4.9 Exercises

- 1. Potential values have variable size. The PC has an appropriated byte size designated by the type of value the user enters. bipush therefore has a different size than irem, etc.
- 2. Structured programming concepts can be implemented in assembly language by using if/else statements, labels, and blocks. Each of these correspond with a separate function that an OOP (java) would parallel.
- 3. No branch exits for (x > 0 or x < 0). Using if_cmp??, I would load a constant value 0 (iconst_0) and the stored value x (iload_2; from local variable 2) and compare the two.

iload_2 ; variable x
iconst_0 ; value 0
if_cmpgt GoSomeWhere

If the comparison returned true, branch to "GoSomeWhere". If the comparison returned false, go to the next conditional series of commands

iload_2
iconst_0
if cmplt GoSomeWhere

- 4. Depends on the instruction used. If fcmpg is used and NaN is value, 1 is pushed. if fcmpl is used, NaN results in -1.
- 5. Usually designated by a series of labels.

LoopEntry:

load values compares if cmp?? GoSomeWhere

Else:

do something else.