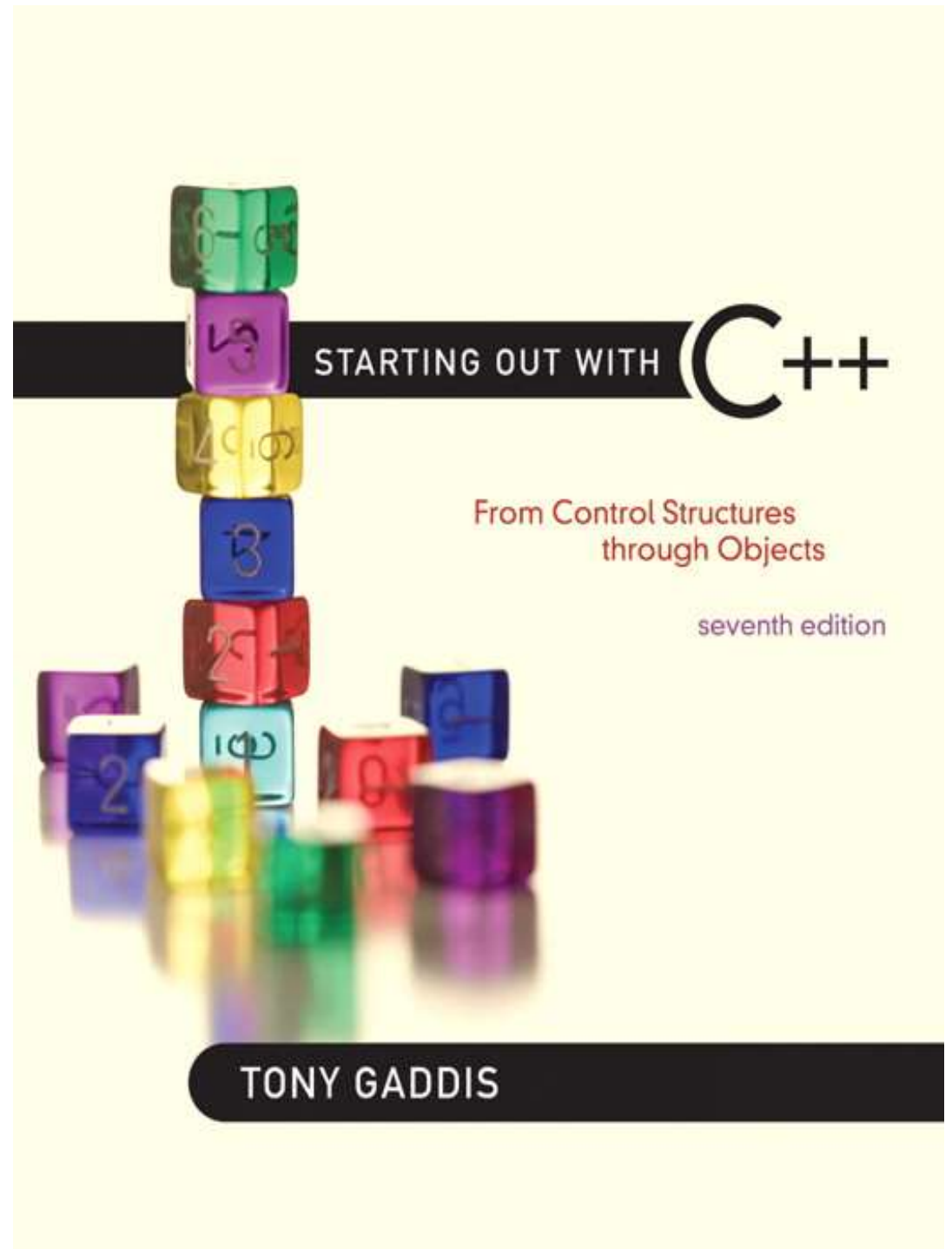


Chapter 4:

Making Decisions



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“He who asks a question is a fool for five minutes; he who does not ask a question remains a fool forever” Chinese Proverb

Precedence

Operators

Precedence

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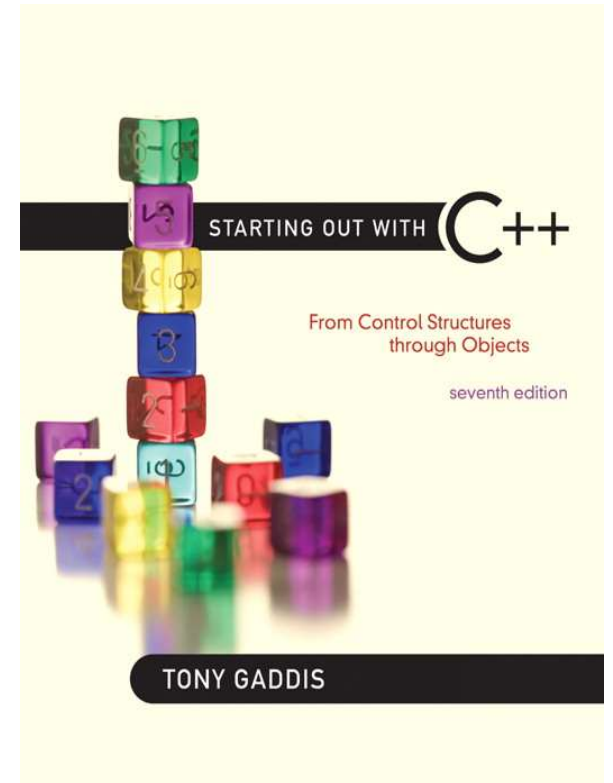
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lowest (applied last)

