Fundamentals of Java



Objectives

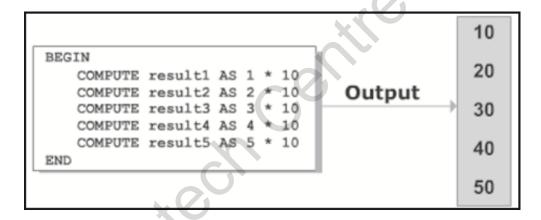


- List the different types of loops
- Explain the while statement and the associated rules
- Identify the purpose of the do-while statement
- State the need of for statement
- Describe nested loops
- Compare the different types of loops
- State the purpose of jump statements
- Describe break statement
- Describe continue statement

Introduction



- A computer program consists of a set of statements, which are usually executed sequentially.
- However, in certain situations, it is necessary to repeat certain steps to meet a specified condition.
- Following figure shows the program that displays the multiples of 10:



- The same statement is repeating 5 times to display the multiple of 10 with 1,
 2, 3, 4, and 5.
- Thus, a loop can be used in this situation.

Looping Statements



The loop statements supported by Java programming language are as follows:

Loops enable programmers to develop concise programs, which otherwise would require thousands of program statements.

Loops consists of statement or a block of statements that are repeatedly executed.

Statements in the loops are executed until a condition evaluates to true or false.



'while' Statement 1-5



- It is the most fundamental looping statement in Java.
- It executes a statement or a block of statements until the specified condition is true.
- It is used when the number of times the block has to be executed is not known.
- The syntax to use the while statement is as follows:

Syntax

```
while (expression) {
    // one or more statements
}
```

where,

- expression: Is a conditional expression which must return a boolean value, that is, true or false.
- The use of curly braces ({ }) is optional and can be avoided, if there is only a single statement within the body of the loop. However, providing statements within the curly braces increases the readability of the code.

'while' Statement 2-5



Following figure shows the flow of execution of while loop:

The body of the if loop contains a set of statements.



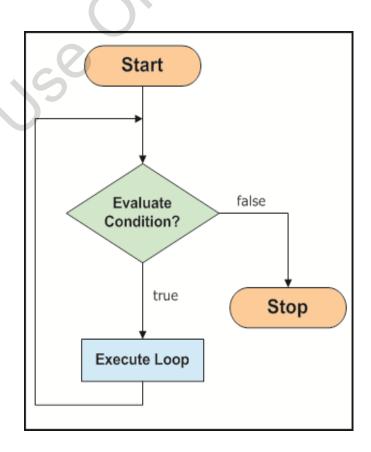
Statements will be executed until the conditional expression evaluates to true.



When the conditional expression evaluates to false, the loop is terminated.



The control passes to the statement immediately following the loop.



'while' Statement 3-5



Following code snippet demonstrates the code that displays multiples of 10 using the while loop:

```
public class PrintMultiplesWithWhileLoop {
    /**
    * @param args the command line arguments
    */
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Variable, num acts as a counter variable
        int num = 1;
        // Variable, product will store the result
        int product = 0;
```

- An integer variable, num is declared to store a number and is initialized to 1.
- It is used in the while loop to start multiplication from 1.

'while' Statement 4-5



```
// Tests the condition at the beginning of the loop
while (num <= 5) {
    product = num * 10;
    System.out.printf("\n %d * 10 = %d", num, product);
    num++; // Equivalent to n = n + 1
    } // Moves the control back to the while statement

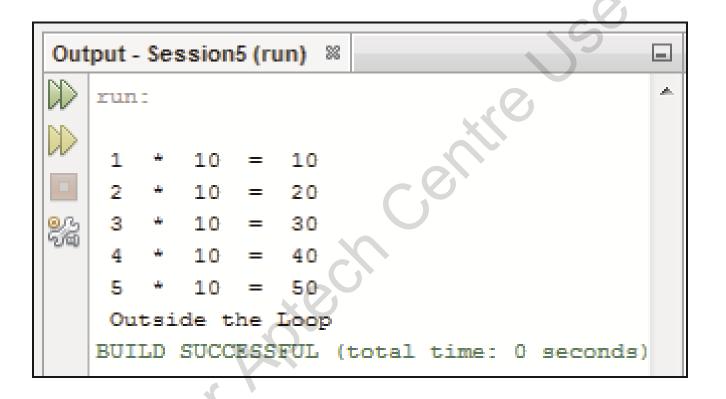
// Statement gets printed on loop termination
    System.out.println("\n Outside the Loop");
}</pre>
```

