

I wrote the following program in java:

```
public class untitled {
    public static void main (String args[]) {
        int i = 1;
        String s;
        while(true) {
            i = 2;
        }
        i = 3;
    }
}
```

My compiler refused to compile the document, reporting that `i = 3` was an "unreachable statement." Since the while loop runs forever, we never exit it and never execute the line `i = 3`.

However, if I modify my code like this:

```
public class untitled {
    public static void main (String args[]) {
        int i = 1;
        String s;
        while(true) {
            i = 2;
            break;
        }
        i = 3;
    }
}
```

then the while loop only runs a finite number of times and no error is reported. However, we run into a problem here:

```
public class untitled {
    public static void main (String args[]) {
        int i = 1;
        String s;
        while(true) {
            i = 2;
            if(false) {
                break;
            }
        }
        i = 3;
    }
}
```

The compiler does not report an error for this code even though the loop is infinite.

Please think about the following questions:

- Given the information above, how do you think the compiler checks for unreachable statements?
- Do you think it's possible to write a compiler that would be able to notice any unreachable statements in the code? Why or why not?