

# USER INPUT AND LOOPS

Essentials of Repetition



# Loops

- Repetition statements (or **loops**) repeat an action
- Each repetition of action is known as **pass** or **iteration**
- Two types of loops
  - *Those that repeat action a predefined number of times (**definite iteration**)*
  - *Those that perform action until program determines it needs to stop (**indefinite iteration**)*

# The *for* Loops (1 of 4)

- Python's ***for*** loop is the control statement that most easily supports **definite** iteration

```
for var in sequence:  
    indented block of statements
```

- The line beginning with *for* is called the **header** of the loop
- The variable following the word *for* is called the **loop variable**
- The indented block of statements is called the **body** of the loop
- Each execution of the body is referred to as a **pass** through the loop

# The *for* Loops (2 of 4)

- Example: Print all numbers from 0 to 5, and print a message when the loop has ended:

```
1  for x in range(6):  
2      print(x, end = " ")  
3  else:  
4      print("Finally finished!")
```

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 Finally finished!
```

# The *for* Loops (3 of 4)

- Example: Store all squares from 1 to 10 in a list, and print each square number

```
10 squares = [value**2 for value in range(1, 11)]
11 for x in squares:
12     print(x, end = " ")
```

```
1 4 9 16 25 36 49 64 81 100
```

# The *for* Loops (4 of 4)

*Ex1\_for\_pass.py*

- There are times when you want loop to cycle through a sequence and not do anything
  - *The **pass** statement should be used.*
- The pass statement is a **do-nothing** placeholder statement

```
4 ~ for x in squares:  
5     pass
```

# The *Input()* Function

*Ex2\_greeter.py*

- Prompts the user to enter data

```
1  prompt = "If you tell us who you are, we can personalize the messages you see."
2  prompt += "\nWhat is your first name? "
3
4  name = input(prompt)
5  print(f"\nHello, {name}!")
```

- *User types response, presses ENTER key*
- *Entry assigned to variable on left*
- *Python interprets everything the user enter as a **string***

# Accept Numerical Input

*Ex3\_rollercoaster.py*

- `int()` returns an integer number
- `float()` - returns a floating point number
- `eval()` - evaluates and executes an expression

```
1 height = input("How tall are you, in inches? ")
2 height = int(height)
3
4 if height >= 36:
5     print("\nYou're tall enough to ride!")
6 else:
7     print("\nYou'll be able to ride when you're a little older.")
```



# Using Modulo Operator

*Ex4\_even\_or\_odd.py*

```
1  number = input("Enter a number, and I'll tell you if it's even or odd: ")
2  number = int(number)
3
4  if number % 2 == 0:
5      print(f"\nThe number {number} is even.")
6  else:
7      print(f"\nThe number {number} is odd.")
```

- Try it yourself: Ask the user for an integer number, and then display whether the number is a multiple of 10 or not.

# PE7\_1 & PE7\_2

1. Request an integer input, and then print whether the number is a multiple of 10 or not.

Example Output 1

```
Enter an integer number, and I'll tell you if it's a multiple of ten: 15
15 is not multiple of ten.
```

Example Output 2

```
Enter an integer number, and I'll tell you if it's a multiple of ten: 50
50 is a multiple of ten.
```

2. For & While

- a) Use a *for* loop to print all the numbers are even and multiples of 3 from 1 to 1000 inclusive.
- b) Convert the *for* loop to a *while* loop.

Example Output

```
6 12 18 24 30 36 42 48 54 60 66 ... 996
```

# The *while* Loop (1 of 2)

- Executes a block of code repeatedly
- ***while*** loop repeatedly executes an indented block of statements
  - *As long as a certain **condition** is met*

```
while condition:  
    indented block of statements
```

- A *while* loop can be used to ensure that a proper response is received from a request for input. This process is called ***input validation***.

# The *while* Loop (2 of 2)

