

Lecture 7

Lists (& Sequences)

Announcements For This Lecture

Readings

- Chapter 10 (lists)
- Fri will cover for-loops



Assignment 1

- Due **Thursday**
 - Due *before* midnight
 - Submit something...

Sequences: Lists of Values

String

- `s = 'abc d'`

0	1	2	3	4
a	b	c		d

- Put characters in quotes
 - Use `\'` for quote character
- Access characters with `[]`
 - `s[0]` is 'a'
 - `s[5]` **causes an error**
 - `s[0:2]` is 'ab' (excludes c)
 - `s[2:]` is 'c d'

List

- `x = [5, 6, 5, 9, 15, 23]`

0	1	2	3	4	5
5	6	5	9	15	23

- Put values inside `[]`
 - Separate by commas
- Access **values** with `[]`
 - `x[0]` is 5
 - `x[6]` **causes an error**
 - `x[0:2]` is [5, 6] (excludes 2nd 5)
 - `x[3:]` is [9, 15, 23]

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Sequence is a name we give to both

Lists Have Methods Similar to Strings

```
x = [5, 6, 5, 9, 15, 23]
```

- **index(value)**
 - Return position of the value
 - **ERROR** if value is not there
 - `x.index(9)` evaluates to 3
- **count(value)**
 - Returns number of times value appears in list
 - `x.count(5)` evaluates to 2

But you get length of
a list with a regular
function, not method:

`len(x)`

Representing Lists

Wrong

x

5, 6, 7, -2

Correct

x

id1

id1

0

5

1

7

2

4

3

-2

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Unique tab
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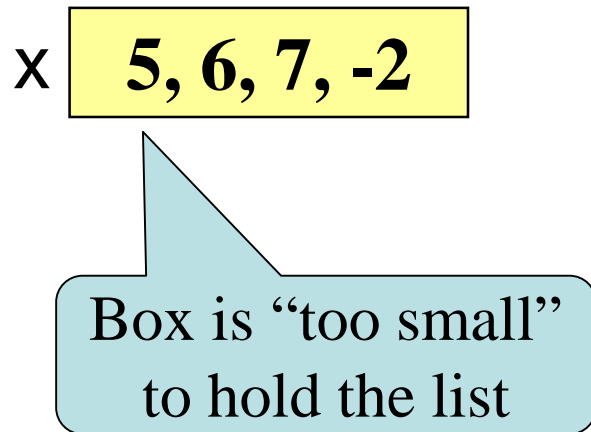
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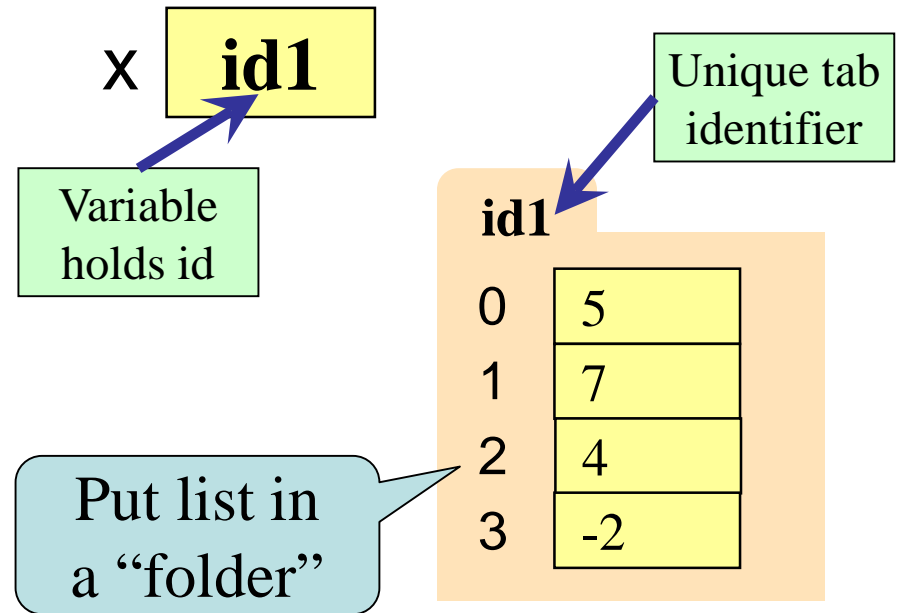
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 - Reassign at index
 - Affects folder contents
 - Variable is unchanged
- Strings cannot do this
 - `s = 'Hello World!'`
 - `s[0] = 'J'` **ERROR**
 - String are **immutable**

