



15-112  
Lecture 2

Lists

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Tuesday Logistics

# As you walk in

Quiz will start at the beginning of lecture

- Have pencil/pen ready
- Silence phones



# Quiz

## Before we start

- Don't open until we start
- Make sure your name and Andrew ID are on the front
- Read instruction page
- No questions (unless clarification on English)

## Additional info

- 25 min

# Announcements

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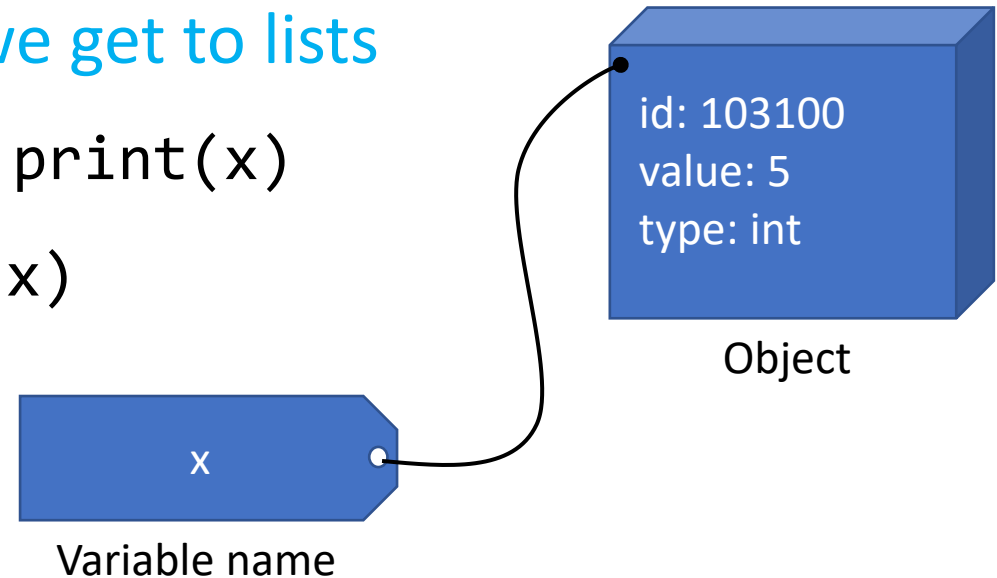


# Python Objects and Variable Naming

All of the “things” in Python are objects

Python objects all have:

- **id**      More on object ids when we get to lists
- **value**    We can try to see this with `print(x)`
- **type**     We can see this with `type(x)`



## Variable naming

Think of a variable name as a gift tag attached to an object

Python keeps track of variable names to allow us to use that object later

# Running Python

## Pythontutor

- Help \*see\* how Python works

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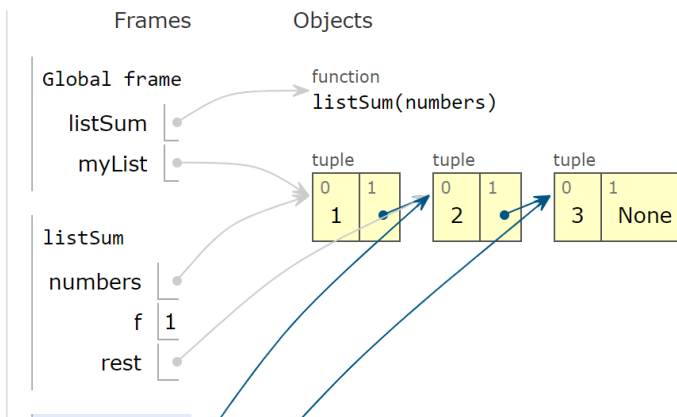
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**Over 15 million people in more than 180 countries** have used Python Tutor to visualize over 200 million pieces of code. It is the most widely-used program visualization tool for computing education.

You can also embed these visualizations into any webpage. Here's an example showing recursion in Python:

```
Python 3.6
1 def listSum(numbers):
2     if not numbers:
3         return 0
4     else:
5         (f, rest) = numbers
6         return f + listSum(rest)
7
8 myList = (1, (2, (3, None)))
9 total = listSum(myList)
```

[Edit this code](#)



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Optional settings  
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Visualize Execution NEW: if you use

show all frames (Python) ▾  
hide exited frames [default]  
show all frames (Python)

render all objects on the heap (Python/Java) ▾  
inline primitives and try to nest objects  
inline primitives, don't nest objects [default]  
render all objects on the heap (Python/Java)

```
Python 3.6  
known limitations  
1 def f(x):  
2     print(x)  
3  
4     return 7*x  
5  
6 def g(y):  
7     x = 2*f(y)  
8  
9     return x  
10  
11 print(f(g(3)))
```

[Edit this code](#)

