

CSE1142 –Repetitive Structures in C

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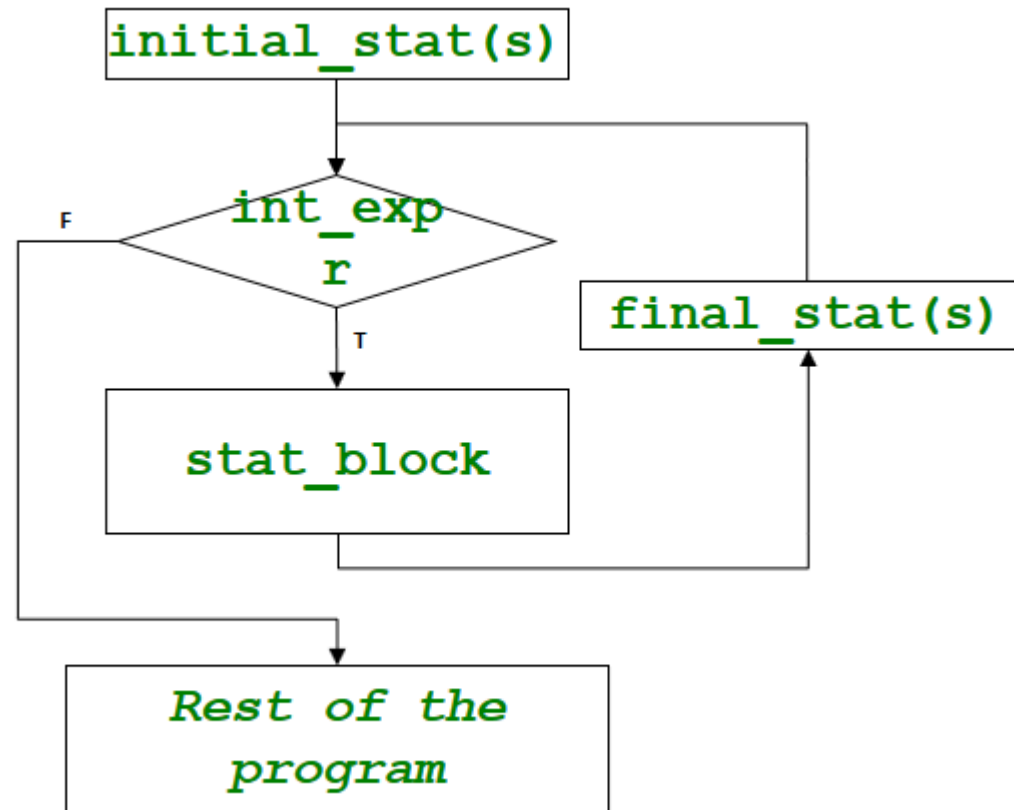
Types of loops

- There are three types of loops:
 - ❑ "for" loop
 - ❑ "while" loop
 - ❑ "do-while" loop
- You can implement anyone of these loops using the others (and possibly an additional if statement and duplication of some statements).
 - ❑ The idea is to use the type of loop that is best suited for your problem.

For loop syntax

■ Syntax:

```
for (initial_stat(s);int_expr;final_stat(s))  
  stat_block
```



For loop

- Note that initial and final statements as well as the integer expression are optional according to the syntax.
 - If `initial_stat(s)` is missing, start directly with the comparison.
 - If `final_stat(s)` is missing, go directly to the comparison after the execution of the statement block.
 - If `int_expr` is missing, the comparison is always true.
 - Make use of the `break` statement.

