

# Programming 1

Introduction in  
programming  
Lecture 2

# What we talked about in the last course?

- Course information
  - Class requirements and evaluation
- Basic elements about Python
  - Variables and data types
- Mathematical operations

# What will we discuss today?

- Software development process
- Repetitive structures
  - For, while, break, continue
- Predefined data structures
  - List, tuples, dictionary, set

# Consider the following scenario ...

- You are a computer scientist
- You move to America
- In the morning you listen radio
- Hear the morning news that announce the temperature in Fahrenheit degrees
- PROBLEM! – you cannot convert the Fahrenheit to Celsius degree in order to know how to dress
- SOLUTION! – you think to write a computer program that does the conversion for you

# Write a computer program ....

- What information do I provide to the program?

The temperature in Fahrenheit degrees

- Is there a formula to convert from Fahrenheit to Celsius degrees?

$$C = (F - 32) \cdot 5/9$$

- What should the program respond back?

The temperature in Celsius degrees

... the program ...

```
tempFahrenheit = int ( input ( "Temperature (*F) = "))  
tempCelsius = (tempFahrenheit - 32) * 5/9  
print("Temperature (*C) = ", tempCelsius)
```

# ... the program ...

TEST your program

Celsius	Fahrenheit
0°	32°
5°	41°
10°	50°
15°	59°
20°	68°
25°	77°
30°	86°
35°	95°
40°	104°
45°	113°
50°	122°

# Software Development Process



Computers must be told  
what to do right down to the  
last detail



Problem solving  
Problem subdivision



# Software Development Process - Steps

Analyze the problem

Determine Specifications (also called Requirements)

Design a solution

Implement the Designed solution

Tests/Debug the program

Maintain the program

# Requirements

Describe exactly what your program does

Do not worry how it will be implemented

Clearly identify the available information (input data)

Clearly identify the expected result

# Design

Overall structure

Data Structures

Algorithms

# Implementation

Input/Output  
Console/Files/UI/Web

Programming Language

Code Structure

# Test/Debug

Set of known  
inputs

Set of known  
outputs

Search for the  
mistake



Relays changed  
1100 Started Cosine Tape (Sine check)  
1525 Started Mult + Adder Test.

1545



Relay #70 Panel F  
(moth) in relay.

First actual case of bug being found.  
~~1630~~ 1630 Antangent started.  
1700 closed down.

# Maintain

Determine new features

Design a solution

Implement the Designed solution

Tests/Debug the program

# Temperature converter

## New features

- Program would automatically identify from radio news the temperature value
- Using speech recognition
- Display / Announce you about the temperature





Loops

... how we solve the following ...

- Calculate the following sum

$$S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n i = 1 + 2 + \cdots + n$$

- If  $n=2$ ?
- If  $n=3$ ?
- If  $n = 100$ ?

... how we solve the following ...

- Calculate the following sum

$$S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n i = 1 + 2 + \cdots + n$$

- If we rewrite the formula like

$$S_n = S_{n-1} + n$$

- What about  $S_i$ ?

$$S_i = S_{i-1} + i$$

- Algorithm ?

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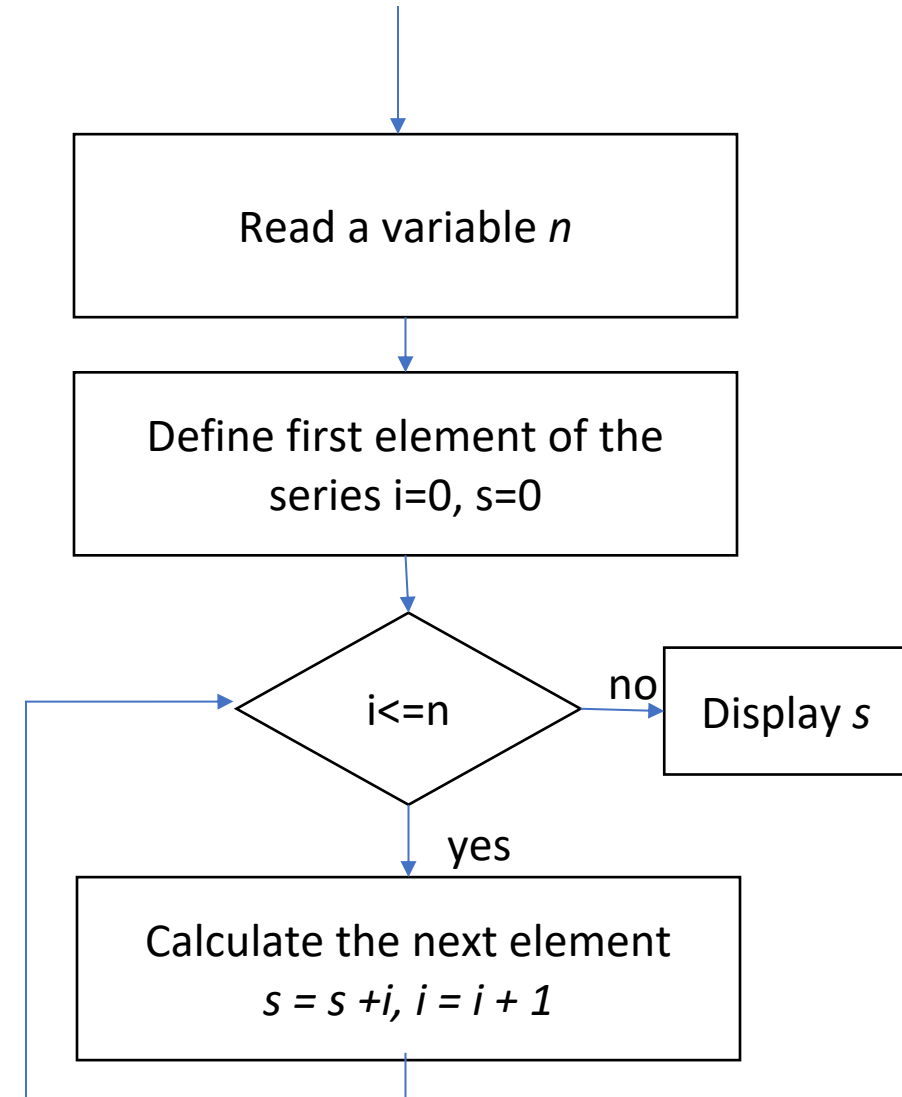
$$S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n i = 0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + n$$

