



15-112  
Lecture 2

Loops

Instructor: Pat Virtue

Tuesday Logistics

# As you walk in

Quiz will start at the beginning of lecture

- Have pencil/pen ready
- Don't use your own scratch paper
  - We have some if you need it
- Silence phones



# Quiz

## Before we start

- Don't open until we start
- Make sure your name and Andrew ID are on the front
- Read instruction page
- No questions (unless clarification on English)

## Additional info

- 25 min

# Announcements

## Quiz

## Grades

- Likely ready Wednesday
- Superhero TAs!
- Very small impact on final grade

## Fix-its!

- More information coming on Piazza

W

## From Syllabus

Quizzes (about 8, incl. TP deliverables)

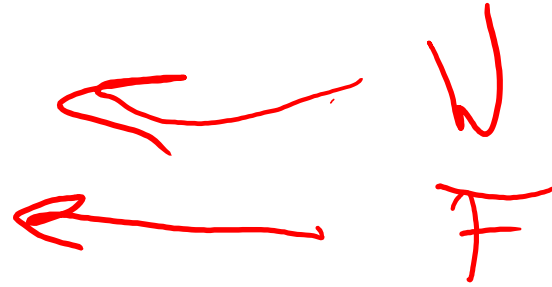
10%

Lowest quiz grade is dropped, second-lowest is half-weighted.

# Announcements

## Weekly Rhythm Assignments/Quizzes

- Today, HW2 released
- Thu, Pre-reading 3 released
- Sat, 8 pm: HW 2
- Mon, 8 pm: Pre-reading 3
- Next Tue, in-lec: Quiz 2



Thursday Logistics

# Announcements

## Quiz

- Review quiz results in Gradescope!
- Watch solution session recording if you missed the live zoom session
- Regrade requests
  - See Piazza for details
- Fix-its!
  - See Piazza for details

## Canvas

- Work in progress: we're getting scripts setup to sync Canvas Grades



# Announcements

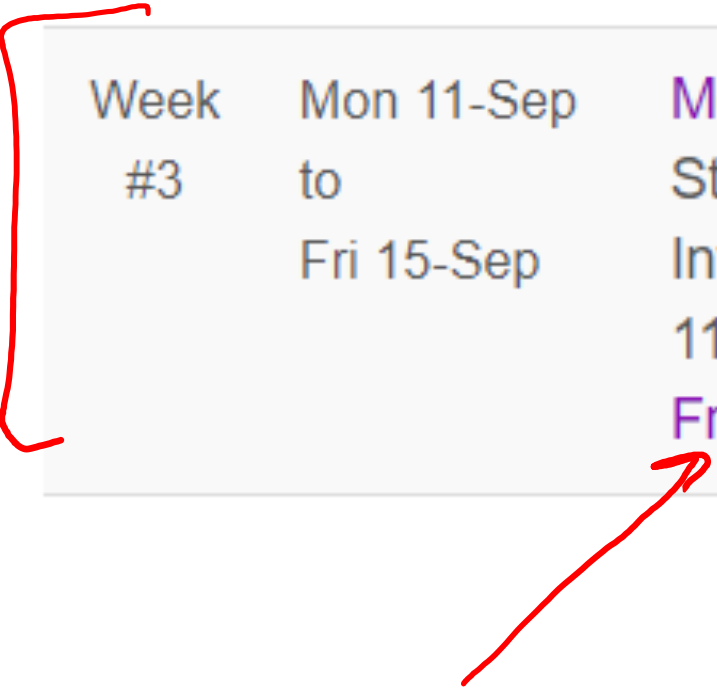
## Weekly Rhythm Assignments/Quizzes

- Today, Pre-reading 3 released soon
- ▪ Fri: Fix-its due
- Sat, 8 pm: HW 2
- Mon, 8 pm: Pre-reading 3
- Next Tue, in-lec: Quiz 2

# Announcements

Registration deadlines next week

From Schedule on course website



Week	Mon 11-Sep	Mon 11-Sept: Semester Course Add Deadline
#3	to	Strings
	Fri 15-Sep	Intro to 112 Graphics
		112 Style Guide
		Fri 15-Sep: Deadline to transfer to 15-110

Loops

# Poll 1

What does this code print?

```
for yGrid in range(-2, 2):
```

```
    pixel = '+'  
    #print('+', end=" ")
```

*print(yGrid)*     *-2 -1 0 1*

A) 

+ +
-----

D) 

+
+

E) 

+
+
+
+

F) 

+
+
+
+
+

G) I have no idea

**B) 

+ + + +
---------

C) 

+ + + + +
-----------

# Poll 2

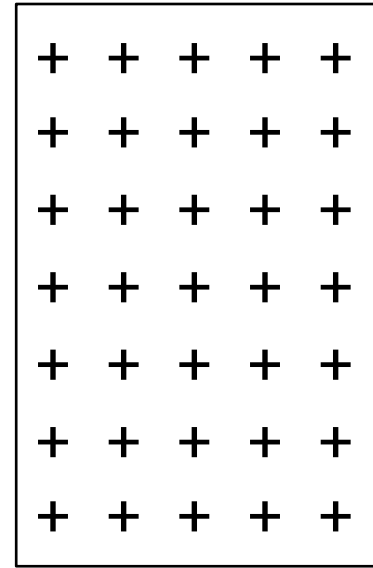
What does this code print?

