

Lecture Notes

Chapter 4

Control Structures I (Selection)

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Objectives (1 of 2)

- In this chapter, you will:
 - Learn about control structures
 - Examine relational operators
 - Discover how to use the selection control structures `if`, `if...else`
 - Examine `int` and `bool` data types and logical (Boolean) expressions
 - Examine logical operators
 - Explore how to form and evaluate logical (Boolean) expressions



Objectives (2 of 2)

- Learn how relational operators work with the `string` type
- Become aware of short-circuit evaluation
- Learn how the conditional operator, `? :`, works
- Learn how to use pseudocode to develop, test, and debug a program
- Discover how to use a `switch` statement in a program
- Learn how to avoid bugs by avoiding partially understood concepts
- Learn how to use the `assert` function to terminate a program



Control Structures (1 of 2)

- A computer can proceed:
 - In sequence
 - Selectively (branch): making a choice
 - Repetitively: looping
 - By calling a function
- The two most common control structures are:
 - Selection
 - Repetition



Control Structures (2 of 2)

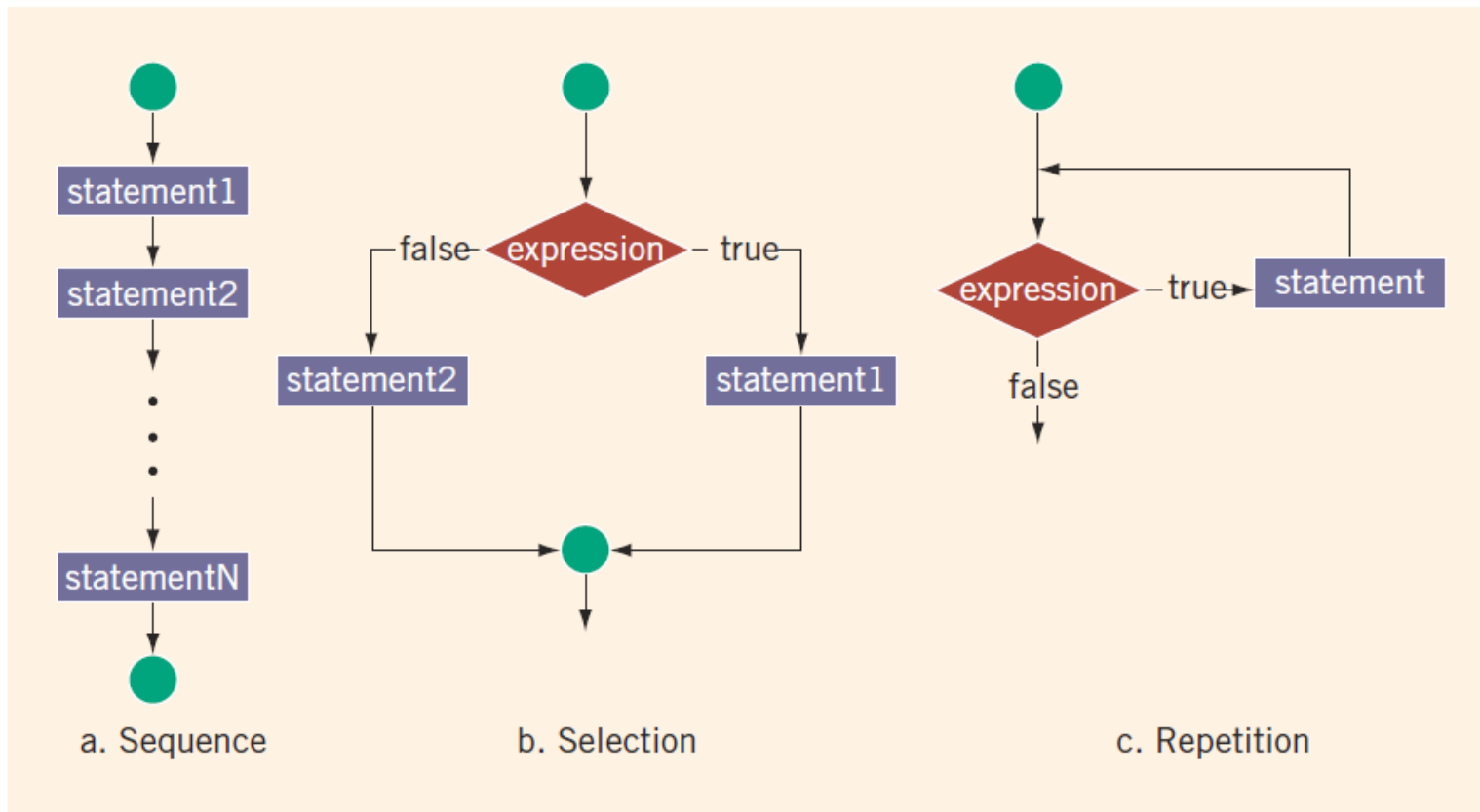


FIGURE 4-1 Flow of execution



Selection: `if` and `if...else`

- An expression that evaluates to **true** or **false** is called a logical expression
 - `"8 is greater than 3"` is true



Relational Operators

TABLE 4-1 Relational Operators in C++

Operator	Description
<code>==</code>	equal to
<code>!=</code>	not equal to
<code><</code>	less than
<code><=</code>	less than or equal to
