

# References to objects

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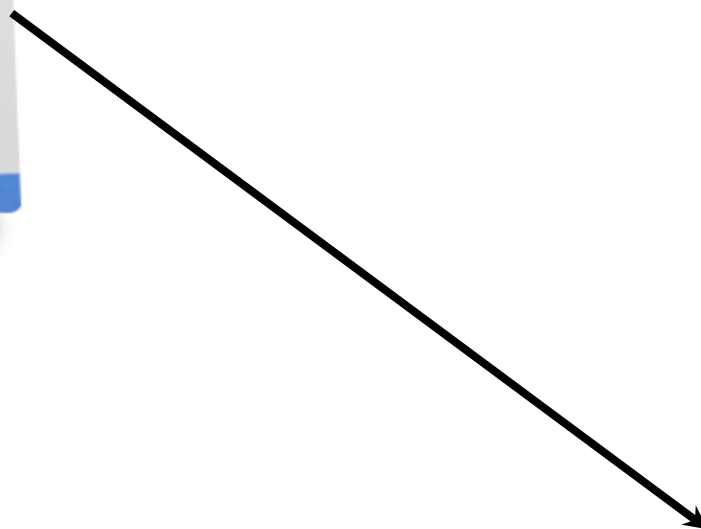
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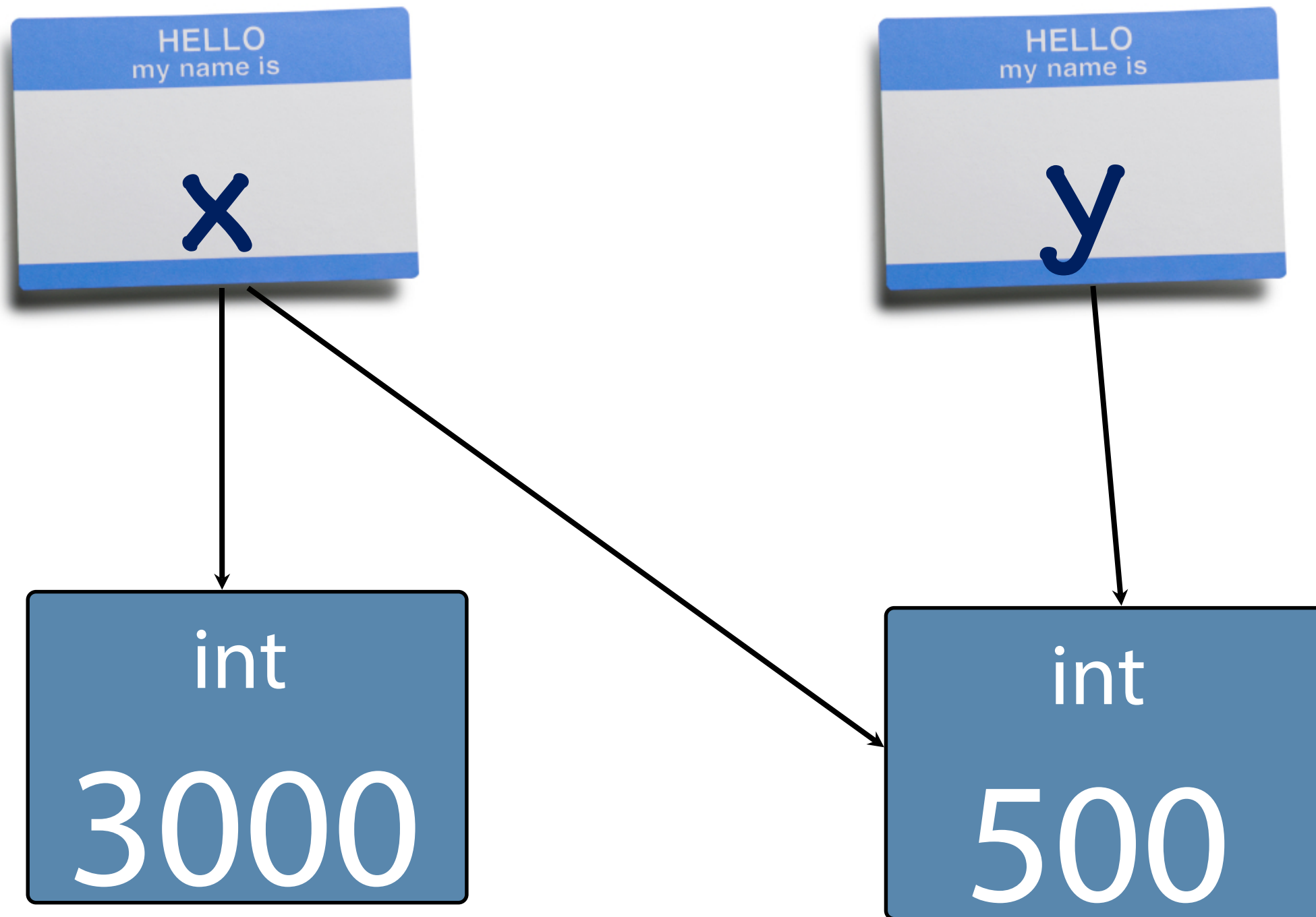
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1000

