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Loops

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News

- Welcome back!
 - resume lectures, labs, tutorials, office hours
- Midterm and Assignment 1 returned
 - pick up after class if you don't have yet
 - midterm solutions posted on WebCT
- Assignment 2 posted soon
 - probably later today

Reading

- This week: Chapter 7 all (7.1-7.4)

Recap: Comparing Strings

- Relational operator `==` is wrong way to compare

```
String name1 = "Bubba";  
String name2 = "Bubba";  
System.out.println(name1 == name2); // prints false
```

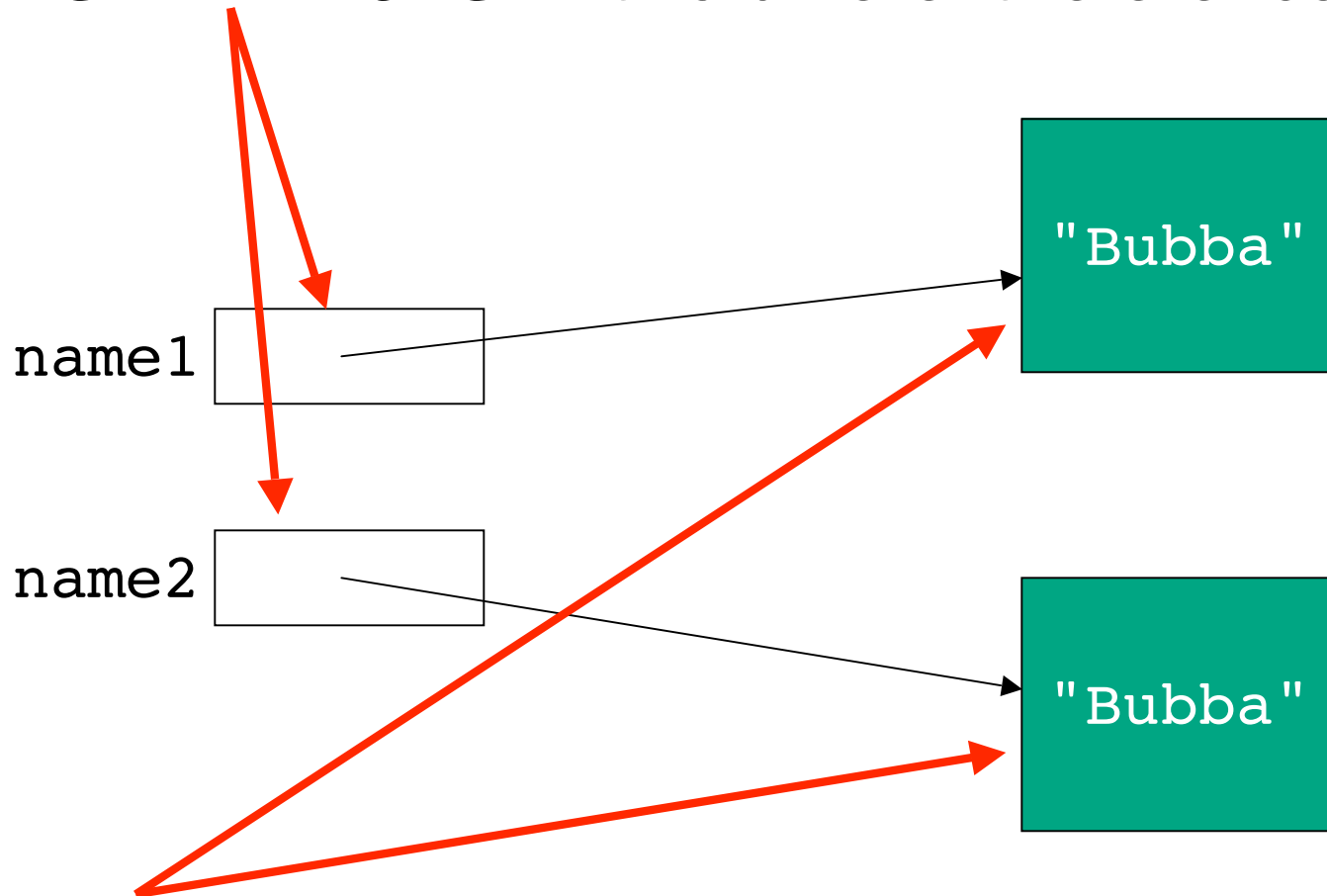
- `equals` method is right way to compare Strings

```
String name1 = "Bubba";  
String name2 = "Bubba";  
System.out.println(name1.equals(name2)); // prints true
```

