1.3 Conditionals and Loops

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to infinity and beyond!
Control flow.

- Sequence of statements that are actually executed in a program.
- Conditionals and loops: enable us to choreograph control flow.
Conditionals
If Statement

The *if* statement. A common branching structure.

- Evaluate a boolean expression.
- If true, execute some statements.
- **else option:** If false, execute other statements.

```java
if ( x > y )
{
    int t = x;
    x = y;
    y = t;
}
```

```java
if ( x < 0 ) x = -x;
```

```java
if (x > y) max = x;
else max = y;
```

```java
if (x < 0) x = -x;
```

```java
x < 0 ?
x = -x;
```

```java
x > y ?
max = x;
```

```java
else
max = y;
```
If Statement

Ex. Take different action depending on value of variable.

```java
public class Flip {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        if (Math.random() < 0.5) {
            System.out.println("Heads");
        } else System.out.println("Tails");
    }
}
```

% java Flip
Heads
% java Flip
Heads
% java Flip
Tails
% java Flip
Heads
If Statement Examples

```java
if (x < 0) x = -x;

absolute value

if (x > y) max = x;
else max = y;

maximum

if (den == 0) System.out.println("Division by zero");
else System.out.println("Quotient = " + num/den);

error check for division operation

double discriminant = b*b - 4.0*c;
if (discriminant < 0.0)
{
    System.out.println("No real roots");
}
else
{
    System.out.println((-b + Math.sqrt(discriminant))/2.0);
    System.out.println((-b - Math.sqrt(discriminant))/2.0);
}

error check for quadratic formula
```

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2-sort

x > y before

x < y after

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<td>99</td>
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</tbody>
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Loops
The **while** loop. A common repetition structure.

- Check a boolean expression.
- Execute a sequence of statements.
- Repeat.

```java
while (boolean expression) {
    statement 1;
    statement 2;
}
```
**While Loop Example: Powers of Two**

**Ex.** Print powers of 2 that are \( \leq 2^n \).

- Increment \( i \) from 0 to \( n \).
- Double \( v \) each time.

```java
int i = 0;
int v = 1;
while (i <= n) {
    System.out.println(v);
    i = i + 1;
    v = 2 * v;
}
```

<table>
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<tr>
<th>i</th>
<th>v</th>
<th>i &lt;= n</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
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<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>4</td>
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<td>5</td>
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<td>6</td>
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<td>true</td>
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<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>128</td>
<td>false</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

\( n = 6 \)
public class PowersOfTwo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {

        // last power of two to print
        int n = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);

        int i = 0;  // loop control counter
        int v = 1;  // current power of two
        while (i <= n)
        {
            System.out.println(v);
            i = i + 1;
            v = 2 * v;
        }
    }
}
Anything wrong with the following code?

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public class PowersOfTwo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int N = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
        int i = 0;  // loop control counter
        int v = 1;  // current power of two
        while (i <= N)
            System.out.println(v);
            i = i + 1;
            v = 2 * v;
    }
}
```
Goal. Implement `Math.sqrt()`.

Newton-Raphson method to compute the square root of `c`:

- Initialize `t_0 = c`.
- **Repeat until** `t_i = c / t_i`, up to desired precision:
  - set `t_{i+1}` to be the average of `t_i` and `c / t_i`.

```
% java Sqrt 60481729
7777.0
```

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>i</th>
<th>t_i</th>
<th>2/t_i</th>
<th>average</th>
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<tbody>
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<td>0</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>1.5</td>
</tr>
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<td>1.5</td>
<td>1.3333333</td>
<td>1.4166667</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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<td>1.4166667</td>
<td>1.4117647</td>
<td>1.4142157</td>
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</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

computing the square root of 2 to seven places

"A wonderful square root. Let’s hope it can be used for the good of mankind."

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While Loop Example: Square Root

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```java
public class Sqrt {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        double EPS = 1E-15;
        double c = Double.parseDouble(args[0]);
        double t = c;
        while (Math.abs(t - c/t) > t*EPS) {
            t = (c/t + t) / 2.0;
        }
        System.out.println(t);
    }
}
```

% java Sqrt 2.0
1.414213562373095

*15 decimal digits of accuracy in 5 iterations*
Newton-Raphson Method

Square root method explained (some math omitted).

