

Computer Programming

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Session: “while” and “do while” statements in C++

Quick Recap of Relevant Topics



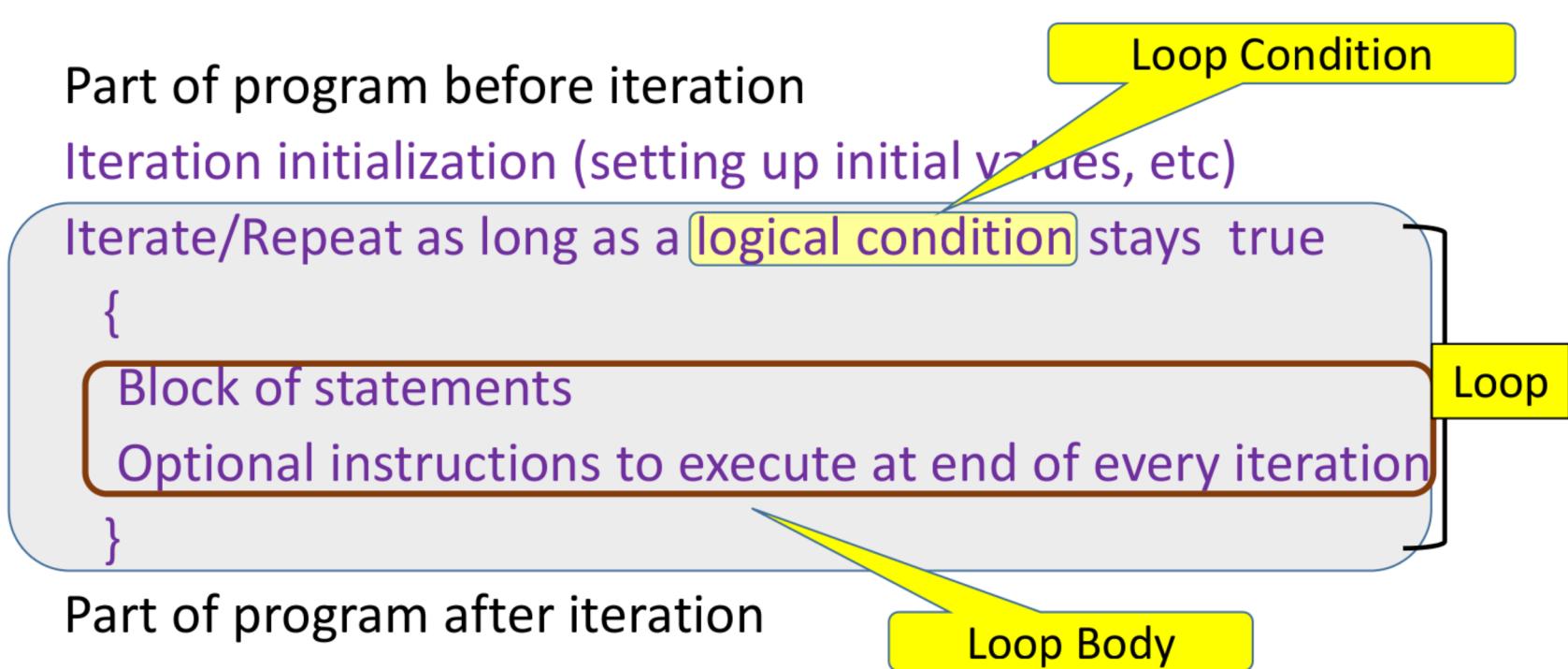
- Iteration idioms in programming
- Necessity and convenience of iteration
- Glimpse of iteration constructs in C++

Overview of This Lecture



- Iteration using “while” and “do … while” statements in C++
- “break” statement in loops

Recall Generic Iteration Construct



“while” Statement in C++



Part of program before execution

while (loop condition)

