

# 4.1 If-else branches (general)

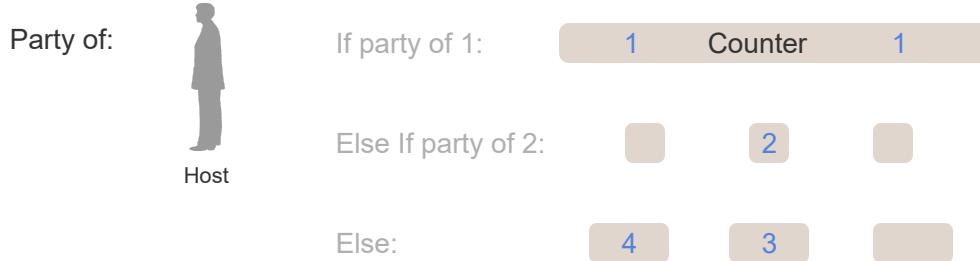
## Branch concept

People who have worked in restaurants may be familiar with steering people to different-sized tables based on group size.

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4.1.1: Branching concept.



## Animation content:

Static figure: The text, Party of:, is shown in front of an image of a person labeled Host. The layout of a restaurant is displayed in rows, where the first row is a rectangle representing the counter, the second row is 3 squares representing small tables, and the third row is 3 rectangles representing large tables.

Step 1: A restaurant host seats patrons. The host seats a party of 1 at the counter. The text, Party of: 1, is displayed, and the number 1 appears on the counter.

Step 2: A party of 2 is seated at a small table. Larger-sized parties are seated at a large table. The text, Party of: 2, is displayed, and the number 2 appears on a small table. The text, Party of: 4, is displayed, and the number 4 appears on a large table. The text, Party of: 1, is displayed, and another number 1 appears on the counter. The text, Party of: 3, is displayed, and the number 3 appears on a large table.

Step 3: The host mentally executes the algorithm: If party of one, seat at the counter; if party of 2, seat at a small table; for parties of 3 or more, seat at a large table. The text, If party of 1:, appears next to the counter. The text, Else If party of 2:, appears next to the row of small tables. The text, Else:, appears next to the row of large tables.

## Animation captions:

1. A restaurant host seats patrons. The host seats a party of 1 at the counter.
2. A party of 2 is seated at a small table. Larger-sized parties are seated at a large table.
3. The host mentally executes the algorithm: If party of one, seat at the counter; if party of 2, seat at a small table; for parties of 3 or more, seat at a large table.

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4.1.2: Branch concept.

Consider the example above.

1) A party of 1 is seated at \_\_\_\_ .

- the counter
- a small table

2) A party of 2 is seated at \_\_\_\_ .

- the counter
- a small table

3) A party of 5 is seated \_\_\_\_ .

- at a large table
- nowhere



## Branch basics (If)

In a program, a **branch** is a sequence of statements only executed under a certain condition. Ex: A hotel may discount a price only for people over age 65. An **if** branch is a branch taken only *if* an expression is true.

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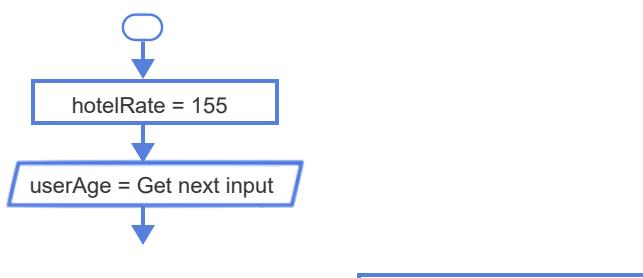
4.1.3: Branches: Hotel rate example.



