Using Objects and Images in Python

Look at little UTA Tiffany using objects! Learn from her!

based in part on notes from the CS-for-All curriculum developed at Harvey Mudd College

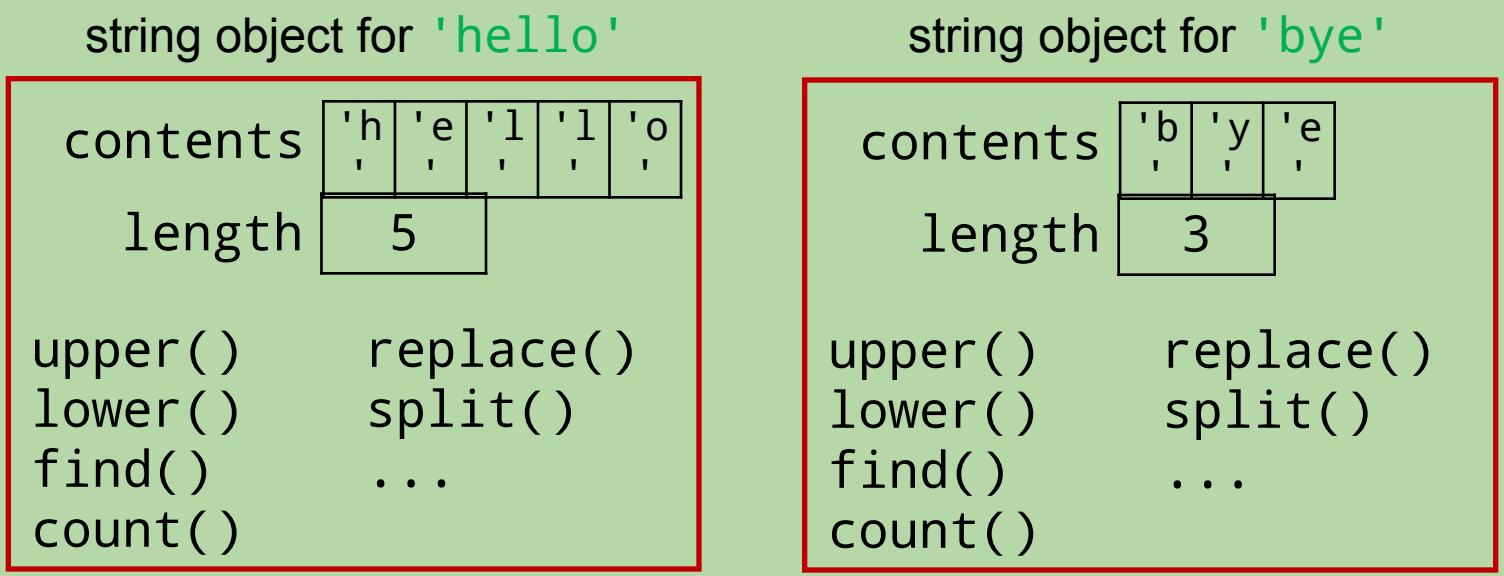
What Is An Object?

- An object is a construct that groups together:
  - one or more data values (the object's *attributes*)
  - one or more functions that operate on those data values (known as the object's *methods*)

- Objects are typically nouns
  - Attributes correspond to adjectives (i.e., properties of the noun)
  - Methods correspond to verbs that act on the noun

Strings Are Objects

- In Python, a string is an object.
  - ***attributes:***
    - the characters in the string
    - the length of the string
  - ***methods:*** functions inside the string that we can use to operate on the string



Calling a Method

- An object's methods are inside the object, so we use *dot notation* to call them.

