



cosc 111 Computer Programming I

Chapter 3 Selections

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Selection Example

When you use 'selection', the program can decide which statements to execute based on a condition.

```
double radius = 10, area;
if (radius < 0) {
    System.out.println("Incorrect value");
} else {
    area = radius * radius * 3.14159;
    System.out.println("Area is " + area);
}</pre>
```

Selection statements use **conditions that are Boolean expressions**.

Relational Operators and Boolean Type

Relational Operator	Mathematics Symbol	Name	Example (radius is 5)	Result
<	<	less than	radius < 0	false
<=	≤ le	ess than or equal to	radius <= 0	false
>	>	greater than	radius > 0	true
>=	≥ grea	ater than or equal to	radius >= 0	true
==	=	equal to	radius == 0	false
!=	#	not equal to	radius != 0	true

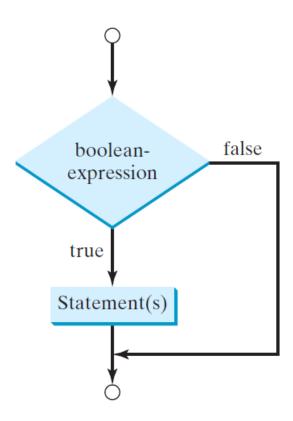
Example:

```
boolean b = (1 < 2);
System.out.println(b); // displays true</pre>
```

One-way if Statements

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

Note: The block braces { } can be omitted if they enclose a single statement.



One-way if Statements

Example:

Practice





Write a program that prompts the user to enter an integer.

- If the number is a multiple of 5, print HiFive.
- If the number is divisible by 2, print HiEven.
- That is, you could have one of the following three outputs:
 - HiFive
 - HiEven
 - HiFive HiEven

Two-way if Statement

```
if (boolean-expression) {
                      statement(s)-for-the-true-case;
                } else {
                      statement(s)-for-the-false-case;
                                                    false
                     true
                                   boolean-
                                   expression
Statement(s) for the true case
                                                     Statement(s) for the false case
```

Two-way if Statement: Example

```
double radius = 10, area;
if (radius < 0) {
    System.out.println("Incorrect value");
} else {
    area = radius * radius * 3.14159;
    System.out.println("Area is " + area);
}</pre>
```

```
What is the output?
      int x = 10;
      if (x <= 10)
         System.out.print("A");
      else
         System.out.print("B");
         System.out.print("C");
 A. A
 B. B
 C. ABC
 D. AB
 E. AC
```

```
What is the output?
      int x = 10;
      if (x <= 10)
         System.out.print("A");
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```

Practice

- 1) Write an **if** statement that assigns "**positive**" to **String type** if **int n** is greater than **0**.
- 2) Write an if statement that prints out "passed" if grade is larger than or equal to 50, otherwise print out "failed".
- 3) Write an **if** statement that increases **double pay** by 3% if **score** is greater than **90**

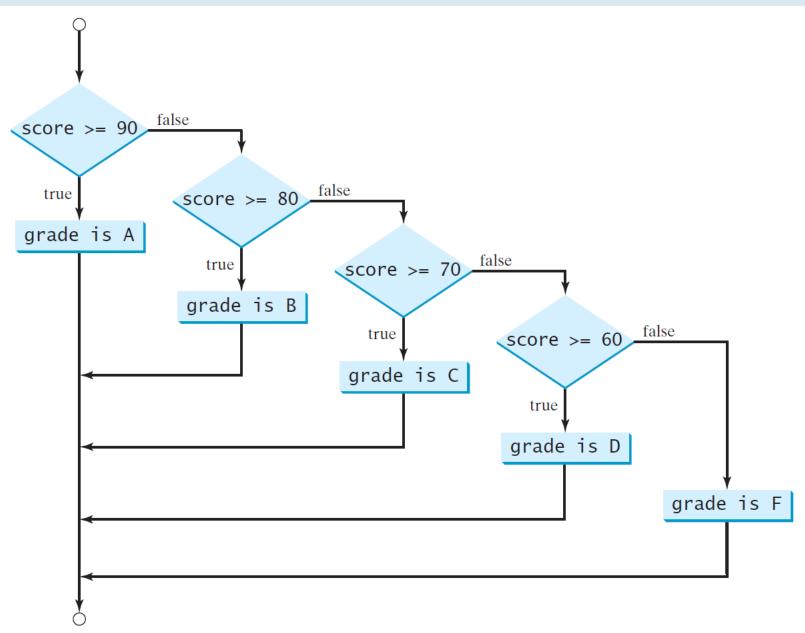
Nesting if Statement

