Chapter 3

More Flow of Control



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- 3.1 Using Boolean Expressions
- 3.2 Multiway Branches
- 3.3 More about C++ Loop Statements
- 3.4 Designing Loops

Flow Of Control

- Flow of control refers to the order in which program statements are performed
 - We have seen the following ways to specify flow of control
 - if-else-statements
 - while-statements
 - do-while-statements
 - New methods described in this chapter include
 - switch-statements
 - for-statements

3.1

Using Boolean Expressions



Using Boolean Expressions

- A Boolean Expression is an expression that is either true or false
 - Boolean expressions are evaluated using relational operations such as
 - = = = , < , and >= which produce a boolean value
 - and boolean operations such as
 - &&, | |, and ! which also produce a boolean value
- Type bool allows declaration of variables that carry the value true or false

Evaluating Boolean Expressions

 Boolean expressions are evaluated using values from the Truth Tables in

```
    For example, if y is 8, the expression
    !((y < 3)||(y > 7))
    is evaluated in the following sequence
```

```
! (false | true)
! (true)
false
```

Display 3.1

Truth Tables

AND

Exp_1	Exp_2	Exp_1 && Exp_2
true	true	true
true	false	false
false	true	false
false	false	false

OR

Exp_1	Exp_2	Exp_1 Exp_2
true	true	true
true	false	true
false	true	true
false	false	false

NOT

Exp	!(Exp)
true	false
false	true

Order of Precedence

- If parenthesis are omitted from boolean expressions, the default precedence of operations is:
 - Perform ! operations first
 - Perform relational operations such as < next
 - Perform && operations next
 - Perform | | operations last

Precedence Rules

- Items in expressions are grouped by precedence rules for arithmetic and boolean operators
 - Operators with higher precedence are performed first
 - Binary operators with equal precedence are performed left to right
 - Unary operators of equal precedence are performed right to left

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Precedence Rules

```
The unary operators +, -, ++, --, and !. The binary arithmetic operations *, /, %

The binary arithmetic operations +, -

The Boolean operations <, >, <=, >=

The Boolean operations ==, !=

The Boolean operations &&

The Boolean operations | |
```



Precedence Rule Example

The expression

$$(x+1) > 2 | | (x + 1) < -3$$

is equivalent to

$$((x + 1) > 2) | | ((x + 1) < -3)$$

- Because > and < have higher precedence than | |</p>
- and is also equivalent to

$$x + 1 > 2 | | x + 1 < -3$$

Evaluating x + 1 > 2 | | x + 1 < -3

- Using the precedence rules of Display 3.2
 - First apply the unary —
 - Next apply the +'s
 - Now apply the > and <</p>
 - Finally do the | |

Short-Circuit Evaluation

- Some boolean expressions do not need to be completely evaluated
 - if x is negative, the value of the expression
 (x >= 0) && (y > 1)
 can be determined by evaluating only (x >= 0)
- C++ uses short-circuit evaluation
 - If the value of the leftmost sub-expression determines the final value of the expression, the rest of the expression is not evaluated

Using Short-Circuit Evaluation

- Short-circuit evaluation can be used to prevent run time errors
 - Consider this if-statement

```
if ((kids != 0) && (pieces / kids >= 2)) cout << "Each child may have two pieces!";
```

- If the value of kids is zero, short-circuit evaluation prevents evaluation of (pieces / 0 >= 2)
 - Division by zero causes a run-time error

Type bool and Type int

- C++ can use integers as if they were Boolean values
 - Any non-zero number (typically 1) is true
 - 0 (zero) is false

Problems with!

■ The expression (! time > limit), with limit = 60, is evaluated as

```
(!time) > limit
```

- If time is an int with value 36, what is !time?
 - False! Or zero since it will be compared to an integer
 - The expression is further evaluated as

0 > limit

false

Correcting the ! Problem

 The intent of the previous expression was most likely the expression

```
(!(time > limit))
which evaluates as
(! (false))
true
```

Avoiding!

