

We're Doomed! Doomed!

- Machine's execution speed
 - 10,000,000 lines of C per second
- Programmer speed
 - 12 lines of working C per day
- How many days will it take to write a program that runs for 1 second?

H1-1

CSE 142

Computer Programming I

Iteration

or... How we *really* get the computer to do our work for us.

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(in which we catch up with Turing!)

Outline

- Iteration: why do we need it?
- What are loops?
- How do we write loops in C?
- How do we go about writing loops?
- Some examples
- Nested loops
- Other ways to write loops
- Dangers and devices

H1-3

Chapter 5

Read Sections 5.1-5.6, 5.10

- 5.1 Introduction
- 5.2-5.3 While statement
- 5.4 For statement
- 5.5-5.6 Loop design
- 5.7 Nested Loops
- 5.11 Common errors

H1-4

Revisiting Our Paper Route

Go to house #1
 Deliver a paper to #1
 Go to house #2
 Deliver a paper to #2
 Go to house #3
 Deliver a paper to #3
 ...

*This is better than before we had functions.
 But, it's still cumbersome. Why?*

H1-5

Revisiting Our Paper Route

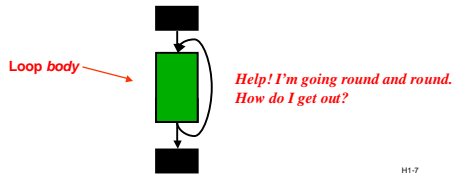
For every house on the block:
 Go to the house
 Deliver a paper to it

We really want to repeat the same process for each house in order.
 We want to **loop** over the houses.

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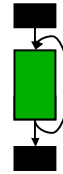
What are Loops? One More Type of Control Flow

When we want to repeat a block of code, we use a *loop*.



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Loops



- A “loop” is a repeated (“iterated”) sequence of statements
- Like **conditionals**, loops let us control the flow of our program in powerful ways.
- Like **functions**, loops take code that has been *generalized* and execute it many times.

H1-8

(More) Robust Input

```
char choice = 'x';
printf("Do you want to switch doors? (y/n) ");
scanf("%c", &choice);
```



Test: If it didn't work, try again *until it does*.

H1-9

Getting Loopy

```
initialization  char choice;
                printf("Do you want to switch doors? (y/n) ");
                scanf("%c", &choice);

loop condition  while choice is neither 'y' nor 'n'

loop body (with "update")  printf("Do you want to switch doors?\n");
                           printf("Please just enter 'y' or 'n'! ");
                           scanf("%c", &choice);
```

H1-10

How do we write loops in C? The while statement.

```
char choice;
printf("Do you want to switch doors? (y/n) ");
scanf("%c", &choice);
while (choice != 'y' && choice != 'n') {
    printf("Do you want to switch doors?\n");
    printf("Please just enter 'y' or 'n'! ");
    scanf("%c", &choice);
}
```

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while Statement Syntax

```
while ( condition ) {
    statement1;
    statement2;
    ...
}
```

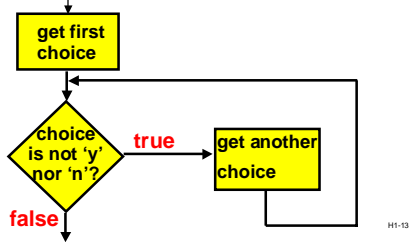
Loop condition

Loop body: Any statement, or a compound statement

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Psst... just like with conditionals, a while's body is really a statement. So, why are there two statements? And, why are those braces there?

while Loop Control Flow



H1-13

A Loopless Problem (?)

Problem: add 4 numbers entered at the keyboard.

```
int sum;
int x1, x2, x3, x4;

printf("Enter 4 numbers: ");
scanf("%d%d%d%d", &x1, &x2, &x3, &x4);
sum = x1 + x2 + x3 + x4;
```

This works perfectly!
But... what if we had 14 numbers? or 40? or 4000?

H1-14

How do we go about writing loops? *Generalizing!*

Problem: read a series of numbers entered at the keyboard and add all of them.

The key to solving problems with loops is to figure out how to do one or a few concrete steps... then generalize.

Our algorithm for adding four numbers was concrete. It had no repeated statements at all...

But it did have some repetition buried in it.

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Let's rework the algorithm to make the repetition more explicit... then, we can solve the general problem.

