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Lecture 12: Nested Lists, Tuples, and Dictionaries

(Sections 11.1-11.5, 12.1-12)

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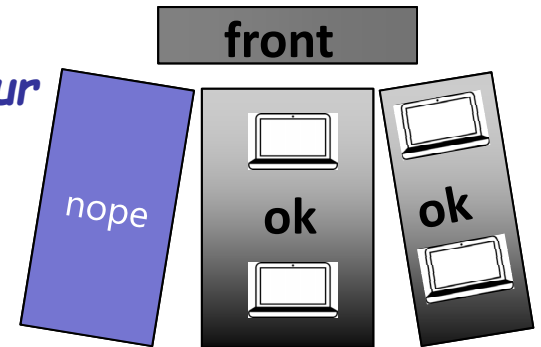
Introduction to Computing Using Python

Dictionaries (type `dict`) will be discussed another time and will not be on Prelim 1

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Announcements on Assignments 2 & 3

No-laptop zone on your left



- A3 out, in 2 parts, see email from CMS. If you visit office/consulting hrs for debugging help, the session will be more effective if you can show the staff what happens on specific test cases.
 - Mon Mar 2 update: minor spec update, more guidance on test cases; students should group on a3tests, staff will propagate grouping to a3fns. See email from CMS.
- A2 grades, solutions released. See email from Gradescope. Check that you are receiving email from Gradescope.

Announcements on Prelim 1

Prelim 1 (Mar 10) info on course website:

Resources → In-House Resources → Exams information

(<https://www.cs.cornell.edu/courses/cs1110/2020sp/exams/>)

- Read Prelim 1 Study Guide!
- Know your exam room; it is based on your NetID.
- Makeup requests will be answered via email by Friday Noon
- Next lecture will be a review session
- Mar 10 lecture time → office hours

Nested Lists

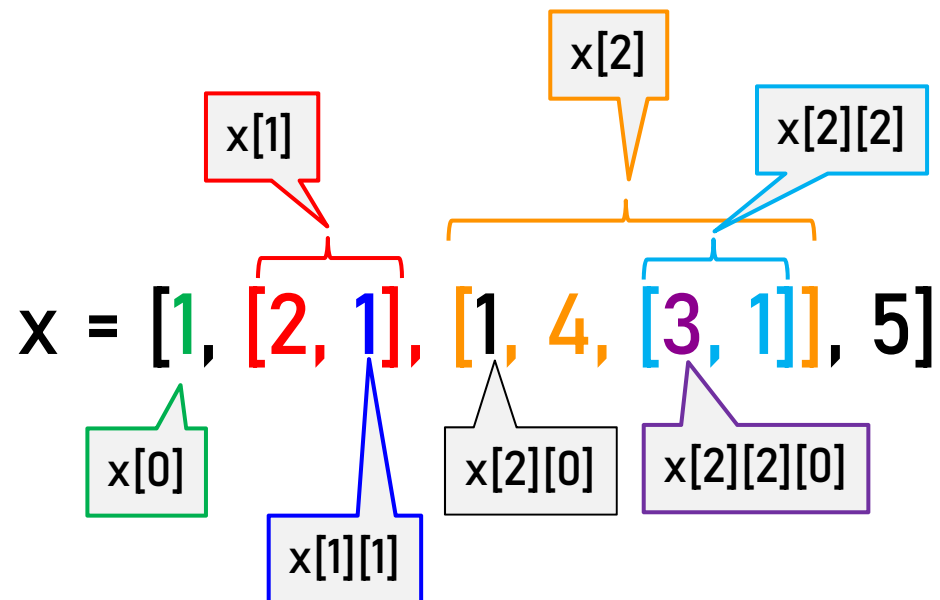
- Lists can hold any objects
- Lists are objects
- Therefore lists can hold other lists!

b = [3, 1]

c = [1, 4, **b**]

a = [2, 1]

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



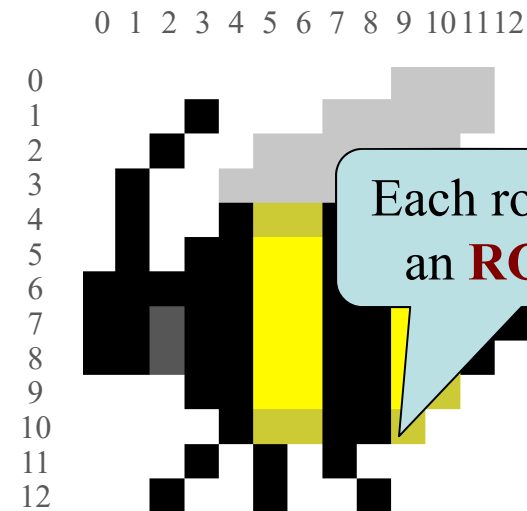
Two Dimensional Lists

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

Images



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

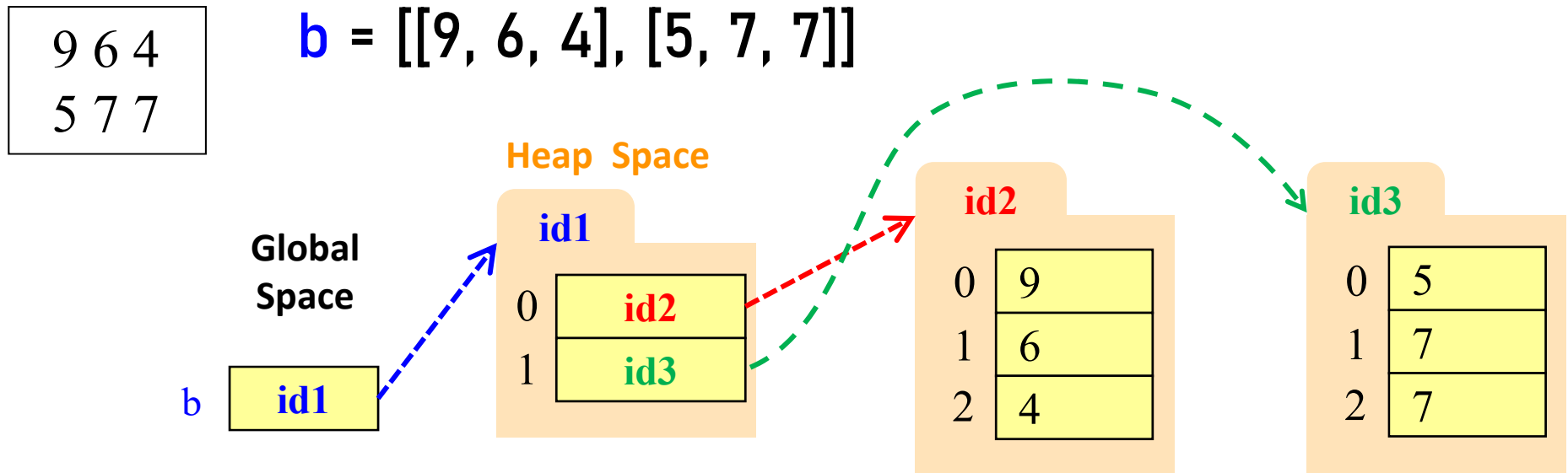
```
d = [[5,4,7,3],[4,8,9,7],[5,1,2,3],[4,1,2,9],[6,7,8,0]]
```

Overview of Two-Dimensional Lists

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

```
>>> d = [[5,4,7,3],[4,8,9,7],[5,1,2,3],[4,1,2,9]]
>>> d[3][2]           Access value at row 3, col 2
2
>>> d[3][2] = 8      Assign value at row 3, col 2
>>> len(d)           Number of rows of d
4
>>> len(d[2])       Number of cols in row 2 of d
4
>>> d
[[5, 4, 7, 3], [4, 8, 9, 7], [5, 1, 2, 3], [4, 1, 8, 9]]
```

