



Programming Fundamentals 1

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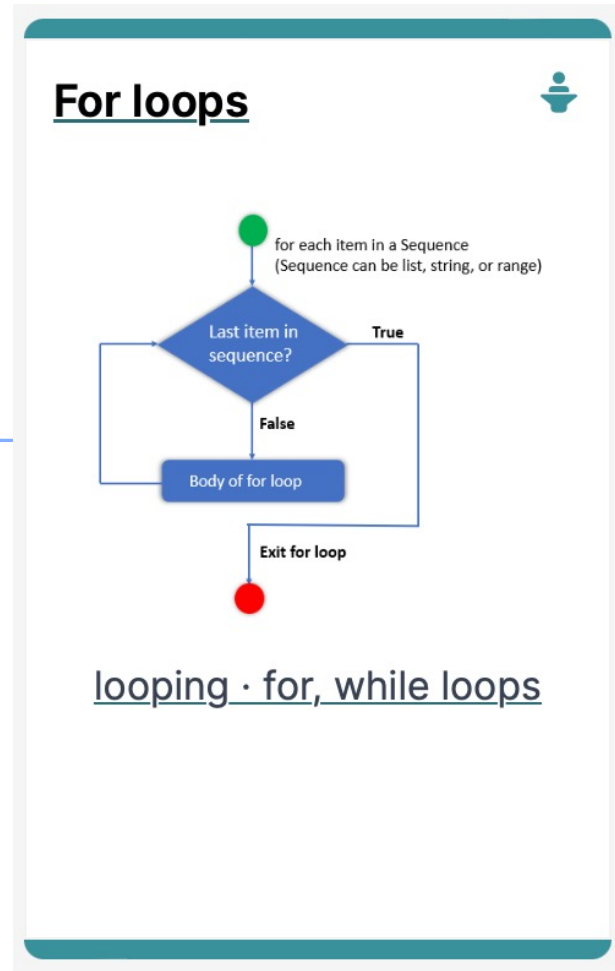
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Introduction to Processing

Iteration in Programming – For Loops





Agenda

- ❑ Use of loops (**for** loops)
- ❑ Comparative use of while and for loops
- ❑ Lab03 - Challenge 1
- ❑ Lab03 - Challenge 3



Use of loops (for loops)





For loop pseudo-code

General form of a for loop

```
for(initialization; boolean condition; post-body action)  
{  
    statements to be repeated  
}
```



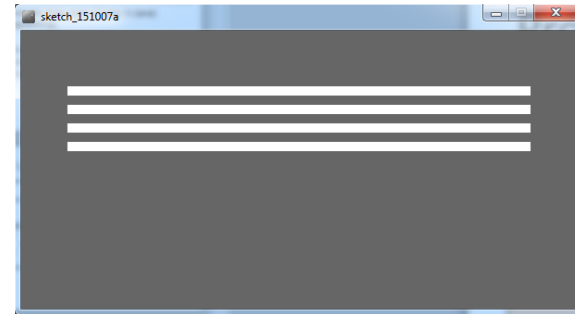
Recap: Processing Example 4.5

```
int yCoordinate = 60;

size(600, 300);
background(102);
fill(255);
noStroke();

int i = 0;
while(i < 4)
{
    rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);
    yCoordinate += 20;
    i++;
}
```

This was a slide from the previous talk. We used a while loop to repeatedly print the four rectangles to the display window.





