

6. Repetition

C Programming

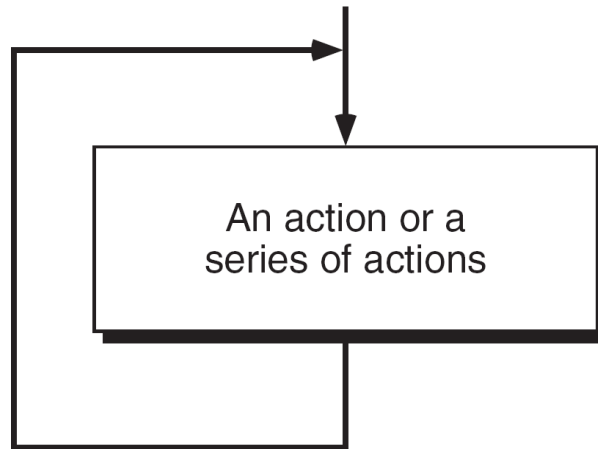
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Concept of Loop

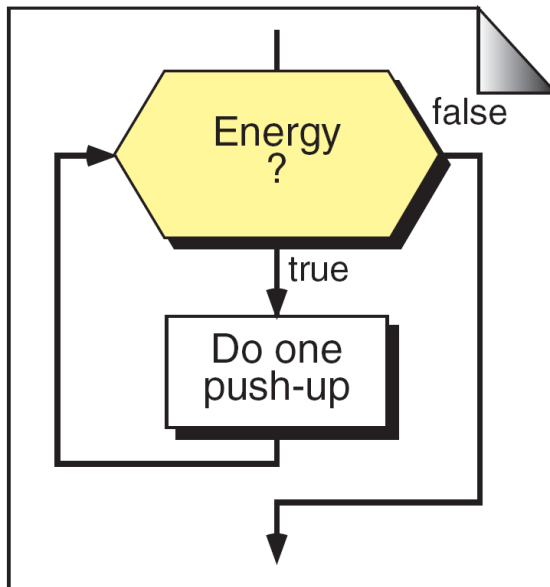
- **Loop**: repeating action over and over again
 - Repetition can be controlled by **loop control expression**



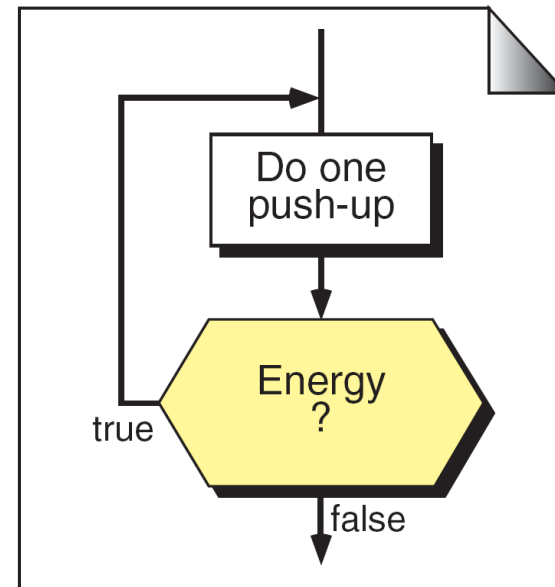
cf. Real power of computers is in their ability to repeat an operation or a series of operations many times

Example

- Daily exercises – Push-up as many as possible
 - Test: Do I have enough energy?
 - Action: Push-up



(a) Pretest Loop

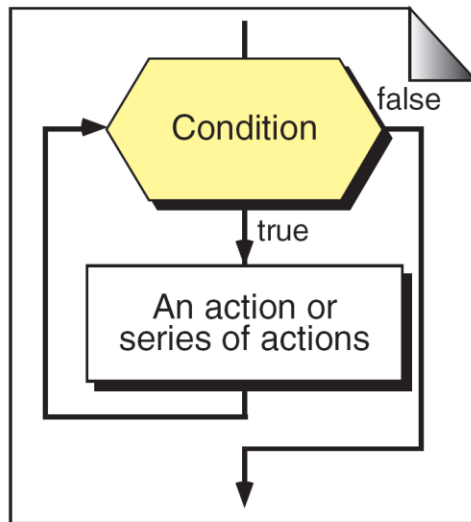


(b) Post-test Loop

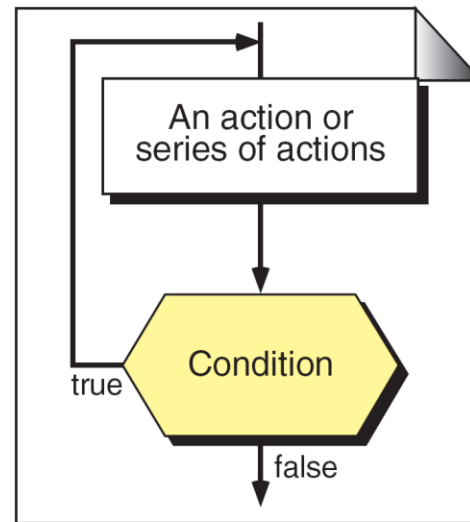
Pretest and Posttest Loops

■ Loop control expression

- Before or after each iteration, a **condition** is evaluated
 - If the condition is true, loop repeats one more time
 - Otherwise, loop terminates