For loop – Example I

- Print all numbers between 1-10

```
int main(void)
{
    unsigned int counter;

    // initialization, iteration condition, and increment
    // are all included in the for statement header.
    for ( counter = 1; counter <= 10; ++counter) {
        printf("%u\n", counter);
    }
}
```

Output:

```
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
```

For loop – Example II

- Find the sum of all even numbers between 2-100

```
int main(void)
{
    unsigned int sum = 0, number; // initialize

    for (number = 2; number <= 100; number += 2) {
        sum += number; // add number to sum
    }

    printf("Sum is %u\n", sum);
}
```

Output:
Sum is 2550

For loop – Example III

- Find a^b . (a and b integers)

```
int a, b, result=1, i;  
  
scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);  
  
for (i=0; i<b; i++)  
    result *= a;  
  
printf("Result:%d",result);
```

Output

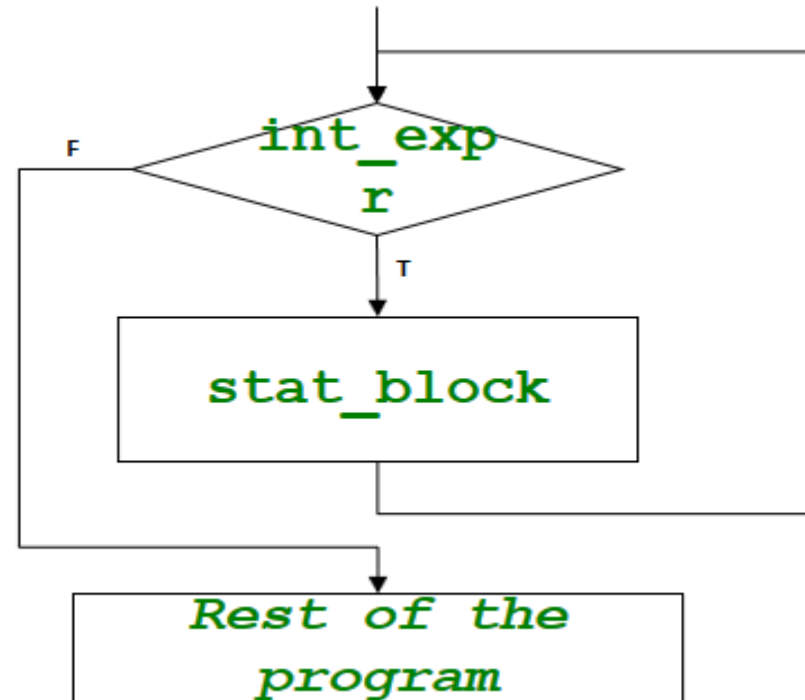
```
3  
5  
Result:243
```


While loop syntax

- Use while loop if the statement block should be executed as long as a condition holds.

- Syntax:

```
while (int_expr)  
    stat_block
```



While loop – Example I

- Print all numbers between 1-10

```
int main(void)
{
    unsigned int counter = 1; // initialization

    while (counter <= 10) { // iteration condition
        printf ("%u\n", counter);
        ++counter; // increment
    }
}
```

While loop – Example II

- Find the average of a sequence of integers terminated with a negative value.

```
int sum=0, n, count=0;
float avg;

scanf("%d", &n);
while (n>=0)
{
    sum += n;
    count++;
    scanf("%d", &n);
}
avg = (count) ? (float)sum/count : 0;
printf("Average:%f",avg);
```

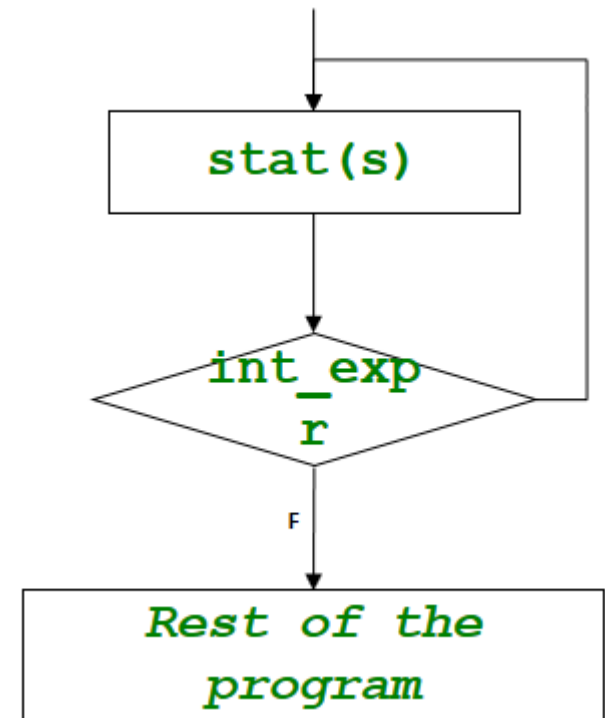
Output

```
1
2
3
4
5
Average:3.000000
```

