



# Boolean Logic; Conditionals

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Week 2, Lecture 1

# Where we left off last time...

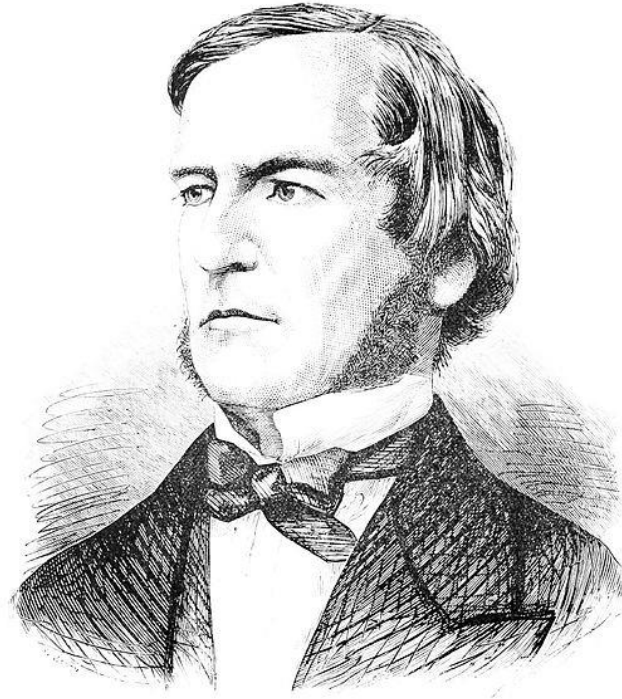


```
#include <iostream>
int main()
{
    std::cout << "Enter a number:" << std::endl;
    int value = 0;
    std::cin >> value;
    value *= 5;
    std::cout << value << std::endl;
    return 0;
}
```

# Boolean Logic



- Values are either *true* or *false*



- Named after George Boole



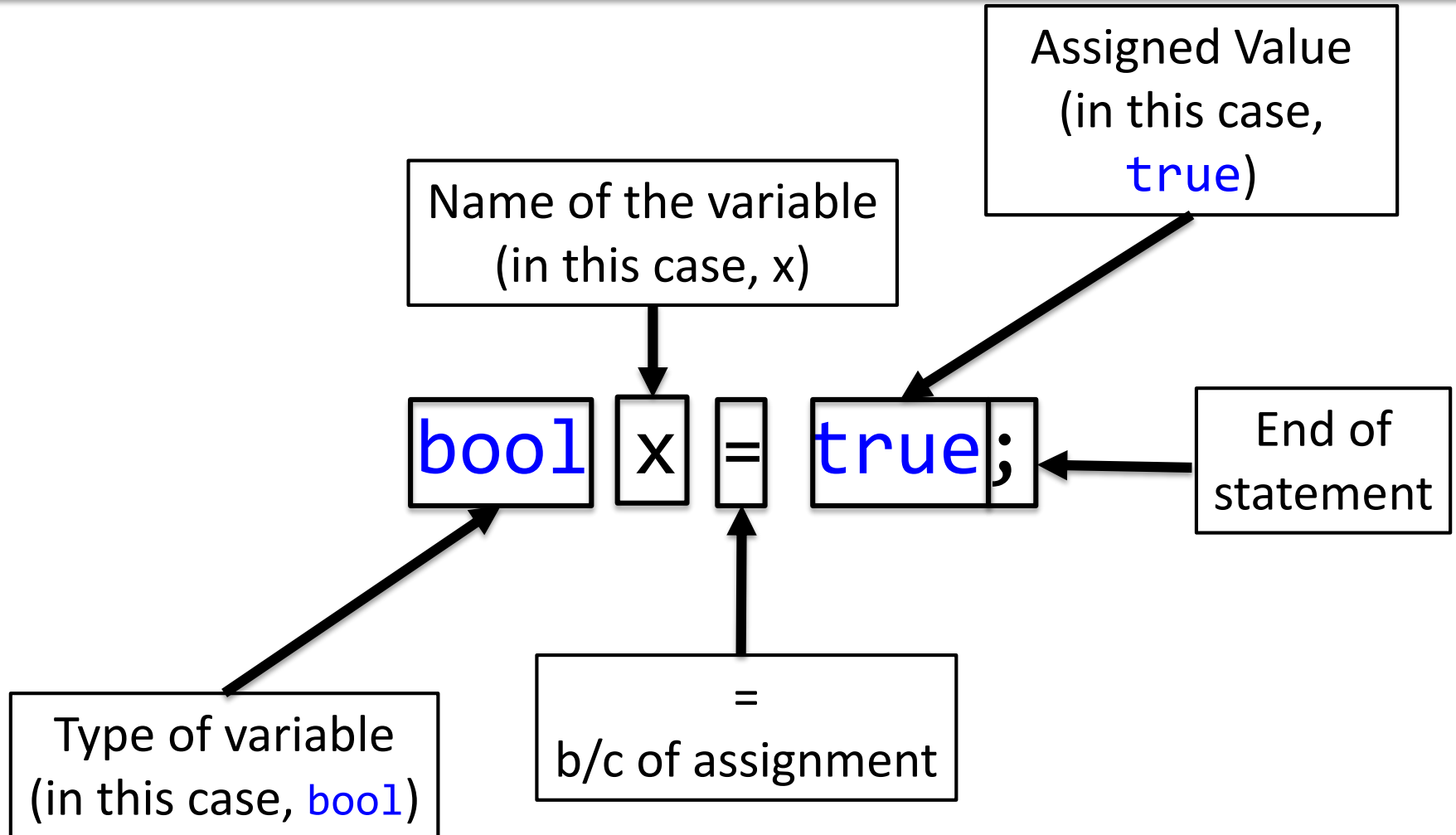
- The `bool` type allows you to declare a value that can only be `true` or `false`

```
// Basic bool declarations
```

```
bool test = true;
```

```
bool anotherTest = false;
```

