

3. Control Flow Statements

1. What are conditional statements in C++? Explain the if-else and switch statements.

➤ Conditional statements in C++ are control structures that allow a program to execute different blocks of code based on whether a specific condition is true or false. They are essential for creating dynamic and responsive software.

- **if-else Statement:**

The if-else statement is the most basic form of a conditional statement. It evaluates a condition, and if the condition is true, it executes a specific block of code. If the condition is false, it executes a different block of code.

- Syntax:

```
if (condition) {  
    // Code to be executed if the condition is true  
} else {  
    // Code to be executed if the condition is false  
}
```

- Example:

```
int age = 20;  
if (age >= 18) {  
    std::cout << "You are an adult." << std::endl;  
} else {  
    std::cout << "You are a minor." << std::endl;  
}
```

- **switch Statement:**

The switch statement is used to select one of several code blocks to execute based on the value of a variable. It is often used as an alternative to multiple if-else statements when dealing with multiple possible values for a single variable.

- Syntax:

```
switch (expression) {
    case value1:
        // Code to be executed if expression == value1
        break;
    case value2:
        // Code to be executed if expression == value2
        break;
    // ...
    default:
        // Code to be executed if no case matches
}
```
- Example:

```
int day = 3;
switch (day) {
    case 1:
        std::cout << "Monday" << std::endl;
        break;
    case 2:
        std::cout << "Tuesday" << std::endl;
        break;
    case 3:
        std::cout << "Wednesday" << std::endl;
        break;
    default:
        std::cout << "Invalid day" << std::endl;
}
```

2. What is the difference between for, while, and do-while loops in C++?

- Here's a breakdown of the differences between for, while, and do-while loops in C++:

1. for loop:

- Structure:

`for (initialization; condition; increment/decrement) {
// code to be executed}`.

- Use case:

Best when you know the number of iterations in advance. It's often used for iterating through a sequence of numbers or elements in a container.

- Execution:

- The initialization statement is executed only once at the beginning.
- The condition is checked before each iteration. If it's true, the loop body is executed.
- After each iteration, the increment/decrement statement is executed.
- The loop continues as long as the condition remains true.

- Example:

```
for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++) {  
    cout << i << " "; // Output: 0 1 2 3 4  
}
```

2. while loop:

- Structure:

`while (condition) {
// code to be executed}`

- Use case:

Best when you need to repeat a block of code as long as a condition is true, and you don't necessarily know the number of iterations beforehand.

- Execution:
 - The condition is checked before each iteration. If it's true, the loop body is executed.
 - The loop continues as long as the condition remains true.
 - If the condition is false from the beginning, the loop body is skipped entirely.
- Example:

```
int count = 0;
while (count < 3) {
    cout << "Count: " << count << endl; // Output: Count:
0, Count: 1, Count: 2
    count++;
}
```

3. do-while loop:

- Structure:


```
do { // code to be executed } while (condition);
```
- Use case:

Similar to while, but it guarantees that the loop body will execute at least once, regardless of the initial condition. Useful when you want to execute a block of code and then check if it should be repeated
- Execution:
 - The loop body is executed once.
 - The condition is checked after the first execution. If it's true, the loop body is executed again.
 - The loop continues as long as the condition remains true.

- Example:

```
int input;

do {

    cout << "Enter a positive number: ";

    cin >> input;

} while (input <= 0); // Loop continues until a
positive number is entered.
```

3. How are break and continue statements used in loops? Provide examples.

break

- Purpose:

Immediately exits the *innermost* loop (or switch), skipping all remaining code and stopping further iterations.

- Common use:

Stop looping early when a condition is met—like finding a target in an array.

- Examples:

i. **for loop** – stop at `i == 3`

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 5; ++i) {

    if (i == 3) {
```

```

        break;
    }

    std::cout << i << "\n";
}

```

- ii. **while (true) loop** – exit on negative input

```

int sum = 0, x;

while (true) {
    std::cin >> x;

    if (x < 0) break;

    sum += x;
}

std::cout << sum;

```

- iii. **Nested loops** – only inner loop exits.

```

for (int i = 1; i <= 3; ++i) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= 3; ++j) {
        if (i == 2) break;

        std::cout << i << "," << j << "\n";
    }
}

```

// i=2 loop exited immediately; i=3 runs full inner loop
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Continue

- Purpose:

Skips the rest of the current iteration and immediately jumps to the loop's next iteration.

- Common use:

Skip processing for specific cases without stopping the whole loop.

- Examples:

- i. **for loop** – skip $i == 3$

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 5; ++i) {  
    if (i == 3) continue;  
    std::cout << i << "\n";  
}
```

// Output: 1 2 4 5

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- ii. **while loop** – ignore values > 50

```
int sum = 0, x = 0;
```

```
while (x >= 0) {
```

```
    sum += x;
```

```
    std::cin >> x;
```

```
    if (x > 50) continue;
```

```

}

std::cout << sum;

// Skips numbers >50
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```

iii. **Nested loops** – skip inner iteration when $j == 2$

```

for (int i = 1; i <= 3; ++i) {

    for (int j = 1; j <= 3; ++j) {

        if (j == 2) continue;

        std::cout << i << ", " << j << "\n";


    }

}

// Omits j=2 each time
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```

4. Explain nested control structures with an example.

 A nested control structure is simply a control flow statement (like if, for, while) placed **inside** another. This allows you to model complex decision logic or multi-level iteration.

1. Nested if-else:

- Example: Check a Number's Sign and Parity

```

#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    int num = 10;

```



```

if (num > 0) {
    cout << "Number is positive.\n";
    if (num % 2 == 0) {
        cout << "Number is even.\n";
    } else {
        cout << "Number is odd.\n";
    }
} else {
    cout << "Number is non-positive.\n";
}
return 0;
}

```

- Outer if checks if num is positive.
- Inner if-else then determines if it's even or odd.

2. Nested Loops

- Example: 3×3 Coordinate Grid using while

```

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#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    int i = 0;
    while (i < 3) {
        int j = 0;
        while (j < 3) {
            cout << "(" << i << ", " << j << ") ";
            j++;
        }
        cout << endl;
        i++;
    }
    return 0;
}

```

- Outer while controls rows (i).

- Inner while controls columns (j), printing every (i, j) pair.
- Example: Nested for Loop - Print weeks and days:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
```

```
int main() {
    int weeks = 3, days = 7;
    for (int i = 1; i <= weeks; ++i) {
        cout << "Week: " << i << "\n";
        for (int j = 1; j <= days; ++j) {
            cout << " Day: " << j << "\n";
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
```

- Outer loop runs through each **week**.
- Inner loop lists **days** within that week.