- What about  $S_i$ ?

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- Algorithm ?

- 1) Read a variable  $n$
- 2) Set  $s$  with first element of the series ( $s=0$ ) and set  $i=0$
- 3) if  $i \leq m$  then
  - 4) Calculate next series element  $s = s + i$
  - 5) Increment  $n$  ( $i=i+1$ )
  - 6) Go to step 3)



# Repetitive statements

- In most software, some statements in the program must be repeated several times
- Loop is a control structure that repeats a group of steps in a program
  - Loop body stands for the repeated statements
- The repetitive statements (loops) in Python are **for** and **while**

# Repetitive statements - while

- Syntax

**while** <condition> :

Statement(s)

[**else:**

statement(s)]

- An expression that evaluates to a Boolean value (True, False)

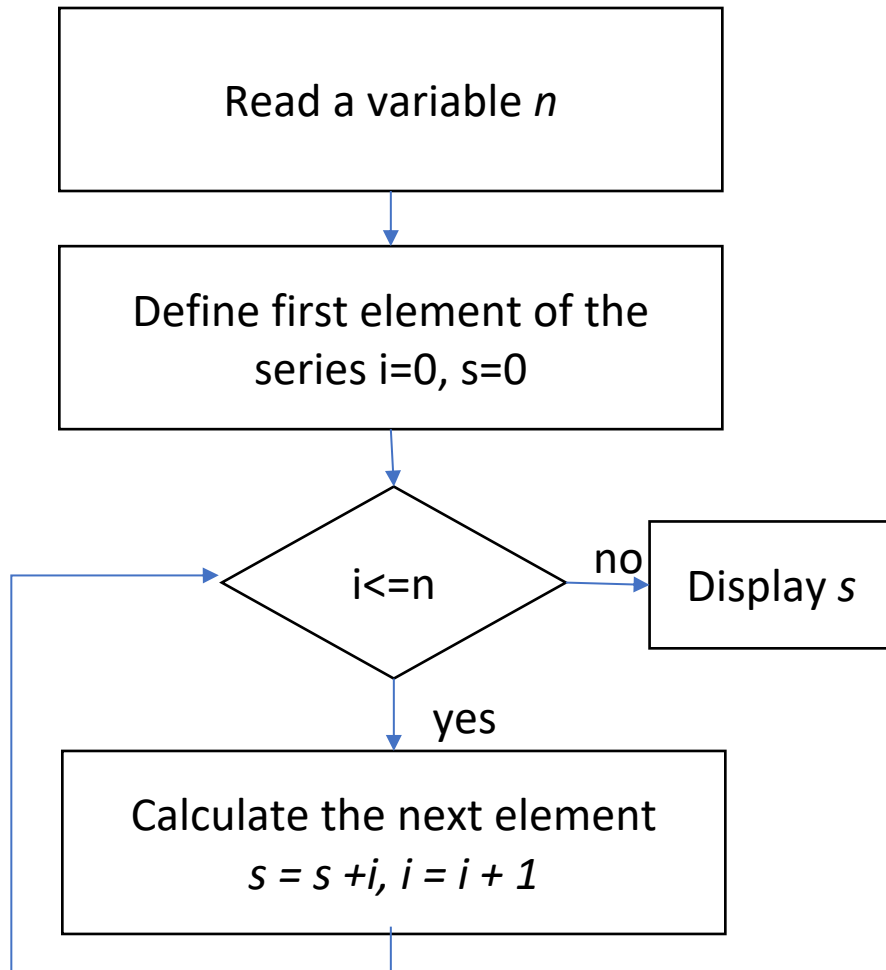
- Loop body, it is executed as long as the <condition> is *True*
- Can be formed from one or more statements
- All statements following to **while** should be at least with one space aligned to right

- Optional clause (can be omitted) specific to Python language that executes when **while** loop finishes

A loop is called infinite loop if its <condition> is always *True*.

