

CompSci 101

Introduction to Computer Science

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Announcements

- No Reading for next time on calendar page
 - No Reading Quiz til after the exam
 - Must finish all RQ by Thursday!!
- Assignment 4 due Thursday
- APT 3 is due today
- Exam 1 is in one week – Sept 30
 - Do the Practice Test by class Thursday
 - Fill out form on course web page if you have accommodations and/or cannot take the exam
 - One week for Regrade request
- Finish lecture notes from last time

Assignment 4 steps

- Run the program
- Create the simple text file
- Modify transform method
 - Apply transformation to every word in list of lists
- Modify write_words – write to file
- Modify transformations (pig-latin, rot13, etc)

Passing Functions as Parameters

```
def upperWord(word) :  
    return word.upper()  
  
def argWord(word) :  
    return word + "arg"  
  
def transformWord(func, word) :  
    return func(word)  
  
print transformWord(upperWord, "train")  
print transformWord(argWord, "truck")
```

While loops

- Repetition when you stop a loop based on a condition
- while CONDITION:
 BODY
 - As long as condition is true, keep executing loop.
 - Must have an update in the body to get closer to condition being false
- Example: Repeat in chess until someone wins. When will that be?

Mystery While example

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```
def mystery(strng):  
    count = 0  
    result = ""  
    while count < 5:  
        result += strng[count] + strng[count]  
        count += 1  
    result += strng[count:]  
    return result  
  
print mystery("September")
```

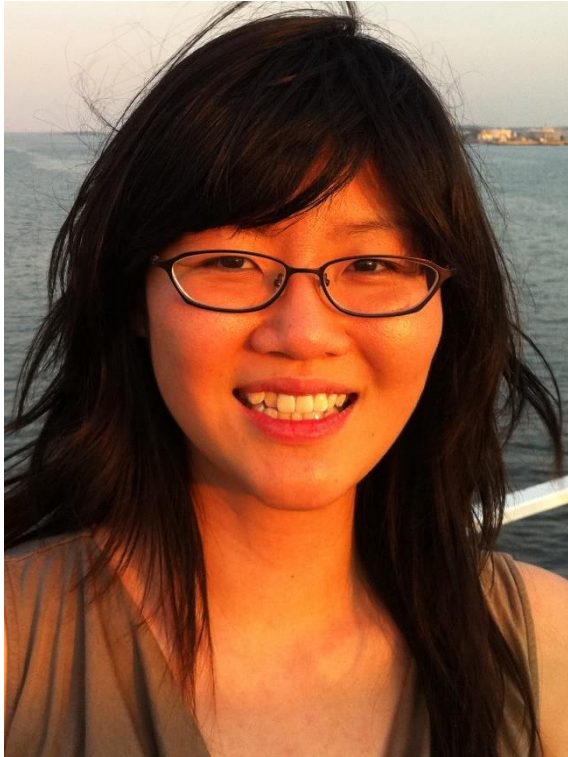
While loops

- Problem 1: Does a letter, say ‘o’, appear at least three times in a string?
- What if the string is very long? Can we stop early if we counted three ‘o’s’?
- Problem 2: Can we return the words in the phrase up until the third “o”?

Example

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```
def countOfLetterThreeTimes(title, letter):  
    count = 0  
    pos = 0  
    while (count < 3 ):  
        if title[pos] == letter:  
            count += 1  
        pos += 1  
    return True
```

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Problem Solving

- Assume vowels are: aeiou
- Write vowelsOnly(word)
 - Returns word with only the vowels
- Write allVowels(word)
 - - return true if word is all vowels