

# **Computer Programming I - CSC111**

## **Chapter 4 – Flow of Control (Loops)**

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# Outline

- The **while** statement
- The **do-while** statement
- The **for** statement
- The loop body
- Initializing statements
- Controlling loop iterations
- Loop bugs
- Tracing variables

# Java loop statements

- A portion of a program that repeats a statement or a group of statements is called a *loop*.
- The statement or group of statements to be repeated is called the *body* of the loop.
- A loop could be used to compute grades for each student in a class.
- There must be a means of exiting the loop.

# The **while** statement

- Also called a **while** loop
- A **while** statement repeats while a controlling boolean expression remains true
- The loop body typically contains an action that ultimately causes the controlling boolean expression to become false.

# Syntax of the **while** statement

- Syntax

*while (Boolean\_Expression)*

*Body\_Statement*

*or*

*while (Boolean\_Expression)*

*{*

*First\_Statement*

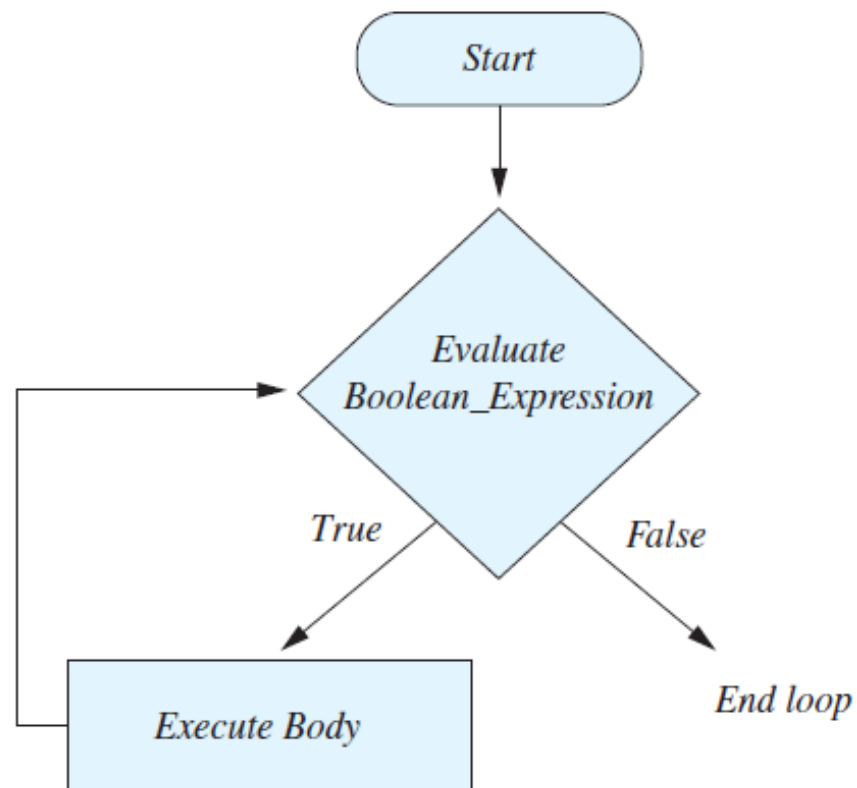
*Second\_Statement*

*...*

*}*

# Semantics of the **while** statement

```
while (Boolean_Expression)  
    Body
```



# Example

- Write a Java program that reads a positive number from the user and prints all numbers starting from 1 to the entered number.

```
int number, count=1;
Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.println("Enter a number:");
number = keyboard.nextInt();

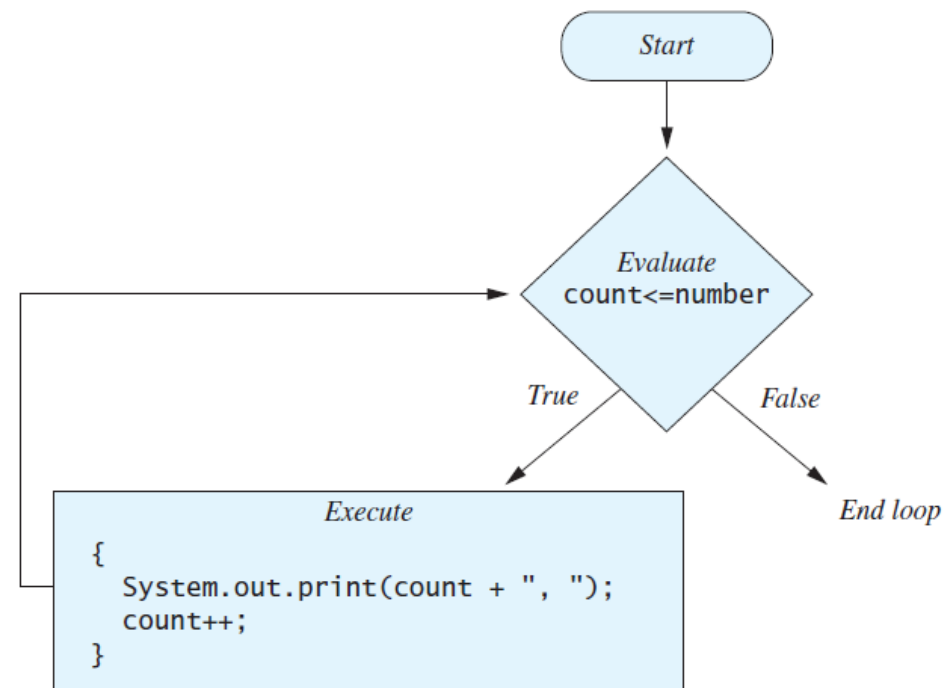
while(count <= number)
{
    System.out.print(count + ", ");
    count++;
}
```

## Sample Output

```
Enter a number:
5
1, 2, 3, 4, 5,
```

# Action of the **while** statement

```
