



# Introdução à Programação 2020/2021

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- A **boolean expression** is an expression that is either **true** (in that case its value is 1) or **false** (its value is 0).

```
n == 5      # this is a boolean expression
```

```
6 == n      # this is another boolean expression
```

- When making decisions, the C language assumes that any non-zero value means **true**, and that a zero value means **false**.
- **Relational operators** produce boolean results (an integer that is either 0 or 1):

```
x == y      # x is equal to y
```

```
x != y      # x is not equal to y
```

```
x > y       # x is greater than y
```

```
x < y       # x is less than y
```

```
x >= y      # x is greater than or equal to y
```

```
x <= y      # x is less than or equal to y
```



## 1. There are three **logical operators**:

- **expr1 && expr2** (and logical operator)
- **expr1 || expr2** (or logical operator)
- **! expr1** (not operator)

## 2. Example:

```
x >= 0 && x < 10 // x is between 0 (inclusive)
                  // and 10 (exclusive)
```

```
0 <= x && x < 10 // same thing
```

## 3. When in doubt about the precedence of the mathematical and logical operators, use parentheses around an expression:

```
( (x >= 0) && (x < 10) )
```



- The `&&` and `||` logical operators evaluate `expr2` **only** when the result cannot be inferred from the value of `expr1`
- For the `&&` operator, if `expr1` is false then the result of the `&&` logical operator is false, irrespective of the value of `exp2`; in that case `expr2` **is not evaluated**.
- For the `||` operator, if `expr1` is true then the result of the `||` logical operator is true, irrespective of the value of `exp2`; in that case `expr2` **is not evaluated**.
- Remember these properties:

<code>x == y</code>	<code>&lt;=&gt;</code>	<code>! (x != y)</code>	<code>&lt;=&gt;</code>	<code>y == x</code>
<code>x != y</code>	<code>&lt;=&gt;</code>	<code>! (x == y)</code>	<code>&lt;=&gt;</code>	<code>y != x</code>
<code>x &gt; y</code>	<code>&lt;=&gt;</code>	<code>! (x &lt;= y)</code>	<code>&lt;=&gt;</code>	<code>y &lt; x</code>
<code>x &lt;= y</code>	<code>&lt;=&gt;</code>	<code>! (x &gt; y)</code>	<code>&lt;=&gt;</code>	<code>y &gt;= x</code>



- Almost all programs need to make decisions that depend on the values of some of the program's variables. **Conditional statements** give us this ability.

- The simplest form is the `if` statement:

```
if (x > 0)
    cout << "x is positive";
```

- The expression inside the mandatory parentheses after the `if` is called the condition [the C++ standard calls it the controlling expression].
- The statement (or block) gets executed if the condition is true. If not, the statement or block is skipped.
- There is no limit on the number of statements that can appear in the block, but there has to be at least one.



- A second form of the `if` statement offers two possibilities (one executed when the expression is true and one when it is false).

```
if(x % 2 == 0)
    cout << "x is even";    // executed when x % 2 == 0 is true
else
    cout << "x is odd";    // executed when x % 2 == 0 is false
```

- Sometimes there are more than two possibilities and we need more than two branches:

```
if (x < y)
    cout << "x is smaller than y";
else if(x > y)
    cout << "x is larger than y";
else
    cout << "x and y are equal";
```



- When the action we wish to perform contains several statements, it is necessary to put the statements inside a statement block (statements surrounded by brackets).

```
if(x % 2 == 0){  
    // executed when x % 2 == 0 is true  
    cout << "x is even";  
    x = x / 2;  
}  
else{  
    // executed when x % 2 == 0 is false  
    cout <<"x is odd";  
    x = 3 * x + 1;  
}
```





- One conditional can also be nested within another.

```
if (x == y)
    cout << "x and y are equal";
else {
    if (x < y)
        cout << "x is less than y",
    else
        cout << "x is greater than y";
}
```

The indentation is optional but it makes the code much more legible.

- Although the use of the brackets makes the structure apparent, nested conditionals become difficult to read very quickly.
- Logical operators often provide a way to simplify nested conditional statements.



- Transformations may simplify the layout of the code or make it easier to understand:

```
if (Cond1)
  if (Cond2)
    Block1
  else
    Block2
else
  Block3
```

```
if (! Cond1)
  Block3
else
  if (Cond2)
    Block1
  else
    Block2
```

```
if (! Cond1)
  Block3
else if (Cond2)
  Block1
else
  Block2
```



- A **switch** statement allows an integer expression to be tested for equality against a list of values.

```
switch(integer_expression)
{
    case constant_integer_expression :
        statement(s);
        break; // optional
    case another_constant_integer_expression :
        statement(s);
        break; // optional
    /* you can have any number of case statements */
    /* it is an error to repeat a value */
    default : // if it is not one of the other values ...
        // (can be placed anywhere, although putting it
        //      in the and makes more sense)
        statement(s);
        break; // optional
}
```



- The expression used in a switch statement must have an integer value (a char value is automatically converted to an integer value)
- When the variable being switched on is equal to a case, the statements following that case will execute until a break statement is reached.
- The number after the case keyword must be a **constant** known at compile time.
- If the break statement is missing, the next case will also be executed.



```
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

int main(void)
{
    /* local variable definition */
    char grade = 'B';

    switch(grade) {
        case 'A' :
            cout << "Excellent!\n";
            break;

        case 'B' :
        case 'C' :
            cout << "Well done\n";
            break;
```

```
        case 'D' :
            cout << "You passed\n";
            break;
        case 'F' :
            cout << " Try again\n";
            break;
        default :
            cout << "Invalid grade\n";
            break;
    }

    cout << "Grade is " << grade;

    return 0;
}
```



Consider the following code:

```
if (x >= 0)
    y = x;
else
    y = -x;
```

Instead of using an `if` statement, it is possible to write this code in the following much more compact form:

```
y = (x >= 0) ? x : -x;
```

In general, the value of the expression

```
cond ? expr1 : expr2
```

is `expr1` if `cond` is true, and is `expr2` if `cond` is false; `cond`, `expr1` and `expr2` are general expressions (pay attention to the precedence of arithmetic operators, use parenthesis if in doubt)