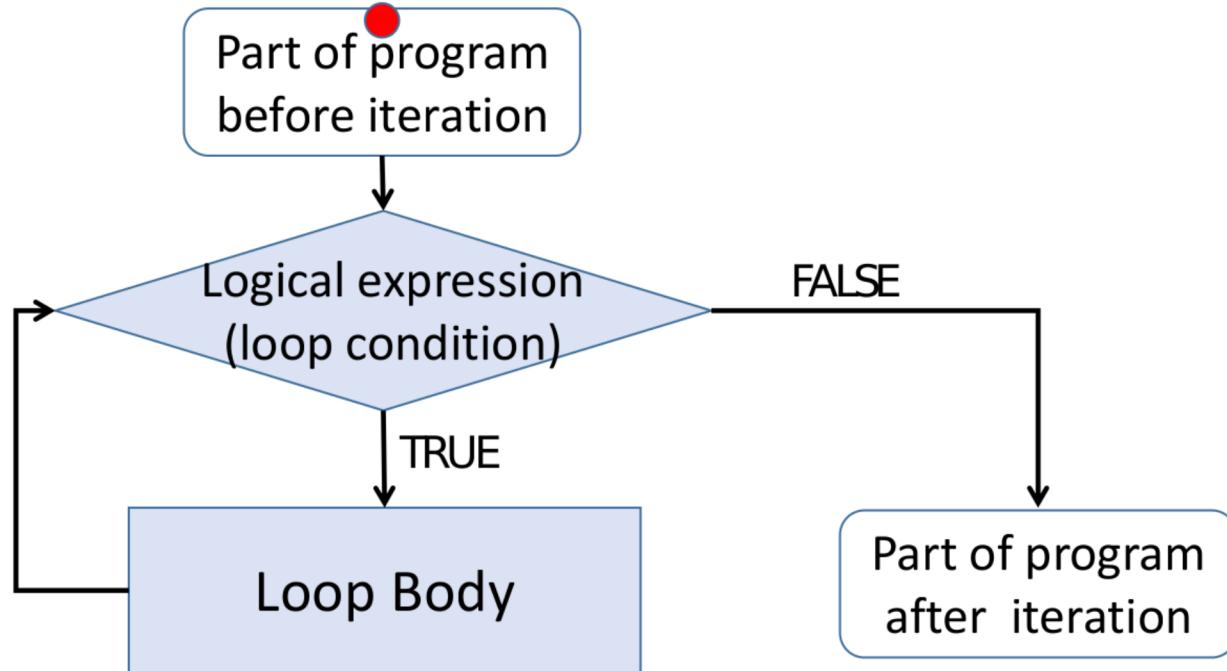
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Block of statements (Body of “while” loop)

}

Part of program after iteration

Flowchart Representation of “while”



Points To Remember About “while”



while(loop condition) { Loop Body }

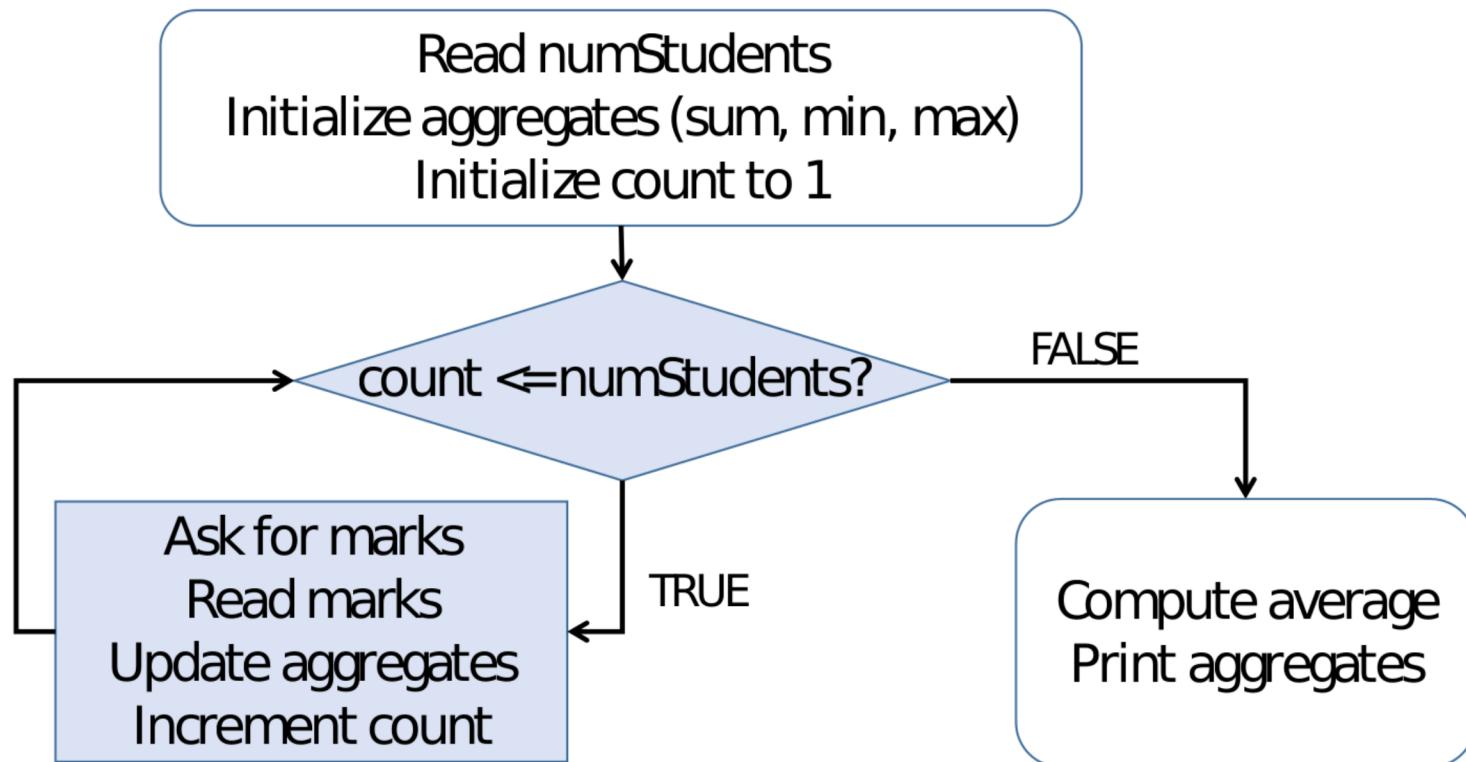
- Loop condition checked **before** executing loop body
Can lead to zero executions of loop body
- Number of times loop condition is checked =
Number of times loop body executed + 1, if loop terminates
- If loop condition is not changed in loop body, infinite loop
(non-terminating program) possible