- Just as not in English can make things not undifficult to read, the ! operator can make C++ expressions difficult to understand
- Before using the! operator see if you can express the same idea more clearly without the! operator

Enumeration Types (Optional)

- An enumeration type is a type with values defined by a list of constants of type int
- Example:

Default enum Values

- If numeric values are not specified, identifiers are assigned consecutive values starting with 0
 - enum Direction { NORTH = 0, SOUTH = 1, EAST = 2, WEST = 3}; is equivalent to

```
enum Direction (NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST);
```

Enumeration Values

- Unless specified, the value assigned an enumeration constant is 1 more than the previous constant
- enum MyEnum{ONE = 17, TWO, THREE, FOUR = -3, FIVE}; results in these values
 - ONE = 17, TWO = 18, THREE = 19,
 FOUR = -3, FIVE = -2

Strong Enums

- C++11 introduced a new version of enumeration called strong enums or enum classes that avoids some problems of conventional enums
 - May not want an enum to act like an int
 - Enums are global so you can't have the same enum value twice
- Define a strong enum as follows:

```
enum class Days { Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed };
enum class Weather { Rain, Sun };
```

Using Strong Enums

To use our strong enums:

```
Days d = Days::Tue;
Weather w = Weather::Sun;
```

The variables d and w are not integers so we can't treat them as such.

Section 3.1 Conclusion

- Can you
 - Write a function definition for a function named in_order that takes three arguments of type int?
 The function returns true if the arguments are in ascending order; otherwise, it returns false.
 - Determine the value of these Boolean expressions?
 - Assume count = 0 and limit = 10
 - (count == 0) && (limit < 20)
 - !(count == 12)
 - (limit < 0) && ((limit /count) > 7)

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Multiway Branches



Multiway Branches

- A branching mechanism selects one out of a number of alternative actions
 - The if-else-statement is a branching mechanism
- Branching mechanisms can be a subpart of another branching mechanism
 - An if-else-statement can include another if-else-statement as a subpart

Nested Statements

- A statement that is a subpart of another statement is a nested statement
 - When writing nested statements it is normal to indent each level of nesting
 - Example:

```
if (count < 10)

if (x < y)

cout << x << " is less than " << y;
else

cout << y << " is less than " << x;
```

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An if-else Statement within an if Statement

```
if (count > 0)

if (score > 5)

cout << "count > 0 and score > 5\n";

else

cout << "count > 0 and score <= 5\n";</pre>
```

Nested if-else Statements

- Use care in nesting if-else-statements
- Example: To design an if-else statement to warn a driver when fuel is low, but tells the driver to bypass pit stops if the fuel is close to full. Other wise there should be no output.

Pseudocode: if fuel gauge is below ¼ then:

if fuel gauge is below ¼ then:

issue a warning

otherwise (gauge > ¾) then:

output a statement saying don't stop

First Try Nested if's

- Translating the previous pseudocode to C++
 could yield (if we are not careful)
 if (fuel_gauge_reading < 0.75)
 if (fuel_gauge_reading < 0.25)
 cout << "Fuel very low. Caution!\n";
 else
 cout << "Fuel over 3/4. Don't stop now!\n";
 - This would compile and run, but does not produce the desired results
 - The compiler pairs the "else" with the nearest previous "if"

Braces and Nested Statements

- Braces in nested statements are like parenthesis in arithmetic expressions
 - Braces tell the compiler how to group things
- Use braces around substatements
- Display 3.4 demonstrates the use of braces in nested if-else-statements

The Importance of Braces

```
//Illustrates the importance of using braces in if-else statements.
  #include <iostream>
  using namespace std;
  int main()
       double fuel_gauge_reading;
       cout << "Enter fuel gauge reading: ";</pre>
       cin >> fuel_gauge_reading;
       cout << "First with braces:\n";</pre>
       if (fuel_gauge_reading < 0.75)</pre>
            if (fuel_gauge_reading < 0.25)</pre>
                cout << "Fuel very low. Caution!\n";</pre>
       e1se
            cout << "Fuel over 3/4. Don't stop now!\n";</pre>
       cout << "Now without braces:\n";</pre>
                                                                  This indenting is nice,
       if (fuel_gauge_reading < 0.75)</pre>
                                                                  but is not what the
            if (fuel_gauge_reading < 0.25)</pre>
                                                                  computer follows.
                cout << "Fuel very low. Caution!\n";</pre>
       e1se
           cout << "Fuel over 3/4. Don't stop now!\n";</pre>
       return 0;
  }
Sample Dialogue 1
       Enter fuel gauge reading: 0.1
                                                       Braces make no difference in
       First with braces:
                                                       this case, but see Dialogue 2.
       Fuel very low. Caution!
       Now without braces:
       Fuel very low. Caution!
Sample Dialogue 2
                                                   There should be no output here.
       Enter fuel gauge reading: 0.5
                                                  and thanks to braces, there is none.
       Now without braces:
                                                     Incorrect output from the
                                                     version without braces.
       Fuel over 3/4. Don't stop now!
```

Display 3.4

Multi-way if-else-statements

- An if-else-statement is a two-way branch
- Three or four (or more) way branches can be designed using nested if-else-statements
 - Example: The number guessing game with the number stored in variable number, the guess in variable guess. How do we give hints?

