

Today

- Loops!
- for-loop
- while-loop

Repetition

- Fundamental kind of control flow
 - Making choices: if
 - Repeating code: for/while
- How to use loops to repeat the certain code the desired number of times.

Processing items in a list

Editor

```
velocities = [0.0, 9.81, 19.62, 29.43]
print('Metric:', velocities[0], 'm/sec;', 'Imperial:', velocities[0] * 3.28, 'ft/sec')
print('Metric:', velocities[1], 'm/sec;', 'Imperial:', velocities[1] * 3.28, 'ft/sec')
print('Metric:', velocities[2], 'm/sec;', 'Imperial:', velocities[2] * 3.28, 'ft/sec')
print('Metric:', velocities[3], 'm/sec;', 'Imperial:', velocities[3] * 3.28, 'ft/sec')
```

Shell

```
Metric: 0.0 m/sec; Imperial: 0.0 ft/sec
Metric: 9.81 m/sec; Imperial: 32.1768 ft/sec
Metric: 19.62 m/sec; Imperial: 64.3536 ft/sec
Metric: 29.43 m/sec; Imperial: 96.5304 ft/sec
>>> |
```

Editor

```
for v in velocities:
    print('Metric:', v, 'm/sec;', 'Imperial:', v * 3.28, 'ft/sec')
```

for loop

```
velocities = [0.0, 9.81, 19.62, 29.43]
for v in velocities:
    print('Metric:', v, 'm/sec;', 'Imperial:', v * 3.28, 'ft/sec')

for <<variable>> in <<li>in <<li>tist>>:
    </block>>
```

- The loop variable is assigned the first item in the list, and the loop block (the body of the for loop) is executed.
- The loop variables is then assigned the second item in the list and the loop body is executed again.
- **.....**
- Finally, the loop variable is assigned the last item in the list and the loop body is executed one last time.

Iteration

```
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for v in velocities:
    print('Metric:', v, 'm/sec;', 'Imperial:', v * 3.28, 'ft/sec')
```

Iteration	List Item Referred to at Start of Iteration	What Is Printed During This Iteration
1st	velocities[0]	Metric: 0.0 m/sec; Imperial: 0.0 ft/sec
2nd	velocities[1]	Metric: 9.81 m/sec; Imperial: 32.1768 ft/sec
3rd	velocities[2]	Metric: 19.62 m/sec; Imperial: 64.3536 ft/sec
4th	velocities[3]	Metric: 29.43 m/sec; Imperial: 96.5304 ft/sec

Table 11—Looping Over List Velocities

Each pass through the block is called an iteration

Iteration

```
velocities = [0.0, 9.81, 19.62, 29.43]
speed = 2
for speed in velocities:
    print('Metric:', speed, 'm/sec')
print('Final:', speed, 'm/sec')
```

```
Metric: 0.0 m/sec
Metric: 9.81 m/sec
Metric: 19.62 m/sec
Metric: 29.43 m/sec
Final: 29.43 m/sec
>>>
```

- We can use the existing variable.
- The loop still starts with the variable referring to the first element of the list.
- The code inside the loop must be indented.
- When the loop finishes, the variable is holding its last value.

Processing characters in strings

```
country = 'United States of America'
for ch in country:
   if ch.isupper():
      print(ch)
```

```
U
S
A
>>>
```

- ch is assigned country[0] just before the first iteration
- ch is assigned country[1] just before the second iteration
- The loop iterates 24 times
- if-statement block is executed three times

Looping over a range of numbers

- Range is a type
- Loop over a range

```
>>> a = range(10)

>>> a

range(0, 10)

>>> list(a)

[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

Loop over a list

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speed = 2
for speed in velocities:
    print('Metric:', speed, 'm/sec')
print('Final:', speed, 'm/sec')
```

Range

```
>>> list(range(3))
[0, 1, 2]
>>> list(range(1))
[0]
>>> list(range(0))
[]
>>> list(range(1,5))
[1, 2, 3, 4]
>>> list(range(1,10))
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
>>> list(range(1,10,2))
[1, 3, 5, 7, 9]
>>> list(range(0,10,2))
[0, 2, 4, 6, 8]
>>> list(range(0,10,1))
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
>>> list(range(0,10,-1))
[]
>>> list(range(10,0,-1))
[10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
```