How Multidimensional Lists are Stored



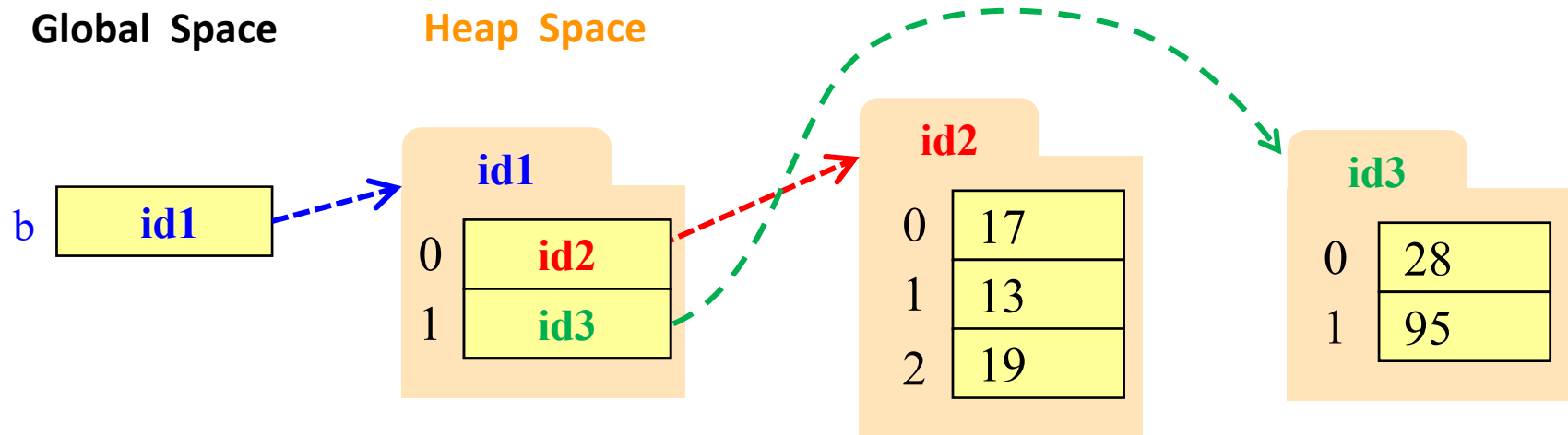
- `b` holds **id** of a one-dimensional list
 - Has `len(b)` elements
- `b[i]` holds **id** of a one-dimensional list
 - Has `len(b[i])` elements

Ragged Lists: Rows w/ Different Length

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

Global Space

Heap Space



Slices & Multidimensional Lists (Q1)

