

# Programming IV

Making decisions in code

# More complex algorithms: actions that depend on decisions

- The simple algorithms we've learned so far just do the same thing repeatedly, regardless of the result
- We can implement more complicated programs if we are able to have the program do different things depending on what is happening
- Also useful for checking for error conditions

# If...then

- If...then statements allow you to execute different commands depending on a logical test
- We've seen these as functions in Excel

=if(a2=b2, c2\*d2, 2\*c2\*d2)

- In a macro, we embed the actions if true and actions if false between an “If...End if” statement
- Anything between the If and the End If will only be calculated if the If is true



# Example: cross-tabulating the caterpillar data

- To get the counts of butterflies that chose clean or EA air based on their training we need to count the combinations of treatment and response
- That is, how we count the adult response depends on what the caterpillar treatment was
- How do we do this in code?

	A	B	C	
1	Moth ID	Treatment	Adult responses	Ra
2	1	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
3	2	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
4	3	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
5	4	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
6	5	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
7	6	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
8	7	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
9	8	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
10	9	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
11	10	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
12	11	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
13	12	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
14	13	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
15	14	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
16	15	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
17	16	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
18	17	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
19	18	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
20	19	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
21	20	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
22	21	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
23	22	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	
24	23	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	

# If...then...end if statements – making decisions in code

- If...then...end if statements evaluate if a condition is true
  - If the condition is true the code between then and end if is executed
  - If it is not nothing is done
- We can use this to work our way through the rows, and for each animal check if it was trained to avoid EA or was a control



# Example: using If...then...end if

```
If Range("B" & i).Value = "Trained to avoid EA" Then  
    adClean_trEA = adClean_trEA + 1  
End If
```

Check the  
treatment type

Do a thing if it's  
a Trained to  
Avoid EA  
animal

# Variables

- In addition to using spreadsheet cells we can define variables in code
- For example, to count how many of the animals that chose clean air had been trained to avoid EA air we could define an variable to hold this value:

```
Dim adClean_trEA As Integer
```

defines a variable and assigns it a data type

- We can only assign data of the correct type to this variable
  - Assigning floating point number will drop the decimal
  - Assigning text will result in an error message



# Assignment to variables

- Just like with Excel cells, we can assign values to variables using =

`adClean_trEA = adClean_trEA + 1`

takes the current value of `adClean_trEA` and adds 1 to it, then assigns it back into `adClean_trEA`

- This adds 1 to the count



# To get a count of every combination of training type and adult choice...

- We need a variable for each choice:

Dim adClean as Integer

Dim adEA as Integer

- We need a count of how many of the adults that chose clean air were trained to avoid EA

Dim adClean\_trEA as Integer

- We need a count of how many of the adults that chose EA air were trained to avoid EA air

Dim adEA\_trEA as Integer

- We can get the other combinations by subtracting

- Number that chose clean air in the control group is  $\text{adClean} - \text{adClean\_trEA}$

- Number that chose EA air in the control group is  $\text{adEA} - \text{adEA\_trEA}$

# Initialize the variables

- When you define a variable you can't be certain of what its value is initially
- After defining a variable, it's best to assign it a starting value

adClean = 0

adEA = 0

adClean\_trEA = 0

adEA\_trEA = 0

- Now we can work through the data and count up these variables



First If – check if the adult decision was “Chose clean air”

```
For i = 2 To 88
  If Range("C" & i).Value = "Chose clean air" Then
    adClean = adClean + 1
    If Range("B" & i).Value = "Trained to avoid EA" Then
      adClean_trEA = adClean_trEA + 1
    End If
  Else
    adEA = adEA + 1
    If Range("B" & i).Value = "Trained to avoid EA" Then
      adEA_trEA = adEA_trEA + 1
    End If
  End If
Next i
```

If it chose clean air add 1 to the count

If it was trained to avoid EA add 1 to the count

Second (“nested”) If – check if it also was trained to avoid EA

First If – check if the adult decision was “Chose clean air”

```
For i = 2 To 88
  If Range("C" & i).Value = "Chose clean air" Then
    adClean = adClean + 1
    If Range("B" & i).Value = "Trained to avoid EA" Then
      adClean_trEA = adClean_trEA + 1
    End If
  Else
    adEA = adEA + 1
    If Range("B" & i).Value = "Trained to avoid EA" Then
      adEA_trEA = adEA_trEA + 1
    End If
  End If
Next i
```

Else – executed if the If... returns FALSE (and thus chose EA)

If it chose EA add 1 to the count

If trained to avoid EA add 1 to the count

Second (“nested”) If – check if it also was trained to avoid EA



# Recording the results back to Excel

- We can assign the counts to Excel cells
- $\text{adClean} - \text{adClean\_trEA}$  is the number that chose clean air that were in the control group
- $\text{adEA} - \text{adEA\_trEA}$  is the number that chose EA that were in the control group

```
Range("I18") = adClean - adClean_trEA  
Range("J18") = adClean_trEA  
Range("K18") = adClean  
Range("I19") = adEA - adEA_trEA  
Range("J19") = adEA_trEA  
Range("K19") = adEA
```

25	32
21	9

# Add some labeling, row and column totals...

```
Range("I17") = "Control"  
Range("J17") = "Trained to avoid EA"  
Range("K17") = "Total"  
Range("H17") = "Adult choices:"  
Range("H18") = "Chose clean air"  
Range("H19") = "Chose EA air"  
  
Range("I20") = Range("I18").Value + Range("I19").Value  
Range("J20") = Range("J18").Value + Range("J19").Value  
Range("K20") = Range("K18").Value + Range("K19").Value  
  
End Sub
```



# Completed table

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	Moth ID	Treatment	Adult responses	Random numbers	Bootstrap sample			Count of Bootstrap sample	Column Labels			
2	1	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	1	Chose clean air			Row Labels	Control	Trained to avoid EA	Grand Total	
3	2	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	38	Chose EA air			Chose clean air	32	26	58	
4	3	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	14	Chose clean air			Chose EA air	14	15	29	
5	4	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	39	Chose EA air			Grand Total	46	41	87	
6	5	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	9	Chose clean air							
7	6	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	13	Chose clean air							
8	7	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	36	Chose EA air			Odds of choosing clean air	2.285714286	1.733333333		
9	8	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	29	Chose clean air							
10	9	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	1	Chose clean air			Odds ratio	0.758333333			
11	10	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	13	Chose clean air							
12	11	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	13	Chose clean air							
13	12	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	2	Chose clean air			Lower	1.254901961			
14	13	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	20	Chose clean air			Upper	9.743589744			
15	14	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	15	Chose clean air			Since the lower limit is greater than 1 butterflies remember what they learn as caterpillars				
16	15	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	17	Chose clean air							
17	16	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	35	Chose EA air			Adult choices:	Control	Trained to avoid EA	Total	
18	17	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	17	Chose clean air			Chose clean air	25	32	57	
19	18	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	6	Chose clean air			Chose EA air	21	9	30	
20	19	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	22	Chose clean air				46	41	87	
21	20	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	12	Chose clean air							
22	21	Trained to avoid EA	Chose clean air	29	Chose clean air							

↑Pivot table counts match the macro's counts↓

# Your turn

- You will write this macro in your bootstrap Excel sheet