- The conditional expression:
 - num <= 5 is evaluated at the beginning of the while loop. The loop is executed only if the conditional expression evaluates to true.
 - In this case, as the value in the variable, num is less than 5, hence, the statements present in the body of the loop is executed.
- The first statement within the body of the loop calculates the product by multiplying num with 10.
- The next statement prints this value.
- The last statement num++ increments the value of num by 1.
- The execution of the loop stops when condition becomes false, that is, when the value of **num** reaches 6.

'while' Statement 5-5



- Finally, the statement, 'Outside the Loop' is displayed.
- Following figure shows the output of the code:



Null Statement in Loops 1-2



- There are situations when it is required to write a loop without any action statement to delay a process.
- Such a loop is referred to as null statement loop.
- Null statement loop:
 - There are no statements in the body of the loop.
 - The loop is terminated with a semicolon.
- Following code snippet demonstrates a code that prints the midpoint of two numbers with an empty while loop:

```
public class TestWhileEmptyBody {
    /**
    * @param args the command line arguments
    */

public static void main(String[] args) {
    int num1 = 1;
    int num2 = 30;
```

Null Statement in Loops 2-2



```
// An empty while loop with no statements
    while (++num1 < --num2);

// The statement executes after the while loop is completed
    System.out.println("Midpoint is: " + num1);
}
</pre>
```

- The value of num1 is incremented and the value of num2 is decremented.
- The loop repeats till the value of num1 is equal to or greater than num2.
- Thus, upon exit num1 will hold a value that is midway between the original values of num1 and num2.
- Following figure shows the output of the code:

```
Output - Session5 (run) %

run:
Midpoint is: 16
BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 0 seconds)
```

Rules for Using 'while' Loop



- The following points should be noted when using the while statement:
 - The value of the variables used in the expression must be set once before the execution of the loop. For example, num = 1;
 - The body of the loop must have an expression that changes the value of the variable which is a part of the loop's expression. For example, num++; or num--;

Infinite Loop



- An infinite loop is one which never terminates.
- It runs infinitely when the conditional expression or the increment/decrement expression of the loop is missing.
- Following code snippet shows the implementation of an infinite loop using the while statement:

```
public class InfiniteWhileLoop {
    /**
    * @param args the command line arguments
    */
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        /*
        * Loop begins with a boolean value true and is executed
        * infinitely as the terminating condition is missing
        */
        while (true) {
            System.out.println("Welcome to Loops...");
        } //End of the while loop
    }
}
```

The loop never terminates as the expression always returns a true value.

'do-while' Statement 1-4



- It checks the condition at the end of the loop rather than at the beginning.
- It ensures that the loop is executed at least once.
- It comprises a condition expression that evaluates to a boolean value.
- The syntax to use the do-while statement is as follows:

Syntax

```
do {
    statement(s);
} while (expression);
```

where,

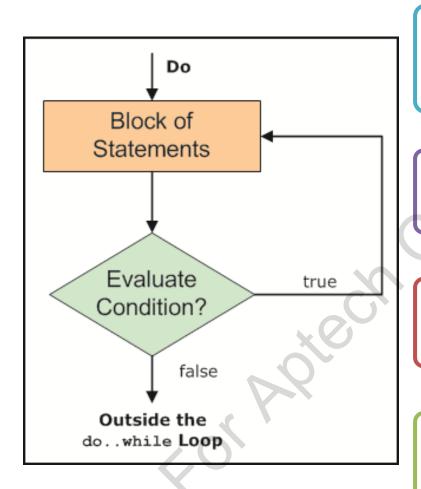
expression: A conditional expression which must return a boolean value, that is, true or false.

statement (s): Indicates body of the loop with a set of statements.

