

Sequences: Lists and Tuples

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`List` and `tuple` belong to ***sequence*** data types, which means they represent **ordered collections of items**. They share the same characteristic as `string` and the `range` object returned by `range()` function.

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List in Python

`List = [10, 'Favtutor', 10, [5,10,15]]`

`List[0]` `List[1]` `List[2]` `List[3]`

- ✓ **Ordered:** Items have defined order which cannot be changed
- ✓ **Mutable:** Items can be modified anytime
- ✓ **Allow duplicates:** Items with the same value is allowed

source: <https://favtutor.com/blogs/list-vs-dictionary>

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The first example is a list of four integers and the second is a list of four strings.

Getting Individual Values in a List with Indexes

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linear algebra
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```
In [8]: spam[3]
```

```
Out[8]: [10, 20]
```

```
In [9]: display_quiz(path+"list1.json", max_width=800)
```

What is printed by the following statements?

```
alist = [3, 67, "cat", 156, 57, "dog"], 10, 3.14, max_width  
print(alist)
```

dog

False

3.14

[]

```
In [10]: display_quiz(path+"list2.json", max_width=800)
```

Which of the following correctly uses indexing? Assume that a is a list or string.

a[]

t = a[0]

x = [8]

w = [a]

Negative Indexes and the `len()` function

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In [12]: len(subjects)
```

```
Out[12]: 4
```

Getting a sublist from Another `List` with Slices

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The slice operator `[n:m]` returns the part of the string starting with the element at index `n` and go up to but not including the element at index `m`. A slice evaluates to a new `list`!

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In [14]: # subjects = ['calculus', 'introduction to mathematics', 'computer programming']
print(subjects[:3]) # same as subjects[0:3]
print(subjects[1:]) # same as subjects[1:len(s)]
print(subjects[:]) # same as s[0:len(s)]
```

```
['calculus', 'introduction to mathematics', 'computer programming']
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In [15]: # subjects = ['calculus', 'introduction to mathematics', 'computer programming']
print(subjects[::2]) # Note the default step is 1
print(subjects[::-1]) # Reverse the order of the list, subjects[Len(subjects)]
```

```
['calculus', 'computer programming']
['linear algebra', 'computer programming', 'introduction to mathematics', 'calculus']
```

```
In [16]: display_quiz(path+"slice.json", max_width=800)
```

What is printed by the following statements?

```
alist = [3, 67, "cat", [56, 57, "dog"], 2.5, 3.14, False]
print(alist[4])
```

[[56, 57, "dog"], 2.5, 3.14, False]

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Changing Values in a `List` with Indexes

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The first element of `numbers`, which used to be 123, is now 5.

List Concatenation and **List** Replication

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Out[18]: [1, 2, 3, 'A', 'B', 'C']
```

```
In [19]: ['X', 'Y', 'Z'] * 3
```

```
Out[19]: ['X', 'Y', 'Z', 'X', 'Y', 'Z', 'X', 'Y', 'Z']
```

```
In [20]: display_quiz(path+"concat.json", max_width=800)
```

What is printed by the following statements?

```
arr1 = [1, 3, 5]
arr2 = [2, 4, 6]
print(concat(arr1 + arr2))
```

6

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

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

[3,7,11]

Removing Values from Lists with `del` Statements

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List traversal

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In [24]: print(range(4))  
list(range(4))
```

```
range(0, 4)
```

```
Out[24]: [0, 1, 2, 3]
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    print(i)
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```
In [26]: for subject in subjects: # subjects = ['calculus', 'introduction to mathematics',  
    print(subject)
```

```
calculus  
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computer programming  
linear algebra
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In [27]: numbers = [17, 5, 42, 7]
for i in range(len(numbers)):
    print(i, numbers[i])
    numbers[i] = numbers[i]**2

print(numbers)
```

```
0 17
1 5
2 42
3 7
[289, 25, 1764, 49]
```

The `in` and `not in` Operators

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In [28]: print('howdy' in ['hello', 'hi', 'howdy', 'heyas'])
print('English' not in subjects)
```

```
True
True
```

Using the `enumerate()` Function with Lists

Instead of using the `range(len(someList))` technique with a `for` loop to obtain the integer index of the items in the `list`, you can call the `enumerate()` function instead. On each iteration of the loop, `enumerate()` will return two values: **the index of the item and the item itself.**

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In [29]: numbers = [17, 5, 42, 7]
print(list(enumerate(numbers)))

for i, number in enumerate(numbers):
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    numbers[i] = number**2

print(numbers)
```

```
[(0, 17), (1, 5), (2, 42), (3, 7)]
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Methods of the `list`

A ***method***, introduced in Chapter 1, is the same as a function, except it is "called on" an object. For example, if a `list` object were stored in `spam`, you would call the `index()` list method on that `list` like so: `spam.index('hello')`. The method part comes after the object, separated by a period.

