

Learning Objectives

- 5.1** Introduction to Repetition Structures
- 5.2** Condition-Controlled Loops: While, Do-While, and Do-Until
- 5.3** Count-Controlled Loops and the For Statement
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- 5.6** Nested Loops
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5.1 Introduction to Repetition Structures

A repetition structure causes a statement or set of statements to execute repeatedly

Allow a programmer to avoid duplicate code

- Duplicate code makes a program large
- Write a long sequence of statements is time consuming
- If part of the duplicate code has to be corrected or changed, then the change has to be done many times

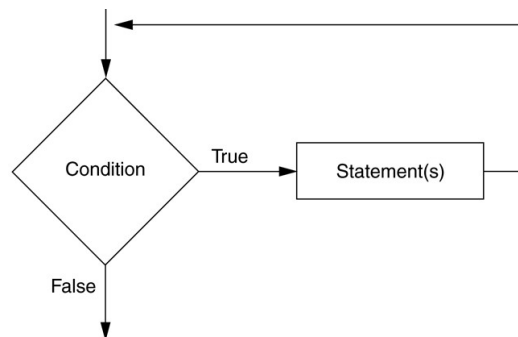
5.2 Condition-Controlled Loops (1 of 5)

- While Loop
 - While a condition is true, do some task
- Do-While Loop
 - Do some task, while condition is true
- Do-Until Loop
 - Do some task, while a condition is false (or until it's true)
- With all loops, be careful not to create infinite loops – always provide a way to break out

5.2 Condition-Controlled Loops (2 of 5)

The While Loop – pretest loop **Figure** The logic of a `While` loop

While condition
Statement
Statement
End While

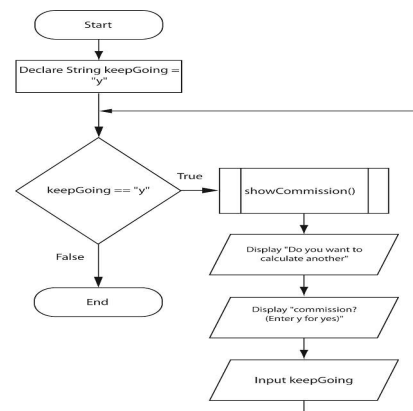


5.2 Condition-Controlled Loops (3 of 5)

Working with Modules and Loops

- To run a program multiple times, modules can be put within a loop

Figure The main module of Program

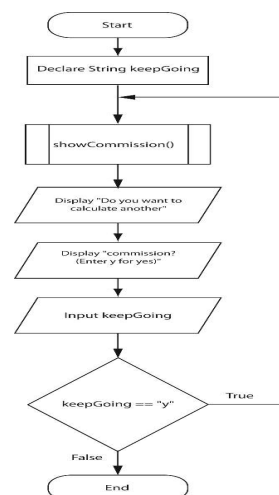


5.2 Condition-Controlled Loops (4 of 5)

The Do-While Loop – posttest loop

Do
Statement
Statement
While condition

Figure Flowchart for the main module in Program

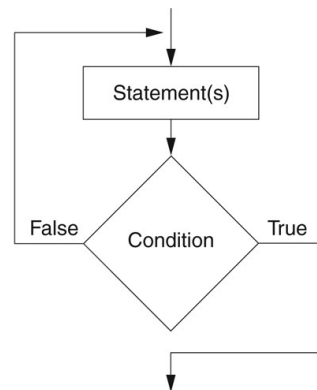


5.2 Condition-Controlled Loops (5 of 5)

The Do-Until Loop

- Loop iterates until a condition is true, but not all languages support this type of loop

Figure The logic of a Do-Until loop



5.3 Count-Controlled Loops (1 of 3)

A count-controlled loop iterates a specific number of times

- A for loop is best used for this situation

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For counterVariable = startingValue to maxValue
    statement
    statement
End for
  
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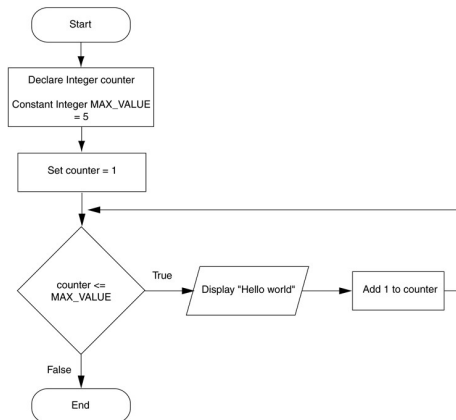
- There is an Initialization, Test, and Increment expression that controls the loop

5.3 Count-Controlled Loops (2 of 3)

For loops can also increment by more than one, count backwards by decrementing, or allow the user to control the number of interactions

The for loop in action

Figure Flowchart for Program



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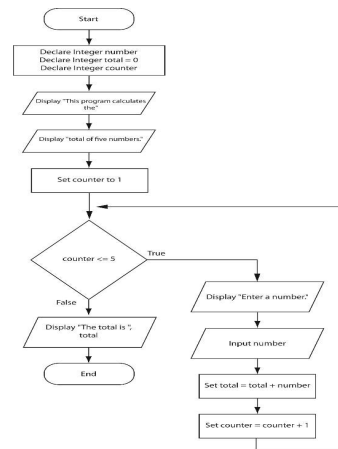
General loop concerns

- Do not forget to initialize the loop control variable
- Do not forget to modify the loop control variable
- Many loops are interchangeable, but generally
 - Use while loop when loop may not have to process
 - Use do while when it must process at least once
 - Use for loop with specific number of iterations

5.4 Calculating a Running Total

A running total is a sum of number that accumulates with each iteration of a loop

Figure Flowchart for Program



5.5 Sentinels

A sentinel is a special value that marks the end of a list of values, used as stop values for loops

How it can be done

- Ask the user at the end of each loop iteration, if there is another value to process
- Ask the user at the beginning of the loop, how many times the loop should process

5.6 Nested Loops

All loops can be nested, that is, a loop inside of a loop

Figure Flowchart for a clock simulator

