# LOGICAL BRANCHING

#### TODAY'S OBJECTIVES

- Things that can make up an Expression.
- Statements in a programming language.
- Blocks: what are they and how they are used.
- Boolean Expressions: what are they and how they are used.
- Comparison Operators: what are they and how they are used.
- Logical Operators: what are they and how they are used.
- Casting/data conversion: when it occurs, and why it's used.
- Grouping things in () in Boolean Expressions and why we'd want to.
- Truth Table: How to use it to figure out AND and OR interactions.

#### JAVA EXPRESSIONS

- Code is made up of expressions and statements.
- Expressions evaluate to a single value.
- Computers evaluate each expression separately.
- We use balanced parentheses to control order of evaluation or to make the order unambiguous.
  - $\circ$  x + y / 100 // ambiguous
  - o (x + y) / 100 // unambiguous, recommended

#### BOOLEAN EXPRESSIONS

- A boolean expression is an expression that evaluates to a boolean value (true or false).
- Used to conditionally execute blocks of code

#### JAVA STATEMENTS

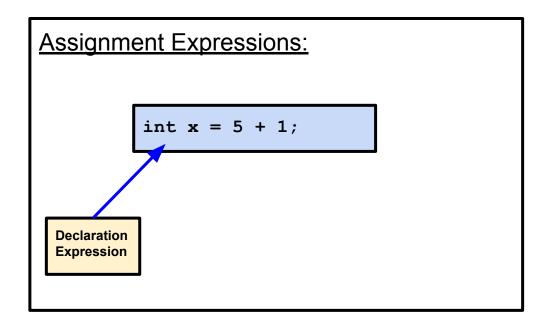
- Statements are roughly equivalent to sentences in natural languages.
- A statement forms a complete unit of execution.
- Some expressions can be made into a statement by terminating the expression with a semicolon (;).
  - Assignment expressions
    - aValue = 8933.234;
  - Any use of ++ or -
    - aValue++; // (more on this shortly)
  - Method invocations
    - System.out.println("Hello World!");
- Declaration Statements
  - double aValue;
- Control flow statements
  - (... more on these later this week)

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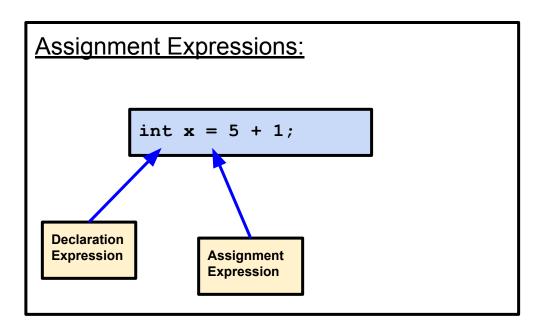
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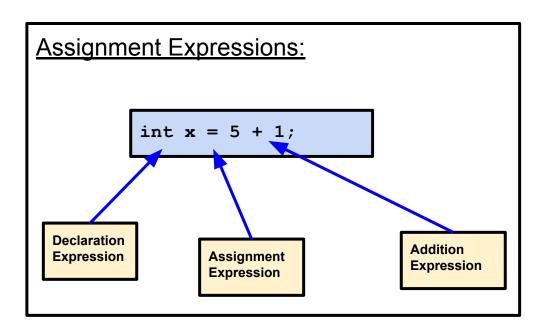
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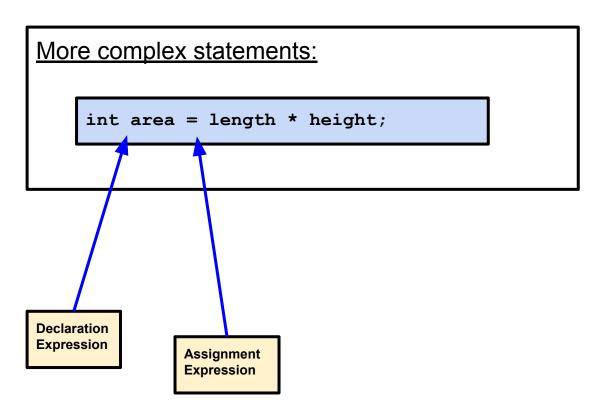