'do-while' Statement 2-4



Following figure shows the flow of execution for the do-while loop:



For each iteration, the do-while loop first executes the body of the loop and then, the conditional expression is evaluated.



When the conditional expression evaluates to true, the body of the loop executes.



When the conditional expression evaluates to false, the loop terminates.



The statement following the loop is executed.

'do-while' Statement 3-4



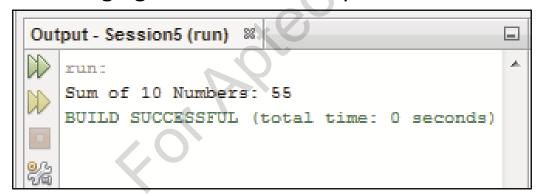
◆ Following code snippet demonstrates the use of do-while loop for finding the sum of 10 numbers:

```
public class SumOfNumbers {
 /**
   * @param args the command line arguments
   * /
  public static void main(String[] args)
    int num = 1, sum = 0;
    /**
     * The body of the loop is executed first, then the condition is
     * evaluated
     * /
     do {
        sum = sum + num;
        num++;
     } while (num <= 10);</pre>
     // Prints the value of variable after the loop terminates
        System.out.printf("Sum of 10 Numbers: %d\n", sum);
```

'do-while' Statement 4-4



- Two integer variables, num and sum are declared and initialized to 1 and 0 respectively.
- The loop block begins with a do statement.
- The first statement in the body of the loop calculates the value of sum by adding the current value of sum with num.
- The next statement in the loop increments the value of **num** by 1.
- The condition, $num \le 10$, included in the while statement is evaluated.
- If the condition is met, the instructions in the loop are repeated.
- After the loop terminates, the value in the variable sum is printed.
- Following figure shows the output of the code:



'for' Statement 1-5



'for' Statement

- Used when the user knows the number of times the statements need to be executed.
- Statements within the body of the loop are executed as long as the condition is true.
- Condition is checked before the statements are executed.

'for' Statement 2-5



The syntax to use the for statement is as follows:

Syntax

```
for(initialization; condition; increment/decrement) {
    // one or more statements
}
```

where,

initialization: Is an expression that will set the initial value of the loop control variable.

condition: Is a boolean expression that tests the value of the loop control variable. If the condition expression evaluates to true, the loop executes, else terminates.

increment/decrement: Increments or decrements the value of control variable (s) in each iteration, till the condition specified in the condition section is reached. Typically, increment and decrement operators, such as ++, --, and shortcut operators, such as += or -= are used in this section.

'for' Statement 3-5



Following figure shows the flow of execution for the for statement:

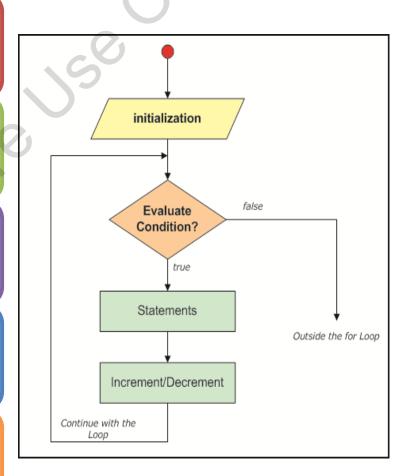
The initialization expression is executed only once, that is, when the loop starts.

Next, the boolean expression is evaluated and tests the loop control variable against a targeted value.

