

3.0 Control Statements

in C Statements

- ✓ The statements of a C program control the flow of program execution.
- ✓ A statement is a command given to the computer that instructs the computer to take a specific action, such as display to the screen, or collect input.
- ✓ A computer program consists of a number of statements that are usually executed in sequence. Statements in a program are normally executed one after another.

Control statements enable us to specify the flow of program control; ie, the order in which the instructions in a program must be executed. They make it possible to make decisions, to perform tasks repeatedly or to jump from one section of code to another.

Control statements in C programming language are divided into two types.

1. Selection/ Branching statements (also called Decision making statements) and
2. Iteration/ Looping statements (also called Repetitive statements).

- ✓ Branching is deciding what actions to take and
- ✓ Looping is deciding how many times to take a certain action.

Selection/ Branching statements are again divided into two types.

1. **Conditional statements:**(if,if-else, nested if-else, else-if ladder, switch and conditional expression/conditional operator)
2. **Unconditional statements** (break, continue,goto and exit)

Iteration/ Looping(Repetitive) statements are as follows:There are three types of loops in C programming:

1. while loop
2. do..while loop
3. for loop

Specifying Test Condition for Selection and Iteration

A test condition used for selection and iteration is expressed as a *test expression*. If an expression evaluates to true, it is given the value of 1. If a test expression evaluates to false, it is given the value of 0.

- ✓ Relational and Logical operators are available to specify the test condition used in the control statements of C.
- ✓ Relational operators are used to specify individual test expression.
- ✓ Logical operators are used to connect more than one test expression.

Relational Operators

To Specify	Symbol Used
Less than	<
Less than or equal to	<=
Greater than	>
Greater than or equal to	>=
Equal to	==
Not equal to	!=

Logical Operators

To Specify	Symbol Used
Logical AND	&&
Logical OR	
Logical NOT	!

Writing Test Expression

Test condition is specified with test expression. The syntax of the test expression for specifying the test condition is as follows:

(Variable/ Expression/ Constant) operator (Variable/ Expression/ Constant)

Some examples of expressions are given below.

1. (num%2==0)
2. (year%4==0)
3. (a>b)
4. (sum==n
- um) 5.
- (per>=80)
6. (num!=0)
7. (num>10)
8. (num<=10).

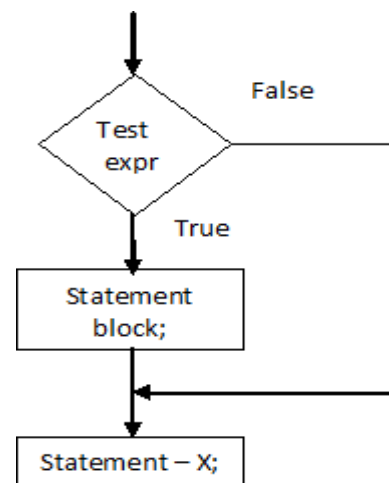
3.1 Selection/ Branching statements The simple if

This is a powerful decision-making statement and is used to control the flow of execution of statements. It is basically a two-way decision statement and is used in conjunction with an expression. It takes the following form:

Syntax:

```
if(test expression )
{
statement-block;
}
statement - x;
```

Flowchart



If the *test expression* is true then the statement-block will be executed; otherwise the statement block will be skipped and the execution will jump to the statement-x. Remember, when the condition is true both the statement-block and the statement-x are executed in sequence.

Ex 1: Write a program „C“ to check whether the given number is +ve or –ve using simple **if** statement.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int num;
    printf("Enter a number:");
    scanf("%d", &num);
    if(num>0)

        printf("%d is a positive number\n", num);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

Enter a number: 9

9 is a positive number.