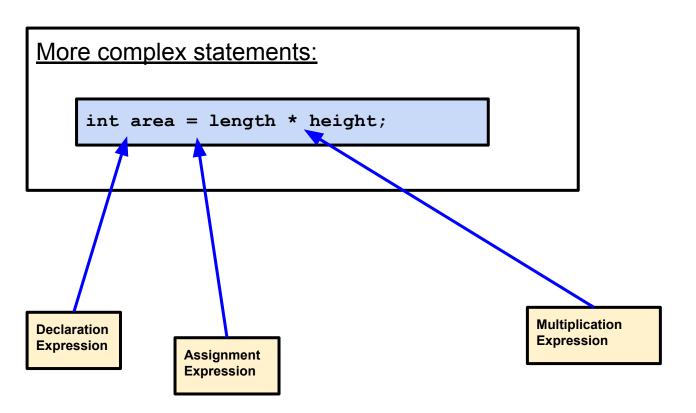
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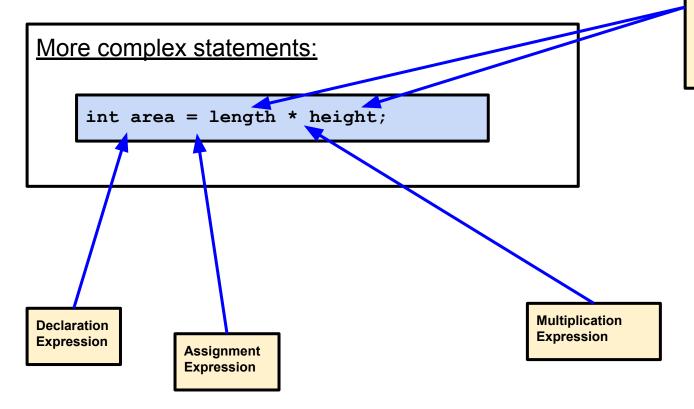
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More complex statements:
    int area = length * height;
Declaration
Expression
```







In this example, the Multiplication Expression operates on two variables which represent their own expressions (length and height).

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- numOfDays -= 1;

#### BLOCKS

- Code that is related (either to conform to the Java language standard or by choice) is enclosed in a set of curly braces ( { ... }
   ). The contents inside the curly braces is known as a "block."
- A block is a group of zero or more statements between balanced braces and can be used anywhere a single statement is allowed.
- Blocks are used in:
  - Conditional Statements (we will talk about this today)
  - Methods (ditto)
  - Loops
- Blocks allow multiple statements where normally only one is allowed.

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#### A NOTE ON IF/ELSE BLOCKS

You should **ALWAYS** use blocks with if/else statements even though they are not syntactically required.

This is the preferred style in terms of readability but you may also get unexpected results if you don't do that.

Let's take a look at why.....

### COMPARISON OPERATORS

The following operators allow you to compare numbers:

- == : Are 2 numbers equal to each other?
- >: Is a number greater than another number?
- < : Is a number less than another number?</p>
- >= : Is a number greater or equal to another number?
- <= : Is a number less than or equal to another number?</p>

### COMPARISON OPERATORS: EXAMPLE

Here is an example of using a comparison operator in an if statement:

```
public class Bear {
     public static void main(String[] args) {
          double myTEGradeAverage = 2.3;
          if (myTEGradeAverage >= 2) {
               System.out.println("I am in good standing!");
          else {
               System.out.println("I must work harder!");
     }}
```

myTEGradeAverage is certainly greater than 2, this statement is true, block will execute.

#### TERNARY OPERATOR

The ternary operator can sometimes be used to simplify conditional statements.

The following format is used:

(condition to evaluate) ? //do this if condition is true : //do this if condition is false;

You can assign the result of the above statement to a variable if needed. The data type of this variable would be what the statements on both sides of the colon resolve to.

### TERNARY OPERATOR: EXAMPLE

```
int myNumber = 5;
                                                    The if statement can be
String divisibleBy2 = "";
                                                    rewritten using the ternary
                                                    operator.
   (myNumber % 2 == 0 ) {
     divisibleBy2 = "Even";
else {
     divisibleBy2 = "Odd";
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#### AND / OR

- Recall that the condition needs to somehow be resolved into a true or false value, and we can achieve this by using the == operator.
- We can use AND / OR statements to state that code should only be executed if multiple conditions are true.
- The AND operator in Java is: &&
- The OR operator in Java is || (| is the pipe symbol, which is typically located under the backspace and requires a shift).

#### AND / OR: TRUTH TABLE

#### We evaluate AND / OR using truth tables:

- For AND statement:
  - True AND True is True
  - True AND False is False
  - False AND True is False
  - False AND False is False
- For OR statement:
  - True AND True is True
  - True AND False is True
  - False AND True is True
  - False AND False is False

A	В	!A	A && B	A    B	A ^ B
TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE
FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE
FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE

#### AND / OR: EXCLUSIVE OR

There is a third case called an "Exclusive Or" or XOR for short. The operator is the caret symbol ( ^ ).

- For XOR statements:
  - True XOR True is False
  - True XOR False is True
  - False XOR True is True
  - False XOR False is False

In most day to day programming, XOR is not used very often.

We will branch into this if the bear species is a Grizzly or Black Bear

The output of this code is "Nope, I'm ok."

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The check is false.
Statement won't execute.

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```
int myInteger = 2;

if( (myInteger == 2 && myInteger == 3) || myInteger == 4 ||
myInteger % 2 == 0 || myInteger == 6) {
    System.out.println("the combined statement is true.");
}
else {
    System.out.println("the combined statement is false.");
}
```

#### The output of this is "the combined statement is true."

- We evaluate what's inside the parentheses from left to right.
- Equality
   operators (==
   and !=) take
   precedence
   over AND (&&) /
   OR(||).

# ORDER OF JAVA OPERATIONS.... GIVEN WHAT WE KNOW

PEMDAS (Arithmetic Rules)

Equality Operators (== and !=)

AND / OR (&&, ||)

Items at the top of the list take higher priority.

#### Operator reference:

Summary of Operators (The Java™ Tutorials > Learning the Java Language > Language Basics) (oracle.com)

#### Operator precedence reference:

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