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In [3]: # Repeated Steps
n = 5
while n > 0 :
    print(n)
    n = n - 1
print('Blastoff!')
print(n)

# Loops (repeated steps) have iteration variables that change each time through a L
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5
4
3
2
1
Blastoff!
0

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In [3]: # An Infinite Loop
n = 5
while n > 0 :
    print('Lather')
    print('Rinse')
print('Dry off!')
# What is wrong with this loop?
# it will never end because n will never become less than 0, thus it will go on inf
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Lather
Rinse
Lather
Rinse
Lather
Rinse
Lather
Rinse
Lather
Rinse
Lather
Rinse
Lather
Rinse
Lather
Rinse
Lather
Rinse
Lather
Rinse
Dry off!

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In [7]: n = 0
while n > 0 :
    print('Lather')
    print('Rinse')
print('Dry off!')
# What is this loop doing?
# The loop will not run because the condition will never be met.
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Dry off!

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In [11]: # Breaking Out of a Loop
# • The break statement ends the current loop and jumps to the statement immediately following the loop
# • It is like a loop test that can happen anywhere in the body of the loop
while True:
    line = input('> ')
    if line == 'done' :
        break
    print(line)
print('Done!')
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Hello There!

Finished!

Done!

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In [13]: # The CONTINUE statement ends the current iteration and jumps to the top of the loop
while True:
    line = input('> ')
    if line[0] == '#' :
        continue
    if line == 'done' :
        break
    print(line)
print('Done!')
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Indefinite Loops

• While loops are called “indefinite loops” because they keep going until a logic

• The loops we have seen so far are pretty easy to examine to see if they will terminate

• Sometimes it is a little harder to be sure if a loop will terminate

Hello There!

Print this

Done!

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In [17]: # Definite Loops
# Iterating over a set of items...
# • Quite often we have a list of items of the lines in a file -effectively a finite set
# • We can write a loop to run the loop once for each of the items in a set using the range() function
# • These loops are called “definite loops” because they execute an exact number of times
# • We say that “definite loops iterate through the members of a set”
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In [19]: # A Simple Definite Loop
for i in [5, 4, 3, 2, 1] :
    print(i)
print('Blastoff!')
# The iteration variable moves through all of the values in the sequence
# Definite loops (for loops) have explicit iteration variables that change each time
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5

4

3

2

1

Blastoff!

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In [21]: # A Definite Loop with Strings
friends = ['Joseph', 'Glenn', 'Sally']
for friend in friends :
    print('Happy New Year:', friend)
print('Done!')
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Happy New Year: Joseph
Happy New Year: Glenn
Happy New Year: Sally
Done!

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In [23]: print('Before')
for thing in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    print(thing)
print('After')
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Before
9
41
12
3
74
15
After

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In [25]: # Finding the Largest Value
largest_so_far = -1
print('Before', largest_so_far)
for the_num in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    if the_num > largest_so_far :
        largest_so_far = the_num
    print(largest_so_far, the_num)
print('After', largest_so_far)
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Before -1
9 9
41 41
41 12
41 3
74 74
74 15
After 74

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In [27]: # Counting in a Loop
zork = 0
print('Before', zork)
for thing in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    zork = zork + 1
    print(zork, thing)
print('After', zork)
# To count how many times we execute a loop, we introduce a counter variable that s
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Before 0
 1 9
 2 41
 3 12
 4 3
 5 74
 6 15
 After 6

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In [29]: # Summing in a Loop
zork = 0
print('Before', zork)
for thing in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    zork = zork + thing
    print(zork, thing)
print('After', zork)
# To add up a value we encounter in a loop, we introduce a sum variable that starts
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Before 0
 9 9
 50 41
 62 12
 65 3
 139 74
 154 15
 After 154

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In [35]: # Finding the Average in a Loop
count = 0
sum = 0
print('Before', count, sum)
for value in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    count = count + 1
    sum = sum + value
    print(count, sum, value)
print('After', count, sum, sum / count)
# An average just combines the counting and sum patterns and divides when the loop
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Before 0 0
 1 9 9
 2 50 41
 3 62 12
 4 65 3
 5 139 74
 6 154 15
 After 6 154 25.666666666666668

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In [37]: # Filtering in a Loop
print('Before')
for value in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    if value > 20:
        print('Large number', value)
print('After')
# We use an if statement in the loop to catch / filter the values we are looking for
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Before
 Large number 41
 Large number 74
 After

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In [39]: # Search Using a Boolean Variable
found = False
print('Before', found)
for value in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    if value == 3 :
        found = True
        print(found, value)
print('After', found)
# If we just want to search and know if a value was found, we use a variable that s
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Before False
 False 9
 False 41
 False 12
 True 3
 True 74
 True 15
 After True

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In [43]: # How to Find the Smallest Value?
largest_so_far = -1
print('Before', largest_so_far)
for the_num in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    if the_num > largest_so_far :
        largest_so_far = the_num
        print(largest_so_far, the_num)
print('After', largest_so_far)

# How would we change this to make it find the smallest value in the list?
smallest_so_far = -1
print('Before', smallest_so_far)
for the_num in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    if the_num < smallest_so_far :
        smallest_so_far = the_num
        print(smallest_so_far, the_num)
print('After', smallest_so_far)
# We switched the variable name to smallest_so_far and switched the > to <
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Before -1
9 9
41 41
41 12
41 3
74 74
74 15
After 74
Before -1
-1 9
-1 41
-1 12
-1 3
-1 74
-1 15
After -1

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In [45]: # Finding the Smallest Value
smallest = None
print('Before')
for value in [9, 41, 12, 3, 74, 15] :
    if smallest is None :
        smallest = value
    elif value < smallest :
        smallest = value
    print(smallest, value)
print('After', smallest)
# We still have a variable that is the smallest so far. The first time through the

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Before
9 9
9 41
9 12
3 3
3 74
3 15
After 3

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In [47]: # The is and is not Operators
smallest = None
print('Before')
for value in [3, 41, 12, 9, 74, 15] :
    if smallest is None :
        smallest = value
    elif value < smallest :
        smallest = value
    print(smallest, value)
print('After', smallest)
# • Python has an is operator that can be used in logical expressions
# • Implies "is the same as"
# • Similar to, but stronger than ==
# • is not also is a logical operator

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Before

3 3

3 41

3 12

3 9

3 74

3 15

After 3

In []: