



CS 61A

DISCUSSION 3

September 22, 2016

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Midterm 1 on Gradescope; regrade requests by Sunday night
- HW 4 released and due *today* (11:59pm)
- HW 5 released and due next Tuesday
- Maps released and due 9/29; extra credit point if submitted on or before 9/28. Project party next Wednesday (details on website).

ATTENDANCE

Link: <http://tiny.cc/disc03>

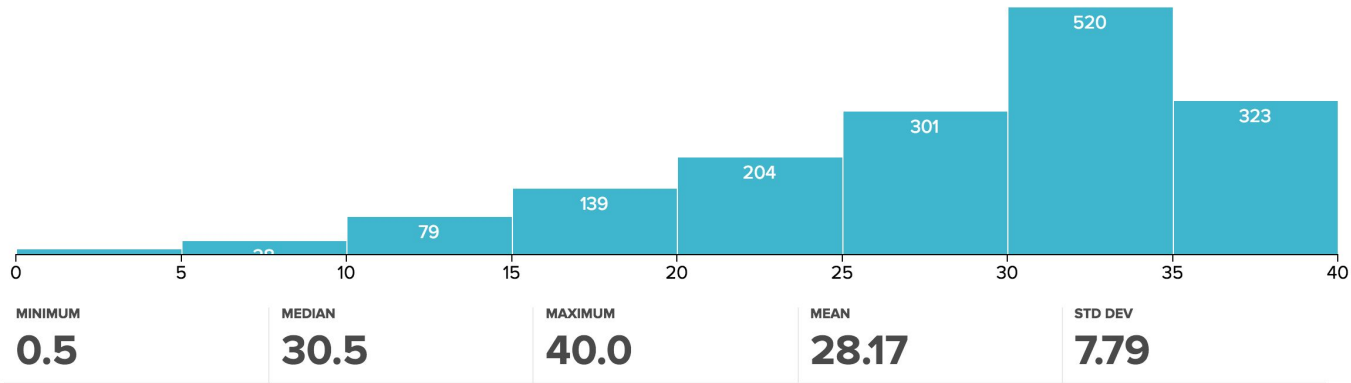
Secret phrase is on board

TOPICS FOR TODAY

- Midterm 1 Recap
- Sequences
- Trees

Midterm 1

Congratulations on making it through - and great job overall!
But don't let up...



(Feel free to talk to me if you have any concerns about your performance.)

SEQUENCES

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Sequences

A **sequence** is an ordered collection of elements. Every sequence must have a **length** and also allow for **element selection (indexing)**.

Examples: lists [], tuples (), strings “ ”

```
>>> len(([4, 5], 6, '7')[0])
```

```
2
```

Sequence Identification

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No; sets aren't ordered and as a result you can't index into them.

Lists are pretty cool

Lists are perhaps the most versatile of our three main Python sequences.

You can populate a list with different types...

```
>>> whoa = [1, [1], "one", {1: 1}, None, True, (1), 1.0]
```

```
>>> len(whoa)
```

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List creation

To create a list, use either square brackets or the list constructor.

What happens below?

```
>>> lst1 = [4, 2]
```

```
>>> lst2 = list(4, 2)
```

```
>>> lst1 == lst2
```

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>>> lst2 = list(4, 2) # IT ERRORS HERE
```

```
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```

List creation, continued

You can't call `list` on an int! The argument to the list constructor MUST be an iterable.

```
>>> list(4) # error!
```

```
>>> list((4,)) # this one's good
```

```
[4]
```

```
>>> list('345') # so is this one, funnily enough
```

```
['3', '4', '5']
```

List indexing

You index into the list with `lst[idx]`, where `idx` is any integer from 0 to `len(lst) - 1`.

(If the list is empty, you of course can't index into it with anything!)

If you use negative integers, it counts from the end of the list to the beginning. -1 is the last index, -2 is the second-to-last index, ... and so on so forth.

List indexing: example

```
>>> nns = list(range(5))
```

```
>>> nns[1] = list(range(5))
```

```
>>> nns
```

```
[0, [0, 1, 2, 3, 4], 2, 3, 4]
```

```
>>> nns[-5] + nns[4]
```

```
>>> nns[5] + nns[-4]
```

```
>>> nns[1][1]
```

```
>>> nns[-6]
```

```
>>> nns[-3][3]
```

```
>>> nns[nns[-4][-4]][-4]
```

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```

```
4
```

```
>>> nns[1][1]
```

```
1
```

```
>>> nns[-3][3]
```

```
Error
```

```
>>> nns[5] + nns[-4]
```

```
Error
```

```
>>> nns[-6]
```

```
Error
```

```
>>> nns[nns[-4][-4]][-4]
```

```
1
```


One final reminder

Indexing in Python starts at 0, not 1!
Don't forget this!

```
>>> lst = ['first', 'second']
```

```
>>> lst[1]
```

```
'second'
```

```
>>> lst[0]
```

```
'first'
```