Do-while loop syntax

- Similar to while loop.
 - ▣ Only difference: Condition is checked after the execution of every iteration.
- Syntax:

```
do  
{  
    stat(s)  
}  
while (int_expr);
```



Do-while loop – Example I

- Print all numbers between 1-10

```
int main(void)
{
    unsigned int counter = 1;

    do {
        printf("%u\n", counter);
    } while (++counter <= 10);
}
```

Break statement

- It is possible to terminate a loop prematurely.
- Remember the **break** statement we discussed before.
 - **break** breaks the innermost loop or switch statement.

Break - Example

- Break when number is equal to 5

```
int main(void){
    unsigned int x; // declared here so it can be used after loop
    // loop 10 times
    for (x = 1; x <= 10; ++x) {
        // if x is 5, terminate loop
        if (x == 5) {
            break; // break loop only if x is 5
        }
        printf("%u\n", x);
    }
    printf("\nBroke out of loop at x == %u\n", x);
}
```

Output:

1
2
3
4

Broke out of loop at x == 5

Continue statement

- It is possible to skip the rest of an iteration and continue with the next iteration (if any).
 - ❑ In the for loop, **continue** jumps to the final statement.
 - ❑ In the while and do-while loops, **continue** jumps to the condition expression.

Continue - Example

- Continue when number is equal to 5

```
int main(void){
    unsigned int x;
    // loop 10 times
    for (x = 1; x <= 10; ++x) {
        // if x is 5, continue with next iteration of loop
        if (x == 5) {
            continue; // skip remaining code in loop body
        }
        printf("%u\n", x); // display value of x
    }
    printf("\nUsed continue to skip printing the value 5");
}
```

Output:

1
2
3
4
6
7
8
9
10

Used continue to skip printing the value 5

Example - 1

- Read an integer and print its digits in reverse order.

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    int num, digit;

    scanf("%d", &num);

    while (num)
    {
        digit = num % 10;
        num /= 10;
        printf("%d", digit);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

123456
654321

Example - 2

- Draw a square or rectangle. Take length and width as input

```
int main(void){
    unsigned int x, y, i, j;

    // prompt user for input
    printf("Enter two unsigned integers in the range 1-20: ");
    scanf("%u%u", &x, &y); // read values for x and y

    for (i = 1; i <= y; ++i) { // count from 1 to y
        for (j = 1; j <= x; ++j) { // count from 1 to x
            printf("*");
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
}
```

Output:

Enter two unsigned integers in the
range 1-20: 5

10

Example - 3

- Draw a triangle. Take length as input

```
int main(void){
    unsigned int x, i, j;

    // prompt user for input
    printf("Enter length: ");
    scanf("%u", &x); // read value for x

    for (i = 1; i <= x; i++) { // count from 1 to x
        for (j = i; j <= x; j++) { // count from i to x
            printf("*");
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
}
```

Output:

Enter length: 5

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Consider the differences between the following for loops

