

C PROGRAMMING HANDBOOK BY SAICHANDAN GORLI CHAPTER 3 : CONDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS

Sometimes we order junk kfood if mom is not at home.

In C language , we use be able to excute intructions on a condition

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DECISION MAKING INSTRUCITONS IN C

- if-else statememnt
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IF-ELSE STATEMENT

Theh syntax of an if-else statement in C looks like:

```
if(condition){  
    // Statement if condition is true  
}  
else{  
    // Statement if condition is false  
}
```

CODE EXMAPLE:

```
int age = 18;  
if(age > 18){  
    printf("your age is %d",age);  
}
```

RELATIONAL OPERATORS IN C

Relational operators are used to evaluate conditioons (true or false) inside the if statements.

Some examples of relational operators are:

- < (less than)
- > (greater than)
- <= (less than equal to)
- >= (greater than equal to)
- == (Equality operator)
- != (not equal to)

Important note : '=' is used for assignment whereas '==' is used for equality check.

The condition can be any valid epression. In C a non-zero value is considered to be true.

LOGICAL INSTRUCTIONS IN C

- && (Logical AND)
- || (Logical OR)
- ! (Logical NOT)

Three logical operators in C. These are read as 'AND', 'OR' and 'NOT'.

They are used to provide logic to our C program.

USE OF LOGICAL OPERATORS:

1. && (AND) → is true when both the conditions are true.

- a. "1 and 0" is evaluated as false.
- b. "1 and 1" is evaluated as true.
- c. "0 and 0" is evaluated as false.

2. || (OR) → is true when at least one of the condition is true

- a. "1 and 0" is evaluated as true.
- b. "1 and 1" is evaluated as true.
- c. "0 and 0" is evaluated as false.

3. ! (NOT) → returns true if given false and false if gives true

- a. `!(1 == 1)` is evaluated as false.
 - b. `!(5 > 50)` is evaluated as true.

As the number of condition increases, the level of the indentation increases. This reduces the readability. Logical operators come to rescue in such cases.

ELSE-IF LADDER

Instead of using multiple if statements, we can also use else-if ladder along with it thus forming an if-else else-if ladder.

CODE EXAMPLE

A typical if-else if-else ladder looks like:

```
if (/* condition */)
{
    /* code */
}
else if (/* condition */)
{
    /* code */
}
else
{
    /* code */
}
```

IMPORTANT NOTE

1. Using the is-else if-else reduces indents.
2. The last "else" is optional.
3. Also there can be any number of "else-if".
4. Last else is executed only if conditions fail.

OPERATOR PRECEDENCE

The following table lists the operator priority in C

Priority Operators

1st	!
2nd	* / %
3rd	+ -
4th	<>, <=, >=
5th	==, !=
6th	&&
7th	
8th	=

TERNARY OPERATORS

A shorth and "if-else" can be written using conditional or ternary operator.

```
condition ? expression-if-true : expression-if-false
```

```
// #include <stdio.h>
// int main()
// {
//     int min, a = 5, b = 6;
//     min = (a < b) ? a : b;
//     printf("minimum : %d", min);
//     return 0;
// }
```

SWITCH CASE CONTROL INSTRUCTION

switch-case is used when we have to make a choice between number of alternatives for given variables

```
switch (expression) {
    case constant1:
        // Code to execute if expression equals constant1
        break;

    case constant2:
        // Code to execute if expression equals constant2
        break;

    // You can have any number of case statements

    default:
        // Code to execute if expression doesn't match any case
}
```

The value of integer-expression is matched against constant1,constant2... If it matches any of these cases ,that case along with all subsequent "case" and "default" statements are execute.

Key Points:

- **Expression:** The value that you are evaluating (usually an integer or character).

- **case:** Each case must have a constant expression (like an integer or character literal).
- **break:** This statement exits the switch block. If omitted, execution will continue into the next case (fall-through).
- **default:** This case runs if none of the specified cases match the expression.

Example :

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int day;
    printf("enter the day no to know the day : ");
    scanf("%d",&day);

    switch (day) {
        case 1:
            printf("Monday\n");
            break;
        case 2:
            printf("Tuesday\n");
            break;
        case 3:

            printf("Wednesday\n");
            break;
        case 4:
            printf("Thursday\n");
            break;
        case 5:
            printf("Friday\n");
            break;
        default:
            printf("Weekend\n");
            break;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

Some important note : _

- We can use Switch-case statements even by writing cases in any order out of our choice.
- char values are allowed as they can be easily evaluated to an integer.

- A switch can occur within another but in practice this is rarely done.