

Structured programming

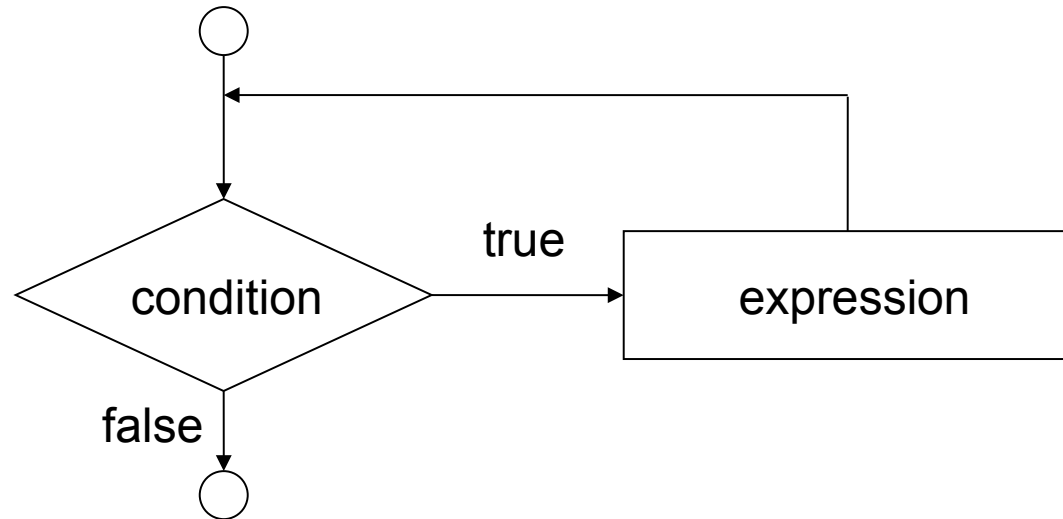
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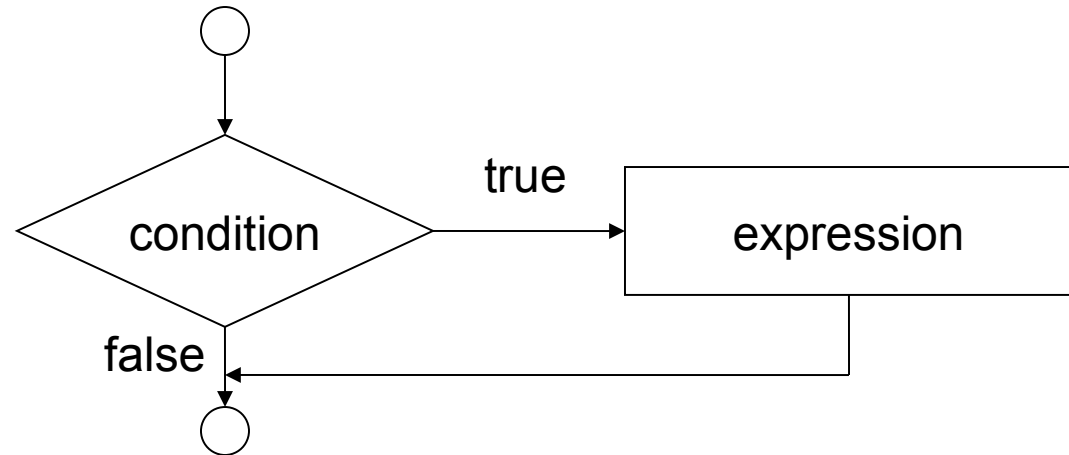
while repetition structure

```
while condition  
    expression
```