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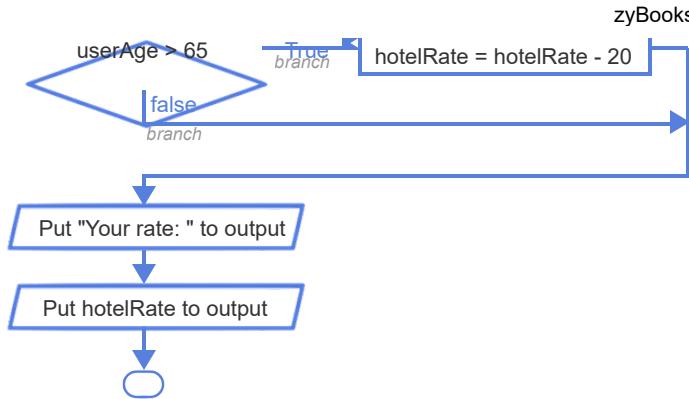
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Variables	
135	hotelRate integer
68	userAge integer

Input



68

## Output

Your rate: 135

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**Animation content:**

The animation executes the following Coral program:

```
integer hotelRate
integer userAge
```

```
hotelRate = 155
userAge = Get next input
if userAge > 65
    hotelRate = hotelRate - 20
Put "Your rate: " to output
Put hotelRate to output
```

Variables in memory is as follows:

```
135 hotelRate: integer
68 userAge: integer
```

Input is as follows:

```
68
```

Output (screen) is as follows:

```
Your rate: 135
```

**Animation captions:**

1. A decision leads to two program branches. If the expression is True, the first branch executes. Otherwise, the second branch executes.
2. If userAge is 68, then  $68 > 65$  is true. So the first branch executes, which discounts hotelRate.
3. Execution rejoins the other branch and continues with subsequent statements, outputting 135. If userAge were instead 50, the output would be 155.

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## 4.1.4: Branches.



Consider the hotel rate example above.

- 1) If userAge is 20, does the True or False branch execute?

- True branch
- False branch

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- 2) If userAge is 20, does the executed branch update hotelRate?

- Yes
- No



- 3) If userAge is 20, what hotel rate does the program output?

- 155
- 135



- 4) If userAge is 70, what hotel rate does the program output?

- 155
- 135



- 5) Do the last two statements always execute for any value of userAge?

- Yes
- No



## If branch example: Absolute value

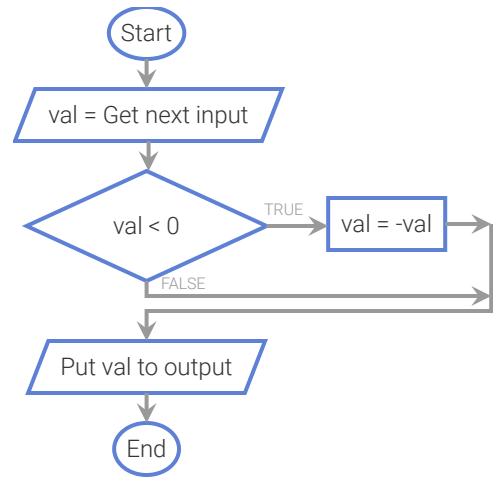
The example below shows how an if branch can be used to compute an absolute value of a number.

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## 4.1.5: Computing absolute value.

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Variables  
0 val integer

Input

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Output

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4.1.6: Example if branch: Absolute value.



Consider the example above.

- 1) If the input is -6, does the branch execute?

- Yes
- No



- 2) If the input is 0, does the branch execute?

- Yes
- No

**If-else branches**

An **if-else** branch has two branches: The first branch is executed *if* an expression is true; *else* the other branch is executed.

