

CompSci 101

Introduction to Computer Science

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score = [10,8,10,9]

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Announcements

- Reading and RQ8 due next time
- Assignment 3 due tonight
 - Assignment 4 out, due Sept 29
- APT 3 is due on Tuesday
- APT Quiz 1 take Sunday-Tuesday midnight
 - Friday – practice APT quiz available
- Today - EOWF:
 - Solving problems with lists, ifs.

Getting help

- Consider a peer tutor – one hour of one on one help a week.
 - Many take advantage of this
 - contact peer tutoring center
- Are you getting too much help?
 - After solving APT
 - Can you solve again with a blank sheet of paper or blank file and no help?
- Are you using 7 step process to solve?

Are you Learning How to Debug?

- Print is your friend!
- Create variables!
- Isolate the problem
 - Comment out sections until you can isolate where the problem is
- Python Tutor – trace
 - Doesn't work with files but comment out file and create variable with sample input

Assignment 3 - Earthquakes

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```
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```

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 - Description starts with “Quarry”
- quakes is a list of earthquake strings in correct format

```
def QuarryBlastQuakes(quakes):
```

Pattern to build and return new list

initialize newlist

for item in oldlist:

 if item fits criteria

 put item in newlist

return newlist

def quarryQuakes(quakes):

How do you use quarryQuakes?

- In main:

```
print "Quarry quakes"
```

String Functions – What is output?

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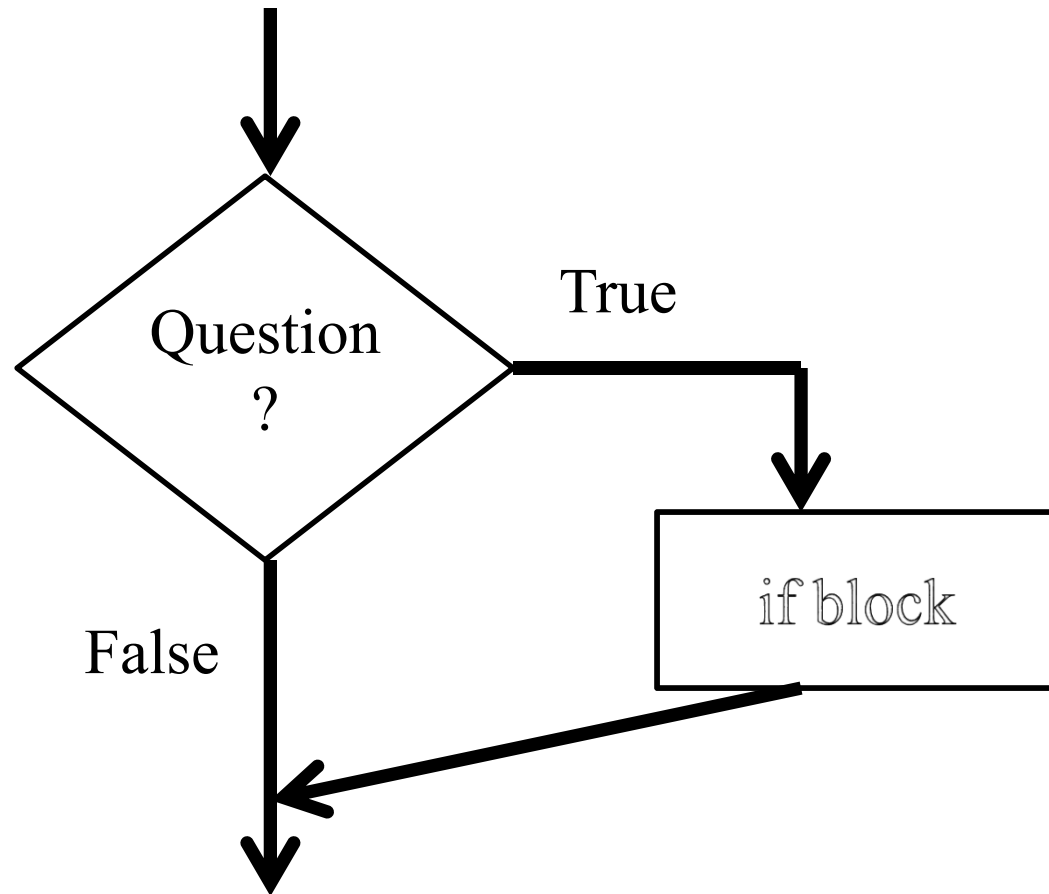
```
name = "VVDarth Vater Darth VaterVVV"  
nm = name.strip("V")
```

```
phrase = "mississippi"  
phrase = phrase.replace("ss", "pp")
```

```
last = "Darth Vater or Darth Vater"  
last = last.replace("a", "o").replace("or", "es")
```

```
b = "the end is near oh dear"  
a = b.endswith('s')
```

