

[320] Welcome + First Lecture

[reproducibility]

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Who am I?

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- Please call me “Meena”

Industry and Teaching experience

- Citrix, Cisco, and Microsoft
- CS300, CS220, CS367, guest lectures in
CS640, CS740

Research

- Network measurements
- CS education



My world 😊

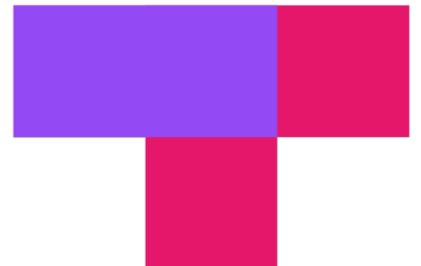


Passion: Running / working out

Who are You?

Canvas > Top Hat

- Sign in with your wisc.edu school account



Please fill this form (due next Monday, Jan 30th):

<https://forms.gle/KqvLHGrCvuP9Z7wF9>

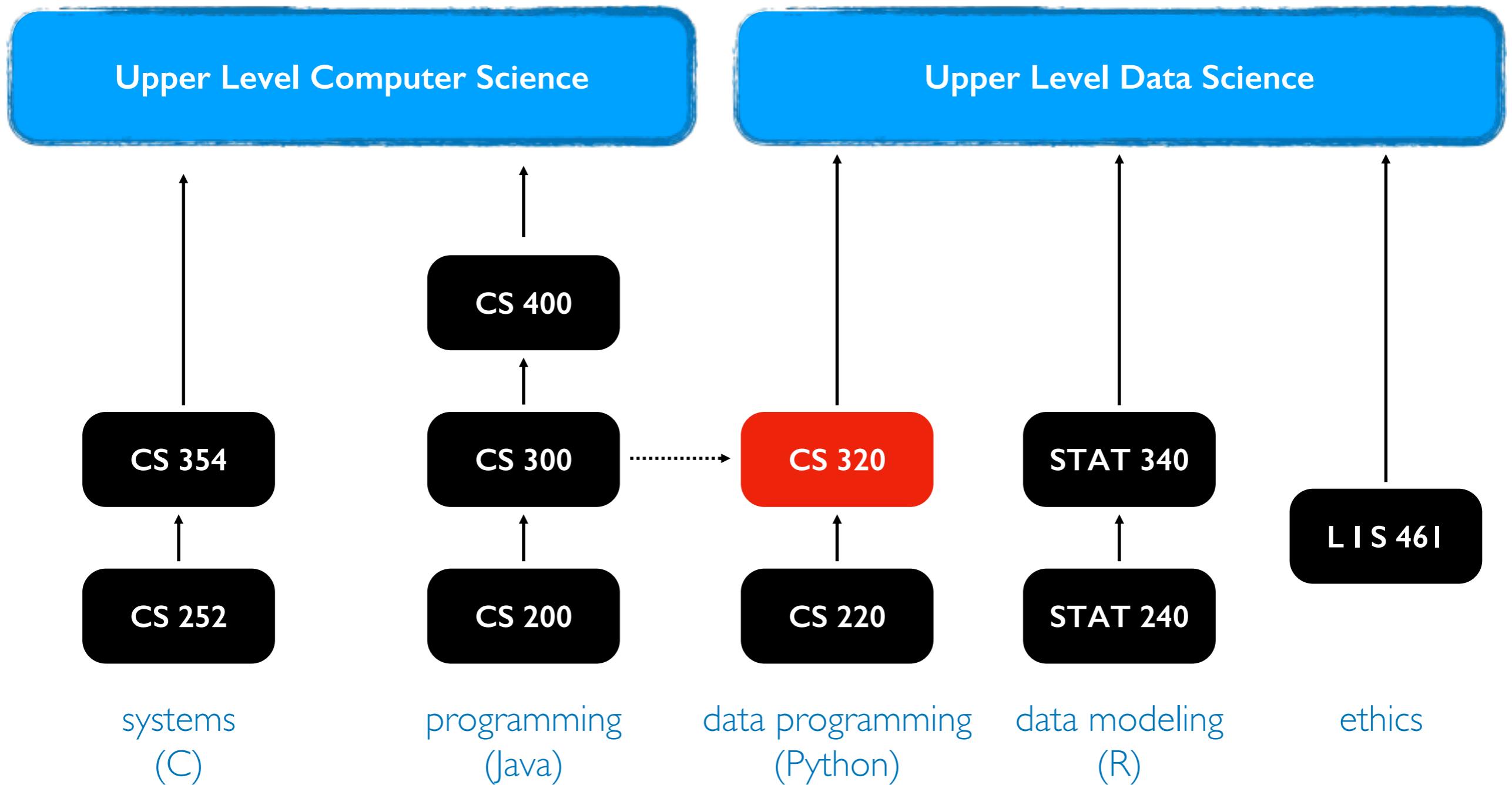


Why?

- Help me get to know you
- Get survey credit
- Group formation

TOP HAT

Related courses



PI (Project I) will help 300-to-320 students pickup Python.

Welcome to Data Science Programming II!

Builds on CS220. <https://stat.wisc.edu/undergraduate-data-science-studies/>

CS220	CS320
getting results	getting reproducible results
writing correct code	writing efficient code
using objects	designing new types of objects
functions: <code>f(obj)</code>	methods: <code>obj.f()</code>
lists + dicts	graphs + trees
analyzing datasets	collecting + analyzing datasets
plots	animated visualizations
tabular analysis	simple machine learning

CS220 content (for review): <https://cs220.cs.wisc.edu/f22/schedule.html>

Course Logistics

Course Website

It's here: <https://www.msyamkumar.com/cs320/s23/schedule.html>

The screenshot shows a course website with a red header bar. The header includes the university logo, the course name "Data Science Programming II", and links for "Schedule", "Syllabus", "Get Help", "Class Forms", "Projects", "Resources", and "Tools". A black arrow points from the text "read syllabus carefully and checkout other content" to the "Syllabus" link in the header. Below the header, the page title "Course Schedule" is displayed above a black navigation bar containing the text "Part 1: Performance". The main content area is divided into two weeks:

Week	Day	Date	Topic	Notes
Week 1	[Mon]	No Class (Jan 23)		
	[Wed]	Reproducibility 1 (Jan 25)	• Course Overview • Hardware, OS, Interpreters Read: Syllabus	
Week 2	[Fri]	Reproducibility 2 (Jan 27)	• versioning Read: Course Notes	

I'll also use **Canvas** for four things:

- general announcements
- quizzes
- online office hours
- grade summaries & exam location / answers (individual messages)

Scheduled Activities

Lectures

- 3 times weekly; recommendation: bring your laptop
- Required for participation credit! Attendance recorded via TopHat quizzes (20% score drops)
- will often be recorded + posted online (questions will be recorded -- feel free to save until after if you aren't comfortable being recorded)
- might not post if bad in-person attendance or technical issues

Lab

- Weekly on Mondays or Tuesdays, bring a laptop
- Work through lab exercises with group mates
- 320 staff will walk around to answer questions
- Required for participation credit! Attendance recorded using name cards (3 score drops)
- 5 points per lab
 - 1 point for arriving on time, 3 points for working on the lab, 1 point for staying until end of the lab

Class organization: People

Teams

- you'll be assigned to a team of 4-7 students (from the same lab)
- teams will last the whole semester
- some types of collaboration with team members are allowed (not required) on graded work, such as projects + quizzes
- collaboration with non-team members is not allowed

Staff

1. Instructor
2. Teaching Assistants (grad students) – Group TA
3. Mentors (undergrads)

We all provide office hours.

