

# CSC 108H: Introduction to Computer Programming

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# Administration

- Exercise 2 is due tomorrow.
  - .Extended one day due to midterms.
- First assignment is up.
  - Will cover it today.
- Midterm will be Jun 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00.
  - In BA 2185/BA 2195
- Help Centre is still open.
  - BA 2270.

# List Review

- Lists are a new type we used to store an array of variables.
  - Created with:  
`list_name = [list_elt0, ..., list_eltn]`
  - Elements are referenced with  
`list_name[elt_#]`
  - Empty lists are allowed.
  - Lists can have changing lengths and are heterogenous.
- Lists and strings can be sliced.

# List Questions

```
x = [1, 2]
```

```
y = [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]
```

- What do these expressions evaluate to?

```
x[0] + y[-3]
```

```
y[0:1]
```

```
x[y[0]:]
```

```
y[-2:5]
```

```
y.append([ ])
```

```
y[5]
```

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```

5

```
y[0:1]
```

0

```
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```

[1, 2]

```
y[-2:5]
```

[6, 8]

```
y.append([])
```

None

```
y[5]
```

[]

# Aliasing/Mutability Review

- Lists are mutable.
  - That is, one can change the value of a list element or append/remove items from a list without needing to create a new list.
  - To capture this, we view a list as a list of memory addresses in our memory model.
  - Changing a list element is modifying the memory address that list element points to.
- This means lists have aliasing problems.
  - Where one has multiple variables referring to the same list, and modifying one of these lists affects all of them.

# Aliasing Questions

- How many different lists are there at the end of this execution?

```
def foo(x)
    x.append(1)
    return x.pop()
```

```
x = []
```

```
y = x[:]
```

```
y.append(1)
```

```
y.pop()
```

```
foo(x)
```

```
z = y
```

```
foo(y)
```

```
a = foo(x)
```

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y.append(1)
```

```
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```

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```

```
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```

```
foo(y)
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```

2, x and y are separate lists, z is aliased with y.



# For Loop Review

- The format of a for loop is:  
for list\_elt in list\_name:  
    block
- The block is executed once for each element in the list.
  - list\_elt refers to each list element in turn.
  - So the block code uses a different variable each time.
- Unravelling loops is a useful tool.

# Unravel these Loops

```
x = [0,1,2]
```

```
y = 0
```

```
for i in x:
```

```
    y+=2
```

```
x = range(4,10,2)
```

```
for i in x:
```

```
    print i
```

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```

```
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```

```
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```

```
    print i
```

```
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```

```
    print i
```

```
    i = x[2]
```

```
    print i
```

# Lists and Relational Operators

- `!=` and `==` are defined on lists.
  - Two lists are defined to be equal if each element is equal, and they're in the same places.
  - Not based on memory addresses.
  - So `y == y[:]` evaluates to `True`.

# Nested Lists

- Lists are heterogenous, and often one wants each list element to be another list.
  - Used to represent matrices, tiles, spreadsheet cells, etc.
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# Nested Lists and the Memory Model

```
eg_list = [0,1,[4, [True, 'a']]]
```

```
print eg_list[2][1][0]
```

Global
eg_list: 0x1

0x5	0
int	

0x10	1
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x24	0x7	0x67
list		

0x7	True
bool	

0x8	0x13	0x24
list		

0x67	'a'
str	

0x1	0x5	0x10	0x8
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# Nested Lists and the Memory Model

```
eg_list = [0,1,[4, [True, 'a']]]
```

→ print **0x8**[1][0]