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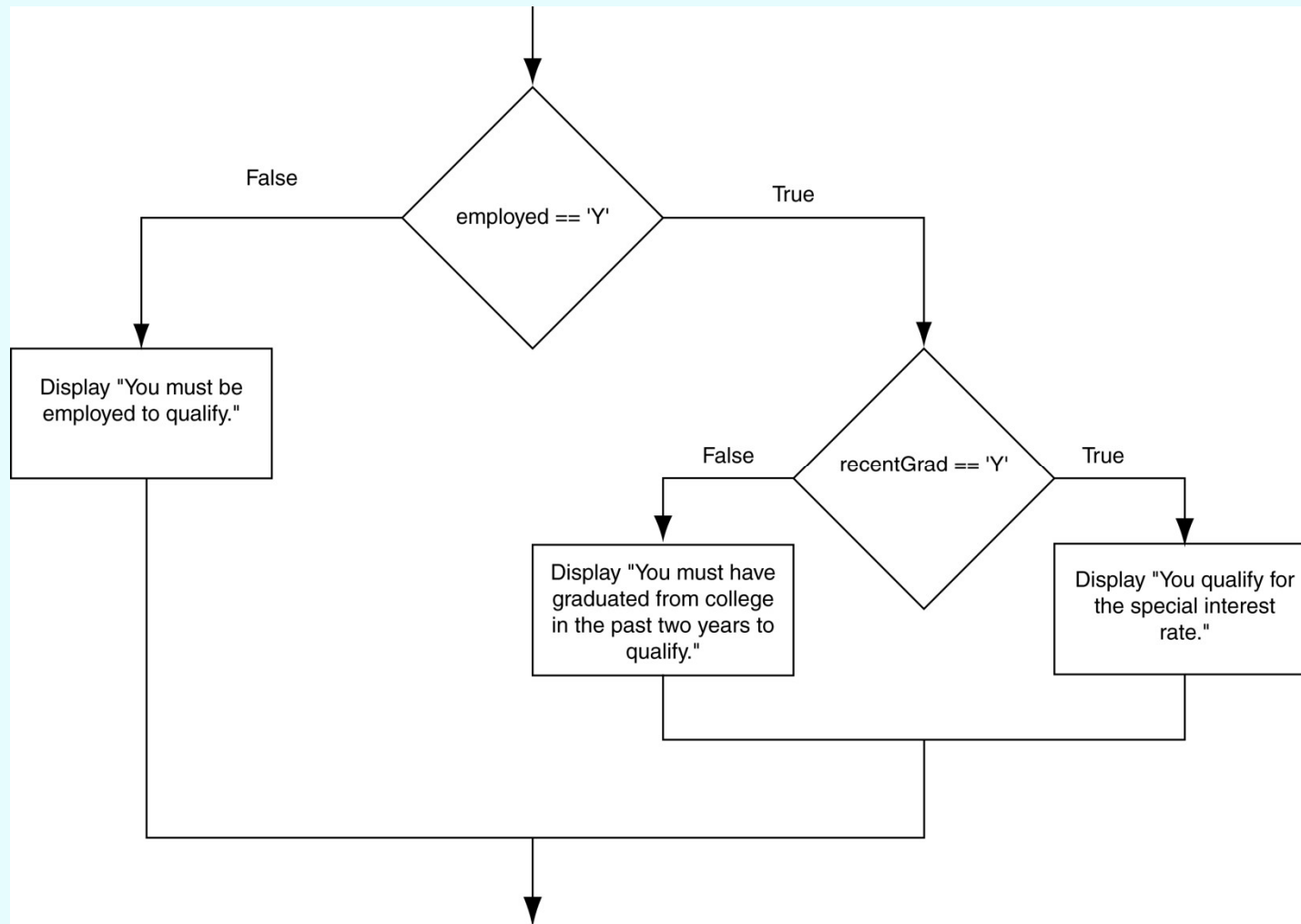


Nested `if` Statements

Nested `if` Statements

- An `if` statement that is nested inside another `if` statement
- Nested `if` statements can be used to test more than one condition