# Repetitive statements - while

Calculate  $S_i = S_{i-1} + i$



Translated to Python programming language

```
n = int(input("n="))
```

```
s = 0
```

```
i = 0
```

```
while i <= n:
```

```
    s = s + i
```

```
    i = i + 1
```

```
else:
```

```
    print("S=", s)
```

# Repetitive statements - while

- More examples
  - A la russe multiplication
    - Multiply two numbers  $x$  and  $y$  using the following algorithm:
      - Write  $x$  and  $y$  on the same line
      - Divide  $x$  with 2 and write the quotient under  $x$
      - Multiply  $y$  with 2 and write the result under  $y$
      - Continue while  $x$  is different from 1
      - The  $n*m$  multiplication result is the sum of values from  $y$  column that correspond to odd numbers on  $x$  column

Example

<b>X = 13</b>	<b>Y = 25</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>25</b>
6	50
<b>3</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>200</b>

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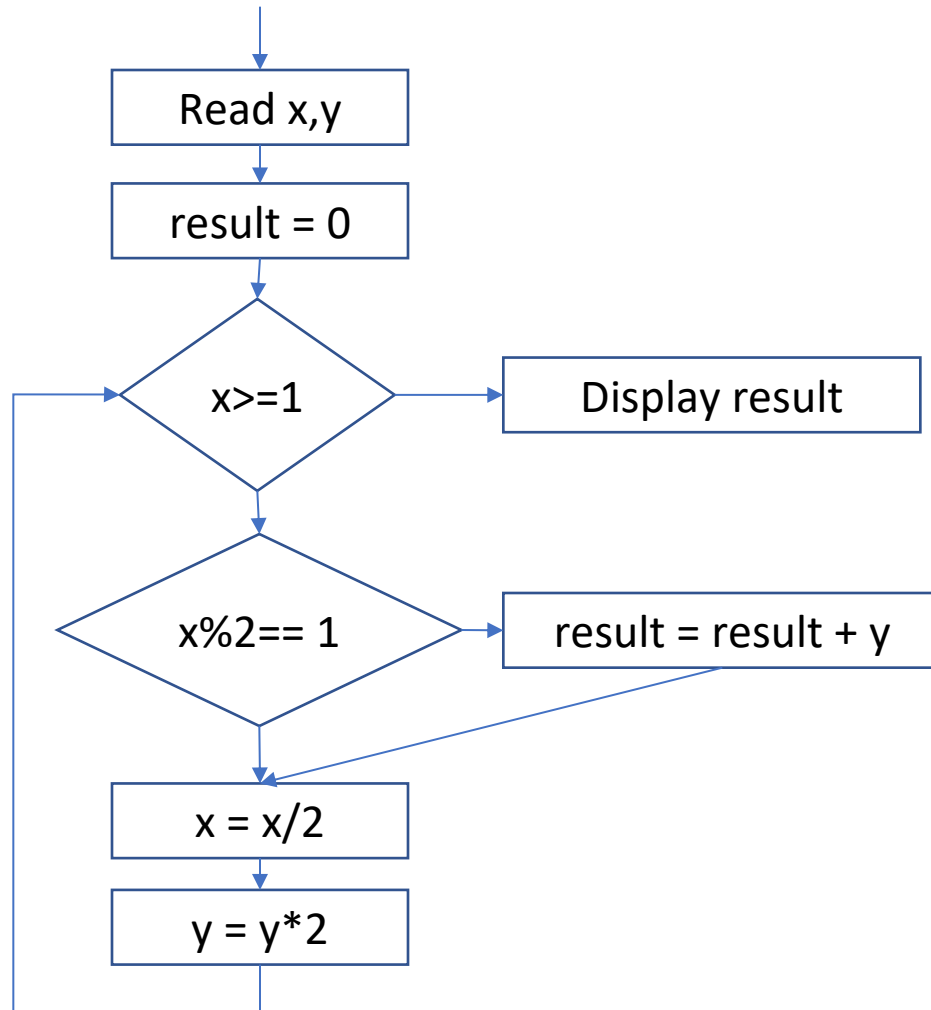
*Step3:  $x$  becomes  $x/2$*

*Step4:  $y$  becomes  $y*2$*

*Step5: if  $x$  not equal with 1 go to Step2;  
otherwise  $result = result + y$*

