

CPT109: C Programming & Software Engineering I

Lecture 3: Operators & Flow Control

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Outline of Today's Lecture (week 3)

- Short Review of Week 2
- Operators (that's mathematical functions)
- Flow control - Branching
 - **if()** choosing to do something
 - **if()... else...** choosing between two things
 - **if()... else if()...** choosing between more things
- Flow Control – Menu's
 - **switch() case...** multiple choice
- Flow Control – looping (repeating)
 - **while...**
 - **do while...**
 - **for...**

Review week 2

- `printf` statements
 - Prints whatever is in the string “...”
 - Prints values from arguments where the type specifier is
 - Prints arguments in whatever format is specified
- `#define`
 - Find and replace function
 - No memory used
 - Faster execution
- variable declaration
 - Value unknown
 - Initialisation

Review week 2

Memory Address	Value	Variable name
0x0000000	????????	a
0x0000001	????????	
0x0000002	????????	
0x0000003	????????	
0x0000004	????????	b
0x0000005	????????	
0x0000006	????????	
0x0000007	????????	
0x0000008	????????	c
0x0000009	????????	

Review week 2

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Operators

Basic Operators

- In addition to the basic mathematical operations:
 - Multiply (*)
 - Divide (/)
 - Subtract (-)
 - Addition (+)
- There is also the modulo operator (%). It returns the remainder of a division e.g. $5/3 = 1$ remainder 2
 - $5/3$ would give the value 1
 - $5\%3$ would give the value 2

Operators in C (Unary)

- Unary operators (involve one variable)

C operation	Operator	Example
Positive	+	a=+3
Negation	-	a=-a
Increment	++	i++
Decrement	--	i--

- The first assigns positive 3 to a
- The second assigns the negative of a to a
- i++ is equivalent to $i = i + 1$
- i-- is equivalent to $i = i - 1$

Pre/Post Increment/Decrement

- ++i and i++ or --i and i—
- These are different, the location of the operation (++ or --) decides when the operation happens
- Operation before variable is a pre operation
- Operation after variable is a post operation

```
int a=9;
```

```
printf("%d\n",a++);
```

```
printf("%d",a);
```

What would the output would be?

Pre/Post Increment/Decrement

What about in this case?:

```
int a=9;
```

```
printf("%d\n",++a);
```

```
printf("%d",a);
```

Assignment Operator

- Assignments can be written in a more shorthand way:

$i = i + 2$ is the same as $i += 2$

- the shorthand is denoted **var op= value**

Question: $x *= y + 1$

Is this equal to $x = x * y + 1$ or $x = x * (y + 1)$?

Relational Operations

- Used to Compare Expressions:

<i>Operator</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
<	is less than
<=	is less than or equal to
!=	is not equal
==	is equal to
>	is greater than
>=	is greater than or equal to

Logical Operations

Used to combine one or more relational expressions

```
if ( (number>6) && (number<12) )  
    printf("You are close!");  
else  
    printf("You Loose!");
```

Complex test expression – tests whether number lies within a range

Operator	Meaning
&&	Logical <i>“and”</i> : True if both arguments are true
	Logical <i>“or”</i> : True if one or both arguments are true
!	Logical <i>“not”</i> : changes True in False and False in True

Logical Operations

Table 4.3 The && Operator (and)

operand 1	operand2	operand 1 && operand2
nonzero (true)	nonzero (true)	1 (true)
nonzero (true)	0 (false)	0 (false)
0 (false)	nonzero (true)	0 (false)
0 (false)	0 (false)	0 (false)

Table 4.4 The || Operator (or)

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Table 4.5 The ! Operator (not)

operand 1	!operand 1
nonzero (true)	0 (false)
0 (false)	1 (true)

Precedence – Relational Operators

Assignment
operators

Relational
operators

Arithmetic
Operators

Lower precedence

Higher precedence

$x > y + 2$ means the same as **$x > (y + 2)$**

$x = y > 2$ means the same as **$x = (y > 2)$**

Precedence – Logical Operators

Arithmetic operators	!	()
----------------------	---	----

Lower → Precedence Higher

Assignment operators		&&	Relational operators
----------------------	--	----	----------------------

```
x=3 > 5 && 10 > 23 || 4 > 2
```

means the same as

```
x=( (3 > 5) && (10 > 23) ) || (4 > 2)
```

```
x=((False && False) || True)
```

Quiz

- Which of the following evaluates to **true**?
- Assume: $P = \text{true}$, $Q = \text{false}$, $R = \text{true}$
 - 1) $(!P \parallel R) \&\& Q$
 - 2) $!(Q \&\& R) \&\& P$
 - 3) $!(P \&\& R) \parallel Q$
 - 4) $P \&\& !Q \&\& !R$

Flow Control - Branching

The option to choose...or not!

