

LEC 09

CSE 121

# Conditionals



BEFORE WE START

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Questions during Class?

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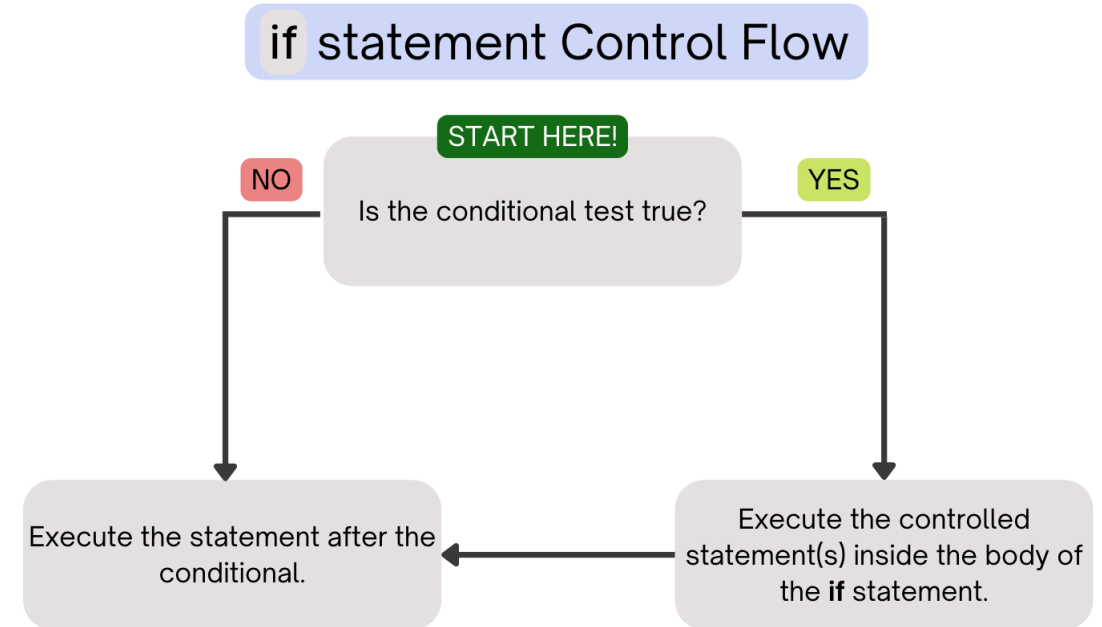
# Announcements, Reminders

- C2 released, due **Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**
- R2 out yesterday, due **Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**
  - This is the last time C0 is eligible for resubmission
- Almost half-way through – feedback wanted!
  - Next Tue, May 6<sup>th</sup> – quiz section feedback, during section
  - Next Wed, May 7<sup>th</sup> – mid-quarter feedback, during lecture
- Quiz reminders:
  - Quiz 1 is on **Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**

# PCM Review: if statements

```
if ( test ) {  
    body (statements to be executed)  
}
```

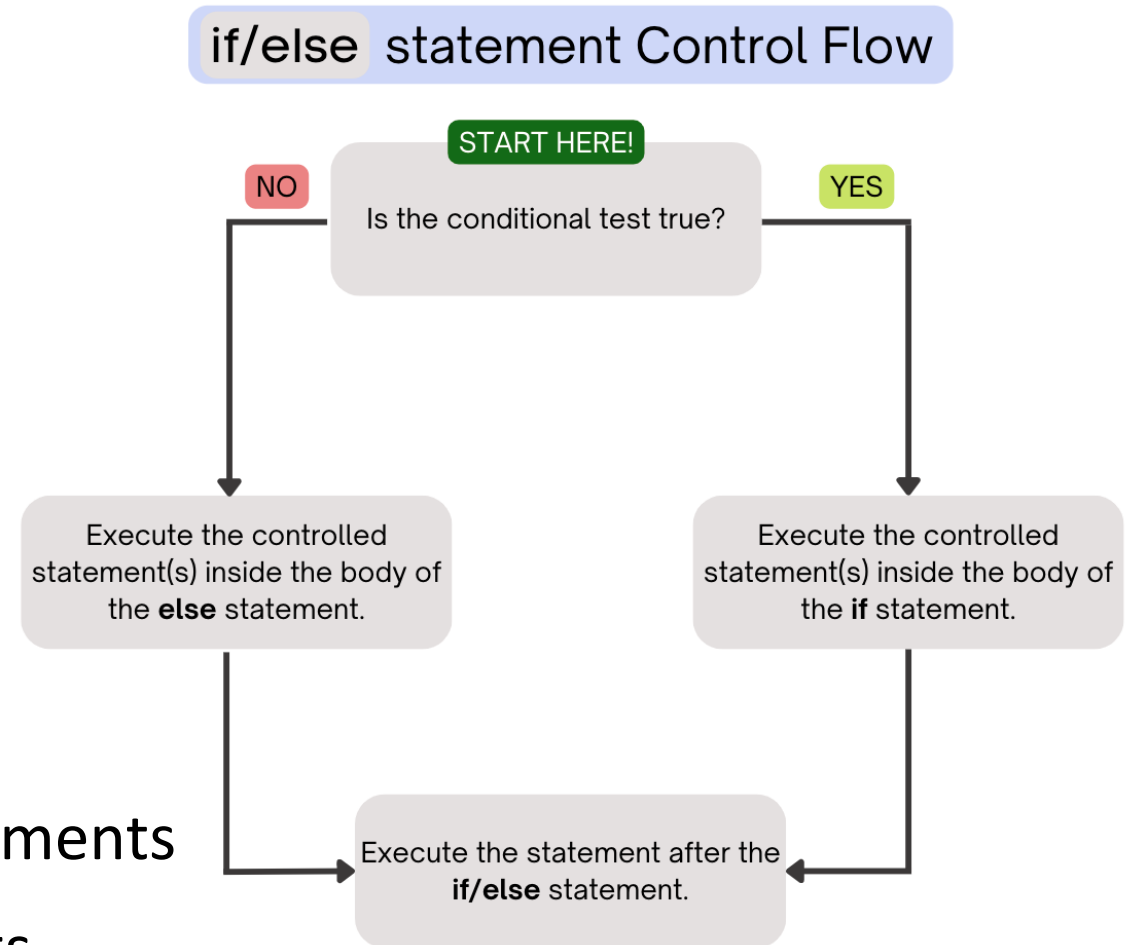
Executes a block of statements  
if and only if the test is true



# PCM Review: if-else

```
if ( test ) {  
    statement(s)  
}  
else {  
    statement(s)  
}
```

1. If the test is true: execute block of statements
2. If not, execute other block of statements

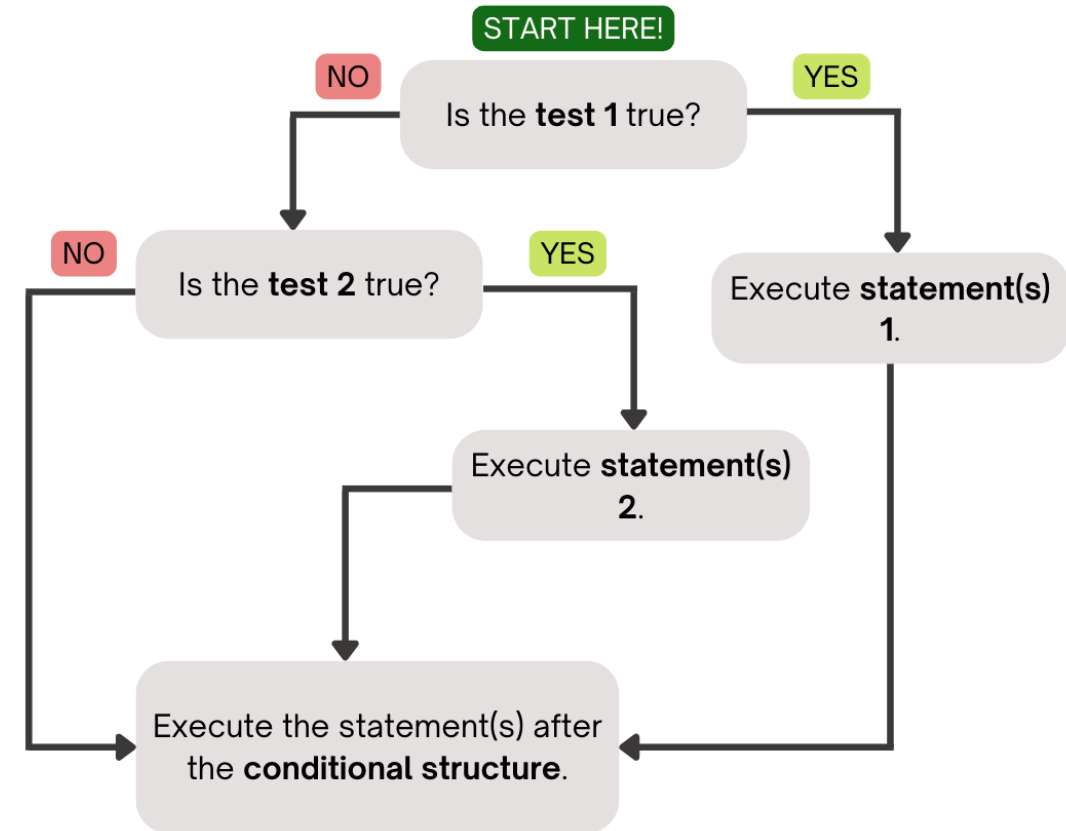


# PCM Review: if-else-if

```
if ( test ) {  
    statement(s)  
}  
else if ( test ) {  
    statement(s)  
}
```

1. If the first test is true, execute that block
2. If not, proceed to the next test, and repeat
3. If none were true, don't execute any blocks

## if/else if statement Control Flow





# Practice: Think



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```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    for (int i = 1; i <= 3; i++) {  
        System.out.print(mystery(i));  
    }  
}  
public static String mystery(int n) {  
    String response = "even ";  
    if (n % 2 == 1) {  
        response = "odd ";  
    } else if (n == 1) {  
        response = "one ";  
    }  
    return response;  
}
```

What does this program output?

- A. odd even odd
- B. one even odd
- C. one even even
- D. even even even



# Practice: Pair

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# “Useless” Conditionals

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← This else if statement never runs!



# Common Problem-Solving Strategies (1/2)

- **Analogy** – Is this similar to another problem you've seen?
- **Brainstorming** – Consider steps to solve problem before jumping into code
  - Try to do an example "by hand" → outline steps
- **Solve sub-problems** – Is there a smaller part of the problem to solve?
- **Debugging** – Does your solution behave correctly?
  - What is it doing?
  - What do you expect it to do?
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- **Iterative Development** – Can we start by solving a different problem that is easier?

# Common Problem-Solving Strategies (2/2)

- **Analogy** – Is this similar to another problem you've seen?
- **Brainstorming** – Consider steps to solve problem before jumping into code
  - Try to do an example "by hand" → outline steps
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