

# Nested loops

**reading: 2.3**

self-check: 22-26

exercises: 10-14

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# Redundancy between loops

```
for (int j = 1; j <= 5; j++) {  
    System.out.print(j + "\t");  
}  
System.out.println();  
  
for (int j = 1; j <= 5; j++) {  
    System.out.print(2 * j + "\t");  
}  
System.out.println();  
  
for (int j = 1; j <= 5; j++) {  
    System.out.print(3 * j + "\t");  
}  
System.out.println();  
  
for (int j = 1; j <= 5; j++) {  
    System.out.print(4 * j + "\t");  
}  
System.out.println();
```

Output:

1	2	3	4	5
2	4	6	8	10
3	6	9	12	15
4	8	12	16	20

# Nested loops

- **nested loop:** A loop placed inside another loop.

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 4; i++) {  
    for (int j = 1; j <= 5; j++) {  
        System.out.print((i * j) + "\t");  
    }  
    System.out.println(); // to end the line  
}
```

- **Output:**

1	2	3	4	5
2	4	6	8	10
3	6	9	12	15
4	8	12	16	20

- Statements in the outer loop's body are executed 4 times.
  - The inner loop prints 5 numbers each time it is run.

# Nested for loop exercise

- What is the output of the following nested for loops?

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++) {  
    for (int j = 1; j <= 10; j++) {  
        System.out.print("*");  
    }  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

- Output:

```
*****  
*****  
*****  
*****  
*****  
*****
```

# Nested for loop exercise

- What is the output of the following nested for loops?

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++) {  
    for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++) {  
        System.out.print("*");  
    }  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

- Output:

```
*  
**  
***  
****  
*****  
*****
```

# Nested for loop exercise

- What is the output of the following nested for loops?

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++) {  
    for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++) {  
        System.out.print(i);  
    }  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

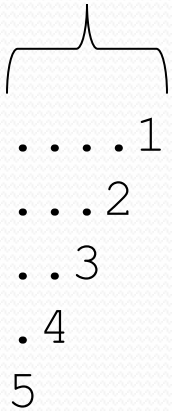
- Output:

```
1  
22  
333  
4444  
55555  
666666
```

# Complex lines

- What nested `for` loops produce the following output?

*inner loop (repeated characters on each line)*



```
.....1
....2
..3
.4
5
```

*outer loop (loops 5 times because there are 5 lines)*

- We must build multiple complex lines of output using:
  - an *outer "vertical" loop* for each of the lines
  - *inner "horizontal" loop(s)* for the patterns within each line

# Outer and inner loop

- First write the outer loop, from 1 to the number of lines.

```
for (int line = 1; line <= 5; line++) {  
    ...  
}
```

- Now look at the line contents. Each line has a pattern:
  - some dots (0 dots on the last line)
  - a number

```
....1  
...2  
..3  
.4  
5
```



# Nested for loop exercise

- Make a table to represent any patterns on each line.

```
.....1
....2
...3
..4
.4
5
```

line	# of dots	$-1 * \text{line}$	$-1 * \text{line} + 5$
1	4	-1	4
2	3	-2	3
3	2	-3	2
4	1	-4	1
5	0	-5	0

- To print a character multiple times, use a for loop.

```
for (int j = 1; j <= 4; j++) {
    System.out.print(".");           // 4 dots
}
```

# Nested for loop solution

- Answer:

```
for (int line = 1; line <= 5; line++) {  
    for (int j = 1; j <= (-1 * line + 5); j++) {  
        System.out.print(".");  
    }  
    System.out.println(line);  
}
```

- Output:

```
.....1  
...2  
..3  
.4  
5
```

# Nested for loop exercise

- What is the output of the following nested for loops?

```
for (int line = 1; line <= 5; line++) {  
    for (int j = 1; j <= (-1 * line + 5); j++) {  
        System.out.print(".");  
    }  
    for (int k = 1; k <= line; k++) {  
        System.out.print(line);  
    }  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

- Answer:

```
.....1  
...22  
..333  
.4444  
55555
```

# Nested for loop exercise

- Modify the previous code to produce this output:

```
.....1
...2.
..3..
.4...
5.....
```

- Answer:

```
for (int line = 1; line <= 5; line++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= (-1 * line + 5); j++) {
        System.out.print(".");
    }
    System.out.print(line);
    for (int j = 1; j <= (line - 1); j++) {
        System.out.print(".");
    }
    System.out.println();
}
```

# Common errors

- Both of the following sets of code produce *infinite loops*:

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {  
    for (int j = 1; i <= 5; j++) {  
        System.out.print(j);  
    }  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {  
    for (int j = 1; j <= 5; i++) {  
        System.out.print(j);  
    }  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

# Building Java Programs

## Chapter 2

### Lecture 2-3: Loop Figures and Constants

**reading: 2.4 - 2.5**

self-checks: 27

exercises: 16-17

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# Drawing complex figures

- Use nested `for` loops to produce the following output.
- Why draw ASCII art?
  - Real graphics require a lot of finesse
  - ASCII art has complex patterns
  - Can focus on the algorithms

```
#=====#  
|           <><>           |  
|           <>...<>           |  
|           <>.....<>           |  
| <>.....<>           |  
| <>.....<>           |  
|           <>.....<>           |  
|           <>...<>           |  
|           <><>           |  
#=====#
```

# Development strategy

- Recommendations for managing complexity:
  1. Write an English description of steps required (*pseudo-code*)
    - use pseudo-code to decide methods
  2. Create a table of patterns of characters
    - use table to write loops in each method

```
#=====#  
|           <><>           |  
|           <> . . . . <>           |  
|           <> . . . . . . . . <>           |  
| <> . . . . . . . . . . . . <> |  
| <> . . . . . . . . . . . . <> |  
|           <> . . . . . . . . <>           |  
|           <> . . . . <>           |  
|           <><>           |  
#=====#
```



# 1. Pseudo-code

- **pseudo-code:** An English description of an algorithm.
- Example: Drawing a 12 wide by 7 tall box of stars

```
print 12 stars.  
for (each of 5 lines) {  
    print a star.  
    print 10 spaces.  
    print a star.  
}  
print 12 stars.
```

```
* * * * * * * * * * * *  
*                               *  
*                               *  
*                               *  
*                               *  
*                               *  
*                               *  
* * * * * * * * * * * *
```

# Pseudo-code algorithm

## 1. Line

- # , 16 =, #

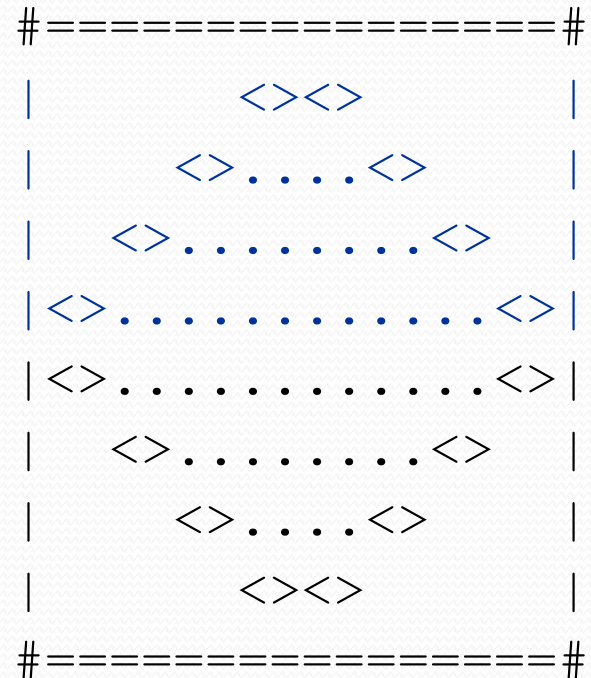
## 2. Top half

- |
- spaces (decreasing)
- <>
- dots (increasing)
- <>
- spaces (same as above)
- |

## 3. Bottom half (top half upside-down)

## 4. Line

- # , 16 =, #



# Methods from pseudocode

```
public class Mirror {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        line();
        topHalf();
        bottomHalf();
        line();
    }

    public static void topHalf() {
        for (int line = 1; line <= 4; line++) {
            // contents of each line
        }
    }

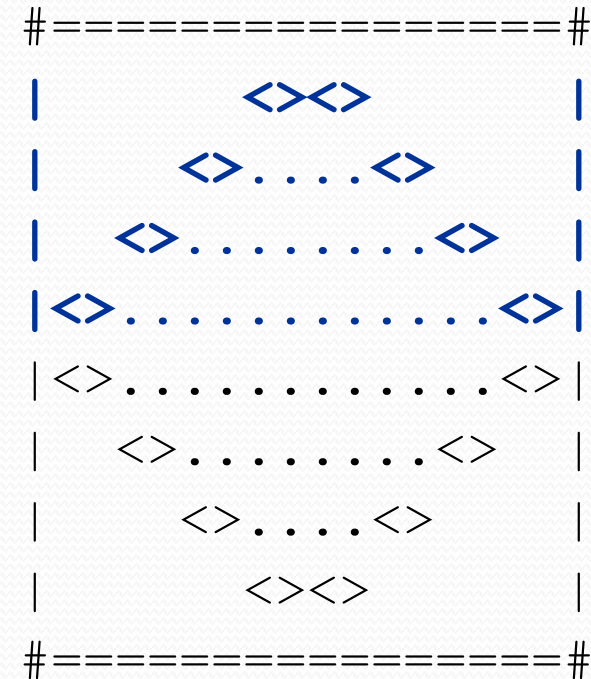
    public static void bottomHalf() {
        for (int line = 1; line <= 4; line++) {
            // contents of each line
        }
    }

    public static void line() {
        // ...
    }
}
```