Office hours are drop-in (no need to reserve).

Communication

Piazza

- find link on site
- don't post >5 lines of project-related code (considered cheating)

Forms

- <https://www.msyamkumar.com/cs320/s23/surveys.html>
- Student Information Survey. **Exam conflicts.** Grading Issues. Feedback form. Thank you form!

Email (least preferred)

- me: ms@cs.wisc.edu
- Head TA: Yiyin yshen82@wisc.edu
- Course staff: <https://canvas.wisc.edu/courses/343506/pages/cs320-staff>

Graded Work: Exams / Quizzes

Ten Online Quizzes - 1% each (10% overall)

- cumulative, no time limit
- on Canvas, open book/notes
- can take together AT SAME TIME with team members
(no other human help allowed)

Midterms - 13% each (26% overall)

- cumulative, individual, multi-choice, 40 minutes
- one-page two-sided note sheet
- in class: March 3rd, April 7th

Final - 15%

- cumulative, individual, multi-choice, 2 hours
- one-page two-sided note sheet
- May 12th 10:05AM - 12:05PM

Graded Work: Projects

7 Projects - 6% each (42% overall)

- **format:** notebook, module, or program
- part 1: you can optionally collaborate with team
- part 2: must be individually (only help from 320 staff)
- regular deadlines on course website
- late days: overall 12 late days
- hard deadline: 7 days after the regular deadline – maximum 3 late days; 5% score penalty per day after day 3
- still a `tester.py`, but more depends on TA evaluation (more plots)
- clearing auto-grader on the submission portal (course website) is mandatory
- **ask for specific feedback** (constructive)

Graded Work: Attendance + Surveys

Lab attendance - 4% overall

- 3 score drops:
- use these wisely – potential sickness, planned absences
- no other exceptions

Lecture attendance - 2% overall

- 20% score drops

Surveys - 1% overall

Letter Grades

- Your final grade is based on sum of all points earned.
- Your grade does not depend on other students' grade.
- Scores will NOT be rounded off at the end of the semester
- No major score changes at the end of the semester
- No extra credit

Grade cut-offs

- 93% - 100%: **A**
- 88% - 92.99%: **AB**
- 80% - 87.99%: **B**
- 75% - 79.99%: **BC**
- 70% - 74.99%: **C**
- 60% - 69.99%: **D**

Time Commitment & Academic Conduct

Project commitment

- 10-12 hours per project is typical
- 20% of students sometimes spend 20+ hours on some projects
- recommendation: start early and be proactive

Typical Weekly Expectations

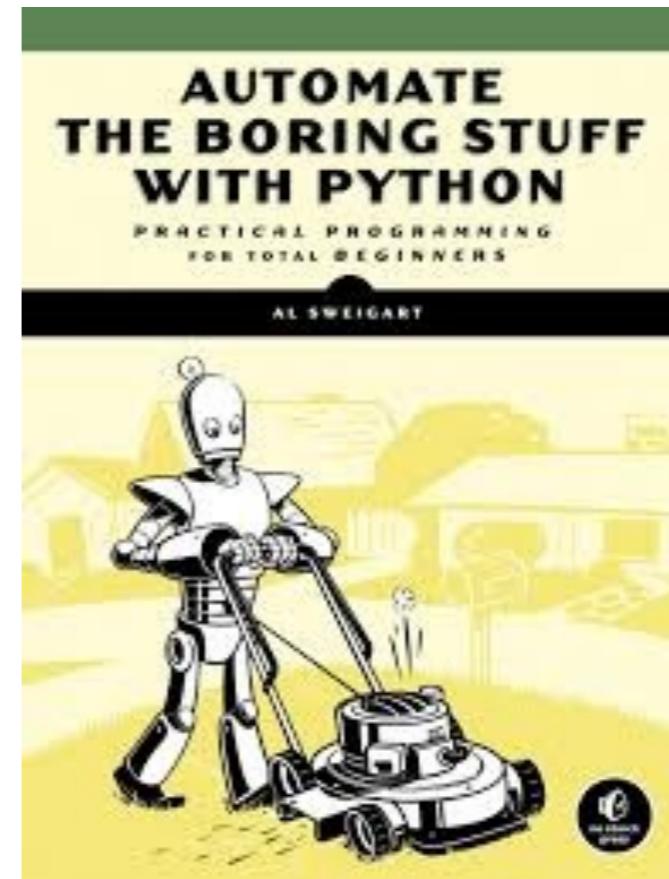
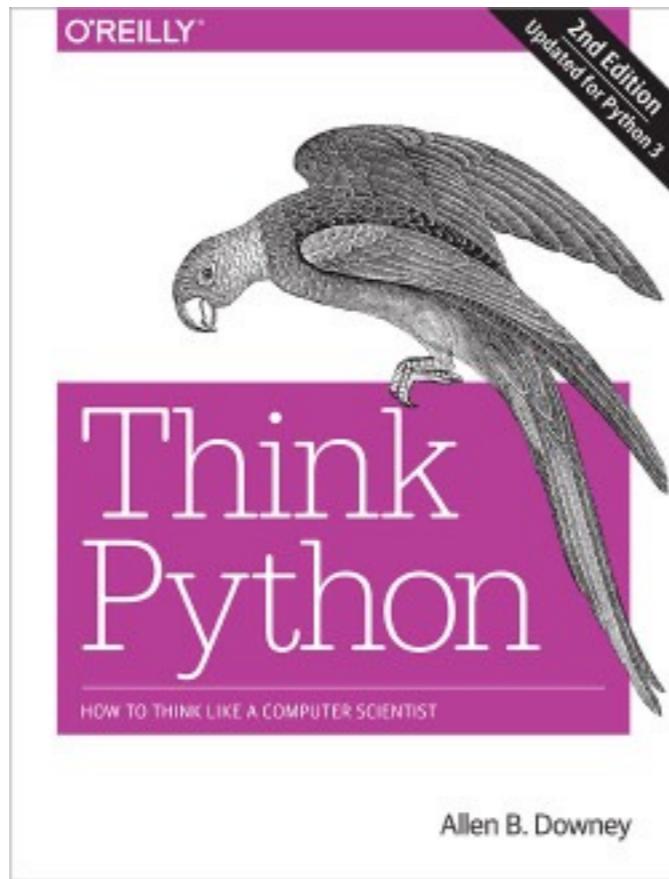
- 4 hours - lecture/lab
- 6 hours - project coding
- 2 hours - reading/quizzes/etc

Please talk to me if you're feeling overwhelmed with 320 or your semester in general.