- why? diagrams will help

Recap: Comparing Strings

- `name1 == name2` : two different references, **false**



- `name1.equals(name2)` : contents same, **true**

Recap: Short-Circuiting Evaluation

- Java evaluates complex expressions left to right
 - **short-circuiting**: Java stops evaluating once value is clearly true or false
 - aka **lazy evaluation**

```
if ((b > a) && (c == 10))
    System.out.println("when b<=a short-circuit");
if ((b > a) || (c == 10))
    System.out.println("when b>a short-circuit");
```

- Corollary: avoid statements with side effects

```
if ((b > a) || (c++))
    System.out.println("Danger Will Robinson!");
```

Recap: Conditional Syntax

`if` (boolean expression) statement

`else if` (boolean expression) statement

- optional: zero, one, or many

`else` statement

- optional

- `if`, `else` are reserved words
- parentheses mandatory
- statement can be
 - single line
 - block of several lines enclosed in `{ }`

Recap: Comparing Floats/Doubles

- Relational operator for equality not safe for floating point comparison

```
if (.3 == 1.0/10.0 + 1.0/10.0 + 1.0/10.0)
    System.out.println("Beware roundoff error");
```

- Check if difference close to 0 instead

```
if (Math.abs(f1 - f2) < TOLERANCE)
    System.out.println ("Essentially equal.");
```


Recap: Comparing Characters

- Safe to compare character types with relational operators

```
char c = 'a';  
char d = 'b';  
if (c == d)  
    System.out.println("they match");
```

Recap: Switch Syntax

```
switch ( expression ) {  
    case value:  
        statements  
        break ;  
    case value:  
        statements  
        break ;  
    default :  
        statements
```

- **switch**, **case**, **break** are reserved words
- expression and value must be int or char
 - value cannot be variable
- **break** important, or else control flow continues to next set
- statements can be one line or several lines
- **default** executed if no values match expression

Objectives

- Practice with conditionals
- Understand basic loops

```
public class NestTest3 {
    public static void main (String[] args) {
        respondToName("Flocinaucinihilipiliphication");
        respondToName("Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious");
        respondToName("Ambrose");
        respondToName("Kermit");
        respondToName("Miss Piggy!!!");
        respondToName("Spot");
        respondToName("me");
    }
    public static void respondToName(String name) {
        System.out.println("You're named " + name);
        if (name.length() > 20) {
            System.out.println("Gosh, long name");
            System.out.println("Keeping typists busy...");
        } else if (name.length() > 30) {
            System.out.println("Over the top");
        } else if (name.length() < 10) {
            if (name.charAt(0) == 'A')
                System.out.println("You're first");
            else if (name == "Kermit")
                System.out.println("You're a frog");
            System.out.println("I love animals");
        } else if (name.equals("Spot")) {
            System.out.println("You're spotted");
        } else if (name.length() < 3) {
            System.out.println("Concise!");
        }
    }
}
```

Repetition, Iteration, Loops

- Computers good at performing same task many times
- **Loops** allow repetitive operations in programs
 - aka **iteration statements**, **repetition statements**
- Loops handy in real life too

Climbing Stairs

- Am I at the top of the stairs?



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Washing Hair

- Lather



Washing Hair

- Lather
- Rinse



Washing Hair

- Lather
- Rinse
- Repeat



Washing Hair

- Lather
 - Rinse
 - Repeat
-
- When do you stop??



