# Pydon'ts Write elegant Python code (vl.1)

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#### Task



# Code...

# Refactoring recap

## Starting point

```
def myfunc(a):
    empty=[]
    for i in range(len(a)):
        if i\%2 = = 0:
            empty.append(a[i].upper())
        else:
            empty.append(a[i].lower())
    return "".join(empty)
```

## Code style matters

```
def myfunc(a):
    empty = []
    for i in range(len(a)):
        if i % 2 == 0:
            empty.append(a[i].upper())
        else:
            empty.append(a[i].lower())
    return "".join(empty)
```

## Naming matters

```
def alternate casing(text):
    chars = []
    for idx in range(len(text)):
        if idx % 2 == 0:
            chars.append(text[idx].upper())
        else:
            chars.append(text[idx].lower())
    return "".join(chars)
```

#### Enumerate me

```
def alternate casing(text):
    chars = []
    for idx, char in enumerate(text):
        if idx % 2 == 0:
            chars.append(char.upper())
        else:
            chars.append(char.lower())
    return "".join(chars)
```

#### Nest sparingly

```
def alternate casing(text):
    chars = []
    for idx, char in enumerate(text):
        if idx \% 2 == 0:
            capitalised = char.upper()
        else:
            capitalised = char.lower()
        chars.append(capitalised)
    return "".join(chars)
```

## Leverage the PSL

```
from itertools import cycle
def alternate casing(text):
    chars = []
    funcs = cycle((str.upper, str.lower))
    for char, func in zip(text, funcs):
        chars.append(func(char))
    return "".join(chars)
```

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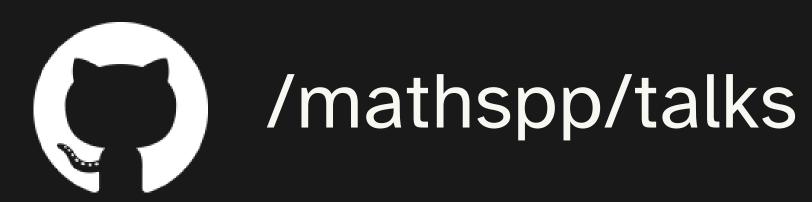
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