

# CompSci 101

## Introduction to Computer Science

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

- Write QuarryBlastQuakes – **return** the list of earthquakes that are something from a Quarry such as a Quarry Blast Quakes –
- quakes is a list of earthquake strings in correct format

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

# Assignment 3 - Earthquakes

- Write QuarryBlastQuakes – **return** the list of earthquakes that are something from a Quarry such as a Quarry Blast Quakes –
  - 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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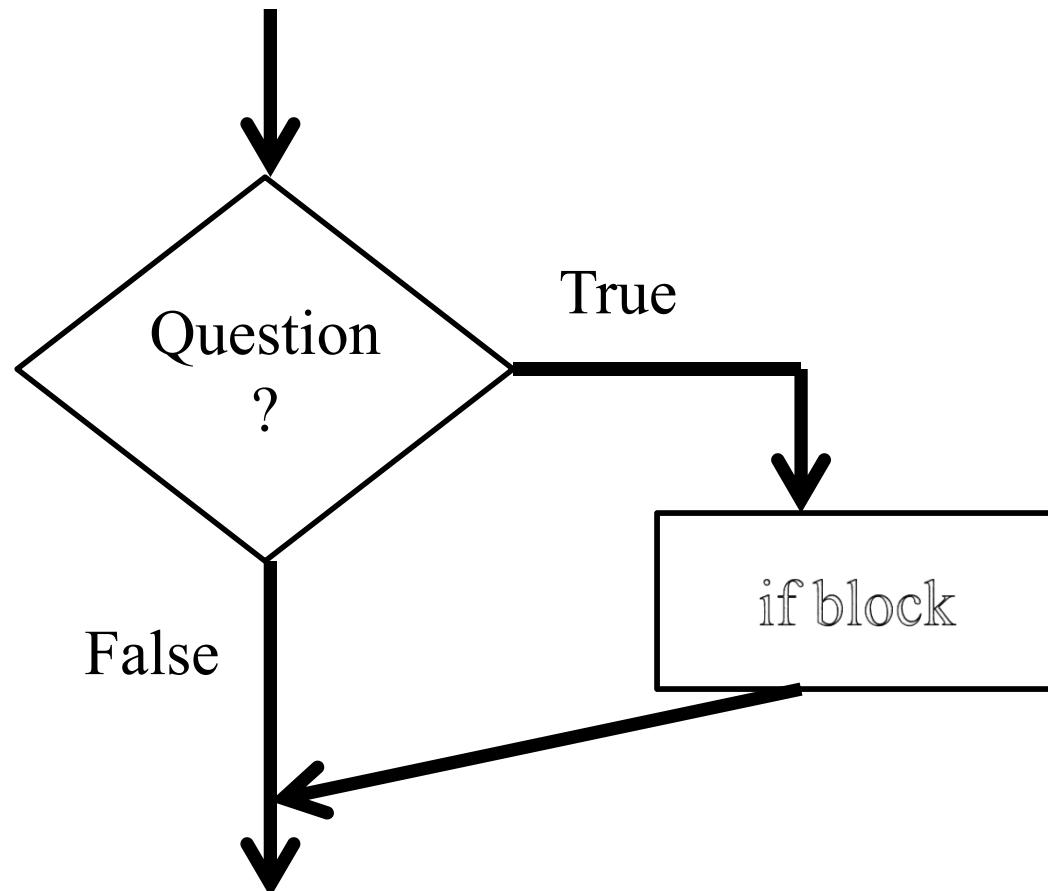
```
name = "VVDarth Vader Darth VaderVV"  
nm = name.strip("V")
```

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

```
last = "Darth Vader or Darth Vader"  
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: ==, !=

```
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
```

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```
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"]
```

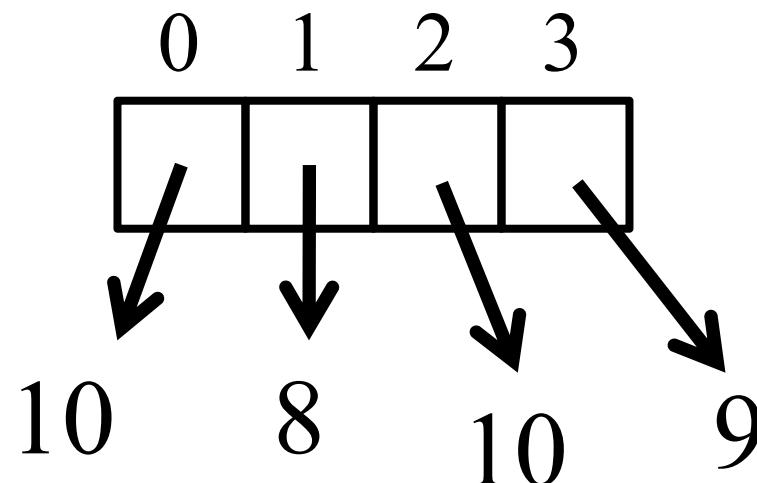
```
club = ['Mo', 'Jo', 'Po', 'Flo', 'Bo']
```

- 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 [:]

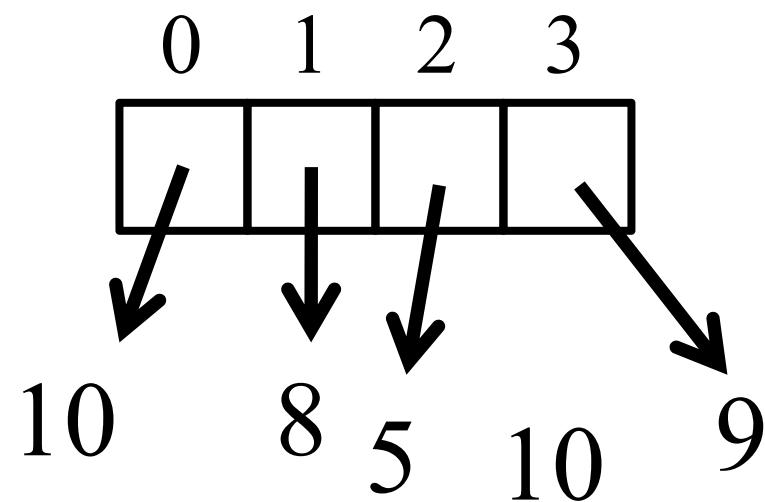
# List Examples

```
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/program  
ming 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 bcdfghjklmnpqrstvwxyz"

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