Lecture 14

Nested Lists and Dictionaries

Announcements for This Lecture

Readings

- Today: Chapter 11
- Next Week: Sec. 5.8-5.10

- **Prelim, Oct 12th 7:30-9:00**
  - Material up to **TUESDAY**
  - Study guide is posted
- **Review session Wednesday**
  - Still checking place/time
  - Announcement on Piazza

Assignments

- A3 is due **today**
  - Survey is posted in CMS
  - Late penalty 10%/day
- Opportunities for help
  - Consultants 4:30-9:30
  - Will be on Piazza until Mid.
- No lab next week
  - Tuesday part of **Fall Break**
  - No special lab for Wed

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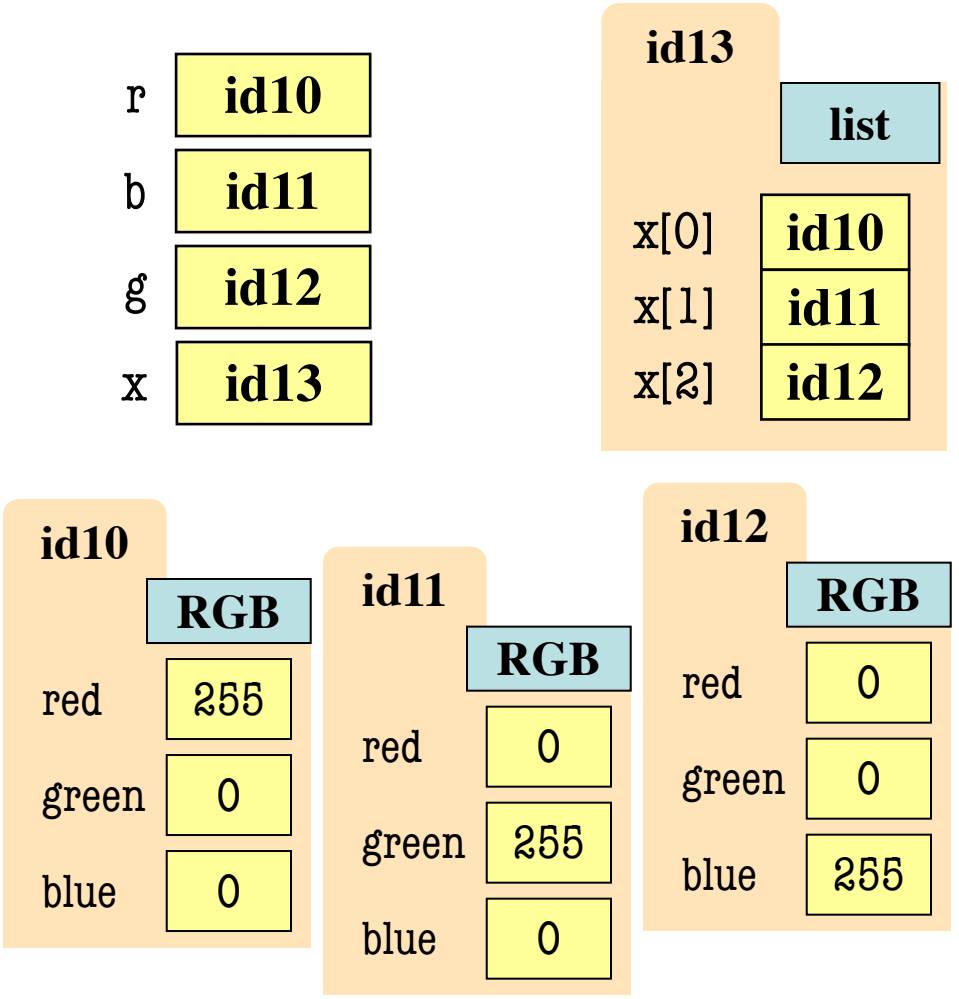

