Week 5 Tutorial

COMP10001 – Foundations of Computing

Semester 2, 2025

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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	• Ed worksheets 6, 7 and 8 due (25/8 at 6 pm) • Project 1 release

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"
]
```

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    "MAST10007": "Linear Algebra",
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}
```

```
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 | B = A.union(B) = {1, 2, 3, 4, 9}

A & B = A.intersection(B) = {1}

A - B = A.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
```

Edit this code

line that just executed
next line to execute

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

https://pythontutor.com/

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)

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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
```

Edit this code

line that just executed
next line to execute

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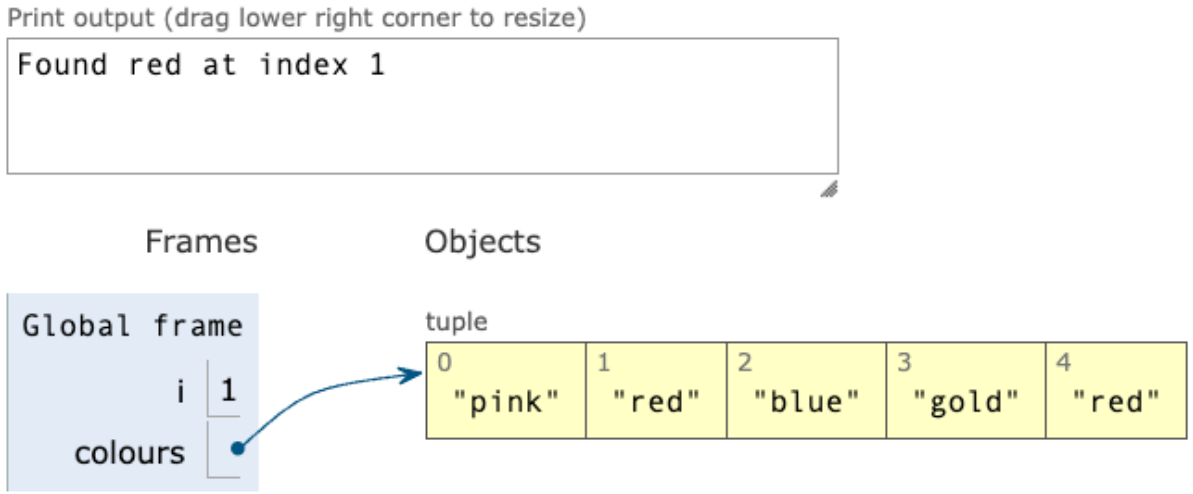
Step 9 of 20

Print output (drag lower right corner to resize)

```
Found red at index 1
```



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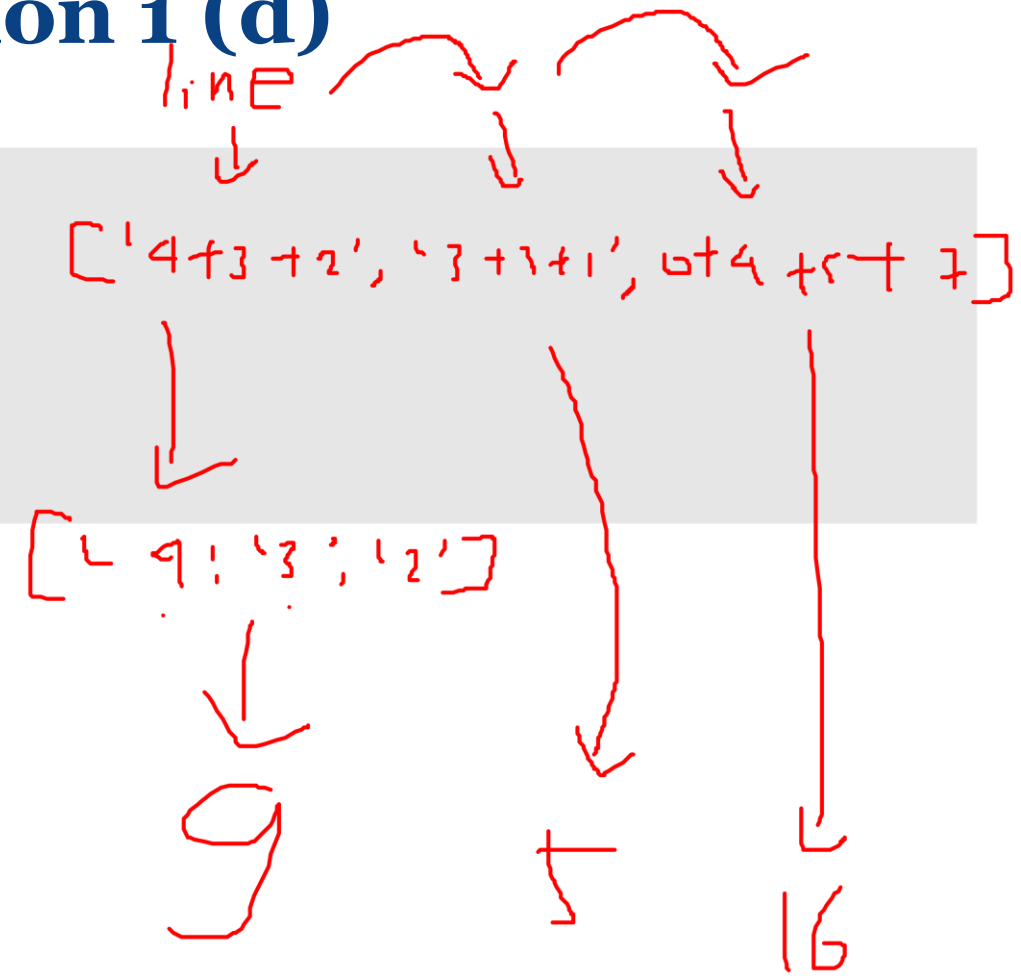
TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (d)

(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

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16

TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 1 (d)

Python 3.11
known limitations

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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)
```