while (count <= number)
{
    System.out.print(count + ", ");
    count++;
}
```





# Example

## EXAMPLE

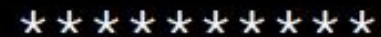
```
//Sum positive integers read until one is not positive  
int total = 0;  
int next = keyboard.nextInt();  
while (next > 0)  
{  
    total = total + next;  
    next = keyboard.nextInt();  
}
```

# Another example

```
public class StarsPrint
{
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        int count=1,number=10;

        while ( count++ <= number )
            System.out.print("*");

        System.out.println();
    }
}
```



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# Example

- Write Java statements that compute the product  $1*2* \dots *10$  and print its value

```
int product = 1, number = 1;
while(number <= 10){
    product = product * number;
    number++;
}
System.out.println(product);
```

**Output**

3628800

# Example

- Write Java statements that compute the sum  $1+2+ \dots +10$  and print its value

```
int sum = 0, number = 1;
while(number <= 10){
    sum = sum + number;
    number++;
}
System.out.println(sum);
```

**Output**

55

# Caution

```
int product = 1, number = 1;
while (number <= 10)Ⓢ
{
    product = product * number;
    number++;
}
System.out.println("Product of the numbers 1 through 10 is "
                    + product);
```

Do not write a  
semicolon after  
the beginning  
of a while  
statement

# Nested loops

- The body of a loop can contain any kind of statements, including another loop.
- How many times will the string “Here” be printed?

```
int count1 = 1, count2 = 1;
while(count1 <= 10){
    count2 = 1;
    while(count2 <= 20){
        System.out.println("Here");
        count2++;
    }
    count1++;
}
```