Academic Conduct

- Read syllabus to make sure you know what is and isn't acceptable.
- We will run plagiarism detector on project submissions.

Reading: same as 220/301 and some others...



I'll post links to other online articles and notes

Lectures don't assume any reading prior to class

Tips for 320 Success

1. Just show up!
Get 100% on participation, don't miss quizzes, submit group work
2. Use office hours
we're idle after a project release and swamped before a deadline
3. Do labs before projects
4. Take the lead on group collaboration
5. Learn debugging
6. Run the tester often
7. If you're struggling, reach out -- the sooner, the better

Today's Lecture: Reproducibility

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Dictionary

Search for a word 



re·pro·duc·i·bil·i·ty

/rēprə'd(y)oosə'bilədē/

noun

noun: reproducibility

the ability to be reproduced or copied.

"the reproducibility of reconstructive surgery techniques"

- the extent to which consistent results are obtained when an experiment is repeated.

"the experiments were conducted numerous times to test the reproducibility of the results"

Discuss: how might we define "reproducibility" for a data scientist?

Big question: will my program run on someone else's computer?
(not necessarily written in Python)

Things to match:

1

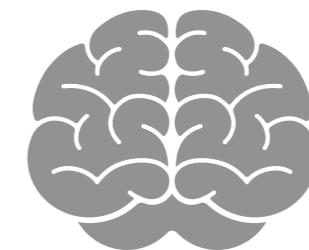
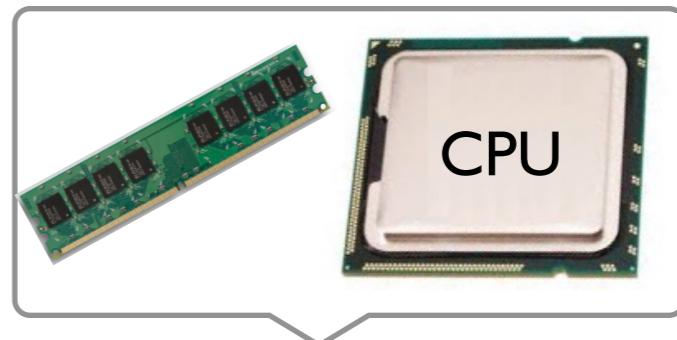
Hardware

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Operating System ← next lecture

3

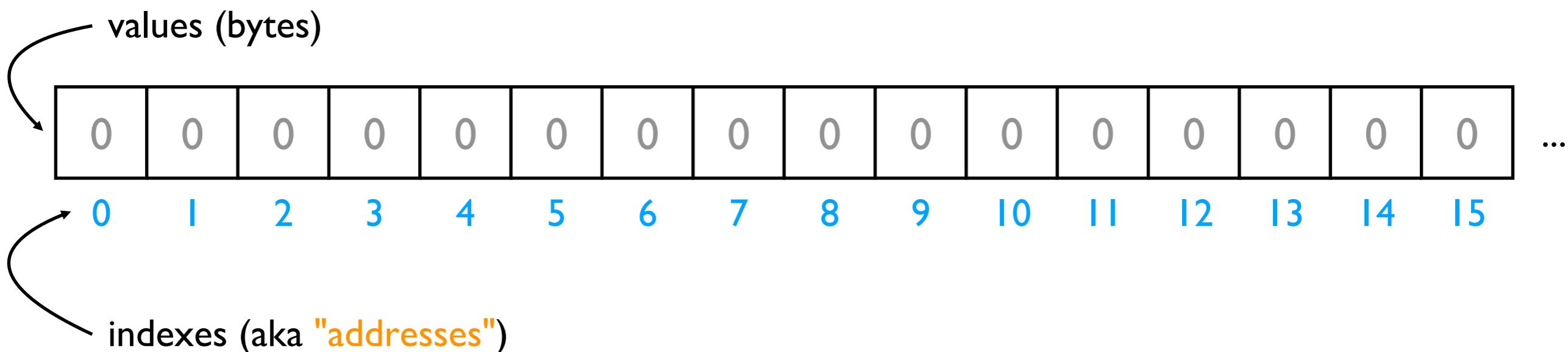
Dependencies ← next lecture



Hardware: Mental Model of Process Memory

Imagine...

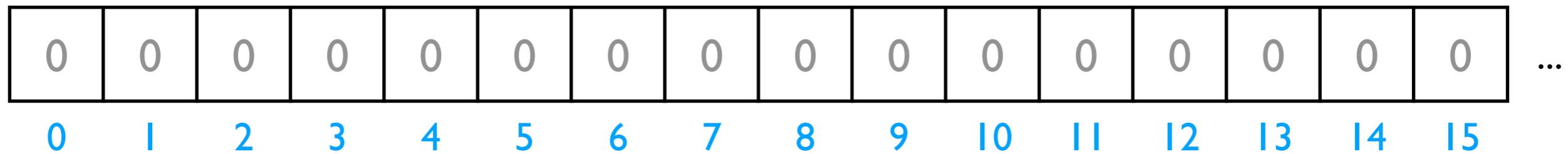
- one huge list, **per each** running program **process**, called "**address space**"
- every entry in the list is an integer between 0 and 255 (aka a "**byte**")



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- multiple lists
- variables and other references
- strings
- code