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500

$$y = x$$



$x = 3000$

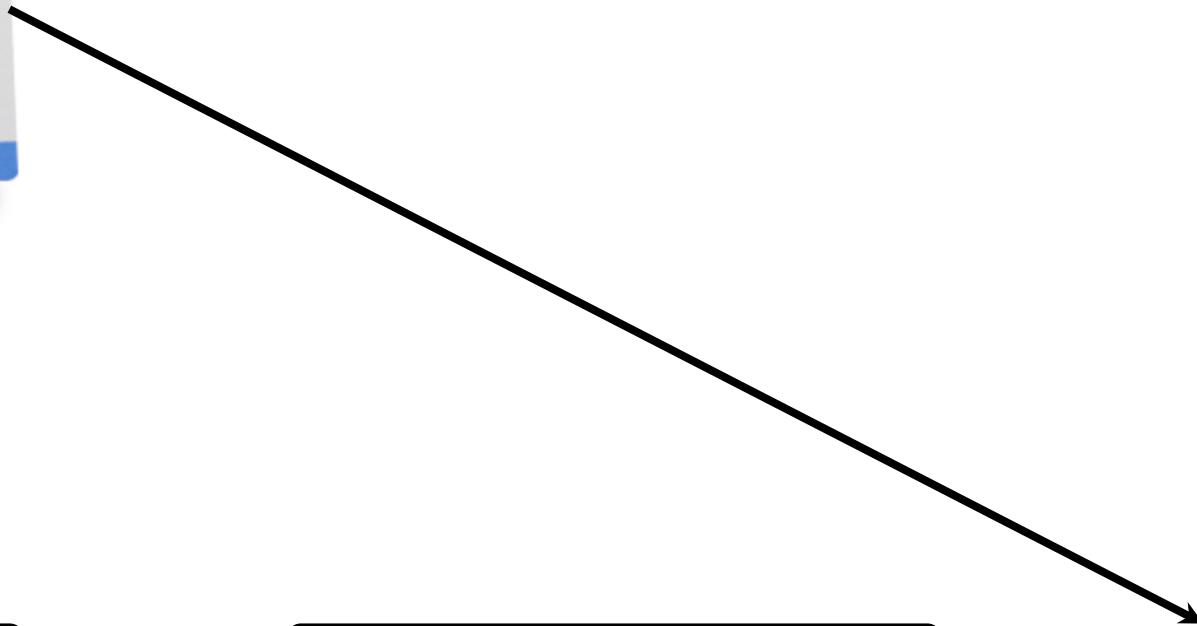




# id()

returns a unique identifier for an object





int  
5

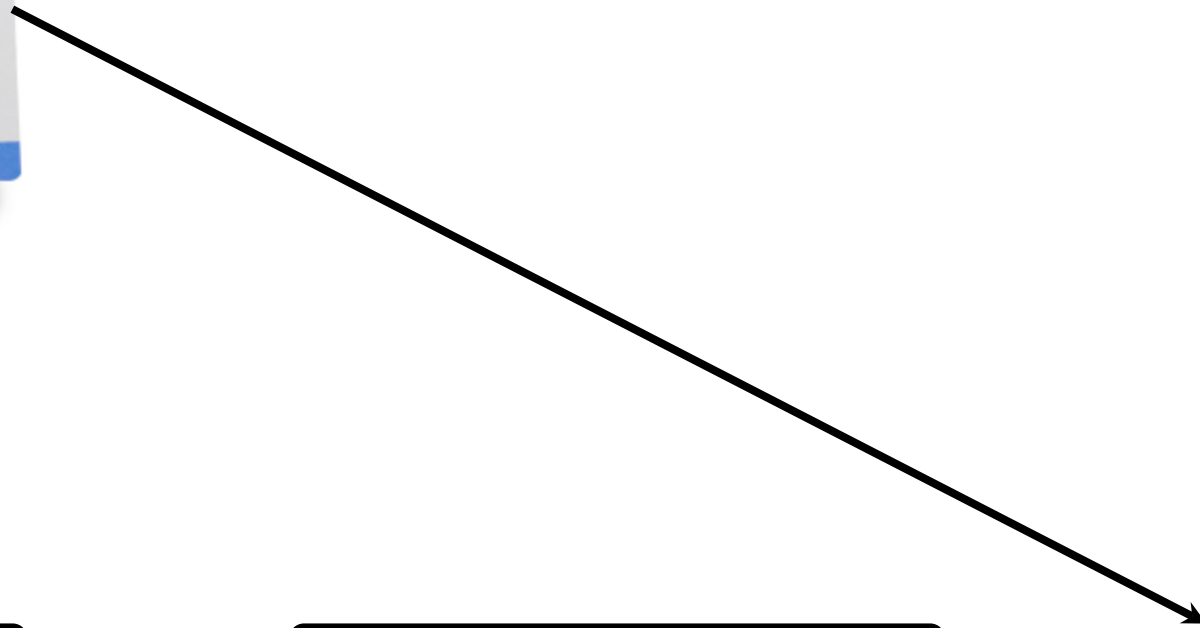
