

Condition

SESSION 5

Objective

Explain the selection construct

- if statement
- if – else statement
- if – else – if statement
- Nested if statement

Switch statement

Conditional Statement

Conditional statements enable us to change the flow of the program.

A conditional statement evaluates to either true or false value

Example :

To find whether a number is even or odd we proceed as follows :

- 1. Accept a number**
- 2. Find the remainder by dividing the number by 2**
- 3. If the remainder is zero, the number is "EVEN"**
- 4. Or if the remainder is not zero the number is "ODD"**

Selection constructs

C supports two types of selection statements

The **if** statement

The **switch** statement

The **if** - statement

Syntax

```
if (expression) {  
    statement ;  
    statement ;  
    ...  
}
```

Example

```
char ch;  
printf("input a letter : ");  
scanf("%c", &ch);  
if(ch>='0' & ch <='9') {  
    printf("%c is a digit letter !\n", ch);  
}
```

```
input a letter : 4  
4 is a digit letter !  
Press any key to continue . . .
```

The **if – else** statement -1/2

Syntax

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

Example

```
int n;  
printf(" enter a number : ");  
scanf("%d", &n);  
if(n%2==0) {  
    printf(" %d is an even number !\n", n);  
}  
else{  
    printf(" %d is an odd number !\n", n);  
}
```

```
enter a number : 5  
5 is an odd number !  
Press any key to continue . . .
```

The **if** – **else** statement -2/2

- If the **if** **expression** evaluates to **true**, the block following the **if** statement is executed
- If the **if** **expression** evaluates to **false**, the statements following the **else** expression take over control
- The **else** statement is optional.

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

The if–else–if statement-1/2

Syntax

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

- The if – else – if statement is also known as the if-else-if ladder or the if-else-if staircase
- The conditions are evaluated from the top downwards

The **if – else – if** statement-2/2

Example

```
int m;
printf(" enter the final mark [0-100]: ");
scanf("%d", &m);
if (m < 0 | m > 100) {
    printf(" invalid number !\n");
}
else if (m > 80) {
    printf(" Grade A !\n");
}
else if (m > 65) {
    printf(" Grade B !\n");
}
else if (m > 50) {
    printf(" Grade C !\n");
}
else {
    printf(" Fail !\n");
}
```

```
enter the final mark [0-100]: 102
invalid number !
Press any key to continue . . .
```

```
enter the final mark [0-100]: 78
Grade B !
Press any key to continue . . .
```

```
enter the final mark [0-100]: 45
Fail !
Press any key to continue . . .
```

Nested if - 1 /2

Syntax

```
if (exp 1) {  
    if (exp 2){  
        statements;  
    }  
    if (exp 3){  
        statements;  
    }  
    else statement /*with if (exp3)*/  
}  
else{  
    statements;  
}
```

- The nested **if** is an **if** statement, which is placed within another **if** or **else**
- In C, an **else** statement always refers to the nearest **if** statement that is within the same block and is not already associated with an other **if**

According to ANSI standards, a compiler should support at least 15 levels of nesting

Nested if – Example 2 /2

```
int y;
printf(" enter year: ");
scanf("%d", &y);
if(y%4==0) {
    if(y%100!=0) {
        printf(" %d is a leap year !\n", y);
    }
    else if(y%400==0) {
        printf(" %d is a century leap year !\n", y);
    }
    else printf(" %d is a century year !\n", y);
}
else printf(" %d is a normal year !\n", y);
```

```
enter year: 2017
2017 is a normal year !
Press any key to continue . . .
```

```
enter year: 2000
2000 is a century leap year !
Press any key to continue . . .
```

```
enter year: 2016
2016 is a leap year !
Press any key to continue . . .
```

The **switch** statement-1/2

Syntax

```
switch (expression) {  
    case constant1:  
        statements;  
        break;  
    case constant2:  
        statements;  
        break;  
    case constant3:  
        statements;  
        break;  
    ...  
    default:  
        statements;  
}
```

- The **switch** statement is a multi-way decision maker that tests the value of an expression against a list of integers or character constants
- When a match is found, the statements associated with that constant are executed

The **switch** statement - 2/2

Example

```
char ch;
printf ("\nEnter a lower cased alphabet (a - z) : ");
scanf ("%c", &ch);
if (ch < 'a' | ch > 'z')
    printf ("\nCharacter not a lower cased alphabet");
else
    switch (ch) {
        case 'a' :
        case 'e' :
        case 'i' :
        case 'o' :
        case 'u' :
            printf ("\nCharacter is a vowel"); break;
        case 'z' :
            printf ("\nLast Alphabet (z) was entered"); break;
        default :
            printf ("\nCharacter is a consonant"); break;
    }
}
```

END