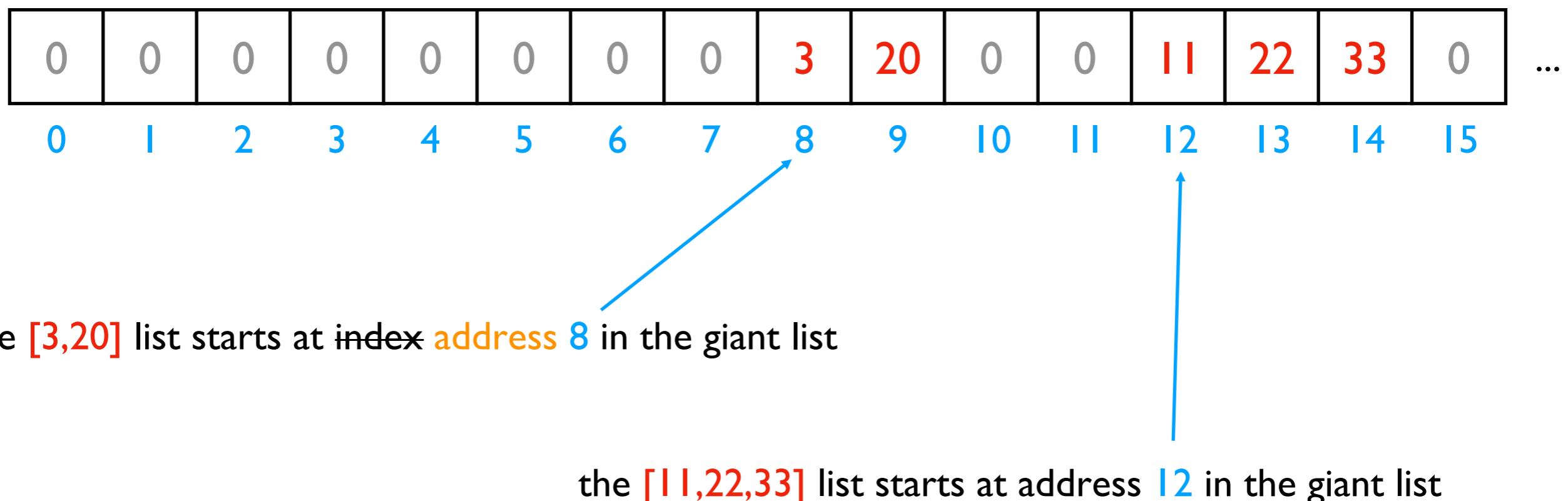
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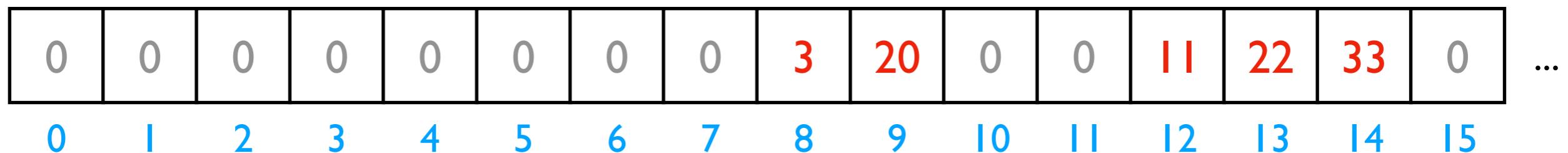
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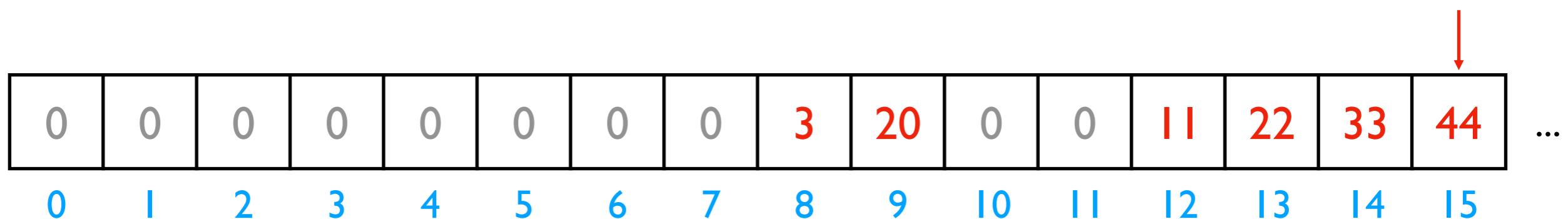


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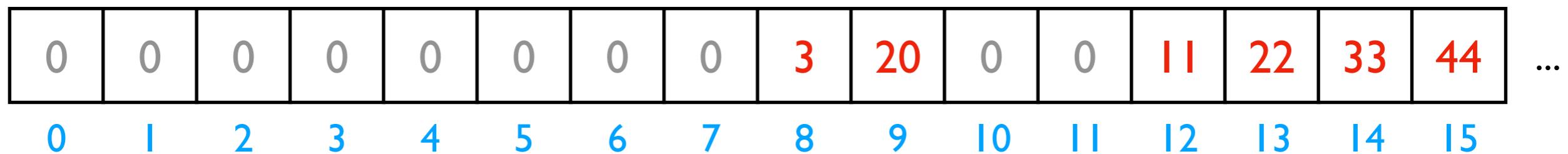


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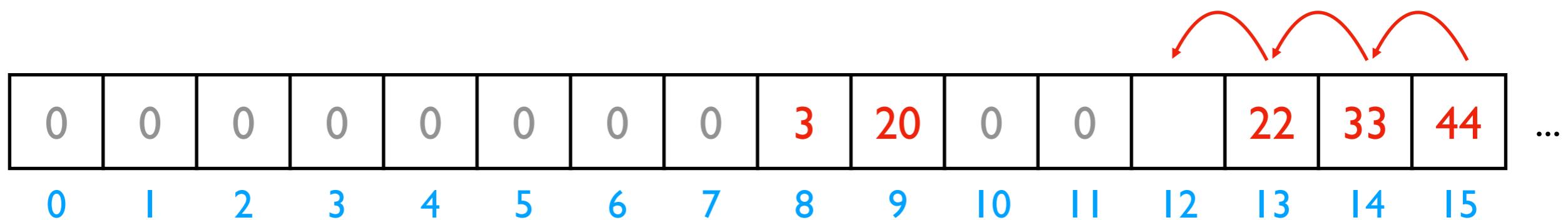
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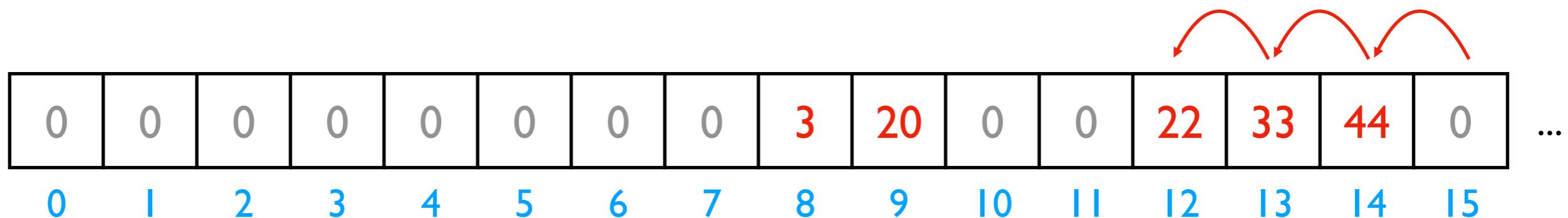
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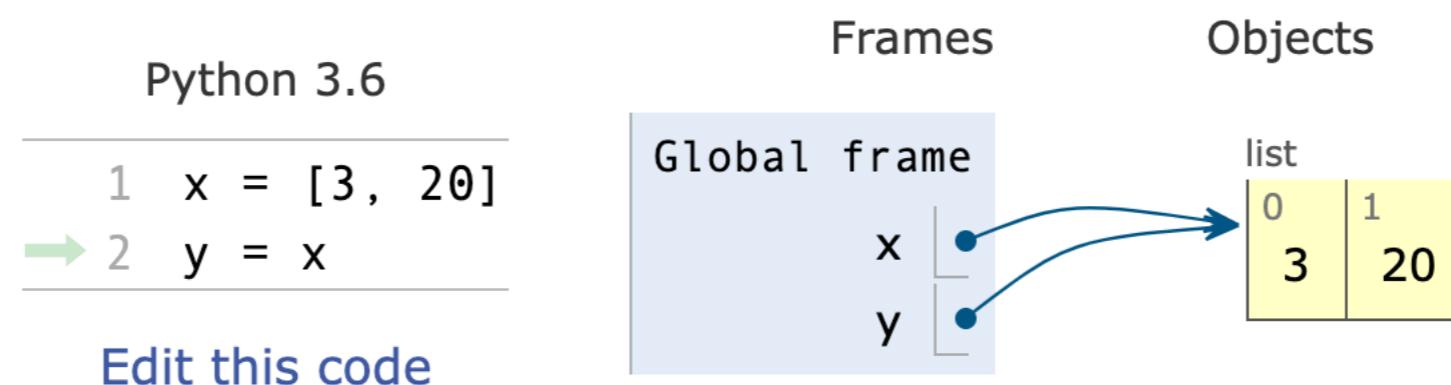
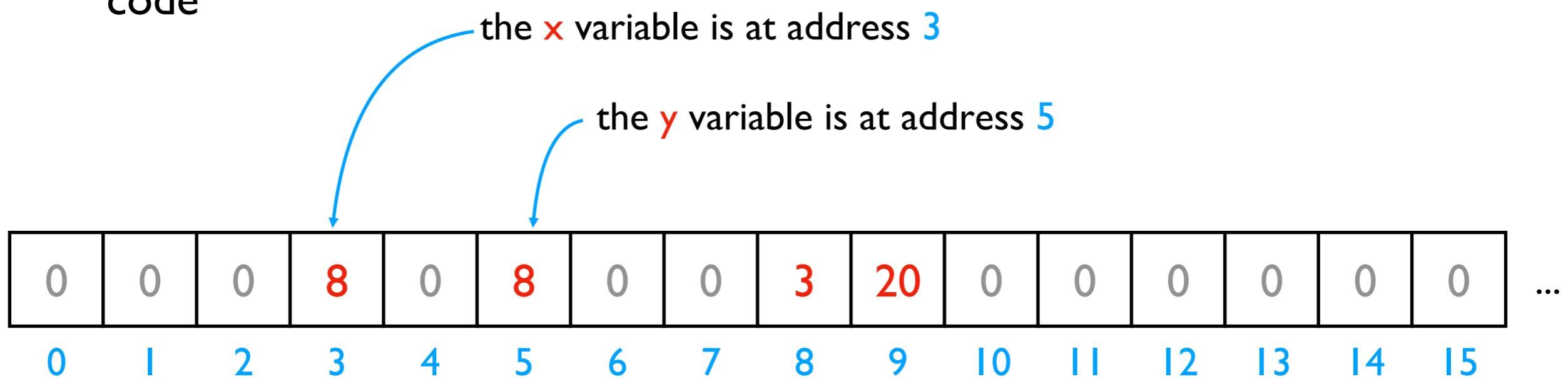
We'll think more rigorously about
performance in CS 320 (big-O notation)