- $x = [5, 7, 4, -2]$

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- $x[1] = 8$

x

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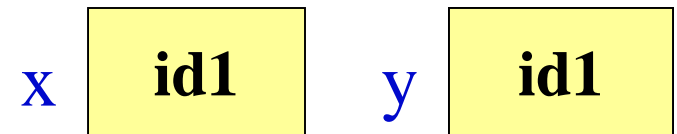
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Exercise: List Assignment

- Assignment copies id into y

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```
>>> y = x
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- Execute the assignments:

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>>> x[2] = 8
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```
>>> y[2] = 3
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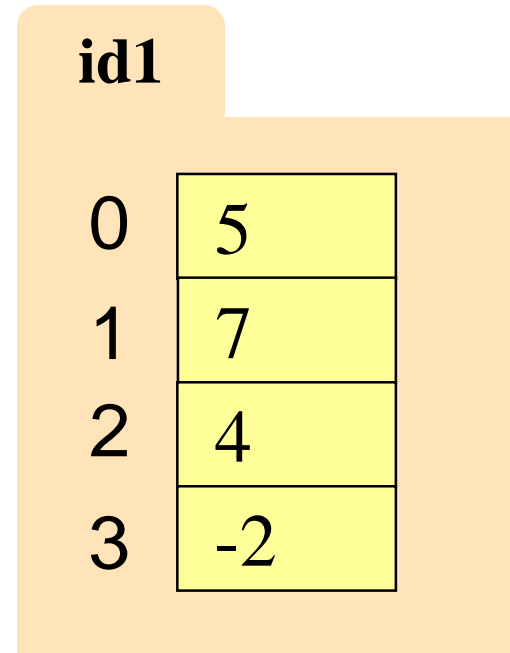
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B: 3

C: **id1**

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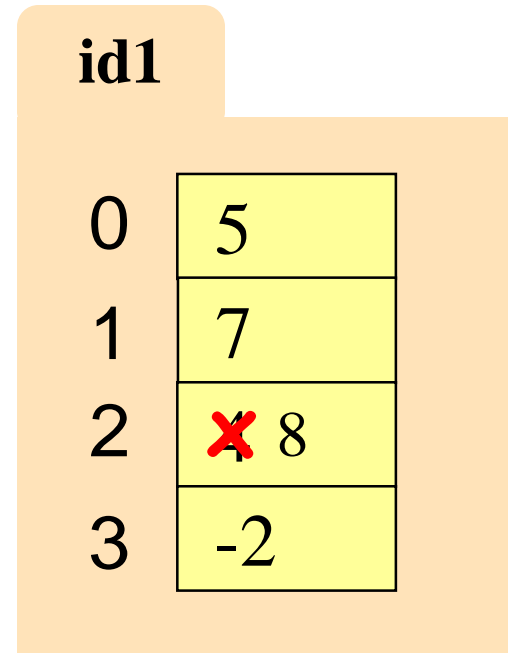
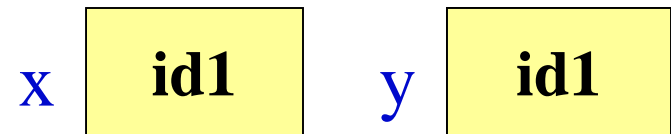
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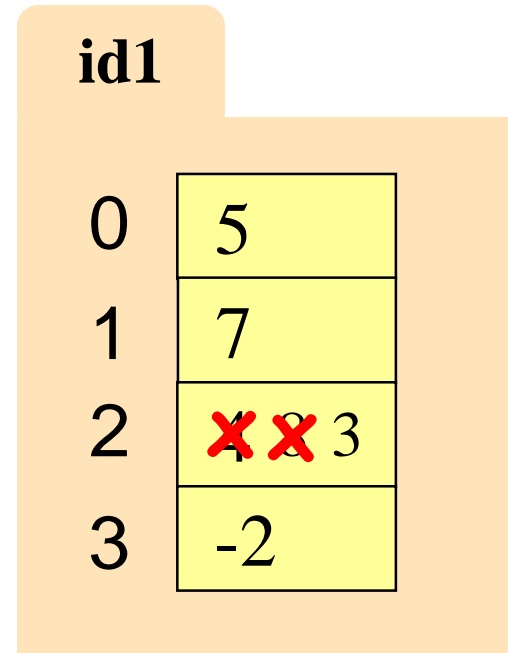
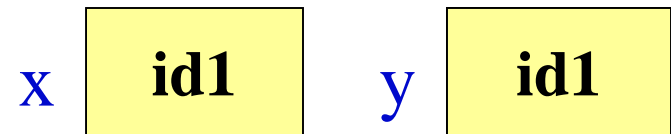
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List Methods Can **Alter** the List

```
x = [5, 6, 5, 9]
```