- How do you get a program to follow some particular functions and not others?

The option to choose...or not!

- **How do you get a program to follow some particular function and not others?**
- The answer is of course flow control.
- In general, a programming language must provide 3 types:
 - Ordered processing of statements (Sequential execution)
 - Use of a test to decide between alternative sequences (branching/conditional execution)
 - Repeating sequences of statements until a condition is met (looping/iterative execution)

Flow Control Statements

- These enable you, the programmer, to make complex decision making trees, in a program
- They provide a choice of action or repetition of action.
- They require a test expression to be evaluated.
- Test expressions can have **two** values...

What do you think these are?

Flow Control Statements

- These enable you, the programmer, to make complex decision making trees, in a program
 - They provide a choice of action or repetition of action.
 - They require a test expression to be evaluated.
 - Test expressions can have **two** values...
 - **Unsurprisingly they can be true or false:**
 - 0 – Means False**
 - 1 (or nonzero) – Means True**
- Test expressions commonly use relational or logical operations.

Statements and Blocks

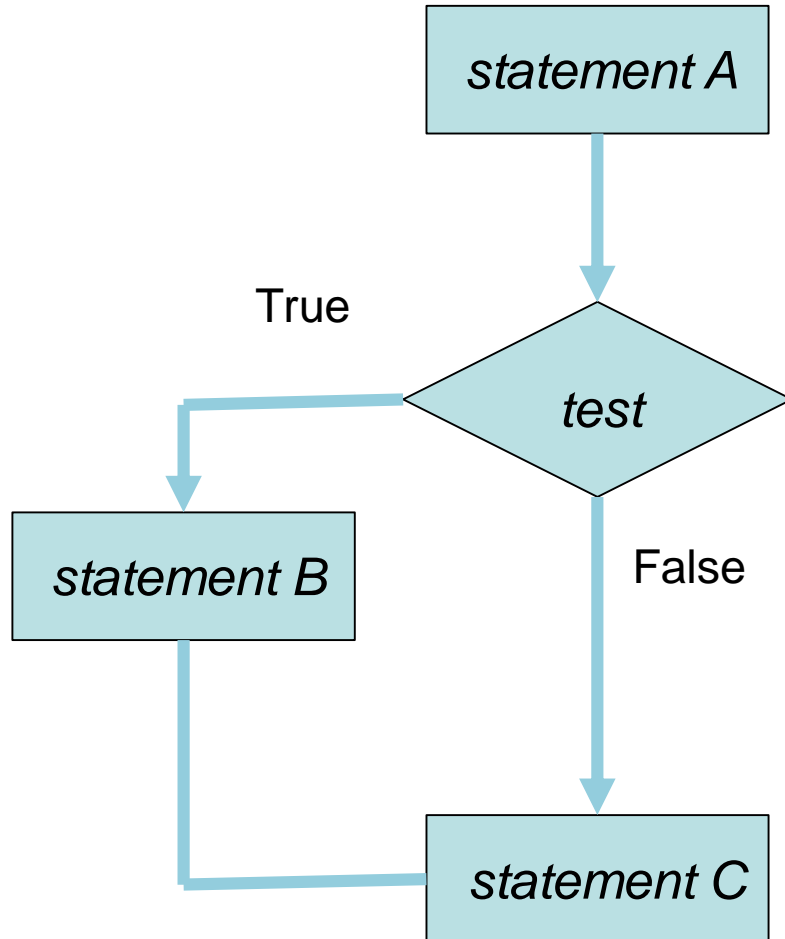
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- **Do we need a semicolon after squiggly brackets {}?**

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- **Do we need a semicolon after squiggly brackets {}?**
- **No, these brackets denote a functional block or a “compound statement”.**
- **Example `main() {....}` No semicolon**
- **if, else, while, for ... {} we will see the brackets are used to group multiple statements together.**

