -> 8, 2, 5
    [8, 2, 5, 6, 1],           # 7, 9, 3, 2 -> 2, 3, 9, 7
    [2, 3, 9, 7, 2] ])
```

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```
[35]: import numpy as np

def revtriang(mat):

    #EFFICIENT SOLUTION
    n,m = mat.shape
    if n != m:
        raise ValueError("Expected square matrix, got instead n=%s, m=%s" % (n,m))

    ret = mat.copy()

    for i in range(1,n):
        ret[i,:i] = np.flip(mat[i,:i])
    return ret

m1 = np.array([[8]])
assert np.allclose(revtriang(m1), np.array([[8]]))

m3 = np.array([[1,5],
               [9,6]])
assert np.allclose(revtriang(m3), np.array([[1,5],
                                             [9,6]]))

m4 = np.array([[1,5,8],
               [9,6,2],
               [3,2,5]])
assert np.allclose(revtriang(m4), np.array([[1,5,8],
                                             [9,6,2],
                                             [2,3,5]]))
assert np.allclose(m4, np.array([[1,5,8],
                                 [9,6,2],
                                 [3,2,5]])) # shouldn't change the original

m5 = np.array([[5,4,2,6,4],
               [3,5,1,0,6],
               [6,4,9,2,3],
               [5,2,8,6,1],
               [7,9,3,2,2]])
assert np.allclose(revtriang(m5), np.array([[5, 4, 2, 6, 4],
                                             [3, 5, 1, 0, 6],
                                             [4, 6, 9, 2, 3],
                                             [8, 2, 5, 6, 1],
                                             [2, 3, 9, 7, 2]])))
```

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```
try:
    revtriang(np.array([[7,1,6],
                       [5,2,4]]))
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

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```
[35]: import numpy as np

def revtriang(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = np.array([[8]])
assert np.allclose(revtriang(m1), np.array([[8]]))

m3 = np.array([[1,5],
               [9,6]])
assert np.allclose(revtriang(m3), np.array([[1,5],
                                           [9,6]]))

m4 = np.array([[1,5,8],
               [9,6,2],
               [3,2,5]])
assert np.allclose(revtriang(m4), np.array([[1,5,8],
                                            [9,6,2],
                                            [2,3,5]]))

assert np.allclose(m4, np.array([[1,5,8],
                               [9,6,2],
                               [3,2,5]])) # shouldn't change the original

m5 = np.array([[5,4,2,6,4],
               [3,5,1,0,6],
               [6,4,9,2,3],
               [5,2,8,6,1],
               [7,9,3,2,2]])
assert np.allclose(revtriang(m5), np.array([[5, 4, 2, 6, 4],
                                            [3, 5, 1, 0, 6],
                                            [4, 6, 9, 2, 3],
                                            [8, 2, 5, 6, 1],
                                            [2, 3, 9, 7, 2]]))

try:
    revtriang(np.array([[7,1,6],
                       [5,2,4]]))
    raise Exception("I should have failed!")
except ValueError:
    pass
```

### Exercise - walkas

⊕⊕⊕ Given a numpy matrix  $n \times m$  with odd  $m$ , RETURN a numpy array containing all the numbers found along the path of an S, from bottom to top.

**HINT:** can you determine the array dimension right away?

Example:

```
m = np.array([[5,8,2,4,6,5,7],
              [7,9,5,8,3,2,2],
              [6,1,8,3,6,6,1],
              [1,5,3,7,9,4,7],
              [1,5,3,2,9,5,4],
              [4,3,8,5,6,1,5]])
```

must walk, **from bottom to top**:

```
m = np.array([[5,8,2,>,>,>,>],
              [7,9,5,^,3,2,2],
              [6,1,8,^,6,6,1],
              [1,5,3,^,9,4,7],
              [1,5,3,^,9,5,4],
              [>,>,>,>,6,1,5]])
```

To obtain:

```
>>> walkas(m)
array([4., 3., 8., 5., 2., 7., 3., 8., 4., 6., 5., 7.])
```

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```
[36]: import numpy as np

def walkas(mat):

    #EFFICIENT SOLUTION
    n,m = mat.shape
    ret = np.zeros(n + m-1)
    ret[:m//2] = mat[-1,:m//2]
    ret[m//2:m//2+n] = mat[::-1,m//2]
    ret[-m//2:] = mat[0,m//2:]
    return ret

# TEST
m1 = np.array([[7]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m1), np.array([7]))

m2 = np.array([[7,5,2]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m2), np.array([7,5,2]))

m3 = np.array([[9,3,5,6,0]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m3), np.array([9,3,5,6,0]))

m4 = np.array([[7,5,2],
              [9,3,4]])
```

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```

assert np.allclose(walkas(m4), np.array([9,3,5,2]))

m5 = np.array([[7,4,6],
              [8,2,1],
              [0,5,3]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m5), np.array([0,5,2,4,6]))

m6 = np.array([[5,8,2,4,6,5,7],
              [7,9,5,8,3,2,2],
              [6,1,8,3,6,6,1],
              [1,5,3,7,9,4,7],
              [1,5,3,2,9,5,4],
              [4,3,8,5,6,1,5]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m6), np.array([4,3,8,5,2,7,3,8,4,6,5,7]))

```

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```
[36]: import numpy as np

def walkas(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# TEST
m1 = np.array([[7]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m1), np.array([7]))

m2 = np.array([[7,5,2]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m2), np.array([7,5,2]))

m3 = np.array([[9,3,5,6,0]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m3), np.array([9,3,5,6,0]))

m4 = np.array([[7,5,2],
              [9,3,4]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m4), np.array([9,3,5,2]))

m5 = np.array([[7,4,6],
              [8,2,1],
              [0,5,3]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m5), np.array([0,5,2,4,6]))

m6 = np.array([[5,8,2,4,6,5,7],
              [7,9,5,8,3,2,2],
              [6,1,8,3,6,6,1],
              [1,5,3,7,9,4,7],
              [1,5,3,2,9,5,4],
              [4,3,8,5,6,1,5]])
assert np.allclose(walkas(m6), np.array([4,3,8,5,2,7,3,8,4,6,5,7]))
```

### Exercise - walkaz

⊕⊕⊕ Given a numpy matrix  $n \times m$  with odd  $m$ , RETURN a numpy array containing all the numbers found along the path of an Z, from bottom to top.

**HINT:** can you determine the array dimension right away?

Example:

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```
m = np.array([[5, 8, 2, 4, 6, 5, 7],
              [7, 9, 5, 8, 3, 2, 2],
              [6, 1, 8, 3, 6, 6, 1],
              [1, 5, 3, 7, 9, 4, 7],
              [1, 5, 3, 2, 9, 5, 4],
              [4, 3, 8, 5, 6, 1, 5]])
```

deve percorrere, **from bottom to top**:

```
m = np.array([[<, <, <, ^, 6, 5, 7],
              [7, 9, 5, ^, 3, 2, 2],
              [6, 1, 8, ^, 6, 6, 1],
              [1, 5, 3, ^, 9, 4, 7],
              [1, 5, 3, ^, 9, 5, 4],
              [4, 3, 8, ^, <, <, <]])
```

To obtain:

```
>>> walkaz(m)
array([5., 1., 6., 5., 2., 7., 3., 8., 4., 2., 8., 5.])
```

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[37]: `import numpy as np`

```
def walkaz(mat):

    #EFFICIENT SOLUTION
    n,m = mat.shape
    ret = np.zeros(n + m-1)
    ret[:m//2] = mat[-1,-1:m//2:-1]
    ret[m//2:m//2+n] = mat[::-1,m//2]
    ret[-m//2:] = mat[0,m//2::-1]
    return ret

# TEST
m1 = np.array([[7]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m1), np.array([7]))

m2 = np.array([[7,5,2]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m2), np.array([2,5,7]))

m3 = np.array([[9,3,5,6,0]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m3), np.array([0,6,5,3,9]))

m4 = np.array([[7,5,2],
```

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```

        [9,3,4]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m4), np.array([4,3,5,7]))

m5 = np.array([[7,4,6],
              [8,2,1],
              [0,5,3]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m5), np.array([3,5,2,4,7]))

m6 = np.array([[5,8,2,4,6,5,7],
              [7,9,5,8,3,2,2],
              [6,1,8,3,6,6,1],
              [1,5,3,7,9,4,7],
              [1,5,3,2,9,5,4],
              [4,3,8,5,6,1,5]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m6), np.array([5,1,6,5,2,7,3,8,4,2,8,5]))

```

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```
[37]: import numpy as np

def walkaz(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# TEST
m1 = np.array([[7]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m1), np.array([7]))

m2 = np.array([[7,5,2]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m2), np.array([2,5,7]))

m3 = np.array([[9,3,5,6,0]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m3), np.array([0,6,5,3,9]))

m4 = np.array([[7,5,2],
              [9,3,4]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m4), np.array([4,3,5,7]))

m5 = np.array([[7,4,6],
              [8,2,1],
              [0,5,3]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m5), np.array([3,5,2,4,7]))

m6 = np.array([[5,8,2,4,6,5,7],
              [7,9,5,8,3,2,2],
              [6,1,8,3,6,6,1],
              [1,5,3,7,9,4,7],
              [1,5,3,2,9,5,4],
              [4,3,8,5,6,1,5]])
assert np.allclose(walkaz(m6), np.array([5,1,6,5,2,7,3,8,4,2,8,5]))
```

### Continue

- Try doing exercises from [lists of lists<sup>231</sup>](#) using Numpy instead - try making the exercises performant by using Numpy features and functions (i.e. `2 * arr` multiplies all numbers in arr without the need of a slow Python `for`)
- For some nice application, follow [Numpy images tutorial<sup>232</sup>](#) #### ———

### References

- You can find much more details on [Python Data Science Handbook, Numpy part<sup>233</sup>](#)
- [machinelearningplus<sup>234</sup>](#) Has Numpy exercises - (difficulty L1, L2, you can also try L3)

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<sup>231</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrizes-lists/matrizes-lists2-sol.html>

<sup>232</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrizes-numpy/numpy-images-sol.html>

<sup>233</sup> <https://jakevdp.github.io/PythonDataScienceHandbook/02.00-introduction-to-numpy.html>

<sup>234</sup> <https://www.machinelearningplus.com/python/101-numpy-exercises-python/>

## B - DATA ANALYSIS

### 8.1 Data formats

#### 8.1.1 Data formats 1 - introduction

[Download exercises zip](#)

Browse files online<sup>235</sup>

#### Introduction

In these tutorials we will see how to load and write tabular data such as CSV, and we will mention tree-like data such as JSON files. We will also spend a couple of words about opendata catalogs and licenses (creative commons).

In these tutorials we will review main data formats:

Textual formats

- Line files
- CSV (tabular data)
- JSON (tree-like data, just mention)
- Graph formats (relational data)

Binary formats (just mention)

- fogli Excel

We will also mention open data catalogs and licenses (Creative Commons)

#### What to do

1. unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
formats
formats1-lines.ipynb
formats1-lines-sol.ipynb
formats2-csv.ipynb
formats2-csv-sol.ipynb
```

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<sup>235</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/formats>

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```
formats3-json.ipynb  
formats3-json-sol.ipynb  
formats4-graph.ipynb  
formats4-graph-sol.ipynb  
formats5-chal.ipynb  
jupman.py
```

**WARNING:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook formats/formatst1-lines.ipynb
3. Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### Line files

Line files are typically text files which contain information grouped by lines. An example using historical characters might be like the following:

```
Leonardo  
da Vinci  
Sandro  
Botticelli  
Niccolò  
Macchiavelli
```

We can immediately see a regularity: first two lines contain data of Leonardo da Vinci, second one the name and then the surname. Successive lines instead have data of Sandro Botticelli, with again first the name and then the surname and so on.

We might want to do a program that reads the lines and prints on the terminal names and surnames like the following:

```
Leonardo da Vinci  
Sandro Botticelli  
Niccolò Macchiavelli
```

To start having an approximation of the final result, we can open the file, read only the first line and print it:

```
[1]: with open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:  
    line=f.readline()  
    print(line)
```

```
Leonardo
```

What happened? Let's examine first rows:

## open command

The command

```
open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8')
```

allows us to open the text file by telling PYthon the file path 'people-simple.txt' and the encoding in which it was written (`encoding='utf-8'`).

## The encoding

The encoding depends on the operating system and on the editor used to write the file. When we open a file, Python is not capable to divine the encoding, and if we do not specify anything Python might open the file assuming an encoding different from the original - in other words, if we omit the encoding (or we put a wrong one) we might end up seeing weird characters (like little squares instead of accented letters).

In general, when you open a file, try first to specify the encoding `utf-8` which is the most common one. If it doesn't work try others, for example for files written in south Europe with Windows you might check `encoding='latin-1'`. If you open a file written elsewhere, you might need other encodings. For more in-depth information, you can read [Dive into Python - Chapter 4 - Strings<sup>236</sup>](#), and [Dive into Python - Chapter 11 - File<sup>237</sup>](#), **both of which are extremely recommended readings**.

## with block

The `with` defines a block with instructions inside:

```
with open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    line=f.readline()
    print(line)
```

We used the `with` to tell PYthon that in any case, even if errors occur, we want that after having used the file, that is after having executed the instructions inside the internal block (the `line=f.readline()` and `print(line)`) Python must automatically close the file. Properly closing a file avoids to waste memory resources and creating hard to find paranormal errors. If you want to avoid hunting for never closed zombie files, always remember to open all files in `with` blocks! Furthermore, at the end of the row in the part `as f:` we assigned the file to a variable hereby called `f`, but we could have used any other name we liked.

**WARNING:** To indent the code, ALWAYS use sequences of four white spaces. Sequences of 2 spaces. Sequences of only 2 spaces even if allowed are not recommended.

**WARNING:** Depending on the editor you use, by pressing TAB you might get a sequence o f white spaces like it happens in Jupyter (4 spaces which is the recommended length), or a special tabulation character (to avoid)! As much as this annoying this distinction might appear, remember it because it might generate very hard to find errors.

**WARNING:** In the commands to create blocks such as `with`, always remember to put the character of colon `:` at the end of the line !

<sup>236</sup> <https://diveintopython3.problemsolving.io/strings.html>

<sup>237</sup> <https://diveintopython3.problemsolving.io/files.html>

The command

```
line=f.readline()
```

puts in the variable `line` the entire line, like a string. Warning: the string will contain at the end the special character of line return !

You might wonder where that `readline` comes from. Like everything in Python, our variable `f` which represents the file we just opened is an object, and like any object, depending on its type, it has particular methods we can use on it. In this case the method is `readline`.

The following command prints the string content:

```
print(line)
```

⊗ **1.1 EXERCISE:** Try to rewrite here the block we've just seen, and execute the cell by pressing Control+Enter. Rewrite the code with the fingers, not with copy-paste ! Pay attention to correct indentation with spaces in the block.

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```

```
[2]: # write here

with open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    line=f.readline()
    print(line)
```

Leonardo

</div>

```
[2]: # write here
```

Leonardo

⊗ **1.2 EXERCISE:** you might wondering what exactly is that `f`, and what exatly the method `readlines` should be doing. When you find yourself in these situations, you might help yourself with functions `type` and `help`. This time, directly copy paste the same code here, but insert inside `with` block the commands:

- `print(type(f))`
- `help(f)`
- `help(f.readline) # Attention: remember the f. before the readline !!`

Every time you add something, try to execute with Control+Enter and see what happens

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```

```
[3]: # write here the code (copy and paste)
with open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    line=f.readline()
    print(line)
    print(type(f))
    help(f.readline)
    help(f)
```

Leonardo

```
<class '_io.TextIOWrapper'>
Help on built-in function readline:

readline(size=-1, /) method of _io.TextIOWrapper instance
    Read until newline or EOF.

    Returns an empty string if EOF is hit immediately.

Help on TextIOWrapper object:

class TextIOWrapper(_TextIOBase)
|   TextIOWrapper(buffer, encoding=None, errors=None, newline=None, line_
|   buffering=False, write_through=False)
|
|   Character and line based layer over a BufferedIOBase object, buffer.
|
|   encoding gives the name of the encoding that the stream will be
|   decoded or encoded with. It defaults to locale.getpreferredencoding(False).
|
|   errors determines the strictness of encoding and decoding (see
|   help(codecs.Codec) or the documentation for codecs.register) and
|   defaults to "strict".
|
|   newline controls how line endings are handled. It can be None, '',
|   '\n', '\r', and '\r\n'. It works as follows:
|
|       * On input, if newline is None, universal newlines mode is
|         enabled. Lines in the input can end in '\n', '\r', or '\r\n', and
|         these are translated into '\n' before being returned to the
|         caller. If it is '', universal newline mode is enabled, but line
|         endings are returned to the caller untranslated. If it has any of
|         the other legal values, input lines are only terminated by the given
|         string, and the line ending is returned to the caller untranslated.
|
|       * On output, if newline is None, any '\n' characters written are
|         translated to the system default line separator, os.linesep. If
|         newline is '' or '\n', no translation takes place. If newline is any
|         of the other legal values, any '\n' characters written are translated
|         to the given string.
|
|   If line_buffering is True, a call to flush is implied when a call to
|   write contains a newline character.
|
| Method resolution order:
|     TextIOWrapper
|     _TextIOBase
|     _IOBase
|     builtins.object
|
| Methods defined here:
|
|     __getstate__(...)
|
|     __init__(self, /, *args, **kwargs)
|         Initialize self. See help(type(self)) for accurate signature.
```

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|     __next__(self, /)
|         Implement next(self).
|
|     __repr__(self, /)
|         Return repr(self).
|
|     close(self, /)
|         Flush and close the IO object.
|
|         This method has no effect if the file is already closed.
|
|     detach(self, /)
|         Separate the underlying buffer from the TextIOBase and return it.
|
|         After the underlying buffer has been detached, the TextIO is in an
|         unusable state.
|
|     fileno(self, /)
|         Returns underlying file descriptor if one exists.
|
|         OSError is raised if the IO object does not use a file descriptor.
|
|     flush(self, /)
|         Flush write buffers, if applicable.
|
|         This is not implemented for read-only and non-blocking streams.
|
|     isatty(self, /)
|         Return whether this is an 'interactive' stream.
|
|         Return False if it can't be determined.
|
|     read(self, size=-1, /)
|         Read at most n characters from stream.
|
|         Read from underlying buffer until we have n characters or we hit EOF.
|         If n is negative or omitted, read until EOF.
|
|     readable(self, /)
|         Return whether object was opened for reading.
|
|         If False, read() will raise OSError.
|
|     readline(self, size=-1, /)
|         Read until newline or EOF.
|
|         Returns an empty string if EOF is hit immediately.
|
|     reconfigure(self, /, *, encoding=None, errors=None, newline=None, line_
|     buffering=None, write_through=None)
|         Reconfigure the text stream with new parameters.
|
|         This also does an implicit stream flush.
|
|     seek(self, cookie, whence=0, /)
|         Change stream position.

```

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```

|     Change the stream position to the given byte offset. The offset is
|     interpreted relative to the position indicated by whence. Values
|     for whence are:
|
|         * 0 -- start of stream (the default); offset should be zero or positive
|         * 1 -- current stream position; offset may be negative
|         * 2 -- end of stream; offset is usually negative
|
|     Return the new absolute position.
|
| seekable(self, /)
|     Return whether object supports random access.
|
|     If False, seek(), tell() and truncate() will raise OSError.
|     This method may need to do a test seek().
|
| tell(self, /)
|     Return current stream position.
|
| truncate(self, pos=None, /)
|     Truncate file to size bytes.
|
|     File pointer is left unchanged. Size defaults to the current IO
|     position as reported by tell(). Returns the new size.
|
| writable(self, /)
|     Return whether object was opened for writing.
|
|     If False, write() will raise OSError.
|
| write(self, text, /)
|     Write string to stream.
|     Returns the number of characters written (which is always equal to
|     the length of the string).
|
| -----
| Static methods defined here:
|
| __new__(*args, **kwargs) from builtins.type
|     Create and return a new object. See help(type) for accurate signature.
|
| -----
| Data descriptors defined here:
|
| buffer
|
| closed
|
| encoding
|     Encoding of the text stream.
|
|     Subclasses should override.
|
| errors
|     The error setting of the decoder or encoder.
|

```

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```
|     Subclasses should override.  
|  
| line_buffering  
|  
| name  
|  
| newlines  
|     Line endings translated so far.  
|  
|     Only line endings translated during reading are considered.  
|  
|     Subclasses should override.  
|  
| write_through  
|  
| -----  
| Methods inherited from _IOBase:  
|  
| __del__(...)  
|  
| __enter__(...)  
|  
| __exit__(...)  
|  
| __iter__(self, /)  
|     Implement iter(self).  
|  
| readlines(self, hint=-1, /)  
|     Return a list of lines from the stream.  
|  
|     hint can be specified to control the number of lines read: no more  
|     lines will be read if the total size (in bytes/characters) of all  
|     lines so far exceeds hint.  
|  
| writelines(self, lines, /)  
|     Write a list of lines to stream.  
|  
|     Line separators are not added, so it is usual for each of the  
|     lines provided to have a line separator at the end.  
|  
| -----  
| Data descriptors inherited from _IOBase:  
|  
| __dict__
```

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Leonardo

<class '\_io.TextIOWrapper'>  
Help on built-in function readline:

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```
readline(size=-1, /) method of _io.TextIOWrapper instance
    Read until newline or EOF.
```

Returns an empty string if EOF is hit immediately.

Help on TextIOWrapper object:

```
class TextIOWrapper(_TextIOWrapper)
|   TextIOWrapper(buffer, encoding=None, errors=None, newline=None, line_
|   buffering=False, write_through=False)
|
|   Character and line based layer over a BufferedIOBase object, buffer.
|
|   encoding gives the name of the encoding that the stream will be
|   decoded or encoded with. It defaults to locale.getpreferredencoding(False).
|
|   errors determines the strictness of encoding and decoding (see
|   help(codecs.Codec) or the documentation for codecs.register) and
|   defaults to "strict".
|
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|
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|     these are translated into '\n' before being returned to the
|     caller. If it is '', universal newline mode is enabled, but line
|     endings are returned to the caller untranslated. If it has any of
|     the other legal values, input lines are only terminated by the given
|     string, and the line ending is returned to the caller untranslated.
|
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|     translated to the system default line separator, os.linesep. If
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|
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| __init__(self, /, *args, **kwargs)
|     Initialize self. See help(type(self)) for accurate signature.
|
| __next__(self, /)
|     Implement next(self).
|
| __repr__(self, /)
```

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```
|     Return repr(self).
|
| close(self, /)
|     Flush and close the IO object.
|
|     This method has no effect if the file is already closed.
|
| detach(self, /)
|     Separate the underlying buffer from the TextIOBase and return it.
|
|     After the underlying buffer has been detached, the TextIO is in an
|     unusable state.
|
| fileno(self, /)
|     Returns underlying file descriptor if one exists.
|
|     OSError is raised if the IO object does not use a file descriptor.
|
| flush(self, /)
|     Flush write buffers, if applicable.
|
|     This is not implemented for read-only and non-blocking streams.
|
| isatty(self, /)
|     Return whether this is an 'interactive' stream.
|
|     Return False if it can't be determined.
|
| read(self, size=-1, /)
|     Read at most n characters from stream.
|
|     Read from underlying buffer until we have n characters or we hit EOF.
|     If n is negative or omitted, read until EOF.
|
| readable(self, /)
|     Return whether object was opened for reading.
|
|     If False, read() will raise OSError.
|
| readline(self, size=-1, /)
|     Read until newline or EOF.
|
|     Returns an empty string if EOF is hit immediately.
|
| reconfigure(self, /, *, encoding=None, errors=None, newline=None, line_
| buffering=None, write_through=None)
|     Reconfigure the text stream with new parameters.
|
|     This also does an implicit stream flush.
|
| seek(self, cookie, whence=0, /)
|     Change stream position.
|
|     Change the stream position to the given byte offset. The offset is
|     interpreted relative to the position indicated by whence. Values
|     for whence are:
```

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```

|     * 0 -- start of stream (the default); offset should be zero or positive
|     * 1 -- current stream position; offset may be negative
|     * 2 -- end of stream; offset is usually negative
|
|     Return the new absolute position.
|
| seekable(self, /)
|     Return whether object supports random access.
|
|     If False, seek(), tell() and truncate() will raise OSError.
|     This method may need to do a test seek().
|
| tell(self, /)
|     Return current stream position.
|
| truncate(self, pos=None, /)
|     Truncate file to size bytes.
|
|     File pointer is left unchanged.  Size defaults to the current IO
|     position as reported by tell().  Returns the new size.
|
| writable(self, /)
|     Return whether object was opened for writing.
|
|     If False, write() will raise OSError.
|
| write(self, text, /)
|     Write string to stream.
|     Returns the number of characters written (which is always equal to
|     the length of the string).
|
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| Static methods defined here:
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| __new__(*args, **kwargs) from builtins.type
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| Data descriptors defined here:
|
| buffer
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|
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|     Encoding of the text stream.
|
|     Subclasses should override.
|
| errors
|     The error setting of the decoder or encoder.
|
|     Subclasses should override.
|
| line_buffering
|
| name

```

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```

| newlines
|     Line endings translated so far.
|
| Only line endings translated during reading are considered.
|
| Subclasses should override.
|
| write_through
|
| -----
| Methods inherited from _IOBase:
|
| __del__(...)
|
| __enter__(...)
|
| __exit__(...)
|
| __iter__(self, /)
|     Implement iter(self).
|
| readlines(self, hint=-1, /)
|     Return a list of lines from the stream.
|
|     hint can be specified to control the number of lines read: no more
|     lines will be read if the total size (in bytes/characters) of all
|     lines so far exceeds hint.
|
| writelines(self, lines, /)
|     Write a list of lines to stream.
|
|     Line separators are not added, so it is usual for each of the
|     lines provided to have a line separator at the end.
|
| -----
| Data descriptors inherited from _IOBase:
|
| __dict__

```

First we put the content of the first line into the variable `name`, now we might put it in a variable with a more meaningful name, like `name`. Also, we can directly read the next row into the variable `surname` and then print the concatenation of both:

```
[4]: with open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    name=f.readline()
    surname=f.readline()
    print(name + ' ' + surname)
```

```
Leonardo
da Vinci
```

**PROBLEM !** The printing puts a weird carriage return. Why is that? If you remember, first we said that `readline` reads the line content in a string adding to the end also the special newline character. To eliminate it, you can use the

```
command rstrip():
```

```
[5]: with open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    name=f.readline().rstrip()
    surname=f.readline().rstrip()
    print(name + ' ' + surname)
```

Leonardo da Vinci

⊗ **1.3 EXERCISE:** Again, rewrite the block above in the cell below, ed execute the cell with Control+Enter. Question: what happens if you use `strip()` instead of `rstrip()`? What about `lstrip()`? Can you deduce the meaning of `r` and `l`? If you can't manage it, try to use python command `help` by calling `help(string.rstrip)`

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[6]: # write here

with open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    name=f.readline().rstrip()
    surname=f.readline().rstrip()
    print(name + ' ' + surname)
```

Leonardo da Vinci

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```
[6]: # write here
```

Leonardo da Vinci

Very good, we have the first line ! Now we can read all the lines in sequence. To this end, we can use a `while` cycle:

```
[7]: with open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    line=f.readline()
    while line != "":
        name = line.rstrip()
        surname=f.readline().rstrip()
        print(name + ' ' + surname)
        line=f.readline()
```

Leonardo da Vinci

Sandro Botticelli

Niccolò Macchiavelli

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**NOTE:** In Python there are [shorter ways<sup>238</sup>](#) to read a text file line by line, we used this approach to make explicit all passages.

What did we do? First, we added a `while` cycle in a new block

**WARNING:** In new block, since it is already within the external `with`, the instructions are indented of 8 spaces and not 4! If you use the wrong spaces, bad things happen !

<sup>238</sup> <https://thispointer.com/5-different-ways-to-read-a-file-line-by-line-in-python/>

We first read a line, and two cases are possible:

- a. we are at the end of the file (or file is empty) : in this case `readline()` call returns an empty string
- b. we are not at the end of the file: the first line is put as a string inside the variable `line`. Since Python internally uses a pointer to keep track at which position we are when reading inside the file, after the read such pointer is moved at the beginning of the next line. This way the next call to `readline()` will read a line from the new position.

In `while` block we tell Python to continue the cycle as long as `line` is *not* empty. If this is the case, inside the `while` block we parse the name from the line and put it in variable `name` (removing extra newline character with `rstrip()` as we did before), then we proceed reading the next line and parse the result inside the `surname` variable. Finally, we read again a line into the `line` variable so it will be ready for the next round of name extraction. If `line` is empty the cycle will terminate:

```
while line != "":
    name = line.rstrip()           # enter cycle if line contains characters
    surname=f.readline().rstrip()   # parses the name
    print(name + ' ' + surname)    # reads next line and parses surname
    line=f.readline()              # read next line
```

⊕ **1.4 EXERCISE:** As before, rewrite in the cell below the code with the `while`, paying attention to the indentation (for the external `with` line use copy-and-paste):

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[8]: # write here the code of internal while

```
with open('people-simple.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    line=f.readline()
    while line != "":
        name = line.rstrip()
        surname=f.readline().rstrip()
        print(name + ' ' + surname)
        line=f.readline()
```

Leonardo da Vinci  
Sandro Botticelli  
Niccolò Macchiavelli

</div>

[8]: # write here the code of internal while

Leonardo da Vinci  
Sandro Botticelli  
Niccolò Macchiavelli

## people-complex line file

Look at the file `people-complex.txt`:

```
name: Leonardo
surname: da Vinci
birthdate: 1452-04-15
name: Sandro
surname: Botticelli
birthdate: 1445-03-01
name: Niccolò
surname: Macchiavelli
birthdate: 1469-05-03
```

Supposing to read the file to print this output, how would you do it?

```
Leonardo da Vinci, 1452-04-15
Sandro Botticelli, 1445-03-01
Niccolò Macchiavelli, 1469-05-03
```

**Hint 1:** to obtain the string '`abcde`', the substring '`cde`', which starts at index 2, you can use the operator square brackets, using the index followed by colon :

```
[9]: x = 'abcde'
x[2:]
```

```
[9]: 'cde'
```

```
[10]: x[3:]
```

```
[10]: 'de'
```

**Hint 2:** To know the length of a string, use the function `len`:

```
[11]: len('abcde')
```

```
[11]: 5
```

⊗ **1.5 EXERCISE:** Write here the solution of the exercise ‘People complex’:

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[12]: # write here
```

```
with open('people-complex.txt', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    line=f.readline()
    while line != "":
        name = line.rstrip()[len("name: "):]
        surname= f.readline().rstrip()[len("surname: "):]
        born = f.readline().rstrip()[len("birthdate: "):]
        print(name + ' ' + surname + ', ' + born)
        line=f.readline()
```

```
Leonardo da Vinci, 1452-04-15
Sandro Botticelli, 1445-03-01
Niccolò Macchiavelli, 1469-05-03
```

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```
[12]: # write here
```

```
Leonardo da Vinci, 1452-04-15
Sandro Botticelli, 1445-03-01
Niccolò Macchiavelli, 1469-05-03
```

### Exercise - line file immersione-in-python-toc

⊕⊕⊕ This exercise is more challenging, if you are a beginner you might skip it and go on to CSVs

The book Dive into Python is nice and for the italian version there is a PDF, which has a problem though: if you try to print it, you will discover that the index is missing. Without despairing, we found a program to extract titles in a file as follows, but you will discover it is not exactly nice to see. Since we are Python ninjas, we decided to transform raw titles in a [real table of contents](#)<sup>239</sup>. Sure enough there are smarter ways to do this, like loading the pdf in Python with an appropriate module for pdfs, still this makes for an interesting exercise.

You are given the file `immersione-in-python-toc.txt`:

```
BookmarkBegin
BookmarkTitle: Il vostro primo programma Python
BookmarkLevel: 1
BookmarkPageNumber: 38
BookmarkBegin
BookmarkTitle: Immersione!
BookmarkLevel: 2
BookmarkPageNumber: 38
BookmarkBegin
BookmarkTitle: Dichiarare funzioni
BookmarkLevel: 2
BookmarkPageNumber: 41
BookmarkBeginint
BookmarkTitle: Argomenti opzionali e con nome
BookmarkLevel: 3
BookmarkPageNumber: 42
BookmarkBegin
BookmarkTitle: Scrivere codice leggibile
BookmarkLevel: 2
BookmarkPageNumber: 44
BookmarkBegin
BookmarkTitle: Stringhe di documentazione
BookmarkLevel: 3
BookmarkPageNumber: 44
BookmarkBegin
BookmarkTitle: Il percorso di ricerca di import
BookmarkLevel: 2
BookmarkPageNumber: 46
BookmarkBegin
BookmarkTitle: Ogni cosa &#232; un oggetto
BookmarkLevel: 2
BookmarkPageNumber: 47
```

Write a python program to print the following output:

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<sup>239</sup> [http://softpython.readthedocs.io/it/latest/\\_static/toc-immersione-in-python-3.txt](http://softpython.readthedocs.io/it/latest/_static/toc-immersione-in-python-3.txt)

```
Il vostro primo programma Python 38
Immersione! 38
Dichiarare funzioni 41
    Argomenti opzionali e con nome 42
Scrivere codice leggibile 44
    Stringhe di documentazione 44
Il percorso di ricerca di import 46
Ogni cosa è un oggetto 47
```

For this exercise, you will need to insert in the output artificial spaces, in a quantity determined by the rows `BookmarkLevel`

**QUESTION:** what's that weird value `&#232;` at the end of the original file? Should we report it in the output?

**HINT 1:** To convert a string into an integer number, use the function `int`:

```
[13]: x = '5'
```

```
[14]: x
```

```
[14]: '5'
```

```
[15]: int(x)
```

```
[15]: 5
```

**Warning:** `int(x)` returns a value, and never modifies the argument `x`!

**HINT 2:** To substitute a substring in a string, you can use the method `.replace`:

```
[16]: x = 'abcde'
x.replace('cd', 'HELLO' )
```

```
[16]: 'abHELLOe'
```

**HINT 3:** while there is only one sequence to substitute, `replace` is fine, but if we had a milion of horrible sequences like `&gt;`, `&#62;`, `&x3e;`, what should we do? As good data cleaners, we recognize these are [HTML escape sequences<sup>240</sup>](#), so we could use methods specific to sequences like `html.escape241`. Try it instead of `replace` and check if it works!

NOTE: Before using `html.unescape`, import the module `html` with the command:

```
import html
```

**HINT 4:** To write  $n$  copies of a character, use `*` like this:

```
[17]: "b" * 3
```

```
[17]: 'bbb'
```

```
[18]: "b" * 7
```

```
[18]: 'bbbbbbb'
```

**IMPLEMENTATION:** Write here the solution for the line file `immersione-in-python-toc.txt`, and try execute it by pressing Control + Enter:

<sup>240</sup> <https://corsidia.com/materia/web-design/caratterispecialihtml>

<sup>241</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/html.html#html.unescape>

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```
[19]: # write here

import html

with open("immersione-in-python-toc.txt", encoding='utf-8') as f:

    line=f.readline()
    while line != "":
        line = f.readline().strip()
        title = html.unescape(line[len("BookmarkTitle: "):])
        line=f.readline().strip()
        level = int(line[len("BookmarkLevel: "):])
        line=f.readline().strip()
        page = line[len("BookmarkPageNumber: "):]
        print(("    " * level) + title + " " + page)
        line=f.readline()

    Il vostro primo programma Python 38
    Immersione! 38
    Dichiarare funzioni 41
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    Scrivere codice leggibile 44
        Stringhe di documentazione 44
    Il percorso di ricerca di import 46
    Ogni cosa è un oggetto 47
```

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[19]: # write here

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    Immersione! 38
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        Argomenti opzionali e con nome 42
    Scrivere codice leggibile 44
        Stringhe di documentazione 44
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    Ogni cosa è un oggetto 47
```

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Go on with CSV tabular files<sup>242</sup>

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```

<sup>242</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/formats/format2-csv-sol.html>

## 8.1.2 Data formats 2 - CSV files

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There can be various formats for tabular data, among which you surely know Excel (.xls or .xlsx). Unfortunately, if you want to programmatically process data, you should better avoid them and prefer if possible the CSV format, literally 'Comma Separated Value'. Why? Excel format is very complex and may hide several things which have nothing to do with the raw data:

- formatting (bold fonts, colors ...)
- merged cells
- formulas
- multiple tabs
- macros

Correctly parsing complex files may become a nightmare. Instead, CSVs are far simpler, so much so you can even open them with a simple text editor.

We will try to open some CSV, taking into consideration the possible problems we might get. CSVs are not necessarily the perfect solution for everything, but they offer more control over reading and typically if there are conversion problems it is because we made a mistake, and not because the reader module decided on its own to exchange days with months in dates.

### Why parsing a CSV ?

To load and process CSVs there exist many powerful and intuitive modules such as Pandas in Python or R dataframes. Yet, in this notebook we will load CSVs using the most simple method possible, that is reading row by row, mimicking the method already seen in the previous part of the tutorial. Don't think this method is primitive or stupid, according to the situation it may save the day. How? Some files may potentially occupy huge amounts of memory, and in modern laptops as of 2019 we only have 4 gigabytes of RAM, the memory where Python stores variables. Given this, Python base functions to read files try their best to avoid loading everything in RAM. Typically a file is read sequentially one piece at a time, putting in RAM only one row at a time.

**QUESTION 2.1:** if we want to know if a given file of 1000 terabytes contains only 3 million rows in which the word 'ciao' is present, are we obliged to put in RAM *all* of the rows ?

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**ANSWER:** no, it is sufficient to keep in memory one row at a time, and hold the count in another variable

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**QUESTION 2.2:** What if we wanted to take a 100 terabyte file and create another one by appending to each row of the first one the word 'ciao'? Should we put in RAM at the same time all the rows of the first file ? What about the rows of second one?

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**ANSWER:** No, it is enough to keep in RAM one row at a time, which is first read from the first file and then written right away in the second file.

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<sup>243</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/formats>

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### Reading a CSV

We will start with artifical example CSV. Let's look at `example-1.csv` which you can find in the same folder as this Jupyter notebook. It contains animals with their expected lifespan:

```
animal, lifespan
dog, 12
cat, 14
pelican, 30
squirrel, 6
eagle, 25
```

We notice right away that the CSV is more structured than files we've seen in the previous section

- in the first line there are column names, separated with commas: `animal, lifespan`
- fields in successive rows are also separated by commas, : `dog, 12`

Let's try now to import this file in Python:

```
[1]: import csv
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:

    # we create an object 'my_reader' which will take rows from the file
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')

    # 'my_reader' is an object considered 'iterable', that is,
    # if used in a 'for' will produce a sequence of rows from csv
    # NOTE: here every file row is converted into a list of Python strings !

    for row in my_reader:
        print('We just read a row !')
        print(row)  # prints variable 'row', which is a list of strings
        print('')    # prints an empty string, to separate in vertical
```

We just read a row !  
['animal', 'lifespan']

We just read a row !  
['dog', '12']

We just read a row !  
['cat', '14']

We just read a row !  
['pelican', '30']

We just read a row !  
['squirrel', '6']

We just read a row !  
['eagle', '25']

We immediatly notice from output that example file is being printed, but there are square parrenthesis ( [ ] ). What do they mean? Those we printed are *lists of strings*

Let's analyze what we did:

```
import csv
```

Python natively has a module to deal with csv files, which has the intuitive `csv` name. With this instruction, we just loaded the module.

What happens next? As already did for files with lines before, we open the file in a `with` block:

```
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')
    for row in my_reader:
        print(row)
```

For now ignore the `newline=''` and notice how first we specified the encoding

Once the file is open, in the row

```
my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')
```

we ask to `csv` module to create a reader object called `my_reader` for our file, telling Python that comma is the delimiter for fields.

**NOTE:** `my_reader` is the name of the variable we are creating, it could be any name.

This reader object can be exploited as a sort of generator of rows by using a `for` cycle:

```
for row in my_reader:
    print(row)
```

In `for` cycle we employ `letto` to iterate in the reading of the file, producing at each iteration a row we call `row` (but it could be any name we like). At each iteration, the variable `row` gets printed.

If you look closely the prints of first lists, you will see that each time to each row is assigned only one Python list. The list contains as many elements as the number of fields in the CSV.

⊕ **EXERCISE 2.3:** Rewrite in the cell below the instructions to read and print the CSV, paying attention to indentation:

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[2]: #jupman-ourge-output
# write here

import csv
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:

    # we create an object 'my_reader' which will take rows from the file
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')

    # 'my_reader' is an object considered 'iterable', that is,
    # if used in a 'for' will produce a sequence of rows from csv
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    for row in my_reader:
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        print(row)  # prints variable 'row', which is a list of strings
        print('')   # prints an empty string, to separate in vertical
```

```
We just read a row !
['animal', ' lifespan']
```

```
We just read a row !
['dog', '12']
```

```
We just read a row !
['cat', '14']
```

```
We just read a row !
['pelican', '30']
```

```
We just read a row !
['squirrel', '6']
```

```
We just read a row !
['eagle', '25']
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[2]: #jupman-ourge-output
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```

```
We just read a row !
['animal', ' lifespan']
```

```
We just read a row !
['dog', '12']
```

```
We just read a row !
['cat', '14']
```

```
We just read a row !
['pelican', '30']
```

```
We just read a row !
['squirrel', '6']
```

```
We just read a row !
['eagle', '25']
```

⊗⊗ **EXERCISE 2.4:** try to put into `big_list` a list containing all the rows extracted from the file, which will be a list of lists like so:

```
[[['eagle', 'lifespan'],
  ['dog', '12'],
  ['cat', '14'],
  ['pelican', '30'],
  ['squirrel', '6'],
  ['eagle', '25']]]
```

**HINT:** Try creating an empty list and then adding elements with `.append` method

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```
[3]: #jupman-ourge-output
# write here

import csv
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:

    # we create an object 'my_reader' which will take rows from the file
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')

    # 'my_reader' is an object considered 'iterable', that is,
    # if used in a 'for' will produce a sequence of rows from csv
    # NOTE: here every file row is converted into a list of Python strings !

    big_list = []
    for row in my_reader:
        big_list.append(row)
    print(big_list)

[[['animal', 'lifespan'], ['dog', '12'], ['cat', '14'], ['pelican', '30'], ['squirrel', '6'], ['eagle', '25']]
```

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```
[3]: #jupman-ourge-output
# write here

[[['animal', 'lifespan'], ['dog', '12'], ['cat', '14'], ['pelican', '30'], ['squirrel', '6'], ['eagle', '25']]
```

 **EXERCISE 2.5:** You may have noticed that numbers in lists are represented as strings like '12' (note apeces), instead that like Python integer numbers (represented without apeces), 12:

```
We just read a row!
['dog', '12']
```

So, by reading the file and using normal for cycles, try to create a new variable `big_list` like this, which

- has only data, the row with the header is not present
- numbers are represented as proper integers

```
[['dog', 12],
 ['cat', 14],
 ['pelican', 30],
 ['squirrel', 6],
 ['eagle', 25]]
```

**HINT 1:** to jump a row you can use the instruction `next(my_reader)`

**HINT 2:** to convert a string into an integer, you can use for example. `int('25')`

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[4]: #jupman-ourge-output
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```
import csv
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')
    big_list = []
    next(my_reader)
    for row in my_reader:
        big_list.append([row[0], int(row[1])])
print(big_list)

[['dog', 12], ['cat', 14], ['pelican', 30], ['squirrel', 6], ['eagle', 25]]
```

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```
[4]: #jupman-ourge-output
# write here

[[['dog', 12], ['cat', 14], ['pelican', 30], ['squirrel', 6], ['eagle', 25]]]
```

## What's a reader ?

We said that `my_reader` generates a sequence of rows, and it is *iterable*. In `for` cycle, at every cycle we ask to read a new line, which is put into variable `row`. We might then ask ourselves, what happens if we directly print `my_reader`, without any `for`? Will we see a nice list or something else? Let's try:

```
[5]: import csv
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')
    print(my_reader)

<_csv.reader object at 0x7f3a542a0cd0>
```

This result is quite disappointing

⊕ **EXERCISE 2.6:** you probably found yourself in the same situation when trying to print a sequence generated by a call to `range(5)`: instead of the actual sequence you get a `range` object. If you want to convert the generator to a list, what should you do?

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[6]: # write here

import csv
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')
    print(list(my_reader))

[['animal', 'lifespan'], ['dog', '12'], ['cat', '14'], ['pelican', '30'], ['squirrel', '6'], ['eagle', '25']]
```

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```
[6]: # write here

[[{"animal": "lifespan"}, {"dog": "12"}, {"cat": "14"}, {"pelican": "30"}, {"squirrel": "6"}, {"eagle": "25"}]]
```

## Consuming a file

Not all sequences are the same. From what you've seen so far, going through a file in Python looks a lot like iterating a list. Which is very handy, but you need to pay attention to some things. Given that files potentially might occupy terabytes, basic Python functions to load them avoid loading everything into memory and typically a file is read one piece at a time. But if the whole file is loaded into Python environment in one shot, what happens if we try to go through it twice inside the same `with`? What happens if we try using it outside `with`? To find out look at next exercises.

⊕ **EXERCISE 2.7:** taking the solution to previous exercise, try to call `print(list(my_reader))` twice, in sequence. Do you get the same output in both occasions?

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```
[7]: # write here

import csv
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')
    print(list(my_reader))
    print(list(my_reader))

[[{"animal": "lifespan"}, {"dog": "12"}, {"cat": "14"}, {"pelican": "30"}, {"squirrel": "6"}, {"eagle": "25"}]
[]

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```

```
[7]: # write here
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⊕ **EXERCISE 2.8:** Taking the solution from previous exercise (using only one `print`), try down here to move the `print` to the left (removing any spaces). Does it still work ?

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```
[8]: # write here

import csv
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')
# print(list(my_reader))      # COMMENTED, AS IT WOULD RAISE ON ERROR OF CLOSED FILE
# We can't use commands which read the file outside the
# with !
```

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```
[8]: # write here
```

⊗⊗ **EXERCISE 2.9:** Now that we understood which kind of beast `my_reader` is, try to produce this result as done before, but using a *list comprehension* instead of the `for`:

```
[['dog', 12],  
 ['cat', 14],  
 ['pelican', 30],  
 ['squirrel', 6],  
 ['eagle', 25]]
```

- If you can, try also to write the whole transformation to create `big_list` in one row, usinf the function `itertools.islice`<sup>244</sup> to jump the header (for example `itertools.islice(['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E'], 2, None)` first two elements and produces the sequence C D E F G - in our case the elements produced by `my_reader` would be rows)

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[9]: #jupman-ourge-output
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```
import csv  
import itertools  
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:  
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')  
    # write here  
    big_list = [[row[0], int(row[1])] for row in itertools.islice(my_reader, 1, None)]  
    print(big_list)
```

```
[['dog', 12], ['cat', 14], ['pelican', 30], ['squirrel', 6], ['eagle', 25]]
```

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```

```
[9]: #jupman-ourge-output
```

```
import csv  
import itertools  
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:  
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')  
    # write here
```

```
[['dog', 12], ['cat', 14], ['pelican', 30], ['squirrel', 6], ['eagle', 25]]
```

⊗ **EXERCISE 2.10:** Create a file `my-example.csv` in the same folder where this Jupyter notebook is, and copy inside the content of the file `example-1.csv`. Then add a column `description`, remembering to separate the column name from the preceding one with a comma. As column values, put into successive rows strings like `dogs walk`, `pelicans fly`, etc according to the animal, remembering to separate them from lifespan using a comma, like this:

```
dog,12,dogs walk
```

After this, copy and paste down here the Python code to load the file, putting the file name `my-example.csv`, and try to load everything, just to check everything is working:

<sup>244</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/itertools.html#itertools.islice>

```
[10]: # write here
```

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```

**ANSWER:**

```
animal,lifespan,description
dog,12,dogs walk
cat,14,cats walk
pelican,30,pelicans fly
squirrel,6,squirrels fly
eagle,25,eagles fly
```

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⊕ **EXERCISE 2.11:** Not every CSV is structured in the same way, sometimes when we write csvs or import them some tweak is necessary. Let's see which problems may arise:

- In the file, try to put one or two spaces before numbers, for example write down here and look what happens

```
dog, 12,dogs fly
```

**QUESTION 2.11.1:** Does the space get imported?

```
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```

**ANSWER:** yes

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**QUESTION 2.11.2:** if we convert to integer, is the space a problem?

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```

**ANSWER:** no

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**QUESTION 2.11.3** Modify only dogs description from dogs walk to dogs walk, but don't fly and try to reexecute the cell which opens the file. What happens?

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```

**ANSWER:** Python reads one element more in the list

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**QUESTION 2.11.4:** To overcome previous problem, a solution you can adopt in CSVs is to round strings containing commas with double quotes, like this: "dogs walk, but don't fly". Does it work ?

```
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```

**ANSWER:** yes

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### Reading as dictionaries

To read a CSV, instead of getting lists, you may more conveniently get dictionaries in the form of `OrderedDicts`

See Python documentation<sup>245</sup>

**NOTE:** different Python versions give different dictionaries:

- < 3.6: `dict`
- 3.6, 3.7: `OrderedDict`
- ≥ 3.8: `dict`

Python 3.8 returned to old `dict` because in the implementation of its dictionaries the key order is guaranteed, so it will be consistent with the one of CSV headers

```
[11]: import csv
with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as f:
    my_reader = csv.DictReader(f, delimiter=',')    # Notice we now used DictReader
    for d in my_reader:
        print(d)

OrderedDict([('animal', 'dog'), ('lifespan', '12')])
OrderedDict([('animal', 'cat'), ('lifespan', '14')])
OrderedDict([('animal', 'pelican'), ('lifespan', '30')])
OrderedDict([('animal', 'squirrel'), ('lifespan', '6')])
OrderedDict([('animal', 'eagle'), ('lifespan', '25')])
```

### Writing a CSV

You can easily create a CSV by instantiating a `writer` object:

**ATTENTION: BE SURE TO WRITE IN THE CORRECT FILE!**

If you don't pay attention to file names, **you risk deleting data !**

```
[12]: import csv

# To write, REMEMBER to specify the `w` option.
# WARNING: 'w' *completely* replaces existing files !!
with open('written-file.csv', 'w', newline='') as csvfile_out:

    my_writer = csv.writer(csvfile_out, delimiter=',')

    my_writer.writerow(['This', 'is', 'a header'])
    my_writer.writerow(['some', 'example', 'data'])
    my_writer.writerow(['some', 'other', 'example data'])
```

<sup>245</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/csv.html#csv.DictReader>

## Reading and writing a CSV

To create a copy of an existing CSV, you may nest a `with` for writing inside another for reading:

### ATTENTION: CAREFUL NOT TO SWAP FILE NAMES!

When we read and write it's easy to make mistakes and accidentally overwrite our precious data.

#### To avoid issues:

- use explicit names both for output files (es: `example-1-enriched.csv` and `handles` (i.e. `csvfile_out`)
- backup data to read
- always check before carelessly executing code you just wrote !

```
[13]: import csv

# To write, REMEMBER to specify the `w` option.
# WARNING: 'w' *completely* replaces existing files !!
# WARNING: handle here is called *csvfile_out*
with open('example-1-enriched.csv', 'w', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as csvfile_out:
    my_writer = csv.writer(csvfile_out, delimiter=',')

    # Notice how this 'with' is *inside* the outer one:
    # WARNING: handle here is called *csvfile_in*
    with open('example-1.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as csvfile_in:
        my_reader = csv.reader(csvfile_in, delimiter=',')

        for row in my_reader:
            row.append('something else')
            my_writer.writerow(row)
            my_writer.writerow(row)
            my_writer.writerow(row)
```

Let's see the new file was actually created by reading it:

```
[14]: with open('example-1-enriched.csv', encoding='utf-8', newline='') as csvfile_in:
    my_reader = csv.reader(csvfile_in, delimiter=',')

    for row in my_reader:
        print(row)

['animal', ' lifespan', 'something else']
['animal', ' lifespan', 'something else']
['animal', ' lifespan', 'something else']
['dog', '12', 'something else']
['dog', '12', 'something else']
['dog', '12', 'something else']
['cat', '14', 'something else']
['cat', '14', 'something else']
['cat', '14', 'something else']
['pelican', '30', 'something else']
['pelican', '30', 'something else']
['pelican', '30', 'something else']
['squirrel', '6', 'something else']
['squirrel', '6', 'something else']
['squirrel', '6', 'something else']
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```
['eagle', '25', 'something else']
['eagle', '25', 'something else']
['eagle', '25', 'something else']
```

## CSV Botteghe storiche

Usually in open data catalogs like the popular CKAN platform (for example [dati.trentino.it](http://dati.trentino.it)<sup>246</sup>, [data.gov.uk](https://data.gov.uk)<sup>247</sup>, European data portal<sup>248</sup> run instances of CKAN) files are organized in *datasets*, which are collections of *resources*: each resource directly contains a file inside the catalog (typically CSV, JSON or XML) or a link to the real file located in a server belonging to the organization which created the data.

The first dataset we will look at will be ‘Botteghe storiche del Trentino’:

<https://dati.trentino.it/dataset/botteghe-storiche-del-trentino>

Here you will find some generic information about the dataset, of importance note the data provider: Provincia Autonoma di Trento and the license [Creative Commons Attribution v4.0](#)<sup>249</sup>, which basically allows any reuse provided you cite the author.

Inside the dataset page, there is a resource called ‘Botteghe storiche’

<https://dati.trentino.it/dataset/botteghe-storiche-del-trentino/resource/43fc327e-99b4-4fb8-833c-1807b5ef1d90>

At the resource page, we find a link to the CSV file (you can also find it by clicking on the blue button ‘Go to the resource’):

[http://www.commercio.provincia.tn.it/binary/pat\\_commercio/valorizzazione\\_luoghi\\_storici/Albo\\_botteghe\\_storiche\\_in\\_ordine\\_iscrizione\\_9\\_5\\_2019.1557403385.csv](http://www.commercio.provincia.tn.it/binary/pat_commercio/valorizzazione_luoghi_storici/Albo_botteghe_storiche_in_ordine_iscrizione_9_5_2019.1557403385.csv)

Accordingly to the browser and operating system you have, by clicking on the link above you might get different results. In our case, on browser Firefox and operating system Linux we get (here we only show first 10 rows):

```
Numero,Insegna,Indirizzo,Civico,Comune,Cap,Frazione/LocalitÃ ,Note
1,BAZZANELLA RENATA,Via del Lagorai,30,Sover,38068,Piscine di Sover,"generi misti,,
↳bar - ristorante"
2,CONFEZIONI MONTIBELLER S.R.L.,Corso Ausugum,48,Borgo Valsugana,38051,,esercizio
↳commerciale
3,FOTOGRAFICA TRINTINAGLIA UMBERTO S.N.C.,Largo Dordi,8,Borgo Valsugana,38051,,
↳"esercizio commerciale, attivitÃ artigianale"
4,BAR SERAFINI DI MINATI RENZO,,24,Grigno,38055,Serafini,esercizio commerciale
6,SEMBENINI GINO & FIGLI S.R.L.,Via S. Francesco,35,Riva del Garda,38066,,
7,HOTEL RISTORANTE PIZZERIA À€ALLA NAVEÀ€,Via Nazionale,29,Lavis,38015,Nave San
↳Felice,
8,OBRELLI GIOIELLERIA DAL 1929 S.R.L.,Via Roma,33,Lavis,38015,,
9,MACELLERIE TROIER S.A.S. DI TROIER DARIO E C.,Via Roma,13,Lavis,38015,,
10,NARDELLI TIZIANO,Piazza Manci,5,Lavis,38015,,esercizio commerciale
```

As expected, values are separated with commas.

<sup>246</sup> <http://dati.trentino.it/>

<sup>247</sup> <https://data.gov.uk/>

<sup>248</sup> <https://www.europeandataportal.eu/>

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## Problem: wrong characters ??

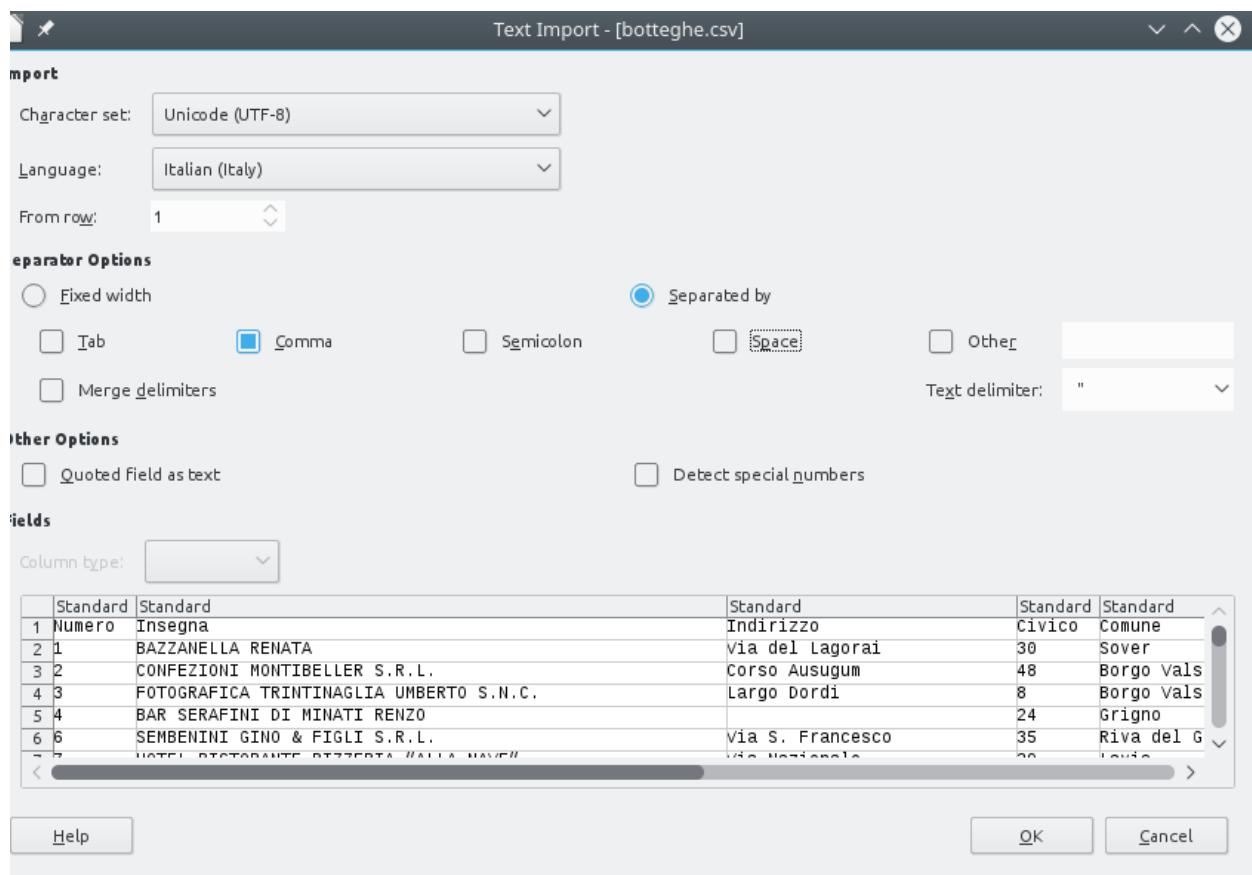
You can suddenly discover a problem in the first row of headers, in the column *Frazione/Località*. It seems last character is wrong, in italian it should show accented like à. Is it truly a problem of the file ? Not really. Probably, the server is not telling Firefox which encoding is the correct one for the file. Firefox is not magical, and tries its best to show the CSV on the base of the info it has, which may be limited and / or even wrong. World is never like we would like it to be ...

⊗ **2.12 EXERCISE:** download the CSV, and try opening it in Excel and / or LibreOffice Calc. Do you see a correct accented character? If not, try to set the encoding to 'Unicode (UTF-8)' (in Calc is called 'Character set').

### WARNING: CAREFUL IF YOU USE Excel!

By clicking directly on File->Open in Excel, probably Excel will try to guess on its own how to put the CSV in a table, and will make the mistake to place everything in a column. To avoid the problem, we have to tell Excel to show a panel to ask us how we want to open the CSV, by doing like so:

- In old Excels, find File-> Import
- In recent Excels, click on tab Data and then select From text. For further information, see copytrans guide<sup>250</sup>
- **NOTE:** If the file is not available, in the folder where this notebook is you will find the same file renamed to botteghe-storiche.csv



<sup>250</sup> <https://www.copytrans.net/support/how-to-open-a-csv-file-in-excel/>

We should get a table like this. Notice how the **Frazione/Località** header displays with the right accent because we selected Character set: Unicode (UTF-8) which is the appropriate one for this dataset:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Numero	Insegna	Indirizzo	Civico	Comune	Cap	Frazione/Località	Note
1	1 BAZZANELLA RENATA	Via del Lagorai	30	Sover	38068	Piscine di Sover	generi misti, bar - ristorante
2	2 CONFEZIONI MONTIBELLER S.R.L.	Corso Ausugum	48	Borgo Valsugana	38051		esercizio commerciale
3	3 FOTOGRAFICA TRINTINAGLIA UMBERTO S.N.C.	Largo Dordi	8	Borgo Valsugana	38051		esercizio commerciale, attività artigianale
4	4 BAR SERAFINI DI MINATI RENZO	Via S. Francesco	24	Grigno	38055	Serafini	esercizio commerciale
5	6 SEMBENINI GINO & FIGLI S.R.L.	Via Nazionale	35	Riva del Garda	38066		esercizio commerciale
6	7 HOTEL RISTORANTE PIZZERIA "ALLA NAVE"	Via Roma	29	Lavis	38015	Nave San Felice	
7	8 OBRELLI GIOIELLERIA DAL 1929 S.R.L.	Via Roma	33	Lavis	38015		
8	9 MACELLERIE TROIER S.A.S. DI TROIER DARIO E C.	Piazza Manci	13	Lavis	38015		
9	10 NARDELLI TIZIANO		5	Lavis	38015		esercizio commerciale

## Botteghe storiche in Python

Now that we understood a couple of things about encoding, let's try to import the file in Python.

If we load in Python the first 5 entries with a csv DictReader and print them we should see something like this:

```
OrderedDict([('Numero', '1'),
            ('Insegna', 'BAZZANELLA RENATA'),
            ('Indirizzo', 'Via del Lagorai'),
            ('Civico', '30'),
            ('Comune', 'Sover'),
            ('Cap', '38068'),
            ('Frazione/Località', 'Piscine di Sover'),
            ('Note', 'generi misti, bar - ristorante'))),
OrderedDict([('Numero', '2'),
            ('Insegna', 'CONFEZIONI MONTIBELLER S.R.L.'),
            ('Indirizzo', 'Corso Ausugum'),
            ('Civico', '48'),
            ('Comune', 'Borgo Valsugana'),
            ('Cap', '38051'),
            ('Frazione/Località', ''),
            ('Note', 'esercizio commerciale'))),
OrderedDict([('Numero', '3'),
            ('Insegna', 'FOTOGRAFICA TRINTINAGLIA UMBERTO S.N.C. '),
            ('Indirizzo', 'Largo Dordi'),
            ('Civico', '8'),
            ('Comune', 'Borgo Valsugana'),
            ('Cap', '38051'),
            ('Frazione/Località', ''),
            ('Note', 'esercizio commerciale, attività artigianale'))),
OrderedDict([('Numero', '4'),
            ('Insegna', 'BAR SERAFINI DI MINATI RENZO'),
            ('Indirizzo', ''),
            ('Civico', '24'),
            ('Comune', 'Grigno'),
            ('Cap', '38055'),
            ('Frazione/Località', 'Serafini'),
            ('Note', 'esercizio commerciale'))),
OrderedDict([('Numero', '6'),
            ('Insegna', 'SEMBENINI GINO & FIGLI S.R.L. '),
            ('Indirizzo', 'Via S. Francesco'),
            ('Civico', '35'),
            ('Comune', 'Riva del Garda'),
            ('Cap', '38066'),
            ('Frazione/Località', ''),
            ('Note', '')])
```

We would like to know which different categories of *bottega* there are, and count them. Unfortunately, there is no specific

field for *Categoria*, so we will need to extract this information from other fields such as `Insegna` and `Note`. For example, this `Insegna` contains the category `BAR`, while the `Note` (*commercial enterprise*) is a bit too generic to be useful:

```
'Insegna': 'BAR SERAFINI DI MINATI RENZO',
'Note': 'esercizio commerciale',
```

while this other `Insegna` contains just the owner name and `Note` holds both the categories `bar` and `ristorante`:

```
'Insegna': 'BAZZANELLA RENATA',
'Note': 'generi misti, bar - ristorante',
```

As you see, data is non uniform:

- sometimes the category is in the `Insegna`
- sometimes is in the `Note`
- sometimes is in both
- sometimes is lowercase
- sometimes is uppercase
- sometimes is single
- sometimes is multiple (`bar - ristorante`)

First we want to extract all categories we can find, and rank them according their frequency, from most frequent to least frequent.

To do so, you need to

- count all words you can find in both `Insegna` and `Note` fields, and sort them. Note you need to normalize the uppercase.
- consider a category relevant if it is present at least 11 times in the dataset.
- filter non relevant words: some words like prepositions, type of company ('S.N.C', S.R.L., ..), etc will appear a lot, and will need to be ignored. To detect them, you are given a list called `stopwords`.

**NOTE:** the rules above do not actually extract all the categories, for the sake of the exercise we only keep the most frequent ones.

To know how to proceed, read the following.

### Botteghe storiche - rank\_categories

Load the file with `csv.DictReader` and while you are loading it, calculate the words as described above. Afterwards, return a list of words with their frequencies.

Do **not** load the whole file into memory, just process one dictionary at a time and update statistics accordingly.

Expected output:

```
[('BAR', 191),
('RISTORANTE', 150),
('HOTEL', 67),
('ALBERGO', 64),
('MACELLERIA', 27),
('PANIFICIO', 22),
('CALZATURE', 21),
('FARMACIA', 21),
```

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```
('ALIMENTARI', 20),
('PIZZERIA', 16),
('SPORT', 16),
('TABACCHI', 12),
('FERRAMENTA', 12),
('BAZAR', 11)]
```

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```
[15]: def rank_categories(stopwords):

    ret = {}
    import csv
    with open('botteghe.csv', newline='', encoding='utf-8') as csvfile:
        reader = csv.DictReader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
        for d in reader:
            words = d['Insegna'].split(" ") + d['Note'].upper().split(" ")
            for word in words:
                if word in ret and not word in stopwords:
                    ret[word] += 1
                else:
                    ret[word] = 1
    return sorted([(key, val) for key, val in ret.items() if val > 10], key=lambda c:c[1], reverse=True)
```

```
stopwords = [
    'S.N.C.', 'SNC', 'S.A.S.', 'S.R.L.', 'S.C.A.R.L.', 'SCARL', 'S.A.S',
    'COMMERCIALE', 'FAMIGLIA', 'COOPERATIVA',
    '-', '&', 'C.', 'ESERCIZIO',
    'IL', 'DE', 'DI', 'A', 'DA', 'E', 'LA', 'AL', 'DEL', 'ALLA', ]
categories = rank_categories(stopwords)
```

```
categories
```

```
[15]: [('BAR', 191),
      ('RISTORANTE', 150),
      ('HOTEL', 67),
      ('ALBERGO', 64),
      ('MACELLERIA', 27),
      ('PANIFICIO', 22),
      ('CALZATURE', 21),
      ('FARMACIA', 21),
      ('ALIMENTARI', 20),
      ('PIZZERIA', 16),
      ('SPORT', 16),
      ('TABACCHI', 12),
      ('FERRAMENTA', 12),
      ('BAZAR', 11)]
```

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```

```
[15]: def rank_categories(stopwords):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

stopwords = [',
```

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```
'S.N.C.', 'SNC', 'S.A.S.', 'S.R.L.', 'S.C.A.R.L.', 'SCARL', 'S.A.S',
↪ 'COMMERCIALE', 'FAMIGLIA', 'COOPERATIVA',
    '- ', '&', 'C.', 'ESERCIZIO',
    'IL', 'DE', 'DI', 'A', 'DA', 'E', 'LA', 'AL', 'DEL', 'ALLA', ]
categories = rank_categories(stopwords)

categories
[15]: [ ('BAR', 191),
      ('RISTORANTE', 150),
      ('HOTEL', 67),
      ('ALBERGO', 64),
      ('MACELLERIA', 27),
      ('PANIFICIO', 22),
      ('CALZATURE', 21),
      ('FARMACIA', 21),
      ('ALIMENTARI', 20),
      ('PIZZERIA', 16),
      ('SPORT', 16),
      ('TABACCHI', 12),
      ('FERRAMENTA', 12),
      ('BAZAR', 11)]
```

## Botteghe storiche - enrich

Once you found the categories, implement function `enrich`, which takes the db and previously computed categories, and WRITES a NEW file `botteghe-enriched.csv` where the rows are enriched with a new field `Categorie`, which holds a list of the categories a particular `bottega` belongs to.

- Write the new file with a `DictWriter`, see [documentation](#)<sup>251</sup>

The new file should contain rows like this (showing only first 5):

```
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '1'),
    ('Insegna', 'BAZZANELLA RENATA'),
    ('Indirizzo', 'Via del Lagorai'),
    ('Civico', '30'),
    ('Comune', 'Sover'),
    ('Cap', '38068'),
    ('Frazione/Località', 'Piscine di Sover'),
    ('Note', 'generi misti, bar - ristorante'),
    ('Categorie', "['BAR', 'RISTORANTE'])])
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '2'),
    ('Insegna', 'CONFEZIONI MONTIBELLER S.R.L.'),
    ('Indirizzo', 'Corso Ausugum'),
    ('Civico', '48'),
    ('Comune', 'Borgo Valsugana'),
    ('Cap', '38051'),
    ('Frazione/Località', ''),
    ('Note', 'esercizio commerciale'),
    ('Categorie', '[]')])
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '3'),
    ('Insegna', 'FOTOGRAFICA TRINTINAGLIA UMBERTO S.N.C.'),
    ('Indirizzo', 'Largo Dordi'),
```

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<sup>251</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/library/csv.html#csv.DictWriter>

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```
('Civico', '8'),
('Comune', 'Borgo Valsugana'),
('Cap', '38051'),
('Frazione/Località', ''),
('Note', 'esercizio commerciale, attività artigianale'),
('Categorie', '[]'))
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '4'),
    ('Insegna', 'BAR SERAFINI DI MINATI RENZO'),
    ('Indirizzo', ''),
    ('Civico', '24'),
    ('Comune', 'Grigno'),
    ('Cap', '38055'),
    ('Frazione/Località', 'Serafini'),
    ('Note', 'esercizio commerciale'),
    ('Categorie', "['BAR'])])
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '6'),
    ('Insegna', 'SEMBENINI GINO & FIGLI S.R.L.'),
    ('Indirizzo', 'Via S. Francesco'),
    ('Civico', '35'),
    ('Comune', 'Riva del Garda'),
    ('Cap', '38066'),
    ('Frazione/Località', ''),
    ('Note', ''),
    ('Categorie', '[]')])
```

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```
[16]: def enrich(categories):

    ret = []

    fieldnames = []
    # read headers
    with open('botteghe.csv', newline='', encoding='utf-8') as csvfile_in:
        reader = csv.DictReader(csvfile_in, delimiter=',')
        d1 = next(reader)
        fieldnames = list(d1.keys()) # otherwise we cannot append

    fieldnames.append('Categorie')

    with open('botteghe-enriched-solution.csv', 'w', newline='', encoding='utf-8') as csvfile_out:
        writer = csv.DictWriter(csvfile_out, fieldnames=fieldnames)
        writer.writeheader()

        with open('botteghe.csv', newline='', encoding='utf-8',) as csvfile_in:
            reader = csv.DictReader(csvfile_in, delimiter=',')
            for d in reader:

                new_d = {key:val for key, val in d.items()}
                new_d['Categorie'] = []
                for cat in categories:
                    if cat[0] in d['Insegna'].upper() or cat[0] in d['Note'].upper():
                        new_d['Categorie'].append(cat[1])

                writer.writerow(new_d)
```

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```
        new_d['Categorie'].append(cat[0])
writer.writerow(new_d)
```

```
enrich(rank_categories(stopwords))
```

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```

```
[16]: def enrich(categories):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

enrich(rank_categories(stopwords))
```

```
[17]: # let's see if we created the file we wanted
# (using botteghe-enriched-solution.csv to avoid polluting your file)
```

```
with open('botteghe-enriched-solution.csv', newline='', encoding='utf-8',) as csvfile_in:
    reader = csv.DictReader(csvfile_in, delimiter=',')
    # better to pretty print the OrderedDicts, otherwise we get unreadable output
    # for documentation see https://docs.python.org/3/library/pprint.html
    import pprint
    pp = pprint.PrettyPrinter(indent=4)
    for i in range(5):
        d = next(reader)
        pp.pprint(d)
```

```
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '1'),
    ('Insegna', 'BAZZANELLA RENATA'),
    ('Indirizzo', 'Via del Lagorai'),
    ('Civico', '30'),
    ('Comune', 'Sover'),
    ('Cap', '38068'),
    ('Frazione/Località', 'Piscine di Sover'),
    ('Note', 'generi misti, bar - ristorante'),
    ('Categorie', "['BAR', 'RISTORANTE'])])
```

```
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '2'),
    ('Insegna', 'CONFEZIONI MONTIBELLER S.R.L.'),
    ('Indirizzo', 'Corso Ausugum'),
    ('Civico', '48'),
    ('Comune', 'Borgo Valsugana'),
    ('Cap', '38051'),
    ('Frazione/Località', ''),
    ('Note', 'esercizio commerciale'),
    ('Categorie', '[]')])
```

```
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '3'),
    ('Insegna', 'FOTOGRAFICA TRINTINAGLIA UMBERTO S.N.C.'),
    ('Indirizzo', 'Largo Dordi'),
    ('Civico', '8'),
    ('Comune', 'Borgo Valsugana'),
    ('Cap', '38051'),
```

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```
('Frazione/Località', ''),
('Note', 'esercizio commerciale, attività artigianale'),
('Categorie', '[]'))
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '4'),
    ('Insegna', 'BAR SERAFINI DI MINATI RENZO'),
    ('Indirizzo', ''),
    ('Civico', '24'),
    ('Comune', 'Grigno'),
    ('Cap', '38055'),
    ('Frazione/Località', 'Serafini'),
    ('Note', 'esercizio commerciale'),
    ('Categorie', "['BAR'])])
OrderedDict([
    ('Numero', '6'),
    ('Insegna', 'SEMBENINI GINO & FIGLI S.R.L.'),
    ('Indirizzo', 'Via S. Francesco'),
    ('Civico', '35'),
    ('Comune', 'Riva del Garda'),
    ('Cap', '38066'),
    ('Frazione/Località', ''),
    ('Note', ''),
    ('Categorie', '[]')])
```

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### 8.1.3 Data formats 3 - JSON

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JSON is a more elaborated format, widely used in the world of web applications.

A json is simply a text file, structured as *a tree*. Let's see an example, extracted from the data Bike sharing stations of Lavis municipality as found on [dati.trentino.it](#) :

- Data source: [dati.trentino.it<sup>254</sup>](#) - Trasport Service of the Autonomous Province of Trento
- License: [CC-BY 4.0<sup>255</sup>](#)

File `bike-sharing-lavis.json`:

```
[{
    "name": "Grazioli",
    "address": "Piazza Grazioli - Lavis",
    "id": "Grazioli - Lavis",
    "bikes": 3,
    "slots": 7,
```

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<sup>252</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/formats/format3-json-sol.html>

<sup>253</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/formats>

<sup>254</sup> <https://dati.trentino.it/dataset/stazioni-bike-sharing-emotion-trentino>

<sup>255</sup> <http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/deed.it>

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```

    "totalSlots": 10,
    "position": [
        46.139732902099794,
        11.111516155225331
    ]
},
{
    "name": "Pressano",
    "address": "Piazza della Croce - Pressano",
    "id": "Pressano - Lavis",
    "bikes": 2,
    "slots": 5,
    "totalSlots": 7,
    "position": [
        46.15368174037716,
        11.106601229430453
    ]
},
{
    "name": "Stazione RFI",
    "address": "Via Stazione - Lavis",
    "id": "Stazione RFI - Lavis",
    "bikes": 4,
    "slots": 6,
    "totalSlots": 10,
    "position": [
        46.148180371138814,
        11.096753997622727
    ]
}
]

```

As you can see, the json format is very similar to data structures we already have in Python, such as strings, integer numbers, floats, lists and dictionaries. The only difference are the json null fields which become None in Python. So the conversion to Python is almost always easy and painless, to perform it you can use the native Python module called `json` by calling the function `json.load`, which interprets the json text file and converts it to a Python data structure:

```
[1]: import json

with open('bike-sharing-lavis.json', encoding='utf-8') as f:
    python_content = json.load(f)

print(python_content)

[{'name': 'Grazioli', 'address': 'Piazza Grazioli - Lavis', 'id': 'Grazioli - Lavis',
    ↪'bikes': 3, 'slots': 7, 'totalSlots': 10, 'position': [46.139732902099794, 11.
    ↪111516155225331]}, {'name': 'Pressano', 'address': 'Piazza della Croce - Pressano',
    ↪'id': 'Pressano - Lavis', 'bikes': 2, 'slots': 5, 'totalSlots': 7, 'position': [46.
    ↪15368174037716, 11.106601229430453]}, {'name': 'Stazione RFI', 'address': 'Via
    ↪Stazione - Lavis', 'id': 'Stazione RFI - Lavis', 'bikes': 4, 'slots': 6, 'totalSlots
    ↪': 10, 'position': [46.148180371138814, 11.096753997622727]}]
```

Notice that what we've just read with the function `json.load` is not simple text anymore, but Python objects. For this json, the most external object is a list (note the square brackets at the file beginning and end). We can check using `type` on `python_content`:

```
[2]: type(python_content)
[2]: list
```

By looking at the JSON closely, you will see it is a list of dictionaries. Thus, to access the first dictionary (that is, the one at zero-th index), we can write

```
[3]: python_content[0]
[3]: {'name': 'Grazioli',
      'address': 'Piazza Grazioli - Lavis',
      'id': 'Grazioli - Lavis',
      'bikes': 3,
      'slots': 7,
      'totalSlots': 10,
      'position': [46.139732902099794, 11.111516155225331]}
```

We see it's the station in Piazza Grazioli. To get the exact name, we will access the 'address' key in the first dictionary:

```
[4]: python_content[0]['address']
[4]: 'Piazza Grazioli - Lavis'
```

To access the position, we will use the corresponding key:

```
[5]: python_content[0]['position']
[5]: [46.139732902099794, 11.111516155225331]
```

Note how the position is a list itself. In JSON we can have arbitrarily branched trees, without necessarily a regular structure (althrough when we're generating a json it certainly helps maintaining a regular data scheme).

## JSONL

There is a particular JSON file type which is called **JSONL**<sup>256</sup> (note the *L* at the end), which is a text file containing a sequence of lines, each representing a valid json object.