(a) Pretest Loop



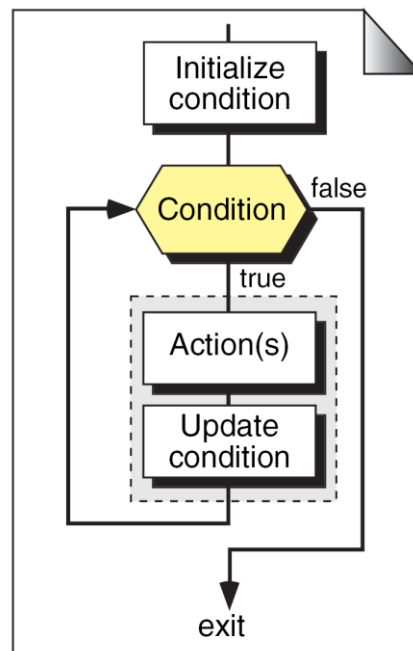
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Event-Controlled Loops

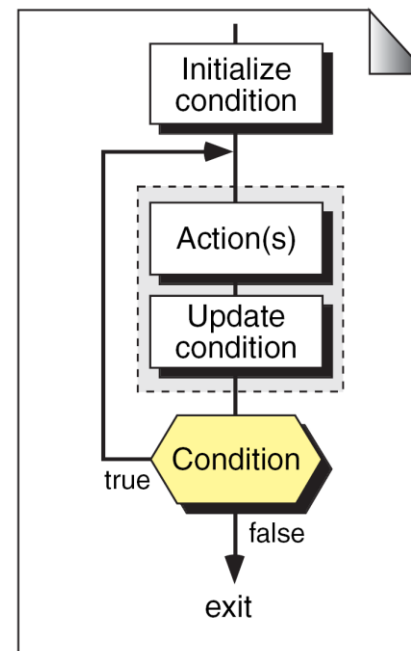
- **Event-controlled loop:** a loop, in which event changes the control expression from true to false

Ex) Reading data: reaching the end

Finding a piece of information: finding the target data



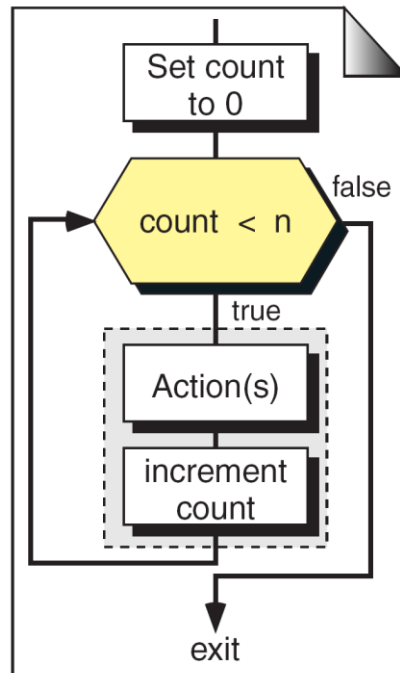
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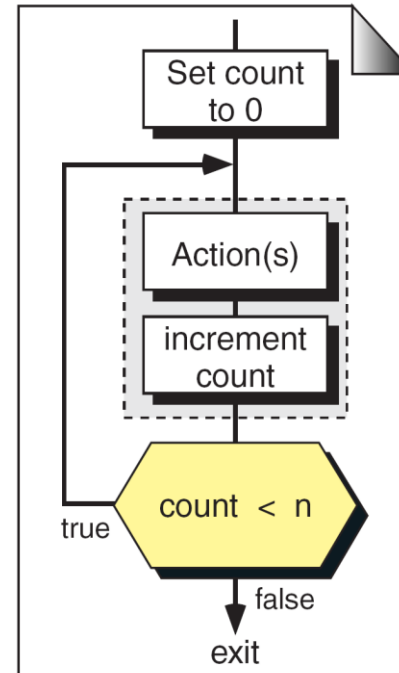
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Counter-Controlled Loops

- **Counter-controlled loop:** a loop that is repeated a fixed number of times
 - Requires counter variable
 - Must be initialized, updated, tested



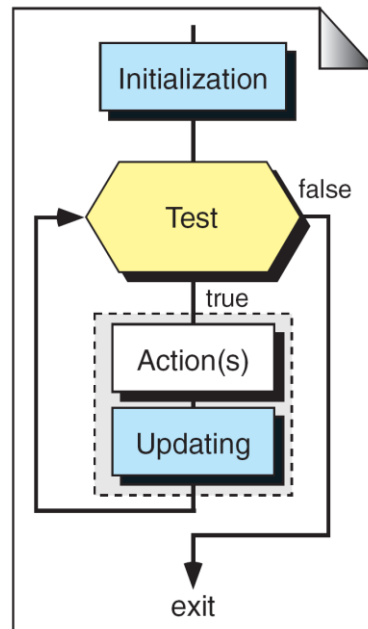
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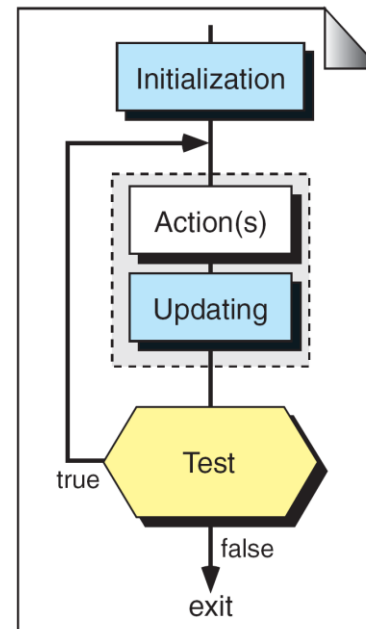
(b) Post-test Loop

