

## Today's "Menu"

(week 7)

- Announcements
- IDLE
- Brief review of while-/for-loop
- **Nested loops** (very important and common)
- Questions?

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## Announcements

- Exam II coming up soon ...

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## IDLE

- Explore your environment
- Look at the options
- Aside: Talk to yourself if you get stuck!

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## Loops

- 2 types: `for` and `while`
- Use `for` if we know ahead of times how many iterations
- Use `while` if we don't know ahead of times how many iterations
- Both loops are equivalent – `for` does some 'housekeeping' for us.
- Learn to use the `range()` function

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## Review - while

regular program code

“set up” condition to enter loop (or not) # counter/Boolean

while <BE>:

body of loop

more body of loop

do something to exit loop # change counter/Boolean

regular code ...

**Suggestion:** Get basic loop control setup first, then worry about other parts “inside” loop.

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## Review - for

- Usually used with range() function
- Use when we know ahead of time how many times we want to execute something
- Does a lot of ‘housekeeping’ for us

```
for i in range(5):
    print '%d * %d = %d' % (i, i, i * i)
```

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## More examples ...

```
def printNumbers(num):  
    for j in range(num):  
        print j,
```

Output??

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## More examples ...

```
def printNumbers(num):  
    # method to print numbers  
    for j in range(num):  
        print j,  
  
def main():  
    # main loop  
    for i in range(5):  
        printNumbers(12)  
        print '*'  
main()
```

Output??

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## Nested loops (1)

- Loops with a loop

```
for i in range(5): #outer loop starts
    for j in range(12): # inner loop starts
        print j, # inner loop executes + ends
    print '*' # outer loops executes + ends
```

- Inner loop gets executed completely each time through the outer loop.
- Output?

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## Nested loops (2)

- Loops with a loop

```
for i in range(5):
    for j in range(12):
        print j,
    print '*'
```

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 *
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 *
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 *
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 *
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 *
```

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## Be sure you understand this ...

```
def printNumbers(num):
    # method to print numbers
    for j in range(num):
        print j,

def main():
    # main loop
    for i in range(5):
        printNumbers(12)
        print '*'
main()
```

Output??

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## and this ...

- Loops with a loop

```
for i in range(5): #outer loop starts
    for j in range(12): # inner loop starts
        print j, # inner loop executes + ends
    print '*' # outer loops executes + ends
```

- Inner loop gets executed completely each time through the outer loop.
- Output?

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## For loops

[http://cs.franklin.edu/~esmail/COMP\\_480/SampleProgs/for\\_loops.py](http://cs.franklin.edu/~esmail/COMP_480/SampleProgs/for_loops.py)

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## Summary/Recap

- Questions?

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