4. Logical Statements in C (Decision-Making Statements)

Logical statements (or decision-making statements) **control the flow** of execution in a program based on conditions.

There are three main types of **logical statements** in C:

- 1. if statements
- 2. if-else statements
- 3. if-else-if ladder
- 4. Nested if statements
- 5. switch-case statement

1. if Statement

The if statement checks a condition. If the condition is true, the block inside the if executes. Otherwise, it is skipped.

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Syntax:
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if (condition) {
    // Code executes if the condition is true
}

Example: if Statement
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int num = 10;

    if (num > 0) { // Condition: Is num greater than 0?
        printf("Number is positive\n");
    }

    return 0;
}
```

Output:

Number is positive

2. if-else Statement

The if-else statement provides an alternative block if the condition is false.

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Syntax:
if (condition) {
    // Code executes if the condition is true
} else {
    // Code executes if the condition is false
}

Example: if-else Statement
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int num = -5;

    if (num > 0) {
        printf("Number is positive\n");
    } else {
        printf("Number is negative\n");
    }

    return 0;
}

Output:
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3. if-else-if Ladder

Number is negative

Used when there are **multiple conditions** to check in sequence.

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Syntax:
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if (condition1) {
    // Code executes if condition1 is true
} else if (condition2) {
    // Code executes if condition2 is true
} else {
    // Code executes if all conditions are false
}

Example: if-else-if Ladder
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int marks = 75;

    if (marks >= 90) {
        printf("Grade: A\n");
    } else if (marks >= 75) {
        printf("Grade: B\n");
    } else if (marks >= 50) {
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printf("Grade: C\n");
} else {
    printf("Grade: F\n");
}

return 0;
}
Output:
Grade: B
```

4. Nested if Statement

An if statement inside another if is called a **nested if statement**.

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Syntax:
if (condition1) {
    if (condition2) {
        // Code executes if both condition1 and condition2 are true
    }
}

Example: Nested if Statement
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int num = 10;

    if (num > 0) {
        if (num % 2 == 0) {
            printf("Number is positive and even\n");
        }
    }

    return 0;
}
```

Output:

Number is positive and even

5. switch-case Statement

The switch statement is used when a variable has **multiple possible values**. Instead of using multiple if-else, switch provides a **cleaner approach**.

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Syntax:
switch (expression) {
    case value1:
        // Code executes if expression == value1
        break;
    case value2:
        // Code executes if expression == value2
        break;
    default:
        // Code executes if none of the cases match
}
Example: switch-case Statement
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int day = 3;
    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;
        default:
            printf("Invalid day\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
Output:
Wednesday
```

Explanation: Since day = 3, it matches case 3, so "Wednesday" is printed.

Key Differences Between if-else and switch-case

Feature	if-else	switch-case
Conditions	Can check relational (>, <, ==) and logical (&&,	Can only check equality
) conditions	(==)

Feature	if-else	switch-case
Data Types	Works with int, float, char, string, etc.	Works only with int and char
Execution	Checks all conditions sequentially	Jumps directly to the matched case
Performance	Slower for many conditions	Faster for multiple cases

Key Takeaways

- **✓ if statement**: Executes if a condition is true.
- ✓ if-else statement: Executes one block if true, another if false.
- ✓ if-else-if ladder: Used when multiple conditions need checking.
- **✓ Nested if**: if inside another if.
- **✓ switch-case**: Efficient when checking a variable for multiple fixed values.

Would you like more examples or practice problems?