- 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)
```
- What is now in **x**?

A: [[9,6,10]]
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

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Slices & Multidimensional Lists (Q2)

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 - >>> `x[1].append(10)`
 - x now has nested list
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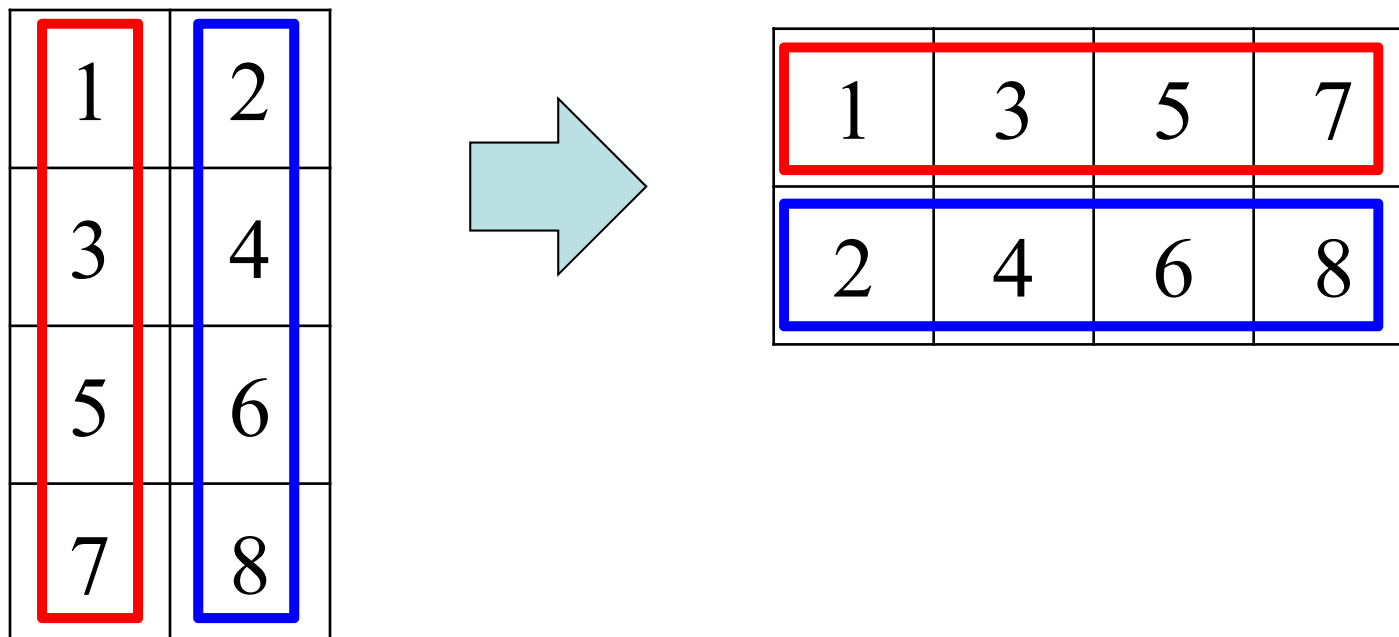
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Data Wrangling: Transpose Idea



4 lists: 2 elements in each 2 lists: 4 elements in each

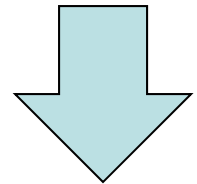
How to transpose?

- 1st element of each list gets appended to 1st list
- 2nd element of each list gets appended to 2nd list

Data Wrangling: Transpose Code

```
def transpose(table):  
    """Returns: copy of table with rows and columns swapped  
    Precondition: table is a (non-ragged) 2d List"""  
    n_rows = len(table)  
    n_cols = len(table[0]) # All rows have same no. cols  
    new_table = [] # Result accumulator  
  
    return new_table
```

1	2
3	4
5	6



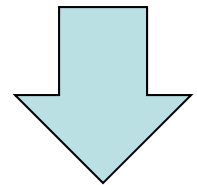
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2	4	6

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d = [[1,2],[3,4],[5,6]]  
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    for c in range(n_cols):  
        row = [] # Single row accumulator  
        for r in range(n_rows):  
            row.append(table[r][c]) # Build up new row  
        new_table.append(row) # Add new row to new table  
    return new_table
```

1	2
3	4
5	6



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Tuples

strings:
immutable sequences
of **characters**

tuples*:
immutable sequences
of **any objects**

lists:
mutable sequences
of **any objects**

* “tuple” generalizes “pair,” “triple,” “quadruple,” ...

- Tuples fall between strings and lists
 - write them with just commas: 42, 4.0, 'x'
 - often enclosed in parentheses: (42, 4.0, 'x')

Use **lists** for:

- long sequences
- homogeneous sequences
- variable length sequences

Use **tuples** for:

- short sequences
- heterogeneous sequences
- fixed length sequences

Returning multiple values

- Can use lists/tuples to **return** multiple values

```
INCHES_PER_FOOT = 12
```

```
def to_feet_and_inches(height_in_inches):  
    feet = height_in_inches // INCHES_PER_FOOT  
    inches = height_in_inches % INCHES_PER_FOOT  
    return (feet, inches)
```

```
all_inches = 68  
(ft,ins) = to_feet_and_inches(all_inches)  
print(You are "+str(ft)+" feet, "+str(ins)+" inches.")
```