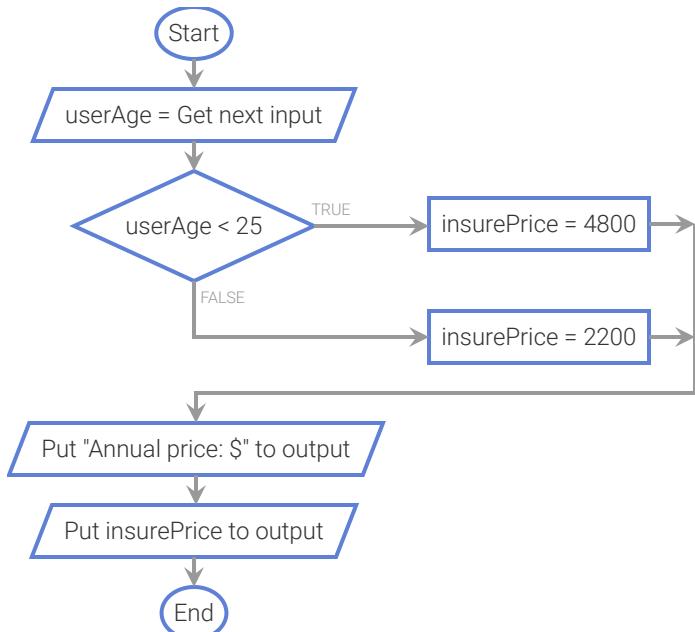
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In the example below, if a user inputs an age less than 25, the statement `insurePrice = 4800` executes. Else, `insurePrice = 2200` executes.

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4.1.7: Insurance price.

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Variables	
0	userAge integer
0	insurePrice integer

Input

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Output

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## Car insurance prices

([Car insurance prices](#) for drivers under 25 are higher because 1 in 6 such drivers are involved in an accident each year vs. 1 in 15 for older drivers. Source: [www.census.gov](#), 2009).

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#### 4.1.8: If-else branches.



Consider the insurance price example above.

1) If userAge is 18, what price is output?

- 4800
- 2200



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2) If userAge is 30, what price is output?

- 4800
- 2200





3) If userAge is 25, what price is output?

- 4800
- 2200

4) For what value of userAge will both branches execute?

- 15
- 25
- None

5) For what value of userAge will neither branch execute?

- 30
- 25
- None

6) For what value of userAge will the output statements not execute?

- 20
- 25
- None

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## If-else example: Max

The example below shows how an if-else can be used to get the maximum of two values.

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4.1.9: If-else branches example: Max.

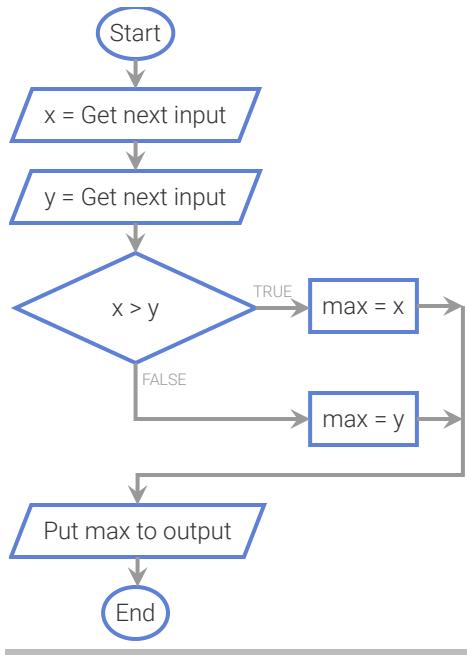
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## Variables

0	x	integer
0	y	integer
0	max	integer

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Input  
55 79

Output  
-

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## 4.1.10: If-else example: Max.



Consider the example above.

- 1) When the input is -3 0, which branch executes?
  - If
  - Else
- 2) When the input is 99 98, which branch executes?
  - If
  - Else
- 3) The if branch assigns max = x. The else branch assigns max = ?
  - x
  - y
- 4) If the inputs are 5 5, does max get assigned with x or y?
  - x