**10 \* 20 = 200**

# Rectangle drawing example

```
Enter the length of the rectangle: 5
Enter the width of the rectangle: 5
# # # # #
# # # # #
# # # # #
# # # # #
# # # # #
```

```
Enter the length of the rectangle: 2
Enter the width of the rectangle: 4
# # # #
# # # #
```

```

import java.util.Scanner;
public class RectangleDrawing {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        int length, width, currentL=0, currentW=0;

        System.out.print("Enter the length of the rectangle: ");
        length = keyboard.nextInt();
        System.out.print("Enter the width of the rectangle: ");
        width = keyboard.nextInt();

        if(length>0 && width>0)
        {
            while(currentL<length)
            {
                currentW=0;
                while(currentW<width)
                {
                    System.out.print("# ");
                    currentW++;
                }
                System.out.println();
                currentL++;
            }
        }
    }
}

```



## Equivalent Code

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class RectangleDrawing {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        int length, width, currentL=0, currentW=0;

        System.out.print("Enter the length of the rectangle: ");
        length = keyboard.nextInt();
        System.out.print("Enter the width of the rectangle: ");
        width = keyboard.nextInt();

        if(length>0 && width >0)
            while(currentL++<length)
            {
                currentW=0;
                while(currentW++<width)
                    System.out.print("# ");
                System.out.println();
            }
    }
}
```

# The **do-while** statement

- Also called a **do-while** loop
- Similar to a **while** statement, except that the loop body is executed at least once

- Syntax

**do**

*Body\_Statement*

**while (Boolean\_Expression) ;**

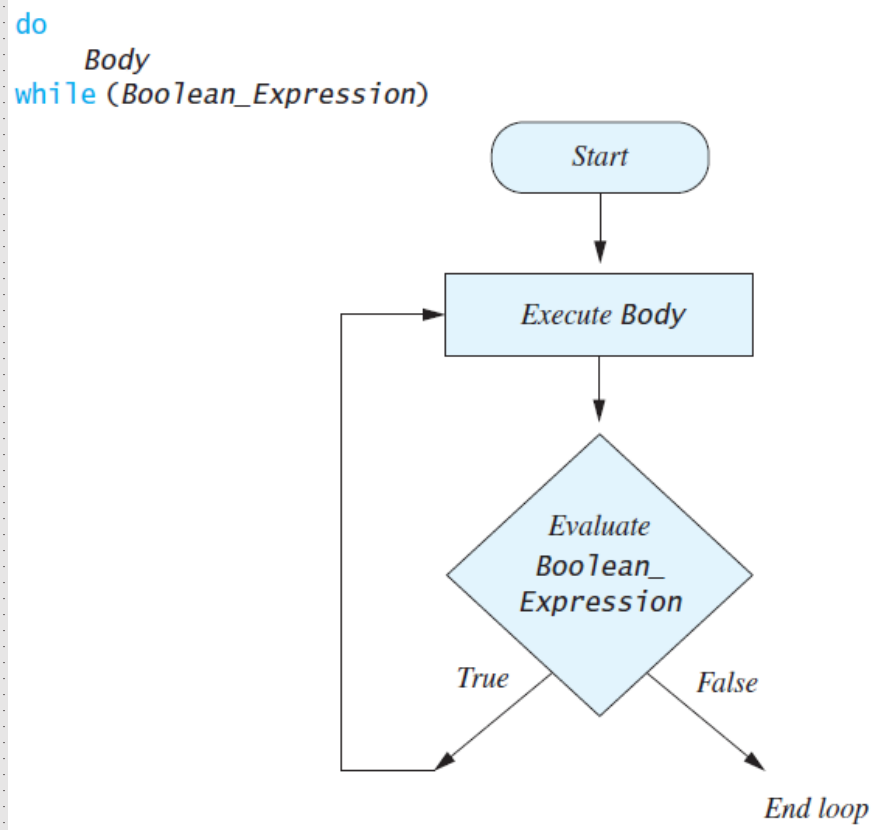
- Don't forget the semicolon!

# The **do-while** statement

- First, the loop body is executed.
- Then the boolean expression is checked.
  - As long as it is true, the loop is executed again.
  - If it is false, the loop is exited.
- Equivalent **while** statement

