

# Building Java Programs

Chapter 4  
Lecture 4-1: Scanner; if/else

**reading: 3.3 – 3.4, 4.1**

# Interactive Programs with Scanner

**reading: 3.3 - 3.4**

# Interactive programs

- We have written programs that print console output.
- It is also possible to read *input* from the console.
  - The user types the input into the console.
  - The program uses the input to do something.
  - Such a program is called an *interactive program*.

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# Interactive programs

- Interactive programs can be challenging.
  - Computers and users think in very different ways.
  - Users tend to “misbehave”.



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# Scanner

- **Scanner:** An object that can read input from many sources.
  - Communicates with `System.in`
  - Can also read from files (Ch. 6), web sites, databases, etc...

- The `Scanner` class is found in the `java.util` package.

```
import java.util.*; // so you can use Scanner
```

- Constructing a `Scanner` object to read console input:

```
Scanner <name> = new Scanner(System.in);
```

- Example:

```
Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
```

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# Scanner methods

Method	Description
<code>nextInt()</code>	reads an <code>int</code> from the user and returns it
<code>nextDouble()</code>	reads a <code>double</code> from the user
<code>next()</code>	reads a one-word <code>String</code> from the user
<code>nextLine()</code>	reads a one-line <code>String</code> from the user

- Each method waits until the user presses Enter.
  - The value typed by the user is returned.

```
System.out.print("How old are you? "); // prompt  
int age = console.nextInt();  
System.out.println("You typed " + age);
```

- **prompt:** A message telling the user what input to type.

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# Scanner example

```
import java.util.*; // so that I can use Scanner

public class UserInputExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);

        → System.out.print("How old are you? ");
        → int age = console.nextInt();
        → int years = 65 - age;
        System.out.println(years + " years until retirement!");
    }
}
```

age

years

- Console (user input underlined):

How old are you? 12  
53 years until retirement!



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# Scanner example 2

```
import java.util.*; // so that I can use Scanner

public class ScannerMultiply {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.print("Please type two numbers: ");
        int num1 = console.nextInt();
        int num2 = console.nextInt();

        int product = num1 * num2;
        System.out.println("The product is " + product);
    }
}
```

- Output (user input underlined):

Please type two numbers: 8 6  
The product is 48

- The Scanner can read multiple values from one line.

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# Input tokens

- **token:** A unit of user input, as read by the `Scanner`.
  - Tokens are separated by *whitespace* (spaces, tabs, new lines).
  - How many tokens appear on the following line of input?  
23 John Smith 42.0 "Hello world" \$2.50 " 19"

- When a token is not the type you ask for, it crashes.

```
System.out.print("What is your age? ");  
int age = console.nextInt();
```

Output:

```
What is your age? Timmy  
java.util.InputMismatchException  
    at java.util.Scanner.next(Unknown Source)  
    at java.util.Scanner.nextInt(Unknown Source)  
    ...
```

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# Scanners as parameters

- If many methods need to read input, declare a `Scanner` in main and pass it to the other methods as a parameter.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);  
    int sum = readSum3(console);  
    double average = sum / 3.0;  
    System.out.println("The average is " + average);  
}  
  
// Prompts for 3 numbers and returns their sum.  
public static int readSum3(Scanner console) {  
    System.out.print("Type 3 numbers: ");  
    int num1 = console.nextInt();  
    int num2 = console.nextInt();  
    int num3 = console.nextInt();  
    return num1 + num2 + num3;  
}
```

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# Program puzzle

- Consider changing the output to include the minimum value:

```
Type 3 numbers: 8 6 13
The average is 9.0
The minimum value is 6
```

- How would we change the previous program?

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
    int sum = readSum3(console);
    double average = sum / 3.0;
    System.out.println("The average is " + average);
    // What goes here?
}

public static int readSum3(Scanner console) {
    System.out.print("Type 3 numbers: ");
    int num1 = console.nextInt();
    int num2 = console.nextInt();
    int num3 = console.nextInt();
    return num1 + num2 + num3;
}
```

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# Can't return multiple values!

```
import java.util.*; // so that I can use Scanner

public class Average {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.print("Type 3 numbers: ");
        int num1 = console.nextInt();
        int num2 = console.nextInt();
        int num3 = console.nextInt();

        double average = (num1 + num2 + num3) / 3.0;
        System.out.println("The average is " + average);
        System.out.println("The minimum value is " +
            Math.min(num1, Math.min(num2, num3)));
    }
}
```

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# The `if/else` statement

**reading: 4.1**

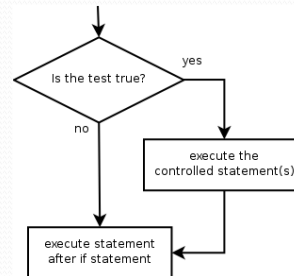
## Conditionals

- "If you eat your vegetables, then you can have dessert."
- "If you do your homework, then you may go outside to play, or else you'll be grounded for life."