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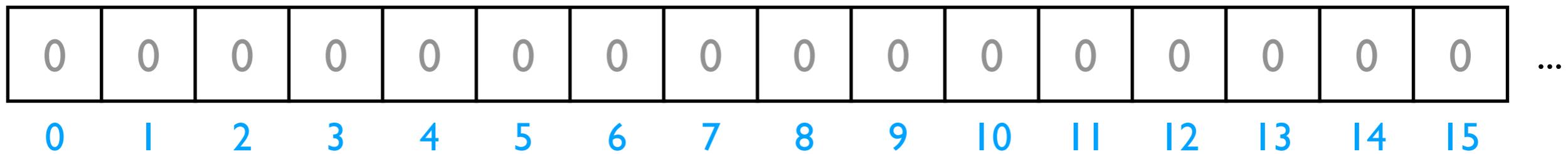
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PythonTutor's visualization

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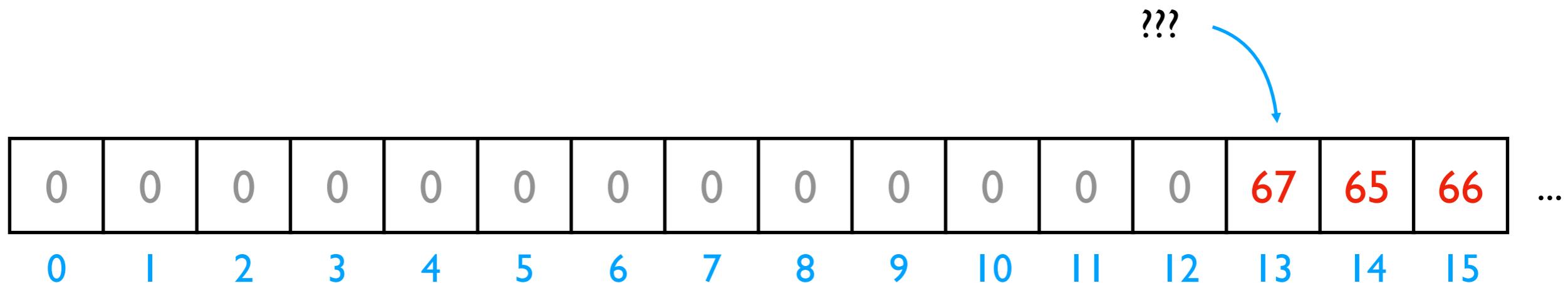
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- **strings** discuss: how?
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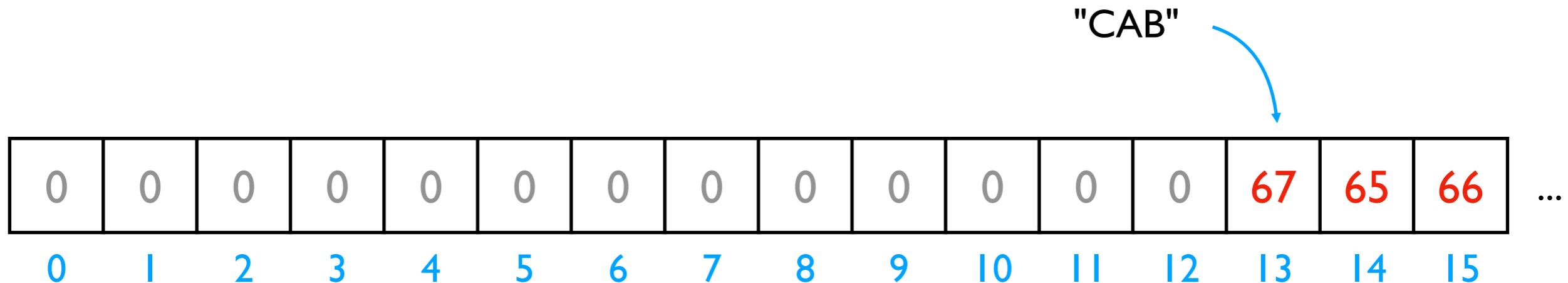
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	67	C
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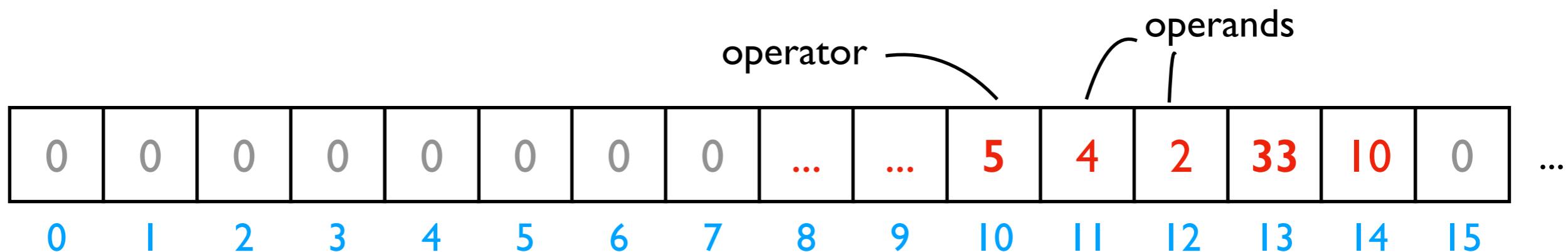
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while ???:  
    i += 2  
    # what line next?