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```
3  
42  
294
```

Frames	Objects
Global frame	
f	function f(x)
g	function g(y)

g	
y	3
x	42
Return value	42

f	
x	3
Return value	21

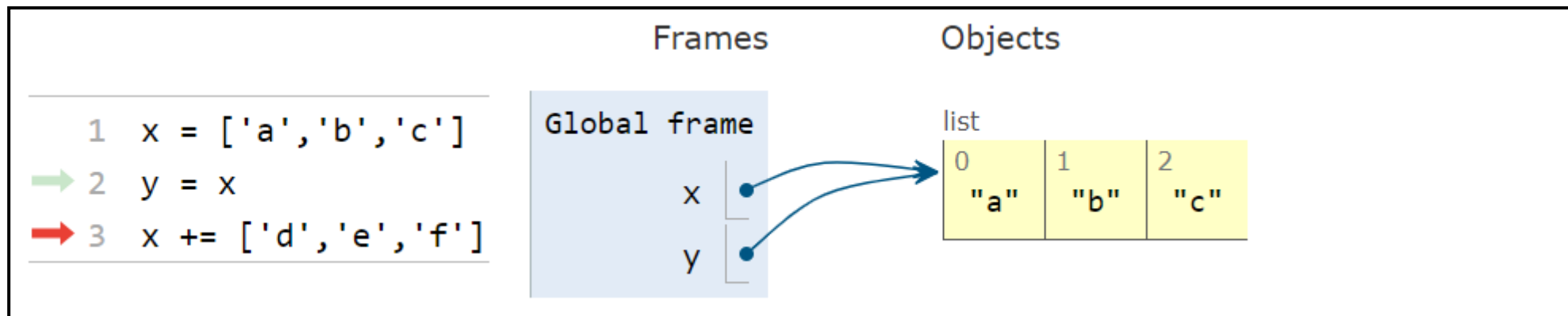
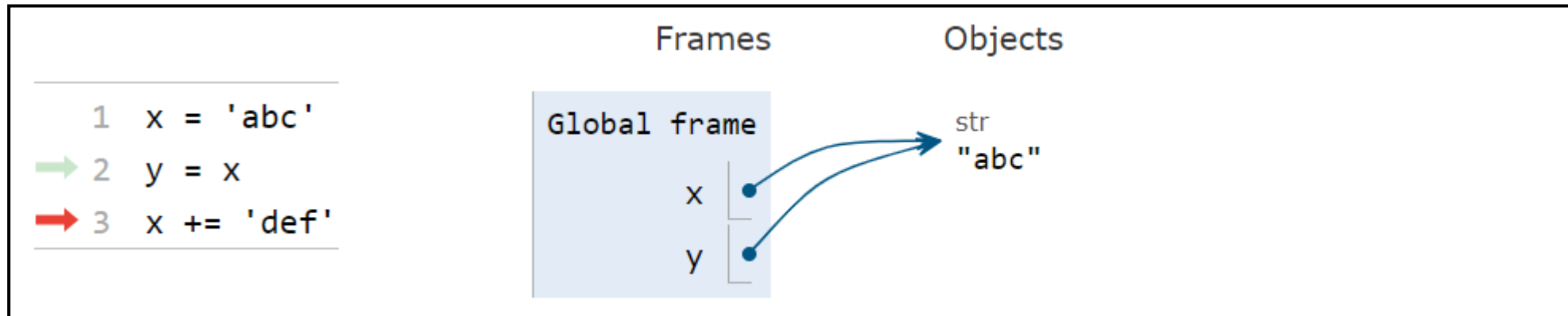
  

f	
x	42
Return value	294

# Strings vs Lists

## Lists are mutable!

With strings, we always have to create a new string to modify an existing string

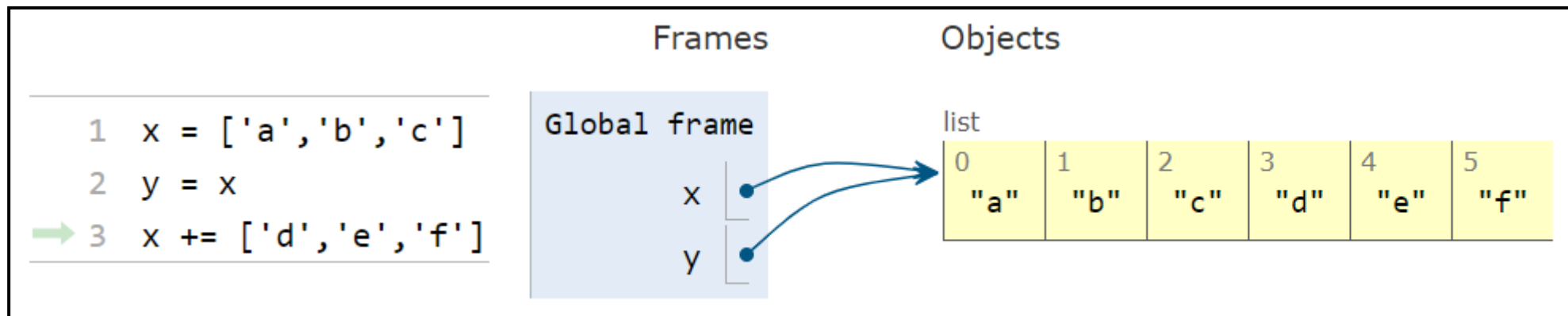
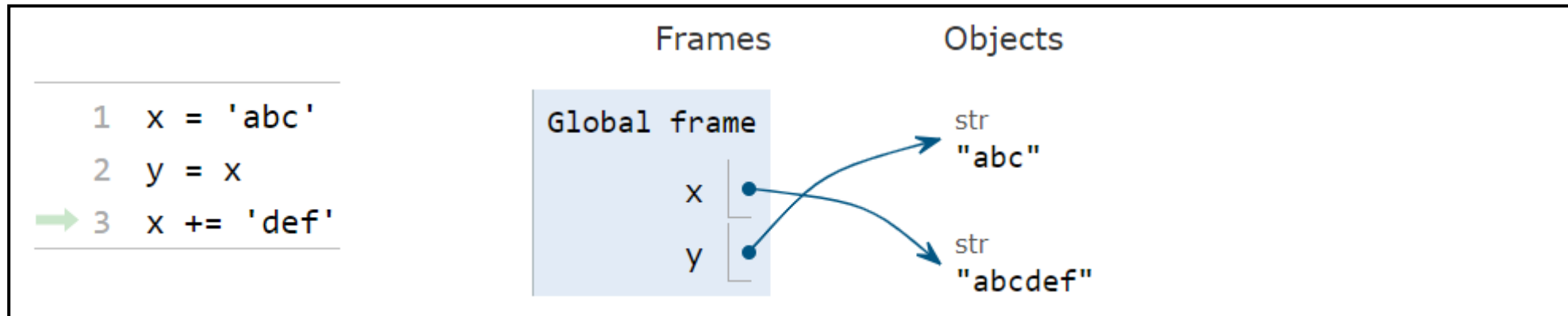


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# Reminder: Strings and aliases

Two variables are “aliases” are when they reference the exact same object

This happens when you assign a variable to another variable:

```
s = 'abc'
```

```
t = s
```

s and t are **aliases** referencing the same to the same exact string object 'abc'

But...strings are immutable. We can't possibly change s without making a new string.

```
s += 'def' # Assigns s to a new string 'abcdef'
```

```
# The string t is referencing remains 'abc'
```

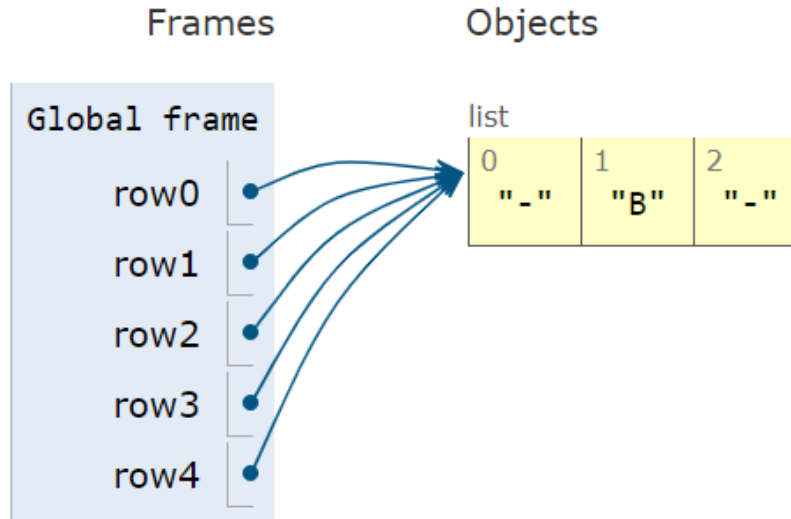
# Aliasing

Two variables are “aliases” are when they reference the exact same object

```
row0 = ['-', '-', '-']  
row1 = row0  
row2 = row0  
row3 = row0  
row4 = row0
```

```
row4[1] = 'B'
```

```
print(row0)  
print(row1)  
print(row2)  
print(row3)  
print(row4)
```



Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```
['-', 'B', '-']  
['-', 'B', '-']  
['-', 'B', '-']  
['-', 'B', '-']  
['-', 'B', '-']
```