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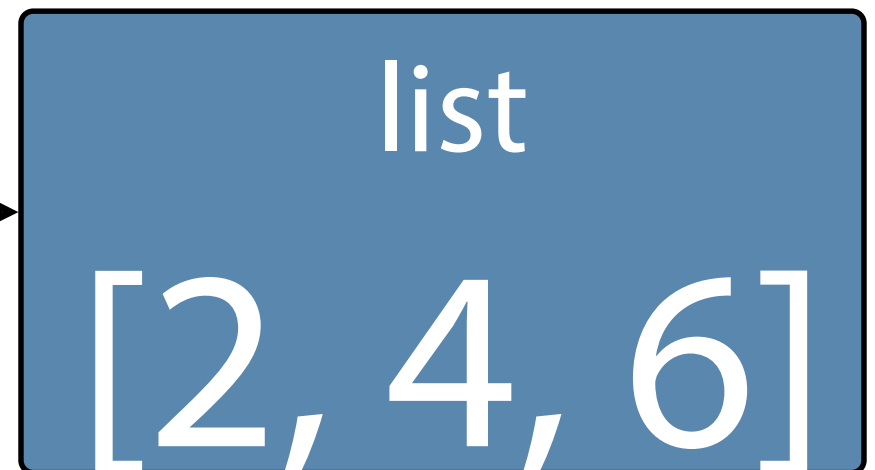


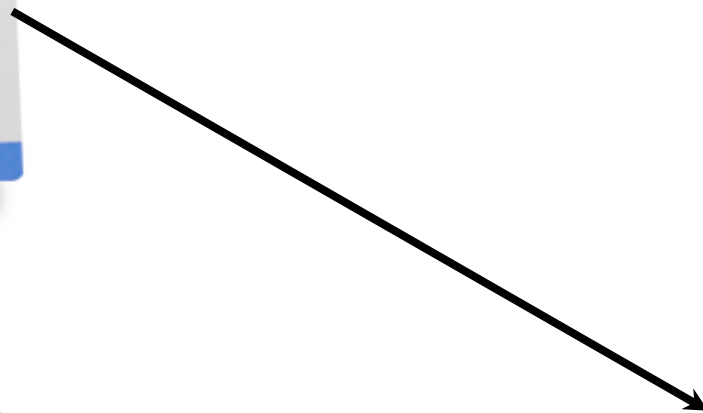
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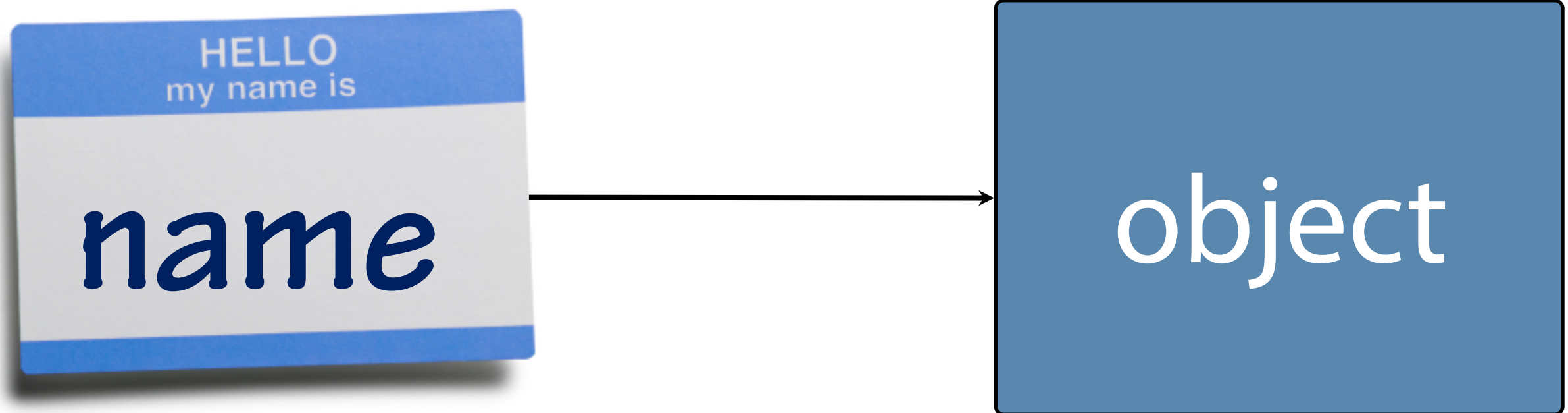
id() deals with the object, not  
the reference

