

## COMP 141

Saving Previous Values in a Loop



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## Announcements

- Reminders
  - Program 5 due Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> by 11:55pm

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```
i = 2
while i < 100:
    prime = True
    for j in range(2, i):
        if i % j == 0:
            prime = False
            break
    if prime:
        print(i, "is prime")
    i = i + 1
```

- Modify the code given to print out the first 50 prime numbers, rather than just the prime numbers less than 100.

- Once that works, make your output look like the output below.

```
2   3   5   7   11  13  17  19  23  29
31  37  41  43  47  53  59  61  67  71
73  79  83  89  97  101 103 107 109 113
127 131 137 139 149 151 157 163 167 173
179 181 191 193 197 199 211 223 227 229
```

See drawStars.py and nestedLoopGraphics.py for solutions to the other Nested Loop Lab problems.

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## Class Example

Use a nested loop to draw the following output.

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How many rows?

How many stars in 1<sup>st</sup> row?

How many less stars in next row?

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## Practice

Work in groups of 2-3 people to write code that will draw the following Evergreen Tree

**Hints:**

- You will need a nested loop.
- Count the number of **stars** and the number of **blank spaces** in each line and see how they change.
- The trunk of the tree is drawn **after** the loops complete.

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    * * *
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```

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## Saving Previous Value in Loop

You may need to hold onto a previous input for a calculation later in a loop.

```

import random

prev_roll = random.randint(1, 6)
curr_roll = random.randint(1, 6)
print("Previous = ", prev_roll, "current = ", curr_roll)
while not(prev_roll == 1 and curr_roll == 1):
    prev_roll = curr_roll
    curr_roll = random.randint(1, 6)
    print("Previous = ", prev_roll, "current = ", curr_roll)
  
```

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## Saving Previous Value in Loop

Input: 29 23 19 17 7 1 1

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prev = int(input("Number? "))
curr = int(input("Number? "))
diff = prev - curr
while diff != 0:
    print("Difference = ", diff)
    prev = curr
    curr = int(input("Number? "))
    diff = prev - curr
print("Done")
  
```

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## In-Class Lab

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