```



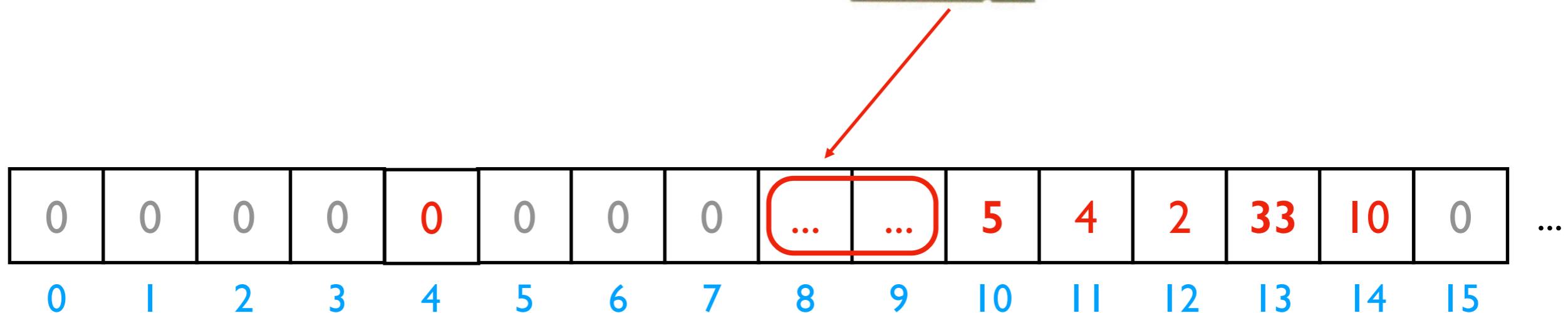
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Instruction Set

Hardware: Mental Model of CPU

CPUs interact with memory:

- keep track of what instruction we're on
- understand instruction codes
- much more



Write code in Python 3.6 ▾
(drag lower right corner to resize code editor)

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1 ██████████
2 ██████████
3 ██████████
```

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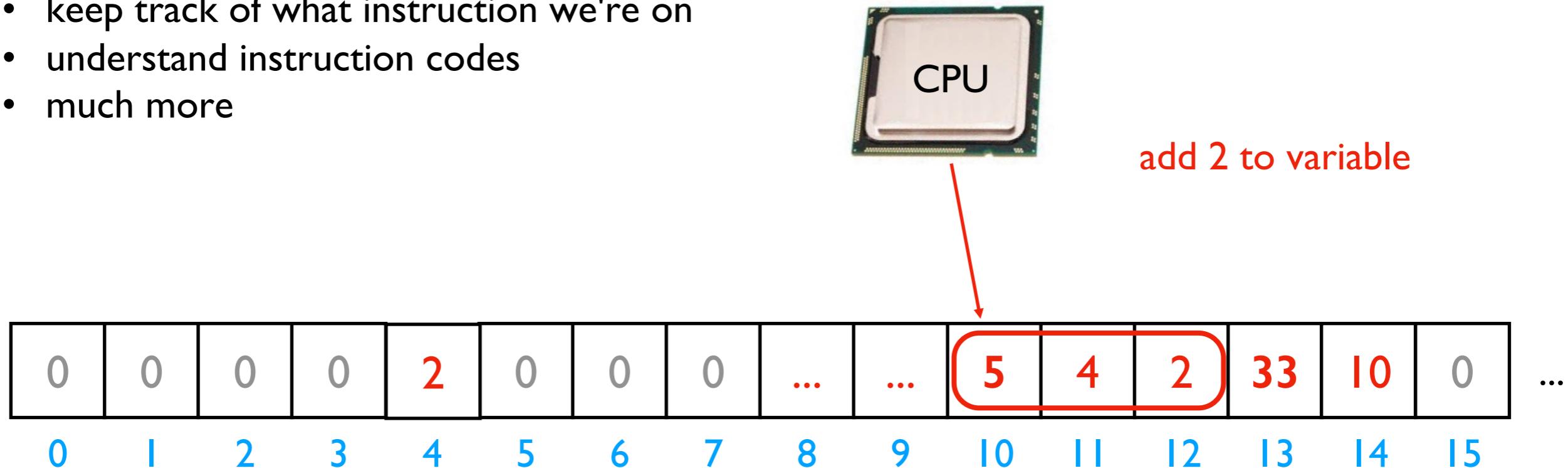
→ line that just executed

→ next line to execute

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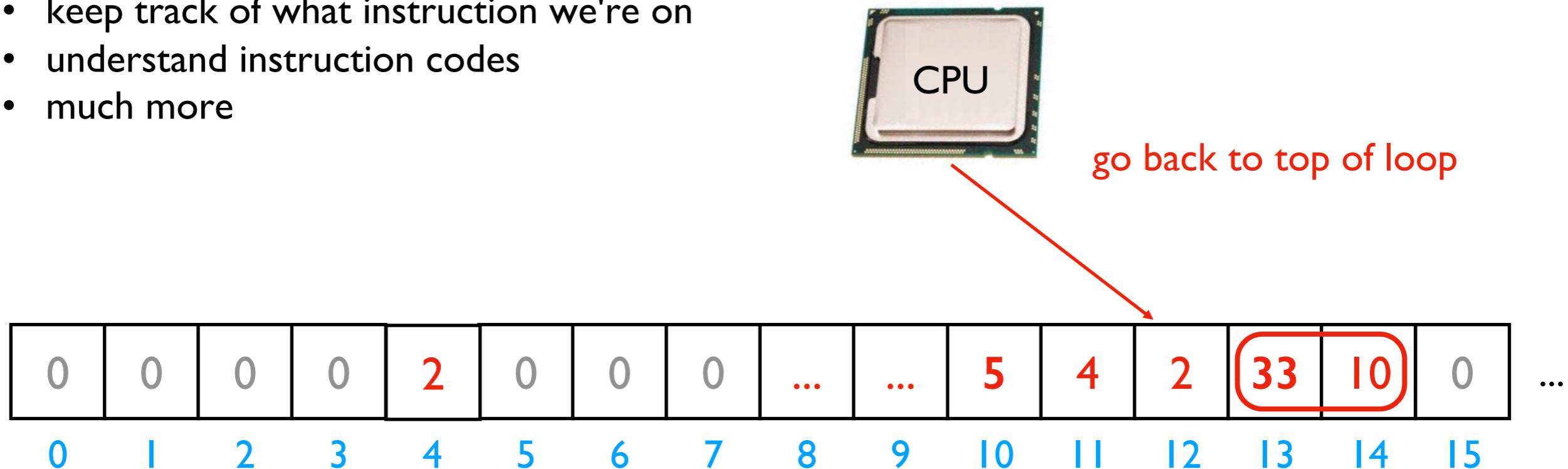