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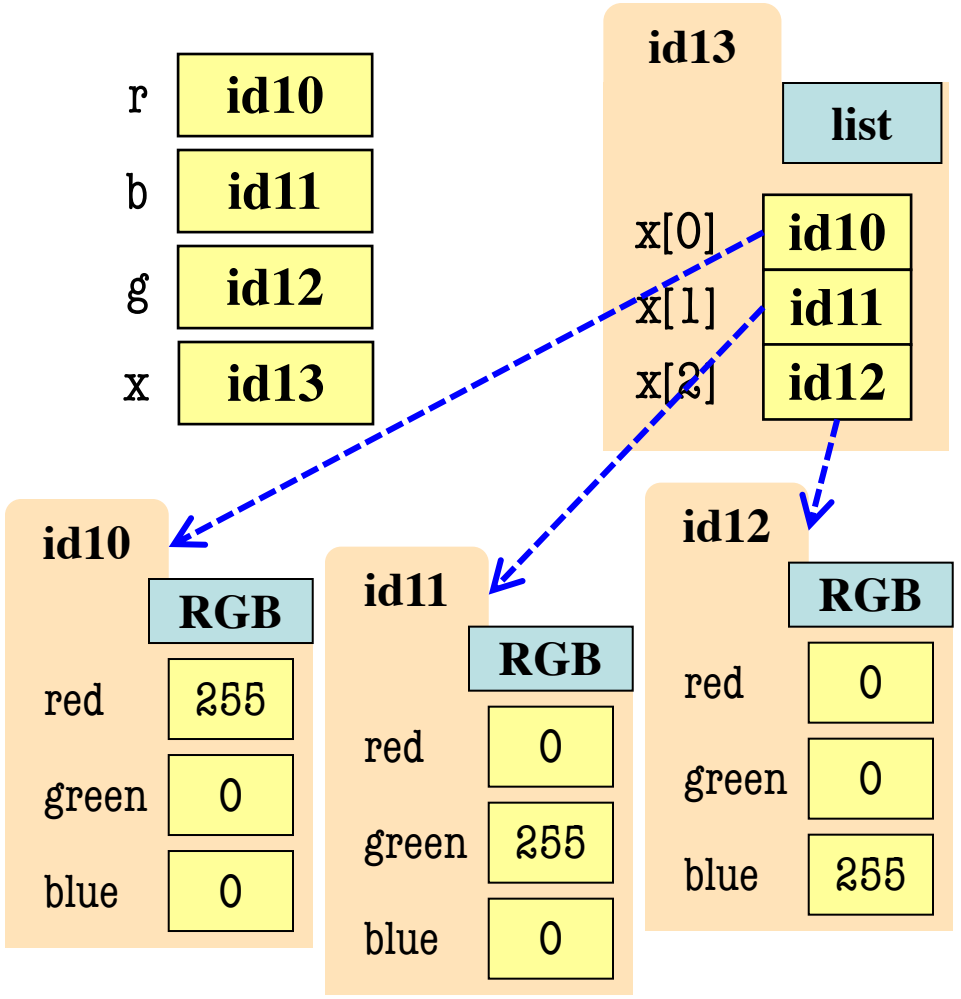

Nested Lists

- 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]
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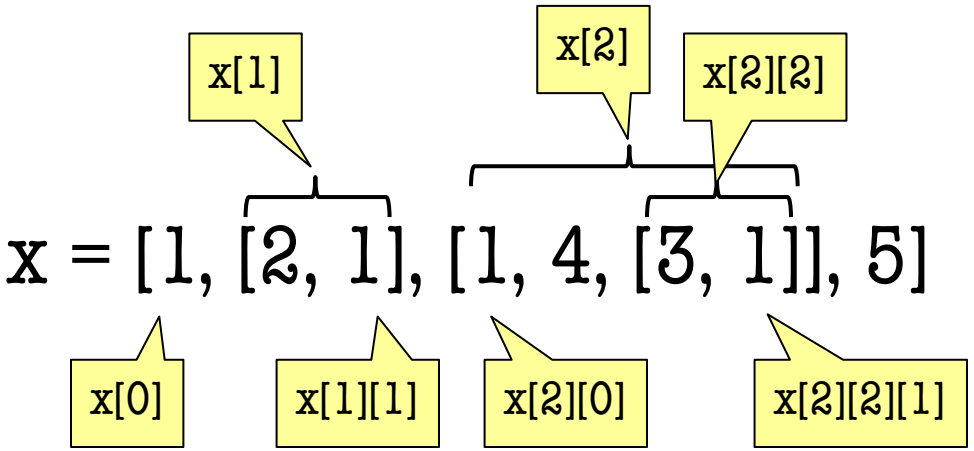


