

Lecture 3

Chapter 3 Selections

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Objectives

- In this chapter you will:
 - Use Java to compare numbers using **relational operators**
 - Use '**compareTo**' and '**equals**' methods to compare strings
 - 'if – else' statements
 - 'switch – case' statements

Comparing Numbers in Java

- For primitive data types
 - `byte`, `short`, `int`, `long`, `float`, `double`, `char`, `boolean`
- Comparing numbers in Java is to compare numeric values
 - Less than, greater than, equal to
 - Result: “`true`” or “`false`”
- **Relational operator**
 - is a symbol in a logical expression to compare two values
 - is used compare two numeric primitives

The boolean Type and Operators

- Often in a program you need to compare two values, such as whether a variable **i** is greater than the other variable **j**.
- Java provides six comparison operators (also known as relational operators) that can be used to compare two values. The result of the comparison is a Boolean value : **true** or **false**.

```
boolean b = (1 > 2) ;
```

Relational Operators

Relational Operator	Example Let x=5, y=20	Value of Example
==	x == y	false
!=	x != y	true
<	x < y	true
>	x > y	false
<=	x <= y	true
>=	x >= y	false

Comparing Different Data Types

- Can compare literals and variables
 - `"a" == 7`, `"b" >= 6`, `"a" == b`
- Cannot compare a `String` with a number
 - `"7" == 7` does not compile
- Can compare any number with any other number, regardless of numeric data type
 - `"7" >= 6.9`
- Can compare a number and a `char`
 - Recall `char` evaluates to Unicode integer
 - `'B' > 'A'` is true

Apply the Concept

- Declare and initialize numeric variables
- Compare numeric variables, and print the results
- A common mistake is to use `=` instead of `==`

```
c = (a = b);    // assign the value of b
                // to a, and to c
```

```
c = (a == b);  // assign true to c
                // if a and b are the same
                // false otherwise
```

ComparingNumbers.java

```
public class ComparingNumbers {
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {
        // declare and initialize variables
        byte   aByte   = 5;
        short  aShort  = -9025;
        int     anInt   = 50000;
        //long   aLong   = 80923097239874992342L;
        long    aLong   = 809230972398749L;
        float   aFloat  = 5.0F;
        double  aDouble = 3.1415926535897;
        char    char1   = 'A', char2 = 'B', char3 = 'a';

        // form logical expressions
        boolean longFloatComparison = (aLong == aFloat),
            byteIntComparison      = (aByte <= anInt),
            doubleShortComparison = (aDouble != aShort),
            charComparison1       = (char1 == char3),
            charComparison2       = (char3 < char2);

        boolean expr = 15 % 4 * 7 + 15 >= 1
            || 7 < 12 || !(-8 != 7 && 7 <= 10 && 5 > 7);

        // print results
        System.out.println("Compare long   & float: " + longFloatComparison);
        System.out.println("Compare byte   & int  : " + byteIntComparison);
        System.out.println("Compare double & short: " + doubleShortComparison);
        System.out.println("Compare char1  & char3: " + charComparison1);
        System.out.println("Compare char  & char2: " + charComparison2);
        System.out.println("Value of long expression: " + expr);
    } // end of main
} // end of class definition
```

```
$ java ComparingNumbers
Compare long   & float: false
Compare byte   & int  : true
Compare double & short: true
Compare char1  & char3: false
Compare char3  & char2: false
Value of long expression: true
```


Useful Function: SquareRoot.java

The square root of a real number can be computed by `Math.sqrt()`

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class SqaureRoot {
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {
        double value;
        Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter a real number: ");
        value = input.nextDouble();
        System.out.println("Square root of "
            + value + " = " + Math.sqrt(value));
    }
}
```

Comparing Strings in Java

- Relational operators compare literals and variables of primitive numeric types
- In Java, strings are not primitives
 - Cannot be compared using relational operators

```
String str1 = "Hello";  
String str2 = "Hi";  
boolean result;
```

```
result = (str1==str2);    // ok on some machines  
                           // but not always  
result = (str1 > str2);   // compilation error
```

The String Class

- In Java a string is an object
- In a `String` object:
 - The data are the individual characters
 - The operations are methods for comparing and manipulating the strings
- The `String` class is used to define `String` objects
- The `String` class contains the methods `compareTo` and `equals` which compare strings

The Method compareTo

- Used to determine if one string is less than, equal to, or greater than another string
 - Each character in the string has a Unicode (numeric) value
 - Strings are compared by comparing the Unicode values of each individual character
 - Strings are compared left to right
- At the first different character, the (numerical) difference between the Unicode of the second string and the first string is returned

CompareTo Example

