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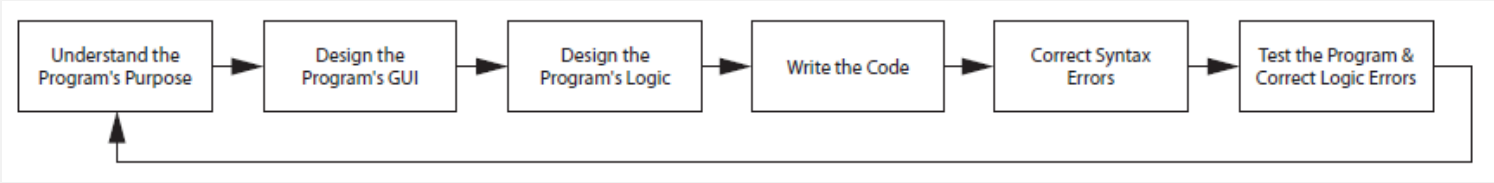

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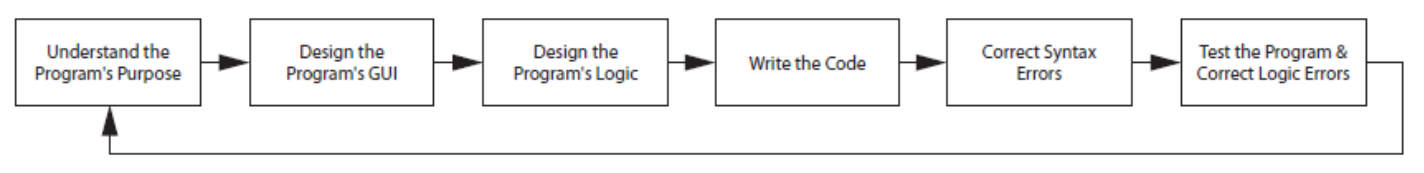

1. Understand the Program's Purpose

Most programs perform the following three-step process:

Step 1. Input is received.
Step 2. Some process is performed on the input.
Step 3. Output is produced.

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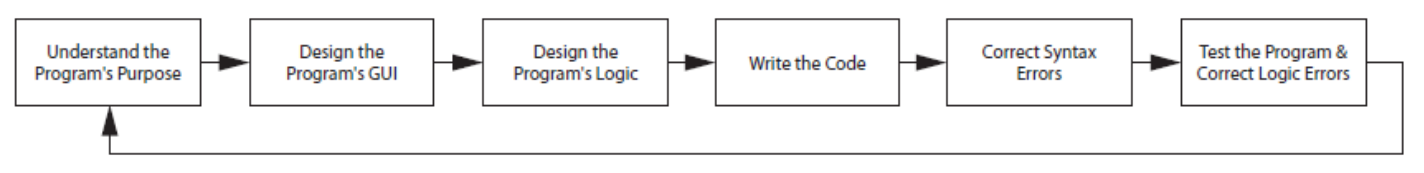

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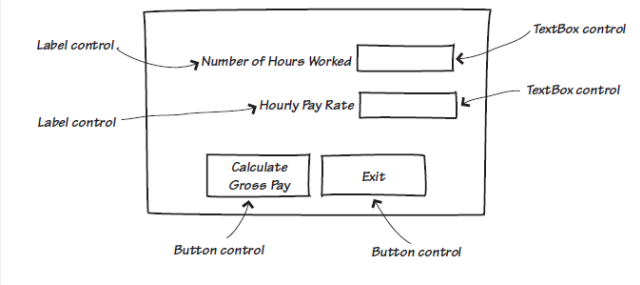

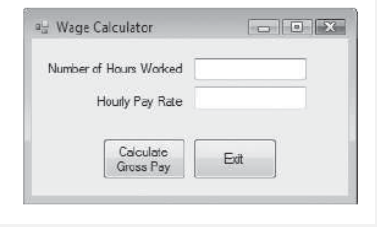

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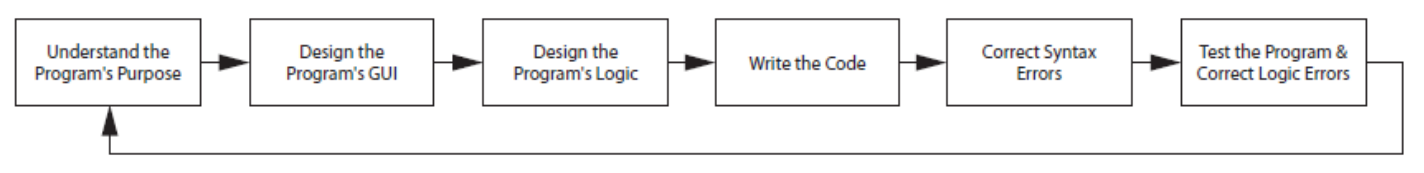

3. Design the Program's Logic
Break down each task that the program must perform into a series of logical steps.

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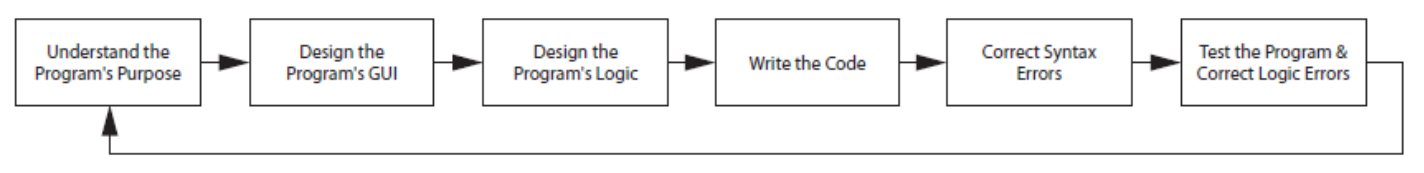

4. Write the Code
5. Correct Syntax Errors
6. Test the Program and Correct Logic Errors

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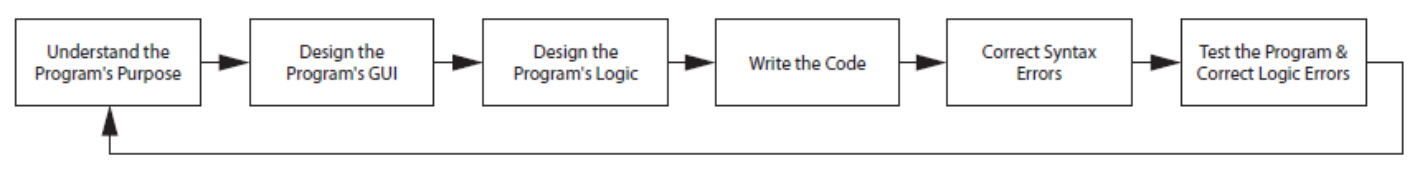

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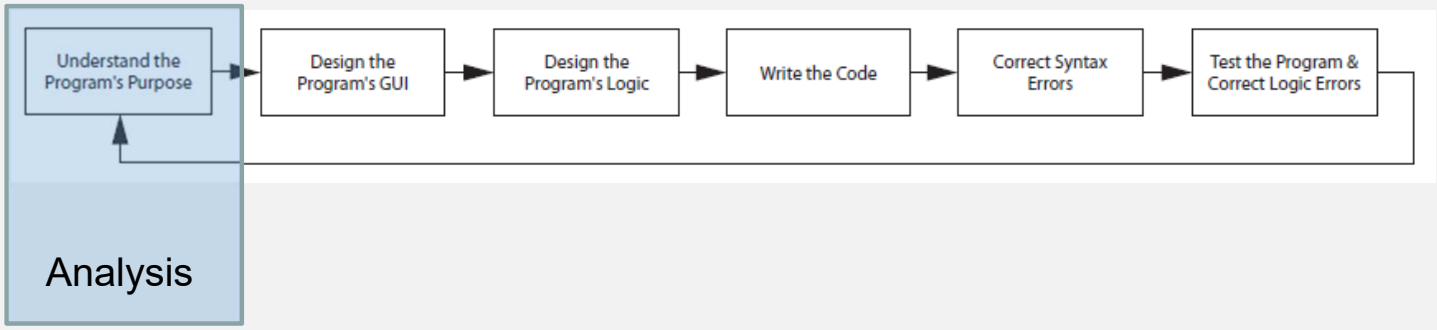

