

Week-6: Code-along

NM2207: Computational Media Literacy

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II. Code to edit and execute using the Code-along-6.Rmd file

A. for loop

1. Simple for loop (Slide #6)

```
# Enter code here
for(x in c(3, 6, 9)) {
  print(x)
}
```

```
## [1] 3
## [1] 6
## [1] 9
```

2. for loops structure (Slide #7)

```
# Left-hand side code: for loop for passing values
for (x in 1:8)
{print(x)}
```

```
## [1] 1
## [1] 2
## [1] 3
## [1] 4
## [1] 5
## [1] 6
## [1] 7
## [1] 8
```

```
# Right-hand side code: for loop for passing indices
for (x in 1:8)
{y<- seq(from=100, to=200, by=5)
print(y[x])}
```

```
## [1] 100
## [1] 105
## [1] 110
## [1] 115
## [1] 120
## [1] 125
## [1] 130
## [1] 135
```

3. Example: find sample means (Slide #9)

```
# Enter code here
sample_sizes <- c(5, 10, 15, 20, 25000)
sample_means <- double(length(sample_sizes))
for (i in seq_along(sample_sizes)) {
  sample_means[[i]] <- mean(rnorm(sample_sizes[[i]]))
}
sample_means
```

```
## [1] 0.528022079 -0.359907903 0.359968174 0.101018271 0.003129293
```

4. Alternate ways to pre-allocate space (Slide #12)

```
# Example 3 for data_type=double
sample_means <- rep(0, length(sample_sizes))
```

```
# Initialisation of data_list
data_list <- vector("list", length=5)
```

5. Review: Vectorized operations (Slide #18)

```
# Example: bad idea!
a <- 7:11
b <- 8:12
out <- rep(0L, 5)
for (i in seq_along(a)) {
  out[i] <- a[i] + b[i]
}
out
```

```
## [1] 15 17 19 21 23
```

```
# Taking advantage of vectorization
a <- 7:11
b <- 8:12
out <- a + b
out
```

```
## [1] 15 17 19 21 23
```

B. Functionals

6. for loops vs Functionals (Slides #23 and #24)

```
# Slide 23
sample_sizes <- c(5, 10, 15, 20, 25000)
fsd <- function(sample_sizes){
  sample_sds <- rep(0, length(sample_sizes))
  for(i in seq_along(sample_sizes)) {
    sample_sds[i] <- sd(rnorm(sample_sizes[i]))
  }
}
```

```
# Slide 24
sample_sizes <- c(5, 10, 15, 20, 25000)
sample_summary <- function(sample_sizes, fun) {
  out <- vector("double", length(sample_sizes))
  for(i in seq_along(sample_sizes)) {
    out[i] <- fun(rnorm(sample_sizes[i]))
  }
  return(out)
}
#Compute mean
sample_summary(sample_sizes, mean)
```

```
## [1] 0.019793512 0.231364224 0.271473445 0.269863563 0.005179282
```

```
# Compute median
sample_summary(sample_sizes, median)
```

```
## [1] -0.09049222 0.37876291 0.28351890 0.36935762 -0.01147208
```

```
# Compute sd
sample_summary(sample_sizes, sd)
```

```
## [1] 0.9215661 1.0589072 1.0190607 0.8138807 1.0043712
```

C. while loop

7. while loop (Slides #27)

```
# Left-hand side code: for loop
for(i in 1:5){
  print(i)
}
```

```
## [1] 1
## [1] 2
## [1] 3
## [1] 4
## [1] 5
```

```
# Right-hand side code: while loop  
i <-1  
while(i <= 5){  
  print(i)  
  i <- i+1  
}
```

```
## [1] 1  
## [1] 2  
## [1] 3  
## [1] 4  
## [1] 5
```