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1 ICS 104 - Introduction to Programming in Python and C

1.1 Loops - Lab 2

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2 Lab Objectives

- To understand nested loops
- To process strings

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3 Worked Example#1

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- **Problem Statement:** It is common to repeatedly read and process multiple groups of values. Write a program that can be used to compute the average exam grade for multiple students. Each student has the same number of exam grades.

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- **Step 1:** Understand the problem.
 - To compute the average exam grade for one student, we must enter and tally all of the grades for that student.
 - This can be done with a loop.
 - But we need to compute the average grade for multiple students.

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- Thus, computing an individual student's average grade must be repeated for each student in the course.
- This requires a nested loop.
- The inner loop will process the grades for one student and the outer loop will repeat the process for each student

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**Prompt user for the number of exams.
Repeat for each student
Process the student's exam grades.
Print the student's exam average.**

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- **Step 2:** Compute the average grade for one student.
 - Because we know how many grades need to be read, we can use a for loop with the range function:

```
total score = 0
for i in range(1, numExams + 1) :
    Read the next exam score.
    Add the exam score to the total score.
Compute the exam average.
Print the exam average.
```

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- **Step 3:** Repeat the process for each student
 - Because we are computing the average exam grade for multiple students, we must repeat the task in Step 2 for each student.
 - Because we do not know how many students there are, we will use a while loop with a sentinel value. But what should the sentinel be?
 - For simplicity, it can be based on a simple yes or no question.
 - After the user enters the grades for a student, we can prompt the user whether they wish to enter grades for another student:

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- ```
moreGrades = input("Enter exam grades for another student (Y/N)? ")
moreGrades = moreGrades.upper()
```

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- A no response serves as the terminating condition. Thus, each time the user enters "Y" at the prompt, the loop will be executed again.

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- We will use a loop condition set to `moreGrades == "Y"`, and initialize the loop variable to contain the string "Y".
- This allows the loop to be executed at least once so the user can enter the grades for the first student before being prompted for a yes or no response.

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```
moreGrades = "Y"
while moreGrades == "Y" :
 Enter grades for one student.
 Compute average grade for one student.
 moreGrades = input("Enter exam grades for another student (Y/N)? ")
 moreGrades = moreGrades.upper()
```

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In [1]:

```
1 ##%writefile StudentID-Section.py
2 ##
```

```

3 # This program computes the average exam grade for multiple students.
4 #
5
6 # Obtain the number of exam grades per student.
7 numExams = int(input("How many exam grades does each student have? "))
8
9 # Initialize moreGrades to a non-sentinel value.
10 moreGrades = "Y"
11
12 # Compute average exam grades until the user wants to stop.
13 while moreGrades == "Y" :
14
15 # Compute the average grade for one student.
16 print("Enter the exam grades.")
17 total = 0
18 for i in range(1, numExams + 1) :
19 score = int(input("Exam %d: " % i)) # Prompt for each exam grade.
20 total = total + score
21
22 average = total / numExams
23 print("The average is %.2f" % average)
24
25 # Prompt as to whether the user wants to enter grades for another student.
26 moreGrades = input("Enter exam grades for another student (Y/N)? ")
27 moreGrades = moreGrades.upper()

```

How many exam grades does each student have? 4  
Enter the exam grades.  
Exam 1: 9  
Exam 2: 9  
Exam 3: 8  
Exam 4: 7  
The average is 8.25  
Enter exam grades for another student (Y/N)? y  
Enter the exam grades.  
Exam 1: 6  
Exam 2: 7  
Exam 3: 8  
Exam 4: 9  
The average is 7.50  
Enter exam grades for another student (Y/N)? n

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## 4 Exercises

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- **Exercise # 1:** Write a program that prints a multiplication table, like this:

|    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10  |
| 2  | 4  | 6  | 8  | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20  |
| 3  | 6  | 9  | 12 | 15 | 18 | 21 | 24 | 27 | 30  |
| 4  | 8  | 12 | 16 | 20 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 36 | 40  |
| 5  | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 | 30 | 35 | 40 | 45 | 50  |
| 6  | 12 | 18 | 24 | 30 | 36 | 42 | 48 | 54 | 60  |
| 7  | 14 | 21 | 28 | 35 | 42 | 49 | 56 | 63 | 70  |
| 8  | 16 | 24 | 32 | 40 | 48 | 56 | 64 | 72 | 80  |
| 9  | 18 | 27 | 36 | 45 | 54 | 63 | 72 | 81 | 90  |
| 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 |

In [2]:

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```

1 # Exercise # 1 - Source Code
2 numMax = 10
3 numWanted = int(input("Enter number:"))
4
5 for i in range(1,numMax+1):
6 for j in range(1,numWanted+1):
7 print(i*j,end="\t")
8 print()
9

```

Enter number:10

|    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10  |
| 2  | 4  | 6  | 8  | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20  |
| 3  | 6  | 9  | 12 | 15 | 18 | 21 | 24 | 27 | 30  |
| 4  | 8  | 12 | 16 | 20 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 36 | 40  |
| 5  | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 | 30 | 35 | 40 | 45 | 50  |
| 6  | 12 | 18 | 24 | 30 | 36 | 42 | 48 | 54 | 60  |
| 7  | 14 | 21 | 28 | 35 | 42 | 49 | 56 | 63 | 70  |
| 8  | 16 | 24 | 32 | 40 | 48 | 56 | 64 | 72 | 80  |
| 9  | 18 | 27 | 36 | 45 | 54 | 63 | 72 | 81 | 90  |
| 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 |

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**Exercise # 2:** Write a program that given a collection of  $N$  numbers will find the largest value, its frequency and the average of the  $N$  numbers.

- Get the value of  $N$  from the user.
- If  $N \leq 0$ , display an appropriate error message and terminate the program; otherwise
- Read the values as entered from the user. (If  $N = 5$ , then there are 5 values the user is going to enter).
- Find the largest, its frequency (how many times it is repeated) and the average of these  $N$  values.
- **Hint:** To find the largest value, read the first value **before the loop** then assume that this first value entered by the user is the largest value. **Within the loop** compare the assumed largest value with other values **read inside the loop** and change the largest value accordingly.

**Sample Runs**

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```

Enter how many values to consider: 4
Enter value 1: -3
Enter value 2: -10
Enter value 3: -7
Enter value 4: -3
Maximum value= -3
It's frequency is 2
Average = -5.75

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```

Enter how many values to consider: -2
Wrong input. Input must be > 0

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```

Enter how many values to consider: 7
Enter value 1: 4
Enter value 2: 3
Enter value 3: 2

```

```
Enter value 3: 2
Enter value 4: 1
Enter value 5: 2
Enter value 6: 3
Enter value 7: 5
Maximum value= 5
It's frequency is 1
Average = 2.86
```

In [2]:

```
1 ### Exercise # 2 - Source Code
2 times = int(input("Enter how many values to consider: "))
3 if times>0:
4 ValueMax = int(input("Enter value 1: "))
5 COUNT = 1
6 total = ValueMax
7
8 for i in range(times-1):
9 i = str(i+2)
10 Value = int(input("Enter value "+i+": "))
11 if Value > ValueMax:
12 ValueMax = Value
13 total = total + ValueMax
14 elif Value == ValueMax:
15 COUNT +=1
16 total = total + ValueMax
17 else:
18 total = total + Value
19 Average = total / times
20 print("Maximum value=",ValueMax)
21 print("It's frequency is",COUNT)
22 print("Average = %0.2f" % Average)
23
24 else:
25 print("Woron input. Input must be > 0")
```

```
Enter how many values to consider: 5
Enter value 1: 1
Enter value 2: 2
Enter value 3: 3
Enter value 4: 4
Enter value 5: 5
Maximum value= 5
It's frequency is 1
Average = 3.00
```

- **Exercise # 3:** Write a program that reads a word and prints each character of the word on a separate line, with each letter located one position to the right of the previous letter. For example, if the user provides the input "Harry", the program prints

```
Enter a word: Harry
H
 a
 r
 r
 y
```

In [12]:

```
1 # Exercise # 3 - Source Code
2 name = input("Enter a word: ")
3 for i in range(len(name)):
4 for j in range(i):
5 print(" ",end="")
6 print(name[i])
```

```
Enter a word: Harry
H
 a
 r
 r
 y
```

- **Exercise # 4:** Write a program that reads a word and prints the number of vowels in the word. For this exercise, assume that a e i o u y are vowels. For example, if the user provides the input "Harry", the program prints 2 vowels.  
**Sample Runs**

```
Enter a word: Accounting
There are 4 vowels in Accounting
```

```
Enter a word: LG
There are 0 vowels in LG
```

In [64]:

```
1 # Exercises # 4 - Source Code
2 word = input("Enter a word: ")
3 Vowels = "aeiouy"
4 count = 0
5 for i in range(len(word)):
6 if word[i].lower() in Vowels:
7 count += 1
8 print("There are",count,"Vowels in",word)
```

```
Enter a word: LG
There are 0 Vowels in LG
```

- **Exercise # 5:** Translate the following pseudocode for randomly permuting the characters in a string into Python program.

```
Read a word.
Repeat len(word) times
```

repeat len(word) times

Pick a random position  $i$  in the word, but not the last position.

Pick a random position  $j > i$  in the word.

Swap the letters at positions  $j$  and  $i$ .

Print the word.

To swap the letters, construct substrings as follows:



Then replace the string with

`first + word[j] + middle + word[i] + last`

Sample Runs

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Enter a word: california  
The random permutation is flraioanci

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Enter a word: california  
The random permutation is ialrfocain

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Enter a word: Jet  
The random permutation is teJ

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Enter a word: Jet  
The random permutation is eJt

In [1]:

```
1 # Exercise # 5 - Source Code
2 from random import randint
3 WORD = input("Enter a word: ")
4 for x in range(len(WORD)):
5 j = randint(1, len(WORD)-1)
6 i = randint(0, j-1)
7 first = WORD[:i]
8 middle = WORD[i+1:j]
9 last = WORD[j+1:]
10 randomName = first+WORD[j]+middle+WORD[i]+last
11 print("The random permutation is " + randomName)
```

Enter a word: OMAR  
The random permutation is AMOR

In [ ]:

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