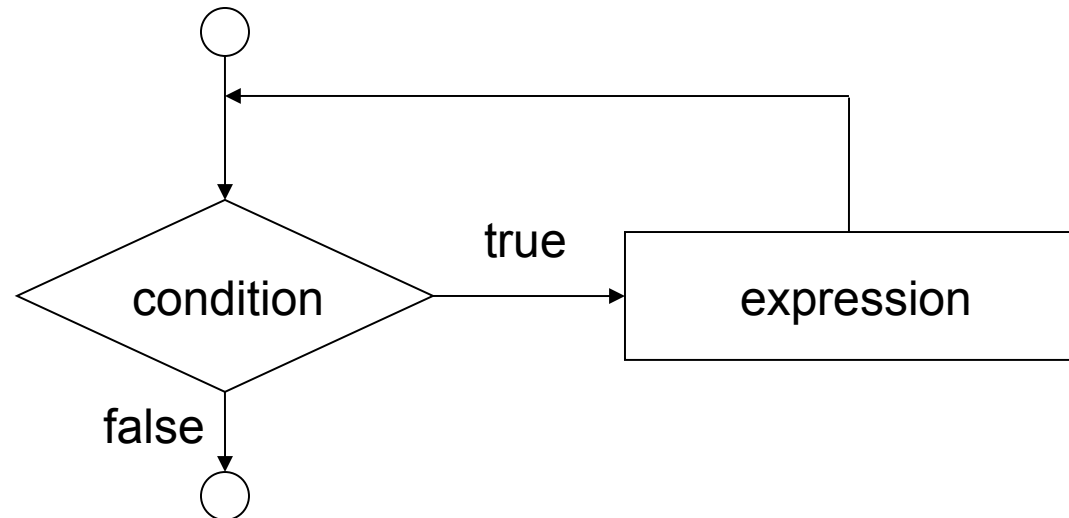


if and while are fundamental

if



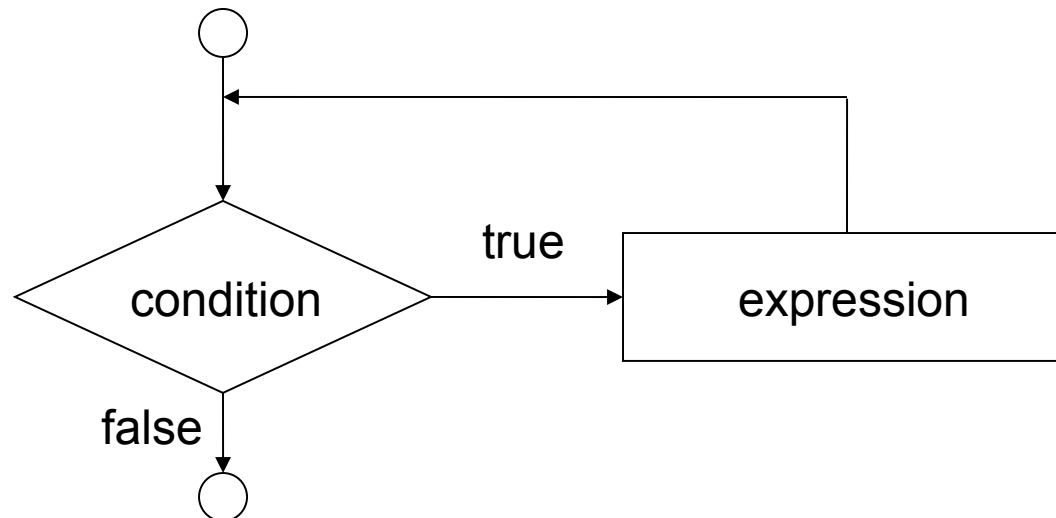
while



R's **while** repetition structure

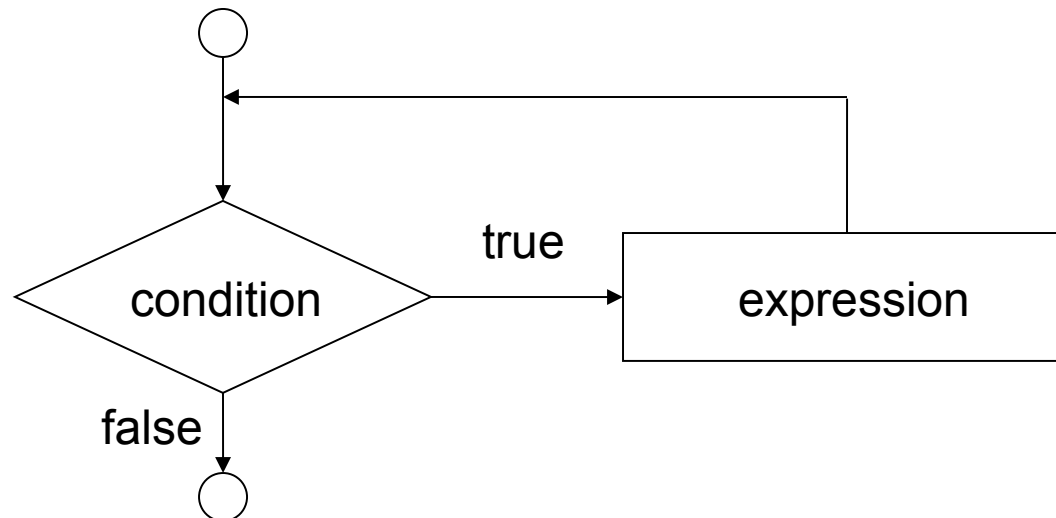
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while ( condition ) {  
  expression_1  
  expression_2  
  ...  
}
```

Good programming practice:
brace, space, indent



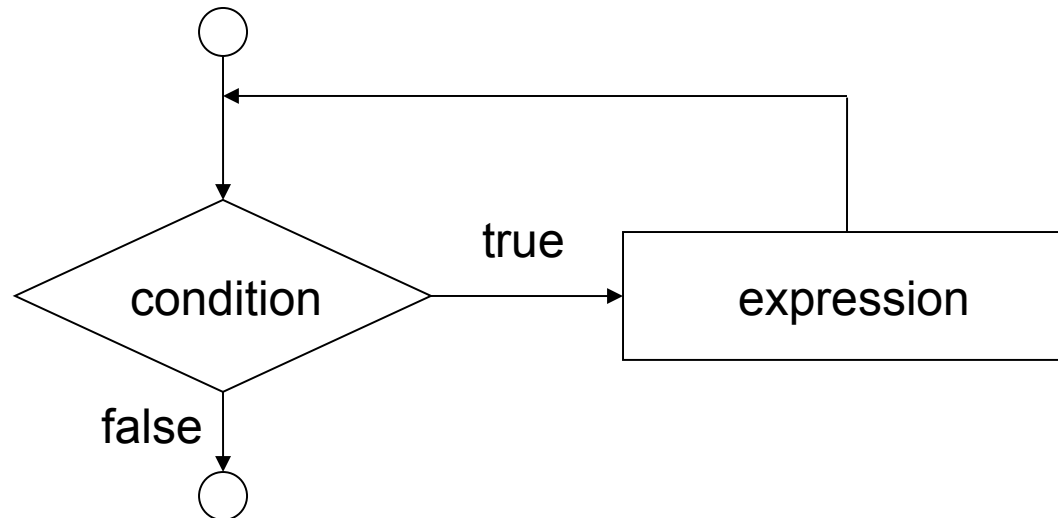
C's **while** repetition structure

```
while ( condition ) {  
    expression_1;  
    expression_2;  
    ...  
}
```



Py's **while** repetition structure

```
while condition:  
    expression_1  
    expression_2  
    ...
```



Repetition structures