Let's have a look at the file `employees.jsonl`:

```
{ "name": "Mario", "surname": "Rossi" }
{ "name": "Paolo", "surname": "Bianchi" }
{ "name": "Luca", "surname": "Verdi" }
```

To read it, we can open the file, separating the text lines and then interpret each of them as a single JSON object:

```
[6]: import json

with open('./employees.jsonl', encoding='utf-8',) as f:
    json_texts_list = list(f)          # converts file text lines into a Python list

# in this case we will have a python content for each row of the original file

i = 0
for json_text in json_texts_list:
    python_content = json.loads(json_text)    # converts json text to a python object
```

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<sup>256</sup> <http://jsonlines.org/>

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```

print('Object ', i)
print(python_content)
i = i + 1

Object 0
{'name': 'Mario', 'surname': 'Rossi'}
Object 1
{'name': 'Paolo', 'surname': 'Bianchi'}
Object 2
{'name': 'Luca', 'surname': 'Verdi'}

```

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**8.1.4 Data formats 4 - Graphs**[Download exercises zip](#)Browse files online<sup>258</sup>**Introduction**

Usual matrices from linear algebra are of great importance in computer science because they are widely used in many fields, for example in machine learning and network analysis. This tutorial will give you an appreciation of the meaning of matrices when considered as networks or, as we call them in computer science, *graphs*. We will also review other formats for storing graphs, such as *adjacency lists* and have a quick look at a specialized library called Networkx.

<sup>257</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/formats/format4-graph-sol.html>

<sup>258</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/format>

## Required libraries

In order for visualizations to work, you need installed the python library `networkx` and `pydot`. `Pydot` is an interface to the non-pyhon package `GraphViz`<sup>259</sup>.

### Anaconda:

From Anaconda Prompt:

1. Install GraphViz:

```
conda install graphviz
```

2. Install python packages:

```
conda install pydot networkx
```

### Ubuntu

From console:

1. Install PyGraphViz (note: you should use apt to install it, pip might give problems):

```
sudo apt-get install python3-pygraphviz
```

2. Install python packages:

```
python3 -m pip install --user pydot networkx
```

## Graph definition

In computer science a *graph* is a set of vertices  $V$  (also called *nodes*) linked by a set of edges  $E$ . You can visualize nodes as circles and links as lines. If the graph is *undirected*, links are just lines, if the graph is *directed*, links are represented as arrows with a tip to show the direction:

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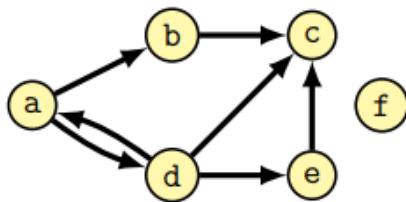
<sup>259</sup> <http://graphviz.org/>

## Directed and undirected graphs: definitions

### Directed graph $G = (V, E)$

- $V$  is a set of **vertexes/nodes**
- $E$  is a set of **edges**, i.e. ordered pairs  $(u, v)$  of nodes

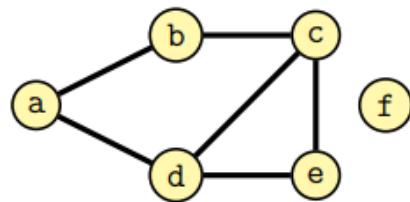
$V = \{ a, b, c, d, e, f \}$   
 $E = \{ (a, b), (a, d), (b, c), (d, a), (d, c), (d, e), (e, c) \}$



### Undirected graph $G = (V, E)$

- $V$  is a set of **vertexes/nodes**
- $E$  is a set of **edges**, i.e. unordered pairs  $[u, v]$  of nodes

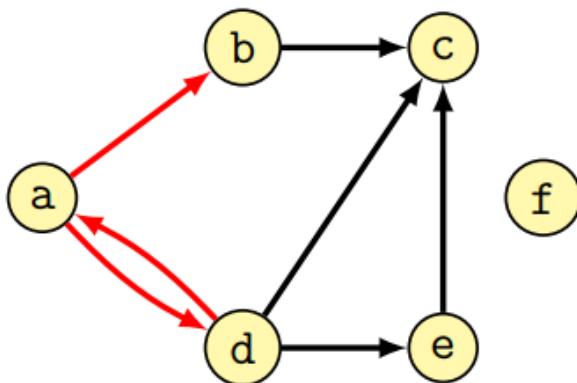
$V = \{ a, b, c, d, e, f \}$   
 $E = \{ [a, b], [a, d], [b, c], [c, d], [d, e], [c, e] \}$



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## Terminology

- Vertex  $v$  is **adjacent** to  $u$  if and only if  $(u, v) \in E$ .
- In an undirected graph, the adjacency relation is symmetric
- An edge  $(u, v)$  is said to be **incident** from  $u$  to  $v$

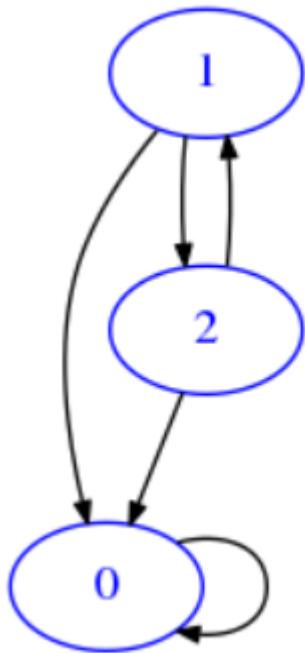


- $(a, b)$  is incident from  $a$  to  $b$
- $(a, d)$  is incident from  $a$  to  $d$
- $(d, a)$  is incident from  $d$  to  $a$
- $b$  is adjacent to  $a$
- $d$  is adjacent to  $a$
- $a$  is adjacent to  $d$

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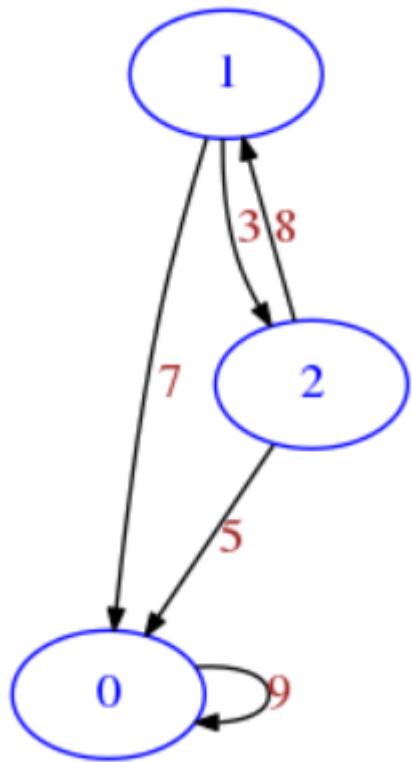
For our purposes, we will consider directed graphs (also called *digraphs*).

Usually we will indicate nodes with numbers going from zero included but optionally they can be labelled. Since we are dealing with directed graphs, we can have an arrow going for example from node 1 to node 2, but also another arrow going from node 2 to node 1. Furthermore, a node (for example node 0) can have a *cap*, that is an edge going to itself:



### Edge weights

Optionally, we will sometimes assign a *weight* to the edges, that is a number to be shown over the edges. So we can modify the previous example. Note we can have an arrow going from node 1 to node 2 with a weight which is different from the weight arrow from 2 to 1:



## Matrices

Here we will represent graphs as matrices, which performance-wise is particularly good when the matrix is *dense*, that is, has many entries different from zero. Otherwise, when you have a so-called *sparse* matrix (few non-zero entries), it is best to represent the graph with *adjacency list*, but we will deal with them later.

If you have a directed graph (digraph) with  $n$  vertices, you can represent it as an  $n \times n$  matrix by considering each row as vertex:

- A row at index  $i$  represents the outward links from node  $i$  to the other  $n$  nodes, with possibly node  $i$  itself included.
- A value of zero means there is no link to a given node.
- In general,  $\text{mat}[i][j]$  is the weight of the edge between node  $i$  to node  $j$

## Visualization examples

We defined a function `soft.draw_mat` to display matrices as graphs (you don't need to understand the internals, for now we won't go into depth about matrix visualizations).

If it doesn't work, see above *Required libraries paragraph*

```
[2]: # PLEASE EXECUTE THIS CELL TO CHECK IF VISUALIZATION IS WORKING

# notice links with weight zero are not shown)
# all weights are set to 1

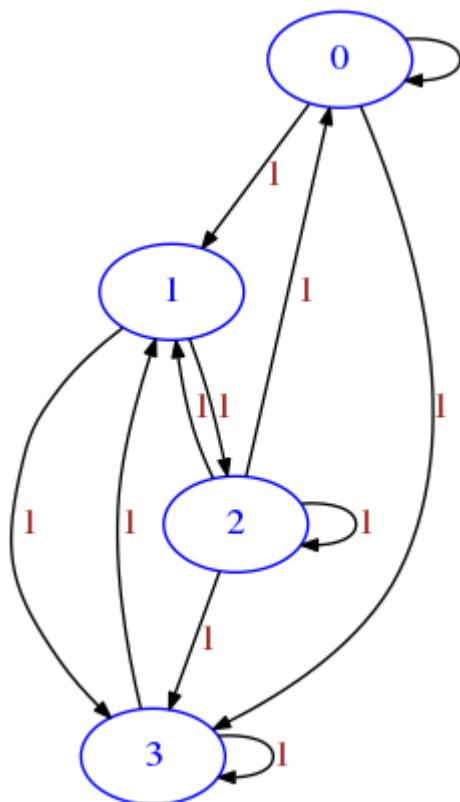
# first need to import this
from soft import draw_mat
```

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```
mat = [
    [1,1,0,1],  # node 0 is linked to node 0 itself, node 1 and node 2
    [0,0,1,1],  # node 1 is linked to node 2 and node 3
    [1,1,1,1],  # node 2 is linked to node 0, node 1, node 2 itself and node 3
    [0,1,0,1]   # node 3 is linked to node 1 and node 3 itself
]

draw_mat(mat)
```



### Saving a graph to an image file

If you want (or if you are not using Jupyter), optionally you can save the graph to a .png file by specifying the `save_to` filepath:

```
[3]: mat = [
    [1,1],
    [0,1]
]
draw_mat( mat, save_to='example.png')

Image saved to file: example.png
```



### Saving a graph to an dot file

You can also save a graph to the original *dot* language of GraphViz:

```
[4]: mat = [
    [1, 1],
    [0, 1]
]
draw_mat( mat, save_to='example.dot')

Dot saved to file: example.dot
```

Note no visualization occurs, as you probably might need this kind of output when GraphViz is not installed in your system and you want to display the file elsewhere.

There are lots of websites that take *.dot* and output images, for example <https://dreampuf.github.io/GraphvizOnline>

We output here the file content, try to copy/paste it in the above website:

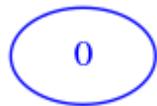
```
[5]: with open('example.dot') as f:
    print(f.read())

digraph {
    scale=3;
    style="dotted, rounded";
    node [color=blue, fontcolor=blue];
    edge [arrowsize="0.6", splines=curved, fontcolor=brown];
    0;
    1;
    0 -> 0 [weight=1, label=1];
    0 -> 1 [weight=1, label=1];
    1 -> 1 [weight=1, label=1];
}
```

## Minimal graph

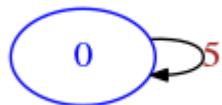
With this representation derived from matrices as we intend them (that is with at least one row and one column), the corresponding minimal graph can have only one node:

```
[6]: minimal = [  
    [0]  
]  
  
draw_mat(minimal)
```



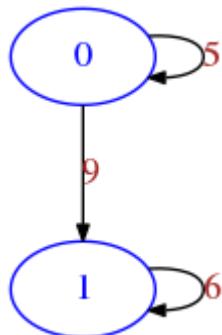
If we set the weight different from zero, the zeroeth node will link to itself (here we put the weight 5 in the link):

```
[7]: minimal = [  
    [5]  
]  
  
draw_mat(minimal)
```



## Graph with two nodes example

```
[8]: m = [  
    [5, 9], # node 0 links to node 0 itself with a weight of 5, and to node 1 with a  
    ↪weight of 9  
    [0, 6], # node 1 links to node 1 with a weight of 6  
  
]  
  
draw_mat(m)
```



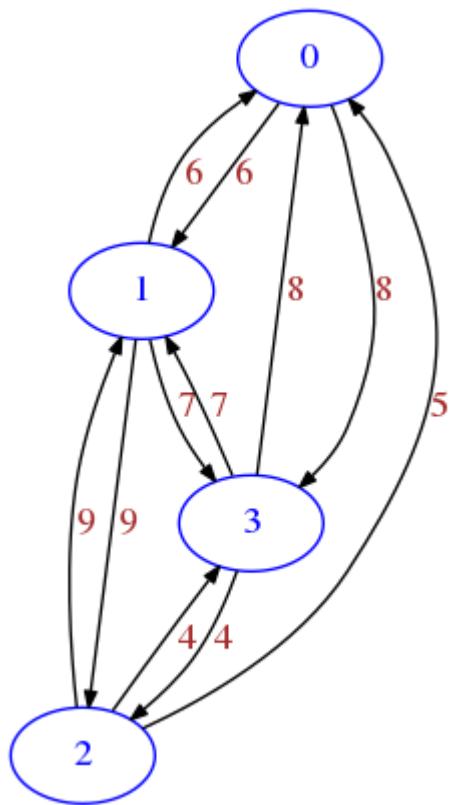
## Distance matrix

Depending on the problem at hand, it may be reasonable to change the weights. For example, on a road network the nodes could represent places and the weights could be the distances. If we assume it is possible to travel in both directions on all roads, we get a matrix symmetric along the diagonal, and we can call the matrix a *distance matrix*. Talking about the diagonal, for the special case of going from a place to itself, we set that street length to 0 (which make sense for street length but could give troubles for other purposes, for example if we give the numbers the meaning ‘is connected’ a place should always be connected to itself)

```
[9]: # distance matrix example
```

```
mat = [
    [0, 6, 0, 8],  # place 0 is linked to place 1 and place 2
    [6, 0, 9, 7],  # place 1 is linked to place 0, place 2 and place 3
    [5, 9, 0, 4],  # place 2 is linked to place 0, place 1 and place 3
    [8, 7, 4, 0]   # place 3 is linked to place 0, place 1 and place 2
]
```

```
draw_mat(mat)
```



More realistic traffic road network, where going in one direction might take actually longer than going back, because of one-way streets and different routing times.

```
[10]:
```

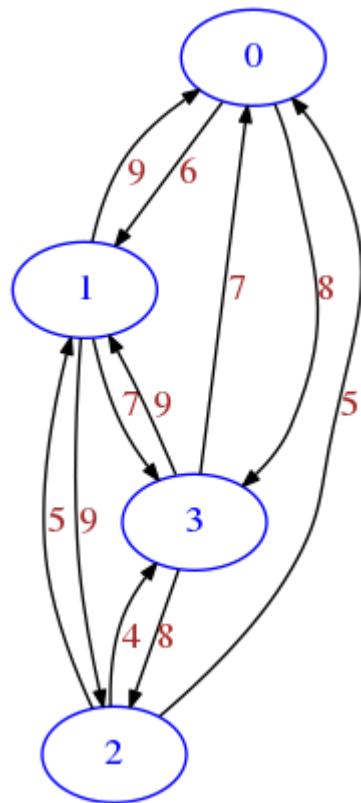
```
mat = [
    [0, 6, 0, 8],  # place 0 is linked to place 1 and place 2
    [9, 0, 9, 7],  # place 1 is linked to place 0, place 2 and place 3
```

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```
[5,5,0,4], # place 2 is linked to place 0, place 1 and place 3
[7,9,8,0] # place 3 is linked to place 0, place 1, place 2
]
```

```
draw_mat(mat)
```



### Boolean matrix example

If we are not interested at all in the weights, we might use only zeroes and ones as we did before. But this could have implications when doing operations on matrices, so some times it is better to use only True and False

```
[11]: mat = [
    [False, True, False],
    [False, True, True],
    [True, False, True],
]

draw_mat(mat)
```



## Matrix exercises

We are now ready to start implementing the following functions. Before even start implementation, for each try to interpret the matrix as a graph, drawing it on paper. When you're done implementing try to use `draw_mat` on the results. Notice that since `draw_mat` is a generic display function and knows nothing about the nature of the graph, sometimes it will not show the graph in the optimal way we humans would use.

### Exercise - line

⊗⊗ This function is similar to `diag`. As that one, you can implement it in two ways: you can use a double `for`, or a single one (much more efficient). What would be the graph representation of `line` ?

RETURN a matrix as lists of lists where node  $i$  must have an edge to node  $i + 1$  with weight 1

- Last node points to nothing
- $n$  must be  $\geq 1$ , otherwise raises `ValueError`

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```
[12]: def line(n):

    if n < 1:
        raise ValueError("Invalid n %s" % n)
    ret = [[0]*n for i in range(n)]
    for i in range(n-1):
        ret[i][i+1] = 1
    return ret

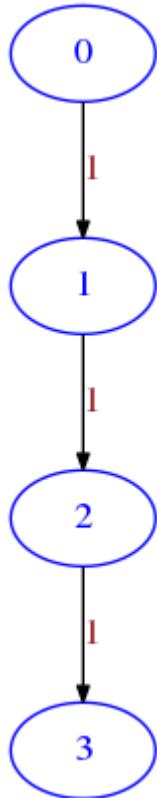
assert line(1) == [ [0] ]
assert line(2) == [ [0,1], [0,0] ]
assert line(3) == [ [0,1,0], [0,0,1], [0,0,0] ]
```

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```
[0,0,0] ]

assert line(4) == [ [0,1,0,0],
                     [0,0,1,0],
                     [0,0,0,1],
                     [0,0,0,0] ]
draw_mat(line(4))
```



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```
[12]: def line(n):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert line(1) == [ [0] ]

assert line(2) == [ [0,1],
                     [0,0] ]
assert line(3) == [ [0,1,0],
                     [0,0,1],
                     [0,0,0] ]

assert line(4) == [ [0,1,0,0],
                     [0,0,1,0],
                     [0,0,0,1],
                     [0,0,0,0] ]
draw_mat(line(4))
```



### Exercise - cross

$\oplus\oplus$  RETURN a  $n \times n$  matrix filled with zeros except on the crossing lines.

- $n$  must be  $\geq 1$  and odd, otherwise a `ValueError` is thrown

Example for  $n=7$  :

```

0001000
0001000
0001000
1111111
0001000
0001000
0001000
  
```

Try to figure out how the resulting graph would look like (try to draw on paper, also notice that `draw_mat` will probably not draw the best possible representation)

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```
[13]: def cross(n):
    if n < 1 or n % 2 == 0:
        raise ValueError("Invalid n %s" % n)
    ret = [[0]*n for i in range(n)]
```

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```
for i in range(n):
    ret[n//2][i] = 1
    ret[i][n//2] = 1
return ret

assert cross(1) == [
    [1]
]
assert cross(3) == [
    [0, 1, 0],
    [1, 1, 1],
    [0, 1, 0]
]

assert cross(5) == [
    [0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
    [0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
    [1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
    [0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
    [0, 0, 1, 0, 0]
]
```

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```
[13]: def cross(n):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert cross(1) == [
    [1]
]
assert cross(3) == [
    [0, 1, 0],
    [1, 1, 1],
    [0, 1, 0]
]

assert cross(5) == [
    [0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
    [0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
    [1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
    [0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
    [0, 0, 1, 0, 0]
]
```

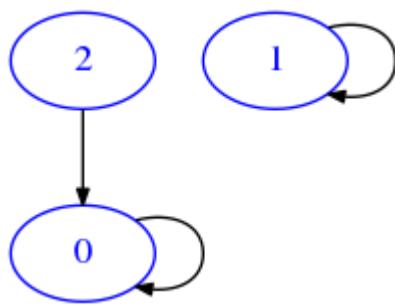
## union

When we talk about the *union* of two graphs, we intend the graph having union of vertices of both graphs and having as edges the union of edges of both graphs. In this exercise, we have two graphs as list of lists with boolean edges. To simplify we suppose they have the same vertices but possibly different edges, and we want to calculate the union as a new graph.

For example, if we have a graph ma like this:

```
[14]: ma = [
    [True, False, False],
    [False, True, False],
    [True, False, False]
]
```

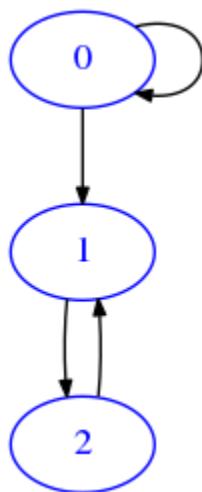
[15]: draw\_mat (ma)



And another mb like this:

[16]: mb = [  
    [True, True, False],  
    [False, False, True],  
    [False, True, False]  
]

[17]: draw\_mat (mb)



The result of calling union (ma, mb) will be the following:

[18]: res = [[True, True, False], [False, True, True], [True, True, False]]

which will be displayed as

[19]: draw\_mat (res)



So we get same vertexes and edges from both `ma` and `mb`

### Exercise - union

$\oplus\oplus$  Takes two graphs represented as  $n \times n$  matrices of lists of lists with boolean edges, and RETURN a NEW matrix which is the union of both graphs

- if `mat a` row number is different from `mat b`, raises `ValueError`

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```
[20]: def union(mat_a, mat_b):

    if len(mat_a) != len(mat_b):
        raise ValueError("mat_a and mat_b have different row number a:%s b:%s!" %
                         (len(mat_a), len(mat_b)))

    n = len(mat_a)

    ret = []
    for i in range(n):
        row = []
        ret.append(row)
        for j in range(n):
            row.append(mat_a[i][j] or mat_b[i][j])
    return ret

try:
    union([[False], [False]], [[False]])
    raise Exception("Shouldn't arrive here !")
except ValueError:
    "test passed"

try:
    union([[False]], [[False], [False]])

```

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```

    raise Exception("Shouldn't arrive here !")
except ValueError:
    "test passed"

ma1 = [ [False] ]
mb1 = [ [False] ]

assert union(ma1, mb1) == [ [False] ]

ma2 = [ [False] ]
mb2 = [ [True] ]

assert union(ma2, mb2) == [ [True] ]

ma3 = [ [True] ]
mb3 = [ [False] ]

assert union(ma3, mb3) == [ [True] ]

ma4 = [ [True] ]
mb4 = [ [True] ]

assert union(ma4, mb4) == [ [True] ]

ma5 = [ [False, False, False],
        [False, False, False],
        [False, False, False] ]
mb5 = [ [True, False, True],
        [False, True, True],
        [False, False, False] ]

assert union(ma5, mb5) == [ [True, False, True],
                           [False, True, True],
                           [False, False, False] ]

ma6 = [ [True, False, True],
        [False, True, True],
        [False, False, False] ]
mb6 = [ [False, False, False],
        [False, False, False],
        [False, False, False] ]

assert union(ma6, mb6) == [ [True, False, True],
                           [False, True, True],
                           [False, False, False] ]

ma7 = [ [True, False, False],
        [False, True, False],
        [True, False, False] ]
mb7 = [ [True, True, False],
        [False, False, True],
        [False, True, False] ]

assert union(ma7, mb7) == [ [True, True, False],
                           [False, True, True],
                           [True, True, False] ]

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```
[20]: def union(mata, matb):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

try:
    union([[False],[False]], [[False]])
    raise Exception("Shouldn't arrive here !")
except ValueError:
    "test passed"

try:
    union([[False]], [[False],[False]])
    raise Exception("Shouldn't arrive here !")
except ValueError:
    "test passed"

ma1 =  [ [False] ]
mb1 =  [ [False] ]

assert union(ma1, mb1) == [ [False] ]

ma2 =  [ [False] ]
mb2 =  [ [True] ]

assert union(ma2, mb2) == [ [True] ]

ma3 =  [ [True] ]
mb3 =  [ [False] ]

assert union(ma3, mb3) == [ [True] ]

ma4 =  [ [True] ]
mb4 =  [ [True] ]

assert union(ma4, mb4) == [ [True] ]

ma5 =  [ [False, False, False],
         [False, False, False],
         [False, False, False] ]
mb5 =  [ [True, False, True],
         [False, True, True],
         [False, False, False] ]

assert union(ma5, mb5) == [ [True, False, True],
                           [False, True, True],
                           [False, False, False] ]

ma6 =  [ [True, False, True],
         [False, True, True],
         [False, False, False] ]
mb6 =  [ [False, False, False],
         [False, False, False],
         [False, False, False] ]

assert union(ma6, mb6) == [ [True, False, True],
                           [False, True, True],
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```
[False, False, False] ]
```

```
ma7 = [ [True, False, False],
        [False, True, False],
        [True, False, False] ]
mb7 = [ [True, True, False],
        [False, False, True],
        [False, True, False] ]

assert union(ma7, mb7) == [ [True, True, False],
                           [False, True, True],
                           [True, True, False] ]
```

## Subgraph

If we interpret a matrix as graph, we may wonder when a graph A is a subgraph of another graph B, that is, when A nodes are a subset of B nodes and when A edges are a subset of B edges. For convenience, here we only consider graphs having the same n nodes both in A and B. Edges may instead vary. Graphs are represented as boolean matrices.

### Exercise - is\_subgraph

⊕⊕ RETURN True if A is a subgraph of B, that is, some or all of its edges also belong to B. A and B are boolean matrices of size nxn.

- If sizes don't match, raises ValueError

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```
[21]: def is_subgraph(mata, matb):
```

```
n = len(mata)
m = len(matb)
if n != m:
    raise ValueError("A size %s and B size %s should match !" % (n,m))
for i in range(n):
    for j in range(n):
        if mata[i][j] and not matb[i][j]:
            return False
return True
```

```
# the set of edges is empty
ma = [ [False] ]
# the set of edges is empty
mb = [ [False] ]
# an empty set is always a subset of an empty set
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True
```

```
# the set of edges is empty
ma = [ [False] ]
# the set of edges contains one element
mb = [ [True] ]
# an empty set is always a subset of any set, so function gives True
```

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```
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True

ma = [ [True] ]
mb = [ [True] ]
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True

ma = [ [True] ]
mb = [ [False] ]
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == False

ma = [ [True, False],
       [True, False] ]
mb = [ [True, False],
       [True, True] ]
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True

ma = [ [False, False, True],
       [True, True, True],
       [True, False, True] ]
mb = [ [True, False, True],
       [True, True, True],
       [True, True, True] ]
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True
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```
[21]: def is_subgraph(mata, matb):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# the set of edges is empty
ma = [ [False] ]
# the set of edges is empty
mb = [ [False] ]
# an empty set is always a subset of an empty set
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True

# the set of edges is empty
ma = [ [False] ]
# the set of edges contains one element
mb = [ [True] ]
# an empty set is always a subset of any set, so function gives True
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True

ma = [ [True] ]
mb = [ [True] ]
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True

ma = [ [True] ]
mb = [ [False] ]
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == False

ma = [ [True, False],
       [True, False] ]
mb = [ [True, False],
       [True, True] ]
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True
```

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```
ma = [ [False, False, True],
       [True, True, True],
       [True, False, True] ]
mb = [ [True, False, True],
       [True, True, True],
       [True, True, True] ]
assert is_subgraph(ma, mb) == True
```

**Exercise - remove\_node**

⊕⊕ Here the function text is not so precise, as it is talking about nodes but you have to operate on a matrix. Can you guess exactly what you have to do ? In your experiments, try to draw the matrix before and after executing `remove_node`

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```
[22]: def remove_node(mat, i):
    """ MODIFIES mat by removing node i.
    """

    del mat[i]
    for row in mat:
        del row[i]

m = [ [3,5,2,5],
      [6,2,3,7],
      [4,2,1,2],
      [7,2,2,6] ]

remove_node(m, 2)

assert len(m) == 3
for i in range(3):
    assert len(m[i]) == 3
```

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```
[22]: def remove_node(mat, i):
    """ MODIFIES mat by removing node i.
    """

    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m = [ [3,5,2,5],
      [6,2,3,7],
      [4,2,1,2],
      [7,2,2,6] ]

remove_node(m, 2)

assert len(m) == 3
for i in range(3):
    assert len(m[i]) == 3
```

### Exercise - utriang

⊕⊕⊕ You will try to create an upper triangular matrix of side n. What could possibly be the graph interpretation of such a matrix? Since draw\_mat is a generic drawing function doesn't provide the best possible representation, try to draw on paper a more intuitive one.

RETURN a matrix of size nxn which is upper triangular, that is, has all nodes below the diagonal 0, while all the other nodes are set to 1

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```
[23]: def utriang(n):

    ret = []
    for i in range(n):
        row = []
        for j in range(n):
            if j < i:
                row.append(0)
            else:
                row.append(1)
        ret.append(row)
    return ret

assert utriang(1) == [ [1] ]
assert utriang(2) == [ [1, 1],
                      [0, 1] ]
assert utriang(3) == [ [1, 1, 1],
                      [0, 1, 1],
                      [0, 0, 1] ]
assert utriang(4) == [ [1, 1, 1, 1],
                      [0, 1, 1, 1],
                      [0, 0, 1, 1],
                      [0, 0, 0, 1] ]
```

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```
[23]: def utriang(n):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert utriang(1) == [ [1] ]
assert utriang(2) == [ [1, 1],
                      [0, 1] ]
assert utriang(3) == [ [1, 1, 1],
                      [0, 1, 1],
                      [0, 0, 1] ]
assert utriang(4) == [ [1, 1, 1, 1],
                      [0, 1, 1, 1],
                      [0, 0, 1, 1],
                      [0, 0, 0, 1] ]
```

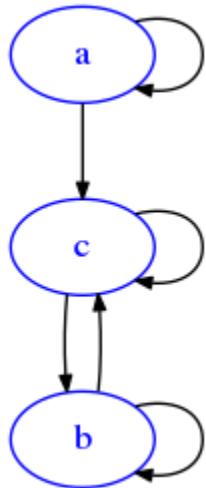
## Edge difference

The *edge difference* of two graphs `ediff(da, db)` is a graph with the edges of the first except the edges of the second. For simplicity, here we consider only graphs having the same vertices but possibly different edges. This time we will try operate on graphs represented as dictionaries of adjacency lists.

For example, if we have

```
[24]: da = {
    'a': ['a', 'c'],
    'b': ['b', 'c'],
    'c': ['b', 'c']
}
```

```
[25]: draw_adj(da)
```



and

```
[26]: db = {
    'a': ['c'],
    'b': ['a', 'b', 'c'],
    'c': ['a']
}
```

```
[27]: draw_adj(db)
```

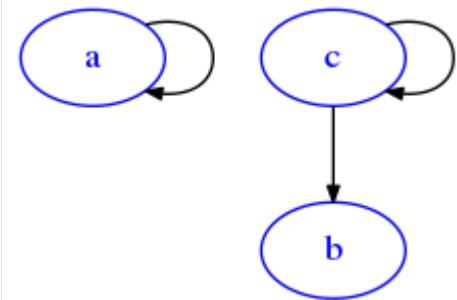


The result of calling `ediff(da, db)` will be:

```
[28]: res = {
    'a': ['a'],
    'b': [],
    'c': ['b', 'c']
}
```

Which can be shown as

```
[29]: draw_adj(res)
```



### Exercise - ediff

⊕⊕⊕ Takes two graphs as dictionaries of adjacency lists da and db, and RETURN a NEW graph as dictionary of adjacency lists, containing the same vertices of da, and the edges of da except the edges of db.

- As order of elements within the adjacency lists, use the same order as found in da.
- We assume all verteces in da and db are represented in the keys (even if they have no outgoing edge), and that da and db have the same keys

EXAMPLE:

```
da = { 'a': ['a', 'c'],
       'b': ['b', 'c'],
       'c': ['b', 'c'] }
```

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```

    }

db = { 'a':['c'],
       'b':['a','b', 'c'],
       'c':['a']
     }

assert ediff(da, db) == { 'a':['a'],
                            'b':[],
                            'c':['b', 'c']
                           }
}

```

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[30]: **def** ediff(da, db):

```

    ret = {}
    for key in da:
        ret[key] = []
        for target in da[key]:
            # not efficient but works for us
            # using sets would be better, see https://stackoverflow.com/a/6486483
            if target not in db[key]:
                ret[key].append(target)
    return ret
}

da1 = { 'a': [] }
db1 = { 'a': [] }

assert ediff(da1, db1) == { 'a': [] }

da2 = { 'a': [] }

db2 = { 'a': ['a'] }

assert ediff(da2, db2) == { 'a': [] }

da3 = { 'a': ['a'] }
db3 = { 'a': [] }

assert ediff(da3, db3) == { 'a': ['a'] }

da4 = { 'a': ['a'] }
db4 = { 'a': ['a'] }

assert ediff(da4, db4) == { 'a': [] }
da5 = { 'a':['b'],
        'b':[]
      }

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```
db5 = { 'a':['b'],
        'b':[] }

assert ediff(da5, db5) == { 'a':[],
                               'b':[]
                             }

da6 = { 'a':['b'],
        'b':[]
      }
db6 = { 'a':[],
        'b':[]
      }

assert ediff(da6, db6) == {
                            'a':['b'],
                            'b':[]
                          }

da7 = { 'a':['a','b'],
        'b':[]
      }
db7 = { 'a':['a'],
        'b':[]
      }

assert ediff(da7, db7) == { 'a':['b'],
                               'b':[]
                             }

da8 = { 'a':['a','b'],
        'b':['a']
      }
db8 = { 'a':['a'],
        'b':['b']
      }

assert ediff(da8, db8) == { 'a':['b'],
                               'b':['a']
                             }

da9 = { 'a':['a','c'],
        'b':['b','c'],
        'c':['b','c']
      }
db9 = { 'a':['c'],
        'b':['a','b','c'],
        'c':['a']
      }

assert ediff(da9, db9) == { 'a':['a'],
                               'b':[],
                               'c':['b','c']
                             }
```

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```
[30]: def ediff(da,db):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

da1 = { 'a': [] }
db1 = { 'a': [] }

assert ediff(da1, db1) == { 'a': [] }

da2 = { 'a': [] }

db2 = { 'a': ['a'] }

assert ediff(da2, db2) == { 'a': [] }

da3 = { 'a': ['a'] }
db3 = { 'a': [] }

assert ediff(da3, db3) == { 'a': ['a'] }

da4 = { 'a': ['a'] }
db4 = { 'a': ['a'] }

assert ediff(da4, db4) == { 'a': [] }
da5 = { 'a':['b'],
        'b':[]
      }
db5 = { 'a':['b'],
        'b':[]
      }

assert ediff(da5, db5) == { 'a':[],
                           'b':[]
                         }

da6 = { 'a':['b'],
        'b':[]
      }
db6 = { 'a':[],
        'b':[]
      }

assert ediff(da6, db6) == { 'a':[],
                           'b':[]
                         }

da7 = { 'a':['a','b'],
        'b':[]
      }
db7 = { 'a':['a'],
        'b':[]
      }
```

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```

assert ediff(da7, db7) == { 'a':['b'],
                             'b':[]
                           }

da8 = { 'a':['a','b'],
        'b':['a']
      }
db8 = { 'a':['a'],
        'b':['b']
      }

assert ediff(da8, db8) == { 'a':['b'],
                             'b':['a']
                           }

da9 = { 'a':['a','c'],
        'b':['b','c'],
        'c':['b','c']
      }

db9 = { 'a':['c'],
        'b':['a','b','c'],
        'c':['a']
      }

assert ediff(da9, db9) == { 'a':['a'],
                             'b':[],
                             'c':['b','c']
                           }

```

### Exercise - pyramid

⊕⊕⊕ The following function requires to create a matrix filled with non-zero numbers. Even if don't know exactly the network meaning, with this fact we can conclude that all nodes are linked to all others. A graph where this happens is called a *clique* (the Italian name is *cricca*)

Takes an odd number  $n \geq 1$  and RETURN a matrix as list of lists containing numbers displaced like this example for a pyramid of square 7:

```

1111111
1222221
1233321
1234321
1233321
1222221
1111111

```

- if  $n$  is even, raises ValueError

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[31]: **def** pyramid(n):

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```

if n % 2 == 0:
    raise ValueError("n should be odd, found instead %s" % n)
ret = [[0]*n for i in range(n)]
for i in range(n//2 + 1):
    for j in range(n//2 +1):
        ret[i][j] = min(i, j) + 1
        ret[i][n-j-1] = min(i, j) + 1
        ret[n-i-1][j] = min(i, j) + 1
        ret[n-i-1][n-j-1] = min(i, j) + 1

ret[n//2][n//2] = n // 2 + 1
return ret

try:
    pyramid(4)
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED!")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert pyramid(1) == [
    [1]
]

assert pyramid(3) == [
    [1,1,1],
    [1,2,1],
    [1,1,1]
]

assert pyramid(5) == [
    [1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
    [1, 2, 2, 2, 1],
    [1, 2, 3, 2, 1],
    [1, 2, 2, 2, 1],
    [1, 1, 1, 1, 1]
]

```

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```
[31]: def pyramid(n):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

try:
    pyramid(4)
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED!")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert pyramid(1) == [
    [1]
]

assert pyramid(3) == [
    [1,1,1],
    [1,2,1],
    [1,1,1]
]
```

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```
[1, 1, 1]
]

assert pyramid(5) == [
    [1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
    [1, 2, 2, 2, 1],
    [1, 2, 3, 2, 1],
    [1, 2, 2, 2, 1],
    [1, 1, 1, 1, 1]
]
```

## Adjacency lists

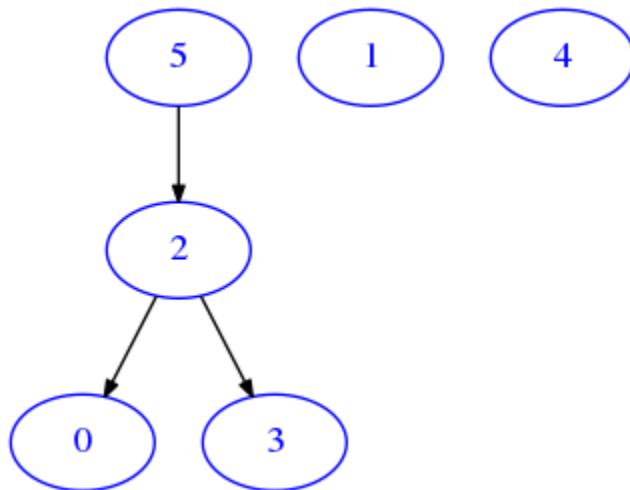
So far, we represented graphs as matrices, saying they are good when the graph is dense, that is any given node is likely to be connected to almost all other nodes - or equivalently, many cell entries in the matrix are different from zero. But if this is not the case, other representations might be needed. For example, we can represent a graph as a *adjacency lists*.

Let's look at this 6x6 boolean matrix:

```
[32]: m = [
    [False, False, False, False, False, False],
    [False, False, False, False, False, False],
    [True, False, False, True, False, False],
    [False, False, False, False, False, False],
    [False, False, False, False, False, False],
    [False, False, True, False, False, False]
]
```

We see just a few True, so by drawing it we don't expect to see many edges:

```
[33]: draw_mat(m)
```



As a more compact representation, we might represent the data as a dictionary of *adjacency lists* where the keys are the node indexes and the to each node we associate a list with the target nodes it points to.

To reproduce the example above, we can write like this:

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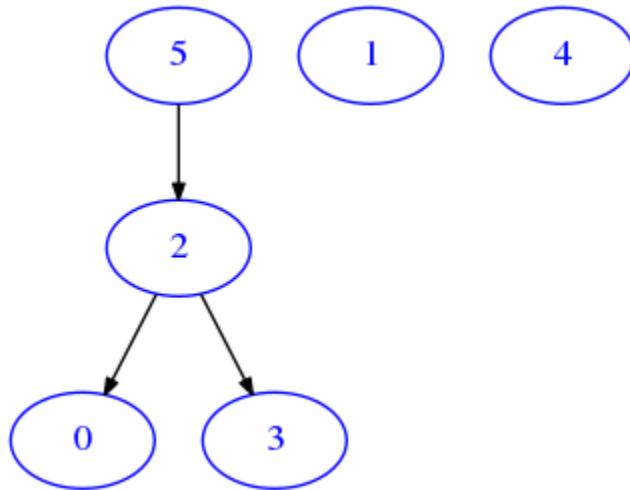
```
d = {
    0: [],      # node 0 links to nothing
    1: [],      # node 1 links to nothing
    2: [0,3],   # node 2 links to node 0 and 3
    3: [],      # node 3 links to nothing
    4: [],      # node 4 links to nothing
    5: [2]      # node 5 links to node 2
}
```

In `soft.py`, we provide also a function `soft.draw_adj` to quickly inspect such data structure:

[35]:

```
from soft import draw_adj

draw_adj(d)
```



As expected, the resulting graph is the same as for the equivalent matrix representation.

### Exercise - mat\_to\_adj

⊕⊕ Implement a function that takes a boolean nxn matrix and RETURN the equivalent representation as dictionary of adjacency lists. Remember that to create an empty dict you have to write `dict()`

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[36]:

```
def mat_to_adj(bool_mat):

    ret = dict()
    n = len(bool_mat)
    for i in range(n):
        ret[i] = []
        for j in range(n):
            if bool_mat[i][j]:
                ret[i].append(j)
    return ret
```

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```
m1 = [ [False] ]  
  
d1 = { 0:[] }  
  
assert mat_to_adj(m1) == d1  
  
m2 = [ [True] ]  
  
d2 = { 0:[0] }  
  
assert mat_to_adj(m2) == d2  
  
  
m3 = [ [False,False],  
        [False,False] ]  
  
d3 = { 0:[],  
        1:[]  
      }  
  
  
assert mat_to_adj(m3) == d3  
  
  
m4 = [ [True,True],  
        [True,True] ]  
  
d4 = { 0:[0,1],  
        1:[0,1]  
      }  
  
  
assert mat_to_adj(m4) == d4  
  
  
m5 = [ [False,False],  
        [False,True] ]  
  
d5 = { 0:[],  
        1:[1]  
      }  
  
  
assert mat_to_adj(m5) == d5  
  
  
m6 = [ [True,False,False],  
        [True, True,False],  
        [False,True,False] ]  
  
d6 = { 0:[0],  
        1:[0,1],  
        2:[1]  
      }  
  
assert mat_to_adj(m6) == d6
```

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```
[36]: def mat_to_adj(bool_mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [ [False] ]

d1 = { 0:[ ] }

assert mat_to_adj(m1) == d1

m2 = [ [True] ]

d2 = { 0:[0] }

assert mat_to_adj(m2) == d2

m3 = [ [False,False],
       [False,False] ]

d3 = { 0:[], 
       1:[]
     }

assert mat_to_adj(m3) == d3

m4 = [ [True,True],
       [True,True] ]

d4 = { 0:[0,1],
       1:[0,1]
     }

assert mat_to_adj(m4) == d4

m5 = [ [False,False],
       [False,True] ]

d5 = { 0:[],
       1:[1]
     }

assert mat_to_adj(m5) == d5

m6 = [ [True,False,False],
       [True, True,False],
       [False,True,False] ]

d6 = { 0:[0],
       1:[0,1],
       2:[1]
     }
```

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```
assert mat_to_adj(m6) == d6
```

### Exercise - mat\_ids\_to\_adj

⊕⊕ Implement a function that takes a boolean nxn matrix and a list of immutable identifiers for the nodes, and RETURN the equivalent representation as dictionary of adjacency lists.

- If matrix is not nxn or ids length does not match n, raise ValueError

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```
[37]: def mat_ids_to_adj(bool_mat, ids):  
  
    ret = dict()  
    n = len(bool_mat)  
    m = len(bool_mat[0])  
    if n != m:  
        raise ValueError('matrix is not nxn !')  
    if n != len(ids):  
        raise ValueError("Identifiers quantity is different from matrix size!")  
    for i in range(n):  
        ret[ids[i]] = []  
        for j in range(n):  
            if bool_mat[i][j]:  
                ret[ids[i]].append(ids[j])  
    return ret  
  
  
try:  
    mat_ids_to_adj([[False, True]], ['a', 'b'])  
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")  
except ValueError:  
    "passed test"  
  
try:  
    mat_ids_to_adj([[False]], ['a', 'b'])  
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")  
except ValueError:  
    "passed test"  
  
m1 = [[False]]  
  
d1 = {'a':[]}  
assert mat_ids_to_adj(m1, ['a']) == d1  
  
m2 = [[True]]  
  
d2 = {'a':['a']}assert mat_ids_to_adj(m2, ['a']) == d2
```

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```

m3 = [ [False, False],
       [False, False] ]

d3 = { 'a':[],
       'b':[]
     }
assert mat_ids_to_adj(m3, ['a', 'b']) == d3

m4 = [ [True, True],
       [True, True] ]

d4 = { 'a':['a', 'b'],
       'b':['a', 'b']
     }

assert mat_ids_to_adj(m4, ['a', 'b']) == d4

m5 = [ [False, False],
       [False, True] ]

d5 = { 'a':[],
       'b':[ 'b' ]
     }

assert mat_ids_to_adj(m5, ['a', 'b']) == d5

m6 = [ [True, False, False],
       [True, True, False],
       [False, True, False] ]

d6 = { 'a':['a'],
       'b':['a', 'b'],
       'c':[ 'b' ]
     }

assert mat_ids_to_adj(m6, ['a', 'b', 'c']) == d6

```

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```
[37]: def mat_ids_to_adj(bool_mat, ids):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

try:
    mat_ids_to_adj([[False, True]], ['a', 'b'])
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

try:
    mat_ids_to_adj([[False]], ['a', 'b'])
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
```

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```
"passed test"

m1 = [ [False] ]

d1 = { 'a':[] }
assert mat_ids_to_adj(m1, ['a']) == d1

m2 = [ [True] ]

d2 = { 'a':[ 'a' ] }
assert mat_ids_to_adj(m2, ['a']) == d2

m3 = [ [False, False],
       [False, False] ]

d3 = { 'a':[], 'b':[] }
assert mat_ids_to_adj(m3, ['a', 'b']) == d3

m4 = [ [True, True],
       [True, True] ]

d4 = { 'a':[ 'a', 'b' ],
       'b':[ 'a', 'b' ] }

assert mat_ids_to_adj(m4, ['a', 'b']) == d4

m5 = [ [False, False],
       [False, True] ]

d5 = { 'a':[], 'b':[ 'b' ] }

assert mat_ids_to_adj(m5, ['a', 'b']) == d5

m6 = [ [True, False, False],
       [True, True, False],
       [False, True, False] ]

d6 = { 'a':[ 'a' ],
       'b':[ 'a', 'b' ],
       'c':[ 'b' ] }

assert mat_ids_to_adj(m6, ['a', 'b', 'c']) == d6
```

## Exercise - adj\_to\_mat

Try now conversion from dictionary of adjacency list to matrix (this is a bit hard).

To solve this, the general idea is that you have to fill an nxn matrix to return. During the filling of a cell at row  $i$  and column  $j$ , you have to decide whether to put a `True` or a `False`. You should put `True` if in the `d` list value corresponding to the  $i$ -th key, there is contained a number equal to  $j$ . Otherwise, you should put `False`.

If you look at the tests, as inputs we are passing `OrderedDict`. The reason is that when we check the output matrix of your function, we want to be sure the matrix rows are ordered in a certain way.

But you have to assume `d` can contain arbitrary ids with no precise ordering, so:

1. first you should scan the dictionary and lists to save the mapping between indexes to ids in a separate list

**NOTE:** `d.keys()` is not exactly a list (does not allow access by index), so you must convert to list with this: `list(d.keys())`

2. then you should build the matrix to return, using the previously built list when needed.

⊕⊕⊕ Now implement a function that takes a dictionary of adjacency lists with arbitrary ids and RETURN its representation as an nxn boolean matrix

- assume all nodes are present as keys
- assume `d` is a simple dictionary (not necessarily an `OrderedDict`)

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```
[38]: def adj_to_mat(d):

    ret = []
    n = len(d)
    ids_to_row_indexes = dict()
    # first maps row indexes to keys
    row_indexes_to_ids = list(d.keys()) # because d.keys() is *not* indexable !
    i = 0
    for key in d:
        row = []
        ret.append(row)
        for j in range(n):
            if row_indexes_to_ids[j] in d[key]:
                row.append(True)
            else:
                row.append(False)
        i += 1
    return ret

from collections import OrderedDict
od1 = OrderedDict([ ('a',[]) ])
m1 = [ [False] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od1) == m1

od2 = OrderedDict([ ('a',['a']) ])
m2 = [ [True] ]

assert adj_to_mat(od2) == m2

od3 = OrderedDict([ ('a',['a','b']),
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```
('b', ['a', 'b']) ])
m3 = [ [True, True],
       [True, True] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od3) == m3

od4 = OrderedDict([ ('a', []),
                   ('b', []) ])

m4 = [ [False, False],
       [False, False] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od4) == m4

od5 = OrderedDict([ ('a', ['a']),
                   ('b', ['a', 'b']) ])

m5 = [ [True, False],
       [True, True] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od5) == m5

od6 = OrderedDict([ ('a', ['a', 'c']),
                   ('b', ['c']),
                   ('c', ['a', 'b']) ])
m6 = [ [True, False, True],
       [False, False, True],
       [True, True, False] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od6) == m6
```

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```
[38]: def adj_to_mat(d):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

from collections import OrderedDict
od1 = OrderedDict([ ('a', []) ])
m1 = [ [False] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od1) == m1

od2 = OrderedDict([ ('a', ['a']) ])
m2 = [ [True] ]

assert adj_to_mat(od2) == m2

od3 = OrderedDict([ ('a', ['a', 'b']),
                   ('b', ['a', 'b']) ])
m3 = [ [True, True],
       [True, True] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od3) == m3

od4 = OrderedDict([ ('a', []),
                   ('b', []) ])

m4 = [ [False, False],
       [False, False] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od4) == m4

od5 = OrderedDict([ ('a', ['a']),
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```
('b', ['a', 'b']) ])
```

```
m5 = [ [True, False],
        [True, True] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od5) == m5
```

```
od6 = OrderedDict([ ('a', ['a', 'c']),
                    ('b', ['c']),
                    ('c', ['a', 'b']) ])
m6 = [ [True, False, True],
        [False, False, True],
        [True, True, False] ]
assert adj_to_mat(od6) == m6
```

### Exercise - table\_to\_adj

Suppose you have a table expressed as a list of lists with headers like this:

```
[39]: m0 = [
    ['Identifier', 'Price', 'Quantity'],
    ['a', 1, 1],
    ['b', 5, 8],
    ['c', 2, 6],
    ['d', 8, 5],
    ['e', 7, 3]
]
```

where a, b, c etc are the row identifiers (imagine they represent items in a store), Price and Quantity are properties they might have. **NOTE:** here we put two properties, but they might have n properties !

We want to transform such table into a graph-like format as a dictionary of lists, which relates store items as keys to the properties they might have. To include in the list both the property identifier and its value, we will use tuples. So you need to write a function that transforms the above input into this:

```
[40]: res0 = {
    'a': [('Price', 1), ('Quantity', 1)],
    'b': [('Price', 5), ('Quantity', 8)],
    'c': [('Price', 2), ('Quantity', 6)],
    'd': [('Price', 8), ('Quantity', 5)],
    'e': [('Price', 7), ('Quantity', 3)]
}
```

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```
[41]: def table_to_adj(table):

    ret = {}
    headers = table[0]

    for row in table[1:]:
        lst = []
        for j in range(1, len(row)):
```

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```
        lst.append((headers[j], row[j]))
    ret[row[0]] = lst
    return ret

m0 = [ ['I', 'P', 'Q'] ]
res0 = {}

assert res0 == table_to_adj(m0)

m1 = [
        ['Identifier', 'Price', 'Quantity'],
        ['a', 1, 1],
        ['b', 5, 8],
        ['c', 2, 6],
        ['d', 8, 5],
        ['e', 7, 3]
    ]
res1 = {
        'a': [ ('Price', 1), ('Quantity', 1) ],
        'b': [ ('Price', 5), ('Quantity', 8) ],
        'c': [ ('Price', 2), ('Quantity', 6) ],
        'd': [ ('Price', 8), ('Quantity', 5) ],
        'e': [ ('Price', 7), ('Quantity', 3) ]
    }

assert res1 == table_to_adj(m1)

m2 = [
        ['I', 'P', 'Q'],
        ['a', 'x', 'y'],
        ['b', 'w', 'z'],
        ['c', 'z', 'x'],
        ['d', 'w', 'w'],
        ['e', 'y', 'x']
    ]
res2 = {
        'a': [ ('P', 'x'), ('Q', 'y') ],
        'b': [ ('P', 'w'), ('Q', 'z') ],
        'c': [ ('P', 'z'), ('Q', 'x') ],
        'd': [ ('P', 'w'), ('Q', 'w') ],
        'e': [ ('P', 'y'), ('Q', 'x') ]
    }

assert res2 == table_to_adj(m2)

m3 = [
        ['I', 'P', 'Q', 'R'],
        ['a', 'x', 'y', 'x'],
        ['b', 'z', 'x', 'y'],
    ]
res3 = {
        'a': [ ('P', 'x'), ('Q', 'y'), ('R', 'x') ],
        'b': [ ('P', 'z'), ('Q', 'x'), ('R', 'y') ],
    }
```

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```
assert res3 == table_to_adj(m3)
```

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```
[41]: def table_to_adj(table):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m0 = [ ['I', 'P', 'Q'] ]
res0 = {}

assert res0 == table_to_adj(m0)

m1 = [
    ['Identifier', 'Price', 'Quantity'],
    ['a', 1, 1],
    ['b', 5, 8],
    ['c', 2, 6],
    ['d', 8, 5],
    ['e', 7, 3]
]
res1 = {
    'a':[['Price', 1], ['Quantity', 1]],
    'b':[['Price', 5], ['Quantity', 8]],
    'c':[['Price', 2], ['Quantity', 6]],
    'd':[['Price', 8], ['Quantity', 5]],
    'e':[['Price', 7], ['Quantity', 3]]
}

assert res1 == table_to_adj(m1)

m2 = [
    ['I', 'P', 'Q'],
    ['a', 'x', 'y'],
    ['b', 'w', 'z'],
    ['c', 'z', 'x'],
    ['d', 'w', 'w'],
    ['e', 'y', 'x']
]
res2 = {
    'a':[['P', 'x'], ['Q', 'y']],
    'b':[['P', 'w'], ['Q', 'z']],
    'c':[['P', 'z'], ['Q', 'x']],
    'd':[['P', 'w'], ['Q', 'w']],
    'e':[['P', 'y'], ['Q', 'x']]
}

assert res2 == table_to_adj(m2)

m3 = [
    ['I', 'P', 'Q', 'R'],
    ['a', 'x', 'y', 'x'],
    ['b', 'z', 'x', 'y'],
]
```

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```
res3 = {
    'a': [ ('P', 'x'), ('Q', 'y'), ('R', 'x') ],
    'b': [ ('P', 'z'), ('Q', 'x'), ('R', 'y') ],
}

assert res3 == table_to_adj(m3)
```

## Networkx

Before continuing, make sure to have installed the *required libraries*

Networkx is a library to perform statistics on networks. For now, it will offer us a richer data structure where we can store the properties we want in nodes and also edges.

You can initialize networkx objects with the dictionary of adjacency lists we've already seen:

```
[42]: import networkx as nx

# notice with networkx if nodes are already referenced to in an adjacency list
# you do not need to put them as keys:

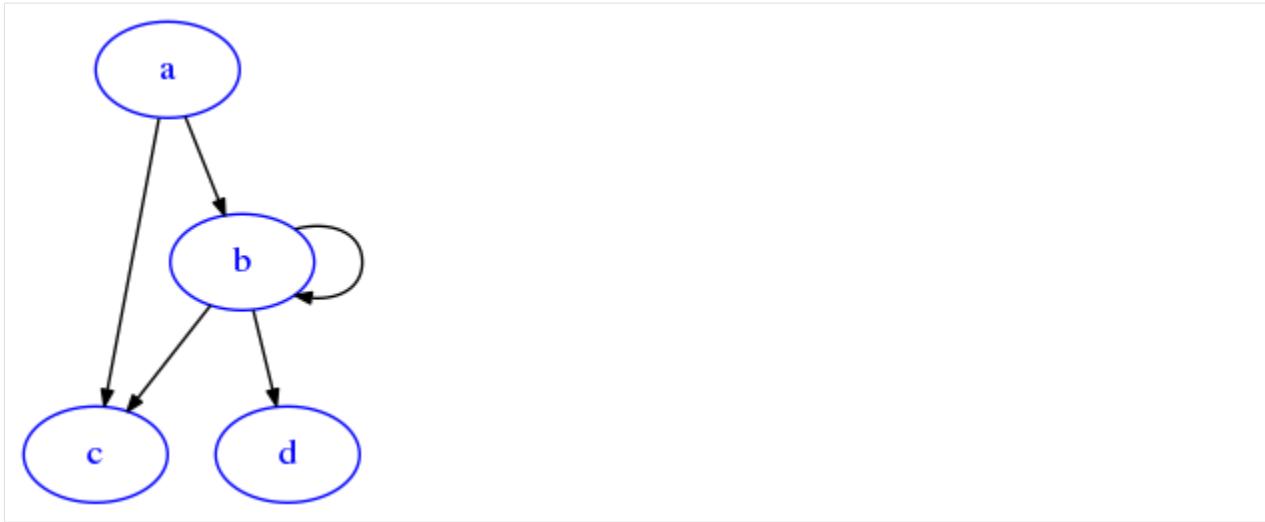
G=nx.DiGraph({
    'a':['b','c'],           # node a links to b and c
    'b':['b','c', 'd']       # node b links to b itself, c and d
})
```

The resulting object is not a simple dict, but something more complex:

```
[43]: G
[43]: <networkx.classes.digraph.DiGraph at 0x7fd92a192dd0>
```

To display it in a way uniform with the rest of the course, we developed a function called `soft.draw_nx`:

```
[44]: from soft import draw_nx
[45]: draw_nx(G)
```



From the picture above, we notice there are no weights displayed, because in networkx they are just considered optional attributes of edges.

To see all the attributes of an edge, you can write like this:

```
[46]: G['a']['b']  
[46]: {}
```

This graph has no attributes for the node, so we get back an empty dict. If we wanted to add a weight of 123 to that particular a - b edge, you could write like this:

```
[47]: G['a']['b']['weight'] = 123  
  
[48]: G['a']['b']  
[48]: {'weight': 123}
```

Let's try to display it:

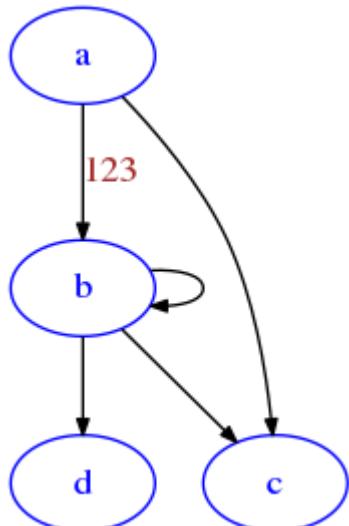
```
[49]: draw_nx(G)
```



We still don't see the weight as weight can be one of many properties: the only thing that gets displayed is the property `label`. So let's set `label` equal to the weight:

```
[50]: G['a']['b']['label'] = 123
```

```
[51]: draw_nx(G)
```



## Fancy networkx graphs

With networkx we can set additional attributes to embellish the resulting graph, here we show a bus network example.

```
[52]: G = nx.DiGraph()

# we can force horizontal layout like this:

G.graph['graph'] = {
    'rankdir': 'LR',
}

# When we add nodes, we can identify them with an identifier like the
# stop_id which is separate from the label, for example in some unfortunate
# case two different stops can share the same label.

G.add_node('1', label='Trento',
           color='orange', fontcolor='black')
G.add_node('723', label='Rovereto',
           color='black', fontcolor='black')
G.add_node('870', label='Arco',
           color='black', fontcolor='black')
G.add_node('1180', label='Riva',
           color='black', fontcolor='blue')

# IMPORTANT: edges connect stop_ids , NOT labels !!!!
G.add_edge('870', '1')
G.add_edge('723', '1')
```

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```
G.add_edge('1','1180')

# we can retrieve an edge like this:

edge = G['1']['1180']

# and set attributes, like these:

edge['weight'] = 5                      # the actual weight (not shown!)

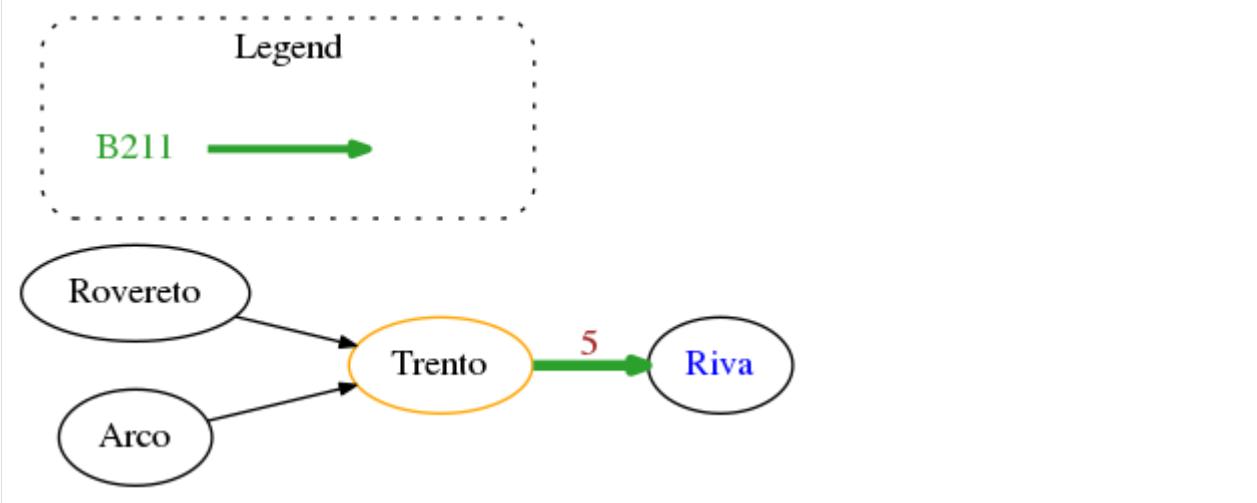
edge['label'] = str(5)                    # the label is a string

edge['color'] = '#2ca02c'                 # we can set some style for the edge, such as color
edge['penwidth']= 4                       # and thickness

edge['route_short_name'] = 'B301' # we can add any attribute we want,
                                  # Note these custom ones won't show in the graph

legend = [ {'label': 'B211', 'color': '#2ca02c'} ]

draw_nx(G, legend)
```



## Converting networkx graphs

If you try to just output the string representation of the graph, networkx will give the empty string:

```
[53]: print(G)
[54]: str(G)
[54]: ''
[55]: repr(G)
[55]: '<networkx.classes.digraph.DiGraph object at 0x7fd92a149090>'
```

To convert to the dict of adjacency lists we know, you can use this method:

```
[56]: nx.to_dict_of_lists(G)
[56]: {'1': ['1180'], '723': ['1'], '870': ['1'], '1180': []}
```

The above works, but it doesn't convert additional edge info. For a complete conversion, use `nx.to_dict_of_dicts`

```
[57]: nx.to_dict_of_dicts(G)
[57]: {'1': {'1180': {'weight': 5,
                     'label': '5',
                     'color': '#2ca02c',
                     'penwidth': 4,
                     'route_short_name': 'B301'}},
       '723': {'1': {}},
       '870': {'1': {}},
       '1180': {}}
```

### Exercise - mat\_to\_nx

⊕⊕ Now try by yourself to convert a matrix as list of lists along with node ids (like *you did before*) into a networkx object.

This time, don't create a dictionary to pass it to `nx.DiGraph` constructor: instead, use networkx methods like `.add_edge` and `add_node`. For usage example, check the [networkx tutorial<sup>260</sup>](#). Do you need to explicitly call `add_node` before referring to some node with `add_edge`?

Implement a function that given a real-valued nxn matrix as list of lists and a list of immutable identifiers for the nodes, RETURN the corresponding graph in networkx format (as `nx.DiGraph`).

If matrix is not nxn or `ids` length does not match `n`, raise `ValueError`

- DON'T transform into a dict, use `add_` methods from networkx object!
- WARNING: Remember to set the labels to the weights AS STRINGS!

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```
[58]: def mat_to_nx(mat, ids):

    G = nx.DiGraph()
    n = len(mat)
    m = len(mat[0])
    if n != m:
        raise ValueError('matrix is not nxn !')
    if n != len(ids):
        raise ValueError("Identifiers quantity is different from matrix size! ")
    for i in range(n):
        G.add_node(ids[i])
        for j in range(n):
            if mat[i][j] != 0:
                G.add_edge(ids[i], ids[j])
                G[ids[i]][ids[j]]['weight'] = mat[i][j]
                G[ids[i]][ids[j]]['label'] = str(mat[i][j])
    return G
```

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<sup>260</sup> <https://networkx.github.io/documentation/stable/tutorial.html>

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```

try:
    mat_ids_to_adj([[0, 3]], ['a', 'b'])
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

try:
    mat_ids_to_adj([[0]], ['a', 'b'])
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

m1 = [ [0] ]

d1 = {'a': {}}

assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m1, ['a'])) == d1

m2 = [ [7] ]

d2 = {'a': {'a': {'weight': 7, 'label': '7'}}}
assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m2, ['a'])) == d2

m3 = [ [0, 0],
       [0, 0] ]

d3 = { 'a':{}, 
       'b':{} 
     }
assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m3, ['a', 'b'])) == d3

m4 = [ [7, 9],
       [8, 6] ]

d4 = { 'a':{'a': {'weight':7,'label':'7'},
            'b' : {'weight':9,'label':'9'},
           },
       'b':{'a': {'weight':8,'label':'8'},
            'b' : {'weight':6,'label':'6'},
           }
     }

assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m4, ['a', 'b'])) == d4

m5 = [ [0, 0],
       [0, 7] ]

d5 = { 'a':{}, 
       'b':{ 
             'b' : {'weight':7,'label':'7'} ,
           }
     }

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```
    }

assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m5, ['a', 'b'])) == d5

m6 = [ [7, 0, 0],
        [7, 9, 0],
        [0, 7, 0]  ]

d6 = { 'a':{
            'a' : {'weight':7,'label':'7'},
        },
    'b': {
            'a' : {'weight':7,'label':'7'},
            'b' : {'weight':9,'label':'9'}
        },
    'c':{
            'b' : {'weight':7,'label':'7'}
        }
}

assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m6, ['a', 'b', 'c'])) == d6
```

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```
[58]: def mat_to_nx(mat, ids):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

    try:
        mat_ids_to_adj([[0, 3]], ['a', 'b'])
        raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
    except ValueError:
        "passed test"

    try:
        mat_ids_to_adj([[0]], ['a', 'b'])
        raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
    except ValueError:
        "passed test"

m1 = [ [0] ]

d1 = { 'a': {}}

assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m1, ['a'])) == d1

m2 = [ [7] ]

d2 = { 'a': { 'a': { 'weight': 7, 'label': '7'}}}
assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m2, ['a'])) == d2

m3 = [ [0,0],
        [0,0] ]
```

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```

d3 = { 'a':{},  
      'b':{}  
    }  
assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m3, ['a', 'b'])) == d3  
  
m4 = [ [7, 9],  
       [8, 6] ]  
  
d4 = { 'a':{'a': {'weight':7,'label':'7'},  
        'b' : {'weight':9,'label':'9'},  
      },  
  'b':{'a': {'weight':8,'label':'8'},  
        'b' : {'weight':6,'label':'6'},  
      }  
}  
  
assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m4, ['a', 'b'])) == d4  
  
m5 = [ [0, 0],  
       [0, 7] ]  
  
d5 = { 'a':{},  
      'b':{  
        'b' : {'weight':7,'label':'7'},  
      }  
}  
  
assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m5, ['a', 'b'])) == d5  
  
m6 = [ [7, 0, 0],  
       [7, 9, 0],  
       [0, 7, 0] ]  
  
d6 = { 'a':{  
        'a' : {'weight':7,'label':'7'},  
      },  
  'b': {  
        'a': {'weight':7,'label':'7'},  
        'b' : {'weight':9,'label':'9'}  
      },  
  'c':{  
        'b' : {'weight':7,'label':'7'}  
      }  
}  
  
assert nx.to_dict_of_dicts(mat_to_nx(m6, ['a', 'b', 'c'])) == d6

```

## Simple statistics

We will now compute simple statistics about graphs (they don't require node discovery algorithms).

### Outdegrees and indegrees

The *out-degree*  $\deg^+(v)$  of a node  $v$  is the number of edges going out from it, while the *in-degree*  $\deg^-(v)$  is the number of edges going into it.

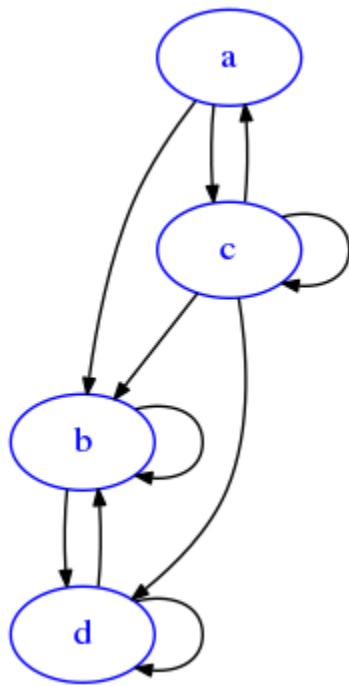
*NOTE:* the out-degree and in-degree are *not* the sum of weights ! They just count presence or absence of edges.

For example, consider this graph:

```
[59]: from soft import draw_adj

d = {
    'a' : ['b', 'c'],
    'b' : ['b', 'd'],
    'c' : ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'],
    'd' : ['b', 'd']
}

draw_adj(d)
```



The out-degree of  $d$  is 2, because it has one outgoing edge to  $b$  but also an outgoing edge to itself. The indegree of  $d$  is 3, because it has an edge coming from  $b$ , one from  $c$  and one self-loop from  $d$  itself.

### Exercise - outdegree\_adj

⊕ RETURN the outdegree of a node from graph d represented as a dictionary of adjacency lists

- If v is not a vertex of d, raise ValueError

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```
[60]: def outdegree_adj(d, v):
    if v not in d:
        raise ValueError("Vertex %s is not in %s" % (v, d))

    return len(d[v])

try:
    outdegree_adj({'a':[], 'b'})
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert outdegree_adj({
    'a':[]
}, 'a') == 0

assert outdegree_adj({
    'a':[ 'a' ]
}, 'a') == 1

assert outdegree_adj({
    'a':[ 'a', 'b' ],
    'b':[]
}, 'a') == 2

assert outdegree_adj({
    'a':[ 'a', 'b' ],
    'b':[ 'a', 'b', 'c' ],
    'c':[]
}, 'b') == 3

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```

```
[60]: def outdegree_adj(d, v):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

try:
    outdegree_adj({'a':[]}, 'b')
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert outdegree_adj({
    'a':[]
}, 'a') == 0

assert outdegree_adj({}
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```

        'a':['a']
}, 'a') == 1

assert outdegree_adj({
    'a':['a','b'],
    'b':[]
}, 'a') == 2

assert outdegree_adj({
    'a':['a','b'],
    'b':['a','b','c'],
    'c':[]
}, 'b') == 3

```

**Exercise - outdegree\_mat**

⊕⊕ RETURN the outdegree of a node  $i$  from a graph boolean matrix  $n \times n$  represented as a list of lists

- If  $i$  is not a node of the graph, raise `ValueError`

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```
[61]: def outdegree_mat(mat, i):

    n = len(mat)
    if i < 0 or i > n:
        raise ValueError("i %s is not a row of matrix %s" % (i, mat))
    ret = 0
    for j in range(n):
        if mat[i][j]:
            ret += 1
    return ret

try:
    outdegree_mat([[False]], 7)
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

try:
    outdegree_mat([[False]], -1)
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert outdegree_mat(
    [
        [False]
    ],
    0) == 0

assert outdegree_mat( [ [True] ],

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```

    0) == 1

assert outdegree_mat( [ [True, True],
                        [False, False] ],
                        0) == 2

assert outdegree_mat([ [True, True, False],
                        [True, True, True],
                        [False, False, False] ],1) == 3

```

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```
[61]: def outdegree_mat(mat, i):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

try:
    outdegree_mat([[False]],7)
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

try:
    outdegree_mat([[False]],-1)
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert outdegree_mat(
    [
        [False]
    ],
    0) == 0

assert outdegree_mat( [ [True] ],
                        0) == 1

assert outdegree_mat( [ [True, True],
                        [False, False] ],
                        0) == 2

assert outdegree_mat([ [True, True, False],
                        [True, True, True],
                        [False, False, False] ],1) == 3
```

### Exercise - outdegree\_avg

⊕⊕ RETURN the average outdegree of nodes in graph d, represented as dictionary of adjacency lists.

- Assume all nodes are in the keys.

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```
[62]: def outdegree_avg(d):  
  
    s = 0  
    for k in d:  
        s += len(d[k])  
    return s / len(d)  
  
  
assert outdegree_avg({  
    'a':[]  
) == 0  
  
assert round( outdegree_avg({  
    'a':['a']  
    })  
,2) == 1.00 / 1.00  
  
assert round( outdegree_avg({  
    'a':['a','b'],  
    'b':[]  
    })  
,2) == (2 + 0) / 2  
  
assert round( outdegree_avg({  
    'a':['a','b'],  
    'b':['a','b','c'],  
    'c':[]  
    })  
,2) == round( (2 + 3) / 3 , 2)
```

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```
[62]: def outdegree_avg(d):  
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')  
  
assert outdegree_avg({  
    'a':[]  
) == 0  
  
assert round( outdegree_avg({  
    'a':['a']  
    })  
,2) == 1.00 / 1.00  
  
assert round( outdegree_avg({  
    'a':['a','b'],  
    'b':[]  
    })  
,2) == (2 + 0) / 2  
  
assert round( outdegree_avg({  
    'a':['a','b'],  
    'b':['a','b','c'],  
    'c':[]  
    })  
,2) == round( (2 + 3) / 3 , 2)
```

### Exercise - indegree\_adj

The indegree of a node  $v$  is the number of edges going into it.

⊕⊕ RETURN the indegree of node  $v$  in graph  $d$ , represented as a dictionary of adjacency lists

- If  $v$  is not a node of the graph, raise `ValueError`

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```
[63]: def indegree_adj(d, v):

    if v not in d:
        raise ValueError("Vertex %s is not in %s" % (v, d))
    ret = 0
    for k in d:
        if v in d[k]:
            ret += 1
    return ret

try:
    indegree_adj({'a':[],'b'})
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert indegree_adj({
    'a':[]
}, 'a') == 0

assert indegree_adj({'a':['a']}, 'a') == 1

assert indegree_adj({ 'a':['a','b'],
                      'b':[] },
                      'a') == 1

assert indegree_adj({ 'a':['a','b'],
                      'b':['a','b','c'],
                      'c':[] },
                      'b') == 2
```

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```
[63]: def indegree_adj(d, v):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

try:
    indegree_adj({'a':[]}, 'b')
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert indegree_adj({
    'a':[]}
```

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```

}, 'a') == 0

assert indegree_adj({'a':['a']}, 'a') == 1

assert indegree_adj({'a':['a', 'b'],
                      'b':[], 
                      'a'}) == 1

assert indegree_adj({'a':['a', 'b'],
                      'b':['a', 'b', 'c'],
                      'c':[], 
                      'b'}) == 2

```

### Exercise - indegree\_mat

⊕⊕ RETURN the indegree of a node *i* from a graph boolean matrix nxn represented as a list of lists

- If *i* is not a node of the graph, raise ValueError

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```
[64]: def indegree_mat(mat, i):

    n = len(mat)
    if i < 0 or i > n:
        raise ValueError("i %s is not a row of matrix %s" % (i, mat))
    ret = 0
    for k in range(n):
        if mat[k][i]:
            ret += 1
    return ret

try:
    indegree_mat([[False]], 7)
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert indegree_mat(
    [
        [False]
    ],
    0) == 0

assert indegree_mat( [[True]], 0) == 1

assert indegree_mat( [ [True, True],
                      [False, False] ], 0) == 1

assert indegree_mat( [ [True, True, False],
                      [True, True, True],
                      [False, False, False] ],
                      1) == 2
```

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```
[64]: def indegree_mat(mat, i):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

try:
    indegree_mat([[False]], 7)
    raise Exception("SHOULD HAVE FAILED !")
except ValueError:
    "passed test"

assert indegree_mat(
    [
        [False]
    ],
    0) == 0

assert indegree_mat( [[True]], 0) == 1

assert indegree_mat( [ [True, True],
                      [False, False] ], 0) == 1

assert indegree_mat( [ [True, True, False],
                      [True, True, True],
                      [False, False, False] ],
                      1) == 2
```

### Exercise - indegree\_avg

⊕⊕ RETURN the average indegree of nodes in graph d, represented as dictionary of adjacency lists.