While Statement

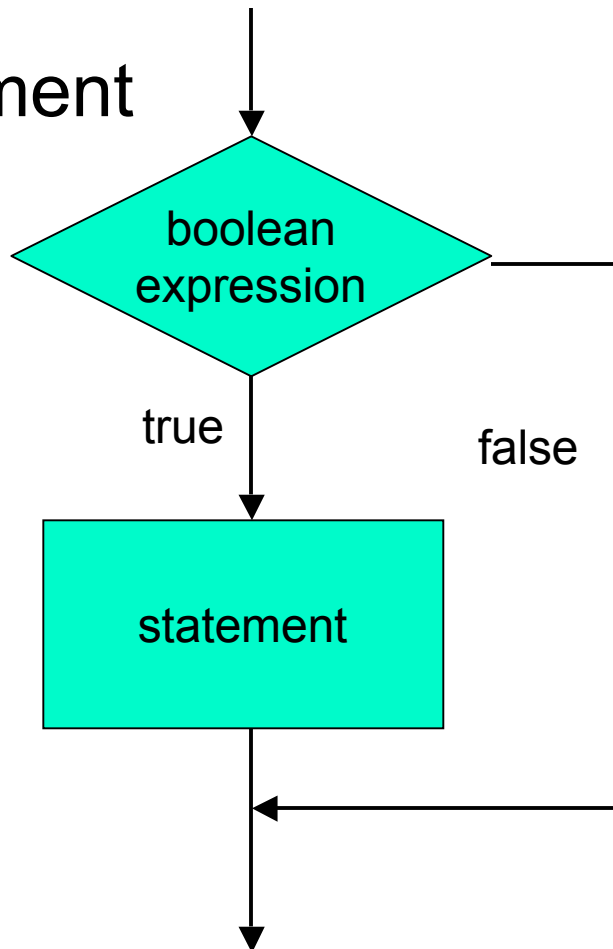
while (boolean expression)

body

- Simplest form of loop in Java
- **Body** of loop can be
 - single statement
 - whole block of many statements in curly braces
- Control flow
 - body executed if expression is true
 - then boolean expression evaluated again
 - if expression still true, body executed again
 - repetition continues until expression false
 - then processing continues with next statement after loop

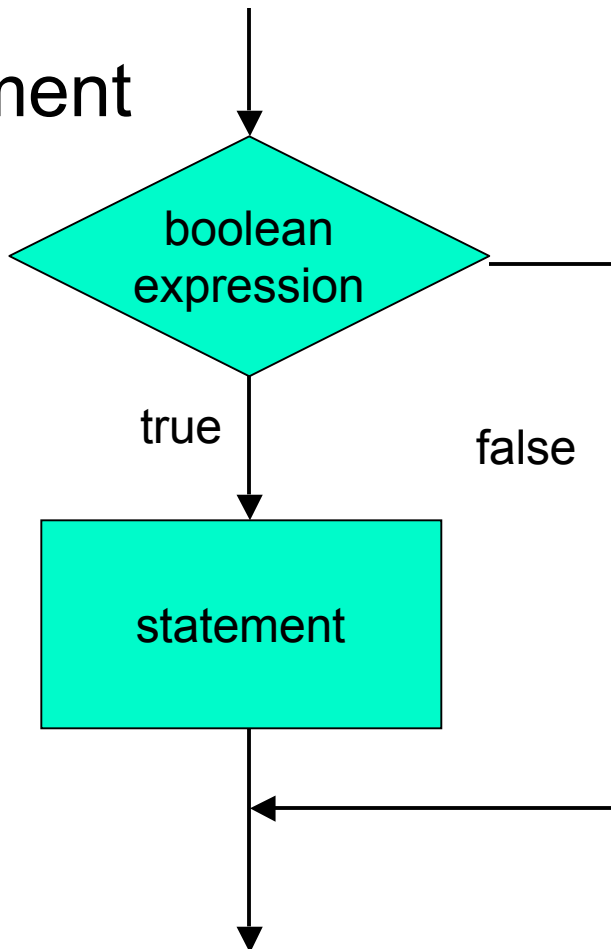
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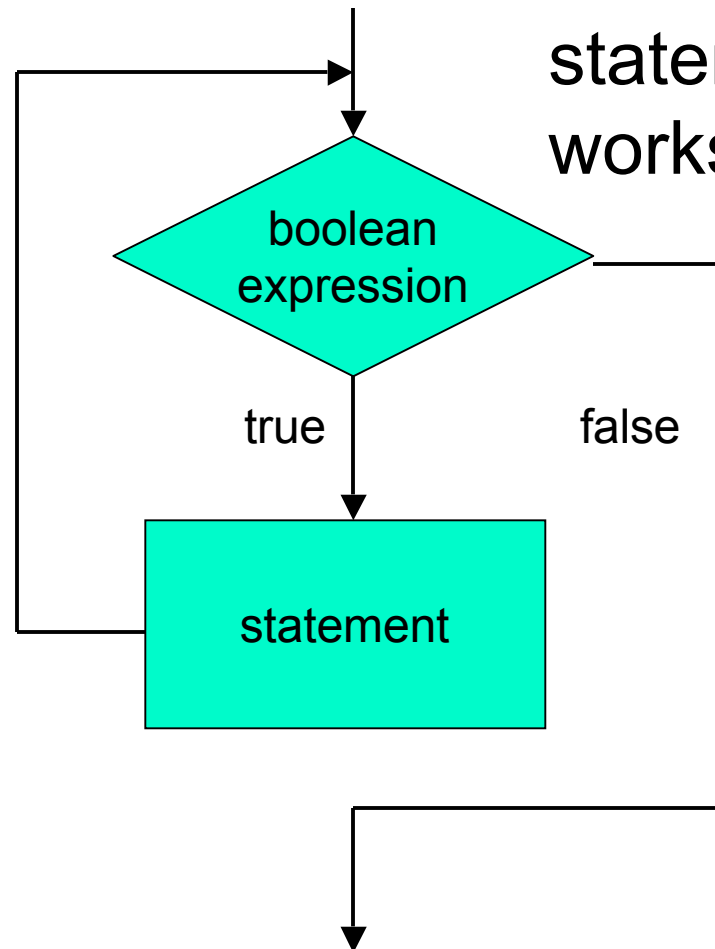