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        # for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):  
            pixel = '+'  
            print(pixel, end=" ")  
        print()
```

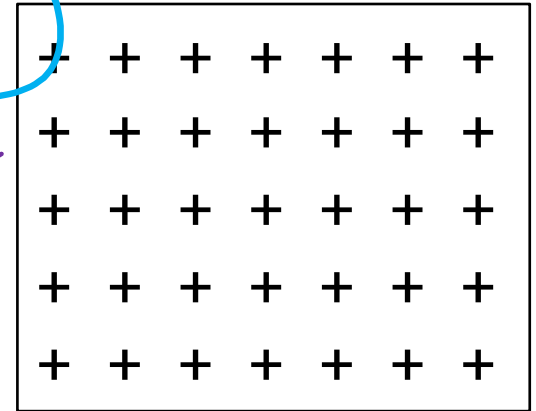
```
printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)
```

$\text{range}(-3, 4)$   
 $\text{range}(-2, 3)$

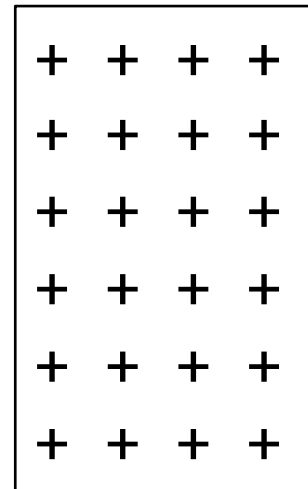
A)



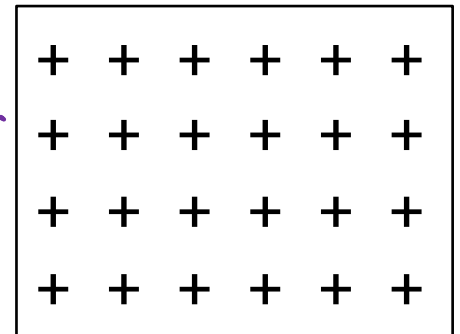
B)



C)



D)



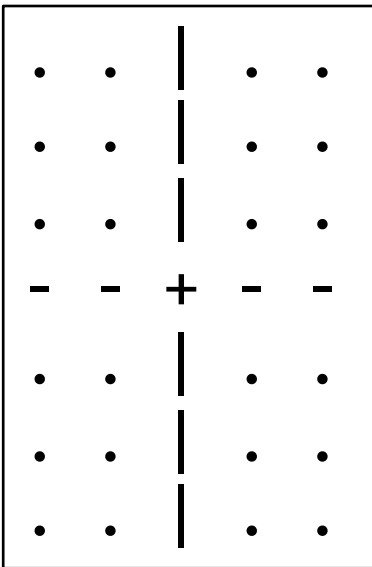
E) I have no idea

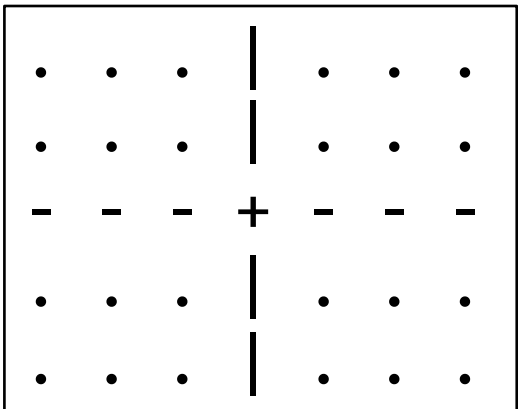
4

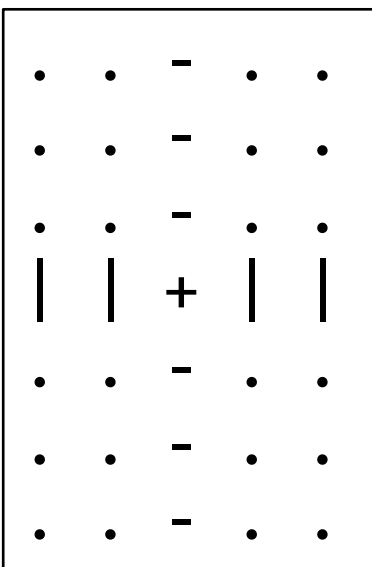
# Poll 3 (unused)

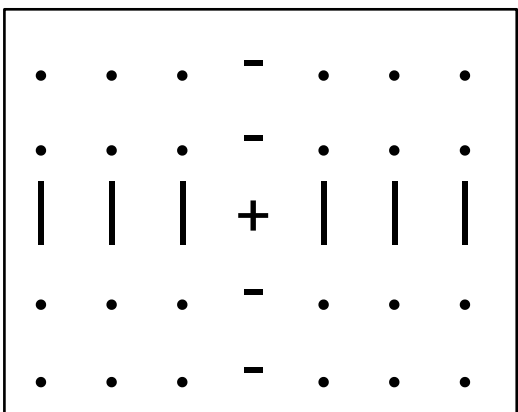
What does this code print?

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):  
            if xGrid == 0 and yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '+'  
            elif xGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '|'  
            elif yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '-'  
            else:  
                pixel = '.'  
            print(pixel, end=" ")  
        print()  
printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)
```

A) 

B) 

C) 

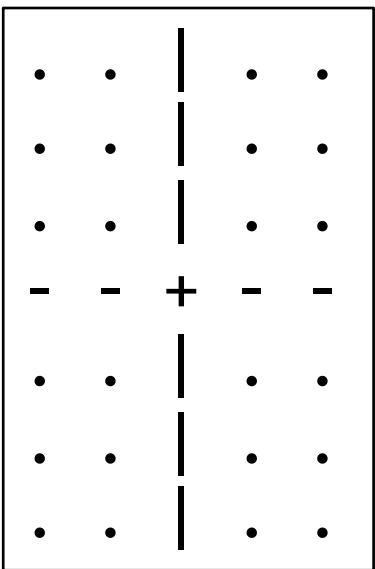
D) 

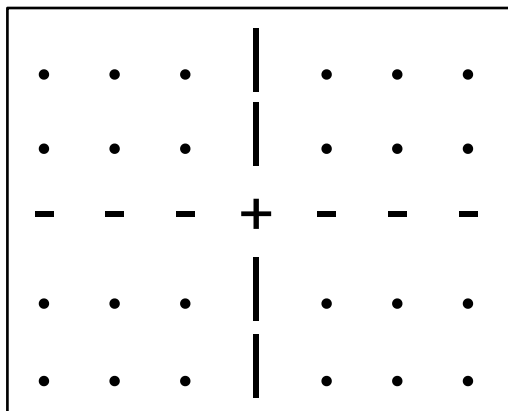
E) I have no idea

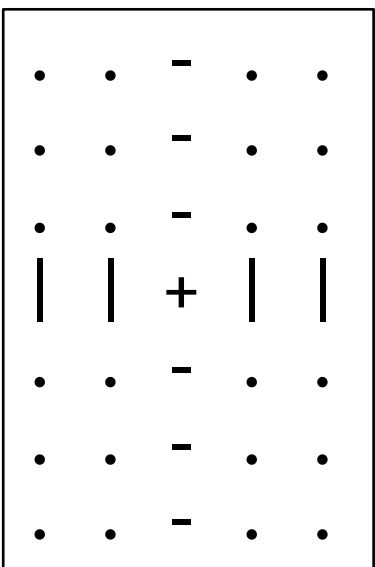
# Poll 3 (unused)

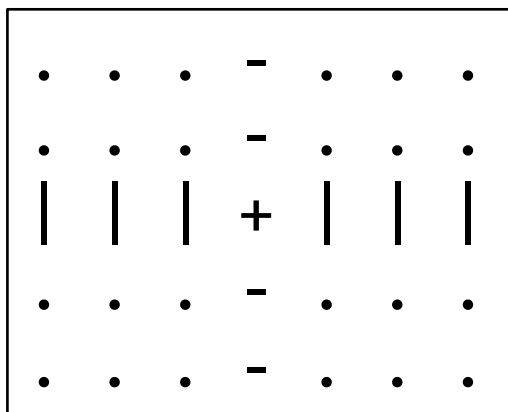
What does this code print?

