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Outline

- Memory management and lists: aliasing, shallow and deep copies
- The Numpy library (part 1): arrays, math functions, etc.
- About the import procedure
- Project organizing
- Mini-project

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Memory of a computer

- The memory of a computer consists of several “boxes”, which can contain values for variables.
- Each “box” is identified by an **integer**, which corresponds to the **address/ID** of the “box”.
- When a variable is created:
 - A “box” is assigned for the variable and its value is stored in the “box”.
 - The variable name simply refers to the address/ID of the “box”.

Identifier



x1

Memory

Address	Value
140725454247872	10
...	...

```
1 x1 = 10
2 print(x1)
3 print(id(x1))
```

```
10
140725454247872
```

id() function

- The `id()` function returns an integer, which corresponds to the **address/ID**, where the variable is stored in memory.
- Two variables names with identical values will have the same `id()`.
- Aliasing**: Python saves memory space by having two variables names point to the same memory ID.

Identifier	Memory	
	Address	Value
X1, X3	140725454247872	10
x2	140725454247936	12

```
1 x1 = 10
2 print(x1)
3 print(id(x1))
```

```
10
140725454247872
```

```
1 x2 = 17
2 print(x2)
3 print(id(x2))
```

```
17
140725454248096
```

```
1 x3 = x1
2 print(x3)
3 print(id(x3))
4 print(id(x1))
```

```
10
140725454247872
140725454247872
```

Memory management in lists

- A **list** is a collection of variables.

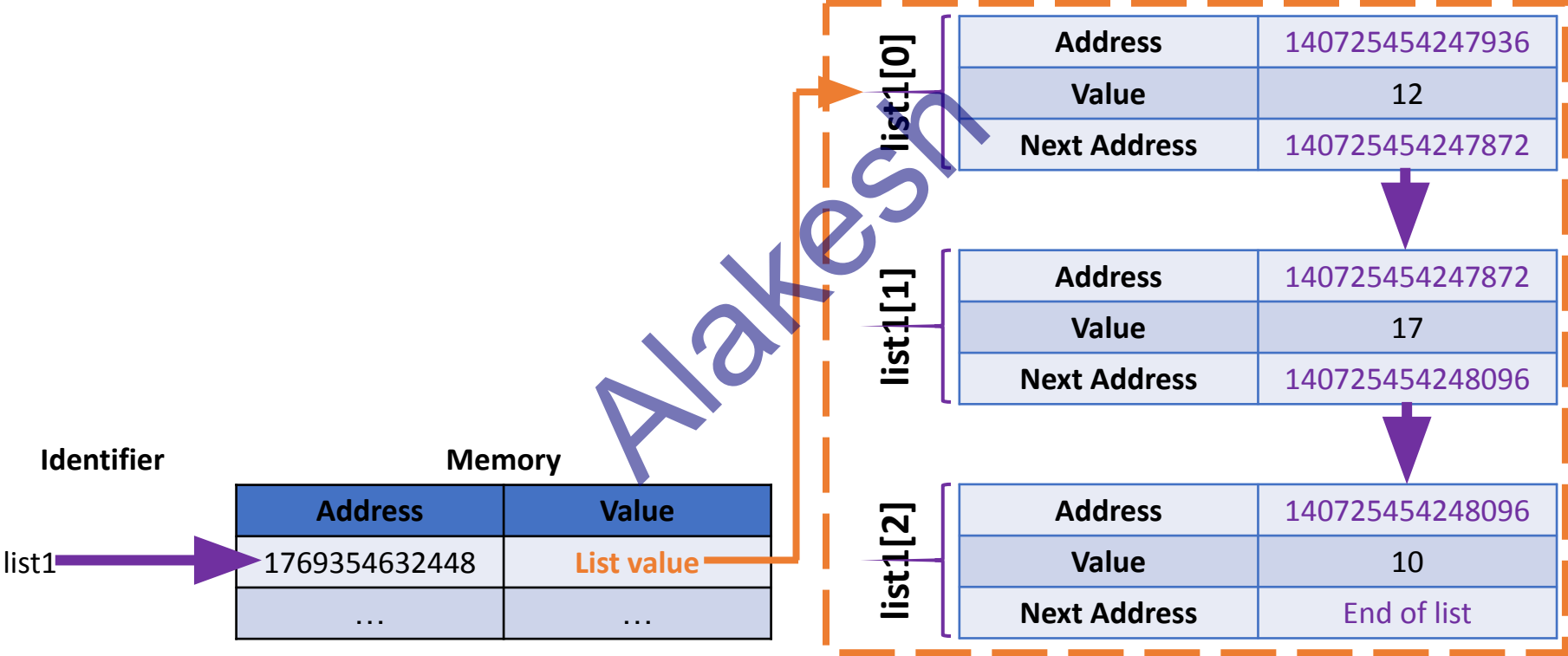
```
1 list1 = [x1, x2, x3]
2 print(list1)
3 print(id(list1))
```