Global
eg_list: 0x1

0x5	0
int	

0x10	1
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x24	0x7	0x67
list		

0x7	True
bool	

0x8	0x13	0x24
list		

0x67	'a'
str	

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list			



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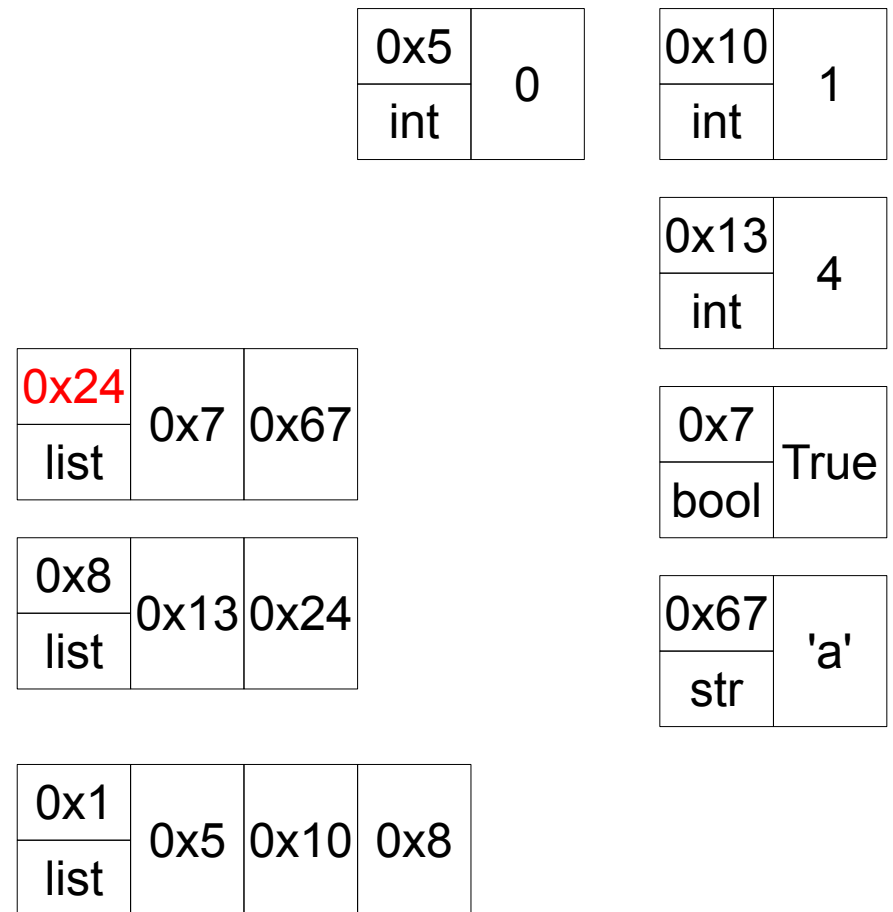
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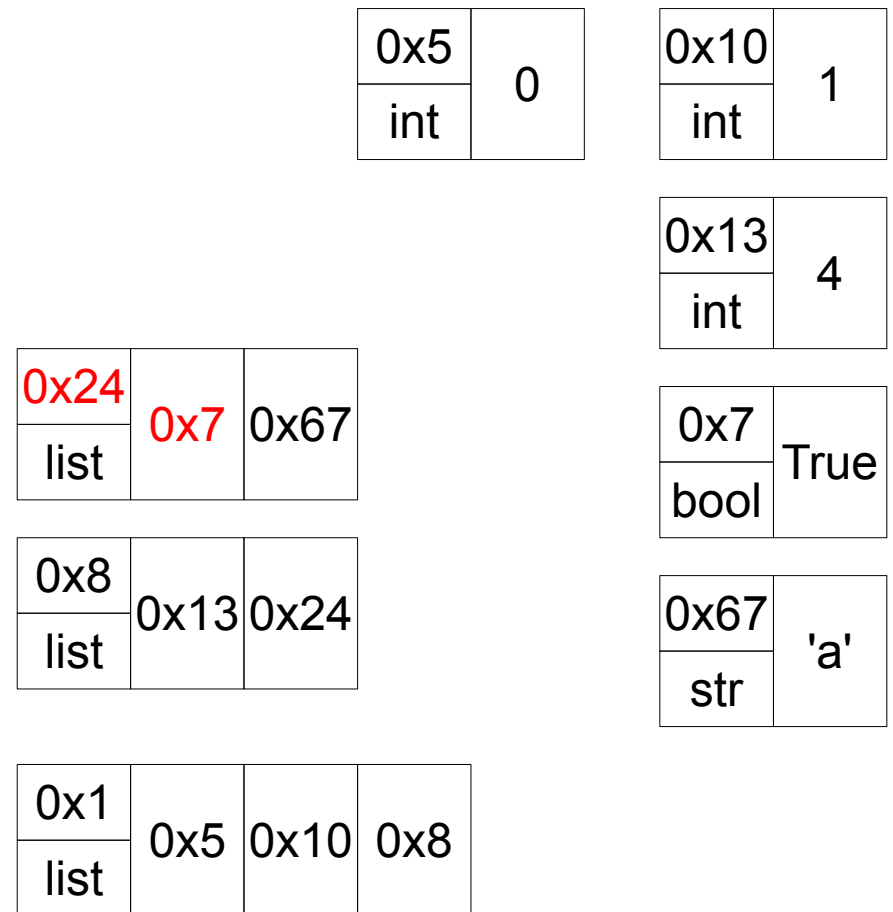


