Menu Driven Systems

Scanner, while loops, menus and switch

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Topics list

- Scanner (for console input/output)
- while loops
 - recap on structure Loop Control Variables
 - Sentinel based loops.
- switch statement.
- A simple menu using switch.
- Shop Project adding a menu.

Input in Java: the Scanner Class

- The Scanner class comes with Java.
- It allows us to take in data from the console / terminal window.
- It is part of the java.util package in the Java Application Programming Interfaces (API).

Input in Java: the Scanner Class

 In order to use the Scanner class, place the following line as the first line of code in your file (i.e. before you declare your class):

import java.util.Scanner;

- You can now use all the input methods that have been defined in the Scanner class.
- There are methods to take in ints, doubles, chars etc.

Input in Java: the Scanner Class

• Having imported the util package, you will need to write the following instruction in your program.

Scanner scan= new Scanner(System.in);

- This declares a Scanner **object** called scan (you can name this object anything you wish).
- You must have this instruction to be able to call the methods in the Scanner class.

int age = scan.nextInt(); //reads an integer from the keyboard double wages = scan.nextDouble(); //reads a double from the keyboard char taxBand = scan.next.charAt(0); //reads a single char from the keyboard String firstName = scan.next(); //read a String that has no spaces String fullName = scan.nextLine() //reads a String that contains spaces

```
public class MenuController{
   private Scanner input;
    private Store store;
    public MenuController() {
        input = new Scanner(System.in);
        //read in the details....
        System.out.print("Please enter the store location: ");
        String location = input.nextLine();
        store = new Store(location);
        runMenu();
```

```
private int mainMenu()
   System.out.println("\fShop Menu");
   System.out.println("-----");
   System.out.println(" 1) Add a Product");
   System.out.println(" 2) Remove Product (by index)");
   System.out.println(" 3) List the Products");
   System.out.println(" 4) List the cheapest product");
   System.out.println("-----");
   System.out.println(" 5) View store details");
   System.out.println(" 0) Exit");
   System.out.print("==>> ");
   int option = input.nextInt();
   return option;
```

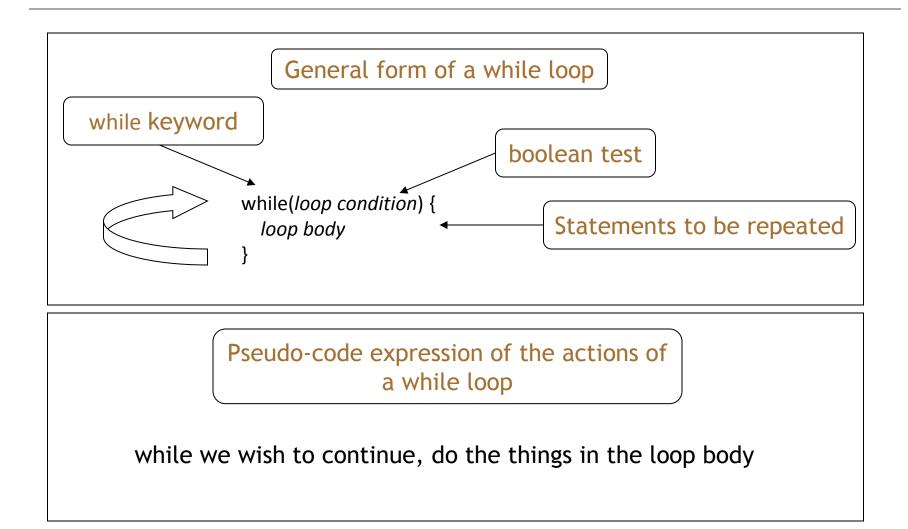
```
//gather the product data from the user and create a new product.
private void addProduct() {
    //dummy read of String to clear the buffer - bug in Scanner class.
    input.nextLine();
    System.out.println("Enter the Product details...");
    System.out.print("\tName: ");
    String productName = input.nextLine();
    System.out.print("\tCode (between 1000 and 9999): ");
    int productCode = input.nextInt();
    System.out.print("\tUnit Cost: ");
    double unitCost = input.nextDouble();
    System.out.print("\tIs this product in your current line (y/n): ");
    char currentProduct = input.next().charAt(0);
    boolean inCurrentProductLine = false;
    if ((currentProduct == 'y') || (currentProduct == 'Y'))
        inCurrentProductLine = true;
```

store.add(new Product(productName, productCode, unitCost, inCurrentProductLine));

