

Practice with While Loops

Today starts as a Paper + Pencil or Tablet + Pencil day... please keep laptops stowed away!

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Announcements

- EXo3 - Wordle
 - Uses concepts through LS07
 - Implement the popular online game Wordle!

Warm-up

Trace a Memory Diagram

```
1  def lcm(n: int) -> int:
2      d: int = n // 2
3      while d > 1:
4          print(f"d: {d}")
5          if n % d == 0:
6              return d
7          d = d - 1
8
9      return d
10
11
12 print(lcm(15))
```

Warm-up

Trace a Memory Diagram

```
1     """A countdown program..."""
2
3
4     def main() -> None:
5         seconds: int = 3
6         countdown(seconds)
7         print(f"main {seconds}")
8
9
10    def countdown(seconds: int) -> None:
11        print("T minus")
12        while seconds > 0:
13            print(seconds)
14            seconds = seconds - 1
15
16            print(f"countdown {seconds}")
17
18
19    main()
```

Code-Along

- Create a Directory named `lecture`, and in it a Python Module `clo8_countdown.py`
- This will be our starting point:

```
1     """A countdown program..."""
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3
4     def countdown(seconds: int) -> None:
5         print("T minus")
6         while seconds > 0:
7             print(seconds)
8             seconds = seconds - 1
9
10        print(f"countdown {seconds}")
```

Goal

```
1     """A countdown program..."""
2
3     from time import sleep
4
5
6     def main() -> None:
7         seconds: int = int_input("How many seconds? ")
8         countdown(seconds)
9         print(f"main {seconds}")
10
11
12    def int_input(prompt: str) -> int:
13        return int(input(prompt))
14
15
16    def countdown(seconds: int) -> None:
17        print("T minus")
18        while seconds > 0:
19            print(seconds)
20            seconds = seconds - 1
21            sleep(1)
22
23        print(f"countdown {seconds}")
24
25
26    if __name__ == "__main__":
27        main()
```

Introducing: Interactive Debugging

Pause your program at any point, inspect its state, and control execution!

- When Trailhead (or programs more generally) are run via run/debug in Code you have a programming superpower available: Interactive Debugging
- "Drop a **Breakpoint**" - A breakpoint marks a line of code the debugger will *pause at* when the Python interpreter reaches its evaluation of your program.
 - Right click on line number and "Add Breakpoint" or click red circle in line gutter
 - Run or use REPL to cause this code to evaluate
 - Your program pauses at this point!
- Let's explore the debugger on the next slide

Important parts of the debugger...

The screenshot shows a debugger interface with the following components:

- Debugger Controls**: A blue arrow pointing to the top bar of the debugger window.
- Local Variables**: A blue arrow pointing to the Variables panel on the left, which shows a **Locals** section with a variable `seconds: 3`.
- Call Stack**: A blue arrow pointing to the Call Stack panel on the left, which lists several threads and a paused state at `PAUSED ON BREAKPOINT`.
- Code View**: The main area displays Python code for a `countdown` function and its execution context. The line `print(seconds)` is highlighted in yellow, indicating it is the next line to evaluate.

Next Line to Eval

Controls



0. Continue/resume execution of program
 1. Fully evaluate next line *jumping over function calls*
 2. Evaluate next line and *jump into junction calls*
 3. Complete this function and return to caller paused
 4. Restart program*** (this restarts Trailhead)
 5. Stop program*** (this stops Trailhead)
- 0 - 3 will pause for additional breakpoints if encountered.*

Trace a Memory Diagram

```
1  def triangle(n: int) -> None:
2      i: int = 1
3      while i <= n:
4          line: str = ""
5          while len(line) < i:
6              line = line + "*"
7          print(line)
8          i = i + 1
9
10
11 triangle(2)
```

Iterating N Times

... and over a Sequence.

```
1  def all_positive(xs: tuple[int, ...]) -> bool:
2      """Are all values in a tuple positive?"""
3      i: int = 0
4      while i < len(xs):
5          if xs[i] < 0:
6              return False
7          i = i + 1
8
9      return True
```

Iterating N Times

... and over a Sequence.

Trace a Memory Diagram

```
1  def all_positive(xs: tuple[int, ...]) -> bool:
2      """Are all values in a tuple positive?"""
3      i: int = 0
4      while i < len(xs):
5          if xs[i] <= 0:
6              return False
7          i = i + 1
8
9      return True
10
11
12 all_positive((1, -1, 3))
```