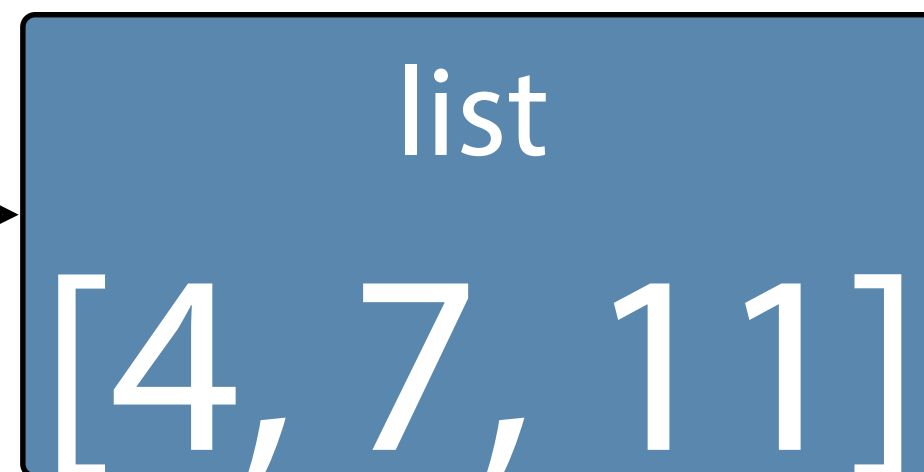
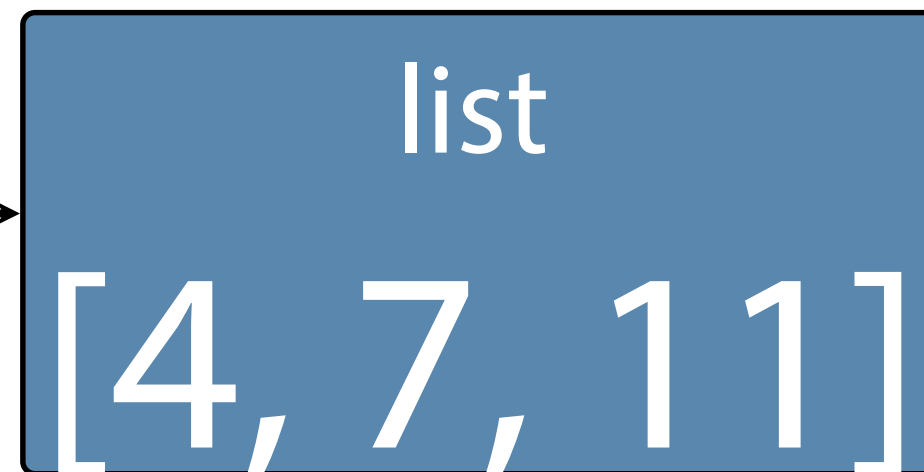


list  
[2, 4, 6]

# ~~Variables~~

Named references to objects



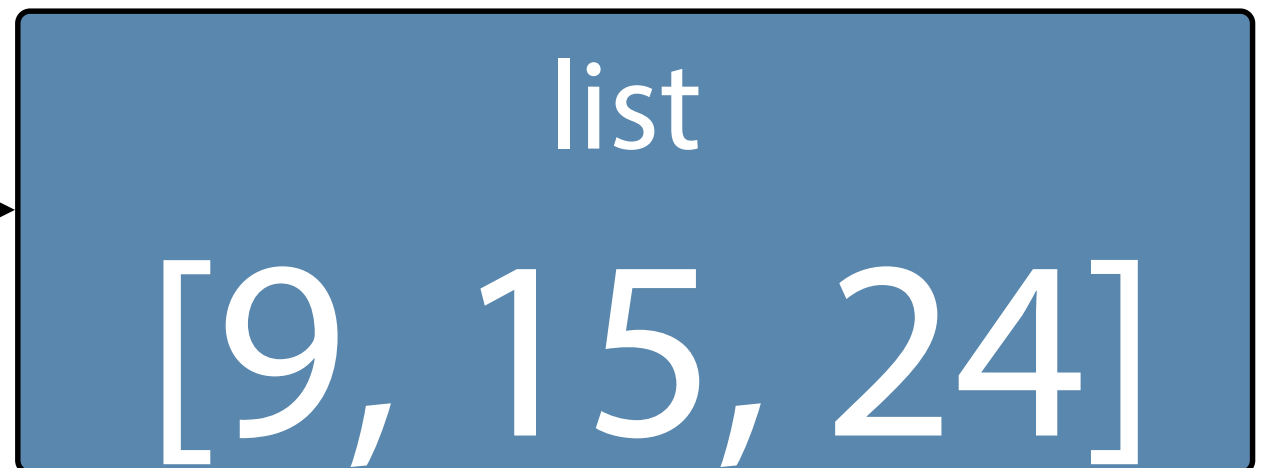


# Value equality vs. identity

- **Value** - equivalent “contents”  
**Identity** - same object

Value comparison can be controlled programmatically.





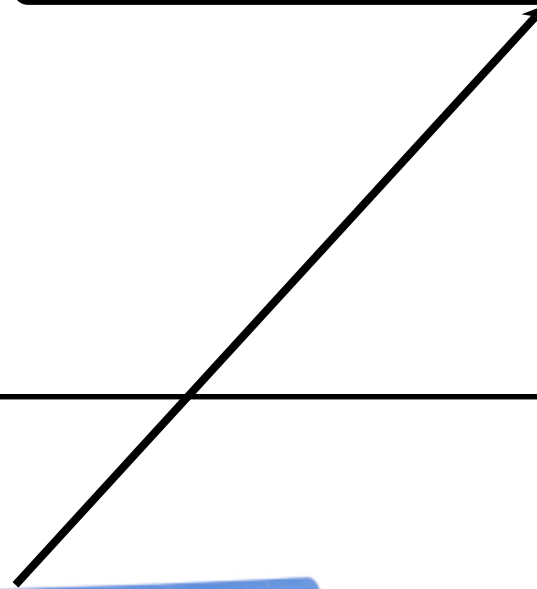


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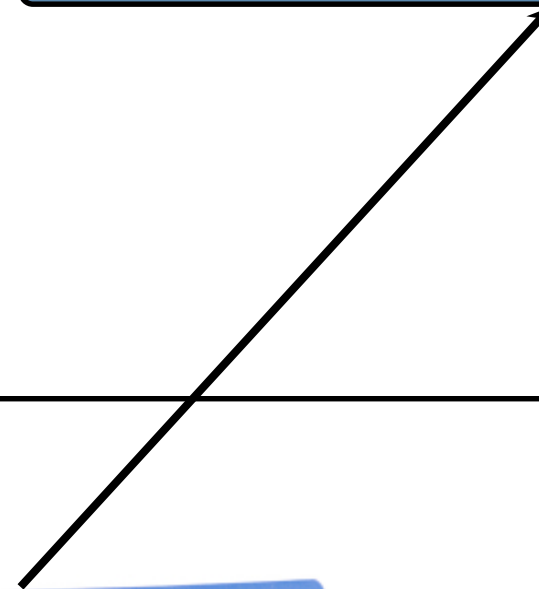


