

Lecture 7: Iteration

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Recap

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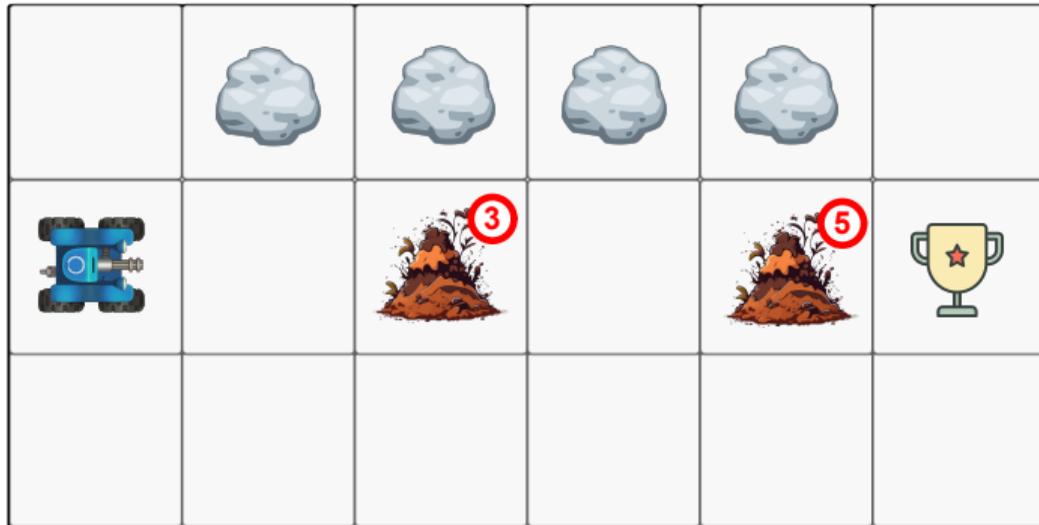
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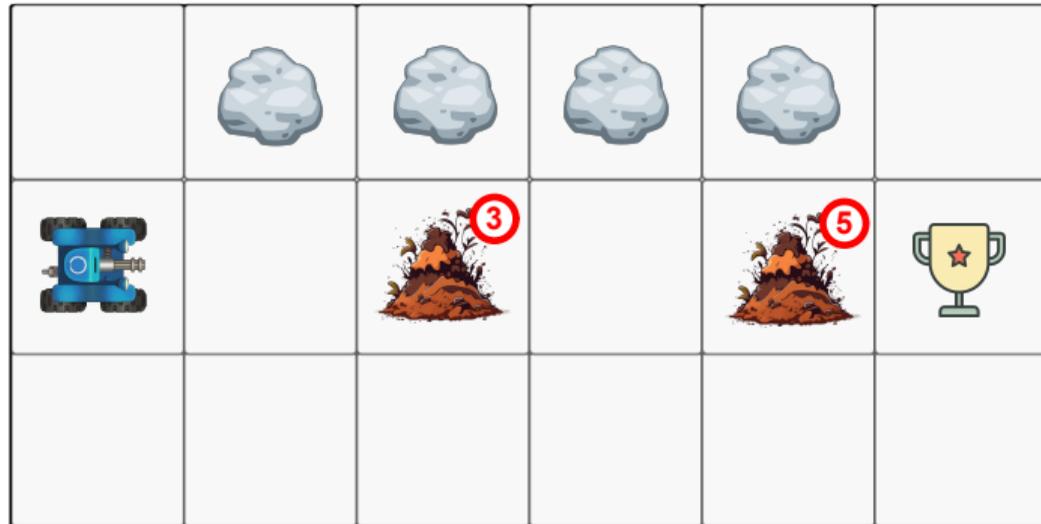
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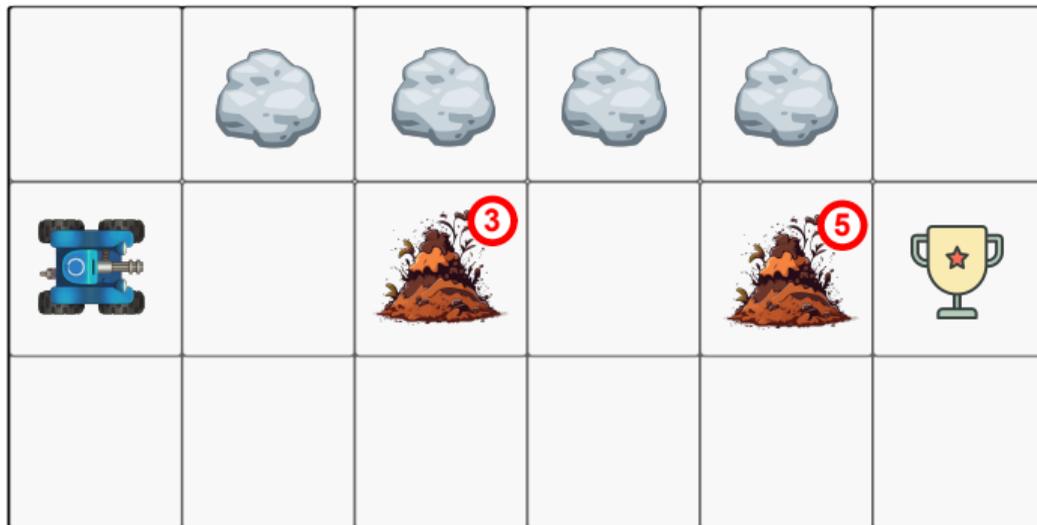