```
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");
```

Equivalent

```
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");
```

Nesting if Statement



TIPS

(1) Forgetting Necessary Braces

The braces can ONLY be omitted if the block contains a single statement.

```
double radius = 5, area;
if (radius >= 0)
    area = radius * radius * 3.14;
    System.out.println("The area " + " is " + area);
//WRONG!
```

```
double radius = 5, area;
if (radius >= 0){
    area = radius * radius * 3.14;
    System.out.println("The area " + " is " + area);
}
//CORRECT!
```

TIPS

(2) Wrong Semicolon at the if Line (Logic Error)

The following two code segments are equivalent.

```
if (radius >= 0);  //LOGICAL ERROR
{
  area = radius * radius * 3.14;
  System.out.println("The area " + " is " + area);
}
```

```
double radius = 5, area;
if (radius >= 0) {};
{
  area = radius * radius * 3.14;
  System.out.println("The area " + " is " + area);
}
```



(3) Dangling else Ambiguity

```
Equivalent

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

if (i > j)

if (i > k)

System.out.println("A");

else

with correct
indentation

(b)
```

TIPS

(4) Avoiding Duplicate Code in Different Cases

The following two code segments are equivalent.

```
if (inState) {
    tuition = 5000;
    System.out.println("The tuition is " + tuition);
} else {
    tuition = 15000;
    System.out.println("The tuition is " + tuition);
}
```

```
if (inState) {
    tuition = 5000;
} else {
    tuition = 15000;
}
System.out.println("The tuition is " + tuition);
```

TIPS

(5) Redundant Testing of Boolean Values

The following two code segments are equivalent.

```
What is the output?
      int num=12;
      if (num >= 8)
         System.out.print("A");
         if (num == 10)
             System.out.print("B");
      else
          System.out.print("C");
 A. A
 B. B
 C. C
 D. AB
 E. AC
```

Practice



Create a program to teach a first grade child how to learn subtractions. The program **randomly** generates two single-digit integers number1 and number2 **with number1** >= **number2** and displays a question such as "What is 9 - 2?" to the student. After the student types the answer, the program displays whether the answer is correct.

Hint: use Math.random() to obtain a random double value between 0 and 9 inclusive.

Algorithm

- 1. Generate two random single-digit integers
- 2. Make sure number 1 is larger than number (**How?**: if number1 < number2, swap number1 with number2)
- 3. Get student's answer to the question: "what is number1 number2?"
- 4. Grade the answer and display the result

Practice



Write a program that prompts the user to enter a weight in kilograms and height in centimeters, then displays the BMI.

- Body Mass Index (BMI) is a measure of health on weight:
 - BMI = weight in kilograms / (height in *meters*)².
 - The interpretation of BMI for people 16 years or older is as follows:

BMI	Interpretation
BMI < 18.5	Underweight
18.5 <= BMI < 25.0	Normal
$25.0 \le BMI < 30.0$	Overweight
$30.0 \iff BMI$	Obese

Algorithm?

- 1. Prompt the user to enter weight in pounds & height in inches
- 2. Compute BMI
- 3. Display result based on calculated BMI value

Logical Operators

The logical operators !, &&, ||, and ^ can be used to create a compound Boolean expression.

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

NOTE: In Java, the expression **1** <= numberOfDaysInAMonth <= **31** is

INCORRECT, because 1 <= numberOfDaysInAMonth is evaluated to a boolean value, which cannot be compared with 31. The correct expression in Java is

(1 <= numberOfDaysInAMonth) && (numberOfDaysInAMonth <= 31)

Truth Tables for Logical Operators

р	!p
true	false
false	true

p ₁	p ₂	p ₁ && p ₂	p1 p2	p1 ^ p2
false	false	false	false	false
false	true	false	true	true
true	false	false	true	true
true	true	true	true	false

Practice

Let's say a person can get a driving license if s/he satisfies exactly two conditions:

- To be at least 17 years old.
- To currently be living in BC.
- 1) Write a Java program to check the **age** (answer is an **integer**) and ask a Y/N question about the living address (answer is **character**). The program should inform the user whether they can get a driving license or not.
- 2) display to the user why they where denied a driving license (id applicable)

What is the output?