# Variable Declaration w/ Assignment Syntax



# Comparisons



- You can perform comparisons with values of any type in order to get a **true** or **false** Boolean value

```
int x = 5;
// == means "is equal to"
// Since x is 5, isFive is true
bool isFive = x == 5;

// != means "is not equal to"
// Since x is 5, this is false
bool isNotFive = x != 5;

// > means "greater than"
// Since x is not > 10, this is false
bool isGreater = x > 10;
```

# Comparison Operators



- Each of these operators perform comparisons between variables

Operator	Comparison
==	Is equal to
!=	Is not equal to
>	Is greater than
>=	Is greater than or equal to
<	Is less than
<=	Is less than or equal to

# Boolean Expressions



- We can also express slightly more complicated Boolean expressions using Boolean operators

```
bool a = true;
```

```
bool b = false;
```

```
// ! is "not" or the logical negation
```

```
// So since a is true, !a would be false
```

```
bool c = !a;
```

```
// We can also make more complex expressions...
```

```
bool d = !(20 < 10);
```





- Given a and b from the last slide...

```
// || means "or" as in if either are true,  
// the Boolean expression is true
```

```
bool e = a || b;
```

```
// && means "and" as in if both are true,  
// the Boolean expression is true
```

```
bool f = a && b;
```

- && and || have lower precedence than the comparison operators

# Truth Table



a	b	!a	a    b	a && b
false	false	true	false	false
false	true	true	true	false
true	false	false	true	false
true	true	false	true	true



- If  $a$  is **true**, then  $a \mid\mid b$  is always **true**, so there is no need to evaluate  $b$
- Similarly, if  $a$  is **false**, then  $a \&\& b$  is always **false**, so there is no need to evaluate  $b$
- This is called ***short circuiting*** – we won't really use it for now, but we will at some point in the future

# More Compound Boolean Expressions



- A few more complex examples...

```
int x = 20;  
// This is true since x is  
// less than 100 and greater than 0  
bool test = (x < 100) && (x > 0);
```

```
int x = -20;  
bool allowNeg = true;  
// Is this true or false?  
bool test2 = (x < 100) && (x > 0 || allowNeg);
```