```
public class Ex32_compareTo {  
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {  
        String string1 = "aardvarks";  
        int comp1, comp2, comp3, comp4;  
  
        comp1 = string1.compareTo( "boa constrictors" );  
        // -1: Unicode for 'a' and 'b' are 97 and 98, string1 is smaller  
        // 'a' - 'b' = 97 - 98 = -1  
        comp2 = string1.compareTo( "aardvarks" );  
        // 0: exactly the same  
        comp3 = string1.compareTo( "Aardvarks" );  
        // 32: Unicode for 'a' and 'A' are 97 and 65, string1 is larger  
        // 'a' - 'A' = 97 - 65 = 32  
        comp4 = string1.compareTo( "aardvarks are cooler" );  
        // -11: the first 9 characters are the same  
        // but the second has 11 more characters  
  
        System.out.println(comp1 + " " + comp2 + " " + comp3 + " " + comp4);  
        // -1 0 32 11  
    }  
}
```

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The Method `equals`

- `compareTo` returns the difference in Unicode values of the first different character
- `equals` returns `true` if the strings are identical and `false` otherwise
- `equals` is case sensitive
 - Uppercase and lowercase letters have different Unicode values
- `equalsIgnoreCase` is case insensitive

equals Example

```
public class Ex32_equals {  
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {  
        String string1 = "aardvarks";  
        boolean comp1, comp2, comp3, comp3b, comp4; // equals result is a boolean  
  
        comp1 = string1.equals( "boa constrictors" );  
        // false: Unicode for 'a' and 'b' are 97 and 98  
        comp2 = string1.equals( "aardvarks" );  
        // true: exactly the same  
        comp3 = string1.equals( "Aardvarks" );  
        // false: case sensitive  
        comp3b = string1.equalsIgnoreCase( "Aardvarks" );  
        // true: ignore case differences  
        comp4 = string1.equals( "aardvarks are cooler" );  
        // false: numbers of characters mismatch  
  
        System.out.println(  
            comp1 + " " + comp2 + " " + comp3 + " " + comp3b + " " + comp4);  
        // false true false true false  
    }  
}
```

"Ex32_equals.java" 21L, 756C written

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All

Making Decisions

All selections have a comparison between two numbers or strings

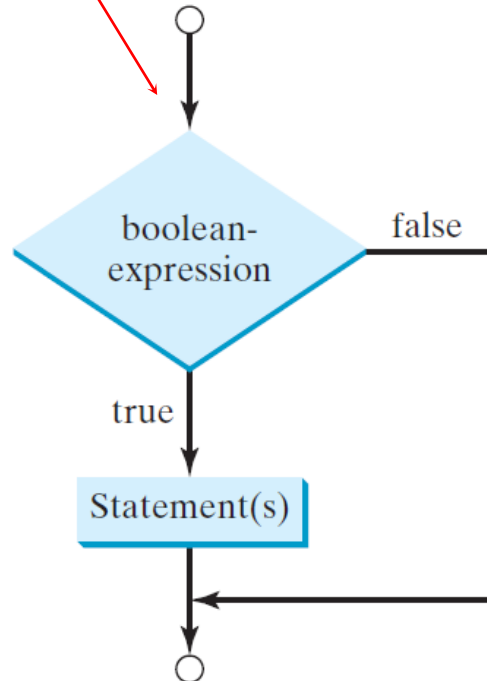
'if' / 'if, else' statements

Nested if

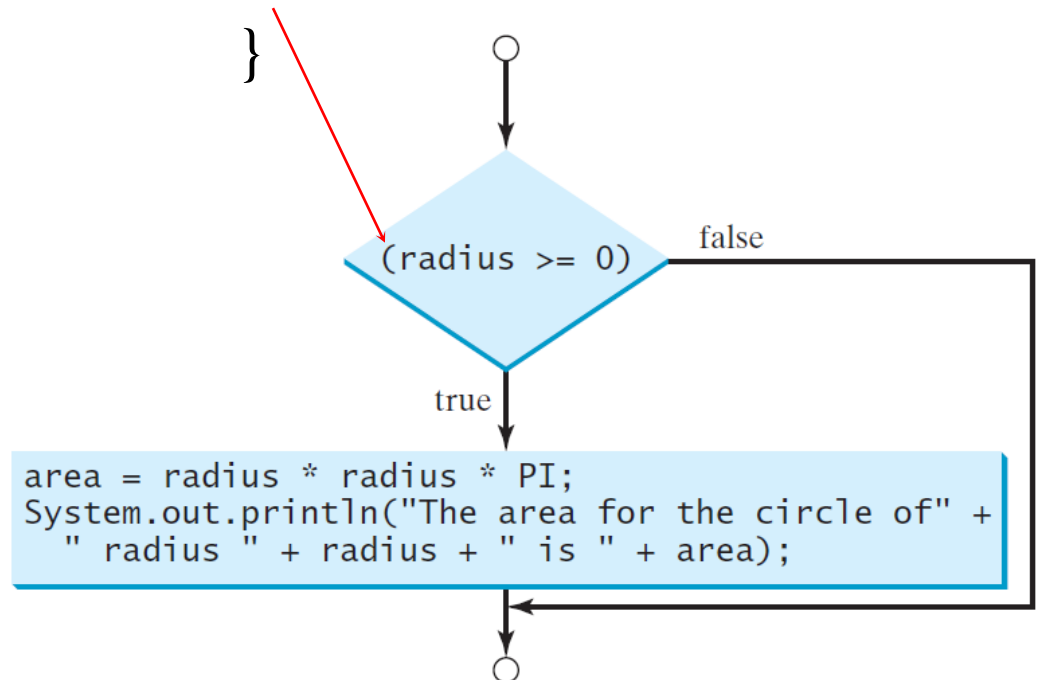
'switch – case' / 'break'

One-way if Statements