Add 4 Numbers, Repetitively

```
int sum, x;
sum = 0;
printf("Enter 4 numbers: ");
```

```
scanf("%d", &x);
sum = sum + x;
```

```
scanf("%d", &x);
sum = sum + x;
```

```
scanf("%d", &x);
sum = sum + x;
```

```
scanf("%d", &x);
sum = sum + x;
```

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Loop to Add 4 Numbers

```
int sum, x;
sum = 0;
printf("Enter 4 numbers:");
```

```
scanf("%d", &x);
sum = sum + x;
```

```
scanf("%d", &x);
sum = sum + x;
```

```
scanf("%d", &x);
sum = sum + x;
```

```
scanf("%d", &x);
sum = sum + x;
```

```
int sum, x;
int count;

sum = 0;
printf("Enter 4 numbers:");
```

```
count = 1;
while (count <= 4) {
    scanf("%d", &x);
    sum = sum + x;
    count = count + 1;
}
```

H1-17

More General Loop to Add Numbers

```
int sum, x, count;
int number_inputs; /* Number of inputs */
```

```
sum = 0;
printf("How many numbers? ");
scanf("%d", &number_inputs);
printf("Enter %d numbers: ", number_inputs);
count = 1;
while (count <= number_inputs) {
    scanf("%d", &x);
    sum = sum + x;
    count = count + 1;
}
```

H1-18

Examples: Compute 7!

What is $1 * 2 * 3 * 4 * 5 * 6 * 7$? ("seven factorial")

```
x = 1 * 2 * 3 * 4 * 5 * 6 * 7;
printf ( "%d", x );
```

Bite size pieces:	More Regular:	As a loop:
x = 1;	x = 1; i = 2;	x = 1;
x = x * 2;	x = x * i; i = i + 1;	i = 2;
x = x * 3;	x = x * i; i = i + 1;	while (i <= 7) {
x = x * 4;	x = x * i; i = i + 1;	x = x * i;
x = x * 5;	x = x * i; i = i + 1;	i = i + 1;
x = x * 6;	x = x * i; i = i + 1;	}
x = x * 7;	x = x * i; i = i + 1;	

H1-19

Tracing the Loop

```
/* What is 1 * 2 * 3 * ... * 7 */
x = 1; /* A */
i = 2; /* B */
while ( i <= 7 ) { /* C */
    x = x * i; /* D */
    i = i + 1; /* E */
} /* F */
printf ( "%d", x ); /* G */
```

line	i	x	i ≤ 7?
A	?	1	
B	2	1	
C	2	1	T
D	2	2	
E	3	2	
F	3	2	T
G	6	720	T
C	6	720	
D	6	720	
E	7	720	
F	7	720	T
G	7	5040	
C	7	5040	
D	8	5040	
E	8	5040	
F	8	5040	F

(Print 5040)

H1-20

Double Your Money

/* Suppose your \$1,000 is earning interest at 5% per year. How many years until you double your money? */

```
my_money = 1000.0;
n = 0;
while ( my_money < 2000.0 ) {
    my_money = my_money * 1.05;
    n = n + 1;
}
printf ( "My money will double in %d years.", n );
```

H1-21

Average Inputs

```
printf ( "Enter values to average, end with -1.0 \n" );
sum = 0.0;
count = 0;
scanf ( "%lf", &next );
while ( next != -1.0 ) {
    sum = sum + next;
    count = count + 1;
    scanf ( "%lf", &next );
}
if ( count > 0 )
    printf ( "The average is %. \n",
            sum / (double) count );
```

↑ sentinel

H1-22

Printing a 2-D Figure

How would you print the following diagram?

```
* * * * *
* * * * *
* * * * *
```

repeat 3 times

print a row of 5 stars

repeat 5 times

print *

It seems as if a loop within a loop is needed

H1-23

Is that allowed?
What can go inside loops?

Nested Loop

```
#define ROWS 3
#define COLS 5
...
row = 1;
while ( row <= ROWS ) {
    /* print a row of COLS '*'s */
    ...
    row = row + 1;
}
```

H1-24

Nested Loop

```

row = 1;
while ( row <= ROWS ) {
    /* print a row of COLS '*'s */
    col = 1;
    while (col <= COLS) {
        printf("*");
        col = col + 1;
    }
    printf( "\n" );
    row = row + 1;
}

```

outer loop: print 3 rows

inner loop: print one row

H1-25

Trace

```

row: 1      2      3      4
col: 123456 123456 123456

```

output: * * * * *

```

row = 1;
while ( row <= ROWS ) {
    /* print a row of 5 '*'s */
    col = 1;
    while (col <= COLS) {
        printf("*");
        col = col + 1;
    }
    printf( "\n" );
    row = row + 1;
}

```

H1-26

Print a Multiplication Table

	1	2	3
1	1	2	3
2	2	4	6
3	3	6	9
4	4	8	12

	1	2	3
1	1*1	1*2	1*3
2	2*1	2*2	2*3
3	3*1	3*2	3*3
4	4*1	4*2	4*3

H1-27

How should we start?