If the expression is true, then the body of the loop is executed and if the expression is false, then the loop terminates.

Lastly, the iteration portion of the loop is executed. This expression usually increments or decrements value of the control variable.

In the next iteration, again the condition section is evaluated and depending on the result of evaluation the loop is either continued or terminated.



'for' Statement 4-5



 Following code snippet demonstrates the use of for statement for displaying the multiples of 10:

```
public class PrintMultiplesWithForLoop {
    /**
    * @param args the command line arguments
    */
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int num, product;

        // The for Loop with all the three declaration parts
        for (num = 1; num <= 5; num++) {
            product = num * 10;;
            System.out.printf("\n % d * 10 = % d ", num, product);
        } // Moves the control back to the for loop
    }
}</pre>
```

- In the initialization section of the for loop, the num variable is initialized to 1.
- ◆ The condition statement, num <= 5, ensures that the for loop executes as long as num is less than or equal to 5.</p>
- The increment statement, num++, increments the value of num by 1.
- Finally, the loop terminates when the condition becomes **false**, that is, when the value of **num** becomes equal to 6.

'for' Statement 5-5



Following figure shows the output of the code:

```
Output - Session5 (run) %

run:

1 * 10 = 10
2 * 10 = 20
3 * 10 = 30
4 * 10 = 40
5 * 10 = 50 BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 0 seconds)
```

Scope of Control Variable in 'for' Statement 1-2



Control Variables:

- Are used within the for loops and may not be used further in the program.
- It is possible to restrict the scope of variables by declaring them at the time of initialization.
- Following code snippet declares the counter variable inside the for statement:

```
public class ForLoopWithVariables {
    /**
    * @param args the command line arguments
    */
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int product;

        // The counter variable, num is declared inside the for loop
```

Scope of Control Variable in 'for' Statement 2-2



```
for (int num = 1; num <= 5; num++) {
          product = num * 10;;
          System.out.printf("\n % d * 10 = % d ", num, product);
        } // End of the for loop
    }
}</pre>
```

- In the code, the variable num has been declared inside the for statement.
- This restricts the scope of the variable, num to the for statement and completes when the loop terminates.

Use of Comma Operator in 'for' Statement 1-3



Expressions:

- The for statement can be extended by including more than one initialization or increment expressions.
- Expressions are separated by using the 'comma' (,) operator.
- Expressions are evaluated from left to right.
- The order of the evaluation is important, if the value of the second expression depends on the newly calculated value.
- Following code snippet demonstrates the use of for loop to print the addition table for two variables using the 'comma' operator:

```
public class ForLoopWithComma {
    /**
    * @param args the command line arguments
    */
    public static void main(String[] args) {
    int i, j;
    int max = 10;
```

Use of Comma Operator in 'for' Statement 2-3



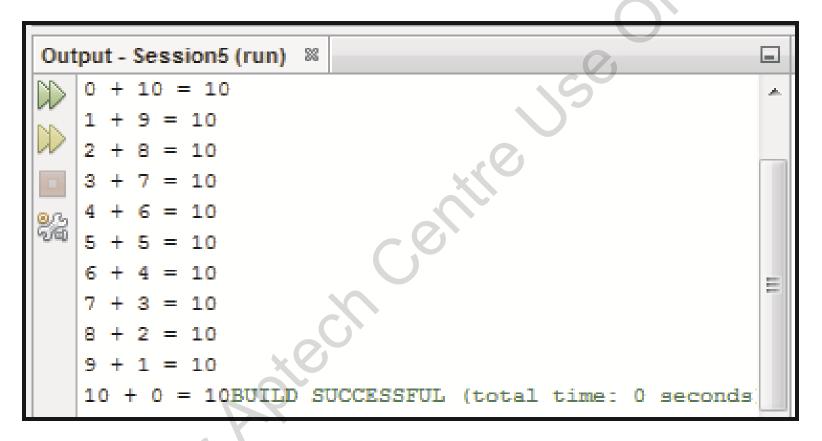
```
/*
  * The initialization and increment/decrement section includes
  * more than one variable
  */
  for (i = 0, j = max; i <= max; i++, j--) {
     System.out.printf("\n%d + %d = %d", i, j, i + j);
  }
}</pre>
```

