

Repetition in C++

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- * Going from flowcharts to code
- * FOR
- * WHILE
- * DO-WHILE

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3 Basic Control / Logic Structures

Sequence

- Instructions are executed **one after another** in the **order** they appear in the program
- Until another control structure takes precedence

Selection

- Based on some **condition**, either **one part** of the program is executed **or another part** is executed
- The program chooses which part to execute based on the condition

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- Part of the code is **executed over and over (repeated)**
- This can be for a set number of times or until a condition is met

Today we will focus on **Repetition**.

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Repetition Structures

What if I want some instructions to run over and over again?



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Repetition Structures

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→ When a set of instructions need to be executed more than 1 time

- Run a select set instructions repeatedly
 - until some **condition** is false
- Conditions again are based on a **Boolean Expression**
- The computer evaluates a **Boolean Expression** and **executes the code** until that **condition** is **FALSE**

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The Loop Control Variable (LCV)

- The LCV is what controls when our loop will execute and when it will exit
- **FOR ANY LOOP WE MUST!!**
 - 1 - **Initialize** the LCV
 - 2 - Compare (or **check**) the LCV (in some conditional statement)
 - 3 - **Change** the LCV

WARNING:

You must change the LCV or else your loop will run forever! That is called an **infinite loop**.

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3 Basic Repetition Structures

For Loop

- Part of a program is executed a given number of times.

While Loop

- Part of a program is executed while some condition is true: **While some condition is true execute these instructions**

Do While Loop

- Part of a program is executed at least one time and then repeats until some **condition** is **false**.

For right now we will focus on the **For Loop**

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The For Loop

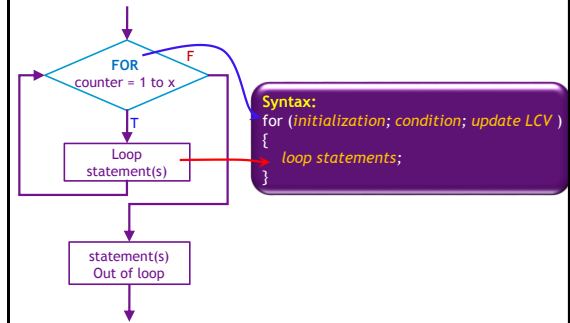
- For loop → repeats statements a set number of times
- Process:
 1. **Initialization** is executed
→ sets an initial value for the counter variable
 2. **condition** is checked
If it is **true** the loop executes the **loop instructions** (that is the instructions that are to be repeated)
else (if it is false) the loop exits
 3. The **LCV** is **increased by the amount specified**.
Loop to step 2.

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Coding a For Loop



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Example #1: For Loop

```

#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main ()
{
    const int END_LOOP = 3;
    int count;
    for ( count = 1; count <= END_LOOP; count = count + 1 )
    {
        cout << count * END_LOOP << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
  
```

What does this code segment do? Let's do a desk check.

count	Output
1	3
2	6
3	9
4	

Note: Indent at a new code block

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Exercise #1: For Loop

```

#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main ()
{
    int count;
    for ( count = 3; count > 0; count = count - 1 )
    {
        cout << count << " ";
    }
    cout << "FIRE!\n";
    return 0;
}
  
```

What does this code segment do? Let's do a desk check.

count Output

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Exercise #2: For Loop

- For loop → repeats statements a set number of times

Pseudocode

Write a flowchart that represents the solution to sheep dog's problem.

What is the average age of my 5 sheep?



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Exercise #2: For loop

Syntax:
 for (initialization; condition; update LCV)
 {
 loop statements;
 }

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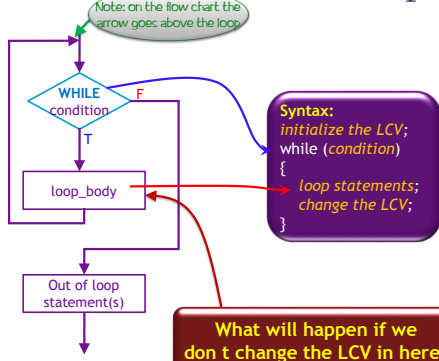
- **For Loop**
 - Part of a program is executed a given number of times.
- **While Loop**
 - Part of a program is executed while some condition is true: *While some condition is true execute these instructions*
- **Do While Loop**
 - Part of a program is executed at least one time and then repeats until some condition is false.