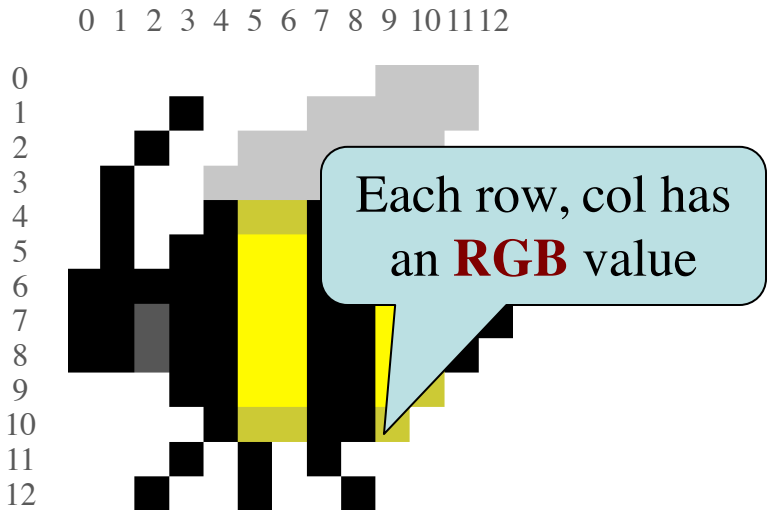
Two Dimensional Lists

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

Images



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])`

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How Multidimensional Lists are Stored