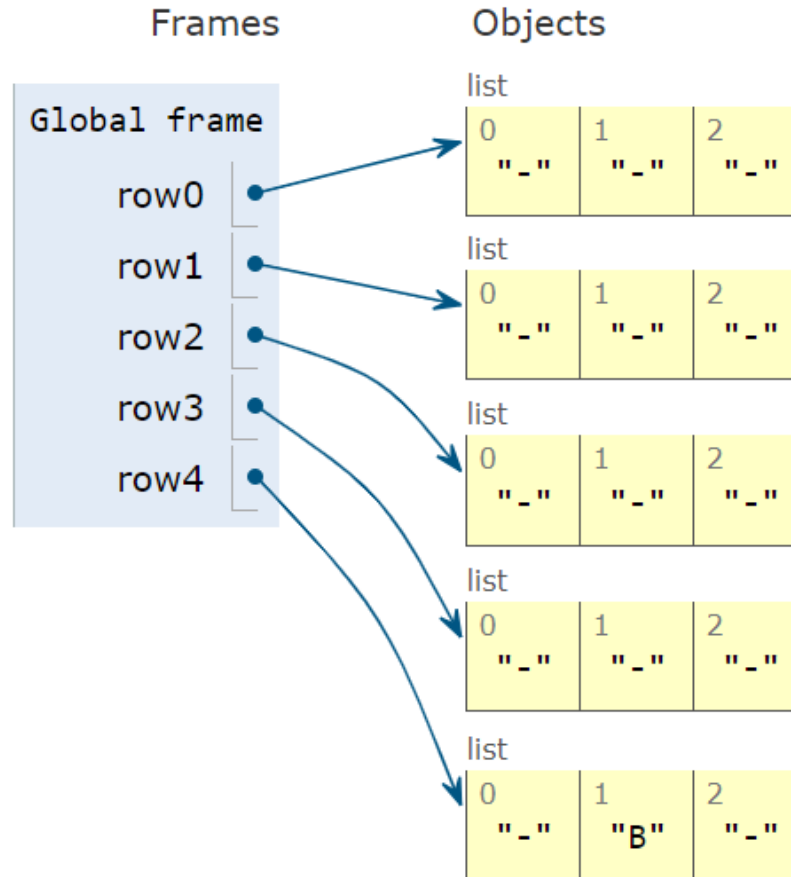
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row4 = ['-', '-', '-']
```

```
row4[1] = 'B'
```

```
print(row0)  
print(row1)  
print(row2)  
print(row3)  
print(row4)
```



Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```
['-', '-', '-']  
['-', '-', '-']  
['-', '-', '-']  
['-', '-', '-']  
['-', 'B', '-']
```



# Poll 1

What does this print?

```
import copy
```

```
A = [10, 20, 30]
```

```
B = A
```

```
C = copy.copy(A)
```

```
A[0] = 44
```

```
B[1] = 55
```

```
C[2] = 66
```

```
print('A:', A)
```

```
print('B:', B)
```

```
print('C:', C)
```

I. A: [44, 20, 30]

B: [10, 55, 30]

C: [10, 20, 66]

II. A: [44, 55, 30]

B: [44, 55, 30]

C: [10, 20, 66]

III. A: [44, 20, 66]

B: [10, 55, 30]

C: [44, 20, 66]

IV. A: [44, 55, 66]

B: [44, 55, 66]

C: [44, 55, 66]

# Poll 2

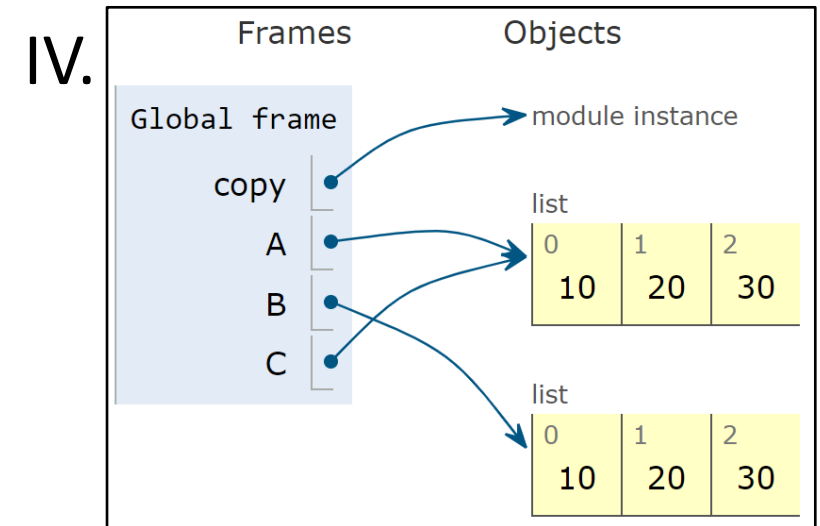
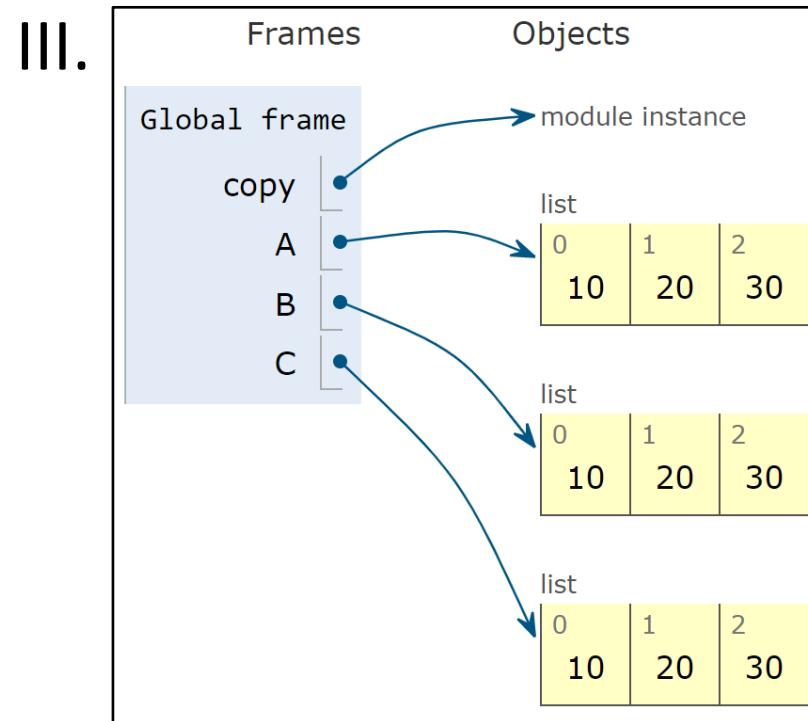
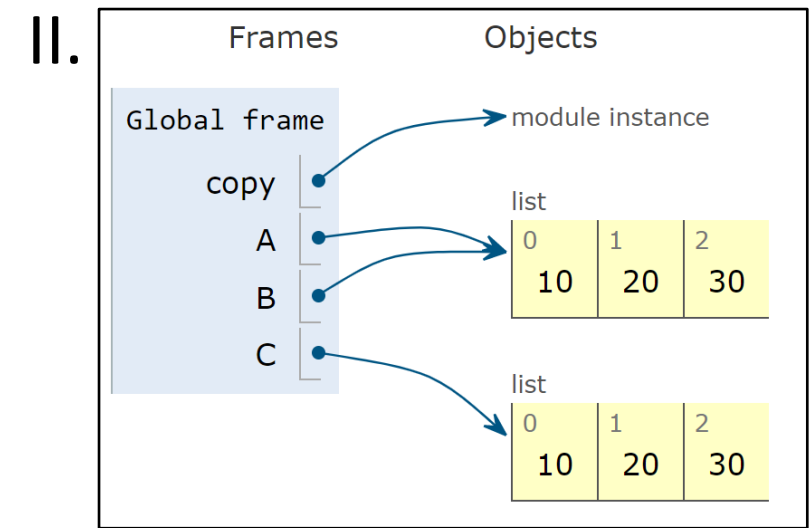
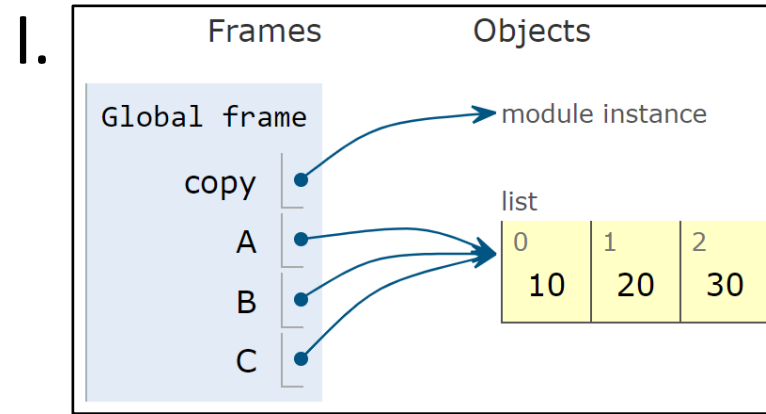
Which is the correct visualization?

```
import copy
```

```
A = [10, 20, 30]
```

```
B = A
```

```
C = copy.copy(A)
```