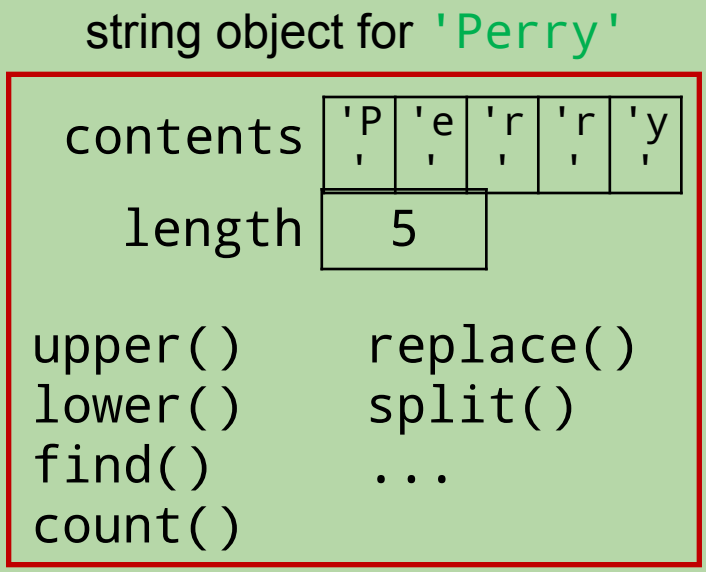
- Example:

```
name = 'Perry'
allcaps = name.upper()
```

the dot

the object's variable

the method name



- Because a method is inside the object, it is able to access the object's attributes.

String Methods (partial list)

- `s.lower()` return a copy of `s` with all lowercase characters
- `s.upper()` return a copy of `s` with all uppercase characters
- `s.find(sub)` return the index of the first occurrence of the substring `sub` in the string `s` (-1 if not found)
- `s.count(sub)` return the number of occurrences of the substring `sub` in the string `s` (0 if not found)
- `s.replace(target, repl)` replace all occurrences of the substring `target` in `s` with the substring `repl`

Examples of Using String Methods

```
>>> weather = 'A snowy start to Spring!'
>>> weather.upper()
'A SNOWY START TO SPRING!'
>>> weather.lower()
'a snowy start to spring!'
>>> weather.replace('s', 'f')
'A fnowy ftart to Spring!'
>>> weather
'A snowy start to Spring!'
```

Splitting a String

- The split() method breaks a string into a list of substrings.

```
>>> name = 'Martin Luther King'
>>> name.split()
['Martin', 'Luther', 'King']
>>> components = name.split()
>>> components[0]
'Martin'
```

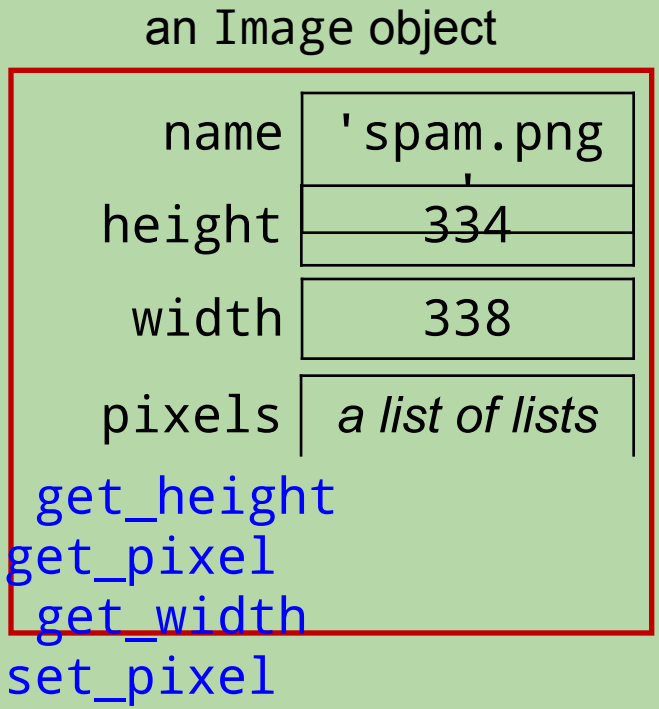
- By default, it uses *whitespace characters* (spaces, tabs, and newlines) to determine where the splits should occur.

