



Sets and Dictionaries

Tuples



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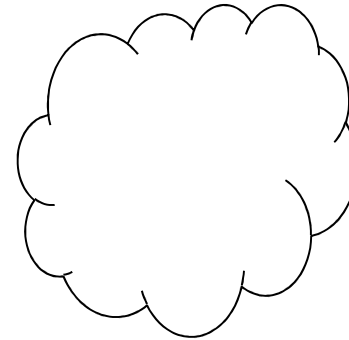
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And what does the error message mean?

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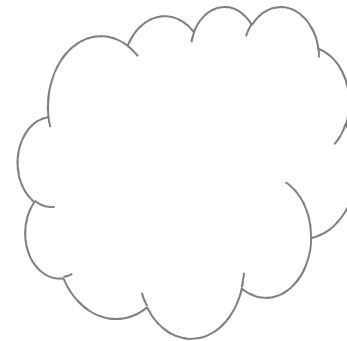
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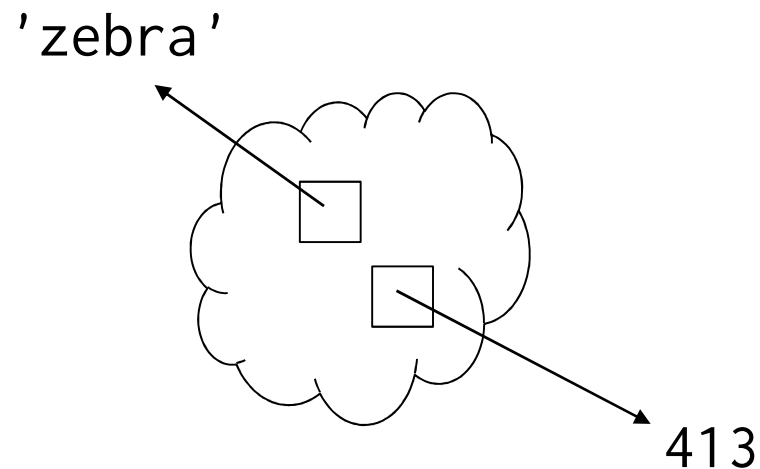


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Use a *hash function* to
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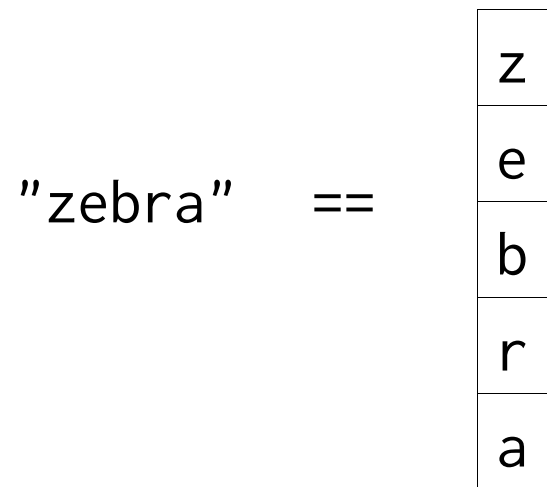


