3. Flow of Control

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Flow of Control

- Flow of control is the order in which a program performs actions.
 - Up to this point, the order has been sequential.
- A branching statement chooses between two or more possible actions.
- A loop statement repeats an action until a stopping condition occurs.



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Example: Euclid's Algorithm

Outline

- The Type boolean and boolean Expressions
- The if-else Statement
- The switch statement

The Type boolean

- True or False
- Example use case:

"The order can only be completed if the customer is already registered and has entered a valid credit card number."

Order_{ok} = Account_{exists} AND CreditCard_{valid}



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The Type boolean

- The type boolean is a primitive type with only two values: true and false.
- Boolean variables can make programs more readable.

if (systemsAreOK) instead of

if((temperature \leq 100) && (thrust >= 12000) && (cabinPressure > 30)



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Naming Boolean Variables

- Choose names such as isPositive or ${\tt systemsAreOk}.$
- Avoid names such as numberSign or ${\tt systemStatus}.$



Input and Output of Boolean Values

Example

boolean booleanVar = false; System.out.println(booleanVar); System.out.println("Enter a boolean value:"); Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in); booleanVar = keyboard.nextBoolean(); System.out.println("You entered " + booleanVar);



Input and Output of Boolean Values

Dialog

false

Enter a boolean value: true

true

You entered true



Boolean Expressions and Variables

- Variables, constants, and expressions of type boolean all evaluate to either true or false.
- A boolean variable can be given the value of a boolean expression by using an assignment operator.

```
boolean isPositive = (number > 0);
```

if (isPositive) ...



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Boolean Expressions

- The value of a *boolean expression* is either true Or false.
- Examples

time < limit

balance < 0



Java Comparison Operators

Math Notation	Name	Java Notation	Java Examples
=	Equal to	==	balance == 0 answer == 'y'
≠	Not equal to	!=	income != tax answer != 'y'
>	Greater than	>	expenses > income
≥	Greater than or equal to	>=	points >= 60
<	Less than	<	pressure < max
≤	Less than or equal to	<=	expenses <= income

Using ==

■ == is appropriate for determining if two integers or characters have the same value.

if (a == 3)

where a is an integer type

== is **not** appropriate for determining if two floating points values are equal. Use < and some appropriate tolerance instead.

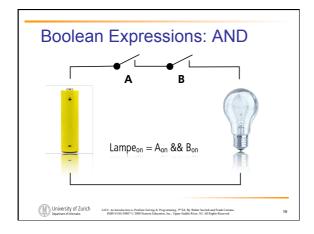
if (abs(b - c) < epsilon)where \mathbf{b} , \mathbf{c} , and $\mathbf{epsilon}$ are floating point types

Using ==, cont.

- == is not appropriate for determining if two objects have the same value.
 - if (s1 == s2), where s1 and s2 refer to strings, determines only if s1 and s2 refer the a common memory location.
 - If s1 and s2 refer to strings with identical sequences of characters, but stored in different memory locations, (s1 == s2) is



Using == To test the equality of objects of class String, use method equals. s1.equals(s2) or s2.equals(s1) To test for equality ignoring case, use method ${\tt equalsIgnoreCase}.$ ("Hello".equalsIgnoreCase("hello")) University of Zurich Opatriest of Informatics JANYA: An International Contract of In equals and equalsIgnoreCase Syntax String.equals(Other_String) $String.\,equalsIgnoreCase\,(Other_String)$ Java Logical Operators Figure 3.6 Java Notation | Java Examples (sum > min) && (sum < max) Logical and && (answer == 'y') || (answer == 'Y') !(number < 0) Logical or Logical not



Compound Boolean Expressions

- Boolean expressions can be combined using the "and" (&&) operator.
- Example

if ((score > 0) && (score <= 100))

Not allowed

if (0 < score <= 100)

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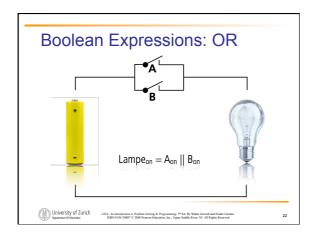
Compound Boolean Expressions

Syntax

(Sub_Expression_1) && (Sub_Expression_2)

- Parentheses often are used to enhance readability.
- The larger expression is true only when both of the smaller expressions are true.





Compound Boolean Expressions, cont.

- Boolean expressions can be combined using the "or" || operator.
- Example

if ((quantity > 5) || (cost < 10))

...

Syntax

(Sub_Expression_1) || (Sub_Expression_2)

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Compound Boolean Expressions, cont.

- The larger expression is true
 - when either of the smaller expressions is true
 - when both of the smaller expressions are true.
- The Java version of "or" is the *inclusive or* which allows either or both to be true.
- The exclusive or allows one or the other, but not both to be true.

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Short-circuit Evaluation

- Sometimes only part of a boolean expression needs to be evaluated to determine the value of the entire expression.
 - If the first operand associated with an || is true, the expression is true.
 - If the first operand associated with an && is false, the expression is false.
- This is called *short-circuit* or *lazy* evaluation.