Now we will move onto the **While Loop**

While Loop

- What if we don't know how many times we need to run our loop?
 - We use the while loop
 - **EVENT CONTROLLED LOOP**
 - terminates based on a condition and a *sentinel value*
 - **Does a while loop always have to execute?**
- The LCV is modified dynamically within the loop
- The LCV needs to be **initialized** before entering the loop
 - The condition is tested at the top of the loop → making it a pre-test loop
 - if the condition evaluates to **TRUE**
 - the loop is entered
 - if the condition evaluates to **FALSE**
 - the loop is bypassed
 - The LCV **MUST** be updated within the loop
 - typically just before the end of the loop
 - otherwise you will run into an infinite loop situation

Flowchart for While Loop



```

int num1, num2, num3;
num1 = 2;
num2 = num1 * 2;
num3 = num1 + num2;
while (num1 <= 15)
{
    cout << num1 << " " << num2 << " " << num3 << endl;
    if (num1 < 6)
    {
        num1 = num1 + num2;
    }
    else
    {
        num1 = num1 + num3;
    }
    num2 = num2 + num3;
    cout << num3 << " " << num2 << " " << num1 << endl;
}
cout << "Out of loop";
    
```

Annotations:

- *1 - Initialize
- *2 - Check
- *3 - Change

Output

What will the output be for this code segment? Lets do a desk check.

Example While Loop

Pseudocode

Write a flowchart that represents the solution to sheep dog's problem.

hmmm... These sheep keep breeding... I am not sure how many I have.



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Exercise: While loop

Syntax:
 initialize the LCV;
 while (condition)
 {
 loop statements;
 change the LCV;
 }

When would we use them?

- As a counter
 - Count the # of inputs
- Running totals
 - Sum a # of inputs
- When you don't know how many times you need to loop

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3 Basic Repetition Structures

- For Loop
 - Part of a program is executed a given number of times.
- While Loop
 - Part of a program is executed while some condition is true: *While some condition is true execute these instructions*
- Do While Loop
 - Part of a program is executed at least one time and then repeats until some condition is false.

Now we will move onto the Do While Loop

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Do While Loop

- Run when we don't know how many times it should run
- Event-controlled loop
- Similar to the While loop

EXCEPT

- Do While is a *post-test* loop.
 - The condition is checked at the bottom of the loop and not the top of the loop.
- In other words, it runs at least one time before the condition is checked
 - Where it is possible that a while loop will never run because the condition is checked before it runs
- Commonly used for checking user input

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Do While Loop

- The LCV can be initialized in the loop

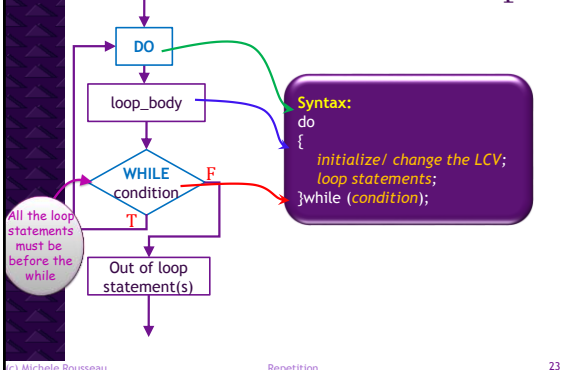
The loop statements are executed BEFORE the condition is tested
- The condition is tested at the bottom of the loop → making it a post-test loop
 - if the condition evaluates to TRUE
 - the loop statements are executed again
 - if the condition evaluates to FALSE
 - the loop exits (the statements are run at least 1X)
- The LCV MUST be updated within the loop
 - typically at the beginning of the loop
 - otherwise you will run into an infinite loop situation

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Flowchart for Do While Loop



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Example: Do While

```

int weight;
do
{
    cout << "Enter your weight: ";
    cin >> weight; // #1 - Initialize
    if (weight < 100) // #3 - Change
    {
        cout << "You must weigh at least 100 lbs";
        cout << "\n\t to use this program.\n";
    }
    // #2 - Check LCV
}while (weight < 100);
cin.ignore(10000, '\n');
cout << "Out of loop with a valid weight of ";
cout << weight << " lbs.";
    
```

What will the output be for this code segment?

Lets do a desk check.
Use the values 82, 55, 90, 126

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Draw the Flowchart

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Exercise: Do While Loop

Pseudocode

Write a flowchart that will check shepdog's input

whoops I entered an invalid number. My sheep are all under 10 years old. How come the program didn't catch it?

