

Nested loops

- we just saw example of nested loops

The syntax is:

```
# nested while
while test1:
    [statement]
    while test2:
        statement
```

The key point:

inner loop does **all** of its iterations for **each** of the outer loop iterations!!!

Python's other repetition structure: for loops

The syntax is:

```
for item in sequence:  
    statement
```

"for each item in sequence execute the following statement[s]"

Examples of sequences (iterables):

- string 'hello'
- list [1, 2, 3]
- tuple (1, 2, 3)
- dictionary {'a': 97, 'b': 98}
- set {"apple", "banana", "cherry"}

```
# for loop examples  
for c in 'This is a vertical text!':  
    print(c)  
  
for x in [1, 2, 3]:  
    print(x)  
  
for x in range(3):  
    print(x)
```

Five hi! revisited

```
# example: five hi
```

```
counter = 5
```

```
while counter > 0:
```

```
    print("Hi!")
```

```
    counter=counter-1
```

```
# five hi! for loop
```

```
for x in [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]:
```

```
    print("Hi!")
```

- Not all repetitions can be represented using **for** loop
- **while** is more general and flexible,

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Exercise: draw a square

Write a program that reads in the size of a square and a character and then prints out a hollow square of that size out of the specified character and blanks. Your program should work for squares of all sizes from 1 to 20 inclusive. Here is a sample run of the program,

```
What size square? 5
What character? *
*****
*      *
*      *
*      *
*      *
*****
```

Think about pseudocode first!

Hint: **print(c, end='')** prints a character without moving on to the next line (note default end='\n' & print(c) => used default end character.

Hint: you might want to use **range()** to generate a sequence.

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Exercise: draw a square (solution v1)

draw_a_square_v1.py

```
9 print("This program will draw a hallow square on the screen")
10 print()
11
12 size = eval(input("How large a square would you like?"))
13 c = input("Which character should I use to draw it?")
14
15 if size < 1:
16     print("Sorry, can't handle negative sizes or null size.")
17 elif size == 1:
18     print('c')
19 else:
20     # draw top row of the square
21     for i in range(size):
22         print(c, end='')
23     print()
24
25 # draw the middle rows of the square
26 for i in range(size-2):
27     print(c, end='')
28     for j in range(size-2):
29         print(' ', end='')
30     print(c)
31
32 # draw the bottom row of the square
33 for i in range(size):
34     print(c, end='')
35 print
--
```

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Exercise: draw a square (solution v2)

```
1 # draw_a_square_v2.py
2 # Draw a hallow square on screen. The size and character to use are chosen
3 # by the user.
4 #
5 # CPSC 128 example code
6 # S. Bulut
7 # May 2019
8
9 print("This program will draw a hallow square on the screen")
10 print()
11
12 size = eval(input("How large a square would you like?"))
13 c = input("Which character should I use to draw it?")
14
15 if size < 1:
16     print("Sorry, can't handle negative sizes or null size.")
17 elif size == 1:
18     print('c')
19 else:
20     for row in range(size):
21         for col in range(size):
22             if row==0 or row==size-1 or col==0 or col==size-1:
23                 print(c, end='')
24             else:
25                 print(' ', end='')
26         print()
```

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Exercise: draw a square (solution v3)

```
1# draw_a_square_v3.py
2# Draw a hallow square on screen. The size and character to use are chosen
3# by the user.
4#
5# CPSC 128 example code
6# S. Bulut
7# May 2019
8
9print("This program will draw a hallow square on the screen")
10print()
11
12size = eval(input("How large a square would you like?"))
13c = input("Which character should I use to draw it?")
14
15if size < 1:
16    print("Sorry, can't handle negative sizes or null size.")
17elif size == 1:
18    print('c')
19else:
20    print(size*c+'\n'+(size-2)*(c+(size-2)*' '+c+'\n')+size*c+'\n')
21
```

Summary: repetition structures in Python

```
while test-expression:  
    statement  
for item in sequence:  
    statement
```


Applications of loops: Brute force method

When in doubt, use brute force. ~ Ken Thompson, Bell Labs

- We are not quick in doing processing and we are unreliable in doing repetitive operations.
- However, computers are very quick and reliable in doing repetitive calcs
- Hence, using loops, we can find brute force solutions for many computational problems
- Let's consider examples of simulations and number crunching

Number crunching:

Programming exercise: Factors

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Number crunching:

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```
0
7 print("This program will display all factors of
8 num = eval(input("Enter an integer number"))
9 print()
10
11 print("%d's factors are:" % num)
12 # alternative print statement with sep='' trick
13 # print(num, "'s factors are:", sep='')
14 divisor=1
15 while divisor <= num:
16     if num%divisor == 0:
17         print(divisor, num/divisor)
18     divisor=divisor+1
19
```

```
11 print("%d's factors are:" % num)
12 # alternative print statement with sep:
13 # print(num, "'s factors are:", sep='')
14 for divisor in range(1, num+1):
15     if num%divisor == 0:
16         print(divisor, num/divisor)
17
```

Simulation

In a simulation problem we write a program that simulates a real world process, relying on our ability to generate random numbers to take account of the uncertainty of real-world processes like whether

- newborns are girls or boys,
- how long it will take to unload an airplane,
- the chances a vehicle will turn left or right or go straight.

If we do this enough times we can make a reliable estimate of the probability of a real-world event occurring

Problem: What are the chances: four children, all girls?

Write a simulation program that estimates the percentage of 4-child families in which all the children are girls by simulating the formation of 1000 four-child families. Assume that the chances of a newborn being a girl or a boy are equal. A sample run of the program might look like this:

```
In 1,000 simulated four-child families  
approximately 7% were made up of four daughters.
```

Hint: use 'random.randint()' to flip a coin to see if a birth event will yield a boy or a girl

Problem: What are the chances: four children, all girls?