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Each data type has its own set of methods. The `list` data type, for example, has several useful methods for finding, adding, removing, and otherwise manipulating values in a `list`.

Adding elements to `Lists` with the `append()` and `insert()` Methods

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In [33]: t = ['a', 'b', 'c']
t.insert(1,'e') # not t = t.insert(1, 'e')
t # in-place operation!
```

```
Out[33]: ['a', 'e', 'b', 'c']
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```
In [34]: eggs = 'hello'  
       eggs.append('world')
```

```
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-----  
AttributeError                                     Traceback (most recent call  
last)  
~\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_5960\3759910952.py in <module>  
      1 eggs = 'hello'  
----> 2 eggs.append('world')  
  
AttributeError: 'str' object has no attribute 'append'
```

Adding all the elements of a `List` to the end of `List` with the `extend()` Methods

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```
In [36]: color_names
```

```
Out[36]: ['orange', 'yellow', 'green', 'indigo', 'violet']
```

```
In [37]: display_quiz(path+"append.json", max_width=800)
```

What is printed by the following statements?

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
my_list.append(4)
my_list.append(5)
print(my_list)
```

[1, 2, 3, [4, 5], 6, 7]

[1, 2, 3, [4, 5, 6, 7]]

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, [6, 7]]

Removing elements from `Lists` with the `remove()` Method

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```
In [38]: spam = ['cat', 'bat', 'rat', 'elephant']
spam.remove('bat')
print(spam)
```

```
['cat', 'rat', 'elephant']
```

```
In [39]: display_quiz(path+"remove.json", max_width=800)
```

What is printed by the following statements?

```
my_list = [10, 20, 30, 40, 20]
del my_list[2]
my_list.remove(20)
print(my_list)
```

[10, 40, 20]

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Note that `sort()` uses “ASCII order” rather than alphabetical order for sorting strings.

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print(spam)
```

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['dogs', 'cats', 'badgers', 'ants', 'Elephants']
```

Searching an element in a `List` with the `index()` Method

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```
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```

```
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ValueError                                     Traceback (most recent call
last)
~\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_5960\4200790458.py in <module>
      1 spam = ['hello', 'hi', 'howdy', 'heyas']
----> 2 spam.index('world')
```

```
ValueError: 'world' is not in list
```

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```
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```

```
Out[44]: 1
```

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          print(min(nums))
          print(sum(nums))
```

```
74
```

```
3
```

```
154
```

List Comprehensions

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But a ***list comprehension*** allows you to generate this same list in just one line of code. A list comprehension combines the `for` loop and the creation of new elements into one line, and automatically appends each new element!

```
In [48]: squares = [value**2 for value in range(1, 11)]  
print(squares)
```

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To use this syntax

- Begin with a descriptive name for the `list`, such as `squares`.
- Next, open a set of square brackets and define the expression for the values you want to store in the new `list`. In this example, the expression is `value**2`
- Then, write a `for` loop to generate the numbers you want to feed into the expression and close the square brackets. In this example, the `for` loop iterates `value` in `range(1, 11)`, which feeds the values 1 through 10 into the expression `value**2`.

Note that no colon is used at the end of the `for` statement.

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```
In [49]: list1 = [item for item in range(1, 11) if item % 2 == 0]
list1
```

```
Out[49]: [2, 4, 6, 8, 10]
```

Exercise 1: In this exercise, you will implement the Bulls and Cows game where the computer generates a random 4-digit secret number with distinct digits, and the player tries to guess it; for each guess, the program compares the input to the secret number and returns a result in the format "XAXB," where each "A" indicates a digit that is both correct and in the right position (a bull) and each "B" indicates a correct digit in the wrong position (a cow)—for instance, if the secret is 4271 and the guess is 1234, the output should be "1A2B" because the digit "2" is correctly placed while "4" and "1" are present but misplaced.