<code>></code>	greater than
<code>>=</code>	greater than or equal to

- Each relational operator is a binary operator (requires two operands)
- Expressions using these operators always evaluate to **true** or **false**



Relational Operators and Simple Data Types

- You can use the relational operators with all three simple data types

EXAMPLE 4-1

Expression	Meaning	Value
<code>8 < 15</code>	8 is less than 15	<code>true</code>
<code>6 != 6</code>	6 is not equal to 6	<code>false</code>
<code>2.5 > 5.8</code>	2.5 is greater than 5.8	<code>false</code>
<code>5.9 <= 7.5</code>	5.9 is less than or equal to 7.5	<code>true</code>
<code>7 <= 10.4</code>	7 is less than or equal to 10.4	<code>true</code>



Comparing Characters

- In an expression of **char** values using relational operators:
 - The result depends on the machine's collating sequence
 - ASCII character set
- Logical (Boolean) expressions:
 - Include expressions such as `4 < 6` and `'R' > 'T'`
 - Return an integer value of **1** if the logical expression evaluates to **true**
 - Return an integer value of **0** otherwise



One-Way Selection (1 of 2)

- One-way selection syntax

```
if (expression)  
    statement
```

- The statement is:
 - Executed if the value of the expression is **true**
 - Bypassed if the value is **false**; program goes to the next statement
- The **expression** is also called a decision maker
- The statement following the **expression** is also called the action statement



One-Way Selection (2 of 2)

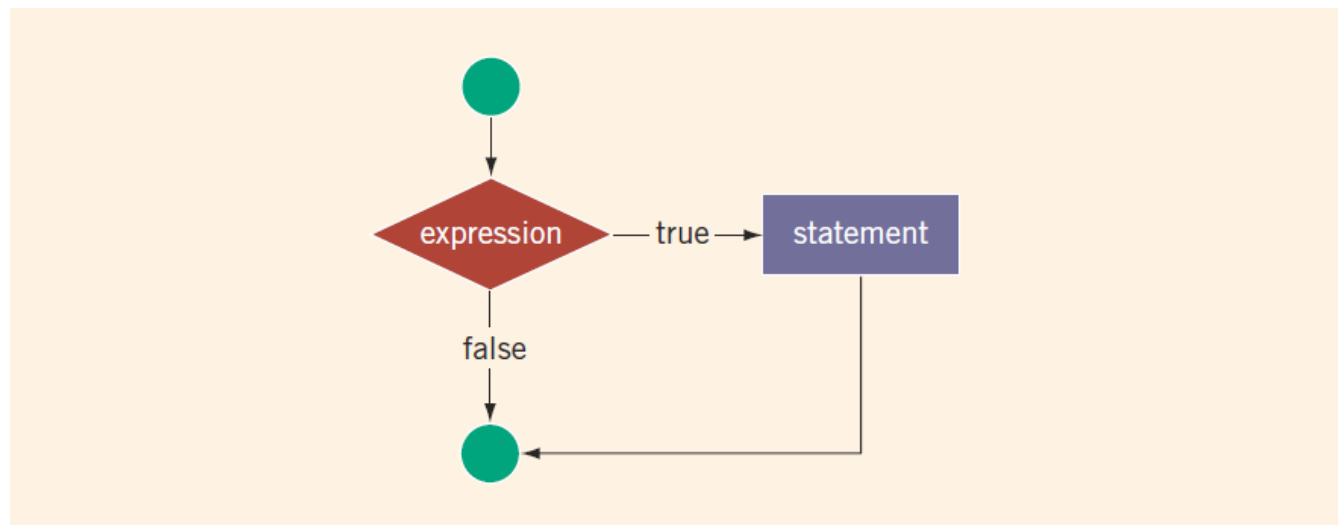


FIGURE 4-2 One-way selection



Two-Way Selection (1 of 2)

