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Programming Assignment: Short Circuit Evaluation

Problem description:

Short circuit evaluation is the semantics of boolean operators in which the second argument is evaluated if and only if the first argument is true. When the first argument of the AND function is false, we skip the second argument and evaluate the whole statement to false. In this programming assignment, I write programs in C, Fortran, java, Python in order to see if the language implementation of these languages stated above has short circuit evaluation.

4 programs you ran with the output attached (C, Fortran, Java, Python)

1. C

Program:

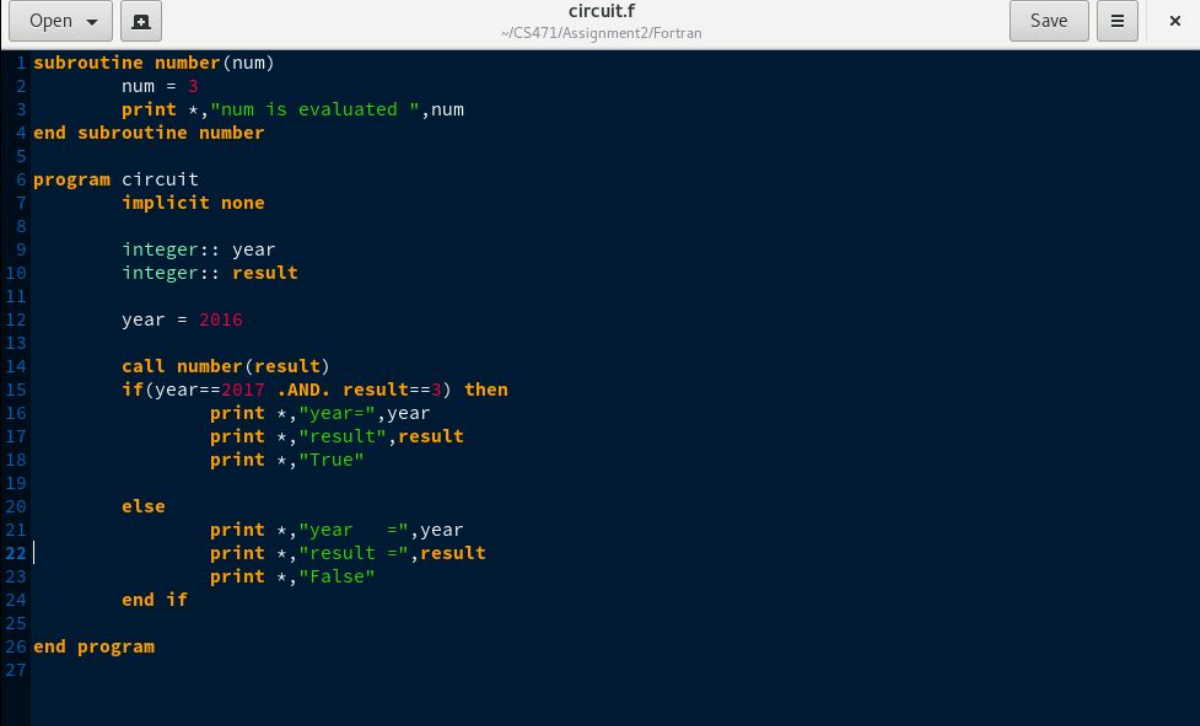
```
1 #include<stdio.h>
2
3 int a() {
4     printf("a is 1\n");
5     return 1;
6 }
7
8 int b() {
9     printf("b is 2\n");
10    return 2;
11 }
12
13 int main() {
14     int i = 1;
15     if(a() && b()) {
16         printf("True. a and b are evaluated\n");
17     }
18     else {
19         printf("False. a and b are not evaluated\n");
20     }
21 }
22
```

Output:

```
Terminal
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Assignment2/C> gcc -o program program.c
Assignment2/C> ./program
a is 1
b is 2
True. a and b are evaluated
Assignment2/C> 
```

