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# Programming in Python<sup>1</sup>

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## Lecture XV: NumPy

# Indexing is powerful

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`a = np.arange(1, 6)`

1	2	3	4	5
0	1	2	3	4

`a[1]`

2
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`a[2:4]`

3	4
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`a[-2:]`

4	5
---	---

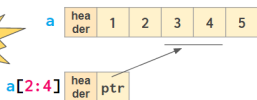
`a[::2]`

1	3	5
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`a[[1,3,4]]`

2	4	5
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"fancy indexing"



`a[2:4] = 0`

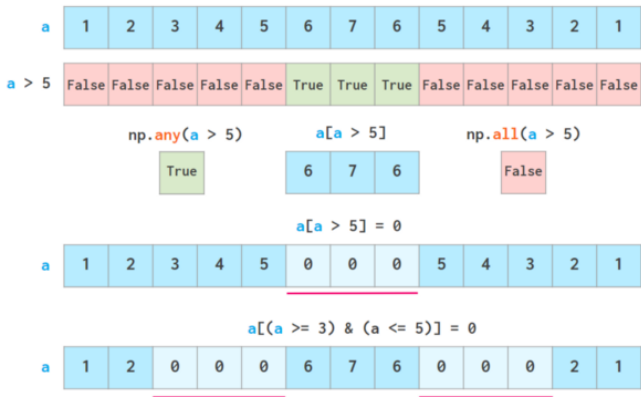


`a`

1	2	0	0	5
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Picture from "NumPy Illustrated: The Visual Guide to NumPy", highly recommended

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# Warning! Assignment works differently from lists

```
>>> np = np.array([1,2,3,4,5])
>>> lst = [1,2,3,4,5]
>>> np[2:4] = 0
>>> np
array([1, 2, 0, 0, 5])
>>> lst[2:4] = 0 # Error!
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
TypeError: can only assign an iterable
>>> lst[2:4] = [0,0]
>>> lst
[1, 2, 0, 0, 5]
>>> lst[2:4] = [0,0,0]
>>> lst
[1, 2, 0, 0, 0, 5]
>>> np[2:4] = [0,0]
>>> np[2:4] = [0,0,0] # Error!
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: could not broadcast input array from shape (3,) into
↪ shape (2,)
```

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<https://classroom.github.com/a/agbsF3qJ>

- 1 Manage your virtual environment (see hints in the README.md)
- 2 Code your solution