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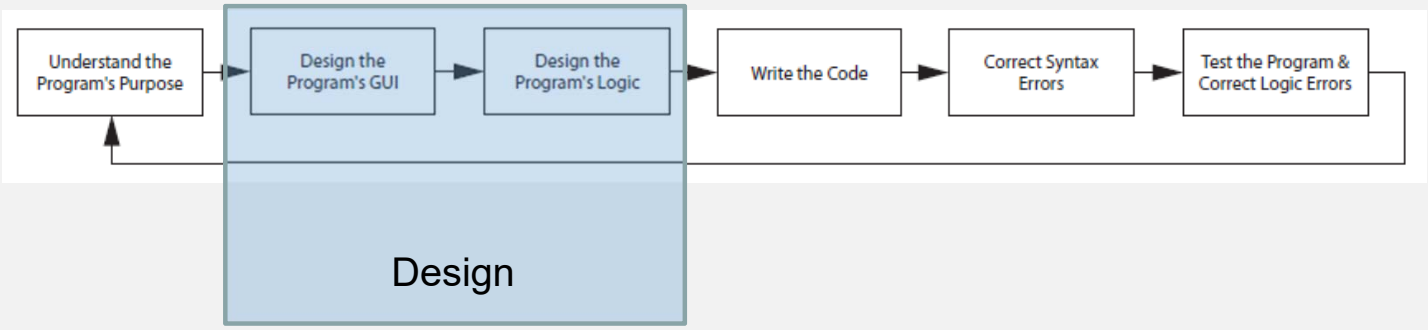

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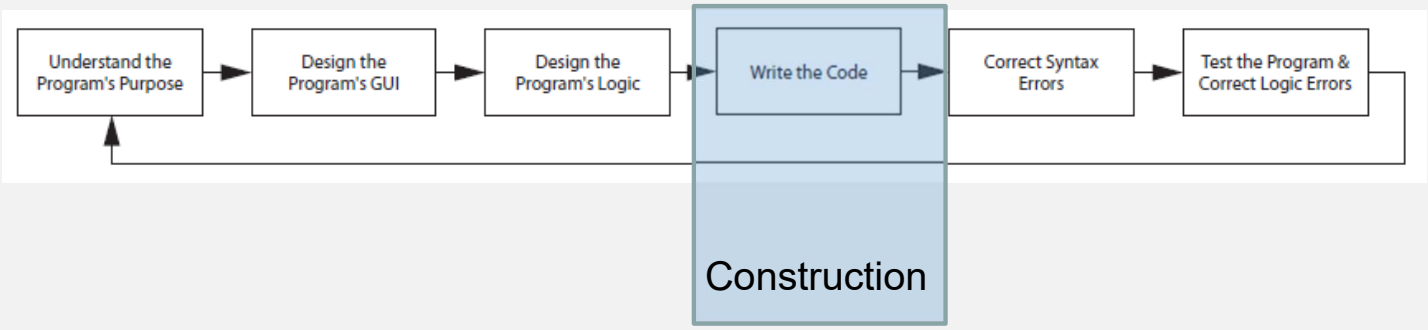

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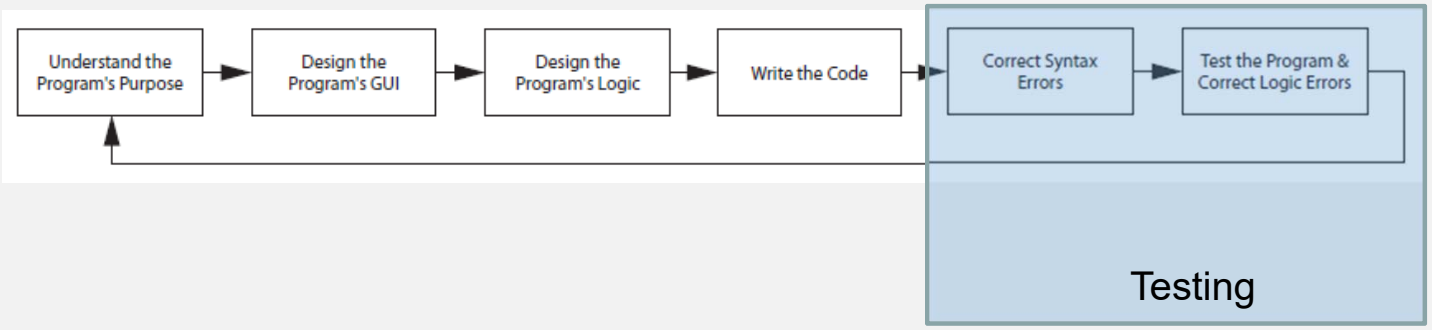

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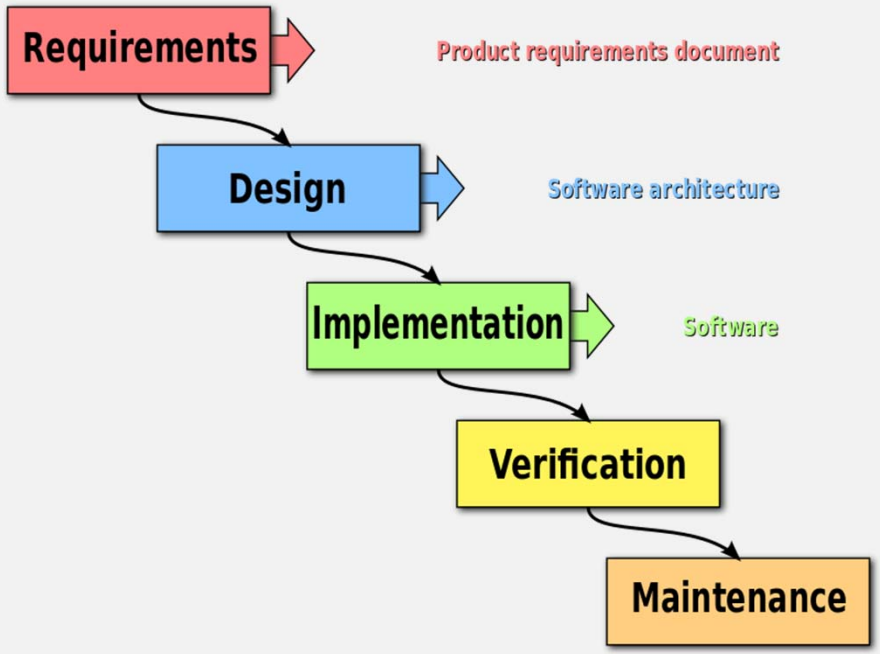
Waterfall Model



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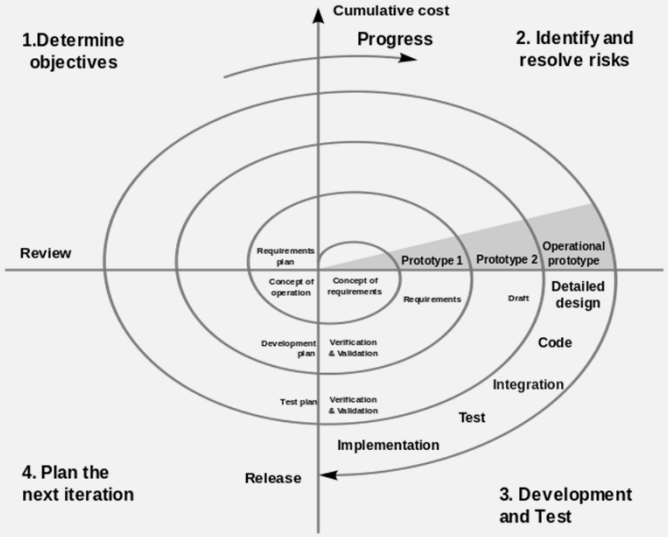
Spiral Model (Boehm, 1988)



