

# Week 5 Tutorial

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COMP10001 – Foundations of Computing

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- Iterations (For, While)
- Dictionaries
- Sets



# Agenda

1. Week 5 Discussion – **Tutorial sheet** (~ 55 mins)
2. One-on-one Q&A for **Ed worksheets** (~ 55 mins)

5 (25/8)	Project 1 Overview	Advanced function: parameters, namespaces, functions as objects, mutability	Consolidation lecture	Week 5 tutorial sheet Week 5 tutorial solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ed worksheets 6, 7 and 8 due (25/8 at 6 pm)</li><li>• Project 1 release</li></ul>
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*Ed worksheets 6, 7 and 8 due (25/Aug, Monday at 6 pm)*

*Ed worksheets 9 due (1/Sep, Monday at 6 pm)*

*Mid-Semester Test (11/Sep, Thursday at Lecture time)*

# Revision: Dictionaries

```
subjects = {  
    "COMP10001": "Foundations of Computing",  
    "MAST10006": "Calculus 2",  
    "MAST10007": "Linear Algebra",  
    "SCIE10005": "Today's Science, Tomorrow's World",  
}
```

```
print(subjects["COMP10001"])
```



```
subjects["SCIE10005"] = "TSTW"
```



# Revision: Dictionaries

```
subjects = {  
    "COMP10001": "Foundations of Computing",  
    "MAST10006": "Calculus 2",  
    "MAST10007": "Linear Algebra",  
    "SCIE10000": "Today's Science, Tomorrow's World",  
}
```

```
print(subjects.keys())
```

➡ ["COMP10001", "MAST10006", "MAST10007", "SCIE10000"]

```
print(subjects.values())
```

➡ [  
 "Foundations of Computing",  
 "Calculus 2",  
 "Linear Algebra",  
 "Today's Science, Tomorrow's World"  
]

# Revision: Dictionaries

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subjects = {  
    "COMP10001": "Foundations of Computing",  
    "MAST10006": "Calculus 2",  
    "MAST10007": "Linear Algebra",  
    "SCIE10000": "Today's Science, Tomorrow's World",  
}
```

```
print(subjects.items())
```

→

```
[  
    ("COMP10001", "Foundations of Computing"),  
    ("MAST10006", "Calculus 2"),  
    ("MAST10007", "Linear Algebra"),  
    ("SCIE10000", "Today's Science, Tomorrow's World")  
]
```

# Revision: Sets

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$B = \{1, 4, 9\}$$

$$A \mid B = A.\text{union}(B) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 9\}$$

$$A \& B = A.\text{intersection}(B) = \{1\}$$

$$A - B = A.\text{difference}(B) = \{2, 3\}$$



# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (a)

1. Without using a computer, what is the output of the following snippets of code containing loops?

(a)

```
i = 2
while i < 8:
    print(f"The square of {i} is {i * i}")
    i = i + 2
```

*The square of 2 is 4*

*The square of 4 is 16*

*The square of 6 is 36*



# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (a)

Python 3.11  
[known limitations](#)

```
1 i = 2
→ 2 while i < 8:
3     print(f"The square of {i} is {i * i}")
4     i = i + 2
```

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Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```
The square of 2 is 4
The square of 4 is 16
The square of 6 is 36
```

Frames

Objects

Global frame

i | 8





# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (b)

```
(b) for ingredient in ("corn", "pear", "chilli", "fish"):
    if ingredient.startswith('c'):
        print(ingredient, "is delicious!")
    else:
        print(ingredient, "is not!")
```

*corn is delicious!*

*pear is not!*

*chilli is delicious!*

*fish is not!*



# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (b)

Python 3.11  
[known limitations](#)

```
→ 1 for ingredient in ("corn", "pear", "chilli", "fish"):
  2     if ingredient.startswith('c'):
  3         print(ingredient, "is delicious!")
  4     else:
→ 5         print(ingredient, "is not!")
```

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Step 13 of 13

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```
corn is delicious!
pear is not!
chilli is delicious!
fish is not!
```

Frames

Objects

Global frame

ingredient "fish"

# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (c)