The if..else statement

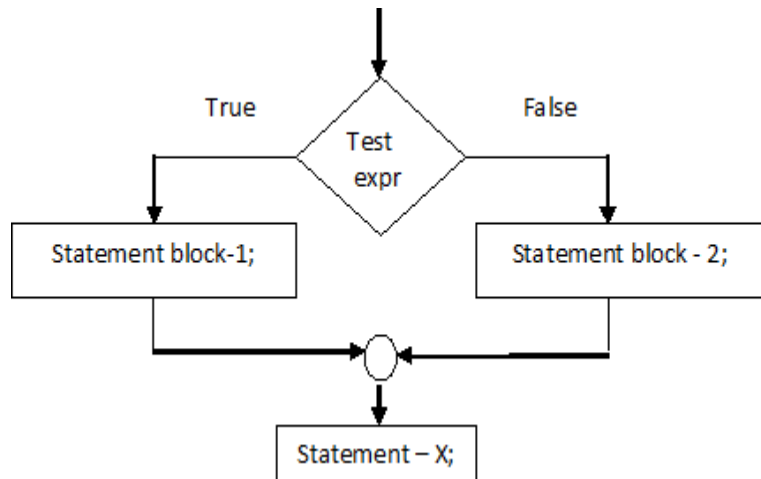
The if..else statement is an extension of the simple if statement. The general form is:

Syntax**Flowchart**

```

if(test expression )
{
statement block - 1;
}
else
{
statement block - 2;
}
statement-x;

```



If the *test expression* is true, then statement block – 1 is executed and statement block-2 is skipped. Otherwise, the statement-2 is executed. In both the cases, the control is transferred subsequently to the statement-x.

Ex 2: Write a program „C“ to check whether the given number is even or odd using if..else statement.

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int num;
```

```
    printf("Enter a number:");
```

```
    scanf("%d",&num);
```

```
    if(num%2==0)
```

```
        printf("%d is even number\n",num);
```

```
    else
```

```
        printf("%d is odd number\n",num);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

Output:

Enter a number: 8

8 is even number.

Ex 3: Write a „C“ program to check whether the given year is leap or not using *if..else* statement.

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int year;
```

```
    printf("Enter any year:");
```

```

scanf("%d",&year);
if(year%4==0)
    printf("%d is leap year\n", year);
else
    printf("%d is non leap year\n", year);
return 0;
}

```

Output:

Enter any year: 1996
1996 is leap year.

Nested if..else statement

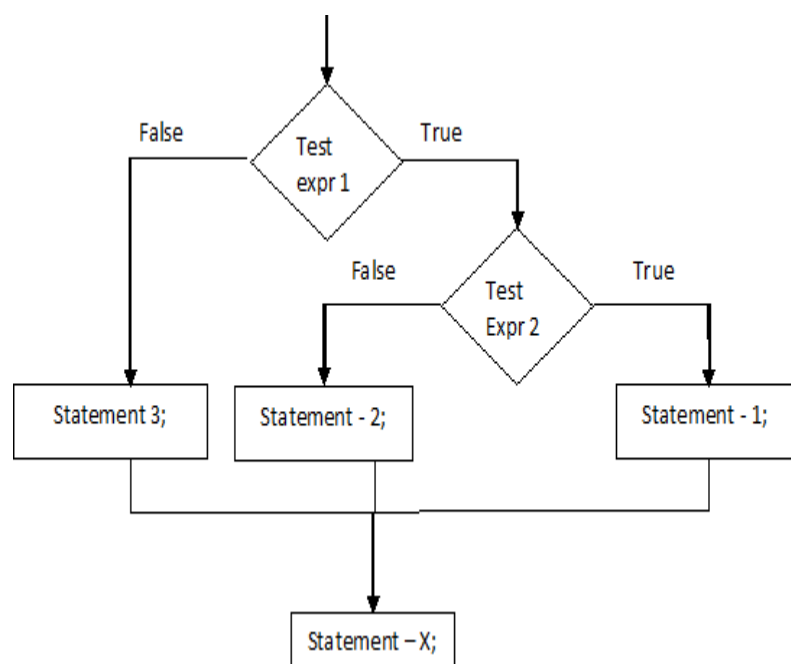
When a series of decisions are involved, we may have to use more than one *if..else* statement in nested form. Nested if means one *if* statement with in another *if* statement.

Syntax:

```

if (test expression 1)
{
    if (test expression 2)
    {
        statement-1;
    }
    else
    {
        statement-2;
    }
}
else
{
    statement-3;
}
statement-x;

```

Flowchart:

If the *test expression 1* is false, the *statement-3* will be executed; otherwise it continues to perform the second test. If the *test expression-2* is true, the *statement-1* will be executed. Otherwise the *statement-2* will be executed and then the control is transferred to the *statement-x*.

Ex 4: Write a C program to find the biggest among three numbers using nested-if statement.