```
while condition:  
    indented block of statements
```

- The line beginning with *while* is called the **header** of the loop
- The condition in the header is called the **continuation condition** of the loop
- The indented block of code is called the **body** of the loop
- Each execution of the body of a loop is called a **pass**
- The **continuation condition** is a Boolean expression that evaluates to either **True** or **False**

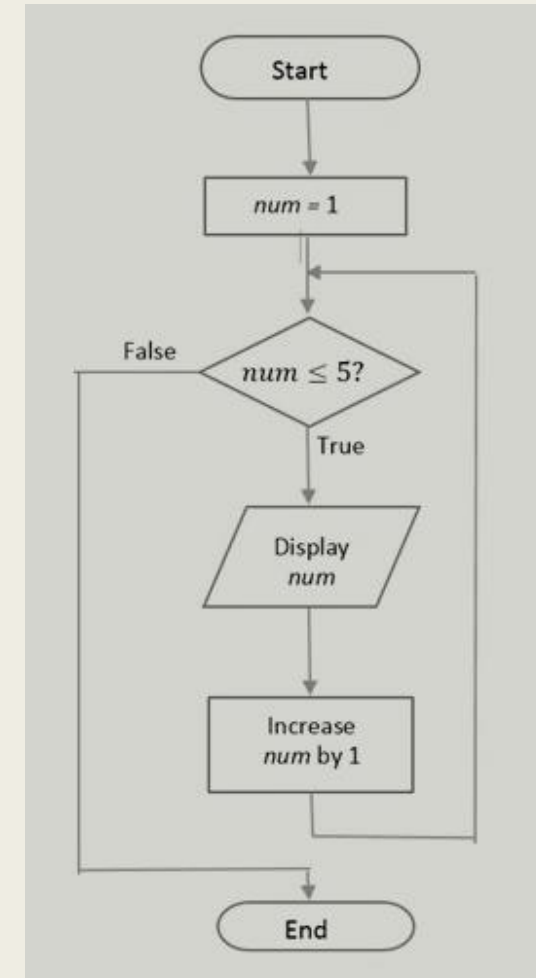
# Counter-controlled *while* Loop

*Ex5\_counting5.py*

- Use ***while*** for a counter-controlled loop
- Example: displays 1 - 5,  
after loop terminates, num will be 6

```
1 current_number = 1
2 while current_number <= 5:
3     print(current_number)
4     current_number += 1
5 print(f"current_number = {current_number}")
```

```
1
2
3
4
5
current_number = 6
```



# PE7\_3

## 3. Loop & Calculation

a) Use a *for* loop to calculate and print the **sum of all numbers** between 1 to 100 inclusive.

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Example Output

Sum = 5050

b) Use a *while* loop to calculate and print the **sum of all even numbers** between 1 to 100 inclusive.

Example Output

Sum = 2550

# The *while* Loop with *Input()*

*Ex6a\_while\_input\_number.py*

- Use ***while*** for a counter-controlled loop
- Example: using *input()* to request the counter value

```
1  n = int(input("Enter a number: ")) #1. get n.
2  i = 1;                            #2. initialize i to 1
3  while i <= n :                     #3. check condition
4      print(i)                       #4. repeat action
5      i = i + 1;                     #5. update i
6  print(f"current_number = {i}")
```

```
Enter a number: 5
1
2
3
4
5
current_number = 6
```

# PE7\_4 & PE7\_5

4. Use a loop to print all the numbers are odd and multiples of 5 from 1 to  $n$  inclusive.

a)  $n$  is a user input.

b) Implement (an *if-else*) statements to validate  $n$ .

*Input text can be any content. Just make sure to precisely match the output format below.*

Example Output 1

Enter a positive number: 65

Range = 1 to 65

5 15 25 35 45 55 65

Example Output 2

Enter a positive number: 0

Range = 1 to 0

Invalid input.

5. While & For

a) Implement a *while* loop to print all the numbers from 9 to 1 inclusive.

b) Then display *Happy New Year!*

c) Convert the *while* loop to a *for* loop

Example Output

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

2

1

Happy New Year!



# The *while* Loop with Lists

*Ex6b\_pets.py* & *Ex6c\_confirmed\_users.py*

- Allow collect, store, and organize
- Example: using *in* keyword

```
1  pets = ['dog', 'cat', 'dog', 'goldfish', 'cat', 'rabbit', 'cat']
2  print(pets)
3
4  while 'cat' in pets:
5      pets.remove('cat')
6
7  print(pets)
```

```
['dog', 'cat', 'dog', 'goldfish', 'cat', 'rabbit', 'cat']
['dog', 'dog', 'goldfish', 'rabbit']
```

# Indefinite Iteration *while* Loop

*Ex7\_while\_input\_positive.py*

- Use ***while*** for a **sentinel-controlled** loop
- A **sentinel value** is used to indicate the end of a sequence of inputs
- Example: using `input()` to request the sentinel value

```
1  n = int(input("Enter a positive number: "))
2  while n <= 0:
3      n = int(input("Try again: "))
4  print("You enetered a postive number.")
```

```
Enter a positive number: -1
Try again: 0
Try again: 1
You enetered a postive number.
```

# The *break* Statement

*Ex8a\_while\_break.py*

- Use ***break*** to stop the loop even if the while condition is true

```
1  i = 1
2  while i < 6:
3      print(i)
4      if i == 3:
5          break # the loop is immediately exited when i is 3
6      i += 1
```

```
1
2
3
```

# *while True & break*

*Ex8b\_cities.py*

- If the loop must run at least once, use a ***while True*** loop with delayed examination of termination condition
- Ensure a ***break*** statement to be reached eventually

```
1  prompt = "\nPlease enter the name of a city you have visited:"
2  prompt += "\n(Enter 'quit' when you are finished.) "
3
4  while True:
5      city = input(prompt)
6      if city == 'quit':
7          break
8      else:
9          print(f"I'd love to go to {city.title()}!")
```

# While True & Flag

*Ex9\_parrot.py*

- A **flag** is a variable used to indicate whether a certain event has occurred or a certain situation exists