```
(c) i = 0
colours = ("pink", "red", "blue", "gold", "red")
while i < len(colours):
    if colours[i] == "red":
        print("Found red at index", i)
    i += 1
```

*Found red at index 1*

*Found red at index 4*



# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (c)

Python 3.11

[known limitations](#)

```
1 i = 0
2 colours = ("pink", "red", "blue", "gold", "red")
3 while i < len(colours):
4     if colours[i] == "red":
5         print("Found red at index", i)
6         i += 1
```

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Step 9 of 20

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

Found red at index 1

Frames

Global frame

i

1

colours

Objects

tuple

0	1	2	3	4
"pink"	"red"	"blue"	"gold"	"red"

## TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (d)

```
(d) input_str = "4+3+2\n3+1+1\n0+4+5+7"
for line in input_str.split("\n"):
    num_sum = 0
    for num in line.split("+"):
        num_sum += int(num)
    print(num_sum)
```

9

5

16



# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (d)

Python 3.11  
[known limitations](#)

```
1 input_str = "4+3+2\n3+1+1\n0+4+5+7"
→ 2 for line in input_str.split("\n"):
3     num_sum = 0
4     for num in line.split("+"):
5         num_sum += int(num)
→ 6 print(num_sum)
```

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Step 12 of 34

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

9

Frames

Objects

Global frame

input_str	"4+3+2 3+1+1 0+4+5+7"
line	"4+3+2"
num_sum	9
num	"2"

# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 2

2. Consider the following `while` loop and two conversions to `for` loops. Are the two `for` loops equivalent? Why might you choose one over the other?

```
count = 0
items = ('eggs', 'spam', 'more eggs')
while count < len(items):
    print(f"need to buy {items[count]}")
    count += 1
```

```
items = ('eggs', 'spam', 'more eggs')
for count in range(len(items)):
    print(f"need to buy {items[count]}")
```

```
items = ('eggs', 'spam', 'more eggs')
for item in items:
    print(f"need to buy {item}")
```

*Both are functionally equivalent and will do the same thing.*

- The first uses `range()` to get indices which index items, making it closer to original loop.
- The second is cleaner since it iterates through list directly.

# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 2

Python 3.11  
[known limitations](#)

```

1 count = 0
2 items = ('eggs', 'spam', 'more eggs')
3 while count < len(items):
→ 4     print(f"need to buy {items[count]}")
→ 5     count += 1

```

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Step 11 of 12

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```

need to buy eggs
need to buy spam
need to buy more eggs

```

Frames      Objects

Global frame

count	2
items	tuple

tuple

0	1	2
"eggs"	"spam"	"more eggs"

Python 3.11  
[known limitations](#)

```

1 items = ('eggs', 'spam', 'more eggs')
→ 2 for count in range(len(items)):
→ 3     print(f"need to buy {items[count]}")

```

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Step 8 of 8

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```

need to buy eggs
need to buy spam
need to buy more eggs

```

Frames      Objects

Global frame

items	tuple
count	2

tuple

0	1	2
"eggs"	"spam"	"more eggs"

Python 3.11  
[known limitations](#)

```

1 items = ('eggs', 'spam', 'more eggs')
→ 2 for item in items:
→ 3     print(f"need to buy {item}")

```

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→ next line to execute

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Step 8 of 8

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```

need to buy eggs
need to buy spam
need to buy more eggs

```

Frames      Objects

Global frame

items	tuple
item	"more eggs"

tuple

0	1	2
"eggs"	"spam"	"more eggs"



# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 3

3. Rewrite the loops in Questions 1a and 1b, converting `for` loops to `while` loops and vice versa.

(a)

```
i = 2
while i < 8:
    print(f"The square of {i} is {i * i}")
    i = i + 2
```

Convert to `for` loop

```
for i in range(2, 8, 2):
    print(f"The square of {i} is {i*i}")
```

(b)

```
for ingredient in ("corn", "pear", "chilli", "fish"):
    if ingredient.startswith('c'):
        print(ingredient, "is delicious!")
    else:
        print(ingredient, "is not!")
```

