

Boolean Expressions and If

- Flow of Control / Conditional Statements
- The if Statement
- Logical Operators
- The else Clause
- Block statements
- Nested if statements
- Reading for this class: L&L, 5.1 – 5.2

Flow of Control

- Default order of statement execution is linear: one after another in sequence
- But, sometimes we need to decide which statements to execute and/or how many times
- These decisions are based on *boolean expressions* (or “conditions”) that evaluate to **true** or **false**
- The resulting order of statement execution, according to these decisions, is called the *flow of control*

Conditions / Boolean Expressions

- A condition is often expressed as a **boolean expression** (which returns a boolean result).
- Boolean expressions, like arithmetic ones, use operators, such as the following **equality** and **relational** operators:

== equal to
!= not equal to
< less than
> greater than
<= less than or equal to
>= greater than or equal to

- **Note:** and are **not** the same!

Boolean Expressions

- $5 < 7$
- $7 \geq 5$
- $--x == 98$
- `password.length() >= MIN_LENGTH`
- `insPremium * months != benefits - deductible`
- `(volume - (1 / pHValue)) * 2 <= 1 / qFactor`
- `a-- * (b / ((c - d) % e)) == (b * (c / a) + ((3 % q) + 7))`
- `offer < minimumBid`
- `grade+1 >= aGrade`
- `tWeight < weight++`

Logical Operators

- The following *logical operators* can also be used in boolean expressions:
 - ! Logical NOT
 - && Logical AND
 - || Logical OR
- They operate on boolean operands and produce boolean results
 - Logical NOT is a unary operator => one operand
 - AND and OR are binary operators => two operands

Logical NOT

- The *logical NOT* operation is also called *logical negation* or *logical complement*
- If some boolean condition a is true, then $!a$ is false;
- If a is false, then $!a$ is true
- Logical operations can be shown with a *truth table*

a	$!a$
true	false
false	true

Logical AND and Logical OR

- The *logical AND* expression

`a && b`

is true if **both** `a` and `b` are true, and false otherwise

- The *logical OR* expression

`a || b`

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Logical Operators

- A truth table shows all possible true–false combinations of the terms
- Since `&&` and `||` each have two operands, there are four possible combinations of conditions `a` and `b`

<code>a</code>	<code>b</code>	<code>a && b</code>	<code>a b</code>
true	true	true	true
true	false	false	true
false	true	false	true
false	false	false	false

Short-Circuited Operators

- The processing of logical AND and logical OR is “short-circuited”
- If the left operand is sufficient to determine the result, the right operand is not evaluated

```
if (count != 0 && total/count > MAX) {  
    System.out.println ("Testing...");  
}
```

- This coding technique must be used carefully

More Boolean Expressions

5 < 7 || offer < minBid offer >= min || exempt

7 >= 5 && --x == 98 !done && x++ == 47

!(5 < 7 || offer < min) || 7 >= 5 && --x == 98

!(grade+1 >= aGrade) || !(tWeight < weight++)

!(password.length() >= MIN) || myBoolean) &&
insPremium * months != benefits - deductible

(!myBoolean || (volume - (1 / pHValue)) * 2 <= 1 /
qFactor) || !(a-- * (b / ((c - d) % e)) == (b * (c / a)
+ ((3 % q) + 7))

Conditional Statements

- A *conditional statement* decides which program statement will be executed next
- We use conditional statements to make basic decisions as the program runs.
- Recall the Quadratic example:
 - Check if $a = 0$, if $b = 0$, etc.
- The Java conditional statements are the:
 - *if statement*
 - *if-else statement*
 - *switch statement*

The if Statement

- The *if statement* has the following syntax:

`if` is a Java reserved word

The *condition* must be a boolean expression. It must evaluate to either true or false.

```
if ( condition ) {  
    statement;  
}
```

If the *condition* is true (i.e., evaluates to true), the *statements* are executed.
If it is false, the *statements* are skipped.