- You can specify a different separator:

```
>>> date = '11/10/2014'
>>> date.split('/')
['11', '10', '2014']
```

hw02: Image Objects

- Each `Image` object has:
  - attributes:
    - the name of the image
    - the height of the image
    - the width of the image
    - the pixels in the image
  - methods:
    - `img.get_height()` – returns the height of the image `img`
    - `img.get_width()` – returns the width of the image `img`
    - `img.get_pixel(r, c)` – returns the list of RGB values for the pixel at position `(r, c)` in the image `img`
    - `img.set_pixel(r, c, rgb)` – changes the RGB values for the pixel at position `(r, c)` in `img` to the list `rgb`



Different Image Objects for Different Images

image

Image object

name	'spam.png'
height	334
width	338
pixels	*a list of lists*

get_height get_pixel
get_width set_pixel

name	'rhett.png'
height	420
width	274
pixels	*a list of lists*

get_height get_pixel
get_width set_pixel

Pixels in hw02

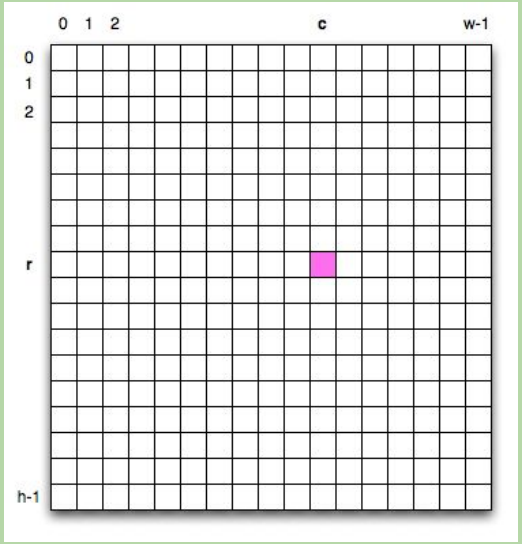
- The color of each pixel is represented by a list of 3 integers:

  `[red, green, blue]`

  - example: the pink pixel at right has color

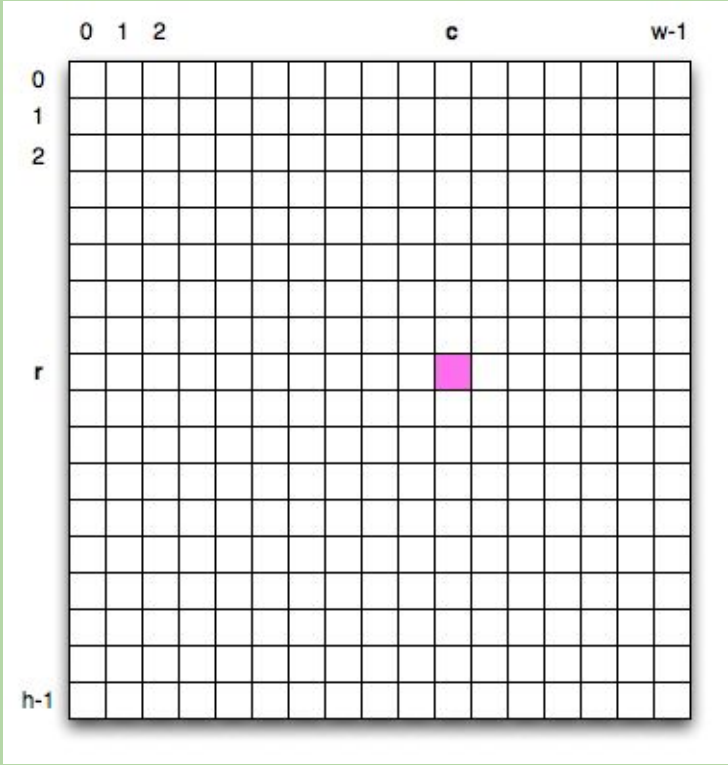
    `[240, 60, 225]`

  - known as RGB values
  - each value is between 0-255



- Other examples:
  - pure red: `[255, 0, 0]`
  - pure green: `[0, 255, 0]`
  - pure blue: `[0, 0, 255]`
  - white: `[255, 255, 255]`
  - black: `[0, 0, 0]`