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→ print **True**

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0x10	1
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0x13	4
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# Evaluate the Boolean Expressions

```
x = [1, 2]
```

```
y = [x, x, 2, x]
```

```
y[0][0] = 12
```

```
y[0] == y[3]
```

```
x == y[1]
```

```
x = [1, 2]
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```

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y = [x[:], x[:], 2, x]
```

```
y[0][0] = 12
```

```
y[0] == y[3]
```

False

```
x == y[1]
```

True

# Tuples

- Similar to lists, but not mutable.
  - So they cannot be changed once they are initialised.
  - Aliasing is not a problem
  - Faster.
- Syntax for creating tuples is like that of lists, but with parentheses instead of square brackets.
- Syntax for accessing tuple elements is like that of lists.

# Tuples

- Syntax for creating a tuple:

```
tuple_name = (elt0, elt1, ...,  
elt_n)
```

- Note that this is ambiguous for a single element.
  - `a = (10)` could be an integer or tuple
- 
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```
tuple_name[elt#]
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  - `a = (10, )` is unambiguous.
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```
tuple_name[elt#]
```

# Assignment Statements

- Evaluate the right side first!
- Variables can be thought of as look up tables.
- The point of an assignment statement is to connect a memory location to a variable name.
- This means that one needs to evaluate the right side first, before one can do anything else.

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
→ x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

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def f(x):  
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```

→ x = 0

x = 13 + 4

x = x + f(4)

x = 10 + f(x)

Global
x: ?

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Global
x: ?

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0x5	0
int	

Global
x: ?

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0x5	0
int	0

Global
x: ?

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def f(x):  
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```

→  $x = 0x5$

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x5	0
int	

Global
--------

x: ?
------



# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

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```

→ **x = 0**

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
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```

```
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```

0x5	0
int	

Global
--------

x: 0x5
--------

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0x5	0
int	

<b>Global</b>
<b>x: 0x5</b>

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0x5	0
int	

Global
x: 0x5

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```

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int	

Global
x: 0x5

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int	

0x3	13
int	

Global
x: 0x5

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int	

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Global
x: 0x5

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Global
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Global
x: 0x5



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```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
→ x = 13 + 4  
  
x = x + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x5

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
→ x = 17  
  
x = x + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x5

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```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
→ x = 0x11  
  
x = x + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

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int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
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```

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int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

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```

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int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

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```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = x + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = x + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11



# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = x + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 0x11 + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 0x11 + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + f(0x13)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

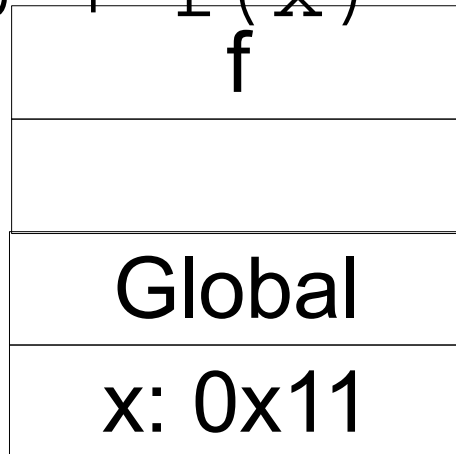
0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