Choices...the **if()** statement

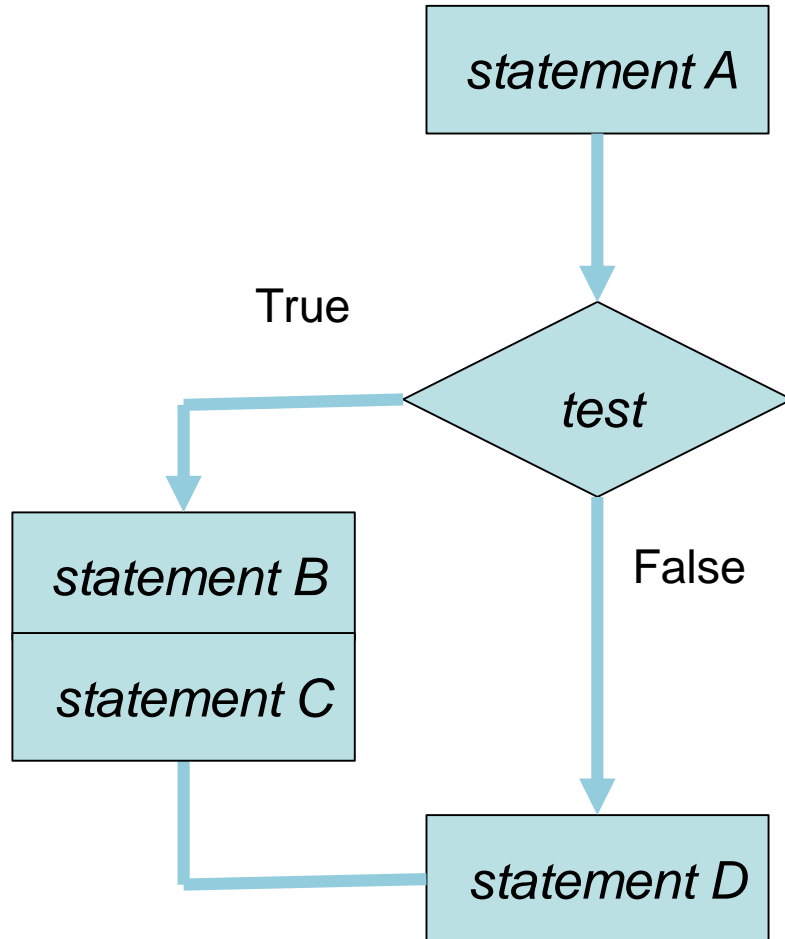
Choosing **to execute** a statement or **not**



```
statement A;  
if (test)  
    statement B;  
statement C;
```

Choices...the **if()** statement

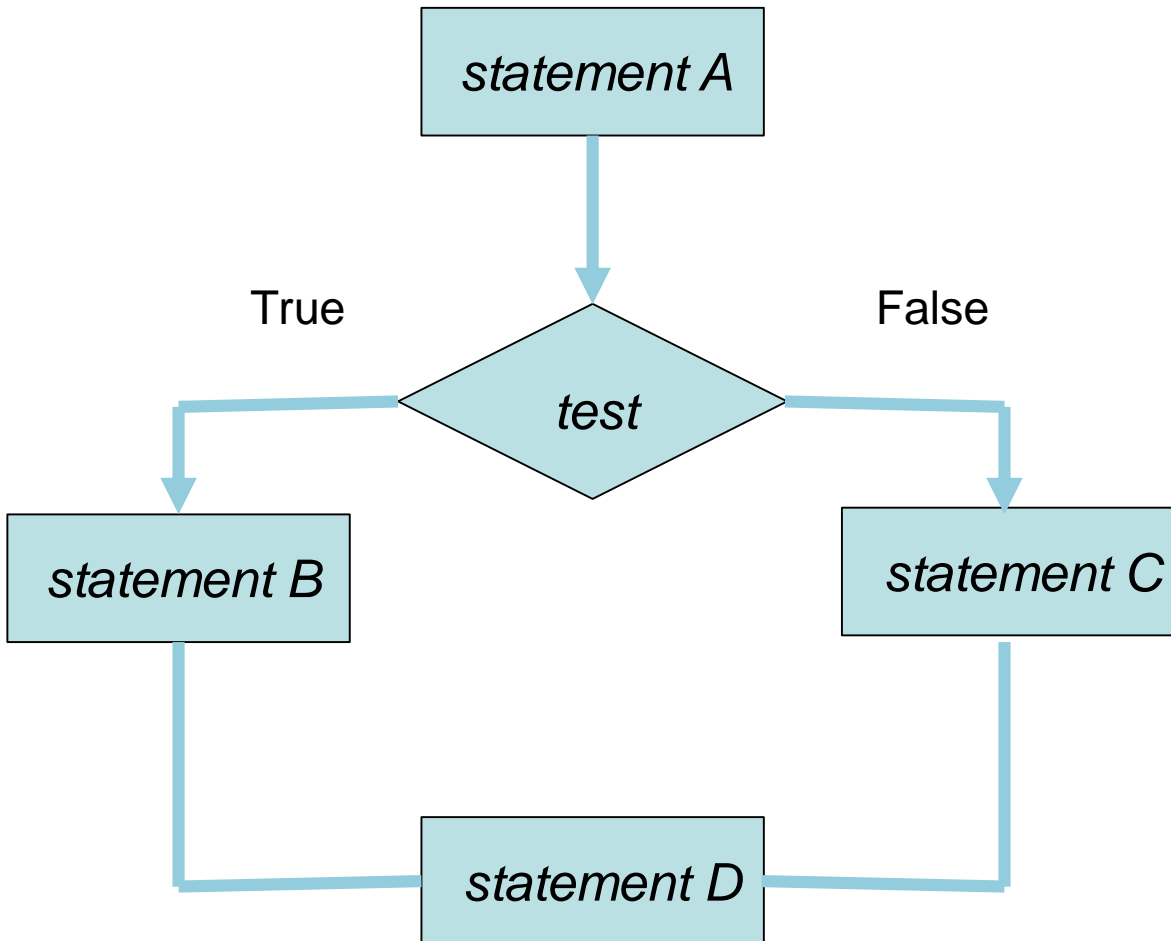
Choosing **to execute** a BLOCK of statements or **not**



```
statement A;  
if (test)  
    {  
        statement B;  
        statement C;  
    }  
statement D;
```