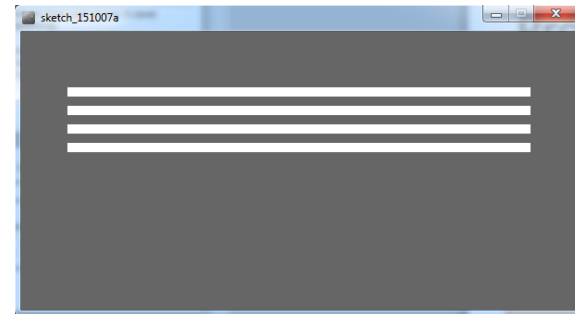
Processing Example 4.7

```
int yCoordinate = 60;
```

```
size(600, 300);  
background(102);  
fill(255);  
noStroke();
```

```
for(int i = 0; i < 4; i++)  
{  
    rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);  
    yCoordinate = yCoordinate + 20;  
}
```

This code does the same as the previous slide, except that we use a different loop: **for**



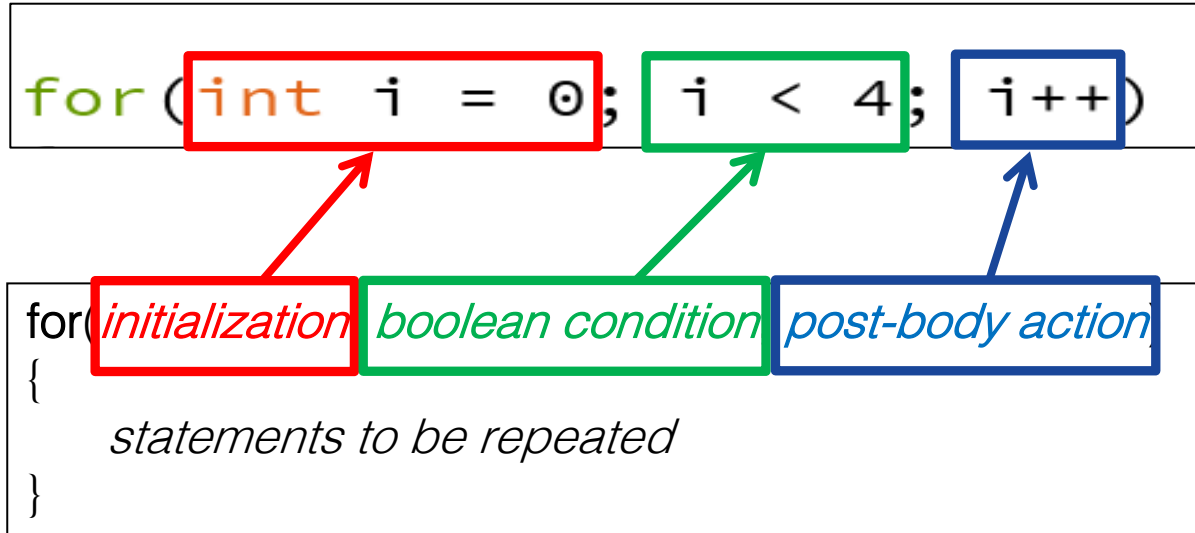


For loop syntax

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For loop syntax



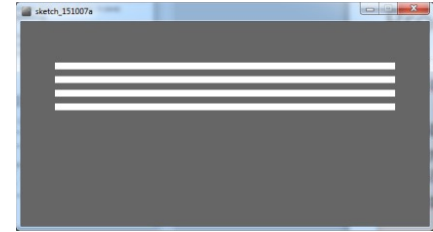
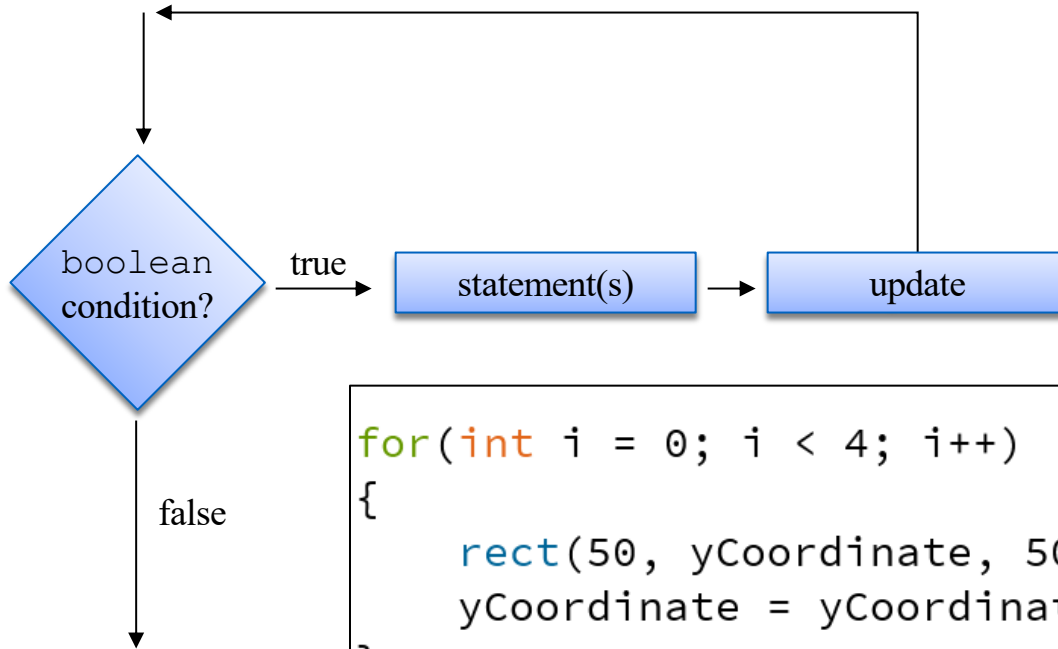


For loop syntax

```
for(int i = 0; i < 4; i++)
```

initialization	<code>int i = 0;</code>	Initialise a loop control variable (LCV) e.g. <code>i</code> . It can include a variable declaration.
boolean condition	<code>i < 4;</code>	Is a valid boolean condition that typically tests the loop control variable (LCV).
post-body action	<code>i++</code>	A change to the loop control variable (LCV). Contains an assignment statement.

for Loop Flowchart



```
for(int i = 0; i < 4; i++)
{
  rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);
  yCoordinate = yCoordinate + 20;
}
```



Returning to: Processing Example 4.7

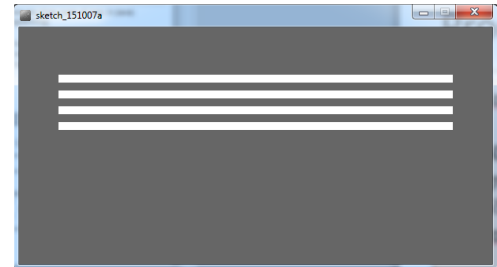
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int yCoordinate = 60;

size(600, 300);
background(102);
fill(255);
noStroke();

for(int i = 0; i < 4; i++)
{
    rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);
    yCoordinate = yCoordinate + 20;
}
```

Q: Do we need the `yCoordinate` variable?

Can you think of a different approach using a `for` loop?

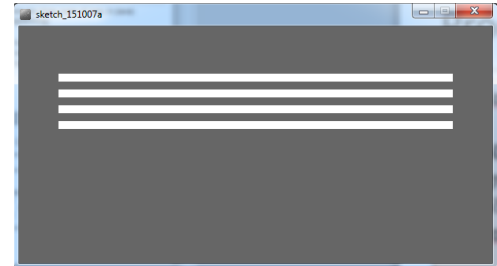




Processing Example 4.8

```
size(600, 300);  
background(102);  
fill(255);  
noStroke();  
  
for(int i = 60; i <= 120; i = i + 20)  
{  
    rect(50, i, 500, 10);  
}
```

A: We can eliminate the **yCoordinate** variable by setting the **i** variable to 60 and incrementing it by 20.





For loop: all parts are optional

```
for ( ; ; )  
{  
    // statements here  
}
```

This is an infinite
loop...

For loops can be nested



```
for (int i=0; i < 4; i++) ←  
    for (int j=0; j < 4; j++) ←  
        println("The value of i is: " + i + " and j is: " + j);
```