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Exercise: DoWhile loop

Syntax:
do
{
 initialize/ change the LCV;
 loop statements;
}
while (condition);

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When would we use them

- When we know we have to run the code at least 1 time
- Great for checking for valid inputs

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Loops – Common Errors

- 1 - Not initializing the Loop Control Variable
- 2 - Not updating the LCV within a while or do while loop
- 3 - A loop that is not properly written can run forever this is called an **infinite loop**
→ make sure that the condition that ends the loop can and will happen
- 4 - Off by 1 errors (common in for loops)
How many times will these run?
for (count = 0; count <= 3; count = count + 1)
for (count = 1; count < 3; count = count + 1)
for (count = 1; count <= 3; count = count + 1)
for (count = 1; count >= 1; count = count + 1)

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Which loop should I use?

- Which loop should be used if we want the loop body to execute a **specific number of times**?
- Which loop should be used if we want the loop to be controlled an **event** rather than a counter **and the body may or may not be executed**?
- Which loop should be used if we want the loop to be controlled an **event** rather than a counter **and the body must be executed at least one time**?

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Which loop should I use? (2)

- Write a code segment that sums a group of positive integers.
- Write a code segment that sums 10 numbers.
- Write a code segment that validates that a user has entered a value between 1 & 5

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Some additional Loop examples

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For Loop Example



```

for(count = 1; count <= 3; count = count + 1)
{
    cout << "Enter Name: ";
    cin.getline(userName, 25);

    cout << "Enter Weekly Paycheck: ";
    cin >> paycheckAmt;
    cin.ignore(10000, '\n');

    totalPay = totalPay + paycheckAmt;
}

avgPay = totalPay / 3.0;

cout << setprecision(2) << fixed;
cout << userName << " your average pay is: " << avgPay;
    
```

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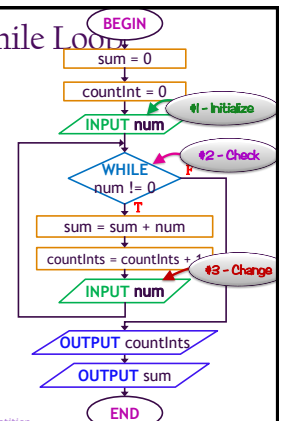
Example: While Loop

Example

Write a program that will accept a set of integers from a user, sum the set of integers & count how many integers were input. It will stop accepting integers when a 0 is reached.

Output the total number of integers given as input & the sum

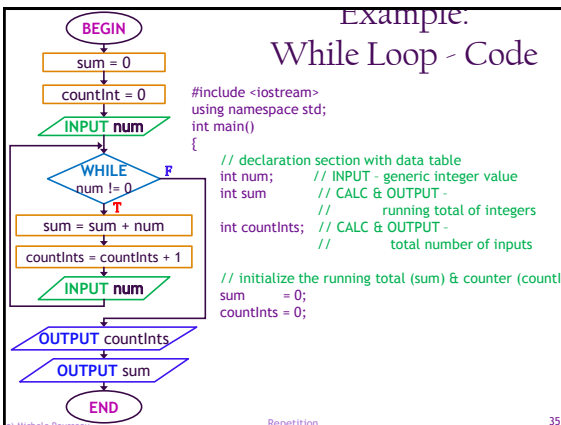
First, let's draw the flowchart.



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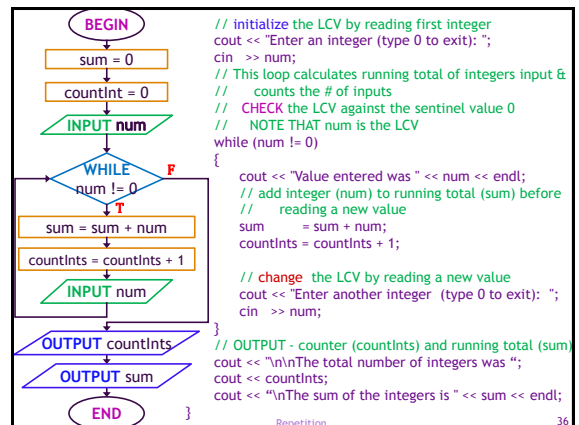
Example: While Loop - Code



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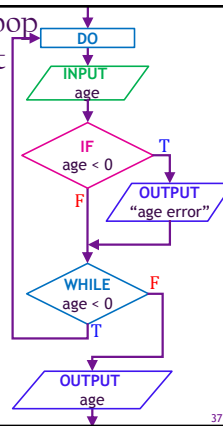
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Ex: Do While Loop w/ Flowchart

```
int age;
do
{
    cout << "Enter your age: ";
    cin >> age;

    if (age < 0)
    {
        cout << "Age can't be negative. "
        cout << " Please try again.\n";
    }
}while (age < 0);

cin.ignore(10000, '\n');
cout << "Your age is: " << age;
```



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