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Logical operators

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Outline

- In this lesson, we will:
  - See the need for asking if more than one condition is satisfied
    - The unit pulse function
  - Describe the binary logical AND and OR operators
  - Introduce truth tables
  - Describe chaining numerous logical expressions
  - Describe short-circuit evaluation
  - Describe the unary logical negation (NOT)

Background

- We have seen six comparison operators

  < <= == >= > !=

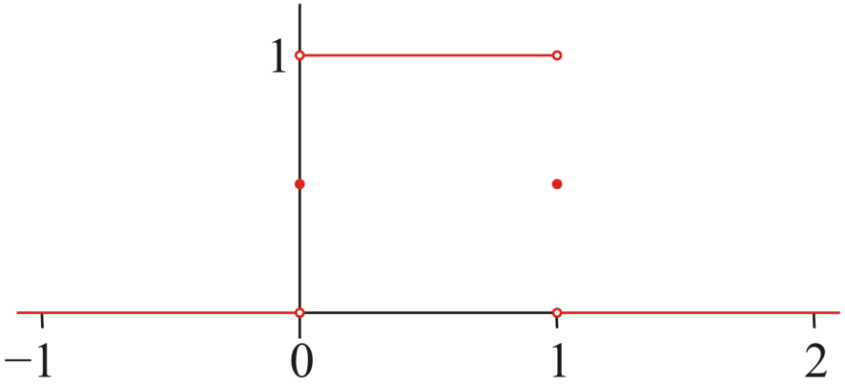
- Problem:
  - What if more than one condition is required?
  - What if two conditions result in the same consequent?
  - What if we require that a condition must be false?

The unit pulse

- Suppose we want to implement the function:

$$\text{unit}(x) \overset{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = 0 \\ 1 & x > 0 \text{ and } x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = 1 \\ 0 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

- This function has an integral (area under the curve) equal to 1



The unit pulse

- We could implement this program as follows:

```
#include <iostream>

// Function declarations
int main();

// Function definitions
int main() {
    double x{};
    std::cout << "Enter a number: ";
    std::cin >> x;

    if ( x < 0.0 ) {
        std::cout << 0.0 << std::endl;
    } else if ( x == 0.0 ) {
        std::cout << 0.5 << std::endl;
    } else if ( x < 1.0 ) {
        std::cout << 1.0 << std::endl;
    } else if ( x == 1.0 ) {
        std::cout << 0.5 << std::endl;
    } else {
        std::cout << 0.0 << std::endl;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

$$\text{unit}(x) \overset{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = 0 \\ 1 & x > 0 \text{ and } x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = 1 \\ 0 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

The unit pulse

- Can we implement this cascading conditional statement using only two conditions?

```
if ( condition-1 ) {
    std::cout << 0.0 << std::endl;
} else if ( condition-2 ) {
    std::cout << 0.5 << std::endl;
} else {
    std::cout << 1.0 << std::endl;
}
```

$$\text{unit}(x) \overset{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = 0 \\ 1 & x > 0 \text{ and } x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = 1 \\ 0 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

- In English, we would simply say that we should print
  - 0 if either $x < 0$ **OR** $x > 1$
  - ½ if either $x = 0$ **OR** $x = 1$
  - 1 otherwise

The unit pulse

- Alternatively, could we swap the first consequent block and the alternative?

```
if ( condition-1 ) {
    std::cout << 1.0 << std::endl;
} else if ( condition-2 ) {
    std::cout << 0.5 << std::endl;
} else {
    std::cout << 0.0 << std::endl;
}
```

$$\text{unit}(x) \overset{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = 0 \\ 1 & x > 0 \text{ and } x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = 1 \\ 0 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

- In English, we would simply say that we should print
  - 1 if both $x > 0$ **AND** $x < 1$
  - ½ if either $x = 0$ **OR** $x = 1$
  - 0 otherwise

Logical operators

- In C++, there are two binary logical operators
  - They take two Boolean-valued operands and return a Boolean value

- The OR operator `||` returns `true` if either operands is `true`
- The AND operator `&&` returns `true` if both operands are `true`

Consequent	Conditions	C++
`0.0`	$x < 0$ OR $x > 1$	`(x < 0.0) || (x > 1.0)`
`0.5`	$x = 0$ OR $x = 1$	`(x == 0.0) || (x == 1.0)`
`1.0`	$x > 0$ AND $x < 1$	`(x > 0.0) && (x < 1.0)`

Logical operators

- Thus, we may implement this as follows:

```
if ( (x < 0.0) || (x > 1.0) ) {
    std::cout << 0.0 << std::endl;
} else if ( (x == 0.0) || (x == 1.0) ) {
    std::cout << 0.5 << std::endl;
} else {
    std::cout << 1.0 << std::endl;
}

if ( (x > 0.0) && (x < 1.0)  ) {
    std::cout << 1.0 << std::endl;
} else if ( (x == 0.0) || (x == 1.0)  ) {
    std::cout << 0.5 << std::endl;
} else {
    std::cout << 0.0 << std::endl;
}
```

Maximum of three

- We can now implement a maximum of three values
  - Given x, y and z,
    - If $x \geq y$ and $x \geq z$, $\max(x, y, z) = x$
    - Otherwise, if $y \geq z$, $\max(x, y, z) = y$
    - Otherwise, $\max(x, y, z) = z$
- We could also describe this as:
  - Given x, y and z,
    - If $x > y$ and $x > z$, $\max(x, y, z) = x$
    - Otherwise, if $y > z$, $\max(x, y, z) = y$
    - Otherwise, $\max(x, y, z) = z$
  - Both are correct, but the first gets us, in some cases, to our answer quicker

Maximum of three

- We could implement this program as follows:

```
#include <iostream>

// Function declarations
int main();

// Function definitions
int main() {
    double x{};
    double y{};
    double z{};

    std::cout << "Enter a value 'x': ";
    std::cin >> x;

    std::cout << "Enter a value 'y': ";
    std::cin >> y;

    std::cout << "Enter a value 'z': ";
    std::cin >> z;
```

Maximum of three

- We could implement this program as follows:

```
    if ( (x >= y) && (x >= z) ) {
        std::cout << "max(x, y, z) = " << x << std::endl;
    } else if ( y >= z ) {
        std::cout << "max(x, y, z) = " << y << std::endl;
    } else {
        std::cout << "max(x, y, z) = " << z << std::endl;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

Truth tables

- The logical OR operator `||` is `true` if either operand is `true`
  - It is `false` if both operands are `false`
- The logical AND operator `&&` is `true` if both operand are `true`
  - It is `false` if either operands is `false`
- To display this visually, we use a *truth table*

Truth tables

- In elementary school, you saw addition and multiplication tables:
  - Given two operands, the table gave the result of the operation

+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
4	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
5	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
6	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
7	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
8	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18

×	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
3	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
4	0	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36
5	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
6	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54
7	0	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63
8	0	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72
9	0	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81

Truth tables

- With only two possible values of the operands, these truth tables are much simpler:

x && y	y = true	y = false
x = true	true	false
x = false	false	false

x || y	y = true	y = false
x = true	true	true
x = false	true	false

Truth tables

- An alternate form is to consider all values of the operands:

x	y	x && y	x || y
true	true	true	true
true	false	false	true
false	false	false	false
false	true	false	true

Logical expressions

- We have seen that the condition of a logical statement may be:
  1. A comparison operation, or
  2. Two comparison operations joined by `&&` or `||`

- More generally, a logical expression may be:
  1. The Boolean literals `true` or `false`,
  2. A local variable of type `bool`,
  3. A comparison operation, or
  4. Two logical expressions joined by `&&` or `||`