```
Statement (s)_S1  
while (Boolean_Condition)  
    Statement (s)_S1
```

# Semantics of the **do-while** statement



# Example

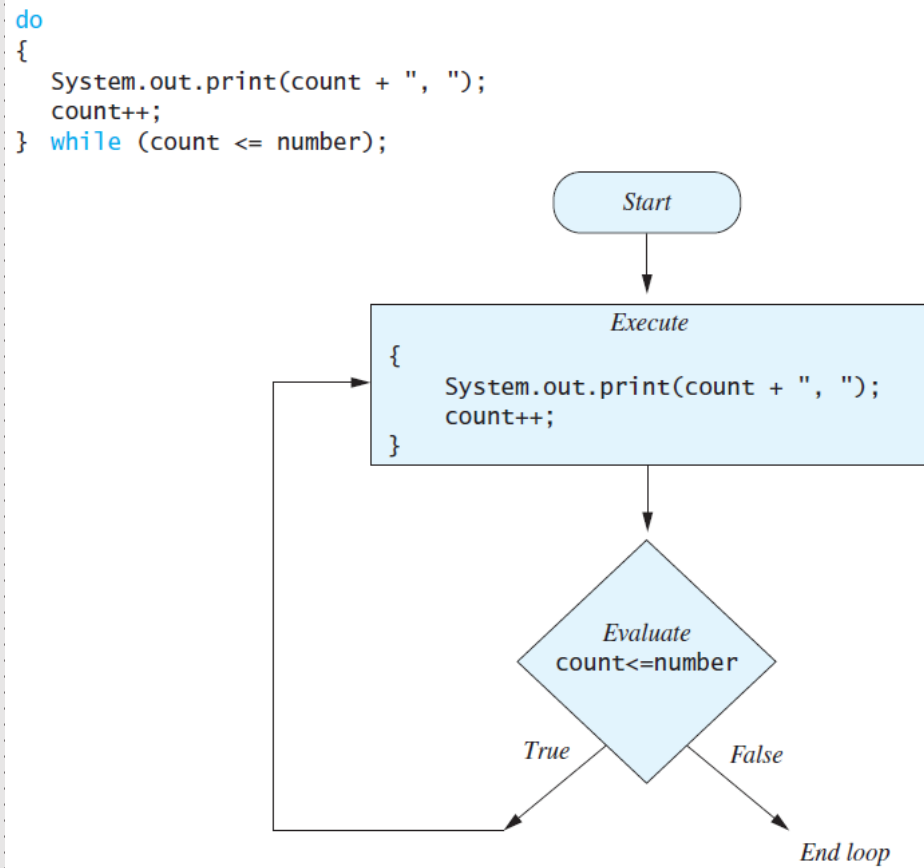
```
int number, count=1;  
Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);  
System.out.println("Enter a number:");  
number = keyboard.nextInt();
```

```
do  
{  
    System.out.print(count + ", ");  
    count++;  
} while(count <= number);
```

## Sample Output

```
Enter a number:  
0  
1,
```

# Action of the **do-while** statement



# Example

- A great use for the Do-While loop is the menu: The menu is displayed continuously until the end user picks a value. If they type a certain menu item, then the code stops.

```
***** MAIN MENU *****  
1. Print Good Morning!  
2. Print Good Evening!  
3. Print Good Bye! and Exit the program
```

Select an Option:

1

Good Morning!

```
***** MAIN MENU *****  
1. Print Good Morning!  
2. Print Good Evening!  
3. Print Good Bye! and Exit the program
```

Select an Option:

2

Good Evening!

