

Python Programming Practice

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Practice: Reverse in place

- Read a line of N integers
- Recall: `list.reverse()`
 - It performs in-place reverse for the list
 - In-place: Change the current list, don't create another one
- We will implement our own reverse function in an iterative style
- `def our_reverse(list)`
 - It doesn't have a return
- Stop and think!

Practice: Reverse in place

- Simple idea: Iterate from the begin and end in same time
 - Swap the 2 positions
 - Do this till the middle only
- Let say list is 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
 - Step 1: swap (1, 8) \Rightarrow 8 2 3 4 5 6 7 1
 - Step 2: swap (2, 7) \Rightarrow 8 7 3 4 5 6 2 1
 - Step 3: swap (3, 6) \Rightarrow 8 7 6 4 5 3 2 1
 - Step 4: swap (4, 5) \Rightarrow 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
 - Stop after $n/2$ steps

Our reverse

```
2
3 def our_reverse(lst):
4     for pos1 in range(len(lst) // 2):
5         pos2 = len(lst) - pos1 - 1 # the opposite in the list
6         lst[pos1], lst[pos2] = lst[pos2], lst[pos1]
7
8
9 def main():
10     lst = list(map(int, input().split()))
11
12     our_reverse(lst)
13
14     print(lst)
15
16
17 main()
```

__name__

- Whenever the Python interpreter reads a source file, it sets a special variable `__name__`
 - The value will be "`__main__`" if you are running this file
 - In big syetm with several variables, the if condition will be True only when you run from this file
 - Future [reading](#)

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2     print(__name__) ... # __main__
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6             pos2 = len(lst) - pos1 - 1 # the opposite
7             lst[pos1], lst[pos2] = lst[pos2], lst[pos1]
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10    if __name__ == '__main__':
11        lst = list(map(int, input().split()))
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13        our_reverse(lst)
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15        print(lst)
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```

“Acquire knowledge and impart it to the people.”

“Seek knowledge from the Cradle to the Grave.”