```
int x = 10, y = 20;
boolean result = !(x != 10) && (y == 20);
System.out.println(result);
```

- A. true
- B. false

What is the output?

```
int x = 10, y = 20;
boolean result = (x >= y) || (y <= x);
System.out.println(result);</pre>
```

- A. true
- B. false

What is the output?

```
int x = 10, y = 20;
if (x >= 5){
    System.out.print("bigx ");
    if (y >= 10)
        System.out.print("bigy ");
}else if (x == 10 || y == 15)
    if (x < y && x != y)
        System.out.print("not equal");</pre>
```

- A. bigx
- B. bigy
- C. bigx not equal
- D. bigx bigy not equal
- E. bigx bigy

Practice



Write a program that prompts the user to enter a number and then checks whether that 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**.

Algorithm:

- 1. Prompt the user to enter a number
- 2. Check the number and display the result

Hint: use AND (&), OR (|), and XOR (^) operators

The & and | Operators

&& and II:

- Shortcut operators
- The parts of an expression containing && or || operators are evaluated only until it's known whether the condition is true or false.

& and I

the & and | operators always evaluate both of their operands.

Practice

What is the value of x after these expressions?

```
• int x = 1;
if ((x > 1) & (x++ < 10)); //x = 2
```

• int
$$x = 1$$
;
if $((x > 1) && (x++ < 10))$; $//x = 1$

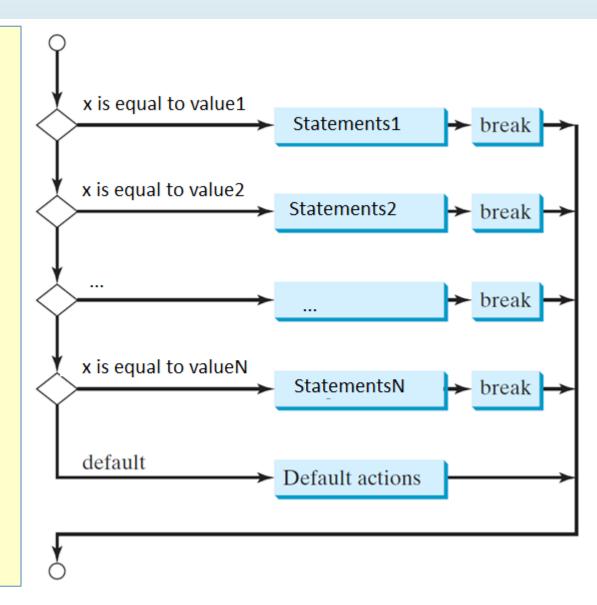
• int
$$x = 1$$
;
if $((1 == x) | (10 > x++))$; $//x = 2$

• int
$$x = 1$$
;
if $((1!=x)||(10 > x++))$; $//x = 2$

Switch Statement

switch Statement