- Two-way selection syntax

```
if (expression)
    statement1
else
    statement2
```

- If **expression** is **true**, **statement1** is executed; otherwise, **statement2** is executed
 - **statement1** and **statement2** are any C++ statements



Two-Way Selection (2 of 2)

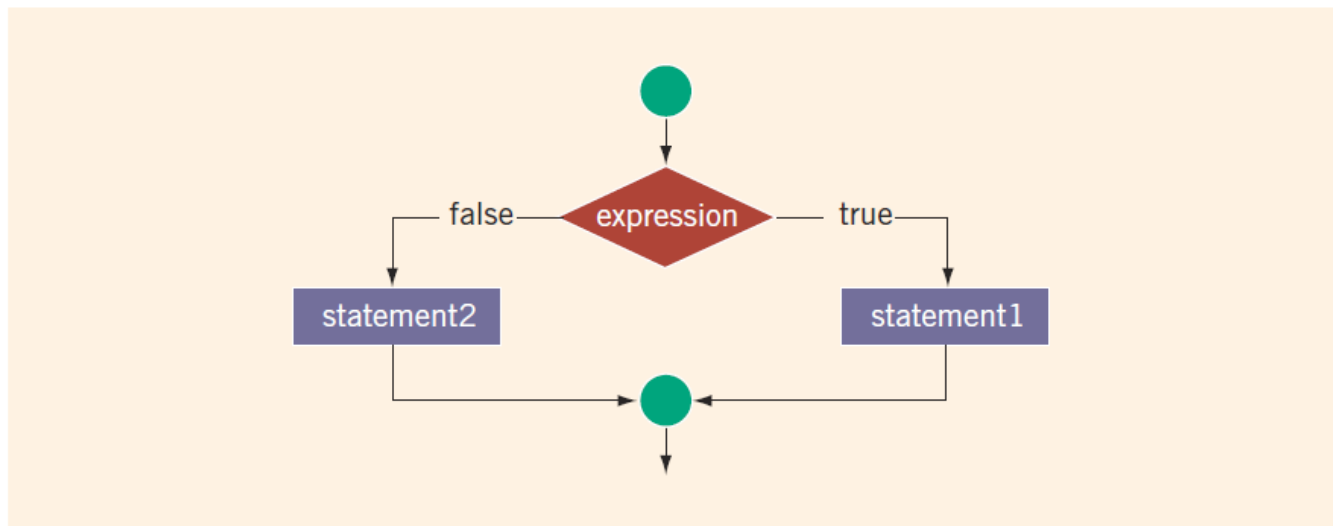


FIGURE 4-3 Two-way selection



int Data Type and Logical (Boolean) Expressions

- Earlier versions of C++ did not provide built-in data types that had Boolean values
- Logical expressions evaluate to either **1** or **0**
 - Logical expression value was stored in a variable of the data type `int`
- You can use the `int` data type to manipulate logical (Boolean) expressions



bool Data Type and Logical (Boolean) Expressions

- The data type **bool** has logical (Boolean) values **true** and **false**
- **bool**, **true**, and **false** are reserved words
- The identifier **true** has the value 1
- The identifier **false** has the value 0



Logical (Boolean) Operators and Logical Expressions (1 of 5)

- Logical (Boolean) operators enable you to combine logical expressions

TABLE 4-2 Logical (Boolean) Operators in C++

Operator	Description
!	not
&&	and
	or



Logical (Boolean) Operators and Logical Expressions (2 of 5)

TABLE 4-3 The ! (Not) Operator

Expression	!(Expression)
<code>true</code> (nonzero)	<code>false</code> (0)
<code>false</code> (0)	<code>true</code> (1)

EXAMPLE 4-10

Expression	Value	Explanation
<code>!('A' > 'B')</code>	<code>true</code>	Because <code>'A' > 'B'</code> is <code>false</code> , <code>!('A' > 'B')</code> is <code>true</code> .
<code>!(6 <= 7)</code>	<code>false</code>	Because <code>6 <= 7</code> is <code>true</code> , <code>!(6 <= 7)</code> is <code>false</code> .



