Expressions

- Expressions combine operands (variables, constants) and operators to produce new values.
  - e.g.: **x + count * (i + 4)**
- A constant expression is an expression that involves only constants.
  - A variable can be initialized using a constant expression.
  - e.g: **int total = 2+3*4;**

Practice with Relational Expressions

```
int a = 1, b = 2, c = 3 ;
```

Expression	True/False	Expression	True/False
a < c	T	(a + b) >= c	T
b <= c	T	(a + b) == c	T
c <= a	F	a != b	T
a > b	F	(a + b) != c	F
b >= c	F		

Arithmetic Expressions: True or False

- **Arithmetic expressions** evaluate to numeric values.
- An arithmetic expression that has a **value of zero is FALSE**.
- An arithmetic expression that has a value **other than zero is TRUE**.

Practice with Arithmetic Expressions

```
int     a = 1, b = 2, c = 3 ;
float   x = 3.33, y = 6.66 ;
```

Expression	Numeric Value	True/False
a + b	3	T
b-2*a	0	F
c- b-a	0	F
c-a	2	T
y-x	3.33	T
y-2*x	0.0	F

Expressions WHAT IS VALUE OF i????

- The operands used in an expression should be ideally of same type. The result of the expression will be of same type as operands type.
  - int i;
  - i = 3/2; /* what will be value of i ? */
- Automatic type conversion is done some times when the operands are of different types.

Automatic Type Conversions

- A narrower type is converted to a wider type.
  - In **3 + 4.0,** 3 is converted to float 3.0 (Compiler dependent)
- Expressions that might lose information, like assigning a longer integer type to a shorter, may draw a warning, but they are not illegal.
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```
float a, b, z; int  i, sum[5];
a=3.01, z = 5.0;
i = a+1;                    // i ← 4 ← 4.01 ← 3.01+1
sum[z] = 3;
b = sum[z] + a;             // b ← 6.01 ← 3+3.01
```

The Stone fish codones this first error and explains It using an e.g.

In spite of repeated warnings, a careless student (Roll No. 200123024.2, from IITG, name withheld) stepped on me the other day while sCuba diving in the Sea of Cs and entered the *Heaven of Pain*!

```
float a, b,z; int  i, sum[5];
a=3.01, z = 5.1;
i = a+1;                    // i ← 4 ← 4.01 ← 3.01+1
sum[z] = 3;
b = sum[z] + a;             // b ← 6.01 ← 3+3.01
```

The index of an array should be an integer.

Expressions

- What will be the values of i, j and k?

```
float i, j;
int k;
i = 3/2;          1.0    Converted to float
j = 3.0/2;        1.5    2 converted to float
k = 3.0/2.0;      1      Answer converted to integer
```

(1 or 1.5 or 2 …?)

- Conversions take place across assignments; the value of the right side is converted to the type on the left.

Explicit type conversions (Type casting)

- You can force the type to be converted.
  - (float) 3; /* has value 3.0 */
- Syntax : (type-name) expression
  - float f;
  - f = (float)3/2;
    - /* 3 → 3.0 because of explicit type conversion
    - 3.0/2 → 3.0/2.0 because of automatic conversion
    - So, *f* gets value 1.5 */
  - double d = 3.5;
    int i;
    i = (int) d; /* value of *d* itself is not changed */
    /* the value of (int) *d* is 3 */

Diving solo in the reefs of *Sea of Cs*

```
#include <stdio.h>int
int main()
{
        float a, b;
         int  sum[6];
         a=3.01;
        sum[5] = 3;
        b = sum[5] + a;
        sum[5] = b;
       printf("%d\n", sum[5]);     6
       printf("%f\n", b);          6.01
       printf("%f\n", sum[b]);
       return 0;
}
```

Assignment Operators and Expressions

- **i = i+2** ; can be written in a compressed form as
- **i += 2;**

i = i+2

= i+2

i+ = 2

Assignment Operators and Expressions

- Most binary operators of the form

  variable = variable **op** expression

  can thus be written as

  variable **op=** expression

- So what would this mean?

```
x *= y+1;
```

```
x *= y+1;
```

This means

```
x = x * (y+1);
```

Assignment Operators

= += -= *= /= %=

Statement	Equivalent Statement
`a = a+2 ;`	`a += 2 ;`
`a = a-3 ;`	`a -= 3 ;`
`a = a*2 ;`	`a *= 2 ;`
`a = a/4 ;`	`a /= 4 ;`
`a = a%2 ;`	`a %= 2 ;`
`b = b+(c+2);`	`b += c + 2 ;`
`d =d*(e-5);`	`d *= e - 5 ;`

Conditional Expressions

- variable = cond_expr ? expr1 : expr2

  cond_expr is evaluated first

  If TRUE (non zero) then variable = expr1

  else variable = expr2

- z = (a > b) ? a : b; /* z = max(a, b) */
- x = 5 ? 0:1; /* what is value of x */
- 0 or 1 or 5?

0

Increment and Decrement operators

- ++ (increment unary operator)
- -- (decrement unary operator)
- x++ means x = x + 1
- ++x also means x = x + 1

- NB: Increment and decrement operators ***can only be applied to variables***, ***NOT to Constants or Expressions***. Thus,

  5++ is not allowed because it means

  5 = 5+1

  y = x++ ; is same as y = x; x = x+1;

  - **Post increment** : Use and then increment

  y = ++x ; means x = x+1; y = x;

  - **Pre increment** : increment and then use

USE WITH CARE

Increment and Decrement Operators

- Check