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):  
            if xGrid == 0 and yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '+'  
            elif xGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '|'  
            elif yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '-'  
            else:  
                pixel = '.'  
            print(pixel, end=" ")  
        print()  
printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)
```

A) 

B) 

C) 

D) 

E) I have no idea

# Poll 4

Which code is better

A)

```
def sumFromMToN(m, n):  
    total = 0  
    for x in range(m, n+1):  
        total += x  
    return total
```

B)

```
def sumFromMToN(m, n):  
    total = 0  
    x = m  
    while x <= n:  
        total += x  
        x += 1  
    return total
```



# For Loops vs While Loops

Often, we can write our code using either

How do we choose

- ✓ ■ For loops are often easier to reason about, especially if we're looping over a known sequence
- ✓ ■ While loops work well when we don't know how many loops we need to do
- Easier to make mistakes with while loops
  - "Help! I run my code, but it doesn't do anything!!"
  - Infinite loop!!

Tip: Use ctrl-C to interrupt program execution in the console

Tip: Include some print statements to see the loop in action

# While Loops

Pick a number between 0 and 1000 (Unknown number of loops)

```
guessStr = input("Enter new guess: ")
```

```
guess = int(guessStr)
```

```
numAttempts = 1
```

```
while guess != secret:
```

```
    if guess > secret:
```

```
        print("--- Too high!")
```

```
    else:
```

```
        print("--- Too low!")
```

```
    guessStr = input("Enter new guess: ")
```

```
    guess = int(guessStr)
```

```
    numAttempts += 1
```

```
print(f"You got it in {numAttempts}! The secret number was {secret}!")
```

## Poll 5 (unused)

How many factors does the number 16 have?

A. 2

B. 3

C. 4

D. 5

E. 6

F. 7

G. 8

H. 16

1 2 4 8 16

# Poll 6 (unused)

What is the n-th prime number when n=3?

0 A. 2

1 B. 3

C. 4

2 D. 5 *guess*

~~E. 6~~

3 F. 7

G. 8

H. 9

I. 10

J. 11

*isPrime(2)?*

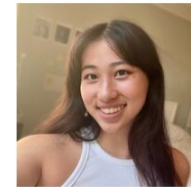
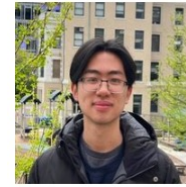
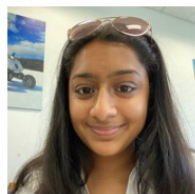
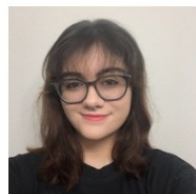
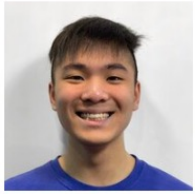


*numFound = 0*  
~~1~~  
~~2~~  
3

*(so, in 112, we're looking for n+1 things)*

# Pattern: Find the n-th thing

Find the n-th dino



# Pattern: Find the n-th thing

## Need

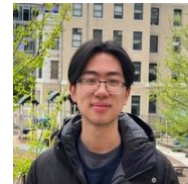
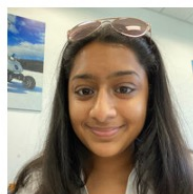
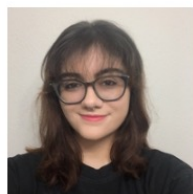
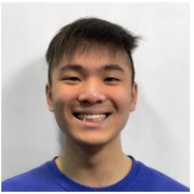
- A way to get to the next guess
- A way to check it: `isThing(guess)`

## Sketch

Loop from guess to guess until you've found n (well actually n+1) things

if `isThing(guess)`:

`numFound += 1`



# Pattern: Find the n-th thing

## Find the n-th prime

- NEED: `isPrime(number)`

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17

Design: isPrime(n)

Use paper (or equivalent) to design your solutions!



# Design: isPrime(n)

Then you can compare your code your paper examples

```
def isPrime(n):  
    if n < 2:  
        return False  
    for factor in range(2, n):  
        if n % factor == 0:  
            return False  
    return True
```

# Pattern: Find the n-th thing

## Find the n-th prime

- Assume we have `isPrime(number)`

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17

# Pattern: Find the n-th thing

## Find the n-th prime

- Assume we have `isPrime(number)`

```
def nthPrime(n):  
    numFound = 0  
    guess = 0 # First guess - 1  
    while numFound <= n: # Note: Does one more loop when numFound == n !!  
        guess += 1 # Next guess  
        if isPrime(guess):  
            numFound += 1  
    return guess
```

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17

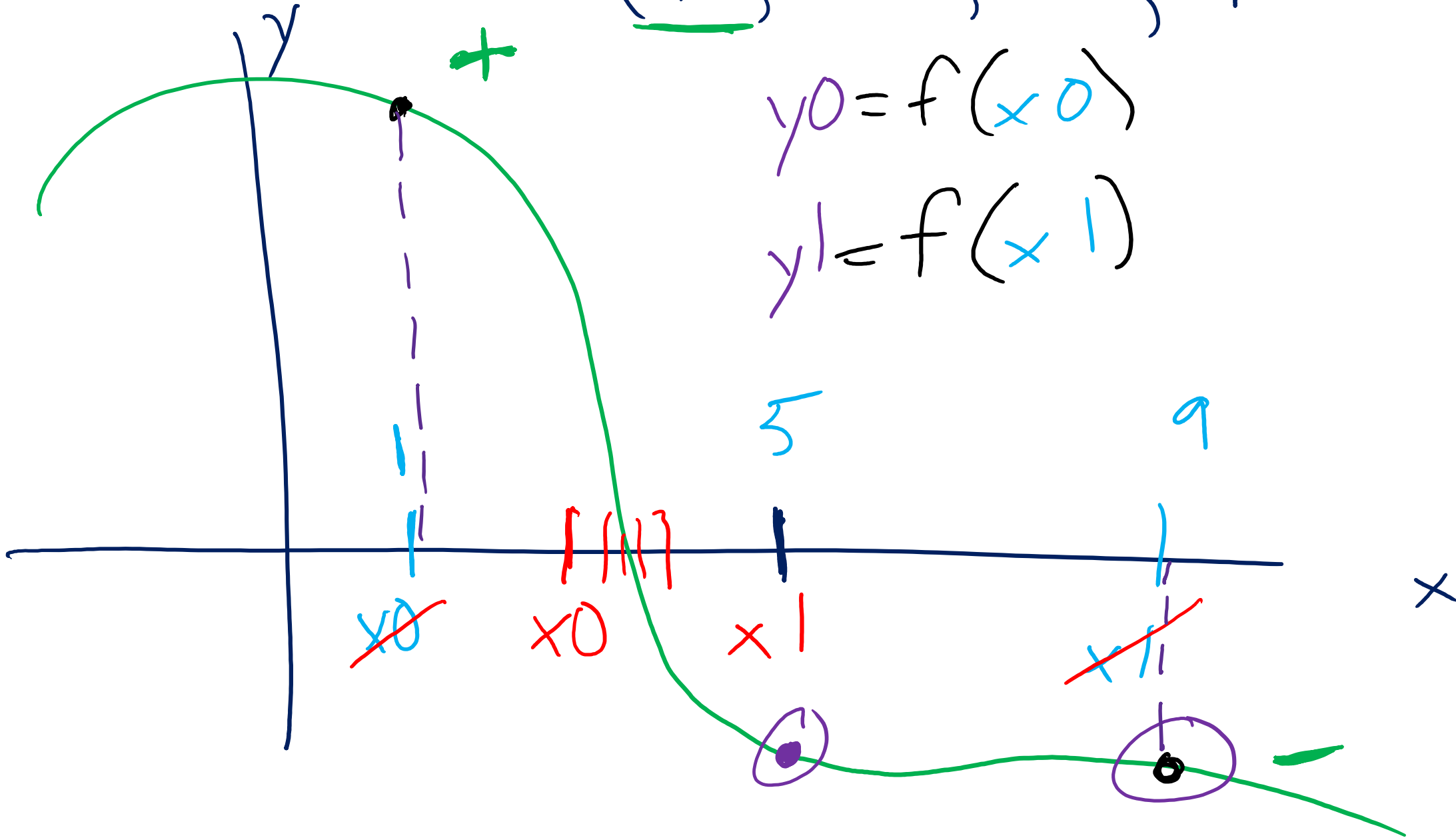
Bisection

findZeroWithBisection

$(f, x_0, x_1, \epsilon)$

$$y_0 = f(x_0)$$

$$y_1 = f(x_1)$$



Loops: Break and Continue

# Poll 7

Which of these prints more lines?

A)