List concatenation

You can glue multiple lists together with the + operator.

```
>>> nns = list(range(1, 4))
```

```
>>> nns[1] = list(range(2, 5)) # nns = [1, [2, 3, 4], 3]
```

```
>>> nns[-2] + nns[1]
```

```
>>> nns + ['638'] + list(nns[1])
```

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```
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```

```
[2, 3, 4, 2, 3, 4]
```

```
>>> nns + ['638'] + list(nns[1])
```

```
[1, [2, 3, 4], 3, '638', 2, 3, 4]
```

To check whether an element is in a list

```
>>> your_grades = ['a-', 'a+', 'a', 'a+']
```

```
>>> 'f' in your_grades
```

```
False
```

```
>>> 'a' in your_grades
```

```
True
```

List slicing

A list slice gives you back a **list** that is some subset of the original list. It is also a copy of that original subset – which is to say that list slicing always *creates a new list in memory*.

```
>>> lst = [1, 2, 3]
```

```
>>> lst[1:3]
```

```
[2, 3]
```

(Difference between indexing and slicing: **indexing** gives you one of the elements of the list. **Slicing** provides you with a LIST of some of the elements in the list.)

Syntax

You can tell it's a list slice because there are colons in the square brackets.

List slicing accepts three arguments, all of which are technically optional:

```
>>> lst[start index : end index ± 1 : step size]
```

```
>>> lst[start index : end index ± 1]
```

```
>>> lst[start index :]
```

```
>>> lst[: end index ± 1]
```

```
>>> lst[:]
```

Slicing examples

```
>>> nns = [list(range(4)), 4, 5]
```

```
>>> original = nns[:]
```

```
>>> nns[0][2], nns[-1] = 50, 6
```

```
>>> nns
```

```
[[0, 1, 50, 3], 4, 6]
```

```
>>> nns[1::-1]
```

```
>>> nns[:2]
```

```
>>> nns[:-3:-1]
```

```
>>> original
```

```
[[0, 1, 50, 3], 4, 5]
```

```
>>> nns[:2:3]
```

```
>>> nns[-2:]
```

```
>>> nns[0][::-1][1:5:2]
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```

```
>>> nns
```

```
[[0, 1, 50, 3], 4, 6]
```

```
>>> nns[1::-1]
```

```
[4, [0, 1, 50, 3]]
```

```
>>> nns[:2]
```

```
[[0, 1, 50, 3], 4]
```

```
>>> nns[:-3:-1]
```

```
[6, 4]
```

```
>>> original
```

```
[[0, 1, 50, 3], 4, 5]
```

```
>>> nns[:2:3]
```

```
[[0, 1, 50, 3]]
```

```
>>> nns[-2:]
```

```
[4, 6]
```

```
>>> nns[0][::-1][1:5:2]
```

```
[50, 0]
```


List comprehensions

An easy way to create a new list.

```
lst = [<expression> for x in <iterable> if <conditional expression>]
```

- is equivalent to -

```
lst = [ ]
```

```
for x in <iterable>:
```

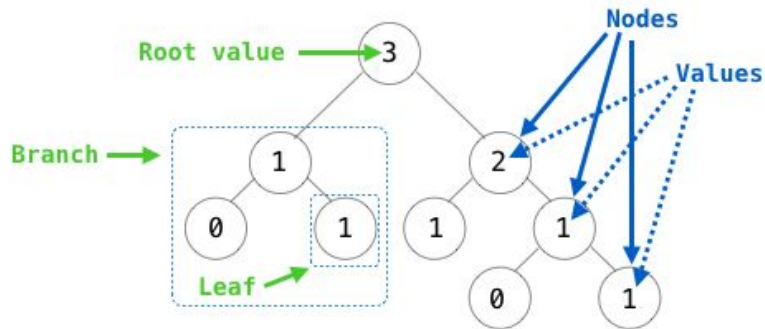
```
    if <conditional expression probably involving x>:
```

```
        lst = lst + [<expression probably involving x>]
```

TREES

The image is a minimalist graphic design. It is split diagonally from the top-left to the bottom-right. The upper-left portion is white, and the lower-right portion is a vibrant green. The word "TREES" is printed in a bold, grey, sans-serif font on the white background. The overall aesthetic is clean and modern.

Tree vocabulary



Recursive description (wooden trees):

A **tree** has a **root** value and a list of **branches**

Each branch is a **tree**

A tree with zero branches is called a **leaf**

Relative description (family trees):

Each location in a tree is called a **node**

Each **node** has a **value**

One node can be the **parent/child** of another

People often refer to values by their locations: "each parent is the sum of its children"

Other terms to know

- ▶ **Root** (node at top of tree. Has no parent!)
- ▶ **Leaf** (node at bottom of tree. Has no children)
- ▶ **Subtree** (a tree within a tree)
- ▶ **Depth** (number of levels between node and root)
- ▶ **Height** (maximum depth throughout entire tree)

Tree ADT

Constructor:

- def **tree**(root, branches=[])

Selectors:

- def **root**(tree)
- def **branches**(tree)