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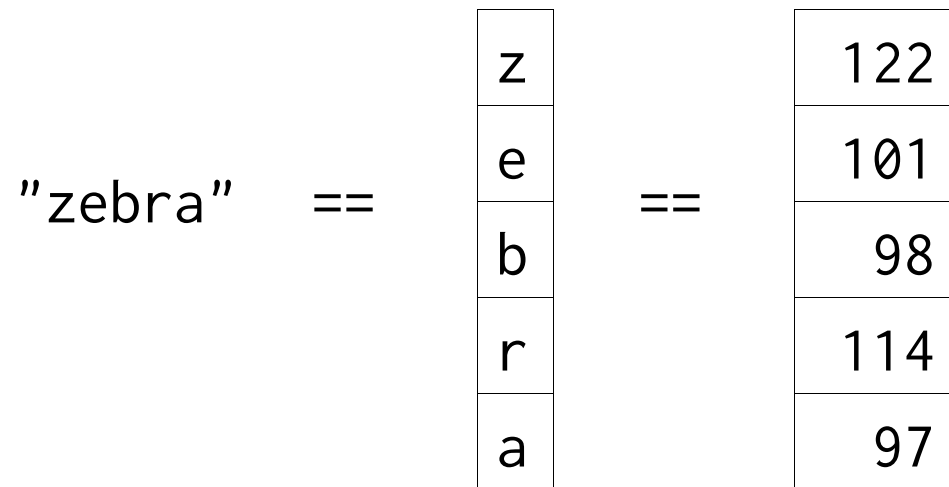
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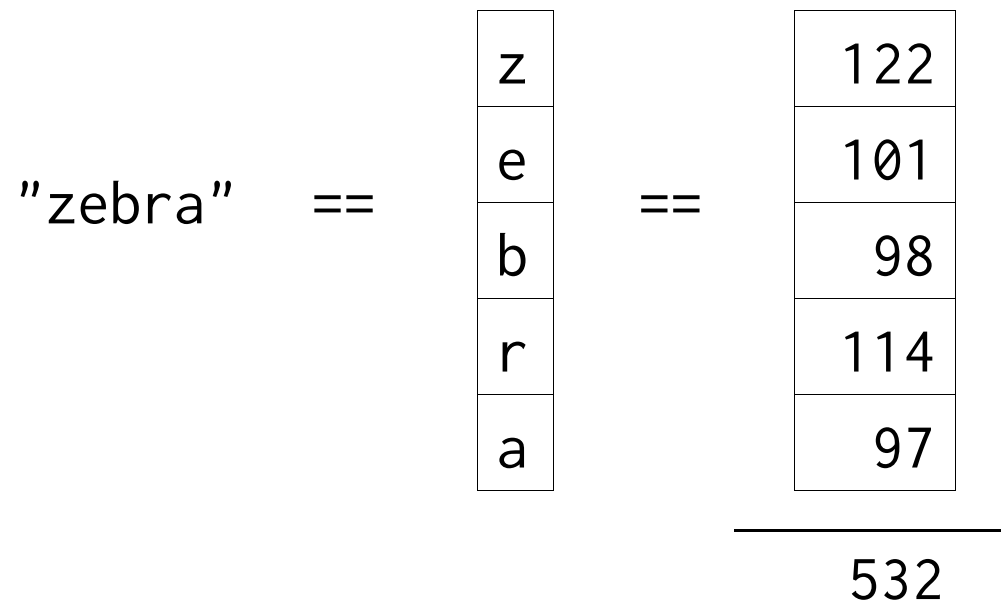
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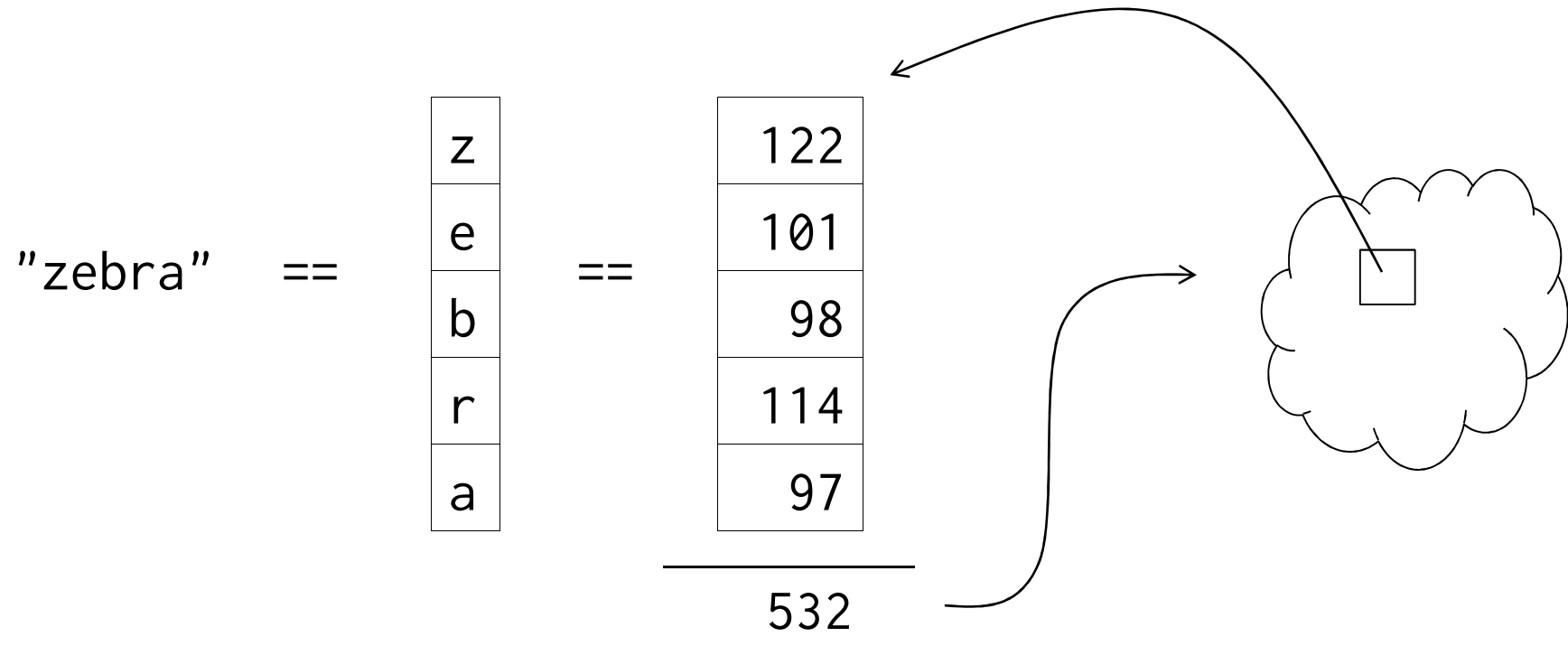