Global
x: 0x11

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + f(0x13)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```



0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

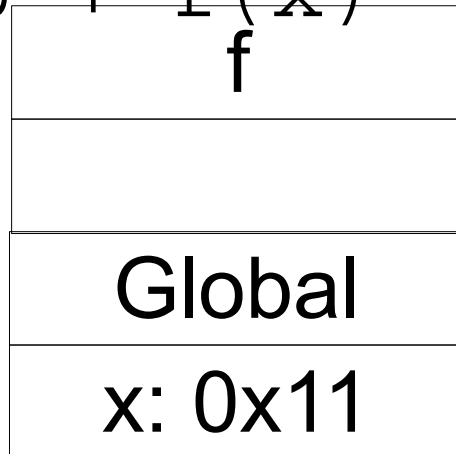
0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	



# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + f(0x13)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```



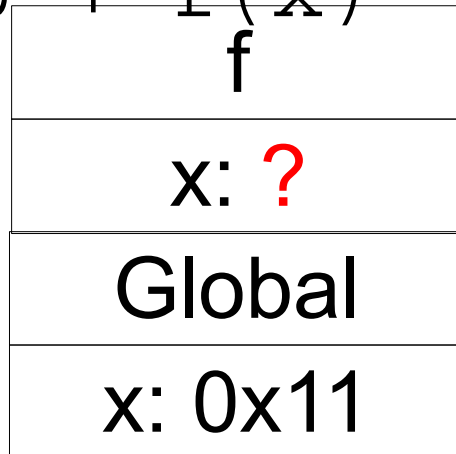
0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + f(0x13)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```



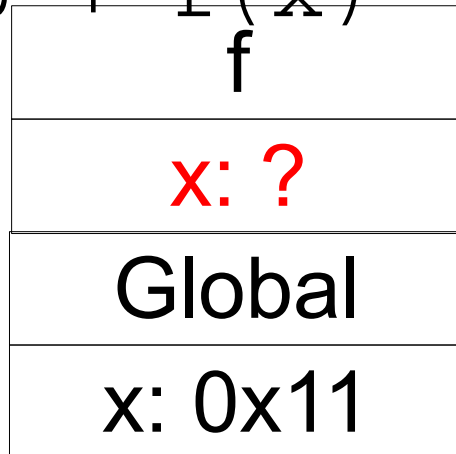
0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + f(0x13)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```



0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + f(0x13)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return x + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return x + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return x + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	



# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return x + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 0x13 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 0x13 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 0x13 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 4 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 4 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 4 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 8
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	



# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→   return 8
```

```
   x = 0
```

```
   x = 13 + 4
```

```
   x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
   x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 0x18
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 0x18
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

f
x: 0x13
Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return 0x18
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = 17 + 0x18
```

```
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return 0x18  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + 0x18  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return 0x18  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + 0x18  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return 0x18  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + 0x18  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return 0x18  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + 8  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	



# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return 0x18  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 17 + 8  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return 0x18  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 25  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 25  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 0x38  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 0x38  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x11

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
→ x = 0x38  
x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Assignment Statements & Memory Model

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17	0x5	0
int		int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Break, the first.



# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(x)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	



Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

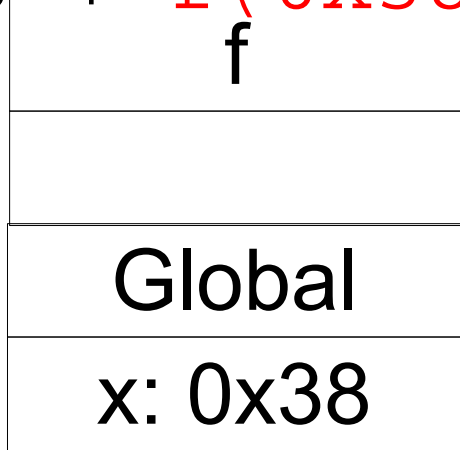
0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(0x38)
```



0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

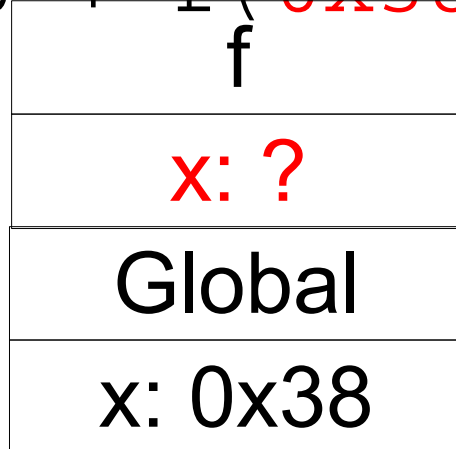
0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(0x38)
```



0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

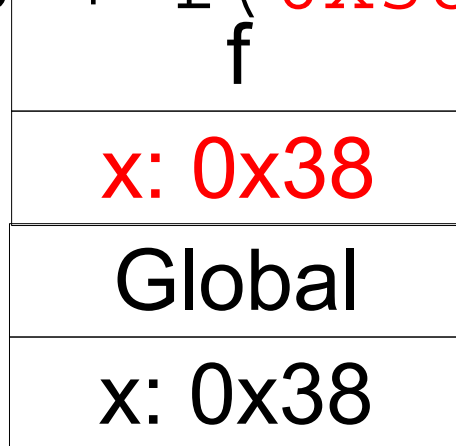
0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + f(0x38)
```



0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
→ return x + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f
x: 0x38
Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

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x = 10 + f(0x38)
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f
x: 0x38
Global
x: 0x38

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def f(x):
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f
x: 0x38
Global
x: 0x38

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int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return x + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f
x: 0x38
Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

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0x33	10
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0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

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int	

0x18	8
int	



# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return x + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f
<b>x: 0x38</b>
Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 0x38 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f
x: 0x38
Global
x: 0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 0x38 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f	
x:	0x38
Global	
x:	0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 0x38 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f	
x:	0x38
Global	
x:	0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 25 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f	
x:	0x38
Global	
x:	0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 25 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f	
x:	0x38
Global	
x:	0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 25 + 4
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f	
x:	0x38
Global	
x:	0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 29
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f	
x:	0x38
Global	
x:	0x38

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

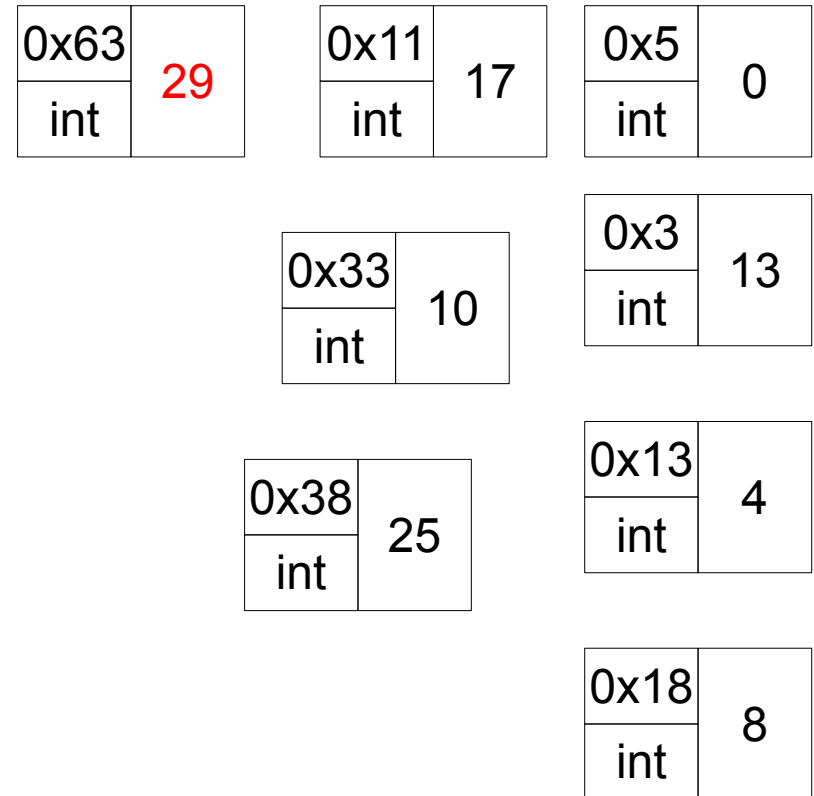
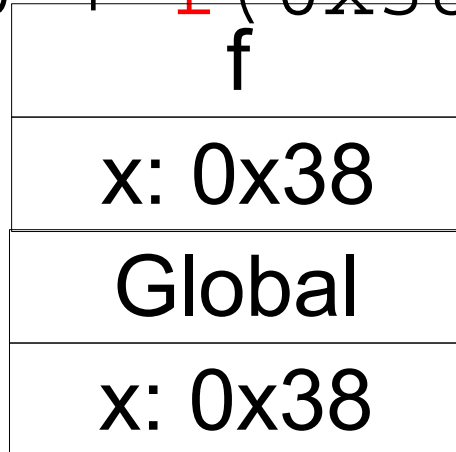
0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	



# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
    → return 29
x = 0
x = 13 + 4
x = x + f(4)
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```



# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 29
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f
x: 0x38
Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 0x63
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f
x: 0x38
Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 0x63
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + f(0x38)
```

