

The for loop

Its format is:

for (initialization; condition; increase) statement;

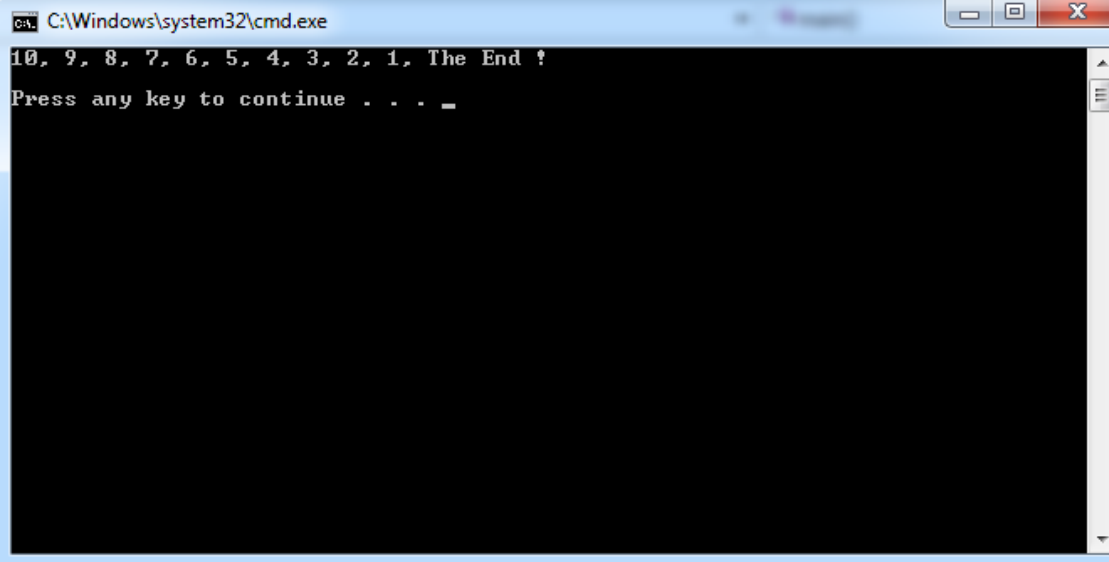
and its main function is to **repeat** statement while condition remains **true**, like the while loop. **But in addition, the for loop provides specific locations to contain an initialization statement and an increase statement.** So this loop is specially designed to perform a repetitive action with a **counter** which is **initialized** and **increased** on each iteration.

It works in the following way:

1. initialization is executed. Generally it is an initial value setting for a counter variable. This is executed only once.
2. condition is checked. If it is **true** the loop **continues**, otherwise the loop **ends** and statement is **skipped** (not executed).
3. statement is executed. As usual, it can be either a **single** statement or a **block** enclosed in braces { }.
4. finally, whatever is specified in the **increase** field is executed and the loop gets back to step 2.

Here is an example of countdown using a for loop:

```
// countdown using a for loop
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main ()
{
    for (int number=10; number>0; number--)
    {
        cout << number << ", ";
    }
    cout << "The End !\n\n";
    return 0;
}
```

A screenshot of a Windows command prompt window titled "C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe". The window shows the output of the C++ program: "10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, The End !" followed by a prompt "Press any key to continue . . . _". The text is displayed in white on a black background.

```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, The End !
Press any key to continue . . . _
```

The **initialization** and **increase** fields are **optional**. They can remain empty, but in all cases the **semicolon** signs between them **must be** written.

For example we could write:

for (;n<10;)

if we wanted to specify **no initialization** and **no increase;**

or

for (;n<10;n++)

if we wanted to include an **increase** field but **no initialization** (maybe because the variable was already initialized before).

Optionally, using the **comma operator (,)** we can specify more than one expression in **any of the fields included in a for loop**, like in initialization, for example. The **comma operator (,)** is an expression separator, it serves to **separate** more than one expression where only one is generally expected.

For example, suppose that we wanted to initialize more than one variable in our loop:

```
for ( n=0, i=100 ; n!=i ; n++, i-- )
{
    // whatever here...
}
```

This loop will execute for 50 times if neither n or i are modified within the loop:

Initialization Condition Increase & Decrease

```
for ( n=0, i=100 ; n!=i ; n++, i-- )
```

n starts with a value of 0, and **i** with 100, the condition is **n!=i** (that **n is not equal to i**). Because **n** is increased by one and **i** decreased by one, the loop's condition will become false after the 50th loop, when both **n** and **i** will be equal to 50.

The selective structure: **switch**.

The syntax of the **switch** statement is a bit peculiar. Its objective is to **check several possible constant values** for an expression. Something **similar** to what we did at the previous lecture with the concatenation of several **if and else if instructions**. Its form is the following:

```
switch (expression)
{
    case constant1:
        group of statements 1;
    break;
    case constant2:
        group of statements 2;
    break;
    .
    .
    .
    default:
        default group of statements
}
```

It works in the following way: **switch** evaluates **expression** and **checks** if it is equivalent to **constant1**, if it is, it executes **group** of **statements1** until it finds the **break** statement.

When it finds this break statement the program jumps to the end of the switch selective structure.

If expression was **not equal to constant1** it will be **checked** against **constant2**.

If it is equal to **this**, it will execute group of **statements 2** until a **break** keyword is found, and then will jump to the **end** of the switch **selective** structure.

Finally, if the value of expression did not match any of the previously specified constants (you can include as many case labels as values you want to check),

the program will **execute** the statements included after the **default: label**, if it exists (since it is optional).

Both of the following code fragments have the same behavior:

switch example	if-else equivalent
<pre>switch (x) { case 1: cout << "x is 1"; break; case 2: cout << "x is 2"; break; default: cout << "value of x unknown"; }</pre>	<pre>if (x == 1) { cout << "x is 1"; } else if (x == 2) { cout << "x is 2"; } else { cout << "value of x unknown"; }</pre>

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```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int x;
    for (x=1;x<=20;x++)
    {
        if (x%2==1) cout<<x<<"\n";
    }
    return 0;
}
```

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```
# include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main ()
{
    int i,number , pow , result=1 ;
    cout <<"enter the number:";
    cin>>number ;
    cout<<"enter the power:" ;
    cin>>pow ;
    for( i=1 ; i<=pow ; i++)
        result=result*number ;
    cout<<"the result is:"<<result<<"\n" ;
    return 0;
}
```

```

# include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int x,y;
    char op;

    cout << " Enter the first value = ";
    cin >> x;
    cout << " Enter the Second value = ";
    cin >> y;
    cout << " Enter The Operator ((+, -, *, or /)) = ";
    cin >> op;
    switch (op)
    {
        case '+':
            cout << " The result of ((+)) is : " << x+y<<"\n";
            break;
        case '-':
            cout << " The result of ((-)) is : " << x-y<<"\n";
            break;
        case '*':
            cout << " The result of ((*)) is : " << x*y<<"\n";
            break;
        case '/':
            cout << " The result of ((/)) is : " << x/y<<"\n";
            break;

        default :
            cout <<" You must be Enter one operator of Them ( +, -, *, /)";
    }
    return 0;
}

```