• Goal: find root of function \( f(x) \).
• Start with estimate \( t_0 \).
• Draw line tangent to curve at \( x = t_i \).
• Set \( t_{i+1} \) to be \( x \)-coordinate where line hits \( x \)-axis.
• Repeat until desired precision.

\[ f(x) = x^2 - c \] to compute \( \sqrt{c} \)
The For Loop

```c
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
{
    int count;
    for (count = 1; count <= 500; count++)
        printf("I will not throw paper airplanes in class.");
    return 0;
}
```
The for loop. Another common repetition structure.

- Execute initialization statement.
- Check boolean expression.
- Execute sequence of statements.
- Execute increment statement.
- Repeat.

```plaintext
for (init; boolean expression; increment)
{
    statement 1;
    statement 2;
}
```
Anatomy of a for Loop

```
int v = 1;
for ( int i = 0; i <= N; i++ )
{
    System.out.println( i + " " + v );
    v = 2*v;
}
```

- **Declare and initialize a loop control variable**
- **Loop continuation condition**
- **Increment**
- **Body**
- **Initialize another variable in a separate statement**

Prints table of powers of two
Anatomy of a for Loop

int v = 1;
for ( int i = 0; i <= N; i++ )
{
    System.out.println( i + " " + v );
    v = 2*v;
}

Every for loop has an equivalent while loop

int v = 1;
int i = 0;
while ( i <= N; )
{
    System.out.println( i + " " + v );
    v = 2*v;
    i++;
}

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>v</th>
<th>i</th>
<th>output</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
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Why for loops? Can provide more compact and understandable code.
For Loops: Subdivisions of a Ruler

Create subdivision of a ruler.

• Initialize ruler to single space.
• For each value \( i \) from 1 to \( N \):
  sandwich two copies of ruler on either side of \( i \).

```java
public class Ruler {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int N = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
        String ruler = " ";
        for (int i = 1; i <= N; i++)
            ruler = ruler + i + ruler;
        System.out.println(ruler);
    }
}
```

<table>
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<tr>
<th>i</th>
<th>ruler</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>&quot; 1 &quot;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>&quot; 1 2 1 &quot;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>&quot; 1 2 1 3 1 2 1 &quot;</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

end-of-loop trace
For Loops: Subdivisions of a Ruler

```
% java Ruler 1
1

% java Ruler 2
1 2 1

% java Ruler 3
1 2 1 3 1 2 1

% java Ruler 4
1 2 1 3 1 2 1 4 1 2 1 3 1 2 1

% java Ruler 5
1 2 1 3 1 2 1 4 1 2 1 3 1 2 1 5 1 2 1 3 1 2 1

% java Ruler 100
Exception in thread "main"
java.lang.OutOfMemoryError
```

$2^{100} - 1 = 1,267,650,600,228,229,401,496,703,205,375$ integers in output

**Observation.** Loops can produce a huge amount of output!
### Loop Examples

```java
int sum = 0;
for (int i = 1; i <= N; i++)
    sum += i;
System.out.println(sum);
```

**compute sum** $(1 + 2 + 3 + \ldots + N)$

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>sum</th>
<th>i</th>
</tr>
</thead>
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<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>3</td>
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<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

```
int product = 1;
for (int i = 1; i <= N; i++)
    product *= i;
System.out.println(product);
```

**compute** $N!$ $(1 * 2 * 3 * \ldots * N)$

<table>
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<tr>
<th>product</th>
<th>i</th>
</tr>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>3</td>
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<td>24</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

```
int v = 1;
while (v <= N/2)
    v = 2*v;
System.out.println(v);
```

