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Principles of Programming

Lecture 23 – Nested loops, passing mutable objects as parameters

Learning outcomes

At the end of this lecture, students should be able to:

- understand that the body of a loop can contain any types of statements including another loop
- show the output of code containing nested loops
- code trace functions which have mutable objects as parameters

L22 Recap

The user can select a film from a list of titles, and see the film's ratings as well as the average of all the non-zero ratings for that film.

```
{'Jaws': [2, 2, 7, 0, 3, 9, 0], 'The Goonies': [0, 8, 2, 2, 2, 2, 9], ...}
def process_film_ratings_request(film_list, film_ratings_dict):
def display numbered list(list of items):
   ???
def get average rating(list of numbers):
   #see previous code
def main():
   film list = ["Jaws", "The Goonies", "Aliens", "Commando"]
   number of films = len(film list)
   filename = "Ratings.txt"
   lines_of_text = get_lines_from_file(filename)
   people ratings dict = get people ratings dict(lines of text)
   film ratings dict = get film ratings dict(film list, people ratings dict)
   print("Process Movie-Rating Request")
   process film ratings request(film list, film ratings dict)
```

Nested loops – Example 1

The body of a for ... in loop can include any code structures (ifs, if ... else, if ... elif, assignment statements) and they can include other for ... in loops or while loops. These are called nested loops.

```
for num1 in range(5):
    print("A")
for num2 in range(3):
    print("B")
print("C")
print("C")
```

In total,

how many times is "A" printed how many times is "B" printed how many times is "C" printed how many times is "D" printed

Nested loops – Example 2

How many times is the word "hello" printed?

```
def main():
    for i in range(3):
        for j in range(4):
            print("hello")

main()
```

Nested loops – Example 3

How many lines of output are printed?

```
1 def main():
2    for i in range(3):
3        for j in range(4):
4            print("hello", end = " ")
5        print()
```

```
Give the output.
  def main():
    number = 0
3
    for i in range(3):
         number = number + 1
4
         for j in range(4):
6
             print(number, end = " ")
    print()
  main()
```

```
Give the output.
   def main():
     number = 0
     for num1 in range(3):
3
         print(number, end = "
          for num2 in range(4):
5
              number = number + 1
6
     print()
     print(number)
8
  main()
```

Give the output.

```
def main():
    for i in range(2, 4):
        for j in range(3):
            print(i + j, end=" ")
            print()
```

```
Complete the output.
  def main():
     list1 = [5, 4, 3, 2]
     list2 = [3, 4]
     list3 = []
     for num1 in list1:
         for num2 in list2:
             list3.append(num1 + num2)
     print("List3", list3)
10 main()
```

```
List3:
```

The get_list_of_vowel_count() function returns a list of the number of vowels in each word of the parameter list.

```
def get_list_of_vowel_count(word_list):
  vowels = "aeiouAEIOU"
def main():
  name_list = ["Mirabelle", "John", "Kelsey", ...]
  vowel counts = get list of vowel count(name list)
  print(vowel counts)
main()
               [4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 4, 3, 1, 2, 3]
```

Give the output.

```
def main():
    for first in range(2, 5):
        for second in range(1, first):
            print(first + second, end=" ")
        print()

main()
```

Complete the output.

```
def main():
     total = 0
3
     for first in range(1, 5):
        total = total + first
        for second in range(1, first):
5
             total = total + second
6
     print("Grand total:", total)
7
  main()
```

Grand total:

Nested loops - print_dotted_names()

The print_dotted_names() function prints the list of all the names in the parameter list after changing any of the letters of the name which are in the letters_to_dot parameter string to a dot.

```
def main():
   names_list = ["Kelsey","Isobel","Alistair","Emmie",
                  "Ophelia"]
   letters_to_dot = 'aeoutsAEOUTS'
  print(names_list)
   print_dotted_list(names_list, letters_to_dot)
def print_dotted_list(names_list, letters_to_dot):
                 ['Kelsey', 'Isobel', 'Alistair', 'Emmie', 'Ophelia']
main()
                 ['K.l..y', 'I..b.l', '.li...ir', '.mmi.', '.ph.li.']
```

Passing mutable objects as parameters – Exercise

```
Complete the output.
def main():
  a_{list1} = [10, 9]
  a_{list2} = [1, 3, 4]
  function_15(a_list1, a_list2)
  print("a list2:", a list2)
def function_15(list1, list2):
  list3 = list2
  list3.append(list1[1])
  list2.append(list1[0])
  print(" list3:", list3)
main()
```

```
list3:
a_list2:
```

Passing mutable objects as parameters - Exercise

```
Complete the output.
def main():
  a_{list1} = [10, 9]
  a_{list2} = [1, 3, 4]
  a_list1 = function_16(a_list1, a_list2)
  print("a_list1:", a_list1)
  print("a_list2:", a list2)
def function_16(list1, list2):
  list3 = []
  list3.append(list1[1])
  list3.append(list1[0])
  list2 = list3
  list2.append(list3[0])
  print(" list2:", list2)
                                 list2:
  return list3
                               a_list1:
main()
                               a list2:
```

Passing mutable objects as parameters – Exercise

```
def main():
  a_{list1} = [4, 3]
                                      Complete the output.
  a_{list2} = [1, 3, 4]
  function_17(a_list1, a_list2)
  print("a_list1:", a_list1)
  print("a_list2:", a_list2)
def function_17(list1, list2):
  list3 = list2
  for i in range(2):
      list3.append(list1[i])
      list2.append(list1[i])
  list1 = list3
  print(" list3:", list3)
                          list3:
main()
                       a list1:
                       a list2:
```

Passing mutable objects as parameters – Exercise

```
def main():
                                      Complete the output.
  a list1 = [4, 3]
  a_{list2} = [1, 3, 4, 5, 2]
  a list2 = function 18(a list1, a list2)
  print("a_list1:", a_list1)
  print("a_list2:", a_list2)
def function_18(list1, list2):
  list3 = []
  for element in list2:
      if not element in list1:
         list1.append(element)
      else:
         list3.append(element)
  return list3
                               a list1:
main()
                               a list2:
```

Summary

The body of loops can contain any kind of statements including other loops.

Passing parameters which are mutable objects to functions means that the function code may change the object's data.

Python features used in this lecture

```
def print_dots(dot_list):
    for num1 in dot_list:
        for num in range(num1):
            print(".", end = "")
        print()
```

```
for first in range(2, 5):
   for second in range(1, first):
       print("(", first, ", ", second, ")", sep = "", end = " ")
   print()
```