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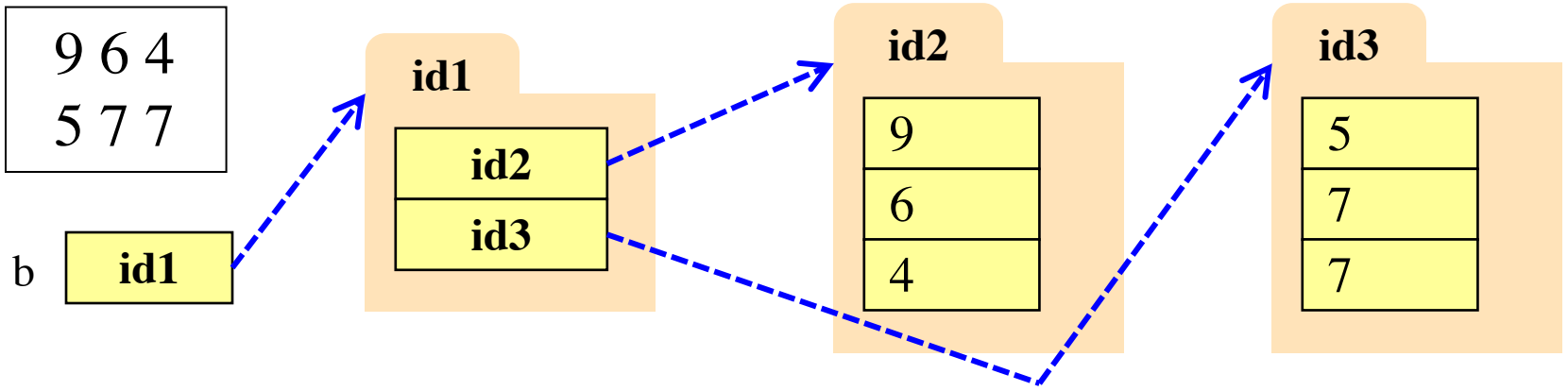
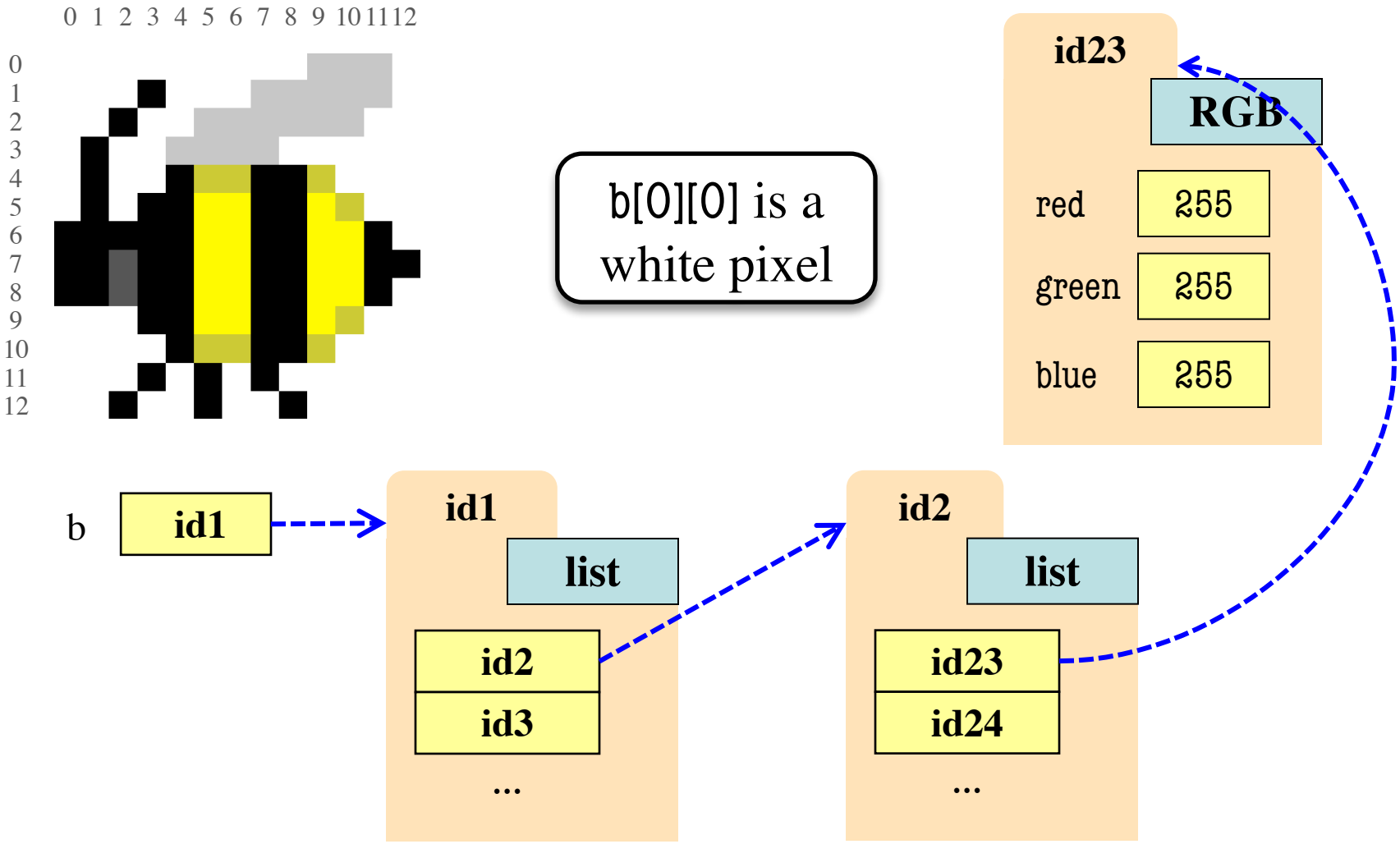


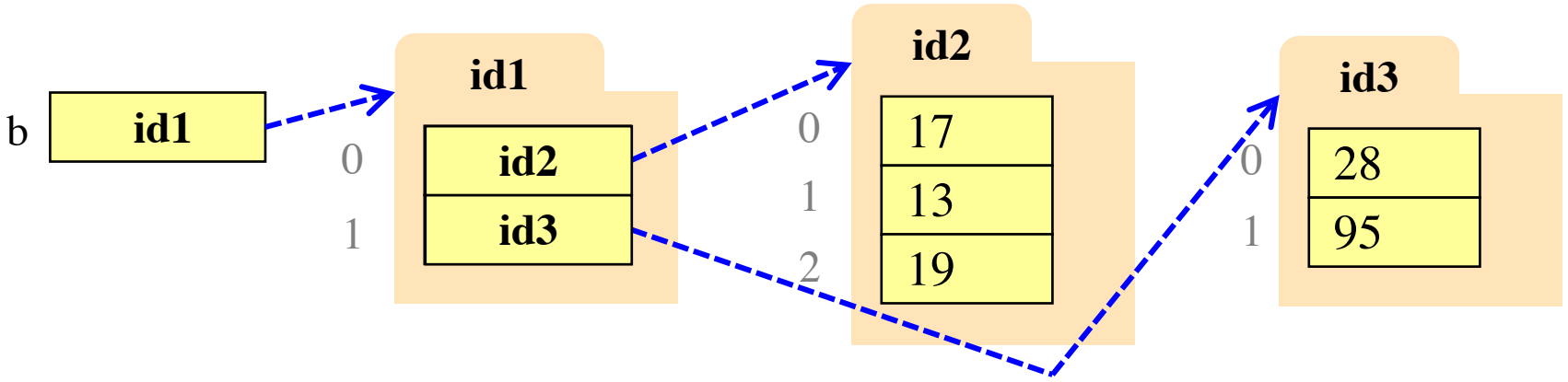
- b holds name of a one-dimensional list
  - Has len(b) elements
  - Its elements are (the names of) 1D lists
- b[i] holds the name of a one-dimensional list (of ints)
  - Has len(b[i]) elements