```
***** MAIN MENU *****  
1. Print Good Morning!  
2. Print Good Evening!  
3. Print Good Bye! and Exit the program
```

Select an Option:

3

Good Bye!

# Example

```
int userOption;
Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
do {
    System.out.println("***** MAIN MENU *****");
    System.out.println("1. Print Good Morning!");
    System.out.println("2. Print Good Evening!");
    System.out.println("3. Print Good Bye! and Exit the program");
    System.out.println("\nSelect an Option: ");
    userOption = keyboard.nextInt();
    if(userOption == 1)
        System.out.println("Good Morning!");
    else
        if(userOption == 2)
            System.out.println("Good Evening!");
        else
            if(userOption == 3)
                System.out.println("Good Bye!");
} while(userOption != 3);
```



# while vs. do-while

```
1 public class WritewhileAnddowhileLoops {
2     public static void main (String[] args) {
3         int i=0;
4         System.out.println("Try while loop:");
5         while (i < 5) {
6             System.out.println("Iteration " + ++i);
7         }
8         System.out.println("Try do while loop:");
9         i=0;
10        do {
11            System.out.println("Iteration " + ++i);
12        }
13        while (i < 5) ;
14    }
15 }
```

```
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Try while loop:
Iteration 1
Iteration 2
Iteration 3
Iteration 4
Iteration 5
Try do while loop:
Iteration 1
Iteration 2
Iteration 3
Iteration 4
Iteration 5
```

```
1 public class WritewhileAnddowhileLoops {
2     public static void main (String[] args) {
3         int i=5;
4         System.out.println("Try while loop:");
5         while (i < 5) {
6             System.out.println("Iteration " + ++i);
7         }
8         System.out.println("Try do while loop:");
9         i=5;
10        do {
11            System.out.println("Iteration " + ++i);
12        }
13        while (i < 5) ;
14    }
15 }
```

```
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Try while loop:
Try do while loop:
Iteration 6
```

# Infinite loops

- A loop which repeats without ever ending is called an *infinite loop*.
- If the controlling boolean expression never becomes false, a **while** loop or a **do-while** loop will repeat without ending.

```
int count = 1;
while(count <= 25){
    System.out.println(count);
    count--;
}
```

# Exam average calculation example

- Compute the average of a list of (nonnegative) exam scores
- Repeats computation for more exams until the user says to stop

```
import java.util.Scanner;
/**
Computes the average of a list of (nonnegative) exam scores.
Repeats computation for more exams until the user says to stop.
 */
public class ExamAverager
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        System.out.println("This program computes the average of");
        System.out.println("a list of (nonnegative) exam scores.");
        double sum;
        int numberOfStudents;
        double next;
        String answer;
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
```

```

do
{
    System.out.println();
    System.out.println("Enter all the scores to be averaged.");
    System.out.println("Enter a negative number after");
    System.out.println("you have entered all the scores.");
    sum = 0;
    numberOfStudents = 0;
    next = keyboard.nextDouble();
    while (next >= 0)
    {
        sum = sum + next;
        numberOfStudents++;
        next = keyboard.nextDouble();
    }
    if (numberOfStudents > 0)
        System.out.println("The average is " +
                           (sum / numberOfStudents));
    else
        System.out.println("No scores to average.");

    System.out.println("Want to average another exam?");
    System.out.println("Enter yes or no.");
    answer = keyboard.next();
} while (answer.equalsIgnoreCase("yes"));
}

```

### **Sample Screen Output**

This program computes the average of  
a list of (nonnegative) exam scores.

Enter all the scores to be averaged.

Enter a negative number after  
you have entered all the scores.

100

90

100

90

-1

The average is 95.0

Want to average another exam?

Enter yes or no.

yes

Enter all the scores to be averaged.

Enter a negative number after

you have entered all the scores.

90

70

80

-1

The average is 80.0

Want to average another exam?

Enter yes or no.

no

# The **for** Statement

- A **for** statement executes the body of a loop a fixed number of times.
- Example