<pre>for (i=0; i<5; i++) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	<pre>for (i=0; i<=5; i++) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	<pre>for (i=1; i<5; i++) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>
0;1;2;3;4;{5}	0;1;2;3;4;5;{6}	1;2;3;4;{5}
<pre>for (i=1; i<=5; ++i) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	<pre>for (■; i<5; i++) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	<pre>for (i=0; ■; i++) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>
1;2;3;4;5;{6}	Starts from anything ...;3;4;{5} OR MAYBE SOMETHING LIKE {795}	0;1;2;... [∞]
<pre>for (i=0; i<5; ■) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	<pre>for (i=0; i<5; ■) printf("%d;", i++); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	<pre>for (i=0; i++<5; ■) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>
0;0;0;0;... [∞]	0;1;2;3;4;{5}	1;2;3;4;5;{6}

Examples

<pre>for (i=7; i<5; i++) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	<pre>for (i=7; ++i<5; ■) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	<pre>for (i=7; i++<5; ■) printf("%d;", i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>
{7}	{8}	{8}
<pre>for (i=7; ++i<5; ++i) printf("%d;", ++i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	<pre>for (i=0; i<5; ++i) printf("%d;", ++i); printf("{%d}", i);</pre>	
{8}	1;3;5;{6}	

Example: Is it a prime?

- We start by assuming the number is prime.
- We scan every integer smaller than the square root of **n**.
- If any **i** divides **n**, we decide that **n** is not a prime.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int n, i, isprime = 1;
    printf("Enter value: ");
    scanf("%d", &n);

    for(i=2; i*i <= n; i++)
        if (n%i == 0){
            isprime = 0;
            break;
        }

    if (isprime)
        printf("%d is a prime\n", n);
    else
        printf("%d is not a prime\n", n);
    return 0;
}
```

Example: Is it a prime?

- Slight modifications:
 - ❑ Use an upper loop to read input many times.
 - ❑ Use ternary if-else in printf

```
int n, i, isprime = 1;

while( 1 ) {
    printf("Enter value (-1 to exit): ");
    scanf("%d", &n);

    if( n == -1)
        break;

    for(i=2; i*i <= n; i++)
        if (n%i == 0){
            isprime = 0;
            break;
        }

    printf("%d is %s a prime\n",
           n,
           isprime ? "" : "not");
}
```


Floats and round-off errors

- Suppose we want to print out a table of squares of floatingpoint numbers 1.0, 1.1, ... , 2.0. Display two digits after the decimal point.

```
float x, dx = 0.1;
printf("x\tx^2\n");
for(x = 1.0; x <= 2.0; x += dx)
    printf("%.2f\t%.2f\n", x, x*x);
```

- The output stops at 1.90 even though we included 2.0 in the range.

Output

x	x^2
1.00	1.00
1.10	1.21
1.20	1.44
1.30	1.69
1.40	1.96
1.50	2.25
1.60	2.56
1.70	2.89
1.80	3.24
1.90	3.61

Floats and round-off errors

- Let's display 10 digits after the decimal point to see why.

```
float x, dx = 0.1;
printf("x\tx^2\n");
for(x = 1.0; x <= 2.0; x += dx)
    printf("%.10f\t%.10f\n", x, x*x);
```

- The results are off because the floating-point representation is inexact.
- Repeated additions increase the error.

Output

x	x^2
1.0000000000	1.0000000000
1.1000000238	1.2100000381
1.2000000477	1.4400000572
1.3000000715	1.6900001764
1.4000000954	1.9600002766
1.5000001192	2.2500004768
1.6000001431	2.5600004196
1.7000001669	2.8900005817
1.8000001907	3.2400007248
1.9000002146	3.6100008488

Floats and round-off errors

- To be able to display the final value, increase the range by dx

```
float x, dx = 0.1;  
printf("x\tx^2\n");  
for(x = 1.0; x <= 2.0 + dx; x += dx)  
    printf("%f\t%f\n", x, x*x);
```

Output

x	x^2
1.000000	1.000000
1.100000	1.210000
1.200000	1.440000
1.300000	1.690000
1.400000	1.960000
1.500000	2.250000
1.600000	2.560000
1.700000	2.890001
1.800000	3.240001
1.900000	3.610001
2.000000	4.000001