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Short-circuit Evaluation

- Short-circuit evaluation is not only efficient, sometimes it is essential!
- A run-time error can result, for example, from an attempt to divide by zero.

if ((number != 0) && (sum/number > 5))

■ Complete evaluation can be achieved by substituting & for && or | for ||.



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Negating a Boolean Expression

- A boolean expression can be negated using the "not" (!) operator.
- Syntax

! (Boolean_Expression)

Example

(a | | b) && ! (a && b) which is the exclusive or



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Boolean Operators

■ FIGURE 3.7 The Effect of the Boolean Operators && (and), || (or), and ! (not) on Boolean values

Value of A	Value of B	Value of A && B	Value of A B	Value of ! (A)
true	true	true	true	false
true	false	false	true	false
false	true	false	true	true
false	false	false	false	true

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Precedence Rules

- Parentheses should be used to indicate the order of operations.
- When parentheses are omitted, the order of operation is determined by precedence rules.



Precedence Rules

- Operations with higher precedence are performed before operations with *lower* precedence.
- Operations with equal precedence are done leftto-right (except for unary operations which are done right-to-left).



Precedence Rules

Figure 3.9

First: the unary operators +, -, ++, --, and! Second: the binary arithmetic operators *,/,%Third: the binary arithmetic operators +, -Fourth: the boolean operators <, >, <=, >=Fifth: the boolean operators ==, != Sixth: the boolean operator & Seventh: the boolean operator | Eighth: the boolean operator && Ninth: the boolean operator | |

Highest Precedence

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Lowest Precedence

Precedence Rules

In what order are the operations performed?

```
score < min/2 - 10 || score > 90
score < (min/2) - 10 || score > 90
score < ((min/2) - 10) || score > 90
(score < ((min/2) - 10)) || score > 90
(score < ((min/2) - 10)) || (score > 90)
```



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The if-else Statement

- A branching statement that chooses between two possible actions.
- syntax
 - if (Boolean_Expression)
 - Statement_1
 - else
 - Statement_2



The if-else Statement, cont.

Example

```
if (balance >= 0)
balance = balance + (INTEREST_RATE * balance) / 12;
else
balance = balance - OVERDRAWN_PENALTY;
```



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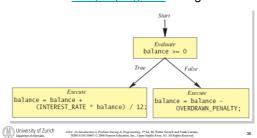
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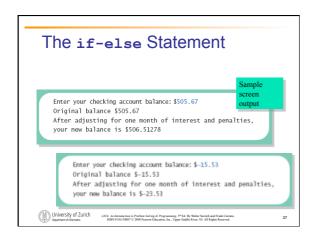
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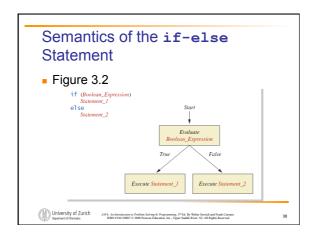
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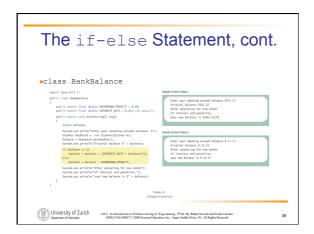
The if-else Statement

■ Figure 3.1 The Action of the if-else Statement sample program Listing 3.1









Omitting the else Part ■ The Semantics of an if Statement without an if (Boolean_Expression) University of Zurich

Omitting the <code>else</code> Part

- If the <code>else</code> part is omitted and the expression after the if is false, no action occurs.
- - if (Boolean_Expression) Statement
- example
 - if (weight > ideal) caloriesPerDay -= 500;

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Lexicographic Order

- Lexicographic order is similar to alphabetical order, but is it based on the order of the characters in the ASCII (and Unicode) character
 - All the digits come before all the letters.
 - All the uppercase letters come before all the lower case letters.



Lexicographic Order

 Strings consisting of alphabetical characters can be compared using method compareTo and method toUpperCase or method toLowerCase.

```
String s1 = "Hello";
String lowerS1 = s1.toLowerCase();
String s2 = "hello";
if (s1.compareTo(s2) == 0)
   System.out.println("Equal!");
```

Method compareTo

Syntax

 ${\tt String_1.compareTo}\,({\tt String_2})$

- Method compareTo returns
 - a negative number if String_1 precedes String_2
 - zero if the two strings are equal
 - a positive number of string_2 precedes String_1.



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Compound Statements

• To include multiple statements in a branch, enclose the statements in braces.

```
if (count < 3)
   {
      total = 0;
      count = 0;
   }
```

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Compound Statements

- When a list of statements is enclosed in braces ({}), they form a single compound statement.
- Syntax

```
ſ
   Statement_1;
   Statement_2;
```



Compound Statements

- A compound statement can be used wherever a statement can be used.
- Example

```
if (total > 10)
  sum = sum + total;
  total = 0;
```

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Nested if-else Statements

- An if-else statement can contain any sort of statement within it.
- In particular, it can contain another if-else statement.
 - An if-else may be nested within the "if"
 - An if-else may be nested within the "else" part.
 - An if-else may be nested within both parts.