f
x: 0x38
Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):
```

```
    → return 0x63
```

```
x = 0
```

```
x = 13 + 4
```

```
x = x + f(4)
```

```
x = 10 + 0x63
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + 0x63
```

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Global
x: 0x38

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + 0x63
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + 29
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	



Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 10 + 29
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 39
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

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```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 39
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

0x79	39
int	

# Do all the steps to evaluate the last line.

```
def f(x):  
    return x + 4  
  
x = 0  
x = 13 + 4  
x = x + f(4)  
→ x = 0x79
```

Global
x: 0x38

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

0x5	0
int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
int	

0x38	25
int	

0x13	4
int	

0x18	8
int	

0x79	39
int	

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```

Global
x: 0x79

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

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int	

0x33	10
int	

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int	

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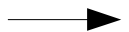
0x13	4
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int	

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x = x + f(4)  
x = 10 + f(x)
```



Global
x: 0x79

0x63	29
int	

0x11	17
int	

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int	

0x33	10
int	

0x3	13
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0x18	8
int	

0x79	39
int	

# While Loops

- For Loops are great if we know how many times we want to loop over something.
  - In other cases, not so great.
  - If you want to enforce a legal input, for example
  - If you're playing a game and don't know how many turns there will be.
  - If we want to loop indefinitely.
- In these cases we use a while loop.

# While loop syntax

```
while condition:  
    block
```

- The `condition` evaluates to a boolean variable.
- The `block` is executed so long as the condition is true.
- If the `condition` is `False` the first time the while loop is seen, the `block` is never executed.



# Unravelling While Loops

- We saw that for loops can be unravelled to make the program simpler to analyse, albeit longer.
- While loops are more complicated and are not always possible to be unravelled.
  - For eg. if the number of times the block is executed is dependent on user input.
- So to analyse them we need to use other tools.
  - Debugger, visualiser, hand simulation, etc.

# While vs. For

- Every for loop can be written as a while loop.
- Not every while loop can be written as a for loop:

```
while True:
```

```
    block
```

- How do we choose between while and for?

# While vs. For

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```
while True:
```

```
    block
```

- How do we choose between while and for?
  - for is simpler.
  - In general we prefer simpler loops, as they are easier to read.

# While vs. For

- While loops are used when:
  - We want infinite loops.
  - We want to loop some number of times that we can't predict.
  - That is, we want to loop until some condition is met.

# How many times does the while block get executed?

