

Iterarions (or Loops)

Lecture 4

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Control Statements

By using **control statements** the program can choose one execution path out of several possible options or it can repeat a sequence of statements several times.

- ▶ Until Now:
 1. Sequential execution (from the top and downwards)
 2. If-statement \Rightarrow Choose one out of several possible options
 3. Method calls \Rightarrow jump to another location in the code (and back)
- ▶ Control Statements:
 - ▶ **Selective** statements: Choose one execution path out of several possible options
 - ▶ In Java: if- or switch-statements
 - ▶ **Iterative** (or **loop**) statements: Repeat a sequence of statements several times
 - ▶ In Java: while-, do-, or for-statements

Agenda – Control Statements

- ▶ Iterative statements
 - ▶ while statements
 - ▶ do statements
 - ▶ for statements
- ▶ Nestled Statements
- ▶ Solving problems using if, while, and for

Reading instructions

Liang: Chapter 5

Assignment tasks: Assignment 2 (plenty of exercises!)

Introduction to while

Problem: Find smallest K such that $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + K > 10000$

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    int K = 0, sum = 0;  
    while (sum <= 10000) {  
        K++;  
        sum = sum + K;           // 1+2+3+4+ ....  
    }  
    System.out. println ("K = " + K + " ==> 1+2+3+ ... K = " + sum);  
}
```

Output: $K = 141 ==> 1+2+3+ \dots K = 10011$

While Statement

```
while ( boolExpr ) {  
    ...  
}  
next statement;
```

- ▶ The while statement will be repeated until `boolExpr` has the value `false`
- ▶ That means that the statement block inside the while statement might be executed several times.
- ▶ To be used when we don't know *how many* times the loop should be executed, we just know under *which condition* it should terminate.
- ▶ Alternative: The statement block can be replaced by a single statement

```
while ( boolExpr )  
    statement;  
next statement;    // not included in the while statement
```

while **Example:** MeanValue.java

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);  
    int sum = 0, count = 0, value = -1;  
  
    while (value != 0) {  
        count++;           // iteration count  
        System.out.print("Give an integer (zero to stop): ");  
        value = scan.nextInt();  
        sum = sum + value;  // sum of all input values  
    }  
    count--; // Don't count last input (zero)  
  
    System.out.println("\nFinal sum: " + sum);  
    System.out.println("Number of integers: " + count);  
    System.out.println("Mean value: " + (double)sum/count);  
}
```

Read multiple data from keyboard

```
Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.print("Provide any number of integers and stop with an X: ");
while (scan.hasNextInt()) {    // Do we have any more integers?
    int num = scan.nextInt();
    System.out.print(num + " ");
}
System.out.println("\nFinal input: " + scan.nextLine());
```

Execution

```
Provide any number of integers and stop with an X: 11 22 33 44 hello
11 22 33 44
Final input: hello
```

Hence, `scan.hasNextInt()` \Rightarrow true while we are reading integers.

Advantage: We can read many integers in one line and interrupt the process by providing a non-integer

The do-Statement

The do statement is closely related to the while statement

```
do {  
    ...  
} while ( boolExpr );    // Note the final semicolon
```

- ▶ The do statement is repeated until boolExpr gets the value false
- ▶ do or while?
 - ▶ Repeat **one** or several times \Rightarrow do statement
 - ▶ Repeat **zero** or several times \Rightarrow while statement

Example: Continue (Y/N)?

```
do {  
    ...  
  
    System.out.print('Continue (Y/N)?: ');  
    char r = scanner.next().charAt(0);    // First char in next word  
} while ( r == 'y' || r == 'Y' );
```


The keywords **break** and **continue**

- ▶ `break` and `continue` is used to jump out of a loop at an arbitrary position.
- ▶ Example

```
while ( boolExpr ) {  
    ...  
    if (...)  
        break; // End the loop, jump to next statement  
  
    if (...)  
        continue; // End the iteration, jump to while ( boolExpr )  
    ...  
}  
next statement;
```

- ▶ `break` and `continue` are considered to make the code more difficult to understand \Rightarrow use them with care!

Introduction to for

Problem: Print odd numbers between 5 and 95

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    for (int i = 5; i <= 95; i = i+2) {  
        System.out.println ( i );  
    }  
}
```

- ▶ `int i = 5` \Rightarrow `i` starts with value 5
- ▶ `i <= 95` \Rightarrow loop as long as `i <= 95`
- ▶ `i = i+2` \Rightarrow increase value of `i` with 2 in the end of each turn

For Statement

```
for ( init; boolExpr; change ) {      for ( int i=0; i<100; i++) {  
    ...                               ...  
}                                     }  
next statement;
```

- ▶ The for statement start with an initialization (e.g. `int i = 0`)
Usually a **counter** variable is declared and assigned a start value.
- ▶ The for statement is repeated until `boolExpr` gets the value false
Usually this is a condition regarding the value of the counter (e.g. `i < 100`)
- ▶ Each iteration ends with `change`
Usually the counter is incremented or decremented. (e.g. `i++` or `i=i+2`)
- ▶ Problem: Add all odd numbers between 1 and 99

```
int sum = 0  
for (int i=99; i>0; i=i-2 ) {      // i = 99,97,95,93, ....  
    sum = sum + i;  
}  
System.out.println("99+97+95+ ... +5+3+1 = "+sum);
```

- ▶ for statements are used when we know how many iterations to be executed
- ▶ Note: the counter `i` can only be used inside the loop.

for **Example:** MultiplicationTable.java

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);  
    System.out.print("Enter positive integer N: ");  
    int N = scan.nextInt();  
  
    System.out.println("\n***** Multiplication Table for N *****");  
    for (int i=0; i<=N; i++) { // i = 0,1,2,3,..., N  
        int n = i * N;  
        System.out.println(i+" * "+N+" = "+n);  
    }  
}
```