```
for (count = 1; count < 3; count++)  
    System.out.println(count);
```

# The **for** Statement

- Syntax

*for (Initialization, Condition, Update)  
    Body\_Statement*

- **Body\_Statement** can be either a simple statement or a compound statement in **{ }**.



# The **for** statement

- Corresponding **while** statement

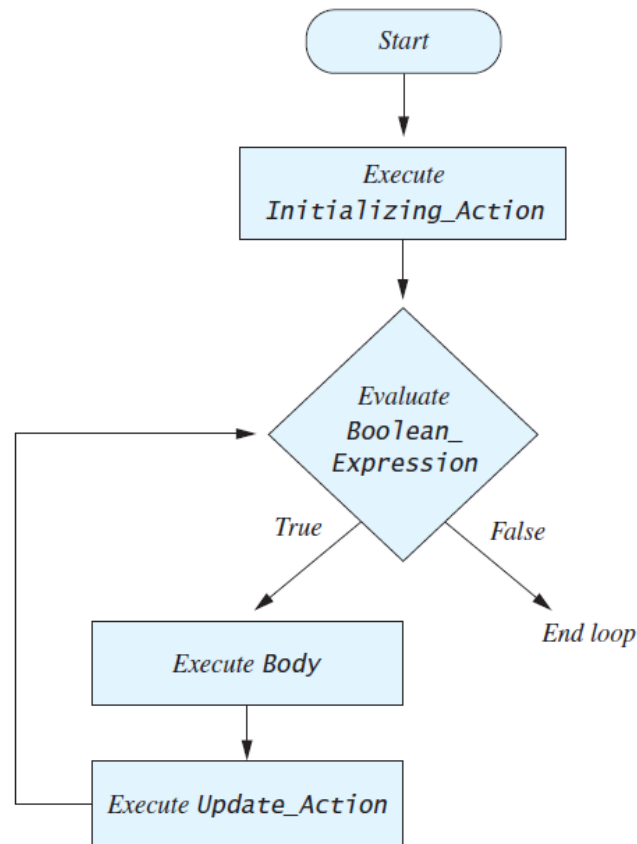
*Initialization*

*while (Condition)*

*Body\_Statement\_Including\_Update*

# Semantic of the **for** statement

```
for (Initializing_Action; Boolean_Expression; Update_Action)  
  Body
```



# Example

```
class ForDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        for(int i=1; i<11; i++)
        {
            System.out.println("Count is: " + i);
        }
    }
}
```

```
Count is: 1
Count is: 2
Count is: 3
Count is: 4
Count is: 5
Count is: 6
Count is: 7
Count is: 8
Count is: 9
Count is: 10
```

# Example

```
public class ForDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        int countDown;
        for (countDown = 3; countDown >= 0; countDown--)
        {
            System.out.println(countDown);
            System.out.println("and counting.");
        }
        System.out.println("Blast off!");
    }
}
```

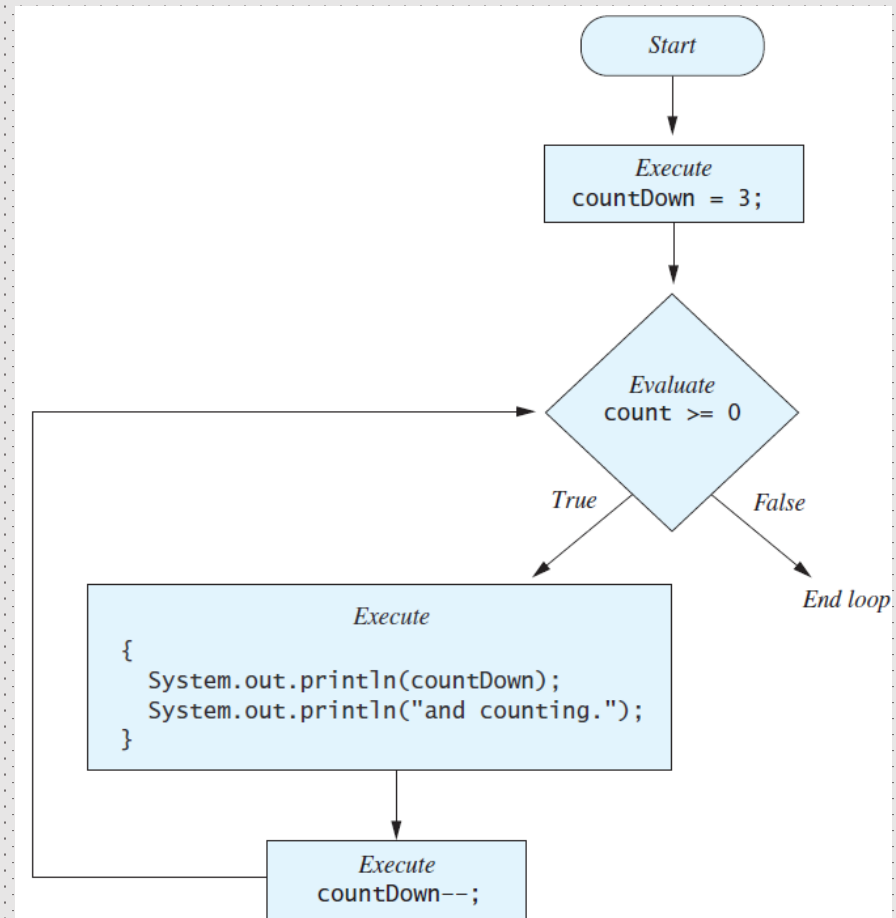
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## *Screen Output*

