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Nested Loops

Midterm Content

- Content will be explicitly noted on the Learning Outcomes page.
- Things to review are examples in class, practice quizzes, assignments, review questions, readings, exercises in readings

Working with File Data









List Syntax check

How do you create a list of the names of two of your friends?

How do you print the number of elements in a list? Do it for your friends list.

How do you add an element to a list?

Do it for your friend's list to add one more friend at run-time.





- Find person with longest name
 - o Initialize variable to track longest name so far.
 - Search file for longer names

- Find names of people who like the same food as the person we previously found.
 - Get fav food of longest-name person.
 - Rescan the file looking at fav food of everyone
 - Return open file to beginning: my file.seek(0)
 - Add matching people's names to a list





Let's review some concepts

What do you need to do to numeric input before performing calculations on it?

What will this code output? print(3 / 3)

What function could you use to get the number of elements in a list?

Using Loops





Processing lists with index

```
listA = [10,20,30]
for elem in listA:
    print(elem)
```

```
listA = [10,20,30]
for i in range(len(listA)):
    print(listA[i])
```



Processing strings with index

```
letters = "abcd"
for char in letters:
    # process char
    print(char)
```

```
letters = "abcd"
for i in range(len(letters)):
    # process letters[i]
    print(letters[i])
```



Index of max element

Task: Print the index of maximum value in a list. If there multiple instances of this value in the list, output the index of the last one.

scores = [3, 8, 9, 8, 2, 9]





Index of max element

```
scores = [3, 8, 9, 8, 2, 9]
maxNum = scores[0]
maxIndex = 0

for i in range(len(scores)):
    if scores[i] >= maxNum:
        maxNum = scores[i]
        maxIndex = i
print("maximum", maxNum, "at index", maxIndex)
```



Multiple mays to solve a problem





Unique letters in strings

- Problem
 - Write a program which asks the user for an input word (or phrase).
 - Create a list of characters that appear exactly once.
- Algorithm
 - o For each letter in the word:
 - Count how many times that letter appears.
 - If == 1, add it to list of letters





Duplicate letters in strings (bad)

- Problem
 - Write a program which asks the user for an input word (or phrase).
 - Find the list of characters that appear more than once
- Algorithm
 - o For each letter in the word:
 - Count how many times that letter appears.
 - If > 1, add it to list of letters

What happens for "banana"?



- Problem
 - Write a program which asks the user for an input word (or phrase).
 - Find the list of characters that appear more than once
- Algorithm
 - o For each letter in the word:
 - Count how many times that letter appears.
 - If > 1, add it to list of letters if it's not already there



Another Approach: Duplicate letters in strings

- Problem
 - Write a program which asks the user for an input word.
 - Find the list of characters that are duplicated in the word.
- Algorithm:
 - o For each letter in the word:
 - Does this letter appear later in the word?
 - If yes, add it to list of duplicate letters if not already there.





Another, Another Approach: Duplicate letters in strings

- Problem
 - Write a program which asks the user for an input word.
 - Find the list of characters that are duplicated in the word.
- Algorithm
 - o Initialize an already seen list of letters
 - For each letter in the word:
 - Is this letter in already seen?
 - If yes, add it to list of duplicate letters if not already there.
 - If no, add it to already seen





Let's review some concepts

What does it mean to have a **nested** loop?

To find the person with a top score in a file, how many variables do you need to initialize? What data types?

How do you extend an existing list num_list to contain another element, let's say 4.0?

How do you access the second to last element in a list called favourites?

How do you access the second to last <u>and</u> last elements in a list called favourites?

Who is the person most similar to you in the class (based on the survey)?