- Assume all nodes are in the keys

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```
[65]: def indegree_avg(d):

    s = 0
    for k in d:
        s += len(d[k])
    return s / len(d)

assert indegree_avg({
    'a': []
}) == 0

assert round( indegree_avg({ 'a':['a'] }), 2) == 1.00 / 1.00

assert round( indegree_avg({ 'a':['a','b'],
                            'b': [] }), 2) == (1 + 1) / 2

assert round( indegree_avg({ 'a':['a','b'],
                            'b':['a','b','c'] }),
```

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```
'c': []}),
2) == round((2 + 2 + 1) / 3, 2)
```

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```
[65]: def indegree_avg(d):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert indegree_avg({
    'a': []
}) == 0

assert round(indegree_avg({'a':['a']}),
2) == 1.00 / 1.00

assert round(indegree_avg({'a':['a','b'],
    'b': []}),
2) == (1 + 1) / 2

assert round(indegree_avg({'a':['a','b'],
    'b': ['a','b','c'],
    'c': []}),
2) == round((2 + 2 + 1) / 3, 2)
```

### Was it worth it?

**QUESTION:** Is there any difference between the results of `indegree_avg` and `outdegree_avg` ?

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Show answer</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-question" style="display:none">

**ANSWER:** They give the same result. Think about what you did: for `outdegree_avg` you summed over all rows and then divided by n. For `indegree_avg` you summed over all columns, and then divided by n.

More formally, we have that the so-called *degree sum formula* holds (see [Wikipedia<sup>261</sup>](#) for more info):

$$\sum_{v \in V} \deg^-(v) = \sum_{v \in V} \deg^+(v) = |A|$$

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### Exercise - min\_outdeg

Difficulty: ★★★

Takes a graph as matrix of list of lists and RETURN the minimum outdegree of nodes with row index between indeces start (included) and end included

- **IMPORTANT:** This function MUST be recursive, so it must call itself.
- **HINT:** REMEMBER to put `return` instructions in all `if` branches!

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<sup>261</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Directed\\_graph#Indegree\\_and\\_outdegree](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Directed_graph#Indegree_and_outdegree)

```
[66]:
```

```

def helper(mat, start, end):

    n = len(mat)
    if start == end:
        return mat[start].count(True)
    else:
        half = (start + end) // 2
        min_left = helper(mat, 0, half)
        min_right = helper(mat, half+1, end)
        return min(min_left, min_right)

def min_outdeg(mat):
    """ Takes a graph as matrix of list of lists and RETURN the minimum
        outdegree of nodes by calling function helper.
        min_outdeg function is *not* recursive, only function helper is.
    """

    n = len(mat)
    return helper(mat, 0, len(mat) - 1)

assert min_outdeg( [ [False] ] ) == 0
assert min_outdeg([ [True] ]) == 1

assert min_outdeg( [ [False, True],
                     [True, False] ] ) == 1

assert min_outdeg( [ [True, True, False],
                     [True, True, True],
                     [False, True, True] ] ) == 2

assert min_outdeg( [ [True, True, False],
                     [True, True, True],
                     [False, True, False] ] ) == 1

assert min_outdeg( [ [True, True, True],
                     [True, True, True],
                     [False, True, False] ] ) == 1

```

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```
[66]:
```

```

def helper(mat, start, end):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

def min_outdeg(mat):
    """ Takes a graph as matrix of list of lists and RETURN the minimum
        outdegree of nodes by calling function helper.
        min_outdeg function is *not* recursive, only function helper is.
    """

    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert min_outdeg( [ [False] ] ) == 0
assert min_outdeg([ [True] ]) == 1

```

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```

assert min_outdeg( [ [False, True],
                     [True, False] ] ) == 1

assert min_outdeg( [ [True, True, False],
                     [True, True, True],
                     [False, True, True] ] ) == 2

assert min_outdeg( [ [True, True, False],
                     [True, True, True],
                     [False, True, False] ] ) == 1

assert min_outdeg( [ [True, True, True],
                     [True, True, True],
                     [False, True, False] ] ) == 1

```

## networkx Indegrees and outdegrees

With Networkx we can easily calculate indegrees and outdegrees of a node:

[67]:

```

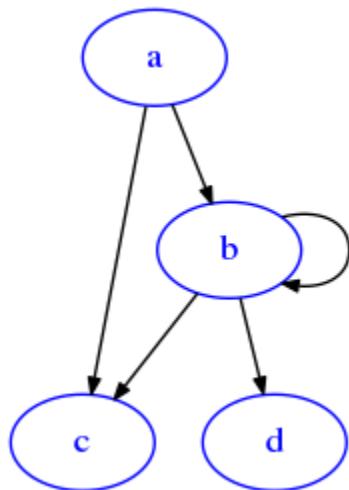
import networkx as nx

# notice with networkx if nodes are already referenced to in an adjacency list
# you do not need to put them as keys:

G=nx.DiGraph({
    'a':['b','c'],           # node a links to b and c
    'b':['b','c', 'd']       # node b links to b itself, c and d
})

draw_nx(G)

```



[68]: G.out\_degree('a')

[68]: 2

**QUESTION:** What is the outdegree of 'b'? Try to think about it and then confirm your thoughts with networkx:

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```

```
[69]: # write here
#print("indegree b: %s" % G.in_degree('b'))
#print("outdegree b: %s" % G.out_degree('b'))
```

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```
[69]: # write here
```

**QUESTION:** We defined *indegree* and *outdegree*. Can you guess what the *degree* might be ? In particular, for a self pointing node like 'b', what could it be? Try to use `G.degree('b')` methods to validate your thoughts.

```
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  data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">
```

```
[70]: # write here
#print("degree b: %s" % G.degree('b'))
```

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```
[70]: # write here
```

```
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  data-jupman-show="Show answer"
  data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show answer</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-question" style="display:none">
```

**ANSWER:** it is the sum of indegree and outdegree. In presence of a self-loop like for 'b', we count the self-loop twice, once as outgoing edge and one as incident edge

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  data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">
```

```
[71]: # write here
#G.degree('b')
```

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```
[71]: # write here
```

```
[72]: draw_nx(mat_to_nx([
    [7, 0, 0],
    [7, 9, 0],
    [0, 7, 0]
], ['a', 'b', 'c']))
```



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Go on with [the challenges](#)<sup>262</sup>

## 8.2 Visualization

### 8.2.1 Visualization 1

#### Download exercises zip

Browse files online<sup>263</sup>

#### Introduction

We will review the famous library Matplotlib which allows to display a variety of charts, and it is the base of many other visualization libraries.

#### What to do

- unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
visualization
visualization1.ipynb
visualization1-sol.ipynb
visualization2-chal.ipynb
visualization-images.ipynb
```

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<sup>262</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/formats/format5-chal.html>

<sup>263</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/visualization>

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```
visualization-images-sol.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

- open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `visualization/visualization1.ipynb`

**WARNING 2:** DO NOT use the *Upload* button in Jupyter, instead navigate in Jupyter browser to the unzipped folder !

- Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

## First example

Let's start with a very simple plot:

```
[2]: # this is *not* a python command, it is a Jupyter-specific magic command,
# to tell jupyter we want the graphs displayed in the cell outputs
%matplotlib inline

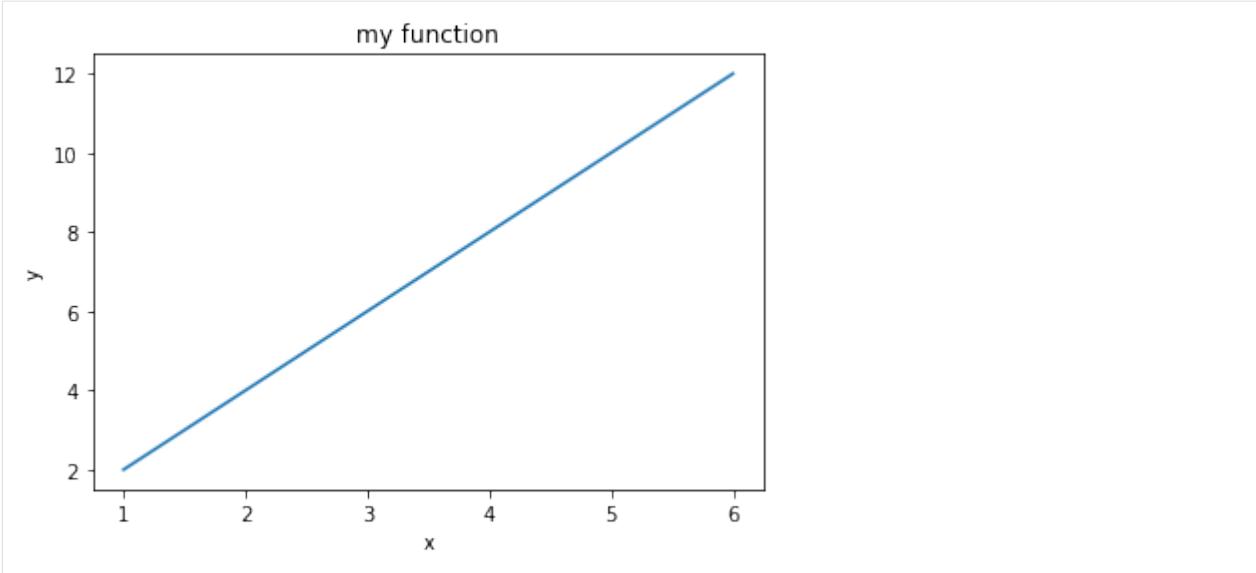
# imports matplotlib
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# we can give coordinates as simple numberlists
# this are couples for the function y = 2 * x
xs = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
ys = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12]

plt.plot(xs, ys)

# we can add this after plot call, it doesn't matter
plt.title("my function")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

# prevents showing '<matplotlib.text.Text at 0x7fbcf3c4ff28>' in Jupyter
plt.show()
```



## Plot style

To change the way the line is displayed, you can set dot styles with another string parameter. For example, to display red dots, you would add the string `'ro'`, where `r` stands for red and `o` stands for dot.

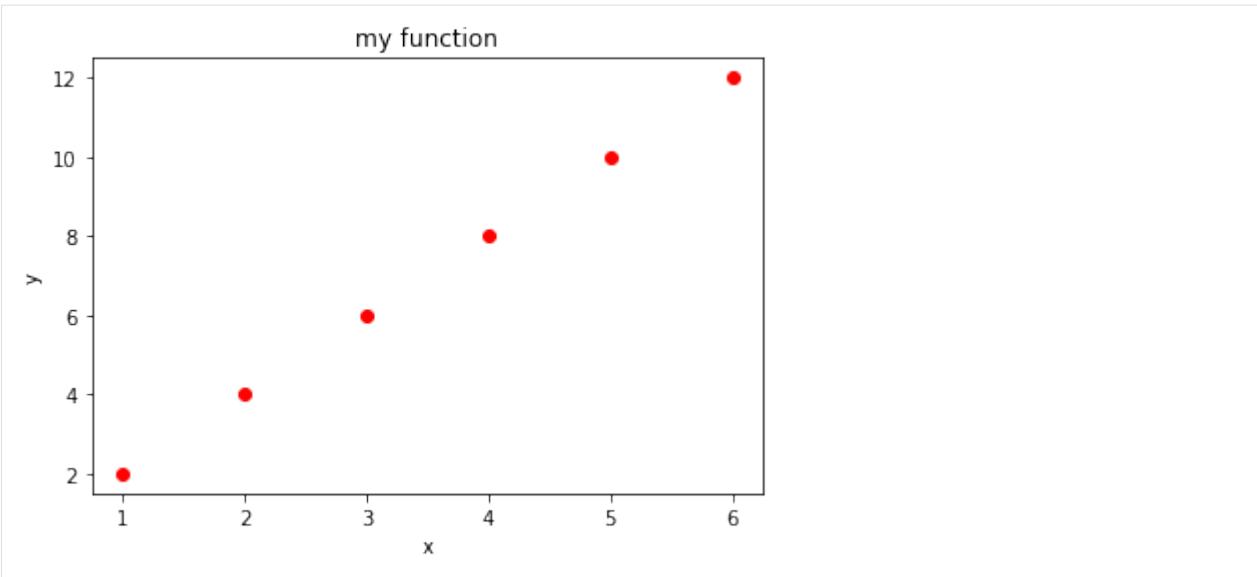
```
[3]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
ys = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12]

plt.plot(xs, ys, 'ro') # NOW USING RED DOTS

plt.title("my function")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

plt.show()
```



### x power 2 exercise

Try to display the function  $y = x^{**}2$  (x power 2) using green dots and for integer xs going from -10 to 10

```
[4]: # write here the solution
```

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```
[5]: # SOLUTION
```

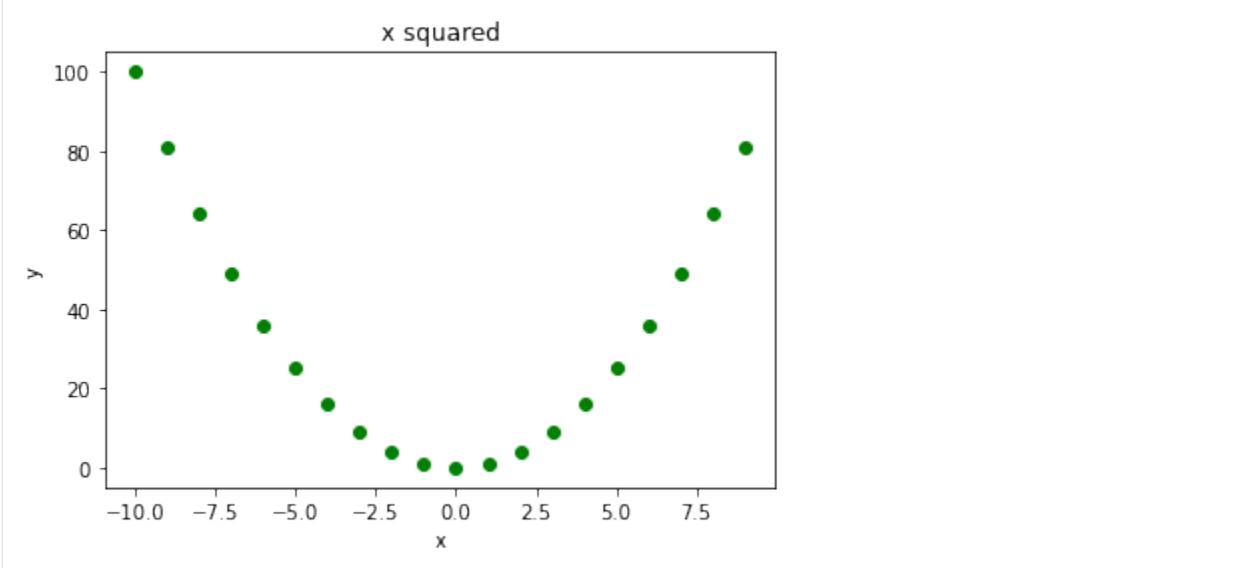
```
%matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = range(-10, 10)
ys = [x**2 for x in xs]

plt.plot(xs, ys, 'go')

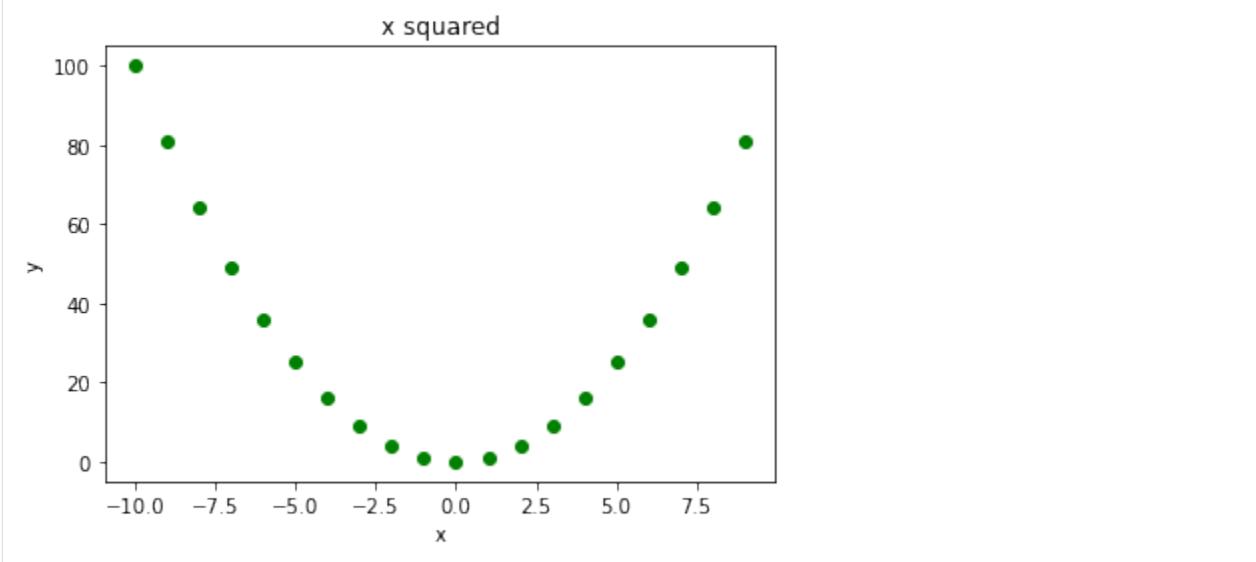
plt.title("x squared")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

plt.show()
```



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[5] :



## Axis limits

If you want to change the x axis, you can use plt.xlim:

```
[6]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
ys = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12]

plt.plot(xs, ys, 'ro')
```

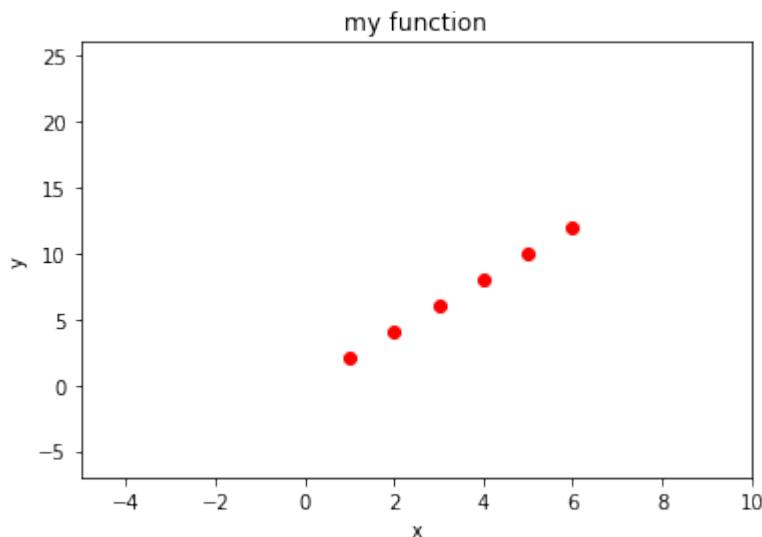
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```
plt.title("my function")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

plt.xlim(-5, 10)    # SETS LOWER X DISPLAY TO -5 AND UPPER TO 10
plt.ylim(-7, 26)    # SETS LOWER Y DISPLAY TO -7 AND UPPER TO 26

plt.show()
```



## Axis size

```
[7]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

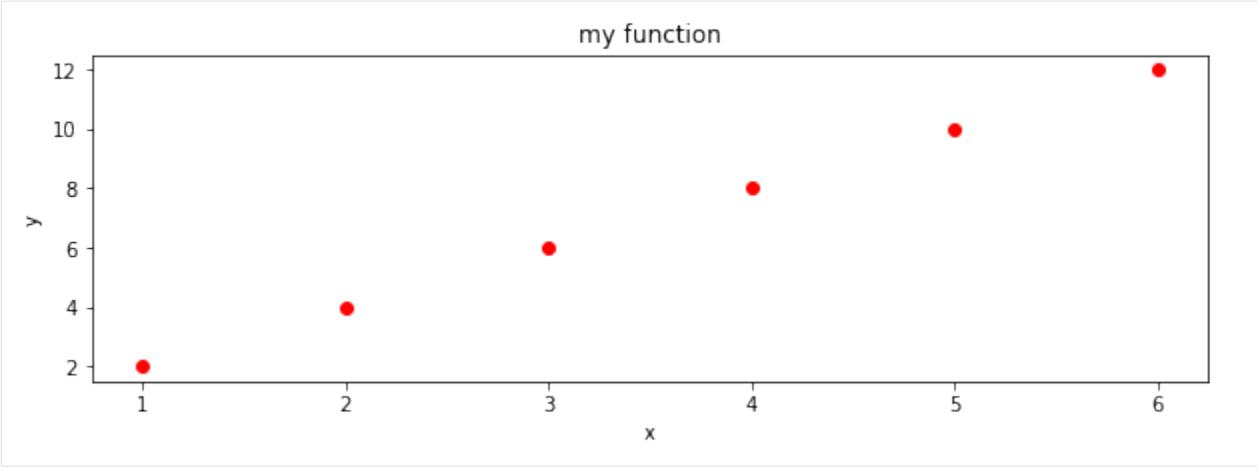
xs = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
ys = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12]

fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10,3))    # width: 10 inches, height 3 inches

plt.plot(xs, ys, 'ro')

plt.title("my function")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

plt.show()
```



### Changing tick labels

You can also change labels displayed on ticks on axis with `plt.xticks` and `plt.yticks` functions:

**Note:** instead of `xticks` you might directly use categorical variables<sup>264</sup> IF you have matplotlib >= 2.1.0

Here we use `xticks` as sometimes you might need to fiddle with them anyway

```
[8]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

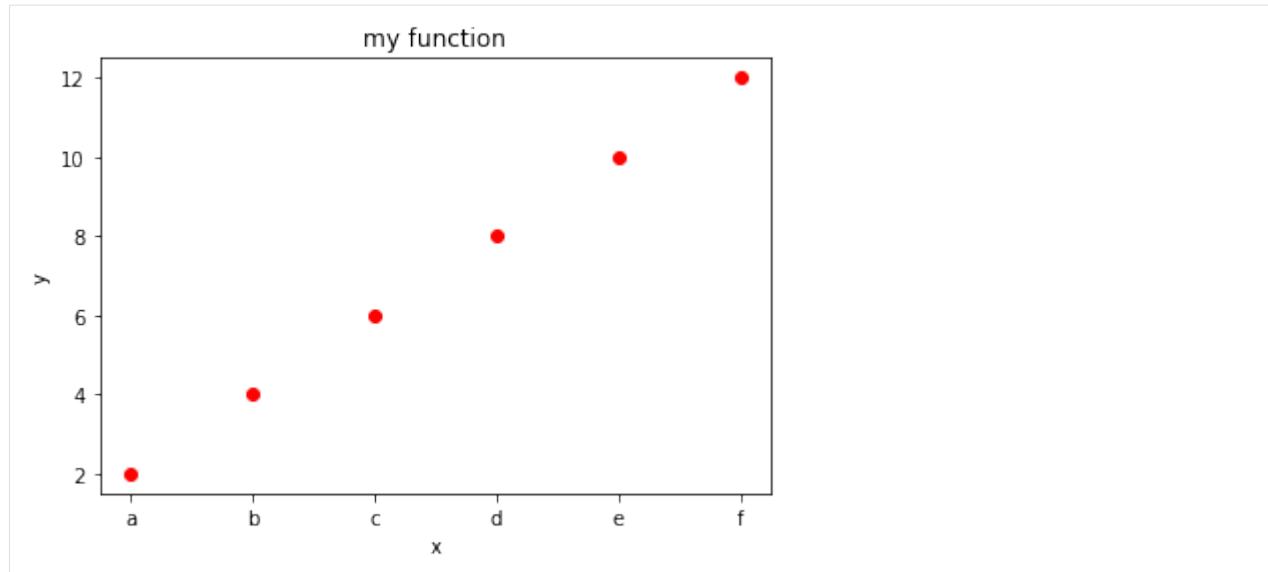
xs = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
ys = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12]

plt.plot(xs, ys, 'ro')

plt.title("my function")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

# FIRST NEEDS A SEQUENCE WITH THE POSITIONS, THEN A SEQUENCE OF SAME LENGTH WITH_
# ←LABELS
plt.xticks(xs, ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f'])
plt.show()
```

<sup>264</sup> [https://matplotlib.org/gallery/lines\\_bars\\_and\\_markers/categorical\\_variables.html](https://matplotlib.org/gallery/lines_bars_and_markers/categorical_variables.html)



## Introducing numpy

For functions involving reals, vanilla python starts showing its limits and it's better to switch to numpy library. Matplotlib can easily handle both vanilla python sequences like lists and numpy array. Let's see an example without numpy and one with it.

### Example without numpy

If we only use *vanilla* Python (that is, Python without extra libraries like numpy), to display the function  $y = 2x + 1$  we can come up with a solution like this

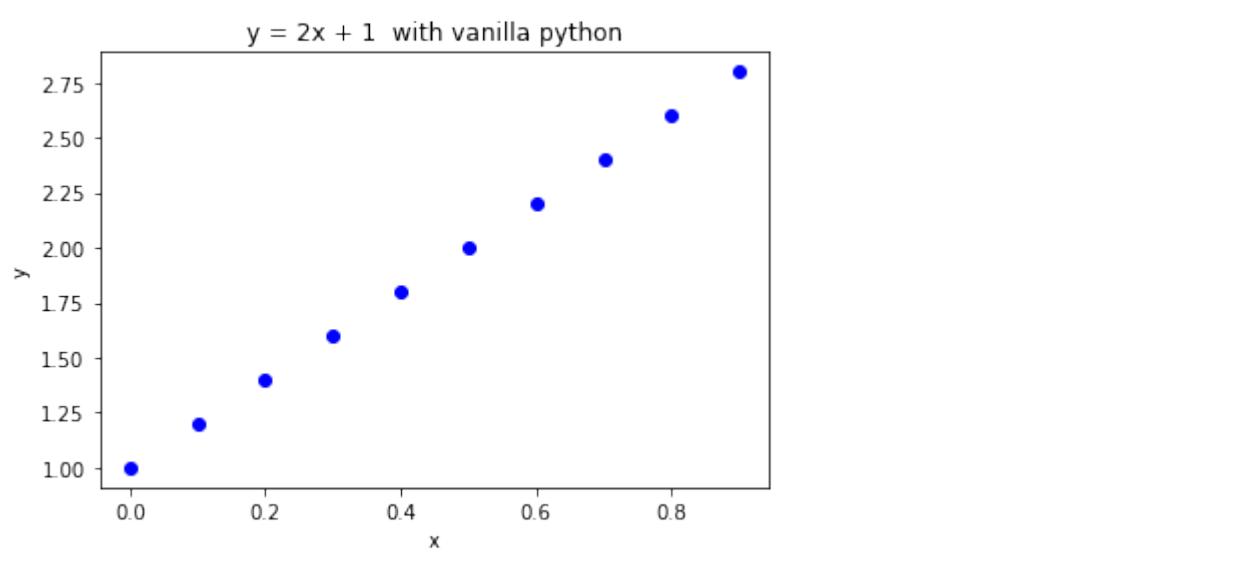
```
[9]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = [x*0.1 for x in range(10)]      # notice we can't do a range with float increments
                                         # (and it would also introduce rounding errors)
ys = [(x * 2) + 1 for x in xs]

plt.plot(xs, ys, 'bo')

plt.title("y = 2x + 1 with vanilla python")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

plt.show()
```



### Example with numpy

With numpy, we have at our disposal several new methods for dealing with arrays.

First we can generate an interval of values with one of these methods.

Sine Python range does not allow float increments, we can use np.arange:

```
[10]: import numpy as np  
  
xs = np.arange(0,1.0,0.1)  
xs  
  
[10]: array([0. , 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9])
```

Equivalently, we could use np.linspace:

```
[11]: xs = np.linspace(0,0.9,10)  
  
xs  
  
[11]: array([0. , 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9])
```

Numpy allows us to easily write functions on arrays in a natural manner. For example, to calculate ys we can now do like this:

```
[12]: ys = 2*xs + 1  
  
ys  
  
[12]: array([1. , 1.2, 1.4, 1.6, 1.8, 2. , 2.2, 2.4, 2.6, 2.8])
```

Let's put everything together:

```
[13]: %matplotlib inline  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
import numpy as np
```

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```

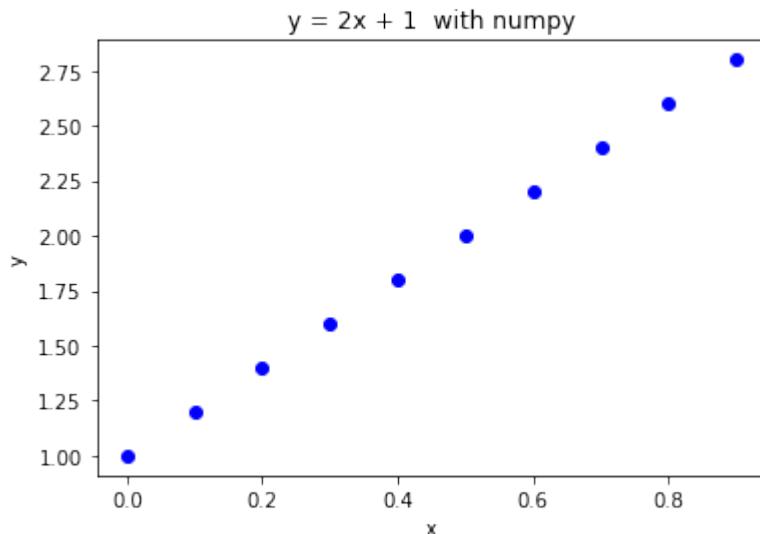
xs = np.linspace(0,0.9,10) # left end: 0 *included* right end: 0.9 *included*
→number of values: 10
ys = 2*xs + 1

plt.plot(xs, ys, 'bo')

plt.title("y = 2x + 1 with numpy")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

plt.show()

```



### y = sin(x) + 3 exercise

⊕⊕⊕ Try to display the function  $y = \sin(x) + 3$  for  $x$  at  $\pi/4$  intervals, starting from 0. Use exactly 8 ticks.

**NOTE:** 8 is the *number of x ticks* (telecom people would use the term ‘samples’), **NOT** the  $x$  of the last tick !!

- try to solve it without using numpy. For pi, use constant `math.pi` (first you need to import `math` module)
  - try to solve it with numpy. For pi, use constant `np.pi` (which is exactly the same as `math.pi`)
- b.1) solve it with `np.arange`
- b.2) solve it with `np.linspace`
- For each tick, use the label sequence " $0\pi/4$ ", " $1\pi/4$ ", " $2\pi/4$ ", " $3\pi/4$ ", " $4\pi/4$ ", " $5\pi/4$ ", .... Obviously writing them by hand is easy, try instead to devise a method that works for any number of ticks. What is changing in the sequence? What is constant? What is the type of the part changes? What is final type of the labels you want to obtain?
  - If you are in the mood, try to display them better like  $0, \pi/4, \pi/2, \pi, 3\pi/4, \pi, 5\pi/4$  possibly using Latex (requires some search, [this example<sup>265</sup>](#) might be a starting point)

**NOTE:** Latex often involves the usage of the \ bar, like in `\frac{2, 3}`. If we use it directly, Python will interpret \f as a special character and will not send to the Latex processor the string we meant:

<sup>265</sup> <https://stackoverflow.com/a/40642200>

```
[14]: '\frac{2,3}'  
[14]: '\x0crac{2,3}'
```

One solution would be to double the slashes, like this:

```
[15]: '\\frac{2,3}'  
[15]: '\\\\frac{2,3}'
```

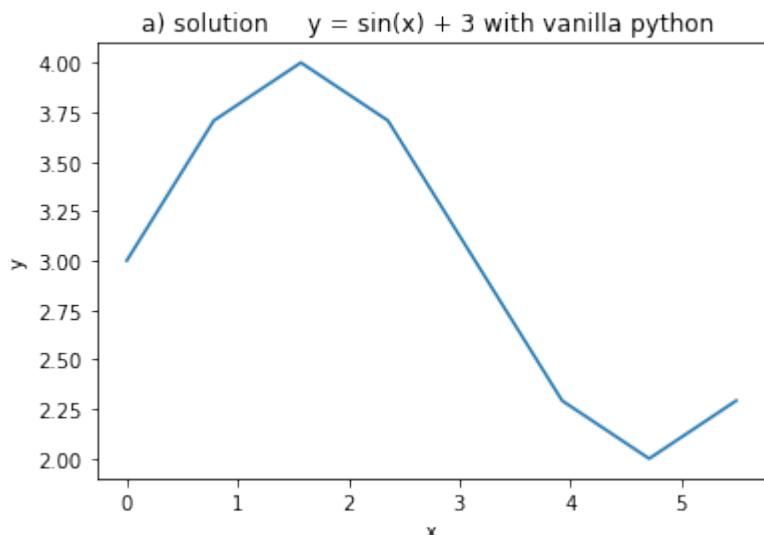
An even better one is to prepend the string with the `r` character, which allows to write slashes only once:

```
[16]: r'\frac{2,3}'  
[16]: '\\\\frac{2,3}'
```

```
[17]: # write here solution for a) y = sin(x) + 3 with vanilla python
```

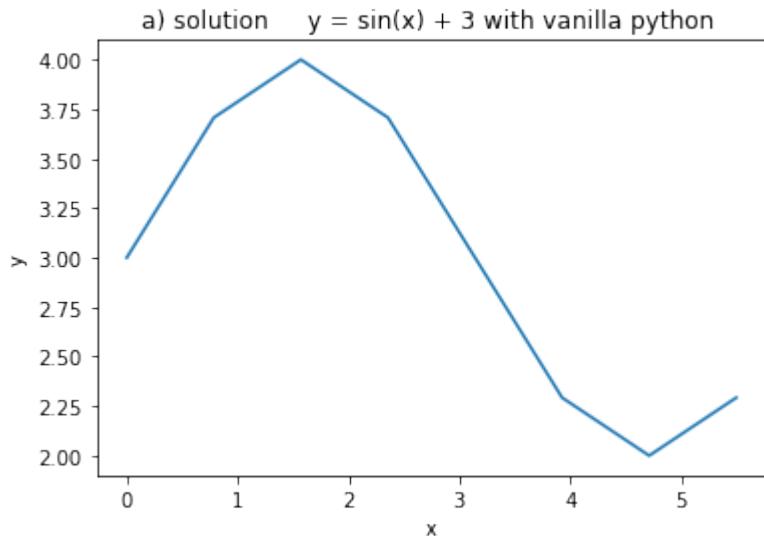
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```
[18]: # SOLUTION a)      y = sin(x) + 3 with vanilla python  
  
%matplotlib inline  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
import math  
  
xs = [x * (math.pi)/4 for x in range(8)]  
ys = [math.sin(x) + 3 for x in xs]  
  
plt.plot(xs, ys)  
  
plt.title("a) solution      y = sin(x) + 3 with vanilla python ")  
plt.xlabel('x')  
plt.ylabel('y')  
  
plt.show()
```



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[18] :



```
[19]: # write here solution b.1) y = sin(x) + 3 with numpy, arange
```

```
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```
[20]: # SOLUTION b.1)          y = sin(x) + 3 with numpy, linspace

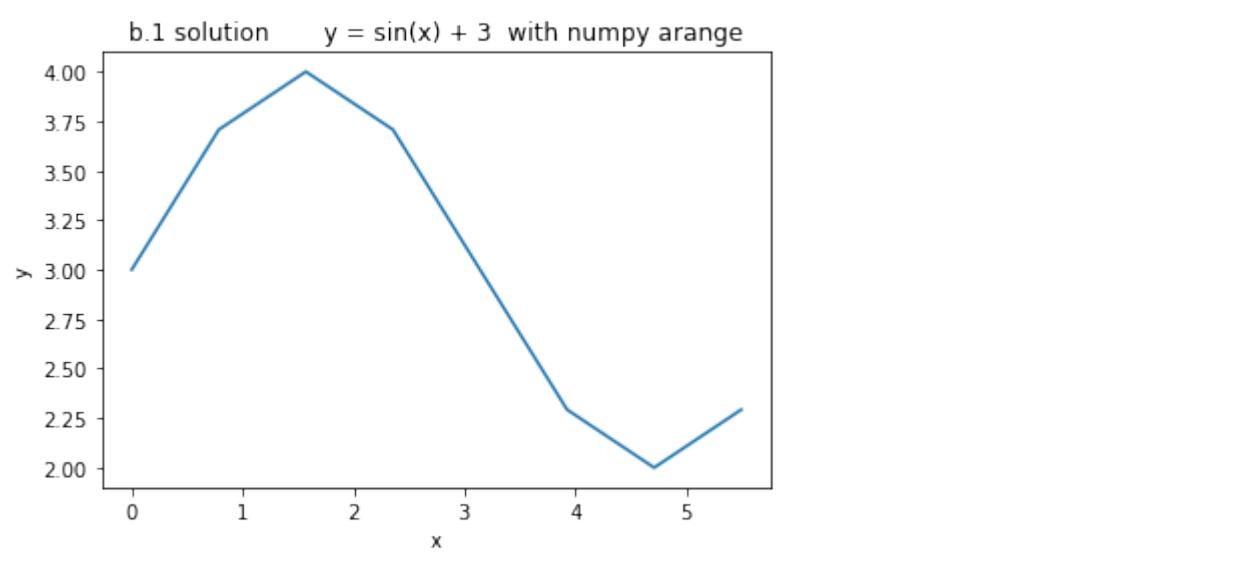
%matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

# left end = 0    right end = 7/4 pi    8 points
# notice numpy.pi is exactly the same as vanilla math.pi
xs = np.arange(0,           # included
               8 * np.pi/4,   # *not* included (we put 8, as we actually want 7 to be
               →included)
                  np.pi/4 )
ys = np.sin(xs) + 3      # notice we know operate on arrays. All numpy functions can
→operate on them

plt.plot(xs, ys)

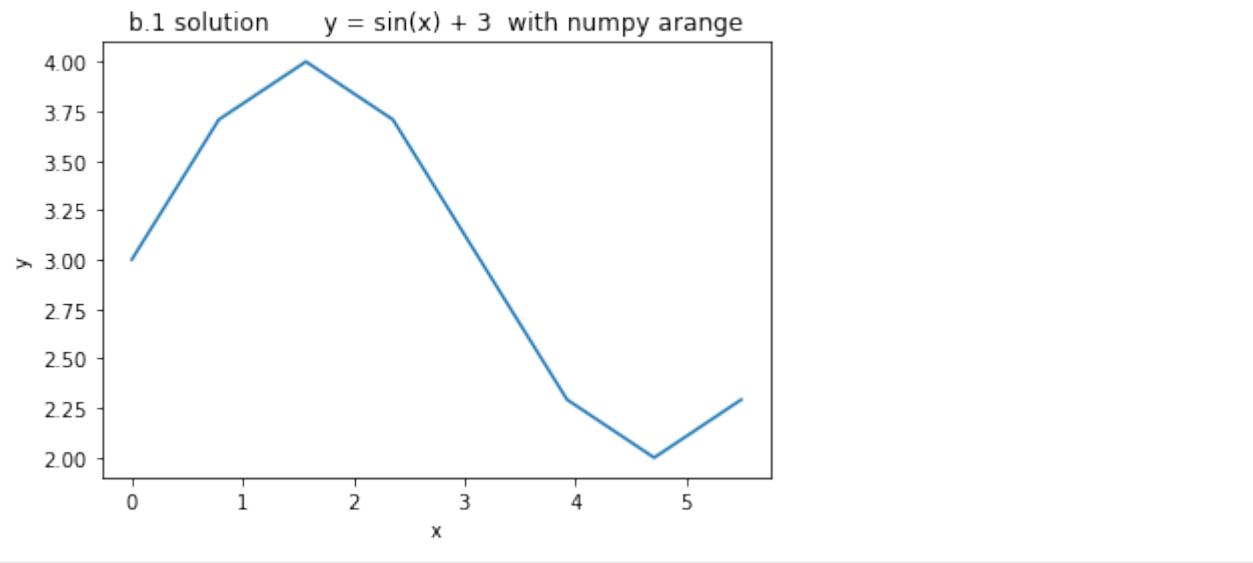
plt.title("b.1 solution          y = sin(x) + 3  with numpy arange")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

plt.show()
```



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[20]:

[21]: # write here solution b.2)       $y = \sin(x) + 3$  with numpy, linspace

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[22]: # SOLUTION b.2)       $y = \sin(x) + 3$  with numpy, linspace

```
%matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
```

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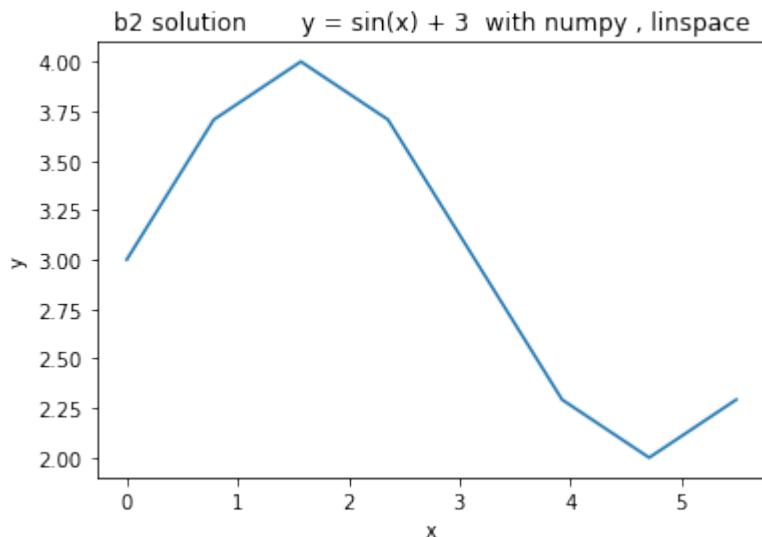
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```
# left end = 0    right end = 7/4 pi    8 points
# notice numpy.pi is exactly the same as vanilla math.pi
xs = np.linspace(0, (np.pi/4) * 7 , 8)
ys = np.sin(xs) + 3   # notice we know operate on arrays. All numpy functions can
# operate on them

plt.plot(xs, ys)

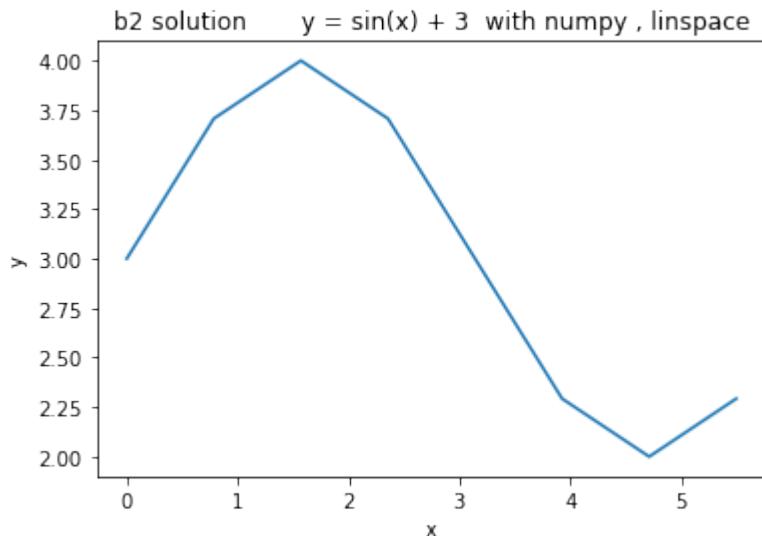
plt.title("b2 solution      y = sin(x) + 3  with numpy , linspace")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

plt.show()
```



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[22]:



```
[23]: # write here solution c)      y = sin(x) + 3 with numpy and pi xlabel
```

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```
[24]: # SOLUTION c)      y = sin(x) + 3 with numpy and pi xlabel
```

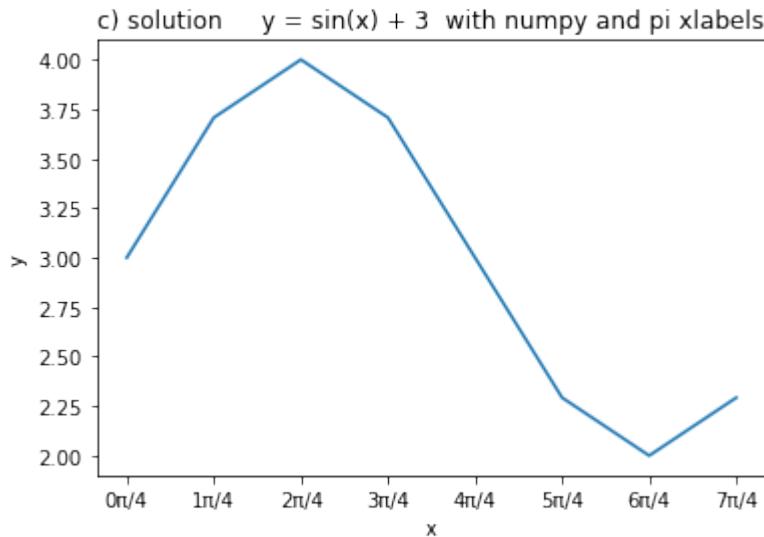
```
%matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

xs = np.linspace(0, (np.pi/4) * 7, 8) # left end = 0 right end = 7/4 pi 8 points
ys = np.sin(xs) + 3 # notice we know operate on arrays. All numpy functions can
# operate on them

plt.plot(xs, ys)

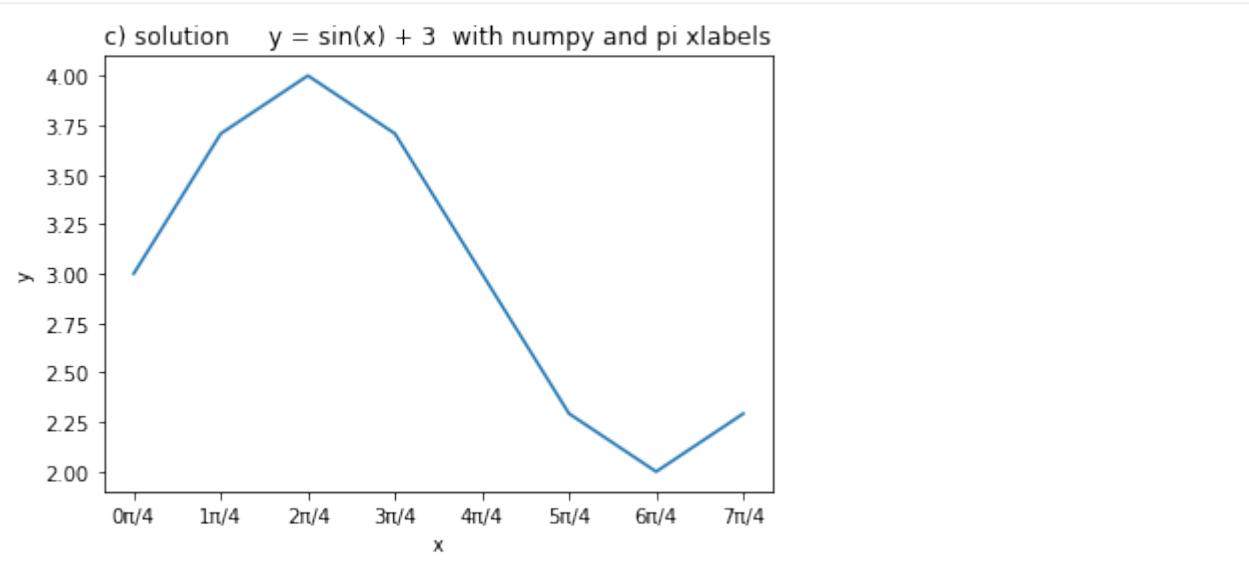
plt.title("c) solution      y = sin(x) + 3 with numpy and pi xlabel")
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

# FIRST NEEDS A SEQUENCE WITH THE POSITIONS, THEN A SEQUENCE OF SAME LENGTH WITH_
# LABELS
plt.xticks(xs, ["%s\pi/4" % x for x in range(8)])
plt.show()
```



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```
[24]:
```



### Showing degrees per node

Going back to the indegrees and outdegrees as seen in [Graph formats - Simple statistics paragraph<sup>266</sup>](#), we will try to study the distributions visually.

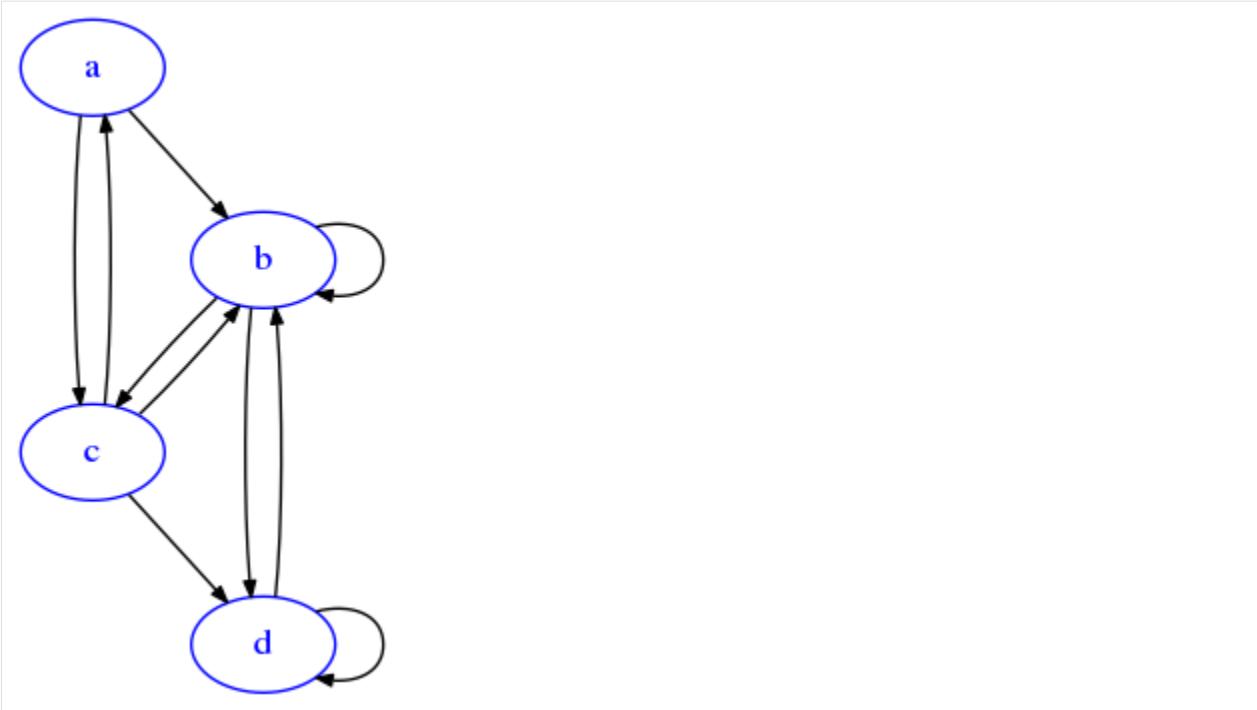
Let's take an example networkx DiGraph:

```
[25]: import networkx as nx

G1=nx.DiGraph({
    'a':['b','c'],
    'b':['b','c', 'd'],
    'c':['a','b','d'],
    'd':['b', 'd']
})

draw_nx(G1)
```

<sup>266</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/graph-formats/graph-formats-sol.html#Simple-statistics>



### indegree per node

⊕⊕ Display a plot for graph G where the xtick labels are the nodes, and the y is the indegree of those nodes.

**Note:** instead of `xticks` you might directly use `categorical variables267` IF you have `matplotlib >= 2.1.0`

Here we use `xticks` as sometimes you might need to fiddle with them anyway

To get the nodes, you can use the `G1.nodes()` function:

```
[26]: G1.nodes()  
[26]: NodeView(('a', 'b', 'c', 'd'))
```

It gives back a `NodeView` which is not a list, but still you can iterate through it with a `for in` cycle:

```
[27]: for n in G1.nodes():  
    print(n)  
  
a  
b  
c  
d
```

Also, you can get the indegree of a node with

```
[28]: G1.in_degree('b')  
[28]: 4
```

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<sup>267</sup> [https://matplotlib.org/gallery/lines\\_bars\\_and\\_markers/categorical\\_variables.html](https://matplotlib.org/gallery/lines_bars_and_markers/categorical_variables.html)

```
[29]: # write here the solution
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```
[30]: # SOLUTION
```

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = np.arange(G1.number_of_nodes())
ys_in = [G1.in_degree(n) for n in G1.nodes() ]

plt.plot(xs, ys_in, 'bo')

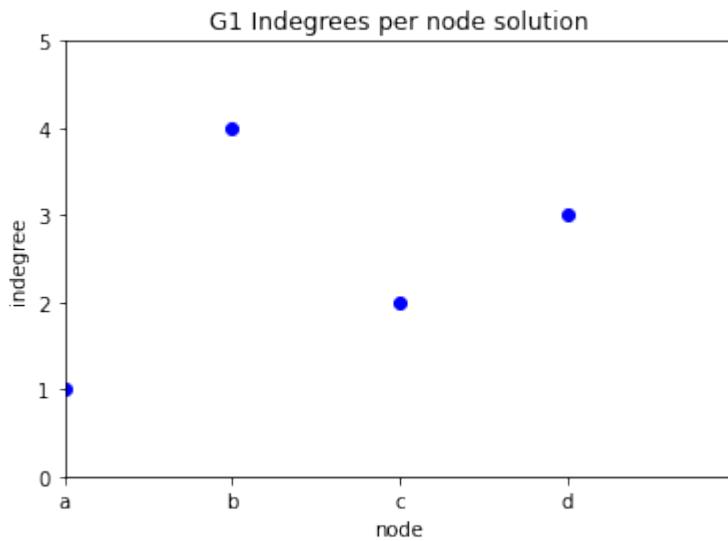
plt.ylim(0,max(ys_in) + 1)
plt.xlim(0,max(xs) + 1)

plt.title("G1 Indegrees per node solution")

plt.xticks(xs, G1.nodes())

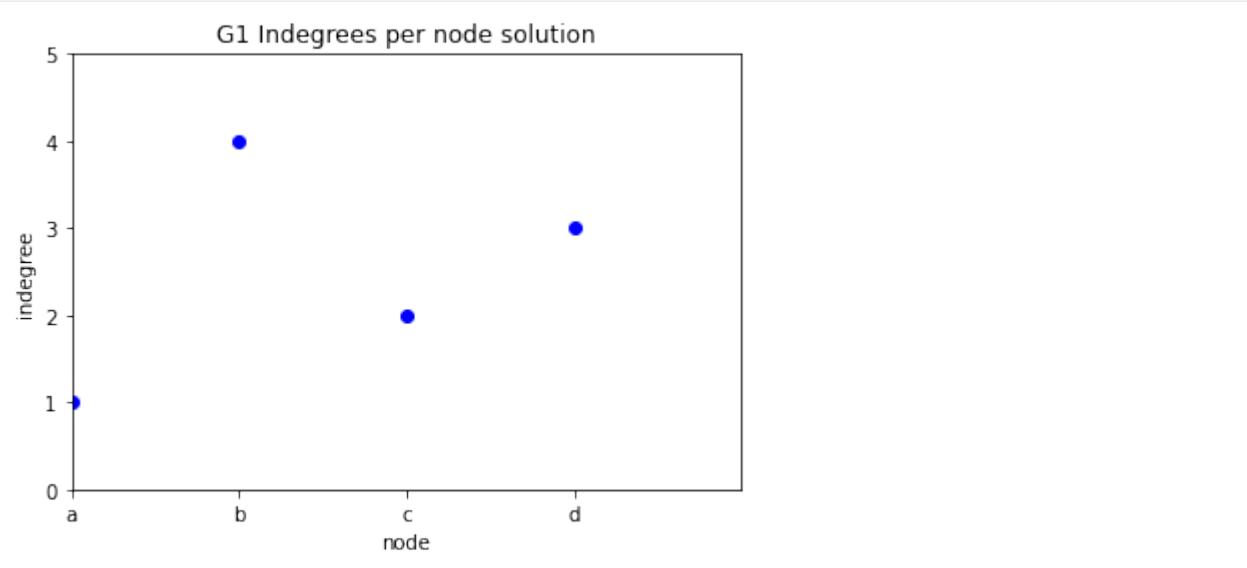
plt.xlabel('node')
plt.ylabel('indegree')

plt.show()
```



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```
[30]:
```



## Bar plots

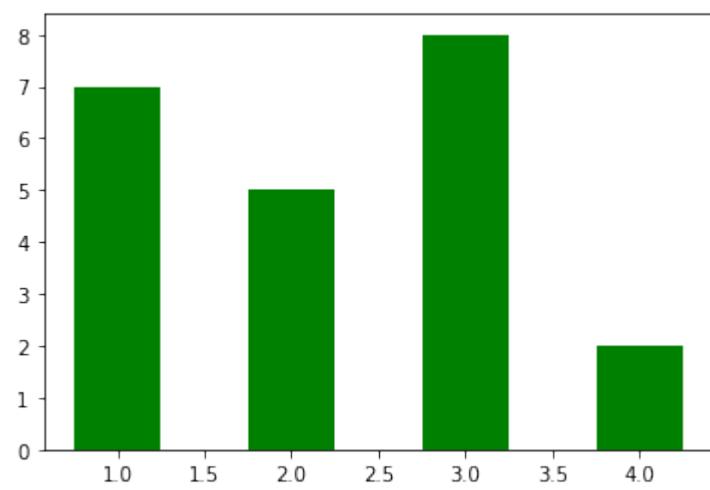
The previous plot with dots doesn't look so good - we might try to use instead a bar plot. First look at this example, then proceed with the next exercise

```
[31]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = [1,2,3,4]
ys = [7,5,8,2]

plt.bar(xs, ys,
        0.5,                  # the width of the bars
        color='green',          # someone suggested the default blue color is depressing, so
        #let's put green
        align='center')         # bars are centered on the xtick

plt.show()
```



## indegree per node bar plot

⊕⊕ Display a bar plot<sup>268</sup> for graph G1 where the xtick labels are the nodes, and the y is the indegree of those nodes.

[32]: # write here

```
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```

[33]: # SOLUTION

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

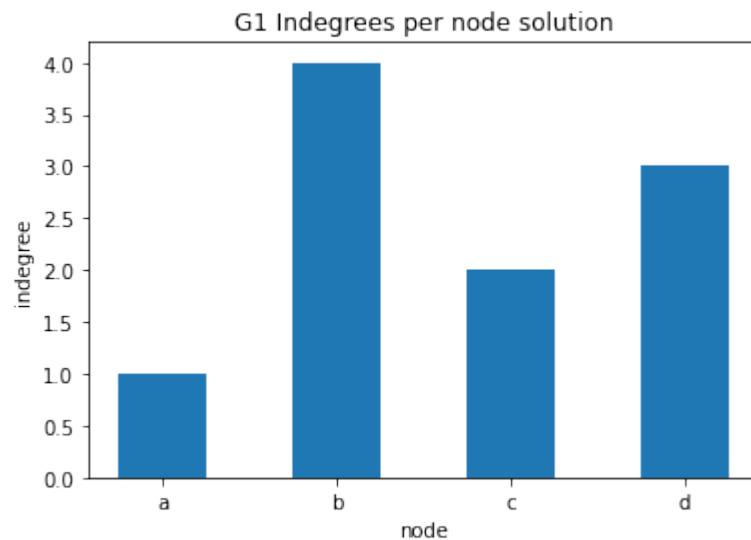
xs = np.arange(G1.number_of_nodes())
ys_in = [G1.in_degree(n) for n in G1.nodes()]

plt.bar(xs, ys_in, 0.5, align='center')

plt.title("G1 Indegrees per node solution")
plt.xticks(xs, G1.nodes())

plt.xlabel('node')
plt.ylabel('indegree')

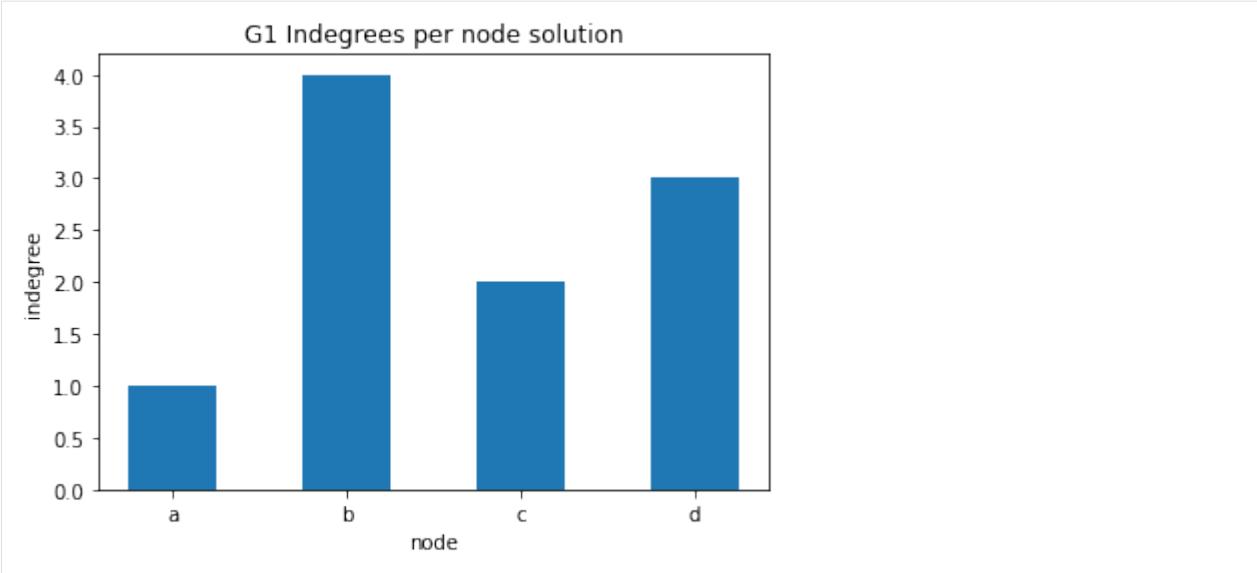
plt.show()
```



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[33]:

<sup>268</sup> [https://matplotlib.org/api/\\_as\\_gen/matplotlib.pyplot.bar.html](https://matplotlib.org/api/_as_gen/matplotlib.pyplot.bar.html)



### indegree per node sorted alphabetically

⊕⊕ Display the same bar plot as before, but now sort nodes alphabetically.

NOTE: you cannot run `.sort()` method on the result given by `G1.nodes()`, because nodes in network by default have no inherent order. To use `.sort()` you need first to convert the result to a `list` object.

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```
[34]: # SOLUTION

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = np.arange(G1.number_of_nodes())

xs_labels = list(G1.nodes())

xs_labels.sort()

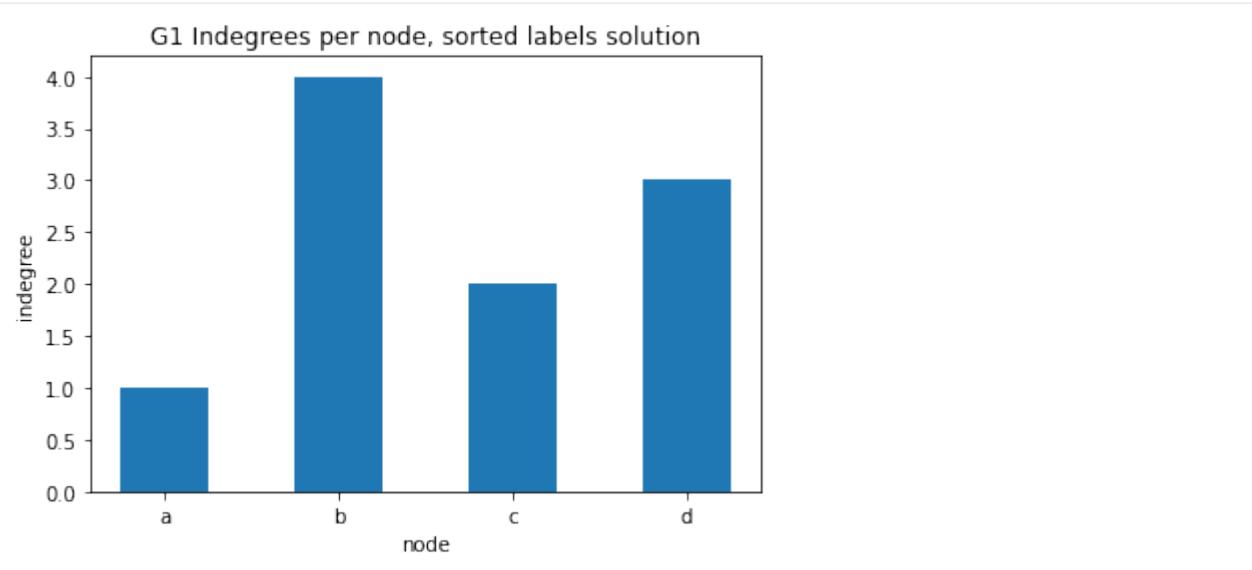
ys_in = [G1.in_degree(n) for n in xs_labels]

plt.bar(xs, ys_in, 0.5, align='center')

plt.title("G1 Indegrees per node, sorted labels solution")
plt.xticks(xs, xs_labels)

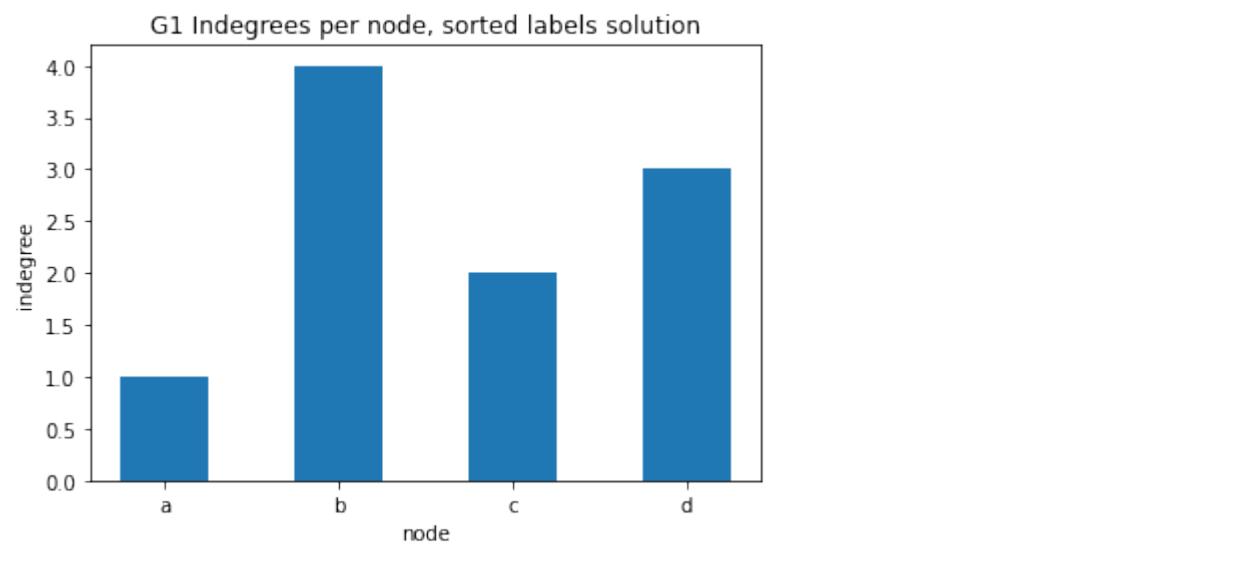
plt.xlabel('node')
plt.ylabel('indegree')

plt.show()
```



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[34] :



[35]: # write here

### indegree per node sorted

⊕⊕⊕ Display the same bar plot as before, but now sort nodes according to their indegree. This is more challenging, to do it you need to use some sort trick. First read the [Python documentation<sup>269</sup>](#) and then:

1. create a list of couples (list of tuples) where each tuple is the node identifier and the corresponding indegree
2. sort the list by using the second value of the tuples as a key.

```
[36]: # write here
```

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```

```
[37]: # SOLUTION
```

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = np.arange(G1.number_of_nodes())

coords = [(v, G1.in_degree(v)) for v in G1.nodes()]

coords.sort(key=lambda c: c[1])

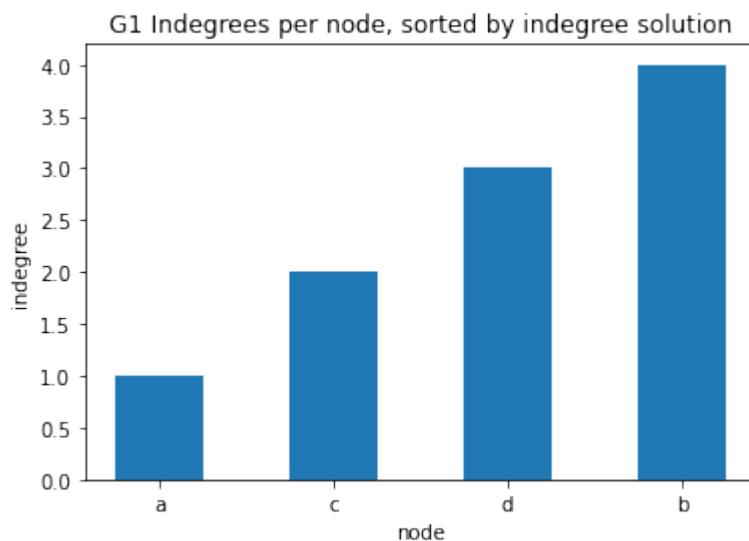
ys_in = [c[1] for c in coords]

plt.bar(xs, ys_in, 0.5, align='center')

plt.title("G1 Indegrees per node, sorted by indegree solution")
plt.xticks(xs, [c[0] for c in coords])

plt.xlabel('node')
plt.ylabel('indegree')

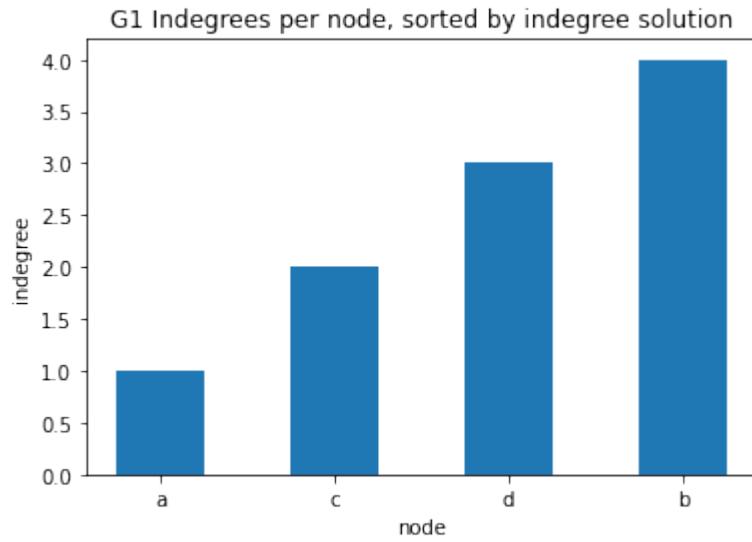
plt.show()
```



<sup>269</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/howto/sorting.html#key-functions>

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### out degrees per node sorted

⊕⊕⊕ Do the same graph as before for the outdegrees.

You can get the outdegree of a node with:

[38] : G1.out\_degree('b')

[38] : 3

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```
[39]: # SOLUTION
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = np.arange(G1.number_of_nodes())

coords = [(v, G1.out_degree(v)) for v in G1.nodes()]

coords.sort(key=lambda c: c[1])

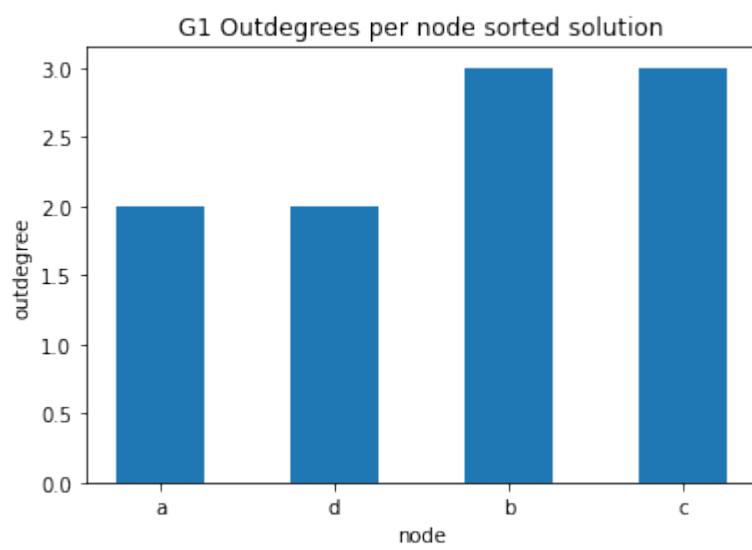
ys_out = [c[1] for c in coords]

plt.bar(xs, ys_out, 0.5, align='center')

plt.title("G1 Outdegrees per node sorted solution")
plt.xticks(xs, [c[0] for c in coords])

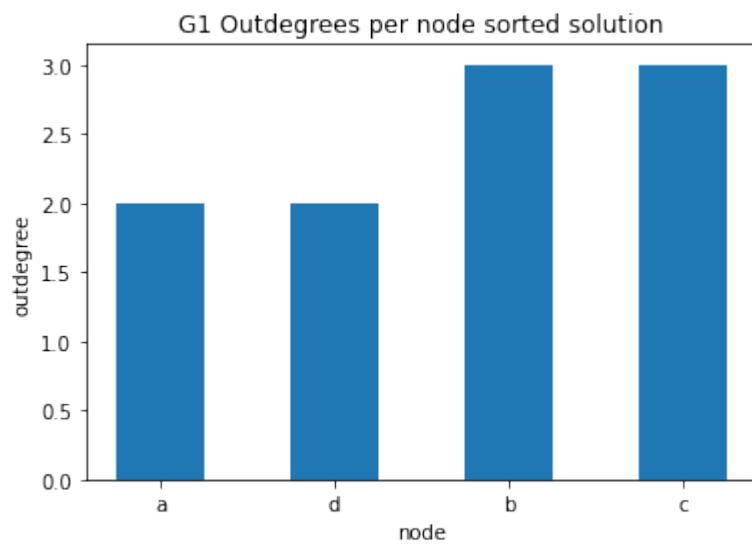
plt.xlabel('node')
plt.ylabel('outdegree')

plt.show()
```



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[40]: # write here

## degrees per node

⊕⊕⊕ We might check as well the sorted degrees per node, intended as the sum of in\_degree and out\_degree. To get the sum, use G1.degree(node) function.

```
[41]: # write here the solution
```

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```
[42]: # SOLUTION
```

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = np.arange(G1.number_of_nodes())

coords = [(v, G1.degree(v)) for v in G1.nodes()]

coords.sort(key=lambda c: c[1])

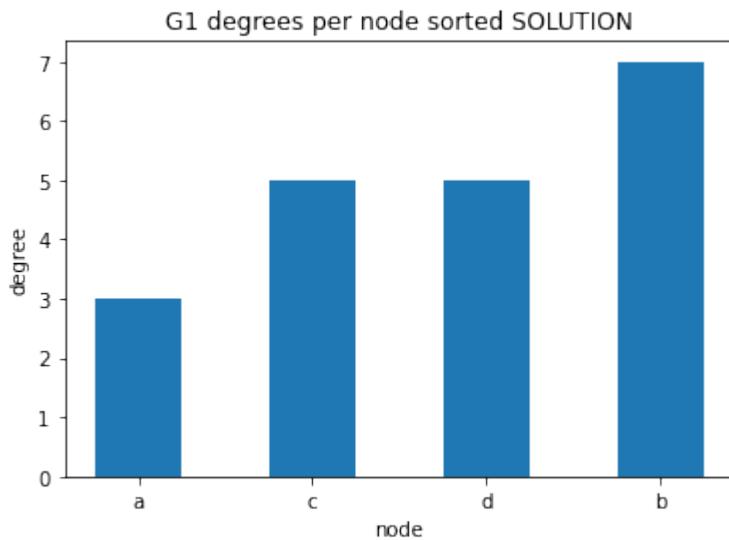
ys_deg = [c[1] for c in coords]

plt.bar(xs, ys_deg, 0.5, align='center')

plt.title("G1 degrees per node sorted SOLUTION")
plt.xticks(xs, [c[0] for c in coords])

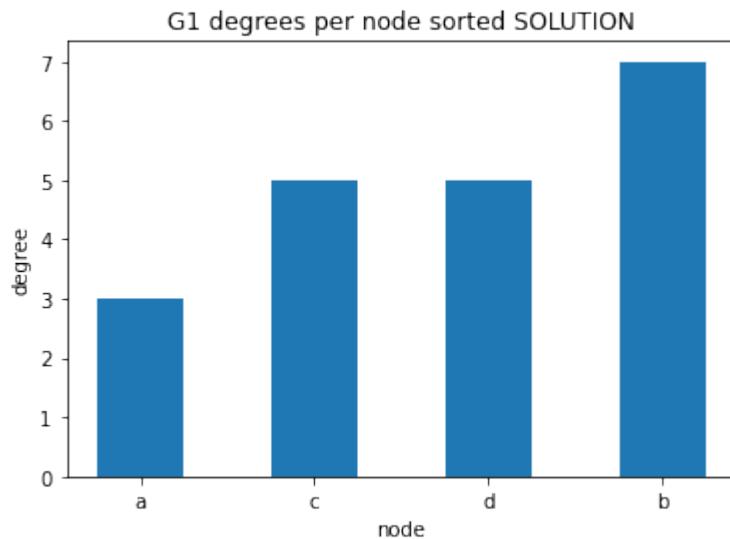
plt.xlabel('node')
plt.ylabel('degree')

plt.show()
```



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⊕⊕⊕⊕ EXERCISE: Look at [this example<sup>270</sup>](#), and make a double bar chart sorting nodes by their *total* degree. To do so, in the tuples you will need `vertex`, `in_degree`, `out_degree` and also `degree`.

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[44] : # SOLUTION

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

xs = np.arange(G1.number_of_nodes())

coords = [(v, G1.degree(v), G1.in_degree(v), G1.out_degree(v)) for v in G1.nodes()]

coords.sort(key=lambda c: c[1])

ys_deg = [c[1] for c in coords]
ys_in = [c[2] for c in coords]
ys_out = [c[3] for c in coords]

width = 0.35
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
rects1 = ax.bar(xs - width/2, ys_in, width,
                 color='SkyBlue', label='indegrees')
rects2 = ax.bar(xs + width/2, ys_out, width,
                 color='IndianRed', label='outdegrees')

# Add some text for labels, title and custom x-axis tick labels, etc.
ax.set_title('G1 in and out degrees per node SOLUTION')
```

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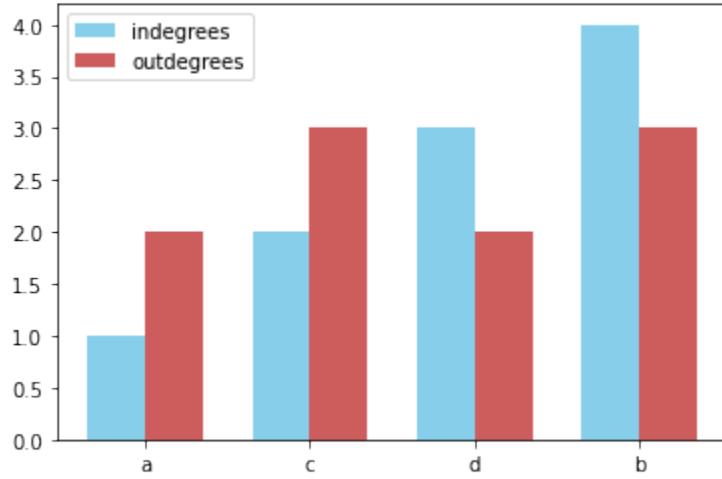
<sup>270</sup> [https://matplotlib.org/gallery/lines\\_bars\\_and\\_markers/barchart.html#sphx-glr-gallery-lines-bars-and-markers-barchart-py](https://matplotlib.org/gallery/lines_bars_and_markers/barchart.html#sphx-glr-gallery-lines-bars-and-markers-barchart-py)

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```
ax.set_xticks(xs)
ax.set_xticklabels([c[0] for c in coords])
ax.legend()

plt.show()
```

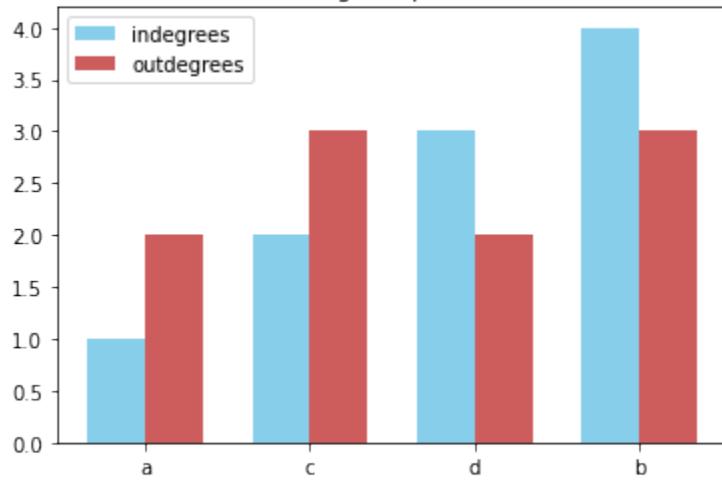
G1 in and out degrees per node SOLUTION



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G1 in and out degrees per node SOLUTION



## Frequency histogram

Now let's try to draw degree frequencies, that is, for each degree present in the graph we want to display a bar as high as the number of times that particular degree appears.

