

ImageJ Macro Programming

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Conditional Tests

The folder Data\Images contains 4 files: blobs.gif, boats.gif, bridge.gif and clown.jpg

The following code opens all the files

```
myFolder = getDirectory("Select the folder");  
myListOfFiles = getFileList(myFolder);  
for (i = 0; i < myListOfFiles.length; i++){  
    print("Processing file = " + myListOfFiles[i]);  
    inputPath = myFolder + myListOfFiles[i];  
    open(inputPath);  
}
```

The limitation: you cannot choose to only open the gif files

The solution: test if the file is a gif or not before opening the file

Conditional execution *if*

```
if (condition){
```

```
    statement 1;
```

```
}
```

```
statement 2;
```

//the condition is evaluated

//if the condition is true statement 1 are executed

//the statement 2 is always executed

{ } are used to group together multiple statement as one

Example: modify the value of x to see what happens

```
x = 1;
```

```
if(x == 1){
```

```
    print("It is true!");
```

```
}
```

```
print("end");
```

Conditional execution *if*

```
if (condition = is the file a gif file){  
    open the file;  
    }  
print(something);
```

//the condition “is the file a gif file?” is evaluated
//if the condition (a gif file) is true the file is open

//the statement 2 is always executed

EndsWith() to select

The file name is in the form of name.extension

blobs.gif

clown.jpg

Let's use **endsWith(string, suffix)**

Returns *true* (1) if *string* ends with *suffix*. See also: [startsWith](#), [indexOf](#), [substring](#), [matches](#). <https://imagej.nih.gov/ij/developer/macro/functions.html#endsWith>

```
endsWith(blobs.gif, ".gif");           //returns 1/true
```

```
endsWith(clown.jpg, ".jpg");           //returns 0/false
```

Exercise #1

```
// Pseudo-code of the exercise  
// open one image manually (blobs, boats, bridge or clown)  
// retrieve the title of the open image. Tip: use getTitle()  
// test if the file is a gif. If true print "it is a gif"
```

Conditional execution, *if ... else* statements

```
if (condition) {           //the condition is evaluated
    statement 1;           //if the condition is true statement 1 is executed
}
else {
    statement 2;           //if the condition is false statement 2 is executed
}
```


Conditional execution, *if ... else* statements

```
newImage("My image", "8-bit black", 640, 480, 1);  
x = getNumber("Enter value to add", 5);  
if (x == 0) {  
    showMessage("Adding zero would have no effect");  
}  
else {  
    print("Adding " + x + " to all pixel values. ");  
    run("Add...", "value=" + x);  
}
```

if, if ... else curly brackets or no curly brackets

```
newImage("My image", "8-bit black", 640, 480, 1);  
x = getNumber("Enter value to add", 5);  
if (x == 0)                      //{} are not required when using single statement  
    showMessage("Adding zero would have no effect");  
else                              //{} are not required when using single statement  
    run("Add...", "value=" + x);
```

No advisable = may lead to error when modifying the code later

Exercise #2

```
// Pseudo-code of the exercise  
// open one image manually (blobs, boats, bridge or clown)  
// retrieve the title of the open image. Tip: use getTitle()  
// use if...else to test if the file is a gif. If true print "it is a gif"
```

if, if ... else: testing for file type

```
path = File.openDialog("Select a file");  
if (endsWith(path, ".tif")){  
    open(path);  
}  
else {  
    print(path+ " is not a tif file");  
}
```

Exercise #3

- 1 - Create an array containing all the files of the "Data\Images" folder
- 2 - Print the length of this array
- 3 - Print all the files name contained in that folder
- 4 - Open the images files of that folder only if they are .gif

Exercise #3b

- 5 - Open the images files of that folder only if they are .jpg

Tip #1: use the built-in functions ***getDirectory***, ***getFileList***, ***open()***, ***endsWith()***

Tip #2: the path to each file is ***directory+file name***

Exercise #1: solution

```
// Pseudo-code of the exercice
// open one image manually (blobs, boats, bridge or clown)
// retrieve the title of the open image. Tip: use getTitle()
// test if the file is a gif. If true print "it is a gif"

print("\\Clear");
print("*** start macro ***");
fileName = getTitle();
if (endsWith(fileName, ".gif")){
    print(fileName+" is a gif file");
}
print("*** end macro ***");
```

Exercise #2: solution

```
// Pseudo-code of the exercise
// open one image manually (blobs, boats, bridge or clown)
// retrieve the title of the open image. Tip: use getTitle()
// test if the file is a gif. If true print "it is a gif"

print("\\Clear");
print("*** start macro ***");
fileName = getTitle();
if (endsWith(fileName, ".gif")){
    print(fileName+" is a gif file");
}
else {
    print(fileName+" is not a gif file");
}
print("*** end macro ***");
```