

Chap 4 - SELECTION - DECISIONS

TWO TYPES

MOST POWERFUL
CAN DO
ANY DECISION

① "if" WITH ONE OR MORE OPTIONAL elseif
WITH OPTIONAL else BEFORE and

- CAN DECIDE WITH RANGES OF VALUES → if

$a < 5$ && $b > 2$
RANGE

- CAN DECIDE WITH SPECIFIC VALUES → if

$a == 5$ && $b == 2$
EQUAL

COMPOUND
LOGICAL
EXPRESSION.

ONLY WITH
SPECIFIC VALUES

② "switch" WITH ONE OR MORE "case"
WITH OPTIONAL "otherwise" before end.

- CAN DECIDE WITH SPECIFIC VALUES (NOT RANGES)

- WHY USE SWITCH?
- WHEN APPLIES, FASTER TO TYPE & READ
- USED ESPECIALLY WITH MENUS

if condition 1:

do this 1 → then go past end.

elseif cond 2

do this 2. → then go past end

elseif cond 3

do this 3

else

do this if none above are true

end



switch expression → a, or a+b, etc.

case aValueOfExpression

do this → then go past end.

case value 2

do this

case { value 3, value 4, value 5 }

do this

otherwise

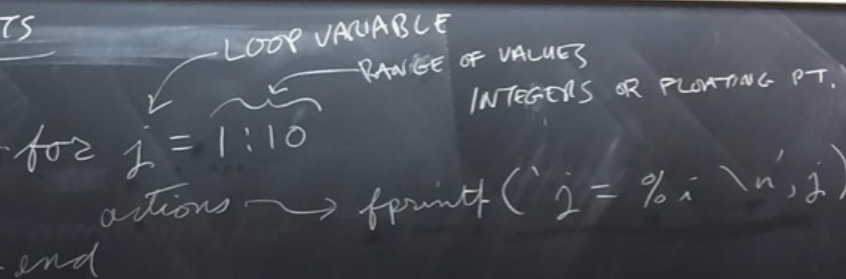
do this if no cases above are true

end

Chap 5 - LOOPS, REPEATS

TWO TYPES

① "for" LOOP



- LOOP VARIABLE IS OFTEN AN INTEGER
USED AS AN ARRAY INDEX IN ACTIONS

j = 1
j = 2
j = 3
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j = 10

NOTE WE NEED

TO SPECIFY RANGE OF VALUES OF LOOP VAR.

% S = ARRAY OF STUDENT ID'S

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for j = 1:length(S)
    fprintf('student %i ID = %i \n', j, S(j))
end
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USE "FOR" WHEN YOU KNOW BEFORE TIME "FOR" HOW MANY TIMES TO REPEAT

"FOR" ESPECIALLY USED TO PROCESS ARRAYS

② "while" LOOP

- NO LOOP VAR. REQUIRED
- VARIETY OF WAYS TO CHANGE LOGICAL EXP. VALUE FROM TRUE TO FALSE

while (logical expression)

actions taken while expression is TRUE
+ some action to eventually change expression to FALSE!

end

$t = 0$; $dt = 0.1$
 $t_{final} = 10$

while $t < t_{final}$

do this increment $t \rightarrow$ e.g. $t = t + dt$

end

- USE WHEN DO NOT KNOW BEFORE "WHILE" HOW MANY REPEATS, e.g., HOW MANY TIMES PLAY GAME OR LOADING A NEW ARRAY WITH VALUES

↳ if NOT, ∞ LOOP!
→ HIT CTRL-C

BASICS OF PROGRAMMING

INPUT, STORAGE, OUTPUT

PROCESS → e.g., $a = a + 2$

✓ DECISION

✓ REPEATS

FUNCTIONS



A MAIN REASON COMPUTERS CAN DO SO MANY COMPLEX & AMAZING THINGS IS THAT REPEATS & DECISIONS CAN BE "NESTED" INSIDE EACH OTHER.

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