Edit this code

line that just executed
next line to execute

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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"

https://pythontutor.com/

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]}")
```

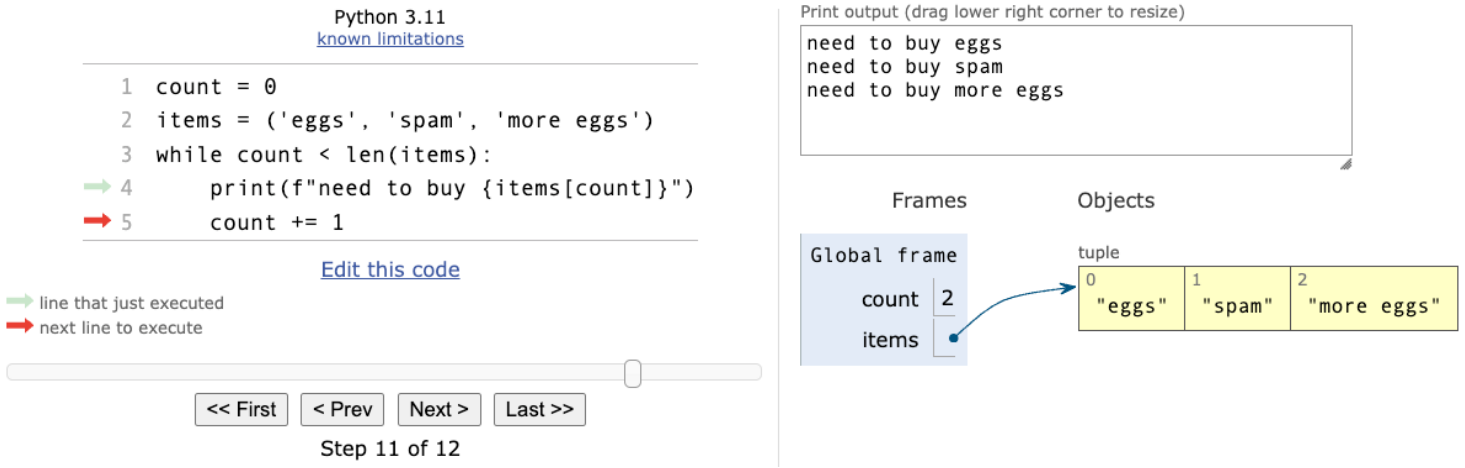
```
items = ('eggs', 'spam', 'more eggs')
for item in items:
  print(f"need to buy {item}")
```

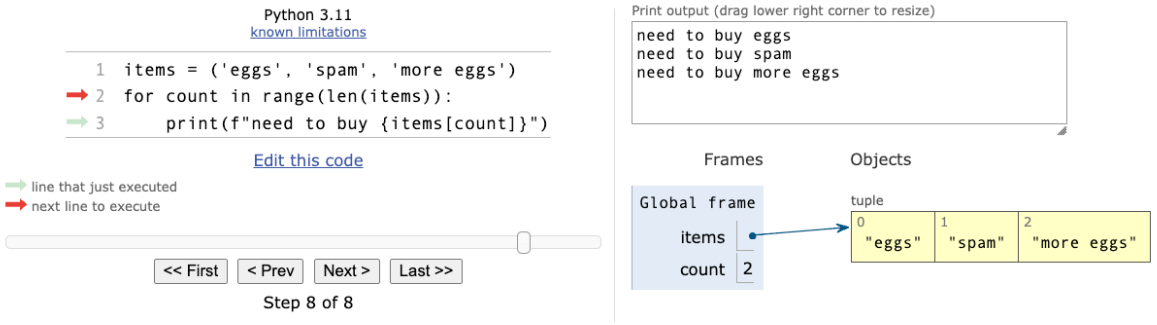
Both are functionally equivalent and will do the same thing.

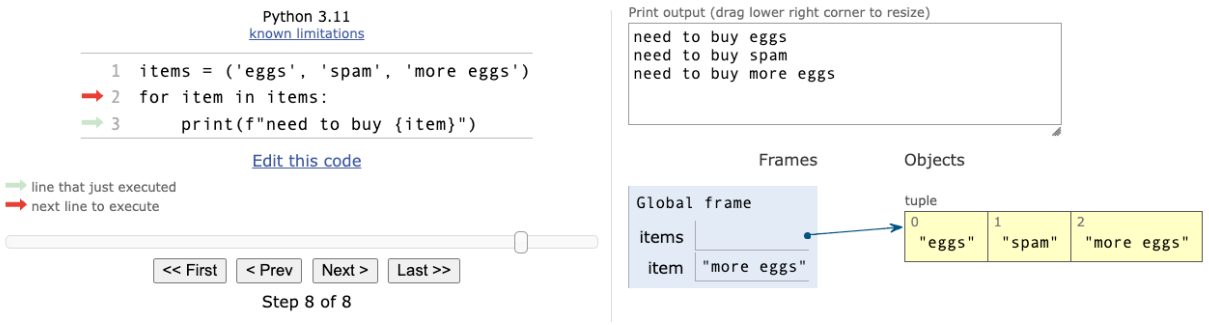
- *The first uses* ***`range()`*** *to get indices which index items, making it closer to original loop.*
- *The second is cleaner since it iterates through list directly.*

https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/difference-between-for-loop-and-while-loop-in-programming/

TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 2