*Step6: display the result*

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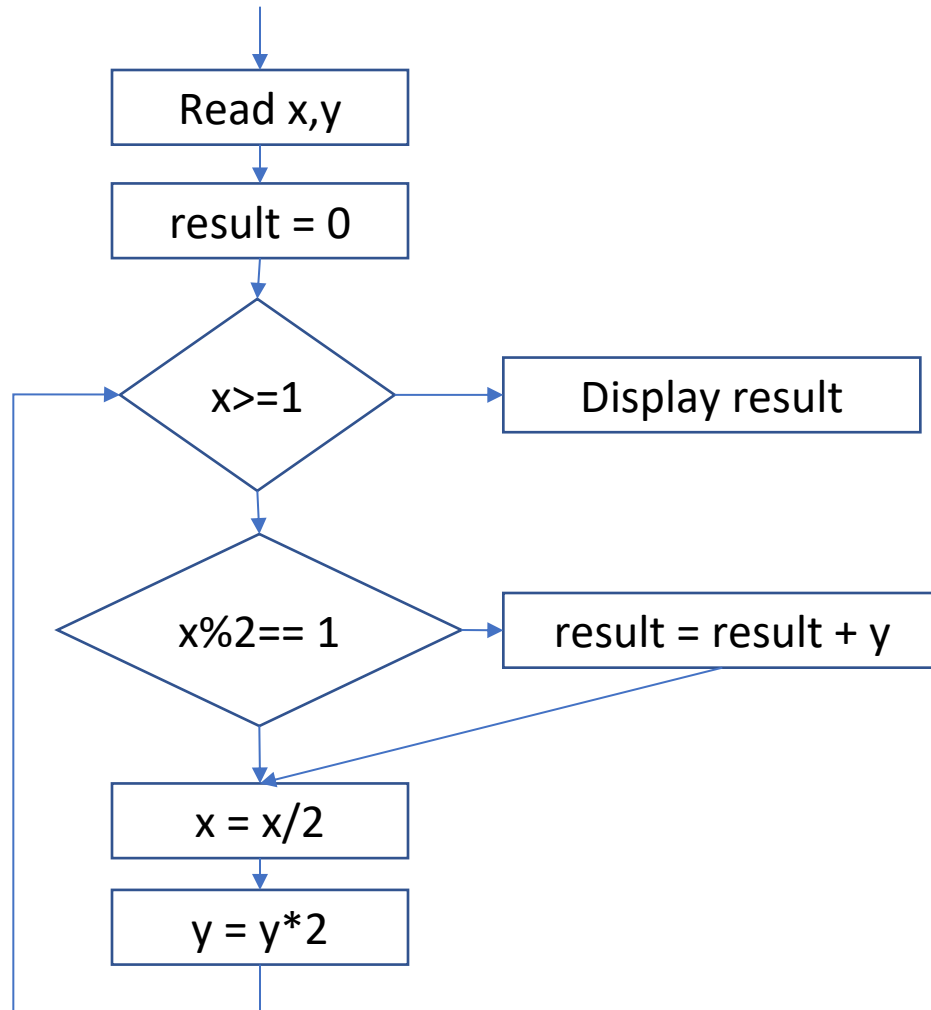
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```
x = int(input("x="))
y = int(input("y="))
result = 0
while x >= 1:
    if x % 2 == 1:
        result = result + y
    x = x // 2
    y = y * 2
print('x*y=', result)
```

# Repetitive statements - while

- Use to get input from users

```
r=int(input("Response correct at the following? (3+4-2)"))  
while r != 5:  
    r=int(input("Response correct at the following? (3+4-2)"))
```

- Used to count something

```
i=0 # initialize e value  
while i < 5:  
    print(i)  
    i += 1 #modify the value
```

# Repetitive statements - for

- For statements behave differently in Python from other programming languages as C, C++, Java, Pascal
  - It iterates on lists
  - Does not use expressions to iterate

=>

First discuss briefly about lists in Python

# Data Structures

- Lists
- Sets
- Tuples
- Dictionaries

# Lists

- What is a list?
  - a **sequence** of objects
  - **ordered** data structure
- Example
  - [1, 2, -3, 5, 7]
  - ['abc', 'efg', 'hij']
  - []
  - lst = [3, 5, 8]

# Generating lists of numbers

- Range function
  - Syntax
    - `range([start,] stop [, step])`
  - Generates a range of numeric values in interval *[start, stop)* with *step* frequency
- Example
  - `range(5) → [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]`
  - `range(2,5) → [2, 3, 4]`
  - `range(0,5,2) → [0, 2, 4]`
  - `range(10, 0, -2) → [10, 8, 6, 4, 2]`



# Back to repetitive statements - for

- For iterates over a sequence (list) of values

- Syntax

```
for <variable> in <sequence>:  
    statement(s)
```

- Example

- Display the content of a list using for statement

```
lst = [1, 3, 5, 7]  
for el in iterable_object:  
    print (el)
```

# Back to repetitive statements - for

Rewrite using for

`i=0` # initialize the value

`while i < 5:`

`print(i)`

`i += 1` #modify the value

USING FOR

`for i in range(5):`

`print (i)`

In Python:

Not all you write with **while** can be written with **for**.

# Break repetitive statements

- Sometime repetitive statements have to be break
- Break statements
  - Break
    - Interrupt a cycle
  - Continue
    - Skip some of cycle body statements

# Break Statement

- A loop control statement which is used to terminate the loop.
- As soon as the break statement is encountered
  - The loop iterations stops
  - The control returns from the loop immediately to the first statement after the loop.

- Example
  - Simulate a two dices throwing, stop when 7 is thrown

```
from random import random
while True:
    dice1 = 1 + int(random()*6)
    dice2 = 1 + int(random()*6)
    print ("dice1=", dice1, "dice2=", dice2)
    if dice1+dice2 == 7:
        break
```

# Continue statement

- skip the remaining statements of the body
  - The next iteration is immediately executed

- Example

- Calculate the sum and product of even numbers of a list

```
l = [23, 45, 66, 77, 98]
```

```
s = 0
```

```
p = 1
```

```
for el in l:
```

```
    if el % 2 == 1:
```

```
        continue
```

```
    s += el
```

```
    p *= el
```

```
print("S=", s)
```

```
print("P=", p)
```

# Nested loops

- As conditional statements can be nested loops can also be
- How to draw the following figure?

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- Solution

