

Prepare Test Cases Ahead of Time

It is always a good idea to design test cases *before* starting to code.

Working through the test cases gives you a better understanding of the algorithm that you are about to implement

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The Dangling else Problem

When an if statement is nested inside another if statement, the following error may occur.
Can you find the problem with the following?

```
double shipping_charge = 5.00;
                        // $5 inside continental U.S.
if (country == "USA")
    if (state == "HI")
        shipping_charge = 10.00;
                        // Hawaii is more expensive
else // Pitfall!
    shipping_charge = 20.00;
                        // As are foreign shipments
```

The Dangling else Problem

The indentation level *seems* to suggest that the else is grouped with the test country == "USA". Unfortunately, that is not the case. The compiler *ignores* all indentation and matches the else with the preceding if.

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The Dangling else Problem

And it has a name: "the dangling else problem"

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The Dangling else Problem – The Solution

So, is there a solution to the dangling else problem.

Of, course.

You can put one statement in a block. (Aha!)

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Boolean Variables and Operators (3.5)

- Sometimes you need to evaluate a logical condition in one part of a program and use it elsewhere.
- To store a condition that can be true or false, you use a Boolean variable.

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Boolean Variables and Operators

Boolean variables are named
after the mathematician
George Boole
(1815–1864),
a pioneer in the study of logic.

He invented an algebra based on only two values.

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Boolean Variables and Operators

Two values, eh?

like true and false

like on and off
– like electricity!

In essence he invented the computer!

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Boolean Variables and Operators



Two values, eh?
like "yes" and "no"

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Boolean Variables and Operators

- In C++, the `bool` data type represents the Boolean type.
- Variables of type `bool` can hold exactly two values, denoted `false` and `true`.
- These values are not strings.
- These values are definitely not integers; they are special values, just for Boolean variables.

data types we know: `int`
`double`
`string`
`bool`

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Boolean Variables

Here is a definition of a Boolean variable, initialized to `false`:

EX: `bool failed = false;`

It can be set by an intervening statement so that you can use the value *later* in your program to make a decision:

```
// Only executed if failed has
// been set to true
if (failed)
{
    ...
}
```

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Boolean Operators

- EX:
- Suppose you need to write a program that processes temperature values, and you want to test whether a given temperature corresponds to liquid water.
 - At sea level, water freezes at 0 degrees Celsius and boils at 100 degrees.
 - Water is liquid if the temperature is greater than zero and less than 100.
 - This not a simple test condition.

not C++ syntax: `0 < temp < 100.`
`0 < temp and temp < 100.`
??

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Boolean Operators

- When you make complex decisions, you often need to combine Boolean values.
- An operator that combines Boolean conditions is called a **Boolean operator**.
- Boolean operators take one or two Boolean values or expressions and combine them into a resultant Boolean value.

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The Boolean Operator && (and)

In C++, the `&&` operator (called and) yields `true` only when both conditions are `true`.

```
if (temp > 0 && temp < 100)
{
    cout << "Liquid";
}
```

If `temp` is within the range, then both the left-hand side and the right-hand side are `true`, making the whole expression's value `true`.

In all other cases, the whole expression's value is `false`.

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expression	yields
<code>T && T</code>	<code>true</code>
<code>T && F</code>	<code>false</code>
<code>F && T</code>	
<code>F && F</code>	

The Boolean Operator || (or)

double pipe symbol

The `||` operator (called *or*) yields the result true if at least one of the conditions is true.
 - This is written as two adjacent vertical bar symbols.

```
if (temp <= 0 || temp >= 100)
{
    cout << "Not liquid";
}
```

If either of the expression is true, the whole expression is true.
 The only way "Not liquid" won't appear is if both of the expressions are false.

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expression	yields
T T	true
T F	
F T	
F F	false

The Boolean Operator ! (not)

Sometimes you need to invert a condition with the logical *not* operator.

The `!` operator takes a single condition and evaluates to true if that condition is false and to false if the condition is true.

```
if (!frozen) { cout << "Not frozen"; }
```

"Not frozen" will be written only when frozen contains the value false.

!false is true.

!true = false

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Boolean Operators

This information is traditionally collected into a table called a *truth table*:

A	B	A && B	A	B	A B	A	!A
true	true	true	true	Any	true	true	false
true	false	false	false	true	true	false	true
false	Any	false	false	false	false		

where A and B denote `bool` variables or Boolean expressions.

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Boolean Operators – Some Examples

Table 5 Boolean Operators

Expression	Value	Comment
$0 < 200 \ \&\& \ 200 < 100$	false	Only the first condition is true.
$0 < 200 \ \ 200 < 100$	true	The first condition is true.
$0 < 200 \ \ 100 < 200$	true	The <code> </code> is not a test for "either-or". If both conditions are true, the result is true.
$0 < 200 < 100$	true	Error: The expression $0 < 200$ is true, which is converted to 1. The expression $1 < 200$ is true. You never want to write such an expression; see Common Error 3.5 on page 112.