```
3
and counting.
2
and counting.
1
and counting.
0
and counting.
Blast off!
```

# Action of the **for** loop

```
for (countDown = 3; countDown >= 0; countDown--)  
{  
    System.out.println(countDown);  
    System.out.println("and counting.");  
}
```



## The **for** statement

- Possible to declare variables within a **for** statement

```
int sum = 0;  
for (int n = 1 ; n <= 10 ; n++)  
    sum = sum + n * n;
```

- Note that variable **n** is local to the loop

# The **for** statement

- A comma separates multiple initializations
- Example

```
for (n = 1, product = 1; n <= 10; n++)  
    product = product * n;
```

- Only one boolean expression is allowed, but it can consist of **&&**s, **||**s, and **!**s.
- Multiple update actions are allowed, too.

```
for (n = 1, product = 1; n <= 10;  
    product = product * n, n++);
```

# The **for** statement

Do not write a semicolon after the beginning of a for statement

```
for (number = 1; number <= 10; number++)  
{  
    product = product * number;  
}
```

```
int product = 1;  
for (int number = 1; number <= 10; number++)  
    product = product * number; //Invalid
```

```
for (int n = 1; n <= 10; n++)  
    sum = sum + n * n;  
System.out.println(n); //Invalid
```



# What does it display? How would you fix it?

```
int product = 1;
int max = 20;
for (int i = 0; i <= max; i++)
    product = product * i;
System.out.println("The product is " + product);
```

```
int sum = 0;
int product = 1;
int max = 20;
for (int i = 1; i <= max; i++)
    sum = sum + i;
    product = product * i;
System.out.println("The sum is " + sum +
    " and the product is " + product);
```

# Convert it to while loop

```
int s = 0;
int t = 1;
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
{
    s = s + i;
    for (int j = i; j > 0; j--)
    {
        t = t * (j - i);
    }
    s = s * t;
    System.out.println("T is " + t);
}
System.out.println("S is " + s);
```

# The loop body

- To design the loop body, write out the actions the code must accomplish.
- Then look for a repeated pattern.
  - The pattern need not start with the first action.
  - The repeated pattern will form the body of the loop.
  - Some actions may need to be done after the pattern stops repeating.

# Initializing statements

- Some variables need to have a value before the loop begins.
  - Sometimes this is determined by what is supposed to happen after one loop iteration.
  - Often variables have an initial value of zero or one, but not always.
- Other variables get values only while the loop is iterating.

# Controlling number of loop iterations

- If the number of iterations is known before the loop starts, the loop is called a *count-controlled loop*.
  - Use a **for** loop.
- Asking the user before each iteration if it is time to end the loop is called the *ask-before-iterating technique*.
  - Appropriate for a small number of iterations
  - Use a **while** loop or a **do-while** loop.

# Controlling number of loop iterations

- For large input lists, a *sentinel value* can be used to signal the end of the list.
  - The sentinel value must be different from all the other possible inputs.
  - A negative number following a long list of nonnegative exam scores could be suitable.

90

0

10

-1

# Controlling number of loop iterations

- Example - reading a list of scores followed by a sentinel value

