

Java Programming AP Edition

U2C5 Loops

WHILE LOOP

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Motivation

Suppose that you need to print a string (e.g., "Welcome to Java!") a hundred times. It would be tedious to have to write the following statement a **hundred times**:

```
System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");
```

So, how do you solve this problem?



Motivation

100 times

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```



Solution to it: while-loop

```
int count = 0;
while (count < 100) {
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java");
    count++;
}
```

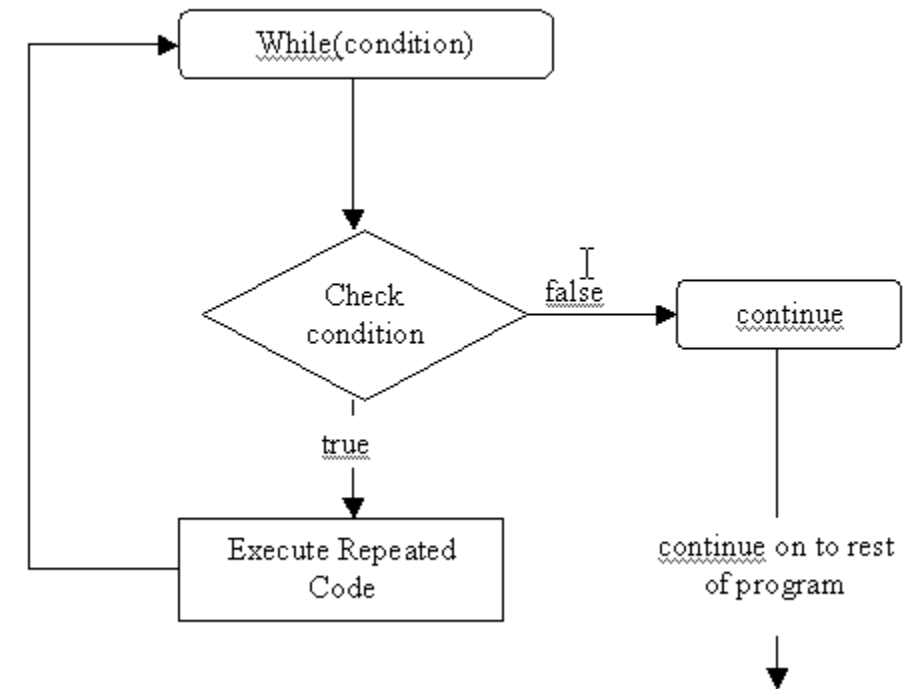


while loop

The syntax for the while loop is:

```
while (loop-continuation-condition) {  
    // loop body  
    Statement(s);  
}
```

Flow Diagram of a while loop





Comparison of if-statement and while-loop

```
int x = 0;           // if-statement
if (x < 10) {
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java.");
}
```

```
int x = 0;           // while-loop
while (x < 10) {
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java.");
    x++;
}
```



