Repetition Statements

- One of the reasons computer programs are great is because they can repeat stuff over and over again very quickly and effortlessly.
- These repetitions are referred to as loops
- The while loop is used to repeat a section of code while a certain condition is met.

while Loops

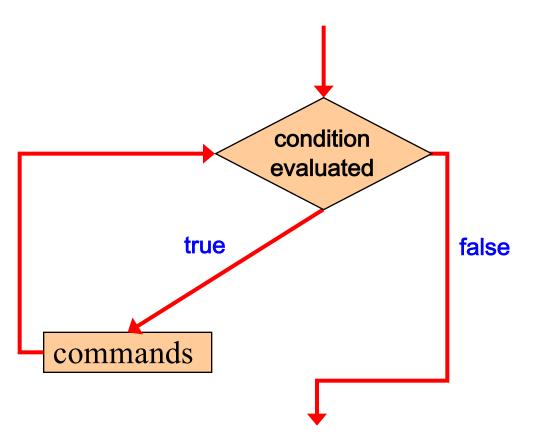
A while loop has the following syntax:

```
while (condition)
{
statement;
}
```

- If the condition is *true*, the statement is execute and the condition is tested again
- if still true, the statement is executed again
- The statement is executed repeatedly until the condition becomes FALSE...Then program moves on to the next line in the program

```
while (SensorValue (S1) > 45) condition
  eraseDisplay();
                             statements
  count = count + 1;
  nxtDisplayCenteredBigTextLine(3,"%d",count);
```

Logic of a while Loop



 If the condition of a while loop is false initially, the statement may never be executed

 How have we created an <u>infinite loop</u> in this class?

```
while (true)
{
    statement (do stuff);
}
```