Number Guessing

 The following nested statements implement the hints for our number guessing game

```
if (guess> number)
    cout << "Too high.";
else
    if (guess < number)
        cout << "Too low.");
else
    if (guess == number)
        cout << "Correct!";</pre>
```

Indenting Nested if-else

- Notice how the code on the previous slide crept across the page leaving less and less space
 - Use this alternative for indenting several nested if-else-statements:

The Final if-else-statement

- When the conditions tested in an if-else-statement are mutually exclusive, the final if-else can sometimes be omitted.
 - The previous example can be written as

```
if (guess> number)
   cout << "Too high.";
else if (guess < number)
   cout << "Too low.");
else // (guess == number)
  cout << "Correct!";</pre>
```

Nested if-else Syntax

A Multiway if-else statement is written as

```
• if(Boolean Expression 1)
    Statement 1
 else if (Boolean Expression 2)
    Statement 2
  else if (Boolean Expression n)
    Statement n
 else
    Statement For All Other Possibilities
```

Program Example: State Income Tax

Write a program for a state that computes tax according to the rate schedule:

No tax on first \$15,000 of income

5% tax on each dollar from \$15,001 to \$25,000

10% tax on each dollar over \$25,000

Multiway if-else Statement (part 1 of 2)

```
//Program to compute state income tax.
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
double tax(int net_income);
//Precondition: The formal parameter net_income is net income, rounded
//to a whole number of dollars.
//Returns the amount of state income tax due computed as follows:
//no tax on income up to $15,000: 5% on income between $15,001
//and $25.000; 10% on income over $25.000.
int main()
    int net_income;
    double tax_bill;
    cout << "Enter net income (rounded to whole dollars) $";</pre>
    cin >> net_income;
    tax_bill = tax(net_income);
    cout.setf(ios::fixed);
    cout.setf(ios::showpoint);
    cout.precision(2);
    cout << "Net income = $" << net_income << endl</pre>
         << "Tax bill = $" << tax_bill << endl;</pre>
    return 0;
}
double tax(int net_income)
    double five_percent_tax, ten_percent_tax;
```

Display 3.5 (1/2)

Display 3.5 (2/2)

Multiway if-else Statement (part 2 of 2)

```
if (net_income <= 15000)
    return 0;
else if ((net_income > 15000) && (net_income <= 25000))
    //return 5% of amount over $15,000
    return (0.05*(net_income - 15000));
else //net_income > $25,000
{
    //five_percent_tax = 5% of income from $15,000 to $25,000.
    five_percent_tax = 0.05*10000;
    //ten_percent_tax = 10% of income over $25,000.
    ten_percent_tax = 0.10*(net_income - 25000);
    return (five_percent_tax + ten_percent_tax);
}
```

Sample Dialogue

```
Enter net income (rounded to whole dollars) $25100
Net income = $25100.00
Tax bill = $510.00
```

Refining if-else-statements

Notice that the line else if ((net_income > 15000 && net_income < = 25000))</p>

can be replaced with

else if (net_income <= 25000)

 The computer will not get to this line unless it is already determined that net_income > 15000

The switch-statement

- The switch-statement is an alternative for constructing multi-way branches
 - The example in Display 3.6 determines output based on a letter grade
 - Grades 'A', 'B', and 'C' each have a branch
 - Grades 'D' and 'F' use the same branch
 - If an invalid grade is entered, a default branch is used

A switch Statement (part 1 of 2)

```
//Program to illustrate the switch statement.
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
    char grade;
    cout << "Enter your midterm grade and press Return: ";</pre>
    cin >> grade;
    switch (grade)
         case 'A':
             cout << "Excellent. "</pre>
                   << "You need not take the final.\n";
             break;
         case 'B':
             cout << "Very good. ";</pre>
             grade = 'A';
             cout << "Your midterm grade is now "</pre>
                   << grade << endl;
             break:
         case 'C':
             cout << "Passing.\n";</pre>
             break:
         case 'D':
         case 'F':
             cout << "Not good. "</pre>
                   << "Go study.\n";
             break;
         default:
             cout << "That is not a possible grade.\n";</pre>
    cout << "End of program.\n";</pre>
    return 0;
```

Display 3.6 (1/2)

Display 3.6 (2/2)

Aswitch Statement (part 2 of 2)

Sample Dialogue 1

Enter your midterm grade and press Return: A Excellent. You need not take the final. End of program.