Making Decisions



Making Decisions in Python

if condition1:

Block of code to do if condition is true

elif condition2:

Block of code to do if condition1 false, condition2 is true

else:

Block of code to do if other conditions false

- Can have many elifs, leave out elif, leave out else

Making Decisions tools

- Boolean values: True, False
- Boolean operators: and, or, not

X	Y	X and Y	X or Y
True	True	True	True
True	False	False	True
False	True	False	True
False	False	False	False

- Relational operators: <, <=, >, >=
- Equality operators: ==, !=

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```
def isVowel(letter):
    answer = False
    if letter == 'a':
        answer = True
    elif letter == 'e':
        answer = True
    elif letter == 'i':
        answer = True
    elif letter == 'o':
        answer = True
    elif letter == 'u':
        answer = True
    return answer
```

```
def isVowel2(letter):
    answer = False
    if letter == 'a':
        answer = True
    if letter == 'e':
        answer = True
    if letter == 'i':
        answer = True
    if letter == 'o':
        answer = True
    if letter == 'u':
        answer = True
    return answer
```

```
def isVowel3(letter):
    if letter == 'a':
        return True
    else:
        return False
    if letter == 'e':
        return True
    else:
        return False
    if letter == 'i':
        return True
    else:
        return False
    if letter == 'o':
        return True
    else:
        return False
    if letter == 'u':
        return True
    else:
        return False
```

```
def isVowel4(letter):
    answer = False
    if letter == 'a':
        answer = True
    else:
        answer = False
    if letter == 'e':
        answer = True
    else:
        answer = False
    if letter == 'i':
        answer = True
    else:
        answer = False
    if letter == 'o':
        answer = True
    else:
        answer = False
    if letter == 'u':
        answer = True
    else:
        answer = False
    return answer
```

Lists

- A list is a collection of objects

```
scores = [99, 78, 91, 84]
```

```
allAboutMe = ["Mo", 25, "934-1234"]
```

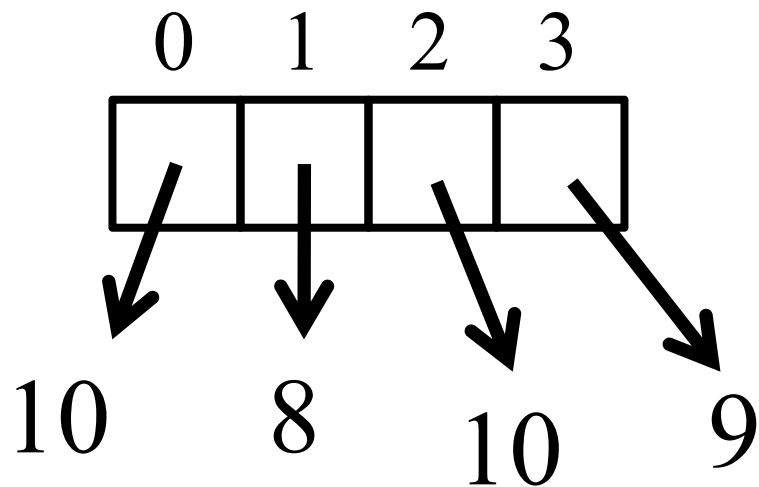
```
club=['Mo', 'Jo', 'Po', 'Flo', 'Bo']
```

- Lists are *mutable* – use [num] to change a value
- Lists are indexed starting at 0, or -1 from the end
- Functions: max, min, len, sum
- Slice lists [:]

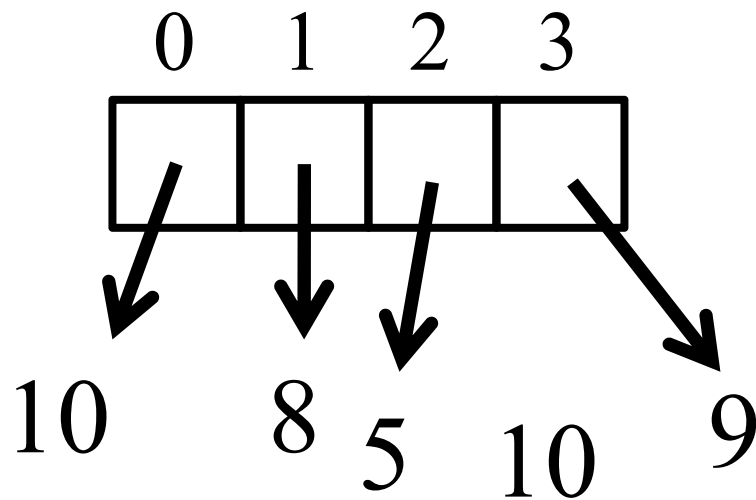
List Examples

