



Java Language Fundamentals

- Programming Constructs

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INTRODUCTION

Programming Constructs



LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Illustrate selection constructs
- Use iterative constructs
- Understand branching statements





Refer package **com.mgait.fundamentals** in the provided code base for demo programs on the topics covered in this presentation



Programming Constructs - Control Structure

- A control structure refers to the way in which the programmer specifies the order of executing the statements
- The following approaches can be chosen depending on the problem statement:
 - Sequential - In a sequential approach, all the statements are executed in the same order as it is written
 - Selectional - In a selectional approach, based on some conditions, different set of statements are executed
 - Iterational (Repetition) - In an iterational approach certain statements are executed repeatedly



CONCEPT

Selectional Constructs



SELECTION CONSTRUCT - OVERVIEW

- Selection constructs allows the programmer to control the flow of the program's execution based upon conditions evaluated during run time
- Java supports two selection statements:
 - if – else construct
 - switch - case construct



IF STATEMENT

- Conditional branching statement
- Can be used to route program execution through two different paths.
- Syntax

```
if (condition)
    statement1;
else
    statement2;
```

If the *condition* is true, then
statement1 is executed.
Otherwise, *statement2* is
executed.

```
if (condition){
    statement1;
    statement2;
}
else{
    statement3;
    statement4;
}
```




IF STATEMENT

DEMO
Class :

- The following snippet finds whether the given number is odd or even.

```
public static void main(String args[]) {  
    int num = 13;  
    if ( num % 2 == 0 )  
        System.out.println(num + " is even ");  
    else  
        System.out.println(num + " is odd ");  
}
```



NESTED IF STATEMENT

- An 'if-else' statement embedded within another 'if-else' statement is called as nested 'if'.
- Code snippet to find the maximum among three values

```
if ( a > b ) {  
    if ( a > c )  
        max = a;  
    else  
        max = b;  
} else {  
    if ( b > c )  
        max = b;  
    else  
        max = c;  
}
```



ELSE-IF LADDER CONSTRUCT

- The 'else if' statement is to check for a sequence of conditions
- When one condition is false, it checks for the next condition and so on
- When all the conditions are false the 'else' block is executed
- The statements in that conditional block are executed and the other 'if' statements are skipped

SYNTAX

```
if(condition)
    statement;
else if(condition)
    statement;
else if(condition)
    statement;
...
else
    statement;
```



ELSE-IF LADDER EXAMPLE

DEMO
Class :

- Code snippet to display the day of the week based on the week code

```
int weekCode = 5;

if ( weekCode == 1 )
    System.out.println("Monday");
else if ( weekCode == 2 )
    System.out.println("Tuesday");
else if ( weekCode == 3 )
    .
    .
    .
else if ( weekCode == 7 )
    System.out.println("Sunday");
```



SWITCH – CASE CONSTRUCT

- The 'switch' statement is a selectional construct that selects a choice from the set of available choices
- Provides an alternative to if-else-if ladder
- The expression must be of type
 - Java 6 - byte, short, int, char or enum
 - Java 7 – Strings included
- case statements must have literals compatible with the expression

SYNTAX

```
switch (expression) {  
    case value1:  
        // statement sequence  
        break;  
    case value2:  
        // statement sequence  
        break;  
    ...  
    case valueN:  
        // statement sequence  
        break;  
    default:  
        // default statement sequence  
}
```



SWITCH - CASE EXAMPLE

DEMO
Class :

- Code snippet to display the day of the week based on the week code

```
int weekCode = 5;
switch (weekCode) {
    case 1:
        System.out.println("Monday");
        break;
    case 2:
        .
        .
    case 7:
        System.out.println("Sunday");
        break;
    default:
        System.out.println("Invalid code");
}
```



SWITCH – FALLTHROUGH

- The break statement is optional
- If break is omitted, and a case matches, execution will continue to the next cases below the matched case statement

display week day or week end based on the week code

```
int weekCode = 5;
switch (weekCode) {
    case 1:
    case 2:
    case 3:
    case 4:
    case 5:
        System.out.println("Week Day");
        break;
    case 6:
    case 7:
        System.out.println("Week End");
        break;
    default:
        System.out.println("Invalid code");
}
```



CONCEPT

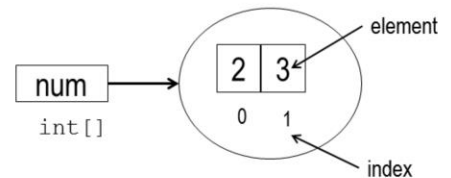
Array Basics



ARRAY

- Container object that holds a fixed number of values of a same type
- Size of array is fixed after declaration and cannot be changed

```
int[] num = {2,3};    // Array of 2 elements
```



- Elements are accessed using array index

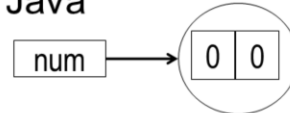
```
num[0] = 5;           //setting element value using index  
System.out.println(num[1]); //accessing element using index
```



ARRAY – CREATING USING NEW OPERATOR

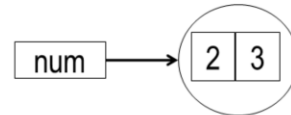
- **new** keyword is used to create an object in Java

```
int[] num = new int[2];
```



- Elements of array are initialized with default values based on the data type

```
num[0] = 2;  
num[1] = 3;
```