Initialization and Updating

- **Initialization**: preparation to start a loop
Ex) setting counter by zero
- **Update**: change required to terminate loop properly
Ex) losing energy to stop push-up
increasing/decreasing counter



(a) Pretest Loop



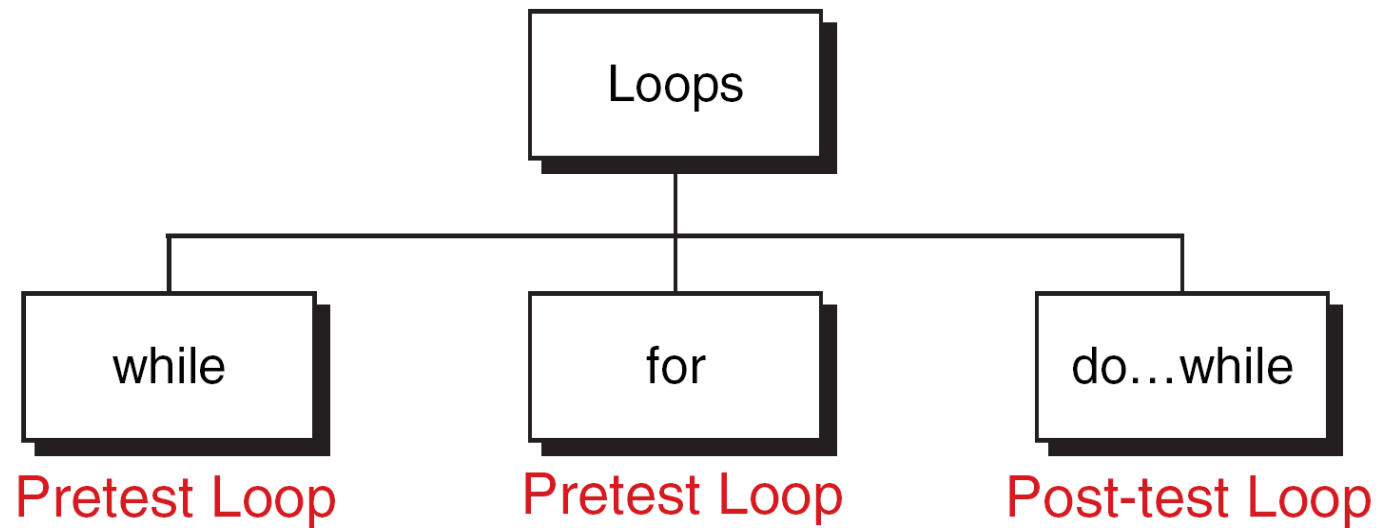
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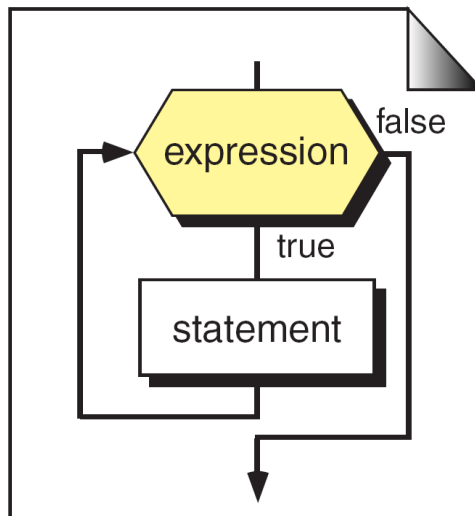
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Loops in C



while Loop

- *while* loop: a pretest loop
 - Condition expression is tested before every iteration



(a) Flowchart

```
while (expression)
    statement
```

(b) Sample Code

Example

■ Process control loop

```
1  while (true)
2      {
3          temp = getTemperature();
4          if (temp < 68)
5              turnOnHeater();
6          else if (temp > 78)
7              turnOnAirCond();
8          else
9              {
10                 turnOffHeater();
11                 turnOffAirCond();
12             } // else
13     } // while true
```

Example



■ factorial example

```
int num, fact=1, i=1;
```

```
printf ("Enter an integer between 1 and 100: ");  
scanf ("%d", &fact);      // Initialization
```

```
while (i <= num){  
    fact = fact * i;  
    i++;  
}
```

```
printf("% factorial is %d \n", num, fact);
```

Example

■ Printing a series of numbers in descending order

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main (void)
{
    int num;
    int lineCount = 0;

    printf ("Enter an integer between 1 and 100: ");
    scanf ("%d", &num);      // Initialization

    if (num > 100)            // Test number
        num = 100;

    while (num > 0){
        if (lineCount < 10)
            lineCount++;
        else {
            printf("\n");
            lineCount = 1;
        } // else
        printf("%4d", num--);    // num-- updates loop
    } // while