Sample Dialogue 2

Enter your midterm grade and press Return: **B** Very good. Your midterm grade is now A. End of program.

Sample Dialogue 3

Enter your midterm grade and press Return: **D**Not good. Go study.
End of program.

Sample Dialogue 4

Enter your midterm grade and press Return: E That is not a possible grade. End of program.

switch-statement Syntax

```
switch (controlling expression)
   case Constant 1:
                           statement_Sequence_1
                           break;
    case Constant 2:
                           Statement Sequence 2
                           break;
    case Constant n:
                           Statement_Sequence_n
                           break;
    default:
                           Default Statement Sequence
```

The Controlling Statement

- A switch statement's controlling statement must return one of these types
 - A bool value
 - An enum constant
 - An integer type
 - A character
- The value returned is compared to the constant values after each "case"
 - When a match is found, the code for that case is used

The break Statement

- The break statement ends the switch-statement
 - Omitting the break statement will cause the code for the next case to be executed!
 - Omitting a break statement allows the use of multiple case labels for a section of code

```
case 'A':
    case 'a':
        cout << "Excellent.";
        break;</pre>
```

Runs the same code for either 'A' or 'a'

The default Statement

- If no case label has a constant that matches the controlling expression, the statements following the default label are executed
 - If there is no default label, nothing happens when the switch statement is executed
 - It is a good idea to include a default section

Switch-statements and Menus

- Nested if-else statements are more versatile than a switch statement
- Switch-statements can make some code more clear
 - A menu is a natural application for a switchstatement

//Program to give out homework assignment information. #include <iostream> using namespace std; void show_assignment(); //Displays next assignment on screen. void show_grade(); //Asks for a student number and gives the corresponding grade. void give_hints(); //Displays a hint for the current assignment. int main() int choice; do cout << endl << "Choose 1 to see the next homework assignment.\n" << "Choose 2 for your grade on the last assignment.\n" << "Choose 3 for assignment hints.\n" << "Choose 4 to exit this program.\n"</pre> << "Enter your choice and press Return: ";</pre> cin >> choice; switch (choice) case 1: show_assignment(); break; case 2: show_grade(); break; case 3: give_hints(); break;

Display 3.7 (1/2)

A Menu (part 2 of 2)

Sample Dialogue

```
Choose 1 to see the next homework assignment.
Choose 2 for your grade on the last assignment.
Choose 3 for assignment hints.
Choose 4 to exit this program.
Enter your choice and press Return: 3
                                                  The exact
Assignment hints:
                                                  output will
Analyze the problem.
                                                  depend on the
Write an algorithm in pseudocode.
                                                  definition of
                                                  the function
Translate the pseudocode into a C++ program.
                                                  give hints.
Choose 1 to see the next homework assignment.
Choose 2 for your grade on the last assignment.
Choose 3 for assignment hints.
Choose 4 to exit this program.
Enter your choice and press Return: 4
End of Program.
```

Display 3.7 (2/2)

Function Calls in Branches

- Switch and if-else-statements allow the use of multiple statements in a branch
 - Multiple statements in a branch can make the switch or if-else-statement difficult to read
 - Using function calls (as shown in Display 3.7) instead of multiple statements can make the switch or if-else-statement much easier to read

Blocks

- Each branch of a switch or if-else statement is a separate sub-task
 - If the action of a branch is too simple to warrant a function call, use multiple statements between braces
 - A block is a section of code enclosed by braces
 - Variables declared within a block, are local to the block or have the block as their scope.
 - Variable names declared in the block can be reused outside the block

Display 3.8 (1/2)

cout << "Error in input.\n";</pre>

}

Display 3.8 (2/2)

Block with a Local Variable (part 2 of 2)

```
cout.setf(ios::fixed);
cout.setf(ios::showpoint);
cout.precision(2);
cout << number << " items at $" << price << endl;
cout << "Total Bill = $" << total;
if ((sale_type == 'R') || (sale_type == 'r'))
        cout << " including sales tax.\n";

return 0;
}</pre>
```

Sample Dialogue

```
Enter price: $10.00
Enter number purchased: 2
Type W if this is a wholesale purchase.
Type R if this is a retail purchase.
Then press Return.
R
2 items at $10.00
Total Bill = $21.00 including sales tax.
```