# The `if` statement

*Executes a block of statements only if a test is true*

```
if (<test>) {  
    <statement>;  
    ...  
    <statement>;  
}
```



- Example:

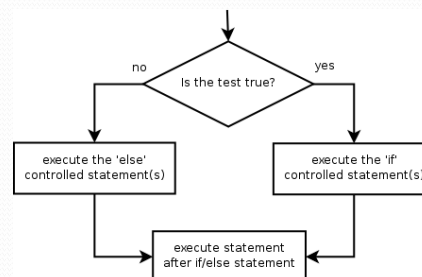
```
double gpa = console.nextDouble();  
if (gpa >= 3.0) {  
    System.out.println("Good job! Here's a cookie.");  
}
```

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# The `if/else` statement

*Executes one block if a test is true, another if false*

```
if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
} else {  
    <statement(s)>;  
}
```



- Example:

```
double gpa = console.nextDouble();  
if (gpa >= 3.0) {  
    System.out.println("Good job! Here's a cookie.");  
} else {  
    System.out.println("No cookie for you!");  
}
```

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# Relational expressions

- `if` statements and `for` loops both use logical tests.

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) { ...  
  if (i <= 10) { ...
```

- These are Boolean expressions, seen in Ch. 5.

- Tests use *relational operators*:

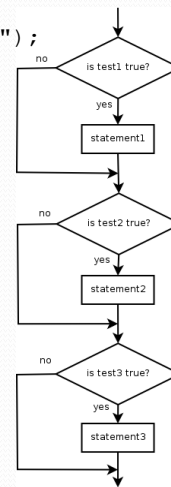
Operator	Meaning	Example	Value
<code>==</code>	equals	<code>1 + 1 == 2</code>	true
<code>!=</code>	does not equal	<code>3.2 != 2.5</code>	true
<code>&lt;</code>	less than	<code>10 &lt; 5</code>	false
<code>&gt;</code>	greater than	<code>10 &gt; 5</code>	true
<code>&lt;=</code>	less than or equal to	<code>126 &lt;= 100</code>	false
<code>&gt;=</code>	greater than or equal to	<code>5.0 &gt;= 5.0</code>	true

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# Misuse of `if`

- What's wrong with the following code?

```
Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);  
System.out.print("What percentage did you earn? ");  
int percent = console.nextInt();  
if (percent >= 90) {  
    System.out.println("You got an A!");  
}  
if (percent >= 80) {  
    System.out.println("You got a B!");  
}  
if (percent >= 70) {  
    System.out.println("You got a C!");  
}  
if (percent >= 60) {  
    System.out.println("You got a D!");  
}  
if (percent < 60) {  
    System.out.println("You got an F!");  
}  
...
```

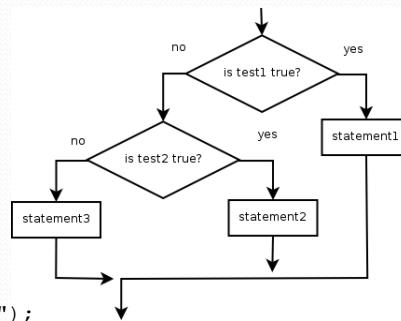


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# Nested if/else

Chooses between outcomes using many tests

```
if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
} else if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
} else {  
    <statement(s)>;  
}
```



- Example:

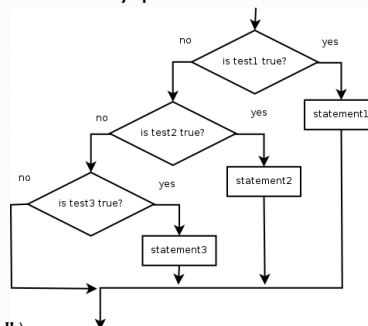
```
if (x > 0) {  
    System.out.println("Positive");  
} else if (x < 0) {  
    System.out.println("Negative");  
} else {  
    System.out.println("Zero");  
}
```

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# Nested if/else/if

- If it ends with `else`, exactly one path must be taken.
- If it ends with `if`, the code might not execute any path.