```
if (boolean-expression) {  
    statement(s);  
}
```



```
if (radius >= 0) {  
    area = radius * radius * PI;  
    System.out.println("The area"  
        + " for the circle of radius "  
        + radius + " is " + area);  
}
```



Note

```
if i > 0 {  
    System.out.println("i is positive");  
}
```

(a) Wrong

```
if (i > 0) {  
    System.out.println("i is positive");  
}
```

(b) Correct

```
if (i > 0) {  
    System.out.println("i is positive");  
}
```

(a)

Equivalent

```
if (i > 0)  
    System.out.println("i is positive");
```

(b)

Two-way: if-else statements

```
if ( condition )  
    action1;    // true  
else  
    action2;    // false
```

```
if ( grade >= 60 )  
    System.out.println("Passed");  
else  
    System.out.println("Failed");
```

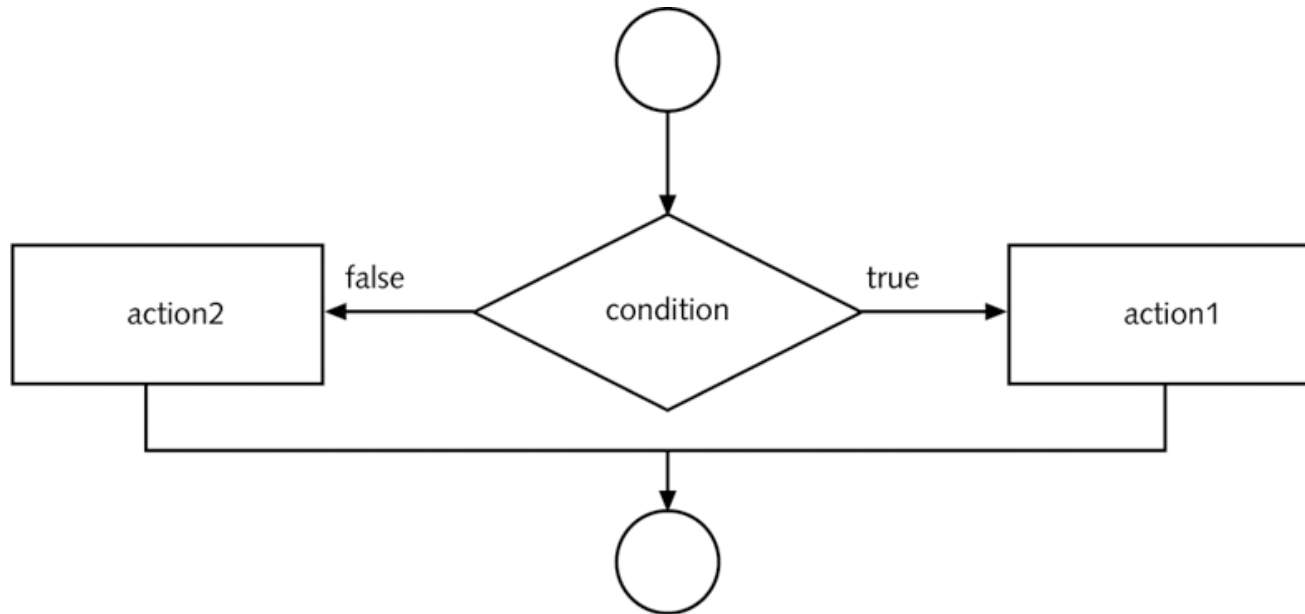


Figure 3.15 Flowchart segment for a two-way selection structure

Compound Statements

- Grouping single statements with braces ('{ }')
 - Also called a 'block'
 - Replaceable with a single statement