Flowchart for a Nested if Statement



Nested `if` Statements

- From Program 4-10

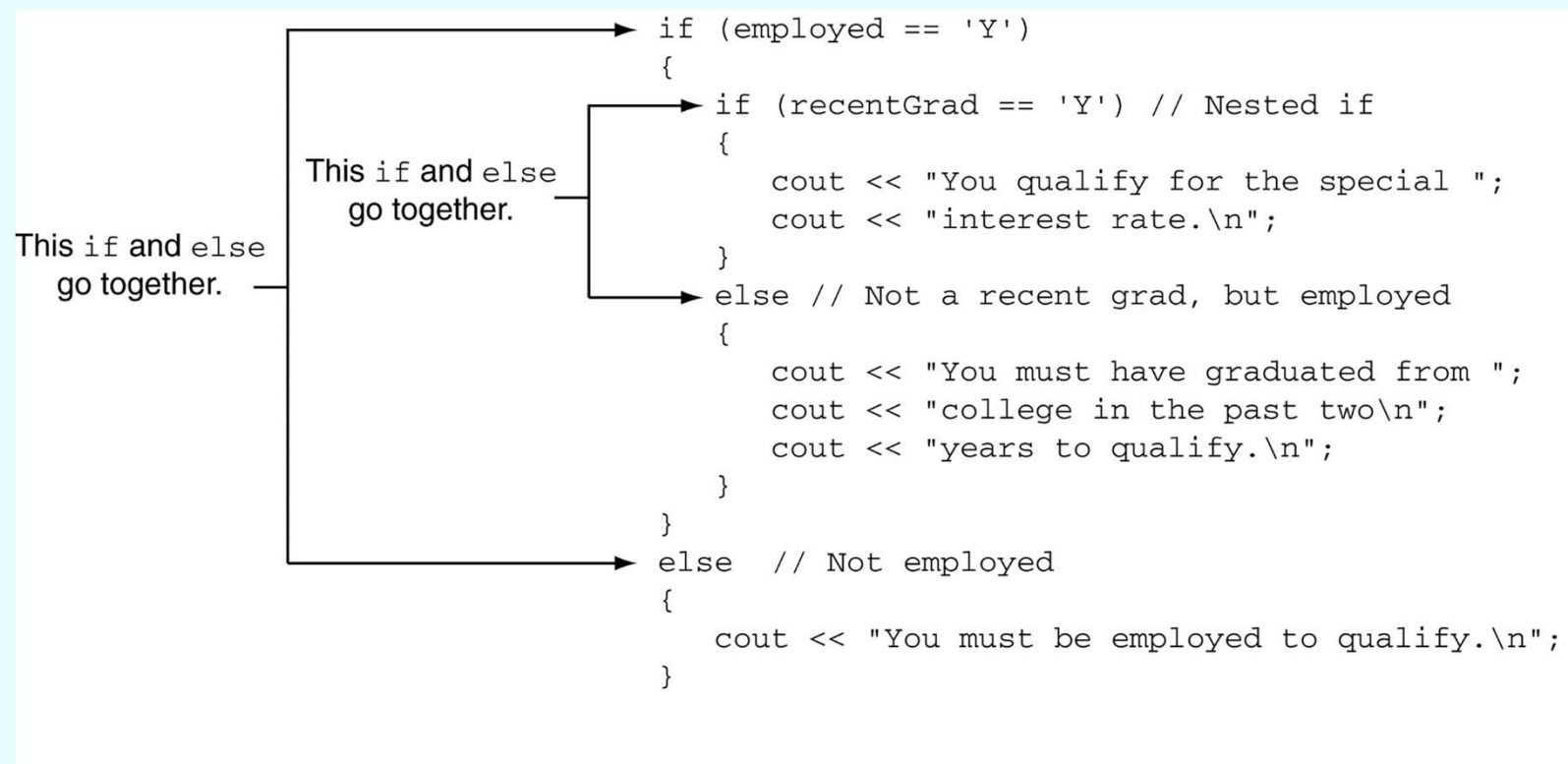
```
20    // Determine the user's loan qualifications.
21    if (employed == 'Y')
22    {
23        if (recentGrad == 'Y') //Nested if
24        {
25            cout << "You qualify for the special ";
26            cout << "interest rate.\n";
27        }
28    }
```

Nested `if` Statements

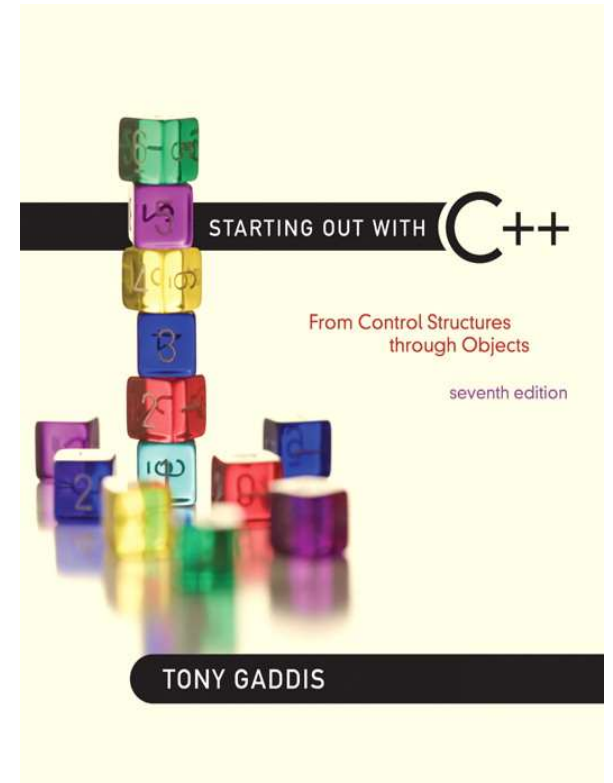
- Another example, from Program 4-1

```
20      // Determine the user's loan qualifications.
21      if (employed == 'Y')
22      {
23          if (recentGrad == 'Y') // Nested if
24          {
25              cout << "You qualify for the special ";
26              cout << "interest rate.\n";
27          }
28          else // Not a recent grad, but employed
29          {
30              cout << "You must have graduated from ";
31              cout << "college in the past two\n";
32              cout << "years to qualify.\n";
33          }
34      }
35      else // Not employed
36      {
37          cout << "You must be employed to qualify.\n";
38      }
```