```
x = 0
while True:
    x += 1
    if x % 10 == 0:
        break
    print(x)
print('Done')
```

Handwritten annotations for A: Red vertical lines on the left are labeled 6, 7, 8, 9. A red arrow points from the 'break' statement to the 'print(x)' statement, which is crossed out with a red 'X'.

B)

```
x = 0
while True:
    x += 1
    if x % 10 == 0:
        continue
    print(x)
print('Done')
```

Handwritten annotations for B: Red vertical lines on the left are labeled 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. A red arrow points from the 'continue' statement to the 'print(x)' statement, which is crossed out with a red 'X'.

C) Same

D) I have no idea

# Previous Poll 2

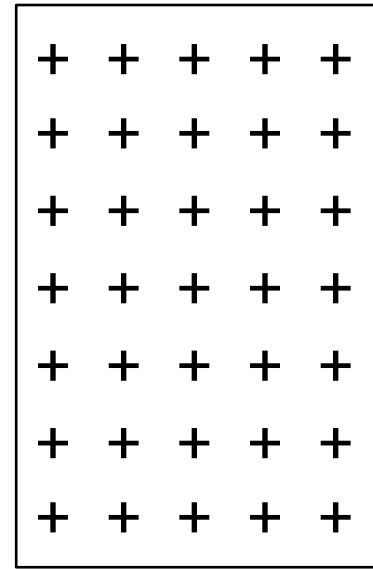
What does this code print?

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        # for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):  
            pixel = '+'  
            print(pixel, end=" ")  
        print()
```

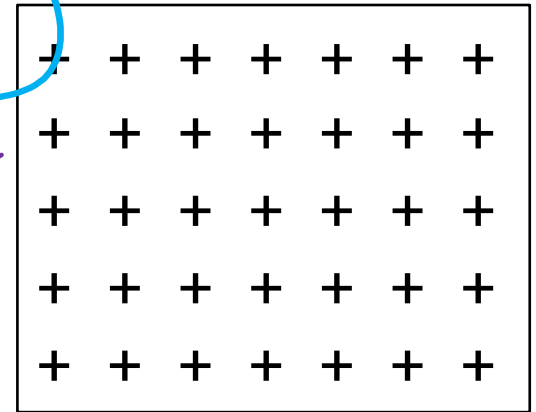
```
printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)
```

$\text{range}(-3, 4)$   
 $\text{range}(-2, 3)$

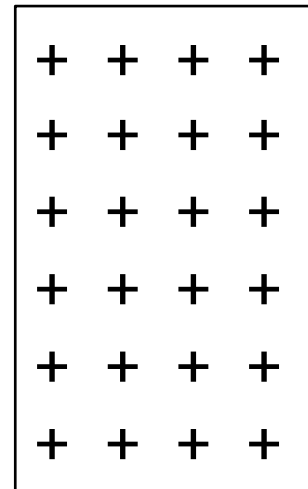
A)



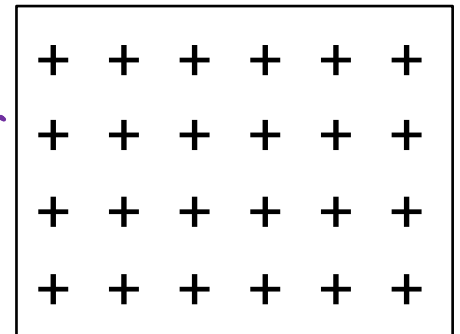
B)



C)



D)



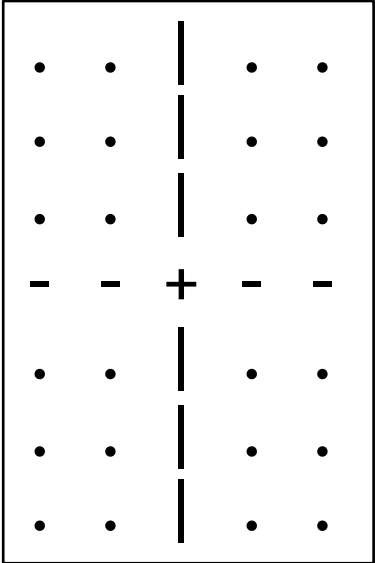
E) I have no idea

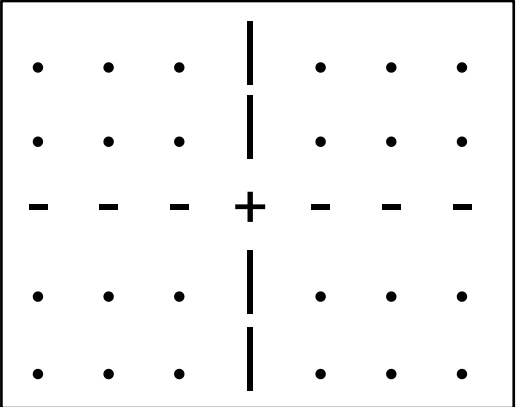


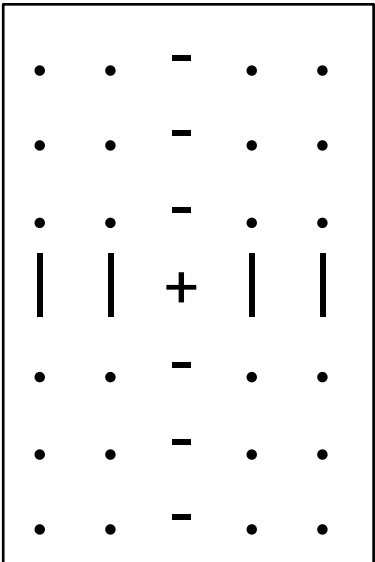
# Previous Poll 3

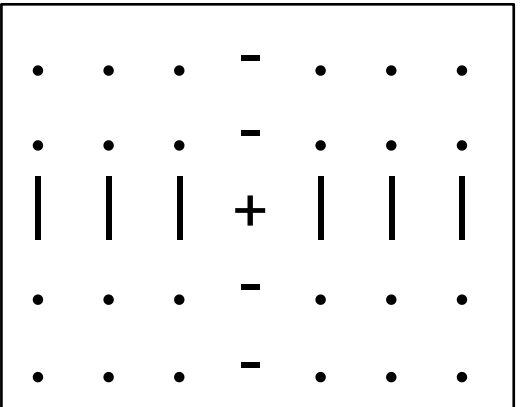
What does this code print?