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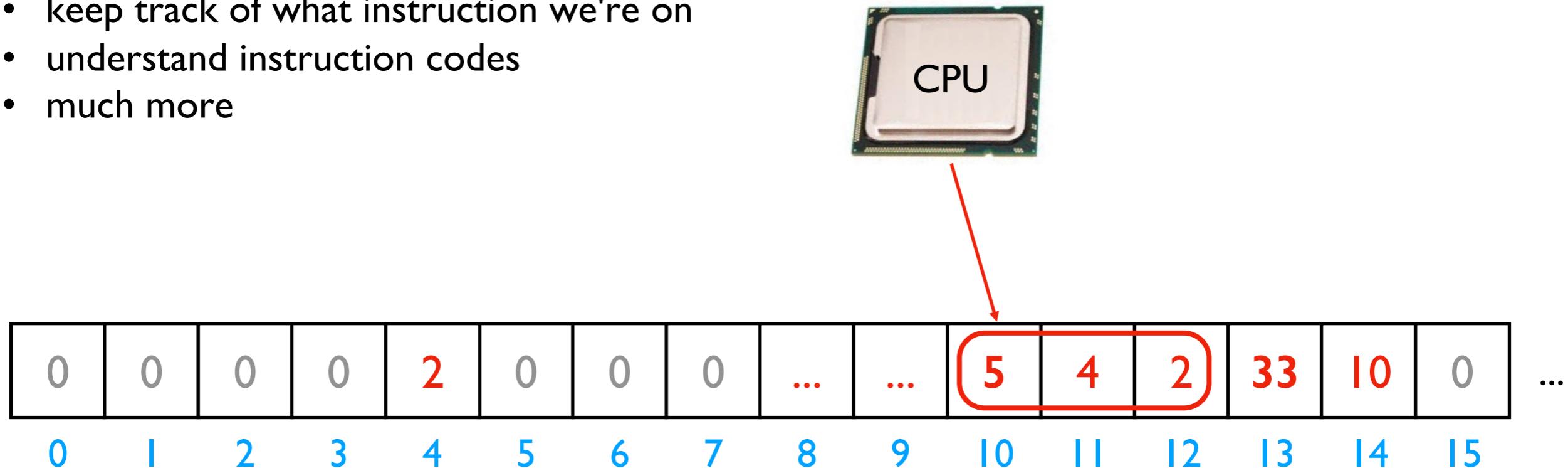


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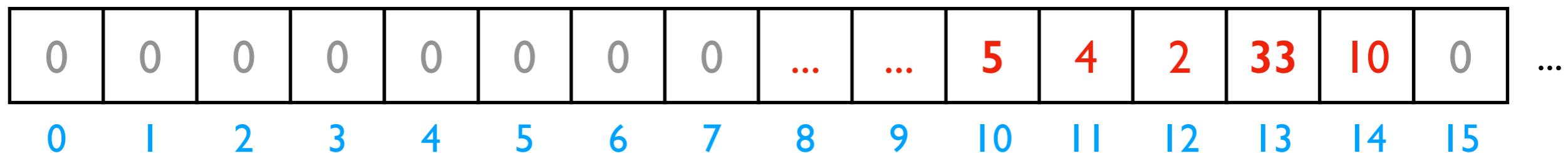
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discuss: what would happen if a
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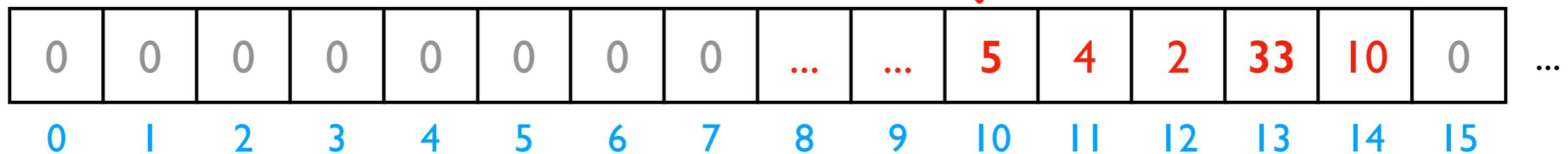
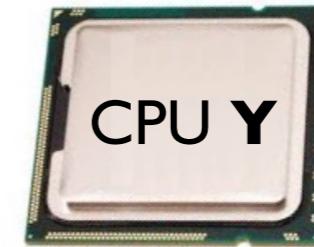