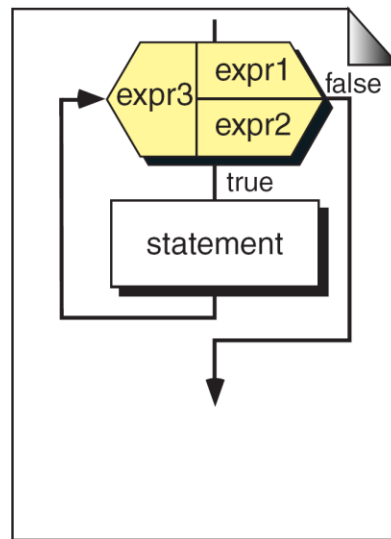
    return 0;
} // main
```

Results:

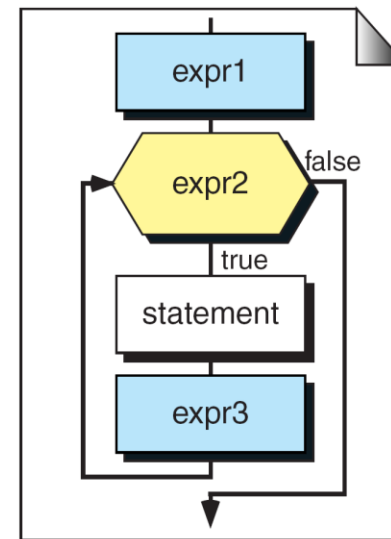
```
Enter an integer between 1 and 100: 15
 15  14  13  12  11  10   9   8   7   6
  5   4   3   2   1
```

for Loop

- *for* loop: a pretest loop with three expressions
 - Initialization statements
 - Limit-test expression
 - Updating expression



(a) Flowchart



(b) Expanded Flowchart

```
for (expr1; expr2; expr3)  
statement
```

for Loop



- A *for* loop is used when a loop is to be executed a known number of times.
 - We can do the same thing with a while loop, but the for loop is easier to read and more natural for **counting loops**.

Ex) printing '#' mark n times

```
int i = 0;
for(i = 0; i < n; i++)
    printf("#");
printf("\n");
```


Example

■ Print number series

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main (void)
{
    int limit = 0;
    int i = 0;

    printf ("Please enter the limit: ");
    scanf ("%d", &limit);
    for (i = 1; i <= limit; i++)
        printf ("%d\n", i);

    return 0;
} // main
```

for Loop



■ Repeating actions n iterations

- `for(i = 0; i < n; i++)` \rightarrow most frequently used
 - `0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1`
- `for(i = 1; i <= n; i++)`
 - `1, 2, 3, \dots, n`

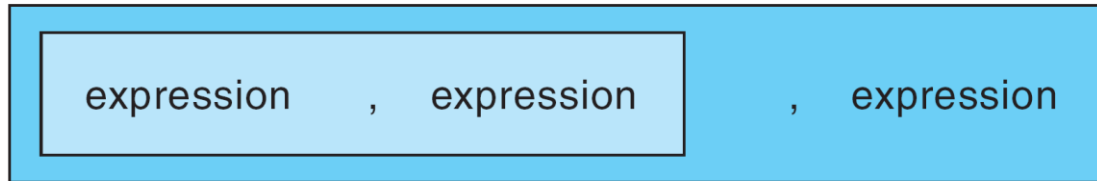
Nested for Loop

- More than one *for* loops can be nested

```
Ex) for(i = 1; i <= 9; i++){  
    for(j = 1; j <= 9; j++){  
        printf("%2d * %2d = %2d\\n", i, j, i * j);  
    }  
    printf("\\n");  
}
```