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O y

## If-elseif-else branches

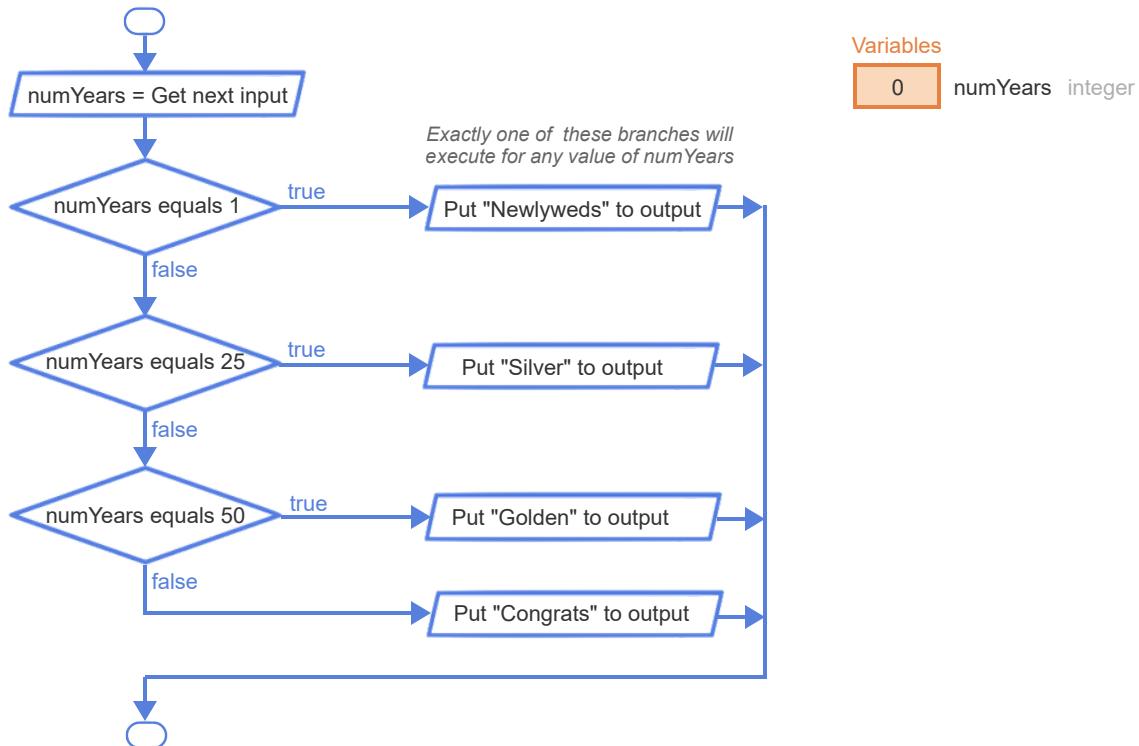
Commonly a programmer wishes to take one of multiple (three or more) branches. An if-else can be extended to an if-elseif-else structure. Each branch's expression is checked in sequence; as soon as one branch's expression is found to be true, that branch is taken. If no expression is found true, execution will reach the else branch, which then executes.

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Note: The else part is optional. If omitted, then if none of the previous expressions are true, no branch executes.

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#### 4.1.11: If-elseif example: Anniversaries.



### Animation content:

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The animation executes the following Coral program:

```
integer numYears
```

```
numYears = Get next input
```

```

if numYears == 1
    Put "Newlyweds" to output
else
    if numYears == 25
        Put "Silver" to output
    else
        if numYears == 50
            Put "Golden" to output
        else
            Put "Congrats" to output

```

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Variables in memory is as follows:

0 numYears: integer

## Animation captions:

1. This program detects the specific value of a variable. If numYears is 1, the first branch executes and "Newlyweds" is output.
2. If numYears is 25, the second branch executes and "Silver" is output. Otherwise, if numYears is 50, the third branch executes and "Golden" is output.
3. Otherwise, the last branch executes.

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4.1.12: If-elseif-else.



Consider the if-elseif-else structure below:

```

if x equals -1
    Put "Disagrees" to output
else if x equals 0
    Put "Neutral" to output
else if x equals 1
    Put "Agrees" to output
else
    Put "Invalid entry" to output

```

1) If x is 1, what is the output?



- Disagrees
- Neutral
- Agrees
- Invalid entry

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2) If x is -2, what is output?



- Disagrees

- Invalid entry
  - (Nothing is output)
- 3) Could the programmer have written the three branches in the order  $x$  equals 1,  $x$  equals 0, and  $x$  equals -1, and achieved the same results?