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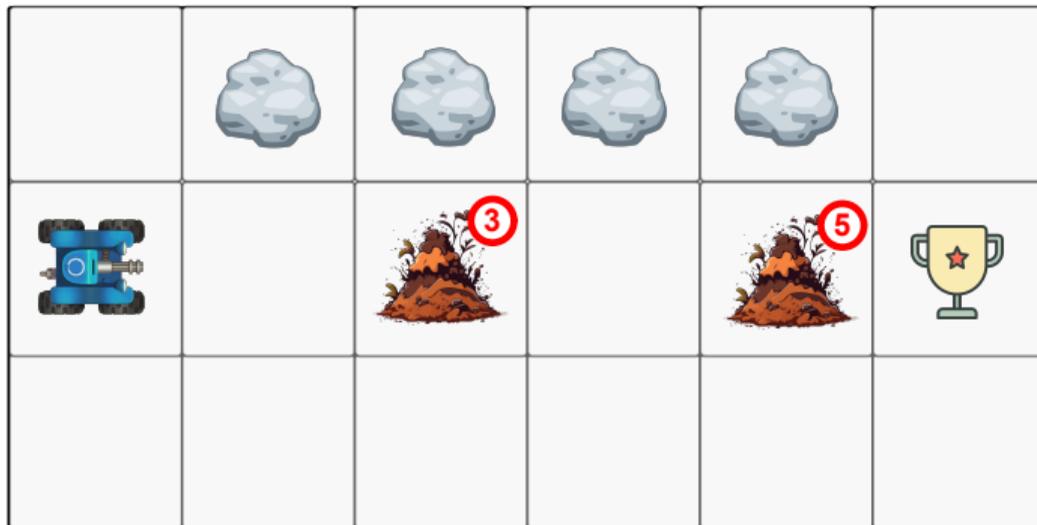
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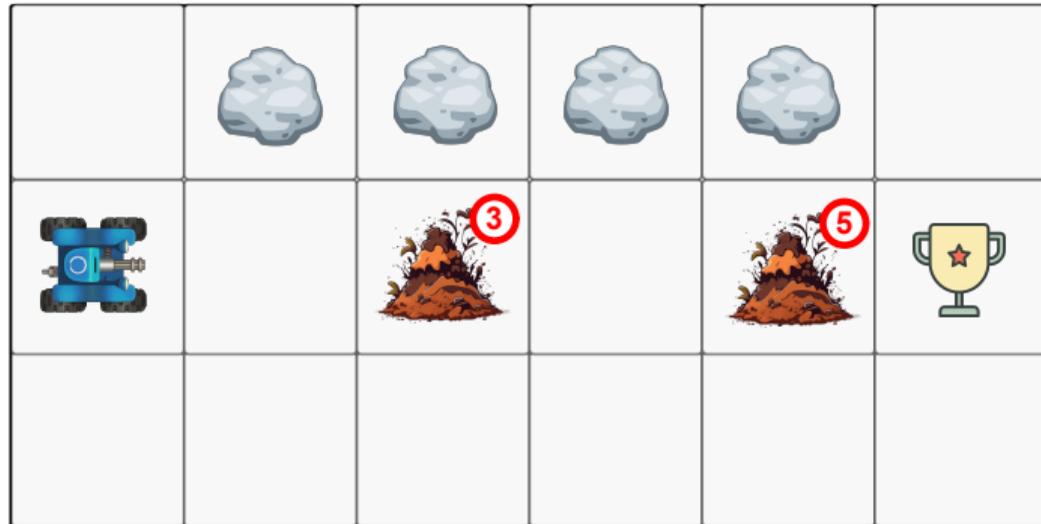
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*get's out of the
if condition*