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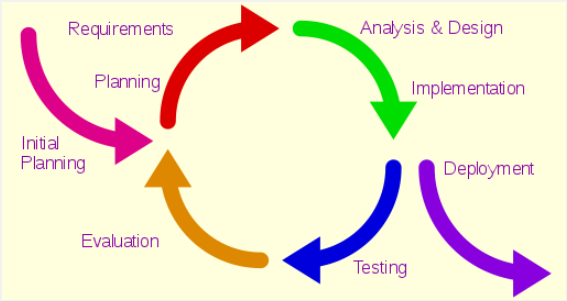

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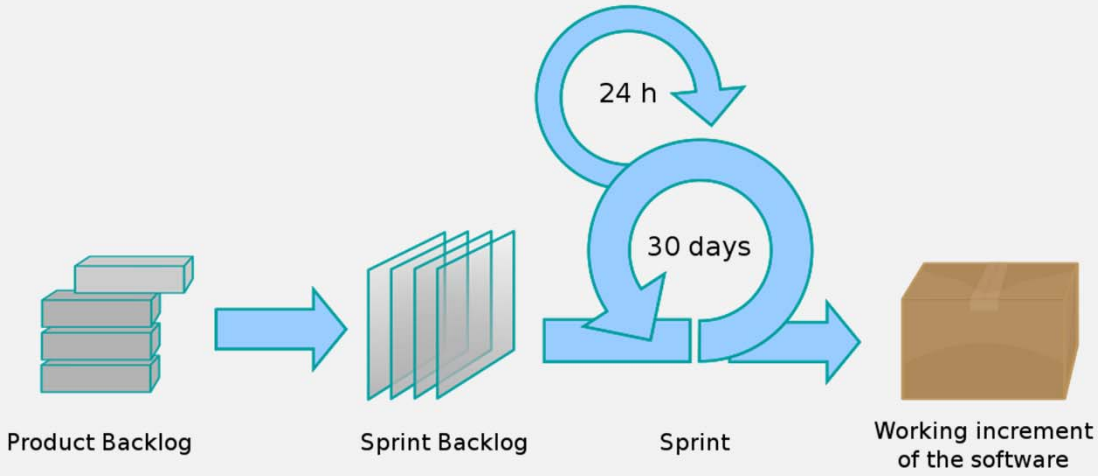

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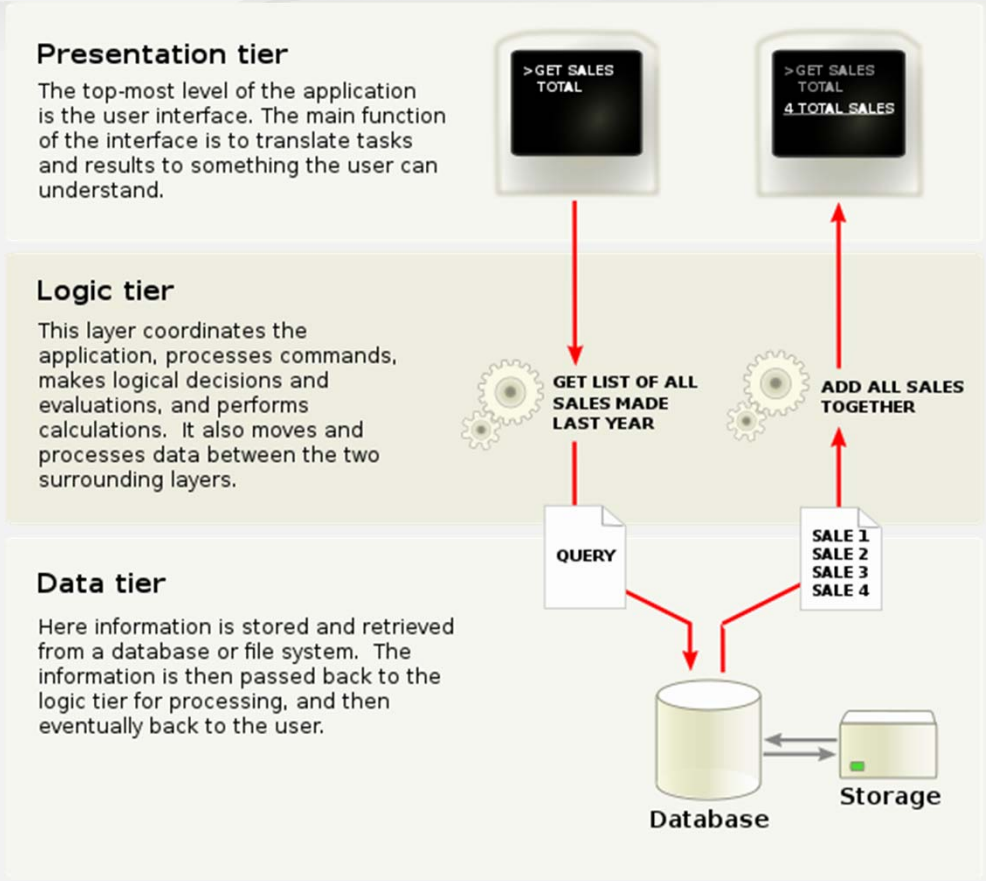

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4.1 Decision Structures

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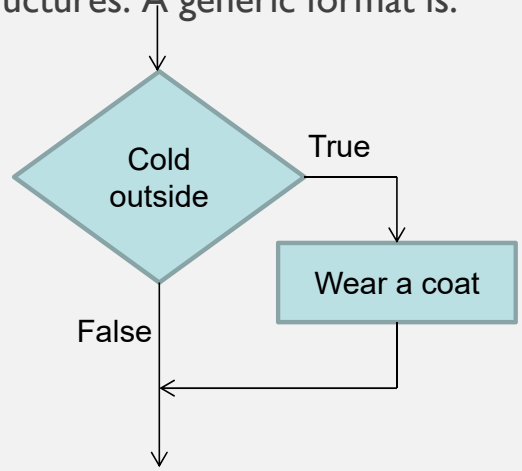
- A **control structure** is a logical design that controls the order in which statements execute
- A **sequence structure** is a set of statements that execute in the order that they appear
- A **decision structure** execute statements only under certain circumstances
  - A specific action is performed only if a certain condition exists
  - Also known as a selection structure

A Simple Decision Structure

- The flowchart is a single-alternative decision structure
- It provides only one alternative path of execution
- In C#, you can use the ***if*** statement to write such structures. A generic format is:

```
if (expression)
{
   Statements;
   Statements;
   etc.;
}
```



- The *expression* is a Boolean expression that can be evaluated as either true or false

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Relational Operators

- A relational operator determines whether a specific relationship exists between two values

Operator	Meaning	Expression	Meaning
>	Greater than	x > y	Is x greater than y?
<	Less than	x < y	Is x less than y?
>=	Greater than or equal to	x >= y	Is x greater than or equal to y?
<=	Less than or equal to	x <= y	Is x less than or equal to you?
==	Equal to	x == y	Is x equal to y?
!=	Not equal to	x != y	Is x not equal to you?