Logical expressions

- For example, our program may have:

```
bool is_valid{true};
bool is_found{false};
double x{};
double y{}
double z{};

// Do something...

if ( is_valid || ((((x > 3) && (x < 12.5)) || (y < z)) && is_found) ) {
    // Do something specific to this condition
}
```

- In general, it will never be this complicated,
  but it is just like an arithmetic expression:

```
u = a*((b + c)*d + e);
```

Logical expressions

- If there are many conditions that must be `true`, you can string these together with &&:

```
if ( (w > 0.0) && (x > 0.0) && (y > 0.0) && (z > 0.0) ) {
    // Do something specific to this condition
}
```

- If there are many conditions of which only one need be `true`, you can string these together with ||:

```
if ( (w > 0.0) || (x > 0.0) || (y > 0.0) || (z > 0.0) ) {
    // Do something specific to this condition
}
```

Logical expressions

- If you are mixing such conditions, use parentheses to be clear:

```
if ( ((x > 0.0) && (x < 1.0)) || ((y > 0.0) && (y < 1.0)) ) {
    // Do something specific to this condition
}
```

- There is an order-of-operations for logical operations, but
  - Most people don't intuitively remember them
  - You may get it wrong…

- Please, just use parentheses always when mixing || and &&

Multiple conditions

- For example, consider:

```
(x == 0) || (x <= 2) && (x >= 1)
```

- Does this mean:

```
(x == 0) || ((x <= 2) && (x >= 1))
```

or

```
((x == 0) || (x <= 2)) && (x >= 1)
```

  - The first is true if x is 0 or x is in the closed interval [1, 2]
  - The second is true only if x is in the closed interval [1, 2]

Logical expressions

- For example, our program may have:

```
int main() {
    bool has_fever{};
    bool has_dry_cough{};
    bool is_tired{};
    bool has_serious_symptom{};

    std::cout << "Do you have a fever?" << std::endl;
    std::cout << "Enter 1 (yes) or 0 (no): ";
    std::cin >> has_fever;

    std::cout << "Do you have a dry cough?" << std::endl;
    std::cout << "Enter 1 (yes) or 0 (no): ";
    std::cin >> has_dry_cough;

    std::cout << "Are you more tired than usual?" << std::endl;
    std::cout << "Enter 1 (yes) or 0 (no): ";
    std::cin >> is_tired;
```

Logical expressions

```
    std::cout << "Do you have any of:" << std::endl;
    std::cout << "\tdifficulty breating," << std::endl;
    std::cout << "\tchest pains, or" << std::endl;
    std::cout << "\tloss of speech or movement?" << std::endl;
    std::cout << "Enter 1 (yes) or 0 (no): ";
    std::cin >> has_serious_symptom;

    if( has_serious_symptom || (has_fever && has_dry_cough && is_tired) ) {
        std::cout << "Get medical help now." << std::endl;
    } else if ( has_fever || has_dry_cough || is_tired ) {
        std::cout << "Please self-isolate for two weeks and "
                  << "seek medical help if the symptoms get worse."
                  << std::endl;
    } else {
        std::cout << "You can go out, but wear a mask." << std::endl;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

Short-circuit evaluation

- C++ produces code that does the minimum work necessary:
  - Suppose you wonder: Is the speaker taller than 6′ and stupid?
    - I tell you I'm 180 cm
  - Instead, you may wonder: Does the speaker drink coffee or drink tea?
    - I tell you I drink coffee

Short-circuit evaluation

- Consider these logical expressions:

```
(x < -10) || (x > 10)
(x < -10) || ((x > -1) && (x < 1)) || (x > 10)
```

- Suppose that `'x'` has the value `-100`
  - The first comparison operation returns `true`
  - Is there is any reason to even bother testing the others?
    - No: the result of `true || any-other-conditions` must be `true`
  - This is referred to as *short-circuit evaluation*

Short-circuit evaluation

- Consider these logical expressions:

```
(x < -10) || (x > 10)
(x < -10) || ((x > -1) && (x < 1)) || (x > 10)
```

- Suppose that `'x'` has the value `0`
  - The first condition is `false`, and
    - In the first example, `(x > 10)` is `false` and it is the last condition, so the expression is `false`
    - In the second example, `((x > -1) && (x < 1))` is `true`, so the entire logical expression is `true`
      - There is no need at this point to evaluate `(x > 10)`
      - Even though it is `false`, the entire expression is still `true`

Short-circuit evaluation

- Similarly, consider

```
(x > -10) && (x < 10)
(x > -10) && ((x < -1) || (x > 1)) && (x < 10)
```

- Suppose that `'x'` has the value `-100`
  - The first comparison operation returns `false`
  - Is there any reason to even bother testing the others?
    - No: the result of `false && any-other-conditions` must be `false`

Short-circuit evaluation

- Similarly, consider

```
(x > -10) && (x < 10)
(x > -10) && ((x < -1) || (x > 1)) && (x < 10)
```

- Suppose that `'x'` has the value `0`
  - The first condition is `true`, and
    - In the first example, `(x < 10)` is `true` and it is the last condition, so the expression is `true`
    - In the second example, `((x < -1) || (x > 1))` is `false`, so the entire logical expression is `false`
      - There is no need at this point to evaluate `(x < 10)`
      - Even though it is `true`, the entire expression is still `false`

Short-circuit evaluation

- Suppose that x is a local variable:

```
if ( ((x >= -1.0) && (x <= 1.0)) || (x > 10.0) || (x < -10.0) ) {
    std::cout << "true" << std::endl;
} else {
    std::cout << "false" << std::endl;
}

if ( (x < -10.0) || (x > 10.0) || ((x <= 1.0) && (x >= -1.0)) ) {
    std::cout << "true" << std::endl;
} else {
    std::cout << "false" << std::endl;
}
```

- When do they stop evaluating the local variable x equals:

  -12 -5 -1 7 15

Logical negation

- If a logical expression is true, its negation is false, and vice versa
  - The unary NOT operator

x	!x
true	false
false	true

- Consider, for example

```
if ( (x > 0) && (x < 10) ) {
    std::cout << "'x' is in the open interval (0, 10)" << std::endl;
}

if ( !((x > 0) && (x < 10)) ) {
    std::cout << "'x' is not in the open interval (0, 10)" << std::endl;
}
```

Logical negation

- Note that all three are the same:

```
if ( !((x > 0) && (x < 10)) ) {
    std::cout << "'x' is not in the open interval (0, 10)" << std::endl;
}

if ( (!(x > 0) || !(x < 10)) ) {
    std::cout << "'x' is not in the open interval (0, 10)" << std::endl;
}

if ( (x <= 0) || (x >= 10) ) {
    std::cout << "'x' is not in the open interval (0, 10)" << std::endl;
}
```

Logical negation

- The following Boolean-valued statements are equivalent[1]:

```
(x != 1)                    !(x == 1)
(x  > 0)                    !(x <= 0)
(x >= -1) && (x <= 1)       !((x < -1) || (x > 1))
```

[1]If the operands are the same, the result is the same.

Logical negation

- The behavior of these two conditional statements are equivalent:

```
if ( some-condition ) {
    // Do something
} else {
    // Do something completely different
}

if ( !some-condition ) {
    // Do something completely different
} else {
    // Do something
}
```

Summary

- Following this lesson, you now:
  - Understand that two or more conditions can be chained together
    - With a logical AND (`&&`), all must be `true` for the result to be `true`
    - With a logical OR (`||`), one must be `true` for the result to be `true`
  - Are familiarized with truth tables
  - Understand the idea of short-circuit evaluation
    - As soon as one condition is `false` in a chain of logical ANDs, we're done: the result must be `false`
    - As soon as one condition is `true` in a chain of logical ORs, we're done: the result must be `true`
  - Understand that logical negation switches between `true` and `false`

References

[1] No references?

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- None so far.

Colophon

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