runs multiple times

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*goes back to
the start*



Big Idea

while loop is a supercharged **if statement**

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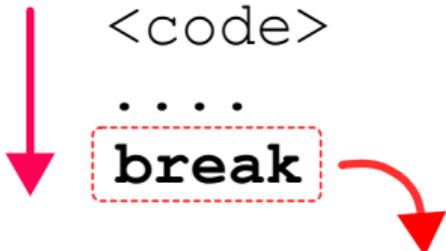
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Now they both behave exactly the same!

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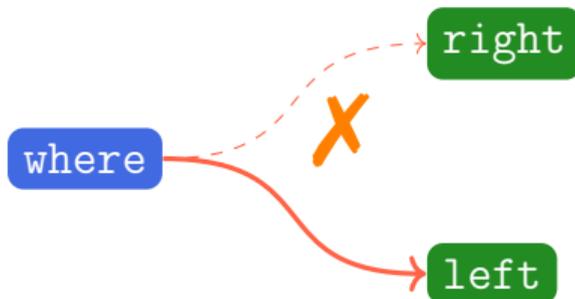
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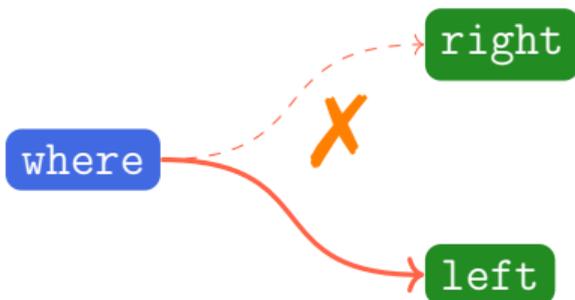
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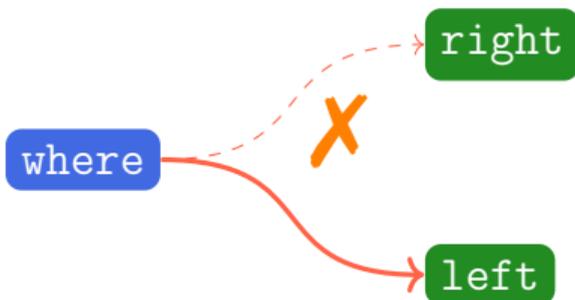
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You Try!

What is printed when you type 'RIGHT'?

(note the case)

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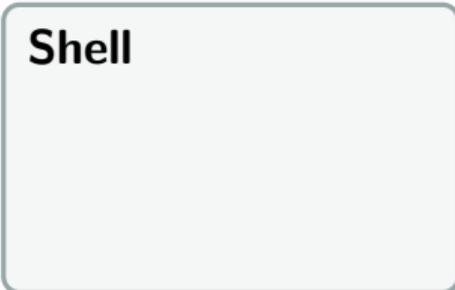


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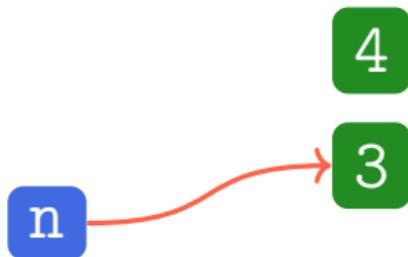


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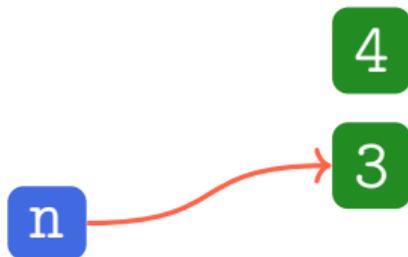
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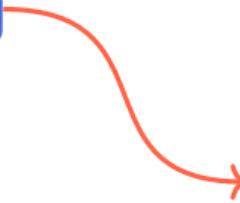
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To terminate:

- Hit `Ctrl + c`

You Try!

Run this code and stop the infinite loop in your IDE

```
while True:  
    print("nooooooo")
```

Big Idea

while loops can **repeat** code inside
indefinitely!

Sometimes they need your intervention to end the program.

You Try!

Expand this code to show a sad face when the user entered the while loop more than 2 times.

Hint: use a variable as a counter

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Almost all **while** loop programs have a similar structure

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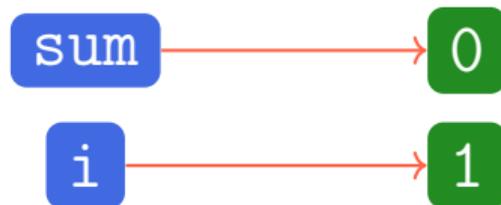


