Compsci 101 Accumulator Pattern, Loop Tracing, Files

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```
lst = ["ant", "bat", "cat", "dog"]
for i in range(len(lst))
    print(i, lst[i])
```

I is for ...



Identity

Who are you? Computer Science Student

Invariant

Reasoning formally and informally about loops

Internet

- Network of networks
- Far more than that!

Lynn Conway

See Wikipedia and lynnconway.com

- Helped invent dynamic scheduling early
 '60s IBM
- Transgender, fired in '68
- IBM apologized in 2020 (52 years later)
- Joined Xerox Parc in 1979
- Revolutionized VLSI design with Carver Mead
- Joined U. Michigan 1985
- NAE '89, IEEE Pioneer '09
- Professor and Dean, retired '98



"If you want to change the future, start living as if you are already there."

Announcements

- Assignment 2 Turtles due Thurs!
- Lab 5 Friday Prelab coming out Wed or Thur
- Coming, APT-3 out Thursday
- Coming, APT-1 QUIZ (Feb 23-27)
 - Timed APTs, take when you want during these dates
 - Your own work!
- DO NOT discuss Exam 1 until it is handed back
 - Will be handed back on Gradescope

Plan for the Day

- Accumulator Pattern
- Range
- Loop Index
- Loop Tracing
- Files

The Accumulator Pattern

- Pattern you will see with a lot of loops
- Here is the pattern:

- Initialize a variable
- loop over a sequence (list or string)
 - Accumulate (add a little more to variable)
- Do something with variable (result)

Example of Accumulator Pattern

```
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   total = 0
   for num in lst:
      total += num
   return total
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Ista = [3, 7, 8, 2, 6]
print(sumlist(lsta))
                       Output:
```

Example 2: Accumulator Pattern

```
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    for letter in word:
        total += 1
    return total
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word = "card"
print(numLetters(word))
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REVIEW: Looping over Sequences

- Let's explore this:
 - Given a sentence:
 - "Duke Computer Science is so much fun!"
 - How do we create this sentence?
 - "Dk Cmptr Scnc s s mch fn!"
 - Input is sentence. Output has vowels removed

Accumulator Pattern: NoVowels

- "For each character, if it's not a vowel add it to the output string"
- Accumulator pattern: change a variable in a loop
 - Accumulate a value while iterating through loop

```
20     def noVowels(phrase):
21         ret = ""
22         for ch in phrase:
23         if not isVowel1(ch):
24         ret = ret + ch
25         return ret
```

range() Sequence

- Range generates a sequence of values
- range(y) starts at 0 and goes up to but doesn't include y: 0 ... (y-1)
 - y is an integer
- range(x,y): x...(y-1)
 - x and y are integers
- Sequence that provides access to int values
- "up to but not including" sounds familiar? Slicing!

Example

```
range(5)
list(range(5))
range(5)[0]
range(5)[4]
range(5)[5]
range(5,10)
list(range(5,10))
range(5,10)[3]
for x in range(3):
   print(x)
```

Range Examples

- Access all the values in a list to print them
 - Use the "for each in sequence" pattern

```
lst = ["ant", "bat", "cat", "dog"]
for s in lst:
    print(s)
```

Range Examples

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 - Use an index to access ith element

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Repetition with Range

- Sometimes rather than looping over a sequence of values you want to repeat # times
 - Do this 4 times
 - Do that 250 times

- Can do this with the Python range function!
 - If don't care about the value in the range (e.g. "Do this four times"), can do:

```
for _ in range(4):
    CODE
```