Use Proper Indentation!



4.6



The `if/else if` Statement Multi-selector

The `if/else if` Statement

- Tests a series of conditions until one is found to be true
- Often simpler than using nested `if/else` statements
- Can be used to model thought processes such as:

"If it is raining, take an umbrella,
else, if it is windy, take a hat,
else, take sunglasses"

if/else if Format

```
if (expression)  
    statement1;  // or block  
else if (expression)  
    statement2;  // or block  
.  
. // other else ifs  
.  
else if (expression)  
    statementn;  // or block
```

The `if/else if` Statement in Program 4-13

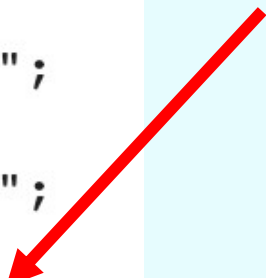
```
21    // Determine the letter grade.
22    if (testScore >= A_SCORE)
23        cout << "Your grade is A.\n";
24    else if (testScore >= B_SCORE)
25        cout << "Your grade is B.\n";
26    else if (testScore >= C_SCORE)
27        cout << "Your grade is C.\n";
28    else if (testScore >= D_SCORE)
29        cout << "Your grade is D.\n";
30    else
31        cout << "Your grade is F.\n";
```

Using a Trailing `else` to Catch Errors in Program 4-14

- The trailing `else` clause is optional, but it is best used to catch errors.

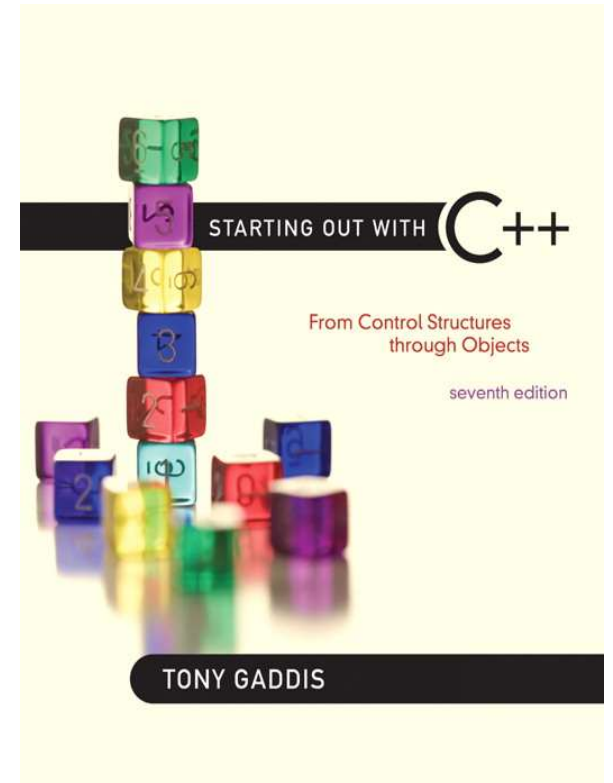
```
21 // Determine the letter grade.
22 if (testScore >= A_SCORE)
23     cout << "Your grade is A.\n";
24 else if (testScore >= B_SCORE)
25     cout << "Your grade is B.\n";
26 else if (testScore >= C_SCORE)
27     cout << "Your grade is C.\n";
28 else if (testScore >= D_SCORE)
29     cout << "Your grade is D.\n";
30 else if (testScore >= 0)
31     cout << "Your grade is F.\n";
32 else
33     cout << "Invalid test score.\n";
```