```
i = 0
while i < 4:
    i += 1

x = +ve # > 1
def foo(x):
    for i in range(x):
        if i*i == x:
            return True
    return False
while not(foo(x)):
    x -= 1
```

# How many times does the while block get executed?

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```

- 4 times, once for  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$

- Once for every amount that  $x$  is larger than the largest square number  $\leq x$ .

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```
for item in list:  
    block
```

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while condition:  
    block
```

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```
if condition:
```

```
    block1
```

```
else:
```

```
    block2
```

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# Sub-blocks

```
def foo(parameters):  
    block  
        sub-block  
    block
```

# Sub-blocks

```
def foo(x):  
    if (x%2 == 0):  
        sub-block  
    block
```

- **Recall:**

```
if condition:  
    block1
```

# Sub-blocks

```
def foo(x):  
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        | sub-block  
    | block
```

- Recall:

```
| if condition:  
    | block1
```

# Sub-blocks

```
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        | sub-block  
    |  
    | block
```

- Recall:

```
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| — block1
```

# Sub-blocks

```
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    | if (x%2 == 0):  
    |—— sub-block  
    |  
    | block
```

- Recall:

```
| if condition:  
|—— block1
```

# Sub-blocks

```
def foo(x):  
    if (x%2 == 0):  
        print 'even'  
    print 'odd'
```

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```

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# Indentation

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```
def foo(parameters):
```

```
    block1
```

```
block2
```

```
    block3
```

- Blocks 1, 2 and 3 are all different, and only block 1 is inside the function definition.
- If the last line of block2 is not something that expects a block to follow it, block 3 is illegal.

# Indentation

- When you stop indenting the block ends.

White space does not count as ending a block.

```
def foo(parameters):
```

```
    block1
```

```
    block3
```

- Here block 1 and block 3 are considered to be part of the same block, regardless of whether or not the empty line contains spaces/tabs/etc.

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```

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# Break, the second

# Convert these to while loops.

```
for x in eg_list:    for x in
    print x          range(len(eg_list)):
                    print x
```

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```
for x in eg_list:    for x in
    print x          range(len(eg_list)):
                    print x
```

```
x = 0
```

```
while x < len(eg_list):
    print eg_list[x]
    x += 1
```

```
x = 0
```

```
while x < len(eg_list):
    print x
    x += 1
```

# Files.

- So far we've seen some basic file stuff.
- Media opens files
- The testing script for Assignment 1 opens a file.

# Files as types.

- Python has a type used to deal with files.
- There are four main things we want to do with files:
  - Figure out how to open them.
  - Figure out how to read them.
  - Figure out how to write to them.
  - Figure out how to close them.



# Opening files.

- Can hardcode the filename in the code.
  - Like done in the script for assignment 1.
- Can ask the user for a file name using `raw_input()`
- Some modules have their own builtin functions for opening files.
  - `media` has `choose_file()` which opens a dialog window.

# Opening files.

- Once we have a filename we can call open:

`open(filename, 'r')` – for reading (this is the default mode).

`open(filename, 'w')` – for writing (erases the contents of a file).

`open(filename, 'a')` – for appending (keeps the contents of the file).

- This function returns a new object, a file object.

# Reading Files.

- The most basic way is to read the whole file into a string:

`filename.read()` - returns a string that is the contents of the entire file.

- Not recommended for big files.
- Can read a single line of the file.

`filename.readline()` - reads a line of the filename.
- A subsequent call to `readline()` will read the next line of the file, the first line is lost.

# Reading Files.

- Can read a fixed number of characters.

```
filename.read(10) – will read 10 characters.
```

- If you call it again, it will start reading from the place after the characters that it has read.

- Can read the file a line at a time.

```
for line in filename:  
    print line
```

- Note that the string `split` method is often very useful.

# Writing to Files.

- Write to files using:

```
filename.write("This is a string")
```

- Multiple writes are concatenated.
- Need to open a file in append or write mode to write to it.
- Append mode will add the strings to the end of the file.

# Closing Files.

- Close a file with:  
    filename.close()
- Generally a good idea.
- Frees up system resources.

# Assignment 1

# Lab Review

- Next weeks lab covers:
  - slicing
  - nested lists
  - while loops