Welcome to 61A Lab!

We will begin at **5:10**! Slides: **cs61a.bencuan.me**

Announcements

- Cats is due this Thursday
- HW 2 Recovery at 6pm
 - You're welcome to join the zoom room and stay in the lab until 7!
- No HW this week! glhf on cats :)

The Plan

- List Comprehension review
- Mutation
- Lab hints
- Work time!

List Comprehensions

List Slicing



lst[start : end : step]

You can omit any of the above and use default values!

- Start: 0
- End: len(lst)
- Step:1

Example: lst[3:] returns all but the first 3 elements of lst

The Syntax

[op for el in lst if cond]

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result = []
for el in lst:
    if cond:
        result += [op]
return result
```

Example: get all even numbers in list

[x for x in lst if x%2==0]

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    if x%2==0:
        result += [x]
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```

List Mutation

What is mutation?

mutating = changing

more specifically: a mutation is when you modify an object's contents



== vs is

a == b compares contents

"Do a and b hold the same values?"

a is b compares identity

"Are a and b arrows that point to the same object?"

list mutation functions (summary)

- append(el): Add el to the end of the list. Return None.
- extend(1st): Extend the list by concatenating it with 1st. Return None.
- insert(i, el): Insert el at index i. This does not replace any existing elements, but only adds the new element el. Return None.
- remove(el): Remove the first occurrence of el in list. Errors if el is not in the list.
 Return None otherwise.
- pop(i): Remove and return the element at index i.

append vs extend

Append puts one element onto the back of a list

[1,2,3].append(5) => [1, 2, 3, 5] **Extend appends lots of elements onto the back of a list** [1,2,3].extend([5,6,7]) =? [1,2,3,5,6,7]

end([5,6,7]) - ? [1,2,3,5,6,7]

pop vs remove

remove deletes a value and **returns None.**

pop deletes a value and **returns the value itself.**

a warning: mutation just works!



lst = lst.append(2) DO NOT DO



lst.append(2) GOOD!

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- Remember the mutation warning! Use equals sparingly
- Write list comprehensions as for loops first
- Don't mutate in a for loop or bad things will happen. Use while instead!

Work Time!



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