```
n = int(input("n="))  
for i in range(n):  
    for j in range(n):  
        print('*', end='')  
    print()
```

# Data Structures Again ....

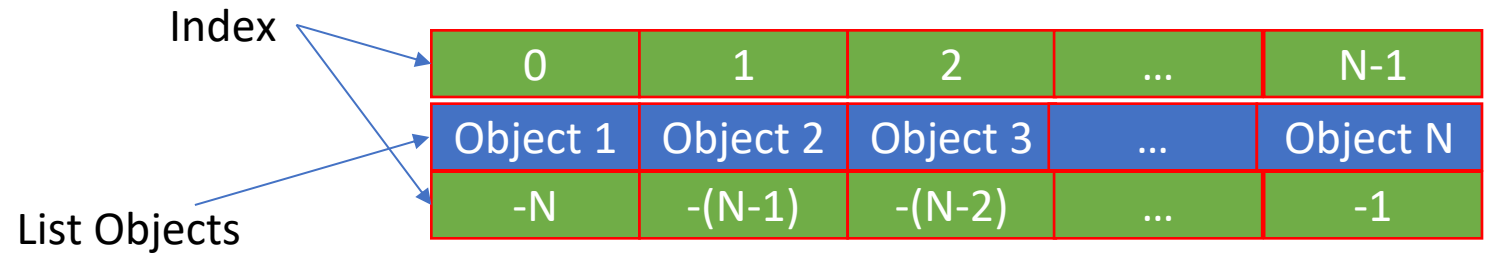
- The Python language supports native the following data structures
  - Lists
  - Sets
  - Tuples
  - Dictionaries

# Lists

- What is a list?
  - a sequence of objects
  - it represents an ordered sequence of data
  - Is a mutable object

- Example

- [1, 2, -3, 5, 7]
- L1 = ['abc', 'efg', 'hij']
- []
- lst = [3, 5, 8]



Python lists are internally represented as arrays.



# More about lists

- List are specified using []
- List elements
  - usually homogeneous (ie, all integers)
  - can contain mixed types (not common)
- List elements can be referred by index
  - First index is 0
  - Last index is the length of the list -1

# List operations

lst = ["aa", 3, "bb", [1, 2]]

- Finding the number of elements of a list

- len(lst) → 4

- Accessing an element from a list

- lst[3] → [1, 2]

- Modifying an element of a list

- lst[3] = "asd" → ["aa", 3, "bb", "asd"]

- Adding elements to list

- lst.append("zzz") → ["aa", 3, "bb", [1, 2], "zzz"]

- lst.insert(2, "cc") → ["aa", 3, "cc", "bb", [1, 2]]

- Removing elements from a list

- lst.pop() → ["aa", 3, "bb"]

- lst.remove(3) → ["aa", "bb", [1, 2]]

- del(lst[2]) → ["aa", 3, [1, 2]]

# List operations

- Slicing
  - Extracting sublists from list
- Example
  - `L = [8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15]`
  - `L[3:5] → [11, 12]`
  - `L[:3] → [8, 9, 10]`
  - `L[5:] → [13, 14, 15]`
  - `L[0:6:2] → [8, 10, 12]`

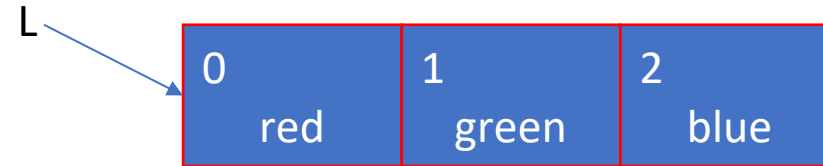
# List operations

- Sorting

- `sort()`
- `sorted()`

- Example

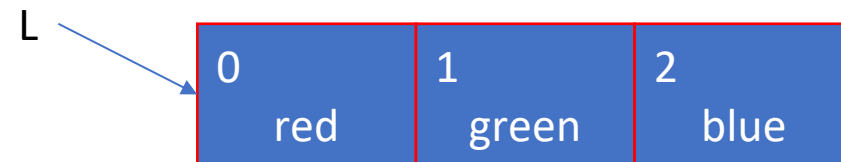
- `L = ["red", "green", "blue"]`



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- `L.sort() -> ["blue", "green", "red"]`  
`print(L)`



- 
- `print(sorted(L))`  
`print(L)`



A new list is returned by `sorted()` function that contains the sorted list

# Tuples

**Immutable** - cannot change an element value

- What are tuples?
  - Are sequence of ordered and **immutable** objects
- Represented with parentheses
- Example
  - `T = ()` #empty tuple
  - `T = ( "Programming I", "S1", 6)`
  - `T[1]` -> accessing value "S1"
  - `len(T)` -> evaluate to 3
  - `( "Programming I", "S1", 6) + (3, 4)` -> `( "Programming I", "S1", 6, 3, 4)`
  - `T[1:3]` -> evaluates to `('S1', 6)`
  - `T[1:2]` -> evaluates to `('S1', )`

 The comma is added to make the object a tuple

# Tuple useful for ...

- Swapping variables