Processing lists using indices

• How to change the values in a list? Suppose you want to double the

values.

```
values = [4, 10, 3, 8, -6]
for num in values:
    num = num * 2
    print(num)

print(values)
```

```
8
20
6
16
-12
[4, 10, 3, 8, -6]
```

```
values = [4, 10, 3, 8, -6]
for i in range(len(values)):
    print(i, values[i])
0 4
1 10
4 -6
values = [4, 10, 3, 8, -6]
for i in range(len(values)):
    values[i] = values[i] * 2
print(values)
 [8, 20, 6, 16, -12]
```

Processing parallel lists using indices

Sometimes the data from one list corresponds to data from another.

```
metals = ['Li','Na','K']
weights = [6.941, 22.98976928, 39.0983]

for i in range(len(metals)):
    print(metals[i], weights[i])
```

Shell

```
Li 6.941
Na 22.98976928
K 39.0983
```

Nested loops

A loop can contain another loop

```
positive = ['Li','Na','K']
negative = ['F','Cl','Br']

for metal in positive:
    for halogen in negative:
        print(metal+halogen)
```

```
LiF
LiCl
LiBr
NaF
NaCl
NaBr
KF
KCl
KBr
```

Iteration of Outer Loop	What metal Refers To	Iteration of Inner Loop	What halogen Refers To	What Is Printed
1st	outer[0]	1st	inner[0]	LiF
		2nd	inner[1]	LiCl
		3rd	inner[2]	LiBr
2nd	outer[1]	1st	inner[0]	NaF
		2nd	inner[1]	NaCl
		3rd	inner[2]	NaBr
3rd	outer[2]	1st	inner[0]	KF
		2nd	inner[1]	KCI
		3rd	inner[2]	KBr

Table 12—Nested Loops Over Inner and Outer Lists

- print() is called 9 times because len(positive) *len(negative) = 9
- For each iteration of the outer loop (for each item in positive), the inner loop executes three times (once per item in negative)

Exercise: Print multiplication table

```
def print table(n):
    """ (int) -> NoneType
   Print the multiplication table for numbers 1 through n inclusive.
   >>> print table(5)
                                        5
                                4
                                        5
                                        10
                                12
                                        15
                        12
                                16
                                        20
                                        25
    # The numbers to include in the table.
   numbers = list(range(1, n + 1))
   # Print the header row.
   for i in numbers:
        print('|t'| + str(i), end='')
   # End the header row.
   print()
   # Print each row number and the contents of each row.
   for i in numbers:
        print (i, end='')
        for j in numbers:
            print('\t' + str(i * j), end='')
        # End the current row.
        print()
```

```
>>> print table(4)
                            3
                                     4
                                     4
                                     8
                            9
                                     12
                            12
                                     16
>>> print table(5)
                            3
                            6
                                     8
                                               10
                            9
                                     12
                                               15
                            12
                                               20
                                     16
                            15
                                     20
                                               25
>>> print table(6)
                            3
                                     4
                                                        6
                            3
                                     4
                                                        6
                            6
                                     8
                                               10
                                                        12
                   4
         3
                            9
                                     12
                                                        18
                            12
                                               20
                                                        24
                                     16
                            15
                                     20
                                                        30
                  10
                                               25
                   12
                            18
                                               30
                                                        36
                                     24
```

Looping over nested lists

Editor

```
elements = [['Li','Na','K'],['F','Cl','Br']]
for inner_list in elements:
    print(inner_list)
```

elements = [['Li','Na','K'],['F','Cl','Br']] for inner_list in elements: for item in inner_list: print(item)

Shell

```
['Li', 'Na', 'K']
['F', 'Cl', 'Br']
>>>
```

```
Li
Na
K
F
Cl
Br
```

Looping over ragged lists

Ragged lists: Nested lists with inner lists of varying lengths

```
>>> drinking times by day = [["9:02", "10:17", "13:52", "18:23", "21:31"],
                             ["8:45", "12:44", "14:52", "22:17"],
                             ["8:55", "11:11", "12:34", "13:46",
                              "15:52", "17:08", "21:15"],
                             ["9:15", "11:44", "16:28"],
                             ["10:01", "13:33", "16:45", "19:00"],
                             ["9:34", "11:16", "15:52", "20:37"],
                             ["9:01", "12:24", "18:51", "23:13"]]
    for day in drinking_times_by_day:
        for drinking time in day:
            print(drinking_time, end=' ')
        print()
. . .
9:02 10:17 13:52 18:23 21:31
8:45 12:44 14:52 22:17
8:55 11:11 12:34 13:46 15:52 17:08 21:15
9:15 11:44 16:28
10:01 13:33 16:45 19:00
9:34 11:16 15:52 20:37
9:01 12:24 18:51 23:13
```