This trailing
`else`
catches
invalid test
scores



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Flags

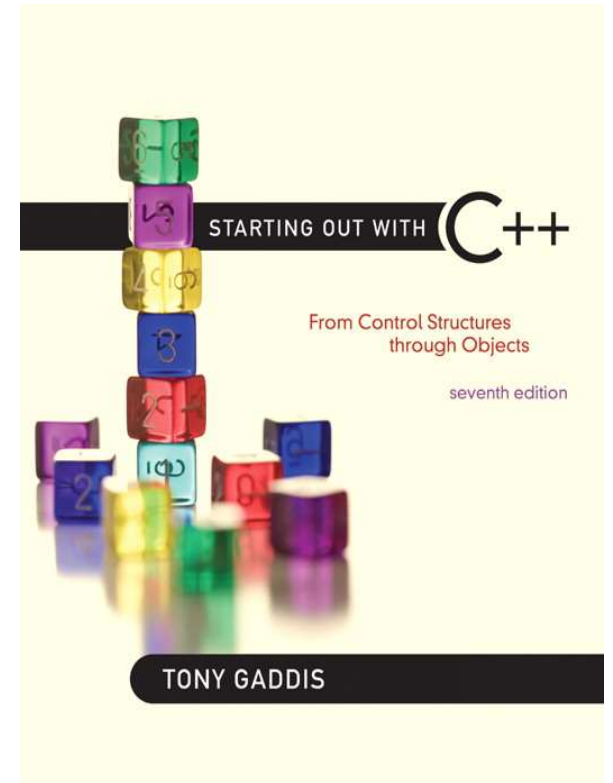


Flags

- Variable that signals a condition
- Usually implemented as a `bool` variable
- Can also be an integer
 - The value `0` is considered `false`
 - Any nonzero value is considered `true`
- As with other variables in functions, must be assigned an initial value before it is used

4.8

Logical Operators



Logical Operators

- Used to create relational expressions from other relational expressions
- Operators, meaning, and explanation:

& &	AND	New relational expression is true if both expressions are true
	OR	New relational expression is true if either expression is true
!	NOT	Reverses the value of an expression – true expression becomes false, and false becomes true

Logical Operators-Examples

```
int x = 12, y = 5, z = -4;
```

<code>(x > y) && (y > z)</code>	true
<code>(x > y) && (z > y)</code>	false
<code>(x <= z) (y == z)</code>	false
<code>(x <= z) (y != z)</code>	true
<code>! (x >= z)</code>	false

The logical && operator in Program 4-15

```
21    // Determine the user's loan qualifications.
22    if (employed == 'Y' && recentGrad == 'Y')
23    {
24        cout << "You qualify for the special "
25            << "interest rate.\n";
26    }
27    else
28    {
29        cout << "You must be employed and have\n"
30            << "graduated from college in the\n"
31            << "past two years to qualify.\n";
32    }
```

The logical || Operator in Program 4-16

```
23 // Determine the user's loan qualifications.
24 if (income >= MIN_INCOME || years > MIN_YEARS)
25     cout << "You qualify.\n";
26 else
27 {
28     cout << "You must earn at least $"
29         << MIN_INCOME << " or have been "
30         << "employed more than " << MIN_YEARS
31         << " years.\n";
32 }
```

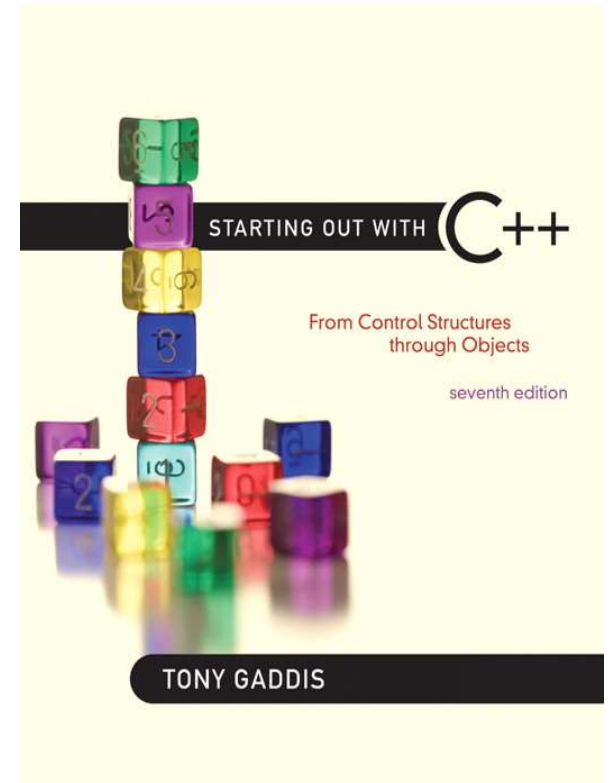
The logical ! Operator in Program 4-17

```
23    // Determine the user's loan qualifications.
24    if (!(income >= MIN_INCOME || years > MIN_YEARS))
25    {
26        cout << "You must earn at least $"
27            << MIN_INCOME << " or have been "
28            << "employed more than " << MIN_YEARS
29            << " years.\n";
30    }
31    else
32        cout << "You qualify.\n";
```

Logical Operator-Notes

- ! has highest precedence, followed by & &, then | |
- If the value of an expression can be determined by evaluating just the sub-expression on left side of a logical operator, then the sub-expression on the right side will not be evaluated (*short circuit evaluation*)

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Checking Numeric Ranges with Logical Operators

Checking Numeric Ranges with Logical Operators

- Used to test to see if a value falls **inside** a range:

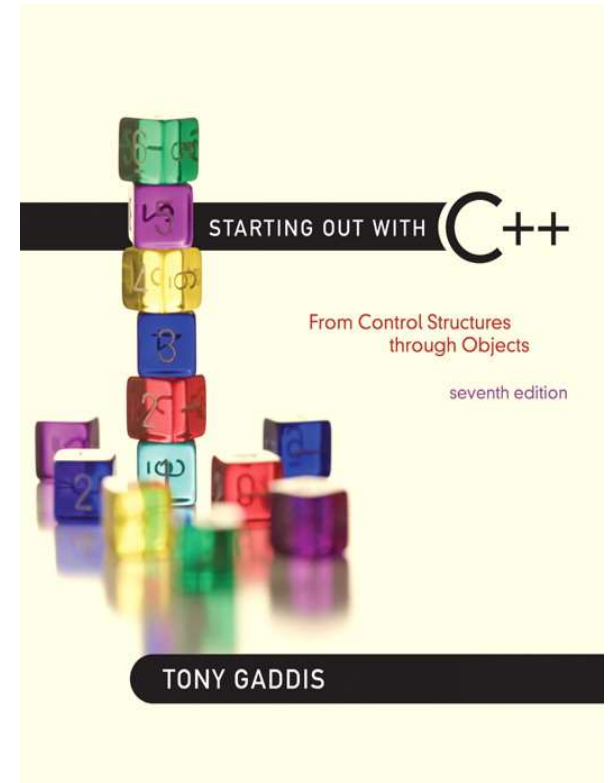
```
if (grade >= 0 && grade <= 100)  
    cout << "Valid grade";
```
- Can also test to see if value falls **outside** of range:

```
if (grade <= 0 || grade >= 100)  
    cout << "Invalid grade";
```
- Cannot use mathematical notation:

```
if (0 <= grade <= 100) //doesn't work!
```

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Menus



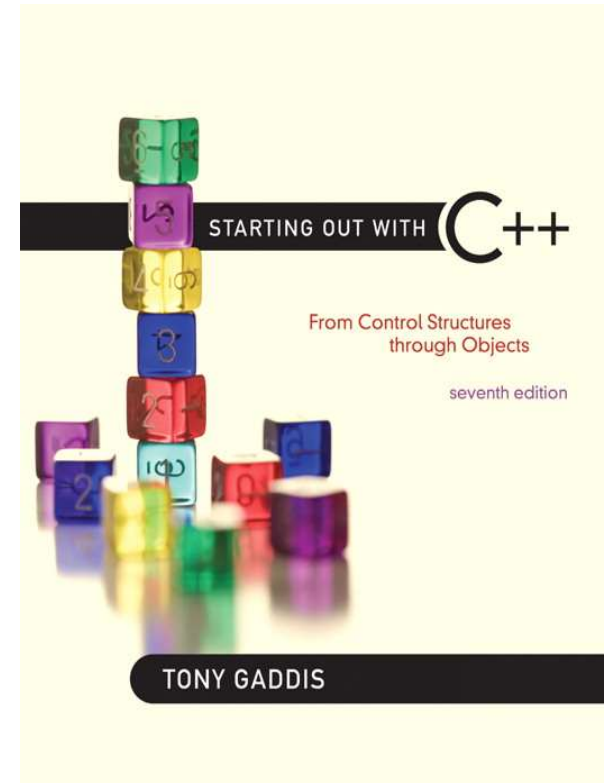
Menus

- Menu-driven program: program execution controlled by user selecting from a list of actions
- Menu: list of choices on the screen
- Menus can be implemented using `if/else if` statements

Menu-Driven Program Organization

- Display list of numbered or lettered choices for actions
- Prompt user to make selection
- Test user selection in *expression*
 - if a match, then execute code for action
 - if not, then go on to next *expression*

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Validating User Input

Validating User Input

- Input validation: inspecting input data to determine whether it is acceptable
- Bad output will be produced from bad input
- Can perform various tests:
 - Range
 - Reasonableness
 - Valid menu choice
 - Divide by zero

Input Validation in Program 4-19

```
16     int testScore; // To hold a numeric test score
17
18     // Get the numeric test score.
19     cout << "Enter your numeric test score and I will\n"
20           << "tell you the letter grade you earned: ";
21     cin >> testScore;
22
23     // Validate the input and determine the grade.
24     if (testScore >= MIN_SCORE && testScore <= MAX_SCORE)
25     {
26         // Determine the letter grade.
27         if (testScore >= A_SCORE)
28             cout << "Your grade is A.\n";
29         else if (testScore >= B_SCORE)
30             cout << "Your grade is B.\n";
31         else if (testScore >= C_SCORE)
32             cout << "Your grade is C.\n";
33         else if (testScore >= D_SCORE)
34             cout << "Your grade is D.\n";
35         else
36             cout << "Your grade is F.\n";
37     }
38     else
39     {
40         // An invalid score was entered.
41         cout << "That is an invalid score. Run the program\n"
42              << "again and enter a value in the range of\n"
43              << MIN_SCORE << " through " << MAX_SCORE << ".\n";
44     }
```

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Comparing Characters and Strings

Comparing Characters

- Characters are compared using their ASCII values
- 'A' < 'B'
 - The ASCII value of 'A' (65) is less than the ASCII value of 'B'(66)
- '1' < '2'
 - The ASCII value of '1' (49) is less than the ASCII value of '2' (50)
- Lowercase letters have higher ASCII codes than uppercase letters, so 'a' > 'Z'