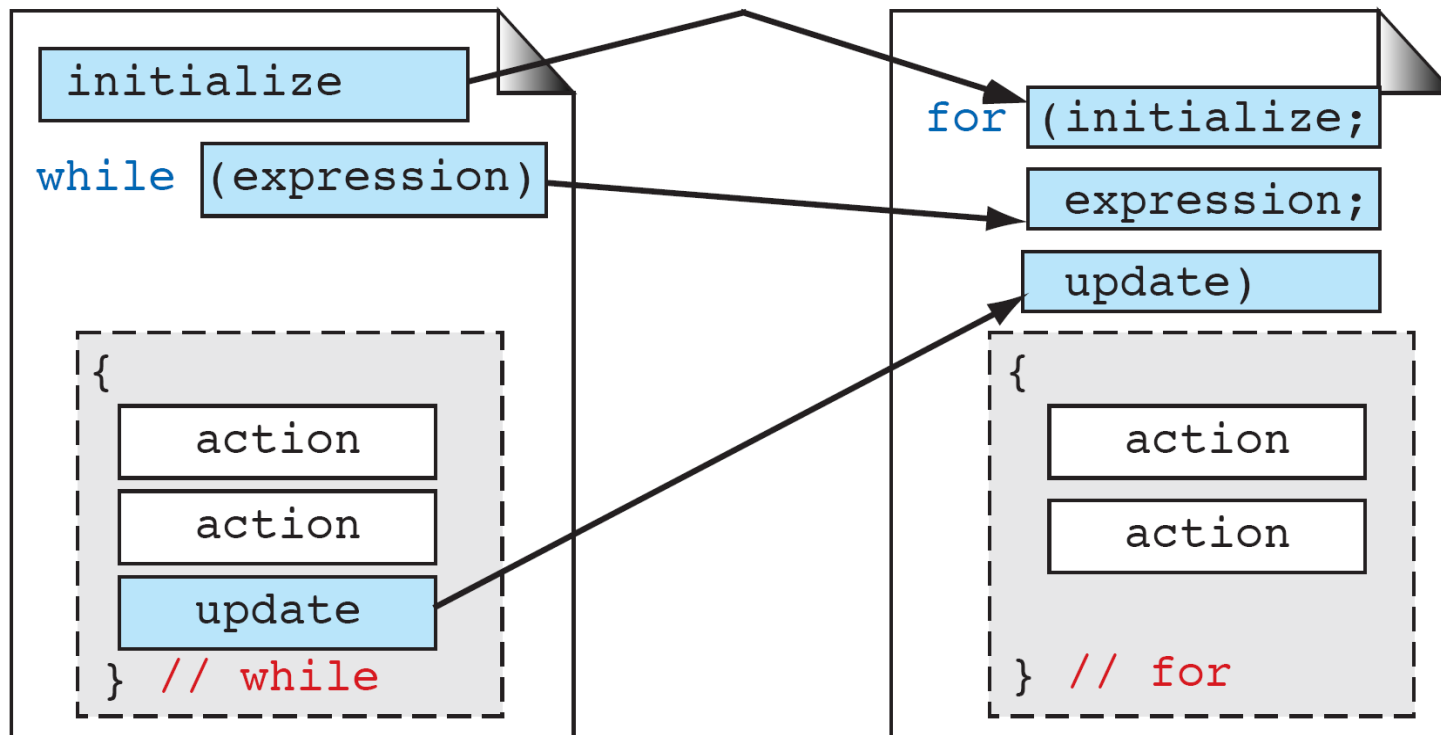
Comma Expression

- **Comma expression**: complex expression made up of two (or more) expressions separated by a comma
 - Most often used in *for* statements



Ex) `for(i = 0, j = 0; i < 10; i++, j+=2)`
`printf("%d - %d\\n", i, j);`

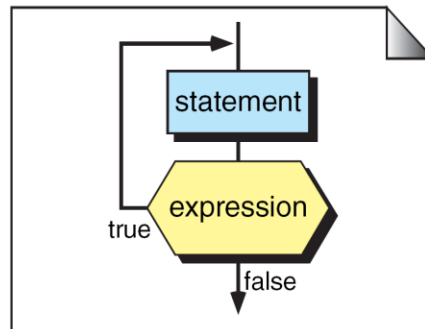
Comparing while/for Loops



do ... while Loop

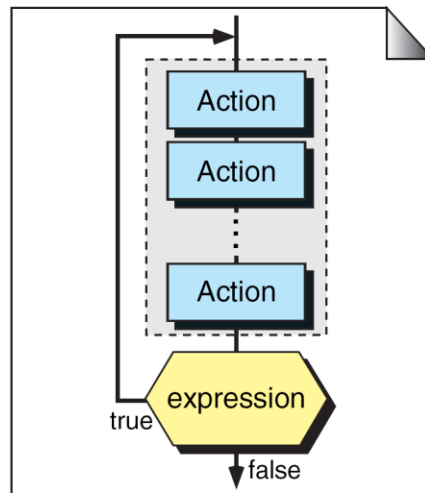
- *do ... while* loop: a posttest loop

Flowchart



Sample Code

```
do  
    statement  
while (expression);
```



```
do  
{  
    Action  
    Action  
    ...  
    Action  
} while (expression);
```

Example

- Add a list of integers from keyboard

Ex) Enter your numbers: <EOF> to stop.

10 15 20 25 <CTRL-d> or <CTRL-z>

Total: 70

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    int sum = 0, x;
    int testEOF = 0;

    printf("Enter your numbers <EOF> to stop.\n");
    do {
        testEOF = scanf("%d", &x);
        if(testEOF != EOF)
            sum += x;
    } while(testEOF != EOF);
    printf("Total: %d\n", sum);
    return 0;
}
```

Pretest vs. Posttest



```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main()  
{
```

```
    int n = 0, i = 0;
```

```
    printf("This is a pretest loop\n");  
    printf("Enter a number : ");  
    scanf("%d", &n);
```

```
    while(i < n){  
        printf("i = %d\n", i);  
        i++;  
    }
```

```
    return 0;  
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main()  
{
```

```
    int n = 0, i = 0;
```

```
    printf("This is a posttest loop\n");  
    printf("Enter a number : ");  
    scanf("%d", &n);
```

```
    do {  
        printf("i = %d\n", i);  
        i++;  
    } while(i < n);
```