Looping until a condition is reached

- for loops
 - You know how many iterations of the loop you need

```
for <<variable>> in <<li>ist>>:
```

- while loops
 - It is not known in advance how many loop iterations to execute

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while-loop

- When Python executes a while loop,
 - Python evaluates the expression.
 - If the expression evaluates to False, that is the end of the execution of the loop.
 - If the expression evaluates to True, Python executes the loop body once and then goes back to the top of the loop and reevaluates the expression.

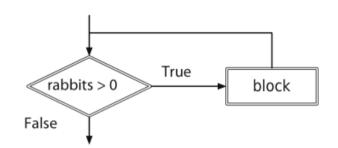
While-loop example 1

Editor

```
rabbits = 3
while rabbits > 0:
    print(rabbits)
    rabbits = rabbits - 1
```

Shell

```
3
2
1
>>>
```



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While-loop example 2

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Growth of bacterial population

```
time = 0
population = 1000 # 1000 bacteria at the start
growth_rate = 0.21 # 21% growth per minute

while population < 2000:
    population = population + growth_rate * population
    print(round(population))
    time = time + 1

print("It took", time, "minutes for the bacteria to double.")
print("The final population was", round(population), "bacteria.")</pre>
```

It took 4 minutes for the bacteria to double.

The final population was 2144 bacteria.

- Exponential growth model
- How long does it take the bacteria to double their numbers?
- For example, if the population was 1000 at the start, how long does it take to be 2000, when the growth rate is given.

Infinite loops

■ If we set while-loop condition to be always false...

```
time = 0
population = 1000 # 1000 bacteria at the start
growth_rate = 0.21 # 21% growth per minute

while population == 2000:
    population = population + growth_rate * population
    print(round(population))
    time = time + 1

print("It took", time, "minutes for the print("The final population was", roun)
The final population was 1000 bacteria.
```

■ If we set while-loop condition to be always true...

```
time = 0
population = 1000 # 1000 bacteria at the start
growth_rate = 0.21 # 21% growth per minute

while population != 2000:
    population = population + growth_rate * population
    print(round(population))
    time = time + 1

print("It took", time, "minutes for the bacteria to double.")
print("The final population was", round(population), "bacteria.")
```

INFINITE LOOP

Ctrl+C to stop the program

Repetition based on user input

An interactive program

- The user enters a chemical formula, the program answers
- until the user enters the command to quit the program
- The number of times that this loop executes will vary depending on user input, but it will execute at least once.

```
text = ""
while text != "quit":
   text = input("Please enter a chemical formula (or 'quit' to exit): ")
   if text == "quit":
       print("...exiting program")
                                             Please enter a chemical formula (or 'quit' to exit): H20
   elif text == "H20":
       print("Water")
                                             Please enter a chemical formula (or 'quit' to exit): CH4
   elif text == "NH3":
                                             Methane
       print("Ammonia")
                                             Please enter a chemical formula (or 'quit' to exit): NH3
   elif text == "CH4":
                                             Ammonia
       print("Methane")
                                             Please enter a chemical formula (or 'quit' to exit): NH3
   else:
                                             Ammonia
       print("Unknown compound")
                                             Please enter a chemical formula (or 'quit' to exit): quit
                                             .exiting program
```

Summary

- Repeating a block is a fundamental way to control a program's behavior. A for loop can be used to iterate over the items of a list, over the characters of a string, and over a sequence of integers generated by built-in function range.
- The most general kind of repetition is the while loop, which continues executing as long as some specified Boolean condition is true. However, the condition is tested only at the beginning of each iteration. If that condition is never false, the loop will be executed forever.
- The break and continue statements can be used to change the way loops execute.
- Control structures like loops and conditionals can be nested inside one another to any desired depth.