source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bulls_and_Cows

```
In [ ]: import random
```

```
# Generate a random four-digit number
def generate_number():
    digits = list(range(10))
    random.shuffle(digits) # randomly shuffle the list!
    return digits[:4]

# Check the user's guess against the secret number
def check_guess(guess, secret):
    # Note that both guess and secret are lists!
    a = 0 # number of correct digits in the correct position
    b = 0 # number of correct digits in the wrong position
    for _____: # iterate over list and get the index
        if guess[i] == secret[i]:
            a += 1
        elif _____: # Use operator to determine whether the digit is in .
            b += 1
    return a, b
```

```
In [ ]: # Play the game
print("Welcome to 1A2B!")
print("I'm thinking of a four-digit number. Can you guess it?")
secret = generate_number()
guesses = 0
while True:
    guess = input("Enter your guess, enter 'quit' to give up: ")
    if guess == 'quit':
        print("The secret number is", secret)
        break
    elif len(guess) != 4 or not guess.isdigit():
        print("Invalid guess. Please enter a four-digit number.")
        continue
    guess = _____ # Use list comprehension to get the 4-digit guess list
    guesses += 1
    result = check_guess(guess, secret)
    print(result[0], 'A', result[1], 'B', sep="")
    if result[0] == 4:
        print("Congratulations, you guessed the number in", guesses, "guesses")
        break
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```
In [50]: 'a' in 'apple'
```

```
Out[50]: True
```

Mutable and Immutable Data Types

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In [51]: name = 'Zophie a cat'  
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```
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TypeError                                     Traceback (most recent call  
last)  
~\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_5960\2958416556.py in <module>  
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```
TypeError: 'str' object does not support item assignment
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```
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```

```
Out[52]: tuple
```

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t2 = tuple('a')
print(type(t1), type(t2))
t3 = ('a')
print(type(t3))
print(t1, t2, t3)
```

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<class 'tuple'> <class 'tuple'>
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```
In [56]: print(t[0]) # t = tuple('nsysu')
print(t[1:3])
```

```
n
('s', 'y')
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You can use `tuples` to convey to anyone reading your code that you don't intend for that sequence of values to change. Use a `tuple` if you need an ordered sequence of values that never changes.

```
In [58]: display_quiz(path+"tuple.json", max_width=800)
```

Which of the following statements about lists and tuples in Python are true?
(Select all that apply)

Lists can store elements of different data types.

The size of a tuple can be changed after it is created.

Tuples are mutable, meaning their elements can be modified after creation.

Lists have methods like append() and extend(), while tuples do not support these methods.

Both lists and tuples support indexing and slicing operations.

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```

```
In [60]: first_name, grades = student_tuple
print(first_name, grades)
```

```
Amanda [98, 85, 87]
```

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```
In [61]: def total_ave(grade):
    total = sum(grade)
    ave = total/len(grade)
    return total, ave

grades = [85, 70, 100, 90]
total, ave = total_ave(grades)

print(total, ave)
```

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spam = 100
print(id(cheese), id(spam))

spam, cheese
```

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print(id(cheese), id(spam))
cheese[1] = 'Hello!' # This changes the list value!
print(id(cheese), id(spam))

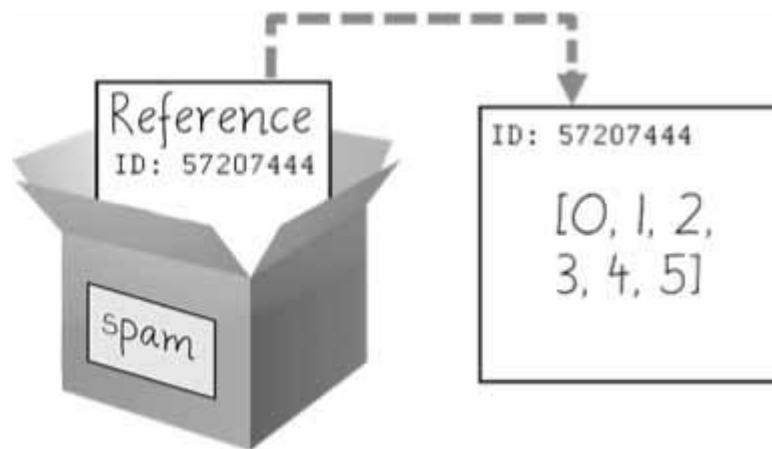
spam, cheese
```

