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Subject: Re: FOR loop ends one above where it's supposed to  
Posted by [Bulgakovv](#) on Wed, 02 Jun 2010 16:49:04 GMT

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On Jun 2, 12:07 pm, pp <pp.pente...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Jun 2, 12:57 pm, Paolo <pgri...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>> While people here gave a logical explanation as to what is happening,

>> I would say that the \*safest\* practice in your programming is to not

>> use the for loop index variable ("i" in this case) for anything else

>> in your program. That will make the code much easier to write, read

>> and understand.

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> Which is why I miss block scope in IDL, so that the variable would not

> even exist outside the loop.

Thanks for your comments! In Matlab for example, the loop index variable stays on the last number, in this case 5, I guess that's how I confused it in first place as I'm used to Matlab. I used the loop index variable for testing in my program, not to be in there, that's how I came across the whole situation. But, I guess I will have to follow your advice Paolo..

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