```
X=Y
```

```
Y=X
```

NOT OK

```
aux=X
```

```
X=Y
```

```
Y=aux
```

OK

```
(X, Y) = (Y, X)
```

OK

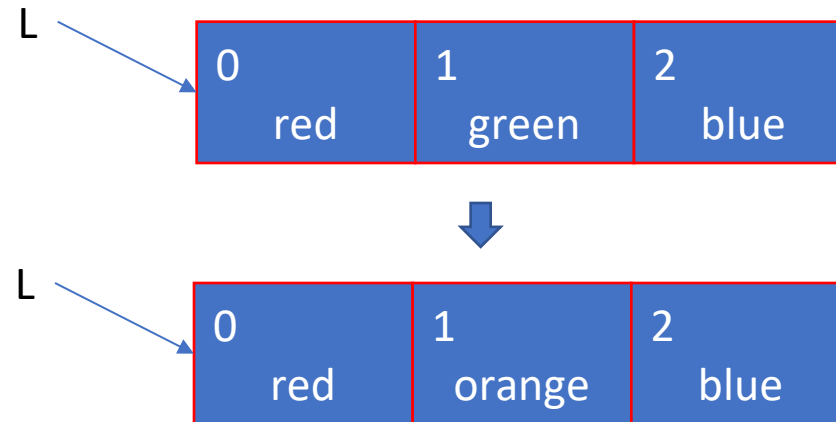
- Returning multiple values from a function
  - A function return a single value
  - Tuples allow to return multiple values

# Tuple - Immutable

- Immutable
  - cannot change an element value
- Example
  - T = ( "Programming I", "S1", 6)
  - T[1] = "S2" -> **ERROR**

# List - Mutable

- Lists are mutable
  - Values of the stored elements can be changed
- Example
  - `L = ["red", "green", "blue"]`
  - `L[1] = "orange"`





# List - Mutable

- Lists are mutable
- Behave differently than immutable types
- Is an object in memory
- Variable name points to object
- Any variable pointing to that object is affected
- Key phrase to keep in mind when working with lists is side effects

**MUTATION, ALIASING, CLONING**

# Aliases

```
a=1  
b=a  
b=2  
print(a)  
print(b)
```



1  
2

```
flowers = ["tulips", "roses", "anemones"]  
shop_flowers = flowers  
shop_flowers.append("carnations")  
print(flowers)  
print(shop_flowers)
```



```
['tulips', 'roses', 'anemones', 'carnations']  
['tulips', 'roses', 'anemones', 'carnations']
```

flowers

shop\_flowers

0	1	2	3
tulips	roses	anemones	carnations

Alias are names that refers same values.  
Changes done in the value reflect into all aliased variable.

# Lists of lists of lists ...

- It is possible to define nested lists
- Mutation can be side effect

```
line1 = [1, 2, 3]
```

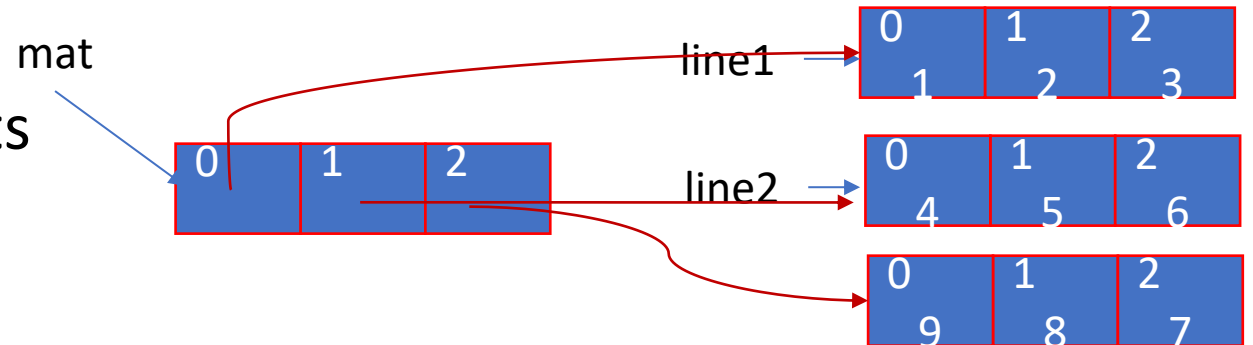
```
line2 = [4, 5, 6]
```

```
mat = [line1, line2, [9, 8, 7]]
```

```
print(mat)
```

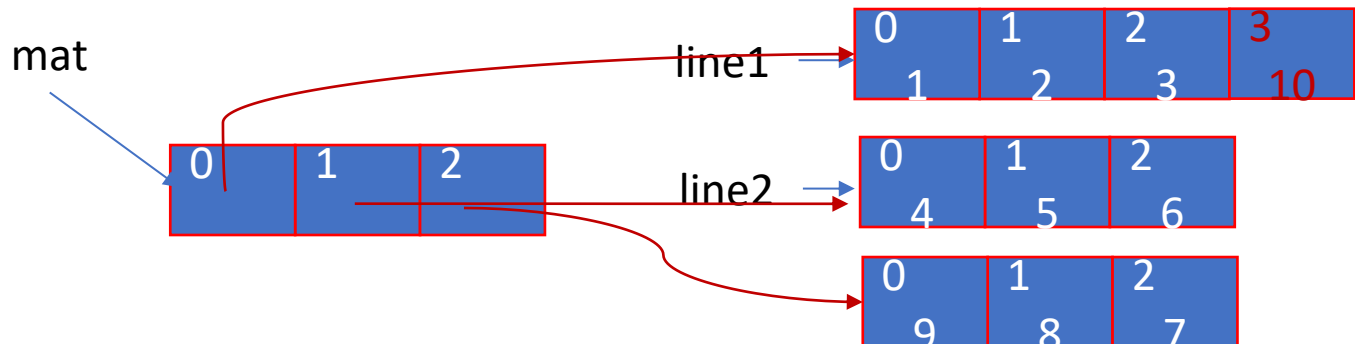
```
line1.append(10)
```