```
1 # allgirsl.py
2
3 # simulate 1000 4-child families
4 # count how many of them have all-daughters
5 import random
6
7 allgirls = 0
8 for family in range(1000):
9
10     daughters = 0
11     for birth in range(4):
12         # assign 0 -> a boy, 1-> a girl
13         if random.randint(0,1) == 1:
14             daughters = daughters + 1
15
16     if daughters == 4:
17         allgirls = allgirls + 1
18
19
20 print("Percentage of all girl families is: %1.2f" % (allgirls/1000.*100) )
21
```

Re-do: using while loop!

Part II Object based programming

- **Aggregate data types 1: Lists and strings.**
- **Functions.**
- **Aggregate data types 2: Dictionaries.**
- **Text files.**

Object based programming

- all the values that we've worked with are obj's
- We did things like '`x = a + 10`' using built-in operators,
- We did polymorphism/operator overloading

<code>x = a + 10</code>	vs	<code>s='hello' + 'world'</code>
<code>9%5</code>	vs	<code>print("%d apples" % 9)</code>

In python everything is an object:

An object is a collection of attributes and methods/functions that it knows how to apply to itself

Object based programming

Example: name='alice' is a string object

its attribute is a being sequence of the characters 'a' 'l' 'i' 'c' 'e'

its methods:

```
>>> dir(name)
['_add_', '__class__', '__contains__', '__delattr__', '__doc__', '__eq__', '__format__', '__ge__', '__getattribute__', '__getitem__', '__getnewargs__', '__getslice__', '__gt__', '__hash__', '__init__', '__len__', '__lt__', '__mod__', '__mul__', '__ne__', '__new__', '__reduce__', '__reduce_ex__', '__repr__', '__rmod__', '__rmul__', '__setattr__', '__sizeof__', '__str__', '__subclasshook__', '_formatter_field_name_split', '_formatter_parser', 'capitalize', 'center', 'count', 'decode', 'encode', 'endswith', 'expandtabs', 'find', 'format', 'index', 'isalnum', 'isalpha', 'isdigit', 'islower', 'isspace', 'istitle', 'isupper', 'join', 'ljust', 'lower', 'lstrip', 'partition', 'replace', 'rfind', 'rindex', 'rjust', 'rpartition', 'rsplit', 'rstrip', 'split', 'splitlines', 'startswith', 'strip', 'swapcase', 'title', 'translate', 'upper', 'zfill']
>>> []
```

- methods with double underscore '__' correspond to methods invoked by an operator such as '+' corresponding to '__add__'
- others invoked via syntax:

object_name.method_name(parameters)

Object based programming

```
In [31]: name='alice'
```

```
In [32]: name.upper()
```

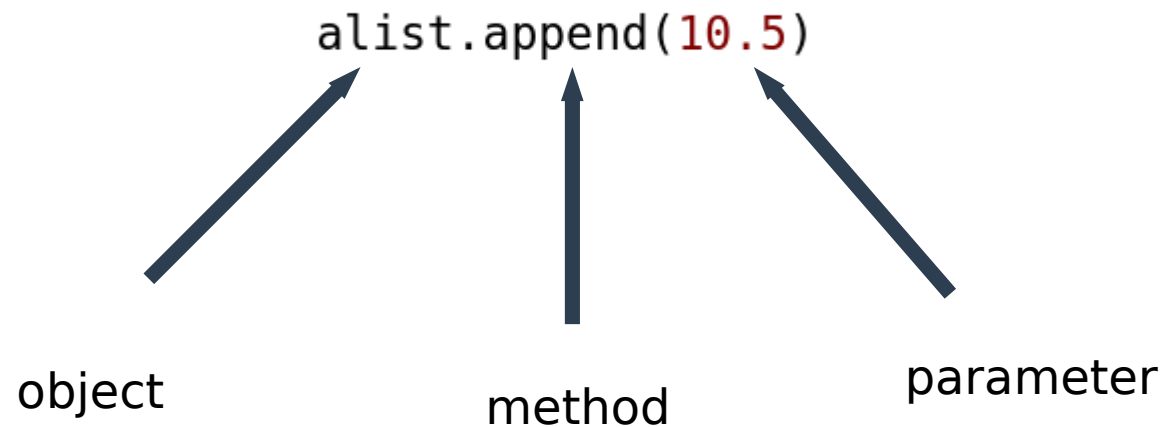
```
Out[32]: 'ALICE'
```

```
In [33]: name.center(10)
```

```
Out[33]: '  alice  '
```

```
In [34]: name.split()
```

```
Out[34]: ['alice']
```



Sequence Types

Do the following examples:

Strings

```
name = "Joe"
"m" in name
"o" not in name
min(name)
max(name)
name = name + " " + "Sixpack"
print(name)
name[0]
name[2]
name[-1]
name[-2]
name[2:7]
len(name)
name*3
```

Lists

```
nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
3 in nums
9 in nums
min(nums)
max(nums)
nums = nums + [9, 10]
print(nums)
nums[0]
nums[2]
nums[-1]
nums[-2]
nums[2:5]
len(nums)
nums[2] = 11
print(nums)
nums[2:6] = [20, 30]
```

Note: Lists are mutable while strings aren't!