```
if ( grade >= 60 )
{
    System.out.println("Passed");
    System.out.println("Scholarship");
}
else
{
    System.out.println("Failed");
    System.out.println("No Scholarship");
}
```

[Q] What if no braces?

```
if ( grade >= 60 )
    System.out.println("Passed");
    System.out.println("Scholarship");
else
    System.out.println("Failed");
    System.out.println(
        "No Scholarship");
```

➔ Error!!

Example: Pay.java

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class Pay {
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {
        final int RATE = 5000;
        int pay, hours;
        Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.print("Enter time: ");
        hours = input.nextInt();

        if ( hours > 8 )
            pay = RATE * 8 + (int) (1.5 * RATE * (hours-8));
        else
            pay = RATE * hours;
        System.out.printf("Salary is %d.\n",pay);
    }
}

/*
$ javac Pay.java
$ java Pay
Enter time: 8
Salary is 40000.
*/
```

Nested if

```
// 1. single statement if
if ( C1 )
    statement;

// 2. nested if
if ( C1 )
    if ( C2 )
        statement2;           // when both C1 and C2 are true

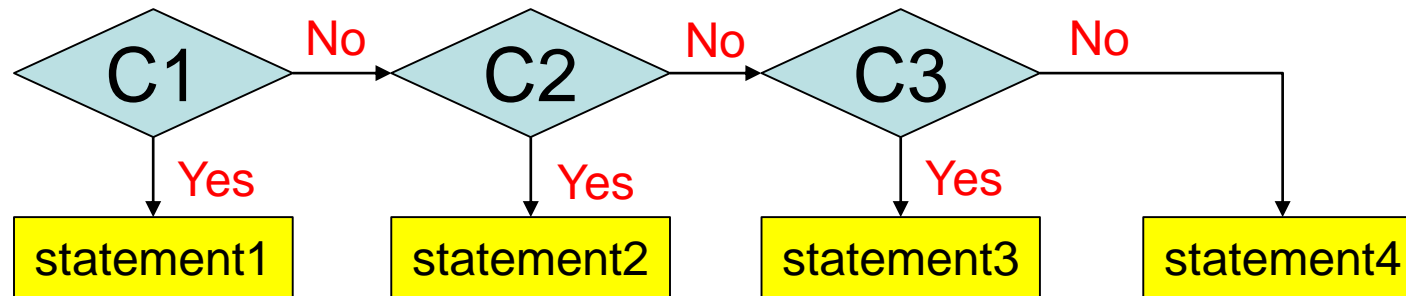
// 2-b. equivalent to
if ( C1 && C2 )
    statement2;               // when both C1 and C2 are true
```