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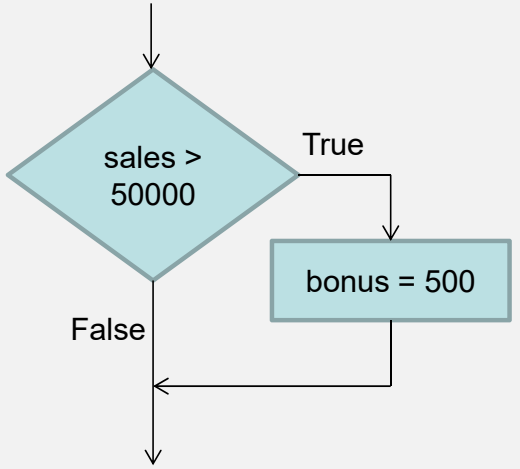
if Statement with Boolean Expression

```
if (sales > 50000)
{
   bonus =  500;
}
```



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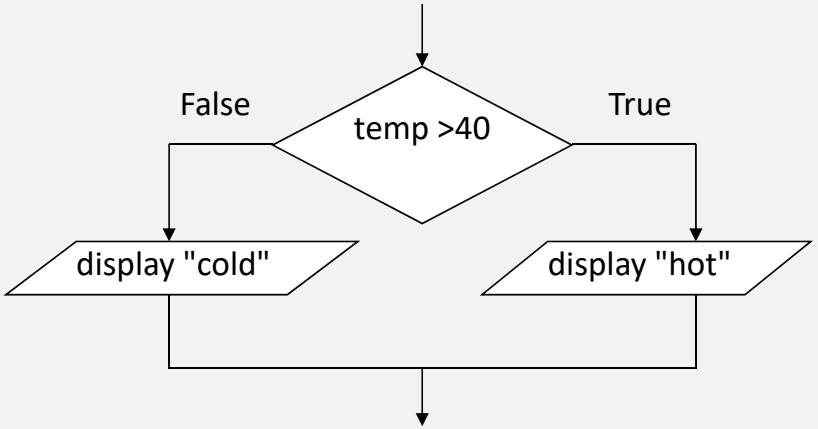
4.2 The *if-else* statement

- An ***if-else*** statement will execute one block of statement if its Boolean expression is true or another block if its Boolean expression is false
- It has two parts: an *if* clause and an *else* clause
- In C#, a generic format looks:

```
if (expression)
{
  statements;
}
else
{
  statements;
}
```

Example of *if-else* Statement




```
if (temp > 40)
{
    MessageBox.Show("hot");
}
else
{
    MessageBox.Show("cold");
}
```

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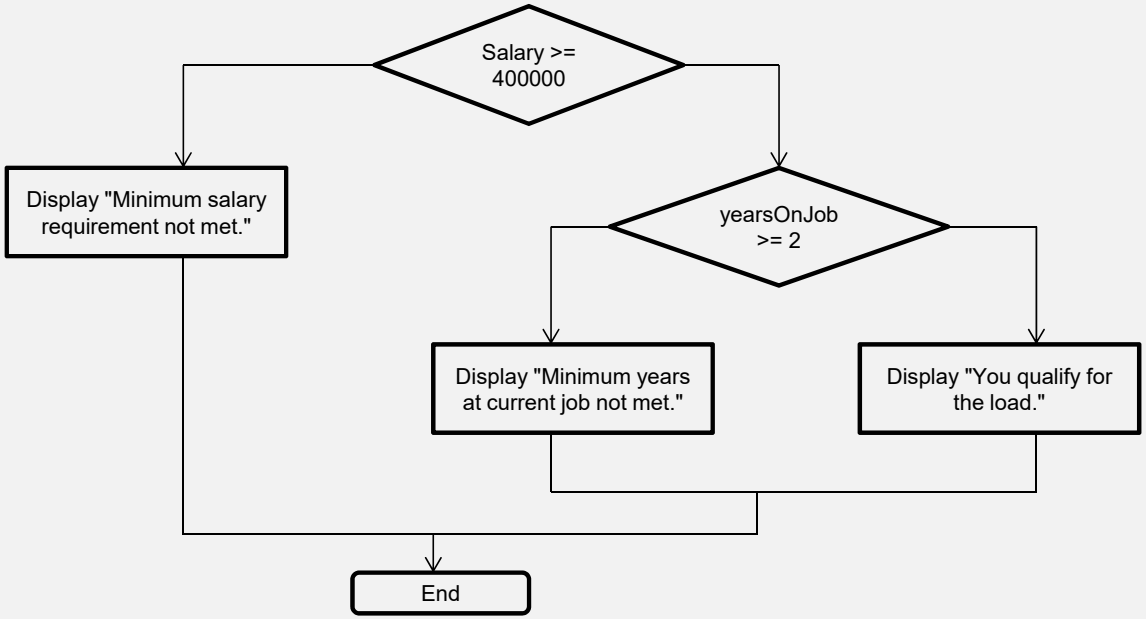
4.3 Nested Decision Structures

- You can create nested decision structures to test more than one condition.
- Nested means "one inside another"
- In C#, a generic format is:

```
if (expression)
{
  if (expression)
  {
    statements;
  }
  else
  {
    statements;
  }
}
else
{
  statements;
}
```

A Sample Nested Decision Structure



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A Sample Nested Decision Structure


```
if (salary >= 40000)
{
  if (yearOnJob >= 2)
  {
    decisionLabel.Text = "You qualify for the load."
  }
  else
  {
    decisionLabel.Text = "Minimum years at current " + "job not met."
  }
}
else
{
  decisionLabel.Text = "Minimum salary requirement " + "not met."
}
```

The if-else-if Statement

- You can also create a decision structure that evaluates multiple conditions to make the final decision using the ***if-else-if*** statement
- In C#, the generic format is:

```
if (expression)
{
}
else if (expression)
{
}
else if (expression)
{
}
…
else
{
}
```

```
int grade =
double.Parse(textBox1.Text);
if (grade >=90)
{
   MessageBox.Show("A");
}
else if (grade >=80)
{
   MessageBox.Show("B");
}
else if (grade >=70)
{
   MessageBox.Show("C");
}
else if (grade >=60)
{
   MessageBox.Show("D");
}
else
{
   MessageBox.Show("F");
}
```

4.4 Logical Operators

- The logical **AND** operator (**&&**) and the logical **OR** operator (**||**) allow you to connect multiple Boolean expressions to create a compound expression
- The logical **NOT** operator (**!**) reverses the truth of a Boolean expression

Operator	Meaning	Description
&&	AND	Both subexpression must be true for the compound expression to be true
||	OR	One or both subexpression must be true for the compound expression to be true
!	NOT	It negates (reverses) the value to its opposite one.

Expression	Meaning
x >y && a < b	Is x greater than y AND is a less than b?
x == y || x == z	Is x equal to y OR is x equal to z?
! (x > y)	Is the expression x > y NOT true?

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Sample Decision Structures with Logical Operators

- The && operator

```
if (temperature < 20 && minutes > 12)
{
  MessageBox.Show("The temperature is in the danger zone.");
}
```

- The || operator

```
if (temperature < 20 || temperature > 100)
{
  MessageBox.Show("The temperature is in the danger zone.");
}
```

- The ! Operator

```
if (!(temperature > 100))
{
  MessageBox.Show("The is below the maximum temperature.");
}
```

4.5 bool Variables and Flags

- You can store the values true or false in bool variables, which are commonly used as **flags**
- A flag is a variable that signals when some condition exists in the program
  - False – indicates the condition does not exist
  - True – indicates the condition exists

```
if (grandMaster)
{
  powerLevel += 500;
}
If (!grandMaster)
{
  powerLevel = 100;
}
```

4.6 Comparing Strings

- You can use certain relational operators and methods to compare strings. For example,
  - The == operator can compare two strings

```
string name1 = "Mary";
string name2 = "Mark";
if (name1 == name2) { }
```

  - You can compare string variables with string literals, too

```
if (month ! = "October") { }
```

  - The **`String.Compare`** method can compare two strings

```
string name1 = "Mary";
string name2 = "Mark";
if (String.Compare(name1, name2) == 0) { }
```

4.7 Preventing Data Conversion Exception

- Exception should be prevented when possible
- The **`TryParse`** methods can prevent exceptions caused by users entering invalid data
  - `int.TryParse`
  - `doubel.TryParse`
  - `decimal.TryParse`
- The generic syntax is:

  `int.TryParse(string,` `out` *`targetVariable`*`)`

- The **`out`** keyword is required; it specifies that the *`targetVariable`* is an output variable

Samples of TryParse Methods


```
// int.TryParse
int number;
if (int.TryParse(inputTextBox.Text, out number))
…
//double.TryParse
double number;
if (double.TryParse(inputTextBox.Text, out number))
…
//decimal.TryParse
decimal number;
if (decimal.TryParse(inputTextBox.Text, out number))
…
```

4.8 Input Validation

- **Input validation** is the process of inspecting data that has been entered into a program to make sure it is valid before it is used
- `TryParse` methods check if the user enters the data, but it does not check the integrity of the data. For example,
  - In a payroll program we might validate the number of hours worked.

```
if (hours > 0 && hours <= 168) { } else { }
```

  - In a program that gets test scores, we can limits its data to an integer range of 0 through 100.

```
if (testScore >= 0 && testScore <=100) { } else { }
```

4.10 The `switch` Statement

- The **`switch`** statement lets the value of a variable or an expression determine which path of execution the program will take
- It is a multiple-alternative decision structure
- It can be used as an alternative to an `if-else-if` statement that tests the same variable or expression for several different values

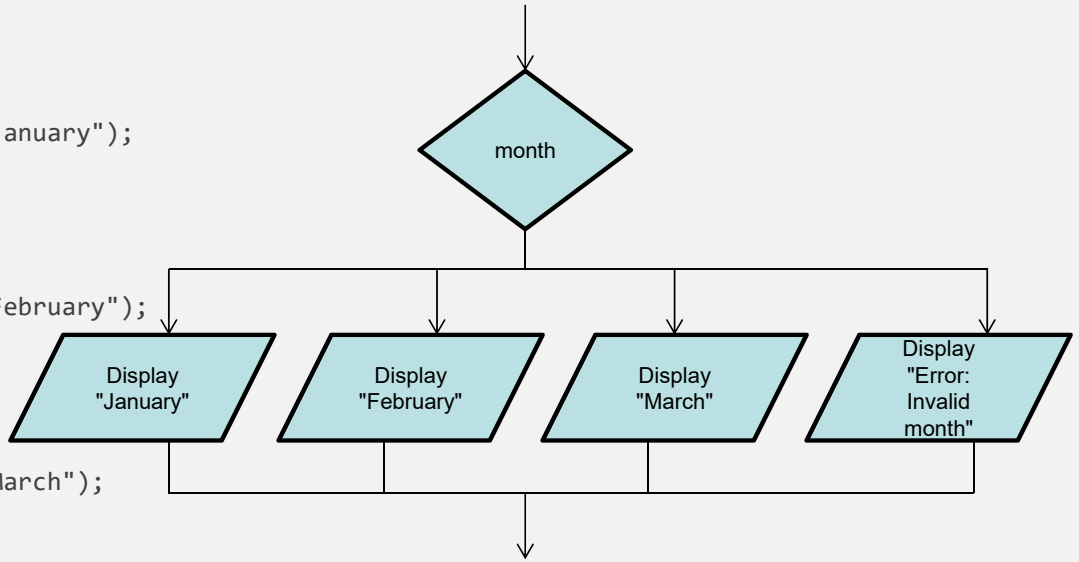
Generic Format of the `switch` Statement

```
swtich (testExpression)
{
  case value_1:
    statements;
    break;
 case value_2:
    statements;
    break;
…
 case value_n:
    statements;
    break;
 default:
    statements;
    break;
}
```

- The *`testExpression`* is a variable or an expression that given an integer, string, or bool value. Yet, it cannot be a floating-point or decimal value.
- Each `case` is an individual subsection containing one or more statements, followed by a `break` statement
- The `default` section is optional and is designed for a situation that the *`testExpression`* will not match with any of the `case`

Sample `switch` Statement

```
switch (month)
{
  case 1:
          MessageBox.Show("January");
  break;
  case 2:
          MessageBox.Show("February");
  break;
  case 3:
          MessageBox.Show("March");
  break;
  default:
          MessageBox.Show("Error: Invalid month");
  break;
}
```



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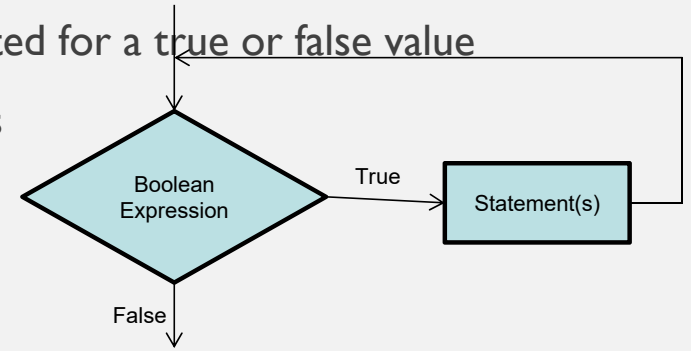
5.2 The `while` Loop

- The **`while`** loop causes a statement or set of statements to repeat as long as a Boolean expression is true
- The simple logic is: While a Boolean expression is true, do some task
- A `while` loop has two parts:
  - A Boolean expression that is tested for a true or false value
  - A statement or set of statements that is repeated a long as the Boolean expression is true



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Structure of a `while` Loop

- In C#, the generic format of a `while` loop is:

```
while (BooleanExpression)
{
   Statements;
}
```

- The first line is called the **while clause**
- Statements inside the curly braces are the **body** of the loop
- When a `while` loop executes, the Boolean expression is tested. If true, the statements are executed
- Each time the loop executes its statement or statements, we say the loop is iterating, or performing an **iteration**

The `while` Loop is a Pretest Loop

- A `while` loop tests its condition before performing an iteration.
- It is necessary to declare a counter variable with initial value

```
int count = 1;
```

- So the `while` clause can test its Boolean expression

```
while (count < 5) { }]
```

- Inside the curly braces, there must exist a statement that defines increment (or decrement) of the counter

```
while (count < 5)
{
   …..
  counter = count + 1;
}
```

Sample Code

```
private void goButton_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
  int count = 1;
  while (count <= 5)
  {
     MessageBox.Show("Hello!");
     count = count + 1;
  }
}
```

- The counter has an initial value of 1
- Each time the loop executes, 1 is added to counter
- The Boolean expression will test whether counter is less than or equal 5. So the loop will stop when counter equals 5.

Infinite Loops

- An **infinite loop** is a loop that will repeats until the program is interrupted
- There are few conditions that cause a while loop to be an infinite loop. A typical scenario is that the programmer forgets to write code that makes the test condition false
- In the following example, the counter is never increased. So, the Boolean expression is never false.

```
int count = 1;
while (count <= 5)
{
  MessageBox.Show("Hello");
}
```

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5.3 The ++ and -- Operators

- To increment a variable means to increase its value, and to decrement a variable means to decrease its value
- C# provides the ++ and -- operator to increment and decrement variables
- Adding 1 to a variable can be written as:

```
count = count + 1;
```

or

```
count++;
```

or

```
count += 1;
```

- Subtracting 1 from a variable can be written as:

```
count = count – 1;
```

or

```
count --;
```

or

```
count -= 1;
```

Postfix Mode vs. Prefix Mode

- **Postfix mode** means to place the ++ and -- operators after their operands

```
count++;
```

- **Prefix mode** means to place the ++ and -- operators before their operands

```
--count;
```

5.4 The for Loop

- The **for** loop is specially designed for situations requiring a counter variable to control the number of times that a loop iterates
- You must specify three actions:
  - **Initialization**: a one-time expression that defines the initial value of the counter
  - **Test**: A Boolean expression to be tested. If true, the loop iterates.
  - **Update**: increase or decrease the value of the counter
- A generic form is:

```
for (initializationExpress; testExpression; updateExpression)
{ }
```

