

# TUPLES, LISTS, MUTABILITY, CLONING

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# TUPLES

→ "array (5)" concat

get part by index

- an ordered sequence of elements, can mix element types
- **immutable**, cannot change element values
- represented with parentheses

remember strings?

```
te = ()
```

empty tuple

```
t = (2, "one", 3)
```

```
t[0] → evaluates to 2
```

("one") → "one"

```
(2, "one", 3) + (5, 6) → evaluates to (2, "one", 3, 5, 6)
```

```
t[1:2] → slice tuple, evaluates to ("one",)
```

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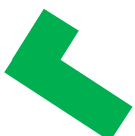
```
t[1:3] → slice tuple, evaluates to ("one", 3)
```

```
t[1] = 4 → gives error, can't modify object
```

extra comma means a tuple with one element

# TUPLES

- conveniently used to **swap** variable values

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| $x = y$   | $temp = x$  | $(x, y) = (y, x)$   |
| $y = x$   | $x = y$   |   |
|   | $y = temp$  |   |
|  |  |  |

- used to **return more than one value** from a function

```
def quotient_and_remainder(x, y):
```

```
    q = x // y
```

```
    r = x % y
```

```
    return (q, r)
```

```
(quot, rem) = quotient_and_remainder(4, 5)
```

# MANIPULATING TUPLES

aTuple ( ( (ints, strings), 'one'), ('nine'), )

- can **iterate** over tuples

```
def get_data(aTuple):  
    nums = ()  
    words = ()  
    for t in aTuple:  
        nums = nums + (t[0],)  
        if t[1] not in words:  
            words = words + (t[1],)
```

empty tuple

for t in aTuple:

nums = nums + (t[0],)

if t[1] not in words:

words = words + (t[1],)

min\_nums = min(nums)

max\_nums = max(nums)

unique\_words = len(words)

return (min\_nums, max\_nums, unique\_words)


singleton tuple

直接返回 min 值

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# LISTS

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- **ordered sequence** of information, accessible by index
- a list is denoted by **square brackets**, `[]`
- a list contains **elements**
  - usually homogeneous (i.e., all integers)
  -  can contain mixed types (not common)
- list elements can be changed so a list is **mutable**

# INDICES AND ORDERING

- an element of a list is at a position (aka **index**) in list, indices start at 0

*variable name*  
`a_list = []` *empty list*  
`b_list = [2, 'a', 4, True]`

`L = [2, 1, 3]`

*index:*    **0**    **1**    **2**

- `len(L)`    → evaluates to 3
  - `L[0]`    → evaluates to 2
  - `L[2]+1`    → evaluates to 4
  - `L[3]`    → gives an error
- index can be a **variable or expression**, must evaluate to an `int`

`i = 2`

`L[i-1]`    → evaluates to 1 since `L[1] = 1` from above

# CHANGING ELEMENTS

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- lists are **mutable**!

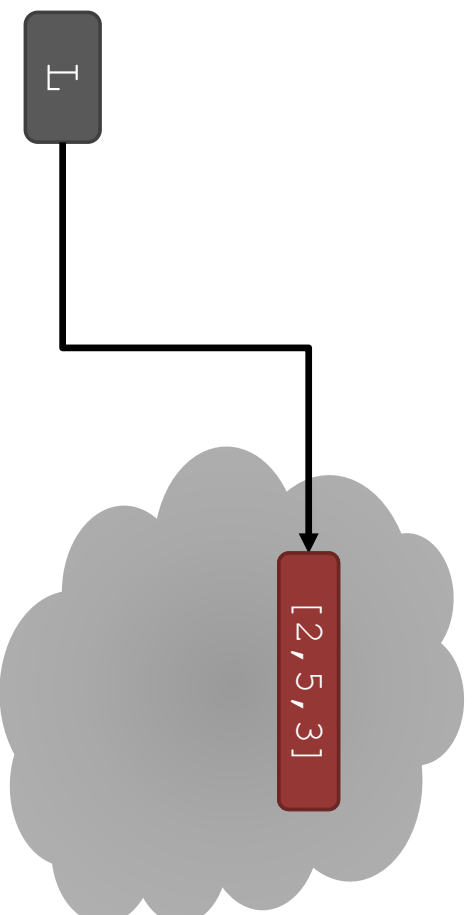
- assigning to an element at an index changes the value

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

```
L[1] = 5
```

*different  
from strings  
and tuples!*

- L is now [2, 5, 3], note this is the **same object** L





# ITERATING OVER A LIST

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- compute the **sum of elements** of a list

- common pattern

```
total = 0
for i in range(len(L)):
    total += L[i]
print(total)
```

```
total = 0
for i in L:
    total += i
print(total)
```

like strings,  
can iterate  
over list  
elements  
directly

- notice

- list elements are indexed 0 to  $\text{len}(L) - 1$
- `range(n)` goes from 0 to  $n-1$

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# OPERATIONS ON LISTS - ADD

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- **add** elements to end of list with `L.append(element)`

- **mutates** the list!