First, let's try a particular row...

	1	2	3
1	1	2	3
2	2	4	6
3	3	6	9
4	4	8	12

Print Row 2

```

col = 1;
while (col <= 3) {
    printf("%4d", 2 * col);
    col = col + 1;
}
printf("\n");

```

row number

H1-28

Now, Generalize!

```

row = 1;
while (row <= 4) {
    col = 1;
    while (col <= 3) {
        printf("%4d", row * col);
        col = col + 1;
    }
    printf("\n");
    row = row + 1;
}

```

Print 4 rows

Print one row

H1-29

Loop Trace

row	col	print
1	1	print 1
	2	print 2
	3	print 3
		print \n
2	1	print 2
	2	print 4
	3	print 6
		print \n

row	col	print
3	1	print 3
	2	print 6
	3	print 9
		print \n
4	1	print 4
	2	print 8
	3	print 12
		print \n

H1-30

Notes About Loop Conditions

They offer all the same possibilities as conditions in *if*-statements

Can use **&&**, **||**, **!**

Condition is reevaluated each time through the loop

A common loop condition: checking the number of times through the loop

H1-31

Counting Loops

A common loop condition: checking the number of times through the loop

Requires keeping a "counter"

This pattern occurs so often there is a separate statement type based on it: the *for*-statement

H1-32

A for Loop

/ What is 1 * 2 * 3 * ... * n ? */*

```
x = 1;
i = 2;
while ( i <= n ) {
    x = x * i;
    i = i+1;
}
printf ( "%d", x );
```

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

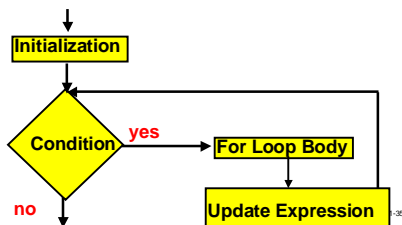
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for Statement Syntax

```
for ( initialization;
      condition;
      update expression ) {
    statement1;
    statement2;
    ...
}
```

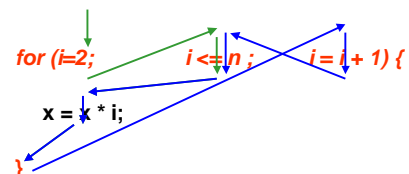
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for Loop Control Flow



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Control Flow: *for*



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for Loops vs while Loops

Any for loop can be written as a while loop
These two loops mean exactly the same thing:

```
for (initialization; condition; update)
    statement;
```

```
initialization;
while (condition) {
    statement;
    update;
}
```

H1-37

Counting in for Loops

```
/* Print n asterisks */
for ( count = 1 ; count <= n ; count = count + 1 ) {
    printf ( "*" );
}
```

```
/* Different style of counting */
for ( count = 0 ; count < n ; count = count + 1 ) {
    printf ( "*" );
}
```

H1-38

"3 Rows of 5" as a Nested for Loop

```
#define ROWS 3
#define COLS 5
...
for ( row = 1; row <= ROWS; row = row + 1 ) {
    for ( col = 1; col <= COLS; col = col + 1 ) {
        printf( "*" );
    }
    printf( "\n" );
}
```

Annotations: "outer loop: print 3 rows" points to the outer for loop; "inner loop: print one row" points to the inner for loop.

