

FIT 100 Nested For Loops

- Just as with Do While loops, we can nest one for loop inside another. This is very common when dealing with 2-dimensional arrays
- For each iteration of the outer loop executes, we start the inner loop over again.

```
Dim i As Integer, j As Integer
For i = 1 To 3
  For j = 1 To 2
    Print i, j
  Next j
Next i
```

Result:

```
1 1
1 2
2 1
2 2
3 1
3 2
```

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FIT 100 Visualizing Nested For Loops

- We can show this graphically by drawing a box around the inner loop:

```
Dim i As Integer, j As Integer
For i = 1 To 3
  For j = 1 To 2
    Print i, j
  Next j
Next i
```

Result:

```
1 1
1 2
2 1
2 2
3 1
3 2
```

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FIT 100 For Loops & Do While Loops

- These are equivalent:

```
Dim i As Integer, j As Integer
For i = 1 To 3
  For j = 1 To 2
    Print i, j
  Next j
Next i
```

```
Dim i As Integer, j As Integer
i = 1
Do While i <= 3
  j = 1
  Do While j <= 2
    Print i, j
    j = j + 1
  Loop
  i = i + 1
Loop
```

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FIT 100 Mini-Exercise

- How many squids does this print?

```
Dim i As Integer, j As Integer
For i = 1 To 20
  For j = 1 To 30
    Print "squid"
  Next j
Next i
```

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FIT 100 Mini-Exercise -- Answer

- How many squids does this print?

```
Dim i As Integer, j As Integer
For i = 1 To 20
  For j = 1 To 30
    Print "squid"
  Next j
Next i
```

Answer: 600 squids!

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FIT 100 Mini-Exercise

- What does this print?

```
Dim i As Integer, j As Integer
For i = 0 To 3
  For j = 1 To i
    Print i, j
  Next j
Next i
```

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Mini-Exercise – Answer

❖ What does this print?

```
Dim i As Integer, j As Integer
For i = 0 To 3
  For j = 1 To i
    Print i, j
  Next j
Next i
```

```
1 1
2 1
2 2
3 1
3 2
3 3
```

Note that the upper bound for the inner loop depends on the loop variable for the outer loop.