

# Unit III: Understanding Control Structures

Programming Methodology (CSF101)



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# Outline

- Loops
- Functions, Call Stack, Scope and Function
- Memory Addresses and Pointers
- Call by Value and Call by Reference



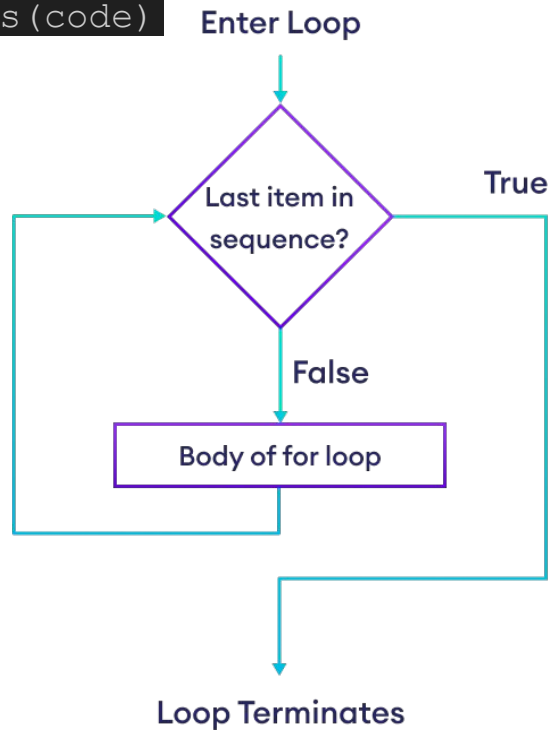
## Loops

- Loops help us remove the redundancy of code when a task has to be repeated several times.
- Types of loops in python:
  1. For loop
  2. While loop

## For Loop

- It is used for iterating over a sequence.
- Syntax:

```
for item in sequence:  
    statements (code)
```



```
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "Mango"]  
for x in fruits:  
    print(x)
```

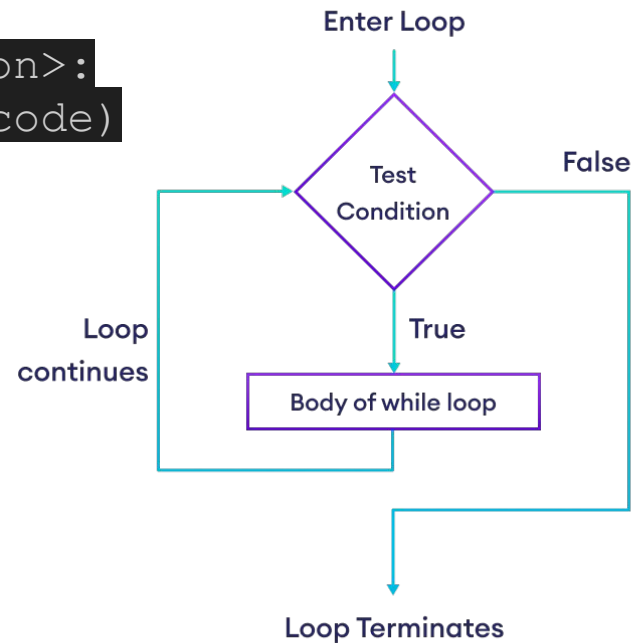
```
apple  
banana  
Mango
```

## While Loop

- It continually executes the statements (code) as long as the given condition is TRUE.

