

# Topic 1 - CS1A Review - P3

Selection  
Chapter 5 in the shrinkwrap

## Control Structures ( 4 types)

- Sequential

- The program flow moves from one statement to the next in the order it exists in the code (top to bottom)

- Selection (Decision)

- Selection structures make decisions and execute commands depending upon the decision
- If statements or Switch statements

## Control Structures (4 types) (2)

### ◦ Repetition

- Used when something needs to be repeated
  - Could be a certain number of times
  - until a certain value has been reached or
  - a condition has been met

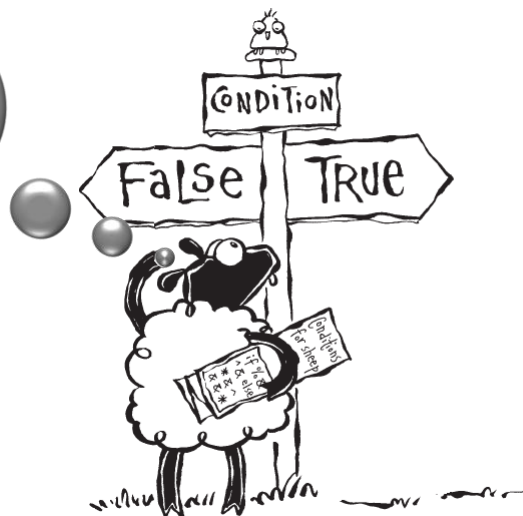
### ◦ Subprograms (functions)

- A small piece of code that performs a specific task.

Today we will focus on **Selection & Repetition**  
Don't worry → We'll cover functions later

## Selection Structures

What if I only  
want some instructions  
to run some of the  
time?



# Selection Structures

## Selection

→ Choosing between two or more alternative actions

- Run certain instructions based on some condition
- Conditions are based on Boolean Expressions
  - An expression that evaluates to 1 of 2 possibilities
  - Either True or False
- The computer evaluates a Boolean Expression and determines which instructions to execute based on the result
- Boolean expressions are formed using relational operators

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# Relational Operators

==	Equal	<b>NOTE:</b> this is not the same as =, = ← is an assignment
<	Less than	
>	Greater than	
<=	Less than or equal	
>=	Greater than or equal	
!=	Not Equal	

We use Relational Operators to compare values in Selection Statements

→ These will return a True (1) or False (0) value.

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# Examples of Boolean Expressions

What will be the result of these Boolean functions?

5 == 5

'a' < 'c'

4 + 3 > 10

10 != 20

6 <= 6

5 >= 9

'A' < 'Z'

'a' < 'Z'

If you compare characters using **relational operators**,  
→ It compares the **ASCII values**  
(in this case 'a' has a greater ASCII value than 'Z')

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ASCII Chart for  
Printing  
Characters

Char	Decimal Value
SP	32
!	33
"	34
#	35
\$	36
%	37
&	38
'	39
(	40
)	41
*	42
+	43
,	44
-	45
.	46
/	47
0	48
1	49
2	50
3	51
4	52
5	53
6	54
7	55

Char	Dec
8	56
9	57
:	58
;	59
<	60
=	61
>	62
?	63
@	64
A	65
B	66
C	67
D	68
E	69
F	70
G	71
H	72
I	73
J	74
K	75
L	76
M	77
N	78
O	79

Char	Dec
P	80
Q	81
R	82
S	83
T	84
U	85
V	86
W	87
X	88
Y	89
Z	90
[	91
\	92
]	93
^	94
_	95
`	96
a	97
b	98
c	99
d	100
e	101
f	102
g	103

Char	Dec
h	104
i	105
j	106
k	107
l	108
m	109
n	110
o	111
p	112
q	113
r	114
s	115
t	116
u	117
v	118
w	119
x	120
y	121
z	122
{	123
	124
}	125
~	126
DEL	127

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## 3-types of Selection Statements

### One-way Decisions

- If the condition is **true** then **execute some instructions**
- If the condition is **false** → **don't do anything special**

### Two-way Decisions

- If the condition is **true** then **execute some instructions**
- else (the condition is **false**) **execute another set of instructions**

### Multi-way Decisions

- Nested If-Then or Nested If-Then-Else Statements
- Many options...