[12, 17, 10]
1769354632448

```
1 print(id(list1))
2 print("-")
3 print(id(list1[0]))
4 print(id(x1))
5 print("-")
6 print(id(list1[1]))
7 print(id(x2))
8 print("-")
9 print(id(list1[2]))
10 print(id(x3))
```

1769354632448
-
140725454247936
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Memory management in lists



Memory management in lists

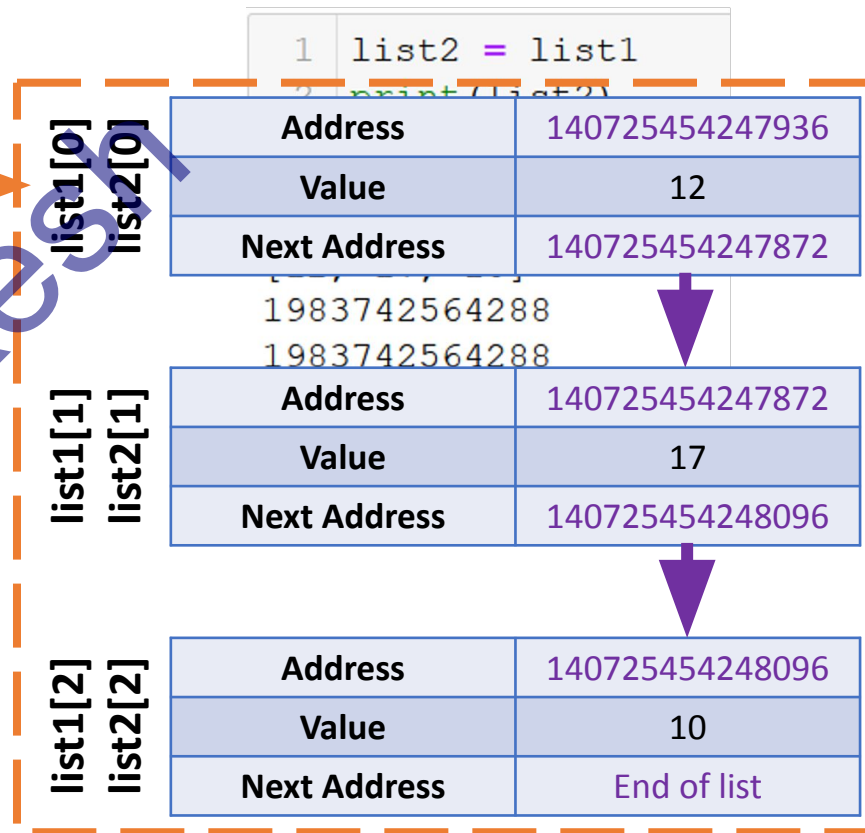
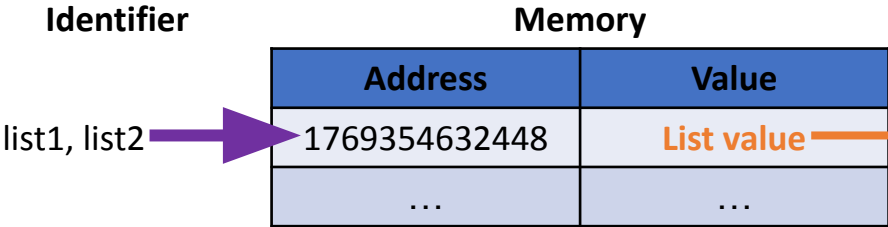
- A **list** is a collection of variables.
- The variables in a list are chained together.
- If x1 is changed, Python will adjust so that the list remains unaffected.
- It simply reallocates x1 to another location in memory.

```
1 print(x1)
2 print(id(x1))
3 x1 = "Hello"
4 print(id(x1))
5 print(list1)
```

```
12
140726382041088
2120755150000
[12, 17, 10]
```