- Syntax:

```
while <condition>:  
    statements(code)
```

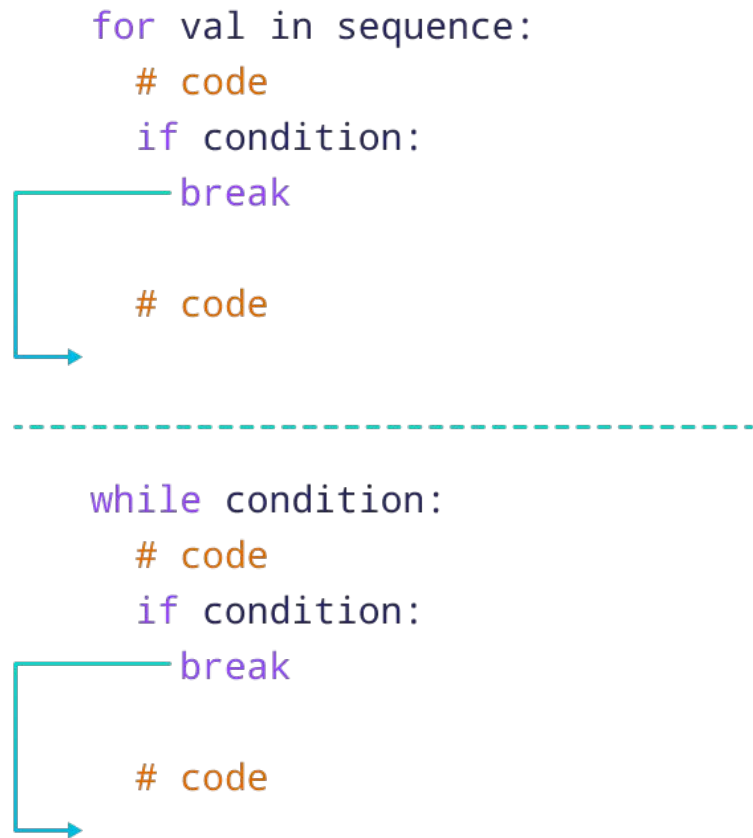


```
num = 1    # initialize the variable  
  
while num <= 5:    # condition  
    print("Hello, World!")    # Statement of the loop  
    num += 1    # increment
```

```
Hello, World!  
Hello, World!  
Hello, World!  
Hello, World!  
Hello, World!
```

## break statement

- Exits the loop entirely



```
for i in range(5):  
    if i == 3:  
        break  
    print(i)
```

## continue statement

- skips the current iteration and proceeds to the next one

```
→ for val in sequence:  
    # code  
    if condition:  
        continue
```

```
    # code
```

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```
→ while condition:  
    # code  
    if condition:  
        continue
```

```
    # code
```

```
for i in range(5):  
    if i == 3:  
        continue  
    print(i)
```



## Nested Loops

- Loop inside a loop
- In each iteration of the outer loop, the inner loop executes all its iteration.
- Syntax:

```
# outer for loop
for element in sequence
    # inner for loop
    for element in sequence:
        body of inner for loop
    body of outer for loop
```

## Nested Loops

### Example:

```
# Outer loop
for i in range(1, 4): # Iterating over values 1, 2, 3
    # Inner loop
    for j in range(i): # Iterating over values based on the current value of i
        print(f"Outer loop iteration {i}, Inner loop iteration {j+1}")
```

### Output:

```
Outer loop iteration 1, Inner loop iteration 1
Outer loop iteration 2, Inner loop iteration 1
Outer loop iteration 2, Inner loop iteration 2
Outer loop iteration 3, Inner loop iteration 1
Outer loop iteration 3, Inner loop iteration 2
Outer loop iteration 3, Inner loop iteration 3
```

## Nested Loops

Example of while loop inside a for loop:

```
# Outer for loop
for i in range(3): # Iterating over values 0, 1, 2
    print(i)

    # Inner while loop
    j = 0
    while j < 2: # Inner loop continues while j is less than 2
        print(j+1)
        j += 1
```

## Infinite Loops

To execute indefinitely without reaching a condition to terminate.

```
while True:  
    print("This is an infinite loop")
```

```
x = 0  
while x < 5: # Termination condition: loop executes while count is less than 5  
    print(x)  
    x += 1 # Increment count
```

## Functions

- a block of code which runs only when it is called and NOT when the function is defined.

```
def greet(): # Function definition
    print('Hello, Welcome aboard!') # Function body

greet() # function call
```

## Functions

- Parameter: Variable/input that is defined for the function.
- Arguments: The value that is passed to the function during function call.