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## 3-types of Selection Statements

### One-way Decisions

- If-Then Statements

### Two-way Decisions

- If-Then-Else Statements
- Conditional Statements

### Multi-way Decisions

- Nested If-Then or Nested If-Then-Else Statements
  - ▣ **Nested Conditional**
- If-Then-Else-If
- Switch statements

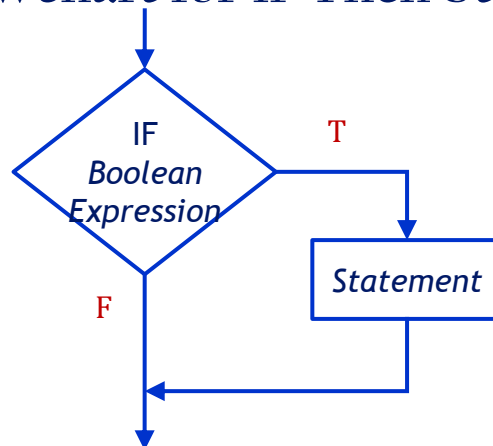
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# If Statements

- If statements take different forms
  - For now we will focus on the 2 basic forms
    - If-Then
    - If-Then-Else
  - Both of these statements can be nested
- A simple “if-then statement” is a one-way stmt
  - One-way decisions
    - If a condition is true → execute some special instructions

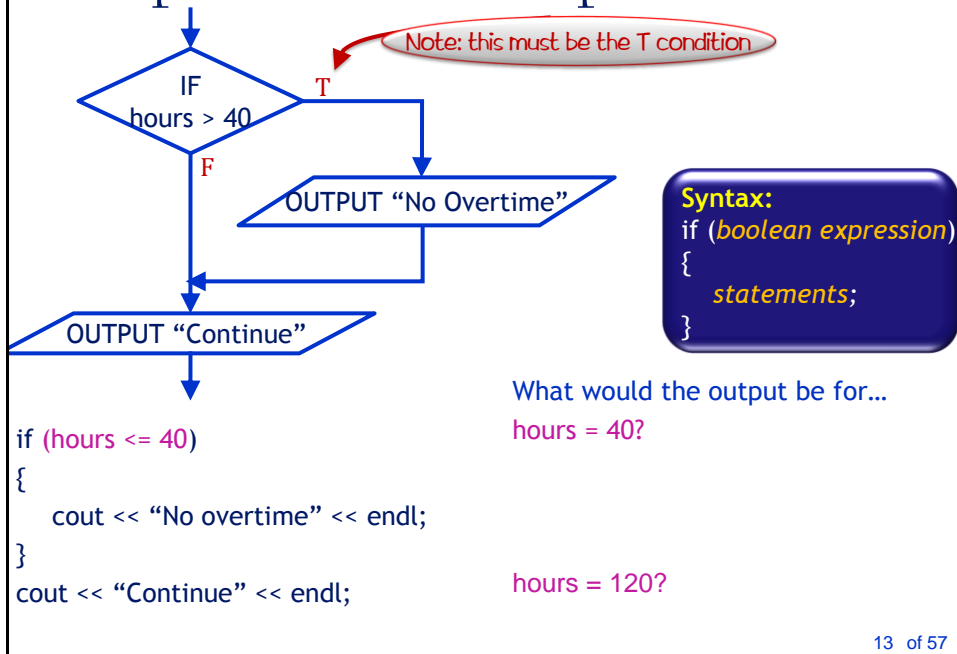
**Syntax:**  
if (*boolean expression*)  
{  
    *statements*;  
}

## Flowchart for If-Then Statement



1. The Boolean expression is evaluated
2. If it evaluates to **TRUE**, then the **True Instructions** are executed
3. If it evaluates to **FALSE** the statement is ignored and the program continues with the next executable statement

## Example: If-Then Example



## Nested If Statements

### • Nested Selection Structure

- Selection structure within another selection structure
- Used when more than one decision must be made before an appropriate action can be carried out
- For example, an If-Then statement that **contains another** If-Then statement (within the statement section)