Choices...the **if()** **else** statement

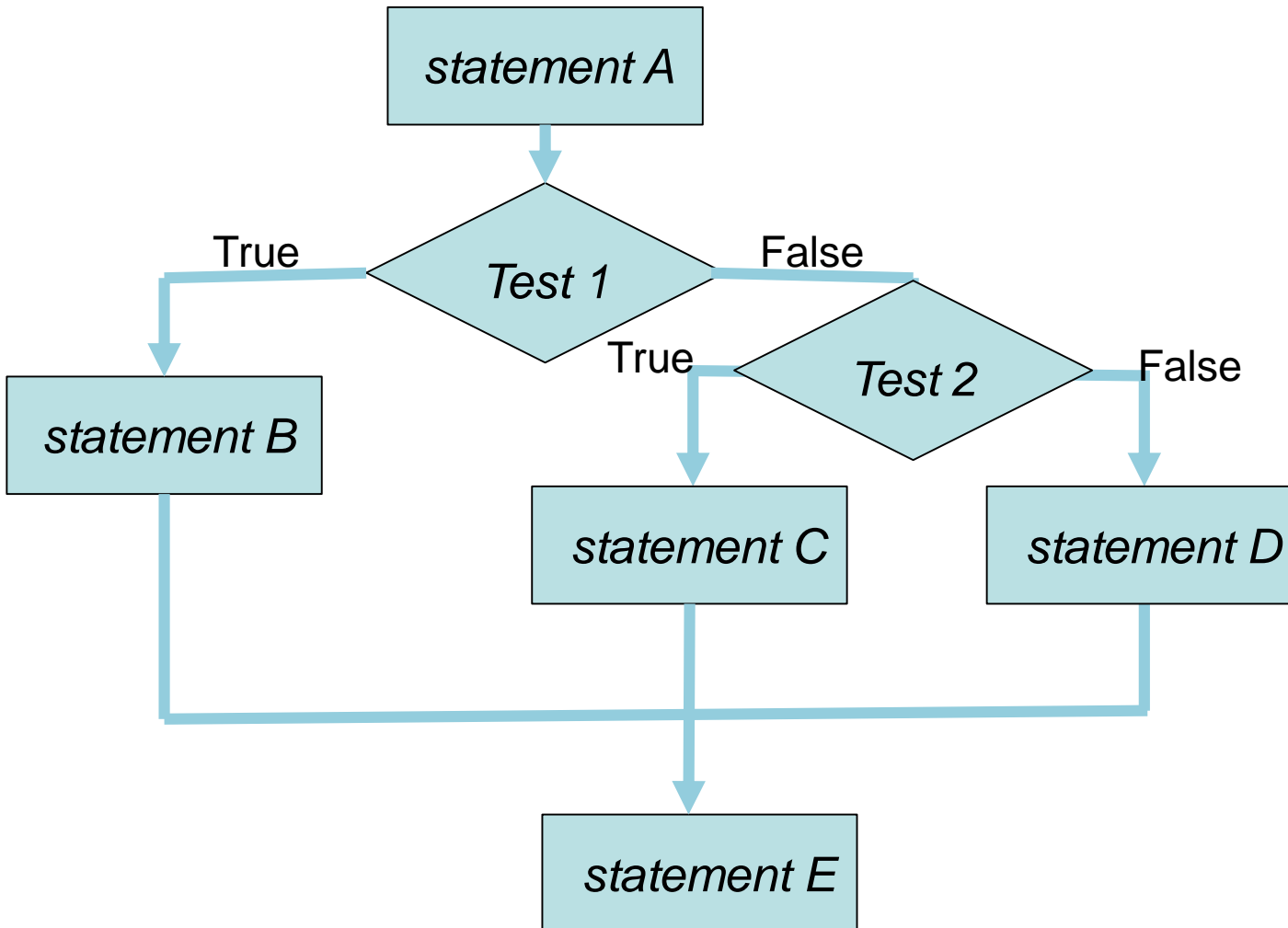
Choosing **between two statements or blocks**



```
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if (test)  
    statement B;  
else  
    statement C;  
statement D;
```

the **if()** **else if()** ... statements

Choosing **between two statements or blocks**



```
statement A;  
if(test1)  
    statement B;  
else if(test2)  
    statement C;  
else  
    statement D;  
  
Statement E;
```