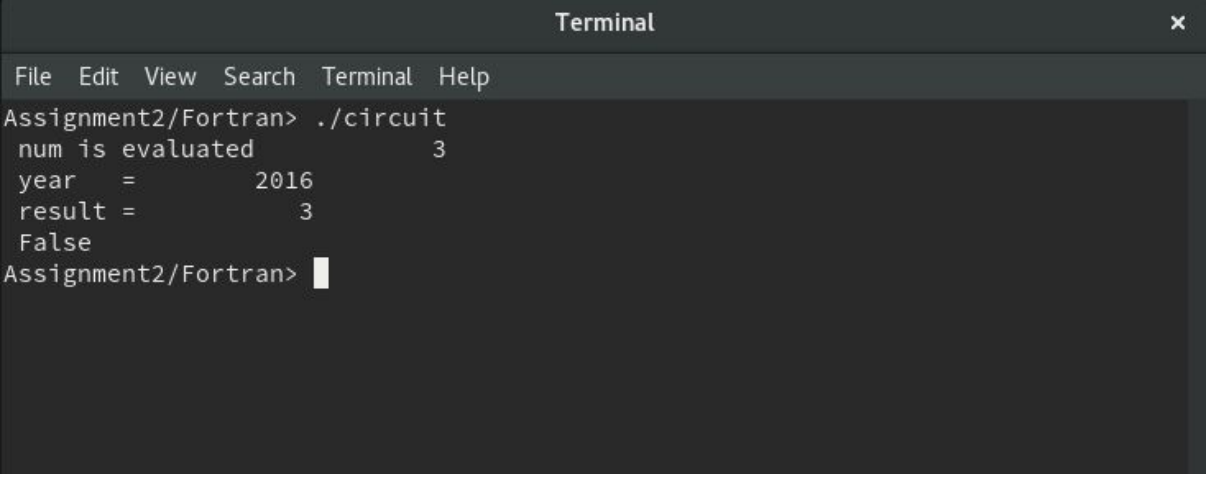
2. Fortran:

Program:



```
1 subroutine number(num)
2     num = 3
3     print *, "num is evaluated ", num
4 end subroutine number
5
6 program circuit
7     implicit none
8
9     integer:: year
10    integer:: result
11
12    year = 2016
13
14    call number(result)
15    if(year==2017 .AND. result==3) then
16        print *, "year=", year
17        print *, "result", result
18        print *, "True"
19
20    else
21        print *, "year  =", year
22        print *, "result =", result
23        print *, "False"
24    end if
25
26 end program
27
```

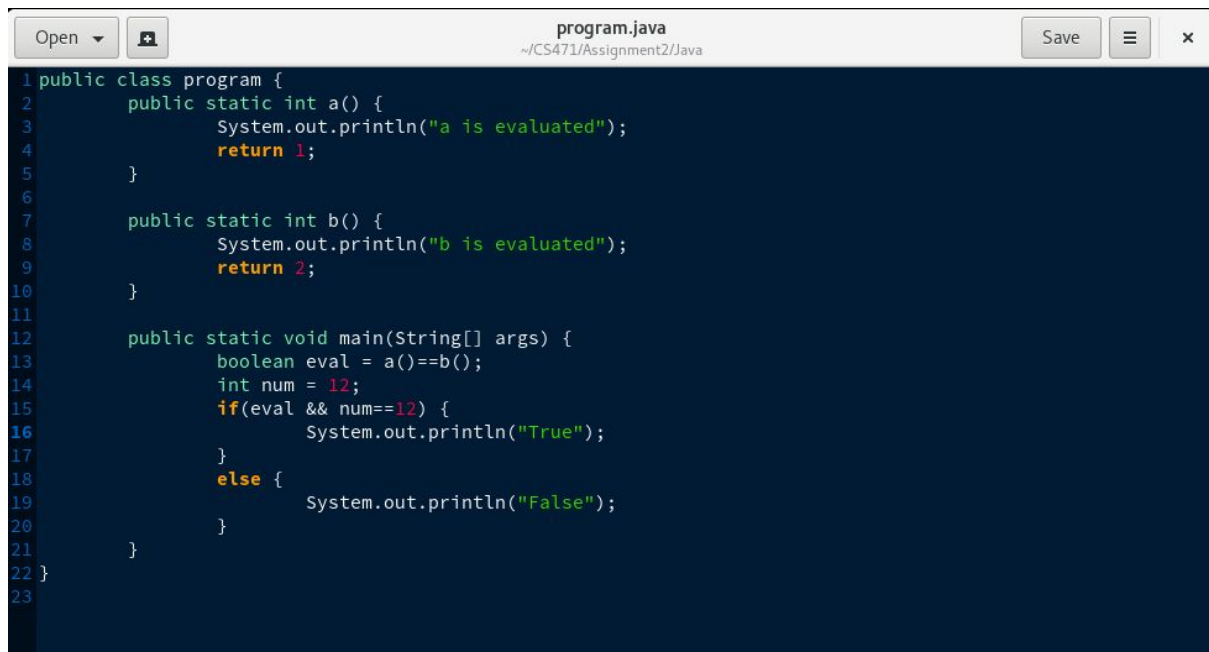
Output:



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Terminal
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Assignment2/Fortran> ./circuit
num is evaluated          3
year  =          2016
result =          3
False
Assignment2/Fortran> 
```

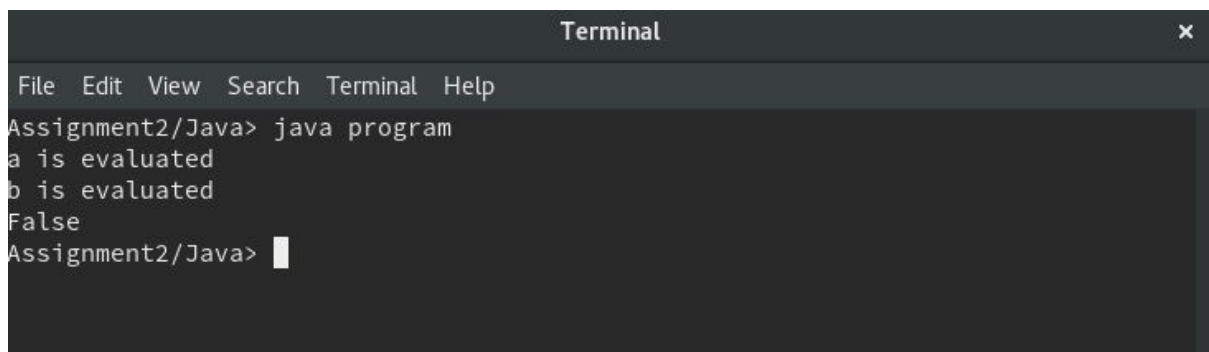
3. Java:

Program:



```
1 public class program {
2     public static int a() {
3         System.out.println("a is evaluated");
4         return 1;
5     }
6
7     public static int b() {
8         System.out.println("b is evaluated");
9         return 2;
10    }
11
12    public static void main(String[] args) {
13        boolean eval = a()==b();
14        int num = 12;
15        if(eval && num==12) {
16            System.out.println("True");
17        }
18        else {
19            System.out.println("False");
20        }
21    }
22 }
23
```

Output:



```
Terminal
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Assignment2/Java> java program
a is evaluated
b is evaluated
False
Assignment2/Java> 
```

4. Python:

Program:



```
1 def number(n):
2     print "Number is evaluated to %d" %n
3     return n
4
5 csClass = 471
6 age = number(22)
7
8 if age==21 and csClass==471:
9     print "True "
10 else:
11     print "False"
12
```

Output:

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Terminal
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Assignment2/Python> python circuit.py
Number is evaluated to 22
False
Assignment2/Python> 
```

Summary of the results in tabular form of experiments

Programming Languages	Support short circuit evaluation? (Yes/No)
C	Yes
Fortran	Yes
Java	Yes
Python	Yes