H1-39

Yet Another 2-D Figure

How would you print the following diagram?

```
*
* *
* * *
* * * *
* * * * *
```

For every row (row = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
Print row stars

H1-40

Solution: Another Nested Loop

```
#define ROWS 5
...
int row, col;
for ( row = 1 ; row <= ROWS ; row = row + 1 ) {
    for ( col = 1 ; col <= row ; col = col + 1 ) {
        printf( "*" );
    }
    printf( "\n" );
}
```

H1-41

Yet One More 2-D Figure

How would you print the following diagram?

```
* * * * *
* * * *
* * *
* *
*
```

For every row (row = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4)
Print row spaces followed by (5 - row) stars

Yet Another Nested Loop

```
#define ROWS 5
...
int row, col;
for ( row = 1 ; row <= ROWS; row = row + 1 ) {
    for ( col = 1 ; col <= row - 1 ; col = col + 1 )
        printf( " " );
    for ( col = row ; col <= ROWS; col = col + 1 )
        printf( "*" );
    printf( "\n" );
}
```

H1-43

Generalizing Ever More

```
/* Print character ch n times */
void RepeatChars ( int n, char ch ) {
    int i;
    for ( i = 0 ; i < n ; i = i + 1 )
        printf ( "%c", ch );
}
...
for ( row = 1 ; row <= ROWS ; row = row + 1 ) {
    RepeatChars ( row - 1, ' ' );
    RepeatChars ( ROWS - row + 1, '*' );
    printf( "\n" );
}
```

H1-44

Remember PrintBannerLines?

```
/* Print N rows of asterisks */
void PrintBannerLines ( int lines ) {
    int i;
    for ( i = 0 ; i < lines ; i = i + 1 ) {
        RepeatChars(20, '*');
    }
}
```

H1-45

Some Loop Pitfalls

```
while ( sum < 10 ) ;
    sum = sum + 2;
    for ( i = 1; i <= 10; i = i + 1);
        sum = sum + i ;

for ( i = 1; i != 10 ; i = i + 2 )
    sum = sum + i ;
```

H1-46

Double Danger

```
double x ;
for ( x = 0.0 ; x < 10.0 ; x = x + 0.2 )
    printf("%.18f", x) ;
```

Seems harmless...

H1-47

Double Danger

What you expect:	What you might get:
0.000000000000000000	0.000000000000000000
0.200000000000000000	0.200000000000000000
0.400000000000000000	0.400000000000000000
...	...
9.000000000000000000	8.9999999999999997
9.200000000000000000	9.1999999999999996
9.400000000000000000	9.3999999999999996
9.600000000000000000	9.5999999999999996
9.800000000000000000	9.7999999999999996
	9.9999999999999996

Use *ints* as Loop Counters

```
int i ;
double x ;
for ( i = 0 ; i < 50 ; i = i + 1 )
{
    x = (double) i / 5.0 ;
    printf("%.18f", x) ;
}
```

H1-49

Counting in Loops

Counting up by one or down by one:

```
for ( i = 1 ; i <= limit ; i = i+1 ) { ... }
```

```
times_to_go = limit;
while ( times_to_go > 0 ) {
    ...
    times_to_go = times_to_go - 1;
}
```

H1-50

Counting Up or Down by 1

This pattern is so common there is special jargon and notation for it

To "increment:" increase (often by 1)

To "decrement:" decrease (often by 1)

C operators:

Post-increment (`x++`): add 1

Post-decrement (`x--`): subtract 1

H1-51

Handy Shorthand `x++` `x--`

Used by itself,

`x++` means the same as `x = x+1`

`x--` means the same as `x = x-1`

Very often used with loop counters:

```
for ( i=1 ; i <= limit ; i++ ) { ... }
```

```
times_to_go = limit;
while ( times_to_go > 0 ) {
    ...
    times_to_go--
}
```

H1-52

Surgeon General's Warning

`++` and `--` are unary operators.

Pre-increment (`++x`) and pre-decrement (`--x`) exist, too.

In this course, use `++` and `--` only in isolation.

Don't combine these with other operators in expressions! E.g., don't try

```
x = y++ / (3 * --x--)
```

H1-53

Iteration Summary

General pattern:

Initialize, test, do stuff, repeat . . .

"while" and "for" are equally general in C

Use "for" when initialize/test/update are closely related and simple, especially when counting

H1-54

Looking Ahead

We'll talk more about how to design loops

We'll discuss complex conditional expressions

Can be used with loops as well as in conditional statements

We'll see "arrays", a powerful new way of organizing data

H1-95

Very often used with loops

QOTD: Counting Crows

A vital part of using loops is to understand the structure of the data you're looping over.

In particular, the loops we look at require "serializing" the data: giving it an order and going through it one at a time.

Serialize the following data:

- A murder of crows on a wire
- The rooms on your house (for vacuuming!)
- The integers (to check for primes!)
- All integral, positive (x, y) coordinates

H1-96

*There's something tricky about the last one.
What is it???*