Logical (Boolean) Operators and Logical Expressions (3 of 5)

TABLE 4-4 The && (And) Operator

Expression1	Expression2	Expression1 && Expression2
true (nonzero)	true (nonzero)	true (1)
true (nonzero)	false (0)	false (0)
false (0)	true (nonzero)	false (0)
false (0)	false (0)	false (0)

EXAMPLE 4-11

Expression	Value	Explanation
(14 >= 5) && ('A' < 'B')	true	Because (14 >= 5) is true, ('A' < 'B') is true, and true && true is true, the expression evaluates to true.
(24 >= 35) && ('A' < 'B')	false	Because (24 >= 35) is false, ('A' < 'B') is true, and false && true is false, the expression evaluates to false.



Logical (Boolean) Operators and Logical Expressions (4 of 5)

TABLE 4-5 The || (Or) Operator

Expression1	Expression2	Expression1 Expression2
true (nonzero)	true (nonzero)	true (1)
true (nonzero)	false (0)	true (1)
false (0)	true (nonzero)	true (1)
false (0)	false (0)	false (0)



Logical (Boolean) Operators and Logical Expressions (5 of 5)

EXAMPLE 4-12

Expression	Value	Explanation
<code>(14 >= 5) ('A' > 'B')</code>	<code>true</code>	Because <code>(14 >= 5)</code> is <code>true</code> , <code>('A' > 'B')</code> is <code>false</code> , and <code>true false</code> is <code>true</code> , the expression evaluates to <code>true</code> .
<code>(24 >= 35) ('A' > 'B')</code>	<code>false</code>	Because <code>(24 >= 35)</code> is <code>false</code> , <code>('A' > 'B')</code> is <code>false</code> , and <code>false false</code> is <code>false</code> , the expression evaluates to <code>false</code> .
<code>('A' <= 'a') (7 != 7)</code>	<code>true</code>	Because <code>('A' <= 'a')</code> is <code>true</code> , <code>(7 != 7)</code> is <code>false</code> , and <code>true false</code> is <code>true</code> , the expression evaluates to <code>true</code> .



Order of Precedence (1 of 5)

- Relational and logical operators are evaluated from left to right
 - The associativity is left to right
- Parentheses can override precedence



Order of Precedence (2 of 5)

TABLE 4-6 Precedence of Operators

Operators	Precedence
!, +, - (unary operators)	first
*, /, %	second
+, -	third
<, <=, >=, >	fourth
==, !=	fifth
&&	sixth
	seventh
= (assignment operator)	last



Order of Precedence (3 of 5)

EXAMPLE 4-13

Suppose you have the following declarations:

```
bool found = true;  
int age = 20;  
double hours = 45.30;  
double overTime = 15.00;  
int count = 20;  
char ch = 'B';
```




Order of Precedence (4 of 5)

Expression	Value / Explanation
<code>!found</code>	<code>false</code> Because <code>found</code> is <code>true</code> , <code>!found</code> is <code>false</code> .
<code>hours > 40.00</code>	<code>true</code> Because <code>hours</code> is <code>45.30</code> and <code>45.30 > 40.00</code> is <code>true</code> , the expression <code>hours > 40.00</code> evaluates to <code>true</code> .
<code>!age</code>	<code>false</code> <code>age</code> is <code>20</code> , which is nonzero, so <code>age</code> evaluates to <code>true</code> . Therefore <code>!age</code> is <code>false</code> .
<code>!found && (age >= 18)</code>	<code>false</code> <code>!found</code> is <code>false</code> ; <code>age > 18</code> is <code>20 > 18</code> is <code>true</code> . Therefore, <code>!found && (age >= 18)</code> is <code>false && true</code> , which evaluates to <code>false</code> .
<code>!(found && (age >= 18))</code>	<code>false</code> Now, <code>found && (age >= 18)</code> is <code>true && true</code> , which evaluates to <code>true</code> . Therefore, <code>!(found && (age >= 18))</code> is <code>!true</code> , which evaluates to <code>false</code> .