# 2. Tables

- A table for the top half:
  - Compute spaces and dots expressions from line number

line	spaces	$\text{line} * -2 + 8$	dots	$4 * \text{line} - 4$
1	6	6	0	0
2	4	4	4	4
3	2	2	8	8
4	0	0	12	12



# 3. Writing the code

- Useful questions about the top half:
  - What methods? (think structure and redundancy)
  - Number of (nested) loops per line?

```
#=====#  
|           <><>           |  
|           <> . . . <>     |  
|        <> . . . . . <>    |  
| <> . . . . . . . . . <> |  
| <> . . . . . . . . . <> |  
|           <> . . . . . <> |  
|           <> . . . . <>   |  
|           <><>           |  
#=====#
```

# Partial solution

// Prints the expanding pattern of <> for the top half of the figure.

```
public static void topHalf() {
    for (int line = 1; line <= 4; line++) {
        System.out.print("|");

        for (int space = 1; space <= (line * -2 + 8); space++) {
            System.out.print(" ");
        }

        System.out.print("<>");

        for (int dot = 1; dot <= (line * 4 - 4); dot++) {
            System.out.print(".");
        }

        System.out.print("<>");

        for (int space = 1; space <= (line * -2 + 8); space++) {
            System.out.print(" ");
        }

        System.out.println("|");
    }
}
```

# Class constants and scope

**reading: 2.4**

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# Scaling the mirror

- Let's modify our Mirror program so that it can scale.
  - The current mirror (left) is at size 4; the right is at size 3.
- We'd like to structure the code so we can scale the figure by changing the code in just one place.

```
#=====#
|          <><>          |
|          <>...<>          |
|          <>.....<>          |
| <>.....<>          |
| <>.....<>          |
|          <>.....<>          |
|          <>...<>          |
|          <><>          |
#=====#
```

```
#=====#
|          <><>          |
|          <>...<>          |
| <>.....<>          |
| <>.....<>          |
|          <>...<>          |
|          <><>          |
#=====#
```



# Limitations of variables

- Idea: Make a variable to represent the size.
  - Use the variable's value in the methods.
- Problem: A variable in one method can't be seen in others.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    int size = 4;
    topHalf();
    printBottom();
}

public static void topHalf() {
    for (int i = 1; i <= size; i++) {           // ERROR: size not found
        ...
    }
}

public static void bottomHalf() {
    for (int i = max; i >= 1; i--) {           // ERROR: size not found
        ...
    }
}
```

# Variable scope

- **scope:** The part of a program where a variable exists.
  - From its declaration to the end of the { } braces
    - A variable declared in a `for` loop exists only in that loop.
    - A variable declared in a method exists only in that method.

```
public static void example() {  
    int x = 3;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {  
        System.out.println(x);  
    }  
    // i no longer exists here  
} // x ceases to exist here
```

i's scope

x's scope

# Scope implications

- Variables without overlapping scope can have same name.

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 100; i++) {  
    System.out.print("/");  
}  
for (int i = 1; i <= 100; i++) {    // OK  
    System.out.print("\\");  
}  
int i = 5;                        // OK: outside of loop's scope
```

- A variable can't be declared twice or used out of its scope.