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

```
L.append(5) → L is now [2, 1, 3, 5]
```

*↑ what is  
this dot?*

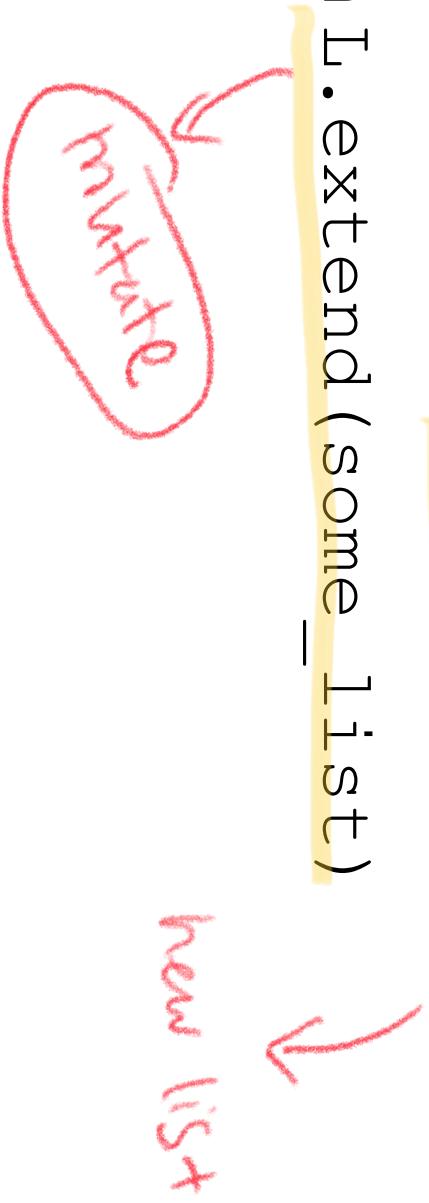
- what is the dot?
  - lists are Python objects, everything in Python is an object
  - objects have data
  - objects have methods and functions
  - access this information by `object_name.do_something()`
  - will learn more about these later

# OPERATIONS ON LISTS - ADD

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- to combine lists together use **concatenation**, + operator

- **mutate** list with `L.extend(some_list)`



`L1 = [2, 1, 3]`

`L2 = [4, 5, 6]`

`L3 = L1 + L2` → `L3` is `[2, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6]`

`L1.extend([0, 6])` → mutated `L1` to `[2, 1, 3, 0, 6]`

# OPERATIONS ON LISTS - REMOVE

pop? 

- delete element at a **specific index** with `del (L[index])`
- remove element at **end of list** with `L.pop()`, returns the removed element
- remove a **specific element** with `L.remove(element)`
  - looks for the element and removes it
  - if element occurs multiple times, removes first occurrence
  - if element not in list, gives an error

all these  
operations  
mutate  
the list

```
L = [2, 1, 3, 6, 3, 7, 0] # do below in order
L.remove(2)           → mutates L = [1, 3, 6, 3, 7, 0]
L.remove(3)           → mutates L = [1, 6, 3, 7, 0]
del(L[1])              → mutates L = [1, 3, 7, 0]
L.pop()               → returns 0 and mutates L = [1, 3, 7]
```

# CONVERT LISTS TO STRINGS AND BACK

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- convert **string to list** with `list(s)`, returns a list with every character from `s` an element in `L`
- can use `s.split()`, to **split a string on a character** parameter, splits on spaces if called without a parameter
- use `''.join(L)` to turn a **list of characters into a string**, can give a character in quotes to add char between every element

```
s = "I <3 cs"           → s is a string
list(s)                 → returns ['I', ' ', '<', '3', ' ', ' ', 'c', 's']
s.split('<')             → returns ['I ', '3 cs']
L = ['a', 'b', 'c']     → L is a list
''.join(L)              → returns "abc"
' '.join(L)             → returns "a b c"
```

# OTHER LIST OPERATIONS

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- `sort()` and `sorted()`
- `reverse()`
- and many more!