See Python API for
more

- **append(value)**
 - A **procedure method**, not a fruitful method
 - Adds a new value to the end of list
 - `x.append(-1)` *changes* the list to `[5, 6, 5, 9, -1]`
- **insert(index, value)**
 - Put the value into list at index; shift rest of list right
 - `x.insert(2,-1)` changes the list to `[5, 6, -1, 5, 9,]`
- **sort()**

What do you think this does?

Lists and Functions: Swap

```
def swap(b, h, k):
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    b
```

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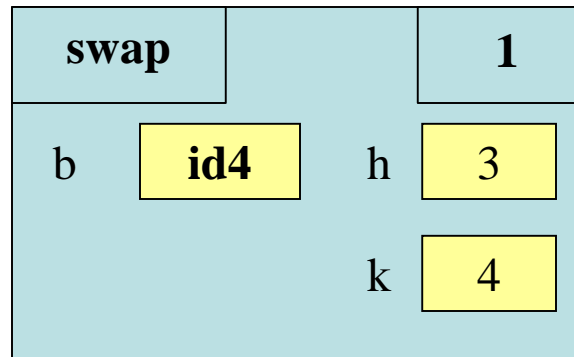
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id4

0	5
1	4
2	7
3	6
4	5

x id4

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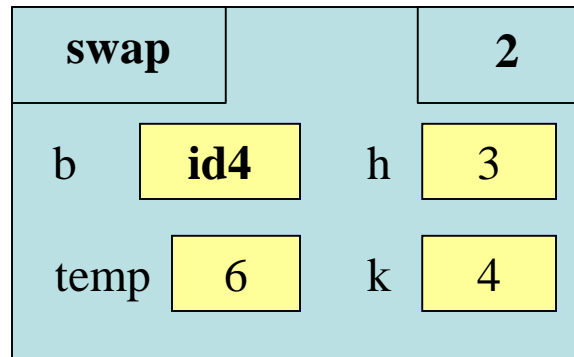
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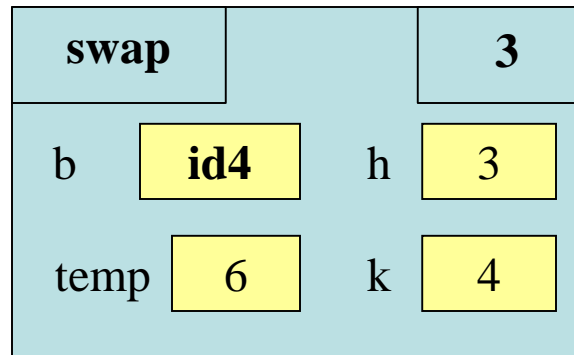
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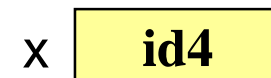
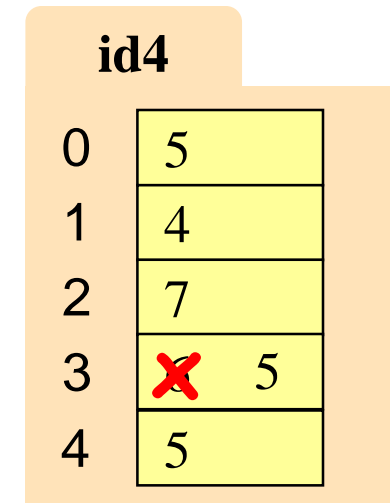
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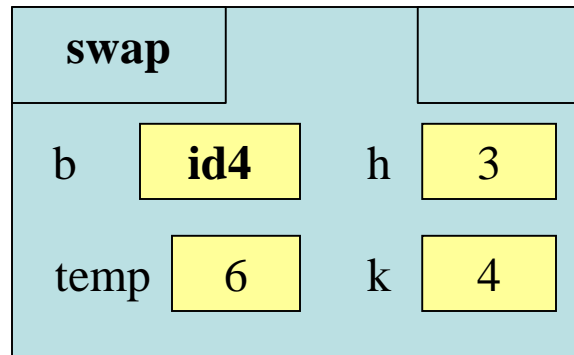