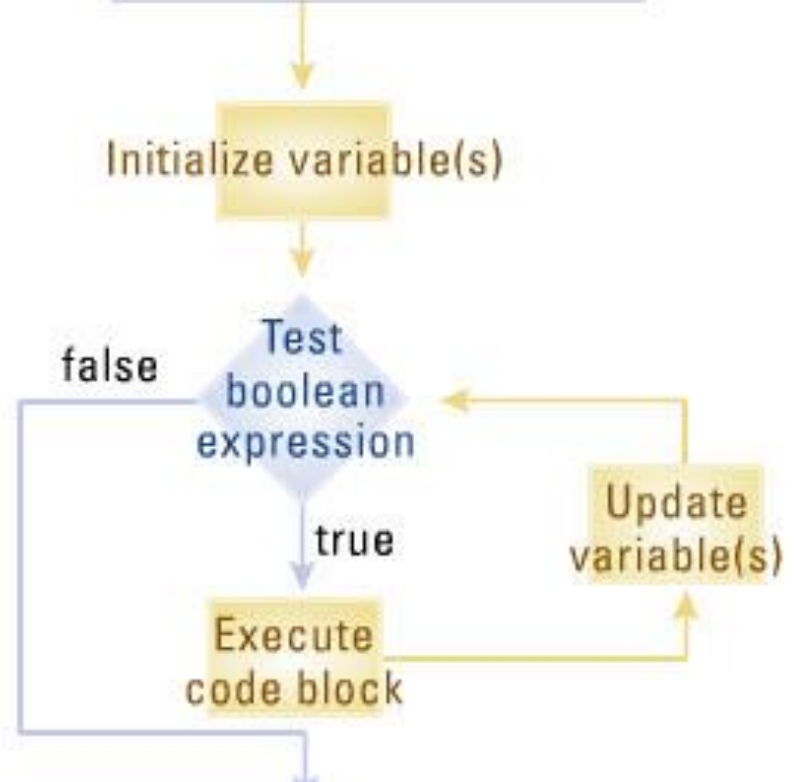
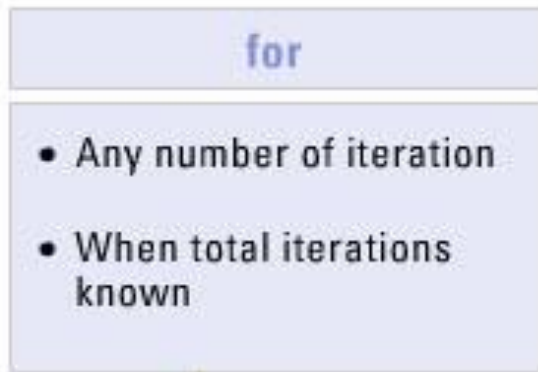
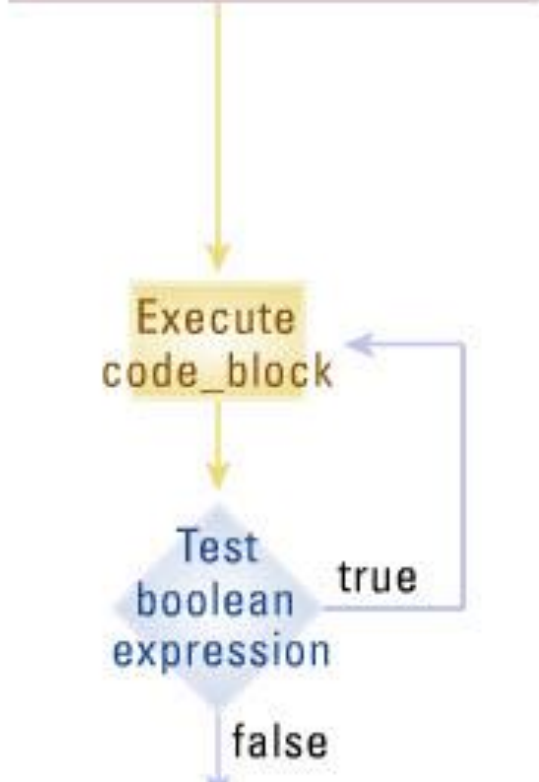
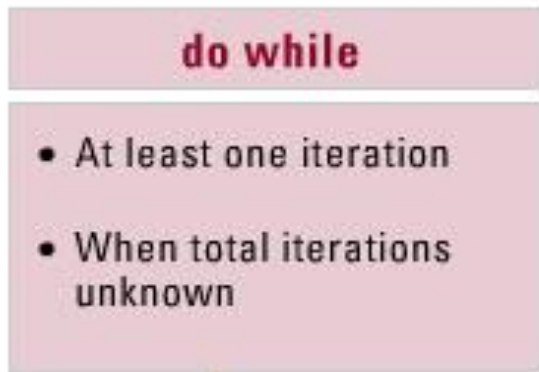
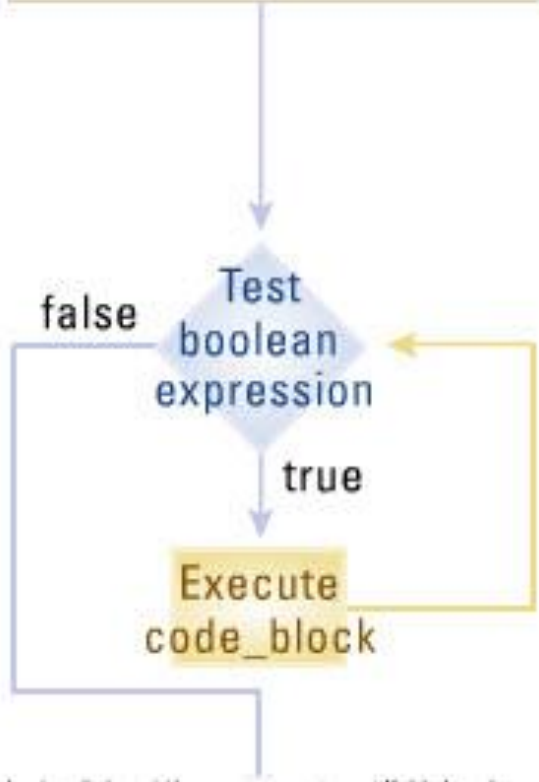
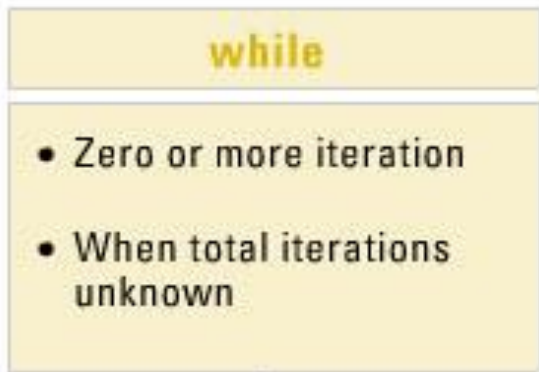
LOOP Structures Supported By Java