# List indexing and slicing

A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]  
x = 99  
A[1] = x

Global frame

A	10	99	30	40	50
x	99				

list

0	1	2	3	4
10	99	30	40	50

A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]  
x = A[1]

Global frame

A	10	20	30	40	50
x	20				

list

0	1	2	3	4
10	20	30	40	50

A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]  
X = A[1:3]

Global frame

A	10	20	30	40	50
X	20 30				

list

0	1	2	3	4
10	20	30	40	50

list

0	1
20	30

A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]  
X = [88, 99]  
A[1:3] = X

Global frame

A	10	88	99	40	50
X	88 99				

list

0	1	2	3	4
10	88	99	40	50

list

0	1
88	99

# Adding elements

```
A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
B = A
```

```
A.append(99)
```

Global frame

A

B

list

0	1	2	3	4	5
10	20	30	40	50	99

```
A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
B = A
```

```
A += [99]
```

Global frame

A

B

list

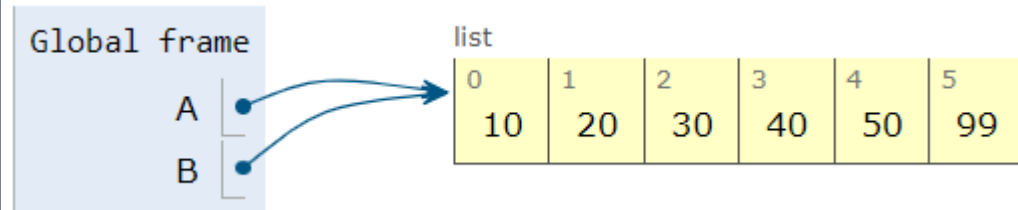
0	1	2	3	4	5
10	20	30	40	50	99

# Adding elements

```
A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
B = A
```

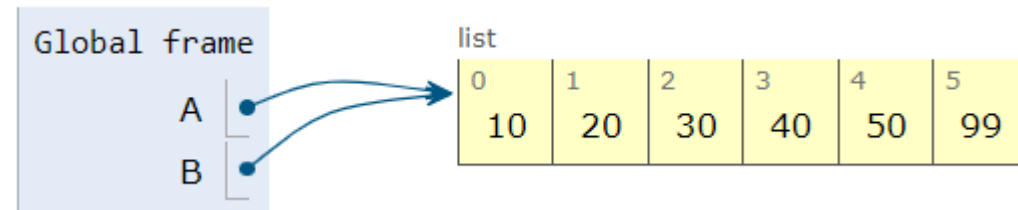
```
A.append(99)
```



```
A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
B = A
```

```
A += [99]
```



```
A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
A += 99
```

**TypeError: 'int' object is not iterable**

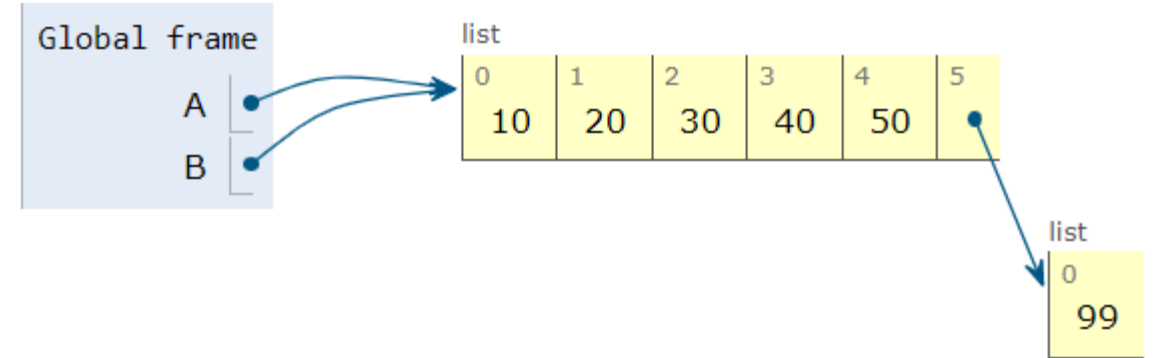
# CAUTION

Reference slide

```
A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
B = A
```

```
A.append([99])
```

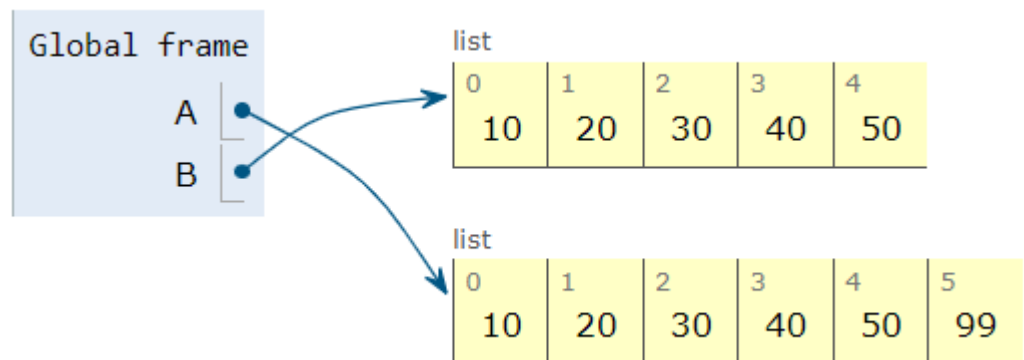


# INCONSISTENT with +=

```
A = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
B = A
```

```
A = A + [99]
```



# Poll 3

What are the resulting A, B, and C?

```
import copy
```

```
A = [10, 20, 30]
```

```
B = A
```

```
C = copy.copy(A)
```

```
A[0] = 44
```

```
B[1] = 55
```

```
C[2] = 66
```

```
A = A + [77]
```