# More Compound Boolean Expressions



- A few more examples...

```
bool isTrue = true;
```

```
int x = 5;
```

```
//Result is FALSE: isTrue short circuits the OR  
//but the NOT negates the true.
```

```
bool result = !(isTrue || (x < 100));
```

```
bool isTrue = false;
```

```
int x = 5;
```

```
//Result is TRUE: isTrue short circuits the AND  
//but the NOT negates the false.
```

```
bool result = !(isTrue && (x < 100));
```

# More Compound Boolean Expressions



- The NOT operator can be overlooked because it comes BEFORE the expression but is evaluated AFTER the expression in the parentheses is evaluated.
- Sometimes tricky...
- Using NOT in the last two expressions is an example of De Morgan's Law

# De Morgan's Law



- A law that allows you to, in some cases, simplify Boolean expressions
- Not (A and B) is the same as (Not A) or (Not B):

$$\neg(a \ \&\& \ b) == (\neg a \ || \ \neg b)$$

- Not (A or B) is the same as (Not A) and (Not B):

$$\neg(a \ || \ b) == (\neg a \ \&\& \ \neg b)$$



- How do we input Booleans from the keyboard? (cin)
- Will this work?
  - TRUE
- NO! Any text will give us errors
  - While it's not technically incorrect, it won't behave the way we want
- Let's use output to see how C++ handles booleans



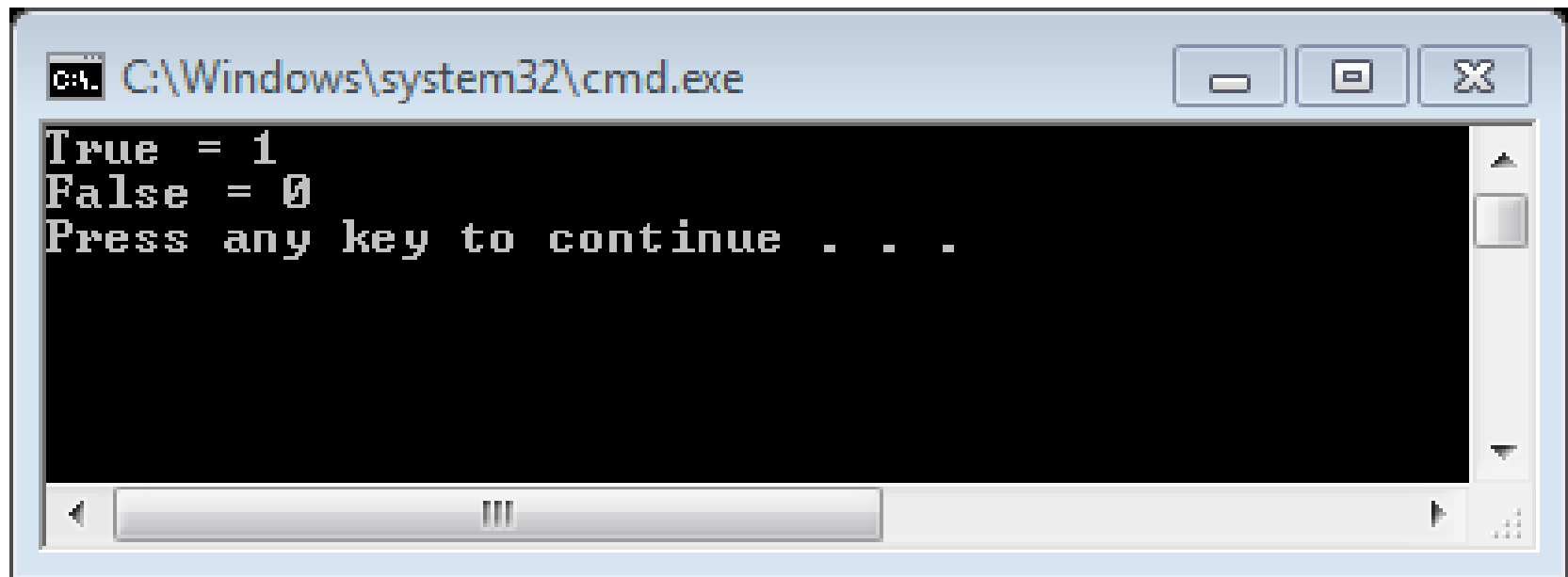


- Consider:

```
int main()
{
    bool trueBool = true, falseBool = false;

    std::cout << "True = " << trueBool << std::endl;
    std::cout << "False = " << falseBool << std::endl;
    return 0;
}
```