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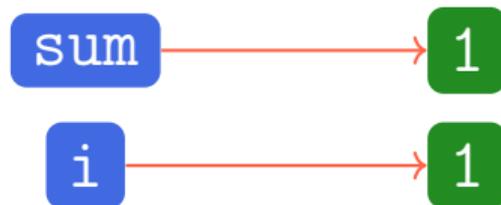
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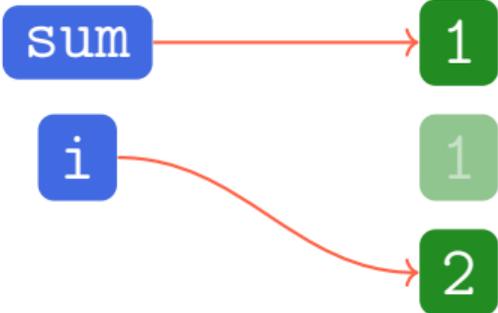
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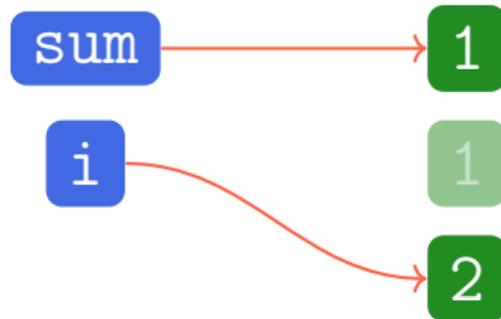
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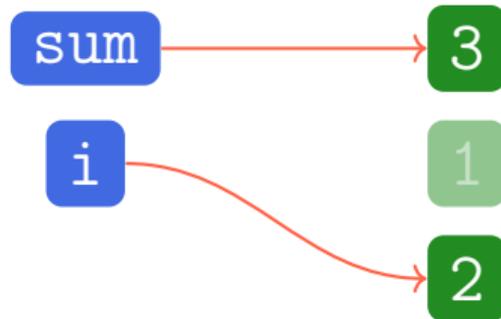
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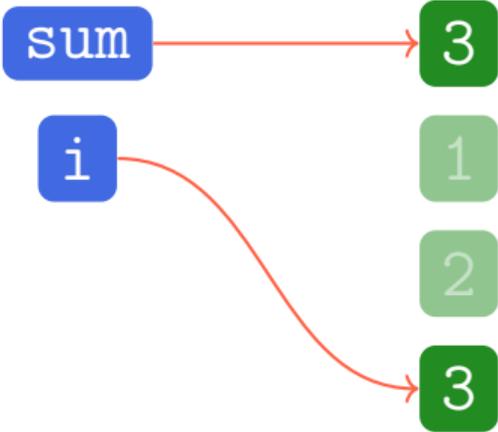
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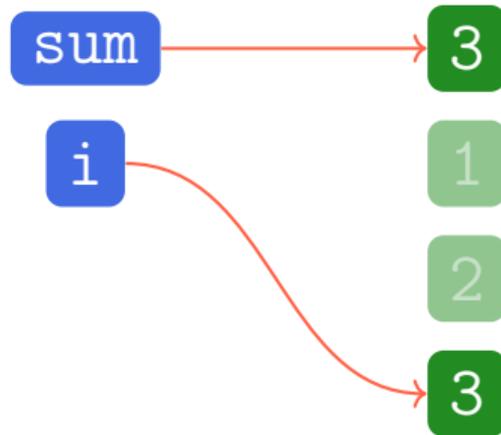
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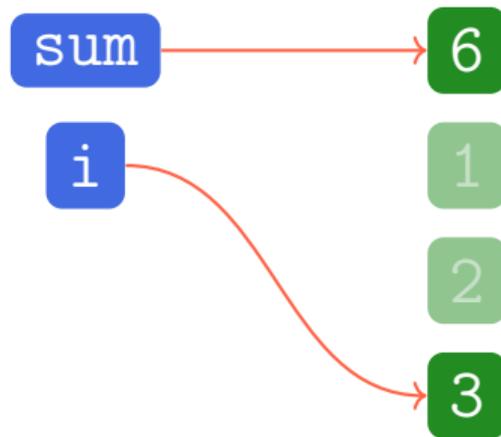