- Three integer variables i, j, and max are declared.
- The variable max is assigned a value 10. The i variable is assigned a value of 0 and j is assigned the value of max, that is, 10. Thus, two parameters are initialized using a 'comma' operator.
- The condition statement, $i \le max$, ensures that the for loop executes as long as i is less than or equal to max that is 10.
- Finally, the iteration expression again consists of two expressions, i++, j--.
- After each iteration, i is incremented by 1 and j is decremented by 1.
- The sum of these two variables which is always equal to max is printed.

Use of Comma Operator in 'for' Statement 3-3



Following figure shows the output of the code:



Variation in 'for' Loop 1-2



- The most common variation involves the conditional expression which can be:
 - Tested with the targeted values, but, it can also be used for testing boolean expressions.
- Alternatively, the initialization or the iteration section in the for loop may be left empty, that is, they need not be present in the for loop.
- Following code snippet demonstrates the use of for loop without the initialization expression:

```
public class ForLoopWithNoInitialization {

public static void main(String[] args) {

   /*
   * Counter variable declared and initialized outside for loop
   */
   int num = 1;

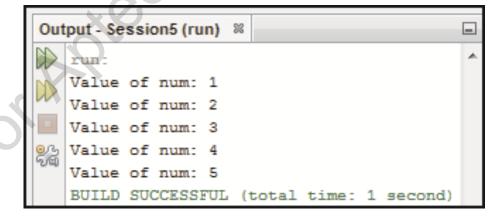
   /*
   * Boolean variable initialized to false
   */
   boolean flag = false;
```

Variation in 'for' Loop 2-2



```
/*
  * The for loop starts with num value 1 and continues till value of
  * flag is not true
  */
  for (; !flag; num++) {
    System.out.println("Value of num: " + num);
    if (num == 5) {
      flag = true;
    }
  } // End of for loop
}
```

- The for loop in the code continues to execute till the value of the variable flag is set to true.
- Following figure shows the output of the code:



Infinite 'for' Loop



- If all the three expressions are left empty, then it will lead to an infinite loop.
- The infinite for loop will run continuously because there is no terminating condition.
- Following code snippet demonstrates the code for the infinite for loop:

```
for(;;) {
    System.out.println("This will go on and on");
}
.....
```

- The code will print 'This will go on and on' until the loop is terminated manually.
- Infinite loops make the program run indefinitely for a long time resulting in the consumption of all resources and stopping the system.

Enhanced 'for' Loop 1-2



- It is designed to retrieve or traverse through a collection of objects, such as an array.
- It is also used to iterate over the elements of the collection objects, such as ArrayList, LinkedList, HashSet, and so on defined in the collection framework.
- It continues till all the elements from a collection are retrieved.
- The syntax for using the enhanced for loop is as follows:

Syntax

```
for (type var: collection) {
    // block of statement
}
```

where,

type: Specifies the type of collection that is traversed.

var: Is an iteration variable that stores the elements from the collection.

Enhanced 'for' Loop 2-2



 Following table shows the method for retrieving elements from an array object using enhanced for loop and its equivalent for loop:

for Loop	Enhanced for Loop
type var;	for (type var : arr)
for (int $i = 0$; $i < arr. length; i++)$	
{	
<pre>var = arr[i];</pre>	// Body of the loop
,	
}	}