# Output Booleans

A screenshot of a Windows command prompt window. The title bar shows the path 'C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe'. The command prompt displays the following text: 'True = 1', 'False = 0', and 'Press any key to continue . . .'. The window has standard Windows XP-style window controls (minimize, maximize, close) and a scroll bar on the right.

```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe  
True = 1  
False = 0  
Press any key to continue . . .
```



- Booleans are represented as 0's, and 1's (like binary)
- In reality:
  - 0 = False
  - Any number except 0 = True
- For now, use 1 and 0 for true and false when asking for input



- Conditionals are powerful statements which allow specific code to run *only if* the condition is true
- The “condition” is a Boolean expression
- Without conditionals, it would not be possible for programs to do any sort of basic decision-making

# Sample Program with Conditional



```
#include <iostream>

int main()
{
    int x = 0;
    std::cout << "Enter a number:";
    std::cin >> x;

    if (x > 0)
    {
        std::cout << "You entered a positive number.";
    }

    return 0;
}
```

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    {
        std::cout << "You entered a positive number.";
    }

    return 0;
}
```

# Basic If Statement Syntax



`if` keyword

Condition (must  
be in parenthesis)

`if`

`(x > 0)`

`{`

`std::cout << "Stuff";`

`}`

Required open/close  
braces

Any number of statements to  
execute if condition is true  
(Must be inside the braces!)

# If Statement w/ Multiple sub-statements



- All of the statements inside the braces will execute only if the condition is true:

```
if (x > 0)
{
    std::cout << "You entered a positive number.";
    std::cout << std::endl;
}
```



# Matching Braces



```
int main()  
{  
    int x = 0;  
  
    if (x > 0)  
    {  
        // ...  
    }  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

# Matching Braces, Cont'd



```
int main()  
{  
    int x = 0;  
  
    if (x > 0)  
    {  
        // ...  
    }  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

# Matching Braces, Cont'd



```
int main()  
{  
    int x = 0;  
  
    if (x > 0)  
    {  
        // ...  
    }  
  
    return 0;  
}
```



- A **scope** starts at an opening brace, and ends at the matching closing brace

```
int main()
{ // Scope for "main" begins
  int x = 0;
  if (x > 0)
  { // Scope for if begins

  } // Scope for if ends
  return 0;
} // Scope for "main" ends
```

# Scopes and Indenting



- When you start a new scope, you should ALWAYS add indention for the statements within that scope
- This makes the code easier to digest

// This is poorly indented, so it's difficult to read

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
int x = 0;
```

```
if (x > 0)
```

```
{
```

```
// ...
```

```
}
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

# Scopes and Indenting, Cont'd



// Code is properly indented, easier to read!

```
int main()  
{  
    → int x = 0;  
  
    if (x > 0)  
    {  
        → // ...  
    }  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

# Scopes and Variables



- A variable exists only until the end of the scope it was declared in
- For example:

```
int main()  
{  
    int x = 0;  
  
    if (x > 0)  
    {  
        int y = 0;  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```

y is declared in the if scope.

The **if** scope ends here. So y no longer exists after this brace.

# Scopes and Variables, Cont'd



- So this would be an error...

```
#include <iostream>
int main()
{
    int x = 0;

    if (x > 0)
    {
        int y = 0;
    }
    std::cout << y; // Error: y is undefined

    return 0;
}
```



# Scopes and Variables, Cont'd



- This would be okay, however...

```
#include <iostream>
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int x = 0;
```

x is declared in the main scope.

```
    if (x > 0)
```

```
    {
```

```
        std::cout << x; // Works
```

```
    }
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

The main scope ends here.  
So x is valid until this closing brace.

# Scopes and Variables, Summary



- Always declare a variable in the topmost scope that it is necessary
- If a temporary variable only needs to exist inside an if statement, it can be declared inside the if statement
- If a variable must exist after the if statement, it must be declared in the scope before the if statement

# Lab Practical #2