```
print(mat)
```



```
[[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [9, 8, 7]]
```

```
[[1, 2, 3, 10], [4, 5, 6], [9, 8, 7]]
```



# Cloning

```
line1 = [1, 2, 3]
```

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line2 = [4, 5, 6]
```

```
mat = [line1[:], line2, [9, 8, 7]]
```

```
print(mat)
```

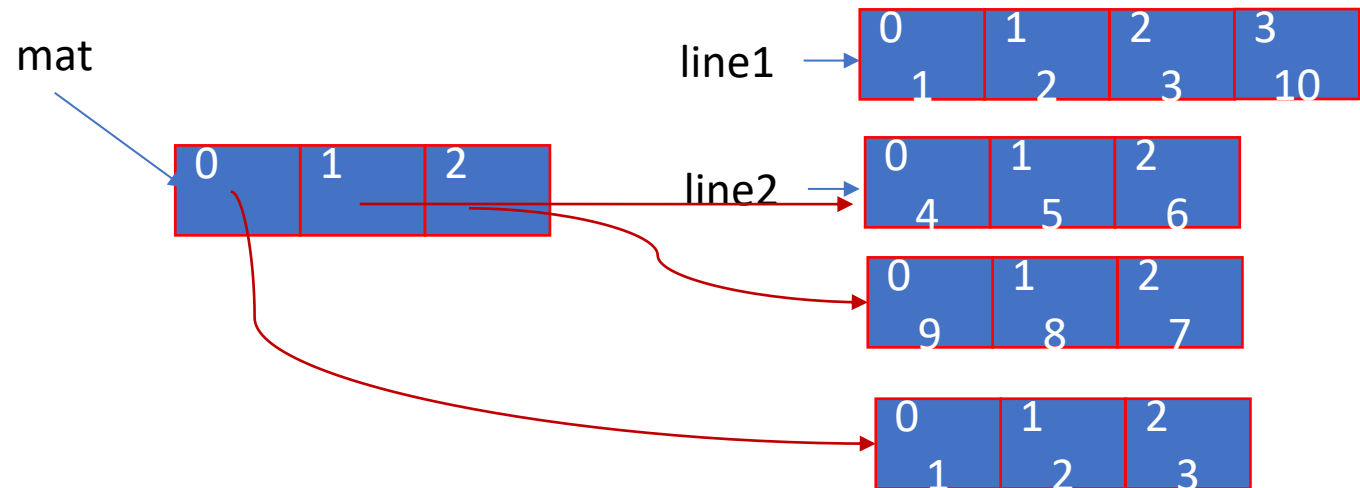
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```

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```



# Cloning

- Create a new list and copy every element using [:]
- Example
  - `new_list = L1[:]`

# Set

- A set is an unordered collection of items.
- Every element is unique (no duplicates) and must be immutable.
- Itself is mutable - can add or remove items from it.
- Can be used to perform mathematical set operations like union, intersection, symmetric difference

# Set

- Creating

```
S = set() #empty set
```

```
S = {1, 2, 3}
```

`S={}` #**NOT OK** is a initialization for other object type dictionary  
`print(type(S))`

- Adding elements

```
S.add(2)
```

```
S.add(2)
```

# Set Operations

- Removing elements
  - `S.remove(2)` #removes the element with value 2
- Union  $A \cup B$ 
  - `A.union(B)`
- Intersection  $A \cap B$ 
  - `A.intersection(B)`
- Difference  $A - B$ 
  - `A.difference(B)`
- Membership  $element \in B$ 
  - element **in** A



# Dictionaries

- How to store information about students?

Names = ['Ionescu Ion', 'Popescu Pavel', 'Marinecu Maria']

Current\_year\_mean = [9.4, 8, 6.78]

Year = [1, 2, 1]

- a **separate list** for each item
- each list must have the **same length**
- info stored across lists at **same index**, each index refers to info for a different person

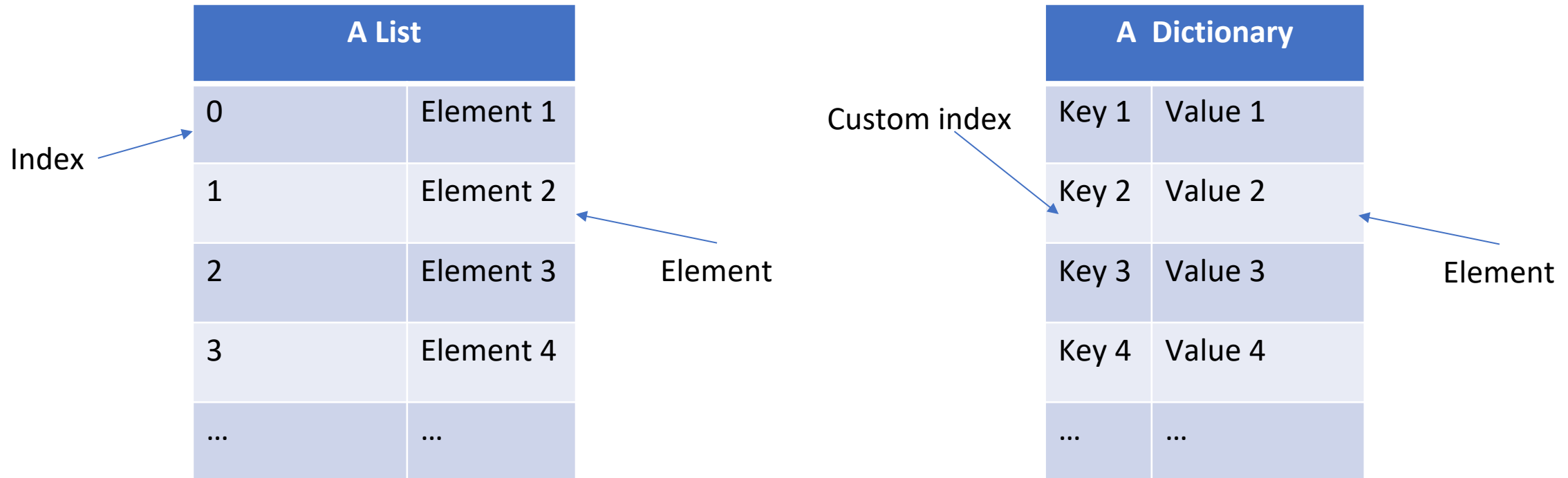
# How to update students information?

```
name = input("Student name")  
i = names.index(name)  
Current_year_mean[i] = 8.7  
Year[i] = 2
```