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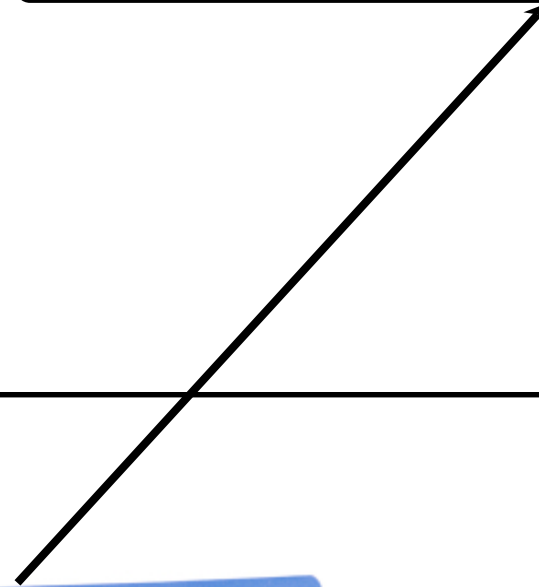


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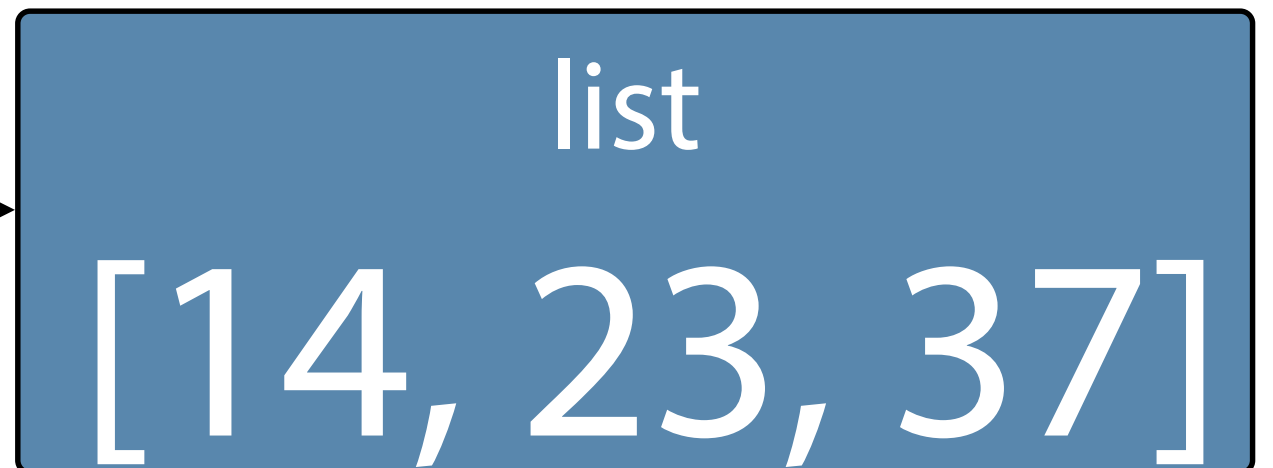




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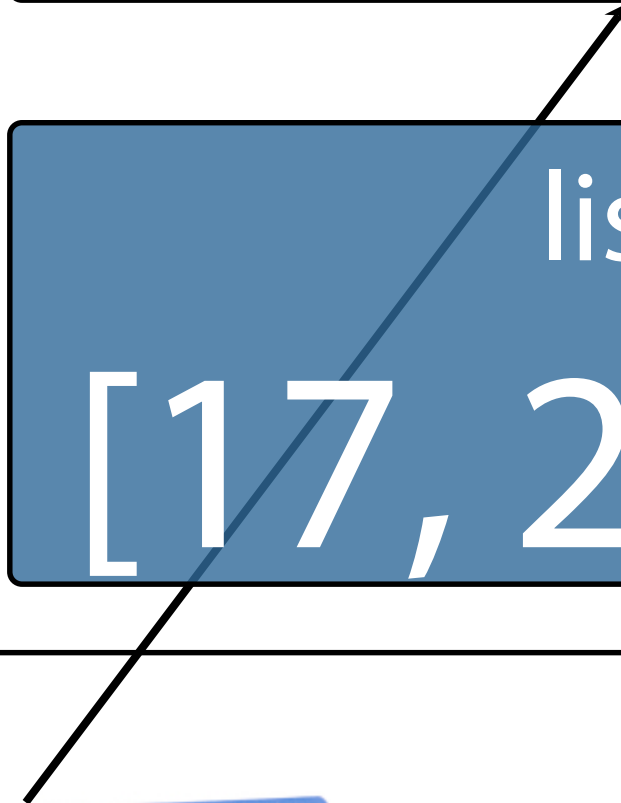




