- Previous Lecture:
- Iteration using for
- Today's Lecture:
- Detail on for-loop
- Iteration using while
- Review loops, conditionals using graphics
- Announcements:
- Project 2 posted, due Thursday, 2/I7
- We do not use break in this course
for loop examples
for $k=2: 0.5: 3$
disp(k)
end
for $k=1: 4$
disp(k)
end
for $k=0:-2:-6$
disp(k)
end
for $k=0:-2:-7$
disp(k)
end
for $k=5: 2: 1$
disp(k)
end
k takes on the values $\qquad$
Non-integer increment is OK
k takes on the values $\qquad$
Default increment is I
k takes on the values $\qquad$
"Increment" may be negative
k takes on the values $\qquad$
Colon expression specifies a bound
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k takes on the values I, 2, 3, 4
Default increment is I
k takes on the values $0,-2,-4,-6$
"Increment" may be negative
k takes on the values $0,-2,-4,-6$
Colon expression specifies a bound
The set of values for $k$ is the empty set: the loop body won't execute
\% What will be printed?
for $k=1: 2: 6$
fprintf('\%d ', k)
end


## A: 123456



C: 135
D: error
(incorrect bounds)
\% What will be printed?
for $k=10:-1: 14$ fprintf('\%d ', k) end fprintf('!')


C: 10 !


What will be displayed when you run the following script?

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { for } \begin{array}{l}
k=4: 6 \\
\\
\operatorname{disp}(k) \\
k=9 ; \\
\\
\text { disp(k) }
\end{array}{ }^{\text {end }}
\end{aligned}
$$



## for $k=4: 6$ disp(k) <br> k= 9; disp(k) <br> end



With this loop header, k "promises" to be these values, one at a time

Output in Command Window


for $k=4: 6$ disp(k) $\downarrow$ k= 9; disp(k) end


| 4 | 5 | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

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for $k=4: 6$ disp(k) k= 9; 4 disp(k) end


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Output in Command Window



for $k=4: 6 \sim$ Not a condition (boolean expression) disp(k)
k= 9; disp(k) that checks whether $k<=6$.

It is an expression that specifies values:


## Example: $n$-gon $\rightarrow$ circle



Inscribed hexagon $(n / 2) \sin (2 \pi / n)$


Circumscribed hexagon $n \tan (\pi / n)$

As $n$ approaches infinity, the inscribed and circumscribed areas approach the area of a circle. When will |OuterA - InnerA| <= . 00000 I?

## Find $n$ such that outer $A$ and inner $A$ converge

First, itemize the tasks:

- define how close is close enough
- select an initial n
- calculate inner $A$, outer $A$ for current $n$
- diff= outer $A$ - inner $A$
- close enough?
- if not, increase n, repeat above tasks

Find $n$ such that outer $A$ and innerA converge
Now organize the tasks $\rightarrow$ algorithm:
$n$ gets initial value

Repeat until difference is small:
increase $n$
calculate innerA, outerA for current $n$ diff= outer $A$ - inner $A$

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innerA, outerA get initial values
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Find $n$ such that outer $A$ and inner $A$ converge
$n$ gets initial value
calculate inner $A$, outer $A$ for current $n$
while <difference is not small enough> increase $n$
calculate innerA, outerA for current $n$ diff= outer $A$ - inner $A$
end

## areaCircle.m

## Guard against infinite loop

Use a loop guard that guarantees termination of the loop. Or just limit the number of iterations.

## while (B_n-A_n >delta \&\& n<nMax)

See Eg2_2.m

Another use of the while-loop: user interaction

- Example: Allow a user to repeatedly calculate the inscribed and circumscribed areas of $n$-gons on a unit circle.
- Need to define a "stopping signal"


## areaIndef.m

## Common loop patterns

Do something $n$ times


Do something an indefinite number of times


## Important Features of Iteration

- A task can be accomplished if some steps are repeated; these steps form the loop body
- Need a starting point
- Need to know when to stop
- Need to keep track of (and measure) progress


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## In Matlab, which claim is true? (without break)

A:
for-loop can do anything while-loop can do
while-loop can do anything for-loop can do
for- and while-loops can do the same things

## Common loop patterns

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## Pattern to do something n times



for-loop or while-loop: that is the question

- for-loop: loop body repeats a fixed (predetermined) number of times.
- while-loop: loop body repeats an indefinite number of times under the control of the "loop guard."