I. A: [44, 20, 30, 77]

B: [10, 55, 30]

C: [10, 20, 66]

II. A: [44, 55, 30, 77]

B: [44, 55, 30]

C: [10, 20, 66]

III. A: [44, 20, 66, 77]

B: [10, 55, 30]

C: [44, 20, 66]

IV. A: [44, 55, 30, 77]

B: [44, 55, 30, 77]

C: [10, 20, 66]

# Poll 4

What does this print?

```
def f(L):  
    L.remove(3)  
  
A = [2, 3, 4, 5]  
print(f(A))
```

- I. [2, 3, 4, 5]
- II. [2, 4, 5]
- III. [2, 3, 5]
- IV. []
- V. None

# Poll 5

What does this print?

```
def f(L):
```

```
    L.remove(3)
```

```
A = [2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
f(A)
```

```
print(A)
```

I. [2, 3, 4, 5]

II. [2, 4, 5]

III. [2, 3, 5]

IV. []

V. None



## 4.2.12 Summary of List Methods and Functions

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Some mutating vs. non-mutating list analogs, for:

```
a = ['cat', 'dog', 'pig', 'cow']
```

### Mutating (aliasing)

```
b = a
```

```
a.append('axolotl') # just the element
```

```
a.extend(['axolotl']) # watch the brackets
```

```
a += ['axolotl'] # also needs brackets
```

### Non-mutating

```
b = copy.copy(a)
```

```
b = a[:]
```

```
b = a + []
```

```
b = list(a)
```

```
a = a + ['axolotl']
```

# Caution: Mutating in Loops

Guided Exercise: removeEvens

Broken version:

```
for i in range(len(L)):
    if L[i] % 2 == 0:
        L.pop(i)
```

L = [2, 4, 6, 7]

2	4	6	7
---	---	---	---

# Caution: Mutating in Loops

## Guided Exercise: removeEvens

### Broken version:

```
for i in range(len(L)):
    if L[i] % 2 == 0:
        L.pop(i)
```

### Corrected version:

```
i = 0
while i < len(L):
    if L[i] % 2 == 0:
        L.pop(i)
    else:
        i += 1
```

`L = [2, 4, 6, 7]`

2	4	6	7
---	---	---	---

`i = 0`

`L.pop(i)`

4	6	7
---	---	---

`i = 1`

`L.pop(i)`

4	7
---	---

`i = 2`

`L[i] % 2`

**Error: Index out of range**

# Poll 6

Which is best?

I.

```
def doubleValues(L):  
    for i in range(len(L)):  
        L[i] *= 2
```

II.

```
def doubleValues(L):  
    for i in range(len(L)):  
        L[i] *= 2  
    return L
```

III.

```
def doubleValues(L):  
    A = []  
    for item in L:  
        A.append(item*2)  
    return A
```

IV.

```
def doubleValues(L):  
    A = []  
    for item in L:  
        A.append(item*2)
```

# Pattern: Building up a result

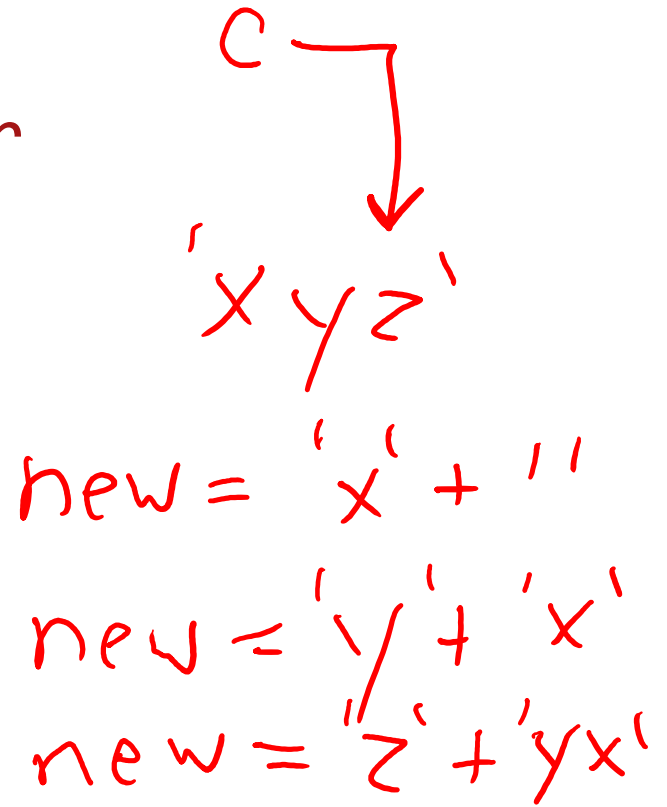
## Building up a string

### Sketch:

- Start with empty string: `result = ''`
- Loop
  - adding to string as needed: `result += nextChar`

### Example:

```
def reverseString(s):  
    newString = ''  
    for c in s:  
        newString = c + newString  
    return newString
```



# Pattern: Building up a result

## Building up a string

### Sketch:

- Start with empty string: `result = []`
- Loop
  - adding to string as needed: `result.append(nextVal)`

### Example:

```
def doubleListValues(L):  
    newList = []  
    for val in L:  
        newList.append(2*val)  
  
    return newList
```

# Poll 7 (unused)

What does this print?

- I. <class 'int'>
- II. <class 'str'>
- III. <class 'list'>
- IV. <class 'tuple'>
- V. (<class 'str'>, <class 'int'>)
- VI. ERROR
- VII. I have no idea

```
def f():  
    return 'a', 3  
  
x = f()  
print(type(x))
```

# Tuples and List Comprehensions



# Tuples

Like lists but immutable

FAIL: `myTuple[0] = 99`

Simulate multiple return values

```
def sumProd(x, y):  
    return x+y, x*y
```

Multiple assignment

```
cx, cy = width/2, height/2
```

One line swapping!

```
y, x = x, y
```

Single element tuples

```
myTuple = (99,)
```

# List Comprehension

## Sample for loop

```
newList = []  
for variable in sequence:  
    newList.append(expression)
```

## Python shorthand

```
newList = [expression for variable in sequence]
```



# List Comprehension

## Sample for loop (now with a filter)

```
newList = []  
for variable in sequence:  
    if condition:  
        newList.append(expression)
```