Nested loops and *2D structure*




```
for r in range(h):
    for c in range(w):
        # process the pixel at (r, c)
```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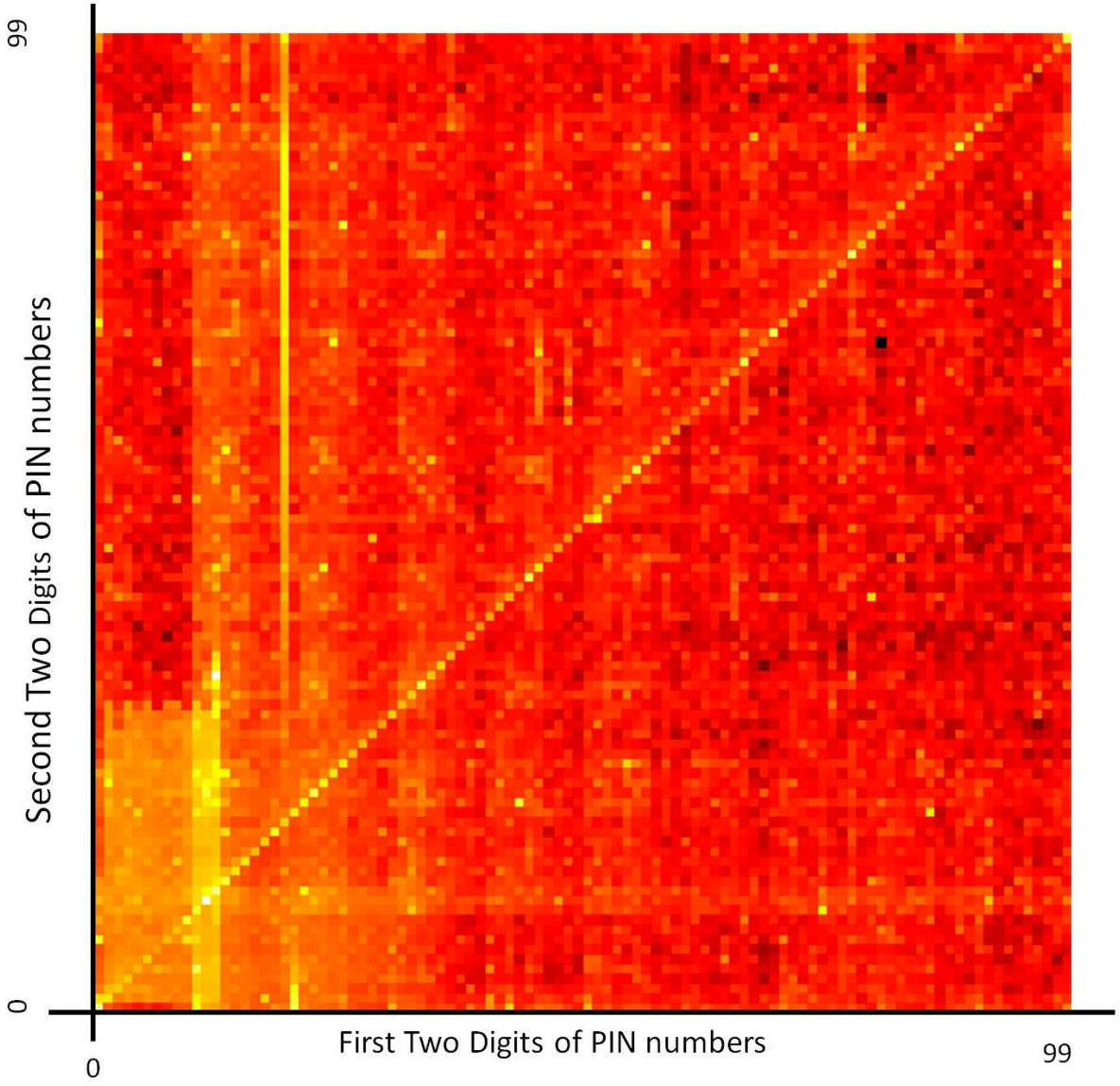
The frequency of (leaked) 4-digit PIN codes. Brighter color reflects higher frequency. The brightness in the lower left corner reflects people choosing their birth month (1 – 12) and day (1 – 31); the vertical line suggests birth years (i.e., the first two digits are 19); the diagonal line reflects a preference for repeated couplets of numbers (e.g., 1212 or 3636).