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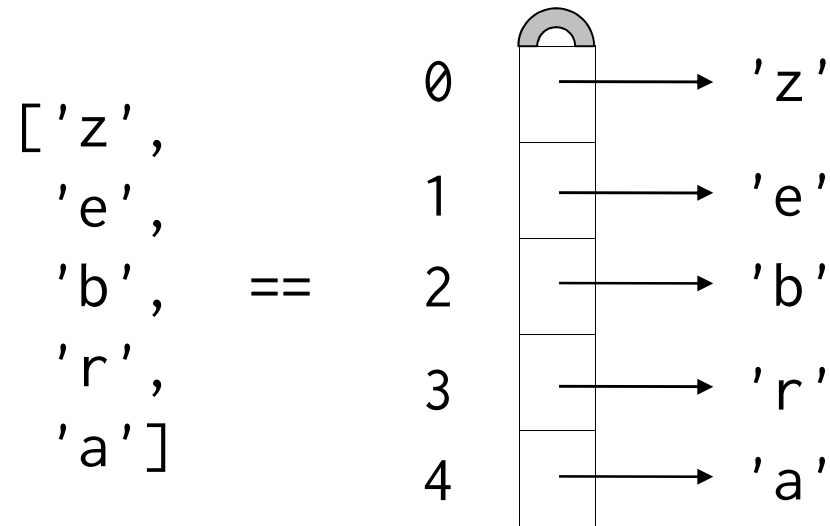


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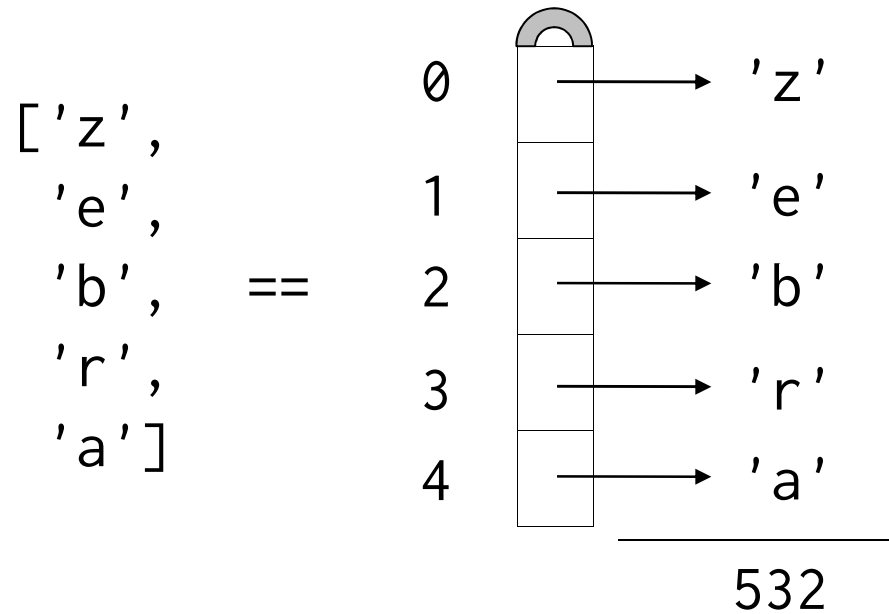
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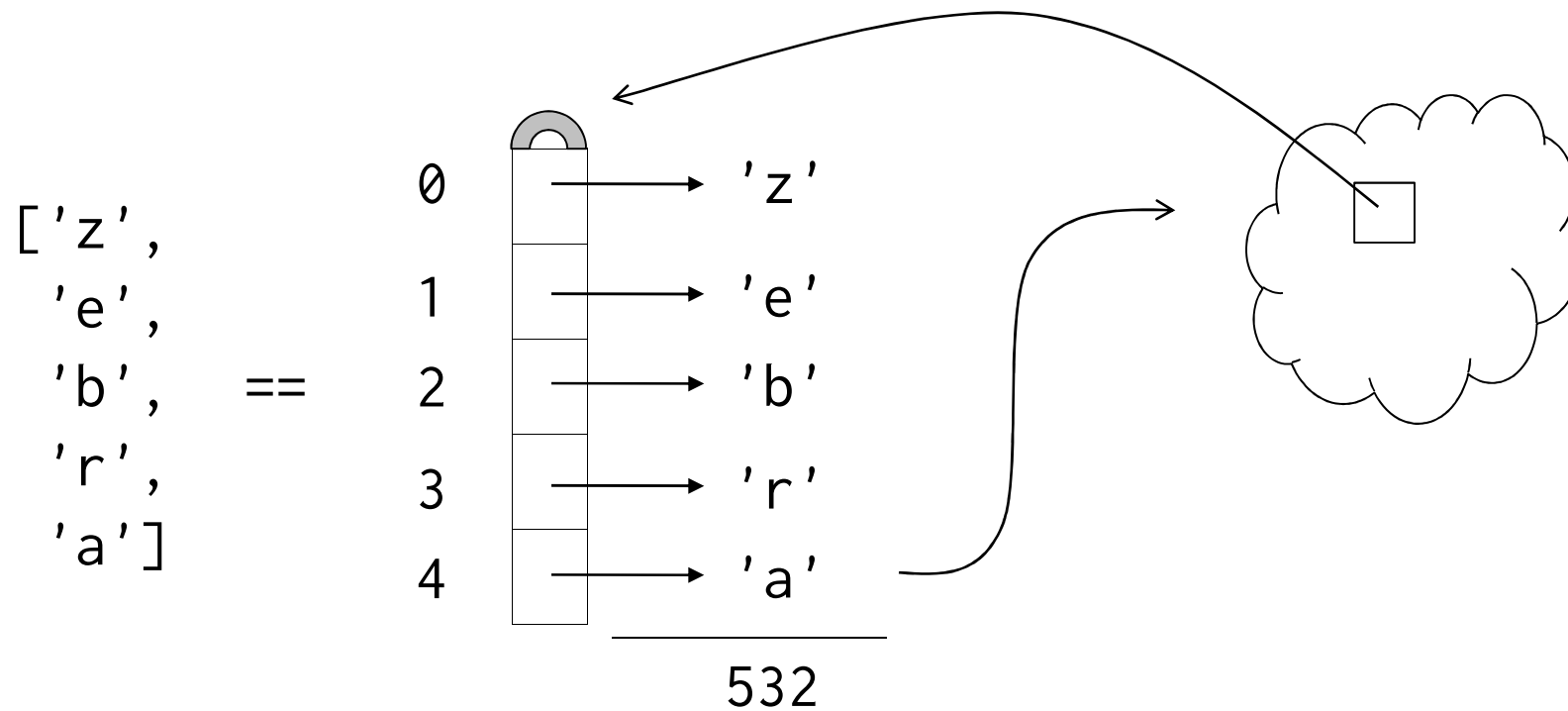