```
if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
} else if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
} else if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
}
```



- Example:

```
if (place == 1) {  
    System.out.println("Gold medal!");  
} else if (place == 2) {  
    System.out.println("Silver medal!");  
} else if (place == 3) {  
    System.out.println("Bronze medal.");  
}
```

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## Summary: if structures

- exactly 1 path (*mutually exclusive*)
- 0 or 1 path (*mutually exclusive*)

```
if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
} else if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
} else {  
    <statement(s)>;  
}
```

```
if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
} else if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
} else if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
}
```

- 0, 1, or many paths (*independent tests; not exclusive*)

```
if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
}  
if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
}  
if (<test>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
}
```

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## Which nested if/else?

- **(1) if/if/if** **(2) nested if/else** **(3) nested if/else/if**

- Whether a user is lower, middle, or upper-class based on income.
  - **(2)** nested if / else if / else
- Whether you made the dean's list ( $\text{GPA} \geq 3.8$ ) or honor roll (3.5-3.8).
  - **(3)** nested if / else if
- Whether a number is divisible by 2, 3, and/or 5.
  - **(1)** sequential if / if / if
- Computing a grade of A, B, C, D, or F based on a percentage.
  - **(2)** nested if / else if / else if / else if / else

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## Nested if/else question

Formula for body mass index (BMI):

$$BMI = \frac{weight}{height^2} \times 703$$

BMI	Weight class
below 18.5	underweight
18.5 - 24.9	normal
25.0 - 29.9	overweight
30.0 and up	obese

- Write a program that produces output like the following:

This program reads data for two people and computes their body mass index (BMI).

```
Enter next person's information:  
height (in inches)? 70.0  
weight (in pounds)? 194.25
```

```
Enter next person's information:  
height (in inches)? 62.5  
weight (in pounds)? 130.5
```

```
Person 1 BMI = 27.868928571428572  
overweight  
Person 2 BMI = 23.485824  
normal  
Difference = 4.3831045714285715
```

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## Nested if/else answer

```
// This program computes two people's body mass index (BMI) and  
// compares them. The code uses Scanner for input, and parameters/returns.  
  
import java.util.*; // so that I can use Scanner  
  
public class BMI {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        introduction();  
        Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);  
  
        double bmi1 = person(console);  
        double bmi2 = person(console);  
  
        // report overall results  
        report(1, bmi1);  
        report(2, bmi2);  
        System.out.println("Difference = " + Math.abs(bmi1 - bmi2));  
    }  
  
    // prints a welcome message explaining the program  
    public static void introduction() {  
        System.out.println("This program reads data for two people and");  
        System.out.println("computes their body mass index (BMI).");  
        System.out.println();  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

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## Nested if/else, cont'd.

```
// reads information for one person, computes their BMI, and returns it
public static double person(Scanner console) {
    System.out.println("Enter next person's information:");
    System.out.print("height (in inches)? ");
    double height = console.nextDouble();

    System.out.print("weight (in pounds)? ");
    double weight = console.nextDouble();
    System.out.println();

    double bodyMass = bmi(height, weight);
    return bodyMass;
}

// Computes/returns a person's BMI based on their height and weight.
public static double bmi(double height, double weight) {
    return (weight * 703 / height / height);
}

// Outputs information about a person's BMI and weight status.
public static void report(int number, double bmi) {
    System.out.println("Person " + number + " BMI = " + bmi);
    if (bmi < 18.5) {
        System.out.println("underweight");
    } else if (bmi < 25) {
        System.out.println("normal");
    } else if (bmi < 30) {
        System.out.println("overweight");
    } else {
        System.out.println("obese");
    }
}
}
```

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## The if/else hammer

- Just because you learned a new construct does not mean that every new problem has to be solved using that construct!

```
int z;          int z = Math.max(x, y);
if (x > y) {
    z = x;
} else {
    z = y;
}
```

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```
double d = a;   double d = Math.min(a, Math.min(b, c));
if (b < d) {
    d = b;
}
if (c < d) {
    d = c;
}
```

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