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 100 * line; i++) {  
    int i = 2;                        // ERROR: overlapping scope  
    System.out.print("/");  
}  
i = 4;                                // ERROR: outside scope
```

# Class constants

- **class constant:** A value visible to the whole program.
  - value can only be set at declaration
  - value can't be changed while the program is running

- **Syntax:**

```
public static final type name = value;
```

- name is usually in ALL\_UPPER\_CASE

- **Examples:**

```
public static final int DAYS_IN_WEEK = 7;  
public static final double INTEREST_RATE = 3.5;  
public static final int SSN = 658234569;
```



# Repetitive figure code

```
public class Sign {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        drawLine();
        drawBody();
        drawLine();
    }

    public static void drawLine() {
        System.out.print("+");
        for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {
            System.out.print("/\\");
        }
        System.out.println("+");
    }

    public static void drawBody() {
        for (int line = 1; line <= 5; line++) {
            System.out.print("|");
            for (int spaces = 1; spaces <= 20; spaces++) {
                System.out.print(" ");
            }
            System.out.println("|");
        }
    }
}
```

# Adding a constant

```
public class Sign {
    public static final int HEIGHT = 5;

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        drawLine();
        drawBody();
        drawLine();
    }

    public static void drawLine() {
        System.out.print("+");
        for (int i = 1; i <= HEIGHT * 2; i++) {
            System.out.print("/\\");
        }
        System.out.println("+");
    }

    public static void drawBody() {
        for (int line = 1; line <= HEIGHT; line++) {
            System.out.print("|");
            for (int spaces = 1; spaces <= HEIGHT * 4; spaces++) {
                System.out.print(" ");
            }
            System.out.println("|");
        }
    }
}
```

# Complex figure w/ constant

- Modify the Mirror code to be resizable using a constant.

A mirror of size 4:

```
#=====#  
|           <><>           |  
|       <> . . . . <>       |  
|   <> . . . . . . . . <>   |  
| <> . . . . . . . . . . <> |  
| <> . . . . . . . . . . <> |  
|   <> . . . . . . . . <>   |  
|       <> . . . . <>       |  
|           <><>           |  
#=====#
```

A mirror of size 3:

```
#=====#  
|           <><>           |  
|       <> . . . . <>       |  
| <> . . . . . . . . <> |  
| <> . . . . . . . . <> |  
|   <> . . . . <>   |  
|           <><>           |  
#=====#
```



# Using a constant

- Constant allows many methods to refer to same value:

```
public static final int SIZE = 4;
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    topHalf();  
    printBottom();  
}
```

```
public static void topHalf() {  
    for (int i = 1; i <= SIZE; i++) {           // OK  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

```
public static void bottomHalf() {  
    for (int i = SIZE; i >= 1; i--) {           // OK  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

# Loop tables and constant

- Let's modify our loop table to use `SIZE`
  - This can change the  $b$  in  $y = mx + b$

SIZE	line	spaces	$-2*\text{line} + (2*SIZE)$	dots	$4*\text{line} - 4$
4	1,2,3,4	6,4,2,0	$-2*\text{line} + \mathbf{8}$	0,4,8,12	$4*\text{line} - 4$
3	1,2,3	4,2,0	$-2*\text{line} + \mathbf{6}$	0,4,8	$4*\text{line} - 4$

```
#=====#
|           |
|      <><> |
|     <>...<> |
|    <>.....<> |
|   <>.....<> |
|  <>.....<> |
| <>.....<> |
| <>.....<> |
|  <>.....<> |
|   <>.....<> |
|    <>.....<> |
|     <>...<> |
|      <><> |
|           |
#=====#
```

```
#=====#
|           |
|      <><> |
|     <>...<> |
|    <>.....<> |
|   <>.....<> |
|  <>.....<> |
| <>.....<> |
| <>.....<> |
|  <>.....<> |
|   <>.....<> |
|    <>...<> |
|     <><> |
|           |
#=====#
```

# Partial solution

```
public static final int SIZE = 4;
```

```
// Prints the expanding pattern of <> for the top half of the figure.
```

```
public static void topHalf() {  
    for (int line = 1; line <= SIZE; line++) {  
        System.out.print("|");  
  
        for (int space = 1; space <= (line * -2 + (2*SIZE)); space++) {  
            System.out.print(" ");  
        }  
  
        System.out.print("<>");  
  
        for (int dot = 1; dot <= (line * 4 - 4); dot++) {  
            System.out.print(".");  
        }  
  
        System.out.print("<>");  
  
        for (int space = 1; space <= (line * -2 + (2*SIZE)); space++) {  
            System.out.print(" ");  
        }  
  
        System.out.println("|");  
    }  
}
```

# Observations about constant

- The constant can change the "intercept" in an expression.
  - Usually the "slope" is unchanged.

```
public static final int SIZE = 4;

for (int space = 1; space <= (line * -2 + (2 * SIZE)); space++) {
    System.out.print(" ");
}
```

- It doesn't replace *every* occurrence of the original value.

```
for (int dot = 1; dot <= (line * 4 - 4); dot++) {
    System.out.print(".");
}
```