



# ITEC 136

## Business Programming Concepts

### Week 01, Part 01 Overview

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## Week 7 Overview

- Week 6 review
  - Four parts to every loop
    - Initialization
    - Condition
    - Body
    - Update
  - Pre-test loops: condition is evaluated before body is executed

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# Week 7 Overview

- Week 6 review
  - Post-test loops: condition is evaluated after the body is executed
  - while loops: condition and body are explicit. Initialization and update still need to be present

```
initialization;  
while (condition) {  
    body_statements;  
    update_statement;  
}
```

# Week 7 Overview

- Week 6 review
  - for loops: all four elements are explicit. Often used when bounds are explicitly known (i.e. counting loops).

```
for (initialization; condition; update) {  
    body_statements;  
}
```

# Week 7 Overview

- Week 6 review
  - do...while loops: two elements explicit, the only post-test loop.

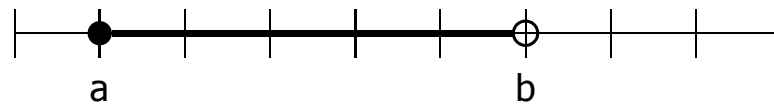
```
initialization;  
do {  
    body_statements;  
    update;  
} while (condition);
```

# Week 7 Overview

- Week 6 review
  - Common loop errors
    - Off-by-one: one too many or one too few executions of the body
    - Infinite loops: never stops because the condition never becomes false
    - Body never executes: condition is false initially

# Week 7 Overview

- Week 6 review
  - How programmers count
    - Always start with zero
    - Always use  $<$  as the comparison operator
    - Left bound included, right bound excluded. E.g.  $[a, b)$



# Week 7 Overview

- Outcomes
  - Implement algorithms requiring nested loops.
  - Differentiate between various loop termination conditions such as sentinels, results-controlled, symmetric and asymmetric bounds, and counting.



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### Week 07, Part 02

### Termination conditions

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## Termination conditions

- The condition terminates loops when it becomes false
  - Saw counting loops last week [e.g. `while (counter < max)`]
  - But, there are many different kinds of Boolean conditions.

# Termination conditions

- Sentinels
  - Sentinels “guard” something, and in this case it is the end of the loop.
  - Commonly used for an end-of-data condition.

# Termination conditions

- Sentinels
  - Ex: read numbers until a non-number is entered (non-number is the sentinel)

```
function readData() {  
    var data = prompt("Enter data (cancel to quit)");  
    while (data != null) {  
        // do something with the data here  
        data = prompt("Enter data (cancel to quit)");  
    }  
}
```

# Termination conditions

- Sentinels

- Ex: read numbers until a non-number is entered (non-sentinel)

null guards the end of input (it is what prompt returns when the user clicks "cancel.")

```
function readData() {  
    var data = prompt("Enter data (cancel to quit)");  
    while (data != null) {  
        // do something with the data here  
        data = prompt("Enter data (cancel to quit)")  
    }  
}
```

# Termination conditions

- Sentinels

- Any kind of data that shouldn't appear in the input stream can be a sentinel
  - A negative number
  - Zero
  - A special string

# Termination conditions

- Flag controlled loops
  - Often, the termination condition can't be detected until the middle of the body.
  - Use a Boolean flag "done" set to false initially to enter the loop.
  - When the condition is detected, set done to true.

# Termination conditions

- Flag controlled loops

```
function readData() {  
  var done = false;  
  while (!done) {  
    var data = prompt("Enter data (cancel to quit)");  
    if (data == null) {  
      done = true;  
    } else {  
      // do something with data here  
    }  
  }  
}
```



# Termination conditions

- Flag controlled loops

```
function readData() {  
  var done = false;  
  while (!done) {  
    var data = prompt("Enter data (cancel to quit)");  
    if (data == null) {  
      done = true;  
    } else {  
      // do something with data here  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Set the flag so that the loop is entered initially

# Termination conditions

- Flag controlled loops

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function readData() {  
  var done = false;  
  while (!done) {  
    var data = prompt("Enter data (cancel to quit)");  
    if (data == null) {  
      done = true;  
    } else {  
      // do something with data here  
    }  
  }  
}
```

When the termination condition is detected, set the flag so that the loop will exit.

# Termination conditions

- Result controlled loops
  - Body of the loop is calculating a value and we want to keep iterating until that value falls within a certain range.
  - The result of the body calculation controls the termination condition.
  - Ex: how many years of investing \$10K at 5% interest to reach \$1M?

# Termination conditions

- Result controlled loops

```
function yearsToReach(target, principle, rate) {  
    var years = 0;  
    var total = 0;  
    while (total < target) {  
        total += principle;  
        total *= (1.0 + rate);  
        ++years;  
    }  
    return years;  
}
```

We calculate the total  
in the body...

# Termination conditions

- Result controlled loops

```
function yearsToReach(target, principle, rate) {  
    var years = 0;  
    var total = 0;  
    while (total < target) {  
        total += principle;  
        total *= (1.0 + rate)  
        ++years;  
    }  
    return years;  
}
```

...and use the result in the condition.

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### Week 07, Part 03

### Nested Loops

# Nested loops

- Nested loops are loops within loops
  - Key times used: when you're not just calculating/outputting/inputting something in a straight line, but rather when it is 2-dimensional
  - Example: triangles

```
*  
**  
***  
****  
*****
```

# Nested loops

- Example: triangles

```
function makeTriangle1(height, ch){  
  var str = "";  
  for (var row = 0; row < height; ++row) {  
    for (var col = 0; col < row + 1; ++col) {  
      str += ch;  
    }  
    str += "<br />";  
  }  
  return str;  
}
```

# Nested loops

- Example: triangles

```
function makeTriangle1(height)
  var str = "";
  for (var row = 0; row < height; ++row) {
    for (var col = 0; col < row + 1; ++col) {
      str += ch;
    }
    str += "<br />";
  }
  return str;
}
```

For each row in the triangle...

