

Cybersecurity Professional Program Introduction to Python for Security

Loops

PY-03-LS3 Loops and Conditions Note: Solutions for the instructor are shown inside the green box.



***** Lab Objective

Understand different ways to work with while loops to control the program flow.



Lab Mission

Practice how to create code using while loops and conditions.



Lab Duration

20 - 30 minutes



Requirements

• Basic knowledge of loops and conditions.



Resources

- **Environment & Tools**
 - Windows, Linux, MacOS
 - Python 3
 - PyCharm



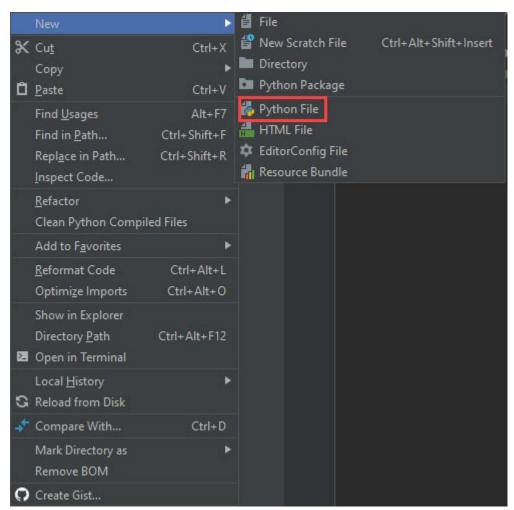
Textbook References

- Chapter 3: Loops
 - Section 1: For & While

Lab Task: While Loops and Conditions

In this lab task, you will continue to practice how to work with **while** loops and conditions, such as **if-else**, in loops.

1 Create a new Python file in PyCharm.
Right-click the project you created previously, and select New → Python File.



2 Create a variable to be used as a counter and set its value to zero, since it will be the counter's starting point.

counter = 0

3 Create a **while** loop with a condition that checks if the counter's value is less than 10.

```
counter = 0
while counter < 10:
```

4 In the loop, add +1 to the counter with each iteration.

```
counter = 0
while counter < 10:
    counter += 1
```

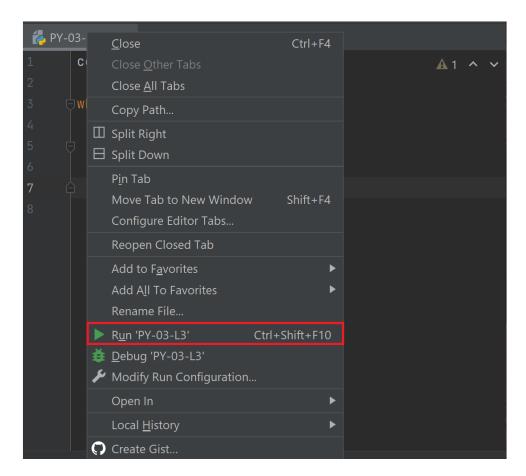
5 Create an *if* statement that checks if the counter equals 6.

```
counter = 0
while counter < 10:
    counter += 1
    if counter == 6:</pre>
```

6 If the counter equals 6, print "Found", and exit the while loop.

```
counter = 0
while counter < 10:
    counter += 1
    if counter == 6:
        print("Found!")
        break</pre>
```

7 Right click the file of the lab and execute the Run "File name."



8 The result of the following program should appear.

Found!
Process finished with exit code 0

9 If the counter doe not equal 6, use an *else* statement to print "Check" and the current value.

```
counter = 0
while counter < 10:
    counter += 1
    if counter == 6:
        print("Found!")
        break
    else:
        print("Check {}".format(counter))</pre>
```