

08 - Going Loopy - Part 1

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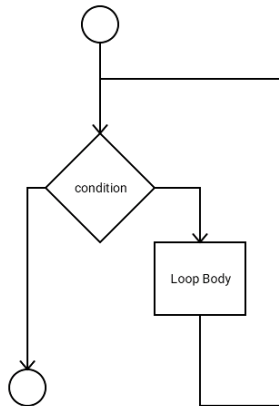
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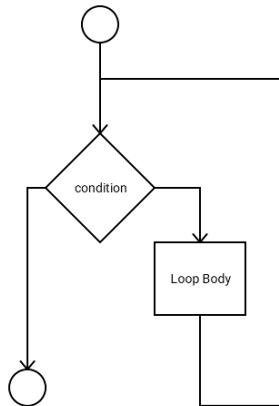


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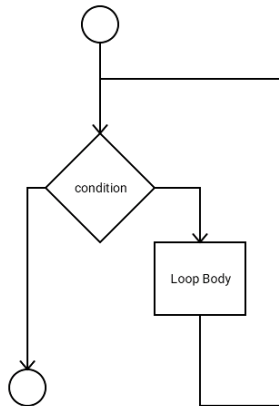


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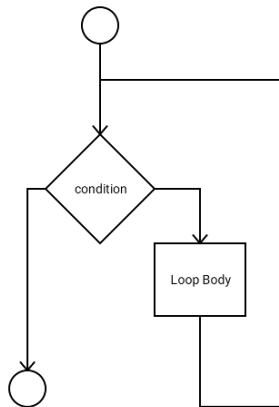


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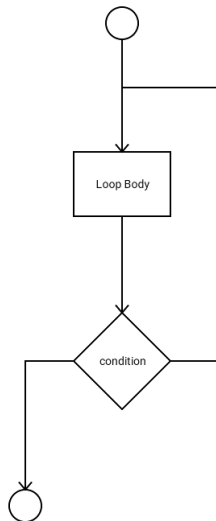
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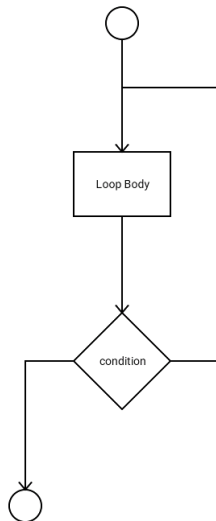


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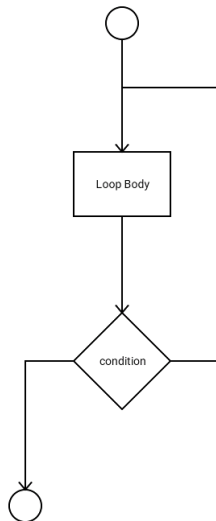


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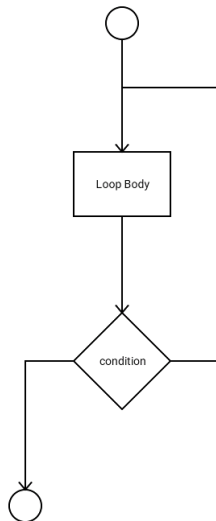


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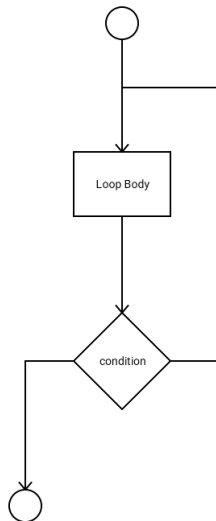


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- Commonly used with input validation and menus.



Example: examples/08-Loopy/validate.cpp

```
int x;           //the number to be validated.
bool valid;      //whether the choice is valid

//get a valid choice
cout << "Enter a number between 1 and 5." << endl;
do {
    //get a number
    cout << "number: ";
    cin >> x;

    //check validity
    valid = x>=1 and x<=5;

    //report errors
    if(not valid) {
        cout << "Invalid selection.  Please try again." << endl;
    }
} while(not valid);

cout << "Thank You" << endl;
```

Example: examples/08-Loopy/menu.cpp

```
int choice;

//Run the menu
do {
    cout << "1.) Option One" << endl
        << "2.) Option Two"<< endl
        << "3.) Exit" << endl
        << "Choice? ";
    cin >> choice;

    //do the selection
    if(choice == 1) {
        cout << "Option One" << endl;
    } else if(choice == 2) {
        cout << "Option Two" << endl;
    } else if(choice != 3) {
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- Often used with menus to label their selections with named constants in the code.

Example: examples/08-Loopy/menu2.cpp

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enum menu_choice { ONE=1, TWO, EXIT };
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- We continue guessing until we guess the number.
- After we guess correctly, the computer will tell us how many tries it took us.

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- Rework your menu so it is in a loop. It should allow you to keep using the system until you choose the option that causes it to exit.

Week 5 Lab Requirements

You must have the following programs completed for full credit in week5.

- 1 `multiply.cpp`
- 2 `guess.cpp`
- 3 `stock.cpp` (with enum and menu loops).