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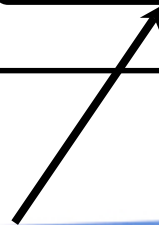


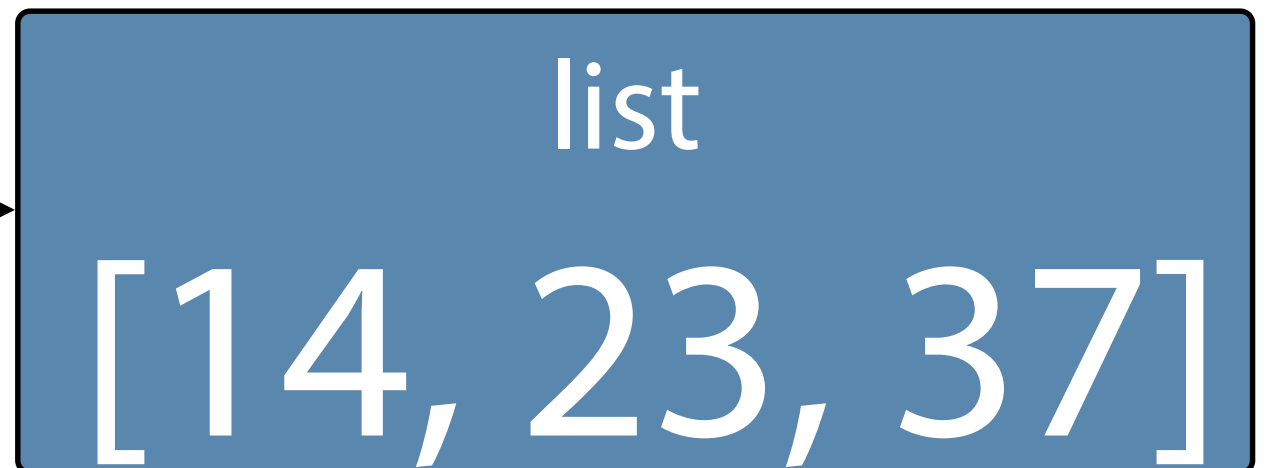
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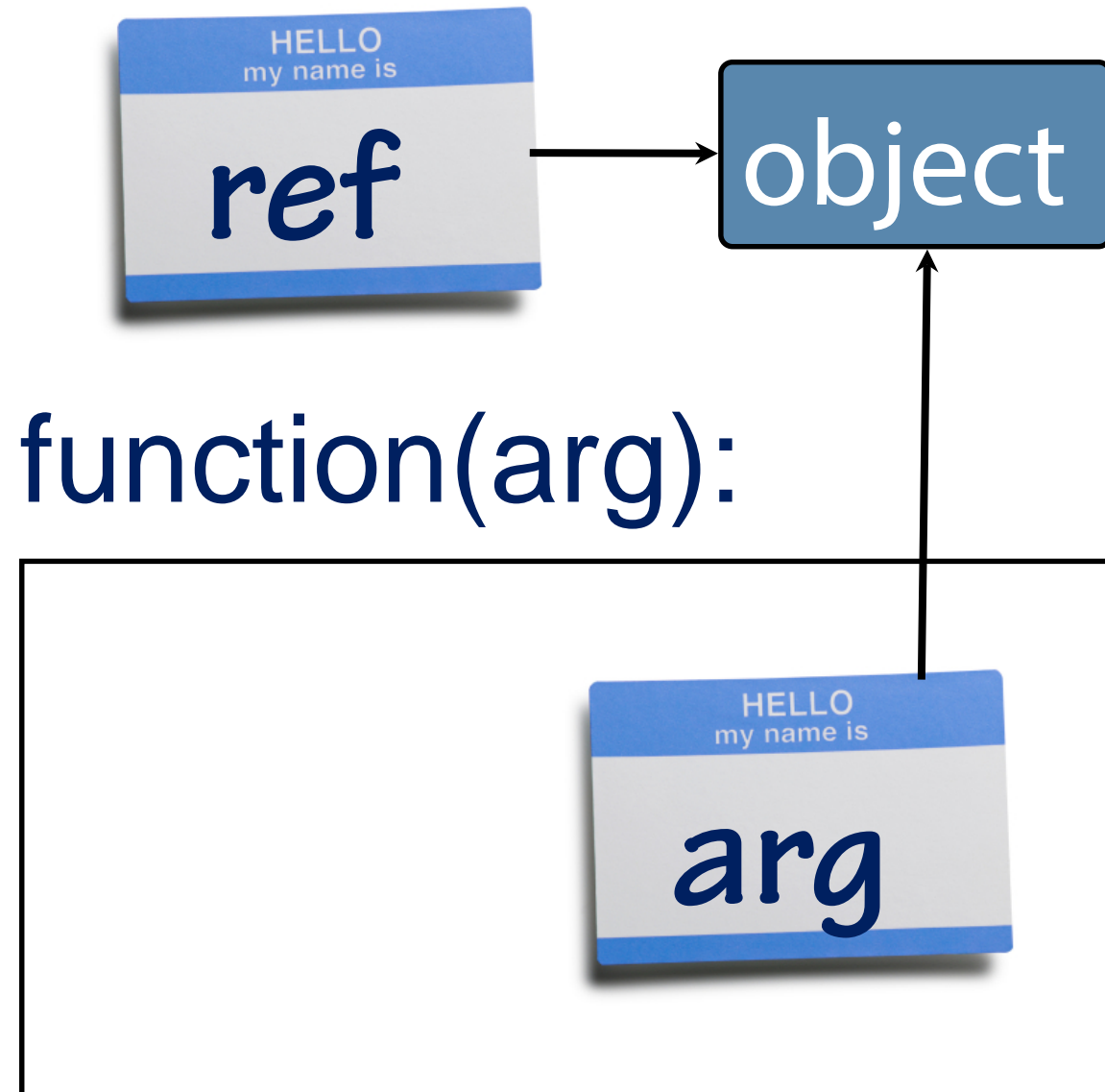