- The for loop is a pretest loop

Sample Code

```
int count;
for (count = 1; count <= 5; count++)
{
   MessageBox.Show("Hello");
}
```

- The initialization expression assign 1 to the count variable
- The expression count <=5 is tested. If true, continue to display the message.
- The update expression add 1 to the count variable
- Start the loop over

```
// declare count variable in the
// initialization expression
for (int count = 1; count <= 5; count++)
{
   MessageBox.Show("Hello");
}
```

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Other Forms of Update Expression

- In the update expression, the counter variable is typically incremented by 1. But, this is not a requirement.

```
// increment by 10
for (int count = 0; count <=100; count += 10)
{
   MessageBox.Show(count.ToString());
}
```

- You can decrement the counter variable to make it count backward

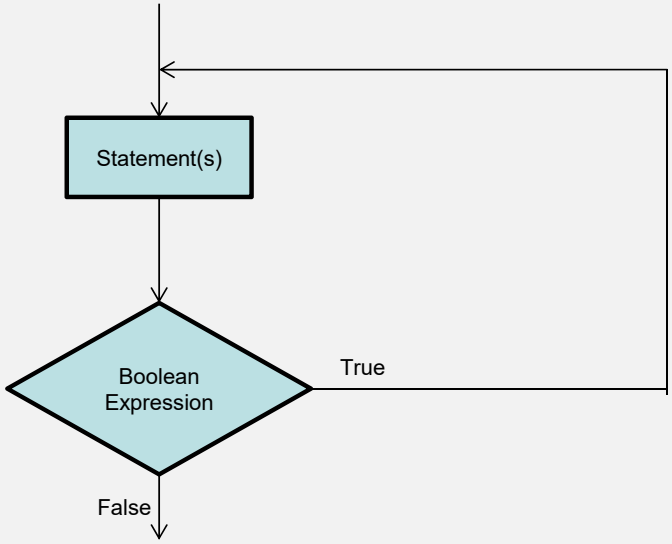
```
// counting backward
for (int count = 10; count >=0; count--)
{
   MessageBox.Show(count.ToString());
}
```

5.5 The do-while Loop

- The do-while loop is a posttest loop, which means it performs an iteration before testing its Boolean expression.
- In the flowchart, one or more statements are executed before a Boolean expression is

  tested
- A generic format is:

```
do
{
  statement(s);
} while (BooleanExpression);
```



Sample Code

- Will you see the message box?

```
int number = 1
do {
    MessageBox.Show(number.ToString());
} while (number < 0);
```

- Will you see the message box?

```
int number = 1
while (number < 0)
{
   MessageBox.Show(number.ToString());
}
```

6.1 Introduction to Methods

- **Methods** can be used to break a complex program into small, manageable pieces
  - This approach is known as **divide and conquer**
  - In general terms, breaking down a program to smaller units of code, such as methods, is known as **modularization**
- Two types of methods are:
  - A **void** method simply executes a group of statements and then terminates
  - A **value-returning** method returns a value to the statement that called it

Example

Using one long sequence of statement to perform a task

```
Namespace Example
{
 public partial class Form1 : Form
 {
  private void myButton_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
  {
    statement;
    statement;
    statement;
    statement;
    statement;
    statement;
    …
  }
 }
}
```

Example

Using methods to divide and conquer a problem

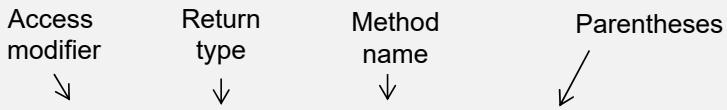
```
Namespace Example
{
  public partial class Form1 : Form
  {
     private void myButton_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
     {
        Method2();
        Method3();
        …
     }

     private void Method2();
     {
        statements;
     }

     private void Method3();
     {
        statements;
     }
  }
}
```

6.2 void Methods

- A **void** method simply executes the statement it contains and then terminates. It does not return any value to the statement that called it
- To create a method you write its definitions
- A method definition has two parts:
  - **header**: the method header appears at the beginning of a method definition to indicate access mode, return type, and method name
  - **body**: the method body is a collection of statements that are performed when the method is executed

The Method Header

- The book separates a method header into four parts :
  - Access modifier: keywords that defines the access control
    - `private`: a private method can be called only by code inside the same class as the method
    - `public`: a public method can be called by code that is outside the class.
  - Return type: specifies whether or not a method returns a value
  - Method name: the identifier of the method; must be unique in a given program. This book uses Pascal case (aka camelCase)
  - Parentheses: A method's name is always followed by a pair of parentheses




```
private void DisplayMessage()
{
  MessageBox.Show("This is the DisplayMessage method.");
}
```

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Declaring Method Inside a Class

- Methods usually belong to a class
- All Visual C# methods typically belong to applications' default `Form1` class
- In this book, methods are created inside the `Form1` class

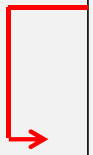
```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;

namespace Example
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }

        // your method definition will appear here inside Form1 class
    }
}
```

Calling a Method

- A method executes when it is called
- Event handlers are called when specific events take place. Yet, methods are executed by **method call statements**.
- A method call statement is the name of the method followed by a pair of parentheses. For example:



```
private void goButton_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
  MessageBox.Show("This is the goButton_Click method.");
  DisplayMessage();
}

private DisplayMessage()
{
  MessageBox.Show("This is the DisplayMessage method.");
}
```

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Concept of Return Point

- When calling a method the system needs to know where the program should return after the method ends
- The system saves the memory address of the location called **return point** to which it should return
- The system jumps to the method and executes the statements in its body
- When the method ends, the system jumps back to the return point and resumes execution

Top-Down Design

- To modularize a program, programmers commonly use a technique known as **top-down design**
- It breaks down an algorithm to methods
- The process is performed in the following manner:
  - The overall task that the program is to perform is broken down into a series of subtasks
  - Each subtask is examined to determine whether it can be further broken down into more subtasks. This step is repeated until no more subtasks can be identified
  - Once all the subtasks have been identified, they are written in code

6.3 Passing Arguments to Methods

- An **argument** is any piece of data that is passed into a method when the method is called
  - In the following, the statement calls the `MessageBox.Show` method and passes the string "Hello" as an argument:

```
MessageBox.Show("Hello");
```

- A **parameter** is a variable that receives an argument that is passed into a method
  - In the following, *`value`* is an `int` parameter:

```
private void DisplayValue(int value)
{
    MessageBox.Show(value.ToString());
}
```

  - An example of a call to `DisplayValue` method with 5 as parameter is:

```
DisplayValue(5);
```

Contents of Variables as Arguments

- You can pass the contents of variables as arguments. For example,

```
int x = 5;

DisplayValue(x);

DisplayValue(x * 4);
```

```
private void DisplayValue(int value)
{
   MessageBox.Show(value.ToString());
}
```

- *value* is an `int` parameter in the `DisplayValue` method
- In this example, *x* is an `int` variable with the value 5. Its contents are passed as argument.
- The expression *x* * 4 also produces an `int` result, which can be passed as an argument
- Another example is:

```
DisplayValue(int.Parse("700"));
```

Argument and Parameter Data Type Compatibility

- An argument's data type must be assignment compatible with the receiving parameter's data type
- Basically,
  - You can pass only **`string`** arguments into **`string`** parameters
  - You can pass **`int`** arguments into **`int`** parameters, but you cannot pass **`double`** or **`decimal`** arguments into **`int`** parameters
  - You can pass either **`double`** or **`int`** arguments to **`double`** parameters, but you cannot pass **`decimal`** values to **`double`** parameters
  - You can pass either **`decimal`** or **`int`** arguments to **`decimal`** parameters, but you cannot pass **`double`** arguments into **`decimal`** parameters