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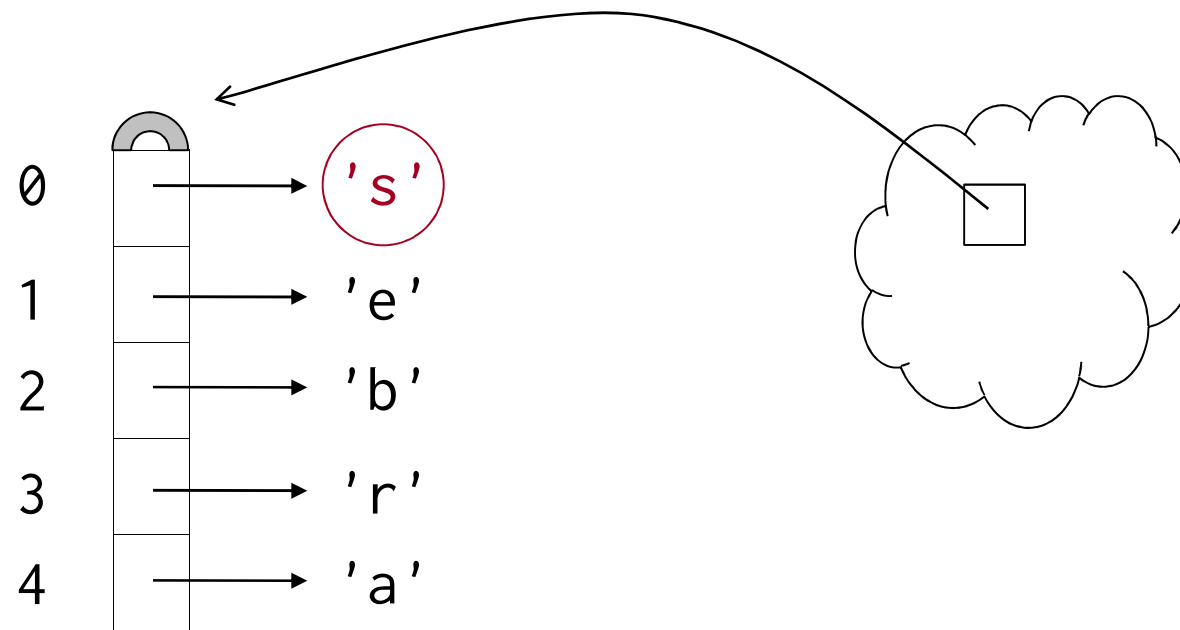


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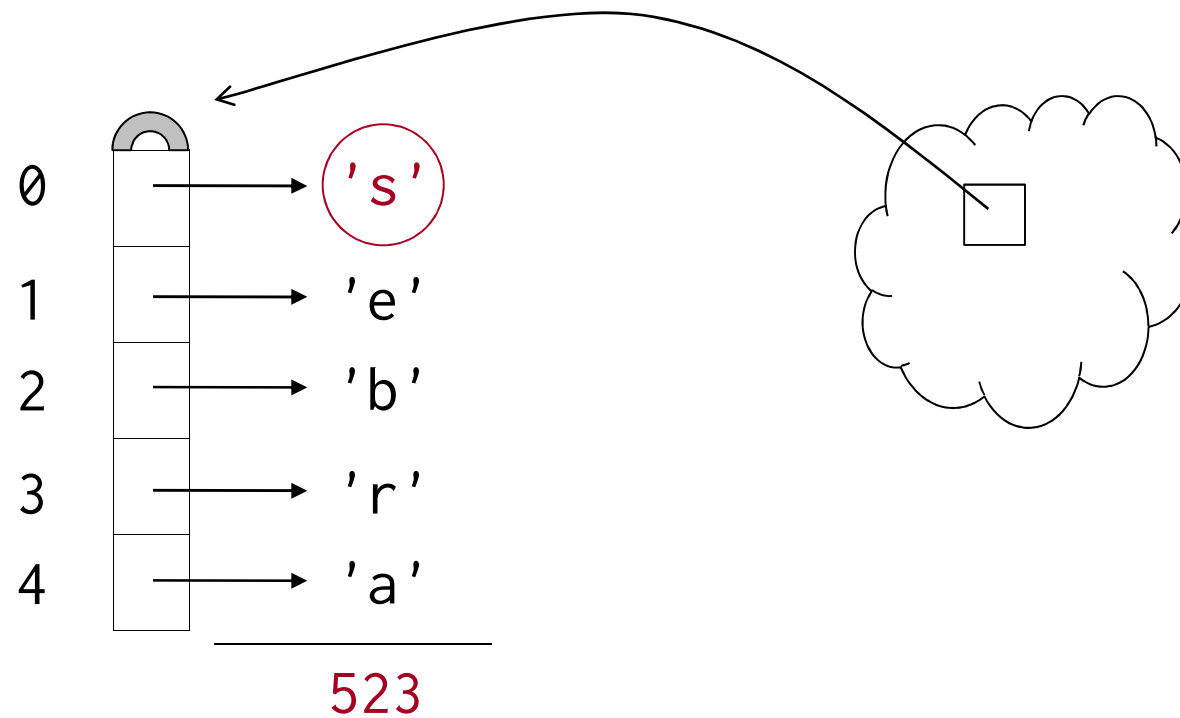


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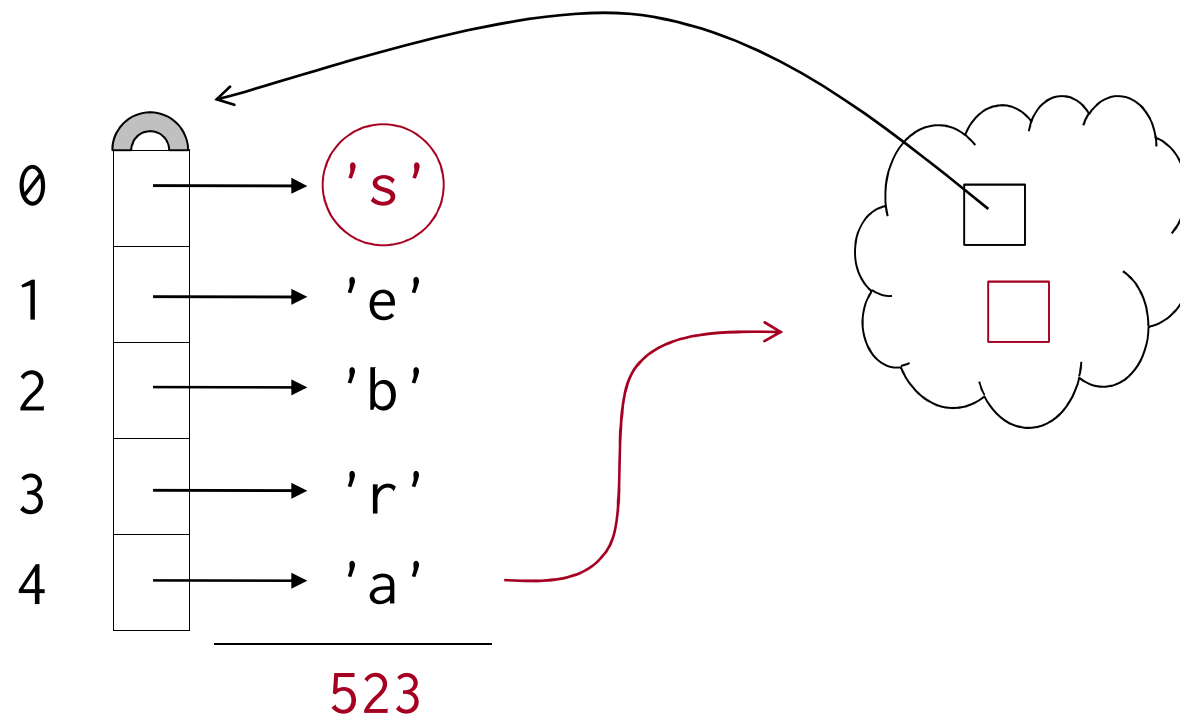