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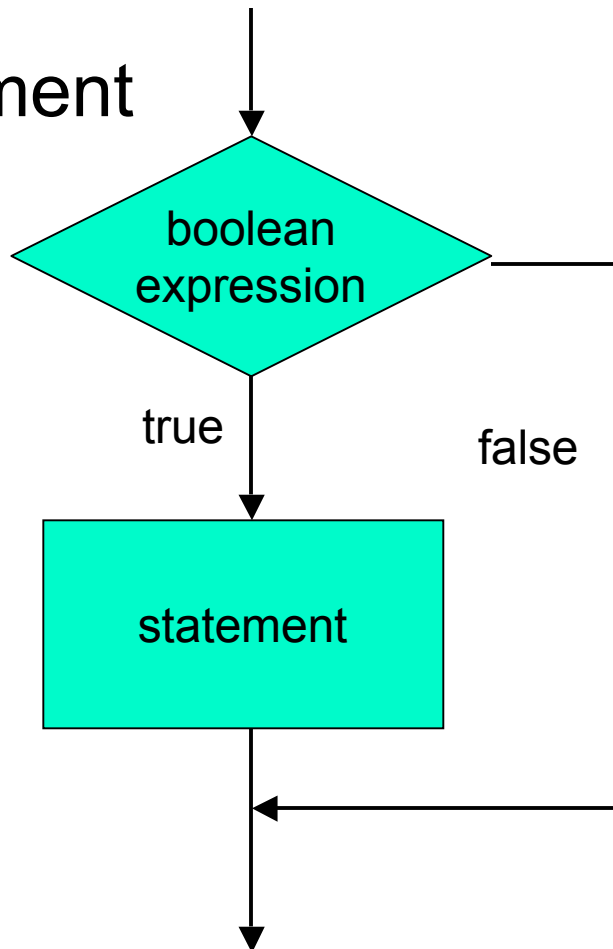


