Small-Step Semantics Evaluation

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1.Small-Step Semantics Warm-up

From the given boolean language, we evaluate the term as follows:

 $t ::= \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid \text{if } t \text{ then } t \text{ else } t$

1.a) Single-Step Evaluation:

For the term:

if true then if false then false else false else true

The single-step evaluation is:

if true then if false then false else false else true $\xrightarrow{\text{IfTrue}}$ if false then false else false

1.b) Final Result of Evaluation:

Evaluating the next step:

if true then if false then false else false else true $\xrightarrow{\text{IfTrue}}$ if false then false else false $\xrightarrow{\text{IfFalse}}$ false Thus the final result is as follows:

if true then if false then false else false else true \implies false

1.c) All Intermediate Steps for evaluation:

The complete evaluation with all intermediate steps is:

if true then if false then false else false else true $\xrightarrow{\text{IfTrue}}$ if false then false else false $\xrightarrow{\text{IfFalse}}$ false In total, it takes **2 steps** to evaluate to the value **false**.