CSE / ENGR 142 Programming I

Iteration

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Chapter 5

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What's "Wrong" with HW1?

- User has to rerun the program for every new pair of years
 - Wouldn't it be nice if the program could process repeated requests?
- Program ends immediately if user types a bad input
 - Wouldn't it be nice the program politely asked the user again (and again, etc. if necessary)?

One More Type of Control Flow

Sometimes we want to repeat a block of code. This is called a *loop*.



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Loops

- A "loop" is a repeated ("iterated") sequence of statements
- Like conditionals, loops (iteration) will give us a huge increase in the power of our programs
- Alert: loops are harder to master than if statements
 - Even experienced programmers often make subtle errors when writing loops

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Motivating Loops

Problem: add 5 numbers entered at the keyboard. Here's a solution:

int sum; int x1, x2, x3, x4, x5;

printf("Enter 5 numbers: "); scanf("%d%d%d%d%d", &x1, &x2, &x3, &x4, &x5); sum = x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5;

This works perfectly!

But... what if we had 15 numbers? or 50? or 5000?

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int sum, x; int sum, x; int count; sum = 0; printf("Enter 5 numbers: "); scanf("%d", &x); sum = sum + x; scanf("%d", &x); scanf("%d", &x); scanf("%d", &x); scanf("%d", &x); scanf("%d", &x); scanf("%d", &x); scanf("%d", &x)
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More General Solution

int sum;
int x;
int count;
int number_inputs; /* Number of inputs */

sum = 0;
printf("How many numbers? ");
scanf("%d", &number_inputs);
printf("Enter %d numbers: ", number_inputs);
count = 1;
while (|count <= number_inputs|) {
    scanf("%d", &x);
    sum = sum + x;
    count = count + 1;
}
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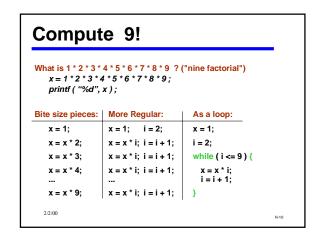
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while loops

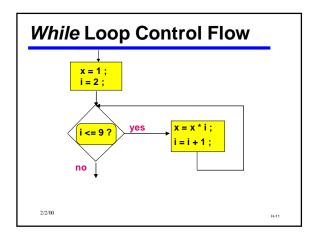
Loop condition

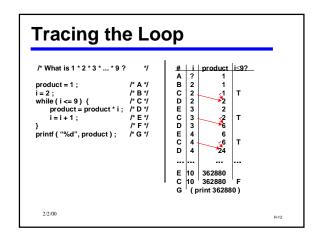
while (condition) {

statement1;
statement2;
...

Any statement,
or a compound
statement
}
```







Double Your Money /* Suppose your \$1,000 is earning interest at 5% per year. How many years until you double your money? */ my_money = 1000.0; n = 0; while (my_money < 2000.0) { my_money = my_money *1.05; n = n + 1; } printf("My money will double in %d years.", n);</pre>

printf ("Enter numbers to average, end with -1.0 \n"); sum = 0.0; count = 0; scanf ("%lf", &next); while (next != -1.0) { sum = sum + next; count = count + 1; scanf ("%lf", &next); } if (count > 0) printf("The average is %f. \n", sum / (double) count);

```
Printing a 2-D Figure

How would you print the following diagram?

* * * * * *

* * * * *

repeat 3 times

print a row of 5 stars

print *

It seems as if a loop within a loop is needed.
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#define ROWS 3
#define COLS 5
...
row = 1;
while (row <= ROWS) {
loop rint 3
rows

row = row + 1
}
```

```
row = 1; (#defines omitted to save space)

while (row <= ROWS) {

/* print a row of 5 *'s */

col = 1;

while (col <= COLS) {

printf("s");

col = col + 1;

}

printf("\n");

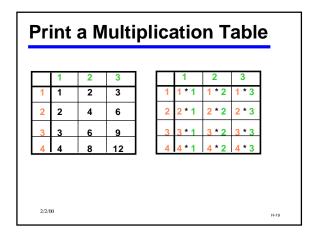
row = row + 1;