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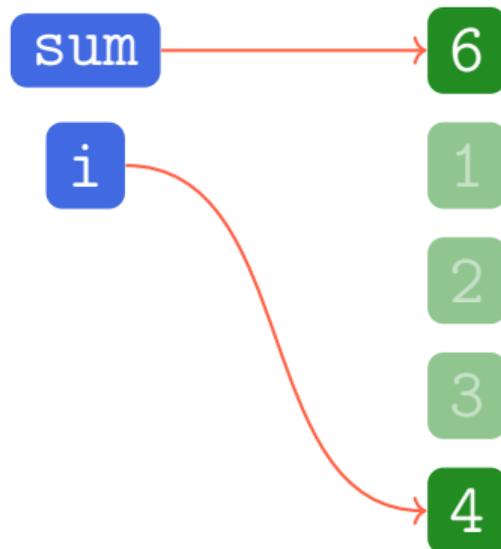
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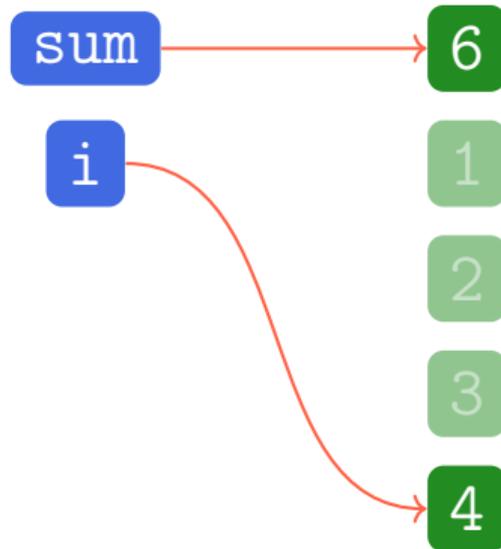
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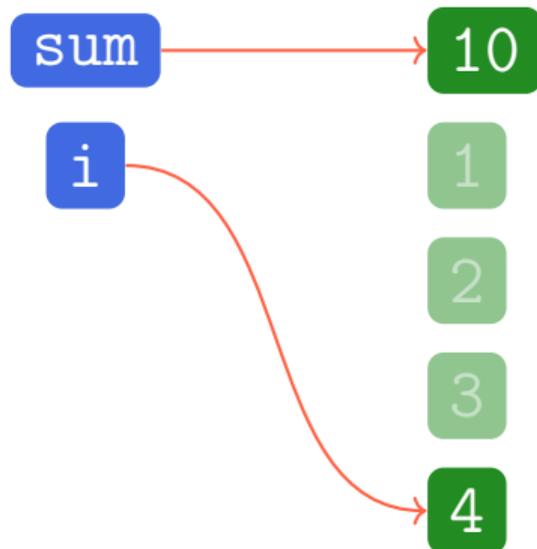
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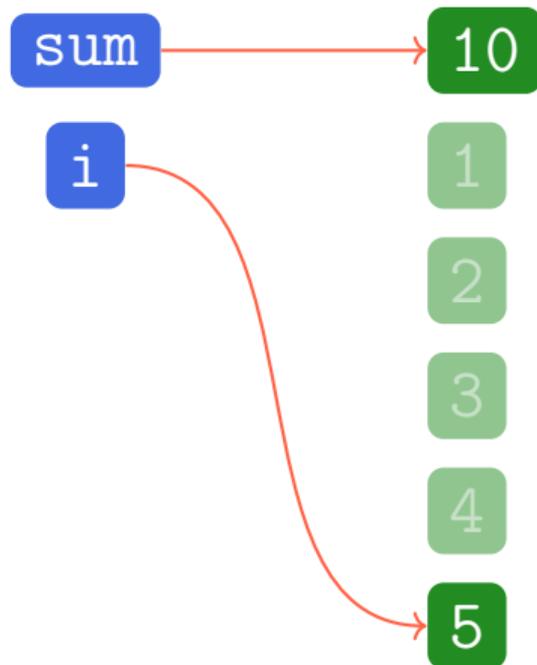
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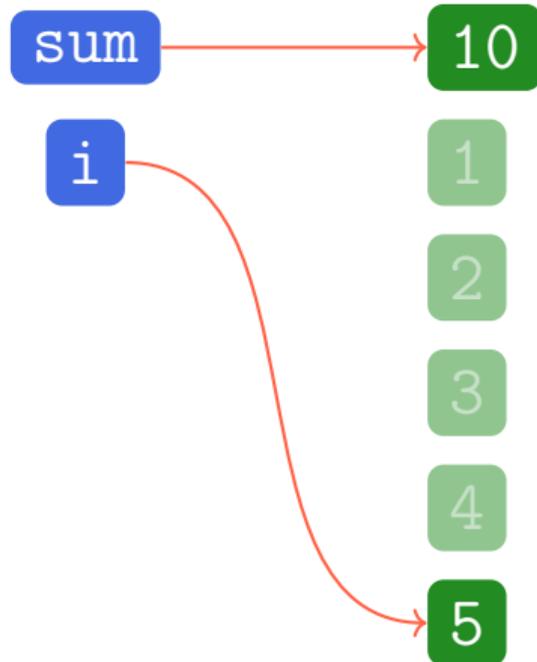
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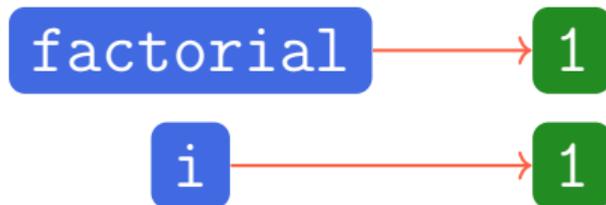
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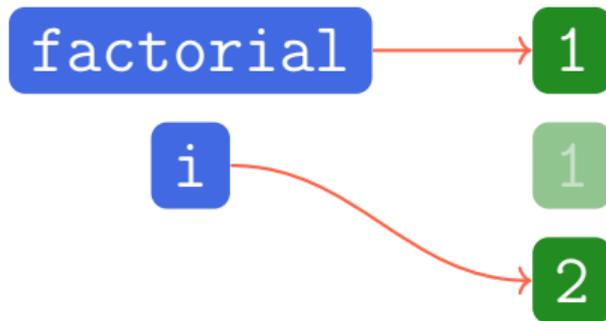