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):  
            if xGrid == 0 and yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '+'  
            elif xGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '|'  
            elif yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '-'  
            else:  
                pixel = '.'  
            print(pixel, end=" ")  
        print()  
printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)
```

A) 

B) 

C) 

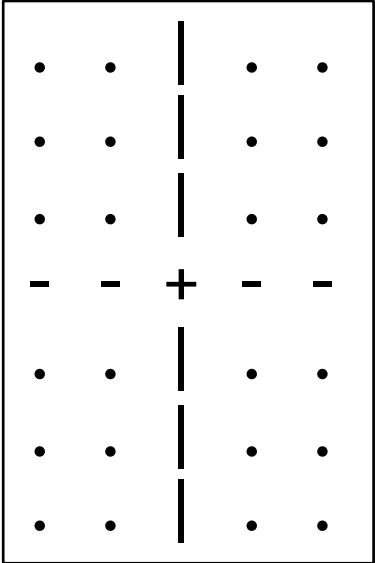
D) 

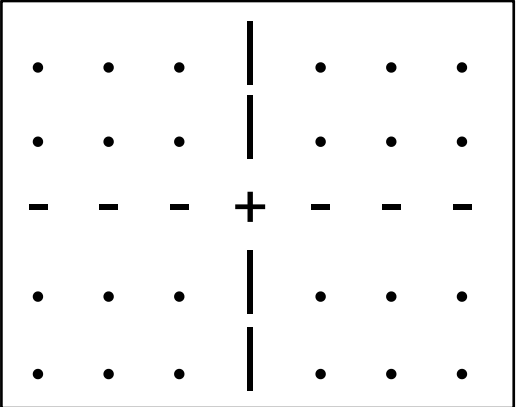
E) I have no idea

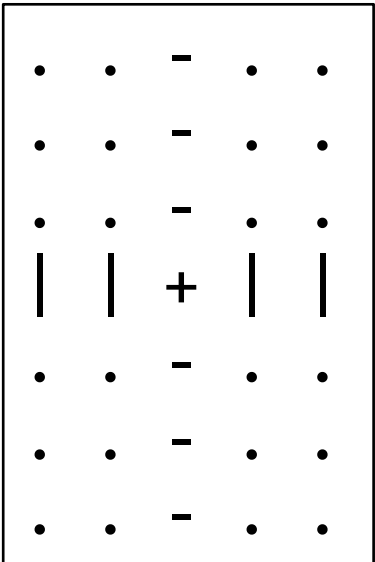
# Previous Poll 3

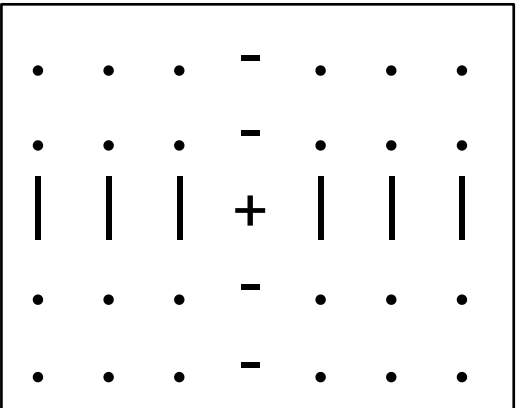
What does this code print?

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):  
            if xGrid == 0 and yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '+'  
            elif xGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '|'  
            elif yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '-'  
            else:  
                pixel = '.'  
            print(pixel, end=" ")  
        print()  
printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)
```

A) 

B) 

C) 

D) 

E) I have no idea

# Poll 8

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):
```

```
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):
```

```
        if yGrid == 0:
```

```
            break
```

```
        for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):
```

```
            if xGrid == 0 and yGrid == 0:
```

```
                pixel = '+'
```

```
            elif xGrid == 0:
```

```
                pixel = '|'
```

```
            elif yGrid == 0:
```

```
                pixel = '-'
```

```
            else:
```

```
                pixel = '.'
```

```
            print(pixel, end=" ")
```

```
        print()
```

-2 -1 0

printRow(xMin, xMax, y)

Original for printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)

.	.	.		.	.	.
.	.	.		.	.	.
-	-	-	+	-	-	-
.	.	.		.	.	.
.	.	.		.	.	.

← y = -2  
← y = -1

The **added code** will result in...?

Select ALL that apply

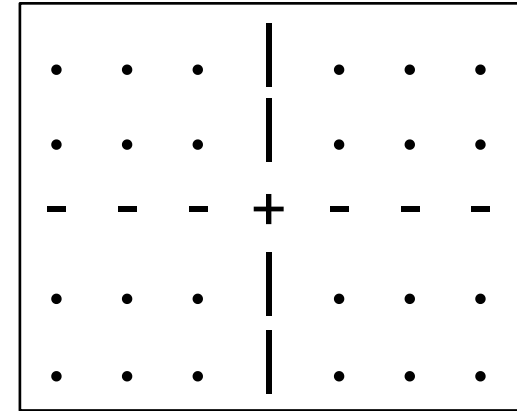
- A) Fewer rows
- B) Fewer columns
- C) A blank row in the center
- D) A blank column in the center
- E) None of the above

# Poll 8

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        if yGrid == 0:  
            break  
        printRow(xMin, xMax, yGrid)
```

*Handwritten annotations:* Red vertical lines and arrows on the left side of the code. One arrow points from the number '0' in the 'if' statement to the 'break' statement. Another arrow points from the 'break' statement to the 'printRow' call. The numbers '-2', '-1', and '0' are written in red next to the first three lines of the code.

Original for printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)



*Handwritten annotations:* Red arrows on the right side of the grid. One arrow points from the text 'y = -2' to the top row of the grid. Another arrow points from the text 'y = -1' to the second row of the grid.

The **added code** will result in...?

