Sequences
Class outline:

- Box+Pointer
- Slicing
- Recursive exercises
- Built-ins for iterables
Where to ask questions?

- **Zoom chat**: Good if you like getting responses from classmates or the lecture helper.
- **Zoom Q&A**: Good for asking questions that likely interest most students, and that should be answered in lecture.
- **Post-lecture OH**: Good for recapping a topic that went too fast. Or any questions!
- **Piazza thread**: Good for longer questions, tangential questions, or any unanswered questions.
Box + Pointer
Lists in environment diagrams

Lists are represented as a row of index-labeled adjacent boxes, one per element.

```
pair = [1, 2]
```

Try in PythonTutor.
Nested lists in environment diagrams

Each box either contains a primitive value or points to a compound value.

\[
\text{matrix} = [ [1,2,0,4], [0,1,3,-1], [0,0,1,8] ]
\]
Nested lists in environment diagrams

A very nested list:

```python
worst_list = [ [1, 2], [], [ [3, False, None], [4, lambda: 5]]]
```

View in PythonTutor
Slicing
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Copying whole lists

Slicing a whole list copies a list:

```
listA = [2, 3]
listB = listA

listC = listA[:]
listA[0] = 4
listB[1] = 5
```

```
list() creates a new list containing existing elements from any iterable:

listA = [2, 3]
listB = listA

listC = list(listA)
listA[0] = 4
listB[1] = 5
```

Try both in PythonTutor.

Python3 provides more ways in the copy module.
Recursion exercises
Recursively sum a list

Let's code this up recursively:

```python
def sum_nums(nums):
    """Returns the sum of the numbers in NUMS."
    >>> sum_nums([6, 24, 1984])
    2014
    >>> sum_nums([-32, 0, 32])
    0
    """
```

Docstrings typically would not specify whether an approach was recursive or iterative, since that is an implementation detail.

However, we'll make it clear in assignments and exam questions.
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    if (nums == []):
        return 0
    else:
        return nums[0] + sum_nums(nums[1:])
```

When recursively processing lists, the base case is often the empty list and the recursive case is often all-but-the-first items.
def sum_up_to(n):
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Iteratively sum a range (solution)

Using the `range` type:

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    """
    sum = 0
    for n in range(0, n+1):
        sum += n
    return sum
```

Remember that `range(start, end)` always ends right before `end`. 
Recursively sum a range

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    else:
        return n + sum_up_to(n-1)
```
Reversing a string
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    >>> reverse('ward')
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    if len(s) == 1:
        return s
    else:
        return reverse(s[1:]) + s[0]
```

When recursively processing strings, the base case is typically an empty string or single-character string, and the recursive case is often all-but-the-first characters.
Recursively reversing a string (visual)
Exercise: Reversing a number

```python
def reverse(n):
    """Returns N with the digits reversed."
    >>> reverse_digits(123)
    321
    """
```

See walkthrough video here
Helper functions

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    def toggle_case(letter, should_up_case):
        return letter.upper() if should_up_case else letter.lower()

    def up_down(text, should_up_case):
        if len(text) == 1:
            return toggle_case(text, should_up_case)
        else:
            return toggle_case(text[0], should_up_case) + up_down(text[1:], not should_up_case)

    return up_down(text, False)
# Recursion on different data types

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Built-in functions for iterables
# Functions that process iterables

The following built-in functions work for sequence types (lists, strings, etc) and any other **iterable** data type.

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min(gymnasts, key=lambda scores: min(scores[1:]))  # 8.1
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Python Project of The Day!
Sea Level Rise, by Douwe Osinga: Visualize sea levels and population density on interactive maps.

Technologies used: Python (notebook) with PIL/numpy/Rasterio, HTML/CSS/JS with PanZoom (Github repository)