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erased, but
folder is not

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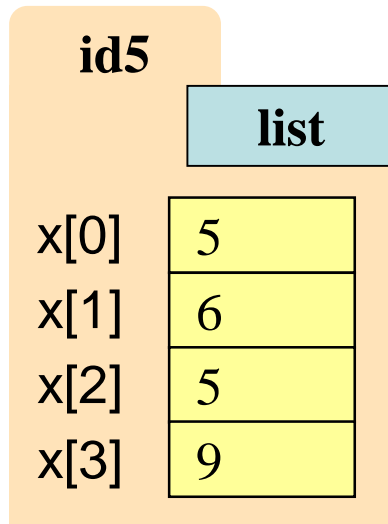
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List Slices Make Copies

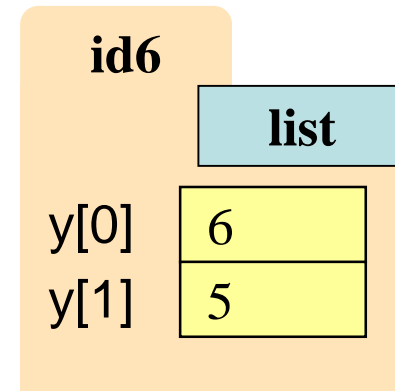
`x = [5, 6, 5, 9]`

`y = x[1:3]`

x **id5**



y **id6**



copy = new folder

Exercise Time

- Execute the following:

```
>>> x = [5, 6, 5, 9, 10]
```

```
>>> x[3] = -1
```

```
>>> x.insert(1,2)
```

- What is x[4]?

A: 10

B: 9

C: -1

D: **ERROR**

E: I don't know

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 >>> y[0] = 7
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-1

- A: 7
- B: 5
- C: 6
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- This is a list **expression**
 - Python must evaluate it
 - Evaluates each expression
 - Puts the value in the list
- Example:

```
>>> a = [1+2,3+4,5+6]
>>> a
[3, 7, 11]
```
- Execute the following:

```
>>> a = 5
>>> b = 7
>>> x = [a, b, a+b]
```
- What is `x[2]`?