Image Data: 2D Lists of Pixels



Ragged Lists: Rows w/ Different Length

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



- Will see applications of this later

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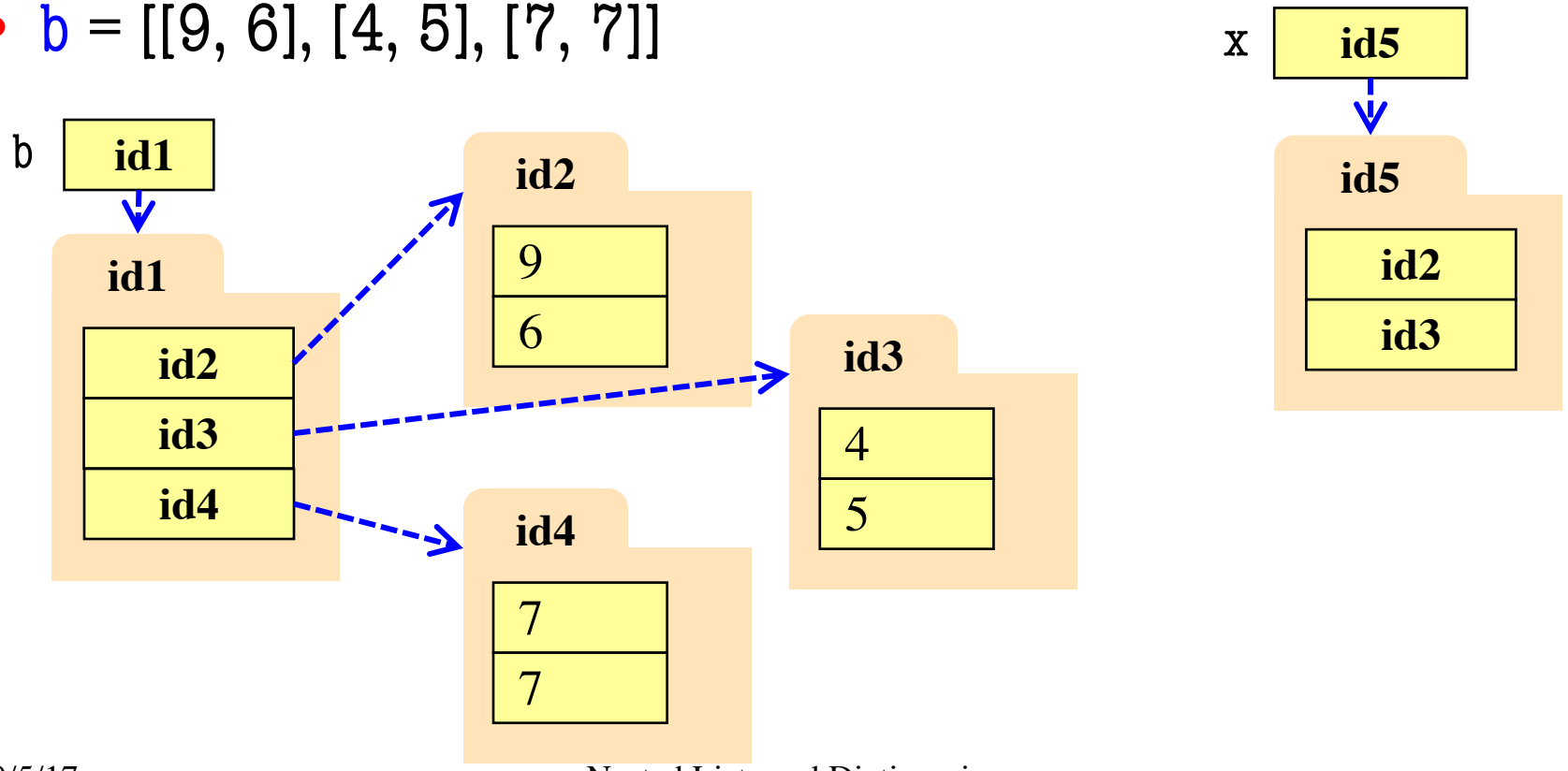