**print largest power of 2 less than or equal to** $N$

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>$v$</th>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>4</td>
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<td>8</td>
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<tr>
<td>16</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

```
for (int i = 0; i <= N; i++)
    System.out.println(i + " " + 2*Math.PI*i/N);
```

**print a table of function values**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>$N = 4$</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
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<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
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<tr>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

```
int v = 1;
while (v <= N/2)
    v = 2*v;
System.out.println(v);
```

**trace at end of loop for $N = 4$**
Nesting
Nesting Conditionals and Loops

Nesting. Use a conditional or a loop within a conditional or a loop
• Enables complex control flows.
• Adds to challenge of debugging.

Any “statement” within a conditional or loop
may itself be a conditional or a loop statement

```java
for (int i = 0; i < trials; i++)
{
    int t = stake;
    while (t > 0 && t < goal)
    {
        if (Math.random() < 0.5) t++;
        else t--;
    }
    if (t == goal) wins++;
}
```

if-else statement within a while loop within a for loop
Ex. Pay a certain tax rate depending on income level.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Income</th>
<th>Rate</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0 - 47,450</td>
<td>22%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>47,450 - 114,650</td>
<td>25%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>114,650 - 174,700</td>
<td>28%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>174,700 - 311,950</td>
<td>33%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>311,950 -</td>
<td>35%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5 mutually exclusive alternatives
Nested If-Else Statements

Need all those braces? Not always:

```java
if (income < 47450) rate = 0.22;
else if (income < 114650) rate = 0.25;
else if (income < 174700) rate = 0.28;
else if (income < 311950) rate = 0.33;
else rate = 0.35;
```

is shorthand for

```java
if (income < 47450) rate = 0.22;
else {
    if (income < 114650) rate = 0.25;
    else {
        if (income < 174700) rate = 0.28;
        else {
            if (income < 311950) rate = 0.33;
            else rate = 0.35;
        }
    }
}
```

but BE CAREFUL when nesting if-else statements (see Q&A p. 75).
Anything wrong with the following code?

double rate = 0.35;
if (income < 47450) rate = 0.22;
if (income < 114650) rate = 0.25;
if (income < 174700) rate = 0.28;
if (income < 311950) rate = 0.33;
Nested for loops

*Ex. Visit each location in a two-dimensional table (stay tuned for arrays).*

```plaintext
for (x = 0; x < N; x++)
  for (y = 0; y < M; y++)
    Do something at entry (x, y);
```
Gambler's ruin. Gambler starts with $\text{stake}$ and places $\$1$ fair bets until going broke or reaching $\$\text{goal}$.  
- What are the chances of winning? 
- How many bets will it take? 

One approach. Monte Carlo simulation.  
- Flip digital coins and see what happens. 
- Repeat and compute statistics.
public class Gambler
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        // Get parameters from command line.
        int stake = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
        int goal = Integer.parseInt(args[1]);
        int trials = Integer.parseInt(args[2]);

        int wins = 0;
        for (int i = 0; i < trials; i++)
        {
            // Do one gambler's ruin experiment.
            int t = stake;
            while (t > 0 && t < goal)
            {
                // flip coin and update
                if (Math.random() < 0.5) t++;
                else t--;
            }
            if (t == goal) wins++;
        }
        System.out.println(wins + " wins of " + trials);
    }
}
Fact. Probability of winning = stake \( \div \) goal.

Fact. Expected number of bets = stake \( \times \) desired gain.

Ex. 20% chance of turning $500 into $2500, but expect to make one million $1 bets.

Remark. Both facts can be proved mathematically. For more complex scenarios, computer simulation is often the best plan of attack.
Debugging
Debugging Example

Factor. Given an integer \( N > 1 \), compute its prime factorization.

\[ 3,757,208 = 2^3 \times 7 \times 13^2 \times 397 \]

\[ 98 = 2 \times 7^2 \]

\[ 17 = 17 \]

Note: 1 is not prime. (else it would have to be in every factorization)

\[ 11,111,111,111,111,111 = 2,071,723 \times 5,363,222,357 \]

Debugging:  99% of Program Development

Programming.  A process of finding and fixing mistakes.

