

§5.1-5.5: Arrays

Py 10.1-10.7: Lists

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- *Quiz03 (ch4) today*

Quiz 03 (ch4): 10 minutes, 20 points

- Define **recursion** in your own words.
 - Write a short **example** in Python to illustrate.
 - ◆ (It doesn't have to do anything useful.)
- What is the **call stack** used for?
- What are **global variables** and why are they bad?
- Write a Python **function** that returns the value of the sum $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n$.
 - ◆ Docstring / comments not necessary but useful for partial credit.

Quiz 03: answers #1-2

■ What is **recursion**?

- A recursive function invokes itself:

```
def countdown(n):  
    if n <= 0:  
        return 0  
    print n,  
    return countdown(n-1)
```

■ What is the **call stack**?

- Keeps track of which procedures are currently running. Made up of stack frames, recording local variables and parameters for each function invocation.

Quiz 03: answers #3-4

- What are **global** variables?
 - Accessible everywhere in the module: even inside functions defined in the module
 - Functions can modify global variables and cause unintended side-effects
- Calculate the sum $1 + 2 + \dots + n$:

```
def sum(n):  
    result = 0  
    for term in range(1,n+1):  
        result += term  
    return result
```

What's on today (§5.1-5.5, Py 10.1-10.7)

- Python lists vs. M2/C arrays
- Lists as function parameters
- Multidimensional arrays/lists
- Python-specific list operations
 - Membership (`in`)
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 - Aliasing vs. copying lists

M2 type hierarchy (partial)

- **Atomic** types
 - Scalar types
 - ◆ Real types (REAL, LONGREAL)
 - ◆ Ordinal types (CHAR)
 - Whole number types (INTEGER, CARDINAL)
 - Enumerations (§5.2.1) (BOOLEAN)
 - Subranges (§5.2.2)
- Structured (**aggregate**) types
 - Arrays (§5.3)
 - ◆ Strings (§5.3.1)
 - Sets (§9.2-9.6)
 - Records (§9.7-9.12)
- Also can have **user-defined** types

Python type hierarchy (partial)

- Atomic types

- Numbers

- ◆ Integers (int, long, bool): 5, 500000L, True
- ◆ Reals (float) (only double-precision): 5.0
- ◆ Complex numbers (complex): 5+2j

- Container (aggregate) types

- Immutable sequences

- ◆ Strings (str): "Hello"
- ◆ Tuples (tuple): (2, 5.0, "hi")

- Mutable sequences

- ◆ Lists (list): [2, 5.0, "hi"]

- Mappings

- ◆ Dictionaries (dict): {"apple": 5, "orange": 8}

Enumeration types in M2 (also C)

TYPE

```
DayName = (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat);
```

VAR

```
today : DayName;
```

BEGIN

```
today := Mon;
```

- We could have used **CARDINALs** instead (and indeed the underlying implementation does)
 - But the logical semantic of today's type is a **DayName** type, not a **CARDINAL**
- Can be thought of as Sun=0, Mon=1, Tue=2, ...
- No explicit enumeration scheme in Python

Lists in Python

- Python doesn't have a built-in type exactly like arrays, but it does have **lists**:

```
nelliesWages = [0.0, 25.75, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0]
nelliesWages[1]           # returns 25.75
```

- Under the covers, Python often **implements** lists using arrays, but lists are more **powerful**:
 - Can change **length** dynamically
 - Can store items of different **type**
 - Can **delete/insert** items mid-list
- For now, we'll treat Python lists as **arrays**

Using lists

- We know one way to generate a list: `range()`

```
range(10)          # returns [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

- Or create directly in square **brackets**:

```
myApples = ["Fuji", "Gala", "Red Delicious"]
```

- We can **iterate** through a list:

```
for idx in range(len(myApples)):
    print "I like", myApples[idx], "apples!"
```

- Even easier:

```
for apple in myApples:
    print "I like", apple, "apples!"
```

Lists as parameters

```
def average(vec):  
    """Return the average of the vector's values.  
    pre: vec should have scalar values (float, int) and not be  
        empty.  
    """  
    sum = 0  
    for elt in vec:  
        sum += elt  
    return sum / len(vec)
```