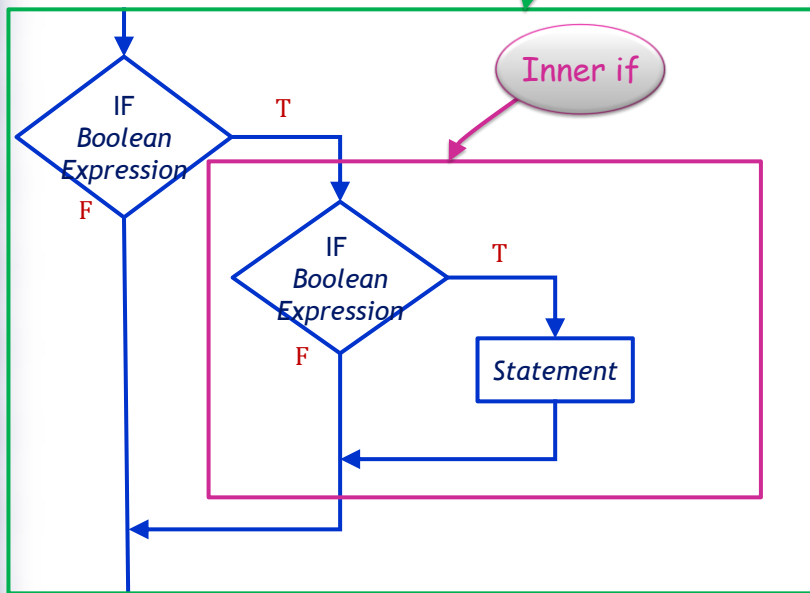
### • Primary Decision

- always made by the outer selection structure

### • Secondary Decision

- Always made in the inner (or nested) selection structure

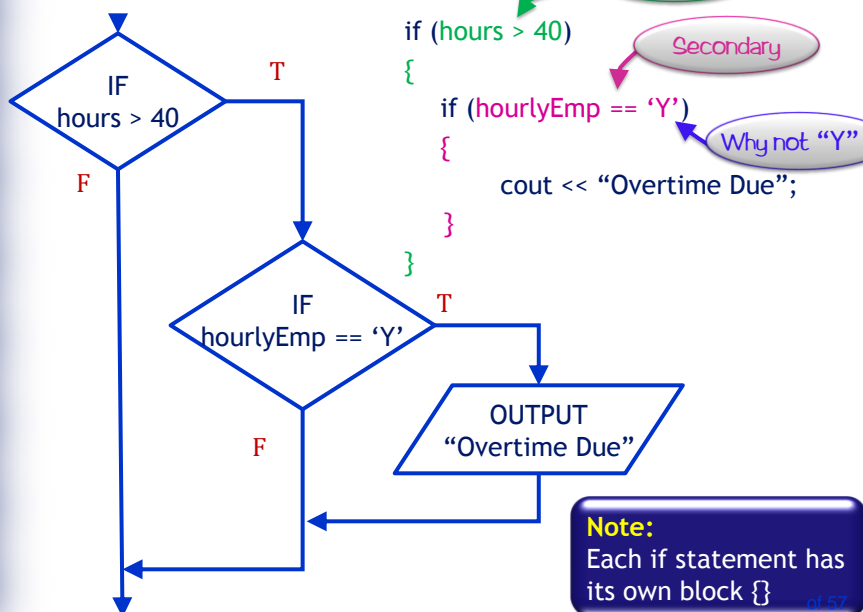
## Nested If Statements



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## Example: Nested If-Then



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# If-Then-Else Statements

- Two-way Decisions
- Either execute one set of instructions or another
- Based on a **Boolean expression**