• Compiler error messages help locate syntax errors.
• Run program to find semantic and performance errors.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (i = 0; i < N; i++) {
            while (N % i == 0) {
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Check whether i is a factor.

This program has bugs!

if i is a factor print it and divide it out
Syntax error. Illegal Java program.

• Compiler error messages help locate problem.
• Goal: no errors and a file named `Factors.class`

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0])
        for (i = 0; i < N; i++)
            { 
                while (N % i == 0)
                    System.out.print(i + " ")
                N = N / i
            }
    }
}
```
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    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0])
        for (i = 0; i < N; i++)
            { 
                while (N % i == 0)
                    System.out.print(i + " ")
                    N = N / i
            }
    }
}
```

% javac Factors.java
Factors.java:6: ';' expected
      for (i = 2; i < N; i++)
      ^
1 error ← the FIRST error
Debugging: Syntax Errors

**Syntax error.** Illegal Java program.

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    public static void main(String[] args) {
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        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
            while (N % i == 0) {
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Syntax (compile-time) errors

- Need terminating semicolons
- Need to declare variable `i`
Debugging: Semantic Errors

**Semantic error.** Legal but wrong Java program.

- Run program to identify problem.
- Add print statements if needed to produce trace.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
            { 
                while (N % i == 0)
                    System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
    }
}
```

% javac Factors.java
% java Factors
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 0
  at Factors.main(Factors.java:5)

you will see this message!
Semantic error. Legal but wrong Java program.

- Run program to identify problem.
- Add print statements if needed.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
            while (N % i == 0) {
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

% javac Factors.java
% java Factors 98
Exception in thread "main"
java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
    at Factors.main(Factors.java:8)
Semantic error. Legal but wrong Java program.

- Run program to identify problem.
- Add print statements if needed.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i < N; i++) {
            while (N % i == 0) {
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

need to start at 2 since 0 and 1 cannot be factors
Semantic error. Legal but wrong Java program.

- Run program to identify problem.
- Add print statements if needed.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i < N; i++) {
            while (N % i == 0) {
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```bash
% javac Factors.java
% java Factors 98
2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
??? infinite loop
```
Semantic error. Legal but wrong Java program.

- Run program to identify problem.
- Add print statements if needed.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i < N; i++) {
            while (N % i == 0) {
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Semantic (run-time) error: indents do not imply braces
Success? Program factors 98 = 2 7 7.

• Time to try it for other inputs.
• Add trace to find and fix (minor) problems.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i < N; i++) {
            // Check whether i is a factor.
            while (N % i == 0) {
                // If so, print and divide.
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

% java Factors 98
2 7 7 % ← need newline
% java Factors 5
% ← ??? no output
% java Factors 6
2 % ← ??? where's the 3?
Debugging: The Beat Goes On

Success? Program factors 98 = 2 7 7.
• Time to try it for other inputs.
• Add trace to find and fix (minor) problems.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i < N; i++) {
            while (N % i == 0) {
                System.out.println(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
            System.out.println("TRACE " + i + " " + N);
        }
    }
}
```

% javac Factors.java
% java Factors 5
TRACE 2 5
TRACE 3 5
TRACE 4 5
% java Factors 6
2
TRACE 2 3

AHA!
Print out N after for loop (if it is not 1)
Success? Program seems to work

- Add code for corner case, add comments.
- Remove trace to try larger inputs

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i < N; i++) {
            // Check whether i is a factor.
            while (N % i == 0) {
                // If so, print and divide.
                // System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
        // System.out.println("TRACE " + i + " " + N);
        if (N > 1) System.out.println(N);
        else System.out.println();
    }
}
```

% java Factors 5
TRACE 2 5
TRACE 3 5
TRACE 4 5
% javac Factors.java
% java Factors 5
5
% java Factors 6
2 3
% java Factors 98
2 7 7
% java Factors 3757208
2 2 2 7 13 13 397
Performance error. Correct program, but too slow.