Nested if

```
// 3. nested if-else
if ( C1 ) // if-1
    if ( C2 ) // if-2
        statement2; // C1 && C2
    else // matched to if-2
        statement3; // C1 && !C2

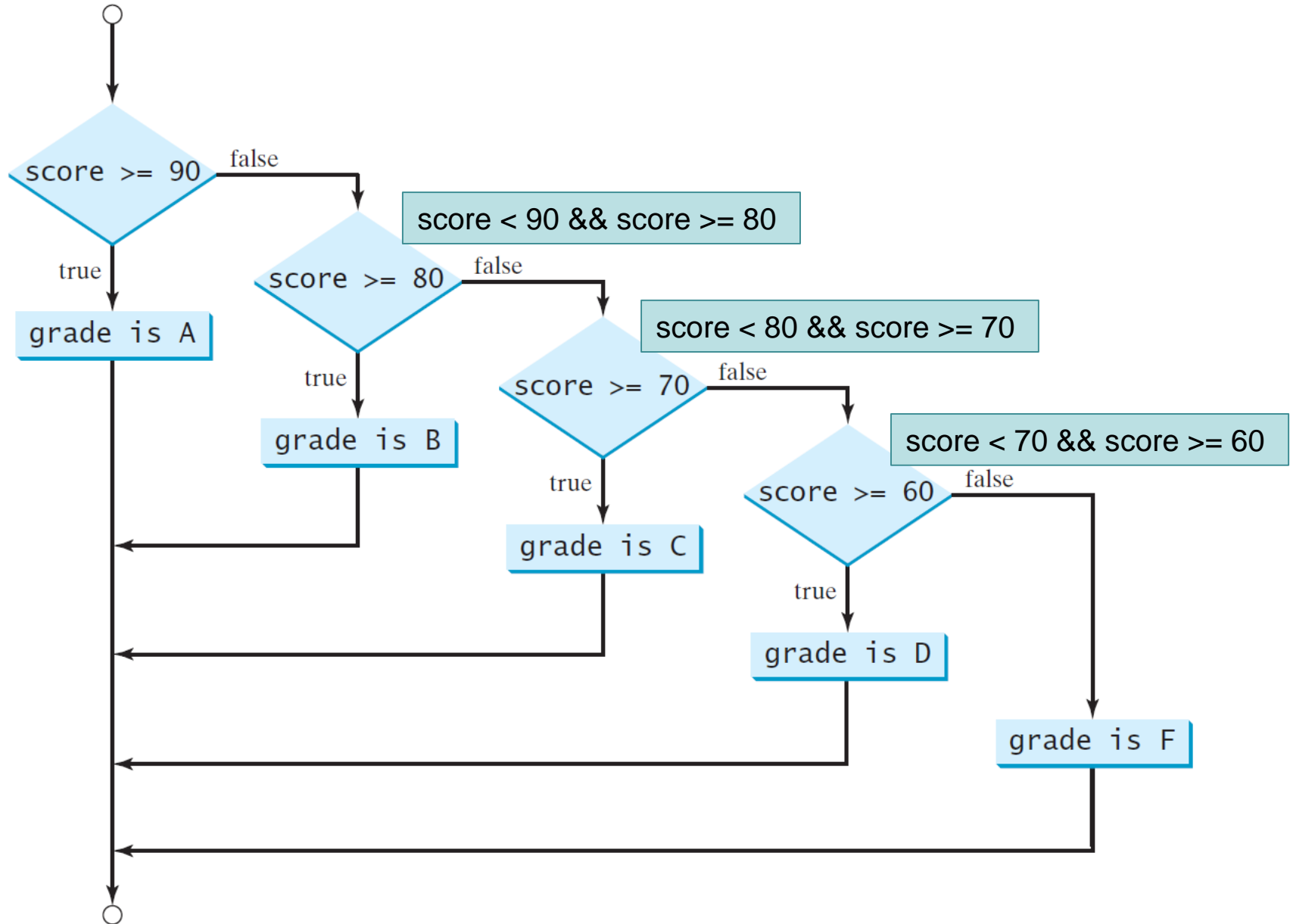
// 4. nested if-else with braces
if ( C1 ) // if-1
{
    if ( C2 ) // if-2
        statement2; // C1 && C2
}
else // matched to if-1
    statement3; // !C1
```

Nested if: cascaded



```
// 5. cascaded if
if ( C1 )
    statement1;
else if ( C2 )
    statement2;           // !C1 && C2
else if ( C3 )
    statement3;           // !C1 && !C2 && C3
else
    statement4;           // !C1 && !C2 && !C3
```


Cascaded if-else Statements



Cascaded if-else Statements

```
if (score >= 90.0)
    System.out.print("A");
else
    if (score >= 80.0)
        System.out.print("B");
    else
        if (score >= 70.0)
            System.out.print("C");
        else
            if (score >= 60.0)
                System.out.print("D");
            else
                System.out.print("F");
```

(a)