```
def greet(name): # Function definition and name is the parameter
    print(f'Hello {name}, Welcome aboard!') # Function body

greet("Pema") # calling the function and "Pema" is the argument
```

## Functions

Example of a function to return a value:

```
def my_function(x):  
    return 5 * x  
  
print(my_function(3))  
print(my_function(2))  
print(my_function(5))
```

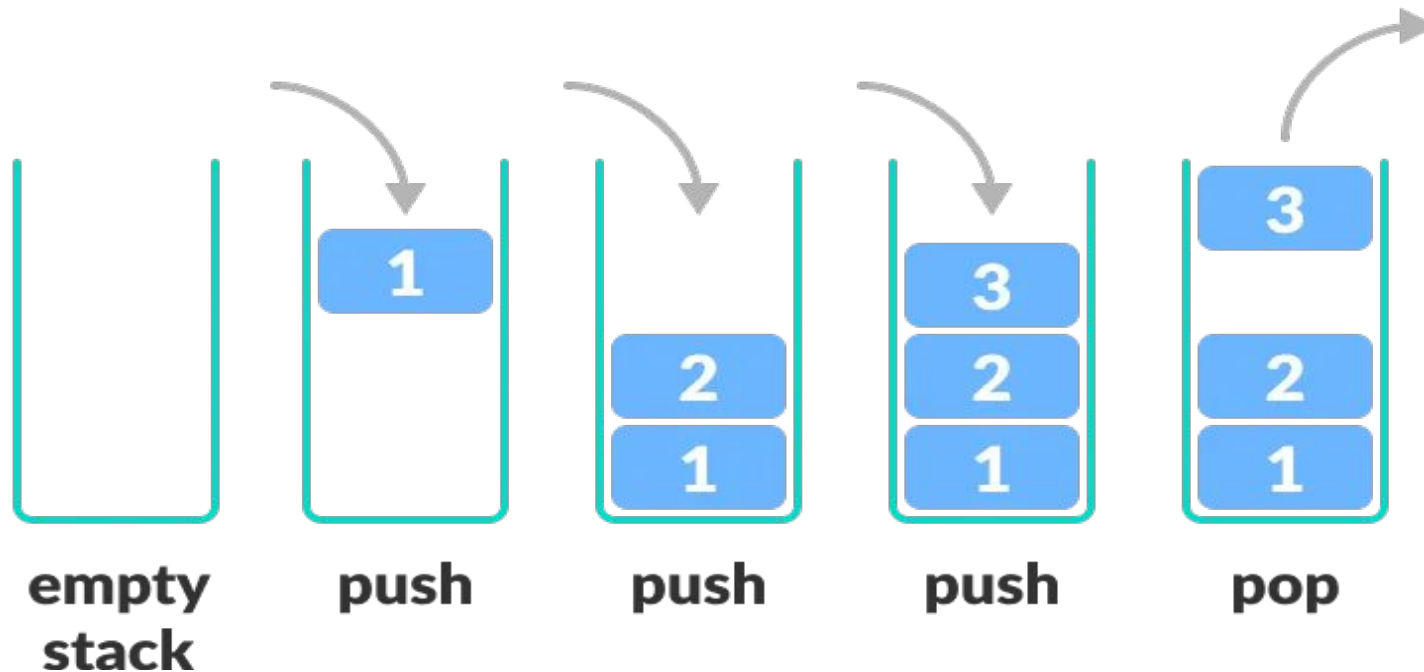
## Call Stack

- It maintains the record of the function.
- Remembers where to return the execution after each function call.
- When calling a function, a frame object is created on top of the call stack.
- When a function call returns, the frame object from the top of the stack is removed.



## Call stack

The top of the stack is where the function execution is currently in.



## Scope

Region of the program where a variable is visible and accessible

```
def add_numbers():  
    sum = 5 + 4
```

Types of scopes:

- Local Scope
- Global Scope
- Nonlocal Scope
- Built-in scope

## 1. Local Scope

- Code block or body of any function.
- The type of variable is called local variable

```
def myfunc():  
    x = 100  
    print(x)  
  
myfunc()
```

## 2. Global Scope

- A variable created in the main body of the code is called a global variable and belongs to the global scope.