*error
 compiler will not catch!*

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Boolean Operators – Some Examples

*nonzero = true
 zero = false*

Table 5 Boolean Operators (continued)

Expression	Value	Comment
$-10 \ \&\& \ 10 > 0$	true	Error: -10 is not zero. It is converted to true. You never want to write such an expression; see Common Error 3.5.
$0 < x \ \&\& \ x < 100 \ \ x == -1$	$(0 < x \ \&\& \ x < 100) \ \ x == -1$	The <code>&&</code> operator binds more strongly than the <code> </code> operator.
$!(0 < 200)$	false	$0 < 200$ is true, therefore its negation is false.
<code>frozen == true</code>	<code>frozen</code>	There is no need to compare a Boolean variable with true.
<code>frozen == false</code>	<code>!frozen</code>	It is clearer to use <code>!</code> than to compare with false.

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Combining Multiple Relational Operators

Consider the expression

```
if (0 <= temp <= 100)...
```

This looks just like the mathematical test

$$0 \leq \text{temp} \leq 100$$

Unfortunately, it is not.

Combining Multiple Relational Operators

```
if (0 <= temp <= 100)...
```

The first half, $0 \leq \text{temp}$, is a test.

The outcome true or false,
depending on the value of `temp`.

Combining Multiple Relational Operators

```
if ( 

|       |
|-------|
| true  |
| false |

 <= 100)...
```

The outcome of that test (`true` or `false`) is then compared against 100.

This seems to make no sense.

Can one compare truth values and floating-point numbers?

Combining Multiple Relational Operators

```
if ( 

|       |
|-------|
| true  |
| false |

 <= 100)...
```

Is `true` larger than 100 or not?

Combining Multiple Relational Operators

```
if ( 

|   |
|---|
| 1 |
| 0 |

 <= 100)...
```

Unfortunately, to stay compatible with the C language, C++ converts `false` to 0 and `true` to 1.

Combining Multiple Relational Operators

```
if ( 

|   |
|---|
| 1 |
| 0 |

 <= 100)...
```

Unfortunately, to stay compatible with the C language, C++ converts `false` to 0 and `true` to 1.

Therefore, the expression will always evaluate to true.

Combining Multiple Relational Operators

Another common error, along the same lines, is to write

```
if (x && y > 0) ... // Error
```

instead of

```
if (x > 0 && y > 0) ...
```

(x and y are ints)

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Combining Multiple Relational Operators

Naturally, that computation makes no sense.

(But it was a good attempt at translating:
"both x and y must be greater than 0" into
a C++ expression!).

Again, the compiler would not issue an error message.
It would use the C conversions.

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An && or an ||?

It is quite common that the individual conditions are nicely set apart in a bulleted list, but with little indication of how they should be combined.

Our tax code is a good example of this.

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An && or an ||?

Consider these instructions for filing a tax return.

You are of single filing status if any one of the following is true:

- You were never married.
- You were legally separated or divorced on the last day of the tax year.
- You were widowed, and did not remarry.

Is this an && or an || situation?

Since the test passes if any one of the conditions is true, you must combine the conditions with the `or` operator.

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An && or an ||?

Elsewhere, the same instructions:

You may use the status of married filing joint if all five of the following conditions are true:

- Your spouse died less than two years ago and you did not remarry.
- You have a child whom you can claim as dependent.
- That child lived in your home for all of the tax year.
- You paid over half the cost of keeping up your home for this child.
- You filed a joint return with your spouse the year he or she died.

&& or an ||?

Because all of the conditions must be true for the test to pass, you must combine them with an and.

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Input Validation with if Statements (3.6)

Input validation is an important part of working with live human beings.

It has been found to be true that, unfortunately, all human beings can mistake makez.

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Input Validation with if Statements

Let's return to the elevator program and consider input validation.



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Input Validation with if Statements

- Assume that the elevator panel has buttons labeled 1 through 20 (*but not 13!*).
- The following are illegal inputs:
 - The number 13
 - Zero or a negative number
 - A number larger than 20
 - A value that is not a sequence of digits, such as five *< non integers*
- In each of these cases, we will want to give an error message and exit the program.

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Input Validation with if Statements

It is simple to guard against an input of 13:

```
if (floor == 13)
{
    cout << "Error: "
        << " There is no thirteenth floor."
        << endl;
    return 1;
}
```

print an error message

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Input Validation with if Statements

The statement:

```
return 1;
```

immediately exits the main function and therefore terminates the program.

It is a convention to return with the value 0 if the program completes normally, and with a non-zero value when an error is encountered.

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Input Validation with if Statements

To ensure that the user doesn't enter a number outside the valid range:

```
if (floor <= 0 || floor > 20)
{
    cout << "Error: "
        << " The floor must be between 1 and 20."
        << endl;
    return 1;
}
```

err my

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Input Validation with if Statements

Dealing with input that is not a valid integer is a more difficult problem.

What if the user does not type a number in response to the prompt?

'F' 'o' 'u' 'r' is not an integer response.

Stopped here

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