<https://docs.python.org/2/tutorial/datastructures.html>

`L=[9, 6, 0, 3]`

`sorted(L)` → returns sorted list, does **not mutate** `L`

`L.sort()` → **mutates** `L=[0, 3, 6, 9]`

`L.reverse()` → **mutates** `L=[9, 6, 3, 0]`

# BRINGING TOGETHER LOOPS, FUNCTIONS, range, and LISTS

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- range is a special procedure
  - **returns something that behaves like a tuple!**
  - doesn't generate the elements at once, rather it generates the first element, and provides an iteration method by which subsequent elements can be generated

```
range(5)           → equivalent to tuple [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
range(2, 6)        → equivalent to tuple [2, 3, 4, 5]
range(5, 2, -1)    → equivalent to tuple [5, 4, 3]
```

- when use range in a for loop, what the loop variable iterates over behaves like a list!

```
for var in range(5):
    <expressions>
```

behind the scenes, gets converted to something that will behave like:

```
for var in (0, 1, 2, 3, 4):
    <expressions>
```



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# MUTATION, ALIASING, CLONING

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IMPORTANT  
and  
TRICKY!

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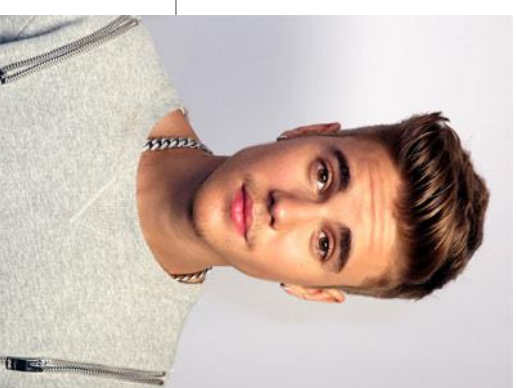
# LISTS IN MEMORY

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- 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**

# AN ANALOGY

- attributes of a person
  - singer, rich



Justin Drew Bieber  
Justin Bieber  
JB  
Bieber  
The Bieb  
JBeebs

- he is known by many names
- all nicknames point to the **same person**
  - add new attribute to **one nickname** ...

**Justin Bieber:** singer, rich , **troublemaker**

- ... **all his nicknames** refer to old attributes AND all new ones

**The Bieb is:** singer, rich, **troublemaker**

**JBeebs is:** singer, rich, **troublemaker**

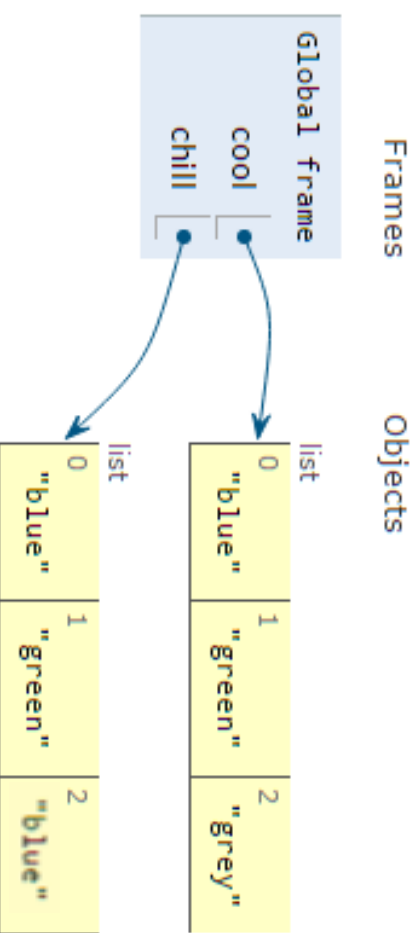
etc...

# PRINT IS NOT ==

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- if two lists print the same thing, does not mean they are the same structure
- can test by mutating one, and checking

```
cool = ['blue', 'green', 'grey']  
chill = ['blue', 'green', 'grey']  
print(cool)  
print(chill)  
  
chill[2] = 'blue'  
print(chill)  
print(cool)
```