If the condition is true then

- Execute one set of instructions

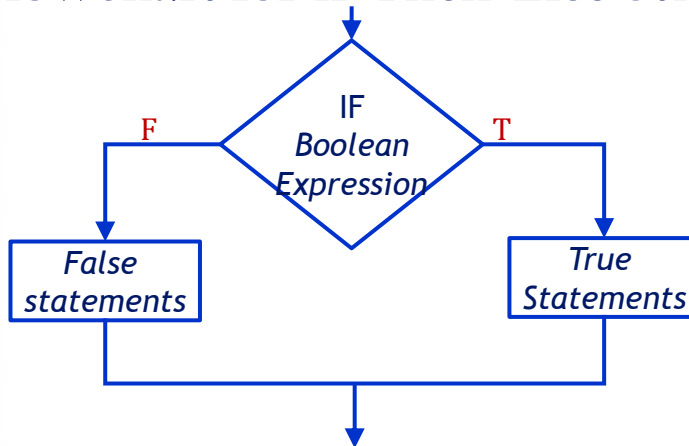
Else

- Execute another set of instructions

## Syntax:

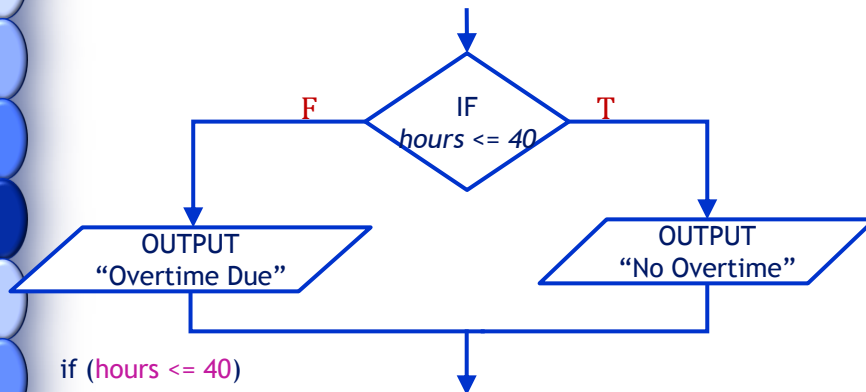
```
if (boolean expression)
{
    statement(s);
}
else
{
    statement(s);
}
```

# Flowchart for If-Then-Else Stmt



1. The Boolean expression is evaluated
2. If it evaluates to **TRUE**, then **statement1** is executed
3. If it evaluates to **FALSE**, then **statement2** is executed

## Flowchart for If-Then-Else Stmt



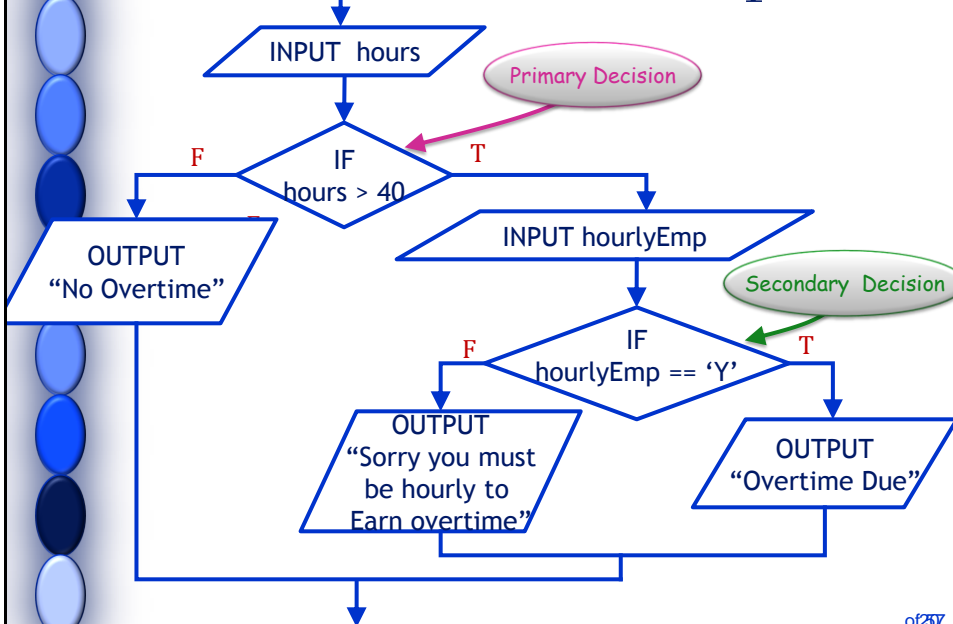
```

if (hours <= 40)
{
    cout << "No Overtime" << endl;
}
else
{
    cout << "Overtime Due" << endl;
}
  
```

If-Then-Else statements  
can also be nested

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## Nested If-Then-Else Example