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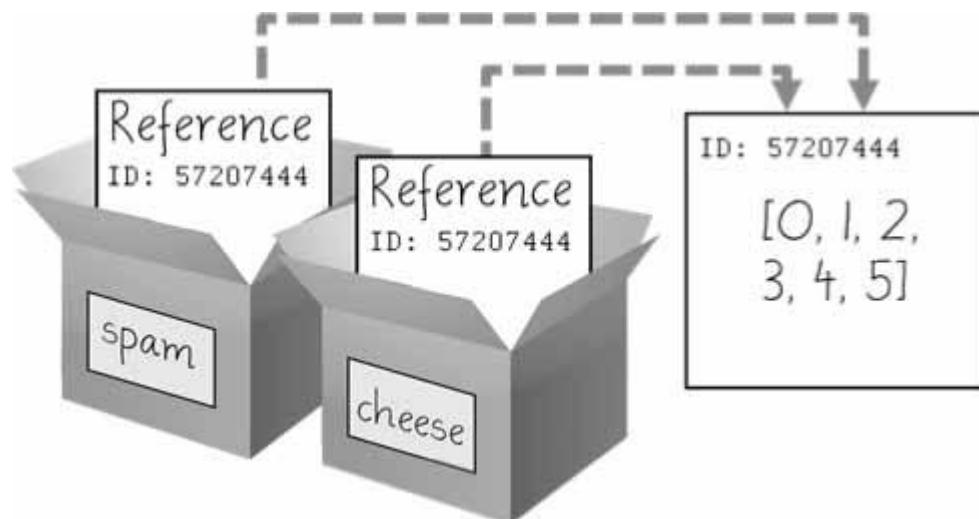
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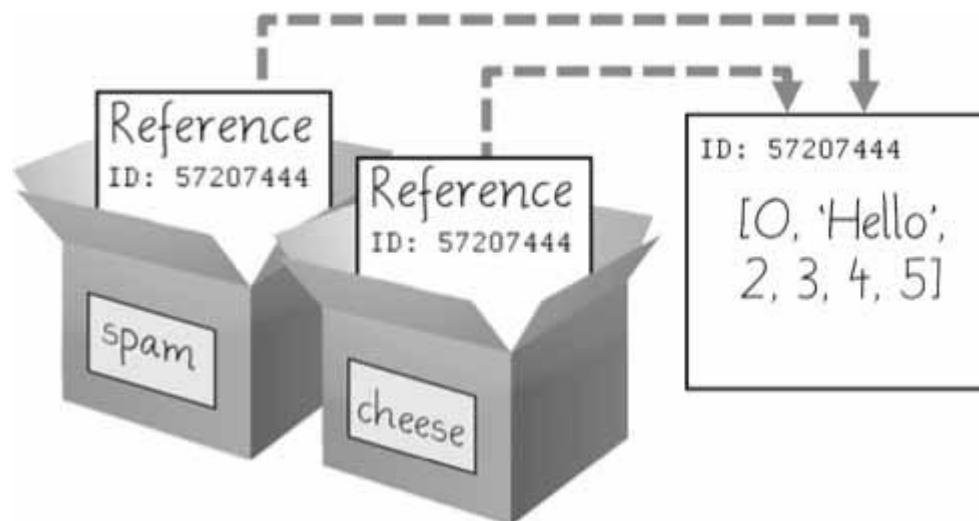
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```
In [64]: bacon = 'Hello'  
        print(id(bacon))  
        bacon = bacon + 'World'  
        print(id(bacon))
```

```
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Notice that when `eggs()` is called, a return value is not used to assign a new value to `spam`. Instead, it modifies the list in place directly. Even though `spam` and `someParameter` contain separate references, they both refer to the same `list`.

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In [67]: def eggs(someParameter):
    print(id(someParameter))
    someParameter = someParameter + "world" # This will create a new object and
    print(id(someParameter))