```

#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int a, b, c;
    printf("Enter a,b,c values:");
    scanf("%d%d%d",&a,&b,&c);
    if(a>b)
    {
        if(a>c)
            printf("%d is the big\n",a);
    }
}

```

	<i>else</i>	<i>printf("%d is the big\n",c);</i>
<i>}</i>		
<i>else</i>		
<i>{</i>	<i>if(b>c) else</i>	<i>p</i>
		<i>r</i>
		<i>i</i>
		<i>n</i>
		<i>t</i>
		<i>f</i>
		<i>(</i>
		<i>"</i>
		<i>%</i>
		<i>d</i>
		<i>i</i>
		<i>s</i>
		<i>t</i>
		<i>h</i>
		<i>e</i>
		<i>b</i>
		<i>i</i>
		<i>g</i>
		<i>\</i>
		<i>n</i>
		<i>"</i>
		<i>,</i>
		<i>b</i>
		<i>)</i>

```

;                                %                                g
p                                d                                \
r                                i                                n
i                                s                                "
n                                t                                ,
t                                h                                c
f                                e                                )
(                                b                                ;
"                                i

    return 0;
}

```

Output:

Enter a, b, c values: 9 5 17
17 is the big

Multi-way Branching statements

In some situations we may like to have more than two possible paths for program flow. In such cases *else..if* or *switch* statement may be used.

The if..else..if/Ladder if statement

This is the multi-way selection statement (i.e. used to test multiple conditions). The *syntax* is:

```

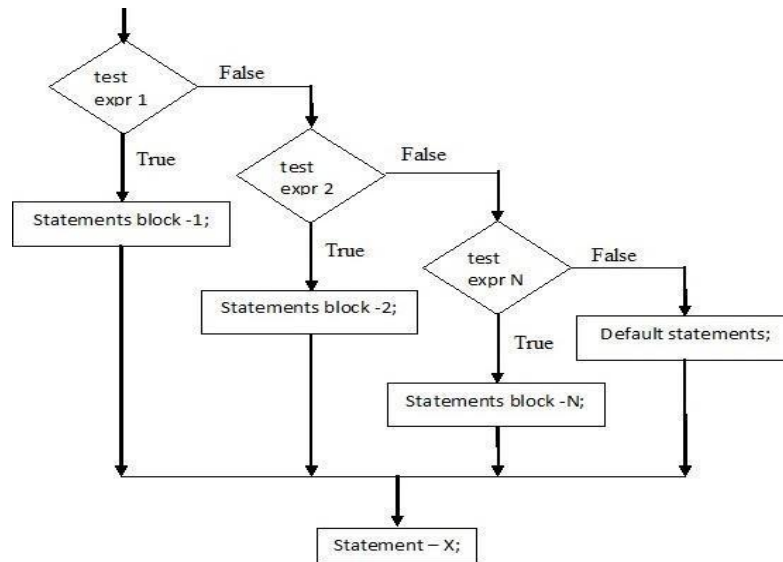
    if(test expression 1)
    {
        statements block-1;
    }
    else if (test expression 2)
    {
        statements block-2;
    }
    .....
    .....
    else if (test expression N)
    {
        statement block-N;
    }
    else
    {
        default statements;
    }

```

All the conditions are evaluated one by one starting from top to bottom, if any one of

the condition evaluating to true then statement group associated with it are executed and skip other conditions. If none of expression is evaluated to true, then the statement or group of statement associated with the final else is executed.

Flowchart



The following program demonstrates a legal if-else if statement: In this program we assign grades to students according to the marks they obtained, using else-if ladder statement.

Ex 5: Write a C program to display student grades using else..if statement.

```

#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int s1,s2,s3,s4,s5,tot;
    int aggr;
    printf("Enter marks of 5 subjects:");
    scanf("%d%d%d%d%d",&s1,&s2,&s3,&s4,&s5);
    tot=s1+s2+s3+s4+s5;
    printf("Total marks = %d\n",tot);
    aggr=tot/5;
    printf("Aggregate = %d\n",aggr);
    if(aggr>=80)
        printf("Grade: Excellent\n");
    else if (aggr>=75)
        printf("Grade: First class with Distinction");
    else if(aggr>=60)
        printf(" Grade : First Class");
    else if(aggr>=50)
        printf("Grade : Second Class");
    else if(aggr>=40)
        printf("Grade : Pass class");
    else
        printf("Grade: Fail");
    return 0;
}
  
```

Output