Select ALL that apply

- A) Fewer rows
- B) Fewer columns
- C) A blank row in the center
- D) A blank column in the center
- E) None of the above

# Poll 9

Original for printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):
```

```
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):
```

```
        if yGrid == 0:
```

```
            continue
```

```
        for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):
```

```
            if xGrid == 0 and yGrid == 0:
```

```
                pixel = '+'
```

```
            elif xGrid == 0:
```

```
                pixel = '|'
```

```
            elif yGrid == 0:
```

```
                pixel = '-'
```

```
            else:
```

```
                pixel = '.'
```

```
            print(pixel, end=" ")
```

```
        print()
```

```
  . . . | . . .
  . . . | . . .
  - - - + - - -
  . . . | . . .
  . . . | . . .
```

The **added code** will result in...?

Select ALL that apply

A) Fewer rows

B) Fewer columns

C) A blank row in the center

D) A blank column in the center

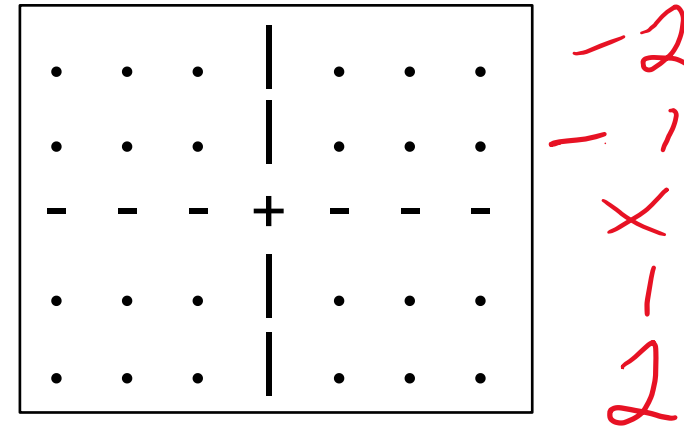
E) None of the above

# Poll 9

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        if yGrid == 0:  
            continue  
        printRow(xMin, xMax, yGrid)
```

-2 -1 0 1 2  

Original for printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)



The **added code** will result in...?

Select ALL that apply

- A) Fewer rows
- B) Fewer columns
- C) A blank row in the center
- D) A blank column in the center
- E) None of the above

# Break and Continue in Nested Loops

Break and continue will only affect their immediate surrounding loop

```
for tensDigit in range(1,6):  
    for onesDigit in range(1, 6):  
        value = 10*tensDigit + onesDigit  
        print(value, end=' ')  
    print()
```

```
11 12 13 14 15  
21 22 23 24 25  
31 32 33 34 35  
41 42 43 44 45  
51 52 53 54 55
```

```
for tensDigit in range(1,6):  
    for onesDigit in range(1, 6):  
        if onesDigit == 3:  
            break  
        value = 10*tensDigit + onesDigit  
        print(value, end=' ')  
    print()
```

```
11 12  
21 22  
31 32  
41 42  
51 52
```

# Break and Continue in Nested Loops

Break and continue will only affect their immediate surrounding loop

```
for tensDigit in range(1,6):  
    for onesDigit in range(1, 6):  
        value = 10*tensDigit + onesDigit  
        print(value, end=' ')  
    print()
```

```
11 12 13 14 15  
21 22 23 24 25  
31 32 33 34 35  
41 42 43 44 45  
51 52 53 54 55
```

```
for tensDigit in range(1,6):  
    for onesDigit in range(1, 6):  
        if onesDigit == 3:  
            continue  
        value = 10*tensDigit + onesDigit  
        print(value, end=' ')  
    print()
```

```
11 12 14 15  
21 22 24 25  
31 32 34 35  
41 42 44 45  
51 52 54 55
```



# Break and Continue in Nested Loops

```
for tensDigit in range(1,6):  
    for onesDigit in range(1, 6):  
        value = 10*tensDigit + onesDigit  
        print(value, end=' ')  
    print()
```

```
11 12 13 14 15  
21 22 23 24 25  
31 32 33 34 35  
41 42 43 44 45  
51 52 53 54 55
```

```
for tensDigit in range(1,6):  
    for onesDigit in range(1, 6):  
        if onesDigit == 3:  
            break  
        value = 10*tensDigit + onesDigit  
        print(value, end=' ')  
    print()
```

```
11 12  
21 22  
31 32  
41 42  
51 52
```

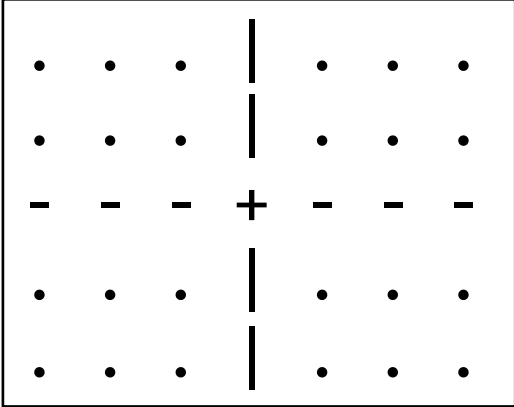
```
for tensDigit in range(1,6):  
    for onesDigit in range(1, 6):  
        if onesDigit == 3:  
            continue  
        value = 10*tensDigit + onesDigit  
        print(value, end=' ')  
    print()
```

```
11 12 14 15  
21 22 24 25  
31 32 34 35  
41 42 44 45  
51 52 54 55
```

# Break in Nested Loops

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):  
            if yGrid == 0:  
                break  
            if xGrid == 0 and yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '+'  
            elif xGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '|'  
            elif yGrid == 0:  
                pixel = '-'  
            else:  
                pixel = '.'  
            print(pixel, end=" ")  
        print()
```

Original for printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)



```
. . . | . . .  
. . . | . . .  
- - - + - - -  
. . . | . . .  
. . . | . . .
```

The **added code** will result in...?

Select ALL that apply

- A) Fewer rows
- B) Fewer columns
- C) A blank row in the center
- D) A blank column in the center
- E) None of the above

# Break in Nested Loops

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):  
            if yGrid == 0:  
                break
```

printPixel(xGrid, yGrid)

```
    if xGrid == 0 and yGrid == 0:  
        pixel = '+'  
    elif xGrid == 0:  
        pixel = '|'  
    elif yGrid == 0:  
        pixel = '-'  
    else:  
        pixel = '.'  
    print(pixel, end=" ")
```

print()

Original for printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)

```
  . . . | . . .  
  . . . | . . .  
  - - - + - - -  
  . . . | . . .  
  . . . | . . .
```

The **added code** will result in...?

