



Boolean and if

if : Short Circuiting

Lecture Contents



- Short Circuit of `if` statements

Weighting



- boolean expressions and if statements
 - AP Exam Weighting: **15% - 17.5%**

Short Circuit of &&

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    System.out.println("Will NEVER execute this.");
} else {
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if( x != 0 && (1/x) < 1 ) {
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} else {
    System.out.println("1/0 should give an ARITHMETIC_EXCEPTION");
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if( true || x>5 ) {
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When x==0, 1/x divides by zero

Remember the Order of Operations!



```
int x = 0;  
if( x == 0 || (1/x) < 1 ) {  
    System.out.println("Works");  
} else {  
    System.out.println("Never prints");  
}
```



```
int x = 0;  
if( (1/x) < 1 || x == 0 ) {  
    System.out.println("Doesn't Work");  
} else {  
    System.out.println("Exception.");  
}
```



Since we evaluate left-to-right, this code will lead to an exception.



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