```
switch (x) {
 case value1:
      //statements1;
      break;
 case value2:
      //statements2;
      break;
  case valueN:
      //statementsN;
      break;
 default:
      //default actions;
```



switch Statement

The switch-expression (x in the figure):

- must yield a value of char, byte, short, or int type (also String in JDK7 and beyond)
- must always be enclosed in parentheses.

The values:

 value1, ..., and valueN must have the same data type as the value of the switch-expression.

The case statements

 are executed when the value in the case statement matches the value of the switch-expression.

The keyword **break**:

It is optional, but it should be used at the end of each case in order to terminate the remainder of the switch statement. If the break statement is not present, the next case statement will be executed.

The default case

It is optional, and it can be used to perform actions when none of the specified cases matches the switch-expression.

```
switch (x) {
 case value1:
       //statements1;
        break;
 case value2:
       //statements2;
        break;
  case valueN:
       //statementsN;
        break;
 default:
       //default actions:
```

```
What is the output?
    int num = 2;
    switch(num) {
                System.out.print("two "); break;
       case 2:
                System.out.print("one "); break;
       case 1:
       case 3: System.out.print("three "); break;
      default: System.out.print("other "); break;
 A. one
 B. two
 C. three
 D. other
```

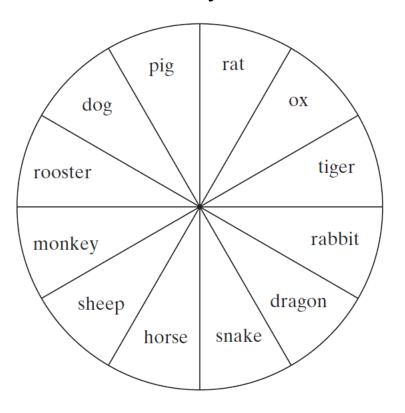
```
What is the output?
    int num = 2;
    switch(num) {
       case 1: System.out.print("one ");
       case 3: System.out.print("three "); break;
       case 2: System.out.print("two ");
       default: System.out.print("other ");
 A. one
 B. one two three
 C. one three two other
 D. two other
```

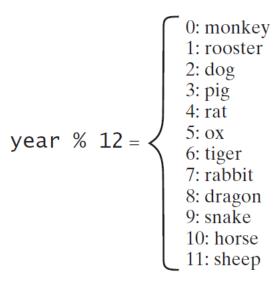
E. one three

```
What is the output?
    int day = 2;
    switch (day) {
       case 1:
       case 2:
       case 3:
       case 4:
       case 5:System.out.print("weekday"); break;
       case 0:
       case 6:System.out.print("weekend"); break;
       default: System.out.print("unknown day");
 A. weekday
 B. weekend
 C. unknown day
 D. None of the above
```



Write a program that prompts the user to enter a year and displays the animal for the year.





Algorithm:

- 1. Prompt the user to enter a year
- 2. Calculate year%12
- 3. Use conditional statements to display the correct animal.

Conditional Expression (?:)

Conditional Expressions

A conditional expression evaluates an expression based on a condition. Its syntax is:

boolean-expression? expression1: expression2;

Example1:

$$y = (x > 0) ? 1 : -1;$$

is equivalent to:

Conditional Expressions

Example2:

```
System.out.println((num % 2 == 0) ? num + "is even" : num + "is odd");
```

is equivalent to:

```
if (num % 2 == 0)
    System.out.println(num + "is even");
else
    System.out.println(num + "is odd");
```



Simplifying Boolean Variable Assignment

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

Clicker Question

What is the displayed on the screen?

```
int x = 5, y = 2;
x > y? "larger": "smaller";
```

- A. larger
- B. smaler
- C. larger smaller
- D. Error

Clicker Question

What is the displayed on the screen?