WOTO-1 – Accumulator, Range http://bit.ly/101s23-0214-1

Code-Tracing a Loop

- 1. Find the changing variables/expressions
- 2. Create table, columns are variables/expressions
 - 1. First column is loop variable
 - 2. Add columns to help track everything else
- 3. Each row is an iteration of the loop
 - Before execute code block, copy down each variable's value
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```
def mystery(lst):
    idxMax = 0
    for i in range(len(lst)):
        if lst[idxMax] < lst[i]:
        idxMax = i</pre>
```

What should be the table's columns?

return idxMax

Fill in table

- Before execute code block, copy down each variable's value
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def mystery(lst):
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mystery([2, 12, 4, 15, 15])

i	idxMax	<pre>lst[idxMax]</pre>	<pre>lst[i]</pre>	<pre>lst[idxMax] < lst[i]</pre>

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i	idxMax	<pre>lst[idxMax]</pre>	lst[i]	<pre>lst[idxMax] < lst[i]</pre>

WOTO-2 Loop Tracing http://bit.ly/101s23-0214-2

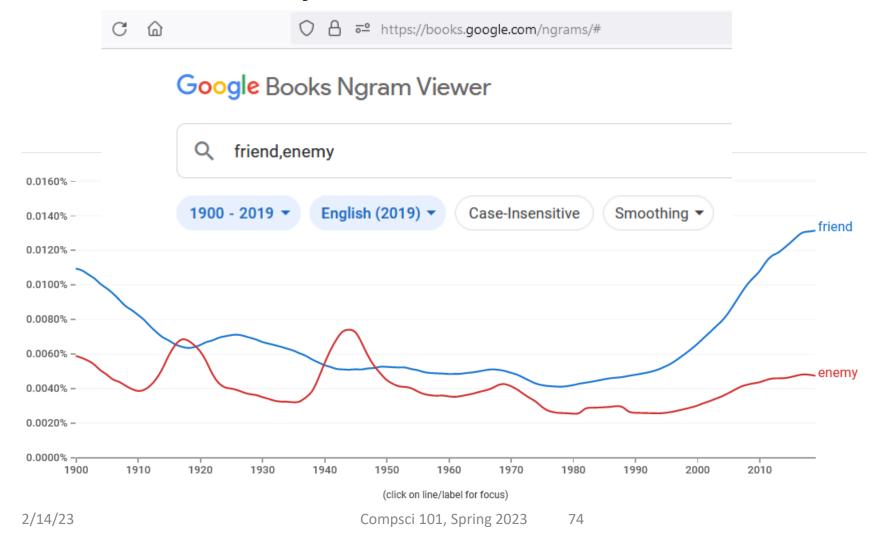
- Remember the steps
- (1) Find the changing variable/expressions,
- (2) Create the table with these as the column
- (3) Each row is an iteration of the loop

Examples of Processing Data

- Lecture 1: count letters in Bible
- Another example: Google Ngram viewer
 - Ngram informs how words evolve
 - Shows number of times phrases occur in books over the years
 - https://books.google.com/ngrams
- Funny video on irregular words
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tFW7orQsBuo

Studying Language Evolution

friend vs enemy



Processing Data

- How do we find the longest word in .. Any text?
- How do we find the word that occurs the most?
- How is this related to how Google Search works?

- Text files can be viewed as sequences
 - Sequences of lines
 - Each line is a string
 - Some clean-up because of '\n'



File Pattern: One line at a time

- Simplest and reasonably efficient Python pattern
 - Open, loop, close, return/process
 - LineCounter.py
- File as sequence
 - One line at-a-time

```
def lineCount(fname):
           .....
           return # lines in file fname
10
           f = open(fname)
11
12
           1c = 0
           for line in f:
13
               lc = lc + 1
14
15
16
           f.close()
           return lc
```

lineCount function

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            f.close()
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            return lc
```

altCount function

```
def altCount(fname):
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20
             11 11 11
            return # lines in file fname
21
             11 11 11
22
            f = open(fname)
23
            lc = len(f.readlines())
24
            f.close()
25
26
            return lc
```

main

```
pif __name__ == "__main__":
name = "data/poe.txt"

pc = lineCount(name)
print("# lines:",pc)

pc2 = altCount(name)
print("# lines:",pc2)
```

File Objects

- A file is an object, like a string
 - Functions applied to object: len ("word")
 - To get file object use open ("data.txt")
 - What is returned? Integer value, file object

- Often methods (aka function) applied to object
 - f.readlines(), f.read(), f.close()
 - Just like: st.lower(), st.count("e")

WOTO-3 Files http://bit.ly/101s23-0214-3