```
int j, k, m;
j = 5;
k = j++;
m =  ++(j + k);
```

- Box jellyfish, named for their body shape, have tentacles covered in biological booby traps known as nematocysts - tiny darts loaded with lethal poison.

- Check

```
int a[5];
int j = 0;
a[++j] = 4;     /* j = j+1; First content of j is incremented, so j = 1
                   a[j] = 4; Thus,  a[1] = 4  */
```

Caution: We are in deep shark infested waters of the Sea of Cs


```
main()
{
int char = '0';
}
```

The Great White Shark:
{Carcharodon carcharias}
catching an error in the Sea of Cs

Compound Statements

- An expression such as ***x = 0*** or ***j++*** becomes a statement when it is followed by a semicolon ' ; '
- Braces ***{*** and ***}*** are used to group declarations and statements together into a ***compound statement***. *(OR Block)*

```
{ int j;
j=2+3;
j++; }   /*this entire thing now is a compound
                    statement */
```

Compound Statement

- Variables can be declared in *any* block. *Discussion on this is deferred.*
- NB: There is no semicolon after the right brace that ends a block.

```
{  int j;
   j=2+3;
   j++;
}
```

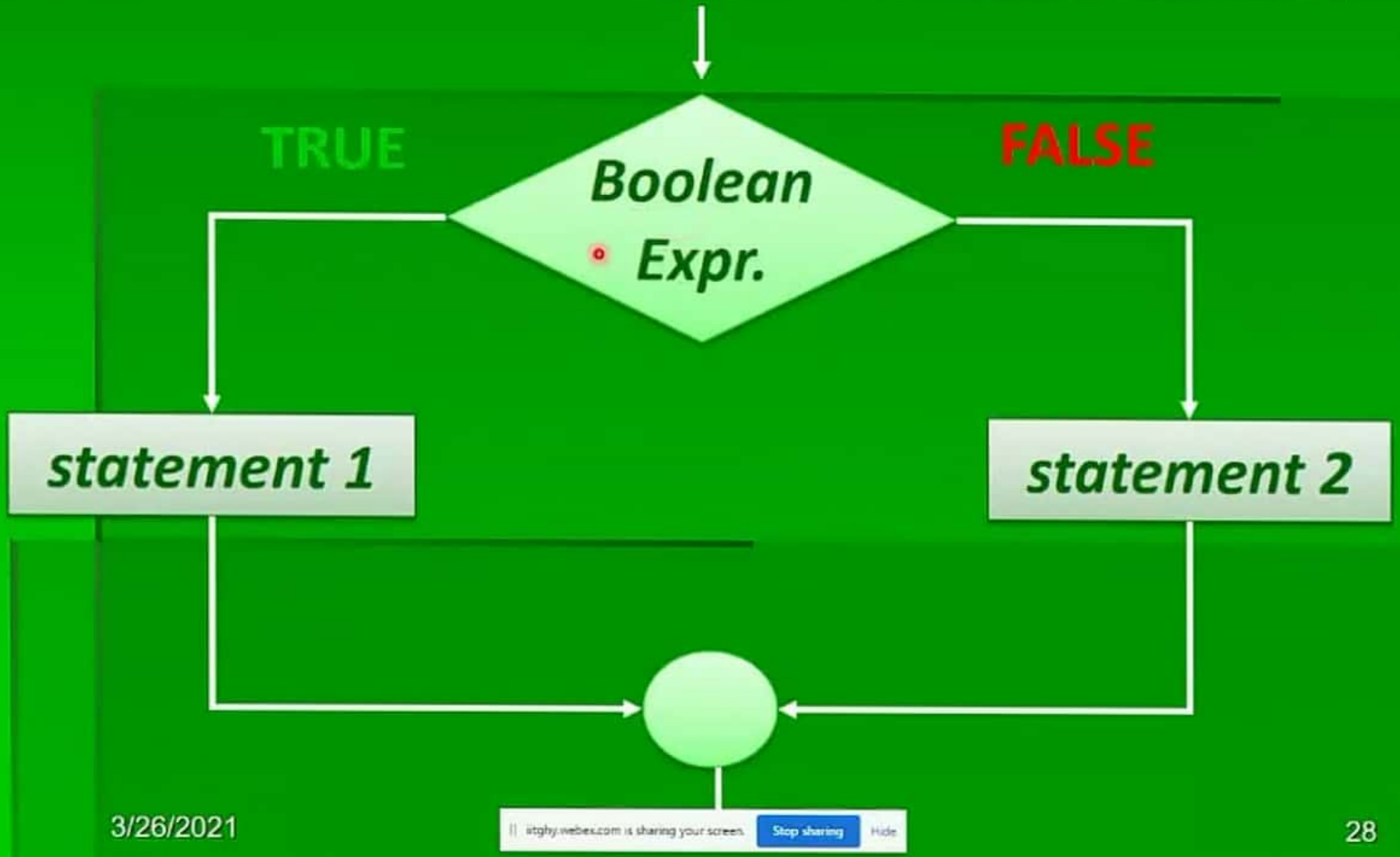
Selection: The *if* statement