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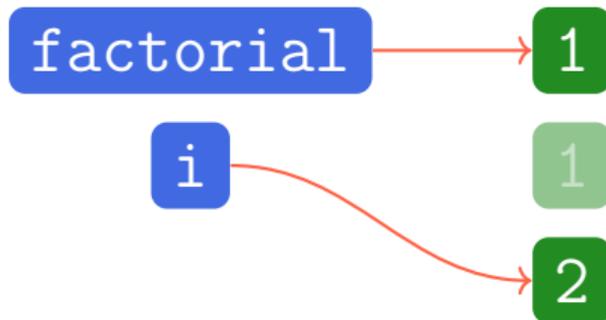
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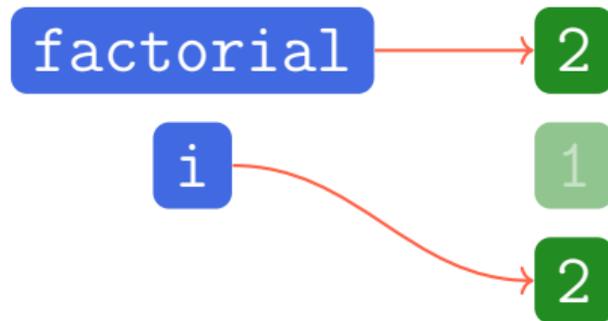
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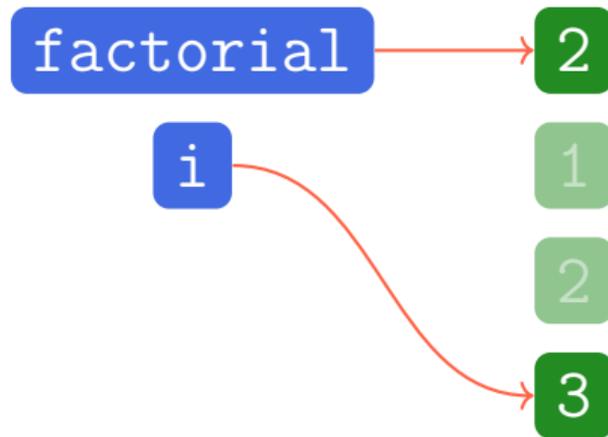
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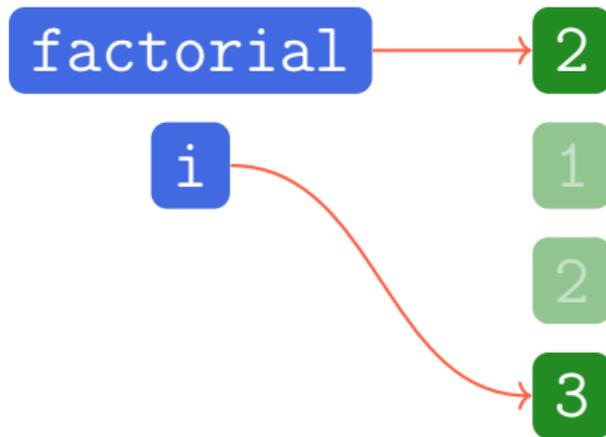
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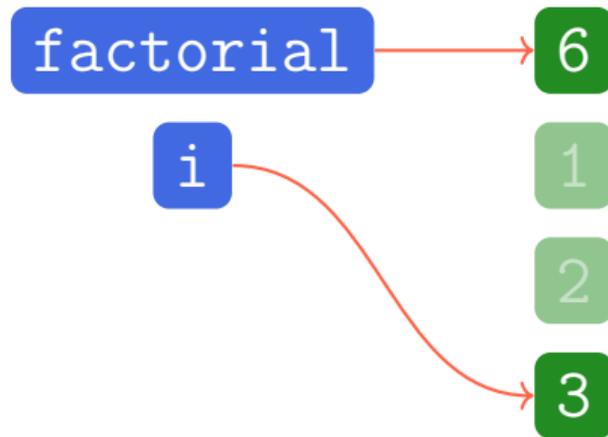
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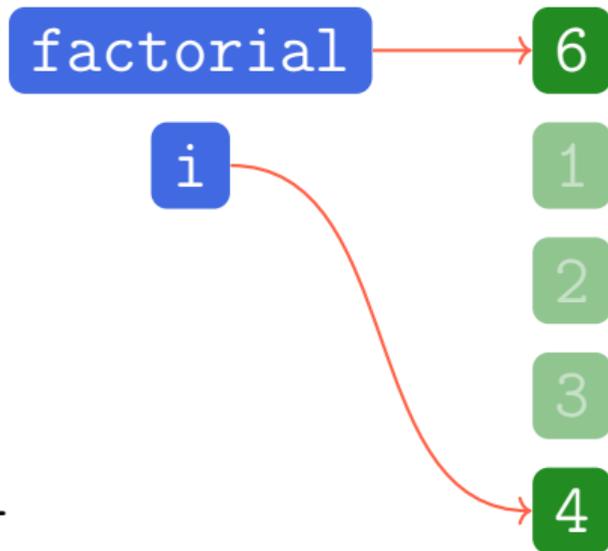
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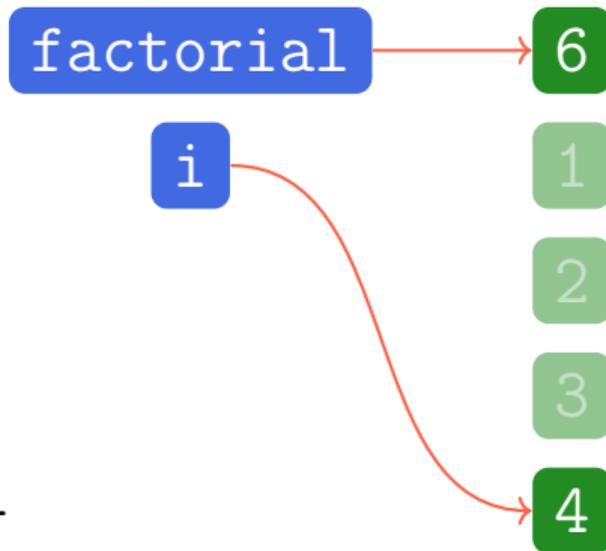
