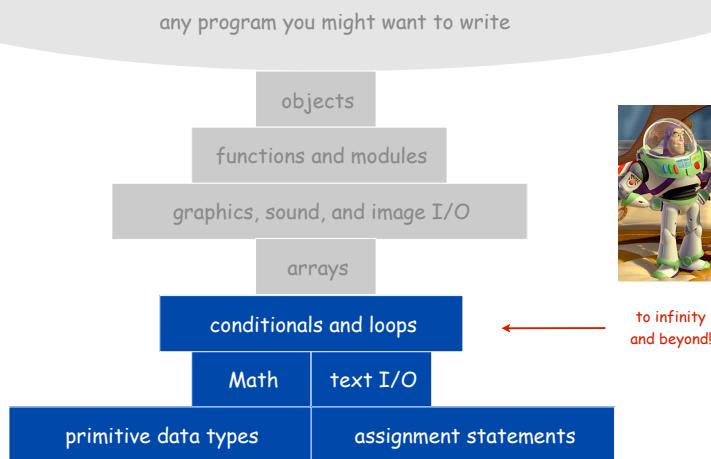
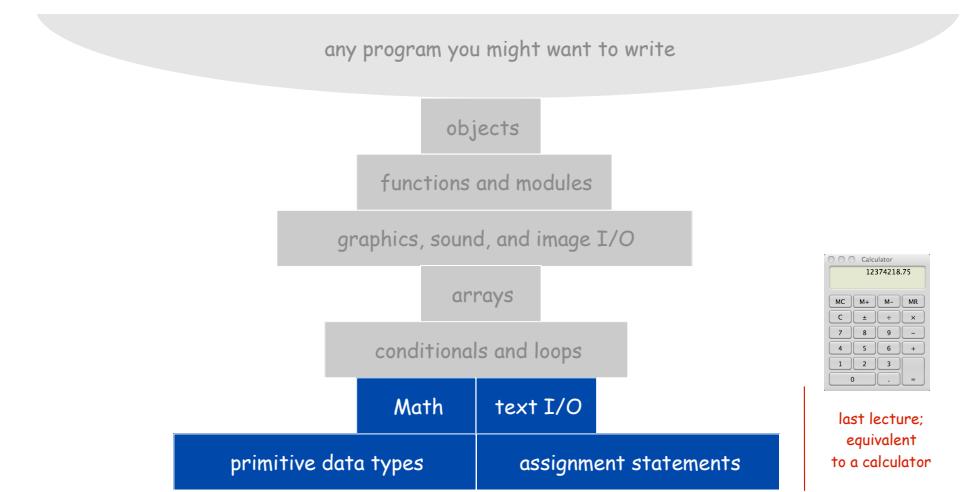


1.3 Conditionals and Loops



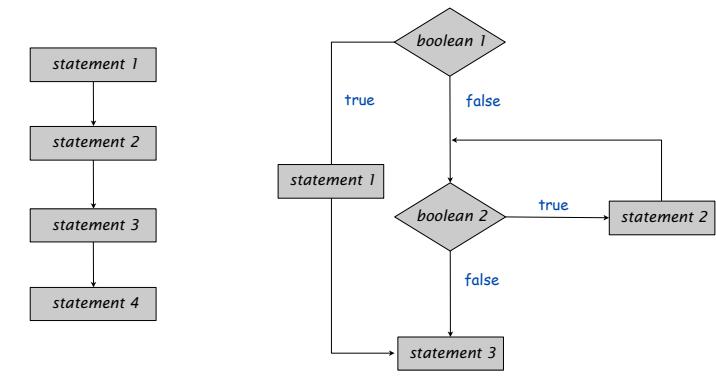
1.3 Conditionals and Loops



Conditionals and Loops

Control flow.

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



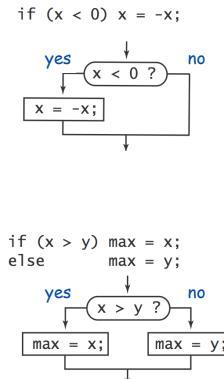
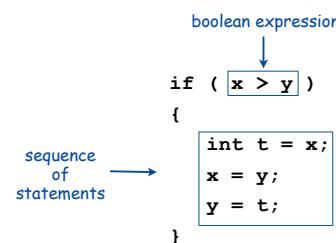
If Statement

Conditionals



The **if statement**. A common branching structure.

