

Learn as much as you can while you are young, since life becomes too busy later. ~ Dana Stewart Scott

## CS1010 Programming Methodology

### Week 5: Selection Statements and Repetition Statements

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#### To students:

- Some of the programs shown here are available on the CS1010 website, “CA” → “Discussion”: [http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~cs1010/3\\_ca/discussion.html](http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~cs1010/3_ca/discussion.html)
- Please be reminded that the **deadline for Lab #2 is 13 September, Wednesday, 5pm!**

### I. Syntax and Good Programming Habits

- The following programs either do not work or work but are very badly written. Explain why and how would you correct/improve them?

(a) **bad\_prog1.c**: The gcc compiler issues a warning for this program. Why?

If you ignore the warning and go ahead to run it, and enter **0.5** as the input, what result do you get? Why? (Hint: if you add this **printf()** statement just before the **if** statement, `printf("%d\n", 0 < value);` what output does it give?)

(Always compile your programs with the **-Wall** option, and do not ignore warnings. The compiler must have some good reason to alert you through its warnings.)

```
// This program checks whether a user-input value
// is between 0 and 1, non-inclusive.
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    float value;

    printf("Enter value: ");
    scanf("%f", &value);
    if (0 < value < 1) {
        printf("%f is between 0 and 1\n", value);
    }
    else {
        printf("%f is not between 0 and 1\n", value);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

- (b) Suppose you correct the program in (a), but remove the ampersand (&) in the `scanf` statement. You ignore the compiler’s warnings and go ahead to run the program. What will happen?

(c) **bad\_prog2.c**

A list is in *non-decreasing order* if any value in the list is never smaller than its preceding value. For example: (-5, 6, 9, 12), and (2, 8, 8, 15, 15). (If any value must be larger than its preceding value, the list is said to be *strictly increasing* or *monotonically increasing*.)

Comment on the program below and improve it.

```
// This program checks whether 3 input values
// are in non-decreasing order.
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    int a, b, c;

    printf("Enter 3 integers: ");
    scanf("%d %d %d", &a, &b, &c);
    if (a <= b) {
        if (b <= c)
            printf("The values are in non-decreasing order.\n");
        else
            printf("The values are not in non-decreasing order.\n");
    }
    else if (a > b) {
        if (b <= c)
            printf("The values are not in non-decreasing order.\n");
        else
            printf("The values are not in non-decreasing order.\n");
    }
    else
        printf("The values are not in non-decreasing order.\n");

    return 0;
}
```

(d) **bad\_prog3.c**

Improve the following program. To avoid re-computation and to aid checking, what variable do you think you may introduce and how are you going to make use of it?

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    // declare the first input and second input
    double the_first_input, the_second_input;

    // ask user to enter two values
    printf("Enter two values: ");
    scanf("%lf %lf", &the_first_input, &the_second_input);

    if (the_first_input/the_second_input < 90.2) {
        if (the_first_input/the_second_input < 32.5)
            printf("Paper\n");
        else if (the_first_input/the_second_input >= 45.8)
            printf("Ruler\n");
        else
            printf("Pencil\n");
    }
    else {
        if (the_first_input/the_second_input >= 100.0)
            printf("Unknown\n");
        else if (the_first_input/the_second_input < 100.0)
            printf("Eraser\n");
        else
            printf("Clip\n");
    }

    return 0;
}
```

(e) **bad\_prog4.c**

In Unit #3 slides 5-7, we discussed the GCD algorithm. The program below includes the GCD function. Trace the code to verify that it is correct. You should discover that the assumption of  $A > B$  in the Euclidean algorithm (slide 5) is not necessary.

```
// This program computes the GCD of two non-negative integers,
// not both zeroes.
#include <stdio.h>

void GCD(int, int); // prototype for GCD function

int main(void) {
    int num1, num2;

    printf("Enter two non-negative integers, not both zeroes: ");
    scanf("%d %d", &num1, &num2);
    GCD(num1, num2);

    return 0;
}

// This function computes the GCD of a and b
// Pre-cond: a and b are both >= 0, and not both = 0
void GCD(int a, int b) {
    int r; // r is the remainder of a/b

    while (b > 0) {
        r = a%b;
        a = b;
        b = r;
    }

    printf("The GCD is %d\n", a);
}
```

However, the function is considered not well written, although it is correct, as it violates some principle of programming. Do you know why?