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while loop: pseudo code

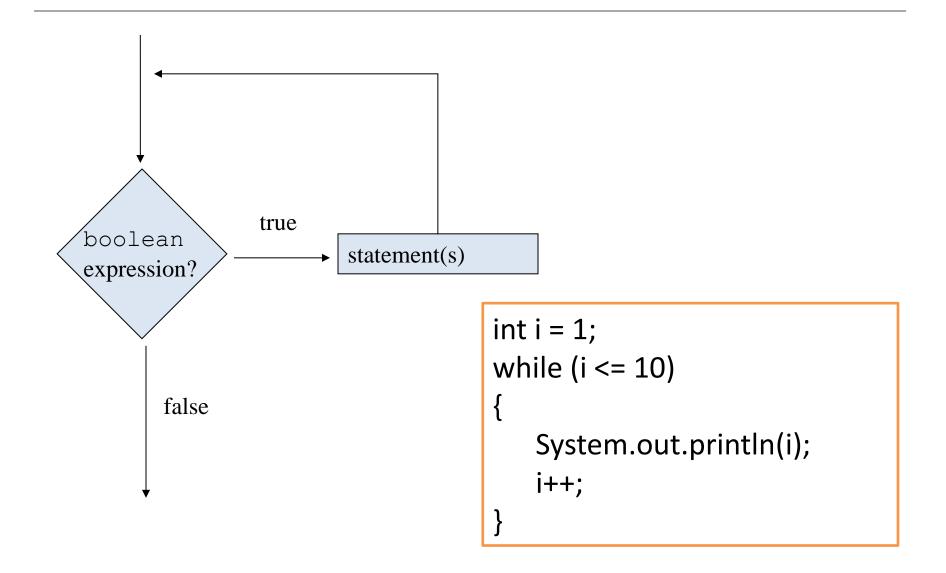


while loop: construction

```
Declare and initialise loop control variable (LCV)
while(condition based on LCV)
{
    "do the job to be repeated"
    "update the LCV"
```

This structure should always be used

while loop: flowchart



while loop: iterating over a collection

```
1 * *
 * List all notes in the notebook.
 */
public void listNotes()
    int i = 0;
    while(i < notes.size()) {</pre>
         System.out.println(notes.get(i));
         i++; ◄
                                               Increment i
                                                  by 1
```

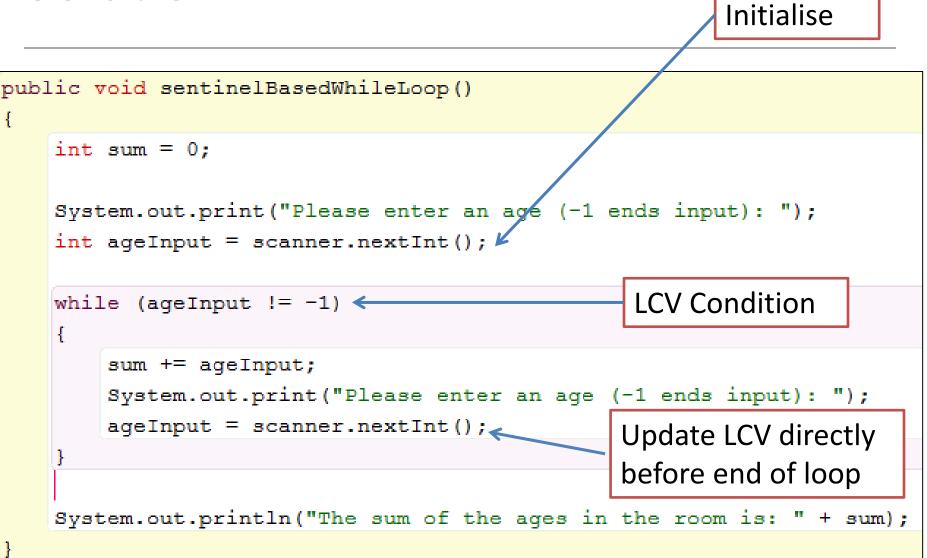
while the value of i is less than the size of the collection, print the next note, and then increment i

Sentinel-based loops

• We will signal the end of input with a special value i.e. a sentinel value.

e.g. the code on the next slide continually asks the user to enter a person's age. When the user enters a value of -1, the loops ends and the total of all the ages is printed to the console.