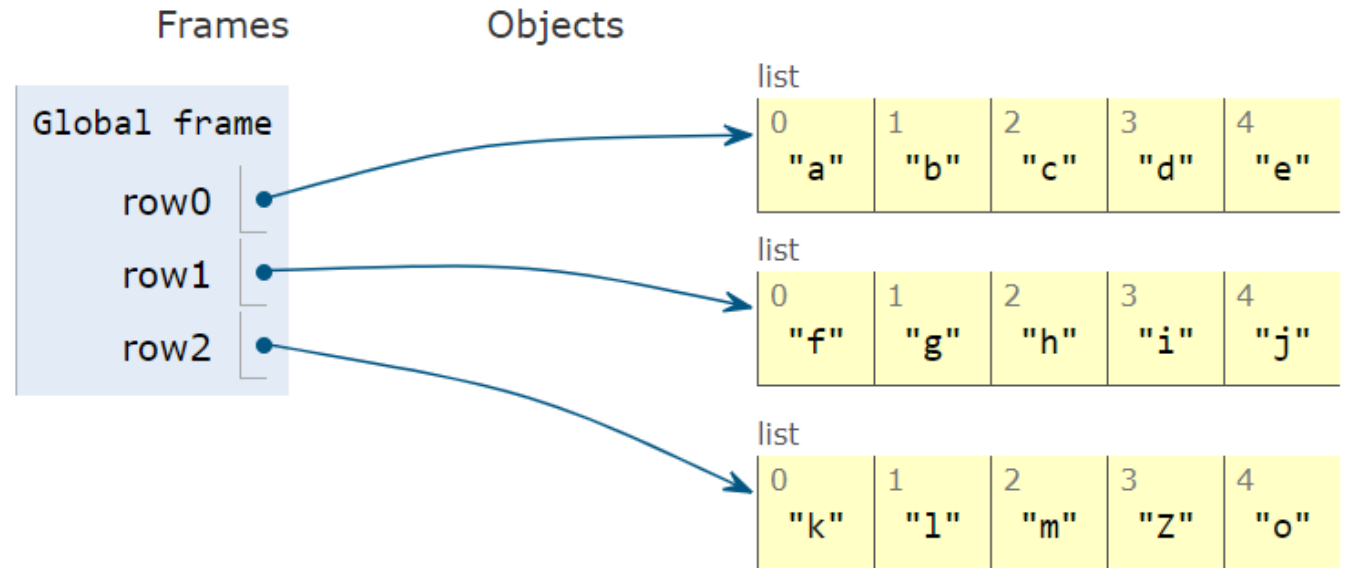
## Python shorthand (now with a filter)

```
newList = [expression for variable in sequence if condition]
```

# 2D Lists

# We can put lists inside elements of a list

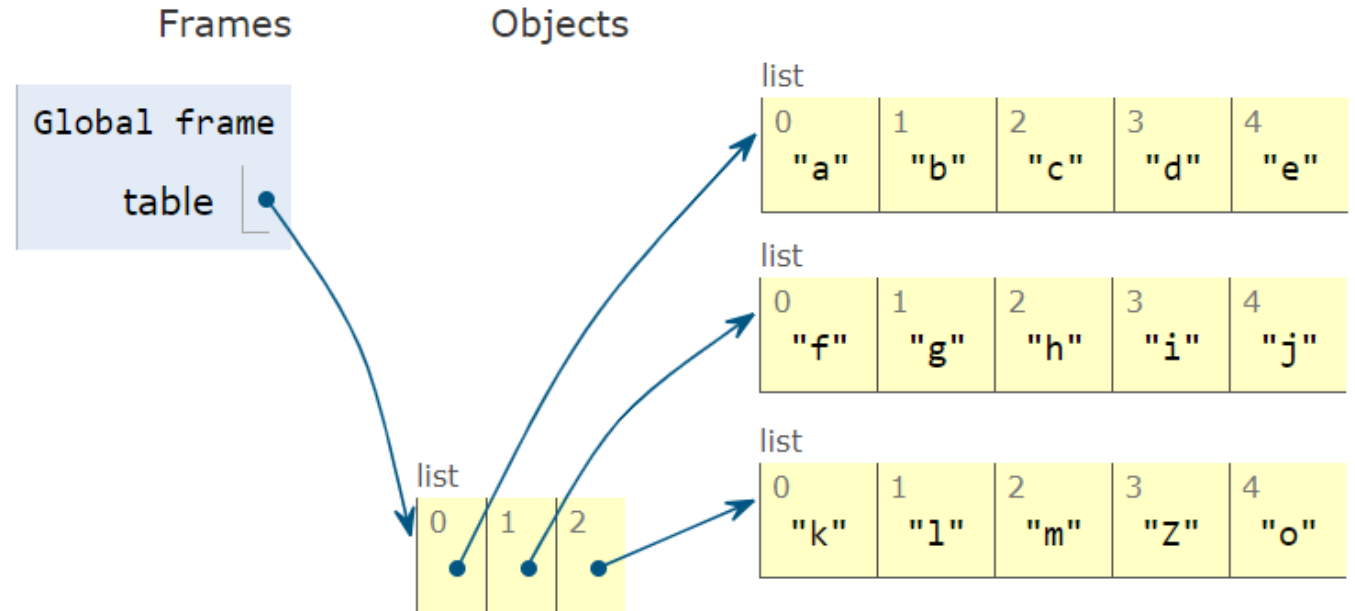
```
row0 = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']  
row1 = ['f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'j']  
row2 = ['k', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'o']  
  
row2[3] = 'z'
```



# We can put lists inside elements of a list

```
row0 = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']  
row1 = ['f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'j']  
row2 = ['k', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'o']
```

```
table = [row0, row1, row2]  
table[2][3] = 'Z'
```



Hidden variables: global:row0, global:row1, global:row2

# Traversing 2D Lists

## Printing rectangular list

```
# Create rectangular 2D list
table = [[900, 901, 902],
          [910, 911, 912],
          [920, 921, 922]]

numRows = len(table)
numCols = len(table[0]) # Assume all rows have the same width

for i in range(numRows):
    for j in range(numCols):
        value = table[i][j]
        print(value, end=',') # Print on same row (with commas)
    print() # New line after row
```

# Traversing 2D Lists

## Printing non-rectangular (irregular) (ragged) list

```
# Create non-rectangular 2D list
table = [[900, 901],
          [910, 911, 912, 913, 914],
          [920, 921, 922]]

numRows = len(table)

for i in range(numRows):
    numCols = len(table[i])

    for j in range(numCols):
        value = table[i][j]
        print(value, end=',')
    print() # New line after row
```

```
# Simpler if we don't need indices
for row in table:
    for value in row:
        print(value, end=',')
    print() # New line after row
```