spam = "hello"
print(id(spam))
eggs(spam)
print(spam)
```

```
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hello
```

The `copy` Module's `copy()` and `deepcopy()` Functions

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import copy

spam = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D']
print(id(spam))
cheese = copy.copy(spam)
print(id(cheese)) # cheese is a different list with different identity.
cheese[1] = 42

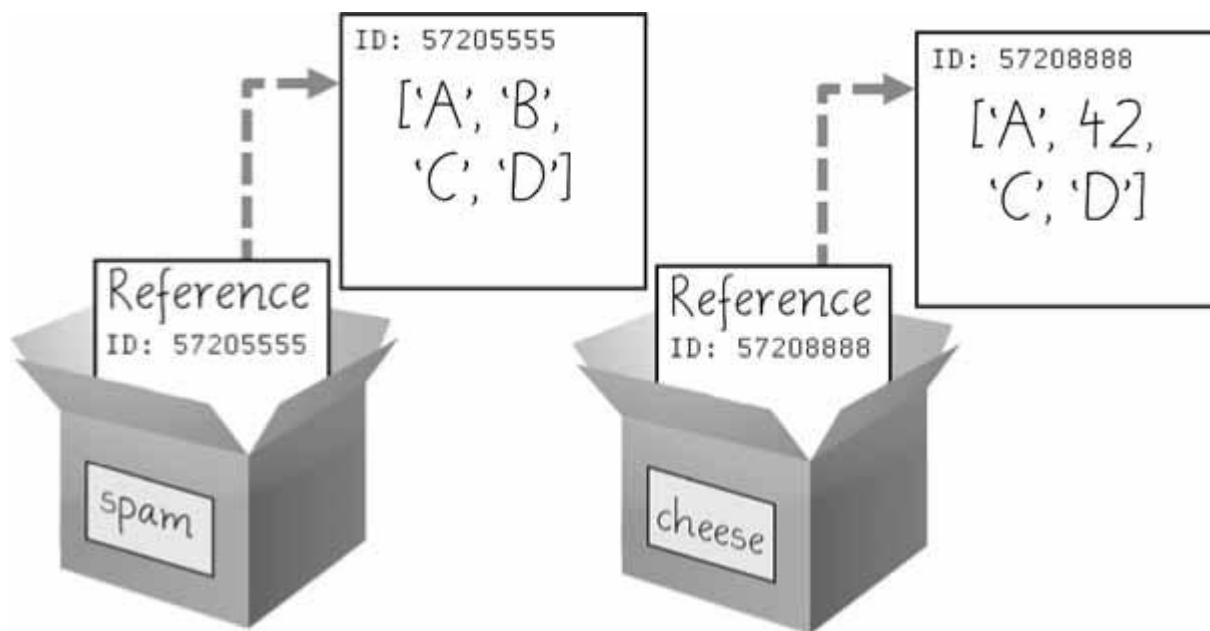
spam, cheese
```

```
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1951470840320
```

Out[68]: ([{'A': 'A', 'B': 'B', 'C': 'C', 'D': 'D'}, {'A': 'A', 'B': 42, 'C': 'C', 'D': 'D'}])

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Exercise 2: Here, we will simulate the process of a simple card game. The game is played with a standard deck of 52 cards, and we will randomly select 40 cards and divide them evenly between two players. Each player gets a hand of 20 cards. The goal of the game is to collect pairs of cards with the same rank (e.g., two aces, two kings, etc.). The player with the most pairs at the end of the game wins.

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In [ ]: import random
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# Write a function create_deck that creates a list of tuples representing a standard 52-card deck.  
# Each tuple should contain two elements: the rank (e.g., "ace", "king", etc.)  
# and the suit (e.g., "hearts", "spades", etc.).
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def create_deck():  
    ranks = ["A", "2", "3", "4", "5", "6", "7", "8", "9", "10", "J", "Q", "K"]  
    suits = ['♣', '♦', '♥', '♠']  
    deck = [(rank, suit) for rank in ranks for suit in suits] # Use list comprehension to create the deck.  
    return deck
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# A function that takes the deck as a parameter and returns two lists, each containing 20 cards from the deck.  
# Use list slicing and the random module to implement this function.
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def deal_cards(deck):  
    deck = deck[:40]  
    random.shuffle(deck)  
    hand1 = deck[0:20] # Split it into 20 cards in each using slice  
    hand2 = deck[20:40]  
    return hand1, hand2
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In [ ]: # Write a function find_pairs that takes a list of cards as a parameter and returns a list of pairs of cards in the list. A pair is defined as two cards with the same value.
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def find_pairs(cards):
    pairs = []
    for i, card1 in enumerate(cards):
        for j, card2 in enumerate(cards):
            if i != j and card1[0] == card2[0] and card1 not in [pair[0] for
                pair in pairs] and card2 not in [pair[1] for pair in pairs] and card1 < card2:
                pairs.append((card1, card2)) # Use a method from the list to add the pair
    return pairs
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In [ ]: deck = create_deck()
hand1, hand2 = deal_cards(deck)
pairs1 = find_pairs(hand1)
pairs2 = find_pairs(hand2)

print(pairs1)
print(pairs2)
if _____: # Compare the length of the two lists
    print("Player 1 wins!")
elif _____:
    print("Player 2 wins!")
else:
    print("It's a tie!")
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In [69]: from jupytercards import display_flashcards  
fpath= "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/phonchi/nsysu-math106A/refs/heads/m  
display_flashcards(fpath + 'ch4.json')
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