Order of Precedence (5 of 5)

```
hours + overTime <= 75.00
```

true

Because `hours + overTime` is `45.30 + 15.00 = 60.30` and `60.30 <= 75.00` is **true**, it follows that `hours + overTime <= 75.00` evaluates to **true**.

```
(count >= 0) &&  
    (count <= 100)
```

true

Now `count` is 20. Because `20 >= 0` is **true**, `count >= 0` is **true**. Also, `20 <= 100` is **true**, so `count <= 100` is **true**. Therefore, `(count >= 0) && (count <= 100)` is **true && true**, which evaluates to **true**.

```
('A' <= ch && ch <= 'Z')
```

true

Here, `ch` is `'B'`. Because `'A' <= 'B'` is **true**, `'A' <= ch` evaluates to **true**. Also, because `'B' <= 'Z'` is **true**, `ch <= 'Z'` evaluates to **true**. Therefore, `('A' <= ch && ch <= 'Z')` is **true && true**, which evaluates to **true**.



Relational Operators and the `string` Type (1 of 5)

- Relational operators can be applied to variables of type **string**
 - Strings are compared character by character, starting with the first character
 - Comparison continues until either a mismatch is found or all characters are found equal
 - If two strings of different lengths are compared and the comparison is equal to the last character of the shorter string
 - The shorter string is less than the larger string



Relational Operators and the `string` Type (2 of 5)

EXAMPLE 4-13

Suppose you have the following declarations:

```
bool found = true;  
int age = 20;  
double hours = 45.30;  
double overTime = 15.00;  
int count = 20;  
char ch = 'B';
```



Relational Operators and the `string` Type (3 of 5)

Expression	Value/Explanation
<code>str1 < str2</code>	true <code>str1 = "Hello"</code> and <code>str2 = "Hi"</code> . The first character of <code>str1</code> and <code>str2</code> are the same, but the second character 'e' of <code>str1</code> is less than the second character 'i' of <code>str2</code> . Therefore, <code>str1 < str2</code> is true .
<code>str1 > "Hen"</code>	false <code>str1 = "Hello"</code> . The first two characters of <code>str1</code> and "Hen" are the same, but the third character 'l' of <code>str1</code> is less than the third character 'n' of "Hen". Therefore, <code>str1 > "Hen"</code> is false .
<code>str3 < "An"</code>	true <code>str3 = "Air"</code> . The first characters of <code>str3</code> and "An" are the same, but the second character 'i' of "Air" is less than the second character 'n' of "An". Therefore, <code>str3 < "An"</code> is true .



Relational Operators and the `string` Type (4 of 5)

Expression	Value/Explanation
<code>str1 == "hello"</code>	false <code>str1 = "Hello"</code> . The first character 'H' of <code>str1</code> is less than the first character 'h' of <code>"hello"</code> because the ASCII value of 'H' is 72, and the ASCII value of 'h' is 104. Therefore, <code>str1 == "hello"</code> is false .
<code>str3 <= str4</code>	true <code>str3 = "Air"</code> and <code>str4 = "Bill"</code> . The first character 'A' of <code>str3</code> is less than the first character 'B' of <code>str4</code> . Therefore, <code>str3 <= str4</code> is true .
<code>str2 > str4</code>	true <code>str2 = "Hi"</code> and <code>str4 = "Bill"</code> . The first character 'H' of <code>str2</code> is greater than the first character 'B' of <code>str4</code> . Therefore, <code>str2 > str4</code> is true .



Relational Operators and the `string` Type (5 of 5)

Expression	Value/Explanation
<code>str4 >= "Billy"</code>	false <code>str4 = "Bill"</code> . It has four characters and <code>"Billy"</code> has five characters. Therefore, <code>str4</code> is the shorter string. All four characters of <code>str4</code> are the same as the corresponding first four characters of <code>"Billy"</code> , and <code>"Billy"</code> is the larger string. Therefore, <code>str4 >= "Billy"</code> is false .
<code>str5 <= "Bigger"</code>	true <code>str5 = "Big"</code> . It has three characters and <code>"Bigger"</code> has six characters. Therefore, <code>str5</code> is the shorter string. All three characters of <code>str5</code> are the same as the corresponding first three characters of <code>"Bigger"</code> , and <code>"Bigger"</code> is the larger string. Therefore, <code>str5 <= "Bigger"</code> is true .