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



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If Statement

Ex. Take different action depending on value of variable.

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



If Statement Examples

```
if (x > 0) x = -x;
```

absolute value

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

maximum

x	y	t
1234	99	undefined
1234	99	1234
99	1234	1234

x > y before

x < y after

```
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

While Loop

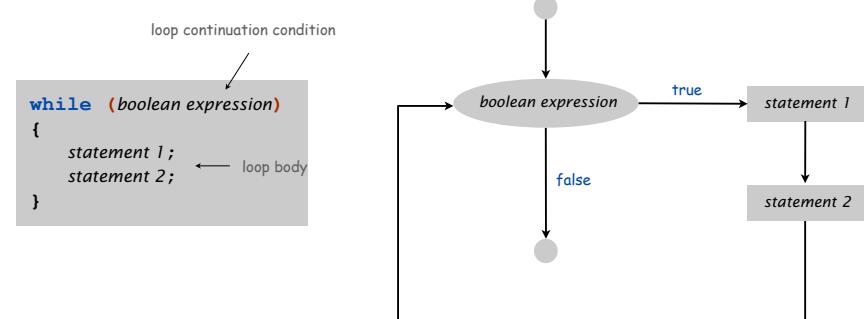
Loops



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The `while` loop. A common repetition structure.

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



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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.

```

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

i	v	i <= n
0	1	true
1	2	true
2	4	true
3	8	true
4	16	true
5	32	true
6	64	true
7	128	false

`n = 6`

Powers of Two (full program)

```

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; // print ith power of two
        }
    }
}
  
```

```

% java PowersOfTwo 4
1
2
4
8
% java PowersOfTwo 6
1
2
4
8
16
32
64
  
```

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TEQ on While Loops

Anything wrong with the following code?

```
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;
    }
}
```

While Loop Example: Square Root

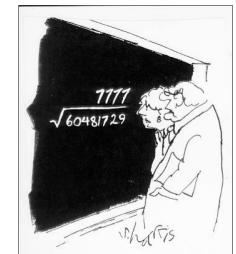
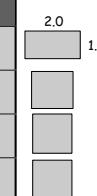
Goal. Implement `Math.sqrt()`.

```
% java Sqrt 60481729
7777.0
```

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

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

i	t_i	$2/t_i$	average
0	2.0	1.0	1.5
1	1.5	1.3333333	1.4166667
2	1.4166667	1.4117647	1.4142157
3	1.4142157	1.4142114	1.4142136
4	1.4142136	1.4142136	



"A wonderful square root. Let's hope it can be used for the good of mankind."
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computing the square root of 2 to seven places

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While Loop Example: Square Root

Goal. Implement `Math.sqrt()`.

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

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

```
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; } error tolerance
        System.out.println(t);
    }
}
```

```
% java Sqrt 2.0
```

1.414213562373095

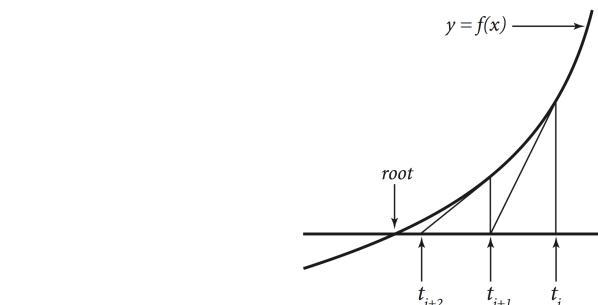
15 decimal digits of accuracy in 5 iterations

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Newton-Raphson Method

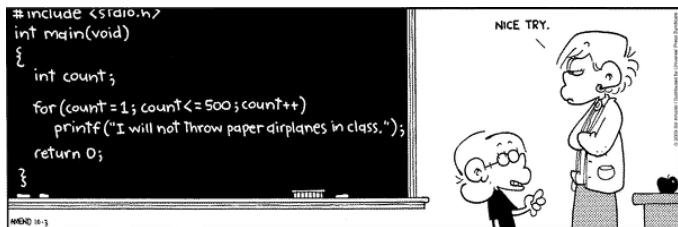
Square root method explained (some math omitted).

- Goal: find root of function $f(x)$.
- Start with estimate t_0 .
→ $f(x) = x^2 - c$ to compute \sqrt{c}
- 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.



