



Introduction to programming

Lecture 03

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LISTS

length = 5



index

0

1

2

3

4

negative index

-5

-4

-3

-2

-1

Lists – the basics

```
# Lists are used to store multiple items in a  
single variable.
```

```
# Lists are created using square brackets -  
just like that.
```

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]
```

```
# Lists can be of any type
```

```
list1 = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]
```

```
list2 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
list3 = [False, True, False]
```

```
# Types can even be mixed
```

```
my_list = ["pesho", 34, True, 42, "gosho"]
```

Lists – accessing

```
# List items are ordered, changeable, and  
allow duplicate values.  
# List items are indexed, the first item has  
index [0], the second item has index [1] etc.
```

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan", 42]
```

```
first_item = my_list[0]  
second_item = my_list[1]  
third_item = my_list[2]  
# You can count backwards - starting from the  
last  
last_item = my_list[-1]
```

Lists – manipulating values

```
# List items are changeable
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan", 42]

my_list[1] = "ralica"
print(my_list)
# >>> ['pesho', 'ralica', 'ivan', 42]
```

Lists – length

All **lists** have **length** – to determine how many items a list has, use the **len()** function

```
my_list = [] # an empty list  
print(len(my_list)) # >>> 0
```

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan", 42]  
print(len(my_list)) # >>> 4
```


Lists – insert new items

```
# To insert a new list item, without replacing  
any of the existing values, we can use the  
insert() method.
```

```
# The insert() method inserts an item at the  
specified index.
```

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]  
my_list.insert(2, "ralica")  
print(my_list)  
# >>> ['pesho', 'gosho', 'ralica', 'ivan']
```

```
# To add a new list item to the end of the  
list you can use the append() method.
```

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]  
my_list.append(10)  
print(my_list)  
# >>> ['pesho', 'gosho', 'ivan', 10]
```

Lists – remove items

The **pop()** method removes the specified index.

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]
my_list.pop(1)
print(my_list)
# >>> ['pesho', 'ivan']
```

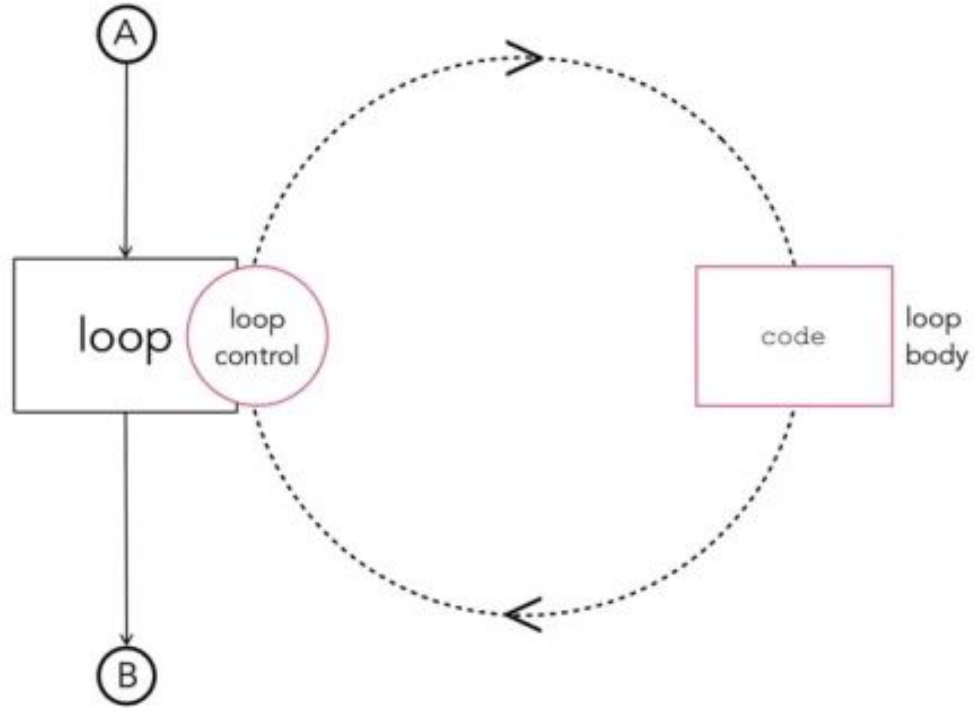
The **pop()** method without an argument will remove the **last** item.

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]
my_list.pop()
print(my_list)
# >>> ['pesho', 'gosho']
```



02

LOOPS



Loops – while

With the **while loop** we can execute a set of statements as long as a condition is **True**.

```
i = 1
while i < 6:
    print(i)
    i += 1  # same as `i = i + 1`
```

The **loop** can be '**stuck**' in so-called **endless loop** if the condition is always **True**.

```
i = 1
while True:
    print(i)
    i += 1  # same as `i = i + 1`
```

Loops – (break) and continue

With the **break** statement we can **stop the loop even if the while condition is true.**

```
i = 1
while i < 6:
    if i == 4:
        # when i becomes equal to 4 then loop
        # will exit
        break
    print(i)
    i += 1  # same as `i = i + 1`
```

Loops – break and (continue)

With the **continue** statement we can stop the current iteration, and **continue** with the **next**.

```
i = 1
while i < 6:
    if i % 2:
        # when i is even the loop will
        continue with the next iteration
        continue
    print(i)
    i += 1  # same as `i = i + 1`
```

Loops – through lists

```
# We can loop through lists

my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]

i = 0
while i < len(my_list):
    print(my_list[i])
    i += 1  # same as `i = i + 1`
```


Loops – for

A **for loop** is used for iterating over a **sequence** (that is either a **list**, a tuple, a dictionary, a set, or a **string**).

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]
```

```
for name in my_list:  
    print(name)
```

Loops – (break) and continue

With the **break** statement we can **stop** the loop before it has looped through all the items.

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]
```

```
for name in my_list:  
    if name == "gosho":  
        break  
    print(name)
```

Loops – break and (continue)

With the **continue** statement we can stop the current iteration of the loop, and **continue** with the next.

```
my_list = ["pesho", "gosho", "ivan"]
```

```
for name in my_list:
    if name == "gosho":
        continue
    print(name)
```

Loops – in range()

The **range()** function returns a sequence of numbers, starting from **0** by default, and increments by **1** (by default), and stops **before** a specified number.

```
range(10)  
# range(start, stop, step)  
# [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

To **loop through** a set of code a **specified number of times**, we can use the **range()** function.

```
for x in range(10):  
    print(x)
```

EXERCISE

You can find them in the github repository
<https://github.com/genchev99/ia-lectures>



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