Passing Multiple Arguments

- You can pass more than one argument to a method

```
private void showButton1_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
  ShowMax(5, 10);
}

private void showButton2_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
  int value1 = 2;
  int value2 = 3;
  ShowMax(value1, value2);
}

private void ShowMax(int num1, int num2) { }
```

Named Arguments

- C# allows you to specify which parameter an argument should be passed into. The syntax is:

```
parameterName : value
```

- An argument that is written using this syntax is known as a **named argument**

```
private void showButton_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
  showName(lastName : "Smith", firstName : "Suzanne");
}
private void ShowName(string firstName, string lastName)
{
  MessageBox.Show(firstName + " " + lastNmae);
}
```

- Notice that you get the same result if the call statement is:

```
showName("Suzanne", "Smith");
```

Default Arguments

- C# allows you to provide a **default argument** for a method parameter

```
private void ShowTax(decimal price, decimal taxRate = 0.07m)
{
  decimal tax = price * taxRate;
}
```

- The value of taxRate is defaulted to 0.07m. You can simply call the method by passing only the price

```
showTax(100.0m);
```

- You can also override the default argument

```
showTax(100.0m, 0.08m);
```

6.4 Passing Arguments by Reference

- A **reference parameter** is a special type of parameter that does not receive a copy of the argument's value
- It becomes a **reference** to the argument that was passed into it
- When an argument is passed by reference to a method, the method can change the value of the argument in the calling part of the program
- In C#, you declare a reference parameter by writing the **`ref`** keyword before the parameter variable's data type

```
private void SetToZero(ref int number)
{
  number =0;
}
```

- To call a method that has a reference parameter, you also use the keyword **`ref`** before the argument

```
int myVar = 99;
SetToZero(ref myVar);
```

Using Output Parameters

- An **output parameter** works like a reference parameter with the following differences:
  - An argument does not have to be a value before it is passed into an output parameter
  - A method that has an output parameter must set the output parameter to some value before it finishes executing
- In C#, you declare an output parameter by writing the **out** keyword before the parameter variable's data type

```
private void SetToZero(out in number)
{
   number = 0;
}
```

- To call a method that has a output parameter, you also use the keyword **out** before the argument

```
int myVar;

SetToZero(out myVar);
```

6.5 Value-Returning Methods

- A **value-returning** method is a method that returns a value to the part of the program that called it
- A value-returning method is like a void method in the following ways:
  - It contains a group of statements that performs a specific task
  - When you want to execute the method, you call it
- The .NET Framework provide many value-returning methods, for example, the `int.Parse` method that accepts a string and returns an `int` value

```
int number  = int.Parse("100");
```

argument

Method call

Write Your Own Value-Returning Functions

- In C# the generic format is:

```
AccessModifier DataType MethodName(ParameterList)
{
  statement(s);
  return expression;
}
```

- *AccessModifier*: `private` or `public`
- *DataType*: `int`, `double`, `decimal`, `string`, `bool`, etc.
- *MethodName*: the identifier of the method; must be unique in a program
- *ParameterList*: an optional list of parameter
- *Expression*: can be any value, variable, or expression that has a value

The `return` Statement

- There must be a **`return`** statement inside the method which is usually the last statement of the method. This return statement is used to return a value to the statement that called the method. For example:

```
private int sum(int num1, int num2)
{
   return num1 + num2;
}
```

- Notice that the returned value and the method's type must match
  - In the above example, the method is an `int` method, so it can only return `int` value

Sample Code

```
// int type
private int Sum(int num1, int num2)
{
   return num1 + num2;
}
// double type
private double Sum(double num1, double num2)
{
   return num1 + num2;
}
// decimal type
private decimal Sum(decimal num1, decimal num2)
{
   return num1 + num2;
}
```

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Returning Values to Variables

- A value-returning method returns a value with specific type. However, the method no longer keeps the value once it is returned.
- You can declare a variable to hold the returned value to use the value over and over again

```
int combinedAge = Sum (userAge, friendAge);


private int Sum(int num1, int num2)
{
  return num1 + num2;
}
```

- After execution, the value is kept in `combinedAge` variable

Boolean Methods

- A Boolean method returns either `true` or `false`. You can use a Boolean method to test a condition

```
private bool IsEven(int number)
{
   bool numberIsEven;
   if (number % 2 == 0)
   {
      numberIsEven = true;
   }
   else
   {
      numberIsEven = false;
   }
   return numberIsEven;
}
```

- With this code, an `int` value assigned to the `number` parameter will be evaluated by the *if* statement
- The `return` statement will return either `true` or `false`

Using the Modulus Operator in Boolean Expressions

- The book discusses the use of modulus operator to determine whether a whole number is odd or even

```
number % 2
```

- The modulus operator is a useful tool to write Boolean expression
  - The expression `number % 2` has only two possible values: 0 or 1

```
if (number % 2 == 0)
{
   numberIsEven = true;
}
else
{
   numberIsEven = false;
}
```

```
switch (number % 2)
{
  case 0: numberIsEven = true;
          break;
  case 1: numberIsEven = false;
          break;
  // default is not needed in this case
}
```

Returning a String from a Method

- `string` is a primitive data type. A C# value-returning method can return a `string` to the statement that called it. For example,

```
private string FullName(string first, string middle, string last)
{
   return first + " " + middle + " " + last;
}
```

- A sample statement to call it is:

```
FullName("Lynn","Alisha","McCormick");
```

6.6 Debugging Methods

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- The *Step Into* command allows you to single-step through a called method.
- Execute the *Step Into* command in any of the following ways:
  - Press the *F11* key
  - Select *Debug* from the menu bar, and then select *Step Into* from the *Debug* menu
  - Click the *Step Into* button  on the *Debug* Toolbar, if the toolbar is visible
- Tutorial 6-6 demonstrates the *Step Into* command.

Debugging Methods

- The *Step Over* command allows you to call a method without single-stepping through its statements.
- Execute the *Step Over* command in any of the following ways:
  - Press the *F10* key
  - Select *Debug* from the menu bar, and then select *Step Over* from the *Debug* menu
  - Click the *Step Over* button  on the *Debug* Toolbar, if the toolbar is visible
- Tutorial 6-7 demonstrates the *Step Over* command.

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- When single-stepping through a method, the *Step Out* command causes the rest of the method's statements to execute without single-stepping.
- Execute the *Step Out* command in any of the following ways:
  - Press the *Shift+F11* keys
  - Select *Debug* from the menu bar, and then select *Step Out* from the *Debug* menu
  - Click the *Step Out* button  on the *Debug* Toolbar, if the toolbar is visible
- Tutorial 6-8 demonstrates the *Step Out* command.

Debugging Methods

- Visual Studio can be configured in different ways.
  - Under some configurations, the *Step Into* command from the *Debug* menu might be activated by the F8 function key.
  - Under some configurations, the *Step Over* command may be activated by the Shift + F8 keys.
  - Under some configurations, the Step Out command might be activated by the Ctrl + Shift + F8 keys.
- To find out which keys are used, look carefully at these commands when you click on the *Debug* menu.

9.1 Introduction to Classes

- A **class** is the blueprint for an object.
  - It describes a particular type of object, yet it is not an object.
  - It specifies the fields and methods a particular type of object can have.
  - One or more objects can be created from the class.
  - Each object created from a class is called an **instance** of the class.

Creating a Class

- You can create a class by writing a **class declaration**. A generic form is:

```
class className
{
   Member declaration(s)…
}
```

- The **class header** is the first line. It starts with the keyword *class*, followed by the name of the class.
- **Member declarations** are statements that define the class's fields, properties, and/or methods.
- A class may contains a **constructor**, which is special method automatically executed when an object is created.