```
    return 0;  
}
```


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Loop Examples

- Left triangle, whose width is a given integer x

- Right triangle, whose width is a given integer x

Loop Examples

■ Print calendar of a month

- `void printMonth(int startDay, int days);`

Ex) `printMonth(2, 29)`

Result:

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
---	---	---	---	---	---	---
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29				
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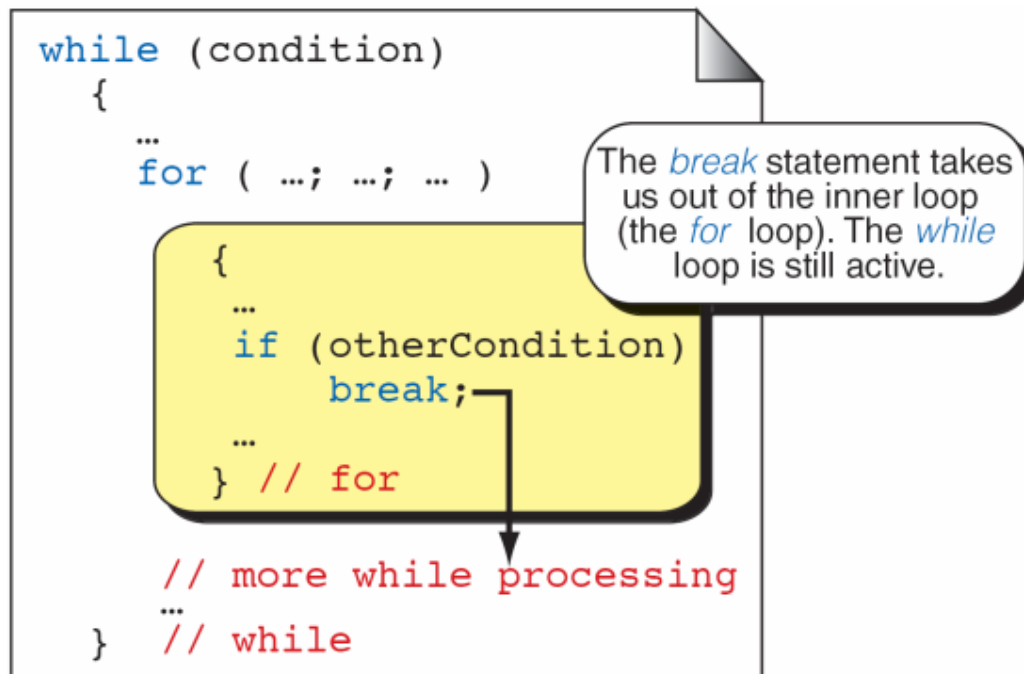
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break Statement

- *break* statement: terminates loop
 - In nested loop, *break* terminates only one inner loop
 - Major use: specifying alternative termination condition



break Statement



```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int sum = 0;
```

```
    int testEOF = 0;
```

```
    printf("Enter numbers <EOF> to  
    stop.\n");
```

```
    do {
```

```
        testEOF = scanf("%d", &x);
```

```
        if(testEOF != EOF)
```

```
            sum += x;
```

```
    } while(testEOF != EOF);
```

```
    printf("Total: %d\n", sum);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
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```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int sum = 0;
```

```
    int testEOF = 0;
```

```
    printf("Enter numbers <EOF> to  
    stop.\n");
```

```
    do {
```

```
        testEOF = scanf("%d", &x);
```

```
        if(testEOF == EOF)
```

```
            break;
```

```
        sum += x;
```

```
    } while(testEOF != EOF);
```

```
    printf("Total: %d\n", sum);
```

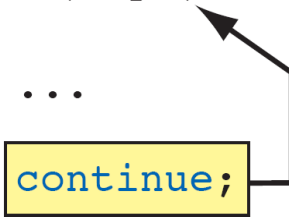
```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

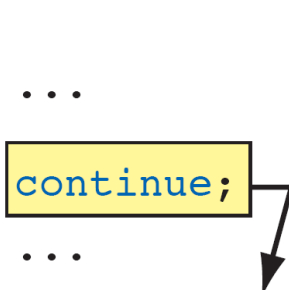
continue Statement

- *continue* statement: not terminating the loop, transfers to the testing expression

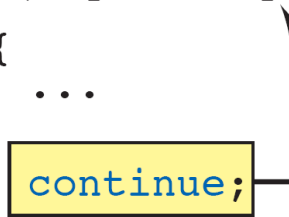
```
while (expr)
{
    ...
    continue;
    ...
} // while
```



```
do
{
    ...
    continue;
    ...
} while (expr);
```



```
for (expr1; expr2; expr3)
{
    ...
    continue;
    ...
} // for
```



Example

- Get average of a integer list from standard input

```
1 float readAverage (void)
2 {
3     // Local Declarations
4     int    count = 0;
5
6     int    n;
7     float sum = 0;
8
9     // Statements
10    while(scanf ("%d",&n)
11           != EOF)
12    {
13        if (n == 0)
14            continue;
15        sum += n;
16        count++;
17    } // while
18
19    return (sum / count);
20 } // readAverage
```

```
float readAverage (void)
{
    // Local Declarations
    int    count = 0;

    int    n;
    float sum = 0;

    // Statements
    while(scanf ("%d",&n)
           != EOF)
    {
        if (n != 0)
        {
            sum += n;
            count++;
        } // if
    } // while

    return (sum / count);
} // readAverage
```


Recommendation



- Don't use *break* and *continue* too often
 - It's not desirable to make multiple condition check for a loop
 - Use of break and continue can be minimized by proper use of if-statement

Find the Largest and Smallest



- Write a program minmax.c that read a series of integers and prints the minimum and maximum.

Ex) minmax.exe

Enter a series of numbers (<EOF> to stop)

