

# CSCI 201 – Computer Science 1

## Lab assignment 4: Nested FOR loops and Input/Output with Files

Due on Friday February 2.

Read sections 5.10, 5.11 and 5.12 of the text as you work on this assignment

**Objective:** *Become familiar with designing a solution using a for loop. Learn how to create a nested for loop in Raptor and in C++.*

This assignments deal with files and nested loops.

**Input:** The program prompts for the name of an input file and the name of an output file. The input file contains two positive (non-zero) integers,  $m$  and  $n$ , each less than 20, followed by a character.

**Output:** A file containing an  $m \times n$  rectangle made using the specified character.

For example, if the input file contained the numbers 4 and 6 and the character `*` as shown below,

```
4 6*
```

the output file would show 4 lines of 6 stars each, as shown below:

```
*****  
*****  
*****  
*****
```

This program will start by opening the input file and reading the numbers and the specified character. Thereafter a nested `for` loop will generate the pattern. The following questions are designed to step you through the process of creating the nested loop.

**Question 1:** Using Raptor, create a flowchart for the following process:

*write a specified character (denoted `ch`)  $n$  times on the output stream and move the cursor to the beginning of the next line.* (In Raptor, the character must be put in double quotes. When writing, uncheck the “end current line” box to stay on the same line; write an empty string with the box checked to go to the next line.)

**Question 2:** Created a nested loop in Raptor. The outer loop will run the inner loop a specified number of times. The result will be rectangular block of characters. Example for constructing a nested Raptor loop can be found [here](#). Note that when you draw the nested loop in Raptor, the outer loop is created first, and the inner loop is placed inside it.

**Question 3:** Implement your algorithm in C++ using the `for` loops. Create three sample data files. In a script session, do the following:

1. `cat` the program file and compile it using `g++`.
2. For each data file you created, display the file, run the program and display the resulting output file.

**What to submit.** Create a folder named Lab4 in your CourseFiles folder and upload the Raptor flowcharts and your script to this.