Relational Operators Compare Characters in Program 4-20

```
10    // Get a character from the user.
11    cout << "Enter a digit or a letter: ";
12    ch = cin.get();
13
14    // Determine what the user entered.
15    if (ch >= '0' && ch <= '9')
16        cout << "You entered a digit.\n";
17    else if (ch >= 'A' && ch <= 'Z')
18        cout << "You entered an uppercase letter.\n";
19    else if (ch >= 'a' && ch <= 'z')
20        cout << "You entered a lowercase letter.\n";
21    else
22        cout << "That is not a digit or a letter.\n";
```

Comparing `string` Objects

- Like characters, strings are compared using their ASCII values

```
string name1 = "Mary";  
string name2 = "Mark";
```

The characters in each string must match before they are equal

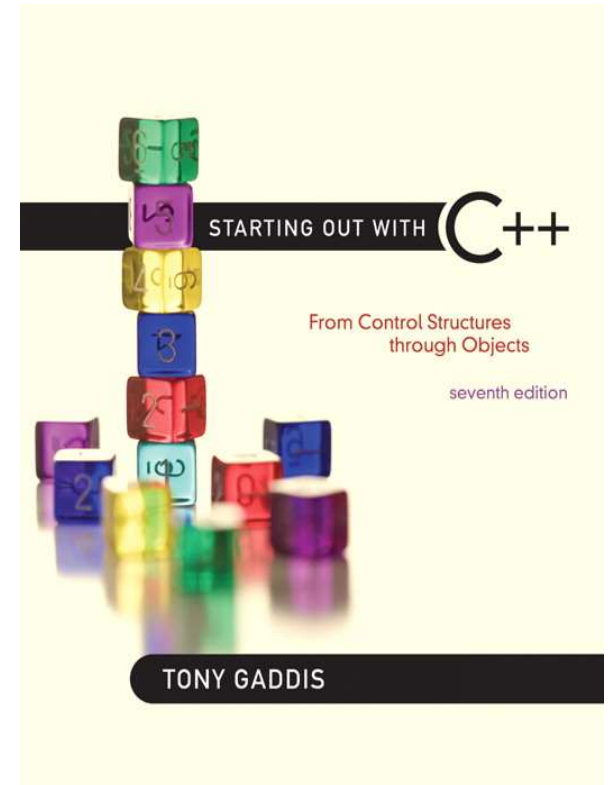
```
name1 > name2 // true  
name1 <= name2 // false  
name1 != name2 // true
```

```
name1 < "Mary Jane" // true
```

Relational Operators Compare Strings in Program 4-21

```
26      // Determine and display the correct price
27      if (partNum == "S-29A")
28          cout << "The price is $" << PRICE_A << endl;
29      else if (partNum == "S-29B")
30          cout << "The price is $" << PRICE_B << endl;
31      else
32          cout << partNum << " is not a valid part number.\n";
```

4.14



The `switch` Statement Multi-Selector

The `switch` Statement

- Used to select among statements from several alternatives
- In some cases, can be used instead of `if/else if` statements

switch Statement Format

```
switch (expression) //integer
{
    case exp1: statement1;
    case exp2: statement2;
    ...
    case expn: statementn;
    default:   statementn+1;
}
```

The `switch` Statement in Program 4-23

Program 4-23

```
1 // The switch statement in this program tells the user something
2 // he or she already knows: the data just entered!
3 #include <iostream>
4 using namespace std;
5
6 int main()
7 {
8     char choice;
9
10    cout << "Enter A, B, or C: ";
11    cin >> choice;
12    switch (choice)
13    {
14        case 'A': cout << "You entered A.\n";
15                  break;
16        case 'B': cout << "You entered B.\n";
17                  break;
18        case 'C': cout << "You entered C.\n";
19                  break;
20        default:  cout << "You did not enter A, B, or C!\n";
21    }
22    return 0;
23 }
```

Program Output with Example Input Shown in Bold

Enter A, B, or C: **B** [Enter]
You entered B.

Program Output with Example Input Shown in Bold

Enter A, B, or C: **F** [Enter]
You did not enter A, B, or C!

switch Statement Requirements

- 1) *expression* must be an integer variable or an expression that evaluates to an integer value
- 2) *exp1* through *expn* must be constant integer expressions or literals, and must be unique in the `switch` statement
- 3) `default` is optional but recommended

switch Statement-How it Works

- 1) *expression* is evaluated
- 2) The value of *expression* is compared against *exp1* through *expn*.
- 3) If *expression* matches value *exp_i*, the program branches to the statement following *exp_i* and continues to the end of the `switch`
- 4) If no matching value is found, the program branches to the statement after `default:`

break Statement

- Used to exit a `switch` statement
- If it is left out, the program "falls through" the remaining statements in the `switch` statement

break and default statements in Program 4-25

Program 4-25

```
1  // This program is carefully constructed to use the "fall through"
2  // feature of the switch statement.
3  #include <iostream>
4  using namespace std;
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int modelNum;  // Model number
9
10     // Get a model number from the user.
11     cout << "Our TVs come in three models:\n";
12     cout << "The 100, 200, and 300. Which do you want? ";
13     cin >> modelNum;
14
15     // Display the model's features.
16     cout << "That model has the following features:\n";
17     switch (modelNum)
18     {
19         case 300: cout << "\tPicture-in-a-picture.\n";
20         case 200: cout << "\tStereo sound.\n";
21         case 100: cout << "\tRemote control.\n";
22                 break;
23         default:  cout << "You can only choose the 100,";
24                 cout << "200, or 300.\n";
25     }
26     return 0;
27 }
```