A: 'a+b'

B: 12

C: 57

D: **ERROR**

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Nested Lists

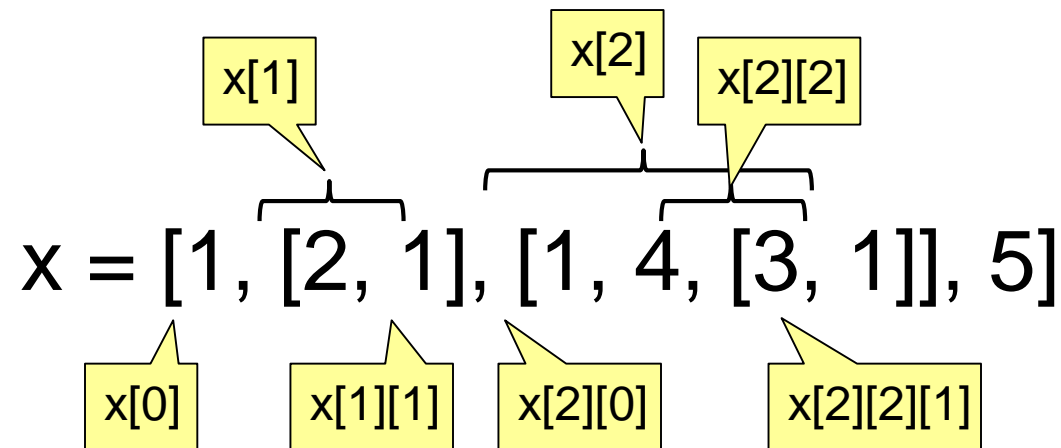
- Lists can hold any objects
- Lists are objects
- Therefore lists can hold other lists!

`a = [2, 1]`

`b = [3, 1]`

`c = [1, 4, b]`

`x = [1, a, c, 5]`



Two Dimensional Lists

Table of Data

0 1 2 3

0 5 4 7 3

1 4 8 9 7

2 5 1 2 3

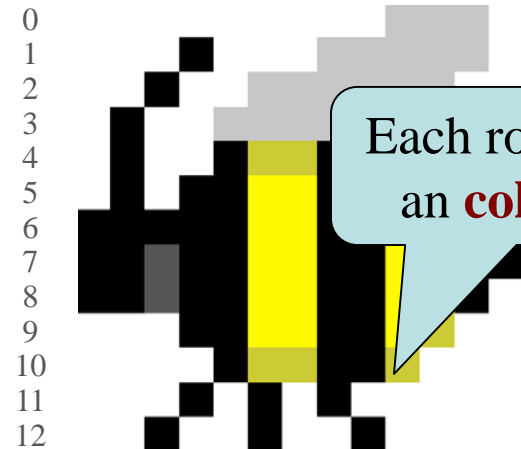
3 4 1 2 9

4 6 7 8 0

Each row, col
has a value

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0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12



Each row, col has
an **color** value

Store them as lists of lists (**row-major order**)

d =
[[5,4,7,3],[4,8,9,7],[5,1,2,3],[4,1,2,9],[6,7,8,0]]

Overview of Two-Dimensional Lists

- Access value at row 3, col 2:

`d[3][2]`

- Assign value at row 3, col 2:

`d[3][2] = 8`

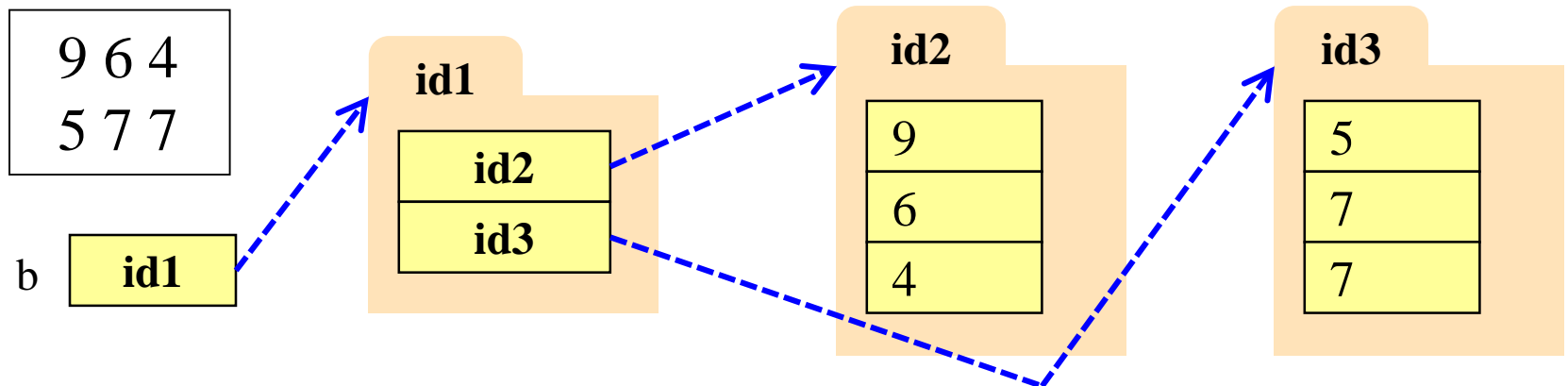
- **An odd symmetry**

- Number of rows of d: `len(d)`
- Number of cols in row r of d: `len(d[r])`

		0	1	2	3
d	0	5	4	7	3
	1	4	8	9	7
	2	5	1	2	3
	3	4	1	2	9
	4	6	7	8	0

How Multidimensional Lists are Stored

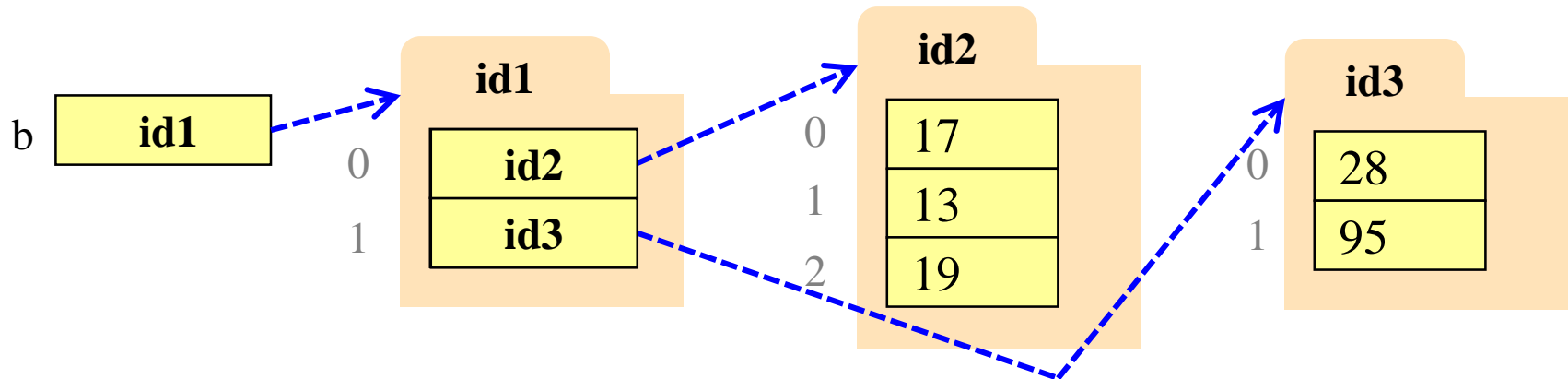
- $b = [[9, 6, 4], [5, 7, 7]]$



- b holds name of a one-dimensional list
 - Has $\text{len}(b)$ elements
 - Its elements are (the names of) 1D lists
- $b[i]$ holds the name of a one-dimensional list (of ints)
 - Has $\text{len}(b[i])$ elements