Pairs of **if()** and **else**

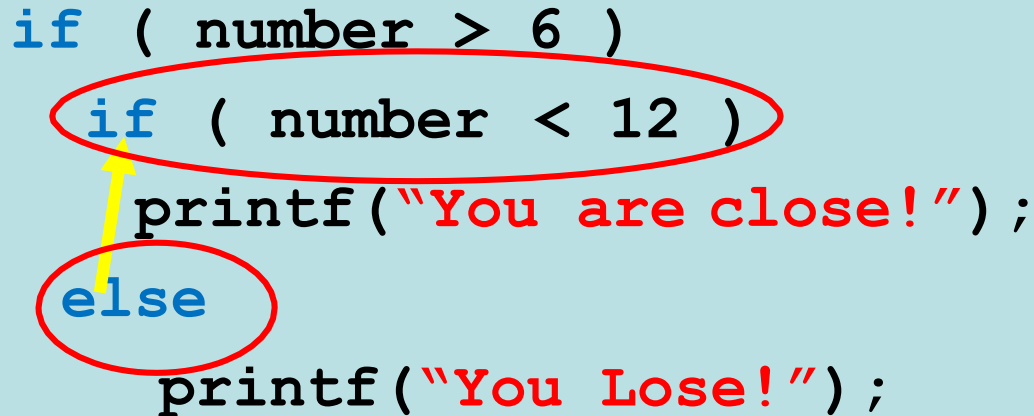
```
if ( number > 6 )  
    if ( number < 12 )  
        printf("You are close!");  
else  
    printf("You Lose!");
```

How does this work? (which **if** does **else** belong to)?

'number'	<i>output</i>
5	
7	
14	

Pairs of **if()** and **else**

```
if ( number > 6 )  
    if ( number < 12 )  
        printf( "You are close!" );  
    else  
        printf( "You Lose!" );
```



else pairs with the most recent **if** unless braces are used

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Pairs of **if()** and **else**

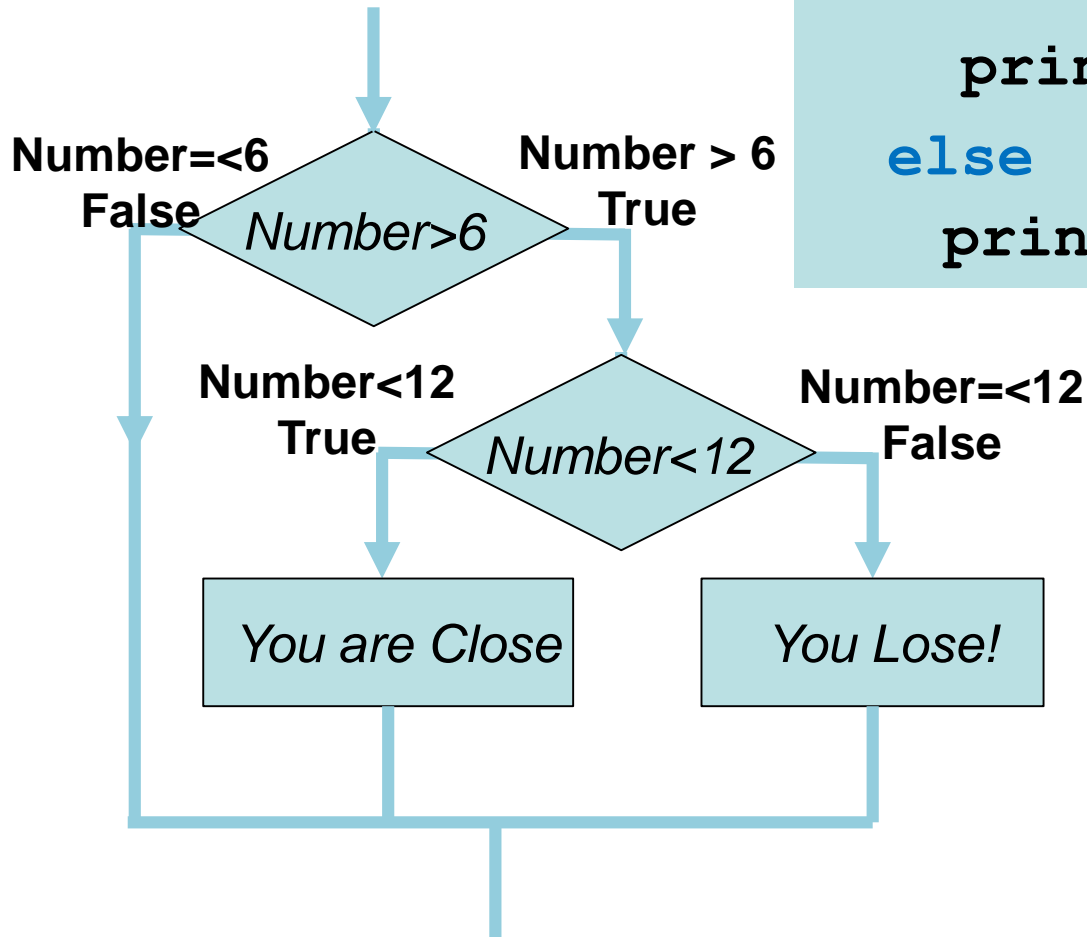
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Pairs of **if()** and **else...**flow chart

```
if ( number > 6 )  
    if ( number < 12 )  
        printf("You are close!");  
    else  
        printf("You Lose!");
```