```

Enter marks of 5 subjects: 90 90 88 86 84
Total marks = 438
Aggregate = 87
Grade: Excellent
  
```

The *switch* statement

A switch statement is also a multi-way decision making statement that is a simplified version of *if..else..if* block that evaluates a single variable. The ***syntax*** of *switch* statement is:

```

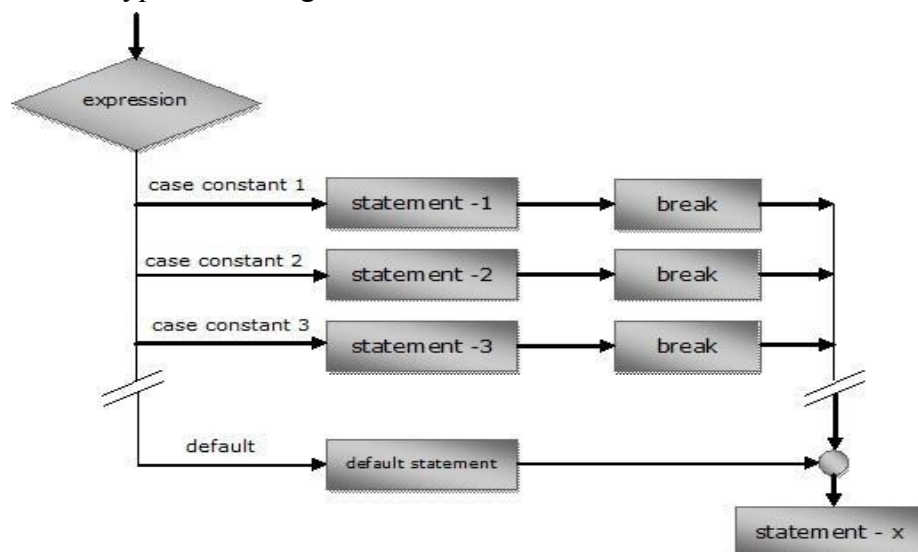
switch(variable)
{
    case constant 1:
        statements;
        break;
    case constant 2:
        statements;
        break;
    case constant N:
        statements;
        break;
    default:
        default statement;
}

```

When switch statement is executed, A variable successively matched against a list of integer or character constants. When a match is found, a statement or block of statements is executed where the default is executed if no matches are found. The default is optional and, if not present, no action takes place if all matches fail.

When a match is found, the statements associated with that case is executed until the break is encountered.

A switch statement work with only *char* and *int* primitive data types, it also works with enumerated types and string.



Ex 6: Write a C program to implement simple calculator using switch statement.

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int choice;
```

```
    int a,b;
```

```
    printf("Simple
```

```
    Calculator\n"); printf("__\n");
```

```
    printf("1.Addition\n2.Subtraction\n3.Multiplication\n4.Division\n");
```

```
    printf("Enter your choice(1..4):");
```

```
scanf("%d",&choice);
printf("Enter a,b values:");
scanf("%d%d",&a,&b);
switch(choice)
{
    case 1:
        printf("%d+%d=%d\n",a,b,a+b);
        break;
    case 2:
        printf("%d-%d=%d\n",a,b,a-b);
        break;
    case 3:
        printf("%d*%d=%d\n",a,b,a*b);
        break;
    case 4:
        printf("%d/%d=%d\n",a,b,a/b);
        break;
    default:
        printf("Invalid choice  !");
}
return 0;
}
```

Output

Simple Calculator

1. Addition
2. Subtraction
3. Multiplication
4. Division

Enter your choice(1..4): 2

Enter a,b values: 12 7

12 – 7 = 5

3.2 Looping Structures

The programmer sometimes interested to repeat a set statements a number of times. This is known as looping in a computer program. A loop is a group of instructions that computer executes repeatedly while some loop continuation conditions remains true. Two ways of repetitions are possible:

1. Counter controlled loops
2. Sentinel controlled loops

(In computer programming, data values used to signal either the start or end of a data series are called sentinels)

Counter controlled loops are sometimes called „definite loops“ because we know in advance exactly how many times the loop will be executed.

Sentinel controlled loops are sometimes called „indefinite loops“ because it is not known in advance how many times the loop will be executed.