Statement Blocks

- A statement block is a block that is not a function body or the body of the main part of a program
- Statement blocks can be nested in other statement blocks
 - Nesting statement blocks can make code difficult to read
 - It is generally better to create function calls than to nest statement blocks

Scope Rule for Nested Blocks

- If a single identifier is declared as a variable in each of two blocks, one within the other, then these are two different variables with the same name
 - One of the variables exists only within the inner block and cannot be accessed outside the inner block
 - The other variable exists only in the outer block and cannot be accessed in the inner block

Section 3.2 Conclusion

Can you

```
Give the output of this code fragment?
{
   int x = 1;
   cout << x << endl;
   {
      cout << x << endl;
      int x = 2;
      cout << x << endl;
   }
   cout << x << endl;
}</pre>
```

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More About C++ Loop Statements



More About C++ Loop Statements

- A loop is a program construction that repeats a statement or sequence of statements a number of times
 - The body of the loop is the statement(s) repeated
 - Each repetition of the loop is an iteration
- Loop design questions:
 - What should the loop body be?
 - How many times should the body be iterated?

while and do-while

- An important difference between while and do-while loops:
 - A while loop checks the Boolean expression at the beginning of the loop
 - A while loop might never be executed!
 - A do-while loop checks the Boolean expression at the end of the loop
 - A do-while loop is always executed at least once
- Review while and do-while syntax in

Syntax of the while Statement and do-while Statement

A while Statement with a Single Statement Body

```
while (Boolean_Expression)
Statement ——Body
```

A while Statement with a Multistatement Body

A do-while Statement with a Single Statement Body

```
Statement ——Body while (Boolean_Expression);
```

A do-while Statement with a Multistatement Body

```
do
{

Statement_1
Statement_2

.

Statement_Last
} while (Boolean_Expression);
```

Display 3.9

The Increment Operator

 We have used the increment operator in statements such as

```
number++;
to increase the value of number by one
```

The increment operator can also be used in expressions:

```
int number = 2;
int value_produced = 2 * (number++);
```

 (number++) first returns the value of number (2) to be multiplied by 2, then increments number to three

number++ vs ++number

- (number++) returns the current value of number, then increments number
 - An expression using (number++) will use the value of number BEFORE it is incremented
- (++number) increments number first and returns the new value of number
 - An expression using (++number) will use the value of number AFTER it is incremented
- Number has the same value after either version!

++ Comparisons

```
■ int number = 2;
  int value produced = 2 * (number++);
  cout << value produced << " " << number;
  displays 4 3
■ int number = 2;
  int value produced = 2* (++number);
  cout << value produced << " " number;
  displays 6 3
```

The Increment Operator as an Expression

```
//Calorie-counting program.
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
    int number_of_items, count,
        calories_for_item, total_calories;
    cout << "How many items did you eat today? ";</pre>
    cin >> number of items;
    total_calories = 0;
    count = 1;
    cout << "Enter the number of calories in each of the\n"</pre>
         << number_of_items << " items eaten:\n";</pre>
    while (count++ <= number_of_items)</pre>
        cin >> calories_for_item;
        total_calories = total_calories
                          + calories_for_item;
    }
    cout << "Total calories eaten today = "</pre>
         << total_calories << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Sample Dialogue

```
How many items did you eat today? 7
Enter the number of calories in each of the 7 items eaten:
300 60 1200 600 150 1 120
Total calories eaten today = 2431
```

Display 3.10

The Decrement Operator

■ The decrement operator (--) decreases the value of the variable by one

```
int number = 8;
int value_produced = number--;
cout << value_produced << " " << number;</pre>
```

```
displays 8 7
```

Replacing "number--" with "--number" displays 7 7

The for-Statement

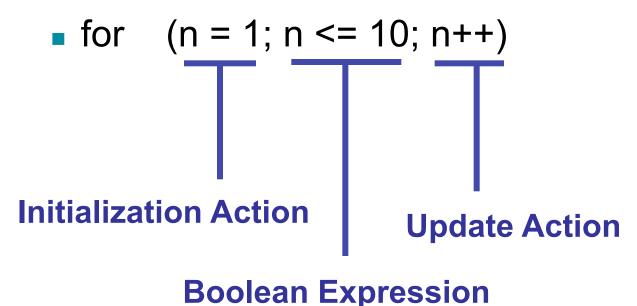
- A for-Statement (for-loop) is another loop mechanism in C++
 - Designed for common tasks such as adding numbers in a given range
 - Is sometimes more convenient to use than a while loop
 - Does not do anything a while loop cannot do

for/while Loop Comparison