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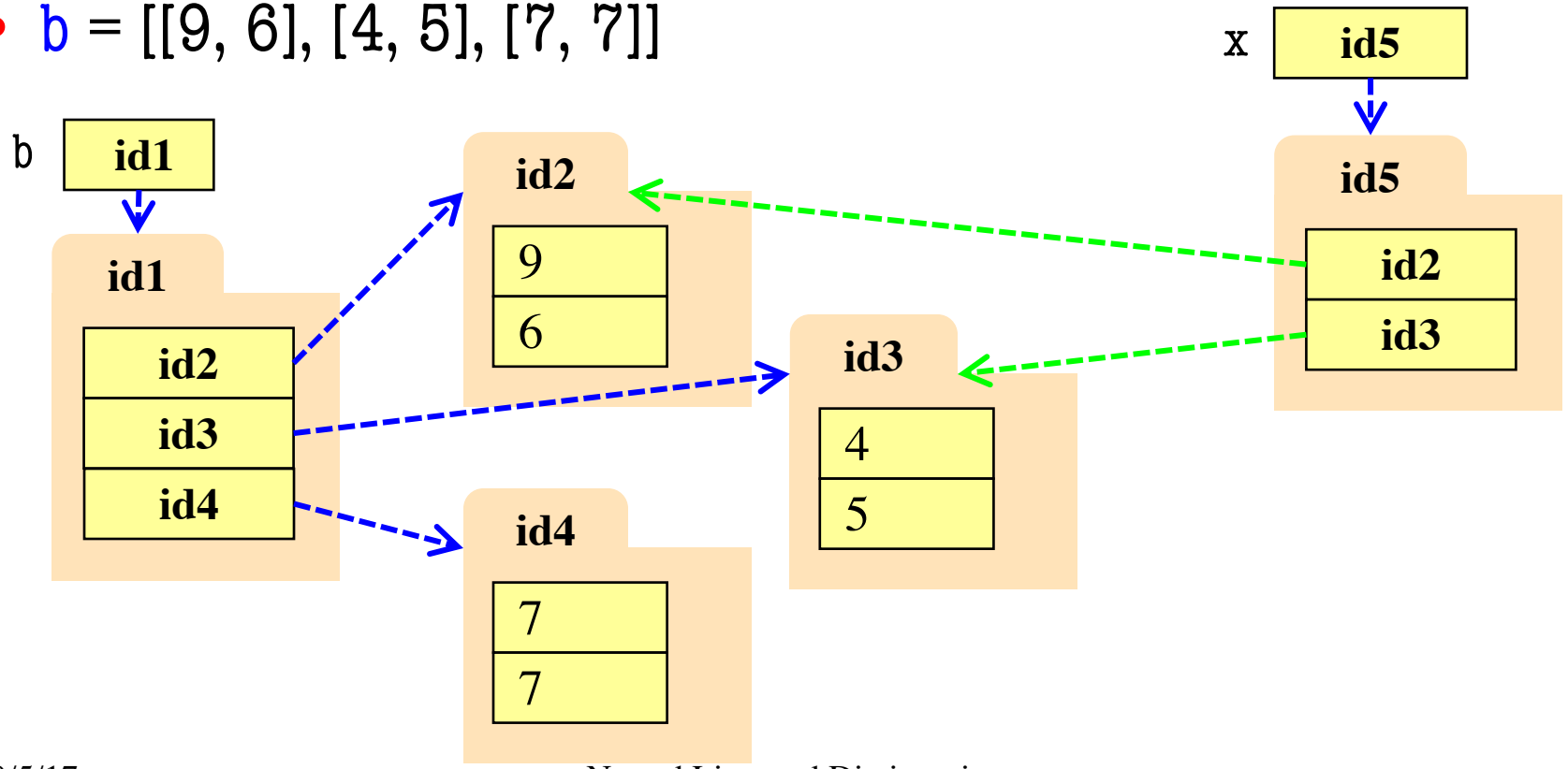