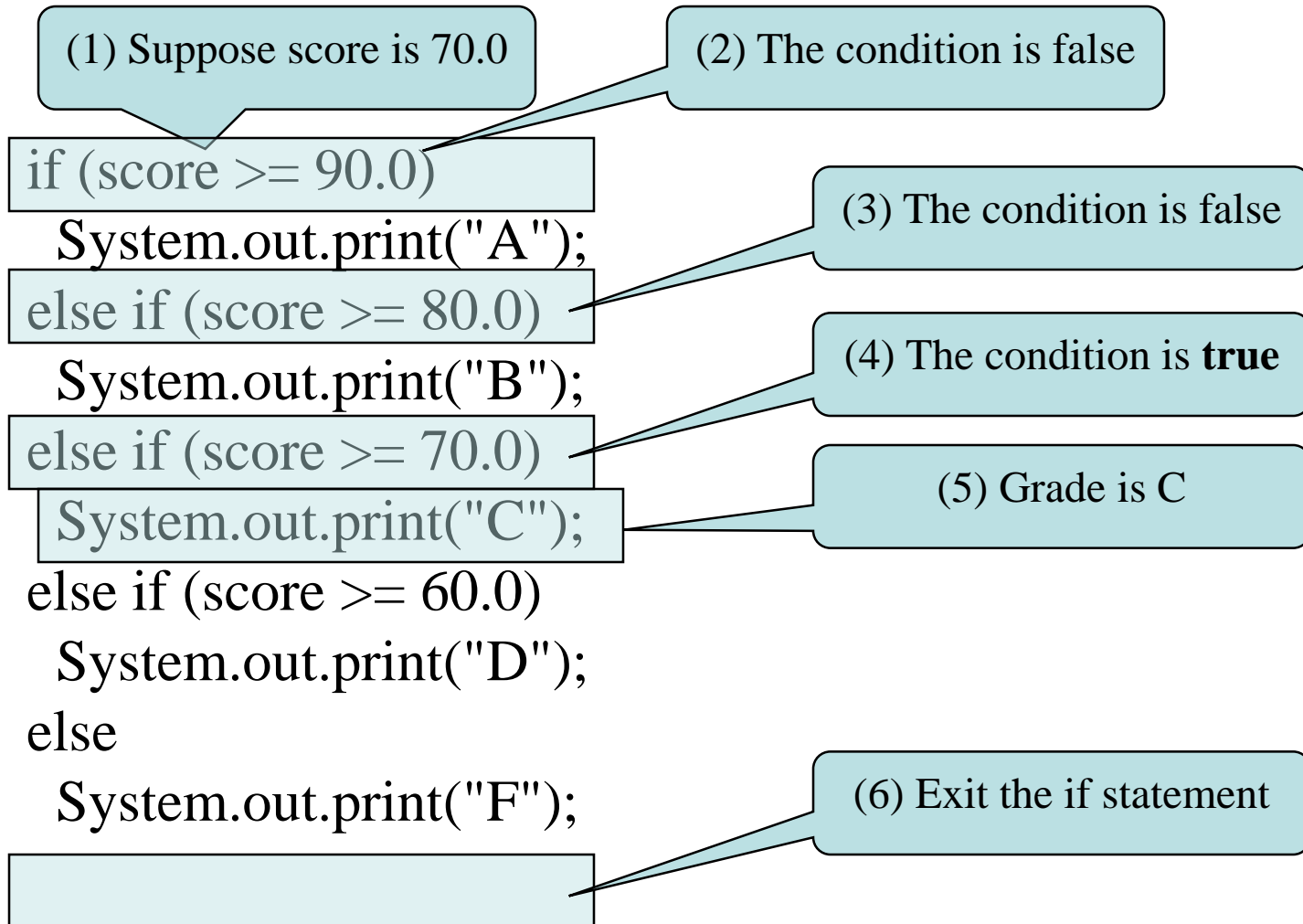
Equivalent

This is better

```
if (score >= 90.0)
    System.out.print("A");
else if (score >= 80.0)
    System.out.print("B");
else if (score >= 70.0)
    System.out.print("C");
else if (score >= 60.0)
    System.out.print("D");
else
    System.out.print("F");
```

(b)