```
    sum = 0;
        n = 1;
        while(n <= 10) // add the numbers 1 - 10
        {
            sum = sum + n;
            n++;
        }
        sum = 0;
        for (n = 1; n <= 10; n++) //add the numbers 1 - 10
        sum = sum + n;</li>
```

For Loop Dissection

 The for loop uses the same components as the while loop in a more compact form



for Loop Alternative

- A for loop can also include a variable declaration in the initialization action
 - for (int n = 1; n < = 10; n++)</p>
 This line means
 - Create a variable, n, of type int and initialize it with 1
 - Continue to iterate the body as long as n <= 10</p>
 - Increment n by one after each iteration
- For-loop syntax and while loop comparison are found in

for Statement

```
Syntax
```

```
for (Initialization_Action; Boolean_Expression; Update_Action)
Body_Statement
```

Example

Equivalent while loop

Equivalent Syntax

```
Initialization_Action;
while (Boolean_Expression)
{
    Body_Statement
    Update_Action;
}
```

Equivalent Example

Output

```
100 bottles of beer on the shelf.
99 bottles of beer on the shelf.
.
.
.
0 bottles of beer on the shelf.
```

Display 3.11

Display 3.12

A for Statement

```
//Illustrates a for loop.
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
                    Initializing
                                    Repeat the loop as
                    action
int main()
                                    long as this is true.
{
                                                           Done after each
    int sum = 0;
                                                           loop body iteration
    for (int n = 1; n <= 10; n++) //Note that the variable n is a local
                                       //variable of the body of the for loop!
         sum = sum + n;
    cout << "The sum of the numbers 1 to 10 is "</pre>
          << sum << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Output

The sum of the numbers 1 to 10 is 55

for-loop Details

- Initialization and update actions of for-loops often contain more complex expressions
 - Here are some samples

for
$$(n = 1; n < = 10; n = n + 2)$$

for(
$$n = 0$$
; $n > -100$; $n = n -7$)

for(double
$$x = pow(y,3.0)$$
; $x > 2.0$; $x = sqrt(x)$)

The for-loop Body

- The body of a for-loop can be
 - A single statement
 - A compound statement enclosed in braces
 - Example:

```
for(int number = 1; number >= 0; number--)
{
    // loop body statements
}
```

 Next slide shows the syntax for a for-loop with a multistatement body

Display 3.13

for Loop with a Multistatement Body

```
Syntax
   for (Initialization_Action; Boolean_Expression; Update_Action)
        Statement_1
        Statement_2
                                Body
        Statement_Last
Example
   for (int number = 100; number >= 0; number--)
        cout << number</pre>
              << " bottles of beer on the shelf.\n";
        if (number > 0)
            cout << "Take one down and pass it around.\n";</pre>
```

The Empty Statement

- A semicolon creates a C++ statement
 - Placing a semicolon after x++ creates the statement x++;
 - Placing a semicolon after nothing creates an empty statement that compiles but does nothing

```
cout << "Hello" << endl;
;
cout << "Good Bye"<< endl;</pre>
```

Extra Semicolon

- Placing a semicolon after the parentheses of a for loop creates an empty statement as the body of the loop
 - Example: for(int count = 1; count <= 10; count++); cout << "Hello\n";</p>

prints one "Hello", but not as part of the loop!

- The empty statement is the body of the loop
- cout << "Hello\n"; is not part of the loop body!</p>

Local Variable Standard

- ANSI C++ standard requires that a variable declared in the for-loop initialization section be local to the block of the for-loop
- Find out how your compiler treats these variables!
- If you want your code to be portable, do not depend on all compilers to treat these variables as local to the for-loop!

Which Loop To Use?

- Choose the type of loop late in the design process
 - First design the loop using pseudocode
 - Translate the pseudocode into C++
 - The translation generally makes the choice of an appropriate loop clear
 - While-loops are used for all other loops when there might be occassions when the loop should not run
 - Do-while loops are used for all other loops when the loop must always run at least once

Choosing a for-loop

 for-loops are typically selected when doing numeric calculations, especially when using a variable changed by equal amounts each time the loop iterates

Choosing a while-loop

- A while-loop is typically used
 - When a for-loop is not appropriate
 - When there are circumstances for which the loop body should not be executed at all

Choosing a do-while Loop

- A do-while-loop is typically used
 - When a for-loop is not appropriate
 - When the loop body must be executed at least once