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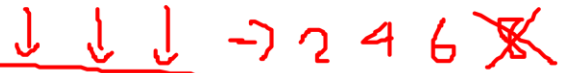
TuteSheet Week 5 – Question 3

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
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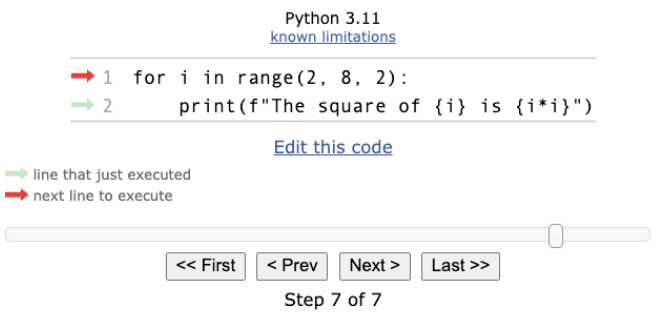
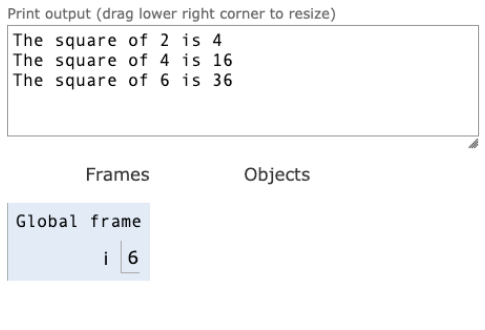
    i = i + 2
```

*Convert to **`for`** loop*





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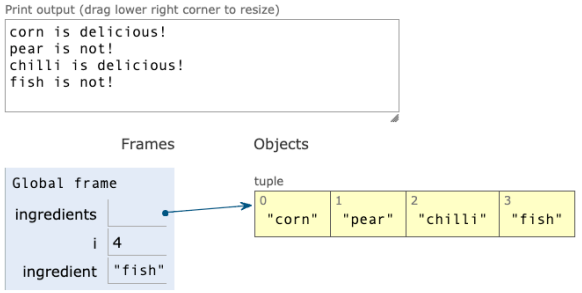
```

*Convert to **`while`** loop*



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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**.*

https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/python-set-operations-union-intersection-difference-symmetric-difference/

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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