

Chapter 3

Selection Statements

The `boolean` Type and Operators

Often in a program you need to compare two values, such as whether `i` is greater than `j`. Java provides six comparison operators (also known as relational operators) that can be used to compare two values. The result of the comparison is a Boolean value: `true` or `false`.

```
boolean b = (1 > 2);
```

Comparison Operators

<i>Operator</i>	<i>Name</i>
<	less than
<=	less than or equal to
>	greater than
>=	greater than or equal to
==	equal to
!=	not equal to

Logical Operators

Operator *Name*

! not

& & and

| | or

^ exclusive or

Truth Table for Operator !

p	!p
true	false
false	true

Example
!(1 > 2) is true, because (1 > 2) is false.
!(1 > 0) is false, because (1 > 0) is true.

Truth Table for Operator &&

p1	p2	p1 && p2	Example
false	false	false	$(3 > 2) \ \&\& \ (5 \geq 5)$ is true, because $(3 > 2)$ and $(5 \geq 5)$ are both true.
false	true	false	
true	false	false	$(3 > 2) \ \&\& \ (5 > 5)$ is false, because $(5 > 5)$ is false.
true	true	true	

Truth Table for Operator ||

p1	p2	p1 p2	Example
false	false	false	(2 > 3) (5 > 5) is false, because (2 > 3) and (5 > 5) are both false.
false	true	true	(3 > 2) (5 > 5) is true, because (3 > 2) is true.
true	false	true	
true	true	true	

Truth Table for Operator \wedge

p1	p2	p1 \wedge p2	Example
false	false	false	$(2 > 3) \wedge (5 > 1)$ is true, because $(2 > 3)$ is false and $(5 > 1)$ is true.
false	true	true	
true	false	true	$(3 > 2) \wedge (5 > 1)$ is false, because both $(3 > 2)$ and $(5 > 1)$ are true.
true	true	false	

Example

```
int num = 9;
```

```
boolean ba = ((num % 2 == 0) && (num % 3 == 0));
```

```
System.out.println("Is " + num + " divisible by 2 and 3? " + ba);
```

```
boolean bb = ((num % 2 == 0) || (num % 3 == 0));
```

```
System.out.println("Is " + num + " divisible by 2 or 3? " + bb);
```

```
boolean bc = ((num % 2 == 0) ^ (num % 3 == 0));
```

```
System.out.println("Is " + num + " divisible by 2 or 3, but not both? " +  
bc);
```

Example: Determining Leap Year?

Write a program that first prompts the user to enter a year as an int value and checks if it is a leap year.

A year is a leap year if it **is divisible by 4** but **not by 100**, or it is divisible by 400.

```
(year % 4 == 0 && year % 100 != 0) || (year % 400 == 0)
```