# ALIASES

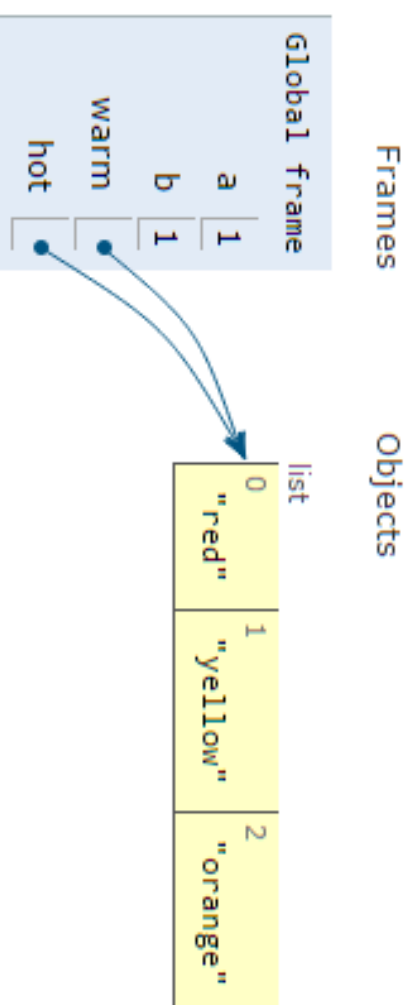
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- `hot` is an **alias** for `warm` – changing one changes the other!
- `append()` has a side effect

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

```
warm = ['red', 'yellow', 'orange']
hot = warm
```

```
hot.append('pink')
print(hot)
print(warm)
```

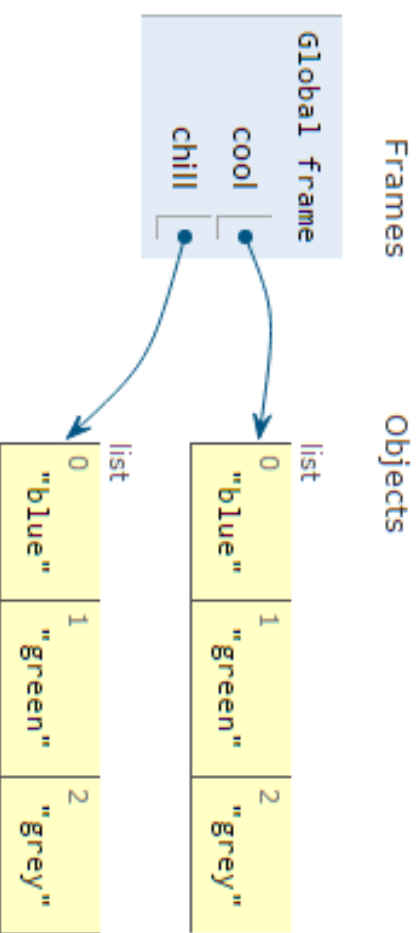


# CLONING A LIST

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- create a new list and **copy every element** using  
`chill = cool[:]`

```
cool = ['blue', 'green', 'grey']  
chill = cool[:]  
  
chill.append('black')  
print(chill)  
print(cool)
```