Compound (Block of) Statements (1 of 2)

- A compound statement (block of statements) has this form:

```
{  
    statement_1  
    statement_2  
    .  
    .  
    .  
    statement_n  
}
```

- A compound statement functions like a single statement



Compound (Block of) Statements (2 of 2)

```
if (age > 18)
{
    cout << "Eligible to vote." << endl;
    cout << "No longer a minor." << endl;
}
else
{
    cout << "Not eligible to vote." << endl;
    cout << "Still a minor." << endl;
}
```



Multiple Selections: Nested `if` (1 of 2)

- When one control statement is located within another, it is said to be nested
- An `else` is associated with the most recent `if` that has not been paired with an `else`



Multiple Selections: Nested `if` (2 of 2)

EXAMPLE 4-17

Assume that `score` is a variable of type `int`. Based on the value of `score`, the following code outputs the grade:

```
if (score >= 90)
    cout << "The grade is A." << endl;
else if (score >= 80)
    cout << "The grade is B." << endl;
else if (score >= 70)
    cout << "The grade is C." << endl;
else if (score >= 60)
    cout << "The grade is D." << endl;
else
    cout << "The grade is F." << endl;
```



Comparing if...else Statements with a Series of if Statements (1 of 2)

```
a.  if (month == 1)                //Line 1
        cout << "January" << endl;    //Line 2
    else if (month == 2)            //Line 3
        cout << "February" << endl;    //Line 4
    else if (month == 3)            //Line 5
        cout << "March" << endl;        //Line 6
    else if (month == 4)            //Line 7
        cout << "April" << endl;        //Line 8
    else if (month == 5)            //Line 9
        cout << "May" << endl;          //Line 10
    else if (month == 6)            //Line 11
        cout << "June" << endl;         //Line 12
```



Comparing if...else Statements with a Series of if Statements (2 of 2)

```
b.  if (month == 1)
        cout << "January" << endl;
    if (month == 2)
        cout << "February" << endl;
    if (month == 3)
        cout << "March" << endl;
    if (month == 4)
        cout << "April" << endl;
    if (month == 5)
        cout << "May" << endl;
    if (month == 6)
        cout << "June" << endl;
```



Short-Circuit Evaluation

- Short-circuit evaluation: evaluation of a logical expression stops as soon as the value of the expression is known

EXAMPLE 4-21

Consider the following expressions:

```
(age >= 21) || ( x == 5)           //Line 1  
(grade == 'A') && (x >= 7)        //Line 2
```



Comparing Floating-Point Numbers for Equality: A Precaution

- Comparison of floating-point numbers for equality may not behave as you would expect
 - Example:
 $1.0 == 3.0/7.0 + 2.0/7.0 + 2.0/7.0$ evaluates to **false**
Why? $3.0/7.0 + 2.0/7.0 + 2.0/7.0 = 0.99999999999999989$
- A solution is checking for a tolerance value
 - Example: `if fabs(x - y) < 0.000001`



Associativity of Relational Operators: A Precaution (1 of 2)

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int num;
    cout << "Enter an integer: ";
    cin >> num;
    cout << endl;
    if (0 <= num <= 10)
        cout << num << " is within 0 and 10." << endl;
    else
        cout << num << " is not within 0 and 10." <<
        endl;
    return 0;
}
```




Associativity of Relational Operators: A Precaution (2 of 2)

- `num = 5`

<code>0 <= num <= 10</code>	<code>= 0 <= 5 <= 10</code>	
	<code>= (0 <= 5) <= 10</code>	(Because relational operators are evaluated from left to right)
	<code>= 1 <= 10</code>	(Because <code>0 <= 5</code> is <code>true</code> , <code>0 <= 5</code> evaluates to 1)
	<code>= 1 (true)</code>	

- `num = 20`

<code>0 <= num <= 10</code>	<code>= 0 <= 20 <= 10</code>	
	<code>= (0 <= 20) <= 10</code>	(Because relational operators are evaluated from left to right)
	<code>= 1 <= 10</code>	(Because <code>0 <= 20</code> is <code>true</code> , <code>0 <= 20</code> evaluates to 1)
	<code>= 1 (true)</code>	



Avoiding Bugs by Avoiding Partially Understood Concepts and Techniques

- Must use concepts and techniques correctly
 - Otherwise solution will be either incorrect or deficient
- If you do not understand a concept or technique completely
 - Do not use it
 - Save yourself an enormous amount of debugging time



Input Failure and the `if` Statement

- If an input stream enters a fail state:
 - All subsequent input statements associated with that stream are ignored
 - Program continues to execute
 - The code may produce erroneous results
- Use `if` statements to check status of input stream
- If the input stream enters the fail state, include instructions that stop program execution



Confusion Between the Equality (==) and Assignment (=) Operators

- C++ allows you to use any expression that can be evaluated to either **true** or **false** as an expression in the **if** statement