Convert to `while` loop

```
ingredients = ("corn", "pear", "chilli", "fish")
i = 0
while i < len(ingredients):
    ingredient = ingredients[i]
    if ingredient.startswith("c"):
        print(ingredient, "is delicious!")
    else:
        print(ingredient, "is not!")
    i += 1
```

# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 3

3. Rewrite the loops in Questions 1a and 1b, converting **for** loops to **while** loops and vice versa.

(a) 

```
i = 2
while i < 8:
    print(f"The square of {i} is {i * i}")
    i = i + 2
```

Convert to **for** loop

Python 3.11  
[known limitations](#)

```
→ 1 for i in range(2, 8, 2):
→ 2     print(f"The square of {i} is {i*i}")
```

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Step 7 of 7

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```
The square of 2 is 4
The square of 4 is 16
The square of 6 is 36
```

Frames

Global frame

i 6

Objects

(b) 

```
for ingredient in ("corn", "pear", "chilli", "fish"):
    if ingredient.startswith('c'):
        print(ingredient, "is delicious!")
    else:
        print(ingredient, "is not!")
```

Convert to **while** loop

Python 3.11  
[known limitations](#)

```
1 ingredients = ("corn", "pear", "chilli", "fish")
2 i = 0
→ 3 while i < len(ingredients):
4     ingredient = ingredients[i]
5     if ingredient.startswith("c"):
6         print(ingredient, "is delicious!")
7     else:
8         print(ingredient, "is not!")
→ 9     i += 1
```

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→ next line to execute

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```
corn is delicious!
pear is not!
chilli is delicious!
fish is not!
```

Frames

Global frame

ingredients

i 4

ingredient "fish"

Objects

tuple

0	1	2	3
"corn"	"pear"	"chilli"	"fish"

# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 4

4. Evaluate the following given the assignment `d = {"R": 0, "G": 255, "B": 0, "other": {"opacity": 0.6}}`. If `d` changes as a result, give its new value. Assume `d` is reset to its original value each time.

(a) `"R" in d` *True*

(b) `d["R"]` *0*

(c) `d["R"] = 255`  
`d = {'R': 255, 'G': 255, 'B': 0, 'other': {'opacity': 0.6}}`

(d) `d["A"]` *KeyError*

(e) `d["A"] = 50`  
`d = {'R': 0, 'G': 255, 'B': 0, 'other': {'opacity': 0.6}, 'A': 50}`

(f) `d.pop("G")` *255*  
`d = {'R': 0, 'B': 0, 'other': {'opacity': 0.6}}`

(g) `d["other"]["blur"] = 0.1`  
`d = {'R': 0, 'G': 255, 'B': 0, 'other': {'opacity': 0.6, 'blur': 0.1}}`

(h) `d.items()`  
`dict_items([('R', 0), ('G', 255), ('B', 0), ('other', {'opacity': 0.6})])`



# TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 5

5. Evaluate the following given the assignment  $s1 = \{1, 2, 4\}$  and  $s2 = \{3, 4, 5\}$ . If  $s1$  or  $s2$  change as a result, give their new value. Assume  $s1$  and  $s2$  are reset to their original values each time.

(a) `s1.add(7)`

`{1, 2, 4, 7}`

(b) `s1.add(2)`

*s1 does not change (2 is already in the set)*

(c) `s2.remove(5)`

`{3, 4}`

(d) `s1 & s2`, or equivalently `s1.intersection(s2)`

`{4}`

*The intersection of two sets includes **only the common elements** present in both sets.*

(e) `s1 | s2`, or equivalently `s1.union(s2)`

`{1, 2, 3, 4, 5}`

*The union of two sets **combines all unique elements** from both sets.*

(f) `s1 - s2`

`{1, 2}`

*The difference between two sets includes elements **present in the first set but not in the second**.*

# Independent Work

- **Project 1** will be released this Friday!
  - If you're struggling, please try to **find assistance early** than later.
- **Do worksheet 9** on Ed (**due next Monday at 6pm**)
  - Remember that **Ed worksheets contributes to 10% of your total score!**
- **Raise your hand** if you have any questions!

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