Sample Code


```
class Coin
{
   private string sideUp; // field

   public Coin() // constructor
   {
      sideUp = "Heads";
   }

   public void Toss() // a void method
   {
      MessageBox.Show(sideUp);
   }

   public string GetSideUp() // a value-returning method
   {
       return sideUp;
   }
}
```

Creating an Object

- Given a class named `Coin`, you can create a `Coin` object, use:

```
Coin myCoin = new Coin();
```

- where,
  - `myCoin` is a variable that references an object of the `Coin` class;
  - the **`new`** keyword creates an instance of the `Coin` class; and
  - the = operator assigns the reference that was returned from the new operator to the `myCoin` variable.
- Once a `Coin` object is created, you can access members of the class with it. E.g.

```
myCoin.Toss();
```

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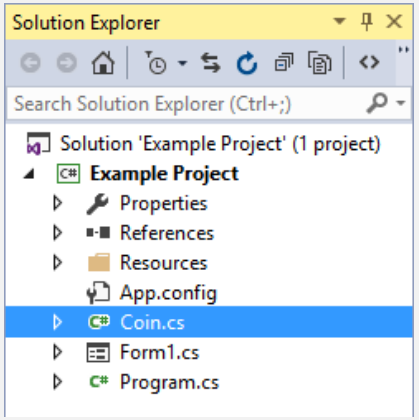
Where to Write Class Declarations

- In C# you have flexibility in choosing where to write class declarations. E.g.
- To create the `Coin` class, you can:
  - Save the class declaration is a separated .cs file; or
  - Add the `Coin` class next to the `Form1` class inside the Form1.cs file.




```
Namespace Example
{
   public partial class Form1 : Form
   {
      public Form1()
      {
        InitializeComponent();
    }
    ….
   }
   class Coin
   {
      ….
   }
}
```

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Passing an Object to a Method

- Objects of a class can be used as parameters of a method. E.g.

```
private void ShowCoinStatus(Coin coin)
{
   MessageBox.Show("Side is " + coin.GetSideUp());
}
```

- In this example, a method named `ShowCoinStatus` accepts a `Coin` object as an argument.
- To create a `Coin` object and pass it as an argument to the `ShowCoinStatus` method, use:

```
Coin myCoin = new Coin();
ShowCoinStatus(myCoin);
```

9.2 Properties

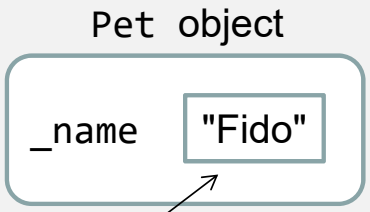
- A **property** is a class member that holds a piece of data about an object.
  - Properties can be implemented as special methods that set and get the value of corresponding fields.
  - In the code, there is a private field which is a known as the **backing field** and is used to hold any data assigned to the property.
  - The **value** parameter of set accessor is automatically created by the compiler.

```
class Pet
{
 private string _name; // backing field
 public Pet()
 {
  _name = "";
 }

 public string Name
 {
  get
  {
   return _name;
  }
  set
  {
   _name = value;
  }
 }
}
```

Setting the myDog object's Name Property to "Fido"

```
myDog.Name = "Fido";
```

```
// Name property
public string Name
{
  get
  {
    return _name;
  }

  set
  {
    _name = value;
  }
}
```



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The Backing Field

- The **private backing field** is a variable that stores a value assigned to the property which the backing fields is associated with.
- It is declared to be private to protect it from accidental corruption.
- If a backing field is public, it can then be accessible directly by code outside the class without the need for accessors.

`get` vs `set` Methods

- The **`get`** method, if not empty, is a method that returns the property's value because it has a **`return`** statement.
  - It is executed whenever the property is read.
- The **`set`** method, if not empty, gets the value stored in the backing field and assigns the value to the property
  - It has an implicit parameter named **`value`**.
  - It is executed whenever a value is assigned to the property.

Read-Only Properties

- A read-only property can be read, but it cannot be modified.
  - To set a read-only property, simply do no write a set method for the property. E.g.

```
// read and write
public double Diameter
{
   get { return _diameter; }
   set { _diameter = value; }
}
```

```
// read-only
public double Diameter
{
   get { return _diameter; }
}
```

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Auto-Properties

- Sometimes a property simply gets and sets the value of a backing field, without performing any other operation.
- Auto-properties simplify the code for such a property. Example:

```
public string Name
{
    get;
    set;
}
```

is equivalent to

```
private string _name;

public string Name
{
    get
    {
        return _name;
    }

    set
    {
        _name = value;
    }
}
```

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Auto-Properties

- With auto-properties, a hidden backing field is automatically created, as well as the code for the get and set methods.
- In fact, most programmers prefer to write an even shorter version of the property, like this:

```
public string Name { get;  set; }
```

- You can initialize an auto-property, like this:

```
public string Name { get;  set; } = "Fido";
```

Read-Only Auto-Properties

- If you leave out the `set` keyword in an auto-property, the property becomes read-only. Example:

```
class Pet
{
    // Name property
    public string Name { get; } = "Fido";
}
```

9.3 Parameterized Constructor & Overloading

- A constructor that accepts arguments is known as a **parameterized constructor**. E.g.

```
public BankAccount(decimal startingBalance) { }
```

- A class can have multiple versions of the same method known as **overloaded methods**.
- How does the compiler know which method to call?
  - Binding relies on the **signature** of a method which consists of the method's name, the data type, and argument kind of the method's parameter. E.g.

```
public BankAccount(decimal startingBalance) { }
public BankAccount(double startingBalance) { }
```

  - The process of matching a method call with the correct method is known as **binding**.

Overloading Methods

- When a method is overloaded, it means that multiple methods in the same class have the same name but use different types of parameters.

```
public void Deposit(decimal amount) { }
public void Deposit(double amount) { } // overloaded
public void Deposit(int numbers) { } // overloaded
public void Deposit(string names) { } // overloaded
```

Overloading Constructors

- Constructors are a special type of methods. They can also be overloaded.

```
public BankAccount() { } // parameterless constructor
public BankAccount(decimal startingBalance) { } // overloaded
public BankAccount(double startingBalance) { } // overloaded
```

  - The parameterless constructor is the default constructor

- Compiler will find the matching constructors automatically. E.g.

```
BankAccount account = new BankAccount();
BankAccount account = new BankAccount(500m);
```

Lists of Class Type Objects

- You can create a List to hold a class object. E.g.

```
List<CellPhone> phoneList = new List<CellPhone>();
```

  - This statement creates a List object, referenced by the `phoneList` variable.
- Each object of the `CellPhone` class needs an instance of `CellPhone` class to hold data. E.g.

```
CellPhone myPhone = new CellPhone();
myPhone.Brand = "Acme Electronics";
myPhone.Model = "M1000";
myPhone.Price = 199;
```

- To add the `Cellphone` object to the List, use:

```
phoneList.Add(myPhone);
```

9.5 Finding the Classes & their Responsibilities in a Problem

- When developing an object-oriented program, you need to identify the classes that you will need to create.
- One simple and popular techniques involves the following steps:
  - Get a written description of the problem domain.
  - Identify all the nouns (including pronouns and noun phrases) in the description. Each of these is a potential class.
  - Refine the list to include only the classes that are relevant to the problem.
- Once the classes have been identified, you need to identify each class's responsibilities. The responsibilities are:
  - The things that the class is responsible for knowing
  - The actions that the class is responsible for doing

Example

- In the textbook, there are three classes: `Customer`, `Car`, and `ServiceQuote`.
  - The `Customer` class has the following actions:
    - Create and initialize an object of the Customer class.
    - Get and set the customer's name.
    - Get and set the customer's address.
    - Get and set the customer's telephone number.
  - The `Car` class has the following actions:
    - Create and initialize an object of the Car class.
    - Get and set the car's make.
    - Get and set the car's model.
    - Get and set the car's year.
  - The `ServiceQuote` class has the following actions:
    - Create and initialize an object of the ServiceQuote class.
    - Get and set the estimated parts charges.
    - Get and set the estimated labor charges.
    - Get and set the sales tax rate.
    - Get the sales tax.
    - Get the total estimated charges.