Nested loops and *2D structure*

```
for x in range(100):
  for y in range(100):
    f = pin_freq(x, y)
    c = freq_color(f)
    img.set_pixel(x,y,c)
```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hw02: T.T. Securities (TTS)

Analyzes a sequence of stock prices

```
                day  day  day  day  day  day  day  day
                 0    1    2    3    4    5    6    7
prices = [45, 80, 10, 30, 27, 50, 5, 15]
```

The menu to implement:

```
(0) Input a new list of prices
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(5) Find the min and its day
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(7) Test a threshold
(8) Your TTS investment plan
(9) Quit
Enter your choice:
```

Our starter code

```
def display_menu():
    """ prints a menu of options
    """
    print()
    print('(0) Input a new list of prices')
    print('(1) Print the current prices')
    print('(2) Find the latest price')
   ...
    print('(9) Quit')
    print()


...
```

Our starter code

```
def tts():
    prices = []
    while True:
        display_menu()
        choice = int(input('Enter your choice: '))
        print()
        if choice == 0:
            prices = get_new_prices()
        elif choice == 9:
            break
        elif choice == 1:
            print_prices(prices)
        elif choice == 2:
            latest = latest_price(prices)
            print('The latest price is', latest)
        ## add code to process the other choices here
        ...
    print('See you yesterday!')
```

User Input

- Getting a *string value* from the user:

  variable `= input(`*prompt*`)` where *prompt* is a string

- Getting an *integer value*:

  variable `= int(input(`*prompt*`))`

- Getting a *floating-point value*:

  variable `= float(input(`*prompt*`))`

- Getting an arbitrary non-string value (e.g., a list):

  variable `= eval(input(`*prompt*`))`

  - eval treats a string as an expression to be evaluated

- Examples:

```
name = input('name of assignment: ')
count = int(input('possible points: '))
scores = eval(input('list of scores: '))
```

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```
name = input('name of assignment: ‘)
count = int(input('possible points: '))
price = float(input('enter a price: '))
```

Our starter code

```
def get_new_prices():
    new_list = eval(input('Enter new prices: '))
    return new_list

def print_prices(prices):
    """ prints the current list of prices
        input: prices is a list of 1 or more numbers.
    """
    ## IMPORTANT: You will need to change this...
    print('current prices:', prices)

def latest_price(prices):
    return prices[-1]
```

Our starter code

```
def get_new_prices():
    """ gets a new list of prices from the user and returns it
    """
    try:
        new_price_list = input("Enter a new list of prices: ")
        new_price_list = [float(x) for x in \
       new_price_list.split(' ')]
        return new_price_list
    except:
        print('\nInvalid input. System exiting...\n')
        exit()

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Functions you'll write

All use loops…

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```
def average(prices)
def stdev(prices)
```

$$\sqrt{\frac{\sum_i (L[i] - L_{av})^2}{len(L)}}$$

