

# Python Programming

## L06: Arrays

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# Resources and Acknowledgements

- Intro to Programming with C++
  - Abhiram Ranade, Prof CSE, IIT Bombay
- A first course in programming
  - <https://introcs.cs.princeton.edu/python/home/>
  - <https://introcs.cs.princeton.edu/java/home/>
- Python for everybody
  - <https://www.py4e.com>
- Web Applications for everybody
  - <https://www.wa4e.com>
- [https://education.pythoninstitute.org/course\\_\\_datas](https://education.pythoninstitute.org/course__datas)
- <https://www.w3schools.com/python/>
  - Basic Python Tutorial

# Overview

- Overview of Arrays
- Array operations
- Multi dimensional arrays
- Exercises
- Summary

# Arrays

- **Creating an array**  
`vowels = ['A', 'E', 'I', 'O', 'U']`
- **Initializing an array with size n**  
`arr = [None] * n`
- **Extending an array by size m**  
`arr += arr + [None] * m`
- **Accessing elements**
  - Index starts from 0
    - follows machine language programming convention
  - Index of last element is  $n-1$
  - Negative index
    - $-i$  implies `len(array) - i`
- **IndexError on array bounds violation**

# Arrays

- Array implementation
  - Implemented as **List** object
- Mutability
  - Any element value can be modified

```
arr = [None] * 10  
arr[1] = 1
```
  - Array can be resized

```
arr1 = [1, 2]; arr2 = [3, 4]  
arr = arr.extend(arr2)  
arr.append(5)
```

# Array Operations

- Sub arrays, slicing
    - always provides a new array object
- ```
arr = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```
- ```
arr[2:6] # [3, 4, 5]
```
- ```
arr[:] # same array
```
- ```
arr[:-1] # excludes the last element
```
- ```
arr[-4:-5] # gives empty array
```
- picking elements at an interval
- ```
arr[1::3] # [2, 5, 8]
```
- ```
arr[::-1] # reverses the arrays
```

# Array Operations

- Operations that work on the same object
  - `append(elem)`
  - `sort()`
  - `extend(arr)`
  - `remove(elem)`
  - `pop(index)`
  - `insert(index,elem)`
  - `clear()`
  - `reverse()`
  - **Assignment operation**  
`arr = [1, 2, 3, 4]`  
`narr = arr # same object.`
    - any operation affects both

# Array Operations

- Operations that return a new list object
  - array slicing e.g. `arr[m:n]`
  - `copy()` # returns a copy new array
- Operations return a value
  - `index(elem, [start, [end]])`
  - `count()`



# Array as Other Data Structure

- **Stack:**
  - `append()` and `pop()` provides the stack operations
- **Queue**

```
from collections import deque
q = deque([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
a.popleft()
a.pop()
a.append()
```

# Multi Dimensional Array

- By default list is one dimensional
  - Each element can be an array itself
  - Each element array need not be same size e,g.

N=10

```
arr = [None] * N
for i in range(N):
    arr[i] = [None] * i
```

- For matrix, each element should be same size, e.g.

N=10

```
arr = [None] * N
for i in range(N):
    arr[i] = [None] * N
```

# Module numpy

- Language design has a tradeoff
  - Between simplicity and efficiency
  - List data structure has simplicity in design
    - For large array sizes, its performance is slow
- Module numpy
  - Designed for large array for processing numbers
  - Uses lower level implementation to overcome inefficiencies

# Programming Exercises:

- Ex 01: Deck of Playing Cards
  - Create a deck of cards
    - Rank: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, J, Q, K, A
    - Suite: Club, Diamond, Heart, Spade
  - Pick 2 random cards with replacing.
    - Find the probabilities of picking same suite card
      - By conducting 100000 trials
  - pick 4 random cards without replacing
    - Count the number of trials till you get the cards of same rank
- Note: to pick a random number between 1 and 10

```
import random
random.randrange(1, 11)
```

# Programming Exercises:

- Ex 02: Birthday Probability
  - Let students enter a class one by one.
  - The entry stops the moment the birthday of new incoming student is same as one of those already in the class.
    - Birthday can be taken as a number between 1 & 365
    - Conduct 10000 trials and find the average class size when two students have same birthday.
- Note: to pick a random number between 1 and 10  
`import random`  
`random.randrange(1, 11)`

# Programming Exercises:

- Ex 03: Finding a duplicate
  - Given an array of numbers
    - Elements of array have value less than array size
  - Find if a duplicate number exists
  - Do not create a new array
    - You can modify the elements of the array
  - Do not use a dictionary object
  - Do not check membership existence of element
    - e.g. do not use `if elem in arr:`
- Simple implementation in  $O(n^2)$  time
- Can you find an efficient implementation:  $O(n)$

# Programming Exercises:

- Ex 04: Finding Longest Plateau
  - Given an array of integers
  - Find the length and location of plateau i.e.
    - Longest contiguous sequence of equal values, where
      - values of elements just before and just after this sequence are smaller.

# Questions