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```
cout << "Enter hours worked: ";
cin >> hours;
if (hours > 40)
{
    cout << "Are you an hourly employee? ";
    cin.get(hourlyEmp);
    if (hourlyEmp == 'Y')
    {
        cout << "Overtime Due";
    }
    else
    {
        cout << "Sorry, you must be hourly to earn overtime";
    }
}
else
{
    cout << "No Overtime";
}
```

Outer If-Then-Else

Will this work?

Inner If-Then-Else

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## Comparing Floating Point Values

- Floating point values are a little trickier to compare than integers
- This is **because of the way they are stored in memory**
  - They are rounded so it is rare that they will evaluate to be the same (even if you evaluate them to be the same)
- Thus, we just want to check if they are “close enough” to call them equal
- One method
  - First calculate the absolute value of the difference of the two numbers
  - Second, check it against some very small epsilon value

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## Example

```
const float EPSILON = 0.00001;  
float val1, val2;
```

```
if (fabs(val1 - val2) < EPSILON)  
{  
    cout << "values are equal";  
}
```

### **fabs**

→ A C++ library function that returns the **absolute value** of a **floating point** expression.

**EPSILON** is some value which we determine will be within a "close enough" margin  
In this case it is 0.00001

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## Comparing c-strings

Cstrings are stored in an array

- Remember an array is a contiguous area of storage where each element has the same data type
- cstrings are an array of characters
- When you access an array you are working with the **address** of the array → Not the value in the address
- When you make the following comparison:  
`if(stringOne == stringTwo)`

you are comparing the addresses → not the values  
→ the addresses will never be the same

## strcmp function

```
strcmp(c-string1, c-string2);
```

- Compares the contents of string1 and string 2
- Returns:

Return value	if ASCII VALUES are such that
0	string1 == string2
Integer < 0	string1 < string2
Integer > 0	string1 > string2

NOTE: String comparisons should be of the same size

→ can't do

```
char str1[8];
```

```
char str2[10];
```

If (str1 == str2) <<- can't compare these

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## Example

```
char stringOne[10];
```

```
char stringTwo[10];
```

```
cout << "Enter the first string: ";
```

```
cin.getline(stringOne, 10);
```

```
cout << "Enter the second string: ";
```

```
cin.getline(stringTwo, 10);
```

```
if(strcmp(stringOne, stringTwo) == 0)
```

```
{
```

```
    cout << "The strings are the same";
```

```
}
```

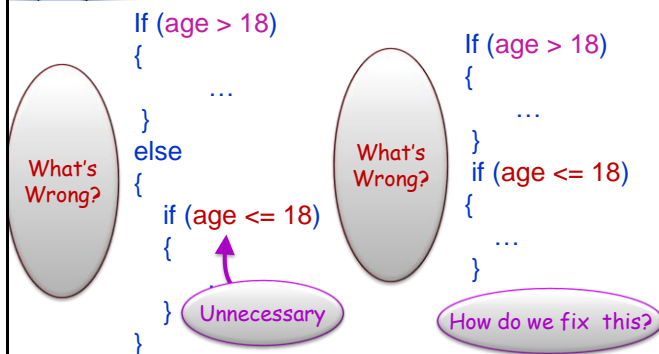
## Common Syntax Errors in If Structures

### Syntax errors:

- Forgetting the parenthesis
  - ▣ Eg. `if (hours > 40) → NOT if hours > 40`
- Putting a “;” at the end of the first line
  - ▣ Eg. `if (hours > 40) → NOT if (hours > 40);`
    - This statement is correct it just won't do anything

## Common Logic Errors in If Structures

- Logic errors are commonly made as a result of the following mistakes:
  - Reversing the primary and secondary decisions
  - Redundancy
    - ▣ Using an unnecessary nested selection structure
  - Using if-then instead of if-then-else



## Conditional Operator

- Shortcut to create a simple if-then-else statement

### Syntax:

(condition? true\_statements: false\_statements);

### Example:

overTime = (hrsWkd > 40 ? (hrsWkd-40)\*rate\*1.5: 0.0);

NOTE: the assignment goes first

Condition to be Tested precedes the?

If true this statement is executed

If false this statement is executed

What would the value of overtime be if

hrsWkd = 40 and rate = 10 ? 0.0

hrsWkd = 60 and rate = 10 ? 300.0

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### Note:

This can also be used with a cout << statement

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## Conditional Operator Example

if (hrsWkd > 40)

overTime = (hrsWkd - 40) \* rate \* 1.5;

else

overTime = 0.0;



overTime = (hrsWkd > 40 ? (hrsWkd - 40) \* rate \* 1.5 : 0.0);

- You can use this anywhere you can use an expression

- an assignment statement (see above)
- or a cout statement

cout << (hrsWkd > 40 ? (hrsWkd - 40) \* rate \* 1.5 : 0.0);

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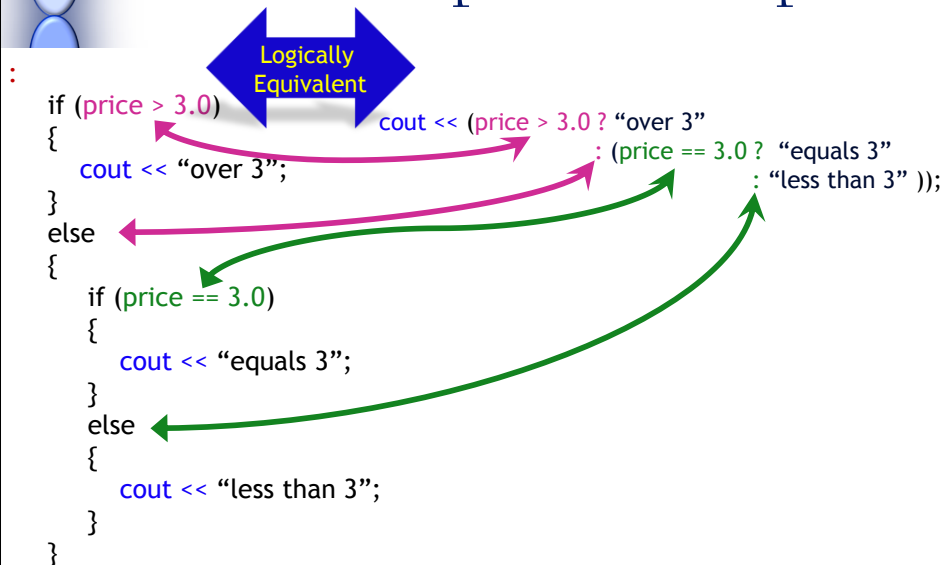
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## You can nest them too

Let's say hourly employees get 1½ \* their rate for overtime, but other employees just get regular pay.

