PFTWeek 9/14-9/18

- **Incremental construction as design pattern**
  - **Build programs: start small, add with confidence**
  - **Build new strings: append/concatenate values**
    - **Also use join to create a string from a list**
  - **Build lists: append values, alter existing values**
    - **Also use .split() to create list from a string**

- **Compsci 101 specifics: Python -> Course**
  - **APT Quiz and ensuring you do well**

Software Dreams

- Translating ideas into (Python) code
  - Create interesting “heads”, “totem poles” ?
  - Create software for face recognition? Gait?
  - Create "five four" from "four five"?
  - Create "SCUBA" from "self contained underwater breathing apparatus"

- Master the syntax of the language?
  - Organization of program constructs
  - Knowledge of libraries
  - Practice and experience!

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10 - Ask Questions

9 - Eat lots of pizza

8 – Learn how to spell Rodger/Astrachan

7 – Read the online textbook

6 – Do the reading quizzes

5 – Check Piazza every dat

4 – Visit your professors in their office hours

3 – Learn how to debug your programs

2 – Seek help (one hour rule!)

1 – Start programming assignments early!

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- Brad Miller
- Have you donated yet?

Translating Ideas Into Code

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Incremental + : numbers and strings

- **Wtht vwls cn y stll rd ths sntnc?**
  - Create a no-vowel version of word
  - Examine each character, if it's not a vowel …
  - Pattern of building a string

```
def noVowels(word):
    ret = ""
    for ch in word:
        if not is_vowel(ch):
            ret = ret + ch
    return ret
```

Counting vowels in a string

- Accumulating a count in an int is similar to accumulating characters in a string

```
def vowelCount(word):
    value = 0
    for ch in word:
        if is_vowel(ch):
            value = value + 1
    return value
```

- Alternative version of adding: `value += 1`

From high- to low-level Python

```
def reverse(s):
    r = ""
    for ch in s:
        r = ch + r
    return r
```

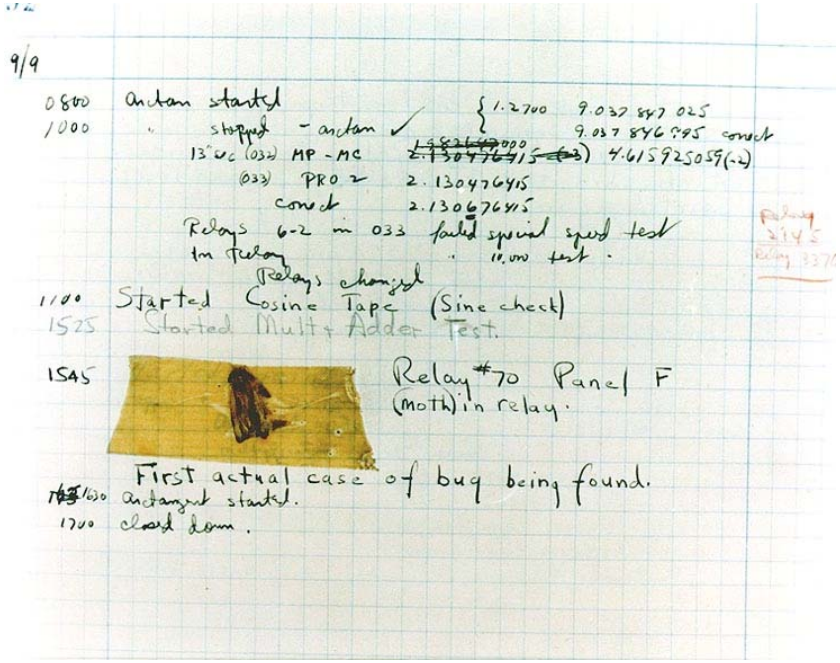
```
 7           0 LOAD_CONST               1 ('')
             3 STORE_FAST               1 (r)

 8           6 SETUP_LOOP              24 (to 33)
             9 LOAD_FAST                0 (s)
            12 GET_ITER
       >>   13 FOR_ITER                16 (to 32)
            16 STORE_FAST               2 (ch)

 9          19 LOAD_FAST                2 (ch)
            22 LOAD_FAST                1 (r)
            25 BINARY_ADD
            26 STORE_FAST               1 (r)
            29 JUMP_ABSOLUTE           13
       >>   32 POP_BLOCK

10     >>   33 LOAD_FAST                1 (r)
            36 RETURN_VALUE
```

- Create version on the right using dissassembler

  `dis.dis(code.py)`

Bug and Debug

- software 'bug'
- Start small
  - Easier to cope
- Judicious 'print'
  - Debugger too



- Verify the approach being taken, test small, test frequently
  - How do you 'prove' your code works?

Anatomy of a Python String

- String is a sequence of characters
  - Functions apply to sequences: len, slice [:], sorted,
  - Methods applied to strings, specific to strings:
  - st.split(), st.startswith(), st.strip(), st.lower(), st.find(), st.count(), st.join()
- Strings are *immutable* sequences
  - Cannot change a string, can only create new one
    - What does upper do?
  - See resources for functions/methods on strings

- *Iterable*: Can loop over it, *Indexable*: can slice it

Anatomy of a Python List

- Lists are indexable
  - Start with index 0, index with [int], slice too
  - Indexing past end?
- Lists are iterable: `for x in [1,2,3]:`
  - Confusing boolean use, `if 3 in [1,2,3]:`
- Lists are mutable
  - Change: `lst[0] = 5`, can append, can extend
- Lists are heterogenous, can store any type of element, including lists!
- Methods .count(), .append(), .index(), .sort()

Lynn Conway

See Wikipedia and lynnconway.com

- Joined Xerox Parc in 1973
  - Revolutionized VLSI design with Carver Mead
- Joined U. Michigan 1985
  - Professor and Dean, retired '98
- NAE '89, IEEE Pioneer '09
- Helped invent dynamic scheduling early '60s IBM
- Transgender, fired in '68

Standard accumulation idiom

```
def wcount(collection, word):
    total = 0
    for elt in collection:
        if elt == word:
            total = total + 1
    return total
```

- How do we count 'scarlet' in *Scarlet Letter*?
  - Or dagger in *Hamlet* or *Romeo*?
  - Or friend in *Little Brother*?
  - Or CGAT in a genome?

If we knew all Python's built ins, ...

- Suppose we want to (what are types and values)

```
f = open("/data/kjv10.txt")
st = f.read()
words = st.split()
angels = wcount(words,"angel")
# can use Python built in too
devils = words.count("devil")
```

Accumulation revisited

```
def getFirsts(collection, letter):
    total = []
    for elt in collection:
        if elt.startswith(letter):
            total.append(elt)
    return total
```

- Finding words that start with 't', The Bible?
  - Or words that start with 'U' in *The Illiad*?

Work Together on Expression Review

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