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        # Get the column elements at position m
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        # Add this row to accumulator table

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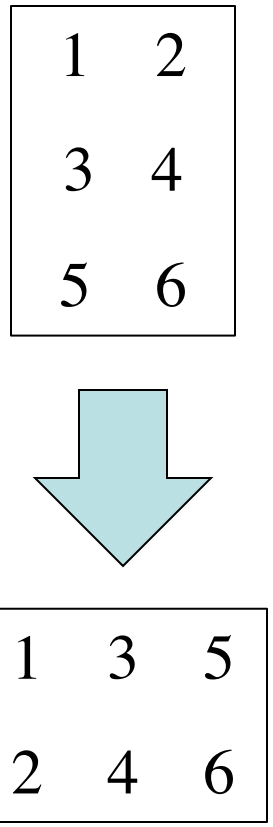

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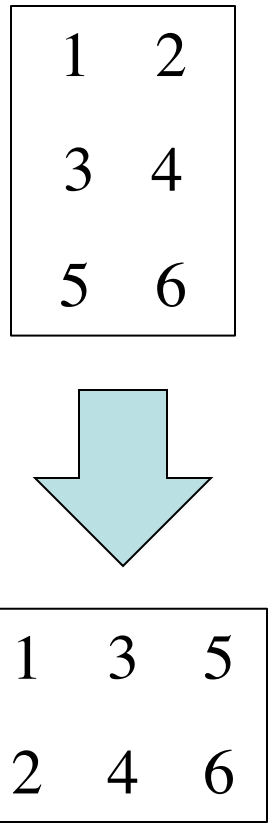

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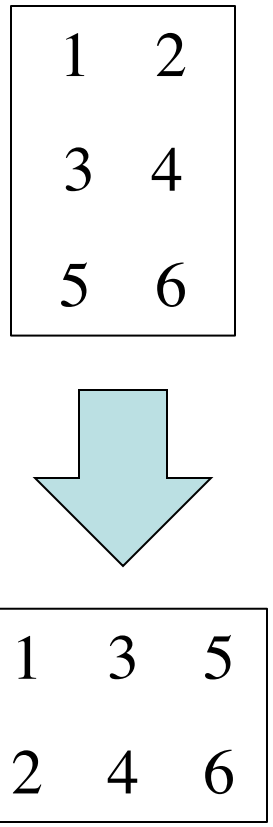

Dictionaries (Type dict)

Description

- List of key-value pairs
  - Keys are unique
  - Values need not be
- Example: net-ids
  - net-ids are **unique** (a key)
  - names need not be (values)
  - js1 is John Smith (class '13)
  - js2 is John Smith (class '16)
- Many other applications

