## **BIS 420 PROGRAMMING FOR DATA SCIENCE**

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third, etc.
>>> fruit = 'banana'
>>> fruit[0:5:2]
'bnn'
```

A string slice can take a third index that specifies the "step size;" that is, the number of spaces between successive characters. A step size of 2 means every other character; 3 means every

A step size of -1 goes through the word backwards, so the slice [::-1] generates a reversed string. Use this idiom to write a one-line version of is\_palindrome from Exercise 6.6.

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def is_palindrome():
    s = input("Enter a string: ")
    return s == s[::-1]
print(is_palindrome())
```