For doing so, we will need a matplotlib histogram, see documentation<sup>271</sup>

We will need to tell matplotlib how many columns we want, which in histogram terms are called *bins*. We also need to give the histogram a series of numbers so it can count how many times each number occurs. Let's consider this graph G2:

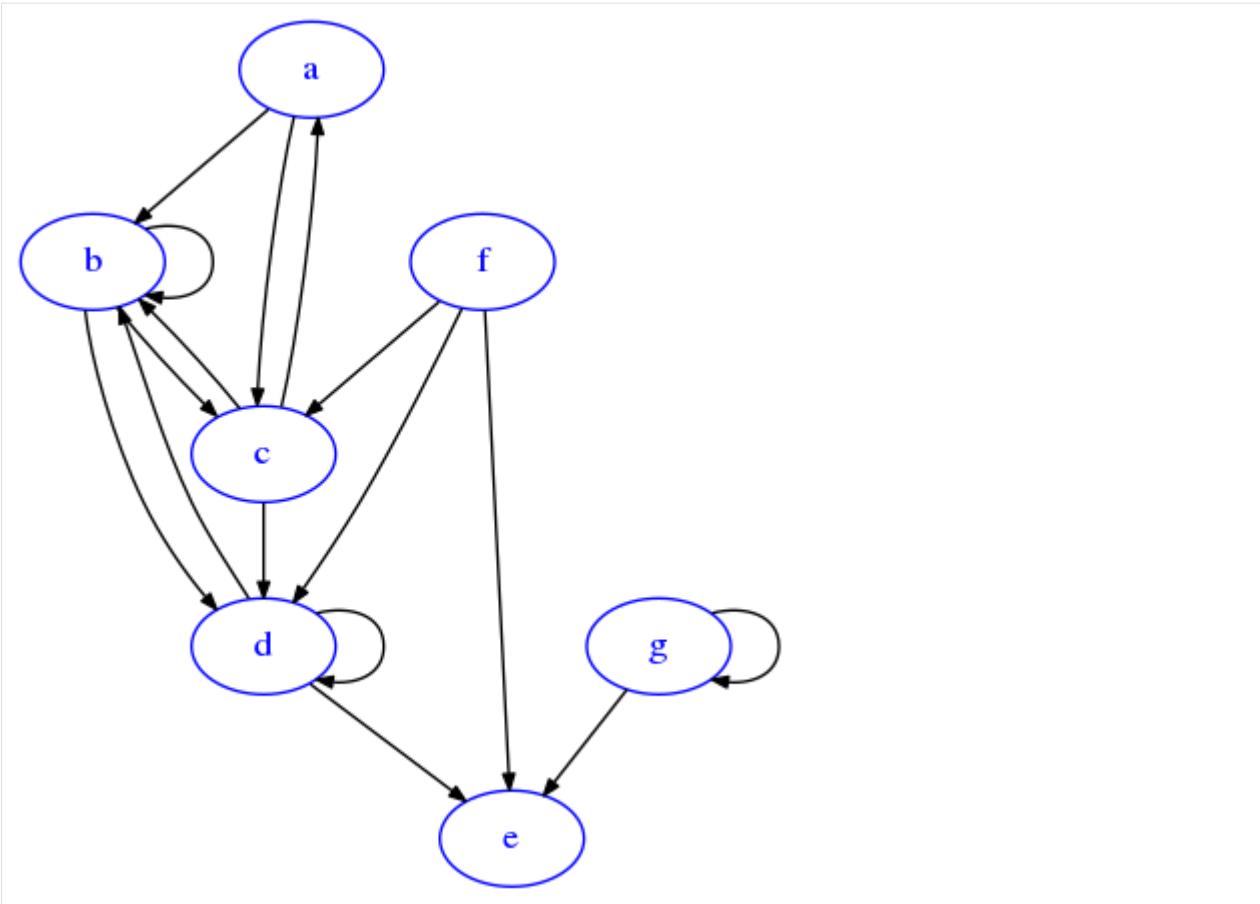
```
[45]: import networkx as nx

G2=nx.DiGraph({
    'a':[ 'b', 'c' ],
    'b':[ 'b', 'c', 'd' ],
    'c':[ 'a', 'b', 'd' ],
    'd':[ 'b', 'd', 'e' ],
    'e':[],
    'f':[ 'c', 'd', 'e' ],
    'g':[ 'e', 'g' ]
})

draw_nx(G2)
```

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<sup>271</sup> [https://matplotlib.org/api/\\_as\\_gen/matplotlib.pyplot.hist.html](https://matplotlib.org/api/_as_gen/matplotlib.pyplot.hist.html)



If we take the degree sequence of G2 we get this:

```
[46]: degrees_G2 = [G2.degree(n) for n in G2.nodes()]
degrees_G2
[46]: [3, 7, 6, 7, 3, 3, 3]
```

We see 3 appears four times, 6 once, and seven twice.

Let's try to determine a good number for the bins. First we can check the boundaries our x axis should have:

```
[47]: min(degrees_G2)
[47]: 3
[48]: max(degrees_G2)
[48]: 7
```

So our histogram on the x axis must go at least from 3 and at least to 7. If we want integer columns (bins), we will need at least ticks for going from 3 included to 7 included, so at least ticks for 3,4,5,6,7. For getting precise display, when we have integer x it is best to also manually provide the sequence of bin edges, remembering it should start at least from the minimum *included* (in our case, 3) and arrive to the maximum + 1 *included* (in our case, 7 + 1 = 8)

**NOTE:** precise histogram drawing can be quite tricky, please do read [this StackOverflow post<sup>272</sup>](https://stackoverflow.com/a/27084005) for more details about it.

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<sup>272</sup> <https://stackoverflow.com/a/27084005>

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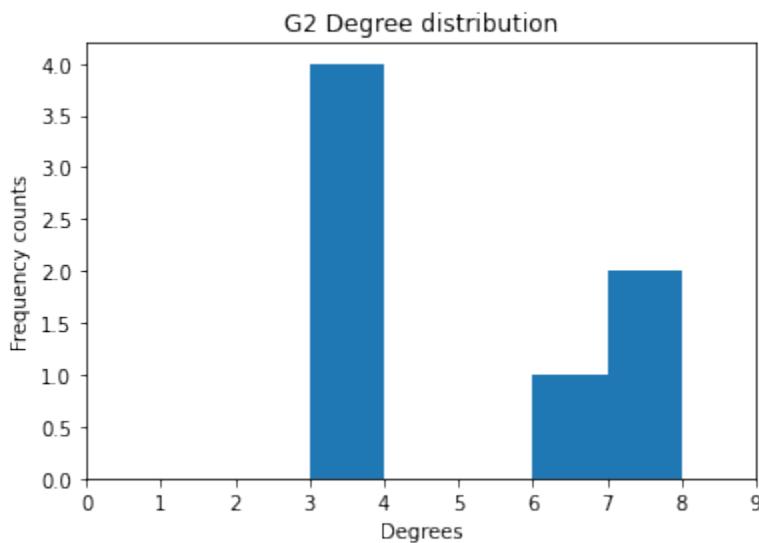
```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

degrees = [G2.degree(n) for n in G2.nodes()]

# add histogram

# in this case hist returns a tuple of three values
# we put in three variables
n, bins, columns = plt.hist(degrees_G2,
                             bins=range(3,9), # 3 *included* , 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
                             width=1.0)         # graphical width of the bars

plt.xlabel('Degrees')
plt.ylabel('Frequency counts')
plt.title('G2 Degree distribution')
plt.xlim(0, max(degrees) + 2)
plt.show()
```



As expected we see 3 is counted four times, 6 once, and seven twice.

⊕⊕⊕ **EXERCISE:** Still, it would be visually better to align the x ticks to the middle of the bars with `xticks`, and also to make the graph more tight by setting the `xlim` appropriately. This is not always easy to do.

Read carefully this StackOverflow post<sup>273</sup> and try do it by yourself.

**NOTE:** set *one thing at a time* and try if it works(i.e. first `xticks` and then `xlim`), doing everything at once might get quite confusing

[50]: # write here the solution

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<sup>273</sup> <https://stackoverflow.com/a/27084005>

```
[51]: # SOLUTION

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

degrees = [G2.degree(n) for n in G2.nodes()]

# add histogram

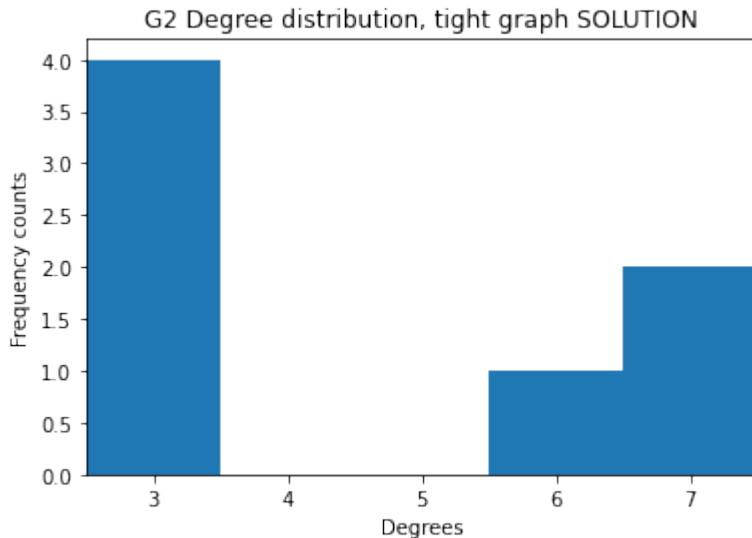
min_x = min(degrees)      # 3
max_x = max(degrees)      # 7
bar_width = 1.0

# in this case hist returns a tuple of three values
# we put in three variables
n, bins, columns = plt.hist(degrees_G2,
                             bins= range(3,9),   # 3 *included* to 9 *excluded*
                             # it is like the xs, but with one_
                             ↪number more !!
                             # to understand why read this
                             # https://stackoverflow.com/questions/
                             ↪27083051/matplotlib-xticks-not-lining-up-with-histogram/27084005#27084005
                             width=bar_width)    # graphical width of the bars

plt.xlabel('Degrees')
plt.ylabel('Frequency counts')
plt.title('G2 Degree distribution, tight graph SOLUTION')

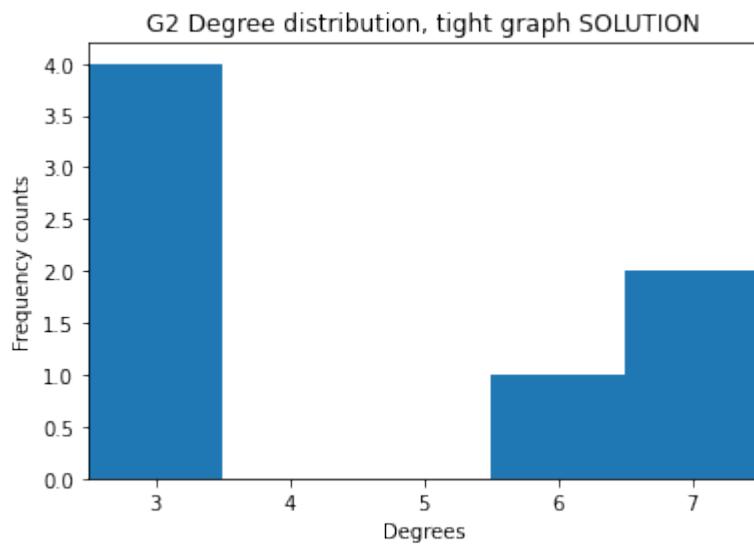
xs = np.arange(min_x,max_x + 1) # 3 *included* to 8 *excluded*
                                # used numpy so we can later reuse it for float_
                                ↪vector operations

plt.xticks(xs + bar_width / 2, # position of ticks
           xs)                  # labels of ticks
plt.xlim(min_x, max_x + 1)   # 3 *included* to 8 *excluded*
plt.show()
```



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### Showing plots side by side

You can display plots on a grid. Each cell in the grid is identified by only one number. For example, for a grid of two rows and three columns, you would have cells indexed like this:

1	2	3
4	5	6

```
[52]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import math

xs = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]

# cells:
# 1 2 3
# 4 5 6

plt.subplot(2,      # 2 rows
            3,      # 3 columns
            1)     # plotting in first cell
ys1 = [x**3 for x in xs]
plt.plot(xs, ys1)
plt.title('first cell')

plt.subplot(2,      # 2 rows
            3,      # 3 columns
            2)     # plotting in first cell

ys2 = [2*x + 1 for x in xs]
plt.plot(xs, ys2)
```

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```
plt.title('2nd cell')

plt.subplot(2,      # 2 rows
            3,      # 3 columns
            3)     # plotting in third cell

ys3 = [-2*x + 1 for x in xs]
plt.plot(xs,ys3)
plt.title('3rd cell')

plt.subplot(2,      # 2 rows
            3,      # 3 columns
            4)     # plotting in fourth cell

ys4 = [-2*x**2 for x in xs]
plt.plot(xs,ys4)
plt.title('4th cell')

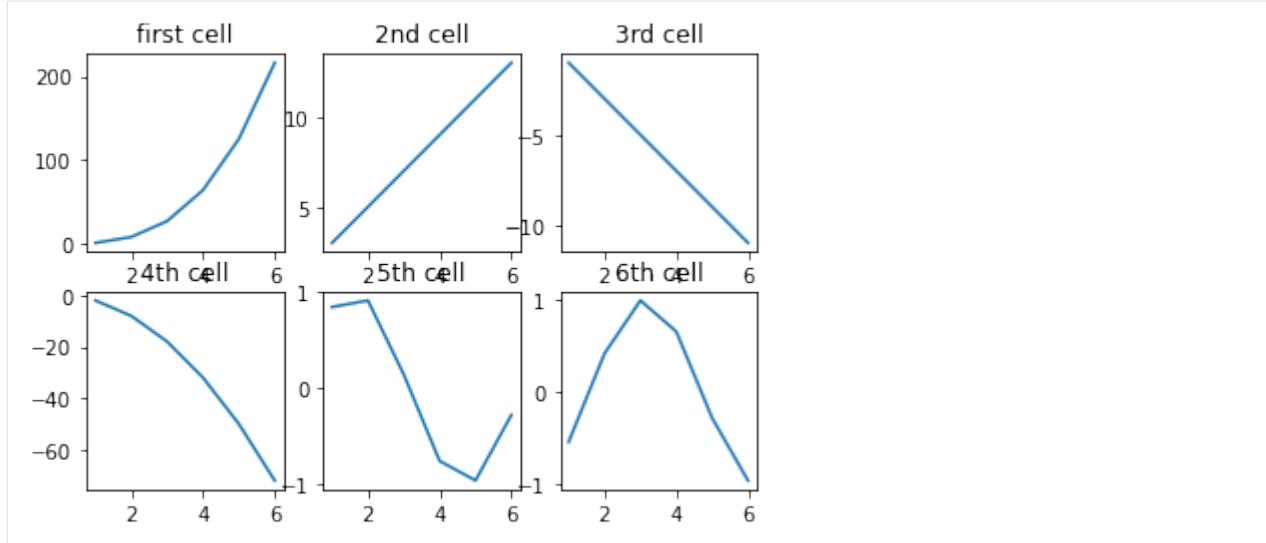
plt.subplot(2,      # 2 rows
            3,      # 3 columns
            5)     # plotting in fifth cell

ys5 = [math.sin(x) for x in xs]
plt.plot(xs,ys5)
plt.title('5th cell')

plt.subplot(2,      # 2 rows
            3,      # 3 columns
            6)     # plotting in sixth cell

ys6 = [-math.cos(x) for x in xs]
plt.plot(xs,ys6)
plt.title('6th cell')

plt.show()
```



## Graph models

Let's study frequencies of some known network types.

### Erdős–Rényi model

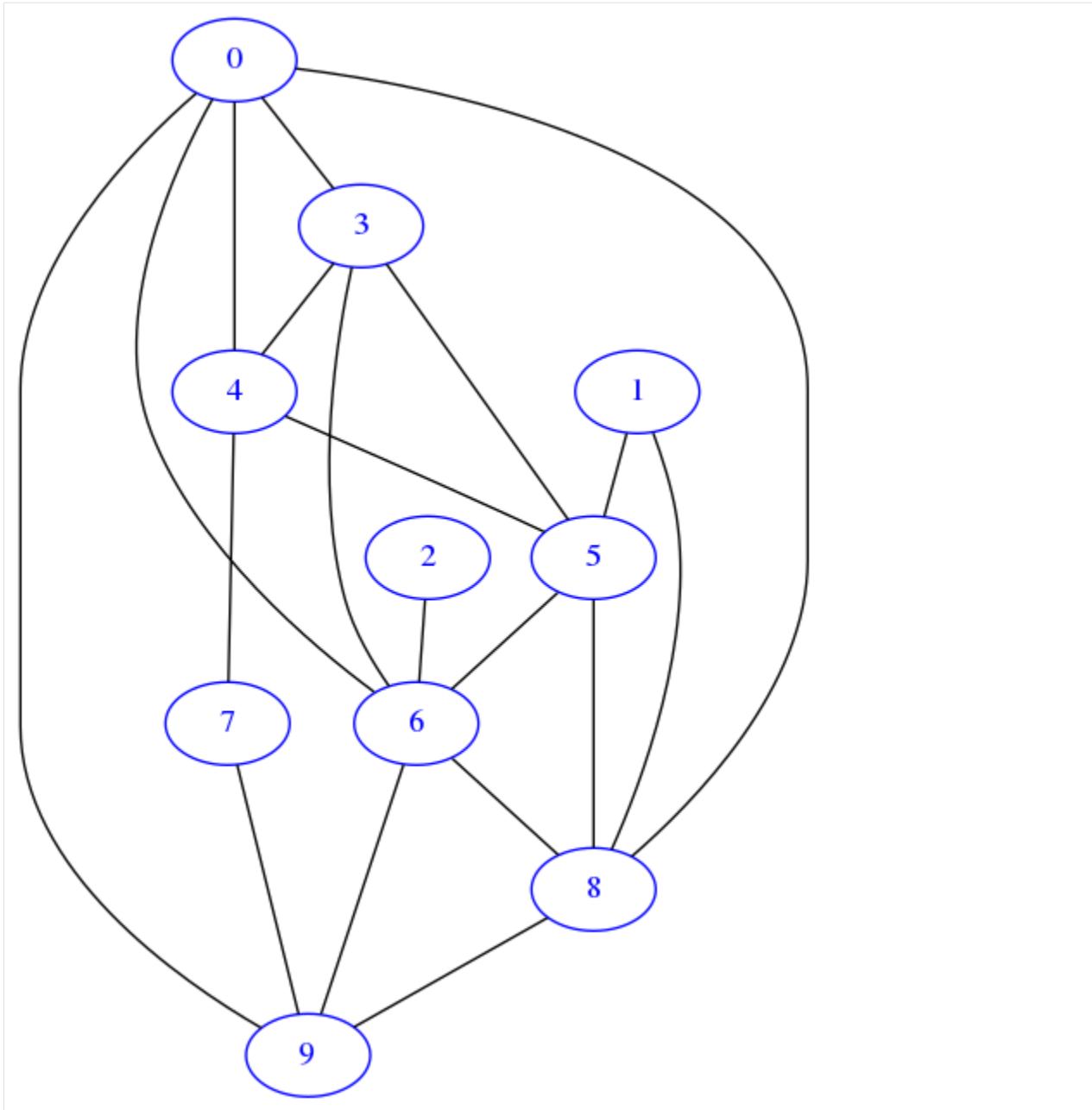
⊕⊕ A simple graph model we can think of is the so-called Erdős–Rényi model<sup>274</sup>: it is an *undirected* graph where have  $n$  nodes, and each node is connected to each other with probability  $p$ . In networkx, we can generate a random one by issuing this command:

```
[53]: G = nx.erdos_renyi_graph(10, 0.5)
```

In the drawing, by looking the absence of arrows confirms it is undirected:

```
[54]: draw_nx(G)
```

<sup>274</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Erd%C5%91s%E2%80%93R%C3%A9nyi\\_model](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Erd%C5%91s%E2%80%93R%C3%A9nyi_model)



Try plotting degree distribution for different values of  $p$  (0.1, 0.5, 0.9) with a fixed  $n=1000$ , putting them side by side on the same row. What does their distribution look like ? Where are they centered ?

To avoid rewriting the same code again and again, define a `plot_erdos(n, p, j)` function to be called three times.

```
[55]: # write here the solution
```

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```
[56]: # SOLUTION
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```

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

def plot_erdos(n, p, j):
    G = nx.erdos_renyi_graph(n, p)

    plt.subplot(1, 3, j) # 1 row, 3 columns, jth cell

    degrees = [G.degree(n) for n in G.nodes()]
    num_bins = 20

    n, bins, columns = plt.hist(degrees, num_bins, width=1.0)

    plt.xlabel('Degrees')
    plt.ylabel('Frequency counts')
    plt.title('p = %s' % p)

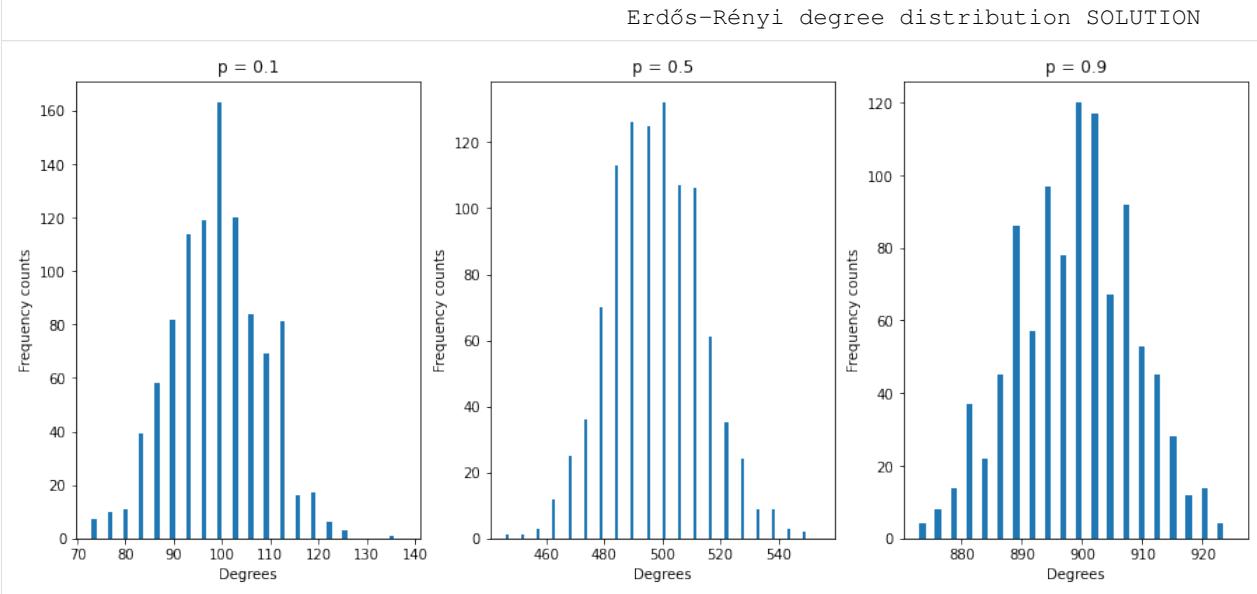
n = 1000

fig = plt.figure(figsize=(15, 6)) # width: 10 inches, height 3 inches

plot_erdos(n, 0.1, 1)
plot_erdos(n, 0.5, 2)
plot_erdos(n, 0.9, 3)

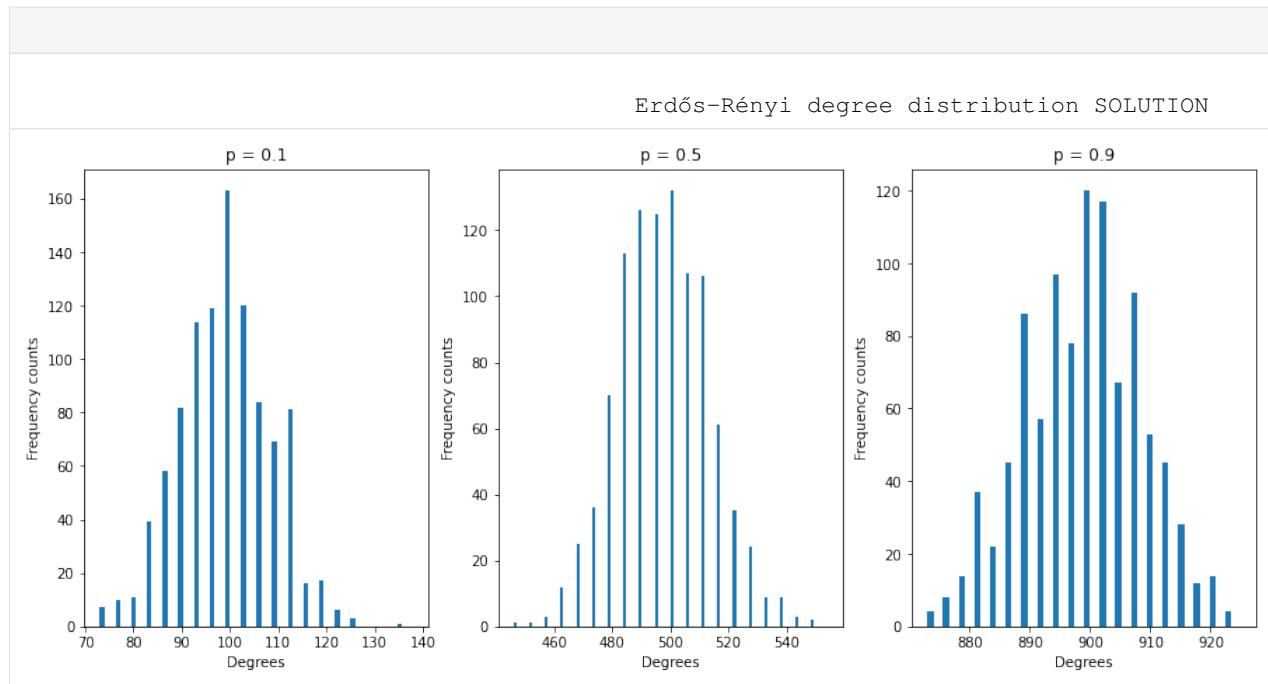
print()
print("Erdős-Rényi degree distribution")
print("→ SOLUTION")
plt.show()

```



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## Other plots

Matplotlib allows to display pretty much any you might like, here we collect some we use in the course, for others, see the [extensive Matplotlib documentation<sup>275</sup>](#)

### Pie chart

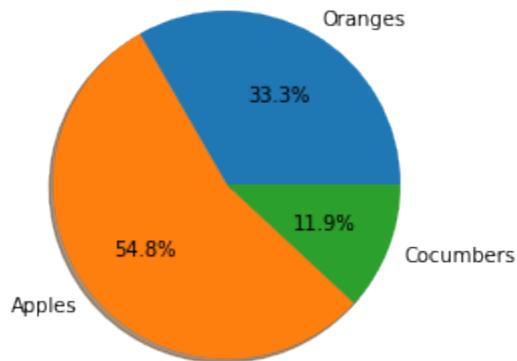
```
[57]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

labels = ['Oranges', 'Apples', 'Cucumbers']
fracs = [14, 23, 5] # how much for each sector, note doesn't need to add up to 100

plt.pie(fracs, labels=labels, autopct='%.1f%%', shadow=True)
plt.title("Super strict vegan diet (good luck)")
plt.show()
```

<sup>275</sup> <https://matplotlib.org/gallery/index.html>

Super strict vegan diet (good luck)

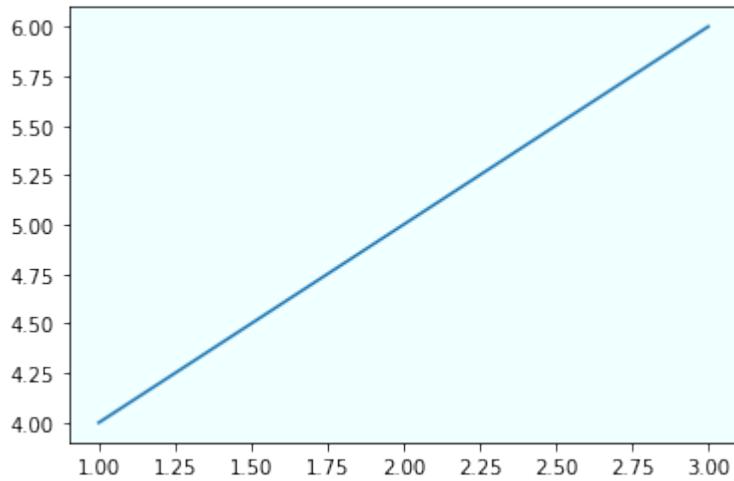


## Fancy plots

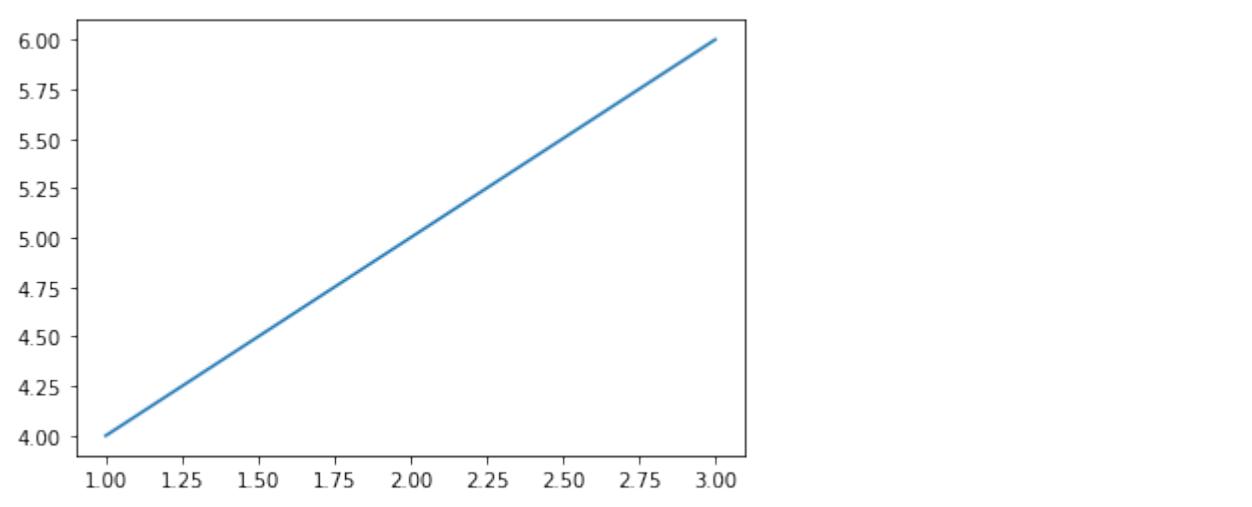
You can enhance your plots with some eyecandy, we put some example.

### Background color

```
[58]: # CHANGES THE BACKGROUND COLOR FOR *ALL* SUBSEQUENT PLOTS
plt.rcParams['axes.facecolor'] = 'azure'
plt.plot([1,2,3],[4,5,6])
plt.show()
```



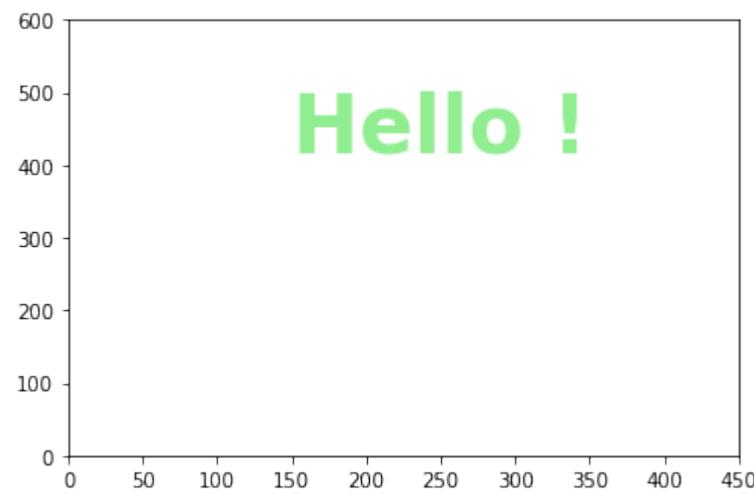
```
[59]: plt.rcParams['axes.facecolor'] = 'white'    # restores the white for all following plots
plt.plot([1,2,3],[4,5,6])
plt.show()
```



## Text

```
[60]: plt.xlim(0,450) # important to set when you add text
plt.ylim(0,600) # as matplotlib doesn't automatically resize to show them

plt.text(250,
        450,
        "Hello !",
        fontsize=40,
        fontweight='bold',
        color="lightgreen",
        ha='center', # centers text horizontally
        va='center') # centers text vertically
plt.show()
```



## Images

Let's try adding the image clef.png

```
[61]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

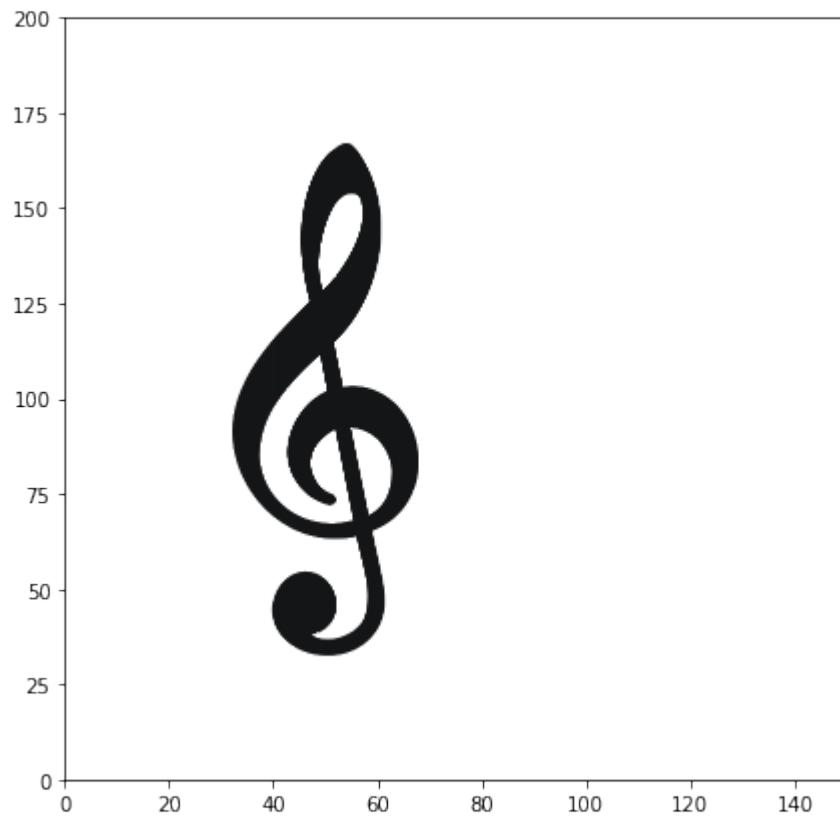
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(7,7))

# NOTE: if you don't see anything, check position and/or zoom factor

from matplotlib.offsetbox import OffsetImage, AnnotationBbox

plt.xlim(0,150)    # important to set when you add images
plt.ylim(0,200)    # as matplotlib doesn't automatically resize to show them
ax=plt.gca()
img = plt.imread('clef.png')
ax.add_artist(AnnotationBbox(OffsetImage(img, zoom=0.5),
                           (50, 100),
                           frameon=False))

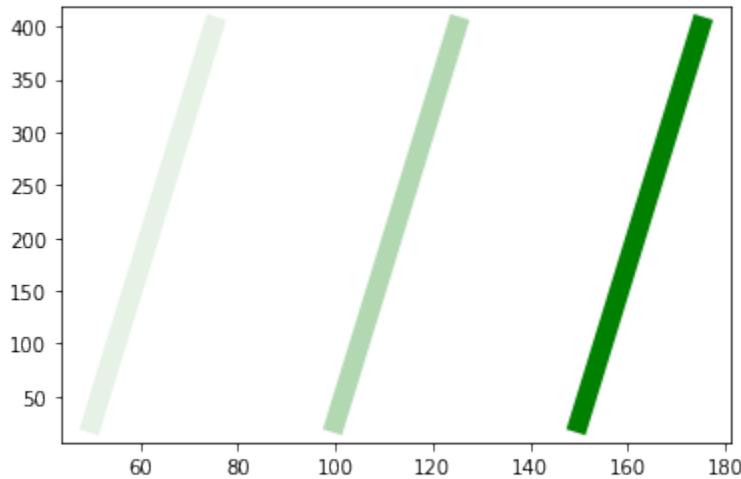
plt.show()
```



## Color intensity

To tweak the color intensity we can use the `alpha` parameter, which varies from `0.0` to `1.0`

```
[62]: plt.plot([150,175], [25,400],
            color='green',
            alpha=1.0, # full color
            linewidth=10)
plt.plot([100,125],[25,400],
         color='green',
         alpha=0.3, # lighter
         linewidth=10)
plt.plot([50,75], [25,400],
         color='green',
         alpha=0.1, # almost invisible
         linewidth=10)
plt.show()
```



## Exercise - Be fancy

Try writing some code to visualize the image down here

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```
[63]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# write here

fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10,10))

# CHANGES BACKGROUND COLOR
plt.rcParams['axes.facecolor'] = 'azure'

# SHOWS TEXT
plt.text(250,
        450,
        "Be fancy",
```

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```
fontsize=40,
fontweight='bold',
color="pink",
ha='center',
va='center')

# CHANGES COLOR INTENSITY WITH alpha

plt.plot([25,400], [300,300],
          color='blue',
          alpha=1.0, # full color
          linewidth=10)
plt.plot([25,400], [200,200],
          color='blue',
          alpha=0.3, # softer
          linewidth=10)
plt.plot([25,400], [100,100],
          color='blue',
          alpha=0.1, # almost invisible
          linewidth=10)

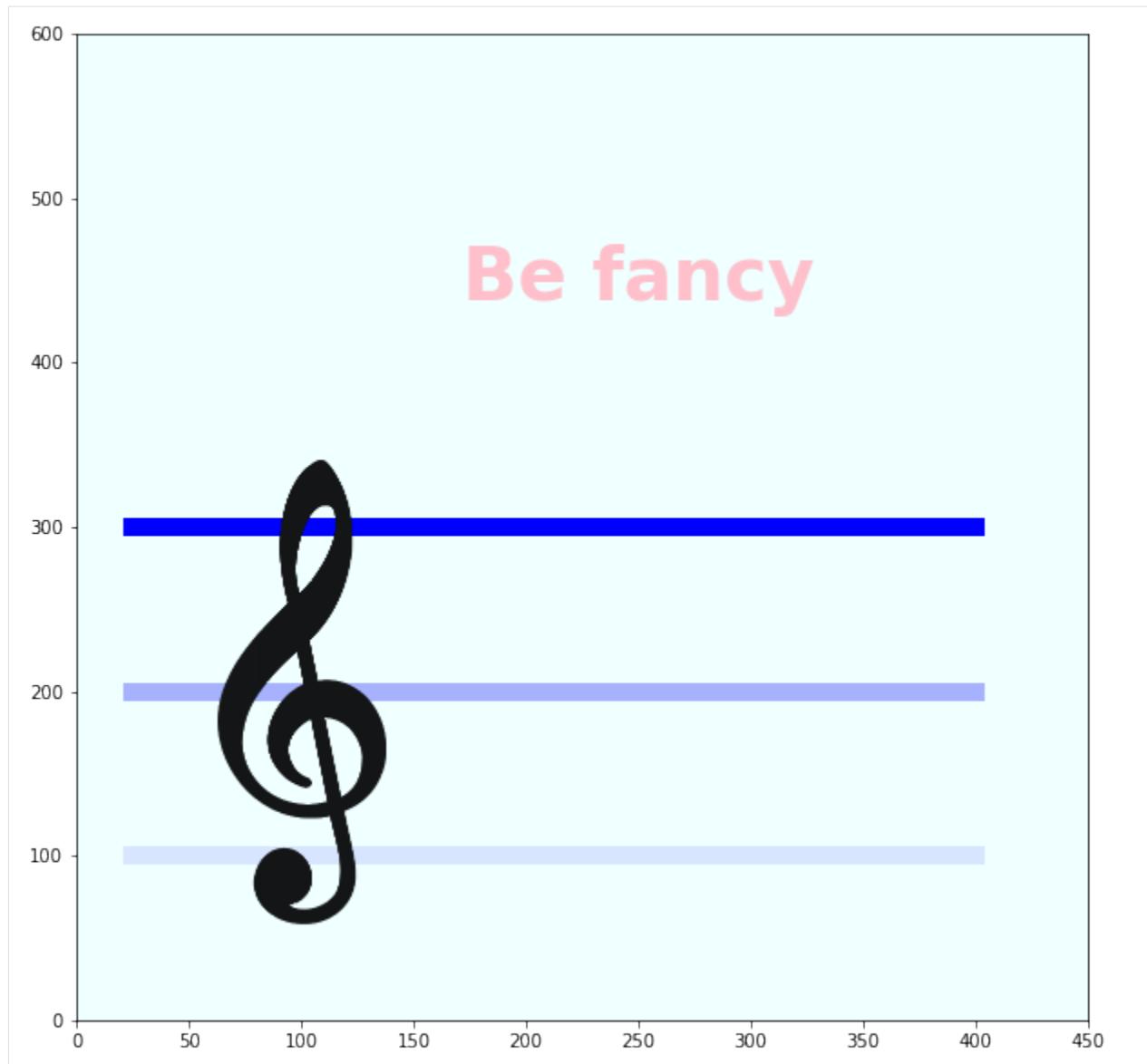
# NOTE: if you don't see anything, check position and/or zoom factor

from matplotlib.offsetbox import OffsetImage, AnnotationBbox

plt.xlim(0,450) # important to set when you add images
plt.ylim(0,600) # as matplotlib doesn't automatically resize to show them

ax=fig.gca()
img = plt.imread('clef.png')
ax.add_artist(AnnotationBbox(OffsetImage(img, zoom=0.5),
                           (100, 200),
                           frameon=False))

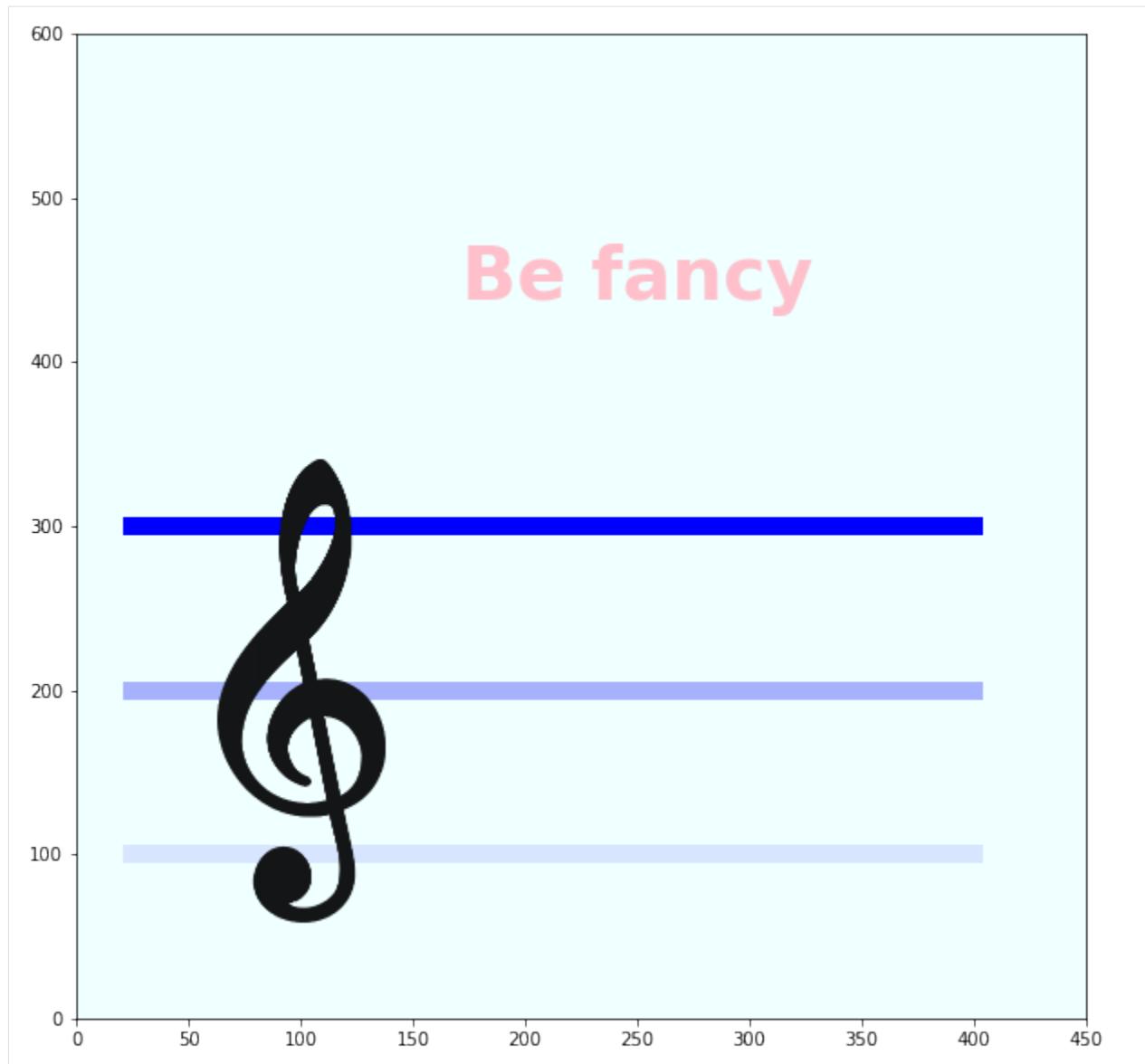
plt.show()
```



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```
[63]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# write here
```



### Continue

Go on with [the AlgoRhythm challenge<sup>276</sup>](#) or the [numpy images tutorial<sup>277</sup>](#)

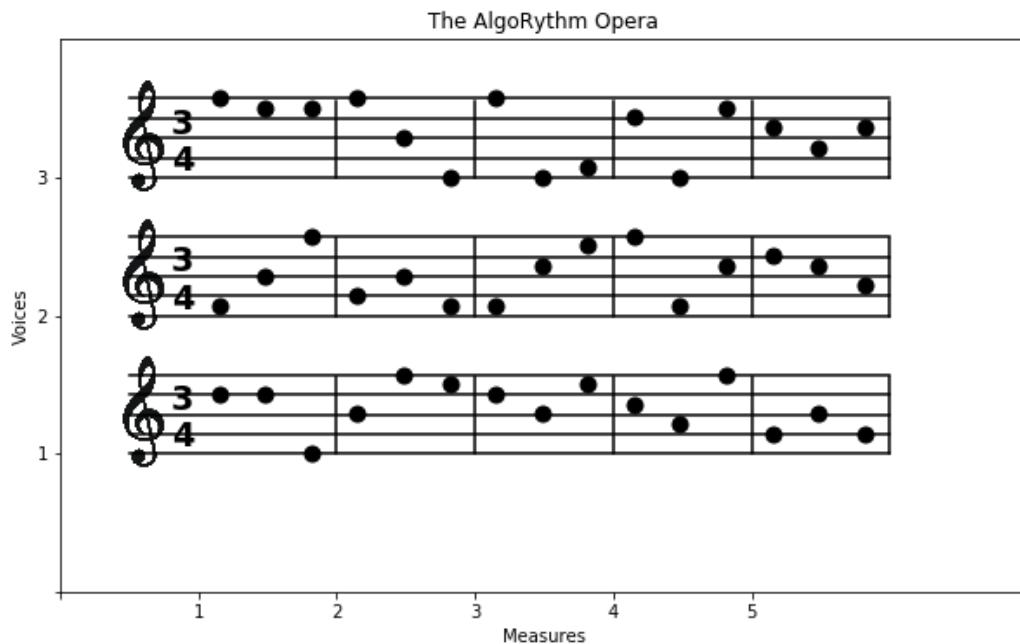
<sup>276</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/visualization/visualization2-chal.html>

<sup>277</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/visualization/visualization-images-sol.html>

## 8.2.2 The AlgoRhythm Opera Challenge

[Download exercises zip](#)

Browse files online<sup>278</sup>



Some people say music is not important, pupils should do math instead. Let's show them music *is* math.

A musical sheet is divided vertically in `voices`. Each voice has a pentagram divided in `measures` (or *bars*, or *battute* in italian), each having a number of beats indicated by its *time signature*, like  $\frac{3}{4}$

Simple time signatures consist of two numerals, one stacked above the other:

- The upper numeral `time_sig_num` (3) indicates how many such beats constitute a bar
- The lower numeral `time_sig_denom` (4) indicates the note value that represents one beat (the beat unit)
- **NOTE:** the lower numeral is not important for our purposes, you will just print it on the pentagrams

For the purposes of this exercise, we assume each measure contains exactly `time_sig_num` notes.

On the chart, note the x axis measures start **at 1** and each measure has **chart length 1**. Notice the pentagrams start a bit before the 1 position because is some info like the time signature and the clef.

- **NOTE:** horizontal tick 0 is not shown

Vertically, each voice pentagram begins at an integer position, **starting from 1**. Each line of the pentagram occupies a vertical space we can imagine subdivided in `divs=7` divisions, in the chart you see 5 divisions for the pentagram lines and 2 invisible ones to separate from voice above.

<sup>278</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/visualization>

- **NOTE:** vertical tick 0 is not shown

## The variables

**DO NOT put unnecessary constants in your code !**

For example, instead of writing 5 you should use the variable `measures` defined down here

```
[1]: # this is *not* a python command, it is a Jupyter-specific magic command,
# to tell jupyter we want the graphs displayed in the cell outputs
%matplotlib inline

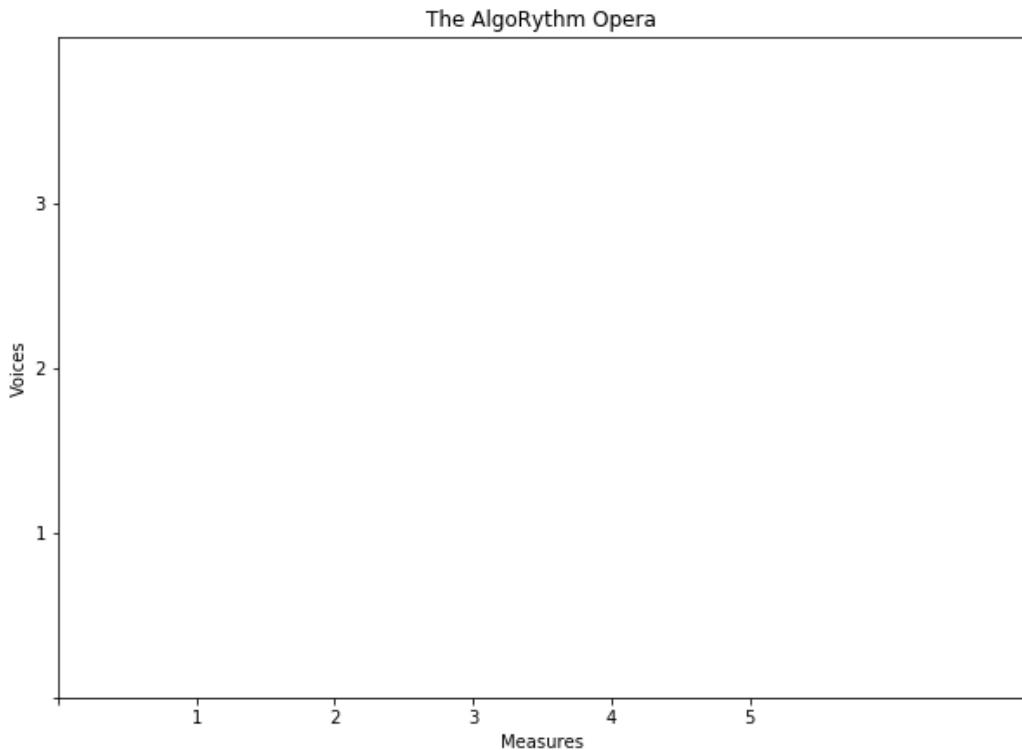
# imports matplotlib
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from pprint import pprint
import numpy as np

# USE THESE VARIABLES !!
measures      = 5    # also called bars
voices        = 3    # number of pentagrams
time_sig_num  = 3
time_sig_denom = 4
divs = 7    # number of vertical divisions for each voice  (5 lines for each pentagram_
             ↪+ 2 imaginary lines)
```

### 1. plot\_sheet

Implement `plot_sheet`, which draws sheet info like title, axes, xticks, yticks ...

- **DO NOT** draw the pentagrams
- **NOTE:** tick 0 is not shown



**WARNING 1:** you need only this ONE call to `plt.figure`

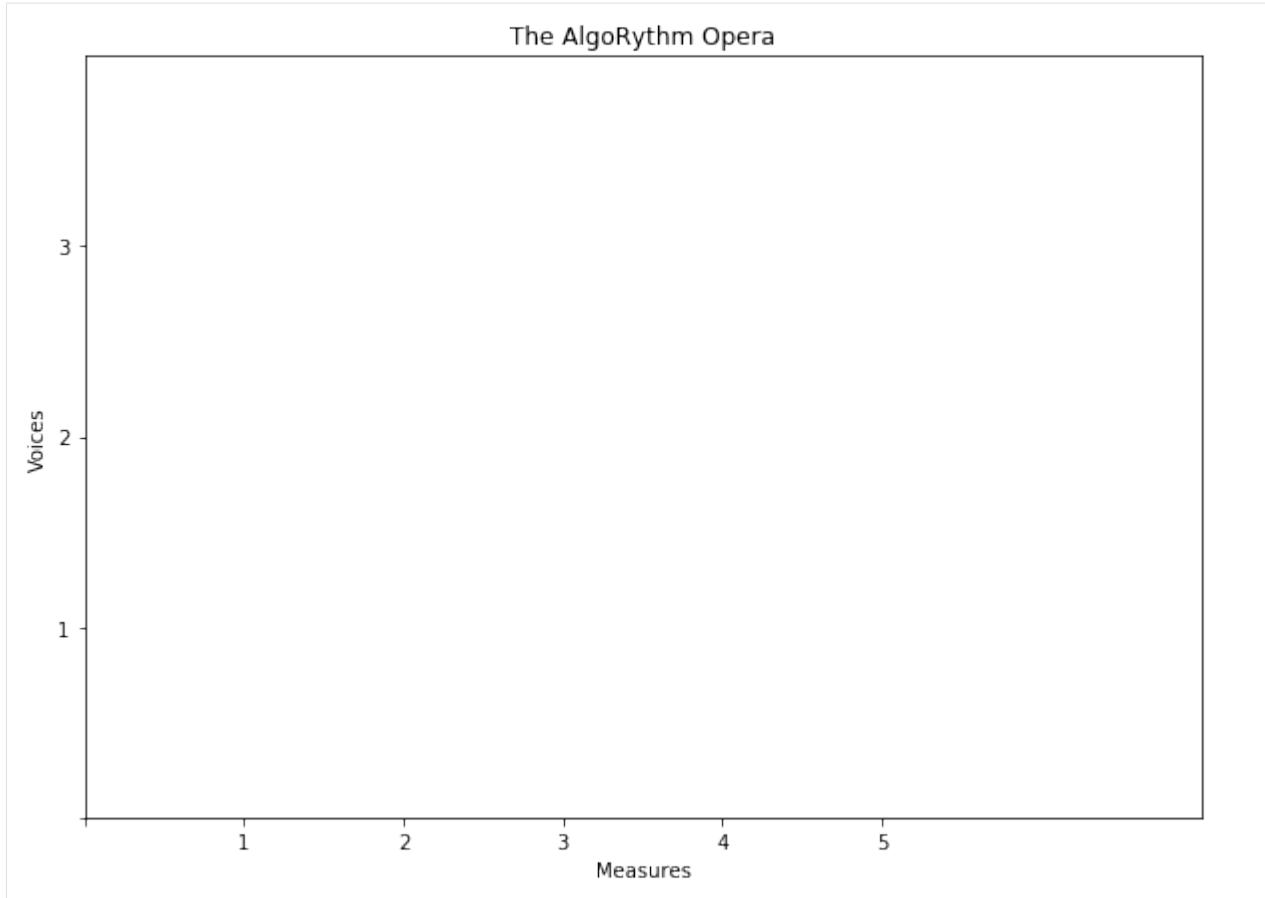
**WARNING 2:** beware of `plt.show()`

If you execute this outside of Jupyter, you will need to call `plt.show()` ONLY ONCE, at the very end of all plotting stuff (outside the functions!)

[2]:

```
def plot_sheet():
    fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10,7)) # 10 inches large by 7 high
    raise Exception("TODO IMPLEMENT ME!")

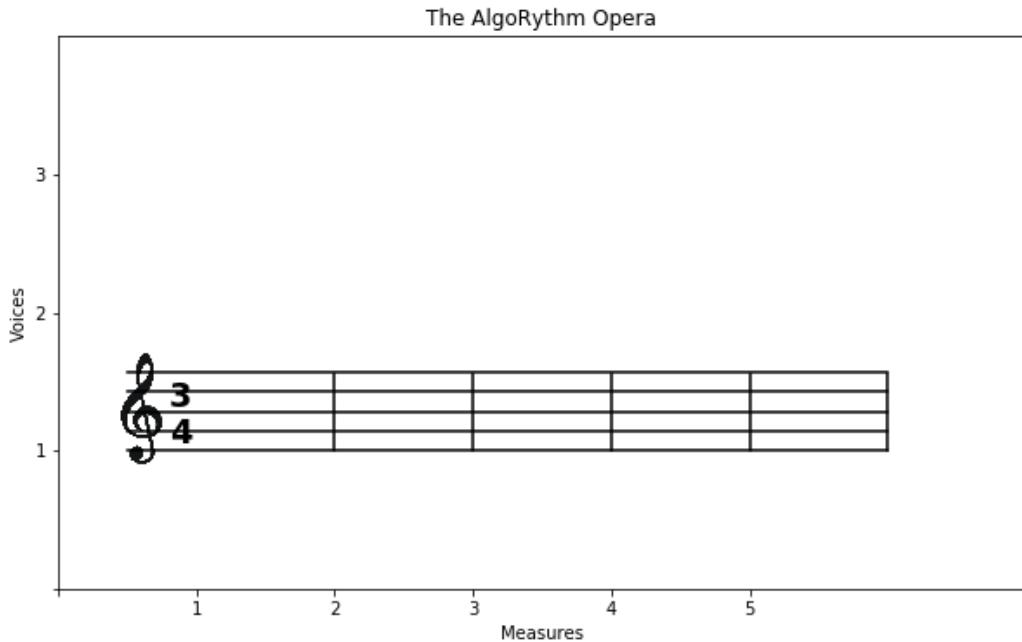
plot_sheet()
# plt.savefig('sheet-sol.png')
```



## 2. plot\_pentagram

Given a voice integer **from 1 (NOT ZERO!!!)** to voices included, draws its pentagram.

- **DO NOT** draw the notes



Try to draw stuff in this sequence:

1 - draw horizontal lines, starting from measure 1. Leave some space before 1 to put later the clef. To obtain the y coordinates, use `np.linspace`

- **REMEMBER** to check you have a measure drawn *after* the 5 tick !
- **HINT:** Since you will have to plot several detached lines, for each you will need to do a separate call to `plt.plot`.

2 - draw vertical bars between measures - don't put a bar at beginning of first measure. To obtain the x coordinates, use `np.linspace`

3 - draw time signature text. To draw a string s at position x, y, you need to call this:

```
plt.text(x, y, s, fontsize=19, fontweight='bold')
```

4 - draw clef: put provided image `clef.png`. To draw the image, you need to call some code like this, by using the appropriate numerical coordinates in place of `xleft`, `xright`, `ybottom`, `ytop` which delimit the place where the image is put.

```
clef = plt.imread('clef.png')
plt.imshow(clef, extent=[xleft, xright, ybottom, ytop])
```

- **NOTE 1:** If you see nothing, it maybe be you are drawing outside of the area or the given frame is too small.
- **NOTE 2:** `xright` and `ytop` are absolute coordinates, **not** width and height!

```
[3]: def plot_pentagram(voice):
    """ Takes a voice from 1 to n and draws its pentagram. Try to draw stuff in this
    ↪sequence:
```

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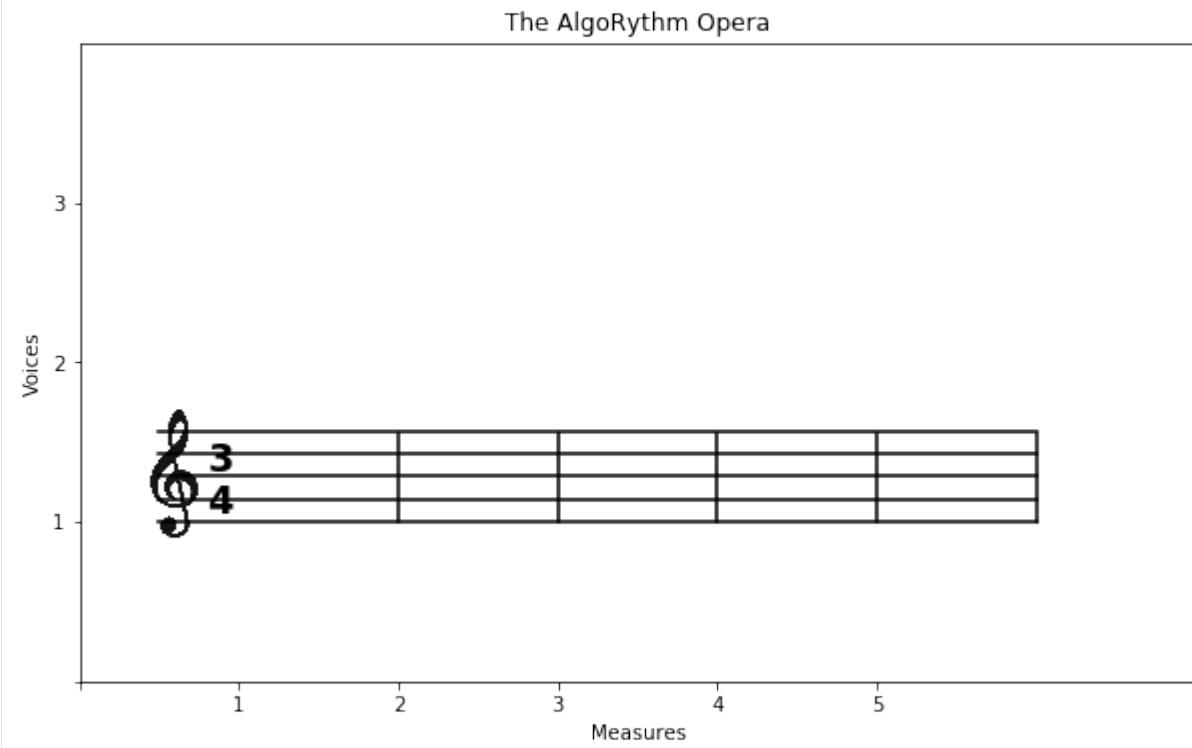
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```

    - horizontal lines, starting from measure 1. Leave some space before 1 to put
    ↪later the clef
    - vertical bars - don't put a bar at beginning of first measure
    - time signature text
    - clef - put image clef.png
    """
    raise Exception("TODO IMPLEMENT ME!")

# NOTE: putting *all* commands in a cell
plot_sheet()
plot_pentagram(1)
# plt.savefig('pentagram-sol.png')

```



### 3. plot\_notes

Implement function `plot_notes` which takes a voice integer **from 1 to n** and a database of notes as a list of lists and draws the notes of that voice

- notes are integers from `min_note=0` to `max_note=8`
- we assume we can only have notes that can be positioned inside the pentagram, so bottom note starts at E4 (middle height of bottom pentagram line) and highest note is F5 (middle height of top pentagram line).
- to set dots size, use `markersize=9` parameter
- to set dots color, use `color='black'` parameter

[4]:

```
# these are just labels, but you don't need to put them anywhere
```

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```

# http://newt.phys.unsw.edu.au/jw/notes.html
#   0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8
notes_scale=['E4','F4','G4','A4','B4','C5','D5','E5','F5']
min_note = 0
max_note = len(notes_scale) - 1

# This is provided, DO NOT TOUCH IT!
def random_notes(voices, measures, time_sig_num, seed):
    """ Generates a random list of lists of notes. Generated notes depend on seed ↴numerical value.
    """
    import random
    random.seed(seed)
    ret = []
    for i in range(voices):
        ret.append([random.randint(min_note,max_note) for i in range(measures*(time_ ↴sig_num))])
    return ret

# This is provided, DO NOT TOUCH IT!
def musical_scale(voices, measures, time_sig_num):
    """ Generates a scale of notes
    """
    ret = []
    for i in range(voices):
        j = min_note
        ret.append((list(range(max_note+1))*100) [:measures*time_sig_num])
    return ret

def plot_notes(voice, notes):
    raise Exception("TODO IMPLEMENT ME!")

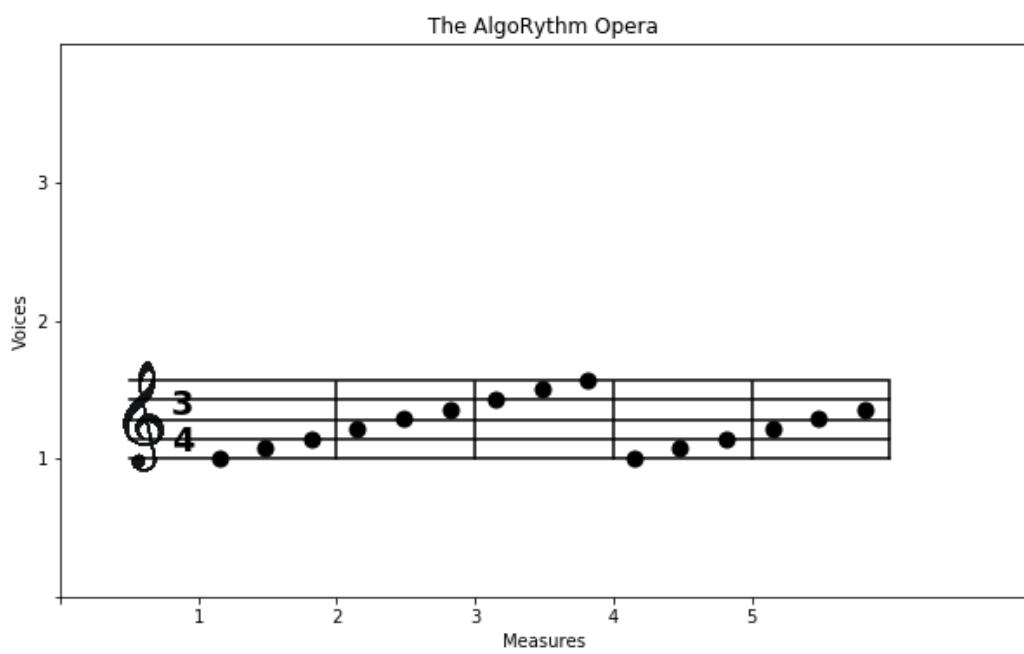
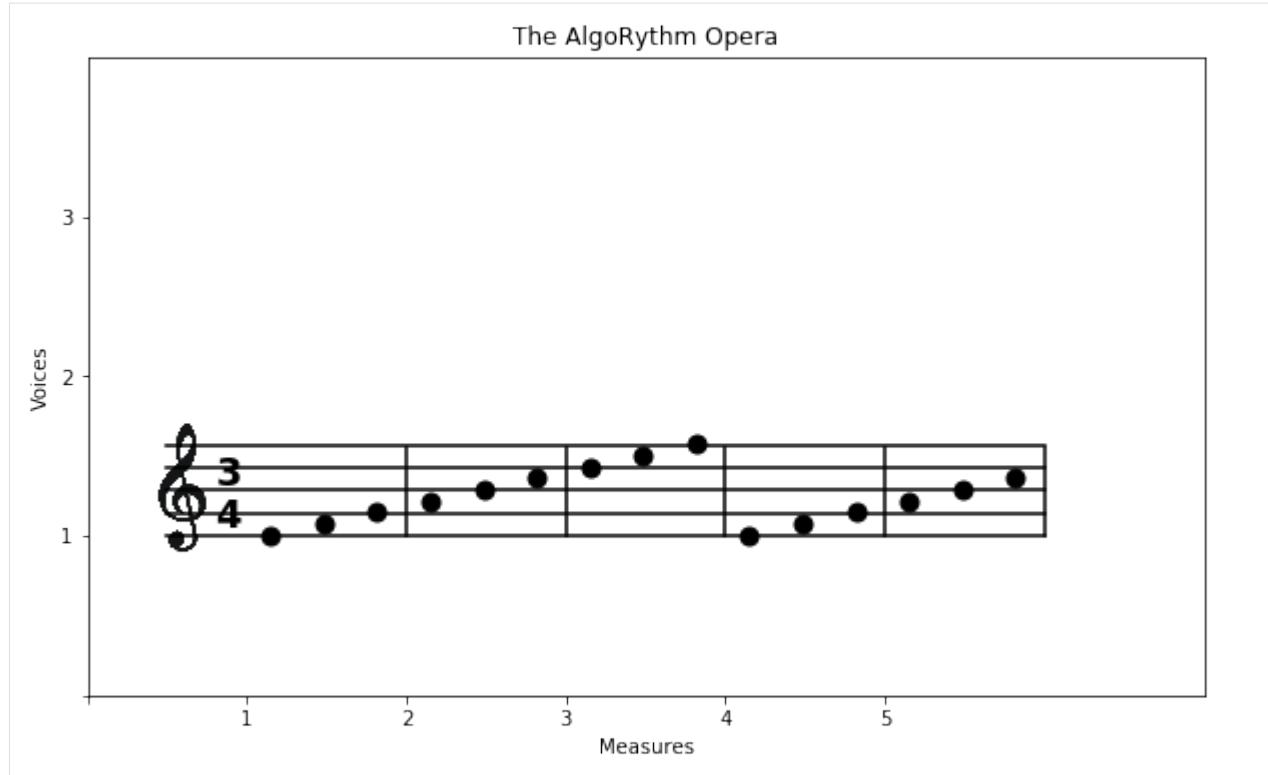
```

```

[5]: notes = musical_scale(voices, measures, time_sig_num)
#notes = random_notes(voices, measures, time_sig_num, 0)
from pprint import pprint
print('notes:')
pprint(notes)
plot_sheet()
plot_pentagram(1)
plot_notes(1, notes)
#plt.savefig('notes-sol.png')

notes:
[[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5],
 [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5],
 [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]]

```



## Final result 1

Putting all together, and using random notes, you should get this:

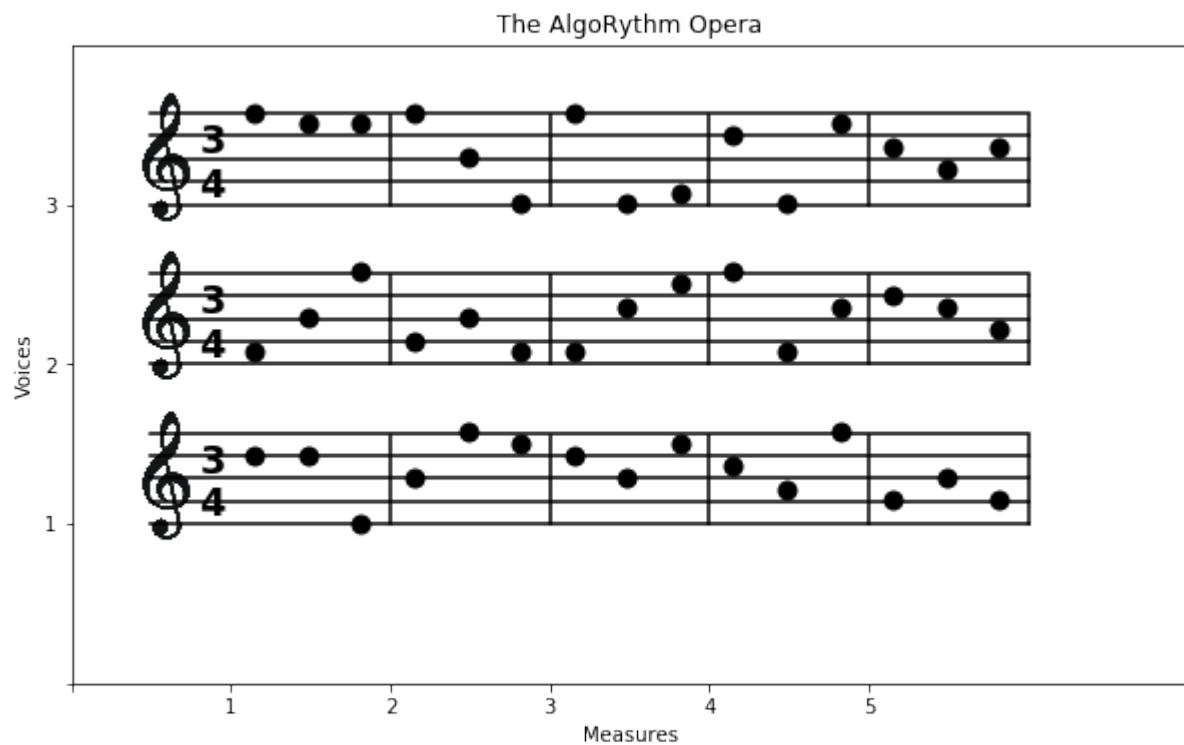
```
[6]: measures      = 5      # also called bars
voices        = 3      # number of pentagrams
time_sig_num   = 3
time_sig_denom = 4
divs = 7

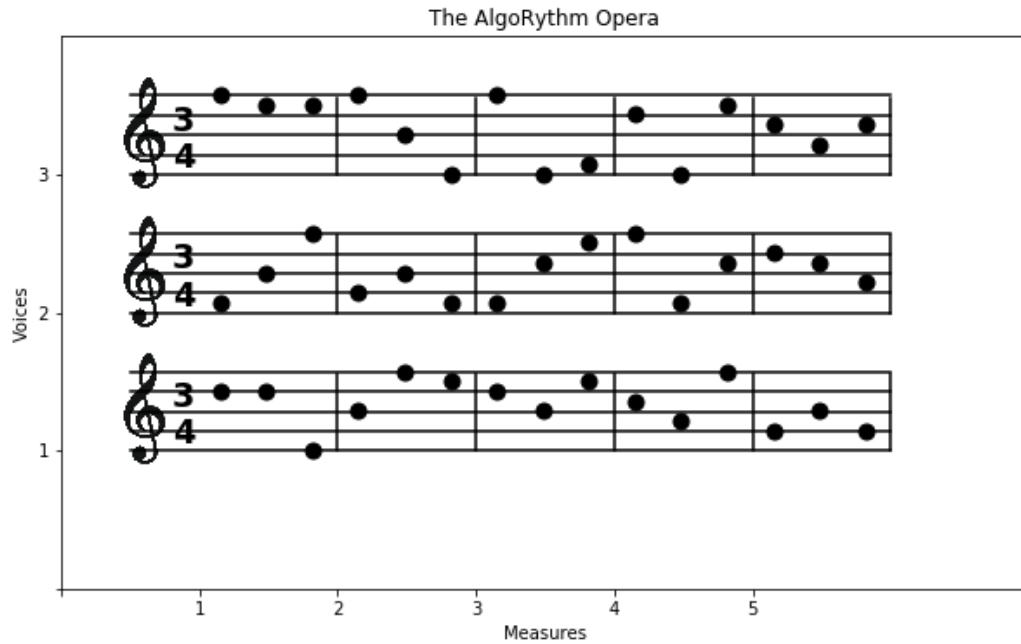
plot_sheet()
for i in range(1, voices+1):
    plot_pentagram(i)

#notes = musical_scale(voices, measures, time_sig_num)
notes = random_notes(voices, measures, time_sig_num, 0)

for i in range(1, voices+1):
    plot_notes(i, notes)

#plt.savefig('final-sol-1.png')
```





## Final result 2

Quite probably you used too many constants in your code instead of using variables at the beginning of the notebook, so let's see if it is general enough to work with sheets that have a different number of voices, measures, etc:

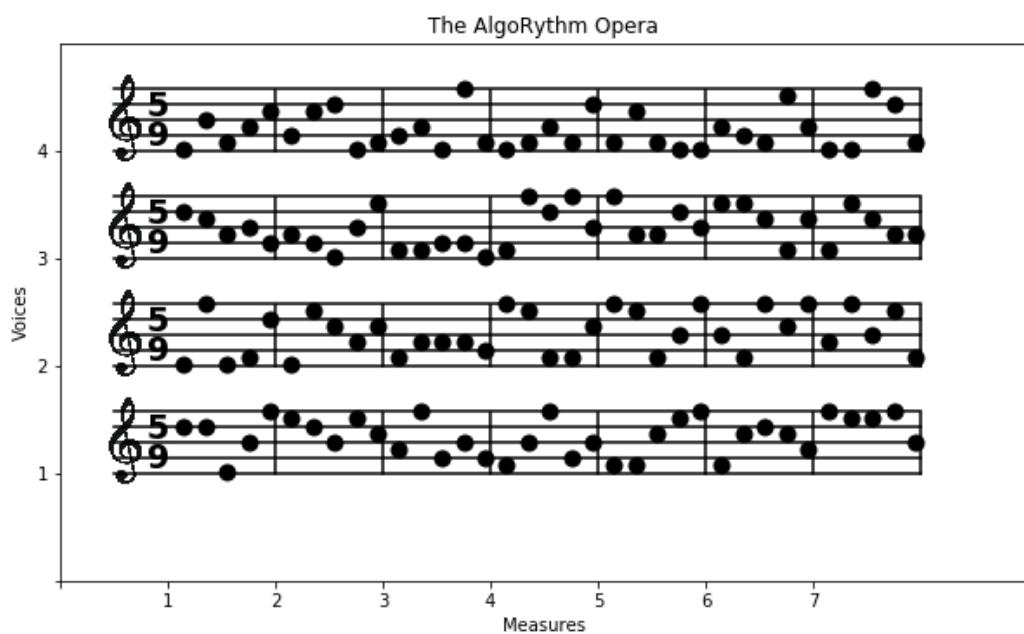
```
[7]: # WARNING: CHANGED VARIABLES !!!!
measures      = 7
voices        = 4
time_sig_num  = 5
time_sig_denom = 9
divs = 7

plot_sheet()
for i in range(1,voices+1):
    plot_pentagram(i)

#notes = musical_scale(voices, measures, time_sig_num)
notes = random_notes(voices, measures, time_sig_num, 0)

for i in range(1,voices+1):
    plot_notes(i, notes)

plt.savefig('final-sol-2.png')
```



### 8.2.3 Visualization - Numpy images

#### Download exercises zip

Browse files online<sup>279</sup>

Images are a direct application of matrices, and show we can nicely translate a numpy matrix cell into a pixel on the screen.

Typically, images are divided into color channels: a common scheme is the RGB model, which stands for Red Green and Blue. In this tutorial we will load an image where each pixel is made of three integer values ranging from 0 to 255 included. Each integer indicates how much of a color component is present in the pixel, with zero meaning absence and 255 bright colors.

#### What to do

- unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
visualization
    visualization1.ipynb
    visualization1-sol.ipynb
    visualization2-chal.ipynb
    visualization-images.ipynb
    visualization-images-sol.ipynb
    jupman.py
    soft.py
```

**WARNING:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

- open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `visualization-images.ipynb`
- Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press `Control + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press `Shift + Enter`
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press `Alt + Enter`
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select `Kernel -> Restart`

#### Introduction

Let's load the image:

```
[1]: # this is *not* a python command, it is a Jupyter-specific magic command,
# to tell jupyter we want the graphs displayed in the cell outputs
%matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.image as mpimg
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
```

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<sup>279</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/visualization>

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```
img = mpimg.imread('lulu.jpg')
#img = mpimg.imread('il-piccolo-principe.jpg')
#img = mpimg.imread('rifugio-7-selle.jpg')
#img = mpimg.imread('alright.jpg')
```

[2]: plt.imshow(img)

[2]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2805cb3990>



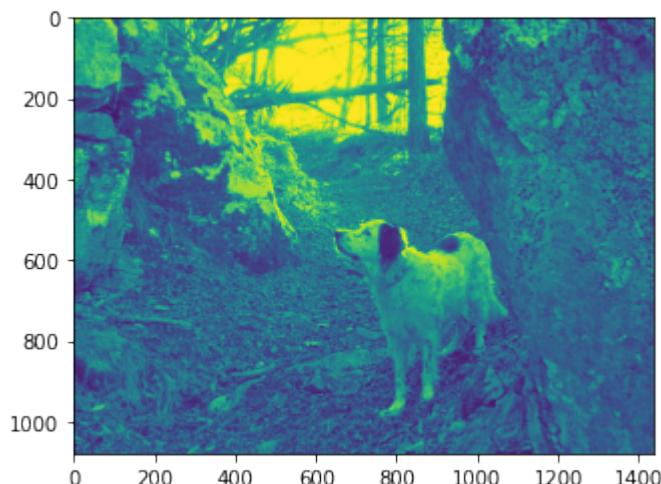
## Monochrome

For an easy start, we first get a monochromatic view of the image we call gimg:

[3]: gimg = img[:, :, 0] # this trick selects only one channel (the red one)

plt.imshow(gimg)

[3]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2805c4b350>



If we have taken the RED, why is it shown GREEN?? For Matplotlib, the picture is only a square matrix of integer numbers, for now it has no notion of the best color scheme we would like to see:

```
[4]: print(gimg)
[[209 209 210 ... 117 118 117]
 [214 214 215 ... 112 116 117]
 [217 217 217 ... 105 110 114]
 ...
 [ 36  33  30 ...  72  67  64]
 [ 42  36  31 ...  70  65  61]
 [ 37  31  24 ...  68  63  60]]
```

```
[5]: type(gimg)
```

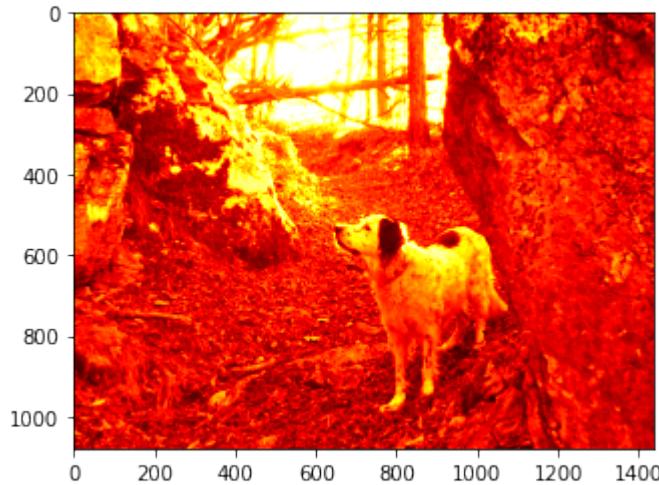
```
[5]: numpy.ndarray
```

By default matplotlib shows the intensity of light using with a greenish colormap.

Luckily, many color maps<sup>280</sup> are available, for example the 'hot' one:

```
[6]: plt.imshow(gimg, cmap='hot')
```

```
[6]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f280537dcd0>
```



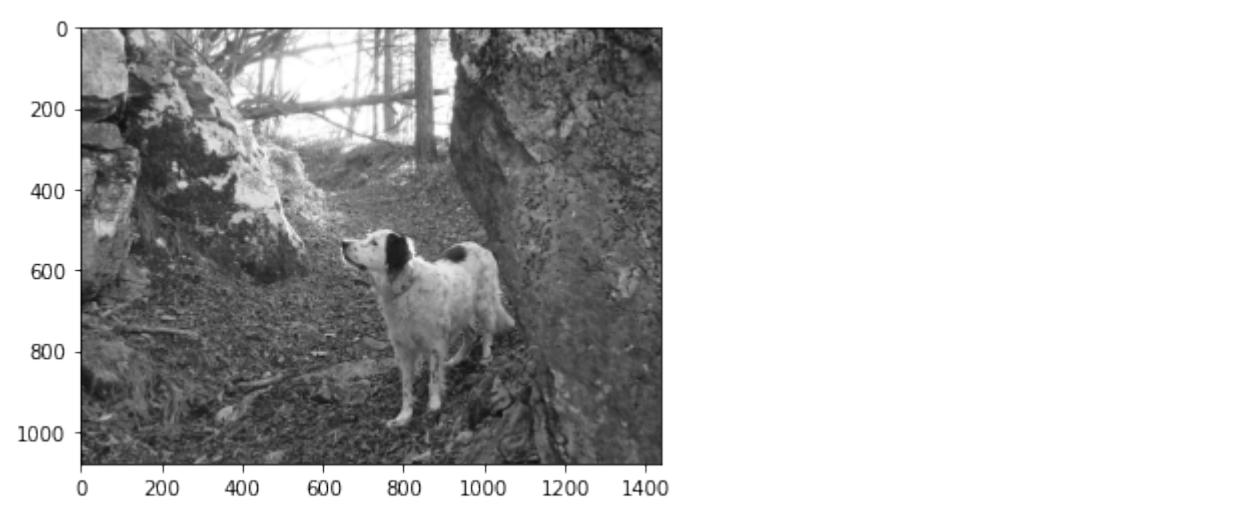
To avoid confusion, we will pick a proper gray colormap:

```
[7]: plt.imshow(gimg, cmap='gray')
```

```
[7]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28053e5810>
```

---

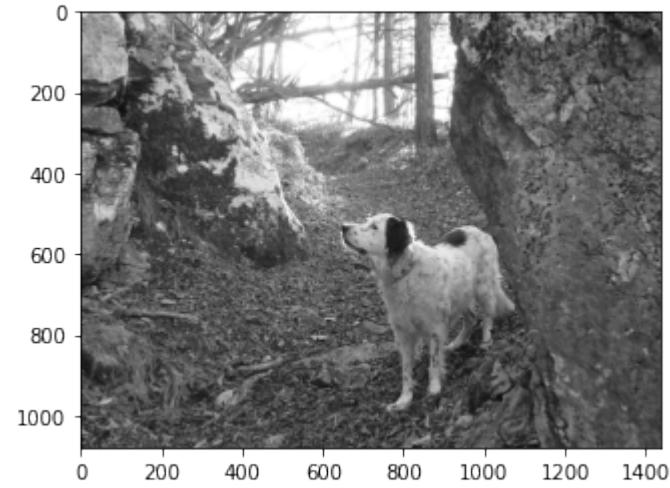
<sup>280</sup> <https://matplotlib.org/3.1.0/tutorials/colors/colormaps.html>



Let's define this shorthand function to type a little less:

```
[8]: def gs(some_img):
    # vmin and vmax prevent normalization that occurs only with monochromatic images
    plt.imshow(some_img, cmap='gray', vmin=0, vmax=255)
```

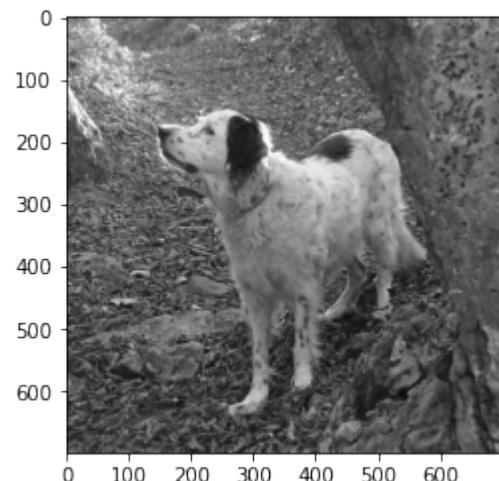
```
[9]: gs(gimg)
```



## Focus

Let's try some simple transformation. As with regular Python lists, we can do slicing:

```
[10]: gs(gimg[350:1050, 500:1200])
```



**NOTE 1:** differently from regular lists of lists, in Numpy we can write slices for different dimensions **within the same square brackets**

**NOTE 2:** We are still talking about matrices, so pictures also follow the very same conventions of regular algebra we've also seen with lists of lists: the first index is for rows and starts from 0 in the left upper corner, and second index is for columns.

**NOTE 3:** the indeces shown on the extracted picture are *not* the indeces of the original matrix!

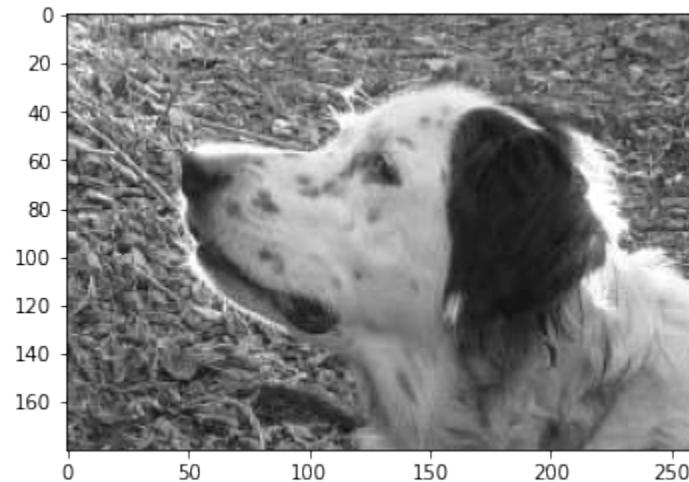
### Exercise - Head focus

Try selecting the head:

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"

[11]: # write here

```
gs(gimg[470:650, 600:860])
```



</div>

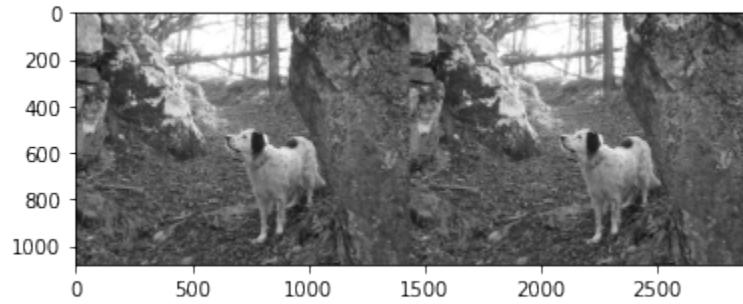
```
[11]: # write here
```



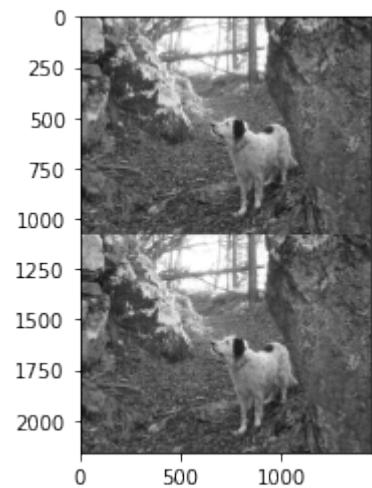
### hstack and vstack

We can stitch together pictures with `hstack` and `vstack`. Note they produce a NEW matrix:

```
[12]: gs(np.hstack((gimg, gimg)))
```



```
[13]: gs(np.vstack((gimg, gimg)))
```

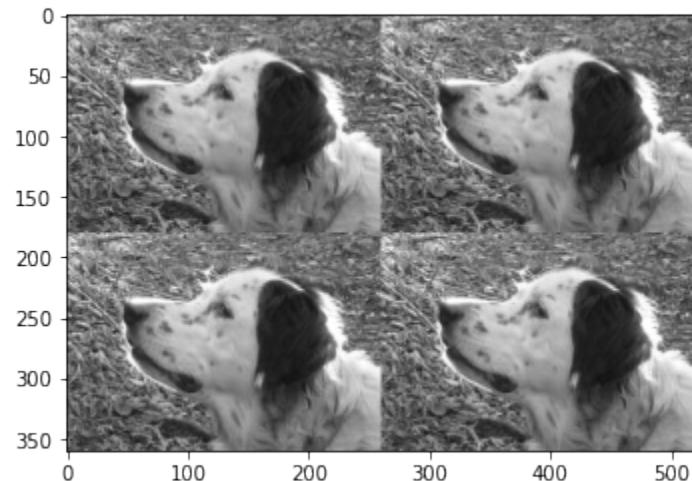


### Exercise - Passport

Try to replicate somehow the head

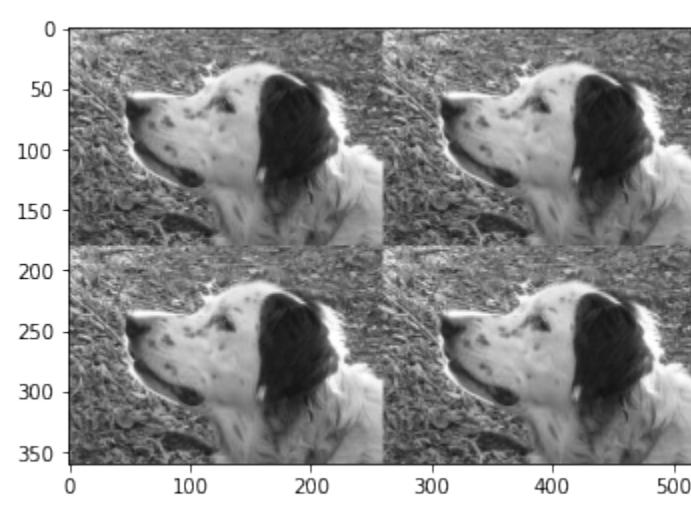
<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);>Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[14]: # write here
head = gimg[470:650, 600:860]
col = np.vstack((head, head))
gs(np.hstack((col, col)))
```



</div>

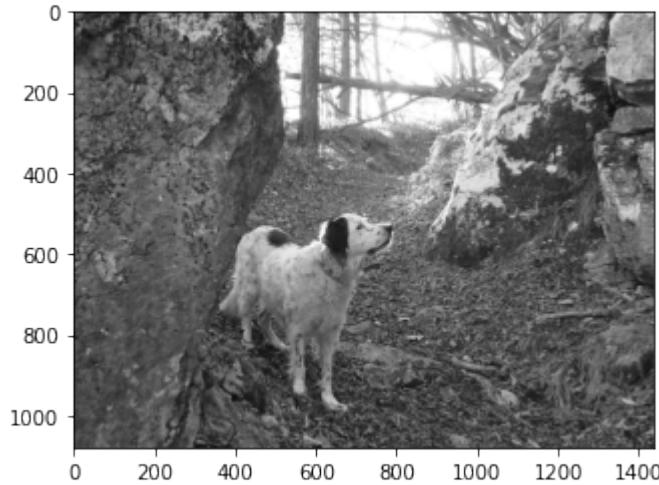
```
[14]: # write here
```



### flip

A handy method for mirroring is `flip`<sup>281</sup>:

```
[15]: gs(np.flip(gimg, axis=1))
```



### Exercise - Hall of mirrors

Try to replicate somehow the head, pointing it in different directions as in the example

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"  
data-jupman-show="Show solution"  
data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

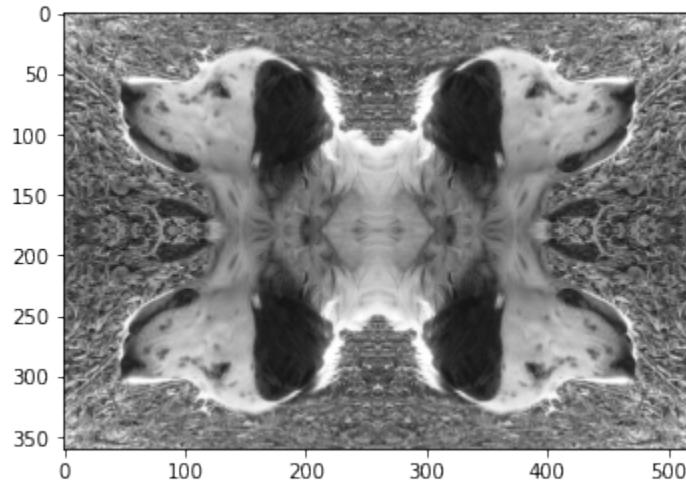
```
[16]: # write here
head = gimg[470:650, 600:860]
col1 = np.vstack((head, np.flip(head, axis=0)))
```

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<sup>281</sup> <https://numpy.org/doc/stable/reference/generated/numpy.flip.html>

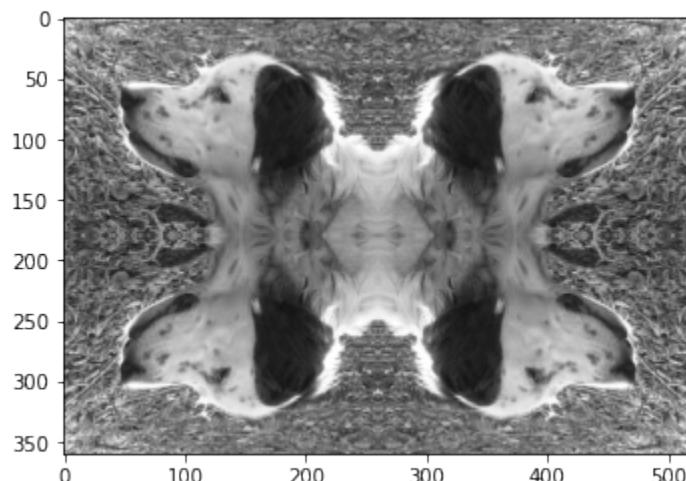
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```
gs(col1)
col2 = np.flip(col1, axis=0)
gs(np.hstack((col1,np.flip(col2))))
```



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```
[16]: # write here
```



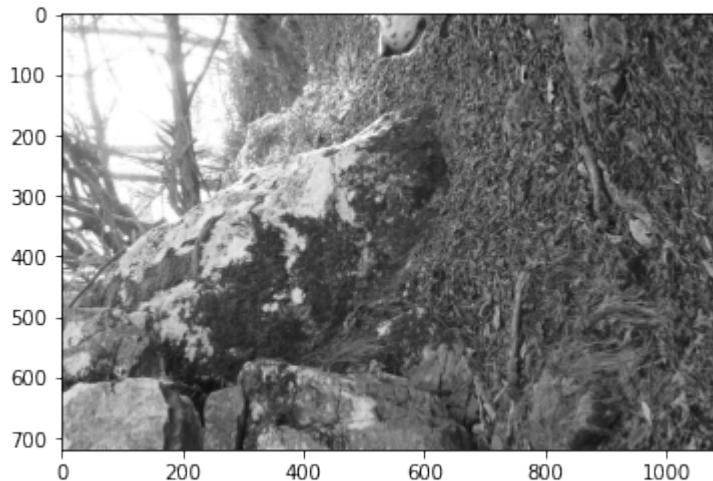
### Exercise - The nose from above

Do some googling and find an appropriate method for obtaining this:

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"

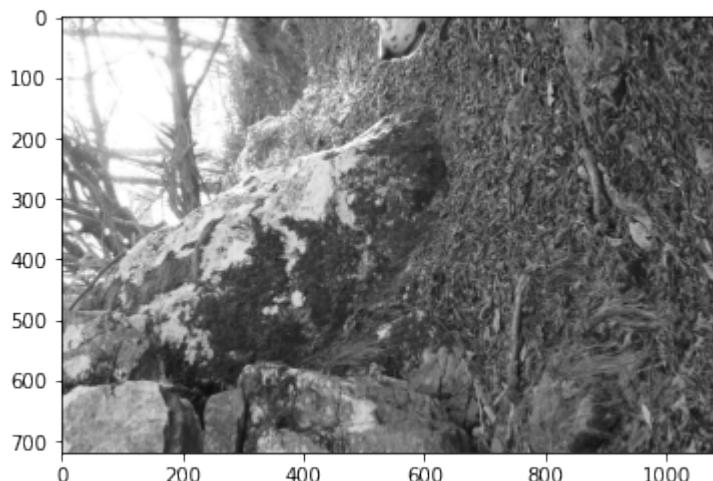
```
[17]: # write here
```

```
gs(np.rot90(gimg[:, :gimg.shape[1] // 2]))
```



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```
[17]: # write here
```



### Writing arrays

We can write into an array using square brackets:

```
[18]: arr = np.array([5, 9, 4, 8, 6])
```

```
[19]: arr[0] = 7
```

```
[20]: arr
```

```
[20]: array([7, 9, 4, 8, 6])
```

So far, nothing special. Let's try to make a slice:

```
[21]:          # 0 1 2 3 4
arr1 = np.array([5, 9, 4, 8, 6])
arr2 = arr1[1:3]
arr2
```

```
[21]: array([9, 4])
```

```
[22]: arr2[0] = 7
```

```
[23]: arr2
```

```
[23]: array([7, 4])
```

```
[24]: arr1 # the original was modified !!!
```

```
[24]: array([5, 7, 4, 8, 6])
```

### WARNING: SLICE CELLS IN NUMPY ARE POINTERS TO ORIGINAL CELLS!

To prevent problems, you can create a *deep copy* by using the `copy` method:

```
[25]:          # 0 1 2 3 4
arr1 = np.array([5, 9, 4, 8, 6])
arr2 = arr1[1:3].copy()
arr2
```

```
[25]: array([9, 4])
```

```
[26]: arr2[0] = 7
```

```
[27]: arr2
```

```
[27]: array([7, 4])
```

```
[28]: arr1 # remained the same
```

```
[28]: array([5, 9, 4, 8, 6])
```

## Writing into images

Let's go back to images. First note that `gimg` was generated by calling `pt.imshow`, which set it as READ-ONLY:

```
gimg[0,0] = 255 # NOT POSSIBLE WITH LOADED IMAGES!
-----
ValueError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-186-7d21dd84cac2> in <module>()
----> 1 img[0,0,0] = 4 # NOT POSSIBLE!

ValueError: assignment destination is read-only
```

If we want something we can write into, we need to perform a **deep copy**:

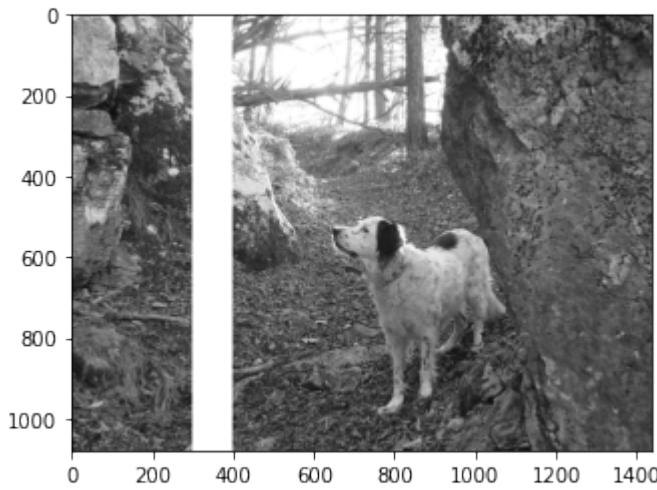
```
[29]: mimg = gimg.copy() # *DEEP* COPY
mimg[0,0] = 255 # the copy is writable
mimg[0,0]
```

```
[29]: 255
```

If we want to set an entire slice to a constant value, we can write like this:

```
[30]: mimg[:, 300:400] = 255
```

```
[31]: gs(mimg)
```



## Exercise - Stripes

Write a program that given top-left coordinates `tl` and bottom-right coordinates `br` creates a NEW image `nimg` with lines drawn like in the example:

- use a width of 5 pixels

[Show solution](#)</a><div class="jupman-sol" style="display:none">

```
[32]: tl = (450, 600)
```

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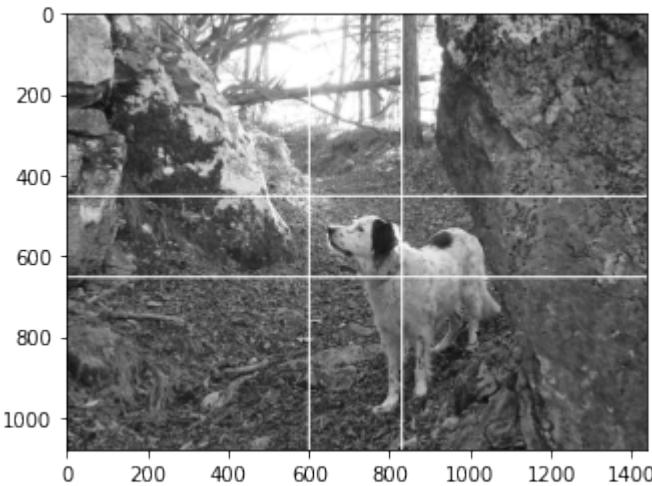
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```
br = (650, 830)

# write here

nimg = gimg.copy() # *DEEP* COPY
nimg[tl[0]:tl[0]+5, :] = 255
nimg[br[0]:br[0]+5, :] = 255
nimg[:, tl[1]:tl[1]+5] = 255
nimg[:, br[1]:br[1]+5] = 255

gs(nimg)
```

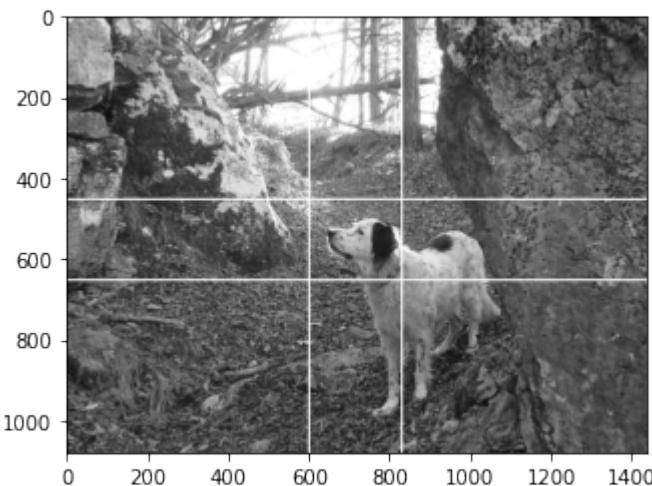


&lt;/div&gt;

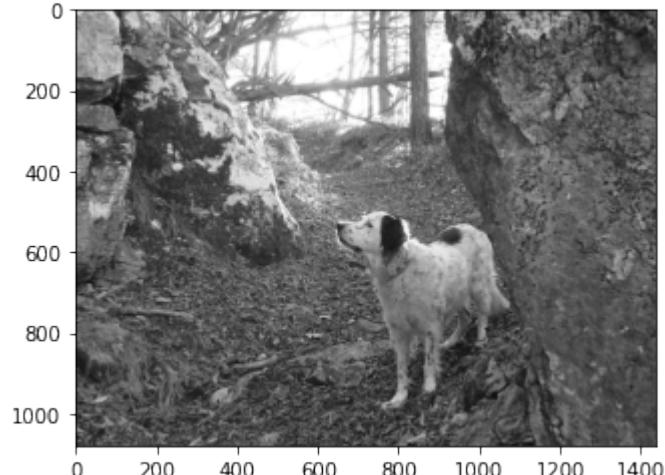
[32]:

```
tl = (450, 600)
br = (650, 830)

# write here
```



```
[33]: gs(gimg) # original must NOT change!
```



### In a dark integer night

Let's say we want to darken the scene. One simple approach would be to divide all the numbers by two:

```
[34]: gs(gimg // 2)
```



```
[35]: gimg // 2
```

```
[35]: array([[104, 104, 105, ..., 58, 59, 58],
           [107, 107, 107, ..., 56, 58, 58],
           [108, 108, 108, ..., 52, 55, 57],
           ...,
           [ 18, 16, 15, ..., 36, 33, 32],
           [ 21, 18, 15, ..., 35, 32, 30],
           [ 18, 15, 12, ..., 34, 31, 30]], dtype=uint8)
```

If we divide by floats we get an array of floats:

```
[36]: gimg / 3.14
[36]: array([[66.56050955, 66.56050955, 66.87898089, ..., 37.2611465 ,
   37.57961783, 37.2611465 ],
   [68.15286624, 68.15286624, 68.47133758, ..., 35.66878981,
   36.94267516, 37.2611465 ],
   [69.10828025, 69.10828025, 69.10828025, ..., 33.43949045,
   35.03184713, 36.30573248],
   ...,
   [11.46496815, 10.50955414, 9.55414013, ..., 22.92993631,
   21.33757962, 20.38216561],
   [13.37579618, 11.46496815, 9.87261146, ..., 22.29299363,
   20.70063694, 19.42675159],
   [11.78343949, 9.87261146, 7.6433121 , ..., 21.65605096,
   20.06369427, 19.10828025]])
```

To go back to unsigned bytes, you can use astype:

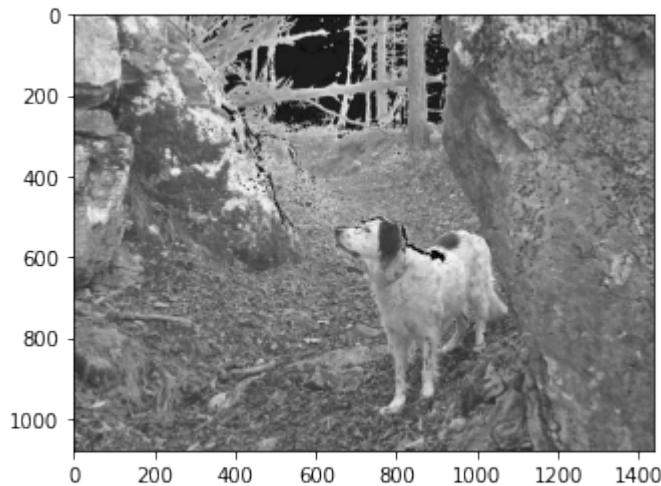
```
[37]: (gimg / 3.0).astype(np.uint8)
[37]: array([[69, 69, 70, ..., 39, 39, 39],
   [71, 71, 71, ..., 37, 38, 39],
   [72, 72, 72, ..., 35, 36, 38],
   ...,
   [12, 11, 10, ..., 24, 22, 21],
   [14, 12, 10, ..., 23, 21, 20],
   [12, 10, 8, ..., 22, 21, 20]], dtype=uint8)
```

We used division because it guarantees we will never go below zero, which is important when working with unsigned bytes as we're doing here. Let's see what happens when we violate the datatype bounds.

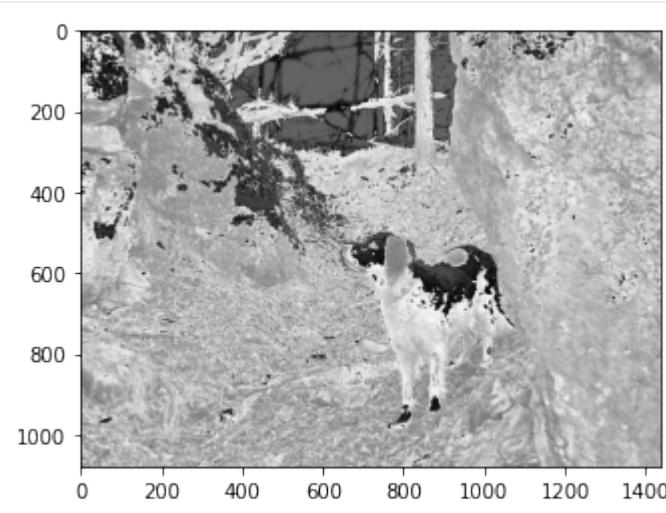
### The Integer Shining

Intuitively, if we want more light we can try increasing the matrices values but something terrible hides in the shadows....

```
[38]: gs(gimg + 30) # mmm something looks wrong ...
```



```
[39]: gs(gimg + 100) # even worse!
```



Something really bad happened:

```
[40]: gimg + 100
[40]: array([[ 53,  53,  54, ..., 217, 218, 217],
   [ 58,  58,  59, ..., 212, 216, 217],
   [ 61,  61,  61, ..., 205, 210, 214],
   ...,
   [136, 133, 130, ..., 172, 167, 164],
   [142, 136, 131, ..., 170, 165, 161],
   [137, 131, 124, ..., 168, 163, 160]], dtype=uint8)
```

Why do we get values less than < 100 ??

This is not so weird, technically it's called integer overflow and is the way CPU works with byte sized integers, so most programming languages actually behave like this. In regular Python you don't notice it because standard Python allows for arbitrary sized integers, but that comes at a big performance cost that Numpy cannot afford, so in a sense we can say Numpy is 'closer to the metal' of the CPU.

Let's see a simpler example:

```
[41]: arr = np.zeros(3, dtype=np.uint8) # unsigned 8 bit byte, values from 0 to 255
      ↪ included
```

```
[42]: arr
```

```
[42]: array([0, 0, 0], dtype=uint8)
```

```
[43]: arr[0] = 255
```

```
[44]: arr
```

```
[44]: array([255, 0, 0], dtype=uint8)
```

```
[45]: arr[0] += 1 # cycles back to zero
```

```
[46]: arr
```

```
[46]: array([0, 0, 0], dtype=uint8)
```

```
[47]: arr[0] -= 1 # cycles forward to 255
```

```
[48]: arr
```

```
[48]: array([255, 0, 0], dtype=uint8)
```

Going back to the image, how could we prevent exceeding the limit of 255?

`np.minimum` compares arrays cell by cell:

```
[49]: np.minimum(np.array([5, 7, 2]), np.array([9, 4, 8]))
```

```
[49]: array([5, 4, 2])
```

As well as matrices:

```
[50]: m1 = np.array([[5, 7, 2],
                  [8, 3, 1]])
m2 = np.array([[9, 4, 8],
              [6, 0, 3]])
np.minimum(m1, m2)
```

```
[50]: array([[5, 4, 2],
            [6, 0, 1]])
```

If you pass a constant, it will automatically compare all matrix cells against that constant:

```
[51]: np.minimum(m1, 2)
```

```
[51]: array([[2, 2, 2],
            [2, 2, 1]])
```

### Exercise - Be bright

Now try writing some code which enhances scene luminosity by adding `light=125` without distortions (you may still see some pixellation due to the fact we have taken just one color channel from the original image)

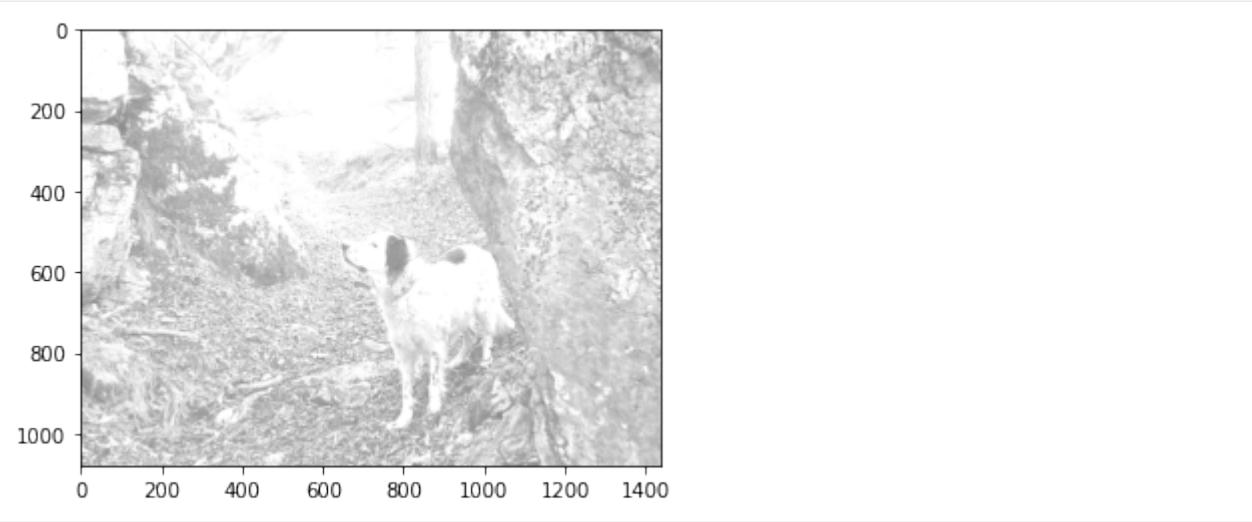
- **DO NOT** exceed 255 value for cells - if you see dark spots in your image where before there was white (i.e. background sky), it means color cycled back to small values!
- **DO NOT** write stuff like `gimg + light`, this would surely exceed the 255 bound !!
- **MUST** have unsigned bytes as cells type

**HINT 1:** if direct sum is not the way, which safe operations are there which surely won't provoke any overflow?

**HINT 2:** you will need more than one step to solve the exercise

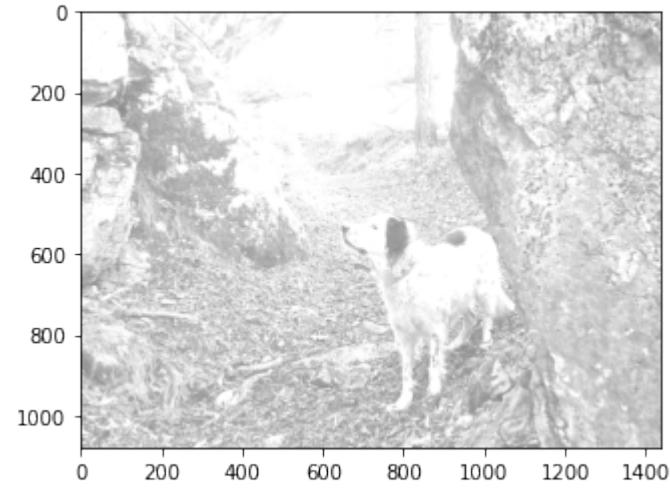
<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this); " data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[52]: light=125
# write here
gs(gimg + np.minimum(255 - gimg, light))
```



&lt;/div&gt;

```
[52]: light=125  
# write here
```

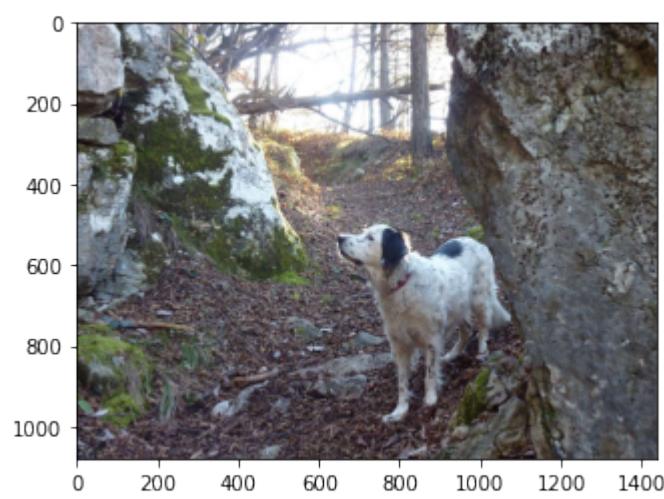


## RGB - Get colorful

Let's get a third dimension for representing colors. Our new third dimension will have three planes of integers, in this order:

- 0: Red
- 1: Green
- 2: Blue

```
[53]: plt.imshow(img)  
[53]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801b46050>
```



```
[54]: type(img)
```

```
[54]: numpy.ndarray
```

```
[55]: img.shape
```

```
[55]: (1080, 1440, 3)
```

Each pixel is represented by three integer values:

```
[56]: print(img)
```

```
[[[209 223 236]
 [209 223 236]
 [210 224 237]
 ...
 [117 132 139]
 [118 132 141]
 [117 131 140]]]
```

```
[[214 228 241]
 [214 228 241]
 [215 229 242]
 ...
 [112 127 134]
 [116 131 138]
 [117 131 140]]]
```

```
[[217 229 243]
 [217 229 243]
 [217 229 243]
 ...
 [105 120 127]
 [110 125 132]
 [114 129 136]]]
```

```
...
 [[ 36  28  49]]
```

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```
[ 33  25  46]
[ 30  22  43]
...
[ 72  78  90]
[ 67  73  87]
[ 64  70  84]]]

[[ 42  34  55]
[ 36  28  49]
[ 31  23  44]
...
[ 70  76  88]
[ 65  71  85]
[ 61  67  81]]]

[[ 37  29  50]
[ 31  23  44]
[ 24  16  37]
...
[ 68  74  86]
[ 63  69  83]
[ 60  66  80]]]
```

Given a pixel coordinates, like `0, 0`, we can extract the color with a third coordinate like this:

```
[57]: img[0,0,0] # red
[57]: 209

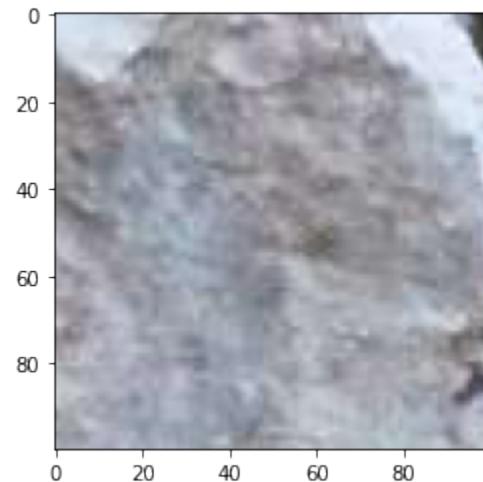
[58]: img[0,0,1] # green
[58]: 223

[59]: img[0,0,2] # blue
[59]: 236

[60]: img[0,0] # result is an array with three RGB colors
[60]: array([209, 223, 236], dtype=uint8)
```

### Exercise - Focus - top left

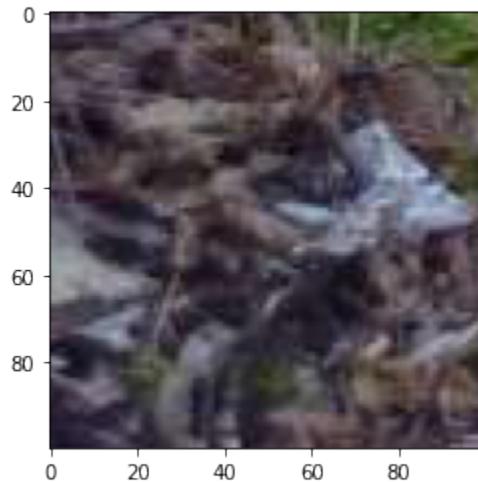
```
[61]: plt.imshow(img[:100,:100,:])
[61]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801cf1d0>
```



### Exercise - Focus - bottom - left

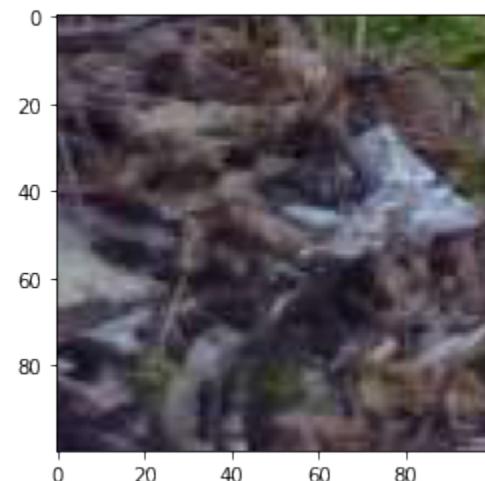
<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);'' data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[62]: # write here  
plt.imshow(img[-100:,:100,:])  
[62]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801df5810>
```



</div>

```
[62]: # write here  
[62]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801df5810>
```

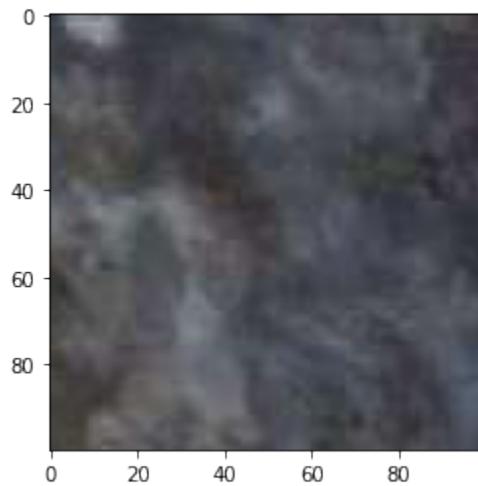


### Exercise - Focus - bottom - right

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);'' data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[63]: # write here  
plt.imshow(img[-100:,-100:,:])
```

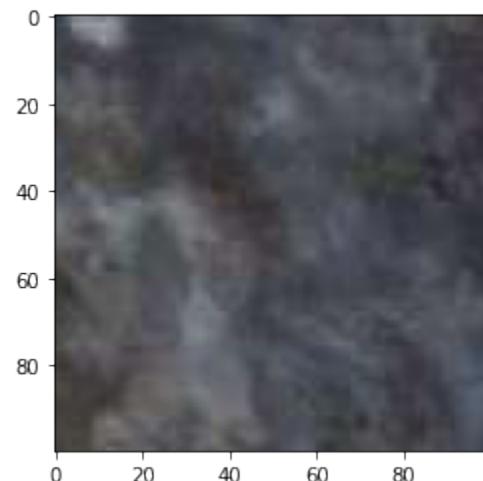
```
[63]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801c64510>
```



```
</div>
```

```
[63]: # write here
```

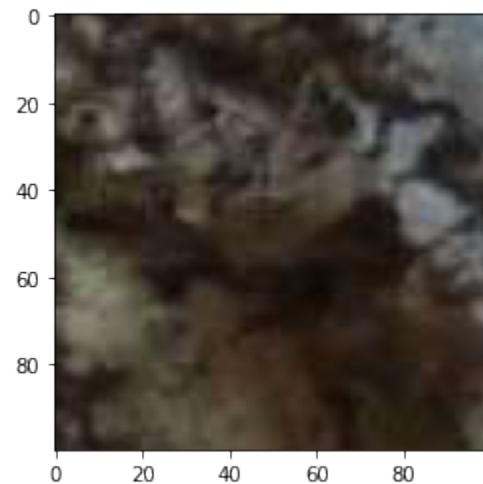
```
[63]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801c64510>
```



### Exercise - Focus - top - right

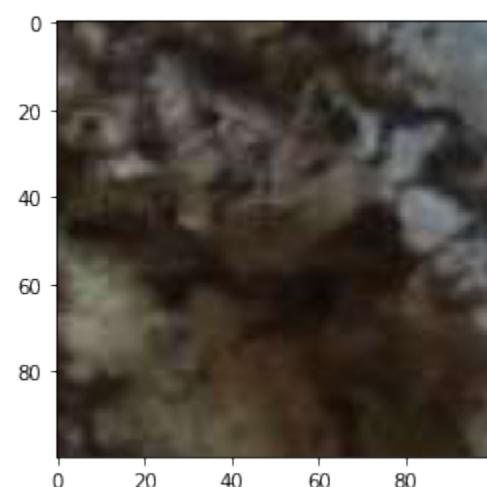
<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);'' data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[64]: # write here  
plt.imshow(img[:100,-100:,:])  
[64]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28018fb150>
```



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```
[64]: # write here  
  
[64]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28018fb150>
```

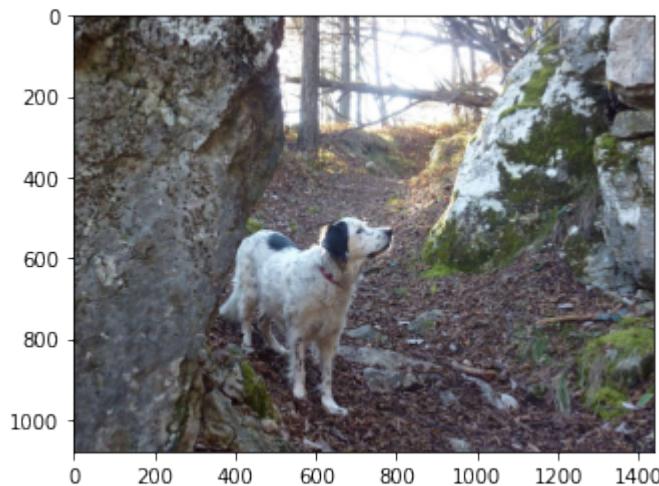


### Exercise - Look the other way

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);> Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[65]: # write here  
plt.imshow(np.fliplr(img))
```

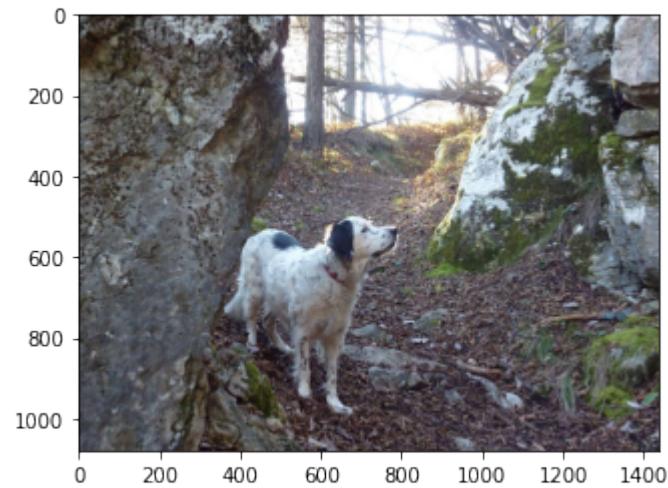
```
[65]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801c1e4d0>
```



```
</div>
```

```
[65]: # write here
```

```
[65]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801c1e4d0>
```



### Exercise - Upside down world

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);> Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[66]: # write here  
plt.imshow(np.fliplr(np.flipud(img)))
```

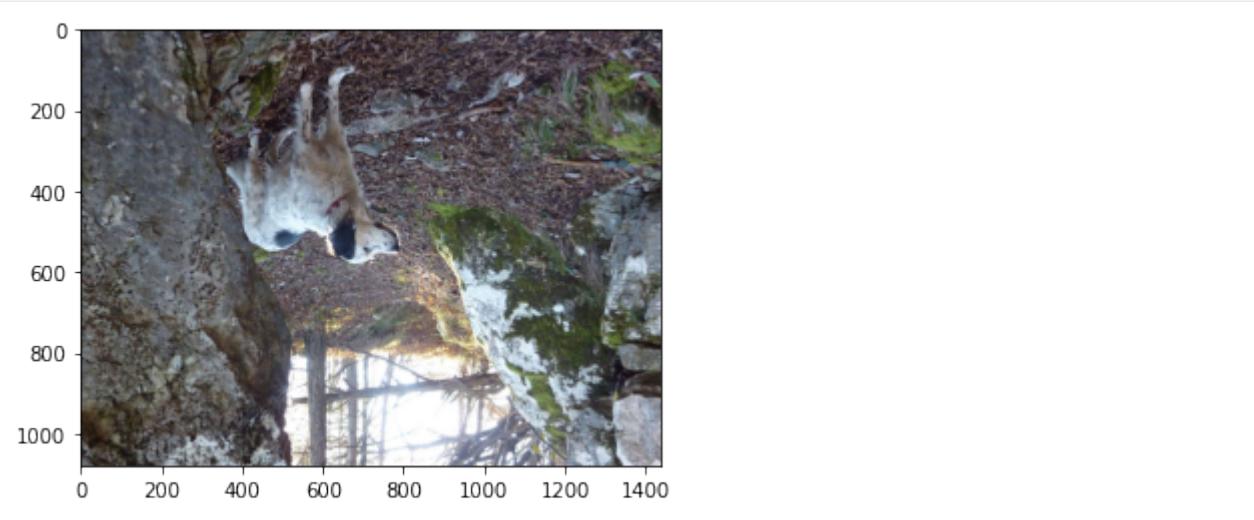
```
[66]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801c2e3d0>
```



```
</div>
```

```
[66]: # write here
```

```
[66]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801c2e3d0>
```



### Exercise - Shrinking Walls - X

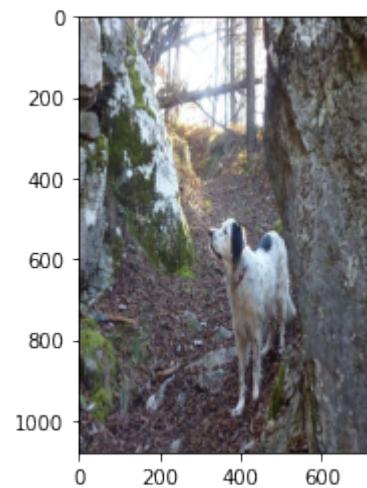
<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);;" data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[67]: # write here  
plt.imshow(img[:,::2,:])  
[67]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801b868d0>
```



</div>

```
[67]: # write here  
[67]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801b868d0>
```



### Exercise - Shrinking Walls - Y

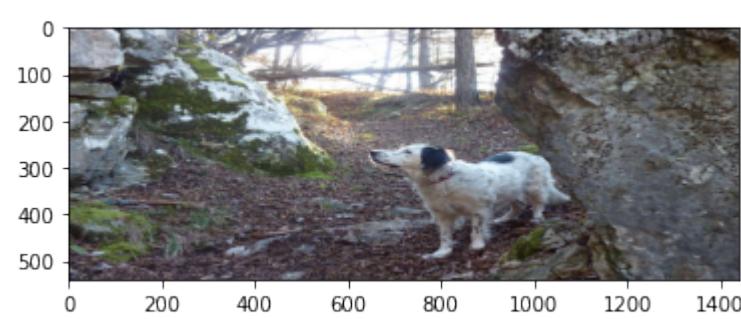
Show solution  
Hide

```
[68]: # write here  
plt.imshow(img[:, :, :])  
[68]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801aad350>
```



```
</div>
```

```
[68]: # write here  
  
[68]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801aad350>
```

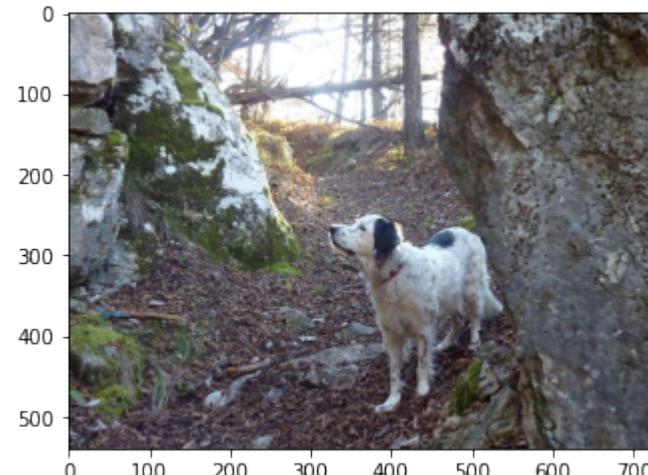


### Exercise - Shrinking World

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);;" data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[69]: # write here
plt.imshow(img[::2, ::2, :])
```

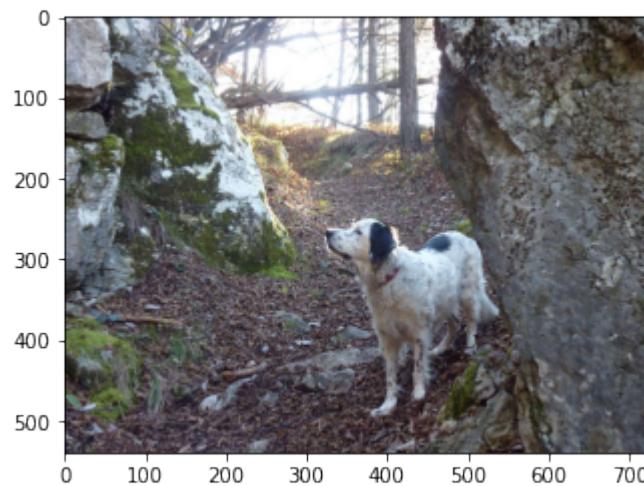
[69]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28018e5ad0>



</div>

```
[69]: # write here
```

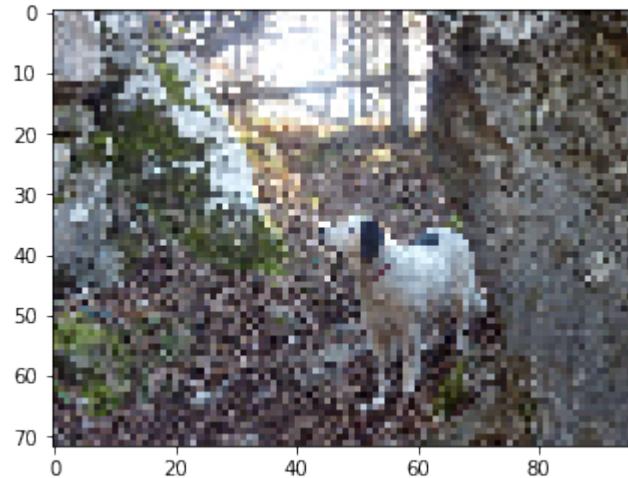
[69]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28018e5ad0>



### Exercise - Pixelate

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"  
data-jupman-show="Show solution"  
data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[70]: # write here  
plt.imshow(img[::15, ::15, :])  
[70]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801a012d0>
```



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```

```
[70]: # write here  
  
[70]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801a012d0>
```



### Exercise - Feeling Red

Create a NEW image where you only see red

Show solutionHide>Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[71]: # write here
mimg = img.copy()
mimg[:, :, 2] = 0
mimg[:, :, 1] = 0
plt.imshow(mimg)
```

[71]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28017cffd0>



</div>

```
[71]: # write here
```

```
[71]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28017cffd0>
```



### Exercise - Feeling Green

Create a NEW image where you only see green

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);>Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[72]: # write here
mimg = img.copy()
mimg[:, :, 0] = 0
mimg[:, :, 2] = 0
plt.imshow(mimg)
```

```
[72]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801758c10>
```



```
</div>
```

```
[72]: # write here
```

```
[72]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801758c10>
```



### Exercise - Feeling Blue

Create a NEW image where you only see blue

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);>Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[73]: # write here
mimg = img.copy()
mimg[:, :, 0] = 0
mimg[:, :, 1] = 0
plt.imshow(mimg)
```

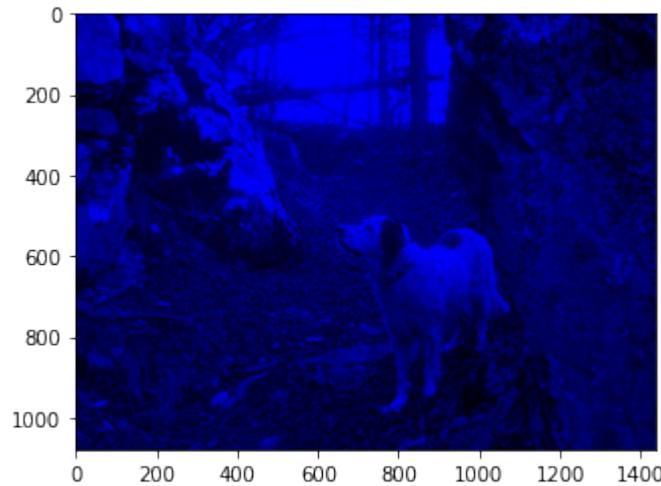
```
[73]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28016dc210>
```



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```
[73]: # write here
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```
[73]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28016dc210>
```



### Exercise - No Red

Create a NEW image without red

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);;" data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[74]: # write here
mimg = img.copy()
mimg[:, :, 0] = 0
plt.imshow(mimg)
```

```
[74]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f280166ca90>
```



```
</div>
```

```
[74]: # write here
```

```
[74]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f280166ca90>
```



### Exercise - No Green

Create a NEW image without green

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);;" data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[75]: # write here
mimg = img.copy()
mimg[:, :, 1] = 0
plt.imshow(mimg)
```

```
[75]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28015f35d0>
```



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```
[75]: # write here
```

```
[75]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28015f35d0>
```



### Exercise - No Blue

Create a NEW image without blue

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);;" data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[76]: # write here
```

```
mimg = img.copy()
mimg[:, :, 2] = 0
plt.imshow(mimg)
```

```
[76]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f280157c510>
```



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```
[76]: # write here
```

[76]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f280157c510>



### Exercise - Feeling Gray again

Given an RGB image, set all the values equal to red channel

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```
[77]: # write here
mimg = img.copy()
mimg[:, :, 1] = mimg[:, :, 0]
mimg[:, :, 2] = mimg[:, :, 0]
plt.imshow(mimg)
print(mimg)
```

```
[[[209 209 209]
 [209 209 209]
 [210 210 210]
 ...
 [117 117 117]
 [118 118 118]
 [117 117 117]]

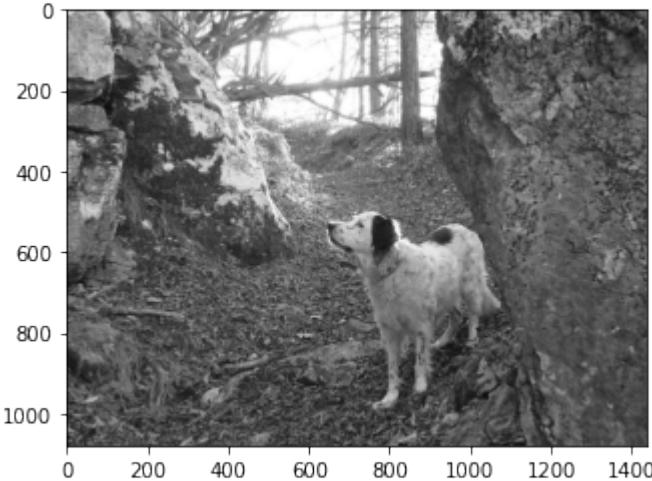
 [[214 214 214]
 [214 214 214]
 [215 215 215]
 ...
 [112 112 112]
 [116 116 116]
 [117 117 117]]

 [[217 217 217]
 [217 217 217]
 [217 217 217]]]
```

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...
[[105 105 105]
 [110 110 110]
 [114 114 114]]  
  
...
[[ 36  36  36]
 [ 33  33  33]
 [ 30  30  30]]  
  
...
[[ 72  72  72]
 [ 67  67  67]
 [ 64  64  64]]  
  
[[ 42  42  42]
 [ 36  36  36]
 [ 31  31  31]]  
  
...
[[ 70  70  70]
 [ 65  65  65]
 [ 61  61  61]]  
  
[[ 37  37  37]
 [ 31  31  31]
 [ 24  24  24]]  
  
...
[[ 68  68  68]
 [ 63  63  63]
 [ 60  60  60]]]
```



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[77]: # write here

```
[[[209 209 209]
 [209 209 209]]
```

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```
[210 210 210]
...
[117 117 117]
[118 118 118]
[117 117 117]]
```

```
[[214 214 214]
[214 214 214]
[215 215 215]
...
[112 112 112]
[116 116 116]
[117 117 117]]
```

```
[[217 217 217]
[217 217 217]
[217 217 217]
...
[105 105 105]
[110 110 110]
[114 114 114]]
```

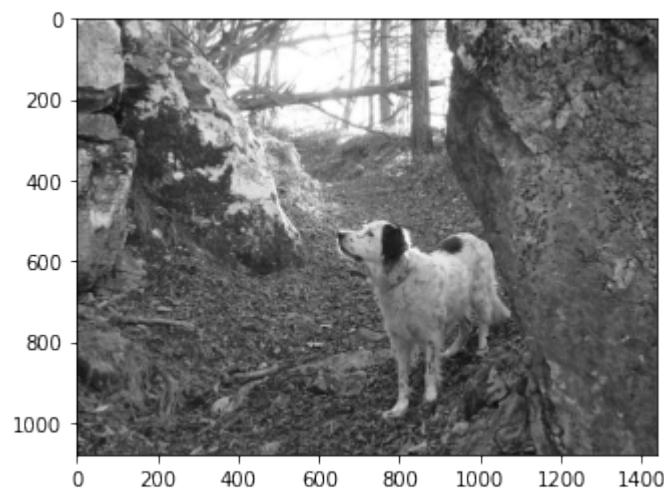
```
...
[[ 36  36  36]
[ 33  33  33]
[ 30  30  30]
...
[ 72  72  72]
[ 67  67  67]
[ 64  64  64]]
```

```
[[ 42  42  42]
[ 36  36  36]
[ 31  31  31]
...
[ 70  70  70]
[ 65  65  65]
[ 61  61  61]]
```

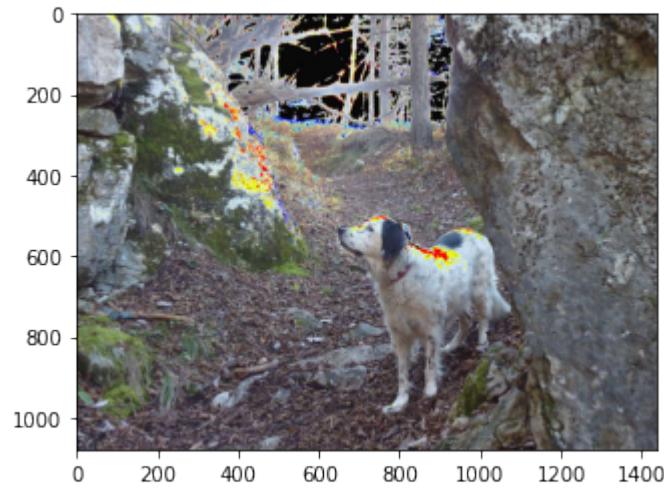
```
[[ 37  37  37]
[ 31  31  31]
[ 24  24  24]
...
[ 68  68  68]
[ 63  63  63]
[ 60  60  60]]]]
```



### Exercise - Beyond the limit

... weird things happen:

```
[78]: plt.imshow(img + 10)
[78]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f280146c550>
```



```
[79]: mimg = img.copy()
mimg[0,0,0] = 255 # limit !!
mimg[0,0,0]
```

```
[79]: 255
```

```
[80]: mimg[0,0,0] += 1 # integer overflow, cycles back - note it does not happen in
                     # regular Python !
```

```
[81]: mimg[0,0,0]
```

```
[81]: 0
```

Note this is not so weird, technically this is called overflow and us the way CPU works with byte sized integers, so most programming languages actually behave like this.

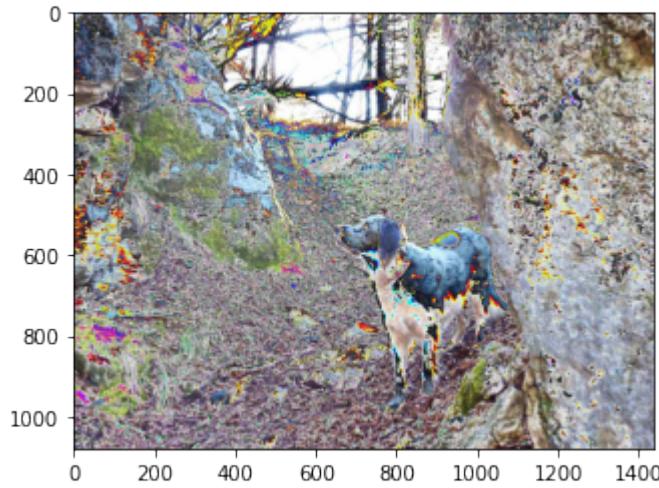
You can get the same problem when subtracting:

```
[82]: mimg[0,0,0] = 0      # limit !!
mimg[0,0,0] -= 1      # integer overflow , cycles forward
mimg[0,0,0]
```

```
[82]: 255
```

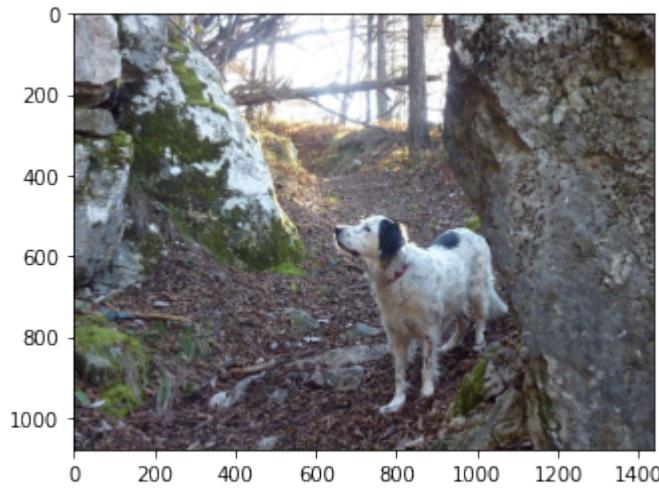
```
[83]: plt.imshow(img + img)
```

```
[83]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801a94e50>
```



```
[84]: plt.imshow(img)  # + operator didn't change original image
```

```
[84]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801355d50>
```



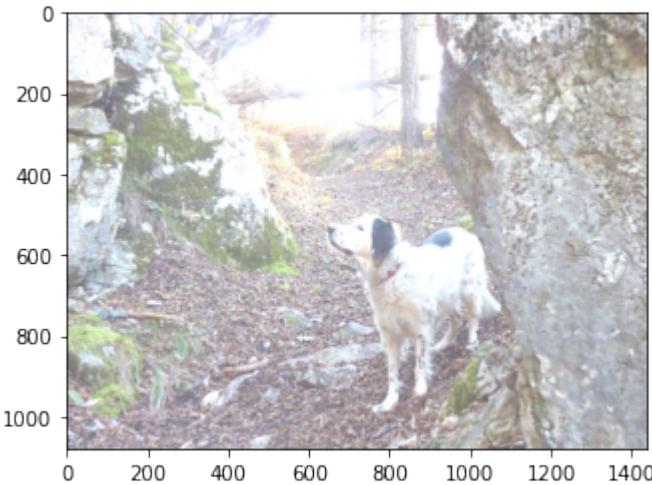
### Exercise - Gimme light

Increment all the RGB values of `light`, **without overflowing**

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"

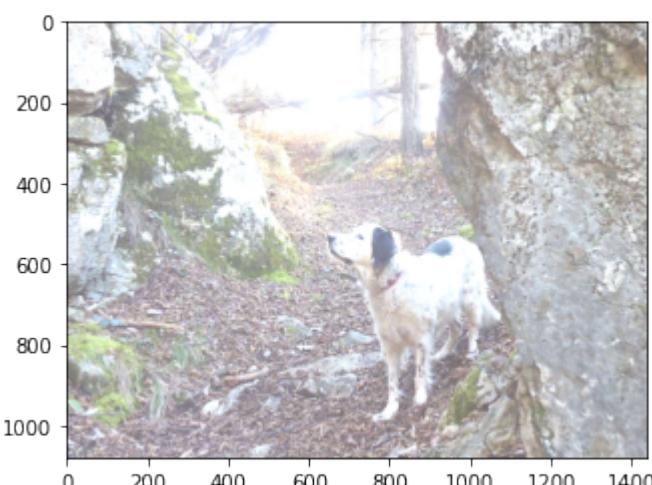
data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[85]: light = 100  
  
# write here  
plt.imshow(img + np.minimum(255 - img, light))  
[85]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28012eea10>
```



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```
[85]: light = 100  
  
# write here  
[85]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28012eea10>
```



### Exercise - When the darkness comes - with a warning

Decrement all values by light. As a first attempt, a result with a warning might be considered acceptable.

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"

data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[86]: light = -50
# write here
plt.imshow(img + np.minimum(255 - img, light))

Clipping input data to the valid range for imshow with RGB data ([0..1] for floats or
↪[0..255] for integers).
```

[86]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801325b10>



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```
[86]: light = -50
# write here

Clipping input data to the valid range for imshow with RGB data ([0..1] for floats or
↪[0..255] for integers).
```

[86]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f2801325b10>



### Exercise - When the darkness comes - without a warning

Decrement all RGB values by `light`, **without overflowing nor warnings**

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```
[87]: light=50  
# write here  
plt.imshow(img - np.minimum(img, light))
```

[87]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28011a5710>



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```
[87]: light=50  
# write here
```

```
[87]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f28011a5710>
```



### Exercise - Fade to black

Fade the gray picture to black from left to right. Try using `np.linspace` and `np.tile`

First create the `horiz_fade`:

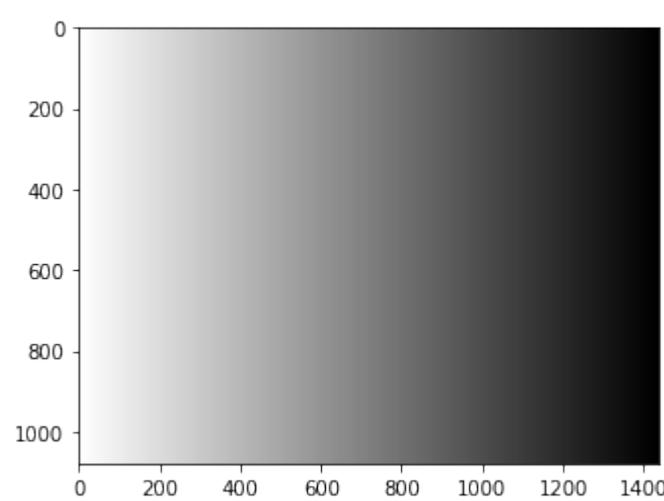
```
<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"
  data-jupman-show="Show solution"
  data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">
```

```
[88]: # write here
ls = np.linspace(255, 0, gimg.shape[1])
horiz_fade = np.tile(ls, (gimg.shape[0], 1))
```

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```

```
[88]: # write here
```

```
[89]: gs(horiz_fade)
```



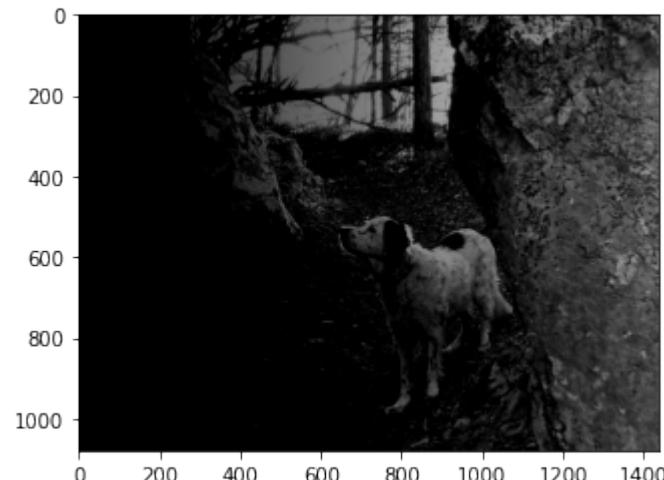
Then apply the fade - notice that by ‘applying’ we mean subtracting the fade (so white in the fade will actually correspond to dark in the picture)

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"

data-jupman-show="Show solution"

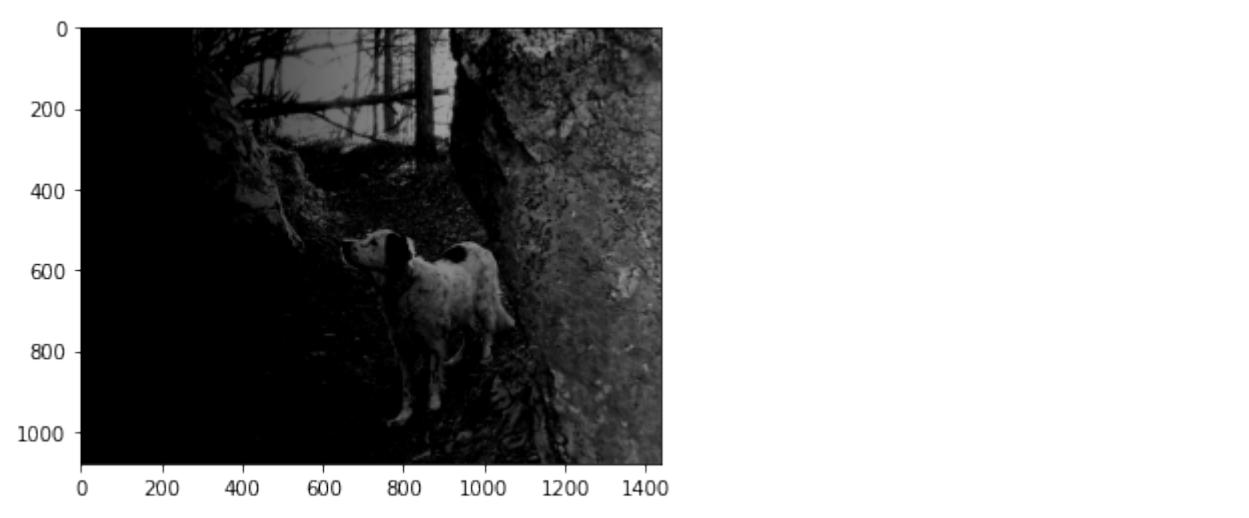
data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[90]: # write here  
gs(gimg - np.minimum(gimg, horiz_fade))
```



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```
[90]: # write here
```



### Exercise - vertical fade

(harder) First create a `vertical_fade`:

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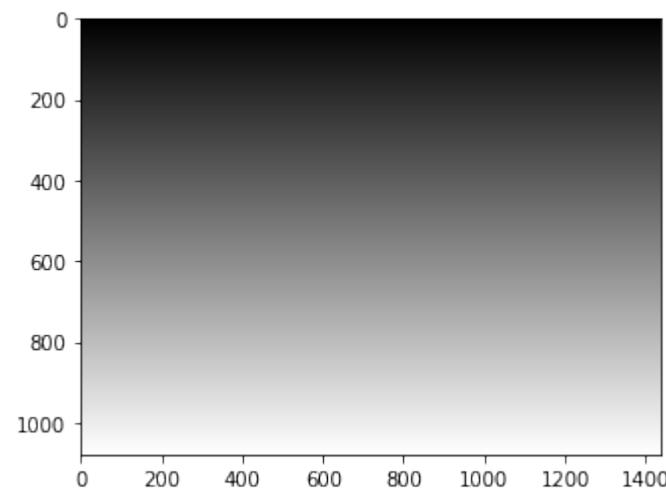
```
[91]: # write here

ls = np.linspace(0,255,gimg.shape[0])
vertical_fade = np.repeat(ls, gimg.shape[1]).reshape(gimg.shape[0], gimg.shape[1])
```

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```
[91]: # write here
```

```
[92]: gs(vertical_fade)
```

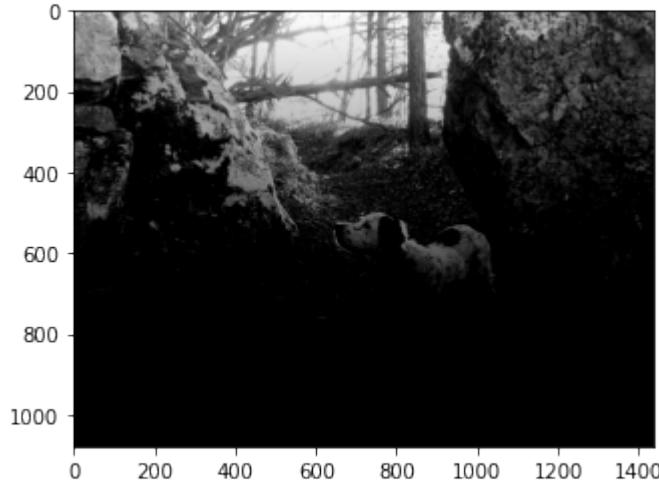


Then apply the fade:

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"

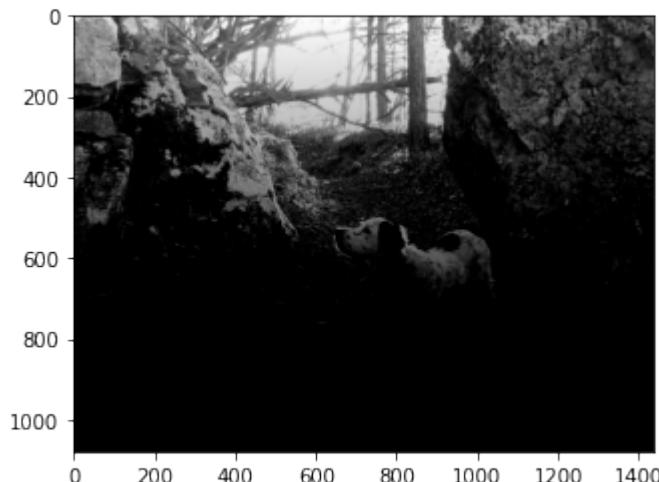
Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[93]: # write here  
gs(gimg - np.minimum(gimg, vertical_fade))
```



</div>

```
[93]: # write here
```



## 8.3 Pandas

### 8.3.1 Analytics with Pandas : 1 - introduction

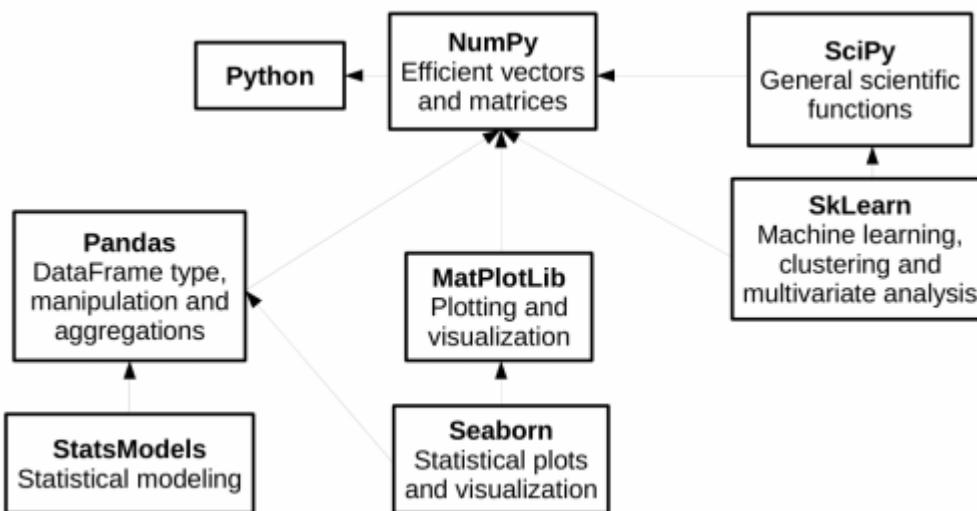
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Browse files online<sup>282</sup>

In this notebook we will try analyzing data with Pandas:

- data analysis with Pandas library
- plotting with Matplotlib
- Examples from AstroPi dataset
- Exercises with meteotrentino dataset

Python gives powerful tools for data analysis:



One of these is Pandas<sup>283</sup>, which gives fast and flexible data structures, especially for interactive data analysis.a

#### What to do

1. unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
pandas
pandas1.ipynb
pandas1-sol.ipynb
pandas2.ipynb
pandas2-sol.ipynb
pandas3-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

<sup>282</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/pandas>

<sup>283</sup> <https://pandas.pydata.org/>

**WARNING 1:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

2. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser.
3. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook pandas/pandas.ipynb

**WARNING 2:** DO NOT use the *Upload* button in Jupyter, instead navigate in Jupyter browser to the unzipped folder !

4. Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

### Check installation

First let's see if you have already installed pandas on your system, try executing this cell with Ctrl-Enter:

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
```

If you saw no error messages, you can skip installation, otherwise do this:

- Anaconda - open Anaconda Prompt and issue this:

```
conda install pandas
```

- Without Anaconda (--user installs in your home):

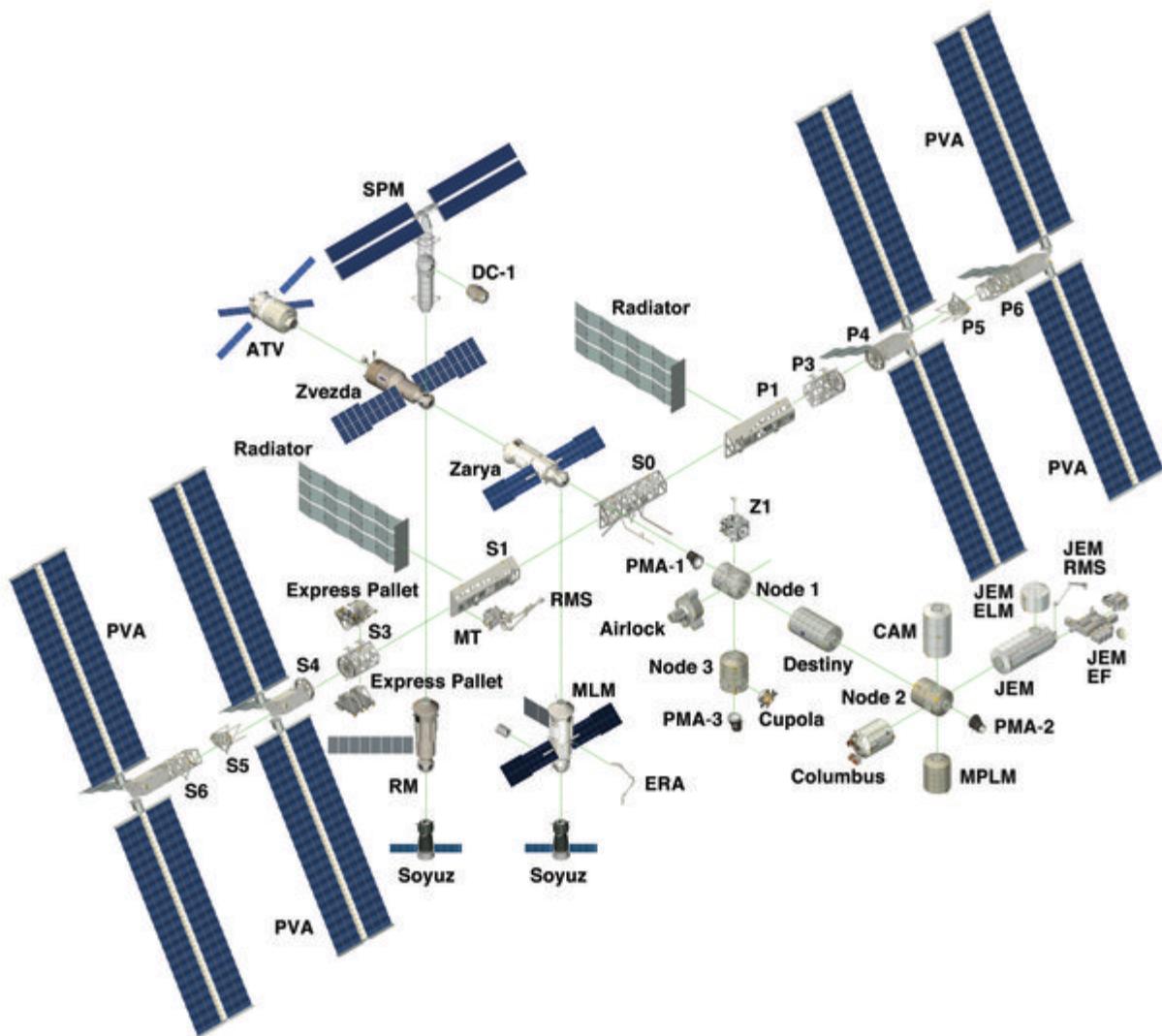
```
python3 -m pip install --user pandas
```

### 2. Data analysis of Astro Pi

Let's try analyzing data recorded on a Raspberry present on the International Space Station, downloaded from here:

<https://projects.raspberrypi.org/en/projects/astro-pi-flight-data-analysis>

in which it is possible to find the detailed description of data gathered by sensors, in the month of February 2016 (one record each 10 seconds).