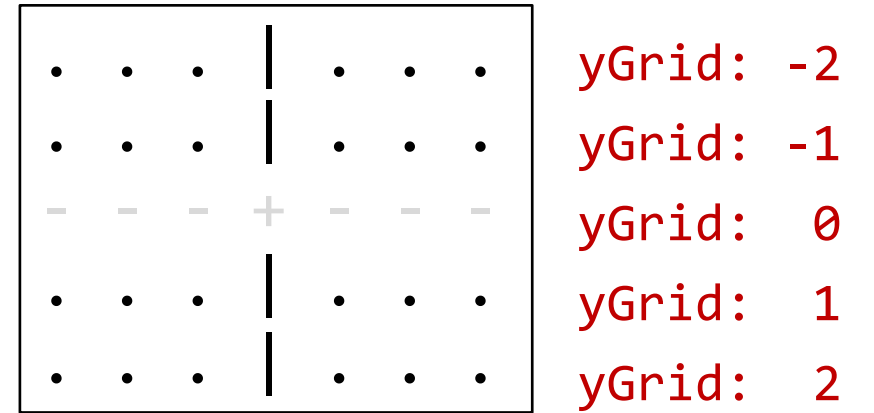
Select ALL that apply

- A) Fewer rows
- B) Fewer columns
- C) A blank row in the center
- D) A blank column in the center
- E) None of the above

# Break in Nested Loops

```
def printPlot(xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax):  
    for yGrid in range(yMin, yMax+1):  
        for xGrid in range(xMin, xMax+1):  
            if yGrid == 0:  
                break  
            printPixel(xGrid, yGrid)  
    print()
```

Original for printPlot(-3, 3, -2, 2)



The **added code** will result in...?

Select ALL that apply

A) Fewer rows

B) Fewer columns

C) A blank row in the center

D) A blank column in the center

E) None of the above

# Design: Patterns and Top-Down Design

# Pattern: Find the n-th thing

## Find the n-th prime

- More than one way to write it

```
def nthPrime(n):  
    numFound = 0  
    guess = 0 # First guess - 1  
    while numFound <= n:  
        guess += 1 # Next guess  
        if isPrime(guess):  
            numFound += 1  
    return guess
```

```
def nthPrime(n):  
    numFound = 0  
    guess = 1 # First guess  
    while True:  
        if isPrime(guess):  
            numFound += 1  
        if numFound == n+1:  
            return guess  
  
        guess += 1 # Next guess
```

# Poll 10 (unused)

Which version is better?

A)

```
def nthPrime(n):
    numFound = 0
    guess = 0 # First guess - 1
    while numFound <= n:
        guess += 1 # Next guess
        if isPrime(guess):
            numFound += 1
    return guess
```

B)

```
def nthPrime(n):
    numFound = 0
    guess = 1 # First guess
    while True:
        if isPrime(guess):
            numFound += 1
        if numFound == n+1:
            return guess
        guess += 1 # Next guess
```

# Top-down Design

Start coding with a birds-eye-view of the task

As you code, assume you have completed versions of lower level tasks

Example: Find nthDooDad(n):

```
def nthDooDad(n):  
    numFound = 0  
    guess = 1 # First guess  
    while True:  
        if ???
```



# Top-down Design

Start coding with a birds-eye-view of the task

As you code, assume you have completed versions of lower level tasks

Example: Find nthDooDad(n):

```
def nthDooDad(n):  
    numFound = 0  
    guess = 1 # First guess  
    while True:  
        if isDooDad(guess)  
            numFound += 1  
        if numFound == n+1:  
            return guess  
        guess += 1 # Next guess
```

```
def isDooDad(g):  
    return isDoo(g) and isDad(g)
```

```
def isDoo(g):  
    pass
```

```
def isDad(g):  
    pass
```

# n-th Pattern

## Need

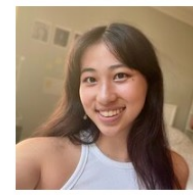
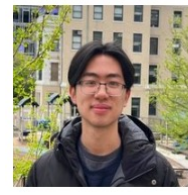
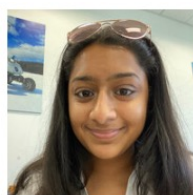
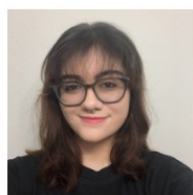
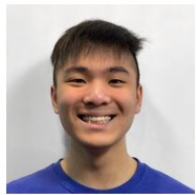
- A way to get to the next guess
- A way to check it: `isThing(guess)`

## Sketch

Loop from guess to guess until you've found  $n$  (well actually  $n+1$ ) things

if `isThing(guess)`:

`numFound += 1`




# Best Pattern

Find the “best” thing in some collection

What “best” means depends on the application.

Example: Find the oldest TA

19 70 15/M 19 20 152M 150M 21 20 67M 19



The image displays a sequence of ten items with handwritten annotations above them. The items are: a portrait of a young man, a portrait of a young woman, a blue dinosaur icon, a portrait of a young woman with glasses, a portrait of a young woman with sunglasses, a red Stegosaurus icon, a red Stegosaurus icon, a portrait of a young man with glasses, a portrait of a young woman, a green T-Rex icon, and a portrait of a young man with glasses. The handwritten annotations are: '19' above the first portrait, '70' above the second portrait, '15/M' above the blue dinosaur icon, '19' above the third portrait, '20' above the fourth portrait, '152M' circled in red above the first Stegosaurus icon, '150M' above the second Stegosaurus icon, '21' above the fifth portrait, '20' above the sixth portrait, '67M' above the T-Rex icon, and '19' above the final portrait. Red arrows point from the '19' above the third portrait to the '19' above the fourth portrait, and from the '20' above the fourth portrait to the '152M' above the first Stegosaurus icon.

# Best Pattern

## Need

- Ability to loop through all items
- Ability to compare value of items

## Sketch

Initialize bestValue (often some extreme or impossible value, like None)

Loop through all items:

    if item value is “better” than bestValue

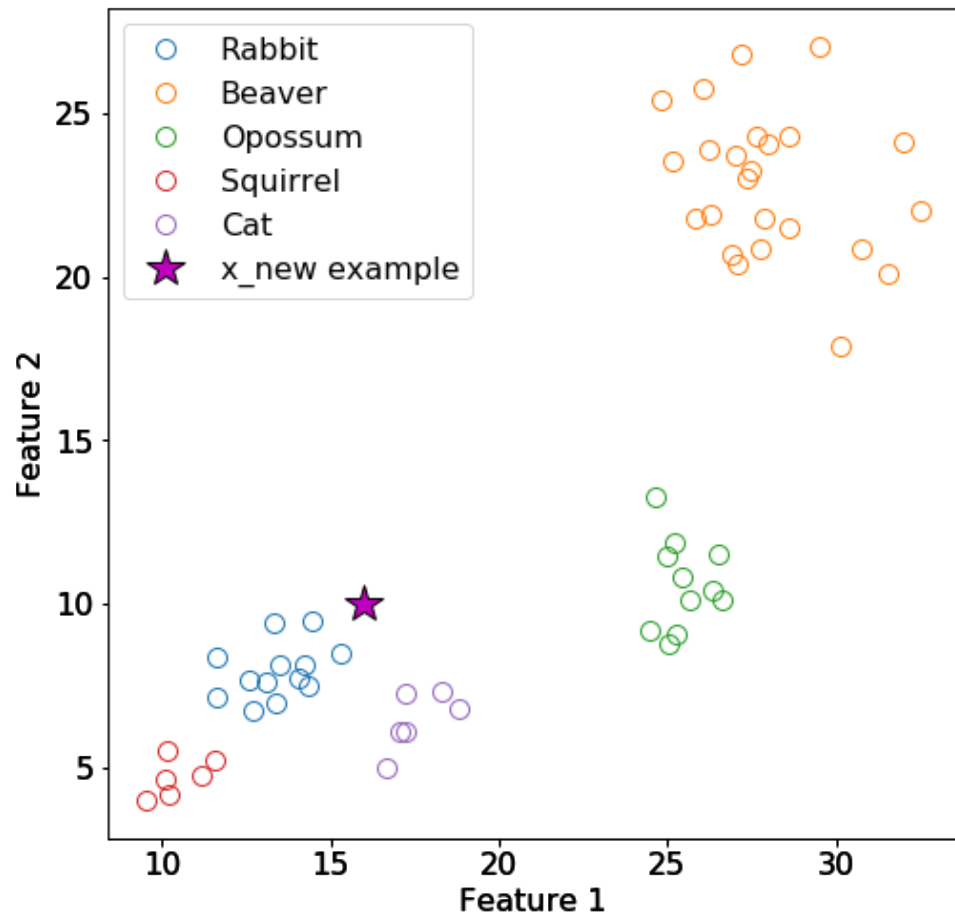
        Update bestValue to value of current item