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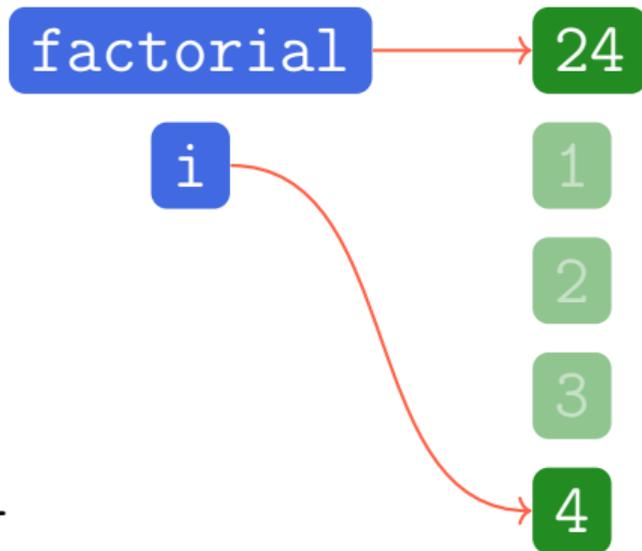
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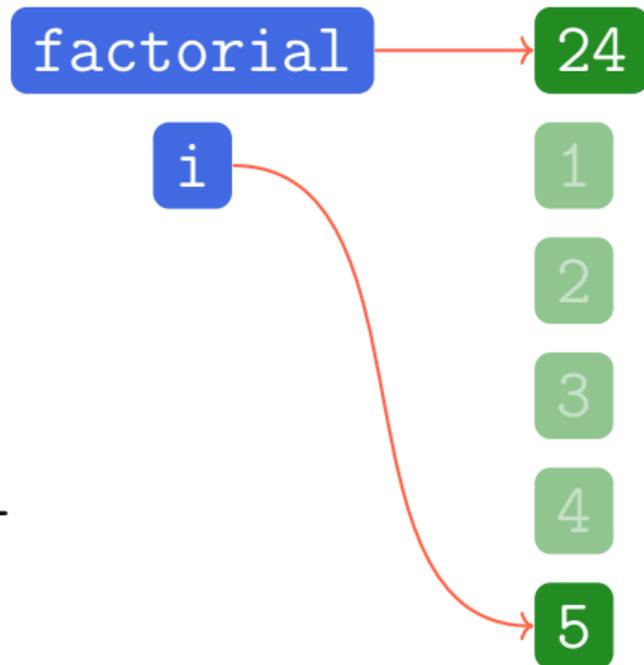
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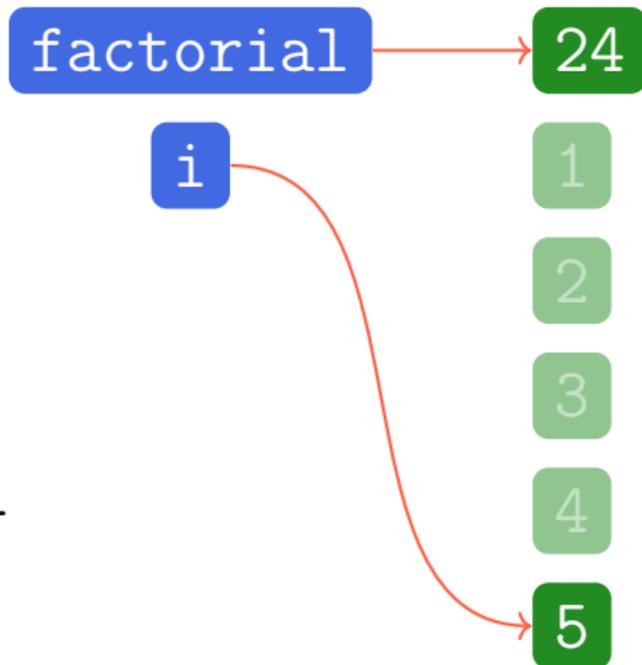
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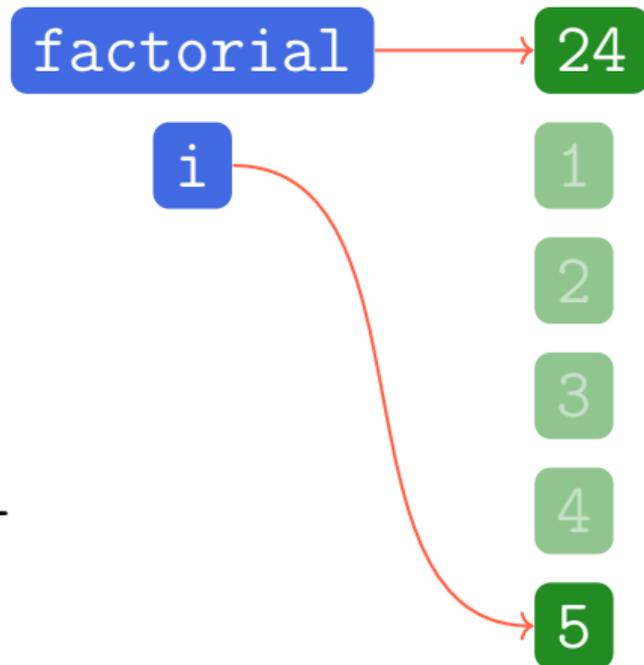
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1 factorial = 1
2 i = 1
3 while i <= 4:
4     print(factorial)
5     factorial *= i
6     i += 1
→ 7 print(factorial)
```

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```
1
1
2
6
24
```