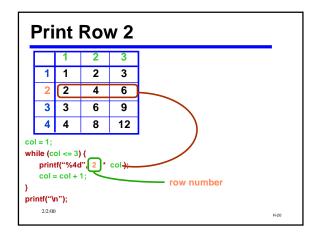
}
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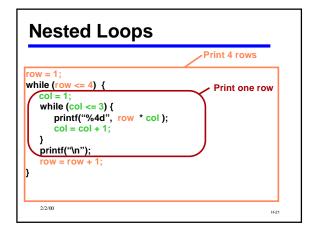
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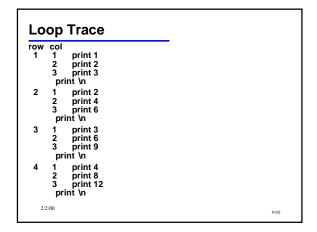
row:
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output:
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Loop Trace (Detailed)

row col statement

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1 2 (TRUE) 2b
1 2 print 2 3
1 3 (TRUE) 2b
1 3 print 3 3
1 3 3 (TRUE) 2b
1 4 print 1 3
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1 4 (FALSE) 2b
1 4 print 1 4
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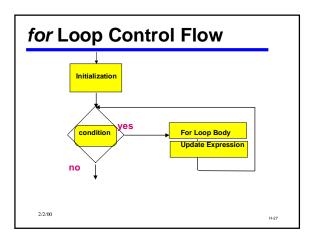
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Notes About Loop Conditions

- They offer all the same possibilities as conditions in *if*-statements
 - Can use &&, ||, !
- Condition is reevaluated each time through the loop
- A common loop pattern: counting the times through the loop
 - Occurs so often there is a separate statement type based on that pattern: the for-statement



for Loops vs while Loops • Any for loop can be written as a while loop • These two loops mean exactly the same thing: for (initialization; condition; update) statement; initialization; while (condition) { statement; update } • So for provides no new capabilities, but the notation is often convenient.

```
Counting in for Loops

/* Print n asterisks */
for (count = 1; count <= n; count = count + 1) {
    printf ("*");
}

/* Different style of counting */
for (count = 0; count < n; count = count + 1) {
    printf ("*");
}

/* could also use count <= n-1 */

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Debug Practice

- You're executing a program that calls puzzler()
- "ways" is being displayed when the program
- Question: what does this tell you about the values of a and b?
- What if it was "before" that was being displayed instead... what would that tell you about the values of a and b?

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"3 Rows of 5" as a Nested for Loop

#define ROWS 3
#define COLS 5
....

for (row = 1; row <= ROWS; row = row + 1) {
    for (col = 1; col <= COLS; col = col + 1) {
        printf("*");
    }

    printf("\n");
}
```

```
Trace

row:
col:

output:
```

```
#define ROWS 5
...
int row, col;
for (row = 1; row <= ROWS; row = row + 1) {
    for (col = 1; col <= row); col = col + 1) {
        printf("s");
    }
    printf("\n");
}
```

```
Trace

row:
col:

output:
```

Yet One More 2-D Figure How would you print the following diagram? * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * For every row (row = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4) Print row spaces followed by (5 - row) stars

Yet Another Nested Loop

```
#define ROWS 5
...
int row, col;
for (row = 0; row < ROWS; row = row + 1) {
    for (col = 1; col <= row; col = col + 1)
        printf( " ");
    for (col = 1; col <= ROWS - row; col = col + 1)
        printf( "\n" );
    printf( "\n" );
}
```

The Appeal of Functions

```
/* Print character ch n times */

void repeat_chars (int n, char ch) {
    int i;
    for (i = 1; i <= n; i = i + 1)
        printf ("%c", symbol);
}
...

for (row = 0; row < ROWS; row = row + 1) {
    repeat_chars (row, ' ');
    repeat_chars (ROWS - row, '*');
    printf("\n");
}

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```

Goals for Loop Development

•Getting from problem statement to working code

•Systematic loop design and development

•Recognizing and reusing code patterns

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Example: Rainfall Data

•General task: Read daily rainfall amounts and print some interesting information about them.

•Input data: Zero or more numbers giving daily rainfall followed by a negative number (sentinel).

•Example input data: 0.2 0.0 0.0 1.5 0.3 0.0 0.1 -1.0 •Empty input sequence: -1.0 [or -17.42 or ...]

•Given this raw data, what sort of information might we want to print?

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Rainfall Analysis

Some possibilities:

Just print the data for each day

•Compute and print the answer to one of these questions

-How many days worth of data are there?

-How much rain fell on the day with the most rain?

-On how many days was there no rainfall?

-What was the average rainfall over the period?

-What was the median rainfall (half of the days have more, half less)?

-On how many days was the rainfall above average?

What's similar about these? Different?

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Is There a Pattern Here? nt main (void) { int main (void) { double rain; /* current rainfall */ double rain: /* current rainfall */ int ndays; /* # input numbers /* read rainfall amounts */ /* read rainfall amounts */ scanf("%lf", &rain): scanf("%lf", &rain): while (rain >= 0.0) { while (rain >= 0.0) { scanf("%lf", &rain); scanf("%lf", &rain); printf("# of days input = %d.\n", ndays);

Program Schema

- •A program schema is a pattern of code that solves a general problem.
- •Learn patterns through experience, observation.
- •If you encounter a similar problem, reuse the pattern.
- •Work the problem by hand to gain insight into possible solutions. Ask yourself "what am I doing?"
- •Check your code by hand-tracing on simple test data.

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```
#include <stdio.h>
int main (void) {
    double variable;
    declarations;
    initial;
    scanf("%If", &variable);
    while (variable is not sentine) {
        process;
        scanf("%If", &variable);
    }
    final;
    return 0;
}
```

Schema Placeholders

In the schema, variable, declarations, sentinel, initial, process, and final are placeholders.

variable holds the current data from input. It should be replaced with an appropriately named variable.