Note: (Sometimes you also need to keep track of the item itself  
in cases where the item and the value of the item differ)

# Top-down Design

Example: Best Pattern + Top-down Design

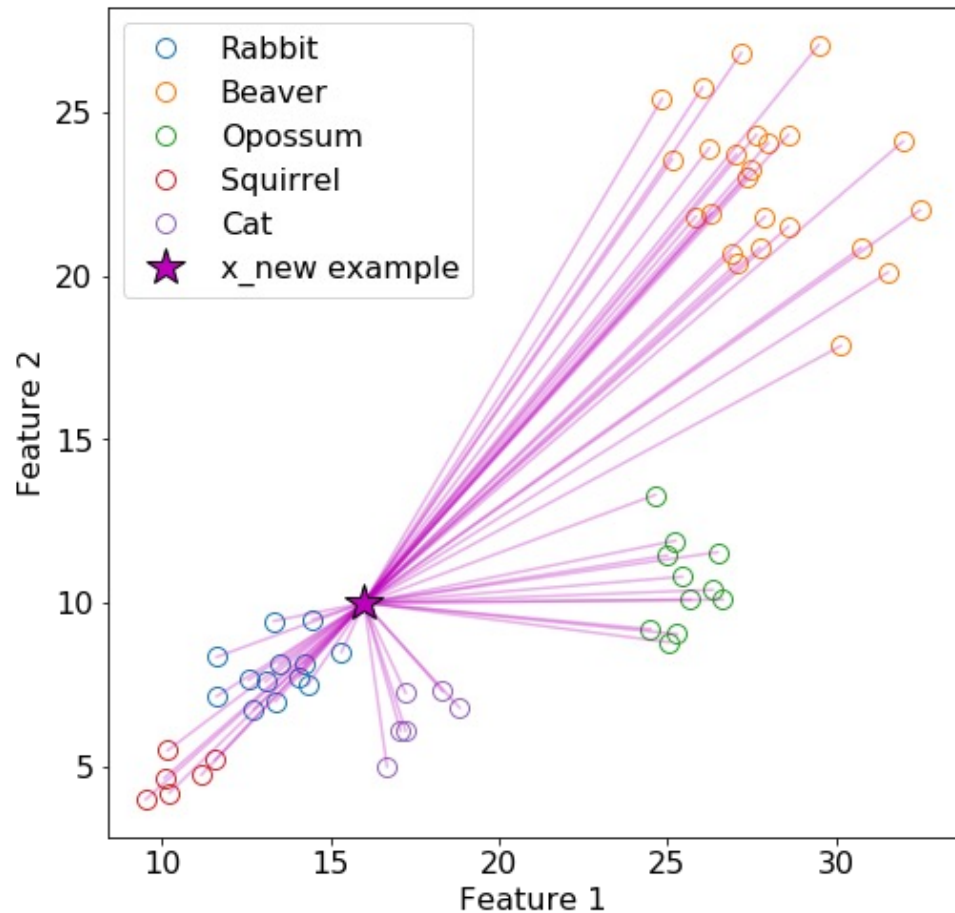
`nearestNeighbor(newPoint, trainingPoints):`



# Top-down Design

## Example: Best Pattern + Top-down Design

nearestNeighbor(newPoint, trainingPoints):



```
def getNumPoints(points):  
    pass  
  
def getPointFromPoints(points, i):  
    pass  
  
def distance(point1, point2):  
    pass
```

```
def nearestNeighbor(newPoint, trainingPoints):  
    bestDistance = math.inf  
    bestPoint = None  
  
    numPoints = getNumPoints(trainingPoints)  
    for i in range(numPoints):  
        trainingPoint = getPoint(trainingPoints, i)  
        dist = distance(newPoint, trainingPoint)  
  
        if dist <= bestDistance:  
            bestDistance = dist  
            bestPoint = trainingPoint  
  
    return bestPoint
```

Style

# Poll 11 (unused)

Which code is better?

A)

```
def distance(x1, y1, x2, y2):  
    return ((x1-x2)**2 + (y1-y2)**2)**0.5
```

B)

```
def distance(x1, y1, x2, y2):  
    xDiff = x1 - x2  
    yDiff = y1 - y2  
  
    xDiffSquared = xDiff**2  
    yDiffSquared = yDiff**2  
  
    sumOfSquares = xDiffSquared + yDiffSquared  
  
    result = sumOfSquares**0.5  
    return result
```



Algorithm Design: Faster isPrime

# Algorithm Design: isPrime(n)

This version is actually *\*really\** slow

```
def isPrime(n):  
    if n < 2:  
        return False  
  
    for factor in range(2, n):  
        if n % factor == 0:  
            return False  
  
    return True
```

isPrime(17)

↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17

# Algorithm Design: isPrime(n)

We can do better

```
def isPrime(n):  
    if n < 2:  
        return False  
  
    for factor in range(2, n):  
        if n % factor == 0:  
            return False  
  
    return True
```

isPrime(17)

```
def fasterIsPrime(n):  
    if n < 2:  
        return False  
  
    for factor in range(2, int(n**0.5)+1):  
        if n % factor == 0:  
            return False  
  
    return True
```

fasterIsPrime(17)

↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17

# Algorithm Design: isPrime(n)

## Timing with the time library

```
import time

startTime = time.time()
result = isPrime(7368791)
endTime = time.time()

elapsedTime = endTime - startTime
print(f'isPrime: {elapsedTime} sec')
```

isPrime: 1.1695044040679932 sec

```
import time

startTime = time.time()
result = fasterIsPrime(7368791)
endTime = time.time()

elapsedTime = endTime - startTime
print(f'fasterIsPrime: {elapsedTime} sec')
```

fasterIsPrime: 0.001009225845336914 sec

Over 1000x faster for isPrime(7368791)