```
overTime = hrsWkd > 40 ? (hrlyEmp == 'Y' ? (hrsWkd - 40)* rate * 1.5  
                        : (hrsWkd - 40)* rate)  
            : 0.0;
```

## Conditional Operator Example





## Exercises

```
int age;
float price;
cout << "Age: ";
cin >> age;
```

Given the above declarations answer the following.

1. Use the conditional operator in an assignment statement that assigns 12.50 to a variable called price if the age is less than or equal to 5 and 25.50 otherwise.
2. Use the conditional operator in a cout statement that outputs 12.50 if the age is less than or equal to 5, 25.50 if the age is less than or equal to 12 and 37.50 otherwise without assigning it to the variable called price. (NOTE: You will need to nest them here)

## 3-types of Selection Statements

- o One-way Decisions
  - If-Then Statements
- o Two-way Decisions
  - If-Then-Else Statements
  - OR
  - *Conditional Statements*
- o Multi-way Decisions
  - Nested If-Then or Nested If-Then-Else Statements
  - OR
  - *If-Then-Else-If*
  - *Switch statements*

Today we will focus on **if-then-else-if**, **switch statements**, & the **conditional operator**.

## If-Then-Else-If

Nested if's are one way of coding multi-way decisions.

If-Then-Else-If statements are also multi-way decisions.

Executes if the first logical expression is true  
→ Otherwise it drops to the next else if

This executes if the 1<sup>st</sup> logical expression was false and the 2<sup>nd</sup> logical expression was true  
→ Otherwise it drops to the next else if and so on

This executes if all the previous logical expressions evaluated to false

### Syntax:

```
if ( logical expression )
{
    stmtT1;
}
else if ( logical expression )
{
    stmtT2;
}
...
else if ( logical expression )
{
    stmtTN;
}
else
{
    stmtF;
}
```

## Example – If-Then-Else-If

Lets say you wanted to output what class a user is in based on a variable called classCode.

classCode is of type char and represents the following values:

F → freshman  
S → sophomore  
J → junior  
R → senior

