

Chapter 5: Conditionals and Loops Lab Exercises

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Prelab Exercises

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1. Rewrite each condition below in valid Java syntax (give a boolean expression):
 - a. $x > y > z$
 - b. x and y are both less than 0
 - c. neither x nor y is less than 0
 - d. x is equal to y but not equal to z
2. Suppose *gpa* is a variable containing the grade point average of a student. Suppose the goal of a program is to let a student know if he/she made the Dean's list (the gpa must be 3.5 or above). Write an *if... else...* statement that prints out the appropriate message (either "Congratulations—you made the Dean's List" or "Sorry you didn't make the Dean's List").
3. Complete the following program to determine the raise and new salary for an employee by adding *if ... else* statements to compute the raise. The input to the program includes the current annual salary for the employee and a number indicating the performance rating (1=excellent, 2=good, and 3=poor). An employee with a rating of 1 will receive a 6% raise, an employee with a rating of 2 will receive a 4% raise, and one with a rating of 3 will receive a 1.5% raise.

```
// *****
//   Salary.java
//   Computes the raise and new salary for an employee
// *****
import java.util.Scanner;

public class Salary
{
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        double currentSalary; // current annual salary
        double rating;        // performance rating
        double raise;          // dollar amount of the raise

        Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);

        // Get the current salary and performance rating
        System.out.print ("Enter the current salary: ");
        currentSalary = scan.nextDouble();
        System.out.print ("Enter the performance rating: ");
        rating = scan.nextDouble();

        // Compute the raise -- Use if ... else ...

        // Print the results
        System.out.println ("Amount of your raise: $" + raise);
        System.out.println ("Your new salary: $" + currentSalary + raise);
    }
}
```

Computing A Raise

File *Salary.java* contains most of a program that takes as input an employee's salary and a rating of the employee's performance and computes the raise for the employee. This is similar to question #3 in the pre-lab, except that the performance rating here is being entered as a String—the three possible ratings are “Excellent”, “Good”, and “Poor”. As in the pre-lab, an employee who is rated excellent will receive a 6% raise, one rated good will receive a 4% raise, and one rated poor will receive a 1.5% raise.

Add the *if... else...* statements to program Salary to make it run as described above. Note that you will have to use the *equals* method of the String class (not the relational operator \equiv) to compare two strings (see Section 5.3, Comparing Data).

```
// *****
//   Salary.java
//
//   Computes the amount of a raise and the new
//   salary for an employee.  The current salary
//   and a performance rating (a String: "Excellent",
//   "Good" or "Poor") are input.
// *****

import java.util.Scanner;
import java.text.NumberFormat;

public class Salary
{
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        double currentSalary;    // employee's current  salary
        double raise;            // amount of the raise
        double newSalary;        // new salary for the employee
        String rating;           // performance rating

        Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.print ("Enter the current salary: ");
        currentSalary = scan.nextDouble();
        System.out.print ("Enter the performance rating (Excellent, Good, or Poor): ");
        rating = scan.next();

        // Compute the raise using if ...

        newSalary = currentSalary + raise;

        // Print the results
        NumberFormat money = NumberFormat.getCurrencyInstance();
        System.out.println();
        System.out.println("Current Salary:          " + money.format(currentSalary));
        System.out.println("Amount of your raise: " + money.format(raise));
        System.out.println("Your new salary:      " + money.format(newSalary));
        System.out.println();
    }
}
```

Prelab Exercises

Section 5.4

In a while loop, execution of a set of statements (the *body* of the loop) continues until the boolean expression controlling the loop (the *condition*) becomes false. As for an if statement, the condition must be enclosed in parentheses. For example, the loop below prints the numbers from 1 to LIMIT:

```
final int LIMIT = 100;           // setup
int count = 1;

while (count <= LIMIT)           // condition
{                                 // body
    System.out.println(count);    // -- perform task
    count = count + 1;            // -- update condition
}
```

There are three parts to a loop:

- The *setup*, or *initialization*. This comes before the actual loop, and is where variables are initialized in preparation for the first time through the loop.
- The *condition*, which is the boolean expression that controls the loop. This expression is evaluated each time through the loop. If it evaluates to true, the body of the loop is executed, and then the condition is evaluated again; if it evaluates to false, the loop terminates.
- The *body* of the loop. The body typically needs to do two things:
 - Do some work toward the task that the loop is trying to accomplish. This might involve printing, calculation, input and output, method calls—this code can be arbitrarily complex.
 - Update the condition. Something has to happen inside the loop so that the condition will eventually be false—otherwise the loop will go on forever (an *infinite* loop). This code can also be complex, but often it simply involves incrementing a counter or reading in a new value.