# Creating 2D Lists

# Creating 2D Lists

If you know the values, you can just type out the list of lists

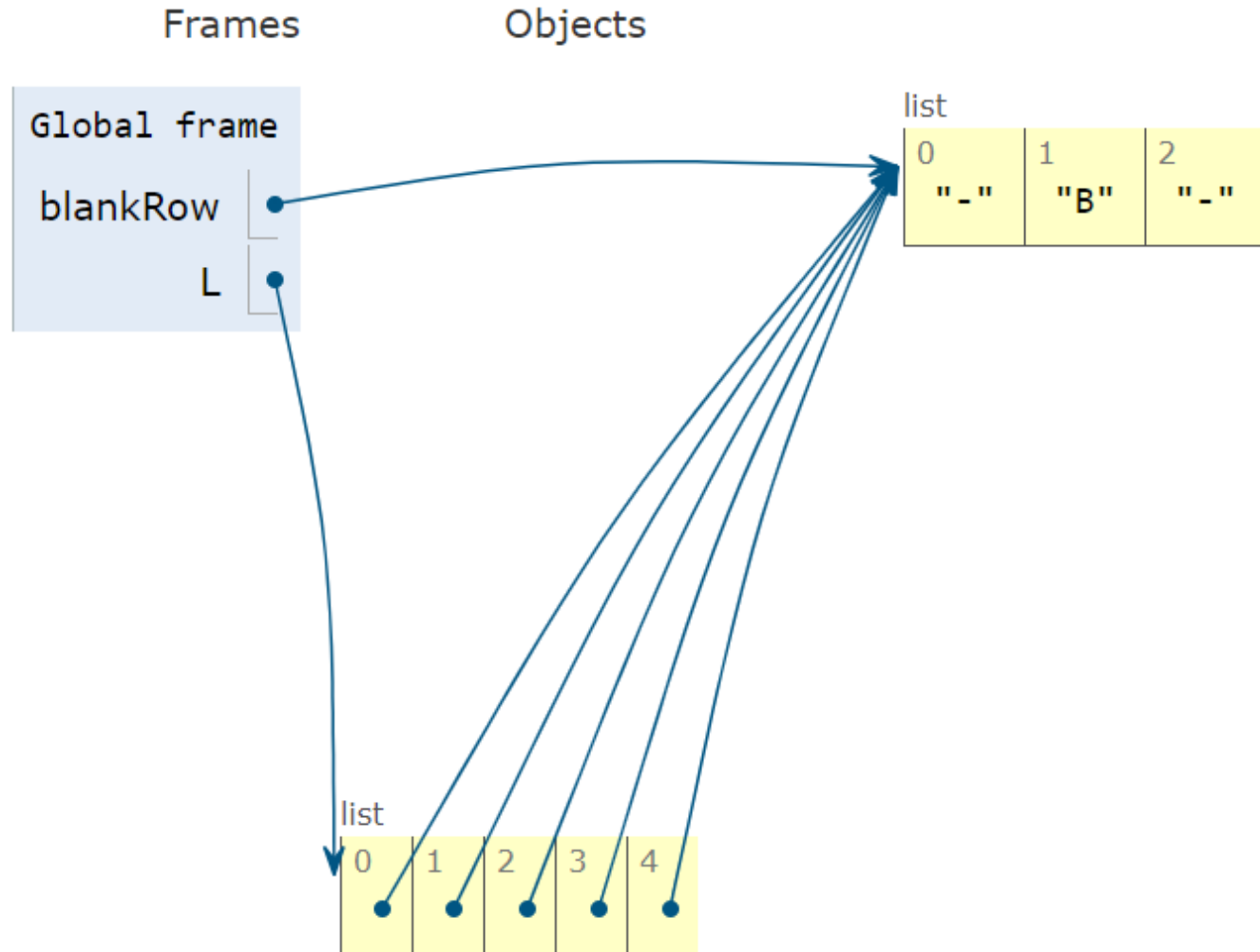
```
data = [[900, 901, 902], [910, 911, 912], [920, 921, 922]]
```

```
# Same as above but code is easier to read  
data = [[900, 901, 902],  
        [910, 911, 912],  
        [920, 921, 922]]
```

# Aliasing

Two variables are “aliases” are when they reference the exact same object

```
blankRow = ['- ', '- ', '- ']  
L = []  
L.append(blankRow)  
L.append(blankRow)  
L.append(blankRow)  
L.append(blankRow)  
L.append(blankRow)  
  
L[4][1] = 'B'
```

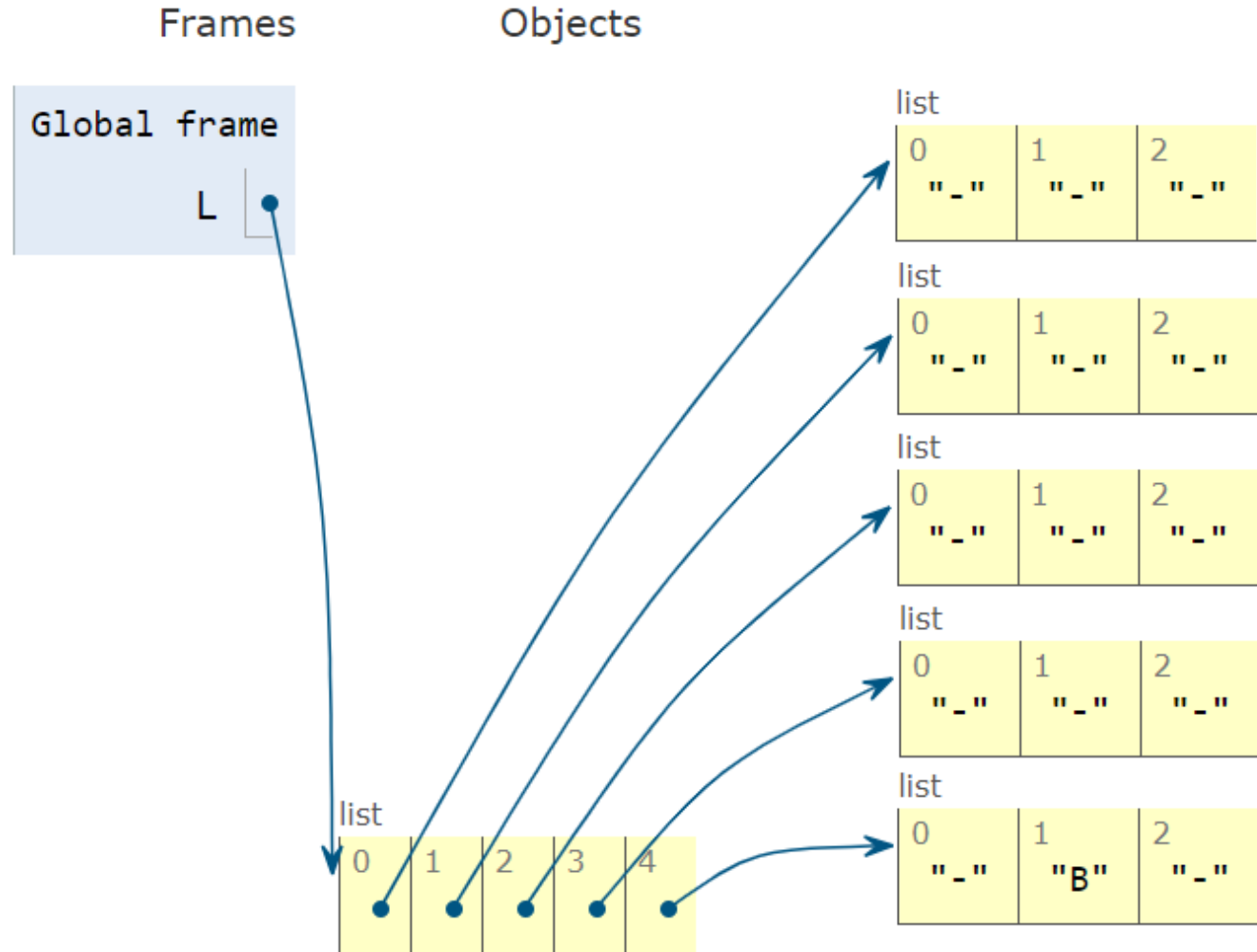


# Aliasing

Two variables are “aliases” are when they reference the exact same object

```
L = []
L.append(['-', '-', '-'])
L.append(['-', '-', '-'])
L.append(['-', '-', '-'])
L.append(['-', '-', '-'])
L.append(['-', '-', '-'])

L[4][1] = 'B'
```



