

Outline for April 24, 2014

Reading: *none*

Assignment due: May 2, 2014

1. Finishing up calculating π using a Monte Carlo method
 - a. Fifth step: plot the points [*mc5.py*]
 - b. Sixth step: add the results to the plot [*mc6.py*]
2. How the `for` loop actually works
 - a. For variable loops through the list
 - b. Iterator: every time it is called, generates next item in the list
3. Scope: global, local, parameters [*scope.py*]
4. Handling exceptions
 - a. `except` [*except0.py*]
 - b. `except error` [*except1.py*]
 - c. `else` [*except2.py*]
 - d. `except error as msgvar` [*except3.py*]
 - e. `finally` [*except4.py*]
 - f. Exceptions in a function: who handles them? [*except5.py*, *except6.py*]
 - g. Using global variables as error flags [*except6a.py*]
 - h. `raise` [*except7.py*]
5. Common exceptions
 - a. `ZeroDivisionError` — attempt to divide (or take the remainder of) something by 0
 - b. `TypeError` — operation or function applied to operand of wrong type
 - c. `SyntaxError` — Python parser encountered a malformed statement
 - d. `NameError` — local or global name is not found
 - e. `ValueError` — built-in function or operation applied to operator with illegal value
 - f. `EOFError` — input function encounters an end of file
 - g. `KeyboardInterrupt` — user hit the interrupt key (usually control-C)