The method `read_csv` imports data from a CSV file and saves them in DataFrame structure.

In this exercise we shall use the file `Columbus_Ed_astro_pi_datalog.csv`

```
[2]: import pandas as pd      # we import pandas and for ease we rename it to 'pd'
import numpy as np        # we import numpy and for ease we rename it to 'np'

# remember the encoding !
df = pd.read_csv('Columbus_Ed_astro_pi_datalog.csv', encoding='UTF-8')
df.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 110869 entries, 0 to 110868
Data columns (total 20 columns):
 #   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--- 
 0   ROW_ID      110869 non-null   int64  
 1   temp_cpu    110869 non-null   float64 
 2   temp_h     110869 non-null   float64 
 3   temp_p     110869 non-null   float64 
```

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```

4    humidity      110869 non-null   float64
5    pressure      110869 non-null   float64
6    pitch         110869 non-null   float64
7    roll          110869 non-null   float64
8    yaw           110869 non-null   float64
9    mag_x         110869 non-null   float64
10   mag_y         110869 non-null   float64
11   mag_z         110869 non-null   float64
12   accel_x       110869 non-null   float64
13   accel_y       110869 non-null   float64
14   accel_z       110869 non-null   float64
15   gyro_x        110869 non-null   float64
16   gyro_y        110869 non-null   float64
17   gyro_z        110869 non-null   float64
18   reset          110869 non-null   int64
19   time_stamp     110869 non-null   object
dtypes: float64(17), int64(2), object(1)
memory usage: 16.9+ MB

```

We can quickly see rows and columns of the dataframe with the attribute `shape`:

**NOTE:** `shape` is not followed by rounded parenthesis !

```
[3]: df.shape
```

```
[3]: (110869, 20)
```

The `describe` method gives you on the fly many summary info:

- rows counting
- the average
- standard deviation<sup>284</sup>
- quantiles<sup>285</sup>
- minimum and maximum

```
[4]: df.describe()
```

	ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	\
count	110869.000000	110869.000000	110869.000000	110869.000000	
mean	55435.000000	32.236259	28.101773	25.543272	
std	32005.267835	0.360289	0.369256	0.380877	
min	1.000000	31.410000	27.200000	24.530000	
25%	27718.000000	31.960000	27.840000	25.260000	
50%	55435.000000	32.280000	28.110000	25.570000	
75%	83152.000000	32.480000	28.360000	25.790000	
max	110869.000000	33.700000	29.280000	26.810000	
	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	\
count	110869.000000	110869.000000	110869.000000	110869.000000	
mean	46.252005	1008.126788	2.770553	51.807973	
std	1.907273	3.093485	21.848940	2.085821	
min	42.270000	1001.560000	0.000000	30.890000	
25%	45.230000	1006.090000	1.140000	51.180000	

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<sup>284</sup> [https://it.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scarto\\_quadratico\\_medio](https://it.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scarto_quadratico_medio)

<sup>285</sup> <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantile>

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50%	46.130000	1007.650000	1.450000	51.950000
75%	46.880000	1010.270000	1.740000	52.450000
max	60.590000	1021.780000	360.000000	359.400000
<hr/>				
count	110869.000000	110869.000000	110869.000000	110869.000000
mean	200.90126	-19.465265	-1.174493	-6.004529
std	84.47763	28.120202	15.655121	8.552481
min	0.01000	-73.046240	-43.810030	-41.163040
25%	162.43000	-41.742792	-12.982321	-11.238430
50%	190.58000	-21.339485	-1.350467	-5.764400
75%	256.34000	7.299000	11.912456	-0.653705
max	359.98000	33.134748	37.552135	31.003047
<hr/>				
count	110869.000000	110869.000000	110869.000000	1.108690e+05
mean	-0.000630	0.018504	0.014512	-8.959493e-07
std	0.000224	0.000604	0.000312	2.807614e-03
min	-0.025034	-0.005903	-0.022900	-3.037930e-01
25%	-0.000697	0.018009	0.014349	-2.750000e-04
50%	-0.000631	0.018620	0.014510	-3.000000e-06
75%	-0.000567	0.018940	0.014673	2.710000e-04
max	0.018708	0.041012	0.029938	2.151470e-01
<hr/>				
count	110869.000000	1.108690e+05	110869.000000	reset
mean	0.000007	-9.671594e-07	0.000180	
std	0.002456	2.133104e-03	0.060065	
min	-0.378412	-2.970800e-01	0.000000	
25%	-0.000278	-1.200000e-04	0.000000	
50%	-0.000004	-1.000000e-06	0.000000	
75%	0.000271	1.190000e-04	0.000000	
max	0.389499	2.698760e-01	20.000000	

**QUESTION:** is there some missing field from the table produced by describe? Why is it not included?

To limit describe to only one column like humidity, you can write like this:

```
[5]: df['humidity'].describe()
[5]: count    110869.000000
      mean     46.252005
      std      1.907273
      min     42.270000
      25%     45.230000
      50%     46.130000
      75%     46.880000
      max     60.590000
      Name: humidity, dtype: float64
```

Notation with the dot is even more handy:

```
[6]: df.humidity.describe()
[6]: count    110869.000000
      mean     46.252005
      std      1.907273
      min     42.270000
```

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```
25%      45.230000
50%      46.130000
75%      46.880000
max      60.590000
Name: humidity, dtype: float64
```

**WARNING: Careful about spaces!:**

In case the field name has spaces (es. 'blender rotations'), **do not** use the dot notation, instead use squared bracket notation seen above (ie: df[['blender rotations']].describe())

head method gives back the first datasets:

```
[7]: df.head()

[7]:
   ROW_ID  temp_cpu  temp_h  temp_p  humidity  pressure  pitch  roll  yaw \
0       1      31.88    27.57   25.01     44.94  1001.68   1.49  52.25 185.21
1       2      31.79    27.53   25.01     45.12  1001.72   1.03  53.73 186.72
2       3      31.66    27.53   25.01     45.12  1001.72   1.24  53.57 186.21
3       4      31.69    27.52   25.01     45.32  1001.69   1.57  53.63 186.03
4       5      31.66    27.54   25.01     45.18  1001.71   0.85  53.66 186.46

   mag_x      mag_y      mag_z  accel_x  accel_y  accel_z  gyro_x \
0 -46.422753 -8.132907 -12.129346 -0.000468  0.019439  0.014569  0.000942
1 -48.778951 -8.304243 -12.943096 -0.000614  0.019436  0.014577  0.000218
2 -49.161878 -8.470832 -12.642772 -0.000569  0.019359  0.014357  0.000395
3 -49.341941 -8.457380 -12.615509 -0.000575  0.019383  0.014409  0.000308
4 -50.056683 -8.122609 -12.678341 -0.000548  0.019378  0.014380  0.000321

   gyro_y  gyro_z  reset  time_stamp
0  0.000492 -0.000750    20  2016-02-16 10:44:40
1 -0.000005 -0.000235     0  2016-02-16 10:44:50
2  0.000600 -0.000003     0  2016-02-16 10:45:00
3  0.000577 -0.000102     0  2016-02-16 10:45:10
4  0.000691  0.000272     0  2016-02-16 10:45:20
```

tail method gives back last dataset:

```
[8]: df.tail()

[8]:
   ROW_ID  temp_cpu  temp_h  temp_p  humidity  pressure  pitch  roll  yaw \
110864  110865    31.56    27.52   24.83     42.94  1005.83   1.58  49.93
110865  110866    31.55    27.50   24.83     42.72  1005.85   1.89  49.92
110866  110867    31.58    27.50   24.83     42.83  1005.85   2.09  50.00
110867  110868    31.62    27.50   24.83     42.81  1005.88   2.88  49.69
110868  110869    31.57    27.51   24.83     42.94  1005.86   2.17  49.77

   yaw      mag_x      mag_y      mag_z  accel_x  accel_y  accel_z \
110864 129.60 -15.169673 -27.642610  1.563183 -0.000682  0.017743  0.014646
110865 130.51 -15.832622 -27.729389  1.785682 -0.000736  0.017570  0.014855
110866 132.04 -16.646212 -27.719479  1.629533 -0.000647  0.017657  0.014799
110867 133.00 -17.270447 -27.793136  1.703806 -0.000835  0.017635  0.014877
110868 134.18 -17.885872 -27.824149  1.293345 -0.000787  0.017261  0.014380

   gyro_x  gyro_y  gyro_z  reset  time_stamp
110864 -0.000264  0.000206  0.000196     0  2016-02-29 09:24:21
```

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110865	0.000143	0.000199	-0.000024	0	2016-02-29	09:24:30
110866	0.000537	0.000257	0.000057	0	2016-02-29	09:24:41
110867	0.000534	0.000456	0.000195	0	2016-02-29	09:24:50
110868	0.000459	0.000076	0.000030	0	2016-02-29	09:25:00

columns property gives the column headers:

```
[9]: df.columns
[9]: Index(['ROW_ID', 'temp_cpu', 'temp_h', 'temp_p', 'humidity', 'pressure',
       'pitch', 'roll', 'yaw', 'mag_x', 'mag_y', 'mag_z', 'accel_x', 'accel_y',
       'accel_z', 'gyro_x', 'gyro_y', 'gyro_z', 'reset', 'time_stamp'],
       dtype='object')
```

**Nota:** as you see in the above, the type of the found object is not a list, but a special container defined by pandas:

```
[10]: type(df.columns)
[10]: pandas.core.indexes.base.Index
```

Nevertheless, we can access the elements of this container using indeces within the squared parenthesis:

```
[11]: df.columns[0]
[11]: 'ROW_ID'

[12]: df.columns[1]
[12]: 'temp_cpu'
```

## 2.1 Exercise - meteo info

⊕ a) Create a new dataframe called `meteo` by importing the data from file `meteo.csv`, which contains the meteo data of Trento from November 2017 (source: <https://www.meteotrentino.it>). **IMPORTANT:** assign the dataframe to a variable called `meteo` (so we avoid confusion with AstroPi dataframe)

b) Visualize the information about this dataframe.

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);"

```
[13]: # write here - create dataframe

meteo = pd.read_csv('meteo.csv', encoding='UTF-8')
print("COLUMNS:")
print()
print(meteo.columns)
print()
print("INFO:")
print(meteo.info())
print()
print("HEAD():")

meteo.head()
```

COLUMNS:

```
Index(['Date', 'Pressure', 'Rain', 'Temp'], dtype='object')
```

INFO:

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 2878 entries, 0 to 2877
Data columns (total 4 columns):
 #   Column     Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--- 
 0   Date        2878 non-null    object  
 1   Pressure    2878 non-null    float64 
 2   Rain         2878 non-null    float64 
 3   Temp         2878 non-null    float64 
dtypes: float64(3), object(1)
memory usage: 90.1+ KB
None
```

HEAD ():

```
[13]:
```

	Date	Pressure	Rain	Temp
0	01/11/2017 00:00	995.4	0.0	5.4
1	01/11/2017 00:15	995.5	0.0	6.0
2	01/11/2017 00:30	995.5	0.0	5.9
3	01/11/2017 00:45	995.7	0.0	5.4
4	01/11/2017 01:00	995.7	0.0	5.3

</div>

```
[13]: # write here - create dataframe
```

COLUMNS:

```
Index(['Date', 'Pressure', 'Rain', 'Temp'], dtype='object')
```

INFO:

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 2878 entries, 0 to 2877
Data columns (total 4 columns):
 #   Column     Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--- 
 0   Date        2878 non-null    object  
 1   Pressure    2878 non-null    float64 
 2   Rain         2878 non-null    float64 
 3   Temp         2878 non-null    float64 
dtypes: float64(3), object(1)
memory usage: 90.1+ KB
None
```

HEAD ():

```
[13]:
```

	Date	Pressure	Rain	Temp
0	01/11/2017 00:00	995.4	0.0	5.4
1	01/11/2017 00:15	995.5	0.0	6.0
2	01/11/2017 00:30	995.5	0.0	5.9
3	01/11/2017 00:45	995.7	0.0	5.4
4	01/11/2017 01:00	995.7	0.0	5.3

### 3. Indexing, filtering, ordering

To obtain the i-th series you can use the method `iloc[i]` (here we reuse AstroPi dataset) :

```
[14]: df.iloc[6]
```

```
[14]:
```

ROW_ID	7
temp_cpu	31.68
temp_h	27.53
temp_p	25.01
humidity	45.31
pressure	1001.7
pitch	0.63
roll	53.55
yaw	186.1
mag_x	-50.447346
mag_y	-7.937309
mag_z	-12.188574
accel_x	-0.00051
accel_y	0.019264
accel_z	0.014528
gyro_x	-0.000111
gyro_y	0.00032
gyro_z	0.000222
reset	0
time_stamp	2016-02-16 10:45:41
Name:	6, dtype: object

It is possible to select a dataframe by near positions using *slicing*:

Here for example we select the rows from 5th *included* to 7-th *excluded* :

```
[15]: df.iloc[5:7]
```

```
[15]:
```

	ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	yaw	\
5	6	31.69	27.55	25.01	45.12	1001.67	0.85	53.53	185.52	
6	7	31.68	27.53	25.01	45.31	1001.70	0.63	53.55	186.10	
	mag_x	mag_y	mag_z	accel_x	accel_y	accel_z	gyro_x			\
5	-50.246476	-8.343209	-11.938124	-0.000536	0.019453	0.014380	0.000273			
6	-50.447346	-7.937309	-12.188574	-0.000510	0.019264	0.014528	-0.000111			
	gyro_y	gyro_z	reset		time_stamp					
5	0.000494	-0.000059	0	2016-02-16 10:45:30						
6	0.000320	0.000222	0	2016-02-16 10:45:41						

It is possible to filter data according to a condition:

We che discover the data type, for example for `df.ROW_ID >= 6`:

```
[16]: type(df.ROW_ID >= 6)
```

```
[16]: pandas.core.series.Series
```

What is contained in this Series object ? If we try printing it we will see it is a series of values True or False, according whether the `ROW_ID` is greater or equal than 6:

```
[17]: df.ROW_ID >= 6
```

```
[17]: 0      False
1      False
2      False
3      False
4      False
...
110864    True
110865    True
110866    True
110867    True
110868    True
Name: ROW_ID, Length: 110869, dtype: bool
```

In an analogue way (`(df.ROW_ID >= 6) & (df.ROW_ID <= 10)`) is a series of values True or False, if `ROW_ID` is at the same time greater or equal than 6 and less or equal of 10

```
[18]: type((df.ROW_ID >= 6) & (df.ROW_ID <= 10))
```

```
[18]: pandas.core.series.Series
```

If we want complete rows of the dataframe which satisfy the condition, we can write like this:

**IMPORTANT:** we use `df` externally from expression `df[ ]` starting and closing the square bracket parenthesis to tell Python we want to filter the `df` dataframe, and use again `df` *inside* the parenthesis to tell on *which* columns and *which* rows we want to filter

```
[19]: df[(df.ROW_ID >= 6) & (df.ROW_ID <= 10)]
```

ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	yaw	
5	6	31.69	27.55	25.01	45.12	1001.67	0.85	53.53	185.52
6	7	31.68	27.53	25.01	45.31	1001.70	0.63	53.55	186.10
7	8	31.66	27.55	25.01	45.34	1001.70	1.49	53.65	186.08
8	9	31.67	27.54	25.01	45.20	1001.72	1.22	53.77	186.55
9	10	31.67	27.54	25.01	45.41	1001.75	1.63	53.46	185.94
mag_x	mag_y	mag_z	accel_x	accel_y	accel_z	gyro_x			
5	-50.246476	-8.343209	-11.938124	-0.000536	0.019453	0.014380	0.000273		
6	-50.447346	-7.937309	-12.188574	-0.000510	0.019264	0.014528	-0.000111		
7	-50.668232	-7.762600	-12.284196	-0.000523	0.019473	0.014298	-0.000044		
8	-50.761529	-7.262934	-11.981090	-0.000522	0.019385	0.014286	0.000358		
9	-51.243832	-6.875270	-11.672494	-0.000581	0.019390	0.014441	0.000266		
gyro_y	gyro_z	reset		time_stamp					
5	0.000494	-0.000059	0	2016-02-16 10:45:30					
6	0.000320	0.000222	0	2016-02-16 10:45:41					
7	0.000436	0.000301	0	2016-02-16 10:45:50					
8	0.000651	0.000187	0	2016-02-16 10:46:01					
9	0.000676	0.000356	0	2016-02-16 10:46:10					

So if we want to search the record where pressure is maximal, we user `values` property of the series on which we calculate the maximal value:

```
[20]: df[(df.pressure == df.pressure.values.max())]
```

```
[20]:   ROW_ID  temp_cpu  temp_h  temp_p  humidity  pressure  pitch  roll \
77602    77603     32.44    28.31    25.74     47.57    1021.78    1.1  51.82
```

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	yaw	mag_x	mag_y	mag_z	accel_x	accel_y	accel_z	\
77602	267.39	-0.797428	10.891803	-15.728202	-0.000612	0.01817	0.014295	
	gyro_x	gyro_y	gyro_z	reset		time_stamp		
77602	-0.000139	-0.000179	-0.000298	0	2016-02-25	12:13:20		

The method `sort_values` return a dataframe ordered according to one or more columns:

[21]:	df.sort_values('pressure', ascending=False).head()								
[21]:	ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	\
	77602	77603	32.44	28.31	25.74	47.57	1021.78	1.10	51.82
	77601	77602	32.45	28.30	25.74	47.26	1021.75	1.53	51.76
	77603	77604	32.44	28.30	25.74	47.29	1021.75	1.86	51.83
	77604	77605	32.43	28.30	25.74	47.39	1021.75	1.78	51.54
	77608	77609	32.42	28.29	25.74	47.36	1021.73	0.86	51.89
		yaw	mag_x	mag_y	mag_z	accel_x	accel_y	accel_z	\
	77602	267.39	-0.797428	10.891803	-15.728202	-0.000612	0.018170	0.014295	
	77601	266.12	-1.266335	10.927442	-15.690558	-0.000661	0.018357	0.014533	
	77603	268.83	-0.320795	10.651441	-15.565123	-0.000648	0.018290	0.014372	
	77604	269.41	-0.130574	10.628383	-15.488983	-0.000672	0.018154	0.014602	
	77608	272.77	0.952025	10.435951	-16.027235	-0.000607	0.018186	0.014232	
		gyro_x	gyro_y	gyro_z	reset		time_stamp		
	77602	-0.000139	-0.000179	-0.000298	0	2016-02-25	12:13:20		
	77601	0.000152	0.000459	-0.000298	0	2016-02-25	12:13:10		
	77603	0.000049	0.000473	-0.000029	0	2016-02-25	12:13:30		
	77604	0.000360	0.000089	-0.000002	0	2016-02-25	12:13:40		
	77608	-0.000260	-0.000059	-0.000187	0	2016-02-25	12:14:20		

The `loc` property allows to filter rows according to a property and select a column, which can be new. In this case, for rows where temperature is too much, we write `True` value in the fields of the column with header 'Too hot':

[22]:	df.loc[(df.temp_cpu > 31.68), 'Too hot'] = True	
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Let's see the resulting table (scroll until the end to see the new column). We note the values from the rows we did not filter are represented with `NaN`<sup>286</sup>, which literally means *not a number*:

[23]:	df.head()									
[23]:	ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	yaw	\
0	1	31.88	27.57	25.01	44.94	1001.68	1.49	52.25	185.21	
1	2	31.79	27.53	25.01	45.12	1001.72	1.03	53.73	186.72	
2	3	31.66	27.53	25.01	45.12	1001.72	1.24	53.57	186.21	
3	4	31.69	27.52	25.01	45.32	1001.69	1.57	53.63	186.03	
4	5	31.66	27.54	25.01	45.18	1001.71	0.85	53.66	186.46	
		mag_x	...	mag_z	accel_x	accel_y	accel_z	gyro_x	\	
0	-46.422753	...	-12.129346	-0.000468	0.019439	0.014569	0.000942			
1	-48.778951	...	-12.943096	-0.000614	0.019436	0.014577	0.000218			
2	-49.161878	...	-12.642772	-0.000569	0.019359	0.014357	0.000395			
3	-49.341941	...	-12.615509	-0.000575	0.019383	0.014409	0.000308			
4	-50.056683	...	-12.678341	-0.000548	0.019378	0.014380	0.000321			

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<sup>286</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-numpy/matrices-numpy-sol.html#NaNs-and-infinities>

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	gyro_y	gyro_z	reset	time_stamp	Too hot
0	0.000492	-0.000750	20	2016-02-16 10:44:40	True
1	-0.000005	-0.000235	0	2016-02-16 10:44:50	True
2	0.000600	-0.000003	0	2016-02-16 10:45:00	NaN
3	0.000577	-0.000102	0	2016-02-16 10:45:10	True
4	0.000691	0.000272	0	2016-02-16 10:45:20	NaN

[5 rows x 21 columns]

Pandas is a very flexible library, and gives several methods to obtain the same results. For example, we can try the same operation as above with the command `np.where` as down below. For example, we add a column telling if pressure is above or below the average:

```
[24]: avg_pressure = df.pressure.values.mean()
df['check_p'] = np.where(df.pressure <= avg_pressure, 'sotto', 'sopra')
```

### 3.1 Exercise - Meteo stats

⊕ Analyze data from Dataframe `meteo` and find:

- values of average pression, minimal and maximal
- average temperature
- the dates of rainy days

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```
[25]: # write here
print("Average pressure : %s" % meteo.Pressure.values.mean())
print("Minimal pressure : %s" % meteo.Pressure.values.min())
print("Maximal pressure : %s" % meteo.Pressure.values.max())
print("Average temperature : %s" % meteo.Temp.values.mean())
meteo[(meteo.Rain > 0)]
```

Average pressure : 986.3408269631689  
Minimal pressure : 966.3  
Maximal pressure : 998.3  
Average temperature : 6.410701876302988

```
[25]:          Date  Pressure  Rain  Temp
433  05/11/2017 12:15    979.2   0.2   8.6
435  05/11/2017 12:45    978.9   0.2   8.4
436  05/11/2017 13:00    979.0   0.2   8.4
437  05/11/2017 13:15    979.1   0.8   8.2
438  05/11/2017 13:30    979.0   0.6   8.2
...
2754 29/11/2017 17:15    976.1   0.2   0.9
2755 29/11/2017 17:30    975.9   0.2   0.9
2802 30/11/2017 05:15    971.3   0.2   1.3
2803 30/11/2017 05:30    971.3   0.2   1.1
2804 30/11/2017 05:45    971.5   0.2   1.1
```

[107 rows x 4 columns]

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```
[25]: # write here
```

```
Average pressure : 986.3408269631689
Minimal pressure : 966.3
Maximal pressure : 998.3
Average temperature : 6.410701876302988
```

```
[25]:
```

	Date	Pressure	Rain	Temp
433	05/11/2017 12:15	979.2	0.2	8.6
435	05/11/2017 12:45	978.9	0.2	8.4
436	05/11/2017 13:00	979.0	0.2	8.4
437	05/11/2017 13:15	979.1	0.8	8.2
438	05/11/2017 13:30	979.0	0.6	8.2
...	...	...	...	...
2754	29/11/2017 17:15	976.1	0.2	0.9
2755	29/11/2017 17:30	975.9	0.2	0.9
2802	30/11/2017 05:15	971.3	0.2	1.3
2803	30/11/2017 05:30	971.3	0.2	1.1
2804	30/11/2017 05:45	971.5	0.2	1.1

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#### 4. Matplotlib review

We've already seen Matplotlib in the part on visualization<sup>287</sup>, and today we use Matplotlib<sup>288</sup> to display data.

Let's take again an example, with the *Matlab approach*. We will plot a line passing two lists of coordinates, one for xs and one for ys:

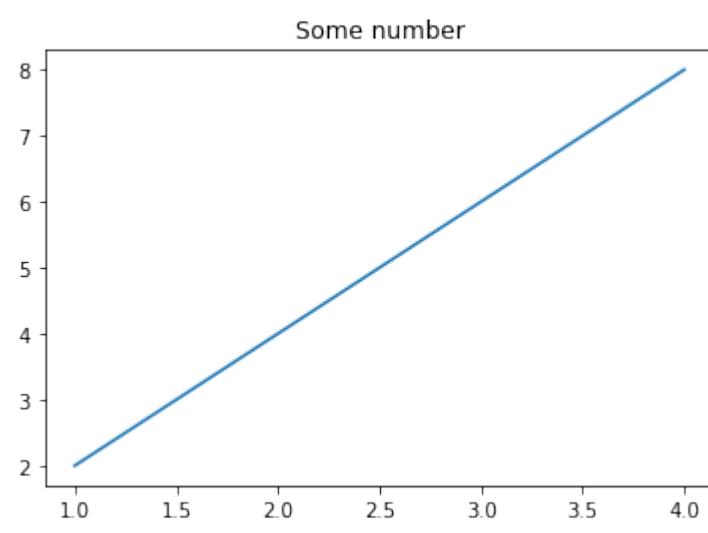
```
[26]: import matplotlib as mpl
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
```

```
[27]:
```

```
x = [1,2,3,4]
y = [2,4,6,8]
plt.plot(x, y) # we can directly pass x and y lists
plt.title('Some number')
plt.show()
```

<sup>287</sup> <https://sciprog.davidleoni.it/visualization/visualization-sol.html>

<sup>288</sup> <http://matplotlib.org>



We can also create the series with numpy. Let's try making a parabola:

```
[28]: x = np.arange(0.,5.,0.1)
# '**' is the power operator in Python, NOT '^'
y = x**2
```

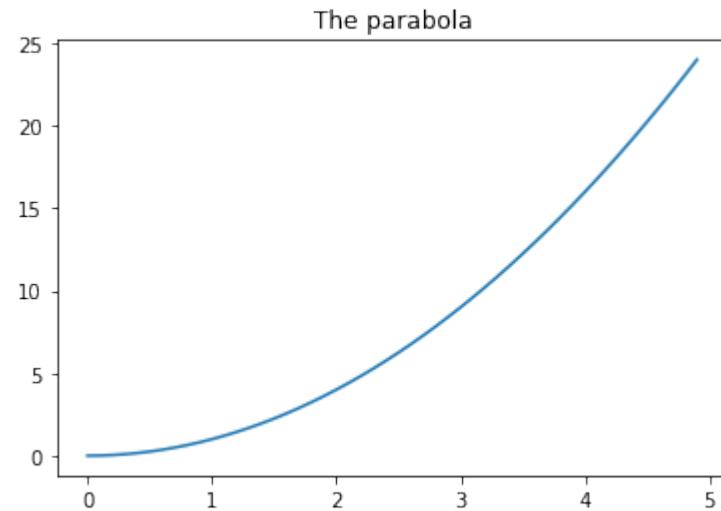
Let's use the `type` function to understand which data types are `x` and `y`:

```
[29]: type(x)
[29]: numpy.ndarray
```

```
[30]: type(y)
[30]: numpy.ndarray
```

Hence we have NumPy arrays.

```
[31]: plt.title('The parabola')
plt.plot(x,y);
```

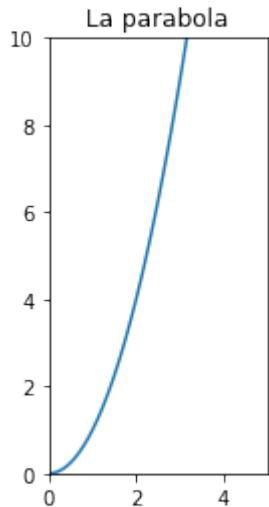


If we want the x axis units to be same as y axis, we can use function `gca`<sup>289</sup>

To set x and y limits, we can use `xlim` e `ylim`:

```
[32]: plt.xlim([0, 5])
plt.ylim([0,10])
plt.title('La parabola')

plt.gca().set_aspect('equal')
plt.plot(x,y);
```

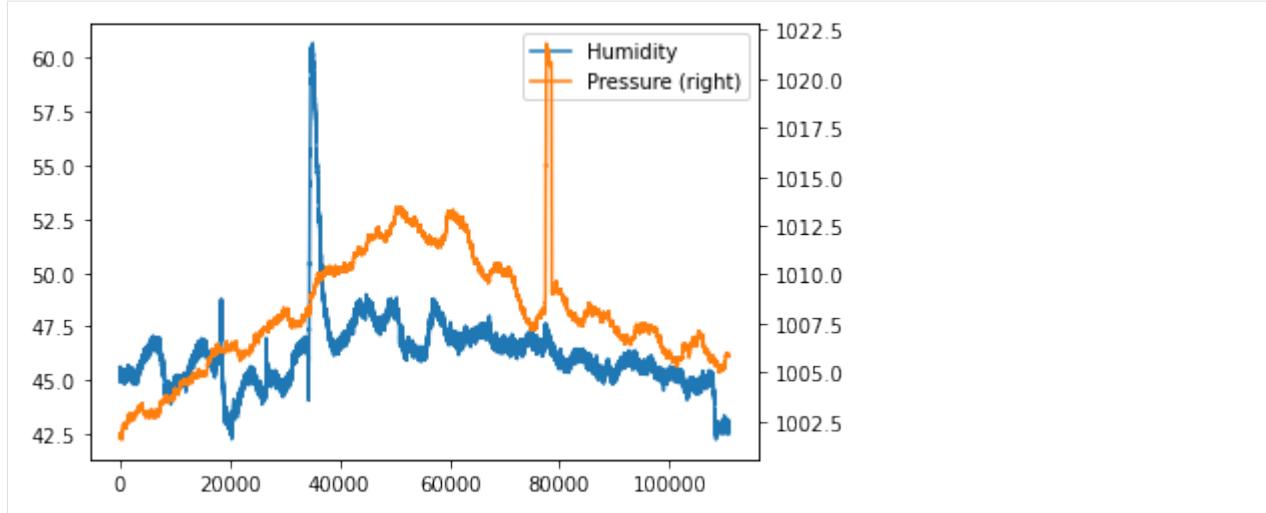


## Matplotlib plots from pandas datastructures

We can get plots directly from pandas data structures, always using the *matlab style*. Here there is documentation of `DataFrame.plot`<sup>290</sup>. Let's make an example. In case of big quantity of data, it may be useful to have a qualitative idea of data by putting them in a plot:

```
[33]: df.humidity.plot(label="Humidity", legend=True)
# with secondary_y=True we display number on y axis
# of graph on the right
df.pressure.plot(secondary_y=True, label="Pressure", legend=True);
```

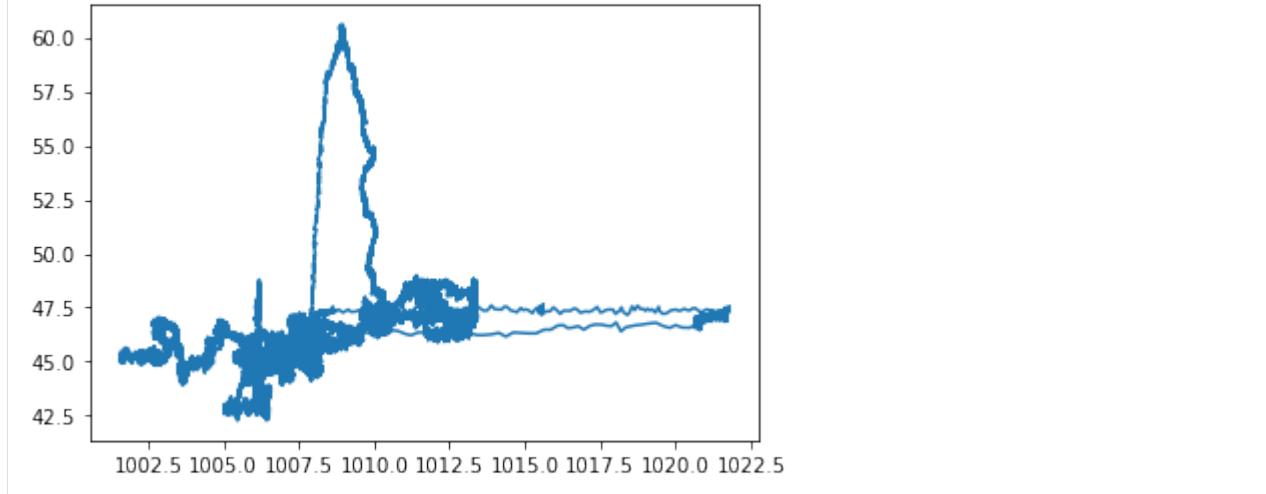
<sup>289</sup> [https://matplotlib.org/api/\\_as\\_gen/matplotlib.pyplot.gca.html?highlight=matplotlib%20pyplot%20gca#matplotlib.pyplot.gca](https://matplotlib.org/api/_as_gen/matplotlib.pyplot.gca.html?highlight=matplotlib%20pyplot%20gca#matplotlib.pyplot.gca)  
<sup>290</sup> <https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/generated/pandas.DataFrame.plot.html>



We can put pressure values on horizontal axis, and see which humidity values on vertical axis have a certain pressure:

```
[34]: plt.plot(df['pressure'], df['humidity'])
```

```
[34]: [matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7fc3d6c8d750]
```

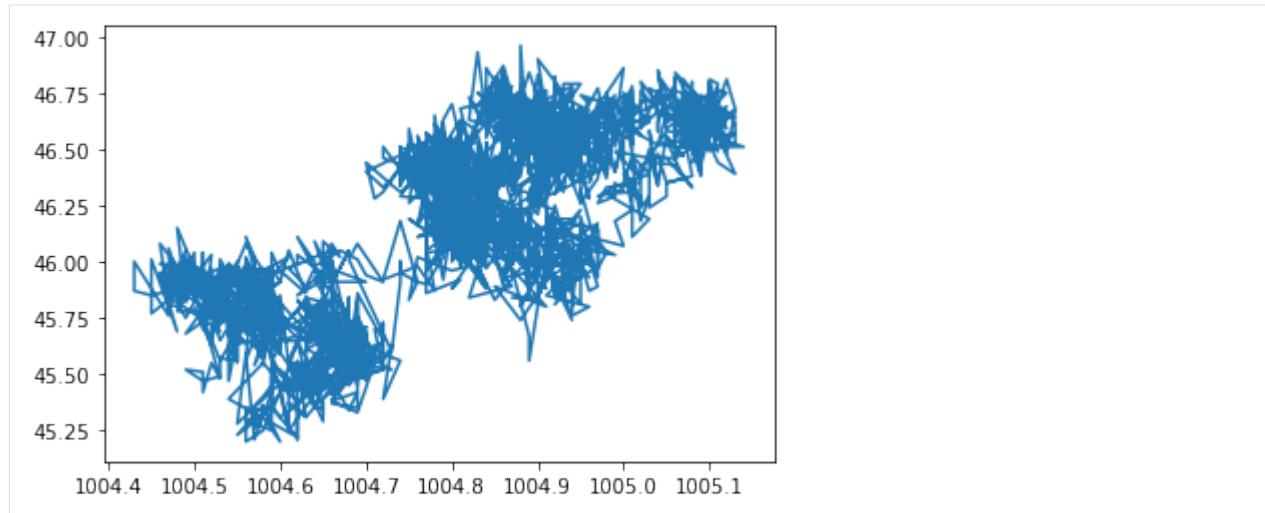


Let's select in the new dataframe `df2` the rows between the 12500th (included) and the 15000th (excluded):

```
[35]: df2=df.iloc[12500:15000]
```

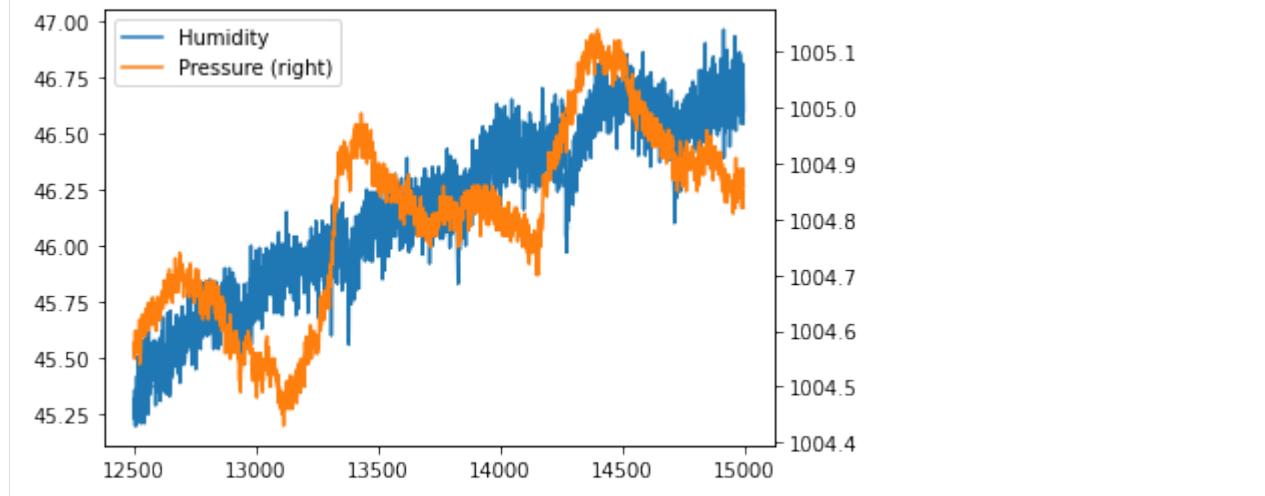
```
[36]: plt.plot(df2['pressure'], df2['humidity'])
```

```
[36]: [matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7fc3d6cfcc2d0]
```



```
[37]: df2.humidity.plot(label="Humidity", legend=True)
df2.pressure.plot(secondary_y=True, label="Pressure", legend=True)
```

[37]: <AxesSubplot:>



With `corr` method we can see the correlation between DataFrame columns.

```
[38]: df2.corr()
```

	ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	\
ROW_ID	1.000000	0.561540	0.636899	0.730764	0.945210	0.760732	
temp_cpu	0.561540	1.000000	0.591610	0.670043	0.488038	0.484902	
temp_h	0.636899	0.591610	1.000000	0.890775	0.539603	0.614536	
temp_p	0.730764	0.670043	0.890775	1.000000	0.620307	0.650015	
humidity	0.945210	0.488038	0.539603	0.620307	1.000000	0.750000	
pressure	0.760732	0.484902	0.614536	0.650015	0.750000	1.000000	
pitch	0.005633	0.025618	0.022718	0.019178	0.012247	0.037081	
roll	0.266995	0.165540	0.196767	0.192621	0.231316	0.225112	
yaw	0.172192	0.056950	-0.024700	0.007474	0.181905	0.070603	
mag_x	-0.108713	-0.019815	-0.151336	-0.060122	-0.108781	-0.246485	
mag_y	0.057601	-0.028729	0.031512	-0.039648	0.131218	0.194611	
mag_z	-0.270656	-0.193077	-0.260633	-0.285640	-0.191957	-0.173808	

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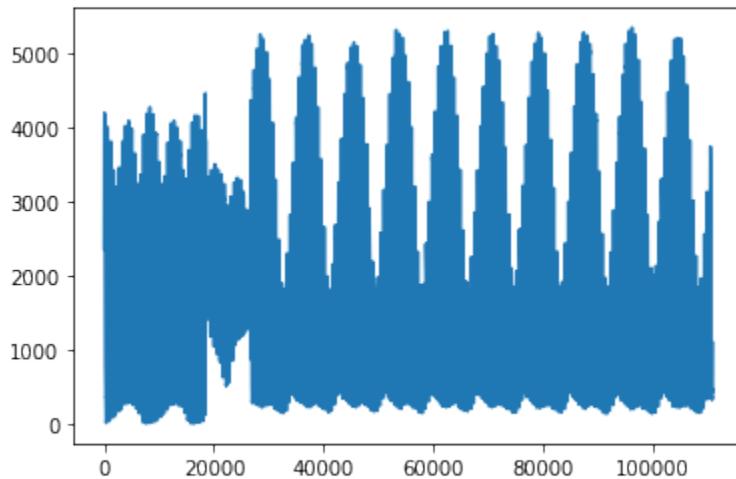
accel_x	0.015936	-0.021093	-0.009408	-0.034348	0.040452	0.085183	
accel_y	0.121838	0.108878	0.173037	0.187457	0.069717	-0.032049	
accel_z	0.075160	0.065628	0.129074	0.144595	0.021627	-0.068296	
gyro_x	-0.014346	-0.019478	-0.005255	-0.010679	0.005625	-0.014838	
gyro_y	-0.026012	-0.007527	-0.017054	-0.016674	-0.001927	-0.008821	
gyro_z	0.011714	-0.006737	-0.016113	-0.017010	0.014431	0.032056	
reset	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	
	pitch	roll	yaw	mag_x	mag_y	mag_z	\
ROW_ID	0.005633	0.266995	0.172192	-0.108713	0.057601	-0.270656	
temp_cpu	0.025618	0.165540	0.056950	-0.019815	-0.028729	-0.193077	
temp_h	0.022718	0.196767	-0.024700	-0.151336	0.031512	-0.260633	
temp_p	0.019178	0.192621	0.007474	-0.060122	-0.039648	-0.285640	
humidity	0.012247	0.231316	0.181905	-0.108781	0.131218	-0.191957	
pressure	0.037081	0.225112	0.070603	-0.246485	0.194611	-0.173808	
pitch	1.000000	0.068880	0.030448	-0.008220	-0.002278	-0.019085	
roll	0.068880	1.000000	-0.053750	-0.281035	-0.479779	-0.665041	
yaw	0.030448	-0.053750	1.000000	0.536693	0.300571	0.394324	
mag_x	-0.008220	-0.281035	0.536693	1.000000	0.046591	0.475674	
mag_y	-0.002278	-0.479779	0.300571	0.046591	1.000000	0.794756	
mag_z	-0.019085	-0.665041	0.394324	0.475674	0.794756	1.000000	
accel_x	0.024460	0.057330	-0.028267	-0.097520	0.046693	0.001699	
accel_y	-0.053634	-0.049233	0.078585	0.168764	-0.035111	-0.020016	
accel_z	-0.029345	-0.153524	0.068321	0.115423	-0.022579	-0.006496	
gyro_x	0.040685	0.139427	-0.021071	-0.017739	-0.084045	-0.092749	
gyro_y	0.041674	0.134319	-0.009650	-0.006722	-0.061460	-0.060097	
gyro_z	-0.024081	-0.078113	0.064290	0.008456	0.115327	0.101276	
reset	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	
	accel_x	accel_y	accel_z	gyro_x	gyro_y	gyro_z	reset
ROW_ID	0.015936	0.121838	0.075160	-0.014346	-0.026012	0.011714	NaN
temp_cpu	-0.021093	0.108878	0.065628	-0.019478	-0.007527	-0.006737	NaN
temp_h	-0.009408	0.173037	0.129074	-0.005255	-0.017054	-0.016113	NaN
temp_p	-0.034348	0.187457	0.144595	-0.010679	-0.016674	-0.017010	NaN
humidity	0.040452	0.069717	0.021627	0.005625	-0.001927	0.014431	NaN
pressure	0.085183	-0.032049	-0.068296	-0.014838	-0.008821	0.032056	NaN
pitch	0.024460	-0.053634	-0.029345	0.040685	0.041674	-0.024081	NaN
roll	0.057330	-0.049233	-0.153524	0.139427	0.134319	-0.078113	NaN
yaw	-0.028267	0.078585	0.068321	-0.021071	-0.009650	0.064290	NaN
mag_x	-0.097520	0.168764	0.115423	-0.017739	-0.006722	0.008456	NaN
mag_y	0.046693	-0.035111	-0.022579	-0.084045	-0.061460	0.115327	NaN
mag_z	0.001699	-0.020016	-0.006496	-0.092749	-0.060097	0.101276	NaN
accel_x	1.000000	-0.197363	-0.174005	-0.016811	-0.013694	-0.017850	NaN
accel_y	-0.197363	1.000000	0.424272	-0.023942	-0.054733	0.014870	NaN
accel_z	-0.174005	0.424272	1.000000	0.006313	-0.011883	-0.015390	NaN
gyro_x	-0.016811	-0.023942	0.006313	1.000000	0.802471	-0.012705	NaN
gyro_y	-0.013694	-0.054733	-0.011883	0.802471	1.000000	-0.043332	NaN
gyro_z	-0.017850	0.014870	-0.015390	-0.012705	-0.043332	1.000000	NaN
reset	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN

## 5. Calculating new columns

It is possible to obtain new columns by calculating them from other columns. For example, we get new column `mag_tot`, that is the absolute magnetic field taken from space station by `mag_x`, `mag_y`, e `mag_z`, and then plot it:

```
[39]: df['mag_tot'] = df['mag_x']**2 + df['mag_y']**2 + df['mag_z']**2
df.mag_tot.plot()
```

```
[39]: <AxesSubplot:>
```



Let's find when the magnetic field was maximal:

```
[40]: df['time_stamp'][ (df.mag_tot == df.mag_tot.values.max() ) ]
[40]: 96156    2016-02-27 16:12:31
      Name: time_stamp, dtype: object
```

By filling in the value found on the website [isstracker.com/historical](http://isstracker.com/historical)<sup>291</sup>, we can find the positions where the magnetic field is at the highest.

### 5.1 Exercise: Meteo Fahrenheit temperature

In `meteo` dataframe, create a column `Temp (Fahrenheit)` with the temperature measured in Fahrenheit degrees.

Formula to calculate conversion from Celsius degrees (C):

$$\text{Fahrenheit} = \frac{9}{5}C + 32$$

```
[41]: # write here
```

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```
[42]: # SOLUTION
print()
print("***** SOLUTION OUTPUT *****")
```

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<sup>291</sup> <http://www.isstracker.com/historical>

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```
meteo['Temp (Fahrenheit)'] = meteo['Temp']* 9/5 + 32
meteo.head()
```

\*\*\*\*\* SOLUTION OUTPUT \*\*\*\*\*

```
[42]:
```

	Date	Pressure	Rain	Temp	Temp (Fahrenheit)
0	01/11/2017 00:00	995.4	0.0	5.4	41.72
1	01/11/2017 00:15	995.5	0.0	6.0	42.80
2	01/11/2017 00:30	995.5	0.0	5.9	42.62
3	01/11/2017 00:45	995.7	0.0	5.4	41.72
4	01/11/2017 01:00	995.7	0.0	5.3	41.54

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```
[42]:
```

\*\*\*\*\* SOLUTION OUTPUT \*\*\*\*\*

```
[42]:
```

	Date	Pressure	Rain	Temp	Temp (Fahrenheit)
0	01/11/2017 00:00	995.4	0.0	5.4	41.72
1	01/11/2017 00:15	995.5	0.0	6.0	42.80
2	01/11/2017 00:30	995.5	0.0	5.9	42.62
3	01/11/2017 00:45	995.7	0.0	5.4	41.72
4	01/11/2017 01:00	995.7	0.0	5.3	41.54

## 5.2 Exercise - Pressure vs Temperature

Pressure should be directly proportional to temperature in a closed environment Gay-Lussac's law<sup>292</sup>:

$$\frac{P}{T} = k$$

Does this holds true for `meteo` dataset? Try to find out by direct calculation of the formula and compare with `corr()` method results.

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```
[43]: # SOLUTION
```

```
# as expected, in an open environment there is not much linear correlation
#meteo.corr()
#meteo['Pressure'] / meteo['Temp']
```

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```
[43]:
```

<sup>292</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gay-Lussac%27s\\_law](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gay-Lussac%27s_law)

## 6. Object values

In general, when we want to manipulate objects of a known type, say strings which have type `str`, we can write `.str` after a series and then treat the result like it were a single string, using any operator (es: slicing) or method that particular class allows us plus others provided by pandas (for text in particular there are various ways to manipulate it, for more details see [pandas documentation<sup>293</sup>](#))

### Filter by textual values

When we want to filter by text values, we can use `.str.contains`, here for example we select all the samples in the last days of february (which have timestamp containing 2016-02-2):

```
[44]: df[ df['time_stamp'].str.contains('2016-02-2') ]
```

ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	yaw	mag_x	accel_y	accel_z	gyro_x	gyro_y	gyro_z	reset	time_stamp	Too hot	check_p	mag_tot		
30442	30443	32.30	28.12	25.59	45.05	1008.01	1.47	51.82	51.18	9.215883	...	0.018792	0.014558	-0.000042	0.000275	0.000157	0	2016-02-20 00:00:00	True	sotto	269.091903
30443	30444	32.25	28.13	25.59	44.82	1008.02	0.81	51.53	52.21	8.710130	...	0.019290	0.014667	0.000260	0.001011	0.000149	0	2016-02-20 00:00:10	True	sotto	260.866157
30444	30445	33.07	28.13	25.59	45.08	1008.09	0.68	51.69	57.36	7.383435	...	0.018714	0.014598	0.000299	0.000343	-0.000025	0	2016-02-20 00:00:41	True	sotto	265.421154
30445	30446	32.63	28.10	25.60	44.87	1008.07	1.42	52.13	59.95	7.292313	...	0.018857	0.014565	0.000160	0.000349	-0.000190	0	2016-02-20 00:00:50	True	sotto	269.572476
30446	30447	32.55	28.11	25.60	44.94	1008.07	1.41	51.86	61.83	6.699141	...	0.018871	0.014564	-0.000608	-0.000381	-0.000243	0	2016-02-20 00:01:01	True	sotto	262.510966
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
110864	110865	31.56	27.52	24.83	42.94	1005.83	1.58	49.93	129.60	-15.169673	...	0.017743	0.014646	-0.000264	0.000206	0.000196	0	2016-02-29 09:24:21	NaN	sotto	996.676408
110865	110866	31.55	27.50	24.83	42.72	1005.85	1.89	49.92	130.51	-15.832622	...	0.017570	0.014855	0.000143	0.000199	-0.000024	0	2016-02-29 09:24:30	NaN	sotto	1022.779594
110866	110867	31.58	27.50	24.83	42.83	1005.85	2.09	50.00	132.04	-16.646212	...	0.017657	0.014799	0.000537	0.000257	0.000057	0	2016-02-29 09:24:41	NaN	sotto	1048.121268
110867	110868	31.62	27.50	24.83	42.81	1005.88	2.88	49.69	133.00	-17.270447	...	0.017635	0.014877	0.000534	0.000456	0.000195	0	2016-02-29 09:24:50	NaN	sotto	1073.629703
110868	110869	31.57	27.51	24.83	42.94	1005.86	2.17	49.77	134.18	-17.885872	...	0.017261	0.014380	0.000459	0.000076	0.000030	0	2016-02-29 09:25:00	NaN	sotto	1095.760426

[80427 rows x 23 columns]

<sup>293</sup> <https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/text.html>

### Extracting strings

To extract only the day from `timestamp` column, we can use `str` and use slice operator with square brackets:

```
[45]: df['time_stamp'].str[8:10]
```

```
[45]: 0      16
1      16
2      16
3      16
4      16
       ..
110864  29
110865  29
110866  29
110867  29
110868  29
Name: time_stamp, Length: 110869, dtype: object
```

## 7. Transforming

Suppose we want to convert all values of column `temperature` which are floats to integers.

We know that to convert a float to an integer there the predefined python function `int`

```
[46]: int(23.7)
```

```
[46]: 23
```

We would like to apply such function to all the elements of the column `humidity`.

To do so, we can call the `transform` method and pass to it the function `int` *as a parameter*

**NOTE:** there are no round parenthesis after `int` !!!

```
[47]: df['humidity'].transform(int)
```

```
[47]: 0      44
1      45
2      45
3      45
4      45
       ..
110864  42
110865  42
110866  42
110867  42
110868  42
Name: humidity, Length: 110869, dtype: int64
```

Just to be clear what *passing a function* means, let's see other two *completely equivalent* ways we could have used to pass the function:

**Defining a function:** We could have defined a function `myf` like this (notice the function MUST RETURN something !)

```
[48]: def myf(x):
        return int(x)
```

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```
[48]: df['humidity'].transform(myf)

0      44
1      45
2      45
3      45
4      45
 ..
110864    42
110865    42
110866    42
110867    42
110868    42
Name: humidity, Length: 110869, dtype: int64
```

**lambda function:** We could have used as well a lambda function, that is, a function without a name which is defined on one line:

```
[49]: df['humidity'].transform( lambda x: int(x) )

[49]: 0      44
1      45
2      45
3      45
4      45
 ..
110864    42
110865    42
110866    42
110867    42
110868    42
Name: humidity, Length: 110869, dtype: int64
```

Regardless of the way we choose to pass the function, `transform` method does not change the original dataframe:

```
[50]: df.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 110869 entries, 0 to 110868
Data columns (total 23 columns):
 #   Column       Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--- 
 0   ROW_ID       110869 non-null   int64  
 1   temp_cpu     110869 non-null   float64 
 2   temp_h       110869 non-null   float64 
 3   temp_p       110869 non-null   float64 
 4   humidity     110869 non-null   float64 
 5   pressure     110869 non-null   float64 
 6   pitch        110869 non-null   float64 
 7   roll         110869 non-null   float64 
 8   yaw          110869 non-null   float64 
 9   mag_x        110869 non-null   float64 
 10  mag_y        110869 non-null   float64 
 11  mag_z        110869 non-null   float64 
 12  accel_x      110869 non-null   float64 
 13  accel_y      110869 non-null   float64 
 14  accel_z      110869 non-null   float64
```

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```
15 gyro_x    110869 non-null float64
16 gyro_y    110869 non-null float64
17 gyro_z    110869 non-null float64
18 reset     110869 non-null int64
19 time_stamp 110869 non-null object
20 Too hot   105315 non-null object
21 check_p    110869 non-null object
22 mag_tot    110869 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(18), int64(2), object(3)
memory usage: 19.5+ MB
```

If we want to add a new column, say `humidity_int`, we have to explicitly assign the result of `transform` to a new series:

```
[51]: df['humidity_int'] = df['humidity'].transform(lambda x: int(x))
```

Notice how pandas automatically infers type `int64` for the newly created column:

```
[52]: df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 110869 entries, 0 to 110868
Data columns (total 24 columns):
 #   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--- 
 0   ROW_ID      110869 non-null  int64  
 1   temp_cpu    110869 non-null  float64 
 2   temp_h      110869 non-null  float64 
 3   temp_p      110869 non-null  float64 
 4   humidity    110869 non-null  float64 
 5   pressure    110869 non-null  float64 
 6   pitch       110869 non-null  float64 
 7   roll        110869 non-null  float64 
 8   yaw         110869 non-null  float64 
 9   mag_x       110869 non-null  float64 
 10  mag_y       110869 non-null  float64 
 11  mag_z       110869 non-null  float64 
 12  accel_x    110869 non-null  float64 
 13  accel_y    110869 non-null  float64 
 14  accel_z    110869 non-null  float64 
 15  gyro_x     110869 non-null  float64 
 16  gyro_y     110869 non-null  float64 
 17  gyro_z     110869 non-null  float64 
 18  reset      110869 non-null  int64  
 19  time_stamp 110869 non-null  object  
 20  Too hot    105315 non-null  object  
 21  check_p    110869 non-null  object  
 22  mag_tot    110869 non-null  float64 
 23  humidity_int 110869 non-null  int64  
dtypes: float64(18), int64(3), object(3)
memory usage: 20.3+ MB
```

## 8. Grouping

### Reference:

- PythonDataScienceHandbook: Aggregation and Grouping<sup>294</sup>

It's pretty easy to group items and perform aggregated calculations by using `groupby` method. Let's say we want to count how many `humidity` readings were taken for each integer `humidity_int` (here we use pandas `groupby`, but for histograms you could also use `numpy`<sup>295</sup>)

After `groupby` we can use `count()` aggregation function (other common ones are `sum()`, `mean()`, `min()`, `max()`):

```
[53]: df.groupby(['humidity_int'])['humidity'].count()
```

```
[53]: humidity_int
42      2776
43      2479
44     13029
45     32730
46     35775
47     14176
48      7392
49       297
50      155
51      205
52      209
53      128
54      224
55      164
56      139
57      183
58      237
59      271
60      300
Name: humidity, dtype: int64
```

Notice we got only 19 rows. To have a series that fills the whole table, assigning to each row the count of its own group, we can use `transform` like this:

```
[54]: df.groupby(['humidity_int'])['humidity'].transform('count')
```

```
[54]: 0      13029
1      32730
2      32730
3      32730
4      32730
...
110864    2776
110865    2776
110866    2776
110867    2776
110868    2776
Name: humidity, Length: 110869, dtype: int64
```

As usual, `group_by` does not modify the dataframe, if we want the result stored in the dataframe we need to assign the result to a new column:

<sup>294</sup> <https://jakevdp.github.io/PythonDataScienceHandbook/03.08-aggregation-and-grouping.html>

<sup>295</sup> <https://stackoverflow.com/a/13130357>

```
[55]: df['Humidity counts'] = df.groupby(['humidity_int'])['humidity'].transform('count')
```

```
[56]: df
```

	ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	\
0		1	31.88	27.57	25.01	44.94	1001.68	1.49	52.25
1		2	31.79	27.53	25.01	45.12	1001.72	1.03	53.73
2		3	31.66	27.53	25.01	45.12	1001.72	1.24	53.57
3		4	31.69	27.52	25.01	45.32	1001.69	1.57	53.63
4		5	31.66	27.54	25.01	45.18	1001.71	0.85	53.66
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	\
110864	110865		31.56	27.52	24.83	42.94	1005.83	1.58	49.93
110865	110866		31.55	27.50	24.83	42.72	1005.85	1.89	49.92
110866	110867		31.58	27.50	24.83	42.83	1005.85	2.09	50.00
110867	110868		31.62	27.50	24.83	42.81	1005.88	2.88	49.69
110868	110869		31.57	27.51	24.83	42.94	1005.86	2.17	49.77
									\
	yaw	mag_x	...	gyro_x	gyro_y	gyro_z	reset	...	\
0	185.21	-46.422753	...	0.000942	0.000492	-0.000750	20	...	\
1	186.72	-48.778951	...	0.000218	-0.000005	-0.000235	0	...	\
2	186.21	-49.161878	...	0.000395	0.000600	-0.000003	0	...	\
3	186.03	-49.341941	...	0.000308	0.000577	-0.000102	0	...	\
4	186.46	-50.056683	...	0.000321	0.000691	0.000272	0	...	\
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	\
110864	129.60	-15.169673	...	-0.000264	0.000206	0.000196	0	...	\
110865	130.51	-15.832622	...	0.000143	0.000199	-0.000024	0	...	\
110866	132.04	-16.646212	...	0.000537	0.000257	0.000057	0	...	\
110867	133.00	-17.270447	...	0.000534	0.000456	0.000195	0	...	\
110868	134.18	-17.885872	...	0.000459	0.000076	0.000030	0	...	\
									\
	time_stamp	Too hot	check_p	mag_tot	humidity_int	...			\
0	2016-02-16 10:44:40	True	sotto	2368.337207	44	...			\
1	2016-02-16 10:44:50	True	sotto	2615.870247	45	...			\
2	2016-02-16 10:45:00	NaN	sotto	2648.484927	45	...			\
3	2016-02-16 10:45:10	True	sotto	2665.305485	45	...			\
4	2016-02-16 10:45:20	NaN	sotto	2732.388620	45	...			\
...	...	...	...	...	...	...			\
110864	2016-02-29 09:24:21	NaN	sotto	996.676408	42	...			\
110865	2016-02-29 09:24:30	NaN	sotto	1022.779594	42	...			\
110866	2016-02-29 09:24:41	NaN	sotto	1048.121268	42	...			\
110867	2016-02-29 09:24:50	NaN	sotto	1073.629703	42	...			\
110868	2016-02-29 09:25:00	NaN	sotto	1095.760426	42	...			\
									\
	Humidity counts								\
0		13029							\
1		32730							\
2		32730							\
3		32730							\
4		32730							\
...		...							\
110864		2776							\
110865		2776							\
110866		2776							\
110867		2776							\
110868		2776							\
									\
	[110869 rows x 25 columns]								\

## 9. Exercise: meteo average temperatures

### 9.1 meteo plot

⊕ Put in a plot the temperature from dataframe *meteo*:

```
[57]: import matplotlib as mpl
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline

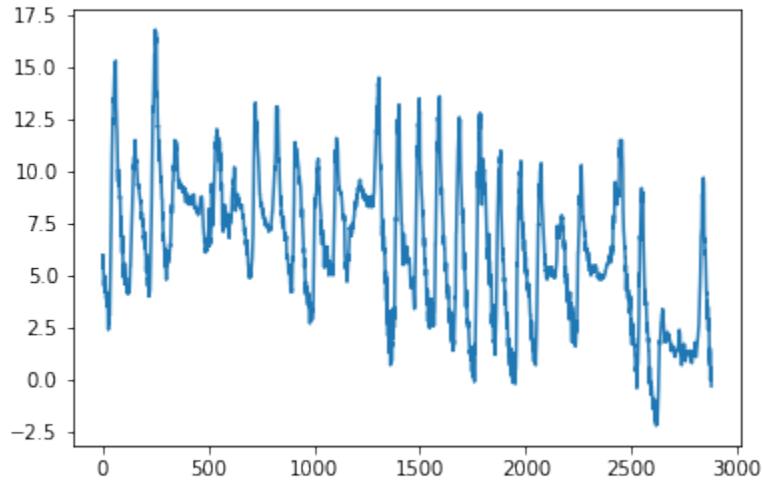
# write here
```

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```
[58]: # SOLUTION
import matplotlib as mpl
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline

meteo.Temp.plot()
```

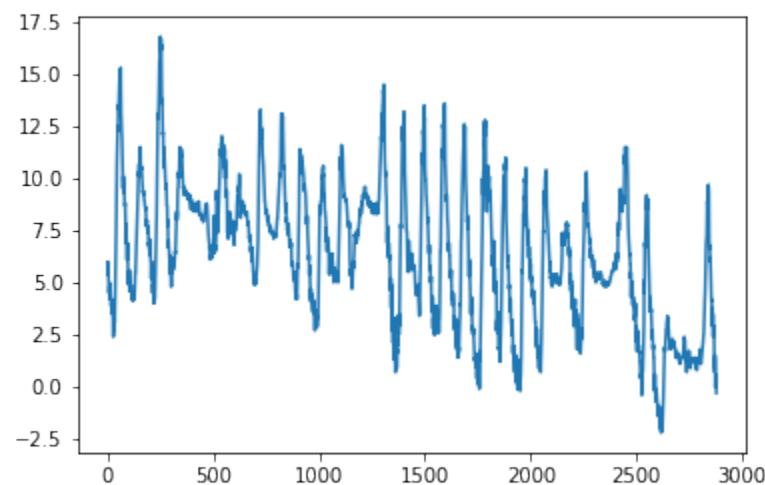
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## 9.2 meteo pressure and raining

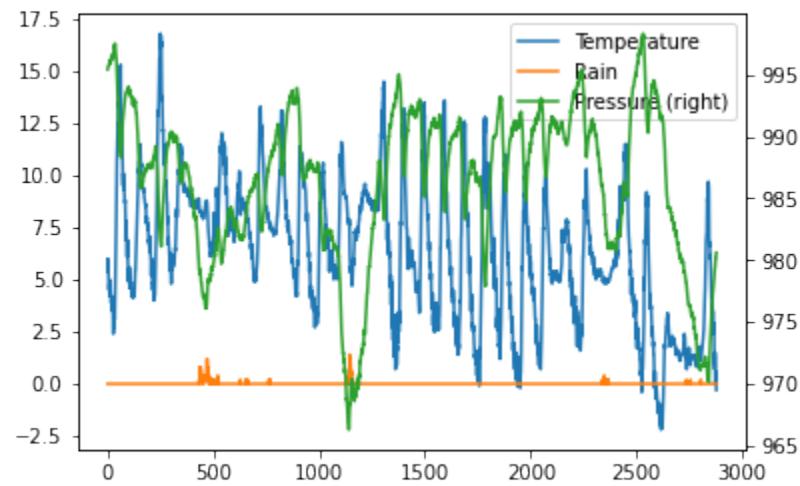
⊕ In the same plot as above show the pressure and amount of raining.

```
[59]: # write here
```

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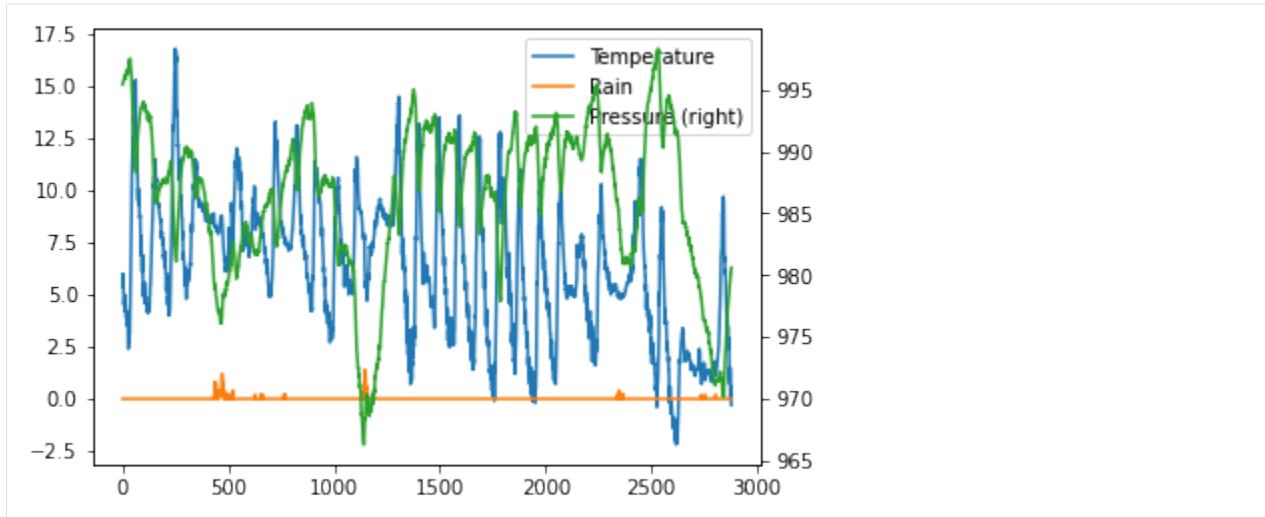
```
[60]: # SOLUTION
```

```
meteo.Temp.plot(label="Temperature", legend=True)
meteo.Rain.plot(label="Rain", legend=True)
meteo.Pressure.plot(secondary_y=True, label="Pressure", legend=True);
```



```
</div>
```

```
[60]:
```



### 9.3 meteo average temperature

⊕⊕⊕ Calculate the average temperature for each day, and show it in the plot, so to have a couple new columns like these:

Day	Avg_day_temp
01/11/2017	7.983333
01/11/2017	7.983333
01/11/2017	7.983333
.	.
.	.
02/11/2017	7.384375
02/11/2017	7.384375
02/11/2017	7.384375
.	.
.	.

**HINT 1:** add 'Day' column by extracting only the day from the date. To do it, use the function `.str` applied to all the column.

**HINT 2:** There are various ways to solve the exercise:

- Most performant and elegant is with `groupby` operator, see [Pandas transform - more than meets the eye](#)<sup>296</sup>
- As alternative, you may use a `for` to cycle through days. Typically, using a `for` is not a good idea with Pandas, as on large datasets it can take a lot to perform the updates. Still, since this dataset is small enough, you should get results in a decent amount of time.