- No
  - Yes
- 4) In the code above, suppose a programmer, after the third branch ( $x$  equals 1), inserts a new branch: else if  $x$  equals -1. When might that new branch execute?
- When  $x$  is -1
  - When  $x$  is 1
  - Never



- 5) In the code above, suppose a programmer removed the else part entirely. If  $x$  is 2, which is correct?
- The last branch, meaning the
  - else if  $x$  equals 1 branch, will execute.
  - No branch will execute.
  - The program is not legal.

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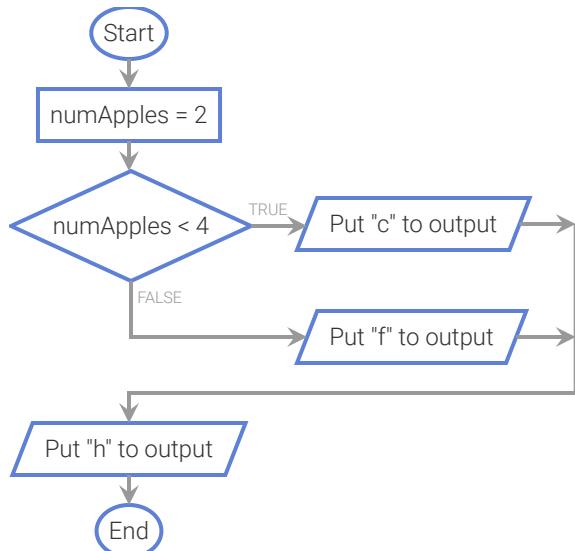
Note: Level 5 uses `==`, known as the equality operator, to mean equals. Ex: `x == 9` means  $x$  equals 9.

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1

2

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## 4.2 Detecting equal values with branches

### Detecting if two items are equal using an if statement

A program commonly needs to determine if two items are equal. Ex: If a hotel gives a discount for guests on their 50th wedding anniversary, a program to calculate the discount can check if a variable num\_years is equal to the value 50. A programmer can use an if statement to check if two values are equal.

An **if** statement executes a group of statements if an expression is true. The statements in a branch must be indented, typically four spaces.

The example below uses ==. The **equality operator** (==) evaluates to True if the left and right sides are equal. Ex: If num\_years is 50, then num\_years == 50 evaluates to true. Note the equality operator is ==, not =.

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4.2.1: Detecting if two items are equal: Hotel discount

```

hotel_rate = 150
num_years = int(input('Enter years married: '))
  
```

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```

if num_years == 50:
    print('Congratulations on 50 years of marriage!')
    hotel_rate = hotel_rate / 2

print(f'Your hotel rate: ${hotel_rate:.2f}')

```

96	75.0	hotel_rate
97	50	num_years
98		

```

hotel_rate = 150
num_years = int(input('Enter years married: '))

if num_years == 50:
    print('Congratulations on 50 years of marriage!')
    hotel_rate = hotel_rate / 2

print(f'Your hotel rate: ${hotel_rate:.2f}')

```

Enter years married: 50

Congratulations on 50 years of marriage!

Your hotel rate: \$75.00

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## Animation content:

The program shown:

hotel\_rate = 150

num\_years = int(input('Enter years married: '))

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if num_years == 50:
    print('Congratulations on 50 years of marriage!')
    hotel_rate = hotel_rate / 2

print(f'Your hotel rate: ${hotel_rate:.2f}')

```

The console input/output shown:

Enter years married: 50

Congratulations on 50 years of marriage!

Your hotel rate: \$75.00

## Animation captions:

- An if statement executes a group of statements if an expression is True. The program assigns hotel\_rate with 150 and then retrieves the number of years the user has been married from input.
- num\_years is 50. So the expression num\_years == 50 evaluates to True, and the if statement will execute. The statements after the colon : will execute next.
- hotel\_rate is divided in half, which is the discount for guests celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.
- The program completes by printing the hotel rate.

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4.2.2: If statement.



What is the final value of num\_items?

1) `bonus_val = 10  
num_items = 1`

```
if bonus_val == 10:  
    num_items = num_items +  
3
```



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2) `bonus_val = 0  
num_items = 1`

```
if bonus_val == 10:  
    num_items = num_items +  
3
```



## Equality and inequality operators

Whereas the equality operator checks whether two values are equal, the **inequality operator** (`!=`) evaluates to True if the left and right sides are not equal, or different.