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# Pass By Object Reference



- The value of the **reference** is copied, not the value of the **object**.

# Default Arguments

```
def function(a, b=value)
```

Default value for 'b'



# Default Argument Evaluation

- Default argument values are evaluated when def is evaluated.
- They can be modified like any other object.

```
def add_spam(menu=
```

```
):  
    list
```

```
    []
```



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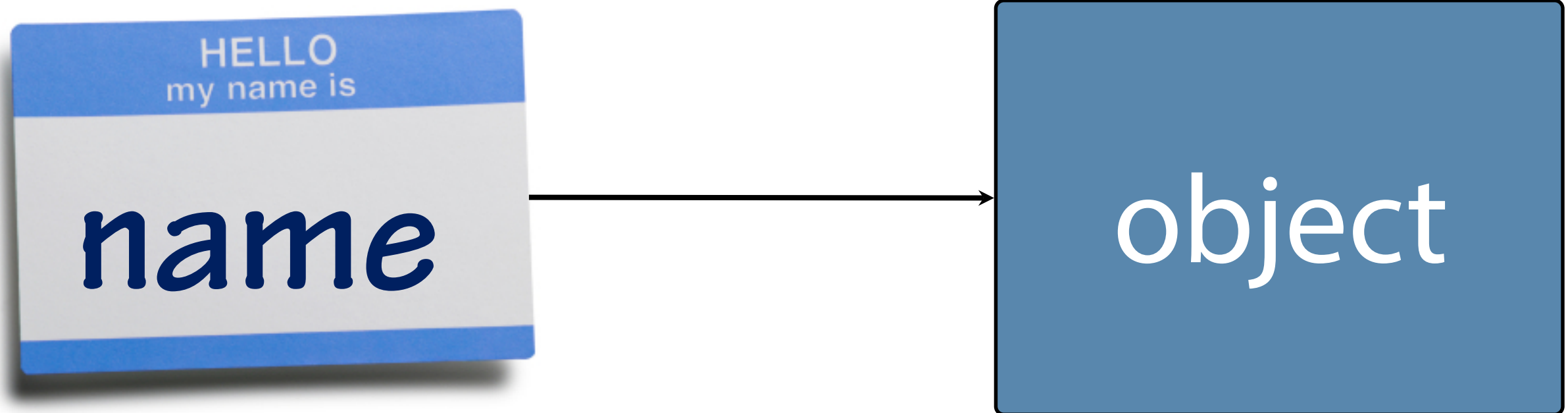
# Dynamic Type System

- In a dynamic type system object types are only resolved at runtime.

# Strong Type System

- In a strong type system there is no implicit type conversion.

# Object References Have No Type



# Python Name Scopes

Scopes are contexts in which  
named references can be  
looked up.



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rebinds a global name at module scope

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Moment of Zen

Special cases aren't  
special enough to  
break the rules

We follow patterns  
Not to kill complexity  
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