```
int x = 5, y = 2;
String s = x > y? "larger": "smaller";
System.out.println(s);
```

- A. larger
- B. smaler
- C. larger smaller
- D. Error

Rewrite the following if statements using the conditional operator.

if
$$(y >= 10)$$

 $x = 100$;
else

$$x = -100;$$

Rewrite the following conditional expressions using **if-else** statements

- score = (x > 10) ? 3 * scale : 4 * scale;
- System.out.println((number % 3 == 0) ? i : j);

Write conditional expression that returns -1 or 1 randomly.

Operator Precedence

When two operators share an operand, the operator with the higher *precedence* goes first.

For example, 1 + 2 * 3 is treated as 1 + (2 * 3) since multiplication has a higher precedence than addition.

<pre>var++ and var (Postfix) +, - (Unary plus and minus), ++var andvar (Prefix) (type) (Casting) !(Not)</pre>	Unary Operations
*, /, % (Multiplication, division, and remainder) +, - (Binary addition and subtraction)	Mathematical Operators
<, <=, >, >= (Relational) ==, != (Equality)	Relational Operators
^ (Exclusive OR) && (AND) (OR)	Logical Operators
=, +=, -=, *=, /=, %= (Assignment operator)	Assignment

Operator Precedence and Associativity

Notes:

- The expression in the parentheses is always evaluated first. When evaluating an expression without parentheses, the operators are applied according to the precedence rule and the associativity rule.
- If operators with the same precedence are next to each other, their associativity determines the order of evaluation.
 - All binary operators except assignment operators are left-associative.

$$a - b + c - d$$
 is equivalent to $((a - b) + c) - d$

Assignment operators are right-associative.

$$a = b += c = 5$$
 is equivalent to $a = (b += (c = 5))$

Example

Applying the operator precedence and associativity rule, the expression 3 + 4 * 4 > 5 * (4 + 3) - 1 is evaluated as follows:

$$3 + 4 * 4 > 5 * (4 + 3) - 1$$
 $3 + 4 * 4 > 5 * 7 - 1$
 $3 + 16 > 5 * 7 - 1$
 $3 + 16 > 35 - 1$
 $4 + 16 > 35 - 1$
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What is the value of this expression?

$$3 + 4 * 4 > 5 * (4 + 3) - 1 && (4 + 3 > 5);$$

Answer: apply the precedence rules as follows:

Parentheses 3 + 4 * 4 > 5 * 7 - 1 & (4 + 3 > 5)

$$3 + 4 * 4 > 5 * 7 - 1 & (7 > 5)$$

$$3 + 4 * 4 > 5 * 7 - 1 & \text{ true}$$

- Mathematical 19 > 34 && true
- Relational false && true
- Logical false

Assuming that **x** is **1**, what is the value of.

- **true**) && (3 > 4)
- |(x > 0)| & (x > 0)
- (x > 0) || (x < 0)
- (x != 0) || (x == 0)
- (x >= 0) || (x < 0)
- (x != 1) == !(x == 1)

Debugging

Remember: Programming Errors

3 types of errors:

- Syntax Errors
 - Detected by the compiler
 - aka compilation errors

```
public class Errors {
    public static main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Welcome to Java");
    }
}
```

Runtime Errors

 Causes the program to abort during the runtime.

```
public class Errors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(1 / 0);
    }
    Can't divide by zero
}
```

Logic Errors

- Produces incorrect result during the runtime
- no error message is shown

```
public class Errors {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("35 Celsius in Fahrenheit:");
        System.out.println((9 / 5) * 35 + 32);
        Output is incorrect
        due to wrong formula
```

Debugging your code

Debugging is the act of finding and correcting errors in a system.

A common reason for computer errors is our lack of precision in specifying instructions to the computer

As a programmer, you need to know how to debug your code.

Eclipse provides us with tools to help us identify the source of errors our code.

Both Syntax and Runtime errors are easily found whenever they occur (with the help with the error message that appears on the console).

- Syntax errors are identified before compilation.
- Runtime errors are identified while the program is running.

Logic errors can be located using Eclipse Debugger

Remember: Eclipse: Debugging and Breakpoints

