

Lecture 3

C# decision and iteration constructs.

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Decision Statements

If statement

syntax 1:

```
if ( condition )
    true statement block;
else
    false statement block;
```

syntax 2:

```
if ( condition )
    true statement block;
```

Example

```
int numerator, denominator;
Console.WriteLine("Enter two integer values for the numerator and
    denominator");
numerator = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
denominator = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
if (denominator != 0)
    Console.WriteLine("{0}/{1} = {2}", numerator, denominator,
        numerator/denominator);
else
    Console.WriteLine("Invalid operation can't divide by 0");
```

The statement body can include more than one statement but make sure they are group into a code block i.e. surrounded by curly braces.

Example

```
int x, y, tmp;
Console.WriteLine("Please enter two integers");
x = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
y = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
if ( x > y)
{
tmp = x;
x = y;
y = tmp;
}
```

Nested if Statement

Nested if statements occur when one if statement is nested within another if statement.

Example

```
if (x > 0)
```

```
if ( x > 10)
```

```
Console.WriteLine("x is greater than both 0 and 10");
```

```
else
```

```
Console.WriteLine("x is greater than 0 but less than or  
equal to 10");
```

```
else
```

```
Console.WriteLine("x is less than or equal to 0");
```

if - else - if operator

If a program requires a choice from one of many cases, successive if statements can be joined together to form a if - else - if ladder.

```
if ( expression_1 )
statement_1;
else if ( expression_2 )
statement_2;
else if ( expression_3 )
statement_3;
else if (condition_n)
statement_n;
else
statement_default;
```

EXAMPLE

```
int age;
Console.WriteLine("Please enter your age\n\n");
age = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
if ( age > 0 && age <= 10 )
Console.WriteLine("You are a child?\n");
else if ( age > 10 && age <= 20 )
Console.WriteLine("You are a teenager?\n");
else if ( age > 20 && age <= 65 )
Console.WriteLine("You are an adult?\n");
else if ( age > 65 )
Console.WriteLine("You are old!\n");
```

Conditional Operator ?:

There is a special shorthand syntax that gives the same result as

```
if (expression )  
true_statement;  
else  
false_statement;
```

syntax: *expression ? true_statement : false_statement;*

The ?; requires three arguments and is thus ternary. The main advantage of this operator is that it is succinct.

Example

`max = x >= y ? x : y;`

which is the equivalent of

`if (x >= y)`

`max = x;`

`else`

`max = y;`

Switch Statement

This statement is similar to the if-else-if ladder but is clearer, easier to code and less error prone.

syntax:

```
switch( expression )  
{  
  case constant1:  
    statement1;  
    break;  
  case constant2:  
    statement2;  
    break;  
  default:  
    default_statement;  
}
```

Example

```
double num1, num2, result;
char op;
Console.WriteLine("Enter number operator number \n");
num1 = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
op = Convert.ToChar(Console.ReadLine());
num2 = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
switch(op)
{
case "+":
result = num1 + num2;
break;
case "-":
result = num1 - num2;
break;
case "*":
result = num1 * num2;
break;
case "/":
if(num2 != 0)
{
result = num1 / num2;
break;
} //else fall through to error statement
default:
Console.WriteLine("ERROR- invalid operation or divide by 0.0 \n");
}
Console.WriteLine("{0} {1},{2} = {3}\n", num1, op, num2, result);
```

Iterative Statements

- For statement
- While statement
- Do while statement
- Break statement
- Continue statement

For Statement

A statement or block of statements may be repeated a known number of times using the for statement. The programmer must know in advance how many times to iterate or loop through the statements, for this reason the for statement is referred to as a counted loop.

syntax:

```
for([initialisation];[condition];[action])  
[statement_block];
```

Square braces indicate optional sections. Initialisation, condition and action can be any valid C# expression, however, there are common expressions which are recommended for each part.

initialisation: executed once only when the for loop is first entered, usually used to initialise a counter variable.

condition: when this condition is false the loop terminates.

action: executed immediately after every run through `statement_block` and typically increments the counter variable controlling the loop.

Example

```
int x;  
for (x = 1; x <= 100; x++)  
Console.WriteLine("{0}", x);
```

The above example prints out the numbers from 1 to 100.

Example

```
int x, sum = 0;  
for (x = 1; x <= 100; x++)  
{  
Console.WriteLine("{0}", x);  
sum += x;  
}  
Console.WriteLine("Sum is {0}", sum);
```

Prints the numbers from 1 to 100 and their sum.

Advanced for Loops

```
for( x = 0, sum = 0; x <= 100; x++)  
{  
    Console.WriteLine("{0}", x);  
    sum += x;  
}
```

```
for( x = 0, sum = 0; x <= 100; x++)  
{  
    Console.WriteLine("{0}", x);  
    sum += x;  
}
```

```
for ( ; x < 10; x++)  
    Console.WriteLine("{0}", x);
```

Advanced for Loops

```
int i=100,sum=0;
```

```
while(i != 0)
```

```
sum += i- -;
```

```
Console.WriteLine("sum is {0}", sum);
```


While Statement

In contrast to the for statement, the while statement allows us to loop through a statement block when we don't know in advance how many iterations are required.

syntax:

```
while( condition )  
statement_body;
```

Example

```
int sum = 0, i = 100;  
while(i != 0) // this condition evaluates to true once i is not equal to 0  
sum += i- -; // note postfix decrement operator, why?  
Console.WriteLine("sum is {0}", sum);
```

This program calculates the sum of 1 to 100.

Like for loops while loops may also be nested.

Example

A program to guess a letter

```
char ch, letter = "c", finish = "y";
while ( finish == "y" || finish == "Y")
{
    Console.WriteLine("Guess my letter - only 1 of 26!");
    while((ch = Convert.ToChar(Console.ReadLine())) != letter)
    {
        Console.WriteLine("{0} is wrong - try again\n", ch);
    }
    Console.WriteLine("OK you got it \n Lets start again.\n");
    letter += (char)3;
    Console.WriteLine("Do you wish to continue (Y/N)?");
    finish = Convert.ToChar(Console.ReadLine());
}
```

Do While Statement

In both the for and while statements the test condition is evaluated before the *statement_body* is executed. This means that the *statement_body* might never be executed. In the do while statement the *statement_body* is always executed at least once because the test condition is at the end of the body of the loop.

syntax:

```
do
{
statement_body;
} while ( condition );
```

Example

Keep reading in integers until a value between 1 and 10 is entered.

```
int i;
do
{
i = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
} while( i >= 1 && i <= 10);
```

Break Statement

When a break statement is encountered in a for, while, do while or switch statement the statement is immediately terminated and execution resumes at the next statement following the loop/switch statement.

Example

```
for (x = 1; x <= 10 ; x++)  
{  
    if ( x > 4)  
        break;  
    Console.Write("{0} ", x);  
}  
Console.WriteLine("Next executed");
```

Output is 1 2 3 4 Next executed

Continue Statement

The continue statement terminates the current iteration of a for, while or do while statement and resumes execution back at the beginning of the *statement_body* of the loop with the next iteration.

Example

```
for (x = 1; x <= 5; x++)  
{  
    if (x == 3)  
        continue;  
    Console.Write("{0} ", x);  
}  
Console.WriteLine("Finished loop\n");
```

output is 1 2 4 5 Finished loop.

Thank you!