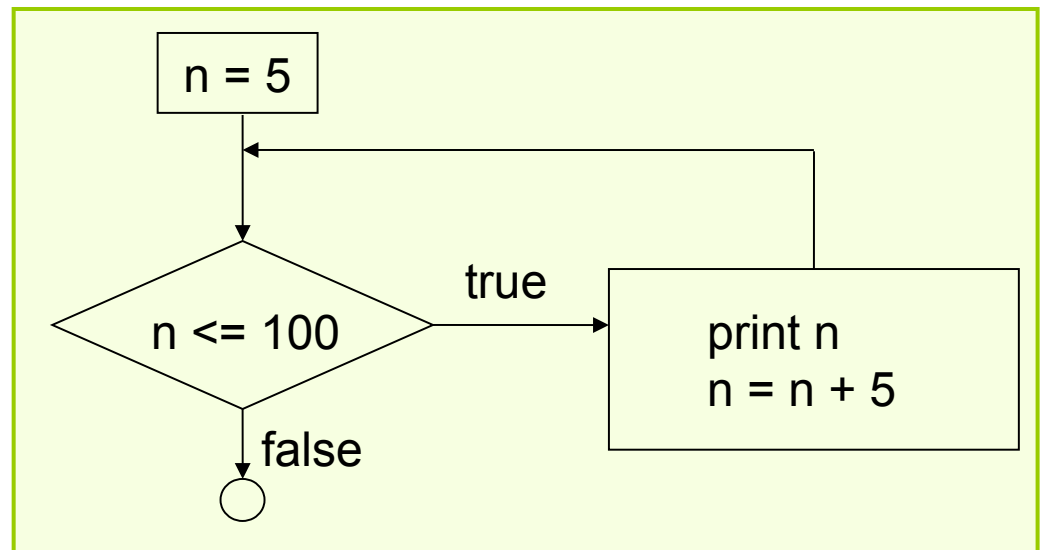
- Two main types:
- Sentinel controlled repetition
 - number of reps is unknown from the start
 - recognize when the task is finished by testing a condition
- Counter controlled repetition
 - number of reps is known from the start (e.g. repeat 1000 times)

Both sentinel-controlled and counter-controlled repetition can be done with **while**

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- Sentinel controlled repetition
- e.g. print every 5th positive integer up to 100

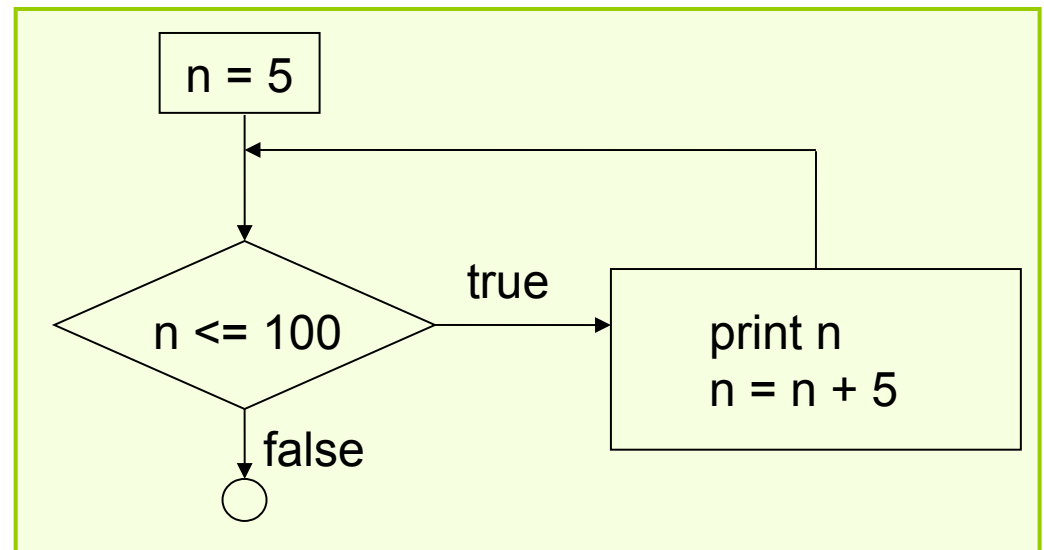
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while n <= 100
  print n
  add 5 to n
```