```
int next = keyboard.nextInt();  
while (next >= 0)  
{  
    Process_The_Score  
    next = keyboard.nextInt();  
}
```

# Controlling number of loop iterations

- Using a boolean variable to end the loop

```
import java.util.Scanner;
/**
 * Illustrates the use of a boolean variable to end loop iteration.
 */
public class BooleanDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        System.out.println("Enter nonnegative numbers.");
        System.out.println("Place a negative number at the end");
        System.out.println("to serve as an end marker.");
        int sum = 0;
        boolean areMore = true;
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        while (areMore)
        {
            int next = keyboard.nextInt();
            if (next < 0)
                areMore = false;
            else
                sum = sum + next;
        }
        System.out.println("The sum of the numbers is " + sum);
    }
}
```

## Sample Screen Output

```
Enter nonnegative numbers.
Place a negative number at the end
to serve as an end marker.
1 2 3 -1
The sum of the numbers is 6
```



# Programming example

- Spending Spree
  - You have \$100 to spend in a store
  - Maximum 3 items
  - Computer tracks spending and item count
  - When item chosen, computer tells you whether or not you can buy it
- Client wants adaptable program
  - Able to change amount and maximum number of items

```

import java.util.Scanner;
public class SpendingSpree
{
    public static final int SPENDING_MONEY = 100;
    public static final int MAX_ITEMS = 3;
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        boolean haveMoney = true;
        int leftToSpend = SPENDING_MONEY;
        int totalSpent = 0;
        int itemNumber = 1;
        while (haveMoney && (itemNumber <= MAX_ITEMS))
        {
            System.out.println("You may buy up to " +
                               (MAX_ITEMS - itemNumber + 1) +
                               " items");
            System.out.println("costing no more than $" +
                               leftToSpend + ".");
            System.out.print("Enter cost of item #" +
                             itemNumber + ": $");
            int itemCost = keyboard.nextInt();
            if (itemCost <= leftToSpend)
            {
                System.out.println("You may buy this item. ");
                totalSpent = totalSpent + itemCost;
                System.out.println("You spent $" + totalSpent +
                                   " so far.");
                leftToSpend = SPENDING_MONEY - totalSpent;
                if (leftToSpend > 0)
                    itemNumber++;
            }
            else
            {
                System.out.println("You are out of money.");
                haveMoney = false;
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```
        else
            System.out.println("You cannot buy that item.");
    }
    System.out.println("You spent $" + totalSpent +
        ", and are done shopping.");
}
}
```

---

### *Sample Screen Output*

```
You may buy up to 3 items
costing no more than $100.
Enter cost of item #1: $80
You may buy this item.
You spent $80 so far.
You may buy up to 2 items
costing no more than $20.
Enter cost of item #2: $20
You may buy this item.
You spent $100 so far.
You are out of money.
You spent $100, and are done shopping.
```

## Tracing variables

- *Tracing variables* means watching the variables change while the program is running.
  - Simply insert temporary output statements in your program to print of the values of variables of interest
  - Or, learn to use the debugging facility that may be provided by your system.

# Loop bugs

- Common loop bugs
  - Unintended infinite loops
  - Off-by-one errors
  - Testing equality of floating-point numbers
- Subtle infinite loops
  - The loop may terminate for some input values, but not for others.
  - For example, you can't get out of debt when the monthly penalty exceeds the monthly payment.