100

200

-500

1000

^Z

// <EOF> on Windows

min = -500

max = 1000

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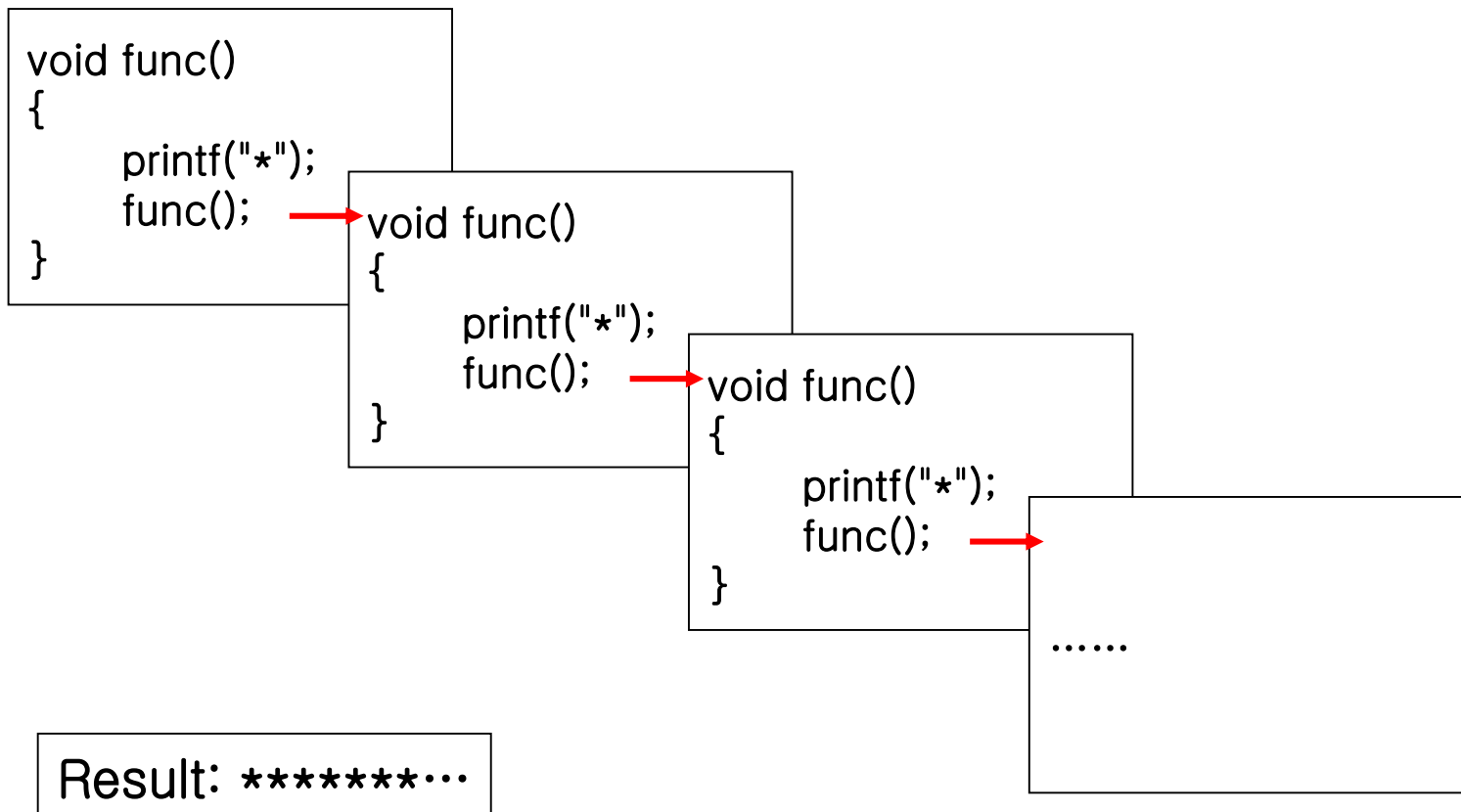
Recursion



- **Recursion: function call to itself**
 - Action is repeated by calling itself
 - Termination condition is implemented using function arguments
- **Recursion is an alternative repetition**
 - All iterative algorithms (loops) can be transformed into recursive algorithm and vice versa.
 - However, one can be much simpler than the other

Example

■ A stupid recursive function



Example: Factorial



■ Iterative definition of factorial

- $\text{factorial}(n) = 1$ // if $n == 0$
- $\text{factorial}(n) = n * (n-1) * (n-2) * \dots * 2 * 1$ // if $n > 0$

■ Iterative solution

```
long factorial(int n)
{
    long facN = 1;
    int i = 0;

    for(i = 1; i <= n; i++)
        facN *= i;

    return facN;
}
```

Example: Factorial

■ Recursive definition of factorial

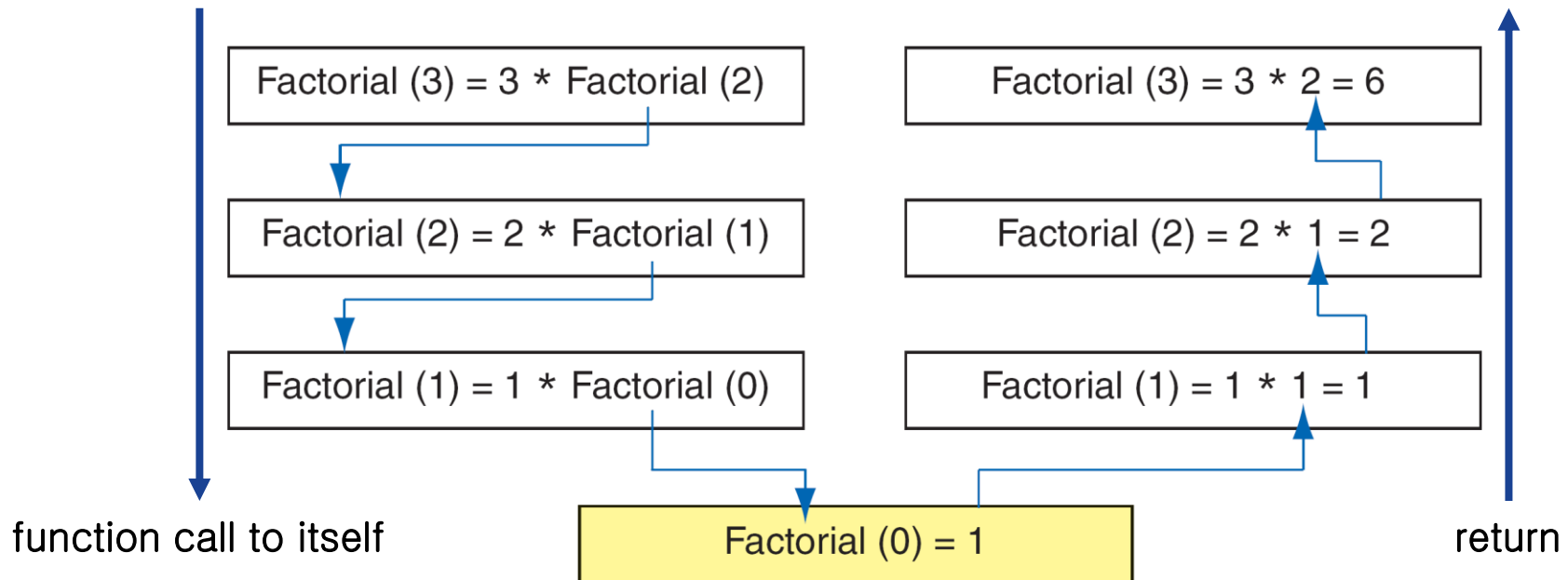
- $\text{factorial}(n) = 1$ // if $n == 0$
- $\text{factorial}(n) = n * \text{factorial}(n-1)$ // if $n > 0$