```
myList = range(9)  
print average(myList)           # prints 4
```

- What happens when we pass an empty array? An atomic value?

Type-checking list parameters

- Since Python is **dynamically**-typed, the function definition doesn't specify what **type** the parameter is, or even that it needs to be a **list**
 - Easy way out: state expected type in **precondition**
 - Or do **type checking** in the function:

```
if type(vec) != list:  
    print "Need to pass this function a list!"  
    return
```
 - May also want to check for **empty** lists:

```
if len(vec) == 0:
```
- **for**, **len()**, etc. don't work on **atomic** types

Array parameters in M2/C/etc.

- In **statically**-typed languages like M2, C, etc., the procedure declaration needs to specify that the parameter is an **array**, and the **type** of its elements:

- **M2:**

```
PROCEDURE Average(myList: ARRAY of REAL) : REAL;
```

- **C:**

```
float average(float* myList, unsigned int len) {
```

- In M2, **HIGH(myList)** gets the **length**
- In C, length is **unknown** (pass in separately)

Multidimensional arrays

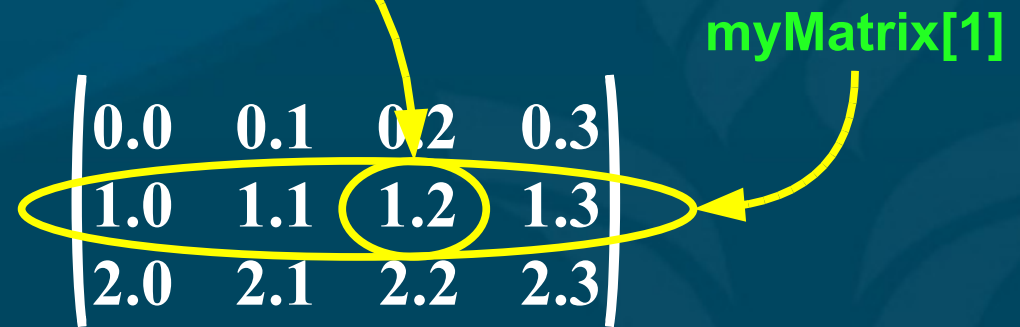
- **Multidimensional** arrays are simply arrays of arrays:

```
myMatrix = [ [0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3],  
             [1.0, 1.1, 1.2, 1.3],  
             [2.0, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3] ]
```

- **Accessing:**

```
myMatrix[1][2] = 1.2
```

- **Row-major** convention:



Iterating through multidim arrays

```
def matrix_average(matrix):  
    """Return the average value from the 2D matrix.  
    Pre: matrix must be a non-empty 2D array of scalar  
    values."""  
    sum = 0  
    num_entries = 0  
    for row in range(len(matrix)):  
        for col in range(len(matrix[row])):  
            sum += matrix[row][col]  
            num_entries += len(matrix[row])  
    return sum / num_entries
```

- What if rows are not all equal length?

List operations (Python specific)

```
myApples = [ "Fuji", "Gala", "Golden Delicious" ]
```

- Test for list membership:

```
if "Fuji" in myApples: # True
```

- Concatenate:

```
['a', 'b', 'c'] + ['d', 'e']
```

- Repeat:

```
['a', 'b', 'c'] * 2
```

- Modify list entries (mutable):

```
myApples[1] = "Braeburn"
```

- Convert a string to a list of characters:

```
list("Hello World!") # ['H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', ...]
```


More list operations

- **Delete** an element of the list:

```
del myApples[1]      # [ "Fuji", "Golden Delicious" ]
```

- List **slice** (start:end):

```
myApples[0:1]      # [ "Fuji", "Gala" ]
```

- Assignment is **aliasing**:

```
yourApples = myApples      # points to same array
```

- Use a whole-list slice to **copy** a list:

```
yourApples = myApples[:]
```

```
#[:] is shorthand for [0:-1] or [0:len(myApples)-1]
```

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TODO

- **HW03** due next **Mon**:
 - M2 ch4 # 7, 18
 - M2 ch5 # 15
- **Lab 03** due **Wed**:
 - M2 ch4 # (23 / 27 / 36)
- Read through **M2 ch5** and **Py ch7**, plus **Py ch10**
- **Midterm ch1-5** next week **Fri 5Oct**