[61]: # write here

<a class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-toggler" onclick="jupman.toggleSolution(this);;" data-jupman-show="Show solution" data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

[62]: # SOLUTION  

```
meteo = pd.read_csv('meteo.csv', encoding='UTF-8')
meteo['Day'] = meteo['Date'].str[0:10]
```

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<sup>296</sup> <https://towardsdatascience.com/pandas-transform-more-than-meets-the-eye-928542b40b56>

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```
#print("WITH DAY")
#print(meteo.head())
for day in meteo['Day']:
    avg_day_temp = meteo[(meteo.Day == day)].Temp.values.mean()
    meteo.loc[(meteo.Day == day), 'Avg_day_temp']= avg_day_temp

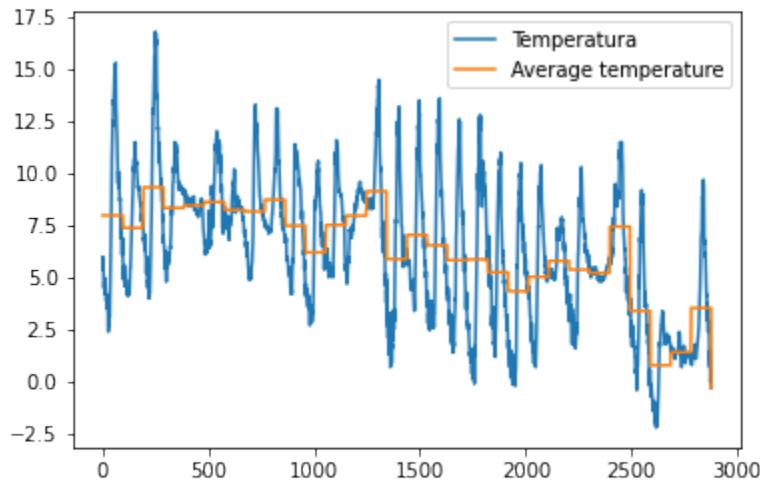
print()
print('***** SOLUTION 1 OUTPUT - recalculate average for every row -'
      ' slow !')
print()
print("WITH AVERAGE TEMPERATURE")
print(meteo.head())
meteo.Temp.plot(label="Temperatura", legend=True)
meteo.Avg_day_temp.plot(label="Average temperature", legend=True)
```

\*\*\*\*\* SOLUTION 1 OUTPUT - recalculate average for every row - slow !

WITH AVERAGE TEMPERATURE

	Date	Pressure	Rain	Temp	Day	Avg_day_temp
0	01/11/2017 00:00	995.4	0.0	5.4	01/11/2017	7.983333
1	01/11/2017 00:15	995.5	0.0	6.0	01/11/2017	7.983333
2	01/11/2017 00:30	995.5	0.0	5.9	01/11/2017	7.983333
3	01/11/2017 00:45	995.7	0.0	5.4	01/11/2017	7.983333
4	01/11/2017 01:00	995.7	0.0	5.3	01/11/2017	7.983333

[62]: <AxesSubplot:>



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\*\*\*\*\* SOLUTION 1 OUTPUT - recalculate average for every row - slow !

WITH AVERAGE TEMPERATURE

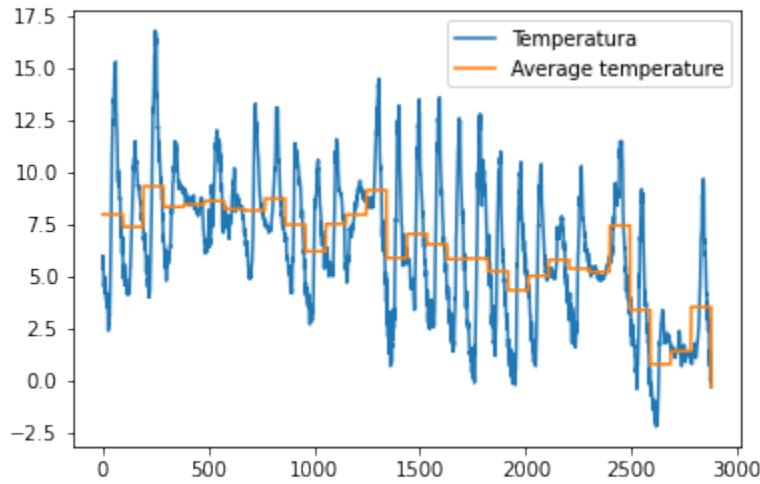
	Date	Pressure	Rain	Temp	Day	Avg_day_temp
0	01/11/2017 00:00	995.4	0.0	5.4	01/11/2017	7.983333
1	01/11/2017 00:15	995.5	0.0	6.0	01/11/2017	7.983333

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2	01/11/2017	00:30	995.5	0.0	5.9	01/11/2017	7.983333
3	01/11/2017	00:45	995.7	0.0	5.4	01/11/2017	7.983333
4	01/11/2017	01:00	995.7	0.0	5.3	01/11/2017	7.983333

[62]: &lt;AxesSubplot:&gt;



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[63]: # SOLUTION

```
meteo = pd.read_csv('meteo.csv', encoding='UTF-8')
meteo['Day'] = meteo['Date'].str[0:10]
#print()
#print("WITH DAY")
#print(meteo.head())
d_avg = {}
for day in meteo['Day']:
    if day not in d_avg:
        d_avg[day] = meteo[ meteo['Day'] == day ] ['Temp'].mean()

for day in meteo['Day']:
    meteo.loc[(meteo.Day == day), 'Avg_day_temp']= d_avg[day]

print()
print()
print('*****      SOLUTION 2 OUTPUT - recalculate average only 30 times')
print('                                by using a dictionary d_avg, faster but not')
print('yet optimal')
print(meteo.head())
meteo.Temp.plot(label="Temperature", legend=True)
meteo.Avg_day_temp.plot(label="Average temperature", legend=True)
```

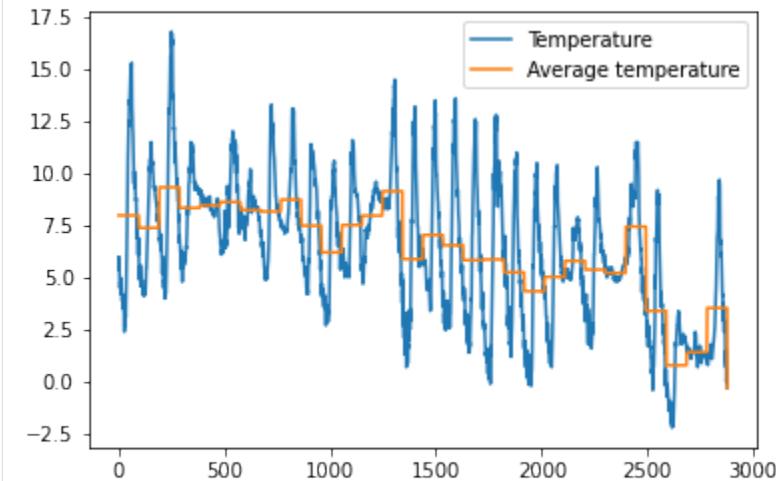
```
*****      SOLUTION 2 OUTPUT - recalculate average only 30 times
                                by using a dictionary d_avg, faster but not yet
optimal
          Date  Pressure  Rain   Temp           Day  Avg_day_temp
0  01/11/2017  995.4    0.0   5.4  01/11/2017     7.983333
```

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1	01/11/2017	00:15	995.5	0.0	6.0	01/11/2017	7.983333
2	01/11/2017	00:30	995.5	0.0	5.9	01/11/2017	7.983333
3	01/11/2017	00:45	995.7	0.0	5.4	01/11/2017	7.983333
4	01/11/2017	01:00	995.7	0.0	5.3	01/11/2017	7.983333

[63]: &lt;AxesSubplot:&gt;

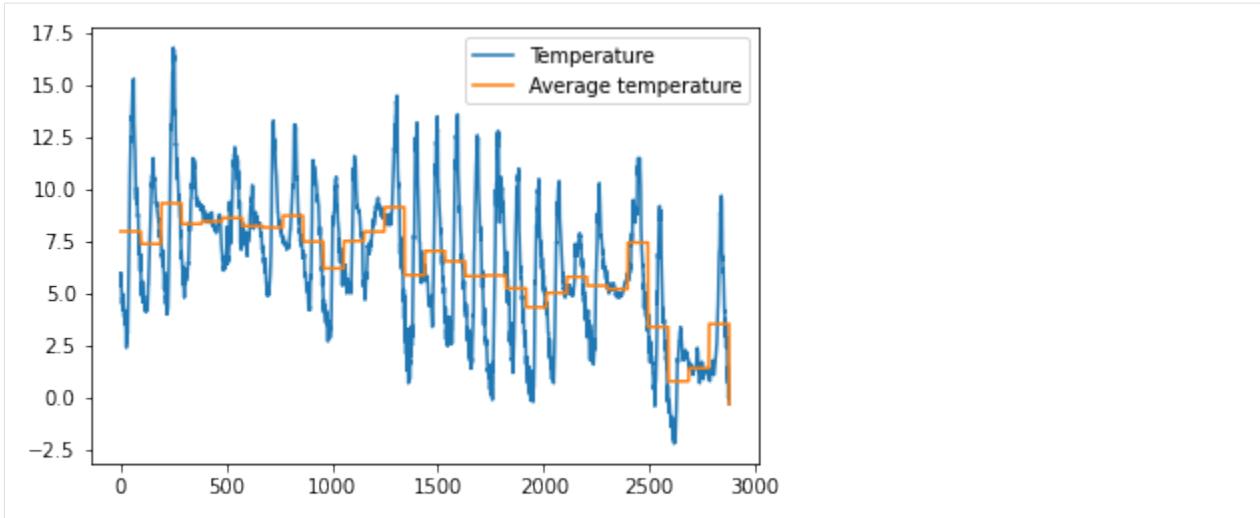


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[63]:

```
***** SOLUTION 2 OUTPUT - recalculate average only 30 times
by using a dictionary d_avg, faster but not yet_
↪optimal
      Date  Pressure  Rain   Temp       Day Avg_day_temp
0  01/11/2017  995.4  0.0  5.4  01/11/2017  7.983333
1  01/11/2017  995.5  0.0  6.0  01/11/2017  7.983333
2  01/11/2017  995.5  0.0  5.9  01/11/2017  7.983333
3  01/11/2017  995.7  0.0  5.4  01/11/2017  7.983333
4  01/11/2017  995.7  0.0  5.3  01/11/2017  7.983333
```

[63]: &lt;AxesSubplot:&gt;



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```
[64]: # SOLUTION

print()
print('***** SOLUTION 3 - OUTPUT - best solution with groupby and'
      'transform')

meteo = pd.read_csv('meteo.csv', encoding='UTF-8')
meteo['Day'] = meteo['Date'].str[0:10]
# .transform is needed to avoid getting a table with only 30 lines
meteo['Avg_day_temp'] = meteo.groupby('Day')['Temp'].transform('mean')

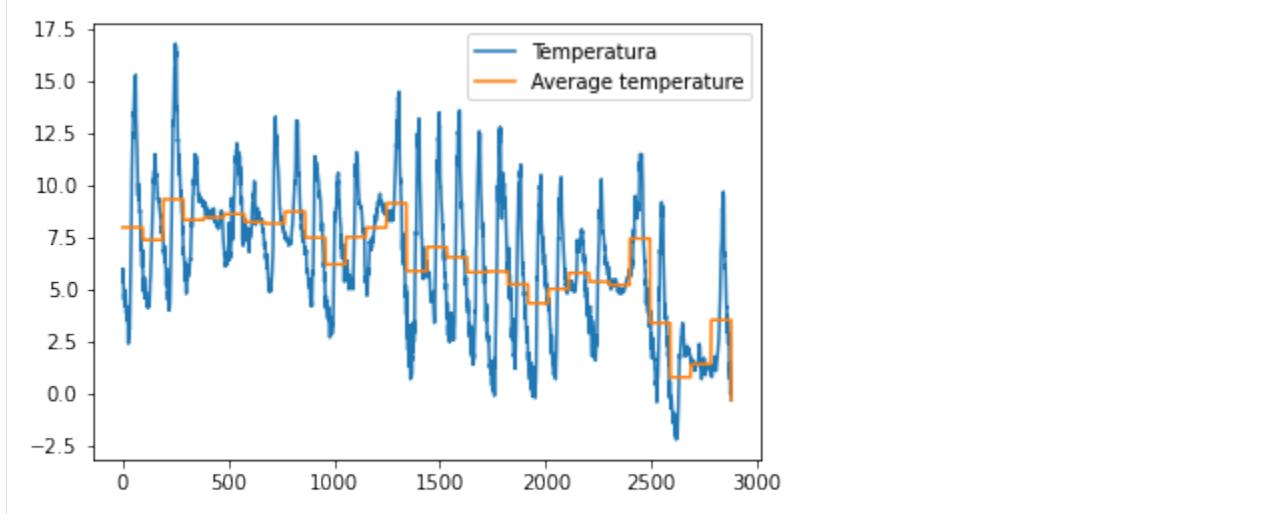
meteo
print()
print("WITH AVERAGE TEMPERATURE")
print(meteo.head())
meteo.Temp.plot(label="Temperatura", legend=True)
meteo.Avg_day_temp.plot(label="Average temperature", legend=True)
```

\*\*\*\*\* SOLUTION 3 - OUTPUT - best solution with groupby and transform

WITH AVERAGE TEMPERATURE

	Date	Pressure	Rain	Temp	Day	Avg_day_temp
0	01/11/2017 00:00	995.4	0.0	5.4	01/11/2017	7.983333
1	01/11/2017 00:15	995.5	0.0	6.0	01/11/2017	7.983333
2	01/11/2017 00:30	995.5	0.0	5.9	01/11/2017	7.983333
3	01/11/2017 00:45	995.7	0.0	5.4	01/11/2017	7.983333
4	01/11/2017 01:00	995.7	0.0	5.3	01/11/2017	7.983333

```
[64]: <AxesSubplot:>
```



&lt;/div&gt;

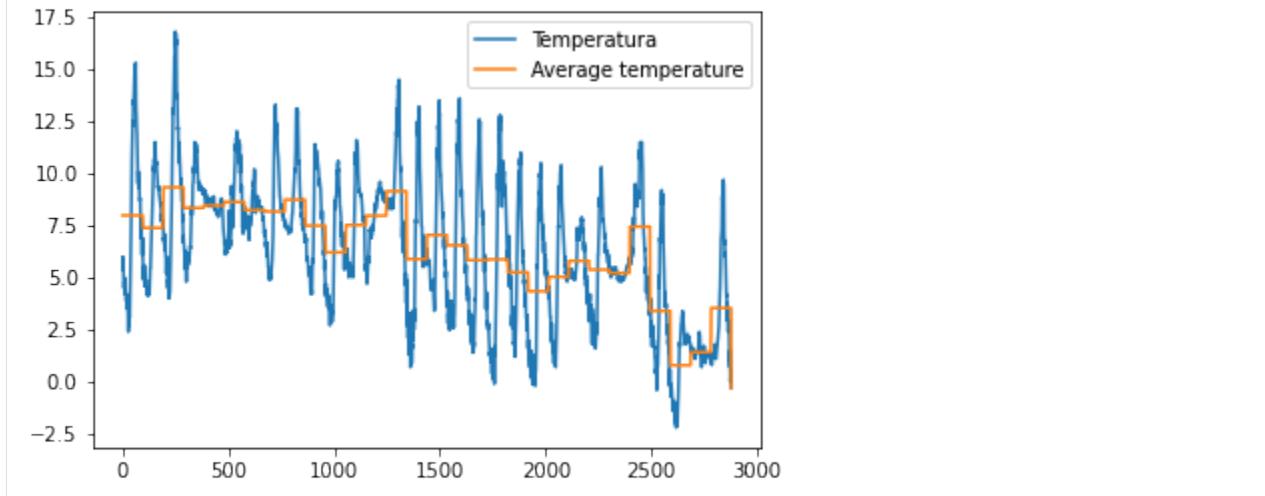
[ 64 ] :

\*\*\*\*\* SOLUTION 3 – OUTPUT – best solution with groupby and transform

WITH AVERAGE TEMPERATURE

	Date	Pressure	Rain	Temp	Day	Avg_day_temp
0	01/11/2017 00:00	995.4	0.0	5.4	01/11/2017	7.983333
1	01/11/2017 00:15	995.5	0.0	6.0	01/11/2017	7.983333
2	01/11/2017 00:30	995.5	0.0	5.9	01/11/2017	7.983333
3	01/11/2017 00:45	995.7	0.0	5.4	01/11/2017	7.983333
4	01/11/2017 01:00	995.7	0.0	5.3	01/11/2017	7.983333

[ 64 ] : &lt;AxesSubplot:&gt;



## 10. Merging tables

Suppose we want to add a column with geographical position of the ISS. To do so, we would need to join our dataset with another one containing such information. Let's take for example the dataset `iss-coords.csv`

```
[65]: iss_coords = pd.read_csv('iss-coords.csv', encoding='UTF-8')
```

```
[66]: iss_coords
```

```
[66]:
```

	timestamp	lat	lon
0	2016-01-01 05:11:30	-45.103458	14.083858
1	2016-01-01 06:49:59	-37.597242	28.931170
2	2016-01-01 11:52:30	17.126141	77.535602
3	2016-01-01 11:52:30	17.126464	77.535861
4	2016-01-01 14:54:08	7.259561	70.001561
..	...	...	...
333	2016-02-29 13:23:17	-51.077590	-31.093987
334	2016-02-29 13:44:13	30.688553	-135.403820
335	2016-02-29 13:44:13	30.688295	-135.403533
336	2016-02-29 18:44:57	27.608774	-130.198781
337	2016-02-29 21:36:47	27.325186	-129.893278

[338 rows x 3 columns]

We notice there is a `timestamp` column, which unfortunately has a slightly different name than `time_stamp` column (notice the underscore `_`) in original astropi dataset:

```
[67]: df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 110869 entries, 0 to 110868
Data columns (total 25 columns):
 #   Column           Non-Null Count  Dtype  
 ---  -- 
 0   ROW_ID          110869 non-null   int64  
 1   temp_cpu        110869 non-null   float64 
 2   temp_h          110869 non-null   float64 
 3   temp_p          110869 non-null   float64 
 4   humidity        110869 non-null   float64 
 5   pressure        110869 non-null   float64 
 6   pitch           110869 non-null   float64 
 7   roll            110869 non-null   float64 
 8   yaw             110869 non-null   float64 
 9   mag_x           110869 non-null   float64 
 10  mag_y           110869 non-null   float64 
 11  mag_z           110869 non-null   float64 
 12  accel_x         110869 non-null   float64 
 13  accel_y         110869 non-null   float64 
 14  accel_z         110869 non-null   float64 
 15  gyro_x          110869 non-null   float64 
 16  gyro_y          110869 non-null   float64 
 17  gyro_z          110869 non-null   float64 
 18  reset           110869 non-null   int64  
 19  time_stamp      110869 non-null   object  
 20  Too hot         105315 non-null   object  
 21  check_p         110869 non-null   object  
 22  mag_tot         110869 non-null   float64 
 23  humidity_int    110869 non-null   int64 
```

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```
24 Humidity counts 110869 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(18), int64(4), object(3)
memory usage: 21.1+ MB
```

To merge datasets according to the columns, we can use the command `merge` like this:

```
[68]: # remember merge produces a NEW dataframe

geo_astropi = df.merge(iss_coords, left_on='time_stamp', right_on='timestamp')

# merge will add both time_stamp and timestamp columns,
# so we remove the duplicate column 'timestamp'
geo_astropi = geo_astropi.drop('timestamp', axis=1)
```

```
[69]: geo_astropi
```

	ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	yaw	\
0	23231	32.53	28.37	25.89	45.31	1006.04	1.31	51.63	34.91	
1	27052	32.30	28.12	25.62	45.57	1007.42	1.49	52.29	333.49	
2	27052	32.30	28.12	25.62	45.57	1007.42	1.49	52.29	333.49	
3	46933	32.21	28.05	25.50	47.36	1012.41	0.67	52.40	27.57	
4	64572	32.32	28.18	25.61	47.45	1010.62	1.14	51.41	33.68	
5	68293	32.39	28.26	25.70	46.83	1010.51	0.61	51.91	287.86	
6	73374	32.38	28.18	25.62	46.52	1008.28	0.90	51.77	30.80	
7	90986	32.42	28.34	25.76	45.72	1006.79	0.57	49.85	10.57	
8	90986	32.42	28.34	25.76	45.72	1006.79	0.57	49.85	10.57	
9	102440	32.62	28.62	26.02	45.15	1006.06	1.12	50.44	301.74	
	mag_x	...	gyro_z	reset		time_stamp	Too hot	check_p	\	
0	21.125001	...	0.000046	0	2016-02-19 03:49:00	True	sotto			
1	16.083471	...	0.000034	0	2016-02-19 14:30:40	True	sotto			
2	16.083471	...	0.000034	0	2016-02-19 14:30:40	True	sotto			
3	15.441683	...	0.000221	0	2016-02-21 22:14:11	True	sopra			
4	11.994554	...	0.000030	0	2016-02-23 23:40:50	True	sopra			
5	6.554283	...	0.000171	0	2016-02-24 10:05:51	True	sopra			
6	9.947132	...	-0.000375	0	2016-02-25 00:23:01	True	sopra			
7	7.805606	...	-0.000047	0	2016-02-27 01:43:10	True	sotto			
8	7.805606	...	-0.000047	0	2016-02-27 01:43:10	True	sotto			
9	10.348327	...	-0.000061	0	2016-02-28 09:48:40	True	sotto			
	mag_tot	humidity_int	Humidity	counts		lat	lon			
0	2345.207992	45		32730	31.434741	52.917464				
1	323.634786	45		32730	-46.620658	-57.311657				
2	323.634786	45		32730	-46.620477	-57.311138				
3	342.159257	47		14176	19.138359	-140.211489				
4	264.655601	47		14176	4.713819	80.261665				
5	436.876111	46		35775	-46.061583	22.246025				
6	226.089258	46		35775	47.047346	137.958918				
7	149.700293	45		32730	-41.049112	30.193004				
8	149.700293	45		32730	-8.402991	-100.981726				
9	381.014223	45		32730	50.047523	175.566751				

[10 rows x 27 columns]

### Exercise 10.1 better merge

If you notice, above table does have `lat` and `lon` columns, but has very few rows. Why ? Try to merge the tables in some meaningful way so to have all the original rows and all cells of `lat` and `lon` filled.

- For other merging strategies, read about attribute `how` in [Why And How To Use Merge With Pandas in Python](#)<sup>297</sup>
- To fill missing values don't use fancy interpolation techniques, just put the station position in that given day or hour

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```
[70]: # write here

geo_astropi = df.merge(iss_coords, left_on='time_stamp', right_on='timestamp', how=
                       ↪'left')

pd.merge_ordered(df, iss_coords, fill_method='ffill', how='left', left_on='time_stamp'
                  ↪', right_on='timestamp')
geo_astropi
```

ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	\
0	1	31.88	27.57	25.01	44.94	1001.68	1.49	52.25
1	2	31.79	27.53	25.01	45.12	1001.72	1.03	53.73
2	3	31.66	27.53	25.01	45.12	1001.72	1.24	53.57
3	4	31.69	27.52	25.01	45.32	1001.69	1.57	53.63
4	5	31.66	27.54	25.01	45.18	1001.71	0.85	53.66
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	\
110866	110865	31.56	27.52	24.83	42.94	1005.83	1.58	49.93
110867	110866	31.55	27.50	24.83	42.72	1005.85	1.89	49.92
110868	110867	31.58	27.50	24.83	42.83	1005.85	2.09	50.00
110869	110868	31.62	27.50	24.83	42.81	1005.88	2.88	49.69
110870	110869	31.57	27.51	24.83	42.94	1005.86	2.17	49.77
								\
yaw	mag_x	...	reset		time_stamp	Too hot	check_p	\
0	185.21	-46.422753	...	20	2016-02-16 10:44:40	True	sotto	\
1	186.72	-48.778951	...	0	2016-02-16 10:44:50	True	sotto	\
2	186.21	-49.161878	...	0	2016-02-16 10:45:00	NaN	sotto	\
3	186.03	-49.341941	...	0	2016-02-16 10:45:10	True	sotto	\
4	186.46	-50.056683	...	0	2016-02-16 10:45:20	NaN	sotto	\
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	\
110866	129.60	-15.169673	...	0	2016-02-29 09:24:21	NaN	sotto	\
110867	130.51	-15.832622	...	0	2016-02-29 09:24:30	NaN	sotto	\
110868	132.04	-16.646212	...	0	2016-02-29 09:24:41	NaN	sotto	\
110869	133.00	-17.270447	...	0	2016-02-29 09:24:50	NaN	sotto	\
110870	134.18	-17.885872	...	0	2016-02-29 09:25:00	NaN	sotto	\
								\
mag_tot	humidity_int	Humidity	counts	timestamp	lat	lon		
0	2368.337207	44	13029		NaN	NaN	NaN	
1	2615.870247	45	32730		NaN	NaN	NaN	
2	2648.484927	45	32730		NaN	NaN	NaN	
3	2665.305485	45	32730		NaN	NaN	NaN	
4	2732.388620	45	32730		NaN	NaN	NaN	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
110866	996.676408	42	2776		NaN	NaN	NaN	
110867	1022.779594	42	2776		NaN	NaN	NaN	
110868	1048.121268	42	2776		NaN	NaN	NaN	

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<sup>297</sup> <https://towardsdatascience.com/why-and-how-to-use-merge-with-pandas-in-python-548600f7e738>

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110869	1073.629703	42	2776	NaN	NaN	NaN
110870	1095.760426	42	2776	NaN	NaN	NaN

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```
[70]: # write here
```

	ROW_ID	temp_cpu	temp_h	temp_p	humidity	pressure	pitch	roll	\
0	1	31.88	27.57	25.01	44.94	1001.68	1.49	52.25	
1	2	31.79	27.53	25.01	45.12	1001.72	1.03	53.73	
2	3	31.66	27.53	25.01	45.12	1001.72	1.24	53.57	
3	4	31.69	27.52	25.01	45.32	1001.69	1.57	53.63	
4	5	31.66	27.54	25.01	45.18	1001.71	0.85	53.66	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

110866	110865	31.56	27.52	24.83	42.94	1005.83	1.58	49.93
110867	110866	31.55	27.50	24.83	42.72	1005.85	1.89	49.92
110868	110867	31.58	27.50	24.83	42.83	1005.85	2.09	50.00
110869	110868	31.62	27.50	24.83	42.81	1005.88	2.88	49.69
110870	110869	31.57	27.51	24.83	42.94	1005.86	2.17	49.77

	yaw	mag_x	...	reset	time_stamp	Too hot	check_p	\
0	185.21	-46.422753	...	20	2016-02-16 10:44:40	True	sotto	
1	186.72	-48.778951	...	0	2016-02-16 10:44:50	True	sotto	
2	186.21	-49.161878	...	0	2016-02-16 10:45:00	NaN	sotto	
3	186.03	-49.341941	...	0	2016-02-16 10:45:10	True	sotto	
4	186.46	-50.056683	...	0	2016-02-16 10:45:20	NaN	sotto	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

110866	129.60	-15.169673	...	0	2016-02-29 09:24:21	NaN	sotto
110867	130.51	-15.832622	...	0	2016-02-29 09:24:30	NaN	sotto
110868	132.04	-16.646212	...	0	2016-02-29 09:24:41	NaN	sotto
110869	133.00	-17.270447	...	0	2016-02-29 09:24:50	NaN	sotto
110870	134.18	-17.885872	...	0	2016-02-29 09:25:00	NaN	sotto

	mag_tot	humidity_int	Humidity	counts	timestamp	lat	lon
0	2368.337207	44		13029		NaN	NaN
1	2615.870247	45		32730		NaN	NaN
2	2648.484927	45		32730		NaN	NaN
3	2665.305485	45		32730		NaN	NaN
4	2732.388620	45		32730		NaN	NaN
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

110866	996.676408	42		2776		NaN	NaN
110867	1022.779594	42		2776		NaN	NaN
110868	1048.121268	42		2776		NaN	NaN
110869	1073.629703	42		2776		NaN	NaN
110870	1095.760426	42		2776		NaN	NaN

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Go on with [more exercises<sup>298</sup>](#) worksheet

### 8.3.2 Analytics with Pandas - 2. EURES job offers case study

#### Download exercises and solution

#### What to do

1. If you haven't already, install Pandas:

Anaconda:

```
conda install pandas
```

Without Anaconda (--user installs in your home):

```
python3 -m pip install --user pandas
```

2. unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
pandas
pandas1.ipynb
pandas1-sol.ipynb
pandas2.ipynb
pandas2-sol.ipynb
pandas3-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING 1:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

3. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser.
4. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `pandas2.ipynb`

**WARNING 2:** DO NOT use the *Upload* button in Jupyter, instead navigate in Jupyter browser to the unzipped folder !

5. Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

After exiting your school prison, when looking for a job in Europe you will be shocked to discover a great variety of languages are spoken. Many job listings are provided by [Eures<sup>299</sup>](#) portal, which is easily searchable with many fields on which you can filter. For this exercise we will use a test dataset which was generated just for a hackaton: it is a crude

<sup>298</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/pandas/pandas2-sol.html>

<sup>299</sup> <https://ec.europa.eu/eures/public/homepage>

italian version of the job offers data, with many fields expressed in natural language. We will try to convert it to a dataset with more columns and translate some terms to English.

Data provider: Autonomous Province of Trento<sup>300</sup>

License: Creative Commons Zero 1.0<sup>301</sup>

**WARNING:** avoid constants in function bodies !!

In the exercises data you will find many names such as 'Austria', 'Giugno', etc. **DO NOT** put such constant names inside body of functions !! You have to write generic code which works with any input.

### offerte dataset

We will load the dataset offerte-lavoro.csv into Pandas:

```
[1]: import pandas as pd    # we import pandas and for ease we rename it to 'pd'  
import numpy as np      # we import numpy and for ease we rename it to 'np'  
  
# remember the encoding !  
offerte = pd.read_csv('offerte-lavoro.csv', encoding='UTF-8')  
offerte.info()  
  
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>  
RangeIndex: 53 entries, 0 to 52  
Data columns (total 8 columns):  
 #   Column           Non-Null Count  Dtype     
---  --  
 0   RIFER.          53 non-null     object    
 1   SEDE LAVORO    53 non-null     object    
 2   POSTI           53 non-null     int64     
 3   IMPIEGO RICHIESTO 53 non-null     object    
 4   TIPO CONTRATTO 53 non-null     object    
 5   LINGUA RICHIESTA 51 non-null     object    
 6   RET. LORDA      53 non-null     object    
 7   DESCRIZIONE OFFERTA 53 non-null     object    
dtypes: int64(1), object(7)  
memory usage: 3.4+ KB
```

It contains Italian column names, and many string fields:

```
[2]: offerte.head()  
  
[2]:      RIFER.        SEDE LAVORO  POSTI  \n0  18331901000024        Norvegia     6  
1      083PZMM          Francia      1  
2      4954752          Danimarca    1  
3          -          Berlino\nTrento    1  
4      10531631          Svezia      1  
  
                           IMPIEGO RICHIESTO  \\  
0                           Restaurant staff  
1  Assistant export trilingue italien et anglais ...  
2                           Italian Sales Representative
```

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<sup>300</sup> <https://dati.trentino.it/dataset/offerte-di-lavoro-eures-test-odhb2019>

<sup>301</sup> <http://creativecommons.org/publicdomain/zero/1.0/deed.it>

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```

3      Apprendista perito elettronico; Elettrotecnico
4                      Italian speaking purchase

                                TIPO CONTRATTO \
0          Tempo determinato da maggio ad agosto
1                      Non specificato
2                      Non specificato
3 Inizialmente contratto di apprendistato con po...
4                      Non specificato

          LINGUA RICHIESTA           RET. LORDA \
0     Inglese fluente + Vedi testo       Da 3500\nFr/\nmese
1  Inglese; italiano; francese fluente   Da definire
2        Inglese; Italiano fluente       Da definire
3  Inglese Buono (B1-B2); Tedesco base Min 1000\nMax\n1170\n€/mese
4        Inglese; italiano fluente       Da definire

          DESCRIZIONE OFFERTA
0  We will be working together with sales, prepar...
1  Vos missions principales sont les suivantes : ...
2  Minimum 2 + years sales experience, preferably...
3  Ti stai diplomando e/o stai cercando un primo ...
4  This is a varied Purchasing role, where your m...

```

## rename columns

As first thing, we create a new dataframe `offers` with columns renamed into English:

```
[3]: replacements = ['Reference', 'Workplace', 'Positions', 'Qualification', 'Contract type',
                   'Required languages', 'Gross retribution', 'Offer description']

diz = {}
i = 0
for col in offerte:
    diz[col] = replacements[i]
    i += 1
offers = offerte.rename(columns = diz)
```

	offers
0	Reference \ 18331901000024
1	083PZMM
2	4954752
3	-
4	10531631
5	51485
6	4956299
7	-
8	2099681
9	12091902000474
10	10000-1169373760-S
11	10000-1168768920-S
12	082BMLG
13	23107550
14	11949-11273083-S

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15	18331901000024
16	ID-11252967
17	10000-1162270517-S
18	2100937
19	WBS697919
20	19361902000002
21	2095000
22	58699222
23	10000-1169431325-S
24	082QNLW
25	2101510
26	171767
27	14491903000005
28	10000-1167210671-S
29	507
30	846727
31	10531631
32	082ZFDB
33	1807568
34	2103264
35	ID-11146984
36	-
37	243096
38	9909319
39	WBS1253419
40	70cb25b1-5510-11e9-b89f-005056ac086d
41	10000-1170625924-S
42	2106868
43	23233743
44	ID-11478229
45	ID-11477956
46	6171903000036
47	9909319
48	ID-11239341
49	10000-1167068836-S
50	083PZMM
51	4956299
52	-
Workplace Positions \	
0	Norvegia 6
1	Francia 1
2	Danimarca 1
3	Berlino\nTrento 1
4	Svezia 1
5	Islanda 1
6	Danimarca 1
7	Italia\nLazise 1
8	Irlanda 11
9	Norvegia 1
10	Svizzera 1
11	Germania 1
12	Francia 1
13	Svezia 1
14	Austria 1
15	Norvegia 6
16	Austria 1

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17		Germania	1
18		Irlanda	1
19		Paesi Bassi	5
20		Norvegia	2
21		Spagna	15
22		Norvegia	1
23		Svizzera	1
24		Francia	1
25		Irlanda	1
26		Spagna	300
27	Norvegia\nMøre e Romsdal e Sogn og Fjordane.		6
28		Germania	1
29		Italia\ned\nestero	25
30		Belgio	1
31		Svezia\nLund	1
32		Francia	1
33		Regno Unito	1
34		Irlanda	1
35	Austria Klagenfurt		1
36		Berlino\nTrento	1
37		Spagna	1
38		Francia	1
39		Paesi\nBassi	1
40		Svizzera	1
41		Germania	1
42		Irlanda	1
43		Svezia	1
44		Italia\nAustria	1
45		Austria	1
46	Norvegia\nHesla Gaard		1
47		Finlandia	1
48	Cipro Grecia Spagna		5
49		Germania	2
50		Francia	1
51		Belgio	1
52	Austria\nPfenninger Alm		1

0		Qualification \
		Restaurant staff
1	Assistant export trilingue italien et anglais ...	
		Italian Sales Representative
3	Apprendista perito elettronico; Elettrotecnico	
4		Italian speaking purchase
5		Pizza chef
6	Regional Key account manager - Italy	
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11		Vertriebs assistent
12	Second / Seconde de cuisine	
13		Waiter/Waitress
14		Empfangskraft
15		Salesclerk
16	Verkaufssachbearbeiter für Italien (m/w)	
17		Koch/Köchin
18	Garden Centre Assistant	

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19          Strawberries and Rhubarb processors
20          Cleaners/renholdere Fishing Camp 2019 season
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34          Receptionist - Summer
35  Nachwuchsführungskraft im Agrarhandel / Trainee...
36  Apprendista perito elettronico; Elettrotecnico
37          Customer Service with French and Italian
38          Commercial Web Italie (H/F)
39          Customer service employee Dow
40          Hauswart/In
41  Monteur (m/w/d) Photovoltaik (Elektroanlagenmo...
42          Retail Store Assistant
43          E-commerce copywriter
44          Forstarbeiter/in
45  Koch/Köchin für italienische Küche in Teilzeit
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50  Assistant export trilingue italien et anglais ...
51  ACCOUNT MANAGER EXPORT ITALIE - HAYS - StepSto...
52          Cameriere e Commis de rang

```

	Contract type \
0	Tempo determinato da maggio ad agosto
1	Non specificato
2	Non specificato
3	Inizialmente contratto di apprendistato con po...
4	Non specificato
5	Tempo determinato
6	Non specificato
7	Non specificato
8	Non specificato
9	Maggio - agosto 2019
10	Non specificato
11	Non specificato
12	Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre 2019
13	Non specificato
14	Non specificato
15	Da maggio ad ottobre
16	Non specificato
17	Non specificato
18	Non specificato
19	Da maggio a settembre
20	Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre 2019

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21                      Non specificato
22      Da maggio a settembre o da giugno ad agosto
23                      Non specificato
24                      Non specificato
25                      Non specificato
26                      Da febbraio a giugno
27      Tempo determinato da maggio a settembre
28                      Tempo indeterminato
29      Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre
30                      Non specificato
31                      Tempo indeterminato
32                      Non specificato
33                      Non specificato
34                      Da maggio a settembre
35                      Non specificato
36 Inizialmente contratto di apprendistato con po...
37                      Non specificato
38                      Non specificato
39                      Tempo determinato
40                      Non specificato
41                      Non specificato
42                      Non specificato
43                      Non specificato
44                      Aprile - maggio 2019
45                      Non specificato
46      Tempo determinato da aprile a dicembre
47                      Non specificato
48          Tempo determinato aprile-ottobre
49      Contratto stagionale fino a novembre 2019
50                      Non specificato
51                      Non specificato
52                      Non specificato

```

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Required languages \
0          Inglese fluente + Vedi testo
1          Inglese; italiano; francese fluente
2          Inglese; Italiano fluente
3          Inglese Buono (B1-B2); Tedesco base
4          Inglese; italiano fluente
5          Inglese Buono
6          Inglese; italiano fluente
7          Inglese; Tedesco fluente + Vedi testo
8          Italiano fluente; Inglese buono
9          Inglese fluente + Vedi testo
10         Tedesco fluente; francese e/o italiano buono
11         Tedesco ed inglese fluente + italiano e/o spag...
12         Francese discreto
13         Inglese ed Italiano buono
14         Tedesco ed Inglese Fluente + vedi testo
15         Inglese fluente + Vedi testo
16         Tedesco e italiano fluenti
17         Italiano e tedesco buono
18         Inglese fluente
19         NaN
20         Inglese fluente
21         Inglese e tedesco fluenti
22         Inglese Fluente; francese e/o spagnolo buoni

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23              Tedesco Fluente + Vedi testo
24              Francese ed italiano fluenti
25              Inglese fluente; Tedesco discreto
26              NaN
27              Tedesco e inglese fluente + Italiano buono
28  Inglese e tedesco fluente + Italiano e/o spagn...
29              Inglese Buono + Vedi testo
30              Inglese Ed italiano fluente
31              Inglese ed italiano fluente
32              Francese ed italiano fluente
33              Inglese Fluente + Vedi testo
34              Inglese fluente
35              Tedesco; Italiano buono
36              Inglese Buono (B1-B2); Tedesco base
37  Italiano; Francese fluente; Spagnolo buono
38              Italiano; Francese fluente
39              Inglese; italiano fluente + vedi testo
40              Tedesco buono
41              Tedesco e/o inglese buono
42              Inglese Fluente
43              Inglese Fluente + vedi testo
44              Tedesco italiano discreto
45              Tedesco buono
46              Inglese fluente
47              Inglese fluente
48              Tedesco; inglese buono
49              Tedesco buono; Inglese buono
50              Inglese francese; Italiano fluente
51              Inglese francese; Italiano fluente
52              Inglese buono; tedesco preferibile

              Gross retribution \
0              Da 3500\nFr/\nmese
1              Da definire
2              Da definire
3              Min 1000\nMax\n1170\n€/mese
4              Da definire
5              Da definire
6              Da definire
7  Min 1500€\nMax\n1800€\nnetto\nmese
8              Da definire
9              Da definire
10             Da definire
11             Da definire
12             Da definire
13             Da definire
14             Da definire
15             Da definire
16             2574,68 Euro/\nmese
17             Da definire
18             Da definire
19             Vedi testo
20             Da definire
21             €21,000 per annum + 3.500
22             Da definire
23             Da definire
24             Da definire

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25          Da definire
26          Da definire
27          20000 NOK /mese
28          Da definire
29          Vedi testo
30          Da definire
31          Da definire
32          Da definire
33          £25,000 per annum
34          Da definire
35          1.950\nEuro/ mese
36          Min 1000\nMax\n1170\n€/mese
37          Da definire
38          Da definire
39          Da definire
40          Da definire
41          Da definire
42          Da definire
43          Da definire
44          €9,50\n/ora
45          Da definire
46          20.000 NOK mese
47          Da definire
48          800\n€/mese
49          Da definire
50          Da definire
51          Da definire
52          1500–1600\n€/mese

```

## Offer description

```

0 We will be working together with sales, prepar...
1 Vos missions principales sont les suivantes : ...
2 Minimum 2 + years sales experience, preferably...
3 Ti stai diplomando e/o stai cercando un primo ...
4 This is a varied Purchasing role, where your m...
5 Job details/requirements: Experience in making...
6 Requirements: possess good business acumen; ar...
7 Camping Village Du Parc, Lazise, Italy is looki...
8 Responsibilities: Solving customers queries by...
9 The Dispatch Team works outside in all weather...
10 Was Sie erwartet: telefonische und persönliche...
11 Ihre Tätigkeit: enge Zusammenarbeit mit unsere...
12 Missions : Vous serez en charge de la mise en ...
13 Bar Robusta are looking for someone that speak...
14 Erfolgreich abgeschlossene Ausbildung in der H...
15 We will be working together with sales, prepar...
16 Unsere Anforderungen: Sie haben eine kaufmänni...
17 Kenntnisse und Fertigkeiten: Erfolgreich abges...
18 Applicants should have good plant knowledge an...
19 In this job you will be busy picking strawberr...
20 Torsvåg Havfiske, estbl. 2005, is a touristcom...
21 One of our biggest clients offer a wide range ...
22 The job also incl communication with the kitch...
23 Wir erwarten: Abgeschlossene Reisebüroausbildu...
24 Vous serez en charge des missions suivantes po...
25 Receptionist required for the 2019 Season. Kno...
26 Peon agricola (recolector fresa) / culegator d...

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27 We require that you: are at least 20 years old...
28 Ihr Profil : Idealerweise Erfahrung in der Text...
29 Padronanza di una o più lingue tra queste (ita...
30 You have a Bachelor degree. 2-3 years of prof...
31 You will focus on: Act as our main contact for...
32 Au sein de l'équipe administrative, vous trava...
33 Account Manager The Candidate You will be an e...
34 Assist with any ad-hoc project as required by ...
35 Ihre Qualifikationen: landwirtschaftliche Ausb...
36 Ti stai diplomando e/o stai cercando un primo ...
37 As an IT Helpdesk, you will be responsible for...
38 Profil : Première expérience réussie dans la v...
39 Requirements: You have a bachelor degree or hi...
40 Wir suchen in unserem Team einen Mitarbeiter m...
41 Anforderungen an die Bewerber/innen: abgeschlo...
42 Retail Store Assistant required for a SPAR sho...
43 We support 15 languages incl Chinese, Russian ...
44 ANFORDERUNGSPROFIL: Pflichtschulabschluss und ...
45 ANFORDERUNGSPROFIL:Erfahrung mit Pasta & Pizze...
46 Responsibility for cleaning off our apartments...
47 As Test Designer in R&D Devices team you will:...
48 Deine Fähigkeiten: Im Vordergrund steht Deine ...
49 Wir bieten: Einen zukunftssicheren, saisonalen...
50 Description : Au sein d'une équipe de 10 perso...
51 Votre profil : Pour ce poste, nous recherchons...
52 Lavoro estivo nella periferia di Salisburgo. E...
```

## 1. Rename countries

We would like to create a new column holding a list of countries where the job is to be done. You will also have to translate countries to their English name.

To allow for text processing, you are provided with some data as python data structures (you do not need to further edit it):

```
[5]:  
connectives = ['e', 'ed']  
punctuation = ['.', ';', ',']  
  
countries = {  
    'Austria': 'Austria',  
    'Belgio': 'Belgium',  
    'Cipro': 'Cyprus',  
    'Danimarca': 'Denmark',  
    'Irlanda': 'Ireland',  
    'Italia': 'Italy',  
    'Grecia': 'Greece',  
    'Finlandia': 'Finland',  
    'Francia': 'France',  
    'Norvegia': 'Norway',  
    'Paesi Bassi': 'Netherlands',  
    'Regno Unito': 'United Kingdom',  
    'Spagna': 'Spain',  
    'Svezia': 'Sweden',  
    'Islanda': 'Iceland',
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'Svizzera':'Switzerland',
'estero': 'abroad'          # special case
}

cities = {
    'Pfenninger Alm': 'Pfenninger Alm',
    'Berlino': 'Berlin',
    'Trento': 'Trento',
    'Klagenfurt': 'Klagenfurt',
    'Lazise': 'Lazise',
    'Lund': 'Lund',
    'Møre e Romsdal': 'Møre og Romsdal',
    'Pfenninger Alm': 'Pfenninger Alm',
    'Sogn og Fjordane': 'Sogn og Fjordane',
    'Hesla Gaard': 'Hesla Gaard'
}

```

## 1.1 countries\_to\_list

⊕⊕ Implement function `countries_to_list` which given a string from Workplace column, RETURN a list holding country names in English **in the exact order they appear in the string**. The function will have to remove city names as well as punctuation, connectives and newlines using data define in the previous cell. There are various ways to solve the exercise: if you try the most straightforward one, most probably you will get countries which are not in the same order as in the string.

**NOTE:** this function only takes a single string as input!

Example:

```
>>> countries_to_list("Regno Unito, Italia ed estero")
['United Kingdom', 'Italy', 'abroad']
```

For other examples, see asserts.

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[6]:

```

def countries_to_list(s):

    ret = []
    i = 0
    ns = s.replace('\n', ' ')
    for connective in connectives:
        ns = ns.replace(' ' + connective + ' ', ' ')
    for p in punctuation:
        ns = ns.replace(p, '')

    while i < len(ns):
        for country in countries:
            if ns[i:].startswith(country):
                ret.append(countries[country])
                i += len(country)
        i += 1 # crude but works for this dataset ;-

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    return ret

# single country
assert countries_to_list("Francia") == ['France']
# country with a city
assert countries_to_list("Austria Klagenfurt") == ['Austria']
# country with a space
assert countries_to_list("Paesi Bassi") == ['Netherlands']
# one country, newline, one city
assert countries_to_list("Italia\nLazise") == ['Italy']
# newline, multiple cities
assert countries_to_list("Norvegia\nMøre e Romsdal e Sogn og Fjordane.") == ['Norway']
# multiple countries - order *must* be preserved !
assert countries_to_list('Cipro Grecia Spagna') == ['Cyprus', 'Greece', 'Spain']
# punctuation and connectives, multiple countries - order *must* be preserved !
assert countries_to_list('Regno Unito, Italia ed estero') == ['United Kingdom', 'Italy
→', 'abroad']

```

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[6]:

```

def countries_to_list(s):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

# single country
assert countries_to_list("Francia") == ['France']
# country with a city
assert countries_to_list("Austria Klagenfurt") == ['Austria']
# country with a space
assert countries_to_list("Paesi Bassi") == ['Netherlands']
# one country, newline, one city
assert countries_to_list("Italia\nLazise") == ['Italy']
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→', 'abroad']

```

## 1.2 Filling column Workplace Country

⊕ Now create a new column `Workplace Country` with data calculated using the function you just defined.

To do it, check method `transform` in Pandas worksheet<sup>302</sup>

[7]: # write here

```
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  data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">
```

<sup>302</sup> <https://sciprog.davidleoni.it/pandas/pandas-sol.html#7.-Transforming>

```
[8]: # SOLUTION

offers['Workplace Country'] = offerte['SEDE LAVORO']
offers['Workplace Country'] = offers['Workplace Country'].transform(countries_to_list)

</div>
```

```
[8]:
```

```
[9]: print()
print("***** SOLUTION OUTPUT *****")
offers

***** SOLUTION OUTPUT *****
```

	Reference \
0	18331901000024
1	083PZMM
2	4954752
3	-
4	10531631
5	51485
6	4956299
7	-
8	2099681
9	12091902000474
10	10000-1169373760-S
11	10000-1168768920-S
12	082BMLG
13	23107550
14	11949-11273083-S
15	18331901000024
16	ID-11252967
17	10000-1162270517-S
18	2100937
19	WBS697919
20	19361902000002
21	2095000
22	58699222
23	10000-1169431325-S
24	082QNLW
25	2101510
26	171767
27	14491903000005
28	10000-1167210671-S
29	507
30	846727
31	10531631
32	082ZFDB
33	1807568
34	2103264
35	ID-11146984
36	-
37	243096
38	9909319
39	WBS1253419
40	70cb25b1-5510-11e9-b89f-005056ac086d

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41		10000-1170625924-S	
42		2106868	
43		23233743	
44		ID-11478229	
45		ID-11477956	
46		6171903000036	
47		9909319	
48		ID-11239341	
49		10000-1167068836-S	
50		083PZMM	
51		4956299	
52		-	
			\
0	Workplace	Positions	
1	Norvegia	6	
2	Francia	1	
3	Danimarca	1	
4	Berlino\nTrento	1	
5	Svezia	1	
6	Islanda	1	
7	Danimarca	1	
8	Italia\nLazise	1	
9	Irlanda	11	
10	Norvegia	1	
11	Svizzera	1	
12	Germania	1	
13	Francia	1	
14	Svezia	1	
15	Austria	1	
16	Norvegia	6	
17	Austria	1	
18	Germania	1	
19	Irlanda	1	
20	Paesi Bassi	5	
21	Norvegia	2	
22	Spagna	15	
23	Norvegia	1	
24	Svizzera	1	
25	Francia	1	
26	Irlanda	1	
27	Spagna	300	
28	Norvegia\nMøre e Romsdal e Sogn og Fjordane.	6	
29	Germania	1	
30	Italia\ned\nestero	25	
31	Belgio	1	
32	Svezia\nLund	1	
33	Francia	1	
34	Regno Unito	1	
35	Irlanda	1	
36	Austria Klagenfurt	1	
37	Berlino\nTrento	1	
38	Spagna	1	
39	Francia	1	
40	Paesi\nBassi	1	
41	Svizzera	1	
42	Germania	1	
	Irlanda	1	

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43	Svezia	1
44	Italia\nAustria	1
45	Austria	1
46	Norvegia\nHesla Gaard	1
47	Finlandia	1
48	Cipro Grecia Spagna	5
49	Germania	2
50	Francia	1
51	Belgio	1
52	Austria\nPfenninger Alm	1
	Qualification \	
0	Restaurant staff	
1	Assistant export trilingue italien et anglais ...	
2	Italian Sales Representative	
3	Apprendista perito elettronico; Elettrotecnico	
4	Italian speaking purchase	
5	Pizza chef	
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7	Receptionist	
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21	Customer service agent for solar energy	
22	Receptionists tourist hotel	
23	Reiseverkehrskaufmann/-frau - Touristik	
24	Assistant administratif export avec Italie (H/F)	
25	Receptionist	
26	Seasonal worker in a strawberry farm	
27	Guider	
28	Sales Manager Südeuropa m/w	
29	Animatori - coreografi - ballerini - istruttor...	
30	Junior Buyer Italian /English (m/v)	
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33	Account Manager - German, Italian, Spanish, Dutch	
34	Receptionist - Summer	
35	Nachwuchsführungskraft im Agrarhandel / Trainee...	
36	Apprendista perito elettronico; Elettrotecnico	
37	Customer Service with French and Italian	
38	Commercial Web Italie (H/F)	
39	Customer service employee Dow	
40	Hauswart/In	
41	Monteur (m/w/d) Photovoltaik (Elektroanlagenmo...	
42	Retail Store Assistant	
43	E-commerce copywriter	
44	Forstarbeiter/in	

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45 Koch/Köchin für italienische Küche in Teilzeit
46           Maid / Housekeeping assistant
47           Test Designer
48           Animateur 2019 (m/w)
49 Verkaufshilfe im Souvenirshop (m/w/d) 5 Tage-W...
50 Assistant export trilingue italien et anglais ...
51 ACCOUNT MANAGER EXPORT ITALIE - HAYS - StepSto...
52           Cameriere e Commis de rang

                           Contract type \
0           Tempo determinato da maggio ad agosto
1           Non specificato
2           Non specificato
3 Inizialmente contratto di apprendistato con po...
4           Non specificato
5           Tempo determinato
6           Non specificato
7           Non specificato
8           Non specificato
9           Maggio - agosto 2019
10          Non specificato
11          Non specificato
12 Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre 2019
13          Non specificato
14          Non specificato
15          Da maggio ad ottobre
16          Non specificato
17          Non specificato
18          Non specificato
19          Da maggio a settembre
20 Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre 2019
21          Non specificato
22 Da maggio a settembre o da giugno ad agosto
23          Non specificato
24          Non specificato
25          Non specificato
26          Da febbraio a giugno
27 Tempo determinato da maggio a settembre
28          Tempo indeterminato
29 Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre
30          Non specificato
31          Tempo indeterminato
32          Non specificato
33          Non specificato
34          Da maggio a settembre
35          Non specificato
36 Inizialmente contratto di apprendistato con po...
37          Non specificato
38          Non specificato
39          Tempo determinato
40          Non specificato
41          Non specificato
42          Non specificato
43          Non specificato
44          Aprile - maggio 2019
45          Non specificato
46 Tempo determinato da aprile a dicembre

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47           Non specificato
48           Tempo determinato aprile-ottobre
49           Contratto stagionale fino a novembre 2019
50           Non specificato
51           Non specificato
52           Non specificato

                           Required languages \
0           Inglese fluente + Vedi testo
1           Inglese; italiano; francese fluente
2           Inglese; Italiano fluente
3           Inglese Buono (B1-B2); Tedesco base
4           Inglese; italiano fluente
5           Inglese Buono
6           Inglese; italiano fluente
7           Inglese; Tedesco fluente + Vedi testo
8           Italiano fluente; Inglese buono
9           Inglese fluente + Vedi testo
10          Tedesco fluente; francese e/o italiano buono
11          Tedesco ed inglese fluente + italiano e/o spag...
12          Francese discreto
13          Inglese ed Italiano buono
14          Tedesco ed Inglese Fluente + vedi testo
15          Inglese fluente + Vedi testo
16          Tedesco e italiano fluenti
17          Italiano e tedesco buono
18          Inglese fluente
19          NaN
20          Inglese fluente
21          Inglese e tedesco fluenti
22          Inglese Fluente; francese e/o spagnolo buoni
23          Tedesco Fluente + Vedi testo
24          Francese ed italiano fluenti
25          Inglese fluente; Tedesco discreto
26          NaN
27          Tedesco e inglese fluente + Italiano buono
28          Inglese e tedesco fluente + Italiano e/o spagn...
29          Inglese Buono + Vedi testo
30          Inglese Ed italiano fluente
31          Inglese ed italiano fluente
32          Francese ed italiano fluente
33          Inglese Fluente + Vedi testo
34          Inglese fluente
35          Tedesco; Italiano buono
36          Inglese Buono (B1-B2); Tedesco base
37          Italiano; Francese fluente; Spagnolo buono
38          Italiano; Francese fluente
39          Inglese; italiano fluente + vedi testo
40          Tedesco buono
41          Tedesco e/o inglese buono
42          Inglese Fluente
43          Inglese Fluente + vedi testo
44          Tedesco italiano discreto
45          Tedesco buono
46          Inglese fluente
47          Inglese fluente
48          Tedesco; inglese buono

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49              Tedesco buono; Inglese buono
50              Inglese francese; Italiano fluente
51              Inglese francese; Italiano fluente
52              Inglese buono; tedesco preferibile

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51	Da definire	
52	1500-1600\n€/mese	
	Offer description	Workplace Country
0	We will be working together with sales, prepar...	[Norway]
1	Vos missions principales sont les suivantes : ...	[France]
2	Minimum 2 + years sales experience, preferably...	[Denmark]
3	Ti stai diplomando e/o stai cercando un primo ...	[]
4	This is a varied Purchasing role, where your m...	[Sweden]
5	Job details/requirements: Experience in making...	[Iceland]
6	Requirements: possess good business acumen; ar...	[Denmark]
7	Camping Village Du Parc, Lazise, Italy is looki...	[Italy]
8	Responsibilities: Solving customers queries by...	[Ireland]
9	The Dispatch Team works outside in all weather...	[Norway]
10	Was Sie erwartet: telefonische und persönliche...	[Switzerland]
11	Ihre Tätigkeit: enge Zusammenarbeit mit unsere...	[]
12	Missions : Vous serez en charge de la mise en ...	[France]
13	Bar Robusta are looking for someone that speak...	[Sweden]
14	Erfolgreich abgeschlossene Ausbildung in der H...	[Austria]
15	We will be working together with sales, prepar...	[Norway]
16	Unsere Anforderungen: Sie haben eine kaufmänni...	[Austria]
17	Kenntnisse und Fertigkeiten: Erfolgreich abges...	[]
18	Applicants should have good plant knowledge an...	[Ireland]
19	In this job you will be busy picking strawberr...	[Netherlands]
20	Torsvåg Havfiske, estbl. 2005, is a touristcom...	[Norway]
21	One of our biggest clients offer a wide range ...	[Spain]
22	The job also incl communication with the kitch...	[Norway]
23	Wir erwarten: Abgeschlossene Reisebüroausbildu...	[Switzerland]
24	Vous serez en charge des missions suivantes po...	[France]
25	Receptionist required for the 2019 Season. Kno...	[Ireland]
26	Peon agricola (recolector fresa) / culegator d...	[Spain]
27	We require that you: are at least 20 years old...	[Norway]
28	Ihr Profil : Idealerweise Erfahrung in der Text...	[]
29	Padronanza di una o più lingue tra queste (ita...	[Italy, abroad]
30	You have a Bachelor degree. 2-3 years of profe...	[Belgium]
31	You will focus on: Act as our main contact for...	[Sweden]
32	Au sein de l'équipe administrative, vous trava...	[France]
33	Account Manager The Candidate You will be an e...	[United Kingdom]
34	Assist with any ad-hoc project as required by ...	[Ireland]
35	Ihre Qualifikationen: landwirtschaftliche Ausb...	[Austria]
36	Ti stai diplomando e/o stai cercando un primo ...	[]
37	As an IT Helpdesk, you will be responsible for...	[Spain]
38	Profil : Première expérience réussie dans la v...	[France]
39	Requirements: You have a bachelor degree or hi...	[Netherlands]
40	Wir suchen in unserem Team einen Mitarbeiter m...	[Switzerland]
41	Anforderungen an die Bewerber/innen: abgeschlo...	[]
42	Retail Store Assistant required for a SPAR sho...	[Ireland]
43	We support 15 languages incl Chinese, Russian ...	[Sweden]
44	ANFORDERUNGSPROFIL: Pflichtschulabschluss und ...	[Italy, Austria]
45	ANFORDERUNGSPROFIL:Erfahrung mit Pasta & Pizze...	[Austria]
46	Responsibility for cleaning off our apartments...	[Norway]
47	As Test Designer in R&D Devices team you will:...	[Finland]
48	Deine Fähigkeiten: Im Vordergrund steht Deine ...	[Cyprus, Greece, Spain]
49	Wir bieten: Einen zukunftssicheren, saisonalen...	[]
50	Description : Au sein d'une équipe de 10 perso...	[France]
51	Votre profil : Pour ce poste, nous recherchons...	[Belgium]
52	Lavoro estivo nella periferia di Salisburgo. E...	[Austria]

## 2. Work dates

You will add columns holding the dates of when a job start and when a job ends.

### 2.1 from\_to function

⊕⊕ First define `from_to` function, which takes some text from column "Contract type" and RETURNS a tuple holding the extracted month numbers (starting from ONE, not zero!)

Example:

In this case result is (5, 8) because May is the fifth month and August is the eighth:

```
>>> from_to("Tempo determinato da maggio ad agosto")
(5, 8)
```

If it is not possible to extract the text, the function should return a tuple holding NaNs:

```
>>> from_to('Non specificato')
(np.nan, np.nan)
```

Beware NaNs can lead to puzzling results, make sure you have read NaN and Infinities section in [Numpy Matrices notebook](#)<sup>303</sup>

For other patterns to check, see asserts.

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```
[10]: months = ['gennaio', 'febbraio', 'marzo', 'aprile', 'maggio', 'giugno',
              'luglio', 'agosto', 'settembre', 'ottobre', 'novembre', 'dicembre']

def from_to(text):

    ntext = text.lower().replace('ad ', 'a ')
    found = False

    if 'da ' in ntext:
        from_pos = ntext.find('da ') + 3
        from_month = text[from_pos:].split(' ')[0]
        if ' a ' in ntext:
            to_pos = ntext.find(' a ') + 3
            to_month = ntext[to_pos:].split(' ')[0]
            found = True
    if '-' in ntext:
        from_month = ntext.split(' - ')[0]
        to_month = ntext.split(' - ')[0].split(' ')[0]
        found = True

    if found:
        from_number = months.index(from_month) + 1
        to_number = months.index(to_month) + 1
        return (from_number,to_number)
    else:
```

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<sup>303</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/matrices-numpy/matrices-numpy-sol.html#NaNs-and-infinities>

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```

    return (np.nan, np.nan)

assert from_to('Da maggio a settembre') == (5, 9)
assert from_to('Da maggio ad ottobre') == (5, 10)
assert from_to('Tempo determinato da maggio ad agosto') == (5, 8)
# Unspecified
assert from_to('Non specificato') == (np.nan, np.nan)
# WARNING: BE SUPERCAREFUL ABOUT THIS ONE: SYMBOL - IS *NOT* A MINUS !!
# COPY AND PASTE IT EXACTLY AS YOU FIND IT HERE
# (BUT OF COURSE *DO NOT COPY* THE MONTH NAMES !)
assert from_to('Maggio - agosto 2019') == (5, 5)
# special case 'or', we just consider first interval and ignore the following one.
assert from_to('Da maggio a settembre o da giugno ad agosto') == (5, 9)
# special case only right side, we ignore all of it
assert from_to('Contratto stagionale fino a novembre 2019') == (np.nan, np.nan)

```

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```
[10]: months = ['gennaio', 'febbraio', 'marzo' , 'aprile' , 'maggio' , 'giugno',
              'luglio' , 'agosto' , 'settembre', 'ottobre', 'novembre', 'dicembre' ]

def from_to(text):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !!')

assert from_to('Da maggio a settembre') == (5, 9)
assert from_to('Da maggio ad ottobre') == (5, 10)
assert from_to('Tempo determinato da maggio ad agosto') == (5, 8)
# Unspecified
assert from_to('Non specificato') == (np.nan, np.nan)
# WARNING: BE SUPERCAREFUL ABOUT THIS ONE: SYMBOL - IS *NOT* A MINUS !!
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assert from_to('Maggio - agosto 2019') == (5, 5)
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assert from_to('Da maggio a settembre o da giugno ad agosto') == (5, 9)
# special case only right side, we ignore all of it
assert from_to('Contratto stagionale fino a novembre 2019') == (np.nan, np.nan)
```

## 2.2. From To columns

⊕ Change offers dataframe to so add From and To columns.

- **HINT 1:** You can call transform, see Transforming section in Pandas worksheet<sup>304</sup>
- **HINT 2 :** to extract the element you want from the tuple, you can pass to the transform a function on the fly with lambda. See lambdas section in Functions worksheet<sup>305</sup>

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<sup>304</sup> <https://sciprog.davidleoni.it/pandas/pandas-sol.html#7.-Transforming>

<sup>305</sup> <https://sciprog.davidleoni.it/functions/functions-sol.html#Lambda-functions>

```
[11]: # write here

offers['From'] = offers['Contract type'].transform(lambda t: from_to(t)[0])
offers['To'] = offers['Contract type'].transform(lambda t: from_to(t)[1])

</div>
```

```
[11]: # write here
```

```
[12]: print()
print(" ***** SOLUTION OUTPUT *****")
offers
```

```
***** SOLUTION OUTPUT *****
[12]:                               Reference \
0                         18331901000024
1                         083PZMM
2                         4954752
3                         -
4                         10531631
5                         51485
6                         4956299
7                         -
8                         2099681
9                         12091902000474
10                        10000-1169373760-S
11                        10000-1168768920-S
12                         082BMLG
13                         23107550
14                         11949-11273083-S
15                         18331901000024
16                         ID-11252967
17                         10000-1162270517-S
18                         2100937
19                         WBS697919
20                         19361902000002
21                         2095000
22                         58699222
23                         10000-1169431325-S
24                         082QNLW
25                         2101510
26                         171767
27                         14491903000005
28                         10000-1167210671-S
29                         507
30                         846727
31                         10531631
32                         082ZFDB
33                         1807568
34                         2103264
35                         ID-11146984
36                         -
37                         243096
38                         9909319
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39		WBS1253419
40	70cb25b1-5510-11e9-b89f-005056ac086d	10000-1170625924-S
41		2106868
42		23233743
43		ID-11478229
44		ID-11477956
45		6171903000036
46		9909319
47		ID-11239341
48		10000-1167068836-S
49		083PZMM
50		4956299
51		-
52		
		Workplace   Positions \
0	Norvegia	6
1	Francia	1
2	Danimarca	1
3	Berlino\nTrento	1
4	Svezia	1
5	Islanda	1
6	Danimarca	1
7	Italia\nLazise	1
8	Irlanda	11
9	Norvegia	1
10	Svizzera	1
11	Germania	1
12	Francia	1
13	Svezia	1
14	Austria	1
15	Norvegia	6
16	Austria	1
17	Germania	1
18	Irlanda	1
19	Paesi Bassi	5
20	Norvegia	2
21	Spagna	15
22	Norvegia	1
23	Svizzera	1
24	Francia	1
25	Irlanda	1
26	Spagna	300
27	Norvegia\nMøre e Romsdal e Sogn og Fjordane.	6
28	Germania	1
29	Italia\nned\nestero	25
30	Belgio	1
31	Svezia\nLund	1
32	Francia	1
33	Regno Unito	1
34	Irlanda	1
35	Austria Klagenfurt	1
36	Berlino\nTrento	1
37	Spagna	1
38	Francia	1
39	Paesi\nBassi	1
40	Svizzera	1

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41		Germania	1
42		Irlanda	1
43		Svezia	1
44		Italia\nAustria	1
45		Austria	1
46		Norvegia\nHesla Gaard	1
47		Finlandia	1
48		Cipro Grecia Spagna	5
49		Germania	2
50		Francia	1
51		Belgio	1
52		Austria\nPfenninger Alm	1
		Qualification \	
0		Restaurant staff	
1	Assistant export trilingue italien et anglais ...		
2		Italian Sales Representative	
3	Apprendista perito elettronico; Elettrotecnico		
4		Italian speaking purchase	
5		Pizza chef	
6		Regional Key account manager - Italy	
7		Receptionist	
8	Customer Service Representative in Athens		
9		Dispatch personnel	
10	Mitarbeiter (m/w/d) im Verkaufsinndienst		
11		Vertriebs assistent	
12		Second / Seconde de cuisine	
13		Waiter/Waitress	
14		Empfangskraft	
15		Salesclerk	
16	Verkaufssachbearbeiter für Italien (m/w)		
17		Koch/Köchin	
18		Garden Centre Assistant	
19		Strawberries and Rhubarb processors	
20	Cleaners/renholdere Fishing Camp 2019 season		
21		Customer service agent for solar energy	
22		Receptionists tourist hotel	
23		Reiseverkehrskaufmann/-frau - Touristik	
24	Assistant administratif export avec Italie (H/F)		
25		Receptionist	
26		Seasonal worker in a strawberry farm	
27		Guider	
28		Sales Manager Südeuropa m/w	
29	Animatori - coreografi - ballerini - istruttori...		
30		Junior Buyer Italian /English (m/v)	
31	Italian Speaking Sales Administration Officer		
32	Assistant Administratif et Commercial Bilingue...		
33	Account Manager - German, Italian, Spanish, Dutch		
34		Receptionist - Summer	
35	Nachwuchsführkraft im Agrarhandel / Trainee...		
36	Apprendista perito elettronico; Elettrotecnico		
37		Customer Service with French and Italian	
38		Commercial Web Italie (H/F)	
39		Customer service employee Dow	
40		Hauswart/In	
41	Monteur (m/w/d) Photovoltaik (Elektroanlagenmo...		
42		Retail Store Assistant	

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43          E-commerce copywriter
44          Forstarbeiter/in
45 Koch/Köchin für italienische Küche in Teilzeit
46           Maid / Housekeeping assistant
47           Test Designer
48           Animateur 2019 (m/w)
49 Verkaufshilfe im Souvenirshop (m/w/d) 5 Tage-W...
50 Assistant export trilingue italien et anglais ...
51 ACCOUNT MANAGER EXPORT ITALIE - HAYS - StepSto...
52           Cameriere e Commis de rang

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	Contract type \
0	Tempo determinato da maggio ad agosto
1	Non specificato
2	Non specificato
3	Inizialmente contratto di apprendistato con po...
4	Non specificato
5	Tempo determinato
6	Non specificato
7	Non specificato
8	Non specificato
9	Maggio - agosto 2019
10	Non specificato
11	Non specificato
12	Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre 2019
13	Non specificato
14	Non specificato
15	Da maggio ad ottobre
16	Non specificato
17	Non specificato
18	Non specificato
19	Da maggio a settembre
20	Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre 2019
21	Non specificato
22	Da maggio a settembre o da giugno ad agosto
23	Non specificato
24	Non specificato
25	Non specificato
26	Da febbraio a giugno
27	Tempo determinato da maggio a settembre
28	Tempo indeterminato
29	Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre
30	Non specificato
31	Tempo indeterminato
32	Non specificato
33	Non specificato
34	Da maggio a settembre
35	Non specificato
36	Inizialmente contratto di apprendistato con po...
37	Non specificato
38	Non specificato
39	Tempo determinato
40	Non specificato
41	Non specificato
42	Non specificato
43	Non specificato
44	Aprile - maggio 2019

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45                      Non specificato
46      Tempo determinato da aprile a dicembre
47                      Non specificato
48      Tempo determinato aprile-ottobre
49      Contratto stagionale fino a novembre 2019
50                      Non specificato
51                      Non specificato
52                      Non specificato

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38                     Italiano; Francese fluente
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41                     Tedesco e/o inglese buono
42                     Inglese Fluente
43         Inglese Fluente + vedi testo
44                     Tedesco italiano discreto
45                     Tedesco buono
46                     Inglese fluente

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47           Inglese fluente
48           Tedesco; inglese buono
49           Tedesco buono; Inglese buono
50           Inglese francese; Italiano fluente
51           Inglese francese; Italiano fluente
52           Inglese buono; tedesco preferibile

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40          Da definire
41          Da definire
42          Da definire
43          Da definire
44          €9,50\n/ora
45          Da definire
46          20.000 NOK mese
47          Da definire
48          800\n€/mese

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49	Da definire
50	Da definire
51	Da definire
52	1500-1600\n€/mese
	Offer description \
0	We will be working together with sales, prepar...
1	Vos missions principales sont les suivantes : ...
2	Minimum 2 + years sales experience, preferably...
3	Ti stai diplomando e/o stai cercando un primo ...
4	This is a varied Purchasing role, where your m...
5	Job details/requirements: Experience in making...
6	Requirements: possess good business acumen; ar...
7	Camping Village Du Parc, Lazise, Italy is looki...
8	Responsibilities: Solving customers queries by...
9	The Dispatch Team works outside in all weather...
10	Was Sie erwartet: telefonische und persönliche...
11	Ihre Tätigkeit: enge Zusammenarbeit mit unsere...
12	Missions : Vous serez en charge de la mise en ...
13	Bar Robusta are looking for someone that speak...
14	Erfolgreich abgeschlossene Ausbildung in der H...
15	We will be working together with sales, prepar...
16	Unsere Anforderungen: Sie haben eine kaufmänni...
17	Kenntnisse und Fertigkeiten: Erfolgreich abges...
18	Applicants should have good plant knowledge an...
19	In this job you will be busy picking strawberri...
20	Torsvåg Havfiske, estbl. 2005, is a touristcom...
21	One of our biggest clients offer a wide range ...
22	The job also incl communication with the kitch...
23	Wir erwarten: Abgeschlossene Reisebüroausbildu...
24	Vous serez en charge des missions suivantes po...
25	Receptionist required for the 2019 Season. Kno...
26	Peon agricola (recolector fresa) / culegator d...
27	We require that you: are at least 20 years old...
28	Ihr Profil : Idealerweise Erfahrung in der Text...
29	Padronanza di una o più lingue tra queste (ita...
30	You have a Bachelor degree. 2-3 years of profe...
31	You will focus on: Act as our main contact for...
32	Au sein de l'équipe administrative, vous trava...
33	Account Manager The Candidate You will be an e...
34	Assist with any ad-hoc project as required by ...
35	Ihre Qualifikationen: landwirtschaftliche Ausb...
36	Ti stai diplomando e/o stai cercando un primo ...
37	As an IT Helpdesk, you will be responsible for...
38	Profil : Première expérience réussie dans la v...
39	Requirements: You have a bachelor degree or hi...
40	Wir suchen in unserem Team einen Mitarbeiter m...
41	Anforderungen an die Bewerber/innen: abgeschlo...
42	Retail Store Assistant required for a SPAR sho...
43	We support 15 languages incl Chinese, Russian ...
44	ANFORDERUNGSPROFIL: Pflichtschulabschluss und ...
45	ANFORDERUNGSPROFIL:Erfahrung mit Pasta & Pizze...
46	Responsibility for cleaning off our apartments...
47	As Test Designer in R&D Devices team you will:...
48	Deine Fähigkeiten: Im Vordergrund steht Deine ...
49	Wir bieten: Einen zukunftssicheren, saisonalen...
50	Description : Au sein d'une équipe de 10 perso...

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51 Votre profil : Pour ce poste, nous recherchons...  
 52 Lavoro estivo nella periferia di Salisburgo. E...

	Workplace	Country	From	To
0	[Norway]	5.0	8.0	
1	[France]	NaN	NaN	
2	[Denmark]	NaN	NaN	
3	[]	NaN	NaN	
4	[Sweden]	NaN	NaN	
5	[Iceland]	NaN	NaN	
6	[Denmark]	NaN	NaN	
7	[Italy]	NaN	NaN	
8	[Ireland]	NaN	NaN	
9	[Norway]	5.0	5.0	
10	[Switzerland]	NaN	NaN	
11	[]	NaN	NaN	
12	[France]	4.0	10.0	
13	[Sweden]	NaN	NaN	
14	[Austria]	NaN	NaN	
15	[Norway]	5.0	10.0	
16	[Austria]	NaN	NaN	
17	[]	NaN	NaN	
18	[Ireland]	NaN	NaN	
19	[Netherlands]	5.0	9.0	
20	[Norway]	4.0	10.0	
21	[Spain]	NaN	NaN	
22	[Norway]	5.0	9.0	
23	[Switzerland]	NaN	NaN	
24	[France]	NaN	NaN	
25	[Ireland]	NaN	NaN	
26	[Spain]	2.0	6.0	
27	[Norway]	5.0	9.0	
28	[]	NaN	NaN	
29	[Italy, abroad]	4.0	10.0	
30	[Belgium]	NaN	NaN	
31	[Sweden]	NaN	NaN	
32	[France]	NaN	NaN	
33	[United Kingdom]	NaN	NaN	
34	[Ireland]	5.0	9.0	
35	[Austria]	NaN	NaN	
36	[]	NaN	NaN	
37	[Spain]	NaN	NaN	
38	[France]	NaN	NaN	
39	[Netherlands]	NaN	NaN	
40	[Switzerland]	NaN	NaN	
41	[]	NaN	NaN	
42	[Ireland]	NaN	NaN	
43	[Sweden]	NaN	NaN	
44	[Italy, Austria]	4.0	4.0	
45	[Austria]	NaN	NaN	
46	[Norway]	4.0	12.0	
47	[Finland]	NaN	NaN	
48	[Cyprus, Greece, Spain]	NaN	NaN	
49	[]	NaN	NaN	
50	[France]	NaN	NaN	
51	[Belgium]	NaN	NaN	
52	[Austria]	NaN	NaN	

### 3. Required languages

Now we will try to extract required languages.

#### 3.1 function reqlan

⊕⊕⊕ First implement function `reqlan` that given a string from column 'Required language' produces a dictionary with extracted languages and associated level code in CEFR standard (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages).

Example:

```
>>> reqlan("Italiano; Francese fluente; Spagnolo buono")
{'italian': 'C1', 'french': 'C1', 'spanish': 'B2'}
```

To know what italian words are to be translated to, use dictionaries provided in the following cell.

See tests for more cases to handle.

**WARNING 1:** function takes a **single** string !!

**WARNING 2: BE VERY CAREFUL WITH NaN input !**

Function might also take a `NaN` value (`math.nan` or `np.nan` they are the same), in which case it should RETURN an empty dictionary:

```
>>> reqlan(np.nan)
{}
```

If you are checking for a `NaN`, **DO NOT** write

```
if text == np.nan:    # WRONG !
```

To see why, do read **NANs and Infinities** section in Numpy Matrices worksheet<sup>306</sup> !

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[13]:

```
languages = {
    'italiano':'italian',
    'tedesco':'german',
    'francese':'french',
    'inglese':'english',
    'spagnolo':'spanish',
}

lang_levels = {
    'discreto':'B1',
    'buono':'B2',
    'fluente':'C1',
```

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<sup>306</sup> <https://sciprog.davidleoni.it/matrices-numumpy/matrices-numumpy-sol.html#NaNs-and-infinities>

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```

}

def reqlan(text):

    import math
    if type(text) != str and math.isnan(text):
        return {}

    ret = {}
    ntext = text.lower().replace('+ vedi testo', '')
    ntext = ntext.replace('e/o','; ')
    ntext = ntext.replace(' e ','; ')
    words = ntext.replace(';', '').split(' ')

    found_langs = []
    for w in words:
        if w in languages:
            found_langs.append(w)
        if w in lang_levels or (w[:-1] +'e' in lang_levels):
            if w in lang_levels:
                label = lang_levels[w]
            else:
                label = lang_levels[w[:-1] + 'e']
            for lang in found_langs:
                ret[languages[lang]] = label
            found_langs = [] # reset

    return ret

# different languages may have different skills
assert reqlan("Italiano fluente; Inglese buono") == {'italian': 'C1',
                                                       'english': 'B2'}

# a sequence of languages terminating with a level is assumed to have that same level
assert reqlan("Inglese; italiano; francese fluente") == {'english': 'C1',
                                                               'italian': 'C1',
                                                               'french' : 'C1'}

# semicolon absence shouldn't be a problem
assert reqlan("Tedesco italiano discreto") == {
                                                 'german':'B1',
                                                 'italian': 'B1'
                                               }

# we can have multiple sequences
assert reqlan("Italiano; Francese fluente; Spagnolo buono") == {'italian': 'C1',
                                                               'french': 'C1',
                                                               'spanish': 'B2'}

# text after plus needs to be removed
assert reqlan("Inglese fluente + Vedi testo") == {'english': 'C1'}

# plural.
# NOTE: to do this, assume all plurals in the world

```

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```
# are constructed by substituting 'i' to last character of singular words
assert reqlan("Tedesco e italiano fluenti") == {'german':'C1',
                                                 'italian':'C1'}
```

```
# special case: we ignore codes in parentheses and just put B2
assert reqlan("Inglese Buono (B1-B2); Tedesco base") == {'english': 'B2'}
```

```
# e/o: and / or case. We simplify and just list them as others
```

```
assert reqlan("Tedesco fluente; francese e/o italiano buono") == { 'german':'C1',
                                                               'french':'B2',
                                                               'italian':'B2'
                                                               }
```

```
# of course there is a cell which is NaN :P
assert reqlan(np.nan) == {}
```

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[13]:

```
languages = {
    'italiano':'italian',
    'tedesco':'german',
    'francese':'french',
    'inglese':'english',
    'spagnolo':'spanish',
}
```

```
lang_levels = {
    'discreto':'B1',
    'buono':'B2',
    'fluente':'C1',
}
```

```
def reqlan(text):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')
```

```
# different languages may have different skills
assert reqlan("Italiano fluente; Inglese buono") == {'italian': 'C1',
                                                       'english': 'B2'}
```

```
# a sequence of languages terminating with a level is assumed to have that same level
assert reqlan("Inglese; italiano; francese fluente") == {'english': 'C1',
                                                          'italian': 'C1',
                                                          'french' : 'C1'}
```

```
# semicolon absence shouldn't be a problem
assert reqlan("Tedesco italiano discreto") == {
    'german':'B1',
    'italian': 'B1'
}
```

```
# we can have multiple sequences
assert reqlan("Italiano; Francese fluente; Spagnolo buono") == {'italian': 'C1',
                                                                'french': 'C1',
                                                                'spanish': 'B2'}
```

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```
# text after plus needs to be removed
assert reqlan("Inglese fluente + Vedi testo") == {'english': 'C1'}
```

```
# plural.
# NOTE: to do this, assume all plurals in the world
# are constructed by substituting 'i' to last character of singular words
assert reqlan("Tedesco e italiano fluenti") == {'german':'C1',
                                                 'italian':'C1'}
```

```
# special case: we ignore codes in parentheses and just put B2
assert reqlan("Inglese Buono (B1-B2); Tedesco base") == {'english': 'B2'}
```

```
# e/o: and / or case. We simplify and just list them as others
```

```
assert reqlan("Tedesco fluente; francese e/o italiano buono") == { 'german':'C1',
                                                               'french':'B2',
                                                               'italian':'B2'
                                                               }
```

```
# of course there is a cell which is NaN :P
assert reqlan(np.nan) == {}
```

### 3.2 Languages column

⊕ Now add the languages column using the previously defined `reqlan` function:

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```
[14]: # write here
offers['Languages'] = offers['Required languages'].transform(reqlan)
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```

```
[14]: # write here
```

```
[16]: print()
print("***** SOLUTION OUTPUT *****")
offers
```

```
***** SOLUTION OUTPUT *****
Reference \
0      18331901000024
1      083PZMM
2      4954752
3      -
4      10531631
5      51485
6      4956299
7      -
8      2099681
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9	12091902000474
10	10000-1169373760-S
11	10000-1168768920-S
12	082BMLG
13	23107550
14	11949-11273083-S
15	18331901000024
16	ID-11252967
17	10000-1162270517-S
18	2100937
19	WBS697919
20	19361902000002
21	2095000
22	58699222
23	10000-1169431325-S
24	082QNLW
25	2101510
26	171767
27	14491903000005
28	10000-1167210671-S
29	507
30	846727
31	10531631
32	082ZFDB
33	1807568
34	2103264
35	ID-11146984
36	-
37	243096
38	9909319
39	WBS1253419
40	70cb25b1-5510-11e9-b89f-005056ac086d
41	10000-1170625924-S
42	2106868
43	23233743
44	ID-11478229
45	ID-11477956
46	6171903000036
47	9909319
48	ID-11239341
49	10000-1167068836-S
50	083PZMM
51	4956299
52	-
	Workplace    Positions \
0	Norvegia                6
1	Francia                1
2	Danimarca                1
3	Berlino\nTrento                1
4	Svezia                1
5	Islanda                1
6	Danimarca                1
7	Italia\nLazise                1
8	Irlanda                11
9	Norvegia                1
10	Svizzera                1

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11		Germania	1
12		Francia	1
13		Svezia	1
14		Austria	1
15		Norvegia	6
16		Austria	1
17		Germania	1
18		Irlanda	1
19		Paesi Bassi	5
20		Norvegia	2
21		Spagna	15
22		Norvegia	1
23		Svizzera	1
24		Francia	1
25		Irlanda	1
26		Spagna	300
27	Norvegia\nMøre e Romsdal e Sogn og Fjordane.		6
28		Germania	1
29		Italia\nned\nestero	25
30		Belgio	1
31		Svezia\nLund	1
32		Francia	1
33		Regno Unito	1
34		Irlanda	1
35	Austria Klagenfurt		1
36		Berlino\nTrento	1
37		Spagna	1
38		Francia	1
39		Paesi\nBassi	1
40		Svizzera	1
41		Germania	1
42		Irlanda	1
43		Svezia	1
44		Italia\nAustria	1
45		Austria	1
46	Norvegia\nHesla Gaard		1
47		Finlandia	1
48	Cipro Grecia Spagna		5
49		Germania	2
50		Francia	1
51		Belgio	1
52	Austria\nPfenninger Alm		1
0		Qualification \ Restaurant staff	
1	Assistant export trilingue italien et anglais ...		
2		Italian Sales Representative	
3	Apprendista perito elettronico; Elettrotecnico		
4		Italian speaking purchase	
5		Pizza chef	
6		Regional Key account manager - Italy	
7		Receptionist	
8	Customer Service Representative in Athens		
9		Dispatch personnel	
10	Mitarbeiter (m/w/d) im Verkaufssinnendienst		
11		Vertriebs assistent	
12		Second / Seconde de cuisine	

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13	Waiter/Waitress
14	Empfangskraft
15	Salesclerk
16	Verkaufssachbearbeiter für Italien (m/w)
17	Koch/Köchin
18	Garden Centre Assistant
19	Strawberries and Rhubarb processors
20	Cleaners/renholdere Fishing Camp 2019 season
21	Customer service agent for solar energy
22	Receptionists tourist hotel
23	Reiseverkehrskaufmann/-frau - Touristik
24	Assistant administratif export avec Italie (H/F)
25	Receptionist
26	Seasonal worker in a strawberry farm
27	Guider
28	Sales Manager Südeuropa m/w
29	Animatori - coreografi - ballerini - istruttori...
30	Junior Buyer Italian /English (m/v)
31	Italian Speaking Sales Administration Officer
32	Assistant Administratif et Commercial Bilingue...
33	Account Manager - German, Italian, Spanish, Dutch
34	Receptionist - Summer
35	Nachwuchsführungskraft im Agrarhandel / Trainee...
36	Apprendista perito elettronico; Elettrotecnico
37	Customer Service with French and Italian
38	Commercial Web Italie (H/F)
39	Customer service employee Dow
40	Hauswart/In
41	Monteur (m/w/d) Photovoltaik (Elektroanlagenmo...
42	Retail Store Assistant
43	E-commerce copywriter
44	Forstarbeiter/in
45	Koch/Köchin für italienische Küche in Teilzeit
46	Maid / Housekeeping assistant
47	Test Designer
48	Animateur 2019 (m/w)
49	Verkaufshilfe im Souvenirshop (m/w/d) 5 Tage-W...
50	Assistant export trilingue italien et anglais ...
51	ACCOUNT MANAGER EXPORT ITALIE - HAYS - StepSto...
52	Cameriere e Commis de rang

	Contract type \
0	Tempo determinato da maggio ad agosto
1	Non specificato
2	Non specificato
3	Inizialmente contratto di apprendistato con po...
4	Non specificato
5	Tempo determinato
6	Non specificato
7	Non specificato
8	Non specificato
9	Maggio - agosto 2019
10	Non specificato
11	Non specificato
12	Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre 2019
13	Non specificato
14	Non specificato

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15          Da maggio ad ottobre
16          Non specificato
17          Non specificato
18          Non specificato
19          Da maggio a settembre
20      Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre 2019
21          Non specificato
22      Da maggio a settembre o da giugno ad agosto
23          Non specificato
24          Non specificato
25          Non specificato
26          Da febbraio a giugno
27      Tempo determinato da maggio a settembre
28          Tempo indeterminato
29      Tempo determinato da aprile ad ottobre
30          Non specificato
31          Tempo indeterminato
32          Non specificato
33          Non specificato
34          Da maggio a settembre
35          Non specificato
36 Inizialmente contratto di apprendistato con po...
37          Non specificato
38          Non specificato
39          Tempo determinato
40          Non specificato
41          Non specificato
42          Non specificato
43          Non specificato
44          Aprile - maggio 2019
45          Non specificato
46      Tempo determinato da aprile a dicembre
47          Non specificato
48          Tempo determinato aprile-ottobre
49      Contratto stagionale fino a novembre 2019
50          Non specificato
51          Non specificato
52          Non specificato

