
Relational Operators and the If Statement

Conditionals

- So far, we can Input, Output and Calculate
- How can we explore relationships between data?
- How can our program only do things *sometimes*?

Decisions!

- Relational Expressions allow our program to *make a decision*
 - based on the **data** in the program
- What are some decisions we might want our program to make?

Relational Expression

- Relational expression: an expression that uses a **Relational Operator**
 - its value is a **Boolean value** (True or False)

```
int height=32;
```

```
const int MIN_HEIGHT =34;
```

```
height > MIN_HEIGHT
```

```
height == MIN_HEIGHT // ==
```

```
height >= (MIN_HEIGHT - 2)
```

Relational Operators

Operator	Meaning
$>$	Greater than
$<$	Less than
$>=$	Greater than or equal to
$<=$	Less than or equal to
$==$	Equal to
$!=$	Not equal to

- All are binary operators
- Left to right associativity

Precedence (page 1101)

Precedence Operators (Highest to Lowest)

(unary negation) -

* / %

Arithmetic Operators

-

> >= < <=

Relational Operators

!=

= += -= *= /= %=

Assignment Operators

Practice

- What is the value of the following Relational Expressions?

```
int width = 99, height = 42;
```

```
width > height
```

```
-width <= height
```

```
width != height
```

```
width == (width + 1)
```

```
width == width + 1
```

Relational Operators work on Integers, Floating point numbers, and Characters.

The `if` Statement

- We execute each statement in our program in order.
- What `if` we only want to execute a statement sometimes?
- The `if` Statement!

```
if ( condition )  
{  
    //statements  
}
```


Practice: What is the output?

```
int age;
const int VOTING_AGE = 18;

cin >> age;
if ( age >= VOTING_AGE )
{
    cout << age << " > "
        << VOTING_AGE;
    Cout << " You can vote!"
        << endl;
}
```

Practice

- For the problem below:
 - what data will you need?
 - what will you need to do conditionally?
 - what data will you use in your decision?
- Calculate the average grade for all three exams in a course. Print a message stating if the student passed the course.

“You passed!”

“You failed!”

Boolean value (True or False)

- How does the computer represent True and False?

Practice

```
bool value;
```

```
int x = 5, y = 10;
```

```
value = x > y; // value = ??
```

```
value = x == y; // value = ??
```

```
value = x == y - 5; // value = ??
```

```
// how does this output look?
```

```
cout << "Value is: " << value;
```

Practice

- What C++ statement would we write make the following determinations?

```
bool value;
```

```
int yourAge = 22,  
    currentYear = 2009;
```

- Where you born before 1990?
- Is you age evenly divisible by 7?

Coding Standards

```
if ( expression )  
{  
    statement 1;  
}
```

If you only have ONE statement in the body of the if, the { } are optional in C++.

➔ For this class, the { } must **ALWAYS** be used. Not using { } will result in a loss of style points.

```
if ( expression )  
    statement 1;
```

The { } must also be on their own line.

Why?

More on Truth

```
int x = 5, y = 0;
if ( y - x )
{
    // This will be executed
    cout << "y - x is True" << endl;
}
if ( y )
{
    // This will NOT be executed
    cout << "y is True" << endl;
}
```

- Non-zero is considered **true**