The break-Statement

- There are times to exit a loop before it ends
 - If the loop checks for invalid input that would ruin a calculation, it is often best to end the loop
- The break-statement can be used to exit a loop before normal termination
 - Be careful with nested loops! Using break only exits the loop in which the break-statement occurs

A break Statement in a Loop

```
//Sums a list of ten negative numbers.
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int number, sum = 0, count = 0;
    cout << "Enter 10 negative numbers:\n";</pre>
    while (++count <= 10)</pre>
        cin >> number;
        if (number >= 0)
        {
            cout << "ERROR: positive number"</pre>
                 << " or zero was entered as the\n"
                 << count << "th number! Input ends "
                  << "with the " << count << "th number.\n"
                 << count << "th number was not added in.\n";
            break:
        sum = sum + number;
    }
    cout << sum << " is the sum of the first "
         << (count - 1) << " numbers.\n";
    return 0;
```

Sample Dialogue

```
Enter 10 negative numbers:
-1 -2 -3 4 -5 -6 -7 -8 -9 -10

ERROR: positive number or zero was entered as the 4th number! Input ends with the 4th number. 4th number was not added in.
-6 is the sum of the first 3 numbers.
```

Display 3.14

Section 3.3 Conclusion

- Can you
 - Determine the output of the following? for(int count = 1; count < 5; count++) cout << (2 * count) << " ";</p>
 - Determine which type of loop is likely to be best for
 - Summing a series such as 1/2 + 1/3 + 1/4 + ... + 1/10?
 - Reading a list of exam scores for one student?
 - Testing a function to see how it performs with different values of its arguments

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Designing Loops



Designing Loops

- Designing a loop involves designing
 - The body of the loop
 - The initializing statements
 - The conditions for ending the loop

Sums and Products

- A common task is reading a list of numbers and computing the sum
 - Pseudocode for this task might be:

 This pseudocode can be implemented with a for-loop as shown on the next slide

for-loop for a sum

The pseudocode from the previous slide is implemented as int sum = 0; for(int count=1; count <= this_many; count++) { cin >> next; sum = sum + next; }

sum must be initialized prior to the loop body!

Repeat "this many times"

- Pseudocode containing the line repeat the following "this many times" is often implemented with a for-loop
- A for-loop is generally the choice when there is a predetermined number of iterations
 - Example:

```
for(int count = 1; count <= this_many; count++)
  Loop_body</pre>
```

for-loop For a Product

Forming a product is very similar to the sum example seen earlier int product = 1; for(int count=1; count <= this_many; count++) {</p>
cin >> next;

- product must be initialized prior to the loop body
- Notice that product is initialized to 1, not 0!

product = product * next;

Ending a Loop

- The are four common methods to terminate an input loop
 - List headed by size
 - When we can determine the size of the list beforehand
 - Ask before iterating
 - Ask if the user wants to continue before each iteration
 - List ended with a sentinel value
 - Using a particular value to signal the end of the list
 - Running out of input
 - Using the eof function to indicate the end of a file

List Headed By Size

 The for-loops we have seen provide a natural implementation of the list headed by size method of ending a loop

```
Example: int items;
           cout << "How many items in the list?";
            cin >> items;
           for(int count = 1; count <= items; count++)
                int number;
                cout << "Enter number " << count;
                cin >> number;
                cout << endl;
                // statements to process the number
```

Ask Before Iterating

 A while loop is used here to implement the ask before iterating method to end a loop sum = 0;cout << "Are there numbers in the list (Y/N)?"; char ans; cin >> ans; while ((ans = 'Y') || (ans = 'y')) //statements to read and process the number cout << "Are there more numbers(Y/N)? "; cin >> ans;

List Ended With a Sentinel Value

 A while loop is typically used to end a loop using the list ended with a sentinel value method

Notice that the sentinel value is read, but not processed

Running Out of Input

 The while loop is typically used to implement the running out of input method of ending a loop

```
ifstream infile;
infile.open("data.dat");
while (! infile.eof( ) )
{
      // read and process items from the file
      // File I/O covered in Chapter 6
}
infile.close( );
```

General Methods To Control Loops

- Three general methods to control any loop
 - Count controlled loops
 - Ask before iterating
 - Exit on flag condition

Count Controlled Loops

- Count controlled loops are loops that determine the number of iterations before the loop begins
 - The list headed by size is an example of a count controlled loop for input

Exit on Flag Condition

- Loops can be ended when a particular flag condition exists
 - A variable that changes value to indicate that some event has taken place is a flag
 - Examples of exit on a flag condition for input
 - List ended with a sentinel value
 - Running out of input