Back To Our Problem



Read number of students in CS101, read quiz 1 marks of all CS101 students and print their sum, average, maximum and minimum

Flowchart Representation



C++ program with “while”



```
int main() {  
    int marks, sum=0, min, max, numStudents;  
    float average, count; // Variable declarations  
    cout << "Give number of students: "; cin >> numStudents;  
    count = 1.0; // Count of student marks processed  
    while (count <= numStudents) {  
        cout << "Give marks of student " << count << ": "; cin >> marks;  
        // Update sum, max, min  
        count = count + 1;  
    }  
    average = sum / count;  
    // Print average, sum, min, max  
    return 0;  
}
```

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        cout << "Give marks of student " << count << ":"; cin >>marks;  
        // Update sum, max, min  
        count =count +1;  
    }  
    average =sum/count;  
    // Print average, sum, min, max  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
    sum=sum+marks;  
    if(count ==1) {min =marks; max =marks; }  
    else {  
        min =(min >marks) ? marks: min;  
        max =(max <marks) ? marks: max;  
    }
```

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    while (count <= numStudents) {  
        cout << "Give marks of student " << count << ": "; cin >> marks;  
        // Update sum, max, min  
        count = count + 1;  
    }  
    average = sum / count;  
    // Print average, sum, min, max  
    return 0;  
}
```

Accumulation or Aggregation in Loops



```
int main() {  
    int marks, sum=0, min, max;  
    float average, count; // Variables  
    cout << "Give number of students: ";  
    count = 1.0; // Count of students  
    while (count <= numStudents) {  
        cout << "Give marks of student " << count << endl;  
        // Update sum, max, min  
        count = count + 1;  
    }  
    average = sum / count;  
    // Print average, sum, min, max  
    return 0;  
}
```

Inputs were provided one after another:
“streaming” inputs

We did not remember all inputs seen so far,
only some aggregates

Aggregates: “summary” of streaming inputs
seen so far so that we can compute final result

Accumulation or aggregation: key to
programming with loops for streaming inputs

A Variant Of Our Problem



Read quiz 1 marks of CS101 students one at a time

Stop reading if -1000 is entered as marks

Print number of marks entered, sum, average, maximum and minimum

- Difference from earlier version:
 - We do not know a priori how many marks will be entered
 - Indicated by special end-of-inputs marks (-1000)
 - We'll know when to stop only after reading -1000 as marks

Modifying Our Earlier C++ program

```
int main() {  
    int marks, sum=0, min, max;  
    float average, count; // Variable declarations  
    count =1.0; // Count of student marks processed  
    while (true) {  
        cout << "Give marks of student " << count << ":"; cin >> marks;  
        if (marks ==-1000) {...exit loop ...}  
        else { ...Update sum, max, min ...}  
        count =count +1;  
    }  
    average =sum/ (count - 1);  
    // Print count - 1, average, sum, min, max  
    return 0;  
}
```

Infinite loop !!!

C++ provides an easy way to do this

“break” Statement In “while” Loop



```
while (true) {  
    cout << "Give marks of student " << count << ":";  
    cin >> marks;  
    if (marks == -1000) {break;}  
    else { ...Update sum, max, min ... }  
    count = count + 1;  
}
```

Recall “break” from
“switch ...case ...”