Trace if-else statement



Tax.java

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class Tax {
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {
        int income, tax;
        Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.print("Enter your income: ");
        income = input.nextInt();

        if ( income <= 1000 )
            tax = (int) (0.09 * income);
        else if ( income <= 4000 ) // income > 1000 && income <= 4000
            tax = (int) (0.18 * income);
        else if ( income < 8000 ) // income > 4000 && income < 8000
            tax = (int) (0.27 * income);
        else // income >= 8000
            tax = (int) (0.36 * income);

        System.out.printf("Total tax is %d.\n",tax);
    }
}

/*
$ javac Tax.java
$ java Tax
Enter your income: 3000
Total tax is 540.
*/
```

Checkpoints

1. Write a if-else statements that prints “large” if a variable ***n*** is greater than or equal to 100, or prints “small” if ***n*** is less than 100.
2. What is the output of the following code for the values of ***k*** being 3, 0, -1, respectively.

```
if( k == 0 )  
    System.out.println("A");  
else if( k > 3 )  
    System.out.println("B");  
else  
    System.out.println("C");
```

Note

The else clause matches the most recent if clause in the same block.

```
int i = 1, j = 2, k = 3;

if (i > j)
    if (i > k)
        System.out.println("A");
else
    System.out.println("B");
```

(a)

Equivalent

This is better
with correct
indentation

```
int i = 1, j = 2, k = 3;

if (i > j)
    if (i > k)
        System.out.println("A");
    else
        System.out.println("B");
```

(b)

Note, cont.

Nothing is printed from the preceding statement. To force the else clause to match the first if clause, you must add a pair of **braces**:


```
int i = 1;
int j = 2;
int k = 3;
if (i > j) {
    if (i > k)
        System.out.println("A");
}
else
    System.out.println("B");
```

This statement prints B.

Common Errors

Adding a semicolon at the end of an if clause is a common mistake.

```
if (radius >= 0);  
{  
    area = radius*radius*PI;  
    System.out.println(  
        "The area for the circle of radius " +  
        radius + " is " + area);  
}
```



This mistake is hard to find, because it is not a compilation error or a runtime error, it is a logic error.

This error often occurs when you use the next-line block style.

TIP

```
if (number % 2 == 0)
    even = true;
else
    even = false;
```

(a)

Equivalent

```
boolean even
    = number % 2 == 0;
```

(b)

```
if (even == true)
    System.out.println(
        "It is even.");
```

(a)

Equivalent