```
def minday(prices)
def maxday(prices)
```

plus others!

Min price

What's the ***idea*** for finding the smallest (minimum) price?

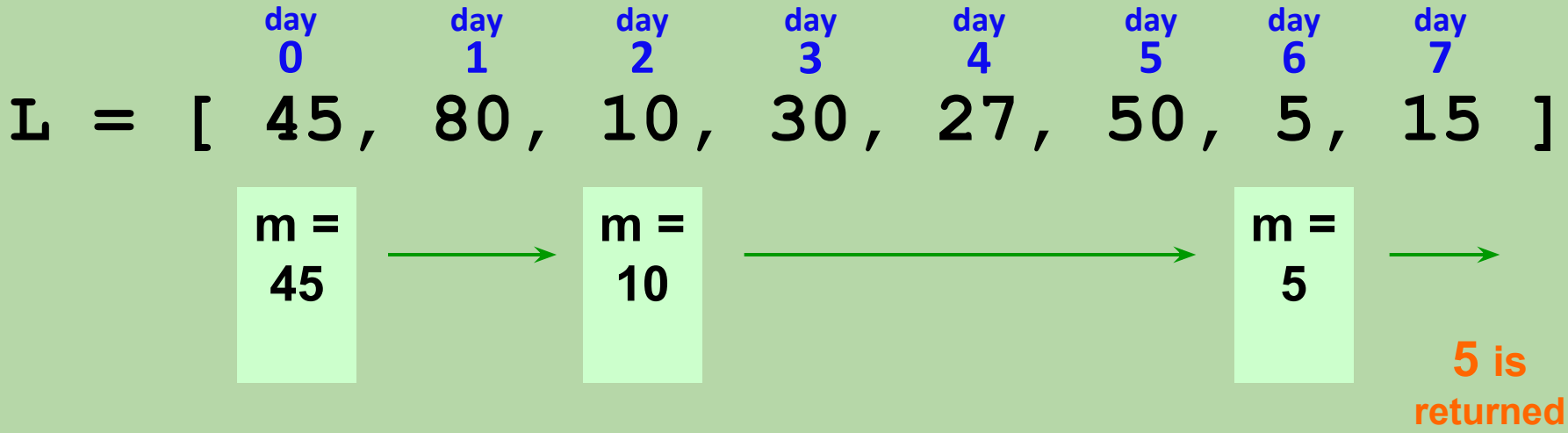
```
                day    day    day    day    day    day    day    day
                 0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7
L = [ 45, 80, 10, 30, 27, 50, 5, 15 ]
```

m =

m is the "min so far"

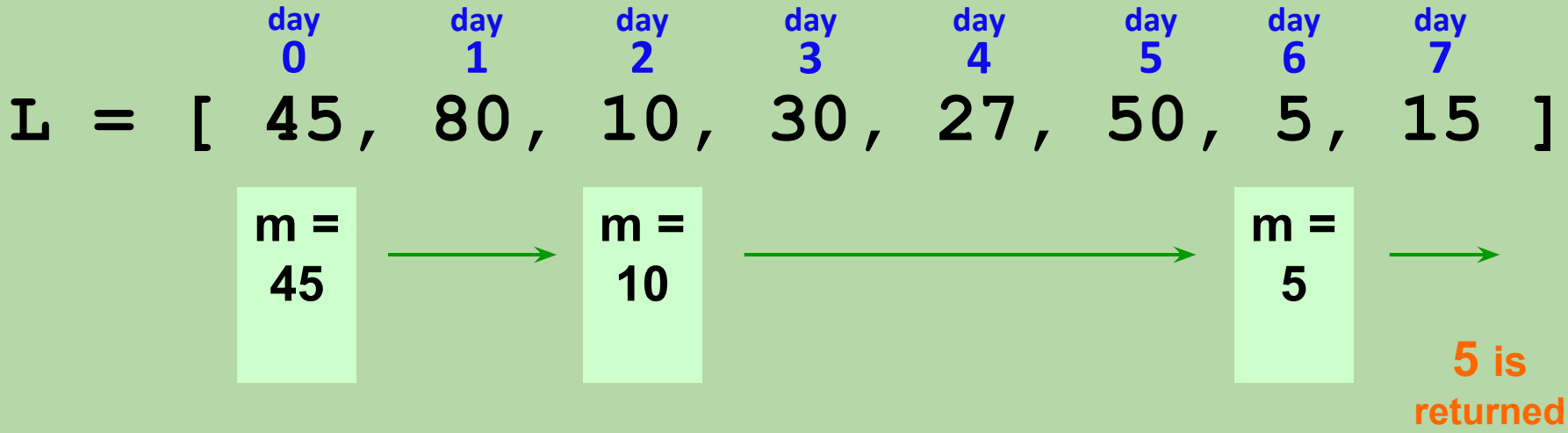
track the value of the ***minimum so far*** as you loop over list

Min price




```
def minprice(prices):
    m = prices[0]
    for x in prices:
        if x < m:
            m = x
    return m
```

Min price vs. min ***day***

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What about the ***day*** of the minimum price?

T.T. Securities
==
Time Travel
Securities!

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Min price vs. min ***day***

	day 0	day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7
L = [	45,	80,	10,	30,	27,	50,	5,	15]

6 should be returned

```
def minday(prices):
    ???
    for i in range(len(prices)): # index-based!
        if _________:



    return mi
```

The TTS Advantage!

Your stock's prices: L = [45, 80, 10, 30, 27, 50, 5, 15]

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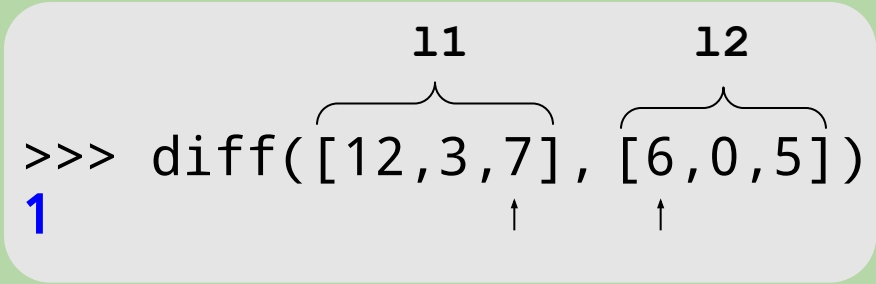
Finding a minimum difference

`diff` should return the **smallest** absolute diff. between any value from `l1` and any value from `l2`.




