

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?*

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Agenda (1/3)

- **Announcements, Reminders**
- Nested for Loops
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Announcements, Reminders

- **C1** is out, due Tuesday July 14th
- **Resubmission Cycle 0 (R0)** released, due Thursday July 16th
 - Eligible for resubmission: C0 & P0
- **Quiz 0** is on Thursday July 16th (in your registered quiz section)
 - Read the [quiz logistics post](#) on Ed! (includes practice quizzes)
 - can't make it? email hbfeeney@cs.washington.edu ASAP
- Observation: the course picks up pace a bit in this next week!
 - Go to section!
- Support reminders:
 - Hayden's OH: Wed 1:10– 2:10
 - IPL: Mon 1:30-4:30 (in person) 4:30-6:30 (online), Tu 1:30-6:30, Wed-Th 1:30-5:30
 - Async via Ed & email!

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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)  
}
```

Wed PCM: for loops (example)

```
for (int i = 0; i < 7; i++) {  
    System.out.println("I love CSE 121!");  
}
```

PCM: Nested for Loops

```
for (int outerLoop = 1; outerLoop <= 5; outerLoop++) {  
    System.out.println("outer loop iteration #" + outerLoop);  
    for (int innerLoop = 1; innerLoop <= 3; innerLoop++) {  
        System.out.println("    inner loop iteration #" + innerLoop);  
    }  
    System.out.println(outerLoop);  
}
```

PCM: Nested for Loops, “Inner Loop”

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inner
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Practice: Think

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A. 1
12
123
1234
12345

B. i
ii
iii
iiii
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C. 1
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4444
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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>(...)

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<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* 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

Pseudocode

- Quite literally: “fake” code
- Goal: writing that is
 - **for humans**
 - structured *like* code
 - “easy” to convert *to* code
 - *not* beholden to the same preciseness as code

```
// Example for “name” demo
// find the space in the name
// use substring to get first name (up to
space)
// get first char of first name w/
substring
// capitalize that with toUpperCase
// concatenate to get uppercase first name
```