•sentinel is the value that signals end of input.

•declarations are any additional variables needed.

•initial is any statements needed to initialize variables before any processing is done.

*process is the "processing step" - work done for each input value.

•final is any necessary operations needed <u>after</u> all input has been processed.

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Loop Development Tips

Some useful ideas

•Do you know an appropriate schema? Use it!

•Declare variables as you discover you need them.

-When you create a variable, write a comment describing what's in it!

•Often helps to start with

-What has to be done to process one more input value?

-What information is needed for final?

•Often easiest to write initial last

- initial is "what's needed so the loop works the 1st time"

- Often obvious after writing rest of the loop
```

#include <stdio.h> int main (void) { double rain; /* current rainfall */ declarations: Initial: scanf("%If", &rain); while (rain >= 0.0) { process: scanf("%If", &rain); } final: return 0; 22/00 }

```
Print # Days With No Rain

#include <stdio.h>
int main (void) {
    double rain; /* current rainfall */

declarations:

initial:

scanf("%If", &rain);
while (rain >= 0.0) {

process:

scanf("%If", &rain);
}

final:

return 0;
```

```
Print Average Daily Rainfall

#include <stdio.h>
int main (void) {
    double rain; /* current rainfall */

declarations:

initial:

scanf("%if", &rain);
while (rain >= 0.0) {

process:

scanf("%if", &rain);
}

final:

return 0;
```

Print Average Daily Rainfall (2) #include <stdio.h> int main (void) { double rain; /* current rainfall */ declarations: initial: scanf("%If", &rain); while (rain >= 0.0) { process: scanf("%If", &rain); } final: return 0; 1455

Some Loop Pitfalls while (sum < 10); | for (i = 0; i <= 10; i = i + 1); | sum = sum + 2; | sum = sum + i; for (i = 1; i!= 10; i = i + 2) | sum = sum + i; double x; | for (x = 0.0; x < 10.0; x = x + 0.2) | printf("%.18f", x);

Double Delight What you expect: What you might get: 0.200000000000000000 0.200000000000000000 0.400000000000000000 0.400000000000000000 9.00000000000000000 8.9999999999999997 9.2000000000000000000 9.199999999999999 9.400000000000000000 9.399999999999999 9.600000000000000000 9.599999999999996 9.80000000000000000 9.799999999999999 9.999999999999996

```
int i;
double x;
for (i = 0; i < 50; i = i + 1)
{
    x = (double) i / 5.0;
    printf("%.18f", x);
}</pre>
```

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To "increment:" increase (often by 1)
To "decrement:" decrease (often by 1)
Many loops increment or decrement a loop counter:

for (i = 1; i <= limit; i = i+1) {...}

times_to_go = limit;
while (times_to_go > 0) {

times_to_go = times_to_go - 1;
}
```

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Handy Shorthand

Post-increment ( x++ ), Post-decrement ( x-- )
Used by itself,

x++ means the same as x = x+1

x-- means the same as x = x-1

Very often used with loop counters:
for(i=1; i <= limit; i++) {\dots}

times_to_go = limit;
while ( times_to_go > 0) {

times_to_go-:
}

times_to_go-:
}
```

Surgeon General's Warning

- · ++ and -- are unary operators.
- Pre-increment (++x) and pre-decrement (--x) exist, too.
- For CSE142, use only in isolation. Don't combine these with other operators in expressions!

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E.g., don't try x = y++/(3 * --x--)
```

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Iteration Summary

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•General pattern:
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- initialize
- test
- do stuffupdate
- •go back to re-test, re-do stuff, re-update, ...
- "while" and "for" are equally general in C
- use "for" when initialize/test/update are closely related and simple, especially when counting

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Event-Driven Programming

- Modern programs tend to be "eventdriven"
 - Program starts, sets itself up.
 - Program enters a loop, waiting for some event or command to happen:
 - mouse click, key click, timer, menu selection, etc.
 - Program performs operation ("handles" the event or command)
 - Program goes back to its wait loop
- GP142 programs follow this model

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Simple Command Interpreter

Read in "commands" and execute them.

Input - single characters

- a -- execute command A by calling A_handler()
- b -- execute command B by calling B_handler()
- q -- quit

Pseudocode for main loop:

get next command

- if a, execute command A
- if b, execute command B
- if q, signal quit

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Command Interpreter Loop Control Schema

repeat until quit signal use variable "done" to indicate when done

set done to false while not done

body statements

if quit command, set done to true

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