WIX1002 Fundamentals of Programming

Chapter 3 Flow of Control (Selection)



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Introduction



- Flow control is to used to specify the order of the statements to be executed.
- Program can be written in three types of flow control namely the sequence, selection and repetition.
- When the statements are executed one after the other in order, it is called the sequence flow.
- A selection flow chooses among alternative courses of action.
- A repetition flow specifies that an action is to be repeated while some condition remains true.

Introduction



- Computer programs often need to make decisions, taking different actions depending on the condition.
- In Java, if and switch statement are used to carry out the decision.
- The statement is controlled by the **boolean expression**.
- Relational/Conditional operator can be used in the boolean expression.
- If there is more than one constraint/condition in the decision making, the logical operators are used to merge multiple constraint/conditions.





 The relational operator tests the relationship between two values.

Operator	Description	Examples
==	Equal	a==b
!=	Not Equal	c!=d
>	Greater than	x>y
>=	Greater than or equal	x>=y
<	Less than	a <b< td=""></b<>
<=	Less than or equal	a<=b





 The logical operator is used to create complex Boolean expression by merging multiple constraints/conditions.

Operator	Description	Examples
&&	AND (true && true is true, others false)	a==b && c==d
11	OR (false && false is false, others true)	c!=d a <b< td=""></b<>
!	NOT (!false is true. !true is false)	!(x>y)





- if statement is used to implement a decision. It consists of condition and body.
- If the condition is true, the body of the statement is executed.

```
if ( condition1 )
    statement 1;

// use brace {
    if ( condition1 ) {
        statement 1;
        statement 2;
    }
}
```

more than 1 statements

if

```
if (number > 0)
    System.out.println("The number is positive");
if (result < 50) {
    System.out.println("You did not pass");
    System.out.println("Try harder next time");
}</pre>
```



if-else

 if-else statement chooses between two alternative statements based on the condition or boolean expression if (condition1) statement 1; else statement 2; if (myScore > yourScore) System.out.println("I Win!"); else System.out.println("You Win!");

if-else

```
// use brace {
if ( condition1 ) {
  statement 1;
  statement 2;
else {
  statement 3;
  statement 4;
```



more than 1 statements

if-else

- String Comparison
 - When testing string for equality, DO NOT USE == operator. Use equals or equalsignoreCase.
 - String.equals(other_string)
 - String.equalsIgnoreCase(other_string)

```
String s1, s2;
if (s1.equals(s2))
   System.out.println("They are equal strings.");
else
   System.out.println("They are not equal strings.");
```





Alphabetical Order

- Lexicographic ordering is used to order alphabet according to ASCII ordering. Use compareTo and compareTolgnoreCase.
- String.compareTo (other_string)
- String.compareToIgnoreCase(other_string)
- s1.compareTo(s2)
 - Return negative value if s1 comes before s2.
 - Return positive value if s2 comes before s1.
 - Return zero if s1 is equal to s2.





 Multiway if-else statement is the if-else statement nested inside the if-else statement

```
if (condition1)
statement 1;
else if (condition2)
statement 2;
else if (condition3)
statement 3;
else
statement 4;
```

Multiway if-else

```
if (myScore > yourScore) {
  System.out.println("I Win!");
else if (myScore < yourScore) {
  System.out.println("You Win!");
else {
  System.out.println("Tie!");
```







 switch statement can be used to represent multiway ifelse statement.

```
switch (variable) {
case value1:
  statement 1;
  break;
case value2:
  statement 2;
  break;
default:
  statement 3;
```





```
switch (number) {
 case 1:
   System.out.println("Satu");
   break;
 case 2:
   System.out.println("Dua");
   break;
 case 3:
   System.out.println("Tiga");
   break;
 default:
   System.out.println("This program accepts the number from 1 to 3
   only");
```

Ternary Operator



- The ternary operator ? : is similar to if-else statement
- condition1 ? statement1 : statement2
 - If the condition1 is true, the statement1 will be executed.
 - If the condition1 is false, the statement2 will be executed.
 - y = x >= 0 ? x : -x;

Common Error

- if number > 0
 - System.out.println("No bracket");
- if (x > 5 * (y z))
 - System.out.println("Miss one bracket");
- if (0 <= mark <= 100)
 - System.out.println("Invalid syntax");
- if (choice = 'Q')
 - System.out.println("Equal sign error");
- if (age > 21 and mark > 80)
 - System.out.println("and should be &&");



Common Error

```
    switch (monthNum) {
        case 1:
            System.out.println("January");
        case 2:
            System.out.println("No break");
        }
```