Frames

Global frame

factorial	24
i	5

Useful Tip

Python Tutor can help you visualize how your code works

If you're stuck, try running your code there!

for Loops

for Loop Syntax

Loop variable

*Values the loop variable
will assume one by one*

```
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You Try!

What do these print?

- 1

```
for i in range(1,4,1):  
    print(i)
```
- 2

```
for j in range(1,4,2):  
    print(j*2)
```
- 3

```
for me in range(4,0,-1):  
    print("$"*me)
```

Loop over Strings

What will this print?

```
s = "hello"  
for i in range(5):  
    print(s[i])
```

You Try!

Count the number of 'a' characters in any given string e.g. 'casablanca'.

for Loop on Strings

```
greeting = 'hello'  
for i in greeting:  
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```

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Loop variable



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in has two meanings in Python.

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The **in** Operator

a.k.a the membership operator.

Try the following code in Python shell:

- `'a' in 'banana'`
- `'cat' in 'caterpillar'`
- `'q' in 'comp102'`
- `'o' in 'aeiou'`

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You Try!

- How many 2's in a string number? (895244254)
- Sum of all 2's in a string number? (895244254)
- How many vowels in a sentence?

You Try!

- Assume you are given a string of lowercase letters in variable `s`. Count how many unique letters there are in the string. For example if:
`s = "abca"`
Then your code prints 3.

Questions?