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The For Loop



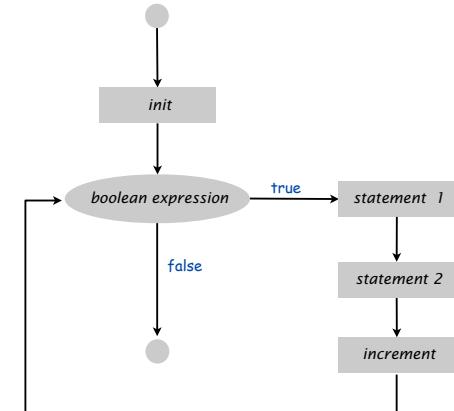
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The for loop. Another common repetition structure.

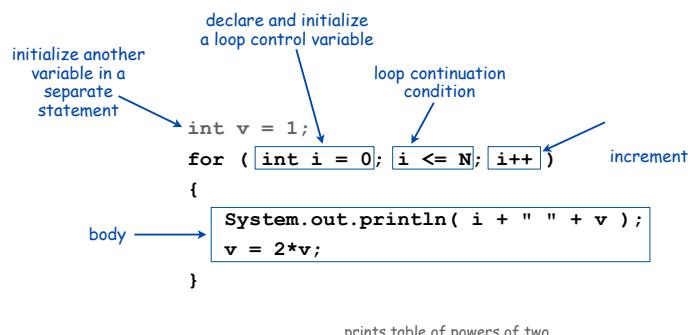
- Execute initialization statement.
- Check boolean expression.
- Execute sequence of statements.
- Execute increment statement.
- Repeat.

```
loop continuation condition
for (init; boolean expression; increment)
{
    statement 1;
    statement 2;
}
```



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Anatomy of a for Loop



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++;
}

```

v	i	output
1	0	
1	0	0 1
2	0	
2	1	1 2
4	1	
4	2	2 4
8	2	
8	3	3 8

Why for loops? Can provide more compact and understandable code.

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For Loops: Subdivisions of a Ruler

Create subdivision of a ruler.

- Initialize ruler to empty string.
- For each value i from 1 to N:
sandwich two copies of ruler on either side of i.

```
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);
    }
}
```

i	ruler
1	" 1 "
2	" 1 2 1 "
3	" 1 2 1 3 1 2 1 "

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 1 2 1 3 1 2 1

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

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Loop Examples

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

compute sum ($1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + N$)

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

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

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

print a table of function values

```
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

TEQ on For Loops

[easy if you read Exercise 1.3.13]

What does the following program print?

```
public class Mystery
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        int f = 0, g = 1;
        for (int i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
        {
            System.out.println(f);
            f = f + g;
            g = f - g;
        }
    }
}
```

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Nesting



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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

```
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

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Nested If Statements

Ex. Pay a certain tax rate depending on income level.

Income	Rate
0 - 47,450	22%
47,450 - 114,650	25%
114,650 - 174,700	28%
174,700 - 311,950	33%
311,950 -	35%

5 mutually exclusive
alternatives

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Nested If Statements

Use **nested** if statements to handle multiple alternatives

```
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;
        }
    }
}
```

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Nested If-Else Statements

Need all those braces? Not always:

```
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

```
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).

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TEQ on If-Else

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;
```

Nesting Example: Gambler's Ruin

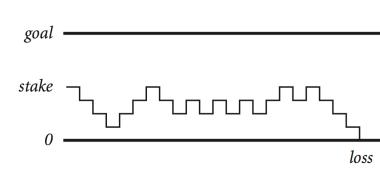
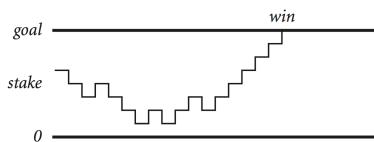
Gambler's ruin. Gambler starts with \$stake and places \$1 fair bets until going broke or reaching \$goal.

- 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.



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Nesting Example: Gambler's Ruin Simulation

```
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]);

        // Count wins among args[2] trials.
        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);
    }
}
```

if statement
within a while loop
within a for loop

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Digression: Simulation and Analysis

Control Flow Summary

```
% java Gambler 5 25 1000  
191 wins of 1000  
  
% java Gambler 5 25 1000  
203 wins of 1000  
  
% java Gambler 500 2500 1000  
197 wins of 1000
```

↓ ↓ ↓
stake goal trials

after a substantial wait...

Fact. Probability of winning = stake ÷ goal.