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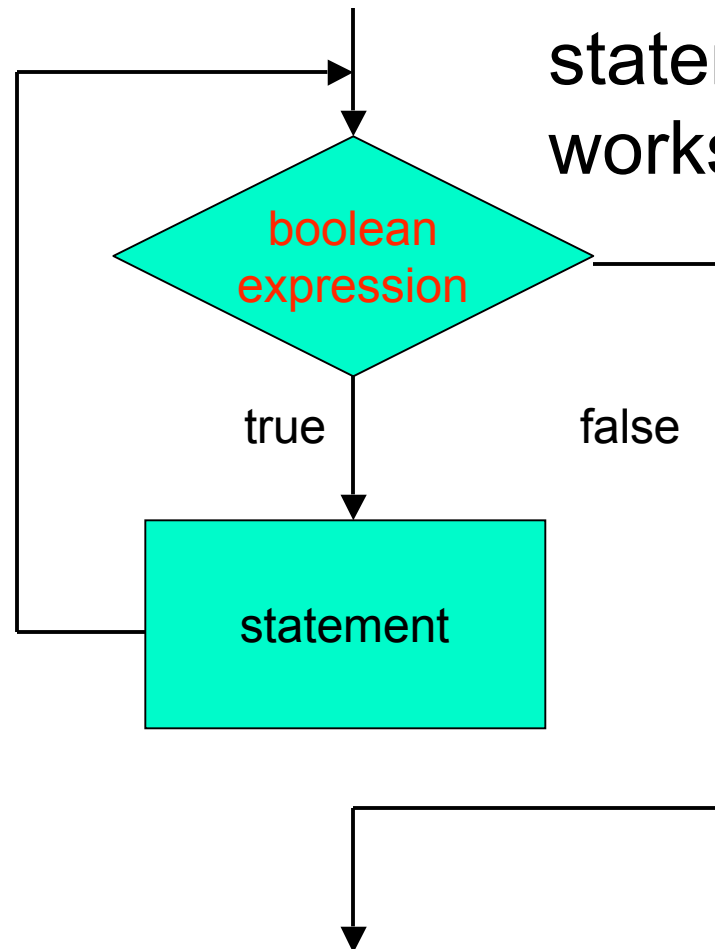


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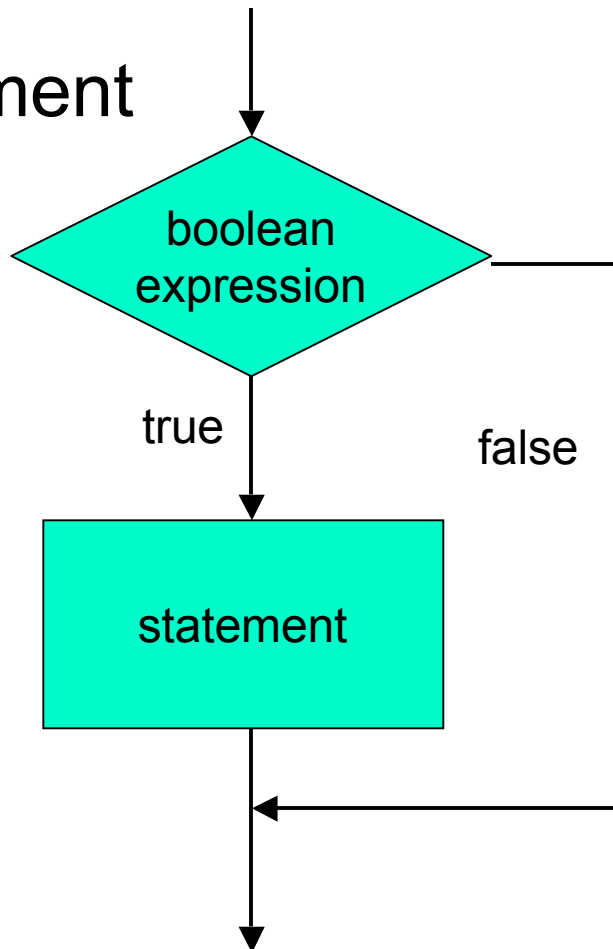
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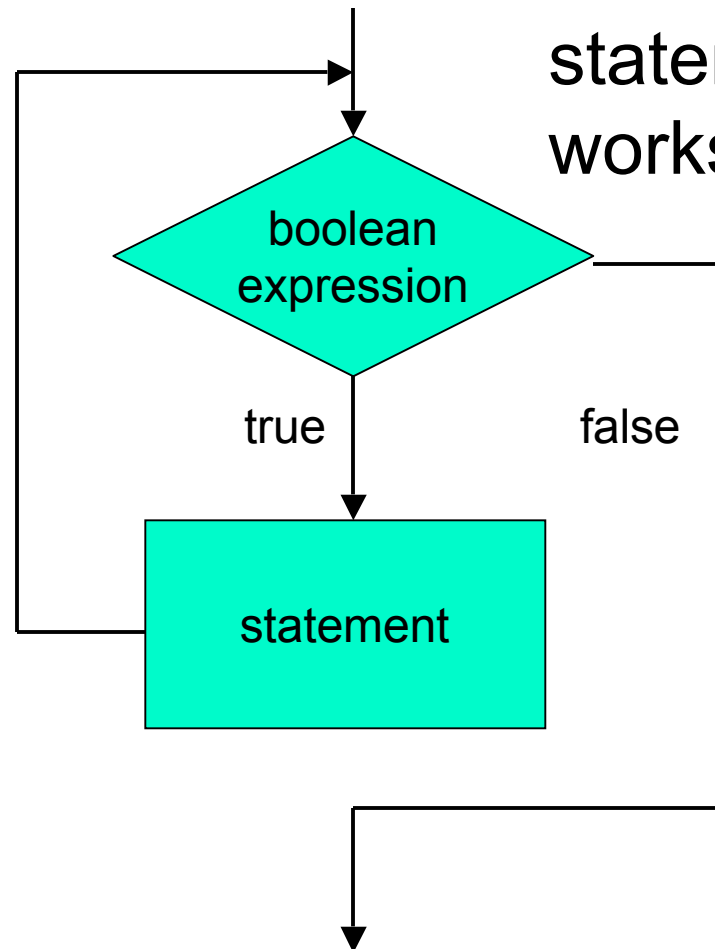
- How can loop boolean change from false to true?

