

CS61A Lecture 16

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Announcements



☐ HW5 due tonight

- □ Trends project due on Tuesday
 - ☐ Partners are required; find one in lab or on Piazza
 - □ Will not work in IDLE
 - □ New bug submission policy; see Piazza

Iterables



Iterables provide access to some elements in order but do not provide length or element selection

Python-specific construct; more general than a sequence

Many built-in functions take iterables as argument

tuple Construct a tuple containing the elements

map Construct a map that results from applying the given function

to each element

filter Construct a filter with elements that satisfy the given condition

sum Return the sum of the elements

min Return the minimum of the elements

max Return the maximum of the elements

For statements also operate on iterable values.







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More Functions on Iterables (Bonus)



Create an iterable of fixed-length sequences

```
>>> a, b = (1, 2, 3), (4, 5, 6, 7)
>>> for x, y in zip(a, b):
... print(x + y)

from each argument, up to length
of smallest argument
```

The itertools module contains many useful functions for working with iterables

```
>>> from itertools import product, combinations
>>> tuple(product(a, b[:2]))
((1, 4), (1, 5), (2, 4), (2, 5), (3, 4), (3, 5))
>>> tuple(combinations(a, 2))
((1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 3))
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<class 'int'>
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Notice that we did not have to pass in the list as an argument; the method already knows the object on which it is operating





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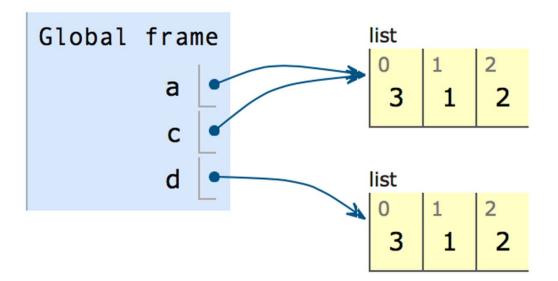




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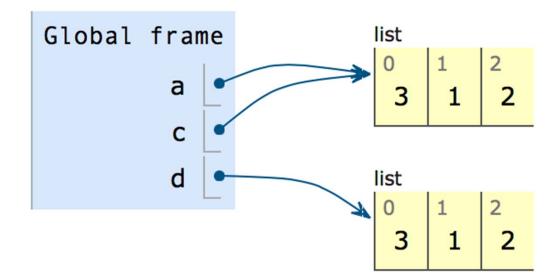


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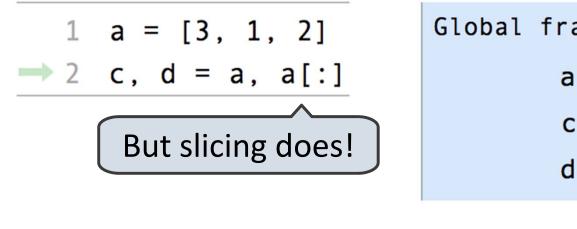


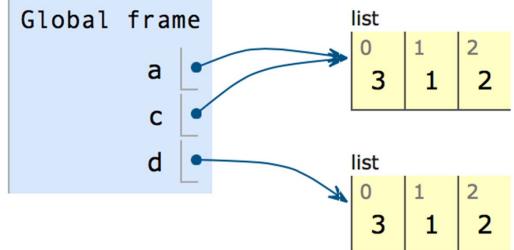
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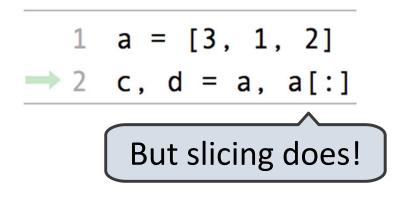


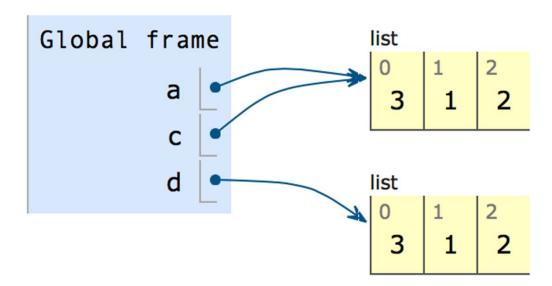


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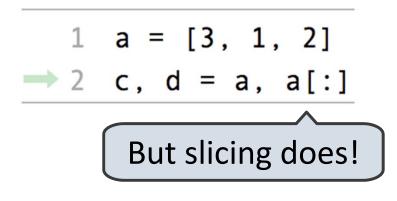


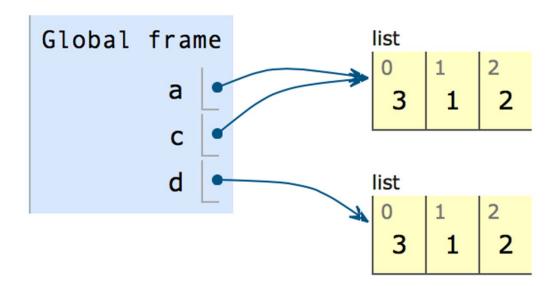


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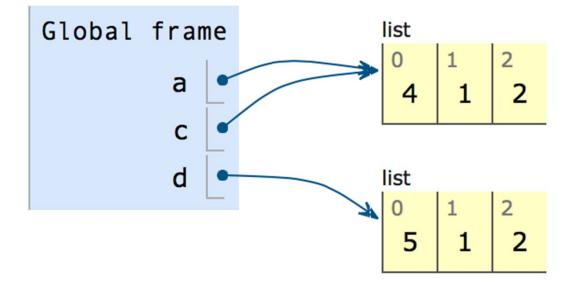


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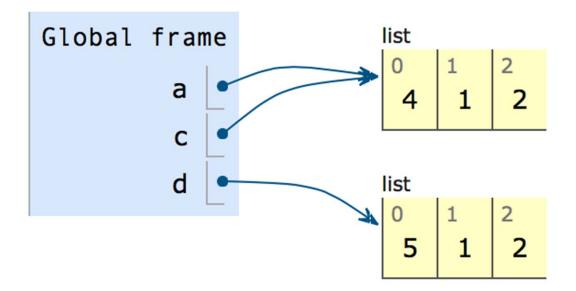


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The second restriction is an intentional consequence of the dictionary abstraction.