For each column within the row...

# Nested loops

- Example: triangles

```
function makeTriangle1(height)
  var str = "";
  for (var row = 0; row < height; ++row) {
    for (var col = 0; col < row + 1; ++col) {
      str += ch;
    }
    str += "<br />";
  }
  return str;
}
```

The counter in the outer loop...

...becomes part of the condition in the inner loop.

# Nested loops

- Example: triangles

```
function makeTriangle1(height, ch){  
  var str = "";  
  for (var row = 0; row < height; ++row) {  
    for (var col = 0; col < row + 1; ++col) {  
      str += ch;  
    }  
    str += "<br />";  
  }  
  return str;  
}
```

What would this look like if we substituted "height" for "row + 1"

# Nested loops

- Hiding nested loops: functions

- Function A has a loop, and within that loop, it calls function B
- Function B has a loop. Therefore this situation is a loop-within-a-loop, but it doesn't look as complicated!

# Nested loops

- Hiding nested loops: functions

```
function isPrime(num) {  
  if (num % 2 == 0) {  
    return false;  
  }  
  for (var i = 3; i < Math.sqrt(num); i += 2) {  
    if (num % i == 0) {  
      return false;  
    }  
  }  
  return true;  
}
```

# Nested loops

- Hiding nested loops: functions

```
function isPrime(num) {  
  if (num % 2 == 0) {  
    return false;  
  }  
  for (var i = 3; i < Math.sqrt(num); i += 2) {  
    if (num % i == 0) {  
      return false;  
    }  
  }  
  return true;  
}  
  
function primesBetween(start, end) {  
  for (var i = start; i < end; ++i) {  
    if (isPrime(i)) {  
      document.writeln(i + "<br />");  
    }  
  }  
}
```

# Nested loops

- Hiding nested loops: functions

```
function isPrime(num) {  
  if (num % 2 == 0) {  
    return false;  
  }  
  for (var i = 2; i <= num / 2; ++i) {  
    if (num % i == 0) {  
      return false;  
    }  
  }  
  return true;  
}  
  
function primesBetween(start, end) {  
  for (var i = start; i < end; ++i) {  
    if (isPrime(i)) {  
      document.writeln(i + "<br />");  
    }  
  }  
}
```

The call to isPrime is inside a loop...

And isPrime has a loop. Therefore, this is a nested loop in disguise.

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## A semi-complicated example

- Printing out a calendar
  - Does this involve a nested loops? Why or why not?
  - Given: number of days in month, and a starting day, print the calendar.

		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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# Nested loops

- Printing a calendar

```
function makeCalendar(days, startDay){
  var str = "<table border='1'><tr>";
  var i, j;
  for (i = 0; i < startDay - 1; ++i) {
    str += "<td>&nbsp;</td>"
  }
  for (j = 0; j < days; ++j, ++i) {
    if (i % 7 == 0) {
      str += "</tr><tr>"
    }
    str += "<td>" + (j + 1) + "</td>";
  }
}
```

# Nested loops

- Printing a calendar

```
function makeCalendar(days, startDay){
  var str = "<table border='1'><tr>";
  var i, j;
  for (i = 0; i < startDay - 1; ++i) {
    str += "<td>&nbsp;</td>"
  }
  for (j = 0; j < days; ++j, ++i)
    if (i % 7 == 0) {
      str += "</tr><tr>"
    }
    str += "<td>" + (j + 1) + "</td>";
}
```

Prints the leading  
"empty" boxes

# Nested loops

- Printing a calendar

```
function makeCalendar(days, startDay){
  var str = "<table border='1'><tr>";
  for (i = startDay - 1; ++i) {
    str += "<td> </td>";
  }
  for (j = 0; j < days; ++j, ++i)
    if (i % 7 == 0) {
      str += "</tr><tr>"
    }
    str += "<td>" + (j + 1) + "</td>";
  }
}
```

Prints the "filled" boxes

Prints the leading "empty" boxes

# Nested loops

- Printing a calendar

```
while (i % 7 != 0) {
  str += "<td>&nbsp;</td>";
  ++i;
}
str += "</tr></table>"
return str;
}
```

# Nested loops

- Printing a calendar

```
while (i % 7 != 0) {  
    str += "<td>&nbsp;</td>";  
    ++i;  
}  
str += "</tr></table>";  
return str;  
}
```

Prints the trailing  
"empty" boxes

# Nested loops

- Printing a calendar

- Just because something is 2-D in the "real world" doesn't mean that the problem necessarily involves nested loops!



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Week 07, Part 04

Changing control flow

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## Changing control flow

- Three keywords alter the flow of control in a loop:
  - `break` – this keyword immediately stops executing the loop, and jumps out to the next statement following the loop.

# Changing control flow

- Three keywords alter the flow of control in a loop:
  - `continue` – this keyword immediately stops executing the current iteration of the body, and cycles back to the top to test the condition again.

# Changing control flow

- Three keywords alter the flow of control in a loop:
  - `return` – this keyword immediately stops executing the entire function, and returns to the next statement following the function call.

# Questions?



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Week 07, Part 05  
Self Quiz

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# Self Quiz

- What is the key idea behind nested loops?
- What three keywords alter the flow of control in a loop?
- How do we hide the complexity of nested loops?

# Self Quiz

- Given the `makeCalendar` function, can you write the code that will print out a yearly calendar with month names?



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Week 06, Part 07

Upcoming deadlines

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## Upcoming Deadlines

- Homework 6 – Due February 23
- Lab 2 – Due February 23