```
The value of i is: 0 and j is: 0  
The value of i is: 0 and j is: 1  
The value of i is: 0 and j is: 2  
The value of i is: 0 and j is: 3  
The value of i is: 1 and j is: 0  
The value of i is: 1 and j is: 1  
The value of i is: 1 and j is: 2  
The value of i is: 1 and j is: 3  
The value of i is: 2 and j is: 0  
The value of i is: 2 and j is: 1  
The value of i is: 2 and j is: 2  
The value of i is: 2 and j is: 3  
The value of i is: 3 and j is: 0  
The value of i is: 3 and j is: 1  
The value of i is: 3 and j is: 2  
The value of i is: 3 and j is: 3
```



Comparative use of while and for loops



for VERSUS while



Processing Example 4.7(for loop)

```
for(int i = 0; i < 4; i++) {  
  rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);  
  yCoordinate += 20;  
}
```

Processing Example 4.5 (while loop)

```
int i = 0;  
while(i < 4) {  
  rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);  
  yCoordinate += 20;  
  i++;  
}
```

Variable **i** is the Loop Control Variable (LCV).

It must be initialised, tested and changed.

int i = 0 is the **initialisation**.

i < 4 is the boolean condition
i.e. the **test**

i++ is the post-body action
i.e. the **change**.



Lab03 - Challenge 1





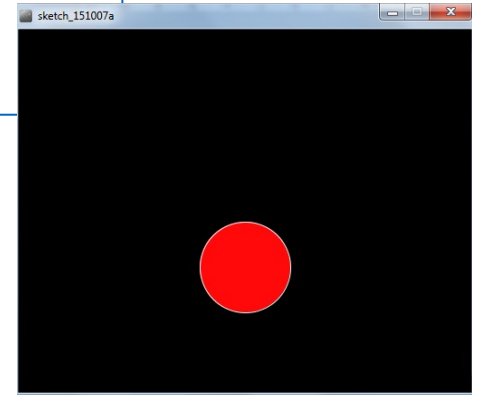
Lab03 - Challenge 1 – bouncing ball

Draw a continuously bouncing ball. (vertical only)

- the **xCoordinate** remains the **same** value
the **yCoordinate** will change.

Assumptions:

- display window is **500 x 400**
- ball is **100** in diameter.
- static **xCoordinate** is 250.
- **background** is called in the draw() method.
- starting **yCoordinate** is 300.





Lab03 - Challenge 1

Assumptions:

- display window is **500 x 400**
- ball is **100** in diameter.
- static **xCoordinate** is 250.

```
float yCoordinate = 300;

void setup() {
  size(500,400);
  fill(255, 10, 10);
  stroke(255);
}
```

```
void draw() {
  background(0);
  ellipse(250, yCoordinate, 100, 100);
}
```



Lab03 - Challenge 1

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- display window is **500 x 400**
- ball is **100** in diameter.
- static **xCoordinate** is 250.
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float yCoordinate = 300;  
  
void setup() {  
  size(500,400);  
  fill(255, 10, 10);  
  stroke(255);  
}
```

```
void draw() {  
  background(0);  
  ellipse(250, yCoordinate, 100, 100);  
}
```

Lab03 - Challenge 1

- We need to track whether the ball is bouncing up or falling.
- To do this, we will use a boolean variable **bounceUp**.

It will be:

- **true** if the ball is bouncing up
- **false** if the ball is falling and

```
float yCoordinate = 300;  
boolean bounceUp = false;
```

```
void setup() {  
  size(500,400);  
  fill(255, 10, 10);  
  stroke(255);  
}
```

```
void draw() {  
  background(0);  
  ellipse(250, yCoordinate, 100, 100);  
  
  if (bounceUp)  
    // code to bounce the ball up  
  
  if (!bounceUp)  
    // code when ball is falling  
}
```



```
float yCoordinate = 300;  
boolean bounceUp = false;
```

```
void setup() {  
  size(500,400);  
  fill(255, 10, 10);  
  stroke(255);  
}
```

```
void draw() {  
  background(0);  
  ellipse(250, yCoordinate, 100, 100);
```

```
  //ball is bouncing up  
  if (bounceUp){  
    if (yCoordinate > 100)  
      yCoordinate = yCoordinate - 1;  
    else  
      bounceUp = false;  
  }
```

```
  //ball is falling down  
  if (!bounceUp){  
    if (yCoordinate <= 350)  
      yCoordinate = yCoordinate + 1;  
    else  
      bounceUp = true;  
  }
```

```
}
```