Nested Loop 1-3



- The placing of a loop statement inside the body of another loop statement is called nesting of loops.
- There can be any number of combinations between the three types of loops.
- ◆ The most commonly nested loops are formed by for statements which can be nested within another for loop forming nested-for loop.
- Following code snippet demonstrates the use of a nested-for loop for displaying a pattern:

```
public class DisplayPattern {
    /**
    * @param args the command line arguments
    */
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int row, col;

    // The outer for loop executes 5 times

    for (row = 1; row <= 5; row++) {</pre>
```

Nested Loop 2-3



```
/*
  * For each iteration, the inner for loop will execute from col = 1
  * and will continue, till the value of col is less than or equal to row
  */
  for (col = 1; col <= row; col++) {
    System.out.print(" * ");
  } // End of inner for loop

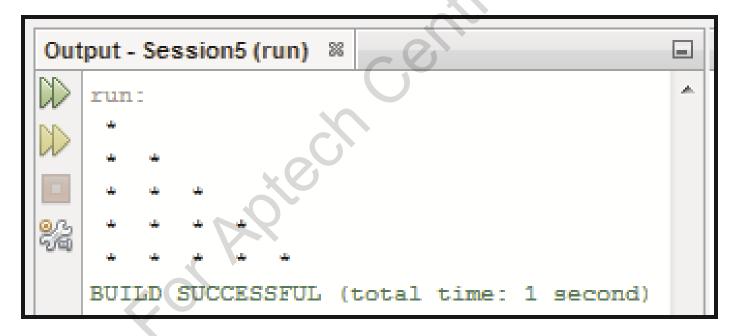
  System.out.println();
  } // End of outer for loop
}
</pre>
```

- The outer for loop starts with the counter variable row whose initial value is set to 1.
- As the condition, row < 5 is evaluated to true, the body of the outer for loop gets executed.
- ◆ The body contains an inner for loop which starts with the counter variable's value col set to 1.

Nested Loop 3-3



- The iteration of the inner loop executes till the value of col is less than or equal to the value of row variable.
- Once the value of col is greater than row, the inner for loop terminates.
- For each iteration of the outer loop, the inner for loop is reinitialized and continues till the condition evaluates to false.
- Following figure shows the output of the code:



Comparison of Loops



Following table lists the differences between while/for and do-while loops:

while/for	do-while
Loop is pre-tested. The condition is checked before the statements within the loop are executed.	Loop is post-tested. The condition is checked after the statements within the loop are executed.
The loop does not get executed if the condition is not satisfied at the beginning.	The loop gets executed at least once even if the condition is not satisfied at the beginning.

Jump Statements



Java provides two keywords: break and continue that are used within loops to change the flow of control based on conditions.

'break' Statement 1-3



- It can be used to terminate a case in the switch statement.
- It forces immediate termination of a loop, bypassing the loop's normal conditional test.
- When the break statement is encountered inside a loop, the loop is immediately terminated and the program control is passed to the statement following the loop.
- If used within a set of nested loops, the break statement will terminate the innermost loop.
- Following code snippet demonstrates the use of break statement:

```
public class AcceptNumbers {
    /**
    * @param args the command line arguments
    */
    public static void main(String[] args) {
    int cnt, number; // cnt variable is a counter variable
```

'break' Statement 2-3



```
for (cnt = 1, number = 0; cnt <= 10; cnt++) {
    // Scanner class is used to accept data from the keyboard
    Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
    System.out.println("Enter a number: ");
    number = input.nextInt();

    if (number == 0) {
        // break statement terminates the loop
            break;
        } // End if statement
    }
} // End of for statement
}</pre>
```

- In the code, the user is prompted to enter a number, and this is stored in the variable, number.
- However, if the user enters the number zero, the loop terminates and the control is passed to the next statement after the loop.