An expression involving an equality or inequality operator evaluates to a Boolean value. A **Boolean** is a type that has just two values: True or False.

Table 4.2.1: Equality and inequality operators.

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Equality operators	Description	Example (assume x is 3)
<code>==</code>	a <code>==</code> b means a is equal to b.	x <code>==</code> 3 is True x <code>==</code> 4 is False

!=	a <b>!=</b> b means a is not equal to b	x != 3 is False x != 4 is True
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## 4.2.3: Evaluating expressions that have equality operators

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Indicate whether the expression evaluates to True or False.

x is 5, y is 7.

1)  $x == 5$

- True
- False

2)  $x == y$

- True
- False

3)  $y != 7$

- True
- False

4)  $y != 99$

- True
- False

5)  $x != y$

- True
- False

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## 4.2.4: Creating expressions with equality operators.

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Type the equality or inequality operator to make the expression true.

1) num\_dogs is 0.

num\_dogs  0

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- 2) num\_dogs and num\_cats are the same.

num\_dogs  num\_cats

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- 3) num\_dogs and num\_cats differ

num\_dogs  num\_cats

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- 4) num\_dogs is either less than or greater than num\_cats.

num\_dogs  num\_cats

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- 5) user\_char is the character 'x'.

user\_char  'x'

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## If-else statement

An **if-else** statement executes one group of statements when an expression is true, and another group of statements when the expression is false. In the example below, the if-else statement outputs if a number entered by the user is even or odd. The if statement executes if divRemainder is equal to 0, and the else statement executes if divRemainder is not equal to 0.

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4.2.5: If-else statement: Determining if a number is even or odd.

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```
user_num = int(input('Enter a number: '))
div_remainder = user_num % 2
if div_remainder == 0:
```

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div\_remainder  
user\_num

```
    print(f'{user_num} is even.')
else:
    print(f'{user_num} is odd.)
```

Enter a number: 22

22 is even.

Enter a number: 45

45 is odd.

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## Animation content:

The program shown:

```
user_num = int(input('Enter a number: '))
```

```
div_remainder = user_num % 2
```

```
if div_remainder == 0:
```

```
    print(user_num, 'is even.')
```

```
else:
```

```
    print(user_num, 'is odd.')
```

Console input/output shown from 2 runs of the program:

Enter a number: 22

22 is even.

Enter a number: 45

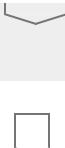
45 is odd.

## Animation captions:

1. An if-else statement executes a group of statements if an expression is True, and executes another group of statements otherwise.
2.  $\text{user\_num} \% 2$  evaluates to the remainder of dividing  $\text{user\_num}$  by 2.  $\text{user\_num}$  is 22, so  $\text{div\_remainder}$  is assigned with 0.
3. The if statement's expression  $\text{div\_remainder} == 0$  evaluates to  $0 == 0$ , which is True. So the if statements execute.
4.  $\text{user\_num}$  is 45, so  $\text{div\_remainder}$  is assigned with 1. The if statement's expression  $\text{div\_remainder} == 0$  evaluates to  $1 == 0$ , which is False. So the else's statements execute.

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## 4.2.6: If-else statements.



- 1) What is the final value of num\_items?

```
bonus_val = 12
```

```
if bonus_val == 12:  
    num_items = 100  
else:  
    num_items = 200
```

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- 2) What is the final value of num\_items?

```
bonus_val = 11
```

```
if bonus_val == 12:  
    num_items = 100  
else:  
    num_items = 200
```

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- 3) What is the final value of num\_items?

```
bonus_val = 15  
num_items = 44
```

```
if bonus_val == 14:  
    num_items = num_items +  
3  
else:  
    num_items = num_items +  
6
```

```
num_items = num_items + 1
```

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- 4) What is the final value of bonus\_val?

```
bonus_val = 11

if bonus_val != 12:
    bonus_val = bonus_val + 1
else:
    bonus_val = bonus_val +
10
```

  
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- 5) What is the final value of  
bonus\_val?