Python Syntax

- Create with format:
  `{k1:v1, k2:v2, ...}`
- Keys must be non-mutable
  - ints, floats, bools, strings
  - **Not** lists or custom objects
- Values can be anything
- Example:

```
d = {'js1':'John Smith',
     'js2':'John Smith',
     'wmw2':'Walker White'}
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- Dictionaries are **mutable**
  - Can reassign values
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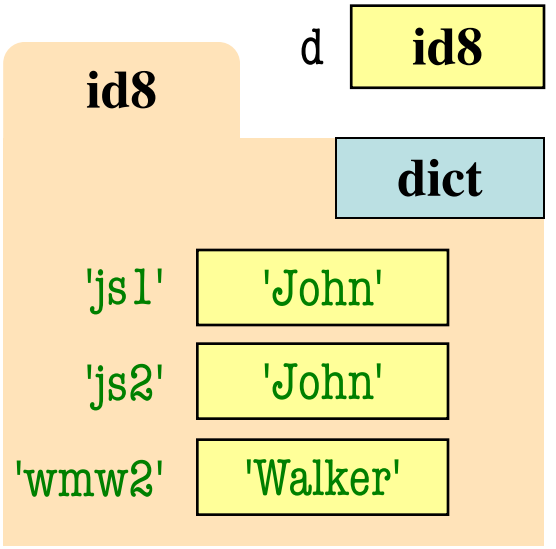

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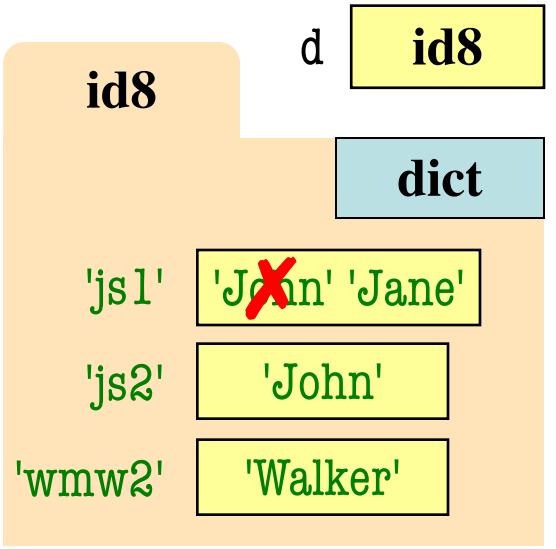

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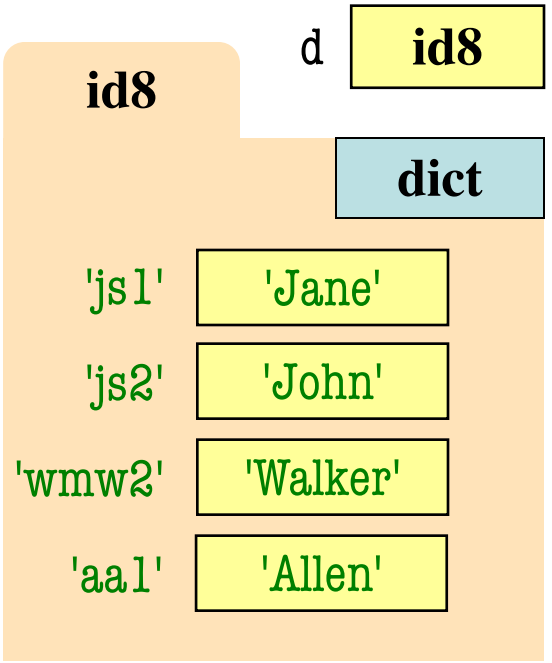

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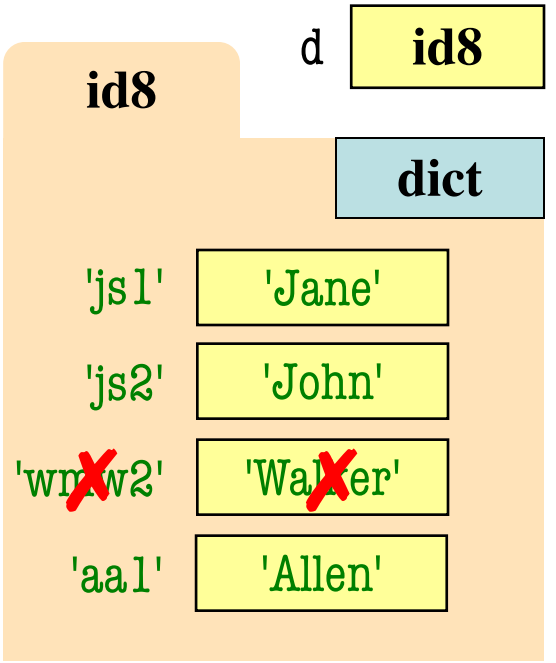

Deleting key deletes both

Dictionaries and For-Loops

- Dictionaries != sequences
  - Cannot slice them
- *Different* inside for loop
  - Loop variable gets the key
  - Then use key to get value
- Can **extract iterators** with dictionary *methods*
  - Key iterator: d.keys()
  - Value iterator: d.values()
  - key-value pairs: d.items()

```
for k in d:
    # Loops over keys
    print(k)      # key
    print(d[k])   # value


# To loop over values only
for v in d.values():
    print(v)      # value
```

See grades.py