# Processing: Looping Statements

CST112

# 2 Algorithms

- Procedure for solving problem:
  - 1. Actions to be executed
  - 2. Order in which actions are executed
- The order of the elements of an algorithm are very important ...
  - Even if the order *appears* insignificant, errors can have far-reaching results

#### **3** Research of Bohm and Jacopini

- They proposed that all programs can be written in terms of three control structures:
  - The type of instructions that specify the order in which statements in a program is executed
  - 1. Sequence structure—step by step in order
  - 2. Selection (decision or conditional) structure
  - 3. Repetition (iteration or loop) structure-repeating blocks of statements

# 4 Iteration (Loop) Statements

- Provides repeated execution of a block of statements
- The loop continues:
  - 1. A specified number of times (counter-controlled) or ...
  - 2. While a *condition* is met (sentinel-controlled)
- Also called repetition or do while structure
  - Meaning do the loop while condition is True

# 5 🔲 Iteration (Loop) Pattern

- One or more statements in a block are executed repeatedly
- Loop continues while certain condition is true

while (Another rectangle?)

{

*Set random fill color, Set size 10 pixels smaller, Draw rectangle,* 

}

# 6 🔲 The for Loop

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- Implements a loop by *counting* a specific number of iterations (repetitions)
   Counter-controlled looping
- Appropriate when exact number of loop repetitions is known
- Format:

for (initialize; booleanExpression; increment)

{

Statement(s) to be repeated;

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• Example (three expressions in the parentheses):

for (ctr = 0; ctr <= 9; ctr = ctr + 1)

- The *initialize* component (ctr = 0)
  - •Value assigned to a *counter* variable when the loop is first encountered in the program
- The *booleanExpression* component (ctr <= 9)</li>
   *Relation condition* which is tested to determine if the loop should be entered again
- The *increment* component (ctr = ctr + 1)
  - •Indicates by what value the counter *changes* at the beginning of each subsequent loop

#### 19 Strings

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- A string is a sequence of characters
- Strings are always defined inside double quotes ("abc")
   Alternately characters (type char) are always defined inside single quotes ('a') and may only contain a single character

#### 20 Strings

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- The class String includes methods for:
  - •Examining individual characters within strings
  - Comparing strings
  - Searching strings
  - •Extracting parts of strings
  - $\bullet \ensuremath{\mathsf{Converting}}$  an entire string to uppercase or lowercase
  - •Etc.

21 The text() Function

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- "Draws" data to the screen
  - •The data may be *text*, a char, an int or a float
- Displays the information specified in the first parameter on the screen in the position specified by the additional two parameters
- By default the text displays starting from and then to the right of the positions coordinates
- The fill() function controls the color of the text (default always is white)

#### 22 The text() Function (Page 2)

- Format: text(*theData*, *xCoordinate*, *yCoordinate*);
- Examples: text("Hello", mouseX, mouseY); text(ctr, 100, 100);

#### 26 Relationship of draw() and mousePressed() functions

- A draw() function is needed so the output from the mousePressed() function will be visible
- This is true even if draw() is empty; otherwise there will be no output to the Processing output window

#### 27 Assignment Operators

- Also known as op equals operators
- Assigns an *updated* value to a variable

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Operator
                           Example
                                           Explanation
          +=
                 ctr += 1; ctr = ctr + 1;
                 ctr = 17; ctr = ctr - 17;
          -=
          *=
                 ctr *= 8; ctr = ctr * 8;
         /=
                 ctr /= 5; ctr = ctr / 5;
30 Unary Operators
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    Unary operators update variables values by adding (increment operator) or subtracting

        (decrement operator) value of 1 to (or from)
        Operator
                          Example
                                             Explanation
          ++
                   ctr++; ctr = ctr + 1; (post)
                   ++ctr; ctr = ctr + 1; (pre)
          ++
                   ctr--; ctr = ctr - 1; (post)
          --
                   --ctr; ctr = ctr - 1; (pre)
          --
31 Unary Operators
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      • If operator is a prefix, the value is returned after it is increased or decreased:
         •When the variable ctr = 5:
           newVar = ++ctr; // newVar will be 6
      If operator is a suffix, the value is returned before.
         •When the variable ctr = 5:
           newVar = ctr++; // newVar will be 5
      Final value of ctr in both cases will be 6
36 Variable Scope
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    Variables are recognized in the block in which they are declared ...

    Including loop and conditional blocks

    And all subordinate blocks

      If a variable is declared before the first function (i.e. before the setup() function) or
        outside of any function, that variable has global scope

    It is recognized inside every function in application

37 Variable Scope
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    In the following example, the variable ctr only is accessible inside the mousePressed()

        function
         •It would not be accessible in any other function:
         void mousePressed()
         {
           int ctr;
           for (ctr = 0; ctr < 10; ctr++)
            {
              println(ctr);
            }
         }
40 Variable Scope
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 In the following example, the variable ctr only is accessible inside the for block: for (int ctr = 0; ctr < 10; ctr++)</li>

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{
           println(ctr);
         }
         println(ctr);

    The last statement would result in a compile error

48 The while Loop
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    Continues to repeat a loop as long as a controlling condition is true (pre-test)

    The variable controlling the condition is updated by logic within the loop

         •Exact number of loops is usually unknown
      Format:
        while (booleanExpression)
         {
            Statement(s) to be repeated as long as the booleanExpression is true;
         }
49 The while Loop
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      Example:
        int ctr = 600;
         while (ctr > 0)
         {
           rect(width / 2, width / 2, ctr, ctr);
           ctr -= 10;
         }
51 Remember the if Format ...
      Format of the if statement:
         if (booleanExpression)
         {
            Statement(s) to be executed if the booleanExpression is true;
         }
      Format of the while statement:
         while (booleanExpression)
         {
            Statement(s) to be repeated as long as the booleanExpression is true;
         }
52 Comparing for and while
      The for example:
         for (ctr = 1; ctr \leq 10; ctr++)
         {
            println(ctr);
         }
      The while example :
        ctr = 1; // Initialize
         while (ctr <= 10) // Boolean test
         {
            println(ctr);
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ctr++; // Increment
         }
57 The do while Loop
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    Continues to repeat a loop as long as a controlling condition is true

    Performs the test at the conclusion of the execution of each loop (post-test)

      Format:
         do
         {
           Statement(s) to be repeated as long as the booleanExpression is true;
         }
         while (booleanExpression);
58 The do while Loop
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      Example:
         do
         {
           rect(mySize / 2, mySize / 2, ctr, ctr);
           ctr -= 10;
         }
         while (ctr > 0);

    A do while loop always executes at least one time

59 Comparing while and do while
      The while Format:
         while (booleanExpression)
         {
           Statement(s) to be repeated as long as the booleanExpression is true;
         }
      The do while Format:
         do
         {
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Statement(s) to be repeated as long as the booleanExpression is true;
} while (booleanExpression);

# 64 D Looping Inside draw() Function

- Effectively any loop structure placed inside the draw() function is a nested loop (an inner loop inside an outer loop)
- Remember that *Processing* only updates the output display at the conclusion of each draw() function
  - •Therefore changes that occur during draw() do not render until each of its iterations is done executing