- **messy** if have a lot of different info to keep track of
- must maintain **many lists** and pass them as arguments
- must **always index** using integers
- must remember to change multiple lists

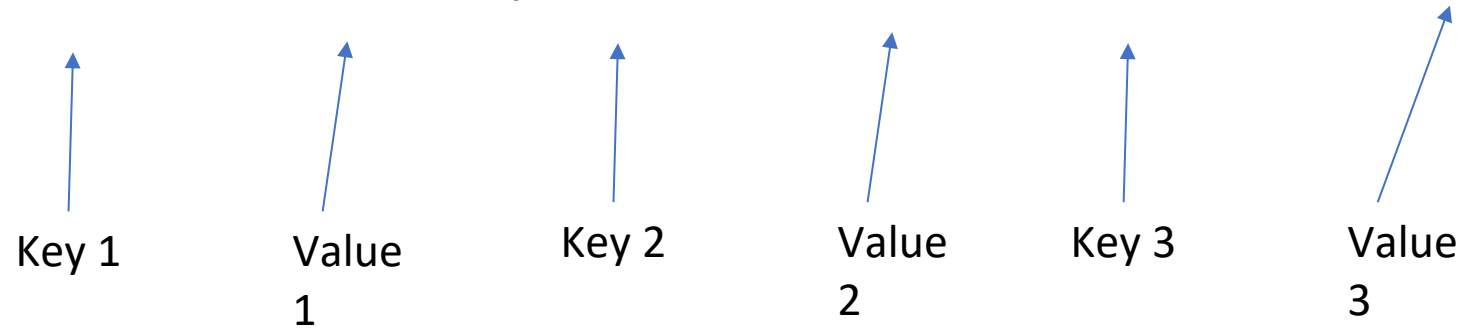
# Better and clearer - dictionary

- Use one data structure
- Index based on key not on position in data structure



# Dictionaries

- Store pairs of data
  - (key, value)
- Creating
  - dict1={} #empty dictionary
  - dict\_grades= {'Ionescu Ion' : 9.4, 'Popescu Pavel' : 8, 'Marinecu Maria' : 6.78}



# Dictionary

- Accessing elements
  - Similar with list
  - Using key
- Example
  - dict\_grades= {'Ionescu Ion' : 9.4, 'Popescu Pavel' : 8, 'Marinecu Maria' : 6.78}
  - dict\_grades['Ionescu Ion'] evaluates to 9.4
  - dict\_grades['Ionescu Vasile'] evaluates to *error key does not exist*

# Dictionary Operations

- `dict_grades= {'Ionescu Ion' : 9.4, 'Popescu Pavel' : 8, 'Marinecu Maria' : 6.78}`
- Add an entry
  - `dict_grades['Enescu Ene'] = 8.7`
- Test if an entry is in dictionary
  - `'Ionescu Ion' in dict_grades`
- Delete an entry
  - `del(dict_grades['Ionescu Ion' ])`

# Dictionary - iterate

- dict\_grades= {'Ionescu Ion' : 9.4, 'Popescu Pavel' : 8, 'Marinecu Maria' : 6.78}
- Get keys
  - dict\_grades.keys()
  - for key in dict\_grades.keys():  
    print(key)
- Get values
  - dict\_grades.values()
  - for value in dict\_grades.values():  
    print(value)
- Get (key, value) pairs
  - dict\_grades.items()
  - for key, value in dict\_grades.items():  
    print(key, ":", value)

# Dictionary keys and values

- Values
  - Any type (**immutable and mutable**)
  - Can be **duplicated**
  - Dictionary values can be lists, even other dictionaries!
- Keys
  - must be **unique**
  - **Immutable** type (int, float, string, tuple, bool)
  - actually need an object that is **hashable**, but think of as immutable as all
- Immutable types are hashable
  - Careful with float type as a key
  - **no order** to keys or values!  
d = {4:{1:0}, (1,3):"twelve", 'const':[3.14,2.7,8.44]}



# Lists vs. Dictionaries

## Lists

- **ordered** sequence of elements
- look up (reference) elements by an integer index
- indices have an **order**
- index is an **integer**

## Dictionaries

- **matches** “keys” to “values”
- look up one item by another item
- **no order** is guaranteed
- key can be any **immutable** type

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