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In this example, you'll learn to print the Fibonacci sequence using a while loop.

To understand this example, you should have the knowledge of following R programming topics:

- R if...else Statement
- R while loop

A Fibonacci sequence is the integer sequence of

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0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8...
```

The first two terms are 0 and 1. All other terms are obtained by adding the preceding two terms.

This means to say the  $n$ th term is the sum of  $(n-1)^{\text{th}}$  and  $(n-2)^{\text{th}}$  term.

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## Example: Print Fibonacci Sequence

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# take input from the user
nterms = as.integer(readline(prompt="How many terms? "))
# first two terms
n1 = 0
n2 = 1
count = 2
# check if the number of terms is valid
if(nterms <= 0) {
  print("Plese enter a positive integer")
} else {
  if(nterms == 1) {
    print("Fibonacci sequence:")
    print(n1)
  } else {
    print("Fibonacci sequence:")
    print(n1)
    print(n2)
    while(count < nterms) {
      nth = n1 + n2
      print(nth)
      # update values
      n1 = n2
      n2 = nth
      count = count + 1
    }
  }
}
```

## Output

```
How many terms? 7
[1] "Fibonacci sequence:"
[1] 0
[1] 1
[1] 1
[1] 2
[1] 3
[1] 5
[1] 8
```

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Here, we ask the user for the number of terms in the sequence. We initialize the first term to 0 and the second term to 1.

If the number of terms is more than 2, we use a `while` loop to find the next term in the sequence.

Inside the while loop, we first print the first two terms  $n1$  and  $n2$  respectively. Then, we calculate the next term  $nth$  by adding the last two terms and print it.

Now, we update the values of  $n1$  and  $n2$  to the last two terms, i.e. the term in  $n2$  to  $n1$  and the term we just calculated  $nth$  to  $n2$ .

This goes on until the number of terms reaches the  $nterms$  entered by the user.