```
if (x = 5)
```

```
    cout << "The value is five." << endl;
```

- The appearance of = in place of == resembles a *silent killer*
 - It is not a syntax error
 - It is a logical error



Conditional Operator (? :)

- Conditional operator (? :)
 - Ternary operator: takes three arguments
- Syntax for the conditional operator

```
expression1 ? expression2 : expression3
```

- If **expression1** is **true**, the result of the conditional expression is **expression2**
 - Otherwise, the result is **expression3**
- Example: **max = (a >= b) ? a : b;**



Program Style and Form (Revisited): Indentation

- A properly indented program:
 - Helps you spot and fix errors quickly
 - Shows the natural grouping of statements
- Insert a blank line between statements that are naturally separate
- Two commonly used styles for placing braces
 - On a line by themselves
 - Or left brace is placed after the expression, and the right brace is on a line by itself



Using Pseudocode to Develop, Test, and Debug a Program

- Pseudocode (or just pseudo) is an informal mixture of C++ and ordinary language
 - Helps you quickly develop the correct structure of the program and avoid making common errors
- Use a wide range of values in a walk-through to evaluate the program



switch Structures (1 of 4)

- switch structure is an alternate to **if-else**
- **switch** (integral) expression is evaluated first
- Value of the expression determines which corresponding action is taken
- Expression is sometimes called the selector

```
switch (expression)
{
    case value1:
        statements1
        break;
    case value2:
        statements2
        break;
    .
    .
    .
    case valuen:
        statementsn
        break;
    default:
        statements
}
```




switch Structures (2 of 4)

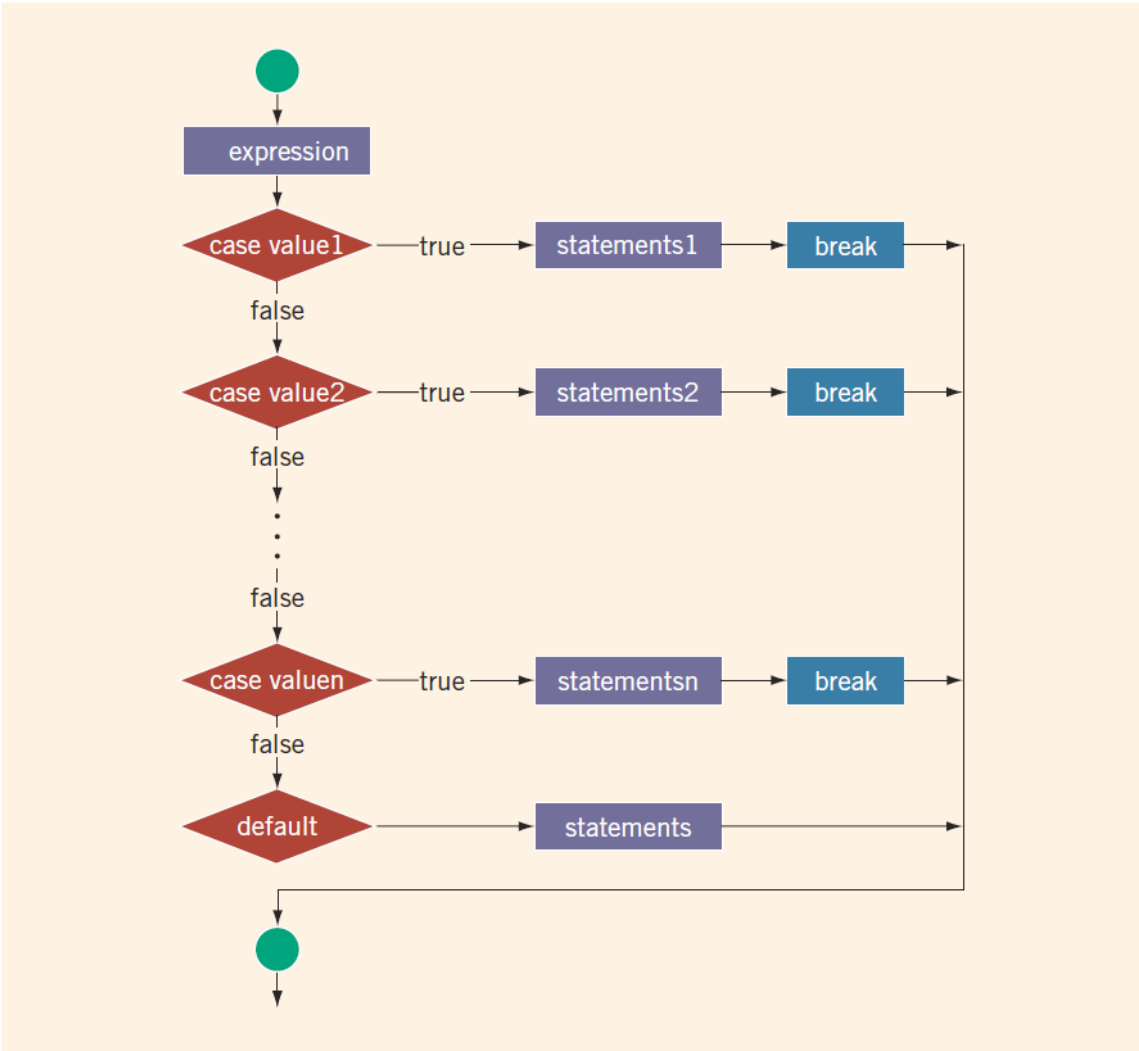


FIGURE 4-4 **switch** statement



switch Structures (3 of 4)

- One or more statements may follow a **case** label
- Braces are not needed to turn multiple statements into a single compound statement
- When a **case** value is matched, all statements after it execute until a break is encountered
- The **break** statement may or may not appear after each statement
- **switch**, **case**, **break**, and **default** are reserved words



switch Structures (4 of 4)

EXAMPLE 4-22

Consider the following statements, in which grade is a variable of type `char`:

```
switch (grade)
{
case 'A':
    cout << "The grade point is 4.0.";
    break;
case 'B':
    cout << "The grade point is 3.0.";
    break;
case 'C':
    cout << "The grade point is 2.0.";
    break;
case 'D':
    cout << "The grade point is 1.0.";
    break;
case 'F':
    cout << "The grade point is 0.0.";
    break;
default:
    cout << "The grade is invalid.";
}
```



Avoiding Bugs: Revisited

- To output results correctly
 - Consider whether the `switch` structure must include a `break` statement after each `cout` statement



Terminating a Program with the `assert` Function

- Certain types of errors are very difficult to catch
 - Example: division by zero
- The **`assert`** function is useful in stopping program execution when certain elusive errors occur



The assert Function (1 of 2)

- Syntax

```
assert (expression) ;
```

- **expression** is any logical expression
- If **expression** evaluates to **true**, the next statement executes
- If **expression** evaluates to **false**, the program terminates and indicates where in the program the error occurred
- To use **assert**, include **cassert** header file



The assert Function (2 of 2)

- **assert** is useful for enforcing programming constraints during program development
- After developing and testing a program, remove or disable **assert** statements
- The preprocessor directive **#define NDEBUG** must be placed before the directive **#include <cassert>** to disable the **assert** statement



Quick Review (1 of 3)

- Control structures alter normal control flow
- Most common control structures are selection and repetition
- Relational operators: `==`, `<`, `<=`, `>`, `>=`, `!=`
- Logical expressions evaluate to **1** (**true**) or **0** (**false**)
- Logical operators: `!` (not), `&&` (and), `||` (or)



Quick Review (2 of 3)

- Two selection structures are one-way selection and two-way selection
- The expression in an **if** or **if...else** structure is usually a logical expression
- No stand-alone **else** statement exists in C++
 - Every **else** has a related **if**
- A sequence of statements enclosed between braces, { and }, is called a compound statement or a block of statements



Quick Review (3 of 3)

- Using assignment in place of the equality operator creates a semantic error
- The execution of a **switch** structure handles multiway selection
- The execution of a **break** statement ends a **switch** statement
- Use **assert** to terminate a program if certain conditions are not met