```
x = 100

def myfunc():
    print(x)

myfunc()

print(x)
```

Cont...

Exercise:

```
def func():  
    s = "Me too!"  
    print(s)  
  
# Global scope  
s = "I love Python"  
  
func()  
print(s)
```

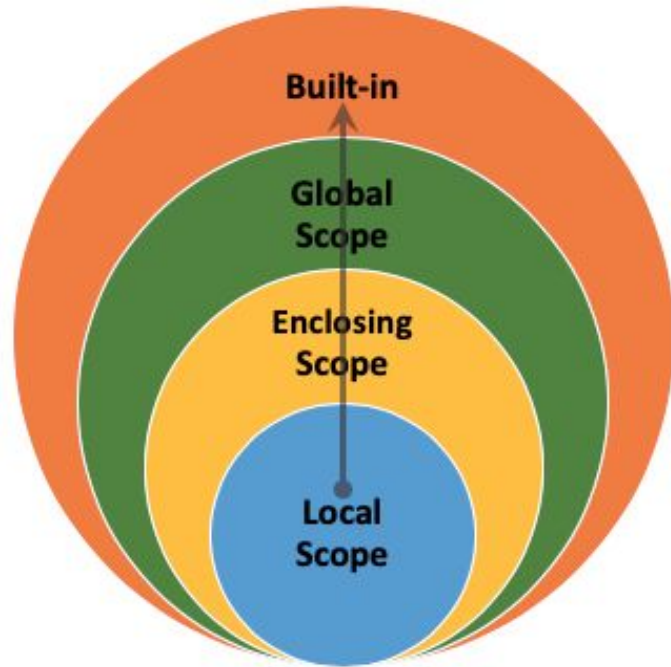
### 3. Nonlocal (Enclosed) Scope

- It is a special scope that exists for nested functions
- 'nonlocal' keyword is used

```
def myfunc1():  
    x = "Pema" # Assigning "Pema" to variable x within myfunc1's scope  
  
    def myfunc2():  
        nonlocal x # Declaring x as nonlocal to modify the variable in myfunc1's scope  
        x = "hello" # Assigning "hello" to x, which now affects the outer function's x  
  
    myfunc2() # Calling myfunc2, which modifies the value of x  
    return x # Returning the modified value of x ("hello")  
  
print(myfunc1()) # Calling myfunc1 and printing the returned value
```

## 4. Built-in scope

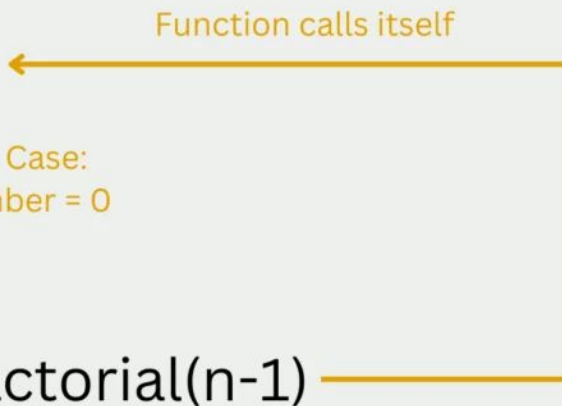
- Scope that's created or loaded whenever we run a program.
- Predefined elements provided by Python.



## Function Recursion

- Function calling itself
- It is defined in terms of itself via self-referential expressions.
- Two Parts:
  - Base Case: After a finite number of steps, it terminates its recursion.
  - Recursive case: Calls functions

