

# TP4: Iterations in Java

## Exercise 1      Loops

Recall the loop instructions available in Java:

1. The **while** loop: repeat a sequence of instructions as long as a condition is met:

```
while (condition) {  
    // bloc of instructions  
}
```

During the execution, we check if **condition** returns **true** and we execute the block of instruction.

2. The **do... while** loop: repeat a sequence of instruction as long as a condition is verified, but the verification takes place after the block of instruction has completed:

```
do {  
    // bloc of instructions  
} while (condition);
```

3. The **for** loop: a particular case of the **while** loop.

```
for( expression A; expression B; expression C){  
    // bloc of instructions  
}
```

is equivalent to

```
{  
    expression A; // initialization  
    while (expression B) {  
        // bloc of instructions  
        expression C;  
    }  
}
```

Notice that

- **expression A** corresponds to the initialization of the loop
- **expression B** is the condition of the **while** loop
- **expression C** is ran after the block of instruction corresponding to one iteration of the loop is executed.

We can use a **for** loop to vary a counter between two bounds. Example:

```
int i;  
for(i=-10 ; i<=10; i++){  
    System.out.println(i);  
}
```

## Exercise 2      Examples

1. Write a program which:

- (i) Asks an integer number  $n$  from the user
- (ii) Asks  $n$  real numbers from the user
- (iii) Outputs the sum of the  $n$  numbers
- (iv) Outputs the average of the  $n$  numbers

Write a variant of the same program which:

- (i) Asks for a real number from the user **until the number zero is given**
- (ii) Updates the average of the numbers and gives it as an output after each iteration.

2. Trees:

Write a program which draws a tree of a given height  $h$  which is given by the user as an integer. The following types should be available, illustrated for  $h = 5$ .

– A "full tree"

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

– An "empty tree"

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

– A "tree on the side"

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

## Exercise 3      Guess a number

Write a program which realizes the following game. First, the computer chooses a random number  $x$  between 1 and 100. The user will try and guess it and enters successive guesses. After each try, the computer indicates if the given integer is larger or smaller than  $x$ . If the input is equal to  $x$  then the game ends and the number of given inputs is shown.

Modify the program in order that the user can, if he/she wishes, restart the game. When quitting the program, the best score must be plotted.

Below you have a program which chooses random values using the class [Random](#). You can use these commands in your code.

```
/* Example of random number generator */
import java. util .*;

class ChooseNumber {

    static final Random random = new Random();
    public static void main(String [] args) {
        System.out. println ("An integer (int) between 0 included
            and 20 excluded");
        System.out. println (random.nextInt(20));

        System.out. println ("A real (float then double) between 0.0
            included and 1.0 excluded");
        System.out. println (random.nextFloat());
        System.out. println (random.nextDouble());
    }
}
```