Lab03 - Challenge 3





Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

- In a new sketch, draw a **vertical line** that is the height of your display window.
- It starts in the left most position of your display window and **moves right, pixel by pixel**, until it reaches the right hand side of your display window.



Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

- Upon reaching the right hand side, the vertical line should **reverse direction** and return, pixel by pixel, to the left hand side of the display window.
- As your vertical line is continually traversing the display window, your **grayscale background should be varying** very slightly in colour.



Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

Assumptions:

- Window size 300x400.
- Background is initially set to 120.
- Stroke weight is 4

```
float background = 120;

void setup(){
  size(300,400);
  background(background);
  strokeWeight(4);
}
```



Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

- Draw a **vertical line** that is the height of your display window.
- Call background to **clear the previously drawn line**.

```
float background = 120;  
float xCoordinate = 0.0;  
  
void setup(){  
  size(300,400);  
  background(background);  
  strokeWeight(4);  
}
```

```
void draw()  
{  
  background(background);  
  line (xCoordinate, 0, xCoordinate, height);  
}
```



Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

This vertical line should start in the left most position of your display window and **move right, pixel by pixel**, until it reaches the right hand side of your display window.

```
void draw(){  
  xCoordinate = xCoordinate + 1;  
  
  background(background);  
  line (xCoordinate, 0, xCoordinate, height);  
}
```



Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

As your vertical line is continually traversing the display window, your **grayscale background** should be **varying** very slightly in colour.

```
void draw(){  
  xCoordinate = xCoordinate + 1;  
  background = background + 0.5; ←  
  background(background);  
  line (xCoordinate, 0, xCoordinate, height);  
}
```



Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

- Upon reaching the right hand side, the vertical line should **reverse direction** and return, pixel by pixel, to the left hand side of the display window.
- We need to keep track of the direction that the line should be moving i.e. is it going left-to-right, or has it reversed direction and is going from right-to-left?
- We will use a **boolean** variable to do this:
 - boolean **reverseDirection** will be initially set to false. indicating a left-to-right direction.
 - **false** indicates a **left-to-right direction**
 - **true** indicates a **right-to-left direction**.



Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

```
void draw()
{
  if (!reverseDirection){
    background = background + 0.5;
    xCoordinate = xCoordinate + 1;
  }
  else{
    background = background - 0.5;
    xCoordinate = xCoordinate - 1;
  }

  background(background);
  line (xCoordinate, 0, xCoordinate, height);
}
```

```
float background = 120;
float xCoordinate = 0.0;
boolean reverseDirection = false;

void setup(){
  size(300,400);
  background(background);
  strokeWeight(4);
}
```




Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

- But, we have no code written that will set the flag to true e.g.

```
reverseDirection = true;
```

- Under what circumstances should the flag be set to true?
- And when should it be set back to false?



Lab03 - Challenge 3 – Moving Line

```
void draw(){  
  if (xCoordinate == width)  
    reverseDirection = true;  
  if (xCoordinate == 0)  
    reverseDirection = false;  
  
  if (!reverseDirection){  
    background = background + 0.5;  
    xCoordinate = xCoordinate + 1;  
  }  
  else{  
    background = background - 0.5;  
    xCoordinate = xCoordinate - 1;  
  }  
  
  background(background);  
  line (xCoordinate, 0, xCoordinate, height);  
}
```

```
float background = 120;  
float xCoordinate = 0.0;  
boolean reverseDirection = false;
```

```
void setup(){  
  size(300,400);  
  background(background);  
  strokeWeight(4);  
}
```

Questions?





References

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