Control in Java and Programming . The computer executes your program one statement at a time, from top to bottom within the method/function that's called public int daysIn(int month) { if (month == 1) return 31; if (month == 2) return 28; if (month == 3) return 31; ... } . What is the anatomy of a function? Of an if-statement? How do we specify these?

Lydia Kavraki Awards

Grace Murray Hopper
 Brilliant 10
 "I like to work on problems that will generally improve the quality of our life,"
 What's the thing you love most about science?
 "Working with students and interacting with people from diverse intellectual backgrounds. Discovery and the challenge of solving a tough problem, especially when it can really affect the quality of our lives. I find the

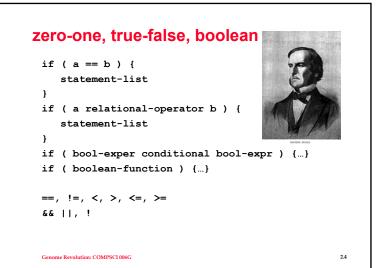


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whole process energizing."

Specifying language constructs public Type Name(parameter-list) { statement-list parameter-list:: empty-list || non-empty-list parameter-list:: Type Name, non-empty-list if (boolean-expression) { statement-list }

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John Kemeny, (1926-1992)

- Invented BASIC, assistant to Einstein, Professor and President of Dartmouth
 - Popularized computers being ubiquitous on campus/at home
 - BASIC ported to early personal computers by Gates and Allen
- Initially BASIC was free, but many different dialects arose. In 1985 Kemeny and Kurtz shipped TRUE BASIC, to challenge Pascal in academia
 - What's used today?

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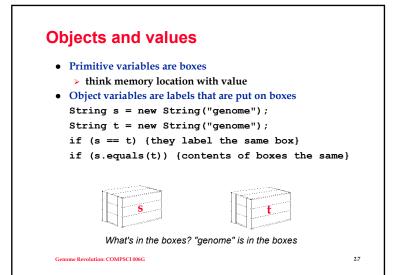
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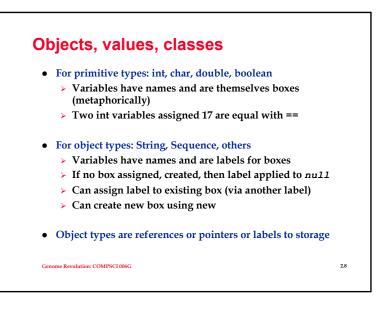
Equality of values and objects

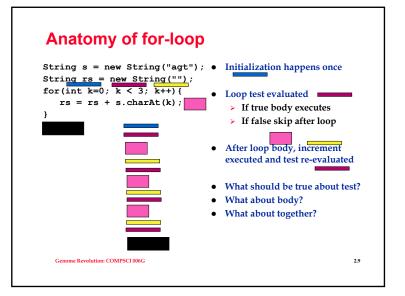
- int x = 3*12; if (x == 36) {is-executed} String s = new String("genetic"); String t = s.substring(0,4); if (t == "gene") {not executed} if (t.equals("gene")) {is-executed}
- Primitive types are boxes
- Object types are labels on boxes
 - > If we don't call new there's no box for the label
 - > No box is called *null*, it means no object referred to or referenced by variable/pointer/reference

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Don Knuth (Art of Programming)



"My feeling is that when we prepare a program, it can be like composing poetry or music; as Andrei Ershoo has said, programming can give us both intellectual and emotional satisfaction, because it is a real achievement to master complexity and to establish a system of consistent rules."

"We have seen that computer programming is an art, because it applies accumulated knowledge to the world, because it requires skill and ingenuity, and especially because it produces objects of beauty."

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