COMP 141

break and continue



Announcements

- · Reminders
 - Program 4 due tomorrow by 11:55pm
 - Midterm 1 is on Friday
 - No office hours on Thursday
 - Email me with questions

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Fun with Functions!

break and continue Keywords

break – immediately terminate a loop (breaks out of loop)

continue - ends the current iteration and goes to
the end of the loop body (breaks out of iteration)

Note: Typically used with while loops, but can be used in a for loop as well.

Do not overuse!

 ${\sf Can\ make\ code\ difficult\ to\ read\ and\ debug!}$

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Using break

```
#This program will add integers from
#1 to 20 in this order to total, until
#total is greater than or equal to 100.

total = 0
number = 0

while number < 20:
    number += 1
    total += number
    if total >= 100:
        break

print("The number is", number)
print("The total is", total)
```

Using Boolean Variables in Loops

Given a positive integer $\,n$, assign True to $\,prime$ if $\,n$ has no factors other than $\,1$ and itself.

If at any time during the loop, you find a factor of n other than 1 or n, set value of prime to False and break out of the loop

(Remember, m is a factor of n if m divides n evenly.)

Equivalent Code

```
total_scores = 0
score = int(input("Score? "))
while score != 0:
    total_scores = total_scores + score
    score = int(input("Score? "))
print("the total is", total_scores)
```

```
total_scores = 0
while True:
    score = int(input("Score? "))
    if score == 0:
        break
    total_scores = total_scores + score
print("the total is", total_scores)
```

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