

Is this wrong?

```
int y;
if (x < 0) {
    y = 1;
}
if (x >= 0) {
    y = 0;
}
```

- syntax
 - no problems
 - each statement is a legal statement
 - only rules about statement order have to do with defining names and initializing variables before they are used
- logic
 - no problems
 - assuming the intent is that y is 1 if x < 0 and 0 otherwise

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- structural semantics
 - as written, the two ifs are independent
 - in principle, both conditions can be true, both can be false, or one can be true and the other false
 - y could end up as 1, 0, or uninitialized
 - but that's not the case with these particular conditions
 - exactly one condition will be true
 - exactly one of y = 1 and y = 0 will occur – y will not be left uninitialized
 - it is desirable for the program structure to match the situation
 - use the patterns – do or not do, two alternatives, more than two alternatives (do nothing is one, do nothing is not one)

The Big Picture

Repetition – (loops)

- syntax and semantics
- programming with loops

Loops – Syntax and Semantics

- while loop

```
while ( condition ) {
    body
}
```

- test the condition
 - if it is true, do the body and test the condition again
 - if it is false, end the loop

- for loop

```
for ( initialization ; condition ; update ) {
    body
}
```

- do the initialization
- test the condition
 - if it is true, do the body followed by the update and test the condition again
 - if it is false, end the loop

Semantics – while, for

```
int n = 20;
while ( n > 0 ) {
    System.out.println(n);
    n = n/2;
}
```

20
10
5
2
1

```
for ( int x = 0 ; x < 10 ; x = x+2 ) {
    System.out.println(x/2);
}
```

0
1
2
3
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Loops – Syntax and Semantics

- both kinds of loops are equivalent
 - you should be able to read both
 - some people prefer for loops for counting loops and while loops otherwise
 - it is OK to only write one kind (for loops recommended)

Loops – Syntax and Semantics

- break
 - only legal in a loop body
 - immediately exit the nearest enclosing loop
- continue
 - only legal in a loop body
 - skip the rest of the loop body; go straight to the loop condition (while) or update and loop condition (for)

break, continue

What does this code do?

```
Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);
int x, y;
x = 0;
while ( x < 20 ) {
    y = scanner.nextInt();
    if ( y == 0 ) {
        break;
    }
    System.out.println(y);
    x = x+1;
}
```

Prints out (only) non-zero numbers that the user enters, stopping when 20 numbers have been printed.

Prints out (only) the non-zero numbers that the user enters, stopping when 20 numbers have been printed or the user enters a 0 (whichever comes first).

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    y = scanner.nextInt();
    if ( y == 0 ) {
        continue;
    }
    System.out.println(y);
    x = x+1;
}
```

Program Development With Loops

Strategy –

- identify the core structure of a task
 - does this task involve repetition?
- get more specific – identify which variation
 - repetition
 - repeat until condition
 - repeat as long as condition
 - repeat n times
 - repeat for values a to b (with an interval of c)
- fill in the elements in the pattern
 - basic task – what repeats? how many times / how long?
 - loop variables – what changes from one repetition to the next?
 - timing of the loop condition test
 - declare, initialize, update loop variables – where is the value needed? how do things start? how do things change from one repetition to the next?

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Program Development With Loops

Code structure –

- repeat until condition

```
while ( !condition ) { body }
for ( ; !condition ; ) { body }
```
- repeat as long as condition

```
while ( condition ) { body }
for ( ; condition ; ) { body }
```
- repeat n times (counting loop)

```
for ( int i = 0 ; i < n ; i++ ) { body }
```
- repeat for values a to b (by an interval of c)

```
for ( int i = a ; i <= b ; i += c ) { body }
```

 - < if the value b is not included in the range, <= if it is

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Program Development With Loops

- what repeats? → loop body
- how many times / how long? → loop condition
- what changes from one repetition to the next? → loop variables
- what is the timing of the loop condition test? → loop structure
 - before any part of the loop body task → standard
 - in the middle of the loop body task → fencepost
 - after the loop body task → clever initialization or fencepost
- declare, initialize, update loop variables
 - where is the value needed? → location of declaration
 - for no longer than a single repetition → local in body
 - only during the loop repetitions, spans repetitions → in init part of for loop or before while loop
 - after the loop as well → before loop
 - how do things start? → initialization
 - how do things change from one repetition to the next? → update