```
def factorial(n):  
    if n == 0:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return n * factorial(n-1)
```



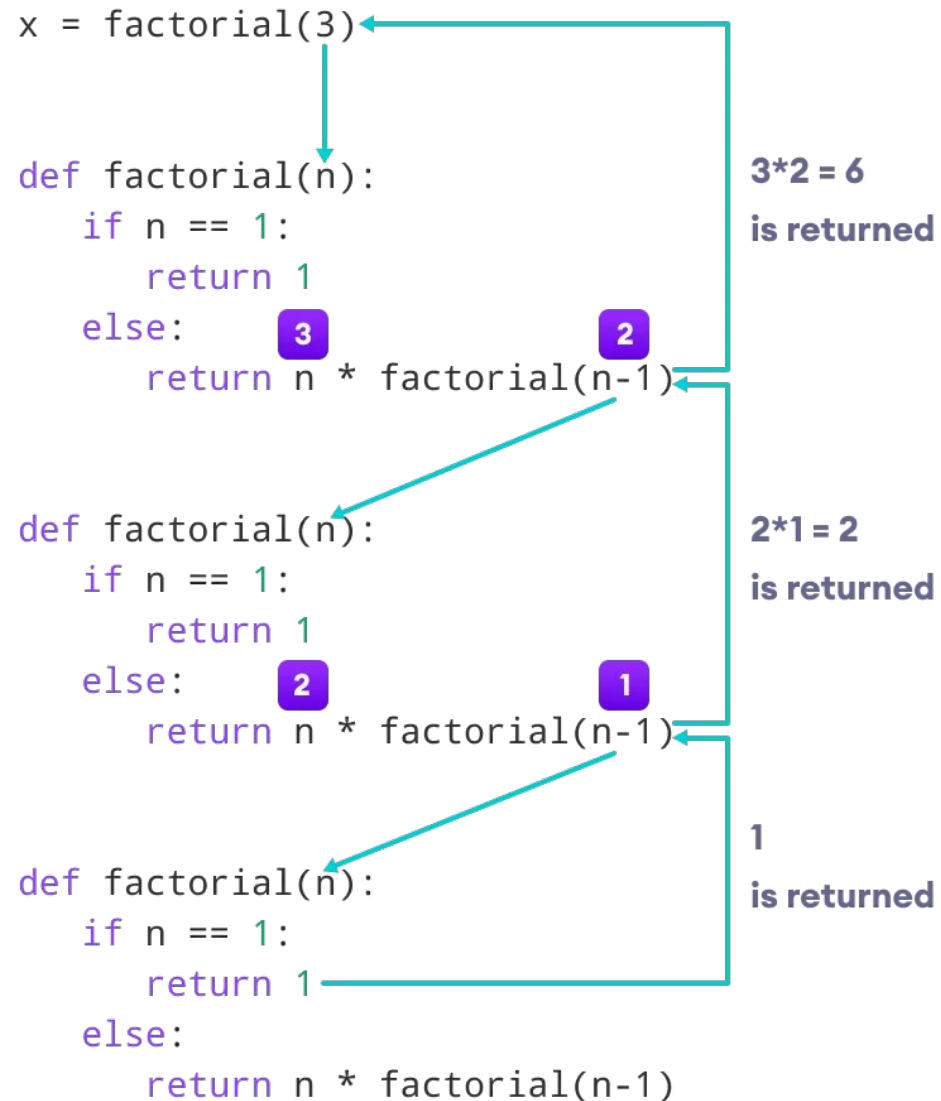
The diagram shows a yellow arrow starting from the `factorial(n-1)` call in the recursive case and pointing back to the `def factorial(n):` line, labeled "Function calls itself". A second yellow arrow points to the `if n == 0:` line, labeled "Base Case: if number = 0".



## Recursion

Example: Recursive function to find the factorial of an integer

```
def factorial(n):  
    if n == 1:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return (n * factorial(n-1))  
  
num = 3  
print("The factorial of", num, "is", factorial(num))
```



## Exercise

Functions. Consider the 'for' loop below. Line A in the update function is left blank.

```
def update(x: int) -> int:
    # Line A

def main():
    x = 1
    while x < 11:
        x = update(x)
        print("Wakanda")

main()
```

Which of the following statement, if inserted into Line A, would cause the program to go into an infinite loop and print Wakanda forever?

- (i) return x\*x;
- (ii) return x + 0.0001;
- (iii) return x;

- A. (i) only
- B. (iii) only
- C. (i) and (iii) only
- D. (ii) and (iii) only
- E. (i), (ii), and (iii)

## Reference

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