■ Recursive solution

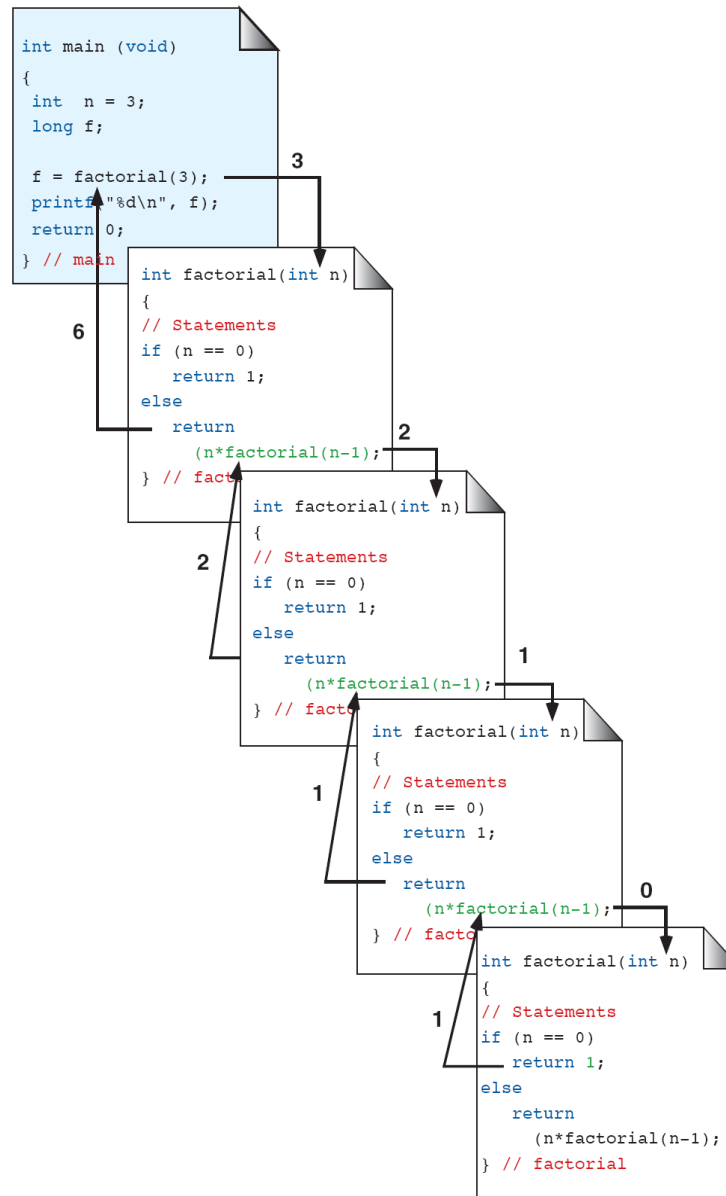
```
long factorial(int n)
{
    if(n == 0)
        return 1;
    else
        return n * factorial(n-1); // Recursion
}
```

Example: Factorial

■ Recursion for factorial(3)



Calling a Recursive Function



Designing Recursive Function

■ Two elements of recursive function

- Every recursive call must either solve part of the problem or reduce the size of the problem (**general case**)
- Recursive function should have a non-recursive solution for (**base case**)

```
long factorial(int n)
{
    if(n == 0)
        return 1;                // base case
    else
        return n * factorial(n-1); // Recursion
}
```

Function call argument was reduced

Example: Fibonacci Numbers

■ Fibonacci series

- $\text{Fibonacci}_0 = 0, \text{Fibonacci}_1 = 1$
 - $\text{Fibonacci}_n = \text{Fibonacci}_{n-1} + \text{Fibonacci}_{n-2}$
- Ex) 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34

■ Recursive solution

```
long Fibonacci(int n)
{
    if(n == 0)
        return 0;                // base case
    else if(n == 1)
        return 1;                // base case
    else
        return Fibonacci(n-1)+Fibonacci(n-2);    // general case
}
```