## II. Exploration

### 2. Conditional operator ? :

- (a) There is a *conditional operator* ? : which is commonly used in place of the **if** statement wherever appropriate. Study the program **cond\_op1.c** below, run it and test it with several inputs.

```
// Illustrating the conditional operator ? :
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    int n, p;

    printf("Enter an integer: ");
    scanf("%d", &n);

    p = ((n > 5) && (n < 20)) ? 33 : -77;
    printf("p = %d\n", p);

    return 0;
}
```

- (b) Do you know how to use the conditional operator “?:” now? Try to replace the **if** statement in the following program **cond\_op2.c** with the conditional operator.

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    int a, b, max;

    printf("Enter 2 integers: ");
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);

    if (a > b)
        max = a;
    else
        max = b;

    printf("max = %d\n", max);

    return 0;
}
```

Replace the **if** statement in the box with the conditional operator.

- (c) Exploration: You have used format specifiers in a **printf()** statement, such as **%d** for integers, and **%f** for float and double values. There are others, such as **%c** for characters, and **%s** for strings. We will explore **%s** here.

The following two **printf()** statements are equivalent:

```
printf("Good morning, David!\n");  
printf("Good %s, %s!\n", "morning", "David");
```

Here we use string literals such as "morning" and "David" in the print list (see lecture notes: Unit #4 slide 19) of the second statement, but in general you can use string variables here. We will discuss string variables another time.

Can you modify the program **cond\_op3.c** below by using the **%s** format specifier and the conditional operator?

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
int main(void) {  
    int n;  
  
    printf("Enter a non-negative integer: ");  
    scanf("%d", &n);  
  
    if (n < 2)  
        printf("There is %d person.\n", n);  
    else  
        printf("There are %d persons.\n", n);  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

3. Study the following program **switch\_to\_if.c**.

You see a new data type here: the **char** type, which stands for character. Character constants are enclosed in single quotes, for example, 'A', 'w', '+'. The format specifier for character in a **printf()** statement is **%c**.

What is the output if the user enters 12? Replace the **switch** statement with an equivalent **if** statement.

```
// To convert switch statement into if statement.
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    int score;
    char grade;

    printf("Enter score: ");
    scanf("%d", &score);

    switch (score) {
        case 10:
        case 9:
        case 8: grade = 'A'; break;
        case 7:
        case 6: grade = 'B'; break;
        case 5: grade = 'C'; break;
        default: grade = 'F';
    }
    printf("Grade is %c.\n", grade);

    return 0;
}
```

### III. Problem Solving with Selection Statements

#### 4. Study the following program `if_to_switch.c`.

This program differs from the one in question 3 above in that the input is a real number from 0.0 to 100.0. You may assume that the user always enters a non-negative score that is at most 100.0.

```
// To convert if statement into switch statement.
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    float score;
    char grade;

    // You may assume score entered is >= 0.0 and <= 100.0
    printf("Enter score: ");
    scanf("%f", &score);

    if (score >= 80.0)
        grade = 'A';
    else if (score >= 60.0)
        grade = 'B';
    else if (score >= 50.0)
        grade = 'C';
    else
        grade = 'F';

    printf("Grade is %c.\n", grade);

    return 0;
}
```

Convert the **if** statement into a **switch** statement. The challenge here is that the input **score** is a real number. Think about it. If you need help, post on IVLE, in the "Discussion sessions" forum.



- Modularise the **switch\_to\_if.c** program given in question 3, that is, write a function **compute\_grade(int mark)** to take in the mark (an integer) and return the corresponding grade (a character). This function is to be called in the main() function.
- Given a person's weight in kilograms and height in metres, his/her BMI (Body Mass Index) is calculated based on this formula:

$$\text{BMI} = \text{Weight} / \text{Height}^2$$

The following table shows the body types according to a person's gender and BMI:

	Female	Male
Underweight	BMI ≤ 19	BMI ≤ 20
Acceptable	BMI > 19 and ≤ 24	BMI > 20 and ≤ 25
Overweight	BMI > 24	BMI > 25

Write a program **bmi.c** to do the following:

- Read the user's gender (type int), weight (type double) and height (type double).
- Call a function **body\_type()** that takes in the above values, and returns the body type which is an integer. You need to find out what are the parameters for this function.
- Upon obtaining the body type, display a suitable advice for the user.

The gender is encoded using the following integers:

- 0 to represent female
- 1 to represent male

The body type is encoded using the following integers:

- 1 to represent underweight
- 0 to represent acceptable
- 1 to represent overweight

You are to define constants for the above integers, and use the **switch** statement wherever possible.

Sample runs are shown below:

```
Enter your gender (0 for female, 1 for male): 0
Enter your weight (kg) and height (m): 62 1.6
Time to join the gym!
```

```
Enter your gender (0 for female, 1 for male): 1
Enter your weight (kg) and height (m): 62 1.6
Great! Maintain it!
```

```
Enter your gender (0 for female, 1 for male): 1
Enter your weight (kg) and height (m): 61.5 1.8
Stuff yourself with more food!
```

## IV. Repetition Statements I

### 7. Conversion of loop construct.

You have learned 3 loop constructs: **for**, **while** and **do-while**. For each of the following parts, a particular loop construct is used. Rewrite the loop construct using the other 2 loop constructs (without adding any **if** statement), and indicate if there is any limitation on the new codes. You may assume that all variables are of type **int**.

(a)

```
sum = 0;
i = -5;
do {
    sum += i;
    i += 5;
} while (i < 100);
printf("sum = %d\n", sum);
```

(b) This **for** loop may look strange, but after converting it into the other 2 loop constructs you should understand what it does. Can you describe what the code does in words?

```
printf("Enter n: ");
for (scanf("%d", &n); n < 0; scanf("%d", &n)) {
    printf("Enter n: ");
}
printf("n = %d\n", n);
```

Suppose the valid range of values for **score** in question 3 should be 0 to 10 inclusive. Would you now be able to write a code to check that the user's input is valid (and keep asking if it is invalid) before going on to the **switch** statement?

(c)

```
printf("Enter n: ");
scanf("%d", &n);
i = 0;
while (i < n) {
    printf("*");
    i += 3;
}
printf("\n");
```

## 8. Manual tracing.

- (a) Spot an error in this program and correct it. Then manually trace the program and write out its output.

```
int i, sum;

for (i = 1; i < 1000; i*=2) {
    sum += i;
}
printf("sum = %d\n", sum);
```

- (b) Manually trace the program and write out its output.

```
int a = 10, b = 200;

while ((a*a) < (a+b)) {
    printf("a = %d, b = %d\n", a, b);
    a++;
    b+=10;
}
```

- (c) Manually trace the program and write out its output.

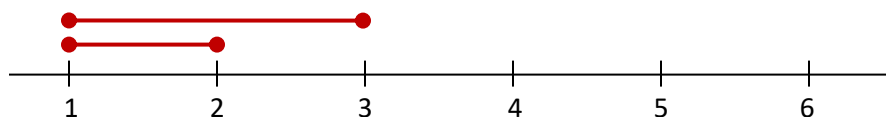
```
int x, y, count = 0;

for (x = 1; x <= 6; x++)
    for (y = x + 1; y <= 6; y++)
        count++;

printf("count = %d\n", count);
```

- (d) Suppose we have a function **draw\_line(int a, int b)** which draws a horizontal line segment from a to b. If you replace the statement **count++**; in part (c) above with the statement **draw\_line(x, y)**;, how would the line segments be drawn? The diagram below shows the first two line segments drawn (a new line segment is drawn above an old one). Complete the diagram.

[You may look up the CS1010 website (“CA” → “Discussion”) after 13<sup>th</sup> September for the answer, but only after you attempt the question.]



(e) Manually trace the program and write out its output.

```
int x, y, z, count = 0;

for (x = 1; x <= 5; x++)
    for (y = x; y <= 5; y++)
        for (z = x; z <= y; z++)
            count++;

printf("count = %d\n", count);
```