```
if( condition )
{
  statement(s) /* body of the if
                  statement */
}
```

The braces are not required if the body contains only a single statement.

However, C Coding Standards recommend their inclusion.

Selective Execution: Flow chart



Examples


```
if( age >= 18 )
      {
         printf("You Vote!\n");
      }
```

Good Practices
Body: Always place braces around the body

```
if( value == 0 )
      {
            printf("You entered a zero, dumb-head!\n");
            printf ("Please try again.\n");
      }
```

Body

- *Easier to read*
- *Will not forget to add the braces if you go back & add a 2nd statement to the body*
- *Less likely to make a semantic error*
- **Indent the body of the *if* statement using 3 to 4 spaces - be consistent!**

if-else

- The ***if-else*** statement is used to express decisions.
- Formally the syntax is,
  - if(**expression**)
    statement1
    else
    statement2
- The else part is optional
- The expression is evaluated;
- If it is **TRUE** **(non-zero)** then **statement1** is executed, **otherwise** (if there is an else part) **statement2** is executed.
- ***NB:*** ***if(x != 0)*** is same as ***if(x)***

if-else: Best Practice – Use braces

WITHOUT BRACES

```
int  y = 5,  j,  k = 10;
if( y == 5 )
        k ++;
        j =  k * k;
else
        j = k;
```

BETTER WITH BRACES

```
int  y = 5,  j,  k = 10;
if( y == 5 )
{
    k++;
    j =  k * k;
}
else
    j = k;
```

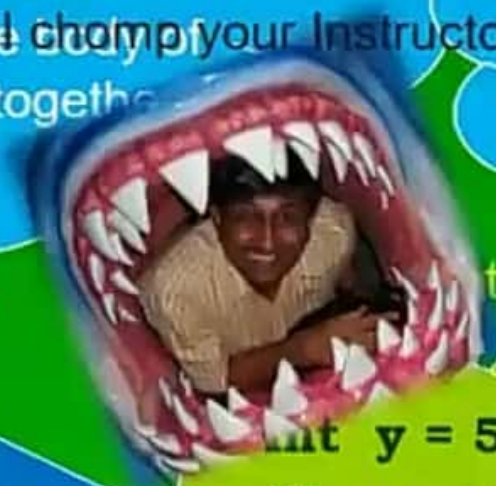
if-else

If (y == 5)
k++; /* The semicolon ends the body of the *if* statement altogeth

Explain the error or else I chomp your Instructor

If (y == 5)
{k++;
j = k *k;
} /* The closing brace ends the if statement so an else can follow */

```
int  y = 5,  j,  k = 10;
if( y == 5 )
        k ++;
        j =  k * k;
else
        j = k;
```



```
int  y = 5,  j,  k = 10;
if( y == 5 )
        {
                k ++;
        }
j =  k * k;
else
```

if-else

```
x = 0;
if( 2 != 1+1 ) ; /* if (expr is TRUE)
then do NOTHING */
    x = 5;
    printf( "%d \n", x);
```

Check:

```
x = 0;
if( 2 != 1+1 );
    x = 5;
printf( "%d \n", x);
```

- ; /* a null statement*/

So the output is 5

If-else Pitfalls

Check:

```
int j = 200;
if( j = 5)
   printf("A");
else
   printf("B");
```

- What is the output?

A

Because *j* has been assigned a value (=5) which is non-zero (**TRUE**).

NB: We are not checking whether *j* is equal to 5! If that is so we should have used *if(j==5)*

This is a common pitfall. Beware!

if-else

```
if( n > 0 )
    if ( a > b)
        z = a;
else
    z = b;
```

```
if( n > 0 )
{
    if ( a > b)
        z = a;
    else
        z = b;
}
```

else associates with the closest previous **else-less** ***if***.

if-else

```
if( n > 0 )
{
 if ( a > b )
        z = a;
   else
        z = b;
 }
else
{
        z = c;
 }
```