Can We Do Without “break”?



```
bool exitFlag =false;  
while (! exitFlag) {  
    cout <<“Give marks of student “ <<count <<”: “;  
    cin >>marks;  
    if (marks ==-1000) {exitFlag =true: }  
    else {  
        ...Update sum, max, min ...  
        count =count +1;  
    }  
}
```

Include within “else” block
to preserve behaviour of
program with “break”

Convenience Of “break” In Loops



```
while (true) {  
    cout << "Give marks of student " << count << ":";  
    cin >> marks;  
    if (marks == -1000) {break; }  
    else { ...Update sum, max, min ... }  
    count = count +1;  
}
```

“break” avoids such annoying complications

Recap: “while” Statement in C++



Part of program before execution

while (loop condition)

{

Block of statements (Body of “while” loop)

}

Part of program after iteration

“do … while …” Statement in C++



Part of program before execution

```
do
```

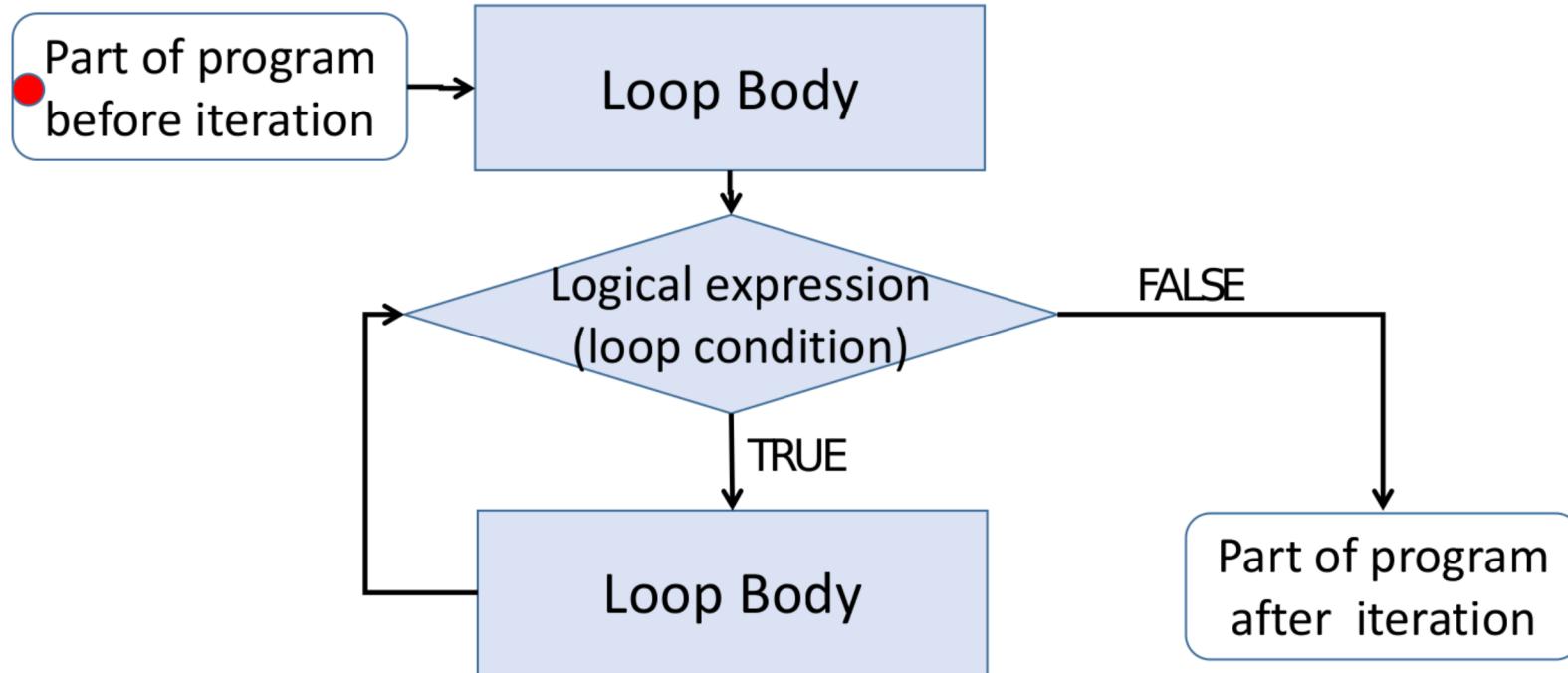
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```

Block of statements (Body of “do-while” loop)

```
} while(loop condition)
```

Part of program after iteration

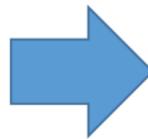
“do … while …” Statement Flowchart



From “while ...” to “do ... while ...”



```
while (loop condition) {  
    Loop Body  
}
```



```
if (loop condition) {  
    do {  
        Loop Body  
    } while (loop condition);  
}
```

From “do … while ...” to “while ...”



```
Loop Body;  
while (loop condition) {  
    Loop Body  
}
```



```
do {  
    Loop Body  
} while (loop condition);
```

“break” statements can be used in “do …while ...”
in same manner as in “while ...”

“do … while ...” vs “while ...”



- Almost the same
- Prefer “do … while ...” when we are guaranteed to execute loop body at least once
- Prefer “while ...” if loop body may not be executed at all
- Programmer’s choice

Summary

- “**while**” statement in C++
- “**do ... while ...**” statement in C++
- Use of “**break**” statements