Sometimes doing the work and updating the condition are related. For example, in the loop above, the print statement is doing work, while the statement that increments count is both doing work (since the loop's task is to print the values of count) and updating the condition (since the loop stops when count hits a certain value).

The loop above is an example of a *count-controlled* loop, that is, a loop that contains a counter (a variable that increases or decreases by a fixed value—usually 1—each time through the loop) and that stops when the counter reaches a certain value. Not all loops with counters are count-controlled; consider the example below, which determines how many even numbers must be added together, starting at 2, to reach or exceed a given limit.

```
final int LIMIT = 16; TRACE
int count = 1;           sum      nextVal      count
int sum = 0;              ---      -
int nextVal = 2;          -
                           -

while (sum < LIMIT)
{
    sum = sum + nextVal;
    nextVal = nextVal + 2;
    count = count + 1;
}

System.out.println("Had to add together " + (count-1) + " even numbers " +
    "to reach value " + LIMIT + ". Sum is " + sum);
```

Note that although this loop counts how many times the body is executed, the condition does not depend on the value of count.

Not all loops have counters. For example, if the task in the loop above were simply to add together even numbers until the

sum reached a certain limit and then print the sum (as opposed to printing the number of things added together), there would be no need for the counter. Similarly, the loop below sums integers input by the user and prints the sum; it contains no counter.

```
int sum = 0;                                //setup
String keepGoing = "y";
int nextVal;

while (keepGoing.equals("y") || keepGoing.equals("Y"))
{
    System.out.print("Enter the next integer: ");    //do work
    nextVal = scan.nextInt();
    sum = sum + nextVal;

    System.out.println("Type y or Y to keep going");    //update condition
    keepGoing = scan.next();
}

System.out.println("The sum of your integers is " + sum);
```

Exercises

1. In the first loop above, the `println` statement comes before the value of `count` is incremented. What would happen if you reversed the order of these statements so that `count` was incremented before its value was printed? Would the loop still print the same values? Explain.
2. Consider the second loop above.
 - a. Trace this loop, that is, in the table next to the code show values for variables `nextVal`, `sum` and `count` at each iteration. Then show what the code prints.
 - b. Note that when the loop terminates, the number of even numbers added together before reaching the limit is `count-1`, not `count`. How could you modify the code so that when the loop terminates, the number of things added together is simply `count`?
3. Write a while loop that will print "I love computer science!!" 100 times. Is this loop count-controlled?
4. Add a counter to the third example loop above (the one that reads and sums integers input by the user). After the loop, print the number of integers read as well as the sum. Just note your changes on the example code. Is your loop now count-controlled?
5. The code below is supposed to print the integers from 10 to 1 backwards. What is wrong with it? (Hint: there are two problems!) Correct the code so it does the right thing.

```
count = 10;
while (count >= 0)
{
    System.out.println(count);
    count = count + 1;
}
```

Counting and Looping

The program in *LoveCS.java* prints “I love Computer Science!!” 10 times. Copy it to your directory and compile and run it to see how it works. Then modify it as follows:

```
// *****  
// LoveCS.java  
//  
// Use a while loop to print many messages declaring your  
// passion for computer science  
// *****  
  
public class LoveCS  
{  
    public static void main(String[] args)  
    {  
        final int LIMIT = 10;  
        int count = 1;  
        while (count <= LIMIT){  
            System.out.println("I love Computer Science!!");  
            count++;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

1. Instead of using constant LIMIT, ask the user how many times the message should be printed. You will need to declare a variable to store the user’s response and use that variable to control the loop. (Remember that all caps is used only for constants!)
2. Number each line in the output, and add a message at the end of the loop that says how many times the message was printed. So if the user enters 3, your program should print this:

```
1 I love Computer Science!!  
2 I love Computer Science!!  
3 I love Computer Science!!  
Printed this message 3 times.
```

3. If the message is printed N times, compute and print the sum of the numbers from 1 to N. So for the example above, the last line would now read:

```
Printed this message 3 times. The sum of the numbers from 1 to 3 is 6.
```

Note that you will need to add a variable to hold the sum.

Powers of 2

File *PowersOf2.java* contains a skeleton of a program to read in an integer from the user and print out that many powers of 2, starting with 20.

1. Using the comments as a guide, complete the program so that it prints out the number of powers of 2 that the user requests. **Do not use `Math.pow` to compute the powers of 2!** Instead, compute each power from the previous one (how do you get 2^n from 2^{n-1} ?). For example, if the user enters 4, your program should print this:

Here are the first 4 powers of 2:

```
1
2
4
8
```

2. Modify the program so that instead of just printing the powers, you print which power each is, e.g.:

Here are the first 4 powers of 2:

```
2^0 = 1
2^1 = 2
2^2 = 4
2^3 = 8
```

```
// *****
// PowersOf2.java
//
// Print out as many powers of 2 as the user requests
//
// *****
import java.util.Scanner;

public class PowersOf2
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        int numPowersOf2;          //How many powers of 2 to compute
        int nextPowerOf2 = 1;      //Current power of 2
        int exponent;              //Exponent for current power of 2 -- this
                                   //also serves as a counter for the loop Scanner
        scan = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.println("How many powers of 2 would you like printed?");
        numPowersOf2 = scan.nextInt();

        //print a message saying how many powers of 2 will be printed
        //initialize exponent -- the first thing printed is 2 to the what?
        while ( )
        {
            //print out current power of 2
            //find next power of 2 -- how do you get this from the last one?
            //increment exponent
        }
    }
}
```

Factorials

The *factorial* of n (written $n!$) is the product of the integers between 1 and n . Thus $4! = 1*2*3*4 = 24$. By definition, $0! = 1$. Factorial is not defined for negative numbers.

1. Write a program that asks the user for a non-negative integer and computes and prints the factorial of that integer. You'll need a while loop to do most of the work—this is a lot like computing a sum, but it's a product instead. And you'll need to think about what should happen if the user enters 0.
2. Now modify your program so that it checks to see if the user entered a negative number. If so, the program should print a message saying that a nonnegative number is required and ask the user to enter another number. The program should keep doing this until the user enters a nonnegative number, after which it should compute the factorial of that number.
Hint: you will need another while loop **before** the loop that computes the factorial. You should not need to change any of the code that computes the factorial!

A Guessing Game

File *Guess.java* contains a skeleton for a program to play a guessing game with the user. The program should randomly generate an integer between 1 and 10, then ask the user to try to guess the number. If the user guesses incorrectly, the program should ask them to try again until the guess is correct; when the guess is correct, the program should print a congratulatory message.

1. Using the comments as a guide, complete the program so that it plays the game as described above.
2. Modify the program so that if the guess is wrong, the program says whether it is too high or too low. You will need an `if` statement (inside your loop) to do this.
3. Now add code to count how many guesses it takes the user to get the number, and print this number at the end with the congratulatory message.
4. Finally, count how many of the guesses are too high and how many are too low. Print these values, along with the total number of guesses, when the user finally guesses correctly.

```
// *****
//   Guess.java
//
//   Play a game where the user guesses a number from 1 to 10
//
// *****
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.Random;

public class Guess
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        int numToGuess;        //Number the user tries to guess
        int guess;              //The user's guess

        Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
        Random generator = new Random();

        //randomly generate the number to guess
        //print message asking user to enter a guess
        //read in guess

        while ( ) //keep going as long as the guess is wrong
        {
            //print message saying guess is wrong
            //get another guess from the user
        }

        //print message saying guess is right
    }
}
```