Compound condition with AND

• A compound condition (or Boolean expression) is one where different relationships are combined using logical operators

The logical operators are:

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o or
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- \circ and
- o not
- It is rather trivial to handle not by re-writing a relationship....

Examples:

- "not (a < b)" is equivalent to "a >= b"
- "not (a == b)" is equivalent to "a != b"
- $\circ\,$ and so on...

• Short circuit boolean evaluation

- The "short circuit boolean evaluation" is a technique **commonly used** in programming languages (such as C, C++, Java) to evalue **compound boolean expressions**
- The if-statement with an **or** logical operator:

```
if ( A or "Rest of condition" )
    S1
else
    S2
Rest of the program
```

is execute as follows:

 evaluate A
 if TRUE then execute S1 and proceed to "Rest of the program"
 if FALSE then CONTINUE with the evaluation of the "Rest of condition"
 if "Rest of condition" is TRUE, then execute S1 and proceed to "Rest of the program"
 if "Rest of condition" is FALSE, then execute S2 and proceed to "Rest of the program"

• **Program control** of the if-statement with an compound condition "A and theRest":



• Assembler construct that realizes the control flow of the *if*-statement with an compound condition "A or theRest" is as follows:

```
Evaluate "A" (CMP)
                                                       FALSE
   Branch on FALSE (!!!) outcome of "condition" to here (A:) ------
            | (TRUE)
            1
   Evaluate "theRest" (another CMP)
                                                     FALSE
   Branch on FALSE (!!!) outcome of "theRest" to here (B:) ------
            | (TRUE)
            Т
            v
A:
      "statement1" assembler code
     Branch always to there (B:) -----+
        "statement2" assembler code <-----|-----|------
            v
C:
            +<----+
            1
            V
```

• Example:

int x, y, a; if (a <= x and x <= b) x = x + 1; else x = x - 1;

The **flow chart** of the **above program** is:



Assembler program for this compound if-statement: click here