

LEC 05

CSE 121

# Nested Loops, Random, Math

Questions during Class?

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BEFORE WE START

*Talk to your neighbors:**What's your favorite dessert?*Music:  [CSE 121 25au Lecture Tunes](#) **Instructors:** Brett Wortzman & James Weichert

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# Agenda

- **Announcements, Reminders**
- String Traversal Review
- Nested for Loop Practice
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# Announcements, Reminders

- **C1** is out, due Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup>
- **Resubmission Cycle 0 (R0)** released, due Thursday October 16<sup>th</sup>
  - Eligible for resubmission: C0 & P0
- **Quiz 0** is on Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup> (in your registered quiz section)
  - Read the [quiz logistics post](#) on Ed!
  - can't make it? email [cse121-instructors@cs.uw.edu](mailto:cse121-instructors@cs.uw.edu) ASAP
- Observation: the course picks up pace a bit in this next week!
  - Go to section!
- Support reminders:
  - Instructor OH
    - James: W 1-2 and F 2-3; Coffee Chats 11-12:30 on Mondays!
    - Brett: Tu 2:30 -3:30 and Thu 11-12
  - IPL: Mon-Thu 12:30 – 9:30, Fri 12:30 – 5:30
  - Async via Ed & email!

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# Wed PCM: String Traversals

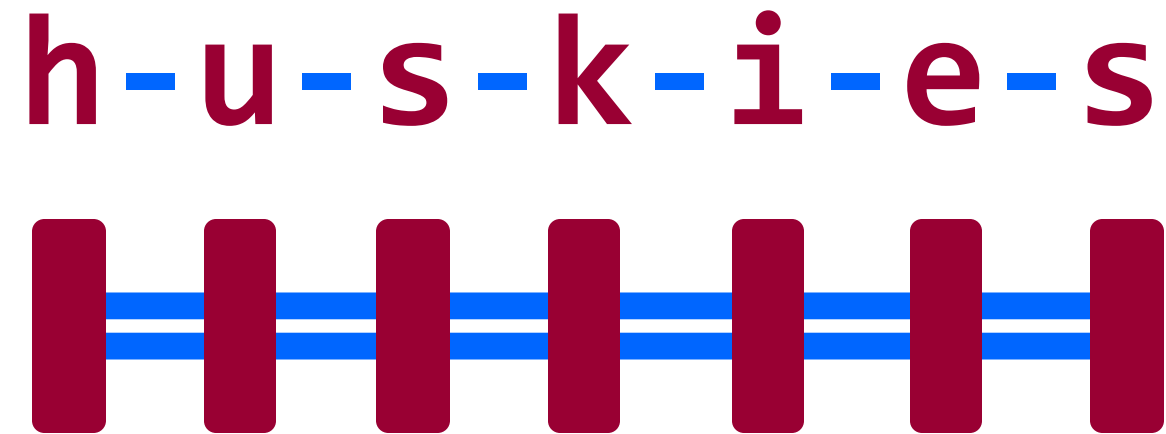
```
// For some String s  
for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); i++) {  
    // do something with s.charAt(i)  
}
```

# Go Huskies?

**h-u-s-k-i-e-s**

# The Fencepost Pattern

Some task where one piece is repeated  $n$  times, and another piece is repeated  $n-1$  times and they alternate



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# Wed PCM: for Loops!

For loops are our first **control structure**: a syntax *structure* that *controls* the execution of other statements.

```
for ( initialization ; test ; update ) {  
    body (statements to be repeated)  
}
```

# PCM: Nested for Loops

```
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1234  
12345

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# New: Scope

**Scope:** the part of a program where a variable exists (and can thus be referenced, modified, or used).

- General Rule: a variable 'exists' from its **declaration** to the **closing brace of that indentation level** }

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# Pseudo-Randomness

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- can use “external” variables like time, mouse position, etc.
- if we “fix” these variables, we can reproduce the same behavior
  - very important for testing!

# Aside: Why Randomness?

Randomness is core to computer science. It powers (among others):

- cryptography
- computer security
- machine learning (LLMs!)

True randomness is important: if we just use math, someone can “reverse” the formula.



[LavaRand](#): CloudFlare's Wall of Lava Lamps

# PCM: Random

The Random class helps us generate pseudo-random numbers.

- We create a new Random number generator by calling `new Random()`
- First, we need to **import** the Random class with `import java.util.*;`
- We can “seed” the generator to make it behave *deterministically*

| Method                           | Description                                                                                                          |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>nextInt()</code>           | Returns a random integer                                                                                             |
| <code>nextInt(<i>max</i>)</code> | Returns a random integer in the range <code>[0, <i>max</i>)</code> , or in other words, 0 to <i>max</i> -1 inclusive |
| <code>nextDouble()</code>        | Returns a random double in the range <code>[0.0, 1.0)</code>                                                         |



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# PCM: Math

## Math.<method>(...)

| Method                                              | Description                                                                                                       |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>Math.abs(<i>value</i>)</code>                 | Returns the absolute value of <i>value</i>                                                                        |
| <code>Math.ceil(<i>value</i>)</code>                | Returns <i>value</i> rounded up                                                                                   |
| <code>Math.floor(<i>value</i>)</code>               | Returns <i>value</i> rounded down                                                                                 |
| <code>Math.max(<i>value1</i>, <i>value2</i>)</code> | Returns the larger of the two values                                                                              |
| <code>Math.min(<i>value1</i>, <i>value2</i>)</code> | Returns the smaller of the two values                                                                             |
| <code>Math.round(<i>value</i>)</code>               | Returns <i>value</i> rounded to the nearest whole number*<br>note: need to cast result to int (it's complicated!) |
| <code>Math.sqrt(<i>value</i>)</code>                | Returns the square root of <i>value</i>                                                                           |
| <code>Math.pow(<i>base</i>, <i>exp</i>)</code>      | Returns <i>base</i> raised to the <i>exp</i> power                                                                |