```
scores = [10, 8, 10, 9]
print scores
scores[2] = 5
print scores
print max(scores), len(scores),
print sum(scores)
print scores[1:]
print scores[1], scores[-1]
scores.append(4)
scores += [5]
print scores
```


List before/after modification



score = [10,8,10,9]



score [2] = 5

Design pattern of accumulation *for item in something*

- Summing to tally a count
 `value += 1`
- Building a new string by concatenating
 `str += ch`
- Building a new list by appending
 `lst.append(element)`
 OR
 `lst += [element]`

Processing List Items

- Process all the items in a list, one item at a time
- Format: `for variable in list:`
 `process variable`
- Example:

```
sum = 0
nums = [6, 7, 3, 1, 2]
for value in nums:
    sum = sum + value
print sum
```

Learn list functions

```
nums = [6, 7, 3, 1, 2]  
print sum(nums)
```

Problem: Sum up even numbers in list of numbers

- Could do it similar to two slides back
- OR Build a list of the correct numbers, then sum

How to build list of evens and sum?

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```
def sumUpEven(nums):  
    answer = question1  
    for item in nums:  
        if question2:  
            question3  
    return question4
```

Problem: What is length of
longest string in list of strings?

From APT 3 - TxMsg

<http://www.cs.duke.edu/csed/pythonapt/txmsg.html>

Problem Statement

Strange abbreviations are often used to write text messages on uncomfortable mobile devices. One particular strategy for encoding texts composed of alphabetic characters and spaces is the following:

- Spaces are maintained, and each word is encoded individually. A word is a consecutive string of alphabetic characters.
- If the word is composed only of vowels, it is written exactly as in the original message.
- If the word has at least one consonant, write only the consonants that do not have another consonant immediately before them. Do not write any vowels.
- The letters considered vowels in these rules are 'a', 'e', 'i', 'o' and 'u'. All other letters are considered consonants.

Specification

```
filename: TxMsg.py

def getMessage(original):
    """
    return String that is 'textized' version
    of String parameter original
    """

    # you write code here
```


Examples

- Do one by hand?
- Explain to partner?
- Identify Pythonic/programming challenges?

1. `"text message"`

Returns `"tx msg"`

2. `"ps i love u"`

Returns: `"p i lv u"`

3. `"please please me"`

Returns: `"ps ps m"`

4. `"back to the ussr"`

Returns `"bc t t s"`

5. `"aeiou bcd fghijklmnpqrstvwxyz"`

Returns: `"aeiou b"`

Debugging APTs: Going green

- TxMsg APT: from ideas to code to green
 - What are the main parts of solving this problem?
 - Transform words in original string
 - Abstract that away at first
 - Finding words in original string
 - How do we do this?

```
def getMessage(original):  
    ret = ""  
  
    ret = ret + " " + transform(word)  
    return ret    #initial space?
```

Why use helper function 'transform'?

- Structure of code is easier to reason about
 - Harder to develop this way at the beginning
 - Similar to accumulate loop, build on what we know
- We can debug pieces independently
 - What if transform returns "" for every string?
 - Can we test transform independently of getMessage?

Python via Problem Solving

In the loop for TxMsg we saw:

```
ret = ret + " " + transform(word)
```

- Why does this leave "extra" space at front?
- Eliminate with `ret.strip()`

Alternate: collect transform words in list, use join to return

Rather than construct string via accumulation and concatenation, construct list with append