

# Lecture 12: Containers

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# Announcements

Cats!

# Box-and-Pointer Notation

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Lists are represented as a row of index-labeled adjacent boxes, one per element Each box either contains a primitive value or points to a compound value

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```
1 one_two = [1, 2]
2 nested = [[1, 2], [],
3           [[3, False, None],
4           [4, lambda: 5]]]
```

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[Edit code in Online Python Tutor](#)



End

- ▶ line that has just executed
- ▶ next line to execute

# Box-and-Pointer Notation

What's the environment diagram? What gets printed here?

```
def f(s):  
    x = s[0]  
    return [x]  
  
t = [3, [2+2, 5]]  
u = [f(t[1]), t]  
print(u)
```

[pythontutor.com](http://pythontutor.com)

# Double Eights With a List

Implement `double_eights`, which takes a list `s` and returns whether two consecutive items are both 8.

*using positions (indices)...*

```
def double_eights(s):
    """Return whether two consecutive items
    of list s are 8.

    >>> double_eights([1, 2, 8, 8])
    True
    >>> double_eights([8, 8, 0])
    True
    >>> double_eights([5, 3, 8, 8, 3, 5])
    True
    >>> double_eights([2, 8, 4, 6, 8, 2])
    False
    """
    for _____:
        if _____:
            return True
    return False
```

*using slices...*

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    >>> double_eights([5, 3, 8, 8, 3, 5])
    True
    >>> double_eights([2, 8, 4, 6, 8, 2])
    False
    """
    if _____ == [ _____ ]:
        return True
    elif len(s) < 2:
        return False
    else:
        return _____
```

# Processing Container Values

# Aggregation

Several built-in functions take iterable arguments and aggregate them into a value

- `sum(iterable[, start])` -> value

Return the sum of an iterable (not of strings) plus the value of parameter 'start' (which defaults to 0). When the iterable is empty, return start.

# Summation

```
def cube(k):  
    return pow(k, 3)  
  
def summation(n, term):  
    """Sum the first n terms of a sequence.  
  
    >>> summation(5, cube)  
    225  
    """  
    total, k = 0, 1  
    while k <= n:  
        total, k = total + term(k), k + 1  
    return total
```

Built-in aggregations:

- `sum(iterable[, start])` -> value

Return the sum of an iterable plus the value of parameter 'start' (which defaults to 0).

- `max(iterable[, key=func])` -> value  
`max(a, b, c, ...[, key=func])` -> value

With a single iterable argument, return its largest item.

- `all(iterable)` -> bool

Return True if `bool(x)` is True for all values x in the iterable.

# Strings (Demo)

# Tree Recursion With Strings

## (Modified) Spring 2023 Midterm 2 Question 5(a):

**Definition.** When parking vehicles in a row, a motorcycle takes up 1 parking spot and a car takes up 2 adjacent parking spots. A string of length  $n$  can represent  $n$  adjacent parking spots using % for a motorcycle, <> for a car, and . for an empty spot.

For example: '%%.<><>' (Thanks to the Berkeley Math Circle for introducing this question.)

Implement `count_park`, which returns the number of ways that vehicles can be parked in  $n$  adjacent parking spots for positive integer  $n$ . Some or all spots can be empty.

```
def count_park(n):
    """Count the ways to park cars and motorcycles in n adjacent spots.
    >>> count_park(1) # '.' or '%'
    2
    >>> count_park(2) # '.. ', '%.', '%.', '%%', or '<>'
    5
    >>> count_park(4) # some examples: '<><>', '%.%.', '%<>%', '%.<>'
    29
    """
    if n < 0:
        return _____
    elif n == 0:
        return _____
    else:
        return _____
```

# (Modified) Spring 2023 Midterm 2 Question 5(b):

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Implement `park`, which returns a list of all the ways, represented as strings, that vehicles can be parked in  $n$  adjacent parking spots for positive integer  $n$ . Spots can be empty.

```
def park(n):
    """Return the ways to park cars and motorcycles in n adjacent spots.
    >>> park(1)
    ['%', '.']
    >>> park(2)
    ['%%', '%.', '.%', '..', '<>']
    >>> len(park(4)) # some examples: '<><>', '%%.%', '%<>%', '%.<>'
    29
    """
    if n < 0:
        return _____
    elif n == 0:
        return _____
    else:
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# Dictionaries

# Dictionaries

A dictionary contains key-value pairs, where both the keys and values are objects

```
>>> numerals = {'I': 1.0, 'V': 5, 'X': 10}
```

We can index into a dictionary using the **keys**, which outputs the corresponding **value**

```
>>> numerals['X']  
10
```

Like lists, we can update the values at an index. We can also add new key-value pairs

```
>>> numerals['I'] = 1  
>>> numerals['L'] = 50  
>>> numerals  
{'I': 1, 'X': 10, 'L': 50, 'V': 5}
```

# Dictionaries

We can create entire dictionaries using **dictionary comprehension** (similar to lists)

```
{<key exp>:<value exp> for <name> in <iter exp> if <filter exp>}
```

Short version: {<map exp> for <name> in <iter exp>}

Another way to index into a dictionary is by using `.get()`, where you can specify a default value if the key does not exist in the dictionary.

```
>>> d = {"I": 1, "V": 5, "X": 10}
```

```
>>> d.get("V", 0)
```

```
5
```

```
>>> d.get("M", 0)
```

```
0
```

# Colorings - Inspired by [this video!](#)

**Definition:** A **coloring** is a mapping (dictionary) of the numbers  $1..n$  to a fixed list of colors.

Example :

`n = 4, colors = ["red", "blue"]`

`Coloring: {1: "red", 2: "blue", 3: "red", 4: "blue" }`

A **Schur Coloring** is a coloring with a special property:

- For any triplet of numbers **a, b, and c**, if  **$a + b = c$** , then **a, b, and c are not all the same color.**
- **a, b, and c do not need to be unique numbers!** For example, because  $1 + 1 = 2$ , 1 and 2 must be different colors.

# Colorings

Implement `schur_colorings`, a function takes an integer `n` and list of strings `colors`. It returns a list of all possible Schur Colorings for the numbers from 1 to `n` with the colors in `colors`

```
def schur_colorings(n: int, colors: list[str]):
    """
    >>> list(schur_colorings(4, ["Red", "Blue"]))
    [{1: 'Red', 2: 'Blue', 3: 'Blue', 4: 'Red'}, {1: 'Blue', 2: 'Red', 3: 'Red', 4: 'Blue'}]
    >>> len(list(schur_colorings(13, ["Red", "Blue", "Green"])))
    18
    >>> list(schur_colorings(14, ["Red", "Blue", "Green"]))
    []
    """
    if n == 0:
        return [{}]
    colorings = []
    for previous_coloring in _____:
        # What colors can n not be? (Hint: i and n-i always sums to n)
        banned_colors = [previous_coloring[i] for i in range(1, n // 2 + 1) if _____]
        # Create new colorings (Hint: use .get())
        new_colorings = [{i: _____ for i in range(1, n+1)} for color in colors if _____]
        colorings += new_colorings
    return colorings
```

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    """
    if n == 0:
        return [{}]
    colorings = []
    for previous_coloring in schur_colorings(n-1, colors):
        banned_colors = [
            previous_coloring[i] for i in range(1, n // 2 + 1)
            if previous_coloring[i] == previous_coloring[n - i]
        ]
        new_colorings = [
            {i: previous_coloring.get(i, color) for i in range(1, n+1)}
            for color in colors if color not in banned_colors
        ]
        colorings += new_colorings
    return colorings
```