```
if (classCode == 'F')
{
    cout << "You are a freshman!" << endl;
}
else if (classCode == 'S')
{
    cout << "You are a sophomore!" << endl;
}
else if (classCode == 'J')
{
    cout << "You are a junior!" << endl;
}
else if (classCode == 'R')
{
    cout << "You are a senior!" << endl;
}
else
{
    cout << "Invalid class Code!" << endl;
}
```

It is a good practice to handle unexpected inputs

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# Switch Statement

- Allows for multi-way selection
- Eliminates the need for many nested ifs

## Syntax:

```
switch ( expression )
{
    case constant-expression : statement ;
    ...
    default : statement;
}
```

- If the expression evaluates to the constant- expression then the appropriate statement(s) is executed
- Otherwise the default statement is executed

# Switch Example

```
switch (classCode)
{
    case 'F' : cout << "You are a freshman!" << endl;
                break;
    case 'S' : cout << "You are a sophomore!" << endl;
                break;
    case 'J' : cout << "You are a junior !" << endl;
    case 'R' : cout << "You are a senior!" << endl;
                break;
    default : cout << "You entered an invalid code";
                break; // not necessary but a good habit
}
```

What will happen if classCode == 'J'?

## Break Statement

- The **break** statement forces a block of code to exit (or terminate).
- If you don't break in a switch statements all of the statements succeeding a case will execute!
- This can be useful if you want the same code to execute under multiple cases (or situations).

### WARNING:

Switch statements are the only time you should use the **break** statement.  
It is considered bad practice to use it in a loop

## Break Statement

- Break statement prevents the case statement from following through.
- It can be useful in some situations

```
switch (classCode)
{
    case 'F' :
    case 'f' : cout << "You are a freshman!" << endl;
               break;
    case 'S' :
    case 's' : cout << "You are a sophomore !" << endl;
               break;
    etc.
```

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## Final Notes

- Can an if-then-else (or else-if) structure can replace any switch statement?
- Can a switch statement replace any if-then-else-if structure?
- Switch statements are based off the same variable
  - Best used if there are many unique conditions
- Which statement should you use for a two-way statement?

## Which should you use?

- If you need to compare a range of values (e.g.  $> 5$ .. between 5 and 10)
- If you need to compare values of several variables
- If you need to compare for equality of different values against one variable...

**NOTE:** The statements within any selection structure should be unique to that condition!

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## Unique statements only please