Quick Quiz 1

What is the value of z?

```
int x = 5, y = 2, z = 0;  
if(x>3)  
    if(y>2)  
        z=1;  
    else if(x<10)  
        z=2;  
    else  
        z=3;
```

a) 0

b) 1

c) 2

d) 3

Quick Quiz 1

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    else if(x<10)  
        z=2;  
    else  
        z=3;
```

a) 0

b) 1

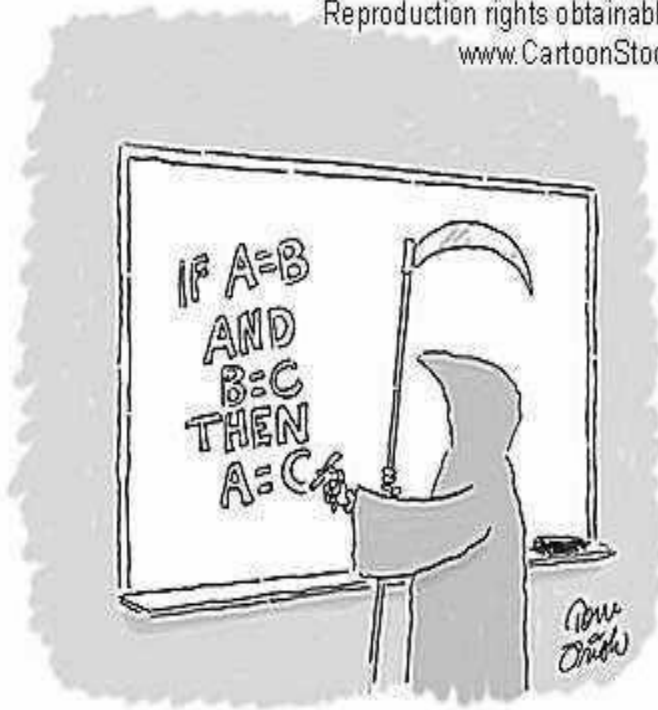
c) 2

d) 3

Logic

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The Grim Reasoner

- Logic is all about reasoning with statements
- Statements can be either true or false
- Logic can be used to deduce new or simpler statements

Logic and Common Sense

- So far, we have taken a procedural view of logic:

```
if (x is true) do y  
else          do z
```

- Common sense tells us we can re-write this as:

```
if (x is false) do z  
else          do y
```

But sometimes, common sense isn't reliable...

If your logic is wrong, the program will do the wrong thing!

Negating Logic – De Morgans Rules

Negation rule can be proved using De-Morgans Rules

$$\neg(P \ \&\& \ Q) \equiv \neg P \ || \ \neg Q$$

P	Q	P &&Q	!(P &&Q)	!P	!Q	!P !Q
T	T	T	F	F	F	F
T	F	F	T	F	T	T
F	T	F	T	T	F	T
F	F	F	T	T	T	T

- Similarly, it can be shown that: $\neg(P \ || \ Q) \equiv \neg P \ \&\& \ \neg Q$

Simplifying C Conditionals

- When programming, it is usually easier to understand what conditional statements will do if they are expressed in a **positive** sense
- Example: Use De-Morgans rules to re-write

```
if (! (w<50 || h<50) )  
if (! (P || Q) )           /*subs P = w<50,Q=h<50*/  
if (!P && !Q)              /*apply DeMorgan's*/  
if (w>=50 && h>=50)        /*subs !P = w>=50,etc*/
```

Quick Quiz 2

- Simplify the following:

```
if (! (p>=200 && p<0) && q>0)
```

- 1) `if (p<200 && p>=0 && q>0)`
- 2) `if (p<200 || (p>=0 || q<=0))`
- 3) `if ((p<200 || p<0) || q<=0)`
- 4) `if (p>=0 || p<200 && q>0)`
- 5) `if ((p>=0 || p<200) && q>0)`

Quick Quiz 2

- Simplify the following:

```
if (! (p>=200 && p<0) && q>0)
```

- 1) `if (p<200 && p>=0 && q>0)`
 - 2) `if (p<200 || (p>=0 || q<=0))`
 - 3) `if ((p<200 || p<0) || q<=0)`
 - 4) `if (p>=0 || p<200 && q>0)`
 - 5) `if ((p>=0 || p<200) && q>0)`
-

More Shorthand (Laziness!)

- **if else** has a shorthand form

Test first

If FALSE: **x=y**

x = (y < 0) ? -y : y;

If TRUE: **x=-y**

This is equivalent to

```
if ( y < 0 )  
    x = -y;  
else  
    x = y;
```

test expression ? expression2 : expression3

Multiple Choice...**switch** and **break**

- **switch** is used to provide multiple choices

```
switch(integer expression)  
{  
    case constant1: statement1;  
                    break;  
    case constant2: statement2;  
                    break;  
    default : statement3;  
}  
statement4;
```

The integer expression is evaluated, and (say) the result is *constant2*

This means that *statement2* will be executed next

The **break** statement makes the program **exit** the **switch** block and jump to *statement4*

- **switch** test expression must have **integer** value
- **case** labels must be **integer-type**
(constant, variable or expressions)

switch without break

- **break** ends the code block. It is good practice to include it in all cases...including the default.

```
switch(integer expression)  
{  
  case constant1 : statement1;  
  case constant2 : statement2;  
  case constant3 : statement3;  
  default       : statement4;  
}  
statement5;
```

The integer expression is evaluated and the result is *constant2*

This means that *statement2* will be executed next...

...then *statement3* is executed next...

... then *statement4* is executed next

switch and break example

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <simpio.h>
```

```
main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int day;
```

```
    scanf("%d", &day);
```

```
    switch(day)
```

```
    {
```

```
        case 0 : printf("Sunday");
```

```
                break;
```

```
        case 6 : printf("Saturday");
```

```
                break;
```

```
        default: printf("Weekday");
```

```
                break;
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

Read integer value - store it in **day**

If **day** is 0 print **Sunday**

If **day** is 6 print **Saturday**

The **break** statements make the program **exit** the **switch** block

For any other number print **Weekday**

Flow Control - Looping

Looping...the **while** loop

- In C, the syntax for a **while** loop looks like an **if** statement without **else**.

```
while (whileCondition) {  
    /* do something */  
}
```

- The body of the while statement is executed **repeatedly** as long as the condition is true.

the **while** loop

- Conditional loop with an entry condition

while (test)

↓
Statement A;
Statement B;

Check if test expression is TRUE

If the expression is TRUE execute
Statement A

Check again if the test expression is
TRUE

The loop is exited **ONLY** if the test
expression is FALSE

The **while** loop

```
while(test)
{
    statement1;
    statement2;
    ...
}
```

If the test expression is TRUE
execute the **loop body** (the block of
statements in between the set of
squiggly brackets { })

```
int i=0,n,sum=0;
long factorial=1;
scanf("%d",&n);
```

```
while(i<n)
{
    i = i+1;
    factorial *= i;
    sum += i;
}
```

- Note that part of the loop body
relates to the loop condition
- It is **good style** to indent the loop
body statements

The **do while** loop

What if you want to make sure the loop content executes once, whatever the test result?

The **do while** loop

What if you want to make sure the loop content executes once, whatever the test result?

The **do while** loop allows for this (**while** becomes an exit condition)

```
do  
    statement;  
while (test);
```

Use the test to decide if you want to have another go ... execute the **statement** or **block of statements** again

```
count = 1;  
do  
{  
    printf("La, la, la! \n");  
    count ++;  
}  
while (count < 5);
```

The do while or while loop?

Decide if you need an entry or an exit condition

Entry condition loops are preferred

Better to look before leaping

Entry condition loops make programs easier to read

while is ideal for conditions like:

```
while ( scanf ("%d", &num) != 1 )
```

Quick Quiz 3

What number is printed after the loop?

```
float fac = 1.0;
int n = 0;
while (1) {
    n++;
    if (fac*n > 50)
        break;
    fac = fac * n;
}
printf("Factorial = %f ", fac);
```

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 6
- d) 24
- e) 120

Quick Quiz 3

What number is printed after the loop?