Ragged Lists: Rows w/ Different Length

- $b = [[17, 13, 19], [28, 95]]$

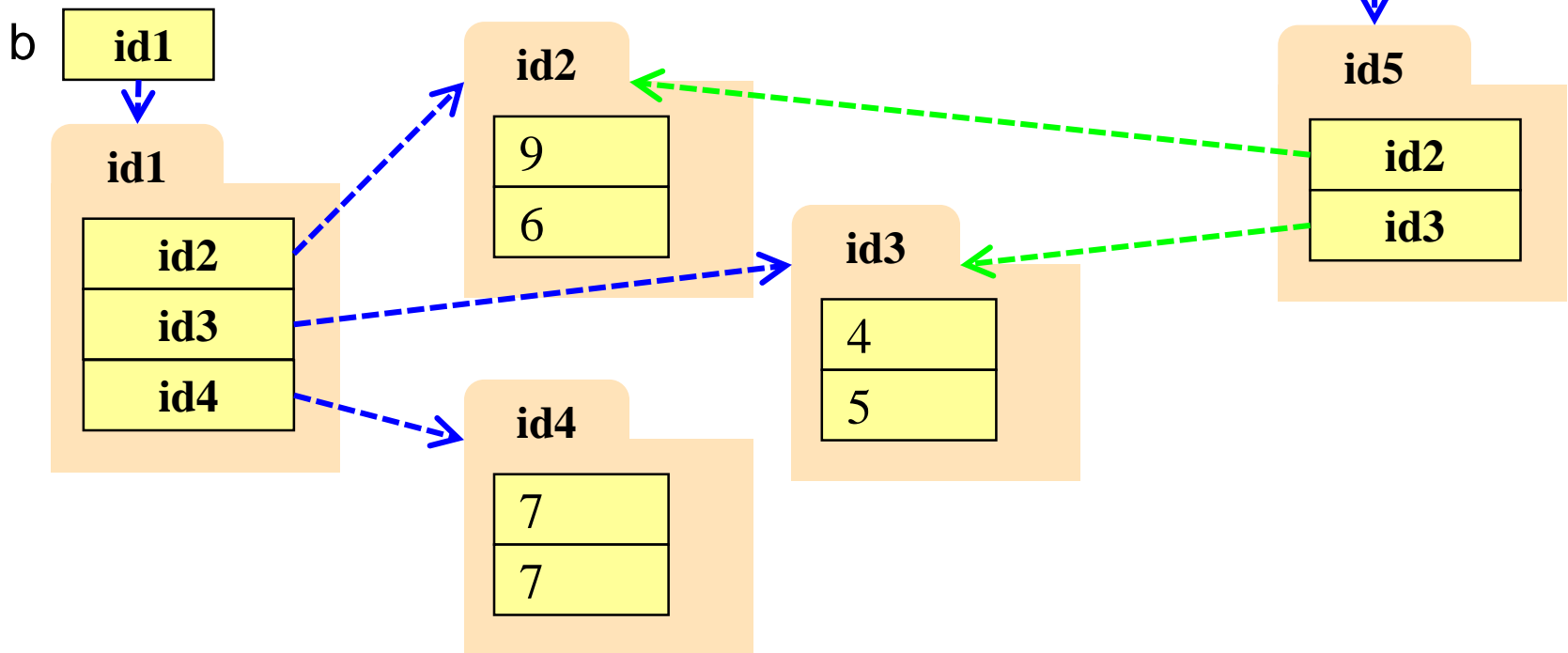


- Will see applications of this later

Slices and Multidimensional Lists

- Only “top-level” list is copied.
- Contents of the list are not altered
- $b = [[9, 6], [4, 5], [7, 7]]$

$x = b[:2]$



Slices and Multidimensional Lists

- Create a nested list

```
>>> b =  
[[9,6],[4,5],[7,7]]
```

- Get a slice

```
>>> x = b[:2]
```

- Append to a row of x

```
>>> x[1].append(10)
```

- x now has nested list

```
[[9, 6], [4, 5, 10]]
```

- What are the contents of the list (with name) in **b**?

A: [[9,6],[4,5],[7,7]]

B: [[9,6],[4,5,10]]

C:

[[9,6],[4,5,10],[7,7]]

D: [[9,6],[4,10],[7,7]]

E: I don't know