Solution



Sentinel-based loops - structure

- Concept of Loop Control Variable is vital here.
- The loop continuation is solely based on the input, so the variable containing the information is the Loop Control Variable.
- Initialise the Loop Control Variable before entry into the loop.
- Remember to 'update the Loop Control Variable' just before the end of the loop.

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- The switch statement works in exactly the same way as a set of if statements, but is more compact and readable.
- The *switch statement* switches on a single value to one of an arbitrary number of cases.
- Two possible patterns of use are...

• One possible pattern of use

```
switch(expression) {
    case value: statements;
        break;
    case value: statements;
        break;
    further cases possible
    default: statements;
        break;
}
```

• Second possible pattern of use

```
switch(expression) {
     case valuel:
     case value2:
     case value3:
        statements;
         break:
     case value4:
     case value5:
        statements;
        break;
     further cases possible
     default:
        statements;
        break:
```

- A *switch* statement can have any number of **case** labels.
- The break statement after every case is needed, otherwise the execution "falls through" into the next label's statements. The second form above makes use of this. In this case, all three of the first values will execute the first statements section, whereas values four and five will execute the second statements section.

- The **default** case is optional. If no default is given, it may happen that no case is executed.
- The **break** statement after the default (or the last case, if there is no default) is not needed but is considered good style.
- From Java 7, the expression used to switch on and the case labels may be strings.

The switch statement - example

<pre>switch(day)</pre>	{
case 1:	dayString = "Monday";
	break;
case 2:	dayString = "Tuesday";
	break;
case 3:	dayString = "Wednesday";
	break;
case 4:	dayString = "Thursday";
	break;
case 5:	dayString = "Friday";
	break;
case 6:	<pre>dayString = "Saturday";</pre>
	break:
case 7:	<pre>dayString = "Sunday";</pre>
	break:
default:	dayString = "invalid day";
	break:
}	,
,	

The switch statement - example

```
switch(dow.toLowerCase()) {
    case "mon":
    case "tue":
    case "wed":
    case "thu":
    case "fri":
        goToWork();
        break;
    case "sat":
    case "sun":
        stayInBed();
        break;
}
```

The switch statement - example

```
switch (group){
   case 'A':
         System.out.println("10.00 a.m ");
         break;
   case 'B':
         System.out.println("1.00 p.m ");
         break;
   case 'C':
         System.out.println("11.00 a.m ");
         break;
  default:
         System.out.println("Enter option A, B or C only!");
```

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A simple menu using switch

```
public void run()
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    System.out.println("Choose a number between 1 and 3");
    int choice = input.nextInt();
    switch(choice)
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        case 1:
            System.out.println("You chose 1");
            break:
        case 2:
            System.out.println("You chose 2");
            break;
        case 3:
            System.out.println("You chose 3");
            break:
        default:
            System.out.println("You chose an invalid number");
            break;
}
```

Now loop on the switch statement

```
public void run()
    System.out.println("Choose a number between 1 and 3");
    int choice = input.nextInt();
    while (choice != 0)
                                                  Note the use of the
    ſ
        switch(choice)
                                                  Loop Control Variable
            case 1:
                System.out.println("You chose 1");
                break;
            case 2:
                System.out.println("You/chose 2");
                break:
            case 3:
                System.out.println("You chose 3");
                break:
            default:
                System.out.print/ln("You chose an invalid number");
                break;
        System.out.println("Choose a number between 1 and 3");
        choice = input.nextInt();
    }
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```

This gives the following output