```
if (classCode == 'F')
{
    studentCount = studentCount + 1;
    cout << "You are a freshman!" << endl;
}
else if (classCode == 'S')
{
    studentCount = studentCount + 1;
    cout << "You are a sophomore!" << endl;
}
else
{
    studentCount = studentCount + 1;
    cout << "You are a junior!" << endl;
}
```

What is wrong with this?

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# Boolean Operators

## Logical Boolean Operators & Expressions

Boolean Operators are used to form complex decision statements

Function	Syntax	# of operands
NOT	!	Unary
AND	&&	Binary
OR		Binary

We use these operators in conjunction with relational operators (<, >, ==, etc.)

### George Boole:

Developed Boolean logic and published it in 1847 in his book, "The Mathematical Analysis of Logic"  
This led to the field of symbolic logic.

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## NOT (!)

NOT (denoted as !)

- When it **precedes** a single expression it gives the opposite result.
- Unary operator (only needs 1 operand)

**Example**

!(hrsWkd <= 40)



hrsWkd > 40

Truth Table

Value	after !
T(1)	F(0)
F(0)	T(1)

## Negating the relational operators

! ( a < b )  $\Leftrightarrow$  a >= b

! ( a >= b )  $\Leftrightarrow$  a < b

! ( a == b )  $\Leftrightarrow$  a != b



## AND (&&)

AND (Denoted as &&)

- Combines two logical expressions and requires that both expressions be true for the entire expression to be true

Example

num1 <= 10 && num1 != 5

This expression would be TRUE only if  
num1 <= 10 AND num1 does not = 5

exp1 (num1 <= 10)	exp2 (num1 != 5)	&&
T(1)	T(1)	T(1)
T(1)	F(0)	F(0)
F(0)	T(1)	F(0)
F(0)	F(0)	F(0)

Only time && is  
TRUE is if they  
both are true

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## OR (||)

OR (Denoted as ||)

- combines two logical expressions and states that if either or both of the expressions are TRUE, the entire expression is TRUE

Example

num1 < 1 || num1 > 10

This expression would be FALSE only if  
num1 >= 1 AND num1 <= 10

exp1 (num1 < 1)	exp2 (num1 > 10)	
T(1)	T(1)	T(1)
T(1)	F(0)	T(1)
F(0)	T(1)	T(1)
F(0)	F(0)	F(0)

Only time || is  
FALSE is if they  
both are false

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## DeMorgan's law

- Lets say that exp1 & exp2 are **boolean expressions** so they evaluate to **TRUE** of **FALSE**

Note: The Symbols Change

$\neg(\text{exp1} \ || \ \text{exp2}) \Leftrightarrow \neg\text{exp1} \ \&\& \ \neg\text{exp2}$

$\neg(\text{exp1} \ \&\& \ \text{exp2}) \Leftrightarrow \neg\text{exp1} \ || \ \neg\text{exp2}$

**NOTE:** When using Boolean operators the expression must evaluate to **T** or **F**

## DeMorgan's Law #1

$\neg(\text{exp1} \ || \ \text{exp2}) \Leftrightarrow \neg\text{exp1} \ \&\& \ \neg\text{exp2}$

ex1	ex2	ex1    ex2	!(ex1  ex2)	!ex1	!ex2	!ex1 && !ex2	!ex1    !ex2
T	T						
T	F						
F	T						
F	F						

Note: These values are equivalent

**Exercise - Now it is your turn:**

Using a truth table show DeMorgan's 2<sup>nd</sup> law:

$\neg(\text{exp1} \ \&\& \ \text{exp2}) \Leftrightarrow \neg\text{exp1} \ || \ \neg\text{exp2}$

## DeMorgan's Law #2

$\neg(\text{exp1} \ \&\& \ \text{exp2}) \Leftrightarrow \neg\text{exp1} \ || \ \neg\text{exp2}$

ex1	ex2	ex1 && ex2	!(ex1 && ex2)	!ex1	!ex2	!ex1    !ex2	!ex1 && !ex2

## Exercises

Rewrite the expressions distributing the !

○  $\neg(\text{num1} == \text{num2})$

$\Leftrightarrow$

○  $\neg(\text{num1} == \text{num2} \ || \ \text{num1} == \text{num3})$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$\Leftrightarrow$

○  $\neg(\text{num1} == \text{num2} \ \&\& \ \text{num3} > \text{num4})$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$\Leftrightarrow$

## Math notation is not C++ syntax

$5 < x < 15$  is okay in math

This is not equivalent to  $5 < x < 15$  in C++

How would C++ view this?

Write the equivalent in C++

## C++ uses Short-Circuit Evaluation

- **Short Circuit Evaluation** refers to how a language evaluates logical expressions
- Left to Right order
- When using an **AND** (&&) operator evaluation **stops** as soon as **FALSE** condition is found
- When using an **OR** (||) operator evaluation **stops** as soon as a **TRUE** condition is found

## Declaring a Boolean Variable

The Boolean data type can be assigned one of two values: **true** or **false**.

### Syntax:

```
bool variableName;
```

### EXAMPLE

```
int main()
{
    bool dataOK;
    int n1, n2;

    dataOK = n1 < 4 & n2 != 3;

    if (dataOK)
    {
        cout << "all is good";
    }
    else
    {
        cout >> "bad data";
    }
}
```

How would you  
check  
if dataOK was false?

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## Declaring a Boolean Variable

```
int in1, in2, in3, in4;
bool bl1, bl2;
```

...

```
bl1 = in1 > in2;
```

```
bl2 = in3 > in4;
```

```
if (bl1 && bl2)
```

```
{
```

```
    cout << "The bl1 & bl2 are true") << endl;
```

```
}
```

```
else if (bl1 || bl2)
```

```
{
```

```
    cout << "Either the bl1 is true or the bl2 is true" << endl;
```

```
}
```

```
cout << bl1 << "\t" << bl2;
```

What would output if →

in1 = 32, in2 = 4, in3 = 45, in4 = 5

in 1 = 32, in2 = 4, in3 = 5, in4 = 45

in1 = 4, in2 = 4, in3 = 5, in4 = 45

in1 = 4, in2 = 43, in3 = 45, in4 = 5

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## Order of Precedence (Expanded)

()
++ --
!
* / %
+ -
< <= > >=
== !=
&&
=

Highest



Lowest