Repetition structure has four required elements:

1. Repetition statement (while, for, do..while)
2. Condition to be evaluated
3. Initial value for the condition

4. Loop termination

C supports the following types of loops:

1. The while loop
2. The do..while loop
3. The for loop

Advantages

- ✓ Reduce length of Code
- ✓ Take less memory space.
- ✓ Burden on the developer is reducing.
- ✓ Time consuming process to execute the program is reduced.

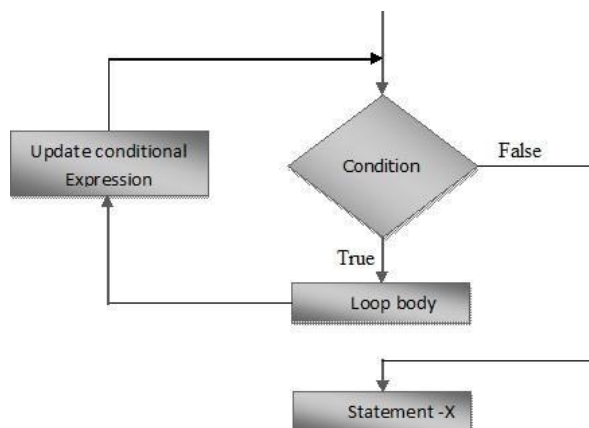
The While Loop

The *while* loop is a pre-test or entry-controlled loop. It uses test expression to control the loop. The while loop evaluates (checking) the test expression before every iteration of the loop, so it can execute zero times if the condition is initially false.

The body of the loop will be executed repeatedly till the value of *test expression* becomes false (0). The initialization of a loop control variable is generally done before the loop separately.

syntax:

```
while (test expression)
{
    body of the loop;
}
statement-x;
```

Flowchart**How while loop works?**

- ✓ Initially the while loop evaluates (checking condition) the test expression.
- ✓ If the test expression is true (nonzero i.e.,1), statements inside the body of while loop is evaluated. Then, again the test expression is evaluated. The process goes on until the test expression is false.
- ✓ When the test expression is false, the while loop is terminated.

Ex 7: Write a C program to print 1 to 10 numbers using while loop.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main( )
{
```

```
int n=1;
while(n<=10)
{
    printf("%d\t",n);
    n++;
}
return 0;
}
```

Output: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Ex 8: Write a C program to print reverse of given number using while loop.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int n,rem;
    printf("Enter a number to reversed:");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    printf("The reverse number is ");
    while(n != 0)
    {
        rem = n%10;
        printf("%d",rem);
        n = n/10;
    }
    printf("\n");
    return 0;
}
```

Output

Enter a number to be reversed: 1234
The reverse number is: 4321

Ex 9: Write a C program to check whether the given number is Armstrong or not.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int n,rem,sum=0,temp;
    printf("Enter a number:");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    temp=n;
    while(n != 0)
    {
        rem = n%10;
        sum = sum+(rem*rem*rem);
        n = n/10;
    }
    if(sum == temp)
        printf("%d is Armstrong\n", temp);
    else
        printf("%d is not an Armstrong\n", temp);
    return 0;
}
```

}

Output

Enter a number: 153

153 is Armstrong

Ex 10: Write a C program for sum of individual digits of a number.

#include<stdio.h>

int main()

{

int n,rem,sum=0;

printf("enter a number:\n");

scanf("%d", &n);

while(n != 0)

{

rem=n%10;

sum=sum+rem;

n=n/10;

}

printf("The sum of individual digits is %d", sum);

return 0;

}

Output:

Enter a number: 1234

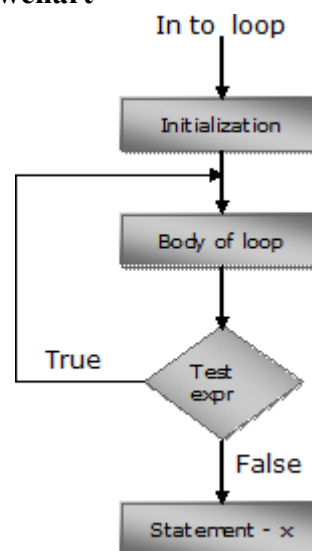
The sum of individual digits is 10

do..while Statement

do-while loop is similar to *while* loop, however there is one basic difference between them. *do-while* runs at least once even if the test condition is false at first time. Syntax of do while loop is:

Syntax