If Versus While Statements

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- These diagrams called **flowcharts**

Using while Statements

```
public class WhileDemo
{
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        int limit = 3;
        int counter = 1;

        while (counter <= limit)
        {
            System.out.println("The square of " + counter +
                               " is " + (counter * counter));
            counter = counter + 1;
        }
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- boolean expression

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- **while** statement body

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- statement after **while**

- control flow resumes here when boolean is false

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- trace what happens when execute

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limit 3

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        }
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    }
}
```

limit

3

counter

1

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            counter = counter + 1;
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limit

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counter

1

Is counter <= limit? yes

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limit 3 counter 1 Is counter <= limit? yes

"The square of 1 is 1" printed on monitor

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limit

3

counter

2

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```

limit

3

counter

2

Is counter <= limit? yes

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limit counter Is counter <= limit? yes

"The square of 2 is 4" printed on monitor

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limit

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counter

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Is counter <= limit? yes

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        }
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    }
}
```

limit 3 counter 3 Is counter <= limit? yes

"The square of 3 is 9" printed on monitor

Using while Statements

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limit

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counter

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limit

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counter

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Is counter <= limit? NO!

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    }
}
```

limit

3

counter

4

Is counter <= limit? NO!

“End of demonstration” printed on monitor

Climbing Stairs Again

- Am I at the top of the stairs?
- No.
- Climb up one step.
- Am I at the top of the stairs?
- No.
- Climb up one step.
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- No.
- Climb up one step.
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- ...and so on...



Climbing Stairs Again

while (I'm not at the top of the stairs)

{

 Climb up one step

}

- Climbing stairs is a while loop!



Using while Statements

```
public class WhileDemo
{
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        int limit = 3;
        int counter = 1;

        while (counter >= limit)
        {
            System.out.println("The square of " + counter +
                               " is " + (counter * counter));
            counter = counter + 1;
        }
        System.out.println("End of demonstration");
    }
}
```

- change **termination condition**

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- change **termination condition**
 - body of loop never executed

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            counter = counter + 1;
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```

- change termination condition
 - always true

Infinite Loops

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            counter = counter + 1;
        }
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    }
}
```

- if termination condition always true, loop never ends
 - infinite loop goes forever

Infinite Loops

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public class WhileDemo
{
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        int limit = 3;
        int counter = 1;

        while (counter <= limit)
        {
            System.out.println("The square of " + counter +
                               " is " + (counter * counter));
            counter = counter - 1;
        }
        System.out.println("End of demonstration");
    }
}
```

- good termination condition
- but process never gets closer to condition

Infinite Loops

```
public class WhileDemo
{
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        int limit = 9;
        int counter = 0;

        while (counter != limit)
        {
            System.out.println("The square of " + counter +
                               " is " + (counter * counter));
            counter = counter + 2;
        }
        System.out.println("End of demonstration");
    }
}
```

- process gets closer to termination condition
- but never satisfies condition, keeps going past it

Another while Example

```
public class PrintFactorials
{
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        int limit = 10;
        int counter = 1;
        int product = 1;

        while (counter <= limit)
        {
            System.out.println("The factorial of " + counter +
                               " is " + product' \);
            counter = counter + 1;
            product = product * counter;
        }
        System.out.println("End of demonstration");
    }
}
```

- accumulate product

Questions?