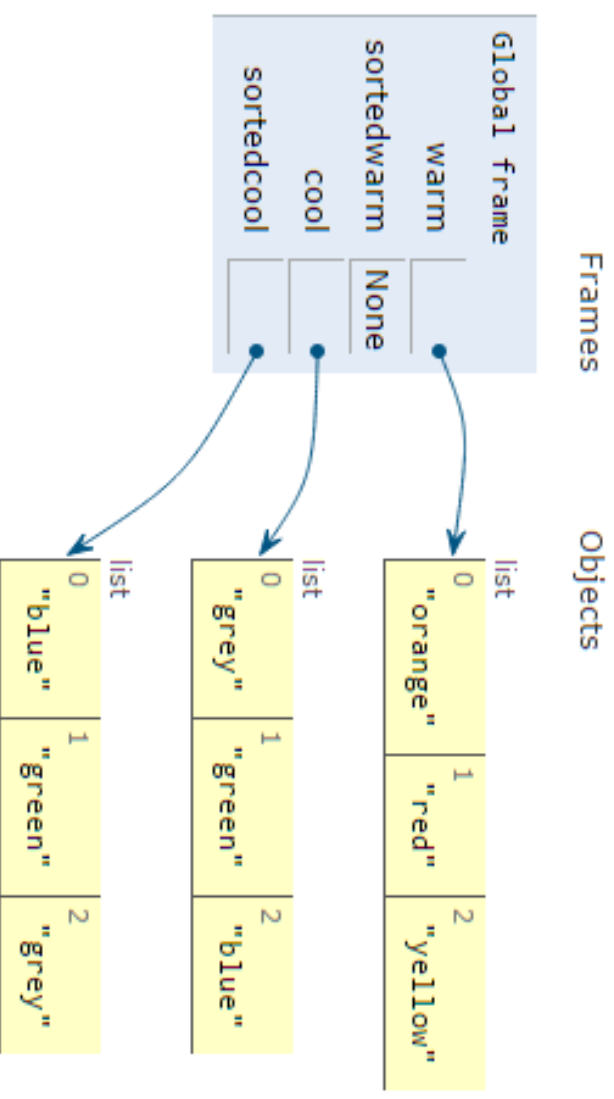


# SORTING LISTS

- calling `sort()` **mutates** the list, returns nothing
- calling `sorted()` **does not mutate** list, must assign result to a variable

```
warm = ['red', 'yellow', 'orange']
sortedwarm = warm.sort()
print(warm)
print(sortedwarm)

cool = ['grey', 'green', 'blue']
sortedcool = sorted(cool)
print(cool)
print(sortedcool)
```



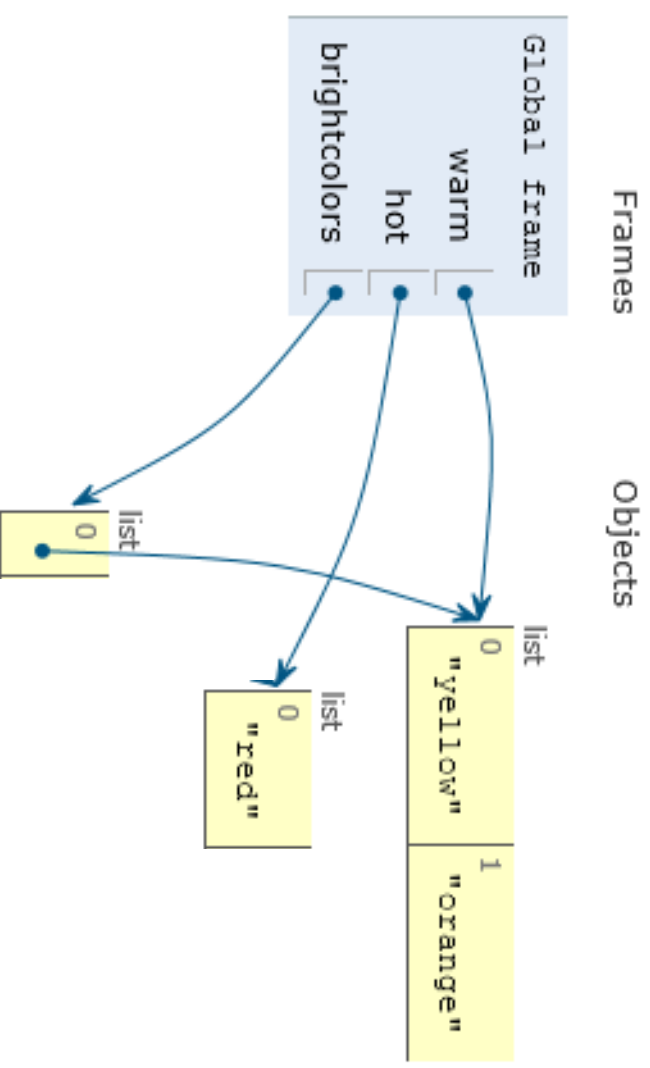


# LISTS OF LISTS OF LISTS OF....

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- can have **nested** lists
- side effects still possible after mutation

```
warm = ['yellow', 'orange']  
hot = ['red']  
brightcolors = [warm]  
  
brightcolors.append(hot)  
print(brightcolors)  
  
hot.append('pink')  
print(hot)  
print(brightcolors)  
  
print(hot + warm)  
print(hot)
```



# MUTATION AND ITERATION

- **avoid** mutating a list as you are iterating over it

```
def remove_dups(L1, L2):  
    for e in L1:  
        if e in L2:
```

L1.remove(e)



```
def remove_dups_new(L1, L2):  
    L1_copy = L1[:]  
    for e in L1_copy:
```

if e in L2:

L1.remove(e)



clone list first, note  
that L1\_copy = L1  
does NOT clone

```
L1 = [1, 2, 3, 4]  
L2 = [1, 2, 5, 6]  
remove_dups(L1, L2)
```

- L1 is [2, 3, 4] not [3, 4] Why?

- Python uses an internal counter to keep track of index it is in the loop
- mutating changes the list length but Python doesn't update the counter
- loop never sees element 2