```
float fac = 1.0;
int n = 0;
while (1) {
    n++;
    if (fac*n > 50)
        break;
    fac = fac * n;
}
printf("Factorial = %f ", fac);
```

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 6
- d) 24
- e) 120

The **for** Loop

- Combines 3 actions in one place:

```
for (init; test; step)  
    statement;  
next statement;
```

```
for ( i=1; i<=10; i++ )  
    factorial*=i;  
printf("%d", factorial);
```

- *init* – initialise counter variable
- *test* – logical condition
- *step* – modify counter variable

The **for** Loop

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    statement;  
next statement;
```

```
for ( i=1; i<=10; i++ )  
    factorial*=i;  
printf ("%d", factorial);
```

Equivalent to

```
init;  
while (test)  
{  
    statement;  
    step;  
}  
next statement;
```

```
i=1;  
while ( i<=10)  
{  
    factorial*=i;  
    i++;  
}  
printf ("%d", factorial);
```


Quick Quiz 4

What number is printed after the loop?

```
int n, total=0;
for (n=1; n<5; n++)
    total = total + n*n;

printf("Total: %d\n", total);
```

- a) 5
- b) 10
- c) 16
- d) 25
- e) 30

Quick Quiz 4

What number is printed after the loop?

```
int n, total=0;
for (n=1; n<5; n++)
    total = total + n*n;

printf("Total: %d\n", total);
```

- a) 5
- b) 10
- c) 16
- d) 25
- e) 30

Indefinite (**while**) vs. Counting (**for**)

- Indefinite loops – do not know in advance how many times the loop will be executed.
- Counting loops – the loop is executed a fixed (known) number of times.
- **A counter should be initialised**
- **The counter is compared with a limiting value**
- **The counter is incremented each time the loop is completed.**

The **for** Loop

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
main()
```

```
{
```

```
    double debt;
```

```
    for (debt=100.0; debt < 150; debt*=1.1)
```

```
        printf ("Your debt is now %.2f\n", debt);
```

```
}
```

This time the **update expression** involves some extra arithmetic calculations.




Program output

```
Your debt is now 100.00
Your debt is now 110.00
Your debt is now 121.00
Your debt is now 133.10
Your debt is now 146.41
```

The **for** Loop...counting down

In this example our counting variable is **decremented** every time the loop is executed

```
#include <stdio.h>
main()
{
    int secs;
    for(secs=5;secs>0;secs--)
        printf("%d seconds\n",secs);
    printf("We have ignition!");
    return 0;
}
```



Program output

```
5 seconds
4 seconds
3 seconds
2 seconds
1 seconds
We have ignition!
```

The **for** Loop...increment options

In this example our counter variable is **increased by 12** every time the loop is executed

```
#include <stdio.h>
main()
{
    int n;
    for (n=0; n<55; n=n+12)
        printf("%d \n", n);
}
```

Program output

0
12
24
48

The **for** Loop...by character

Remember that characters are just numbers

ASCII code

. . .

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
main()
```

```
{
```

```
char ch;
```

```
for (ch='a' ; ch<='z' ; ch++)
```

```
    printf("ASCII value of %c is %d\n", ch, ch);
```

```
}
```

Here we compare and increment the numeric code for the character stored in **ch** variable

The **for** Loop...changing conditions

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int n;
```

```
    for (n=0; n*n < 12; n++)
```

```
        printf ("%d \n", n);
```

```
}
```

Our **test expression** involves some extra arithmetic calculations. Do you remember which operator is **evaluated first** – has the **higher**

precedence?



Program output

0

1

2


3

The **for** Loop...omitting expressions

- Any of the 3 expressions in the **for** statement can be left out.
- If expression 1 (init) or 3 (step) are omitted then they just don't happen
- If expression 2 (test) is omitted then the loop appears permanently true.

```
#include <stdio.h>
main()
{
    int time = 5;
    for (n=2;; time = time*n)
        printf("n=%d; time is %d.", n, time);
}
```

Here we have omitted the expression that **tests** the condition, **the loop will never be terminated!**



The **for** Loop...nested loops

- A loop inside another loop
- **Used to display data as rows and columns**

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define ROWS 4
#define CHARS 4

main ()
{
    int row; char ch;
    for (row = 0; row < ROWS; row++)
    {
        for (ch = ('A' + row); ch < ('A' + CHARS); ch++)
            printf ("%c", ch);
        printf ("\n");
    }
}
```

Program output

ABCD

BCD

CD

D

Mid-Test Loops (1/2)

- Sometimes it is useful to use an infinite loop and make the termination test inside the loop using **break** or **continue**
- Try not to use **goto** or **label**, it is poor practice
- Example: find the first prime number > 1000000

```
int p = 1000000;
while (1) {
    p++;
    if (P > 20)
        break;
}
```

/ could also use: for (; ;) */*
/ 1st attempt is 1000001 */*
/ break when P is greater than 20 */*

Mid-Test Loops (2/2)

- **break** – exit the loop immediately (what about nested loops)
- **Continue** – skip the rest of the current cycle and start a new iteration

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As always...

Thank you for your attention

See you in the lab sessions 😊