# do while Loops

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# 1 Do while Loops

Before writing code, think through the following problems:

- In your own words, what is the difference between while and do while loops?
- Can you think of a problem where
  - using while is preferable over do while?
  - using do while is preferable over while?

#### 1.1 Implementing do while Loops

In all the problems in this section, use a do while loop.

- 1. Write a program that displays the numbers 0 to 50.
- 2. Write a program that displays the numbers 30 to -20.
- 3. Write a do while loop that generates this output:
  - 1 10 100 1000 10000 100000 1000000

In the next problem, implement a program combining a do-while loop with user input to achieve the following behavior:

- 1. Ask user to enter an integer in the range 0 100 (including 0 and 100).
- 2. If the value provided by user is not in this range, the program should repeat the question.
- 3. After the user provides an integer within the range, display that number.

Here is an example of a possible interaction with the program:

```
Enter an integer between 0 and 100: NO Sorry, that is not a valid input.

Enter an integer between 0 and 100: -20 Sorry, that is not a valid input.

Enter an integer between 0 and 100: 42 You entered 42.
```

## 2 while vs do while

Consider the program given below implemented using a while loop:

```
int n;
bool flag = false;

Console.Write("Enter an integer:");
flag = int.TryParse(Console.ReadLine(), out n);

while(!flag)
{
    Console.WriteLine("The value you entered is not a valid integer. Try one more time.");
    Console.Write("Enter an integer:");
    flag = int.TryParse(Console.ReadLine(), out n);
}
```

Console.WriteLine(\$"The number you entered is {n}");

- 1. Convert the program to an equivalent version that uses a do while loop
- 2. Test the **do while** version with different inputs to ensure the behavior is the same and that the program does not crash with an error. For example, you should try:
  - alphabetic input (invalid)
  - floating point input (invalid)
  - negative integer (valid)
  - positive integer (valid)
  - number 0 (valid)
- 3. Compare the while and do while implementations: which one is better, in your opinion, and why?