



Program Design

Invasion Percolation: Assembly



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Import the whole module instead of just the functions we are going to use.

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arguments = sys.argv[1:]
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    grid_size = int(arguments[0])
    value_range = int(arguments[1])
    random_seed = int(arguments[2])
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Now we write this function...


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Three more functions to write...

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Because we filled one cell on the previous line
to get things started

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    assert N%2 == 1, 'Grid size must be odd'
    assert Z > 0, 'Random range must be positive'
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A little documentation would help...

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    grid[x][y] = -1 ← Will people understand this?
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Squeezed onto
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make it fit on
the slide

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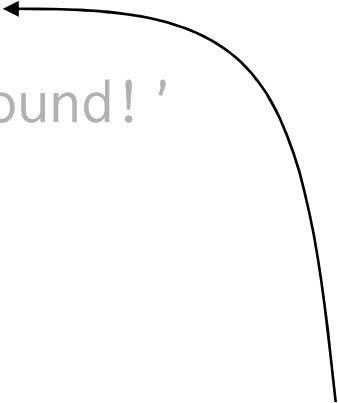
Almost always
signals an "exit
in the middle"
loop

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The actual
loop test and
exit



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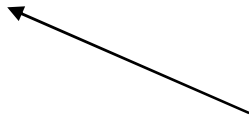
**Another function
for us to write**

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**Fail early, often,
and loudly**

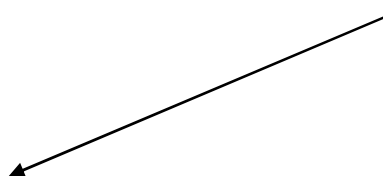
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**Fill and keep
count**




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Break out of
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**Report how
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Let's stop right there.

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That's kind of hard to read.

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Should be y-1

Listen to your code as you write it.

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Much clearer when read aloud.



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def find_candidates(grid):
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            # Has current lowest value.
            if grid[x][y] == min_val:
                min_set.add((x, y))
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def is_candidate(grid, x, y):  
    '''Determine whether the cell at (x,y) is now a  
    candidate for filling.'''  
    ...see previous episode...
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Try to find it by reading the code carefully
before moving on.



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