The if Statement

- An example of an `if` statement:

```
if (sum > MAX) {  
    delta = sum - MAX;  
}  
System.out.println ("The sum is " + sum);
```

- First the condition is evaluated -- either the value of `sum` is either **greater** than the value of `MAX`, or **it is not**
- If the condition is true, the assignment statement is executed -- if false, it is not
- The `println`, **not** being contingent upon `sum < MAX`, is always executed next

Indentation

- The statement controlled by the `if` statement is **indented** to indicate that relationship

```
if (sum > MAX) {  
    delta = sum - MAX;  
}  
System.out.println ("The sum is " + sum);
```

- A consistent indentation style makes a program easier to read and understand
- The compiler doesn't care about proper indentation, **but human readers do!**

Block Statements

- Several statements can be placed between the braces – called a “block statement”

```
if (total > MAX) {  
    System.out.println ("Error!!");  
    errorCount++;  
}
```

- A block statement can be used to treat several statements as one
- “if true...”
 - one statement => “do *this thing*”
 - 2 or more => “do *this group* of things”

The if-else Statement

- An *else clause* can be added to an `if` statement to make an *if-else statement*

```
if ( condition ) {  
    statement1;  
}  
else {  
    statement2;  
}
```

condition is true => *statement1* is executed

condition is false => *statement2* is executed

- One or the other will be executed, but not both
- See [Wages.java](#) (page 217)

Block Statements

- In an `if-else` statement, the `if` portion, or the `else` portion, or both, could be block statements

```
if (total > MAX)
{
    System.out.println ("Error!!");
    errorCount++;
}
else
{
    System.out.println ("Total: " + total);
    current = total*2;
}
```

Composing an if(-else) statement

```
if (offer < minimumBid) {  
    System.out.println("Offer is too low. " +  
        "Please bid at least $" + minimumBid);  
    offer = scan.nextDouble();  
    System.out.println("You bid $" + offer);  
}  
else {  
    System.out.println("You bid $" + offer);  
    System.out.println("Raise your offer to the " +  
        "current highest? YES or NO");  
    answer = scan.nextLine();  
}
```

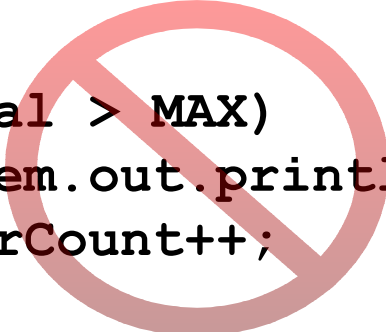
Omitting Braces

- If you have only one statement after the if or the else, braces are not strictly necessary:

```
if (total > MAX)
    System.out.println ("Error!!");
```

- However, you must know what you're doing.

```
if (total > MAX)
    System.out.println ("Error!!");
    errorCount++;
```



Despite the indentation,
the increment will occur
regardless: 

```
if (total > MAX)
    System.out.println ("Error!!");
errorCount++;
```

- Thus, consider using braces every time until you know what you're doing.

Nested if Statements

- An `if` statement or an `else` clause can contain *another* conditional statement
- The inner if statement is treated as a single statement, but...
- An `else` clause is matched to the last unmatched `if` by default, unless...
- **Braces** are used to specify the `if` statement to which an `else` clause belongs

```
int num = 3;
if (num > 2) {
    if (num > 4)
        System.out.println("num > 2 " +
            "num > 4");
}
else
    System.out.println("num <= 2");
-> num <= 2
```

Demo: MinOfThreeAlt.java

In addition, you also have the if/else-if/else format. Demo: If_Elself_ElseDemo.java

The Conditional Operator

- Java has a *conditional operator* that uses a boolean condition to evaluate one of two expressions
- Its syntax is:

condition ? *expression1* : *expression2*

- If the *condition* is true, *expression1* is evaluated; if it is false, *expression2* is evaluated
- The value of the entire conditional operator is **the value of the selected expression**

The Conditional Operator

- The conditional operator is similar to an `if-else` statement, except that it is an expression that returns a single value
- For example, these are functionally equivalent:

```
larger = ((num1 > num2) ? num1 : num2);
```

```
if (num1 > num2)
    larger = num1;
else
    larger = num2;
```

- The conditional operator is *ternary* because it requires three operands: a condition and two alternative values

Project 1 Application

- Now, you have been shown how to use boolean operators and `if` and `if-else` statements
- You need to use the appropriate nested `if` statements and `else` clauses in the `doRoll()` method
- Specifically, you will need to examine the scoring rules for the dice game and translate them into a set of (nested) `if-else` statements