```
def diff(l1, l2):
```

Hint! Use nested loops!

Hint! Track the *min diff so far* as you loop over `l1` and `l2`…

Which of these works?

A.

```
def diff(l1, l2):
    mindiff = abs(l1[0]-l2[0])
    for x in l1:
        for y in l2:
            d = abs(x - y)
            if d < mindiff:
                mindiff = d
    return mindiff
```

B.

```
def diff(l1, l2):
    mindiff = 0
    for x in l1:
        for y in l2:
            d = abs(x - y)
            if d < mindiff:
                mindiff = d
    return mindiff
```

C.

```
def diff(l1, l2):
    mindiff = abs(l1[0]-l2[0])
    for x in l1:
        for y in l2:
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                return d
            else:
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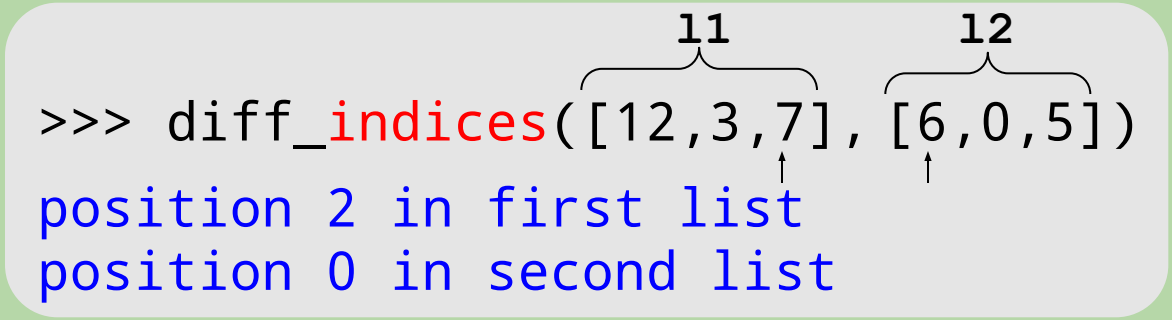

should *print* instead of returning

```
def diff_indices(l1, l2):   # what needs to change?
    mindiff = abs(l1[0] - l2[0])

    for x in l1:
        for y in l2:
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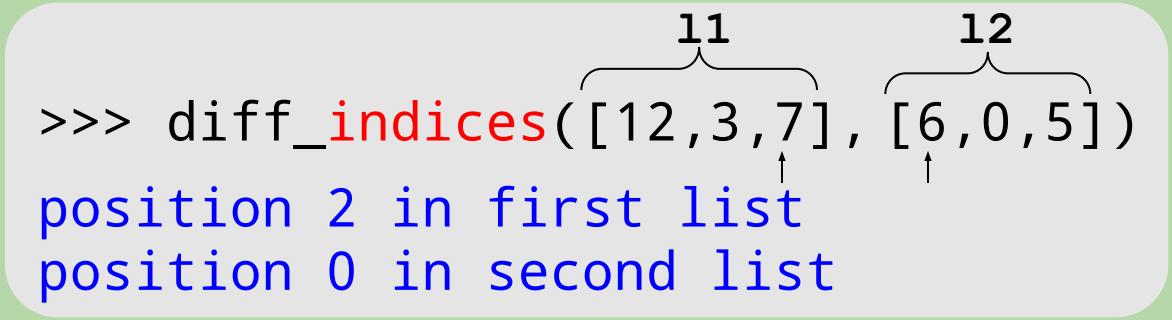

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```
def diff_indices(l1, l2):
    mindiff = abs(l1[0] - l2[0])
    pos1 = 0
    pos2 = 0

    for i in range(len(l1)):
        for j in range(len(l2)):
            d = abs(l1[i] - l2[j])
            if d < mindiff:
                mindiff = d
                pos1 = i
                pos2 = j

    print('position', pos1, 'in first list')
    print('position', pos2, 'in second list')
```