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What if we instead initialize n to 0?

Algorithms

Often have three phases:

1) **Initialization** phase

e.g. setting up initial values and data structures

2) **Processing** phase

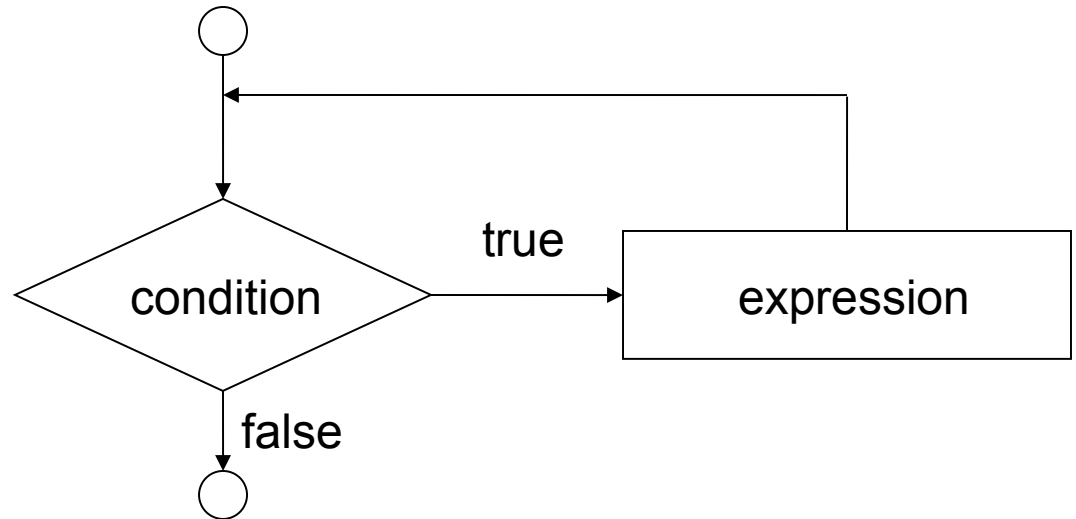
e.g. calculations, manipulations, storing results

3) **Termination** phase

e.g. printing or graphing the result

Exercise: **while**, sentinel control

```
while condition
    expression_1
    expression_2
    ...
```



Exercise: sentinel controlled repetition

A population starts with 2 individuals. Each generation, it doubles in size. What is the population size the first time the population exceeds 1000 individuals?

Use the `while` structure. The algorithm should finish by printing the answer. You can't use an exponentiation operator.

Hint: what are the first 4 numbers?

Flowchart and pseudocode first!

Then Python.