```
Choose a number between 1 and 3
2
You chose 2
Choose a number between 1 and 3
3
You chose 3
Choose a number between 1 and 3
9
You chose an invalid number
Choose a number between 1 and 3
0
```

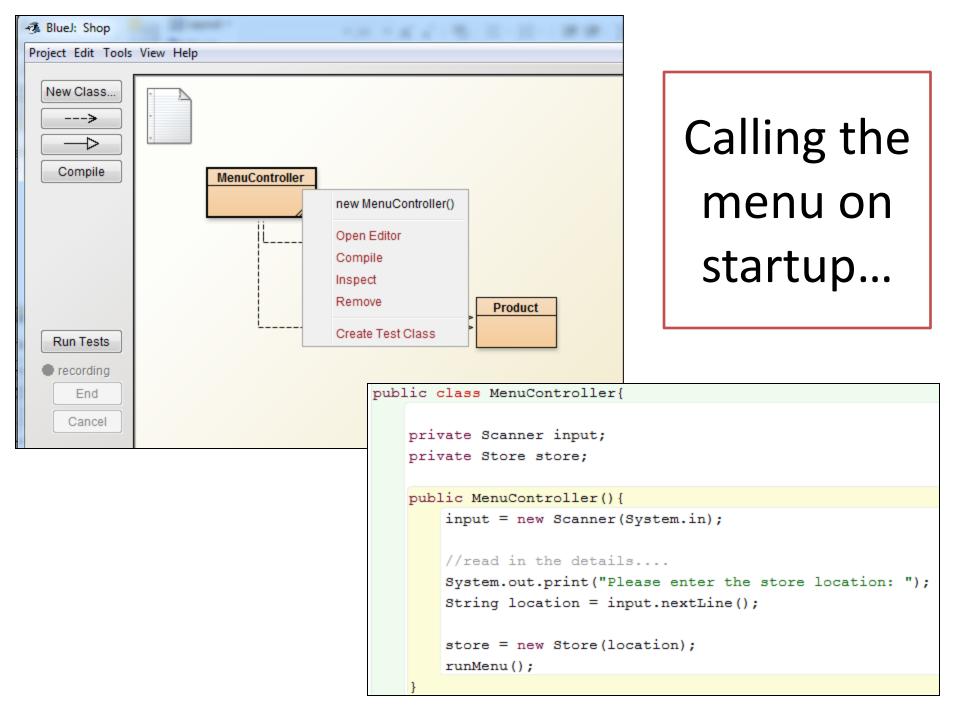
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Adding a basic menu to Shop...

```
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    System.out.println(" 1) Add a Product");
    System.out.println(" 2) Remove Product (by index)");
    System.out.println(" 3) List the Products");
   System.out.println(" 4) List the cheapest product");
    System.out.println("-----");
    System.out.println(" 5) View store details");
    System.out.println(" 0) Exit");
    System.out.print("==>> ");
    int option = input.nextInt();
   return option;
```

```
private void runMenu() {
   int option = mainMenu();
   while (option != 0) {
        switch (option) {
                       addProduct();
            case 1:
            break;
                       System.out.println(store.listProducts());
            case 2:
            if (store.size() > 0) {
                System.out.print("Please enter the index for the product you wish to delete: ");
                int index = input.nextInt();
                store.remove(index);
            break:
                       System.out.println(store.listProducts());
            case 3:
            break:
            case 4:
                       System.out.println(store.cheapestProduct());
            break;
                       System.out.println(store.toString());
            case 5:
            break;
                        System.out.println("Invalid option entered: " + option);
            default:
            break;
        //pause the program so that the user can read what we just printed to the terminal window
        System.out.println("\nPress any key to continue...");
        input.nextLine();
        input.nextLine(); //2nd read for bug in Scanner; String read is ignored after reading int.
        //display the main menu again
        option = mainMenu();
    //the user chose option 0, so exit the program
    System.out.println("Exiting... bye");
    System.exit(0);
```



The displayed menu...

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Options	
Please enter the store location:	
	🔗 BlueJ: Terminal Window - Shop
	Options
	<pre>Shop Menu 1) Add a Product 2) Remove Product (by index) 3) List the Products 4) List the cheapest product</pre>

Questions?





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