```

```

                    Required languages \
0          Inglese fluente + Vedi testo
1          Inglese; italiano; francese fluente
2          Inglese; Italiano fluente
3          Inglese Buono (B1-B2); Tedesco base
4          Inglese; italiano fluente
5          Inglese Buono
6          Inglese; italiano fluente
7          Inglese; Tedesco fluente + Vedi testo
8          Italiano fluente; Inglese buono
9          Inglese fluente + Vedi testo
10         Tedesco fluente; francese e/o italiano buono
11     Tedesco ed inglese fluente + italiano e/o spag...
12         Francese discreto
13         Inglese ed Italiano buono
14     Tedesco ed Inglese Fluente + vedi testo
15         Inglese fluente + Vedi testo
16         Tedesco e italiano fluenti

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17          Italiano e tedesco buono
18          Inglese fluente
19          NaN
20          Inglese fluente
21          Inglese e tedesco fluenti
22      Inglese Fluente; francese e/o spagnolo buoni
23          Tedesco Fluente + Vedi testo
24          Francese ed italiano fluenti
25          Inglese fluente; Tedesco discreto
26          NaN
27          Tedesco e inglese fluente + Italiano buono
28  Inglese e tedesco fluente + Italiano e/o spagn...
29          Inglese Buono + Vedi testo
30          Inglese Ed italiano fluente
31          Inglese ed italiano fluente
32          Francese ed italiano fluente
33          Inglese Fluente + Vedi testo
34          Inglese fluente
35          Tedesco; Italiano buono
36          Inglese Buono (B1-B2); Tedesco base
37  Italiano; Francese fluente; Spagnolo buono
38          Italiano; Francese fluente
39          Inglese; italiano fluente + vedi testo
40          Tedesco buono
41          Tedesco e/o inglese buono
42          Inglese Fluente
43          Inglese Fluente + vedi testo
44          Tedesco italiano discreto
45          Tedesco buono
46          Inglese fluente
47          Inglese fluente
48          Tedesco; inglese buono
49          Tedesco buono; Inglese buono
50          Inglese francese; Italiano fluente
51          Inglese francese; Italiano fluente
52          Inglese buono; tedesco preferibile

          Gross retribution \
0          Da 3500\nFr/\nmese
1          Da definire
2          Da definire
3      Min 1000\nMax\n1170\n€/mese
4          Da definire
5          Da definire
6          Da definire
7  Min 1500€\nMax\n1800€\nnetto\nmese
8          Da definire
9          Da definire
10         Da definire
11         Da definire
12         Da definire
13         Da definire
14         Da definire
15         Da definire
16         2574,68 Euro/\nmese
17         Da definire
18         Da definire

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19          Vedi testo
20          Da definire
21      €21,000 per annum + 3.500
22          Da definire
23          Da definire
24          Da definire
25          Da definire
26          Da definire
27          20000 NOK /mese
28          Da definire
29          Vedi testo
30          Da definire
31          Da definire
32          Da definire
33      £25,000 per annum
34          Da definire
35          1.950\nEuro/ mese
36      Min 1000\nMax\n1170\n€/mese
37          Da definire
38          Da definire
39          Da definire
40          Da definire
41          Da definire
42          Da definire
43          Da definire
44          €9,50\n/ora
45          Da definire
46          20.000 NOK mese
47          Da definire
48          800\n€/mese
49          Da definire
50          Da definire
51          Da definire
52          1500-1600\n€/mese

```

## Offer description \

```

0 We will be working together with sales, prepar...
1 Vos missions principales sont les suivantes : ...
2 Minimum 2 + years sales experience, preferably...
3 Ti stai diplomando e/o stai cercando un primo ...
4 This is a varied Purchasing role, where your m...
5 Job details/requirements: Experience in making...
6 Requirements: possess good business acumen; ar...
7 Camping Village Du Parc, Lazise, Italy is looki...
8 Responsibilities: Solving customers queries by...
9 The Dispatch Team works outside in all weather...
10 Was Sie erwartet: telefonische und persönliche...
11 Ihre Tätigkeit: enge Zusammenarbeit mit unsere...
12 Missions : Vous serez en charge de la mise en ...
13 Bar Robusta are looking for someone that speak...
14 Erfolgreich abgeschlossene Ausbildung in der H...
15 We will be working together with sales, prepar...
16 Unsere Anforderungen: Sie haben eine kaufmänn...
17 Kenntnisse und Fertigkeiten: Erfolgreich abges...
18 Applicants should have good plant knowledge an...
19 In this job you will be busy picking strawberr...
20 Torsvåg Havfiske, estbl. 2005, is a touristcom...

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21 One of our biggest clients offer a wide range ...
 22 The job also incl communication with the kitch...
 23 Wir erwarten: Abgeschlossene Reisebüroausbildung...
 24 Vous serez en charge des missions suivantes po...
 25 Receptionist required for the 2019 Season. Know...
 26 Peón agrícola (recolector fresa) / culegator d...
 27 We require that you: are at least 20 years old...
 28 Ihr Profil : Idealerweise Erfahrung in der Text...
 29 Padronanza di una o più lingue tra queste (ita...
 30 You have a Bachelor degree. 2-3 years of prof...
 31 You will focus on: Act as our main contact for...
 32 Au sein de l'équipe administrative, vous trava...
 33 Account Manager The Candidate You will be an e...
 34 Assist with any ad-hoc project as required by ...
 35 Ihre Qualifikationen: landwirtschaftliche Ausb...
 36 Ti stai diplomando e/o stai cercando un primo ...
 37 As an IT Helpdesk, you will be responsible for...
 38 Profil : Première expérience réussie dans la v...
 39 Requirements: You have a bachelor degree or hi...
 40 Wir suchen in unserem Team einen Mitarbeiter m...
 41 Anforderungen an die Bewerber/innen: abgeschlo...
 42 Retail Store Assistant required for a SPAR sho...
 43 We support 15 languages incl Chinese, Russian ...
 44 ANFORDERUNGSPROFIL: Pflichtschulabschluss und ...
 45 ANFORDERUNGSPROFIL:Erfahrung mit Pasta & Pizze...
 46 Responsibility for cleaning off our apartments...
 47 As Test Designer in R&D Devices team you will:...
 48 Deine Fähigkeiten: Im Vordergrund steht Deine ...
 49 Wir bieten: Einen zukunftssicheren, saisonalen...
 50 Description : Au sein d'une équipe de 10 perso...
 51 Votre profil : Pour ce poste, nous recherchons...
 52 Lavoro estivo nella periferia di Salisburgo. E...

	Workplace	Country	From	To	\
0		[Norway]	5.0	8.0	
1		[France]	NaN	NaN	
2		[Denmark]	NaN	NaN	
3		[]	NaN	NaN	
4		[Sweden]	NaN	NaN	
5		[Iceland]	NaN	NaN	
6		[Denmark]	NaN	NaN	
7		[Italy]	NaN	NaN	
8		[Ireland]	NaN	NaN	
9		[Norway]	5.0	5.0	
10		[Switzerland]	NaN	NaN	
11		[]	NaN	NaN	
12		[France]	4.0	10.0	
13		[Sweden]	NaN	NaN	
14		[Austria]	NaN	NaN	
15		[Norway]	5.0	10.0	
16		[Austria]	NaN	NaN	
17		[]	NaN	NaN	
18		[Ireland]	NaN	NaN	
19		[Netherlands]	5.0	9.0	
20		[Norway]	4.0	10.0	
21		[Spain]	NaN	NaN	
22		[Norway]	5.0	9.0	

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23      [Switzerland]    NaN    NaN
24          [France]    NaN    NaN
25          [Ireland]    NaN    NaN
26          [Spain]     2.0    6.0
27          [Norway]    5.0    9.0
28          []           NaN    NaN
29      [Italy, abroad] 4.0    10.0
30          [Belgium]   NaN    NaN
31          [Sweden]   NaN    NaN
32          [France]   NaN    NaN
33      [United Kingdom] NaN    NaN
34          [Ireland]   5.0    9.0
35          [Austria]   NaN    NaN
36          []           NaN    NaN
37          [Spain]    NaN    NaN
38          [France]   NaN    NaN
39      [Netherlands]  NaN    NaN
40      [Switzerland]  NaN    NaN
41          []           NaN    NaN
42          [Ireland]   NaN    NaN
43          [Sweden]   NaN    NaN
44      [Italy, Austria] 4.0    4.0
45          [Austria]   NaN    NaN
46          [Norway]   4.0    12.0
47          [Finland]  NaN    NaN
48  [Cyprus, Greece, Spain] NaN    NaN
49          []           NaN    NaN
50          [France]   NaN    NaN
51          [Belgium]   NaN    NaN
52          [Austria]   NaN    NaN

```

```

                    Languages
0          {'english': 'C1'}
1  {'english': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1', 'french': '...'
2          {'english': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1'}
3          {'english': 'B2'}
4  {'english': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1'}
5          {'english': 'B2'}
6  {'english': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1'}
7  {'english': 'C1', 'german': 'C1'}
8  {'italian': 'C1', 'english': 'B2'}
9          {'english': 'C1'}
10  {'german': 'C1', 'french': 'B2', 'italian': 'B2'}
11  {'german': 'C1', 'english': 'C1', 'italian': '...'
12          {'french': 'B1'}
13  {'english': 'B2', 'italian': 'B2'}
14  {'german': 'C1', 'english': 'C1'}
15          {'english': 'C1'}
16  {'german': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1'}
17  {'italian': 'B2', 'german': 'B2'}
18          {'english': 'C1'}
19          {}
20          {'english': 'C1'}
21  {'english': 'C1', 'german': 'C1'}
22          {'english': 'C1'}
23          {'german': 'C1'}
24  {'french': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1'}

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```
25             {'english': 'C1', 'german': 'B1'})  
26         }  
27     {'german': 'C1', 'english': 'C1', 'italian': '...'}  
28     {'english': 'C1', 'german': 'C1', 'italian': '...'}  
29         {'english': 'B2'})  
30             {'english': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1'})  
31             {'english': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1'})  
32                 {'french': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1'})  
33                     {'english': 'C1'})  
34                     {'english': 'C1'})  
35             {'german': 'B2', 'italian': 'B2'})  
36                 {'english': 'B2'})  
37     {'italian': 'C1', 'french': 'C1', 'spanish': '...'}  
38         {'italian': 'C1', 'french': 'C1'})  
39         {'english': 'C1', 'italian': 'C1'})  
40             {'german': 'B2'})  
41         {'german': 'B2', 'english': 'B2'})  
42             {'english': 'C1'})  
43             {'english': 'C1'})  
44                 {'german': 'B1', 'italian': 'B1'})  
45                     {'german': 'B2'})  
46                     {'english': 'C1'})  
47                     {'english': 'C1'})  
48             {'german': 'B2', 'english': 'B2'})  
49             {'german': 'B2', 'english': 'B2'})  
50     {'english': 'C1', 'french': 'C1', 'italian': '...'}  
51     {'english': 'C1', 'french': 'C1', 'italian': '...'}  
52         {'english': 'B2'})
```

## Continue

## Go on with challenges<sup>307</sup>

### 8.3.3 Pandas - 3. Italian poets challenge

## Download exercises

For a digital humanities project you need to display poets by filtering a csv table according to various criteria. This challenge will be only about querying with pandas, which is something you might find convenient to do during exams for quickly understanding datasets content (using pandas will always be optional, you will never be asked to perform complex modifications with it)

You are given a dataset taken from Wikidata<sup>308</sup>, a project by the Wikimedia foundation which aims to store only machine-readable data, like numbers, strings, and so on interlinked with many references. Each entity in Wikidata has an identifier, for example Dante Alighieri is the entity Q1067<sup>309</sup> and Florence is Q2044<sup>310</sup>

Wikidata can be queried using the SPARQL language: the data was obtained with [this query](#)<sup>311</sup> and downloaded in CSV format (among the many which can be chosen). Even if not necessary for the purposes of the exercise, you are invited

<sup>307</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/pandas/pandas3-chal.html>

<sup>308</sup> [https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:Main\\_Page](https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:Main_Page)

<sup>309</sup> <https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q1067>

<sup>310</sup> <https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/2044>

<https://query.wikidata.org/#%23defaultView%3AMap%7B%22hide%22%3A%20%5B%22%3Fcoo%22%5D%7D%0ASELECT%0A>

20%3Fsubj%20%3Fs subjLabel%20%3Fplace%20%3FplaceLabel%20%3Fcoord%20%3Fbirthday%0A WHERE%20%7B%0A%20%20%20%3Fsubj%20%wdt%3AP106%20wd%3AQ49757%20.%0A%20%20%20%3Fsubj%20%wdt%3AP19%20%3Fplace%20.%0A%20%20%

to play a bit with the interface, like trying different visualizations (i.e. try select map in the middle-left corner) - or see other examples<sup>312</sup>

## What to do

1. If you haven't already, install Pandas:

Anaconda:

```
conda install pandas
```

Without Anaconda (--user installs in your home):

```
python3 -m pip install --user pandas
```

2. unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
pandas
pandas1-sol.ipynb
pandas1.ipynb
pandas2-sol.ipynb
pandas2.ipynb
pandas3-chal.ipynb
jupman.py
```

**WARNING 1:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

3. open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser.
4. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `pandas3-chal.ipynb`

**WARNING 2:** DO NOT use the *Upload* button in Jupyter, instead navigate in Jupyter browser to the unzipped folder !

5. Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter
- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

<sup>312</sup> [https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:SPARQL\\_query\\_service/queries/examples](https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:SPARQL_query_service/queries/examples)

### Load the dataset

```
[1]: import pandas as pd    # we import pandas and for ease we rename it to 'pd'  
import numpy as np       # we import numpy and for ease we rename it to 'np'  
  
df = pd.read_csv('italian-poets.csv', encoding='UTF-8')
```

### Tell me more

Show some info about the dataset

```
[2]: # write here  
  
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>  
RangeIndex: 3198 entries, 0 to 3197  
Data columns (total 6 columns):  
 #   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype     
---  --     
 0   subj        3198 non-null   object    
 1   subjLabel   3198 non-null   object    
 2   place       3198 non-null   object    
 3   placeLabel  3198 non-null   object    
 4   coord       3198 non-null   object    
 5   birthyear   3070 non-null   float64  
dtypes: float64(1), object(5)  
memory usage: 150.0+ KB
```

### Getting in shape

Show the rows and the columns counts:

```
[3]: # write here  
  
rows: 3198  
columns: 3198
```

### 10 rows

Display first 10 rows

```
[4]: # write here  
  
[4]:          subj           subjLabel \   
0  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q8797  Aemilius Macer  
1  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q8833  Gaius Maecenas  
2  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q5592  Michelangelo  
3  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q6197  Horace  
4  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q7170  Sallust
```

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```

5  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q7198          Ovid
6  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q7728          Grazia Deledda
7  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q7803          Bronzino
8  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q8796          Sandra Lombardi
9  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q8800          Gaius Maecenas Melissus

                     place          placeLabel \
0    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028          Verona
1    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q13378         Arezzo
2    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q52069        Caprese Michelangelo
3    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q52691         Venosa
4    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q177061        Amiternum
5    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q50157          Sulmona
6    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q13649          Nuoro
7    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2044          Florence
8    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q220            Rome
9    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q20571         Spoleto

           coord  birthyear
0  Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)      NaN
1  Point(11.878055555 43.463055555)      NaN
2  Point(11.985833333 43.640833333)     1475.0
3  Point(15.816666666 40.966666666)     -64.0
4    Point(13.305769 42.400776)      -85.0
5    Point(13.926198 42.048025)      -42.0
6    Point(9.3280792 40.3200621)     1871.0
7  Point(11.254166666 43.771388888)     1503.0
8  Point(12.482777777 41.893055555)     1946.0
9  Point(12.733333333 42.733333333)    -100.0

```

## Born in Verona

Display all people born in Verona

```
[5]: # write here

[5]:                                         subj \
0    http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q8797
135   http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q163079
232   http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q318593
256   http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q539577
375   http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1236766
436   http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q620193
755   http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2293943
764   http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1587432
858   http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3290043
891   http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3611735
1035  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3638918
1090  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3663490
1098  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3665350
1143  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3741666
1169  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3746475
1393  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3762433
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```
1459 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3766734
1489 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3767945
1566 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3768974
1694 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q4015300
1771 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3081061
1869 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3837018
1935 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3846323
2211 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q6999870
2322 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q15432608
2361 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q15726796
2390 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q16574305
2460 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q17341090
2530 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q18945280
2531 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q18945373
2617 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q19597229
2634 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q20671732
2651 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q23014868
2841 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q30126093
2850 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q30303339
2872 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q28778065
2885 http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q30308589
```

```
                subjLabel \
0                  Aemilius Macer
135                 Catullus
232                 Girolamo Fracastoro
256                 Guarino da Verona
375                 Ippolito Pindemonte
436                 Aleardo Aleardi
755                 Cristina Ali Farah
764 Francesco Scipione, marchese di Maffei
858                   Marco Antonio Zucchi
891                   Alida Airaghi
1035                  Berto Barbarani
1090                  Caterina Bon Brenzoni
1098                  Cesare Betteloni
1143                  Federico Ceruti
1169                  Flavio Ermini
1393                  Giambattista Spolverini
1459                  Giovanni Battista Pighi
1489                  Giovanni Pindemonte
1566                  Girolamo Pompei
1694                  Vittorio Betteloni
1771                  Francesco Pona
1869                  Lorenzo Montano
1935                  Marco Ongaro
2211                  Rudy De Cadaval
2322                  Ortensio Mauro
2361                  Teresa Albarelli
2390                  Luigi Nogarola
2460                  Giovanni Ceriotto
2530                  Francesco degli Allegri
2531                  Giorgio Summaripa
2617                  Giambattista Mutinelli
2634                  Pietro Caliari
2651                  Ilario Casarotti
2841                  Girolamo Orti Manara
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2850		Paolo Zazzaroni
2872		Angela Nogarola
2885		Bartolomeo Tortoletti
		place placeLabel \
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375	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
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1035	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1090	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1098	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1143	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1169	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1393	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
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1869	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1935	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2211	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
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2361	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2390	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2460	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2530	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2531	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2617	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2634	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2651	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2841	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2850	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2872	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2885	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
		coord birthyear
0	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	NaN
135	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	-83.0
232	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1478.0
256	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1374.0
375	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1753.0
436	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1812.0
755	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1973.0
764	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1675.0
858	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1750.0
891	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1953.0
1035	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1872.0
1090	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1813.0
1098	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1808.0

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1143	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1532.0
1169	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1947.0
1393	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1695.0
1459	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1898.0
1489	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1751.0
1566	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1731.0
1694	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1840.0
1771	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1595.0
1869	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1893.0
1935	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1956.0
2211	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1933.0
2322	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1634.0
2361	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1788.0
2390	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1669.0
2460	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1883.0
2530	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1495.0
2531	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1435.0
2617	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1747.0
2634	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1841.0
2651	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1772.0
2841	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1769.0
2850	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	NaN
2872	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1380.0
2885	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1560.0

## How many people in Verona

Display how many people were born in Verona

```
[6]: # write here
```

```
[6]: 37
```

## Python is everywhere

Show poets born in Catania in the year -500 (I swear I did not altered the dataset in any way :-)

```
[7]: # write here
```

```
[7]:                                     subj          subjLabel  \
2231  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q7263938  Python of Catana

                                         place placeLabel  \
2231  http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1903      Catania

                                         coord birthyear
2231  Point(15.087269444 37.502669444)      -500.0
```

## Verona after 1500

Display all people born in Verona after the year 1500

[8]: # write here

```
[8]:                                     subj  \
375      http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1236766
436      http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q620193
755      http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2293943
764      http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1587432
858      http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3290043
891      http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3611735
1035     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3638918
1090     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3663490
1098     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3665350
1143     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3741666
1169     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3746475
1393     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3762433
1459     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3766734
1489     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3767945
1566     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3768974
1694     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q4015300
1771     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3081061
1869     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3837018
1935     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3846323
2211     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q6999870
2322     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q15432608
2361     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q15726796
2390     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q16574305
2460     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q17341090
2617     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q19597229
2634     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q20671732
2651     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q23014868
2841     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q30126093
2885     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q30308589

                                     subjLabel \
375          Ippolito Pindemonte
436          Aleardo Aleardi
755          Cristina Ali Farah
764  Francesco Scipione, marchese di Maffei
858          Marco Antonio Zucchi
891          Alida Airaghi
1035         Berto Barbarani
1090         Caterina Bon Brenzoni
1098         Cesare Betteloni
1143         Federico Ceruti
1169         Flavio Ermini
1393         Giambattista Spolverini
1459         Giovanni Battista Pighi
1489         Giovanni Pindemonte
1566         Girolamo Pompei
1694         Vittorio Betteloni
1771         Francesco Pona
1869         Lorenzo Montano
```

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1935		Marco Ongaro
2211		Rudy De Cadaval
2322		Ortensio Mauro
2361		Teresa Albarelli
2390		Luigi Nogarola
2460		Giovanni Ceriotto
2617		Giambattista Mutinelli
2634		Pietro Caliari
2651		Ilario Casarotti
2841		Girolamo Orti Manara
2885		Bartolomeo Tortoletti
	place	placeLabel \
375	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
436	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
755	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
764	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
858	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
891	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1035	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1090	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1098	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1143	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1169	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1393	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1459	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1489	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1566	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1694	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1771	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1869	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1935	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2211	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2322	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2361	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2390	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2460	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2617	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2634	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2651	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2841	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
2885	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
	coord	birthyear
375	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1753.0
436	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1812.0
755	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1973.0
764	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1675.0
858	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1750.0
891	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1953.0
1035	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1872.0
1090	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1813.0
1098	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1808.0
1143	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1532.0
1169	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1947.0
1393	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1695.0
1459	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1898.0

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1489	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1751.0
1566	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1731.0
1694	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1840.0
1771	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1595.0
1869	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1893.0
1935	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1956.0
2211	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1933.0
2322	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1634.0
2361	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1788.0
2390	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1669.0
2460	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1883.0
2617	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1747.0
2634	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1841.0
2651	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1772.0
2841	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1769.0
2885	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1560.0

## First Antonio

Display all people with Antonio as first name

[9]:	# write here	
[9]:		
47	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q266482	subj
48	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q266482	subjLabel \ Antonio Bonfini
77	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q348311	Antonio Tebaldeo
120	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q470067	Antonio Fogazzaro
203	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q524960	Antonio Ghislanzoni
...	...	...
2881	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q30250615	Antonio Bruni
2917	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q42941837	Antonio Decio
2979	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q56166956	Antonio Rossetti
3060	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q54860414	Antonio Ricci
3135	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q94075340	Antonio Gasparinetti
47	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3415	place
48	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3897778	placeLabel \ Ancona
77	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q13362	Patrignone
120	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q6537	Ferrara
203	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q6237	Vicenza
...	...	Lecco
2881	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q52019	...
2917	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q176180	Manduria
2979	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q51313	Orte
3060	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q51240	Vasto
3135	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q46503	Guardiagrele
		Ponte di Piave
47	Point(13.516666666 43.616666666)	coord birthyear
48	Point(13.60926 42.98027)	1427.0
77	Point(11.619865 44.835297)	1463.0

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120             Point(11.55 45.55)    1842.0
203             Point(9.4 45.85)   1824.0
...
2881            ...           ...
2881  Point(17.634166666 40.402777777) 1593.0
2917  Point(12.386111111 42.460277777) 1560.0
2979  Point(14.708219444 42.111588888) 1770.0
3060  Point(14.221591666 42.189222222) 1952.0
3135  Point(12.466666666 45.716666666) 1777.0

```

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## Some Antonio

Display all people with Antonio as one of the names (so also include 'Paolo Antonio Rolli')

[10]: # write here

	subj	subjLabel \
47	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q266482	Antonio Bonfini
48	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q266482	Antonio Bonfini
53	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q55433	Michelangelo Antonioni
77	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q348311	Antonio Tebaldeo
120	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q470067	Antonio Fogazzaro
...	...	...
2906	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q41566775	Carlo Antonio Bertelli
2917	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q42941837	Antonio Decio
2979	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q56166956	Antonio Rossetti
3060	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q54860414	Antonio Ricci
3135	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q94075340	Antonio Gasparinetti
	place	placeLabel \
47	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3415	Ancona
48	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3897778	Patrignone
53	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q13362	Ferrara
77	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q13362	Ferrara
120	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q6537	Vicenza
...	...	...
2906	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q111705	Salò
2917	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q176180	Orte
2979	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q51313	Vasto
3060	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q51240	Guardiagrele
3135	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q46503	Ponte di Piave
	coord	birthyear
47	Point(13.516666666 43.616666666)	1427.0
48	Point(13.60926 42.98027)	1427.0
53	Point(11.619865 44.835297)	1912.0
77	Point(11.619865 44.835297)	1463.0
120	Point(11.55 45.55)	1842.0
...	...	...
2906	Point(10.533333333 45.6)	1637.0
2917	Point(12.386111111 42.460277777)	1560.0
2979	Point(14.708219444 42.111588888)	1770.0

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3060 Point(14.221591666 42.189222222) 1952.0
3135 Point(12.466666666 45.716666666) 1777.0

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```

## Cesares during 1800

Display all people named Cesare who were born in 1800 century

```
[11]: # write here
```

	subj	subjLabel \
389	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1056872	Cesare Meano
1098	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3665350	Cesare Betteloni
1101	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3665409	Cesare De Titta
1105	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3665495	Cesare Pascarella
	place	placeLabel \
389	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q495	Turin
1098	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2028	Verona
1101	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q51292	Sant'Eusonio del Sangro
1105	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q220	Rome
	coord	birthyear
389	Point(7.7 45.066666666)	1899.0
1098	Point(10.992777777 45.438611111)	1808.0
1101	Point(14.333333333 42.166666666)	1862.0
1105	Point(12.482777777 41.893055555)	1858.0

## Sorting

Show poets in year of birth order

```
[12]: # write here
```

	subj	subjLabel \
292	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q332797	Stesichorus
293	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q332802	Ibycus
327	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q336115	Theognis of Megara
84	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q125551	Parmenides
2575	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q20002641	Glaucus of Rhegion
...	...	...
3146	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q97992833	Mino da Colle
3147	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q98102625	Attaviano
3148	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q98102843	Schiatta Pallavillani
3149	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q98102965	Q98102965
3150	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q98103344	Luporo da Lucca
	place	placeLabel \
292	http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q54614	Gioia Tauro

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293      http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q8471      Reggio Calabria
327      http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1457477     Megara Hyblaea
84       http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q272968     Velia
2575     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q8471      Reggio Calabria
...
3146     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q91192      Colle di Val d'Elsa
3147     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q3437      Perugia
3148     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2044      Florence
3149     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q2044      Florence
3150     http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q13373      Lucca

                     coord  birthyear
292          Point(15.9 38.433333333)      -629.0
293          Point(15.65 38.114438888)     -600.0
327          Point(15.181944444 37.20388889)   -569.0
84           Point(15.154444444 40.159444444)   -514.0
2575          Point(15.65 38.114438888)     -500.0
...
3146          Point(11.126666666 43.4225)      ...
3147          Point(12.3888 43.1121)        NaN
3148          Point(11.254166666 43.771388888)  NaN
3149          Point(11.254166666 43.771388888)  NaN
3150          Point(10.516666666 43.85)        NaN

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```

## Where poets are born

Find the 5 cities with most poets, sorted from most to least.

- use groupby and sort\_values methods

```
[13]: # write here
```

```
[13]: placeLabel
Rome      198
Florence  165
Milan     121
Naples    113
Venice    94
Name: subj, dtype: int64
```

## Duplicated poets

Find first 10 duplicated poets

```
[14]: # write here
```

```
[14]: subjLabel
Sosiphanes      4
Alojz Rebula    4
```

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Eliseo Calenzio	4
Giambattista Andreini	4
Tommaso Grossi	3
Giovanni della Casa	3
Giuseppe Carpani	3
Aulus Gellius	3
Cristoforo Busetti	2
Mario Salazzari	2
Name: subj, dtype: int64	

## 8.4 Binary relations solutions

### 8.4.1 Download exercises zip

Browse files online<sup>313</sup>

We can use graphs to model relations of many kinds, like *isCloseTo*, *isFriendOf*, *loves*, etc. Here we review some of them and their properties.

Before going on, make sure to have read the chapter Graph formats<sup>314</sup>

### 8.4.2 What to do

- unzip exercises in a folder, you should get something like this:

```
binary-relations
  binary-relations.ipynb
  binary-relations-sol.ipynb
  jupman.py
  soft.py
```

**WARNING:** to correctly visualize the notebook, it MUST be in an unzipped folder !

- open Jupyter Notebook from that folder. Two things should open, first a console and then browser. The browser should show a file list: navigate the list and open the notebook `binary-relations/binary-relations.ipynb`

**WARNING 2:** DO NOT use the *Upload* button in Jupyter, instead navigate in Jupyter browser to the unzipped folder !

- Go on reading that notebook, and follow instructions inside.

Shortcut keys:

- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell, press Control + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND select next cell, press Shift + Enter
- to execute Python code inside a Jupyter cell AND create a new cell afterwards, press Alt + Enter

<sup>313</sup> <https://github.com/DavidLeoni/softpython-en/tree/master/binary-relations>

<sup>314</sup> <https://sciprog.davidleoni.it/graph-formats/graph-formats-sol.html>

- If the notebooks look stuck, try to select Kernel -> Restart

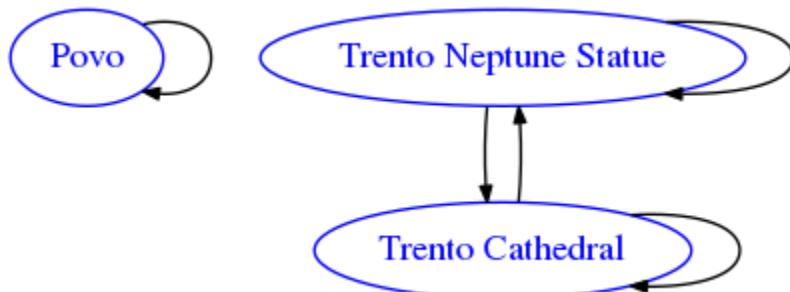
### 8.4.3 Reflexive relations

A graph is reflexive when each node links to itself.

In real life, the typical reflexive relation could be “is close to”, supposing “close to” means being within a 100 meters distance. Obviously, any place is always close to itself, let’s see an example (Povo is a small town around Trento):

```
[2]: from soft import draw_adj

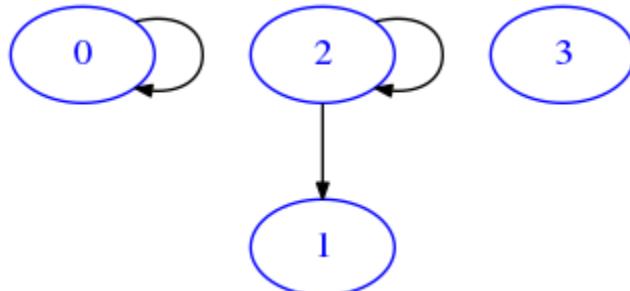
draw_adj({
    'Trento Cathedral' : ['Trento Neptune Statue'],
    'Trento Neptune Statue' : ['Trento Neptune Statue'],
    'Povo' : ['Povo'],
})
```



Some relations might not always be necessarily reflexive, like “did homeworks for”. You should always do your own homeworks, but to our dismay, university intelligence services caught some of you cheating. In the following example we expose the situation - due to privacy concerns, we identify students with numbers starting from zero included:

```
[3]: from soft import draw_mat

draw_mat (
    [
        [True, False, False, False],
        [False, False, False, False],
        [False, True, True, False],
        [False, False, False, False],
    ]
)
```



From the graph above, we see student 0 and student 2 both did their own homeworks. Student 3 did no homeworks at all. Alarmingly, we notice student 2 did the homeworks for student 1. Resulting conspiracy shall be severely punished

with a one year ban from having spritz at Emma's bar.

### Exercise - is\_reflexive\_mat

⊕⊕ Implement a function that RETURN True if nxn boolean matrix mat as list of lists is reflexive, False otherwise.

A graph is *reflexive* when all nodes point to themselves.

- Please at least try to make the function efficient

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data-jupman-show="Show solution"

data-jupman-hide="Hide">Show solution</a><div class="jupman-sol jupman-sol-code" style="display:none">

```
[4]: def is_reflexive_mat(mat):

    n = len(mat)
    for i in range(n):
        if not mat[i][i]:
            return False
    return True

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False] ]) == False    # m1
assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True] ]) == True     # m2

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, False],
                        [False, False] ]) == False   # m3

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, True],
                        [True, True] ]) == True    # m4

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, True],
                        [False, True] ]) == True    # m5

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, False],
                        [True, True] ]) == True    # m6

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, True],
                        [True, False] ]) == False   # m7

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, True],
                        [True, True] ]) == False   # m8

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, True],
                        [True, False] ]) == False   # m9

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, False],
                        [True, False] ]) == False   # m10

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, True, True],
                        [True, False, False],
                        [True, True, True] ]) == False  # m11

assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, True, True],
                        [True, True, True],
                        [True, True, True] ]) == True   # m12
```

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```
[4]: def is_reflexive_mat(mat):
        raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False] ]) == False    # m1
    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True] ]) == True     # m2

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, False],
                            [False, False] ]) == False   # m3

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, True],
                            [True, True] ]) == True    # m4

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, True],
                            [False, True] ]) == True    # m5

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, False],
                            [True, True] ]) == True    # m6

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, True],
                            [True, False] ]) == False   # m7

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, True],
                            [True, True] ]) == False   # m8

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, True],
                            [True, False] ]) == False   # m9

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, False],
                            [True, False] ]) == False   # m10

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [False, True, True],
                            [True, False, False],
                            [True, True, True] ]) == False  # m11

    assert is_reflexive_mat([ [True, True, True],
                            [True, True, True],
                            [True, True, True] ]) == True   # m12
```

### Exercise - is\_reflexive\_adj

⊕⊕ Implement now the same function for dictionaries of adjacency lists:

RETURN `True` if provided graph as dictionary of adjacency lists is reflexive, `False` otherwise.

- A graph is *reflexive* when all nodes point to themselves.
- Please at least try to make the function efficient.

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```
[5]: def is_reflexive_adj(d):

    for v in d:
        if not v in d[v]:
            return False
```

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```

    return True

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':[] }) == False  # d1
assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a'] }) == True   # d2

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':[],
                           'b':[]
                         }) == False  # d3

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a'],
                           'b':['b']
                         }) == True   # d4

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a','b'],
                           'b':['b']
                         }) == True   # d5

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a'],
                           'b':['a','b']
                         }) == True   # d6

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a','b'],
                           'b':['a']
                         }) == False  # d7

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['b'],
                           'b':['a','b']
                         }) == False  # d8

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['b'],
                           'b':['a']
                         }) == False  # d9

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':[],
                           'b':['a']
                         }) == False  # d10

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['b','c'],
                           'b':['a'],
                           'c':['a','b','c']
                         }) == False  # d11

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a','b','c'],
                           'b':['a','b','c'],
                           'c':['a','b','c']
                         }) == True   # d12

```

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```
[5]: def is_reflexive_adj(d):
      raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':[] }) == False  # d1
assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a'] }) == True   # d2
```

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```

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':[],  
                           'b':[]  
                         }) == False  # d3  
  

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a'],  
                           'b':['b']  
                         }) == True   # d4  
  

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a','b'],  
                           'b':['b']  
                         }) == True   # d5  
  

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a'],  
                           'b':['a','b']  
                         }) == True   # d6  
  

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a','b'],  
                           'b':['a']  
                         }) == False  # d7  
  

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['b'],  
                           'b':['a','b']  
                         }) == False  # d8  
  

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['b'],  
                           'b':['a']  
                         }) == False  # d9  
  

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':[],  
                           'b':['a']  
                         }) == False  # d10  
  

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['b','c'],  
                           'b':['a'],  
                           'c':['a','b','c']  
                         }) == False  # d11  
  

assert is_reflexive_adj({ 'a':['a','b','c'],  
                           'b':['a','b','c'],  
                           'c':['a','b','c']  
                         }) == True   # d12

```

#### 8.4.4 Symmetric relations

A graph is symmetric when for all nodes, if a node A links to another node B, there is also a link from node B to A.

In real life, the typical symmetric relation is “is friend of”. If you are friend to someone, that someone should be also be your friend.

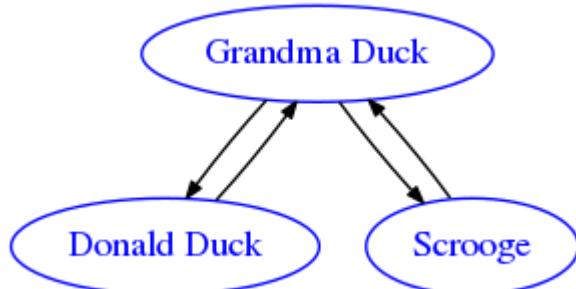
For example, since Scrooge typically is not so friendly with his lazy nephew Donald Duck, but certainly both Scrooge and Donald Duck enjoy visiting the farm of Grandma Duck, we can model their friendship relation like this:

```
[6]: from soft import draw_adj
```

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```
draw_adj({
    'Donald Duck' : ['Grandma Duck'],
    'Scrooge' : ['Grandma Duck'],
    'Grandma Duck' : ['Scrooge', 'Donald Duck'],
})
```



Not that Scrooge is not linked to Donald Duck, but this does not mean the whole graph cannot be considered symmetric. If you pay attention to the definition above, there is *if* written at the beginning: *if* a node A links to another node B, there is also a link from node B to A.

**QUESTION:** Looking purely at the above definition (so do *not* consider ‘is friend of’ relation), should a symmetric relation be necessarily reflexive?

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**ANSWER:** No, in a symmetric relation some nodes can be linked to themselves, while some other nodes may have no link to themselves. All we care about to check symmetry is links from a node to *other* nodes.

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**QUESTION:** Think about the semantics of the specific “is friend of” relation: can you think of a social network where the relation is not shown as reflexive?

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**ANSWER:** In the particular case of “is friend to” relation is interesting, as it prompts us to think about the semantic meaning of the relation: obviously, everybody *should* be a friend of himself/herself - but if were to implement say a social network service like Facebook, it would look rather useless to show in your friends list the information that you are a friend of yourself.

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**QUESTION:** Always talking about the specific semantics of “is friend of” relation: can you think about some case where it should be meaningful to store information about individuals *not* being friends of themselves ?

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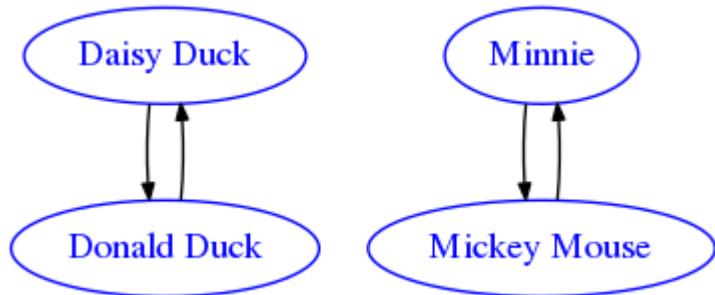
**ANSWER:** in real life it may always happen to find fringe cases - suppose you are given the task to model a network of possibly depressed people with self-harming tendencies. So always be sure your model correctly fits the problem at hand.

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Some relations sometimes may or not be symmetric, depending on the graph at hand. Think about the relation *loves*. It is well known that Mickey Mouse loves Minnie and the sentiment is reciprocal, and Donald Duck loves Daisy Duck and the sentiment is reciprocal. We can conclude this particular graph is symmetrical:

```
[7]: from soft import draw_adj
```

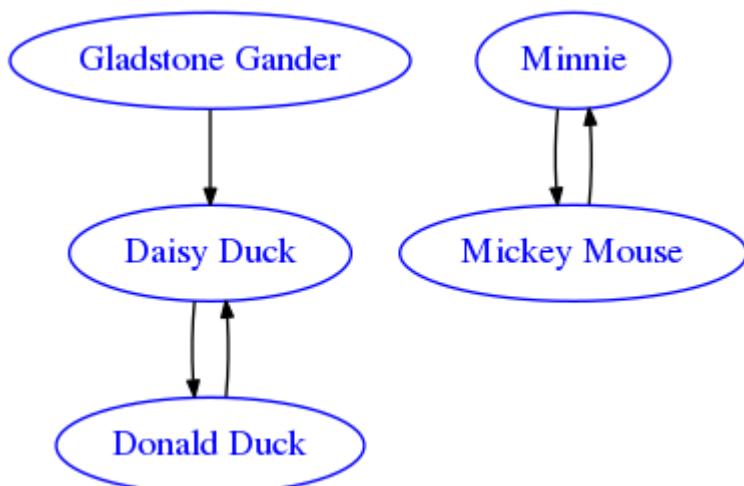
```
draw_adj({  
    'Donald Duck' : ['Daisy Duck'],  
    'Daisy Duck' : ['Donald Duck'],  
    'Mickey Mouse' : ['Minnie'],  
    'Minnie' : ['Mickey Mouse']  
})
```



But what about this one? Donald Duck is not the only duck in town and sometimes a contender shows up: Gladstone Gander<sup>315</sup> (Gastone in Italian) also would like the attention of Daisy ( never mind in some comics he actually gets it when Donald Duck messes up big time):

```
[8]: from soft import draw_adj
```

```
draw_adj({  
    'Donald Duck' : ['Daisy Duck'],  
    'Daisy Duck' : ['Donald Duck'],  
    'Mickey Mouse' : ['Minnie'],  
    'Minnie' : ['Mickey Mouse'],  
    'Gladstone Gander' : ['Daisy Duck']  
})
```



<sup>315</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gladstone\\_Gander](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gladstone_Gander)

### Exercise - is\_symmetric\_mat

⊕⊕ Implement an automated procedure to check whether or not a graph is symmetrical, which given a matrix as a list of lists that RETURN True if nxn boolean matrix mat as list of lists is symmetric, False otherwise.

- A graph is symmetric when for all nodes, if a node A links to another node B, there is also a link from node B to A.

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[9]:

```
def is_symmetric_mat(mat):

    n = len(mat)
    for i in range(n):
        for j in range(n):
            if mat[i][j] and not mat[j][i]:
                return False
    return True

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False] ]) == True      # m1
assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True] ]) == True       # m2

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, False],
                        [False, False] ]) == True     # m3

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True, True],
                        [True, True] ]) == True     # m4

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True, True],
                        [False, True] ]) == False    # m5

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True, False],
                        [True, True] ]) == False    # m6

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True, True],
                        [True, False] ]) == True     # m7

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, True],
                        [True, True] ]) == True     # m8

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, True],
                        [True, False] ]) == True     # m9

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, False],
                        [True, False] ]) == False    # m10

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, True, True],
                        [True, False, False],
                        [True, True, True] ]) == False   # m11

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, True, True],
                        [True, False, True],
                        [True, True, True] ]) == True    # m12
```

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```
[9]:
```

```
def is_symmetric_mat(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False] ]) == True    # m1
assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True] ]) == True     # m2

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, False],
                         [False, False] ]) == True   # m3

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True, True],
                         [True, True] ]) == True   # m4

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True, True],
                         [False, True] ]) == False  # m5

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True, False],
                         [True, True] ]) == False  # m6

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [True, True],
                         [True, False] ]) == True   # m7

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, True],
                         [True, True] ]) == True   # m8

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, True],
                         [True, False] ]) == True   # m9

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, False],
                         [True, False] ]) == False  # m10

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, True, True],
                         [True, False, False],
                         [True, True, True] ]) == False  # m11

assert is_symmetric_mat([ [False, True, True],
                         [True, False, True],
                         [True, True, True] ]) == True   # m12
```

### Exercise - is\_symmetric\_adj

⊕⊕ Now implement the same as before but for a dictionary of adjacency lists:

RETURN `True` if given dictionary of adjacency lists is symmetric, `False` otherwise.

- Assume all the nodes are represented in the keys.
- A graph is symmetric when for all nodes, if a node A links to another node B, there is also a link from node B to A.

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```
[10]:
```

```
def is_symmetric_adj(d):

    for k in d:
```

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```

for v in d[k]:
    if not k in d[v]:
        return False
return True

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a':[] }) == True    # d1
assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a':['a'] }) == True    # d2

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : [],
                          'b' : []
                      }) == True    # d3

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['a','b'],
                          'b' : ['a','b']
                      }) == True    # d4

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['a','b'],
                          'b' : ['b']
                      }) == False   # d5

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['a'],
                          'b' : ['a','b']
                      }) == False   # d6

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['a','b'],
                          'b' : ['a']
                      }) == True    # d7

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['b'],
                          'b' : ['a','b']
                      }) == True    # d8

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['b'],
                          'b' : ['a']
                      }) == True    # d9

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : [],
                          'b' : ['a']
                      }) == False   # d10

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['b', 'c'],
                          'b' : ['a'],
                          'c' : ['a','b','c']
                      }) == False   # d11

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['b', 'c'],
                          'b' : ['a','c'],
                          'c' : ['a','b','c']
                      }) == True    # d12

```

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[10]:

```

def is_symmetric_adj(d):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

```

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```

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a':[] }) == True    # d1
assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a':['a'] }) == True    # d2

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : [],
                           'b' : []
                         }) == True    # d3

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['a','b'],
                           'b' : ['a','b']
                         }) == True    # d4

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['a','b'],
                           'b' : ['b']
                         }) == False   # d5

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['a'],
                           'b' : ['a','b']
                         }) == False   # d6

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['a','b'],
                           'b' : ['a']
                         }) == True    # d7

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['b'],
                           'b' : ['a','b']
                         }) == True    # d8

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['b'],
                           'b' : ['a']
                         }) == True    # d9

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : [],
                           'b' : ['a']
                         }) == False   # d10

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['b', 'c'],
                           'b' : ['a'],
                           'c' : ['a','b','c']
                         }) == False   # d11

assert is_symmetric_adj({ 'a' : ['b', 'c'],
                           'b' : ['a','c'],
                           'c' : ['a','b','c']
                         }) == True    # d12

```

## 8.4.5 Surjective relations

If we consider a graph as a nxn binary relation where the domain is the same as the codomain, such relation is called *surjective* if every node is reached by *at least* one edge.

For example, G1 here is surjective, because there is at least one edge reaching into each node (self-loops as in 0 node also count as incoming edges)

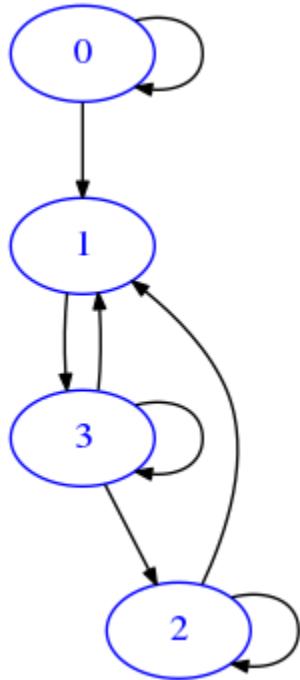
```
[11]: G1 = [
          [True, True, False, False],
```

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```
[False, False, False, True],
[False, True, True, False],
[False, True, True, True],  
]
```

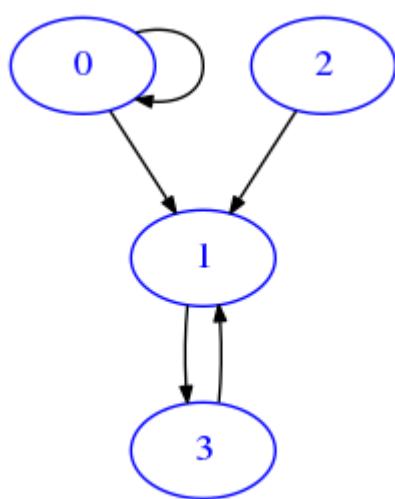
[12]: draw\_mat(G1)



G2 down here instead does not represent a surjective relation, as there is *at least* one node ( 2 in our case) which does not have any incoming edge:

[13]: G2 = [  
 [True, True, False, False],  
 [False, False, False, True],  
 [False, True, False, False],  
 [False, True, False, False],  
 ]

[14]: draw\_mat(G2)



### Exercise - surjective

⊗⊗ RETURN True if provided graph mat as list of boolean lists is an nxn surjective binary relation, otherwise return False

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```
[15]: def surjective(mat):
    n = len(mat)
    c = 0      # number of incoming edges found
    for j in range(len(mat)):          # go column by column
        for i in range(len(mat)):      # go row by row
            if mat[i][j]:
                c += 1
                break      # as you find first incoming edge, increment c and stop
    ↵search for that column
    return c == n

m1 = [ [False] ]
assert surjective(m1) == False

m2 = [ [True] ]
assert surjective(m2) == True

m3 = [ [True, False],
       [False, False] ]
assert surjective(m3) == False
```

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```

m4 = [ [False, True],
       [False, False] ]

assert surjective(m4) == False

m5 = [ [False, False],
       [True, False] ]

assert surjective(m5) == False

m6 = [ [False, False],
       [False, True] ]

assert surjective(m6) == False

m7 = [ [True, False],
       [True, False] ]

assert surjective(m7) == False

m8 = [ [True, False],
       [False, True] ]

assert surjective(m8) == True

m9 = [ [True, True],
       [False, True] ]

assert surjective(m9) == True

m10 = [ [True, True, False, False],
         [False, False, False, True],
         [False, True, False, False],
         [False, True, False, False] ]
assert surjective(m10) == False

m11 = [ [True, True, False, False],
         [False, False, False, True],
         [False, True, True, False],
         [False, True, True, True] ]
assert surjective(m11) == True

```

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```
[15]: def surjective(mat):
    raise Exception('TODO IMPLEMENT ME !')

m1 = [ [False] ]

assert surjective(m1) == False
```

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```
m2 = [ [True] ]  
  
assert surjective(m2) == True  
  
m3 = [ [True, False],  
       [False, False] ]  
  
assert surjective(m3) == False  
  
m4 = [ [False, True],  
       [False, False] ]  
  
assert surjective(m4) == False  
  
m5 = [ [False, False],  
       [True, False] ]  
  
assert surjective(m5) == False  
  
m6 = [ [False, False],  
       [False, True] ]  
  
assert surjective(m6) == False  
  
m7 = [ [True, False],  
       [True, False] ]  
  
assert surjective(m7) == False  
  
m8 = [ [True, False],  
       [False, True] ]  
  
assert surjective(m8) == True  
  
m9 = [ [True, True],  
       [False, True] ]  
  
assert surjective(m9) == True  
  
m10 = [ [True, True, False, False],  
        [False, False, False, True],  
        [False, True, False, False],  
        [False, True, False, False] ]  
assert surjective(m10) == False  
  
m11 = [ [True, True, False, False],  
        [False, False, False, True],  
        [False, True, True, False],  
        [False, True, True, True] ]  
assert surjective(m11) == True
```

### 8.4.6 Further resources

- Rule based design<sup>316</sup> by Lex Wedemeijer, Stef Joosten, Jaap van der woude: a very readable text on how to represent information using only binary relations with boolean matrices. This a theoretical book with no python exercise so it is not a mandatory read, it only gives context and practical applications for some of the material on graphs presented during the course

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<sup>316</sup> [https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Stef\\_Joosten/publication/327022933\\_Rule\\_Based\\_Design/links/5b7321be45851546c903234a/Rule-Based-Design.pdf](https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Stef_Joosten/publication/327022933_Rule_Based_Design/links/5b7321be45851546c903234a/Rule-Based-Design.pdf)



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**C - APPLICATIONS**

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**D - PROJECTS**



## E - APPENDIX

### 11.1 Commandments

The Supreme Committee for the Doctrine of Coding has ruled important Commandments you shall follow.  
If you accept their wise words, you shall become a true Python Jedi.

**WARNING:** if you don't follow the Commandments, you will end up in *Debugging Hell* !

#### 11.1.1 I COMMANDMENT

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##### You shall write Python code

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Who does not writes Python code, does not learn Python

#### 11.1.2 II COMMANDMENT

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##### Whenever you insert a variable in a `for` cycle, such variables must be new

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If you defined the variable before, you shall not reintroduce it in a `for`, because doing so might bring confusion in the minds of the readers.

So avoid such sins:

```
[1]: i = 7
for i in range(3): # sin, you lose variable i
    print(i)

print(i) # prints 2 and not 7 !!
```

```
[2]: for i in range(2):

    for i in range(5): # debugging hell, you lose the i of external cycle
        print(i)

    print(i) # prints 4 !!
```

```
[3]: def f(i):
    for i in range(3): # sin, you lose parameter i
        print(i)

    print(i) # prints 2, not the 7 we passed!

f(7)
0
1
2
2
```

### 11.1.3 III COMMANDMENT

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#### You shall never ever reassign function parameters

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Never perform any of these assignments, as you risk losing the parameter passed during function call:

```
[4]: def sin(my_int):
    my_int = 666           # you lost the 5 passed from external call!
    print(my_int)          # prints 666

x = 5
sin(x)
666
```

Same reasoning can be applied to all other types:

```
[5]: def evil(my_string):
    my_string = "666"
```

```
[6]: def disgrace(my_list):
    my_list = [666]
```

```
[7]: def delirium(my_dict):
    my_dict = {"evil":666}
```

For the sole case when you have composite parameters like lists or dictionaries, you can write like below IF AND ONLY IF the function description requires to MODIFY the internal elements of the parameter (like for example sorting a list in-place or changing the field of a dictionary).

```
[8]: # MODIFY my_list in some way
def allowed(my_list):
    my_list[2] = 9

outside = [8,5,7]
allowed(outside)
print(outside)
[8, 5, 9]
```

On the other hand, if the function requires to RETURN a NEW object, you shall not fall into the temptation of modifying the input:

```
[9]: # RETURN a NEW sorted list
def pain(my_list):
    my_list.sort()      # BAD, you are modifying the input list instead of creating a
    ↪new one!
    return my_list

[10]: # RETURN a NEW list
def crisis(my_list):
    my_list[0] = 5      # BAD, as above
    return my_list

[11]: # RETURN a NEW dictionary
def torment(my_dict):
    my_dict['a'] = 6    # BAD, you are modifying the input dictionary instead of
    ↪creating a new one!
    return my_dict

[12]: # RETURN a NEW class instance
def desperation(my_instance):
    my_instance.my_field = 6  # BAD, you are modifying the input object
    ↪           instead of creating a new one!
    return istanza_di_classe
```

## 11.1.4 IV COMMANDMENT

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**You shall never ever reassign values to function calls or methods**

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*WRONG:*

```
my_function() = 666
my_function() = 'evil'
my_function() = [666]
```

*CORRECT:*

```
x = 5
y = my_fun()
z = []
z[0] = 7
d = dict()
d["a"] = 6
```

Function calls like `my_function()` return calculations results and store them in a box in memory which is only created for the purposes of the call, and Python will not allow us to reuse it like it were a variable.

Whenever you see `name()` in the left part, it *cannot* be followed by the equality sign `=` (but it can be followed by two equals sign `==` if you are doing a comparison).

## 11.1.5 V COMMANDMENT

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### You shall never ever redefine system functions

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Python has several system defined functions. For example `list` is a Python type: as such, you can use it for example as a function to convert some type to a list:

```
[13]: list("ciao")  
[13]: ['c', 'i', 'a', 'o']
```

When you allow the forces of evil to take the best of you, you might be tempted to use reserved words like `list` as a variable for your own miserable purposes:

```
[14]: list = ['my', 'pitiful', 'list']
```

Python allows you to do so, but we do **not**, for the consequences are disastrous.

For example, if you now attempt to use `list` for its intended purpose like casting to list, it won't work anymore:

```
list("ciao")  
  
-----  
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-4-c63add832213> in <module>()  
----> 1 list("ciao")  
  
TypeError: 'list' object is not callable
```

In particular, we recommend to **not redefine** these precious functions:

- `bool, int, float, tuple, str, list, set, dict`
- `max, min, sum`
- `next, iter`
- `id, dir, vars, help`

## 11.1.6 VI COMMANDMENT

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### You shall use `return` command only if you see written RETURN in function description!

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If there is no `return` in function description, the function is intended to return `None`. In this case you don't even need to write `return None`, as Python will do it implicitly for you.

## 11.1.7 VII COMMANDMENT

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**You shall also write on paper!**

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If staring at the monitor doesn't work, help yourself and draw a representation of the state of the program. Tables, nodes, arrows, all can help figuring out a solution for the problem.

## 11.1.8 VIII COMMANDMENT

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**You shall never ever reassing `self` !**

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Never write horrors such as this:

```
[15]: class MyClass:
        def my_method(self):
            self = {'my_field':666}      # SIN
```

Since `self` is a kind of a dictionary, you might be tempted to write like above, but to external world it will bring no effect.

For example, let's suppose somebody from outside makes a call like this:

```
[16]: mc = MyClass()
mc.my_method()
```

After the call `mc` will not point to `{'my_field':666}`

```
[17]: mc
<__main__.MyClass at 0x7f90c817e3d0>
```

and will not have `my_field`:

```
mc.my_field
-----
AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-26-5c4e6630908d> in <module>()
----> 1 mc.my_field

AttributeError: 'MyClass' object has no attribute 'my_field'
```

Following the same reasoning, you shall never reassing `self` to lists or others things:

```
[18]: class MyClass:
        def my_method(self):
            self = ['evil']      # YET ANOTHER SIN
            self = 666          # NO NO NO
```

## 11.1.9 IX COMMANDMENT

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### You shall test!

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Untested code *does not work* by definition. For ideas on how to test it, have a look at [Errors and testing](#)<sup>317</sup>

## 11.1.10 X COMMANDMENT

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### You shall never ever add nor remove elements from a sequence you are iterating with a `for`!

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Falling into such temptations **would produce totally unpredictable behaviours** (do you know the expression *pulling the rug out from under your feet* ? )

**Do not add**, because you risk walking on a tapis roulant that never turns off:

```
my_list = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']
for el in my_list:
    my_list.append(el)    # YOU ARE CLOGGING COMPUTER MEMORY
```

**Do not remove**, because you risk corrupting the natural order of things:

```
[19]: my_list = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']

for el in my_list:
    my_list.remove(el)    # VERY BAD IDEA
```

Look at the code. You think we removed everything, uh?

```
[20]: my_list
```

```
[20]: ['b', 'd']
```

○○○ Do not even try to make sense of such sorcery - nobody can, because it is related to Python internal implementation.

Our version of Python gives this absurd result, yours may give another. Same applies for iteration on sets and dictionaries. **You are warned.**

**If you really need to remove stuff from the sequence you are iterating on**, use a `while` cycle<sup>318</sup> or first make a copy of the original sequence.

```
[ ]:
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<sup>317</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/errors-and-testing/errors-and-testing-sol.ipynb>

<sup>318</sup> <https://en.softpython.org/control-flow/flow3-while-sol.html>

## 11.2 Changelog

SoftPython English

<https://en.softpython.org>

## 11.3 Revisions

### 11.3.1 July 2020

Under construction

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## 11.4 References

### 11.4.1 Foundations of Python Programming

Runestone Academy FOPP<sup>319</sup> is a practical free online book with many projects and related ‘hands on’ theory, definitely recommended!

Note on graphics: to make activities more interesting, the book often asks to visualize data with the following libraries:

- `turtle` is a Python module which was designed really only for didactical purposes. While fun, you will most probably want to try doing the same exercises using a more ‘serious’ library like `matplotlib`
- `cimage`: this is a simple image manipulation library, made mostly for didactical purposes: you might want to try `numpy` and `matplotlib` instead
- `altair` is a ‘pro’ library for cool interactive visualizations: we don’t treat `altair` in this book, you can try it or stick with the good old `matplotlib`

### 11.4.2 W3Resources website

Contains many simple exercises on Python basics, do them!

- Basic<sup>320</sup>, Basic2<sup>321</sup>, String<sup>322</sup>, List<sup>323</sup>, Dictionary<sup>324</sup>, Tuple<sup>325</sup>, Sets<sup>326</sup>, Condition Statements and Loops<sup>327</sup>, Functions<sup>328</sup>, Lambda<sup>329</sup>, CSV Read Write<sup>330</sup>

<sup>319</sup> <https://runestone.academy/runestone/books/published/fopp/index.html>

<sup>320</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/>

<sup>321</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/basic/>

<sup>322</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/string/>

<sup>323</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/list/>

<sup>324</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/dictionary/>

<sup>325</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/tuple/>

<sup>326</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/sets/>

<sup>327</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/python-conditional-statements-and-loop-exercises.php>

<sup>328</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/python-functions-exercises.php>

<sup>329</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/lambda/index.php>

<sup>330</sup> <https://www.w3resource.com/python-exercises/csv/index.php>

### 11.4.3 Software Carpentry

Software Carpentry<sup>331</sup> is a website full of free educational resources, there is definitely a lot of good stuff to discover. We highlight these exercises (in tutorial format):

- Programming with Python<sup>332</sup>: Nice tutorial with many exercises about processing a csv with topics: python basics, numpy, csv
- Plotting and programming with Python<sup>333</sup> More advanced, uses pandas

You may find other stuff in Community Developed Lessons for Jupyter<sup>334</sup> and Python<sup>335</sup>

### 11.4.4 Edabit

Contains many python exercises<sup>336</sup> with solutions. Here we put a small selection, for others you may look at ‘Very hard’ level, they are not so hard after all.

#### Edabit - Basics

- Calculated Bonus<sup>337</sup>

#### Edabit - Strings

- First Before Second Letter<sup>338</sup>
- Wrap Around<sup>339</sup>
- C\*ns\*r\*d Str\*ngs<sup>340</sup>
- Valid Rondo Form<sup>341</sup>
- Parenthesis Clusters<sup>342</sup>
- Count Missing Numbers<sup>343</sup>
- Math Making<sup>344</sup>
- To Adjust the Time<sup>345</sup>

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<sup>331</sup> <https://software-carpentry.org/lessons/>

<sup>332</sup> <https://swcarpentry.github.io/python-novice-inflammation/>

<sup>333</sup> <https://swcarpentry.github.io/python-novice-gapminder/>

<sup>334</sup> <https://carpentries.org/community-lessons/#jupyter-notebook>

<sup>335</sup> <https://carpentries.org/community-lessons/#python>

<sup>336</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenges/python3>

<sup>337</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/ksiA6Q34iXgTcMeZF>

<sup>338</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/D6XfxhRobdQvbKX4v>

<sup>339</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/Q9EkExy6BYLnqBCQB>

<sup>340</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/ehyZvt6AJF4rKFfXT>

<sup>341</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/stXWY2iufNhBo9sTW>

<sup>342</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/Fpymv2HieqEd7ptAq>

<sup>343</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/vBwRuR4mF5yQ4eNuc>

<sup>344</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/3r7z6pkGnd4u7eZAd>

<sup>345</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/YsD3af7LgaH6JRSCH>

## Edabit - Lists

- Combined Consecutive Sequence<sup>346</sup>
- Prison break<sup>347</sup>
- Water Balloon<sup>348</sup>
- Fulcrum<sup>349</sup>
- Beginning and End Pairs<sup>350</sup>
- Sort by the Letters<sup>351</sup>
- Anonymous Name<sup>352</sup>
- Almost Palindrome<sup>353</sup>
- Number of Two or More Consecutive Ones<sup>354</sup>
- Rearrange the Number<sup>355</sup>

## Edabit - Dictionaries

- How Many Unique Styles?<sup>356</sup>
- People Sort<sup>357</sup>
- Encoded String Parse<sup>358</sup>
- Generating Words from Names<sup>359</sup>

## Edabit - Matrices

- Tallest Skyscraper<sup>360</sup>
- Majority vote<sup>361</sup>
- Make a Box<sup>362</sup>
- Advanced List Sort<sup>363</sup>
- Layers in a Rug<sup>364</sup>, a bit convoluted, but interesting

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<sup>346</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/mHLaMj4vmRuXrT8Nb>

<sup>347</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/SHdu4GwBQehhDm4xT>

<sup>348</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/3y2FmfjhbiQPPYbcn>

<sup>349</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/pn7QpvW2fW9grvYYE>

<sup>350</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/HrCuzAKE6skEYgDmf>

<sup>351</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/LhMkMu46rG8EweYf7>

352 <https://edabit.com/challenge/MKP8QxzDaqYAJ6sZ>353 <https://edabit.com/challenge/APNhiaMCuRSwALN63>354 <https://edabit.com/challenge/u4rHyBDs5RM2PfNxY>355 <https://edabit.com/challenge/jwzAdBnJnBxCe4AXP>356 <https://edabit.com/challenge/AvP94XqJvPjoMk5PT>357 <https://edabit.com/challenge/hDT4TR9JAoQ3BPuCH>358 <https://edabit.com/challenge/7vN8ZRw43yuWNoy3Y>359 <https://edabit.com/challenge/sDvjdcBrbHoXKvDsZ>360 <https://edabit.com/challenge/76ibd8jZxvhAwDskb>361 <https://edabit.com/challenge/pQavNkBbdmvSMmx5x>362 <https://edabit.com/challenge/dy3WWJr34gSGRPLee>363 <https://edabit.com/challenge/6vSZmN66xhMRDX8YT>364 <https://edabit.com/challenge/LaBMjgbMjf5BajczX>

- Leaderbord Sort<sup>365</sup>
- Concert seats<sup>366</sup>
- Word Nests - Part 2<sup>367</sup>
- Tic Tac Toe<sup>368</sup>
- Cleaning Project Files<sup>369</sup>

## 11.4.5 LeetCode

Website with collections of exercises sorted by difficulty and acceptance rate, quite performance-oriented. You can generally try sorting by *Acceptance* and *Easy* filters.

- leetcode.com<sup>370</sup>

We put here a selection.

### LeetCode - Strings

Check string problems<sup>371</sup> sorted by *Acceptance* and *Easy*. In particular:

- Shuffle Strings<sup>372</sup>
- Increasing Decreasing String<sup>373</sup>
- Detect Capital<sup>374</sup>
- Unique email addresses<sup>375</sup>
- Robot return to origin<sup>376</sup>
- String matching in an Array<sup>377</sup>
- Reverse Words in a String III<sup>378</sup>
- Unique Morse codes<sup>379</sup>
- Goat Latin<sup>380</sup>
- Count Binary Substrings<sup>381</sup>

<sup>365</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/ZsBPGxuBsbbHfPSkk>

<sup>366</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/xbjDMxzpFcsAWKp97>

<sup>367</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/ZwmfET5azpvBTWoQT>

<sup>368</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/A8gEGRXqMwRWQJvBf>

<sup>369</sup> <https://edabit.com/challenge/NC888jKPkquSDqaaH>

<sup>370</sup> <https://leetcode.com>

<sup>371</sup> <https://leetcode.com/tag/string/>

<sup>372</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/shuffle-string/>

<sup>373</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/increasing-decreasing-string/>

<sup>374</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/detect-capital/>

<sup>375</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/unique-email-addresses/>

<sup>376</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/robot-return-to-origin/>

<sup>377</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/string-matching-in-an-array/>

<sup>378</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/reverse-words-in-a-string-iii/>

<sup>379</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/unique-morse-code-words/>

<sup>380</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/goat-latin/>

<sup>381</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/count-binary-substrings/>

## LeetCode - Lists

Check array problems<sup>382</sup> sorted by *Acceptance* and *Easy*. In particular:

- Average Salary Excluding the Minimum and Maximum Salary<sup>383</sup>
- Contains Duplicate<sup>384</sup>
- Majority Element<sup>385</sup>
- Maximum Gap<sup>386</sup>
- Can Make Arithmetic Progression From Sequence<sup>387</sup>
- Max consecutive ones<sup>388</sup>
- Missing number<sup>389</sup> - has many possible solutions
- Move Zeros<sup>390</sup>
- K Closest Points to Origin<sup>391</sup> (use lambda functions<sup>392</sup>)
- Rotated Digits<sup>393</sup>
- Filter Restaurants by Vegan-Friendly, Price and Distance<sup>394</sup> (to sort use lambda functions<sup>395</sup>)
- Largest Perimeter Triangle<sup>396</sup> hint: you don't actually need to try many combinations ...
- H-Index<sup>397</sup>
- Sort array by parity 1<sup>398</sup>
- Sort array by parity 2<sup>399</sup>
- Relative sort array<sup>400</sup>
- Insert Intervals<sup>401</sup> (use lambda functions<sup>402</sup>)
- Merge Intervals<sup>403</sup> (use lambda functions<sup>404</sup>)
- Sort colors<sup>405</sup>
- Find all numbers disappeared in an array<sup>406</sup>

<sup>382</sup> <https://leetcode.com/tag/array/>

<sup>383</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/average-salary-excluding-the-minimum-and-maximum-salary/>

<sup>384</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/contains-duplicate/>

<sup>385</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/majority-element/>

<sup>386</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/maximum-gap/>

<sup>387</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/can-make-arithmetic-progression-from-sequence/>

<sup>388</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/max-consecutive-ones/>

<sup>389</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/missing-number/>

<sup>390</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/move-zeroes/>

<sup>391</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/k-closest-points-to-origin/>

<sup>392</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/howto/sorting.html#key-functions>

<sup>393</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/rotated-digits/>

<sup>394</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/filter-restaurants-by-vegan-friendly-price-and-distance/>

<sup>395</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/howto/sorting.html#key-functions>

<sup>396</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/largest-perimeter-triangle/>

<sup>397</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/h-index/>

<sup>398</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/sort-array-by-parity/>

<sup>399</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/sort-array-by-parity-ii/>

<sup>400</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/relative-sort-array/>

<sup>401</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/insert-interval/>

<sup>402</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/howto/sorting.html#key-functions>

<sup>403</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/merge-intervals/>

<sup>404</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/howto/sorting.html#key-functions>

<sup>405</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/sort-colors/>

<sup>406</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/find-all-numbers-disappeared-in-an-array/>

- Degree of an array<sup>407</sup>
- The k Strongest Values in an Array<sup>408</sup> a bit convoluted but doable
- Array partition 1<sup>409</sup> actually a bit hard but makes you think
- Distant Barcodes<sup>410</sup>
- Reorganize String<sup>411</sup> think first when the task is *not* possible, for the rest is like previous one

### LeetCode - Sets and Dictionaries

Check dictionary problems<sup>412</sup> sorted by *Acceptance* and *Easy*.

Note: Keep in mind these problems are in section *dictionaries* for good reason: in order to execute fast they often require you to preprocess the data by indexing in it in some way, like i.e. putting strings in a set or as keys in a dictonary so you can later look them up very fast.

**WARNING:** if you feel the need to use nested cycles, or search methods on lists/strings like `.index`, `.find`, `in` operator, `.count`, `.replace` on strings, try thinking first whether it is really necessary or you might use the above mentioned preprocessing instead.

Check in particular:

- Replace words<sup>413</sup>
- Word break<sup>414</sup>
- Fair candy swap<sup>415</sup>
- Verifying an alien dictionary<sup>416</sup> Note: you can use lambda functions<sup>417</sup>, but it is not strictly necessary
- Least Number of Unique Integers after K Removals<sup>418</sup>
- People Whose List of Favorite Companies Is Not a Subset of Another List<sup>419</sup>

### 11.4.6 LeetCode - Matrices

- Matrix Diagonal Sum<sup>420</sup>
- Cells with odd values in a matrix<sup>421</sup>
- Count negative numbers in Sorted matrix<sup>422</sup>
- Lucky Numbers in a Matrix<sup>423</sup>

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<sup>407</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/degree-of-an-array/>

<sup>408</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/the-k-strongest-values-in-an-array/>

<sup>409</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/array-partition-i/>

<sup>410</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/distant-barcodes/>

<sup>411</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/reorganize-string/>

<sup>412</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problemset/all/?search=dictionaries>

<sup>413</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/replace-words/>

<sup>414</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/word-break/>

<sup>415</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/fair-candy-swap/>

<sup>416</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/verifying-an-alien-dictionary/>

<sup>417</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/howto/sorting.html#key-functions>

<sup>418</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/least-number-of-unique-integers-after-k-removals/>

<sup>419</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/people-whose-list-of-favorite-companies-is-not-a-subset-of-another-list/>

<sup>420</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/matrix-diagonal-sum/>

<sup>421</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/cells-with-odd-values-in-a-matrix/>

<sup>422</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/count-negative-numbers-in-a-sorted-matrix/>

<sup>423</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/lucky-numbers-in-a-matrix/>

- The k-weakest rows in a Matrix<sup>424</sup> (use lambda functions<sup>425</sup>
- Matrix Cells in Distance Order<sup>426</sup>
- Toepliz Matrix<sup>427</sup>
- Special Positions in a Binary Matrix<sup>428</sup>
- Reshape the Matrix<sup>429</sup>
- Kth Smallest Element in a Sorted Matrix<sup>430</sup> - there are many possible optimizations, you can make a first version using `sort` on everything, and then think about improving the algorithm
- Set Matrix Zeroes<sup>431</sup> interesting, try avoiding duplicating the matrix
- Search a 2D Matrix<sup>432</sup>
- Search a 2D Matrix ii<sup>433</sup>
- Spiral Matrix<sup>434</sup>
- Spiral Matrix ii<sup>435</sup>
- Matrix Block Sum<sup>436</sup>
- Sort the Matrix Diagonally<sup>437</sup> not fun, but doable

## Leet code - Graphs

Note: here on softpython we do not put links to exercises about visiting graphs, so for these you do not need stuff like breadth first search, depth first search, etc.

- Find the Town Judge<sup>438</sup>
- Maximal Network Rank<sup>439</sup>

## 11.4.7 HackerRank

Contains many Python 3 exercises on algorithms and data structures (Needs to login)

- [hackerrank.com](https://www.hackerrank.com)<sup>440</sup>

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<sup>424</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/the-k-weakest-rows-in-a-matrix>

<sup>425</sup> <https://docs.python.org/3/howto/sorting.html#key-functions>

<sup>426</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/matrix-cells-in-distance-order/>

<sup>427</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/toeplitz-matrix/>

<sup>428</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/special-positions-in-a-binary-matrix/>

<sup>429</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/reshape-the-matrix/>

<sup>430</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/kth-smallest-element-in-a-sorted-matrix/>

<sup>431</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/set-matrix-zeroes/>

<sup>432</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/search-a-2d-matrix/>

<sup>433</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/search-a-2d-matrix-ii/>

<sup>434</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/spiral-matrix/>

<sup>435</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/spiral-matrix-ii/>

<sup>436</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/matrix-block-sum/>

<sup>437</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/sort-the-matrix-diagonally/>

<sup>438</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/find-the-town-judge/>

<sup>439</sup> <https://leetcode.com/problems/maximal-network-rank/>

<sup>440</sup> <https://www.hackerrank.com>

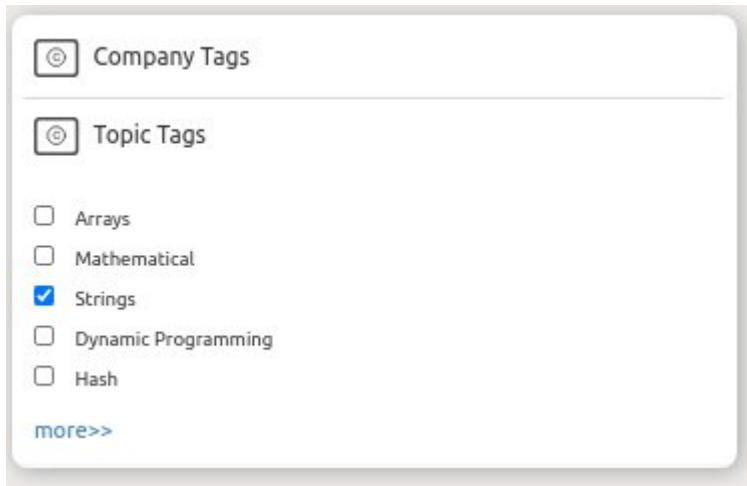
### 11.4.8 Geeks for Geeks

Contains many exercises - doesn't have solutions nor explicit asserts but if you login and submit solutions, the system will run some tests serverside and give you a response.

In general for Part A you can filter difficulty by school+basic+easy and if you need to do part B also include medium.

- Example: Filter difficulty by school+basic+easy and topic String<sup>441</sup>

You can select many more topics if you click **more>>** under Topic Tags:



### 11.4.9 Dive into Python 3

More practical, contains more focused tutorials (i.e. manage XML files)

- online version<sup>442</sup>
- printed<sup>443</sup>
- zip offline<sup>444</sup>
- PDF<sup>445</sup>

Licence: Creative Commons By Share-alike 3.0<sup>446</sup> as reported at the bottom of book website<sup>447</sup>

<sup>441</sup> <https://practice.geeksforgeeks.org/explore/?category%5B%5D=Strings&difficulty%5B%5D=-2&difficulty%5B%5D=-1&difficulty%5B%5D=0&page=1>

<sup>442</sup> <http://www.diveintopython3.net/>

<sup>443</sup> <http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1430224150?ie=UTF8&tag=diveintomark-20&creativeASIN=1430224150>

<sup>444</sup> <https://github.com/diveintomark/diveintopython3/zipball/master>

<sup>445</sup> <https://github.com/downloads/diveintomark/diveintopython3/dive-into-python3.pdf>

<sup>446</sup> <http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>

<sup>447</sup> <http://www.diveintopython3.net/>

### 11.4.10 Introduction to Scientific Programming with Python

Focuses on numerical calculations, you can check first 7 chapters until dictionaries.

By Joakim Sundnes.

- PDF<sup>448</sup> for Python (only theory)
- Exercises<sup>449</sup> – a LOT of stuff, although some exercises are too much into engineering / maths compared to this book
- EXTRA: if you like, it also contains chapters on classes which are certainly useful.

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<sup>448</sup> <https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007%2F978-3-030-50356-7.pdf>

<sup>449</sup> [https://www.uio.no/studier/emner/matnat/ifi/INF1100/h16/ressurser/INF1100\\_exercises\\_5th\\_ed.pdf](https://www.uio.no/studier/emner/matnat/ifi/INF1100/h16/ressurser/INF1100_exercises_5th_ed.pdf)