Memory management in lists

- Aliasing: We can assign a list to another variable names



Aliasing in lists: problem

- A **list** is a collection of variables. The variables in a list are **chained** together.
- **Aliasing**: We can assign a list to another variable name.
- **Problem**: changing `list1[0]` changes `list1` values, but also changes `list2`.

```
1 print(id(list1[0]))  
2 list1[0] = "SUTD"  
3 print(list1)  
4 print(id(list1[0]))
```

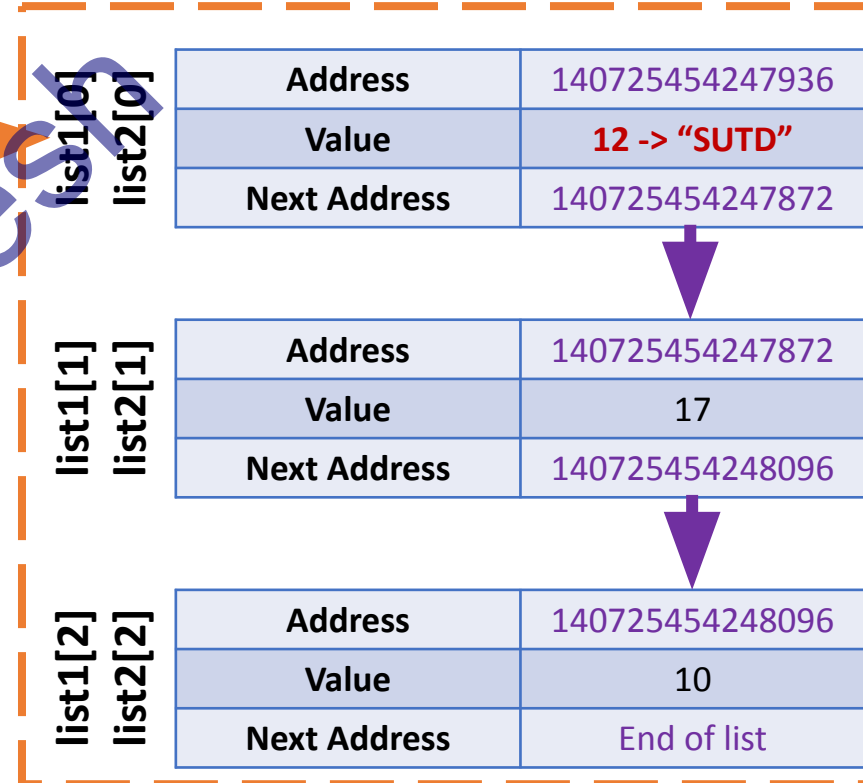
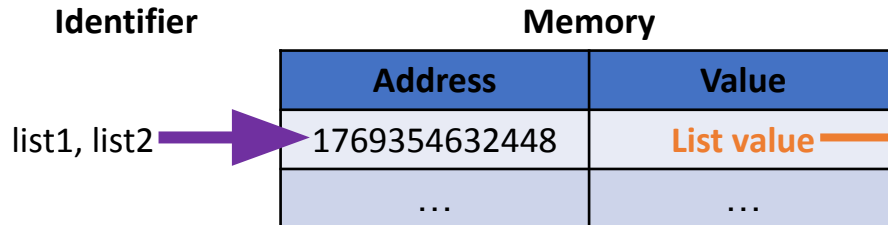
```
140726382041088  
['SUTD', 17, 10]  
2120755353584
```

```
1 print(list2)  
2 print(id(list2[0]))
```

```
['SUTD', 17, 10]  
2120755353584
```