'break' Statement 3-3



Following figure shows the output of the code:

```
Output - Session5 (run)
   runt
   Enter a number:
   Enter a number:
   Enter a number:
   Enter a number:
         SUCCESSFUL
                      (total time: 8 seconds)
```

'continue' Statement 1-2



- It skips statements within a loop and proceeds to the next iteration of the loop.
- In while and do-while loops, a continue statement transfers the control to the conditional expression which controls the loop.
- Following code snippet demonstrates the code that uses continue statement in printing the square and cube root of a number:

```
public class NumberRoot {
    /**
    * @param args the command line arguments
    */

public static void main(String[] args) {
    int cnt, square, cube;
    // Loop continues till the remainder of the division is 0

    for (cnt = 1; cnt < 300; cnt++) {
        if (cnt % 3 == 0) {
            continue;
        }
}</pre>
```

'continue' Statement 2-2



```
square = cnt * cnt;
  cube = cnt * cnt * cnt;
  System.out.printf("\nSquare of %d is %d and Cube is %d", cnt, square,
cube);
  } // End of the for loop
}
```

- The code declares a variable **cnt** and uses the for statement which contains the initialization, termination, and increment expression.
- The value of cnt is divided by 3 and the remainder is checked.
- If the remainder is 0, the continue statement is used to skip the rest of the statements in the body of the loop.

If remainder is not 0, the if statement evaluates to false, and the square and cube

of cnt is calculated and displayed.

Following figure shows the output of the code:

Labeled Statements 1-5



 Java defines an expanded form of break and continue statements referred to as labeled statements.

Labeled Statements:

- Are expanded forms that can be used within any block that must be part of a loop or a switch statement.
- Can be used to precisely specify the point from which the execution should resume.
- Can be used to exit from a set of nested blocks.
- The syntax to declare the labeled break statement is as follows:

Syntax

break label;

Where,

label: Is an identifier specified to put a name to a block. It can be any valid Java identifier followed by a colon.

Labeled Statements 2-5



Following code snippet demonstrates the use of labeled break statement:

```
public class TestLabeledBreak {
  /**
   * @param args the command line arguments
   * /
   public static void main(String[] args)
    int i;
    outer:
    for (i = 0; i < 5; i++) {
      if (i == 2) {
        System.out.println("Hello");
      // Break out of outer loop
       break outer; }
      System.out.println("This is the outer loop.");
    System.out.println("Good - Bye");
```

Labeled Statements 3-5



- In the code, the loop will execute for five times.
- The first two times it displays the sentence 'This is the outer loop'.
- In the third round of iteration the value of i is set to 2 and prints 'Hello'.
- Next, the break statement is encountered and the control passes to the label named outer:.
- Thus, the loop terminates and the last statement is printed.
- Following figure shows the output of the code:

```
Output - Session5 (run) %

run:

This is the outer loop.

This is the outer loop.

Hello

Good - Bye

BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 1 second)
```

Labeled Statements 4-5



- Labeled continue Statement:
 - Similar to labeled break statement, you can specify a label to enclose a loop that continues with the next iteration of the loop.
 - This is done using labeled continue statement.
- Following code snippet demonstrates the use of labeled continue statement:

Labeled Statements 5-5



```
System.out.print(j);
} // End of inner for loop
System.out.println("\nThis is the outer loop.");
} //End of outer for loop
System.out.println("Good-Bye");
}
```

Following figure shows the output of the code:

```
Output - Session5 (run) % run:

1
12
123
1234
This is the outer loop.
Good-Bye
BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 0 seconds)
```

Summary



- Loops enable programmers to develop concise programs, which otherwise would require thousands of lines of program statements.
- The loop statements supported by Java are namely, while, do-while, and for.
- The while loop is used to execute a statement or a block of statements until the specified condition is true.
- The do-while statement checks for condition at the end of the loop rather than at the beginning to ensure that the loop is executed at least once.
- The for loop is especially used when the user knows the number of times the statements need to be executed in the code block of the loop. The three parts of for statement are initialization, condition, increment/decrement.
- The placing of a loop in the body of another loop is called nesting.
- Java provides two keywords namely, break and continue that serve diverse purposes. However, both are used with loops to change the flow of control.