

In-Class Programming Workshop

Introduction to Computer Programming - Python

+ while loops

■ A condition controlled loop iterates a variable number of times – we control the # of iterations through our Boolean condition

```
counter = 0
while counter < 5:
    print ("This will print 5 times")
    counter += 1</pre>
```

Count Controlled Loops

■ A count controlled loop is a repetition structure that iterates a specific number of times

```
for num in [1,2,3,4,5]:
    print ("This will print 5 times")

for num in range(5):
    print ("This will print 5 times")

for s in "apple":
    print ("This will print 5 times")
```

while loops vs for loops



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while loops

```
while x <= 10:
    print(x)</pre>
```

x = 1

```
x += 1
```

for loops

```
for x in range(1,11,1):
    print(x)
```



while loops vs for loops

while loops

for loops

```
x = 1
```

```
while x <= 10:
    print(x)</pre>
```

start

stop

step



- Every for loop can be re-written as a while loop, BUT not every while loop can be rewritten as a for loop
- for loops always iterate over a sequence of values (always finite)
- while loops have the potential to be infinite

Can I rewrite this as a while loop?

while loop

for loop

for x in range(-10,0,1):
 print(x)

Can I rewrite this as a while loop?

while loop

$$x = -10$$

$$x += 1$$

for loop

YES!

Can I rewrite this as a for loop?

while loop

for loop

```
total = 0

price = float(input("Enter a price: "))

while price != 0:
    total += price

    price = float(input("Enter a price: "))

print(total)
```



Can I rewrite this as a for loop?

while loop

for loop

```
total = 0

price = float(input("Enter a price: "))

while price != 0:
    total += price

    price = float(input("Enter a price: "))

print(total)

NO!
```

Worksheet