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Shallow copy of a list

- **Problem:** changing `list1[0]` changes `list1` values, but also changes `list2`.
- **Shallow copy:** `list1[:]` makes `list2` a shallow copy of `list1`. By doing so, `list1` will be saved to its own location of memory.
- Changing a value in `list1`, with `list1[index] = ...`, no longer affects `list2`.
- **Note:** you can also use the `copy()` method.

```
1 list1 = [12, 17, 10]
2 list2 = list1[:]
3 print(list1)
4 print(list2)
5 print(id(list1))
6 print(id(list2))
```

```
[12, 17, 10]
[12, 17, 10]
2120755431296
2120755345920
```

```
1 list1[0] = "SUTD"
2 print(list1)
3 print(list2)
```

```
['SUTD', 17, 10]
[12, 17, 10]
```

Shallow copy problem

- **Note:** if an element of a list is a list (case of lists of lists), then the shallow copy will not copy the sublists to different locations of memory.
- **Problem:** changing a sublist element then affects both lists, even though these lists are shallow copies of each other.

```
1 list1 = [[8, 9, 11], 7, 4]
2 list2 = list1[:]
3 print(list1)
4 print(list2)
5 print(id(list1))
6 print(id(list2))
7 print(id(list1[0][1]))
8 print(id(list2[0][1]))
```

```
[[8, 9, 11], 7, 4]
[[8, 9, 11], 7, 4]
2120755333248
2120755332928
140726382040992
140726382040992
```

```
1 list1[0][1] = "Damn it!"
2 print(list1)
3 print(list2)
```

```
[[8, 'Damn it!', 11], 7, 4]
[[8, 'Damn it!', 11], 7, 4]
```

Deep copy

- **Solution**: make a **deep copy**, using the Python built-in copy library.
- A **deep copy** forces Python to make sure all elements and sub-elements are assigned to different locations in memory.

```
1 from copy import deepcopy
```

```
1 list1 = [[8, 9, 11], 7, 4]
2 list2 = deepcopy(list1)
3 print(list1)
4 print(list2)
5 print(id(list1[0]))
6 print(id(list2[0]))
```

```
[[8, 9, 11], 7, 4]
[[8, 9, 11], 7, 4]
2120754851072
2120754850304
```

```
1 list1[0][1] = "Deep copy works?"
2 print(list1)
3 print(list2)
4 print(id(list1[0][1]))
5 print(id(list2[0][1]))
```

```
[[8, 'Deep copy works?', 11], 7, 4]
[[8, 9, 11], 7, 4]
2120755409424
140726382040992
```

About the numpy library

- **NumPy** is one of the most common (if not the most popular) libraries in Python.
- Used for many applications: **computing**, **modelling**, **data science**, **astrophysics**, etc.
- **Linear algebra** (one of the main concepts of math with many applications in computing)
- To install **NumPy**
 - **pip install numpy**



A new type of objects: NumPy Arrays

- **NumPy** arrays are objects from the **NumPy** library.
 - Typically used to describe **matrices** and **vectors**,
 - Or **tables** of data.
- They look very similar to **list** of **list**, which we have used earlier for many applications.
- The **NumPy** library, however, comes with many additional functions and methods.

```
1 import numpy as np
```

```
1 array1 = np.array([0, 2, 1, 4])  
2 print(array1)
```

```
[0 2 1 4]
```

```
1 print(array1)  
2 print(type(array1))  
3 array1_as_list = list(array1)  
4 print(array1_as_list)  
5 print(type(array1_as_list))
```

```
[0 2 1 4]
```

```
<class 'numpy.ndarray'>
```

```
[0, 2, 1, 4]
```

```
<class 'list'>
```

Length, size, shape

- Just like **lists**, the **NumPy** arrays have a length, which can be checked with **len()**.
- They also have a **shape** and a **size** attribute, which give additional information, in the case of arrays with more than 1D.

```
1 array1 = np.array([0, 2, 1, 4])
2 print(len(array1))
3 print(array1.shape)
4 print(array1.size)
```

```
4
(4,)
4
```

```
1 two_d_array = np.array([[1,2],[3,4]])
2 print(two_d_array)
3 print(len(two_d_array))
4 print(two_d_array.shape)
5 print(two_d_array.size)
```

```
[[1 2]
 [3 4]]
2
(2, 2)
4
```


Indexing an array

- Just like **lists**, the **NumPy** arrays are indexed and their element can be accessed with **[]**.
- You can equivalently use the **[i,j]** and **[i][j]** notations on arrays.
- Replacing an index with a colon symbol **:** means “take all”.
- For instance, **[:,j]** means all elements in column **j**,
- whereas **[i,:]** means all elements in row **i**.

```
1 array1 = np.array([0, 2, 1, 4])
2 print(array1)
3 print(array1[0])
4 print(array1[1])
```

```
[0 2 1 4]
0
2
```

```
1 two_d_array = np.array([[1,2],[3,4]])
2 print(two_d_array)
3 print(two_d_array[0])
4 print(two_d_array[0][1])
```

```
[[1 2]
 [3 4]]
[1 2]
2
```

```
1 print(two_d_array[0,1])
2 print(two_d_array[:,1])
3 print(two_d_array[0,:])
```

```
2
[2 4]
[1 2]
```

Traversing an array with **for**

- As with lists, we can traverse a **NumPy** array, in an element-wise manner, using a **for** loop.

```
1 array1 = np.array([0, 2, 1, 4])
2 print(array1)
3 for element in array1:
4     print(element)
```

```
[0 2 1 4]
0
2
1
4
```

```
1 my_list = [1, 4, 9, 14, 15]
2 print(my_list)
```

```
[1, 4, 9, 14, 15]
```

```
1 # Element-wise
2 for element in my_list:
3     print("--")
4     print(element)
```

```
--
1
--
4
--
9
--
14
--
15
```

The + operator on arrays

- **The + operator on lists:** On lists, the + operator will **concatenate** both lists into a new one.
- The + operator on **NumPy** arrays – (**vector sum**): On **NumPy** arrays, however, the + operator will sum the elements of both **NumPy** arrays.
- **Broadcasting:** If summed with a number instead, the elements in the **NumPy** array will each be incremented by the given value.

```
1 a_list = [0, 1, 2]
2 another_list = [1, 4, 7]
3 list_sum = a_list + another_list
4 print(list_sum)
```

```
[0, 1, 2, 1, 4, 7]
```

```
1 array1 = np.array([0, 2, 1, 4])
2 array2 = np.array([1, 2, 3, 5])
3 print(array1)
4 print(array2)
5 sum_array = array1 + array2
6 print(sum_array)
```

```
[0 2 1 4]
[1 2 3 5]
[1 4 4 9]
```

```
1 array1 = np.array([0, 2, 1, 4])
2 number = 7
3 print(array1)
4 sum_array = array1 + number
5 print(sum_array)
```

```
[0 2 1 4]
[ 7  9  8 11]
```

Concatenation on arrays

- Since the **+** operator cannot be used for **concatenation**, **NumPy** comes with a **concatenate()** function.

```
1 print(array1)
2 print(array2)
3 conc_array = np.concatenate([array1, array2])
4 print(conc_array)
```

```
[0 2 1 4]
```

```
[1 2 3 5]
```

```
[0 2 1 4 1 2 3 5]
```