```
do
{
    body of the loop;
}
while (expression);
statement -x;
```

Flowchart**How do-while loop works?**

- ✓ First the code block (loop body) inside the braces ({....}) is executed once.
- ✓ Then, the test expression is evaluated (checking condition). If the test expression is true, the loop body is executed again. This process goes on until the test expression is evaluated to false (0).
- ✓ When the test expression is false, the **do...while** loop is terminated.

The following example illustrates the use of do-while loop.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int num=1;
    do
    {
        printf( “ %d\t”, num);
        num++;
    }while(num<=5);
    return 0;
}
```

Output: 1 2 3 4 5

Comparison between do and while loops

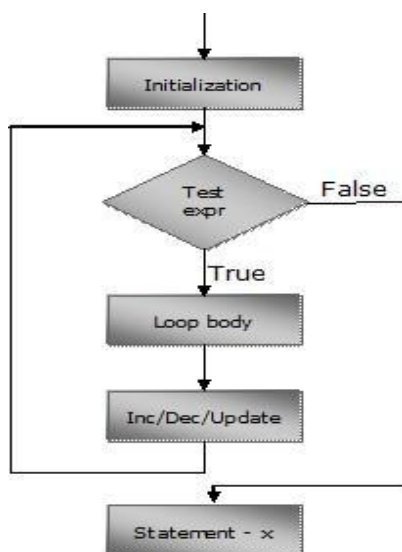
S.No	While loop	Do-while loop
1	Condition is checked before entering into loop	Condition is checked after executing statements in loop
2	Top-tested /entry-controlled loop	Bottom-tested /exit-controlled loop
3	Minimum iterations are zero	Minimum iterations are one
4	Maximum iterations are N+1	Maximum iterations are N
5	General loop statement	General loop statement but well suited for menu-driven applications
6	Non-deterministic loop	Non-deterministic loop

The For Statement

It most general looping construct in C. The *for* loop is commonly used when the number of iterations are exactly known. The *syntax* of a *for* loop is

```
for(initialization; test expression; increment /decrement/ update)
{
    body of the loop;
}
```

Flowchart



The loop header contains three parts:

- o an initialization,
- o a test condition, and
- o incrementation(++)/decrementation(-)/update.

Initialization: This part is executed only once when we are entering into the loop first time. This part allows us to declare and initialize any loop control variables.

Condition: if it is true, the body of the loop is executed otherwise program control goes outside the *for* loop.

Increment or Decrement: After completion of initialization and condition steps loop body code is executed and then increment or decrements steps is executed. This statement allows us to update any loop control variables.

How for loop works?

- ✓ First the loop initialization statement is executed.
- ✓ Then, the test expression is evaluated. If the test expression is false, for loop is terminated. But if the test expression is true, codes inside the body of for loop is executed and the update expression is executed. This process repeats until the test expression becomes false.

Note: In for loop everything is optional but mandatory to place two semicolons (; ;)

Ex 11: Write a C program to check whether the given number is prime or not.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int n,i,fact=0;
    printf("Enter a number:");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    for (i=2;i<n/2;i++)
    {
        if(n%i == 0)
            fact++;
    }
    if(fact == 0)
        printf("%d is Prime\n",n);
    else
        printf("%d is not a Prime\n",n);
    return 0;
}
```

Output

Enter a number:
13 13 is Prime.

Ex 12: Write a C program to print the factorial of a given number.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main( )
{
```

int n,i;

```

long int fact=1;
printf("Enter a number:");
scanf("%d",&n);
for (i=1;i<=n;i++)
{
    fact = fact*i;
}
printf("Factorial of %d is %ld\n", n, fact);
return 0;
}

```

Output

Enter a number: 5
 Factorial of 5 is 120

Comparison between for and do, while loops

S.No	For loop	Do-while loop
1	Generally deterministic in nature	Non-deterministic in nature
2	Loop index can be initialized and altered with in loop	Index will be initialized outside the loop
3	Very flexible in nature	Not so flexible when compared with for loop
4	Condition is checked at beginning of the loop	Same in case of while loop. In do loop, condition is checked after end of the loop
5	Minimum iterations are zero	Minimum iterations are zero (while) Minimum iterations are one (do-while)

Pre-test loop: The condition can be tested- At the beginning is called as pre-test or entry-controlled loop. Example: while and for loops.