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Nested Statements

Syntax

```
if (Boolean_Expression_1)
              if (Boolean_Expression_2)
                   Statement_1;
              else
                     Statement_2;
           if (Boolean_Expression_3)
                    Statement_3;
              else
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Statement 4;

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```

Nested Statements

- Each else is paired with the nearest unmatched
- If used properly, indentation communicates which if goes with which else.
- Braces can be used like parentheses to group statements.



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Nested Statements

Subtly different forms

```
First Form
if (a > b)
    if (c > d)
        e = f
    else
        g = h;
```

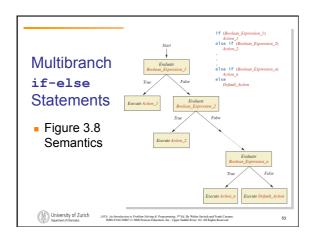
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Second Form
                                                                             if (a > b)
                                                                                       if (c > d)
                                                                                                         e = f
                                                                                           else
                                                                                                         g = h;
                                                                             // oops
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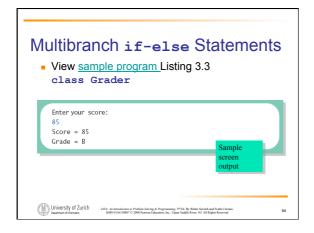
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```

Multibranch if-else Statements - Syntax if (Boolean_Expression_1) Statement_1 else if (Boolean_Expression_2) Statement_2 else if (Boolean_Expression_3) Statement_3 else if ... else Default_Statement Will University of Zurich Marks to broadcate to a Problembing A Programmer, PFA In Wilde Strick and Flood Commun. Statement Statement Will University of Zurich Marks to broadcate to a Problembing A Programmer, PFA In Wilde Strick and Flood Commun. Statement Statemen





Multibranch if-else Statements

Equivalent code

```
if (score >= 90)
grade = 'A';
else if ((score >= 80) && (score < 90))
grade = 'B';
else if ((score >= 70) && (score < 80))
grade = 'C';
else if ((score >= 60) && (score < 70))
grade = 'D';
else
grade = 'D';
else

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The switch Statement

- The switch statement is a mutitiway branch that makes a decision based on an integral (integer or character) expression.
- The switch statement begins with the keyword switch followed by an integral expression in parentheses and called the controlling expression.



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The switch Statement

- A list of cases follows, enclosed in braces.
- Each case consists of the keyword case followed by
 - A constant called the case label
 - A colon
 - A list of statements.
- The list is searched for a case label matching the controlling expression.

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The switch Statement

- The action associated with a matching case label is executed.
- If no match is found, the case labeled default is executed.
 - The default case is optional, but recommended, even if it simply prints a message.
- Repeated case labels are not allowed.



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The switch Statement

```
Syntax
switch (Controlling_Expression)
{
    case Case_Label:
        Statement(s);
        break;
    case Case_Label:
    ...
    default:
    ...
}
```

The switch Statement • View sample program Listing 3.4 class MultipleBirths Enter number of babies: 1 Congratulations. Enter number of babies: 3 Wow. Triplets. Enter number of babies: 4 Unbelievable; 4 babies. Enter number of babies: 6 I don't believe you. Enter number of babies: 6 I don't believe you.

The switch Statement

- The action for each case typically ends with the word break.
- The optional break statement prevents the consideration of other cases.
- The controlling expression can be anything that evaluates to an integral type.



Enumerations

- Consider a need to restrict contents of a variable to certain values
- An enumeration lists the values a variable can have
- Example enum MovieRating {E, A, B} MovieRating rating; rating = MovieRating.A;



Enumerations

Now possible to use in a switch statement

```
case E: //Excellent
   System.out.println("You must see this movie!");
   break;
case A: //Average
   System.out.println("This movie is OK, but not great.");
   break;
case B: // Bad
   System.out.println("Skip it!");
   break;
default:
   System.out.println("Something is wrong.");
```

Enumerations

• An even better choice of descriptive identifiers for the constants

```
enum MovieRating
     {EXCELLENT, AVERAGE, BAD}
rating = MovieRating.AVERAGE;
case EXCELLENT: ...
```



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The Conditional Operator

```
if (n1 > n2)
  max = n1;
else
  max = n2;
can be written as
max = (n1 > n2) ? n1 : n2;
```

■ The ? and : together are call the conditional operator or ternary operator.



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The Conditional Operator

• The conditional operator is useful with print and println statements.

```
System.out.print("You worked " +
 ((hours > 1) ? "hours" ;
 "hour"));
```



Summary
 You have learned about Java branching statements.
You have learned about the type boolean.