```
1  prompt = "\nTell me something, and I will repeat it back to you:"
2  prompt += "\nEnter 'quit' to end the program. "
3  active = True
4  while active:
5      message = input(prompt)
6      message = message.lower()
7      if message == "quit":
8          active = False
9      else:
10         print(message)
```

# The *continue* Statement

*Ex10a\_while\_continue.py* & *Ex10b\_counting.py*

- Use ***continue*** to stop the current iteration, and jump to the next iteration

```
1 i = 0
2 while i < 6:
3     i += 1
4     if i == 3:
5         continue
6     print(i)
```

```
1
2
4
5
6
```

```
1 current_number = 0
2 while current_number < 10:
3     current_number += 1
4     if current_number % 2 == 0:
5         continue
6     print(current_number)
```

```
1
3
5
7
9
```

# The *else* Statement

*Ex11\_while\_else.py*

- Use ***else*** to run a block of code once when the condition of ***while*** no longer is true

```
1  n = []           #define a list
2  i = 1            #define a counter
3  total = 0        #define an accumulator
4  while i < 6:     #validate the continuation condition
5      total+=i      #use the accumulator to hold the sum
6      n.append(i)   #populate the list
7      print(i)      #display each number
8      i += 1        #update counter
9  else:
10     print(f"\nSum = {total}")
11     print(f"Sum = {sum(n)}")
12     print(n, end = " ")
```

```
1
2
3
4
5

Sum = 15
Sum = 15
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

# Avoid Infinite Loops without Exit Conditions

*Ex12a\_infinite\_loop.py & Ex12b\_infinite\_loop.py*

- Every loop needs a way to stop running so it won't continue to run forever

```
1 n = 1
2 while n <= 5:
3     print(n)
```

```
1 n = 1
2 while n <= 5:
3     n -= 1
```

- Test every loop and make sure the loop stops when you expect it to



# PE7\_6 & PE7\_7 & PE7\_8 & PE7\_9

- Write your codes and run

# Summary (1 of 2)

- The parentheses of the **range** function can contain one, two, or three values.
- When the parentheses contains two or three values, the **first** value is always the **beginning** of the sequence generated.
- When the parentheses contains a single number, call it  $n$ , no sequence will be generated when  $n \leq 0$ ; otherwise, the sequence of  $n$  numbers from 0 to  $n-1$  will be generated.
- The values generated by the **range** function can be displayed by applying the **list** function. For instance, `print(list(range(1, 8, 2)))` displays `[1, 3, 5, 7]`.
- The **range** function generates an arithmetic progression of numbers.
- A **for** loop repeats a block of statements as its loop variable **iterates** through a sequence.

# Summary (2 of 2)

- If a **break** statement is encountered during a pass through a **while** loop, the loop is immediately **exited**.
- If a **continue** statement is encountered in the block of a **while** loop, execution **jumps** back to the closest enclosing while loop header
- A **while** loop might use a **counter variable** to keep track of the number of times a certain event has occurred, and **accumulator variable** to hold a total, and a **sentinel value** to indicate the end of sequence of inputs.
- The statements **break** and **continue** have the same effect in **for** loops as they do in **while** loops.
- Any type of loop can be **nested** inside another loop. For example, for loops can be nested inside while loops and vice versa
- The **pass** statement is a **do-nothing** placeholder that is sometimes used where the syntax requires a statement.
- Be careful to avoid **infinite loops**; that is, loops that never end.

# Input & Loops - Terminologies

- ☐ 1 Accumulator
- ☐ 2 Break
- ☐ 3 Command Prompt
- ☐ 4 Continue
- ☐ 5 Continuation Condition
- ☐ 6 Counter
- ☐ 7 Definite iteration
- ☐ 8 Exit
- ☐ 9 Flag

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# Quiz 7

- Quiz 7A has 10 questions in 15 minutes, 10 pts
  - 10 multiple choice/true or false questions, 1 pt. for each question
  - Quiz 7A has *two* attempt, the *higher* grade will be selected
  - Submit Quiz 7A (at least 1-minute) **before** the due time to Blackboard
- Quiz 7B has 2 code questions, 15 pts
  - Write the Python code based on the given question
  - Each question will be given during the last 10-minute of each session of week 7
  - Quiz 7B-1 on session A, and Quiz 7B-2 on session B
  - Quiz 7B has *one* attempt

# DB 7

- Instruction:
  - 1) **Modify** any **three** questions from PE7\_1 to PE7\_5 to whatever you want for practice. Make sure to **comment** on your **modifications** (1.2 pt).
  - 2) What is the difference between = and ==? Give an **example** of each and **explain** your statements (0.3 pt).
  - 3) Submit your posts before the due date. Let's learn from each other.