Exit on Flag Caution

 Consider this loop to identify a student with a grade of 90 or better

```
int n = 1;
grade = compute_grade(n);
while (grade < 90)
{
    n++;
    grade = compute_grade(n);
}
cout << "Student number " << n
    << " has a score of " << grade << endl;</pre>
```

The Problem

- The loop on the previous slide might not stop at the end of the list of students if no student has a grade of 90 or higher
 - It is a good idea to use a second flag to ensure that there are still students to consider
 - The code on the following slide shows a better solution

The Exit On Flag Solution

This code solves the problem of having no student grade at 90 or higher int n=1; grade = compute grade(n); while ((grade < 90) && (n < number of students)) // same as before if (grade > 90) // same output as before else cout << "No student has a high score.";

Nested Loops

- The body of a loop may contain any kind of statement, including another loop
 - When loops are nested, all iterations of the inner loop are executed for each iteration of the outer loop
 - Give serious consideration to making the inner loop a function call to make it easier to read your program
- Display 3.15 show two versions of a program with nested loops

Display 3.15

```
//DISPLAY 3.15 Explicitly Nested Loops
//Determines the total number of green-necked vulture eggs
//counted by all conservationists in the conservation district.
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
cout << "This program tallies conservationist reports\n"
     << "on the green-necked vulture.\n"
     "Each conservationist's report consists of\n"
     << "a list of numbers. Each number is the count of\n"
     << "the eggs observed in one "
     << "green-necked vulture nest.\n"
     << "This program then tallies "
     << "the total number of eggs.\n";
  int number of reports;
  cout << "How many conservationist reports are there?";
  cin >> number of reports;
  int grand total = 0, subtotal, count;
  for (count = 1; count <= number of reports; count++)
     cout << endl << "Enter the report of "
        << "conservationist number " << count << endl;
```

```
cout << "Enter the number of eggs in each nest.\n"
      << "Place a negative integer at the end of your list.\n";
  subtotal = 0;
  int next:
  cin >> next;
  while (next \geq = 0)
     subtotal = subtotal + next;
     cin >> next;
  cout << "Total egg count for conservationist"
      << " number " << count << " is "
     << subtotal << endl;
  grand total = grand total + subtotal;
cout << endl << "Total egg count for all reports = "
   << grand total << endl;
return 0;
```

Debugging Loops

- Common errors involving loops include
 - Off-by-one errors in which the loop executes one too many or one too few times
 - Infinite loops usually result from a mistake in the Boolean expression that controls the loop

Fixing Off By One Errors

- Check your comparison: should it be < or <=?</p>
- Check that the initialization uses the correct value
- Does the loop handle the zero iterations case?

Fixing Infinite Loops

Check the direction of inequalities:

- Test for < or > rather than equality (==)
 - Remember that doubles are really only approximations

More Loop Debugging Tips

- Be sure that the mistake is really in the loop
- Trace the variable to observe how the variable changes
 - Tracing a variable is watching its value change during execution
 - Many systems include utilities to help with this
 - cout statements can be used to trace a value

Debugging Example

 The following code is supposed to conclude with the variable product containing the product of the numbers 2 through 5

```
int next = 2, product = 1;
while (next < 5)
{
    next++;
    product = product * next;
}</pre>
```

Tracing Variables

Add temporary cout statements to trace variables

First Fix

- The cout statements added to the loop show us that the loop never multiplied by 2
 - Solve the problem by moving the statement next++

There is still a problem!

Second Fix

- Re-testing the loop shows us that now the loop never multiplies by 5
 - The fix is to use <= instead of < in our comparison</p>

```
int next = 2, product = 1;
while (next <= 5)
{
    product = product * next;
    next++;
}</pre>
```

Loop Testing Guidelines

- Every time a program is changed, it must be retested
 - Changing one part may require a change to another
- Every loop should at least be tested using input to cause:
 - Zero iterations of the loop body
 - One iteration of the loop body
 - One less than the maximum number of iterations
 - The maximum number of iteratons

Starting Over

- Sometimes it is more efficient to throw out a buggy program and start over
 - The new program will be easier to read
 - The new program is less likely to be as buggy
 - You may develop a working program faster than if you repair the bad code
 - The lessons learned in the buggy code will help you design a better program faster

Chapter 3.4 Conclusion

- Can you
 - Describe how to trace a variable?
 - List possible solutions to an off-by-one error?
 - Determine the number of fence posts needed for a 100 meter long fence?

Chapter 3 -- End