Loops:

- for-loop (later lecture)
- while-loop
- do-while-loop
- for-each-loop (chapter 7/8)

Loop Breaks: (later in other lecture)

- `{}` `/* empty braces as pass function */`
- `Continue` `/* skip the rest of iteration */`
- `Break` `/* skip the rest of loop */`
- `Return` `/* skip the rest of function */`
- `System.exit(0);` `/* skip the rest of program */`





Trace while-loop

```
int count = 0;
```

Initialize count

```
while (count < 2) {
```

```
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");
```

```
    count++;
```

```
}
```



Trace while-loop

```
int count = 0;
```

```
while (count < 2) {
```

```
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");
```

```
    count++;
```

```
}
```

(count < 2) is true



Trace while-loop


```
int count = 0;  
while (count < 2) {  
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");  
    count++;  
}
```

Print Welcome to Java



Trace while-loop

```
int count = 0;  
while (count < 2) {  
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java!")  
    count++;  
}
```



Increase count by 1
count is 1 now



Trace while-loop

```
int count = 0;
```

```
while (count < 2) {
```

```
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");
```

```
    count++;
```

```
}
```

(count < 2) is still true since count is 1



Trace while-loop

```
int count = 0;  
while (count < 2) {  
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");  
    count++;  
}
```

Print Welcome to Java



Trace while-loop

```
int count = 0;  
while (count < 2) {  
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");  
    count++;  
}
```

Increase count by 1
count is 2 now



Trace while-loop

```
int count = 0;
```

```
while (count < 2) {
```

```
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");
```

```
    count++;
```

```
}
```

(count < 2) is false since count is 2
now



Trace while-loop

```
int count = 0;
while (count < 2) {
    System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");
    count++;
}
```

The loop exits. Execute the next statement after the loop.



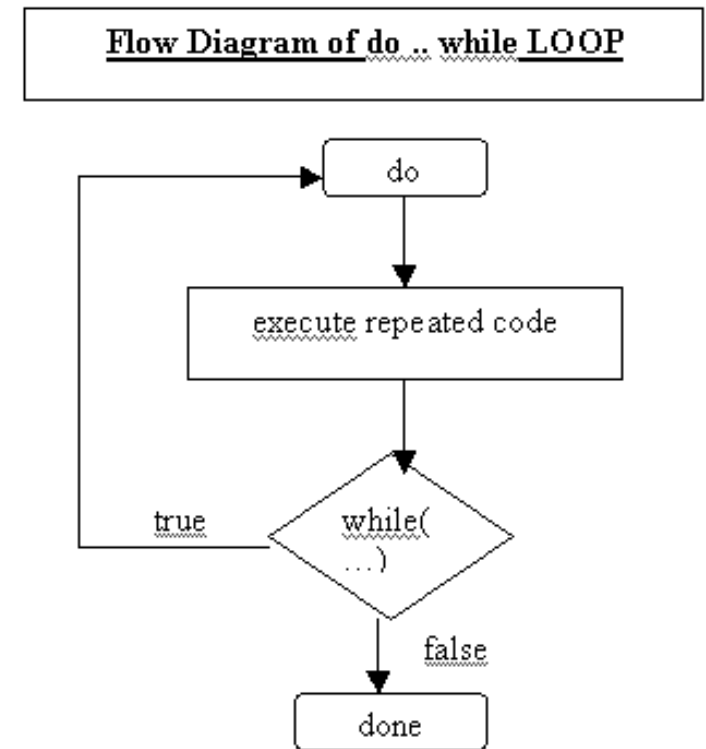


do ... while loop

The do-while loop is a variation of the while loop.

Its syntax is:

```
do {  
    // loop body;  
    statement(s);  
} while (loop-continuation-condition);
```





Difference between do-while-loop and while-loop

The difference between a while loop and a do-while-loop is the order in which the loop-continuation-condition is evaluated and the loop body executed. You can write a loop using either the while-loop or the do-while loop. Sometimes one is a more convenient choice than the other.

Menu.java (later lecture)