```
if (even)
    System.out.println(
        "It is even.");
```

(b)

This is better

Logical Operators

Operator	Name	Description
!	not	logical negation
&&	and	logical conjunction
	or	logical disjunction
^	exclusive or	logical exclusion

Truth Table for Operator !

p	!p
true	false
false	true

p ₁	p ₂	p ₁ && p ₂	p ₁ p ₂	p ₁ ^ p ₂
false	false	false	false	false
false	true	false	true	true
true	false	false	true	true
true	true	true	true	false

Examples

Here is a program that checks whether a number is divisible by 2 and 3, whether a number is divisible by 2 or 3, and whether a number is divisible by 2 or 3 but not both:

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class TestBooleanOperators {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Create a Scanner
        Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);

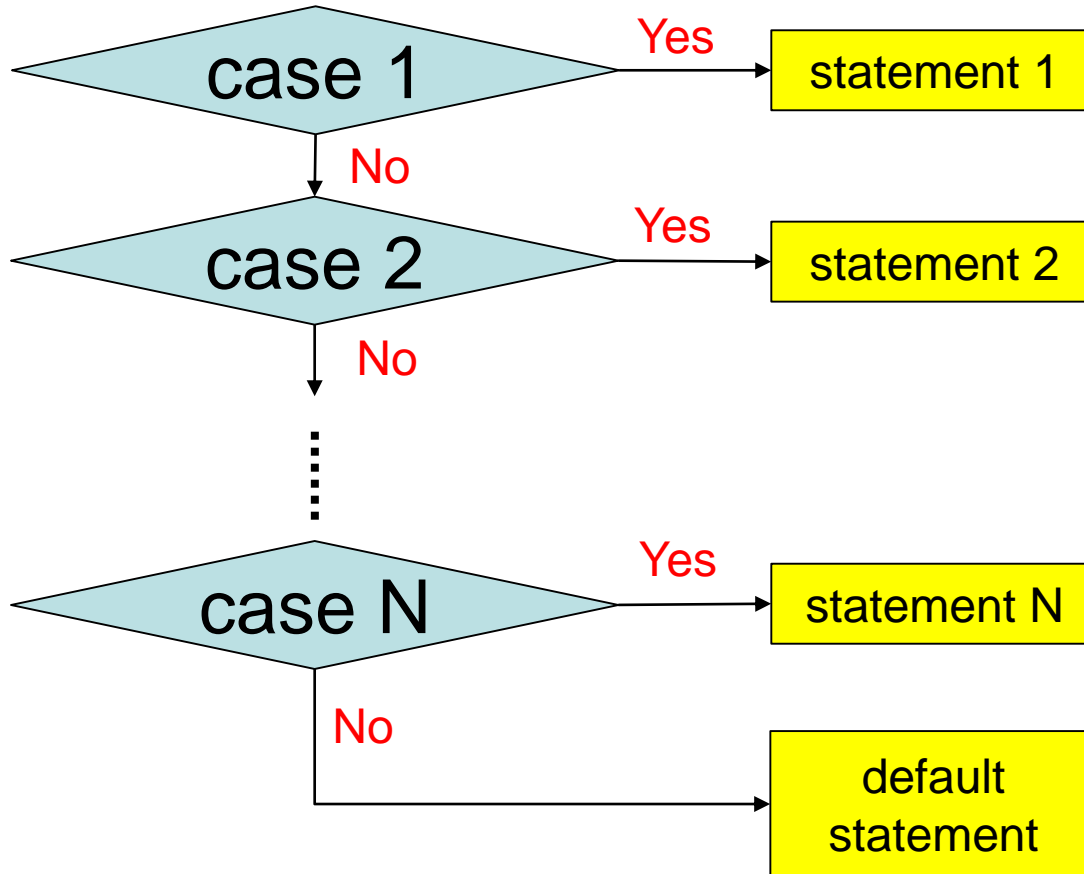
        // Receive an input
        System.out.print("Enter an integer: ");
        int number = input.nextInt();

        if (number % 2 == 0 && number % 3 == 0)
            System.out.println(number + " is divisible by 2 and 3.");

        if (number % 2 == 0 || number % 3 == 0)
            System.out.println(number + " is divisible by 2 or 3.");

        if (number % 2 == 0 ^ number % 3 == 0)
            System.out.println(number +
                " divisible by 2 or 3, but not both.");
    }
}
```

switch-case statement replaces if-else



```
// Java
switch ( a ) {
    case value_1:
        statement_1;
        break;
    case value_2:
        statement_2;
        break;
    ....
    case value_N:
        statement_N;
        break;
    default:
        default_stmt;
}
```

Switch Example – Number

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class SwitchExample {
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {
        int number;

        Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter your a number: ");
        number = scan.nextInt();

        switch ( number ) {
            case 0:
                System.out.println("Zero");
                break;
            case 1:
                System.out.println("One");
                break;
            case 2:
                System.out.println("Two");
                break;
            default:
                System.out.println("Many");
                break; // actually, no need to add this
        }
    }
}
```

Switch Example – String

```
public class StringSwitch {  
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {  
        String month = "february";  
        int monthNumber;  
  
        // from JDK version 7, string can be used in switch-case statements  
        switch ( month ) {  
            case "january":  
            case "January":    // if break is omitted, logical "or"  
                monthNumber = 1;  
                break;  
            case "february":  
            case "February":  // if break is omitted, logical "or"  
                monthNumber = 2;  
                break;  
            case "march":  
            case "March":     // if break is omitted, logical "or"  
                monthNumber = 3;  
                break;  
            default:  
                monthNumber = 0;  
        }  
        System.out.println(monthNumber);  
    }  
}
```

```

import java.util.Scanner;

public class DaysInMonth {
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {
        int month;
        int year = 2009;
        int days = 0;
        Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.print("Enter your a number: ");
        month = scan.nextInt();

        switch ( month ) {
            case 1: case 3: case 5: case 7:
            case 8: case 10: case 12: // "or"
                days = 31;
                break;
            case 4: case 6: case 9: case 11:
                days = 30;
                break;
            case 2:
                if ( ((year%4 == 0) && (year%100 != 0)) || (year%400 == 0) )
                    // leap year
                    days = 29;
                else
                    days = 28;
                break;
            default:
                days = 0;
                System.out.println("Wrong month number");
        }
        System.out.println("Number of days in month " + month + " is " + days);
    }
}

```