

APS105 Lecture 6

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Feedback from Reading Quiz

- ▶ I don't understand switch statements. Are they only used when we need to account for many cases?
 - ▶ Practically, yes; but it's not a rule ...

```
switch (i) {  
  case 5: printf ("hi\n");  
}
```

- ▶ What happens if there is no default in a switch, and there is no match?
 - ▶ The switch does nothing
 - ▶ It is not a compiler error; it may or may not be a logical error

Feedback from Reading Quiz...

- ▶ Can the `&&`, `||`, and `!` Boolean operators only be used in if-statements?
 - ▶ No. Just like `+` or `<`, they are operators that return values

```
int a;  
int b = 0, c = 1;  
a = b || c;
```

Logical Operators

- ▶ Logical operators operate on truth values to give new truth values
- ▶ Three logical operators: ! (not), && (and), || (or)

p	q	!p	p && q	p q
non-zero	non-zero	0	1	1
non-zero	zero	0	0	1
zero	non-zero	1	0	1
zero	zero	1	0	0

Logical Operators...

- ▶ ! has higher precedence than &&, which has higher precedence than ||
- ▶ Let's try some examples. Assume a and b are false

```
!a && b
```

```
(!a) && b
```

```
!(a && b)
```

```
a && b || true
```

```
a && (b || true)
```

Short-circuit Evaluation

- ▶ When expressions contain `&&` or `||`, C stops evaluating as soon as it knows whether the whole expression is true or false
- ▶ e.g. consider expression `p && q`
- ▶ If `p` is false, C can stop there: it has no reason to check `q` because the whole expression must already be false
- ▶ e.g. consider expression `p || q`
- ▶ If `p` is true, C can stop there: it has no reason to check `q` because the whole expression must already be true

ConceptTest

Consider the following C statement.

```
printf ("hi") || printf ("bye");
```

What is the output of running this statement? (As return value, `printf` returns the number of characters printed.)

- ▶ A. No output
- ▶ B. hi
- ▶ C. hibye
- ▶ D. bye

Nested ifs (grade.c)

- ▶ We can nest ifs inside of other ifs to handle more complicated branching structures

```
#include <stdlib.h>

int main (void) {
    int grade;
    scanf ("%d", &grade);
    if (grade < 0 || grade > 100)
        printf ("Invalid grade!\n");
    else
        if (grade < 50)
            printf ("Failing grade\n");
        else
            printf ("Passing grade\n");
    return 0;
}
```

Let's rewrite the code so that the final else is the "invalid grade" branch.

Dangling Else

```
if (p)
  if (q)
    <statement1>
  else
    <statement2>
```

```
if (p)
  if (q)
    <statement1>
else
  <statement2>
```

- ▶ These two programs have the same code, so one of the indentations must be misleading
- ▶ What does the program do?
- ▶ The question is, “with which if is <statement2> associated?”
- ▶ The rule is that each else is associated with the first available preceding if

ConceptTest

What is the output of the following code, assuming that `x` is an `int` variable with value 4?

```
if (x <= 2) {  
  if (x == 4)  
    printf ("one\n");  
}  
else  
  printf ("two\n");
```

- ▶ A. one
- ▶ B. two
- ▶ C. one two
- ▶ D. No output

Many Alternatives (grade2.c)

Here is one way to print a different message for each grade A, B, C and D.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main (void) {
    char grade;
    scanf ("%c", &grade);
    if (grade == 'A')
        printf("Excellent");
    else if (grade == 'B')
        printf("Good");
    else if (grade == 'C')
        printf("Average");
    else if (grade == 'D')
        printf("Fair");
    else
        printf("Invalid grade");
    return 0;
}
```

Many Alternatives... (gradeswitch.c)

When we have several alternatives that each compare the same variable to a different value, we can use a switch instead.

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main (void) {
    char grade;
    scanf ("%c", &grade);
    switch (grade) {
        case 'A': printf("Excellent");
            break;
        case 'B': printf("Good");
            break;
        case 'C': printf("Average");
            break;
        case 'D': printf("Fair");
            break;
        default: printf("Invalid grade");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Switch Statement

- ▶ C finds the first case label that matches, and starts executing from there
- ▶ The `break` means “exit the `switch`” statement; without it, all of the statements below the matching label would get executed
- ▶ A `switch` is not as flexible as an `if`
 - ▶ The case values must be constants; variables are not allowed. We cannot say `case x:`
 - ▶ The case values must all be compared to the same integer expression
 - ▶ There is no straightforward way to compare an expression to a range (like `<= 5`)

ConcepTest

For which integer values of x will the following code print hi?

```
switch (x - 3) {  
    case 7: break;  
    case 6:  
    case 4: printf ("hi\n");  
}
```

- ▶ A. 9 7
- ▶ B. 6 4
- ▶ C. 4
- ▶ D. 7