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

Ex. 20% chance of turning \$500 into \$2500,

$$500/2500 = 20\%$$

but expect to make one million \$1 bets.

$$500 * (2500 - 500) = 1,000,000$$

Remark. Both facts can be proved mathematically.

For more complex scenarios, computer simulation is often the best plan of attack.



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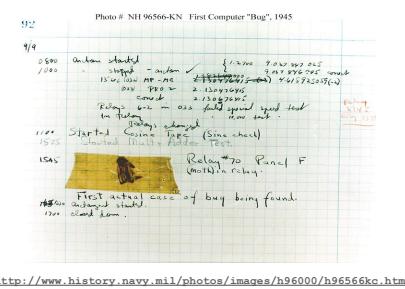
Control Flow	Description	Examples
Straight-line programs	All statements are executed in the order given.	
Conditionals	Certain statements are executed depending on the values of certain variables.	if if-else
Loops	Certain statements are executed repeatedly until certain conditions are met.	while for do-while

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Debugging



Admiral Grace Murray Hopper



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

Control flow.

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

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.

Good news: Can use computer to test program.

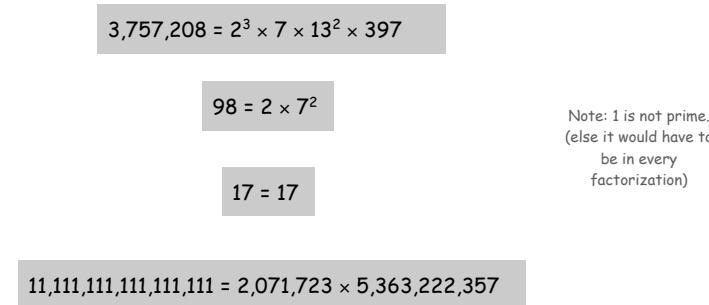
Bad news: Conditionals/loops open up huge number of possibilities.

Really bad news: Cannot use computer to automatically find all bugs.

stay tuned

Debugging Example

Factor. Given an integer $N > 1$, compute its prime factorization.



Application. Break RSA cryptosystem (factor 200-digit numbers).

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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.

```
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.

if i is a factor print it and divide it out

This program has bugs!



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Debugging: Syntax Errors

Syntax error. Illegal Java program.

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

```
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        {
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                System.out.print(i + " ")
                N = N / i
        }
    }
}
```



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        {
            while (N % i == 0)
                System.out.print(i + " ")
                N = N / i
        }
    }
}
```

```
% javac Factors.java
Factors.java:6: ';' expected
      ^
1 error ← the FIRST error
```



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Debugging: Syntax Errors

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        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
        {
            while (N % i == 0)
                System.out.print(i + " ");
            N = N / i;
        }
    }
}
```

need to declare variable i

need terminating semicolons

Syntax (compile-time) errors



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Debugging: Semantic Errors

Semantic error. Legal but wrong Java program.

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

```
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 ← oops, need argument
Exception in thread "main"
java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 0
at Factors.main(Factors.java:5)
```



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Debugging: Semantic Errors

Semantic error. Legal but wrong Java program.

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

```
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.ArithmaticException: / by zero
at Factors.main(Factors.java:8)
```



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Debugging: Semantic Errors

Semantic error. Legal but wrong Java program.

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

```
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



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Debugging: Semantic Errors

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Debugging: Semantic Errors

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```
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

Debugging: The Beat Goes On

Success? Program factors $98 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 7$.

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

```
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;
            }
        }
    }
}
```



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Debugging: The Beat Goes On

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        for (int i = 2; i < N; i++)
        {
            while (N % i == 0)
            {
                System.out.println(i + " ");
                N = N / i;
            }
            System.out.println("TRACE " + i +
        }
    }
}
```



Debugging: Success?

Success? Program seems to work.

- Remove trace to try larger inputs.
- [stay tuned].

```
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;
            }
        }
        if (N > 1) System.out.println(N);
        else       System.out.println();
    }
}
```

Corner case:
print largest
factor
(and new line)

???
%\$%@\$#!
forgot to recompile

```
% 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
```

Time to add comments(if not earlier).

Debugging Your Program

Debugging Your Program. [summary]

1. Create the program.

2. Compile it.

Compiler says: That's not a legal program.

Back to step 1 to fix your errors of **syntax**.

3. Execute it.

Result is bizarrely (or subtly) wrong.

Back to step 1 to fix your errors of **semantics**.

4. Enjoy the satisfaction of a working program!

[but stay tuned for more debugging]