## Poll 8

Which of these is the best code to create a blank word search board?

numRows, numCols = 4, 3

A. 

```
board = []
for r in range(numRows):
    board.append([' ']*numCols)
```

B. 

```
board = []
for r in range(numRows):
    cell = [' ']
    row = cell*numCols
    board.append(row)
```

C. 

```
cell = [' ']
row = cell*numCols
rowIn2DList = [row]
board = rowIn2DList*numRows
```

D. 

```
board = [[' ']*numCols]*numRows
```

# Creating 2D Lists

Options to create a "blank" 2D list

```
grid = []  
for i in range(numRows):  
    grid.append([0]*numCols)
```

Clearly loop through each location

```
grid = []  
for i in range(numRows):  
    row = []  
    for j in range(numCols):  
        row.append(0)  
    grid.append(row)
```

Fashionable Python: more concise with list comprehension

```
grid = [[0]*numCols for i in range(numRows)]
```

Be carefull!

```
board = [[0]*numCols]*numRows # Aliased!!
```

# Word Search Case Study

# Word Search

## Twilight

E	I	V	O	L	T	U	R	I	N	E	T
W	D	D	N	W	E	R	E	W	O	L	F
A	V	E	W	P	E	T	C	I	V	L	U
O	A	L	A	L	O	W	L	T	B	S	A
N	G	L	D	F	A	I	I	T	A	P	A
E	A	L	G	T	I	L	P	S	W	A	N
L	S	A	N	E	R	I	S	N	V	T	A
L	E	A	I	D	O	G	E	V	A	K	R
U	A	L	K	W	T	H	W	C	M	C	R
C	A	L	A	A	C	T	E	R	P	A	E
L	O	E	E	R	I	L	S	L	I	L	T
A	A	B	R	D	V	T	V	G	R	B	L
U	C	B	B	N	O	O	M	W	E	N	O
R	B	O	C	A	J	G	O	N	S	A	V

TWILIGHT  
SAGA  
NEW MOON  
ECLIPSE  
BREAKING DAWN  
BELLA  
SWAN  
EDWARD  
CULLEN  
VAMPIRES  
WEREWOLF  
JACOB  
BLACK  
VICTORIA  
VOLTERRA  
VOLTURI



# Word Search Top-down Design

## Twilight

E	I	V	O	L	T	U	R	I	N	E	T	TWILIGHT
W	D	D	N	W	E	R	E	W	O	L	F	SAGA
A	V	E	W	P	E	T	C	I	V	L	U	NEW MOON
O	A	L	A	L	O	W	L	T	B	S	A	ECLIPSE
N	G	L	D	F	A	I	I	T	A	P	A	BREAKING DAWN
E	A	L	G	T	I	L	P	S	W	A	N	BELLA
L	S	A	N	E	R	I	S	N	V	T	A	SWAN
L	E	A	I	D	O	G	E	V	A	K	R	EDWARD
U	A	L	K	W	T	H	W	C	M	C	R	CULLEN
C	A	L	A	A	C	T	E	R	P	A	E	VAMPIRES
L	O	E	E	R	I	L	S	L	I	L	T	WEREWOLF
A	A	B	R	D	V	T	V	G	R	B	L	JACOB
U	C	B	B	N	O	O	M	W	E	N	O	BLACK
R	B	O	C	A	J	G	O	N	S	A	V	VICTORIA





# Word Search Top-down Design

```
def wordSearch(grid, word):  
    gridHeight = len(grid)  
    gridWidth = len(grid[0])  
  
    for i in range(gridHeight):  
        for j in range(gridWidth):  
            if grid[i][j] != word[0]:  
                continue  
            result = searchFromPos(grid, word, i, j)  
            if result is not None:  
                return result  
  
    return None
```

E	I	V	O	L	T	U	R	I	N	E	T
W	D	D	N	W	E	R	E	W	O	L	F
A	V	E	W	P	E	T	C	I	V	L	U
O	A	L	A	L	O	W	L	T	B	S	A
N	G	L	D	F	A	I	I	T	A	P	A
E	A	L	G	T	I	L	P	S	W	A	N
L	S	A	N	E	R	I	S	N	V	T	A
L	E	A	I	D	O	G	E	V	A	K	R
U	A	L	K	W	T	H	W	C	M	C	R
C	A	L	A	A	C	T	E	R	P	A	E
L	O	E	E	R	I	L	S	L	I	L	T
A	A	B	R	D	V	T	V	G	R	B	L
U	C	B	B	N	O	O	M	W	E	N	O
R	B	O	C	A	J	G	O	N	S	A	V

# Word Search Top-down Design

```
def searchFromPos(grid, word, i, j):  
    for dir in getDirections():  
        result = searchFromPosInDir(grid, word, i, j, dir)  
        if result is not None:  
            return result
```

```
    return None
```

```
def getDirections():  
    directions = []  
    for i in (-1, 0, 1):  
        for j in (-1, 0, 1):  
            if i != 0 or j != 0:  
                directions.append((i, j))  
    return directions
```

(-1,-1)	(-1,0)	(-1,1)
(0,-1)	(0,0)	(0,1)
(1,-1)	(1,0)	(1,1)

E	I	V	O	L	T	U	R	I	N
W	D	D	N	W	E	E	W	O	
A	V	E	W	E	E	C	I	V	
O	A	L	A	O	W	L	T	B	
N	G	L	D	F	A	I	I	T	A
E	A	L	G	T	I	L	P	S	W
L	S	A	N	E	R	I	S	N	V
L	E	A	I	D	O	G	E	V	A
H	A	L	K	W	T	U	W	O	

# Word Search Top-down Design

```
def searchFromPosInDir(grid, word, iStart, jStart, dir):  
    gridHeight, gridWidth = len(grid), len(grid[0])  
    i, j = iStart, jStart  
  
    # Can skip first position  
    i += dir[0]  
    j += dir[1]  
    for letter in word[1:]:  
        if not checkBounds(i, j, gridWidth, gridHeight):  
            return None  
  
        if grid[i][j] != letter:  
            return None  
  
        i += dir[0]  
        j += dir[1]  
  
    return (word, iStart, jStart, dir)
```

```
def checkBounds(i, j, width, height):  
    return (0 <= i < height) and (0 <= j < width)
```

(-1,-1)	(-1,0)	(-1,1)
(0,-1)	(0,0)	(0,1)
(1,-1)	(1,0)	(1,1)

E	I	V	O	L	T	U	R	I	N
W	D	D	N	W	E	R	E	W	O
A	V	E	W	P	E	T	C	I	V
O	A	L	A	L	O	W	L	T	B
N	G	L	D	F	A	I	I	T	A
E	A	L	G	T	I	L	P	S	W
L	S	A	N	E	R	I	S	N	V
L	E	A	I	D	O	G	E	V	A
H	A	L	K	W	T	H	W	O	