Continued...

break and default statements in Program 4-25

Program Output with Example Input Shown in Bold

```
Our TVs come in three models:  
The 100, 200, and 300. Which do you want? 100 [Enter]  
That model has the following features:  
    Remote control.
```

Program Output with Example Input Shown in Bold

```
Our TVs come in three models:  
The 100, 200, and 300. Which do you want? 200 [Enter]  
That model has the following features:  
    Stereo sound.  
    Remote control.
```

Program Output with Example Input Shown in Bold

```
Our TVs come in three models:  
The 100, 200, and 300. Which do you want? 300 [Enter]  
That model has the following features:  
    Picture-in-a-picture.  
    Stereo sound.  
    Remote control.
```

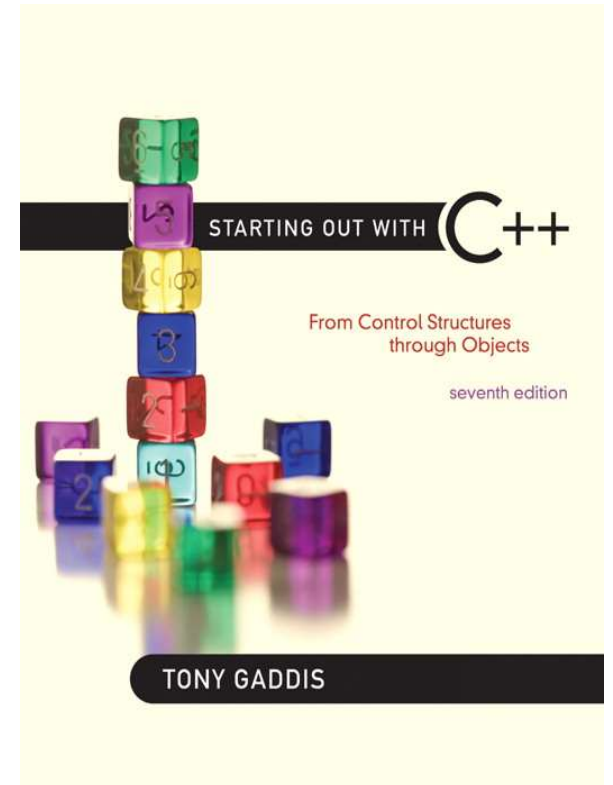
Program Output with Example Input Shown in Bold

```
Our TVs come in three models:  
The 100, 200, and 300. Which do you want? 500 [Enter]  
That model has the following features:  
You can only choose the 100, 200, or 300.
```

Using `switch` in Menu Systems

- `switch` statement is a natural choice for menu-driven program:
 - display the menu
 - then, get the user's menu selection
 - use user input as `expression` in `switch` statement
 - use menu choices as `expr` in `case` statements

4.15



More About Blocks and Scope

More About Blocks and Scope

- Scope of a variable is the block in which it is defined, from the point of definition to the end of the block
- Usually defined at beginning of function
- May be defined close to first use

Inner Block Variable Definition in Program 4-29

```
16     if (income >= MIN_INCOME)
17     {
18         // Get the number of years at the current job.
19         cout << "How many years have you worked at "
20             << "your current job? ";
21         int years;      // Variable definition
22         cin >> years;
23
24         if (years > MIN_YEARS)
25             cout << "You qualify.\n";
26         else
27         {
28             cout << "You must have been employed for\n"
29                 << "more than " << MIN_YEARS
30                 << " years to qualify.\n";
31         }
32     }
```

Variables with the Same Name

- Variables defined inside { } have local or block scope
- When inside a block within another block, can define variables with the same name as in the outer block.
 - When in inner block, outer definition is not available
 - Not a good idea

Two Variables with the Same Name in Program 4-30

Program 4-30

```
1 // This program uses two variables with the name number.
2 #include <iostream>
3 using namespace std;
4
5 int main()
6 {
7     // Define a variable named number.
8     int number;
9
10    cout << "Enter a number greater than 0: ";
11    cin >> number;
12    if (number > 0)
13    {
14        int number; // Another variable named number.
15        cout << "Now enter another number: ";
16        cin >> number;
17        cout << "The second number you entered was "
18             << number << endl;
19    }
20    cout << "Your first number was " << number << endl;
21    return 0;
22 }
```

Program Output with Example Input Shown in Bold

```
Enter a number greater than 0: 2 [Enter]
Now enter another number: 7 [Enter]
The second number you entered was 7
Your first number was 2
```