- length property gives the size of the array

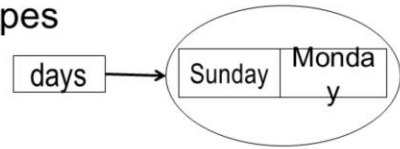
```
System.out.println(num.length);    // 2
```



ARRAY OF REFERENCE DATA TYPES

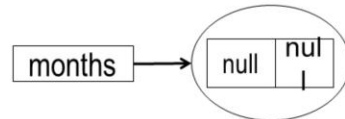
- Array can be of primitive or reference data types

```
String[] days = {"Sunday", "Monday"};
```

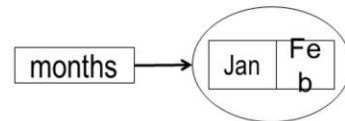


- Creating using new operator

```
String[] months = new String[2];
```



```
months[0] = "Jan";  
months[1] = "Feb";
```





Refer following EduNxt Video for Two Dimensional Array

- M3L6L4_Demonstration_of_two_dimensional_arrays - Demo



CONCEPT

Iterational Constructs



ITERATIONAL CONSTRUCTS - OVERVIEW

- Iterational constructs allow a programmer to repeatedly execute the same set of instructions until a termination condition is met
- Are commonly called as *loops*.
- Java's iterational construct statements are
 - for
 - while
 - do-while



WHILE LOOP

DEMO
Class :

- Is the most fundamental loop statement.
- The boolean expression is evaluated first and the loop body repeats until the boolean expression is false
- Entry Controlled Loop

```
while(boolean expression) {  
    // body of loop  
}
```



DO - WHILE LOOP

DEMO
Class

- Executes the body of a loop at least once, even if the boolean expression evaluates to false
- Can be used when the condition needs to be checked at the end of the loop rather than at the beginning.
- Exit Controlled Loop

```
do {  
    // body of loop  
} while (boolean expression);
```




FOR LOOP

- The general form of the **for** loop is given below:

```
for( initialization; condition; iteration )  
    statement;
```
- The *initialization* portion sets the loop control variable to an initial value.
- The *condition* is a boolean expression that checks the loop control variable. If the outcome is true, the loop continues to iterate. Otherwise, the loop terminates.
- The *iteration* expression determines how the loop control variable is changed during each iteration.



FOR LOOP

DEMO
Class :

- Code snippet to find the sum of first ten natural numbers

```
int sum = 0;
for( int i = 1; i <= 10; i++){
    sum += i;
}
System.out.println(" The sum is " + sum );
```



CONCEPT

Branching Statements



BRANCHING STATEMENTS

- Transfer the control to another part of the program.
- Java supports following branching statements:
 - break
 - continue



BREAK

- The break statement is used to force the termination of a loop or exit a switch

Add the numbers entered by user until user enters -1

```
Scanner sc= new Scanner(System.in);  
int num = 0; int sum = 0;  
while (true) {  
    System.out.println("Enter the number");  
    num = sc.nextInt();  
    sum += num;  
    if(num == -1) break;  
}  
System.out.println(sum);
```



CONTINUE

DEMO
Class

- continue statement forces the next iteration of the loop to take place and skips the code between continue statement and the end of the loop.

```
for(...){  
  for(...) {  
    . . .  
    if(cond1)  
      continue;  
    . . .  
  }  
  . . .  
  if(cond2)  
    continue;  
  . . .  
}
```



ENHANCED FOR LOOP

DEMO
Class :

- The enhanced for loop is a specialized for loop that simplifies looping through an array or a collection

```
for(declaration : expression){  
    ..  
}
```

```
String[] months = {"jan", "feb", "mar"};  
for (String name : months) {  
    System.out.println(name);  
}
```

- expression:
 - Must be an array or Collection which has to be looped through
 - Could be a method call that returns an array or collection
- declaration:
 - Variable, of a type compatible with the elements of the array or collection



Refer the below class for programming constructs demonstration

- ProgrammingConstructsDemo



In a switch case, when none of the case matches with switch expression, then the execution transfers to:

- ☐ break statement
- ☐ default case
- ☐ next statement after switch
- ☐ none



Answer: a default case



which of the following is a selective statement?

- ☐ if
- ☐ while
- ☐ break
- ☐ for



Answer: if



which of the following loop executes at least once?

- ☐ do-while
- ☐ while
- ☐ for



Answer: do while



How many iterations happen in the following loop?

```
for(int i=0;;i++) {  
    System.out.println("Hello");  
}
```

- ☐ 0
- ☐ Infinite
- ☐ 1
- ☐ None



Answer: Infinite



In a nested loop, which loop closes at last?

- ☐ Innermost loop
- ☐ Outermost loop
- ☐ Inner and outer together
- ☐ None



Answer: outermost loop



References

- Refer following demo videos on EduNxt
 - M3L3L2_Demonstration_of_if-else_construct – Demo
 - M3L3L4_Demonstration_of_switch-case_construct – Demo
 - M3L4L2_Demonstration_of_do-while_loop – Demo
 - M3L4L4_Demonstration_of_for_loop – Demo
 - M3L4L6_Demonstration_of_while_loop – Demo
 - M3L5L2_Demonstration_of_branching_statements – Demo
 - M3L6L6_Demonstration_of_enhanced_for_loop - Demo





SUMMARY

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In this lesson, you've learned to:

- Illustrate selectional constructs
- Use iterative constructs
- Understand branching statements