Example Execution:

```
Enter positive integer N: 4  
***** Multiplication Table for N *****  
0 * 4 = 0  
1 * 4 = 4  
2 * 4 = 8  
3 * 4 = 12  
4 * 4 = 16
```


Nested Statements

- ▶ Understanding each control statement by itself is rather easy
- ▶ Solving problem requiring only one such statement is also often rather easy
- ▶ However, many problems require multiple nested control statements
- ▶ **Nested** \Rightarrow statements inside other statement

```
if (n > 0) {  
    if ( n%2=0) {  
        ...  
    }  
    else {  
        ...  
    }  
else {  
    for (int i=n; i<=0;i++) {  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

- ▶ Solution with nested statements \Rightarrow much harder \Rightarrow much training needed

Example: Count A

Write a program `CountA.java` that reads a string from the keyboard and then prints how many 'a' and 'A' the string contains. An example of what an execution might look like:

Provide a line of text: All cars got the highest safty grading A.

Number of 'a': 3

Number of 'A': 2

Sketch of a Solution

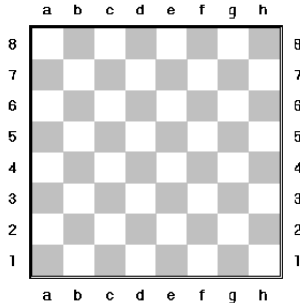
1. Read a line of text \Rightarrow `String text`
2. For each `char c` in `text`
 - ▶ if `c = 'A'` \Rightarrow `nA++`
 - ▶ else if `c = 'a'` \Rightarrow `na++`
3. Print result \Rightarrow Print `nA` and `na`

Hint: I should have waited with 1 (read line of text) until the end. Why?

Solution - Count A

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    // Read input text  
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);  
    System.out.print("Provide a line of text: ");  
    String text = scan.nextLine();  
  
    // Traverse string and count A:s and a:s  
    int numberOfAs = 0;  
    int numberOfas = 0;  
    for (int i=0; i<text.length(); i++) {           // Iterate over  
        char ch = text.charAt(i);                 // string characters  
        if (ch == 'A')  
            numberOfAs = numberOfAs + 1;  
        else if (ch == 'a')  
            numberOfas = numberOfas + 1;  
    }  
  
    // Present result  
    System.out.println("Number of \'A\': " + numberOfAs);  
    System.out.println("Number of \'a\': " + numberOfas);  
}
```


Exercise: Color of Chess Square



Each square in a chess board is identified by a letter (a-h) and an integer (1-8). They are typically referred to as c3 or f5. Write a program **SquareColor.java** that reads a square identifier (e.g. c5) from the user and prints the color (Dark or Light).

Solution: Color of Chess Square

```
// User instructions + Reading square identifier
System.out. print ("Enter Chess Square identifier (e.g. e5): ");
Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
String text = scan.nextLine();           // e.g. "e5"
char letter = text.charAt(0);             // 'e'
char digitChar = text.charAt(1);         // '5'
int digit = Character.getNumericValue(digitChar); // char-to-int

if ( digit % 2 == 0 ) { // Even row ==> 2,4,6,8
    if ( letter == 'a' || letter == 'c' || letter == 'e' || letter == 'g' )
        System.out. println ("The square is light");
    else
        System.out. println ("The square is dark");
}
else { // Odd row ==> 1,3,5,7
    if ( letter == 'a' || letter == 'c' || letter == 'e' || letter == 'g' )
        System.out. println ("The square is dark");
    else
        System.out. println ("The square is light");
}
```

Exercise: Stupid Encryption

A very simple (stupid?) way to encrypt a text would be to just shift each letter one step in the alphabet. That is, replace all letters in the text with the next letter in the alphabet

a --> b, b --> c, ... , y --> z, z --> a
A --> B, B --> C, ... , Y --> Z, Z --> A

All non-letters, for example digits, ? ,!, %, and whitespace, are left unchanged.

Exercise: Write a program `StupidEncryption.java` that reads a line of text from the user and presents an encrypted version of the text according to the encryption method outlined above. An execution might look like this:

Provide a line of text: Was it a rat I saw?
Encrypted Text: Xbt ju b sbu J tbx?

Solution: Stupid Encryption

```

System.out.print("Provide a line of text: ");
Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
String text = scan.nextLine();
// String text = "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ!?.

StringBuilder buf = new StringBuilder();
for (int i=0; i<text.length(); i++) {
    char c = text.charAt(i);
    if ( !Character.isLetter(c) )    // Non-letter ==> do nothing
        buf.append(c);
    else if (c == 'z')              // Special case 'z'
        buf.append('a');
    else if (c == 'Z')
        buf.append('A');           // Special case 'z'
    else {                          // Default: Convert to ASCII, add 1, convert back to char
        int  ascii  = (int) c;      // ASCII Value
        char nextChar = (char) (ascii + 1);
        buf.append(nextChar);
    }
}
System.out.println("Encrypted Text: "+buf.toString());

```

Programming: Old Exam Exercise

Write a Java program `Square.java` that first reads any integer (higher than or equal to 3) from the keyboard and then prints a non-filled square of the type presented below. An execution might look like this:

Provide an integer 3 or higher: 5

The square for number 5

```
*****
*   *
*   *
*   *
*   *
*****
```

An error message should be given, and the program should terminate, if the user-provided integer value is below three.