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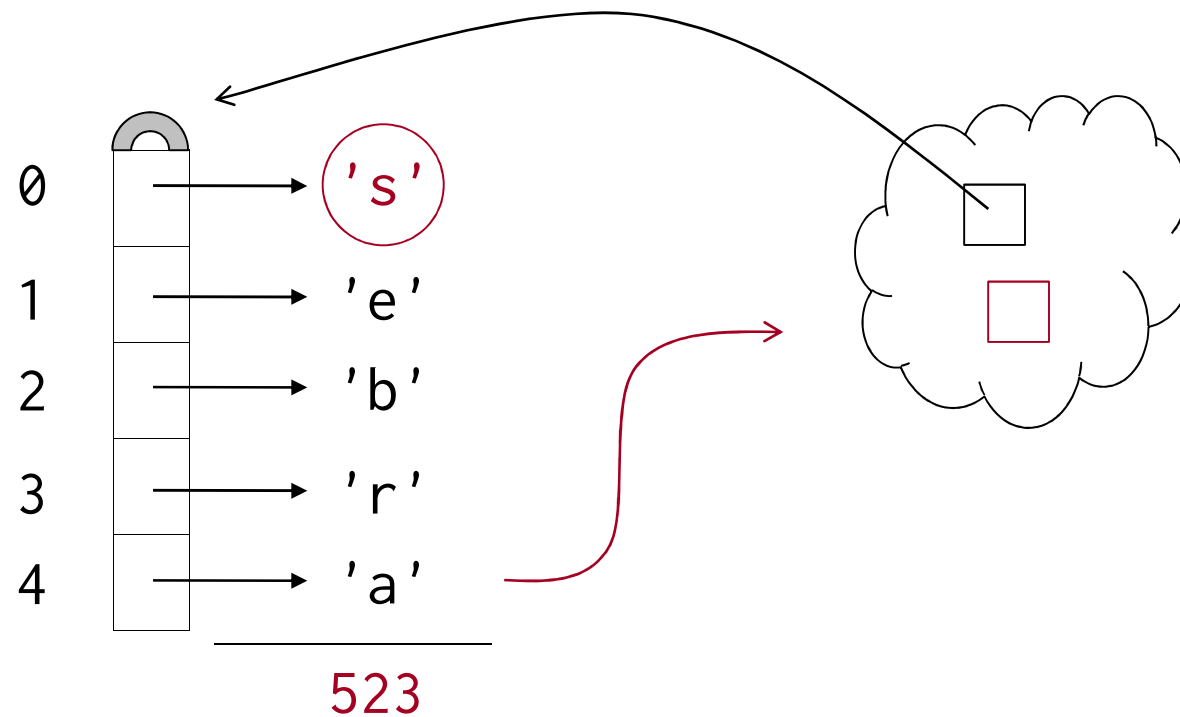
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`['s', 'e', 'b', 'r', 'a']` in `S` will give a false negative!

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*TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item
assignment*

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Next episode will introduce a data structure that
(sort of) allows this



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