- Are all iterations of inner loop necessary?
- Improve or change underlying algorithm.

```java
class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i < N; i++) {
            // Check whether i is a factor.
            while (N % i == 0) {
                // If so, print and divide.
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
        if (N > 1) System.out.println(N);
        else System.out.println();
    }
}
```

```
% java Factors 11111111
11 73 101 137
% java Factors 11111111111
21649 513239
% java Factors 11111111111111
11 239 4649 909091
% java Factors 11111111111111111
2071723
```

very long wait
Debugging: Performance Errors

Performance error. Correct program, but too slow.

• Are all iterations of inner loop necessary?
• Improve or change underlying algorithm.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i * i < N; i++) {
            // Check whether i is a factor.
            while (N % i == 0)
                // If so, print and divide.
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
        }
        if (N > 1) System.out.println(N);
        else       System.out.println();
    }
}
```

Fixes performance error: terminate when \(i^2 > N\) since no larger factors left.
Debugging: Back to Semantic Errors!

Fresh semantic error. Fast program (now), but new error.

• Was performance fix exactly right?
• Again, consider (possibly new) corner cases.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i * i < N; i++) {
            // Check whether i is a factor.
            while (N % i == 0) {
                // If so, print and divide.
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
        if (N > 1) System.out.println(N);
        else System.out.println();
    }
}
```

% java Factors 24
2 2 2 3
% java Factors 25
25
% java Factors 49
49
% Can't handle perfect squares!
Debugging: Back to Semantic Errors!

Fresh semantic error. Fast program (now), but new error.

• Was performance fix exactly right?
• Again, consider (possibly new) corner cases.

```java
public class Factors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long N = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
        for (int i = 2; i * i <= N; i++) {
            // Check whether i is a factor.
            while (N % i == 0) {
                // If so, print and divide.
                System.out.print(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
        }
        if (N > 1) System.out.println(N);
        else System.out.println();
    }
}
```

% java Factors 24
2 2 2 3
% java Factors 25
5 5
% java Factors 49
7 7
Program Development: Analysis

Q. How large an integer can I factor?

Note. Can’t break RSA this way (experts are still trying)
Debugging Your Program. [summary]

1. **Edit** the program (type in code).

2. **Compile** it.
   
   Compiler says: That’s not a legal program?
   
   Back to step 1 to fix your **syntax** errors.

3. **Run** it.
   
   Result is bizarrely (or subtly) wrong?
   
   Back to step 1 to fix your **runtime** (semantic) errors.

4. **Test** it.
   
   Too slow?
   
   Back to step 1 to try a different **algorithm**.

submit!
99% of program development

**Debugging.** Cyclic process of editing, compiling, and fixing errors.

- Always a logical explanation.
- What would the machine do?
- Explain it to the teddy bear.

You will make many mistakes as you write programs. It's normal.

"As soon as we started programming, we found out to our surprise that it wasn't as easy to get programs right as we had thought. I can remember the exact instant when I realized that a large part of my life from then on was going to be spent in finding mistakes in my own programs."

Sir Maurice Wilkes

**Good news:** Can use computer to test program.

**Bad news:** Conditionals/loops open up huge number of possibilities.

**Really bad news:** Cannot use computer to automatically find all bugs.
The First Bug?

Photo # NH 96566-KN  First Computer "Bug", 1945

Relays 6-2 in 033 failed speed and test for 1000 test.

1100 Started cosine tape (sine check).
1525 Started multiplier-adder test.
1545 Relay #70 panel F (moth) in relay.

First actual case of bug being found.

http://www.history.navy.mil/photos/images/h96000/h96566kc.htm

Lieutenant Grace Murray Hopper