

Ruby monstas Ruby cheat sheet, Part 2



Control Structures

| Name | Description | Structure | Examples |
|---------------|---|---|---|
| if | Used to create a branch in your program: Code is only executed if a condition is true | <pre>if condition code end</pre> | <pre>if user_name.empty? puts "Please give us a name!" end</pre> |
| if/else | Two-way branch: One piece of code is executed if the condition is true, the other if it is false | <pre>if condition code else code end</pre> | <pre>if user_name.empty? puts "Please give us a name!" else puts "Hi, #{user_name}!" end</pre> |
| if/elsif/else | Multi-way branch: One piece of code is executed if a condition is true, another if another condition is true, and yet another if both are false | <pre>if condition code elsif condition code else code end</pre> | <pre>if user_name.empty? puts "Please give us a name!" elsif user_name == "Ferdinand" puts "Hey, I know you!" else puts "Hi, #{user_name}!" end</pre> |
| loop | Loops indefinitely (important: use break to step out of the loop) | <pre>loop do code end</pre> | <pre>loop do user_input = gets.chomp if user_input == "exit" break end end</pre> |
| each | Used to loop over all items in a collection (Array, Hash, ...) | <pre>collection.each do variable code end</pre> | <pre>[1, 2, 3].each do integer puts integer end</pre> |

Methods

Structure

```
def my_first_method(first_argument, second_argument)
  # This is the method body,
  # Here comes some useful code

  return_value
end
```

Example

```
def calculate_age(year_of_birth)
  age = 2015 - year_of_birth
  age
end
```

```
def print_hi
  puts "Hi there!"
end
```

Method calling

```
calculate_age(1953)
```

Truth table

| a | b | !a | a && b | a b |
|----------|----------|-----------|-----------------------|---------------|
| true | true | false | true | true |
| true | false | false | false | true |
| false | true | true | false | true |
| false | false | true | false | false |