Post-test loop: The condition can be tested - At the end is called as post-test or exit-controlled loop. Example: do-while loop.

Nested loops

Insertion of one loop statement inside another loop statement is called nested loop. Generally *for* loops are nested. In C loops can be nested to any desired level. General syntax for nested *for* loops are:

```

for (initialization; test expression; updation)           //outer loop
{
    for (initialization; test expression; updation) //inner loop
    {
        body of inner for loop;
    }
}

```

Note: generally nested for loops are used to generate patterns.

Here is an example program that uses nested loops

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int n i j;           //i and j represents rows and columns respectively
```

```

printf("Enter number of rows:" );
scanf("%d",&n);
for(i=1;i<=n;i++)
{
    for(j=1;j<=i;j++)
    {
        printf("* ");
    }
    printf("\n");
}
return 0;
}

```

Output:

Enter number of rows: 5

```

*
*  *
*  *  *
*  *  *  *
*  *  *  *  *

```

Ex 13: Write a C program to print the following pattern

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```

{
    int n, i, j;    //i and j represents rows and columns
    respectively printf("Enter number of rows:" );
    scanf("%d",&n);
    for(i=1;i<=n;i++)
    {
        for(j=1;j<=i;j++)
        {
            printf("%d ",j);
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
    return 0;
}

```

Output

Enter number of rows: 5

```

1
1  2
1  2  3
1  2  3  4
1  2  3  4  5

```

Ex 14: Write a C program to print the Floyd's triangle.

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```

{
    int n, i, j,k=1; //i and j represents rows and columns respectively

```

```

printf("Enter number of rows:");
scanf("%d",&n);
for(i=1;i<=n;i++)
{
    for(j=1;j<=i;j++)
    {
        printf("%d ",k++);
    }
    printf("\n");
}
return 0;
}

```

Output

```

Enter number of rows: 5
1
2   3
4   5   6
7   8   9   10
11  12  13  14  15

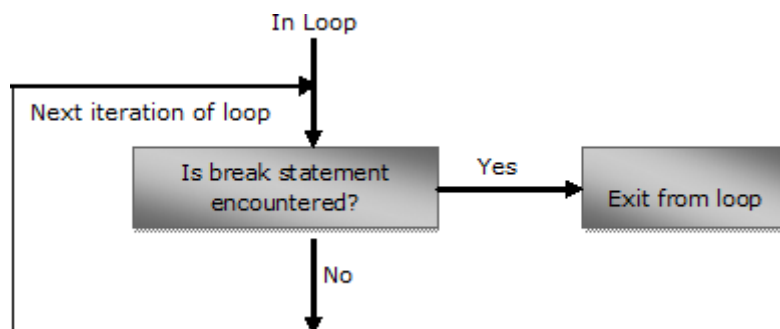
```

3.3. Unconditional branching statements The break statement

In C, when *break* statement is encountered inside a loop, the loop is immediately terminated, and program control is transferred to next statement following the loop. The *break* statement is widely used with *for* loop, *while* loop, *do-while* loop and *switch* statement. Its syntax is quite simple, just type keyword *break* followed with a semicolon.

break;

Following figure shows the sequences in break statements



The following example illustrates the use of *break*;

```

#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i=1;
    while( i <=
5)
    {
        if (i==3)
            break;
        printf("%d ", i);
    }
}

```

i = i + 1;

```

    }
    return 0;
}

```

Output

```

1      2

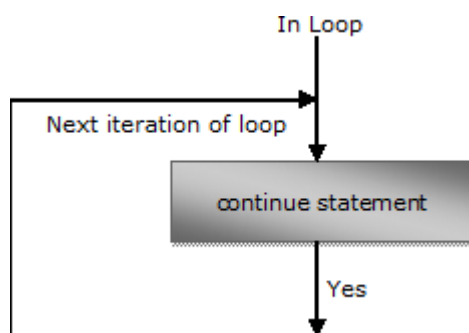
```

The continue statement

In C, when *continue* statement is encountered inside a loop, the loop is immediately terminated, and program control is transferred to next statement following the loop. The *break* statement is widely used with *for* loop, *while* loop, *do-while* loop and *switch* statement. Its syntax is quite simple, just type keyword *continue* followed with a semicolon.

continue;

Following figure shows the sequence of actions in continue statement



The following example illustrates the use of *continue*;