The * operator on arrays

- The * operator behaves as the + operator on NumPy arrays.
- It consists of an **element-wise** multiplication of the elements in arrays.
- **Broadcasting:** if a NumPy array is multiplied by a number, the number will multiply each element in the array.

```
1 array1 = np.array([0, 2, 1, 4])
2 array2 = np.array([1, 2, 3, 5])
3 print(array1)
4 print(array2)
5 mult_arrays = array1*array2
6 print(mult_arrays)
```

```
[0 2 1 4]
[1 2 3 5]
[ 0  4  3 20]
```

```
1 n = 4
2 mult_array_int = array1*n
3 print(mult_array_int)
```

```
[ 0  8  4 16]
```

Additional functions on arrays

- **Min, Max**: returns the minimal, resp. maximal, values in array.
- **Argmin, Argmax**: returns the index where the minimal, resp. maximal, values are.
- **mean, median**: returns the mean, resp. median, value for a given array.
- **Sum**: sums all the elements in the array together

```
1 array1 = np.array([0, 2, 1, 4, 7])
2 print(array1)
3 min_val = np.min(array1)
4 print(min_val)
5 argmin_val = np.argmin(array1)
6 print(argmin_val)
7 max_val = np.max(array1)
8 print(max_val)
9 argmax_val = np.argmax(array1)
10 print(argmax_val)
11 mean_val = np.mean(array1)
12 print(mean_val)
13 median_val = np.median(array1)
14 print(median_val)
15 summed_val = np.sum(array1)
16 print(summed_val)
```

```
[0 2 1 4 7]
```

```
0
```

```
0
```

```
7
```

```
4
```

```
2.8
```

```
2.0
```

```
14
```

Mathematical functions and constants

NumPy also contains

- Many mathematical functions (**cosine**, **sine**, **logarithm**, **exponential**, etc.)
- And many mathematical constants (**pi**, etc.)

```
1 print(np.cos(0))
2 print(np.sin(0))
3 print(np.pi)
4 print(np.log(1))
5 print(np.exp(0))
```

```
1.0
0.0
3.141592653589793
0.0
1.0
```

Aliasing, Shallow and Deep copies in arrays

- As with lists, **NumPy** arrays are subject to the same issues about **aliasing**, **shallow** and **deep copies**.
- If needed, use deep copies of the arrays.

```
1 two_d_array1 = np.array([[1,2],[3,4]])
2 two_d_array2 = two_d_array1
3 print(two_d_array1)
4 print(two_d_array2)
5 print(id(two_d_array1))
6 print(id(two_d_array2))
```

```
[[1 2]
 [3 4]]
[[1 2]
 [3 4]]
1750029422960
1750029422960
```

```
1 two_d_array1[0][0] = 17
2 print(two_d_array1)
3 print(two_d_array2)
```

```
[[17  2]
 [ 3  4]]
[[17  2]
 [ 3  4]]
```


Shape of an Array

- The shape of an array is the number of elements in each dimension.
- **NumPy** arrays have an attribute called **shape** that returns a tuple with each index having the number of corresponding elements.

```
import numpy as np
arr = np.array([[1, 2, 3, 4], [5, 6, 7, 8]])
print(arr.shape)

(2, 4)
```

The array has 2 dimensions, where the first dimension has 2 elements and the second has 4.

Shape of an Array

Creating an array with 5 dimensions using `ndmin` using a vector with values 1, 2, 3, 4 and the last dimension has value 4:

```
arr = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4], ndmin=5)
```

```
print(arr)
```

```
print('shape of array :', arr.shape)
```

```
[[[[[1 2 3 4]]]]]
```

```
shape of array : (1, 1, 1, 1, 4)
```

Reshaping arrays

- **Reshaping** means changing the **shape** of an array.
- The **shape of an array** is the **number of elements in each dimension**.
- By reshaping we can add or remove dimensions or change number of elements in each dimension.

```
import numpy as np

arr = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12])

newarr = arr.reshape(4, 3)

print(newarr)

[[ 1  2  3]
 [ 4  5  6]
 [ 7  8  9]
 [10 11 12]]
```

```
newarr = arr.reshape(2, 3, 2)
```

```
print(newarr)
```

```
[[[ 1  2]
   [ 3  4]
   [ 5  6]]
```

```
[[ 7  8]
 [ 9 10]
 [11 12]]]
```

