CS620c Structured Programming Lesson 9

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Quick Revision

 Let's look at an example of a selection statement – then I'm going to get you to do an exercise

Quick Recap

Let's begin with a quick recap

 Write an algorithm and a program to check if any given whole number is a multiple of 5.
 The program should print an appropriate message.

You have 5 minutes

Boolean Operators

```
Operator
& Logical AND
| Logical OR
^ Logical XOR
| Short-circuit OR
&& Short-circuit AND
! Logical NOT
```

Short-circuit AND and logical AND

- Short-circuit AND, &&, only checks the second condition if the first is true.
 - If the first is false there is no point evaluating the second as "AND" anything with false is always false.
 - The logical AND, &, always evaluates both expressions and then ANDs them together. Normally you use && it is faster than &; logically they are the same.
- Short-circuit OR,||, only checks the second condition if the first is false.
 - If the first is true there is no point evaluating the second as "OR" with true is always true.

&& Example

```
int a=5, b=10, c=6, d=3;

if ( (a>b) && (c>d) )
{
   System.out.println("True");
}
else
{
   System.out.println("False");
}
```

Loops (Iteration)

- Loops allow your program to do the same thing again and again and again and again.
- There are 3 looping statements in JAVA:
 - while
 - □ for
 - do...while
- A loop repeatedly executes the same set of instructions until a finishing condition is met

Why use loops?

- To automate the repetition of calculations. We wish to repeat the calculation once for each one of a number of items of data..
- To iterate through data and test for certain condition. For example, we may read numbers from a keyboard, analyse each one and perform some action on it, until a particular value is typed.
- To keep attempting some operation (such as obtaining data from a remote computer over a network) until either we succeed (all is well, we have obtained the data, so we proceed to use that data), or until a specified number of attempts have failed. (In this case the whole process must be abandoned.)

While loops

- While loops appear quite similar to if statements, as they also use boolean conditions.
- Initialisation; // control variables etc

```
while(condition)
{
    statement1;
    statement2;
....
    update;
}
```

The difference is that as long as the condition being tested is true, whatever is between the braces will execute again and again, possibly forever!

Example

```
int count = 1; // start count at one
while ( count <= 3 ) // loop while count is <= 3
{
    System.out.println("Count is:" + count );
    count = count + 1; // add one to count
}</pre>
```

Let's walk through some examples on asethates

Summary

- After today's lecture you should understand the following:
 - Boolean operators
 - Operator Precedence
 - Basic loops