```

#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i=0;
    while(i<5)
    {
        i=i+1;
        if (i==3)
            continue;
        printf("%d ",i);
    }
    return 0;
}

```

Output

```

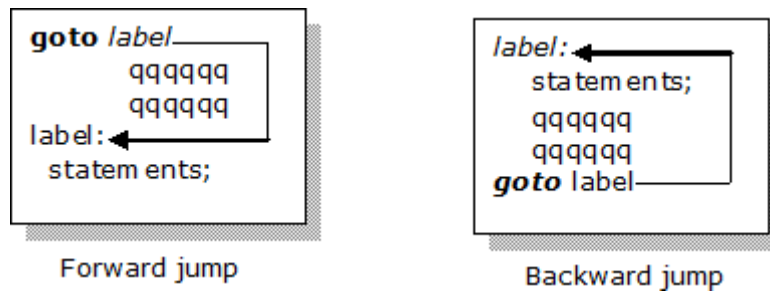
1      2      4      5

```

The goto statement

The *goto* statement is used to transfers control to a specified *label*. Here *label* is an identifier that specifies the place where the branch is to be made. *Label* can be any valid variable name that is followed by a colon (:). The *label* is placed immediately before the statement where the control has to be transferred.

The ***syntax*** of *goto* statement is:



The *goto* statement is often combined with *if* statement to cause a conditional transfer of control.

The following example illustrates the use of *goto*;

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int n,sum=0;
    read:
    printf("\nEnter a number (999 for exit):");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    if(n != 999)
    {
        if(n<0)
            goto read;    //jump to label - read
        sum += n;
        goto read;    //jump to label - read
    }
    printf("Sum of the numbers entered by the user is %d\n",sum);
    return 0;
}
```

Output

```
Enter a number (999 for exit): 1
Enter a number (999 for exit): 3
Enter a number (999 for exit): -1
Enter a number (999 for exit): 7
Enter a number (999 for exit): 999
Sum of the numbers entered by the user is 11
```

Unit-I:

How to compile a C program?

A programmer uses a text editor to create and modify files containing the C source code. A file containing source code is called a source file (C source files are given the extension .c). After a C source file has been created, the programmer must invoke the C compiler before the program can be executed. If the compiler finds no errors in the source code it produces a file containing the machine code (this file referred as the executable file).

The compilation of a C program is in fact a three stages process: preprocessing, compiling and linking.

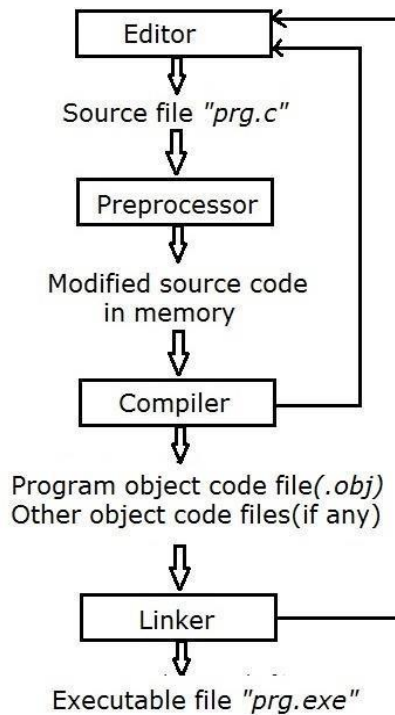


Fig. Compilation process

Preprocessing is performed by a program called the *preprocessor*. It modifies the source code (in memory) according to *preprocessor directives* (example: **#define**) embedded in the source code. It also ignores comments and unnecessary white spaces from the source code. Preprocessor does not modify the source code stored on disk; everything is done on the copy loaded into the memory.

Compilation really happens then on the code produced by the preprocessor. The compiler translates the preprocessor-modified source code into *object code* (machine code). While doing so if any syntax errors are found, it will be immediately notified to the programmer and compiling will discontinue. If the compiler finds any non-standard codes or conditions which are suspicious but legitimate it will notify to the programmer as warnings and it continues to compile. A well written program should not have any compilation errors or warnings.

Linking is the final step and it combines the program object code with other object codes to produce the *executable file*. The other object codes come from *run-time libraries*, other libraries, or object files that the programmer has created. Finally it saves the executable code as a file on the disk. If any linker errors are encountered the executable file will not be generated.