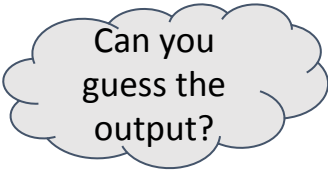
Converts an 1-D array with 12 elements into a 2-D array, which have 4 arrays, each with 3 elements

Searching arrays

- We can search an array for a certain value, and return the indexes that get a match.
- To search an array, use the `where()` method.

```
import numpy as np
arr = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 4, 4])
x = np.where(arr == 4)
print(x)
(array([3, 5, 6]),)
```

```
arr = np.array([3, 2, 0, 1])
print(np.sort(arr))
```



Can you
guess the
output?

Activity 1 - Exam adjustments

- Let us assume, that I have **grades** from my students listed in some **np.array** variables, as shown below.

```
columns_labels_list = ["MidTerm Score", "FinalExam Score", "Average Score"]
students_list = ["Chris", "Oka", "Norman", "Natalie", "Tony"]
grades_table = np.array([[60, 80, 70], \ # Chris scored 60% on MidTerm, 80% on Finals, Average is 70%
                          [50, 80, 65], \
                          [40, 70, 55], \
                          [60, 70, 65], \
                          [60, 90, 75]])

print(grades_table)
```

```
[[60 80 70]
 [50 80 65]
 [40 70 55]
 [60 70 65]
 [60 90 75]]
```

Activity 1 - Exam adjustments

- Let us assume, that I have **grades** from my students listed in a **np.array**.
- The first line contains the column labels (student name, some scores) and the other lines will consist of entries regarding some of the students.
- Let us assume that, as a professor, I have decided to be lenient towards my students.
- I realized that the midterm was a bit too difficult compared to last year.
- To compensate for that, I would like to increase the scores of all students on the midterm by 50%.

Activity 1 - Exam adjustments

Write a function


`grade_adjustment()`,

- which **receives** a grades table, `grades_table`,
- **increases** the **scores** of all students on the **midterm** by **50%**,
- **re-calculates** the **average score**, with the **new adjusted midterm score**,
- and then returns the **updated grades table** as its sole output.

- **Important note:** The **maximal score** for the midterm exam is capped to **100**. This means that a student which scores 80 points on the midterm, will not obtain 120 points after the adjustment, but only 100.

The `import` procedure

- The import procedure is used to import functions defined in external python (`.py`) files.
- To demonstrate, we have defined a `my_code.py` file with three functions.
- We can then import one of these functions in our Notebook, by using the `from ... import ...` command.

 jupyter my_code.py ✓ Last Tuesday at 1:22 PM

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```
1 def my_function(x):  
2     return 2*x + 1  
3  
4 def my_function2(x):  
5     return 3*x + 4  
6  
7 def my_function3(x):  
8     return 4*x + 7
```

```
1 from my_code import my_function
```

```
1 print(my_function(2))
```

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Random Numbers in NumPy

- Random number does NOT mean a different number every time. Random means something that cannot be predicted logically.
- **NumPy** offers the random module to work with random numbers.

```
from numpy import random

#Generate a random integer from 0 to 100:
x = random.randint(100)
print(x)
print("-")

# Define the range
lower_bound = 1
upper_bound = 100

# Generate 5 random integers within the range
random_integers = np.random.randint(lower_bound, upper_bound + 1, size=5)

print("Random integers:", random_integers)
```

2

-

Random integers: [39 30 32 70 30]

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print("Random integers:", random_integers)

2
-
Random integers: [39 30 32 70 30]
```

- The `choice()` method allows you to generate a random value based on an array of values.

```
x = random.choice([3, 5, 7, 9])
print(x)
```

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Conclusion

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- The Numpy library (part 1): arrays, math functions, etc.
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Coding Platforms

Most popular coding platforms

- Leetcode
- HackerRank

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