

💡 thinkdev #5

Logical operators

**We learnt how to make decisions
based on simple conditions.**

But what if we have complex conditions?

Laptops

Filter

Brand

- Apple
- HP
- Microsoft

Screen size

- 13"
- 14"
- 15"
- 16"

- Invert filters

HP Chromebook x360 14c-cc0047nr

11th Gen Intel Core i3, 14"
screen, 8GB RAM, 128GB SSD.

\$539.99

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HP Pavilion 15t-eg100

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SSD.

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HP Spectre x360 16

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SSD.

MacBook Pro 13"

Apple M1 chip, 13" screen,
8GB RAM, 256GB SSD.

A hypothetical e-commerce app with a list of laptops for sale and several options to filter the laptops.

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OR, AND

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OR, AND, and NOT.

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Surface Laptop 4

11th Gen Intel Core i5, 13" screen, 8GB RAM, 256GB SSD.

Let's assume each laptop looks like this:

```
const laptop = {  
  title: 'MacBook Pro 13"',  
  brand: 'Apple',  
  screenSize: 13,  
  // ...  
}
```

OR syntax:

```
expression1 || expression2
```

One expression must be `true` for the result to be `true`.

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AND syntax:

```
expression1 && expression2
```

Both expressions must be true for the result to be true.


```
const { brand, screenSize } = laptop
if (brand === 'Apple' && screenSize === 14) {
  console.log("It's a 14-inch Apple laptop.")
}
```

Let's take a more complex example

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AND has higher precedence than OR:

```
const { brand, screenSize } = laptop
if (
  (brand === 'Apple' || brand === 'Microsoft') &&
  (screenSize === 13 || screenSize === 14)
) {
  console.log(
    "It's a 13 or 14-inch Apple or Microsoft laptop."
  )
}
```

AND has higher precedence than OR:

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const { brand, screenSize } = laptop
if (
  (brand === 'Apple' || brand === 'Microsoft') &&
  (screenSize === 13 || screenSize === 14)
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  console.log(
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  )
}
```

NOT

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NOT syntax:

```
!expression
```

- If `expression` is `true`, the result is `false`.
- If `expression` is `false`, the result is `true`.

We wrote this previously:

```
const { brand, screenSize } = laptop
if (brand === 'Apple' && screenSize === 14) {
  console.log("It's a 14-inch Apple laptop.")
}
```

Let's invert it (NOT has higher precedence than AND):

```
const { brand, screenSize } = laptop
if (!(brand === 'Apple' && screenSize === 14)) {
  console.log("It's not a 14-inch Apple laptop.")
}
```

Let's invert it (NOT has higher precedence than AND):

```
const { brand, screenSize } = laptop
if (!(brand === 'Apple' && screenSize === 14)) {
  console.log("It's not a 14-inch Apple laptop.")
}
```

“Truthiness”

**Conditions don't have to be boolean;
JavaScript automatically converts them.**

We did this in the previous lesson:

```
if (course.rating !== 0) {  
  console.log(`Rating: ${course.rating}`)  
}
```


We could write it this way too:

```
if (course.rating) {  
  console.log(`Rating: ${course.rating}`)  
}
```

The following values convert to `false`; we call them *falsy* values:

```
Boolean(0)           // false
Boolean("")          // false
Boolean(null)        // false
Boolean(undefined)  // false
Boolean(false)       // false
```

All other values convert to `true`, so they are *truthy*:

```
Boolean(3.4)           // true
Boolean("thinkdev")   // true
Boolean({ key: 'value' }) // true
Boolean({})            // true
Boolean([1, 2])        // true
Boolean([])            // true
Boolean(true)          // true
```

Redefining the logical operations

The NOT operation returns `true` if the *operand* is falsy, and `false` if the operand is truthy.

```
!true    // false
!0       // true
!"hi"    // false
```

The OR operation returns the first truthy operand.
If there's none, it returns the last operand.

```
true || false;           // true
0 || null;               // null
"hi" || "hey" || "hello"; // "hi"
```

The AND operation returns the first falsy operand.
If there's none, it returns the last operand.

```
true && false;           // false
0 && null;               // 0
"hi" && "hey" && "hello"; // "hello"
```

Short-circuit evaluation

Open your REPL and type:

```
abc && false;
```

There's no reference (i.e. variable) called abc:

```
abc && false;  
// Uncaught ReferenceError: abc is not defined
```

Rearrange and abc will be ignored:

```
false && abc;  
// false
```

It applies to the OR operation too:

```
abc || true;  
// Uncaught ReferenceError: abc is not defined  
  
true || abc;  
// true
```