Flow of Control
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• C is a sequential language
  – statements in a program are executed one after another

• To change flow of control, use
  – choice instructions: if, switch
  – iterative instructions: while, for
  – OR recursion
  – you may need operators
# Operators for them

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# Relational Operators

## Declarations and initializations

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## Expressions and Values

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<td>('a' + 1) &lt; c</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>- i - 5 * j &gt;= k + 1</td>
<td>((- i) - (5 * j)) &gt;= (k + 1)</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>3 &lt; j &lt; 5</td>
<td>(3 &lt; j) &lt; 5</td>
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<td>x - 3.333 &lt;= x + y</td>
<td>(x - 3.333) &lt;= (x + y)</td>
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<td>x &lt; x + y</td>
<td>x &lt; (x + y)</td>
<td>0?</td>
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Equality Operators

• equality expression ::= 
  expression == expression |
  expression != expression

• examples
  • c == ‘A’
  • k != 2
  • x + y == 3 * z -7

• common mistakes
  = instead of ==
  = =
  =!
### Equality Operators Examples

#### Declarations and initialisations

```c
int   i = 1, j = 2, k = 3;
```

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<td><code>i != j</code></td>
<td><code>i != j</code></td>
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<td><code>i + j + k == -2 * -k</code></td>
<td><code>((i + j) + k) == ((-2) * (-k))</code></td>
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Logical Operators

• logical expressions
  – negative !expr
  – or expr || expr
  – and expr && expr

• examples
  !a !(x + 7.3) !(a < b || c < d)
  a && b a || b !(a<b) && c

• common mistakes
  a!
a&&
a & b
& b --- this is serious
some trivial examples

```c
char c = 'A';
int i = 7, j = 7;
double x = 0.0, y = 2.3;
!c
!(i - j)
!i - j
!! (x + y)
!x * !!!y
x || i && j - 3
```
some tricky examples

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| char c = 'B'
| int i = 3, j = 3, k = 3
| double x = 0.0, y = 2.3 |

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<td>i &amp;&amp; j - 3</td>
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<td>c - 1 == 'A'</td>
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short-circuit

- the evaluation stops as soon as the outcome is known
- `expr1 && expr2`
  - if `expr1` is evaluated to be false, `expr2` needs not be evaluated
- `expr 1 && expr 2`
The Compound Statement

• A compound statement is a series of declarations and statements surrounded by braces `{ }`
  ```c
  int a, b, c;
  a += b += c;
  printf("a = %d, b = %d, c = %d\n", a, b, c);
  
  a + b + c;
  ; /* empty statement */
  ```

  • a compound is usually called “block”

  • expression statements
if statement

• if expr (then) statement | block

```c
if (y != 0.0)
    x /= y;
if (c == ' ')
    ++blank_cnt;
    printf("found another blank\n");
if b == a // parentheses missing
    area = a * a;
```

• statement can be an empty one
• same for else statement
if (c >= 'a' && c <= 'z')
    ++lc_cnt;
else{
    ++other_cnt;
    printf("%c is not a lowercase letter\n", c);
}

if (i != j) {
    i += 1;
    j += 2;
};
else
    i -= j; // syntax error
if (a == 1)
    if (b == 2)
        printf("***\n");

    else
        printf("###\n");

else
    printf("###\n");
Iterative Statements

• while, for, and do statements
  – provide iterative action

• goto, break, continue, return statements cause an unconditional transfer
  – SE people hate these (except return)
while (i++ < n)
    factorial *= i;

while ((c = getchar()) == ' ')
    ; // skip blank characters in the input stream

while (++i < LIMIT) do {
    // syntax error: do is not allowed
    j = 2 * i + 3;
    printf("%d\n", j);
}
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    int blank_cnt = 0, c, digit_cnt = 0,
    letter_cnt = 0, nl_cnt = 0, other_cnt = 0;

    while ((c = getchar()) != EOF) /* braces not necessary */
        if (c == ' ')
            ++blank_cnt;
        else if (c >= '0' && c <= '9')
            ++digit_cnt;
        else if (c >= 'a' && c <= 'z' || c >= 'A' && c <= 'Z')
            ++letter_cnt;
        else if (c == '\n')
            ++nl_cnt;
        else
            ++other_cnt;

    printf("%10s%10s%10s%10s%10s\n",  
        "blanks", "digits", "letters", "lines", "others");
    printf("%10d%10d%10d%10d%10d\n",  
        blank_cnt, digit_cnt, letter_cnt, nl_cnt, other_cnt,
        blank_cnt + digit_cnt + letter_cnt + nl_cnt + other_cnt);
    return 0;
}
for statements

• comma operators

for (sum = 0, i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
    sum += i;

for (sum = 0, i = 1; i <= n; sum += i, ++i)

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<td>(((i = 1), (j = 2)), ((++ k) + 1)</td>
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<td>k != 1, ++ x * 2.0 + 1</td>
<td>(k != 1), (((+ x) * 2.0) + 1)</td>
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do statement

• a variant of while statement
  – do { statements } while expr
  – the block is executed first, and then the expr is evaluated
  – you should be able to convert do statement to while statement, and vice versa
/* A test that fails. */

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    int    cnt = 0;
    double sum = 0.0, x;

    for (x = 0.0; x != 9.9; x += 0.1) { /* trouble! */
        sum += x;
        printf("cnt = %5d\n", ++cnt);
    }
    printf("sum = %f\n", sum);
    return 0;
}

nonrobust.c
goto statement

• jump to a label
  – goto label;
  – label: /* label is an identifier */

• it is considered to be harmful, but
goto error;

......
error: {
    printf("An error has occurred -bye!\n");
    exit(1);
}

while (scanf("%lf", &x) == 1){
    if (x<0.0)
        goto negative_alert;
    printf("%f %f\n", sqrt(x), sqrt(2*x));
}

negative_alert: printf("Negative value encountered!\n");
break statement

• an exit from a loop

```c
while (1) {
    scanf("%lf", &x);
    if (x < 0.0)
        break;
    /* no square root if number is negative, exit loop */
    printf("%f\n", sqrt(x));
}
/* break jumps to here */
```
continue statement

- stop the current iteration and goto the next iteration

```c
for (i = 0; i < TOTAL; ++i) {
    c = getchar();
    if (c >= '0' && c <= '9')
        continue;
    ...  // processing other characters */
/* continue transfers control to here to begin next iteration */
}```
switch statement

- switch (expr1) /* must be integral */
  - goto the matched case label

```c
switch (c) {
    case 'a':
        ++a_cnt;
        break;
    case 'b':
    case 'B':
        ++b_cnt;
        break;
    default:
        ++other_cnt;
}
```
conditional operators

\[ x = (y < z) \ ? \ y : z \]
if \((y < z)\) \(x = y;\) else \(x = z;\)

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<td>(i == j) ? (a - 1) : (b + 1)</td>
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<td>j % 3 == 0 ? i + 4 : x</td>
<td>((j % 3) == 0) ? (i + 4) : x</td>
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