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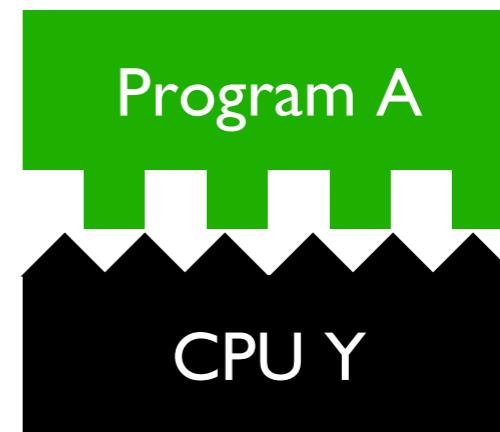
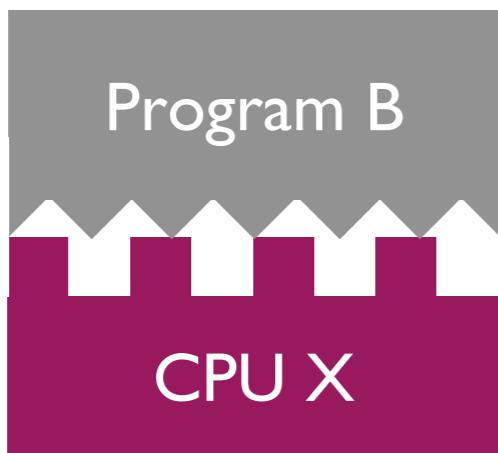
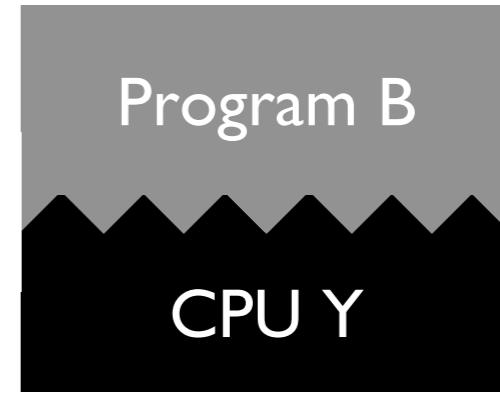
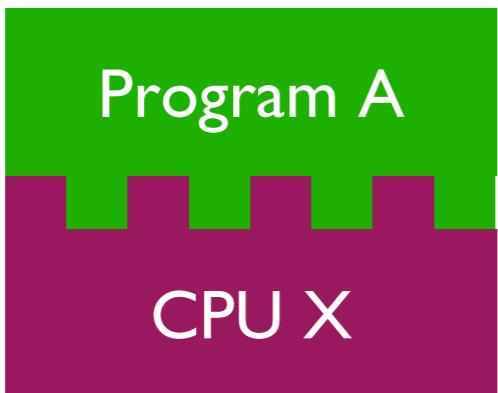
a CPU can only run programs that use instructions it understands!



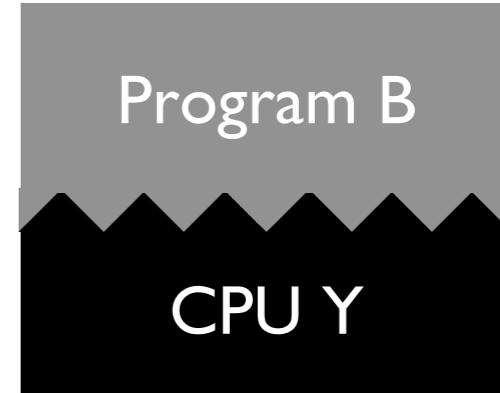
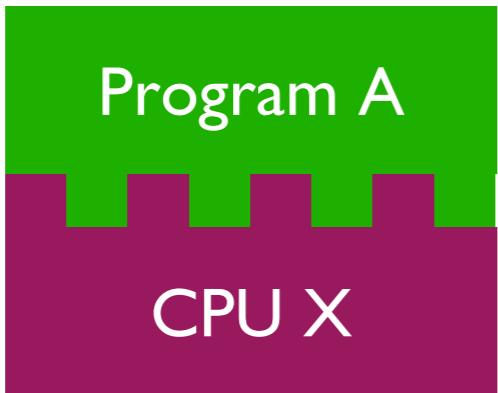
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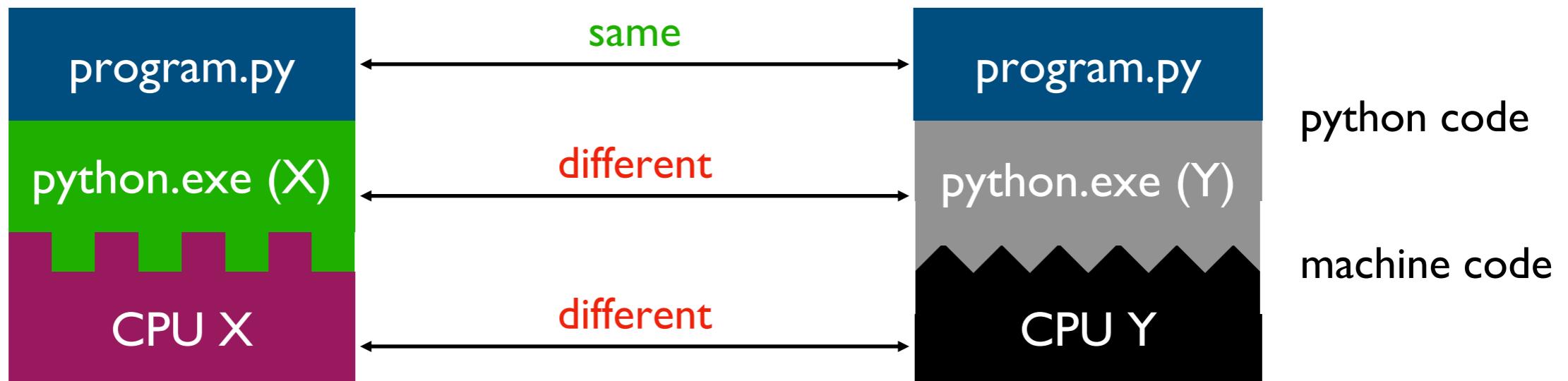


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*why haven't we noticed this yet
for our Python programs?*

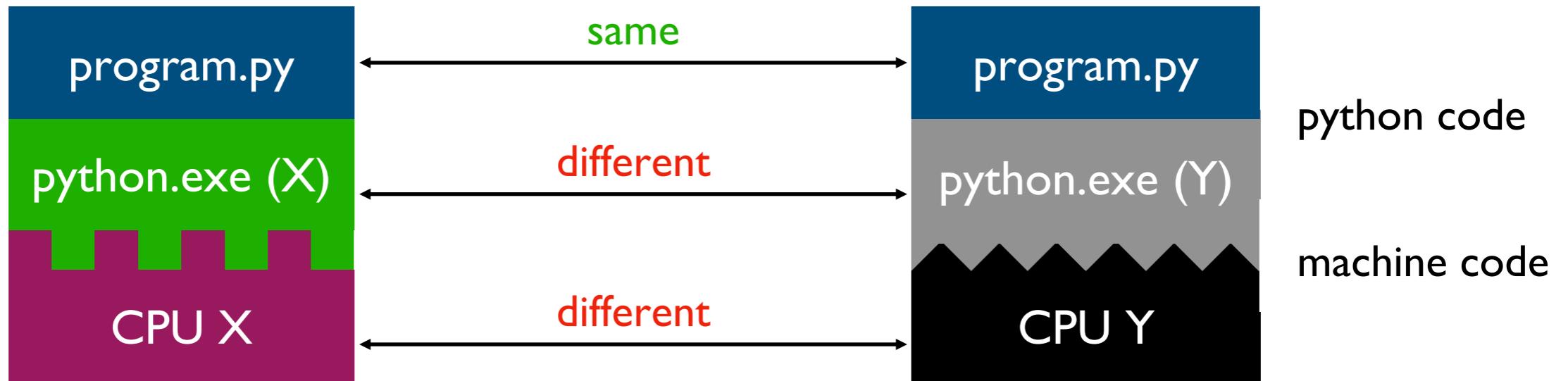
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A compiler is another tool for running the same code on different CPUs

Interpreters



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Discuss: if all CPUs had the instruction set,
would we still need a Python interpreter?