```
bonus_val = 12

if bonus_val == 12:
    bonus_val = bonus_val +
2
    bonus_val = 3 *
bonus_val

else:
    bonus_val = bonus_val +
10
```

  
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Translate each description to an if-else statement as directly as possible. (Not checked, but please indent a branch's statements a consistent number of spaces, such as three spaces.)

- 1) If user\_age equals 62, assign  
item\_discount with 15. Else, assign  
item\_discount with 0.

  
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- 2) If num\_people equals 10, execute group\_size =  $2 * \text{group\_size}$ . Otherwise, execute group\_size =  $3 * \text{group\_size}$  and num\_people = num\_people - 1.

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- 3) If num\_players does not equal 11, execute team\_size = 11. Otherwise, execute team\_size = num\_players. Then, no matter the value of num\_players, execute team\_size =  $2 * \text{team\_size}$ .

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4.2.1: Branches with equality and inequality operators: Enter the output.



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```
num_puppies = 5

if num_puppies == 5:
    print('c')
else:
    print('d')

print('h')
```



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4.2.2: Basic if-else.



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Write an if-else statement for the following:

If barcode\_check\_digit is equal to 7, execute group\_id = 1. Else, execute group\_id = barcode\_check\_digit.

Ex: If barcode\_check\_digit is 3, then group\_id = 3.

```
1 barcode_check_digit = int(input()) # Program will be tested with values: 5, 6,
2
3 ''' Your code goes here '''
4
5 print(group_id)
6
```

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Commonly, a program may need to detect several specific values of a variable. An if-else statement can be extended to have three (or more) branches. Additional branches use the **elif** keyword, which means "else if". Each branch's expression is checked in sequence. As soon as one branch's expression is found to be True, that branch's statement executes (and no subsequent branch is considered). If no expression is True, the else branch executes. The example below detects values of 1, 25, or 50 for variable num\_years.

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Figure 4.2.1: Multi-branch if-else statement. Only 1 branch will execute.

```
if expression1:
    # Statements that execute when expression1 is True
    # (first branch)
elif expression2:
    # Statements that execute when expression1 is False and expression2 is
True
    # (second branch)
else:
    # Statements that execute when expression1 is False and expression2 is
False
    # (third branch)
```

Figure 4.2.2: Multi-branch if-else example: Anniversaries.

```
num_years = int(input('Enter number years
married: '))

if num_years == 1:
    print('Your first year -- great!')
elif num_years == 10:
    print('A whole decade -- impressive.')
elif num_years == 25:
    print('Your silver anniversary -- enjoy.')
elif num_years == 50:
    print('Your golden anniversary -- amazing.')
else:
    print('Nothing special.)
```

Enter number years married:  
10  
A whole decade -- impressive.

...  
Enter number years married:  
25  
Your silver anniversary --  
enjoy.

...  
Enter number years married:  
30  
Nothing special.

Enter number years married: 1  
Your first year -- great!

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## 4.2.8: Multi-branch if-else statements.



What is the final value of employee\_bonus for each given value of num\_sales?

```
if num_sales == 0:  
    employee_bonus = 0  
elif num_sales == 1:  
    employee_bonus = 2  
elif num_sales == 2:  
    employee_bonus = 5  
else:  
    employee_bonus = 10
```

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1) num\_sales is 2

  
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2) num\_sales is 0

  
**Show answer**

3) num\_sales is 7

  
**Show answer****CHALLENGE ACTIVITY**

## 4.2.3: Detect specific values.



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If http\_response\_code is 409, output 'Conflict'. Otherwise, output 'No conflict'.

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```
1 http_response_code = int(input())  
2  
3 ''' Your code goes here '''  
4
```

1

2

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4.2.4: Basic if-else expression.



Write an expression so that "User is 18" is printed if the value of user\_age is equal to 18. Write *only* the expression.

Ex: If the input is 18, then the output is:

User is 18

Ex: If the input is 30, then the output is:

Not 18

Note: Replace '''' Your solution goes here ''' (including quotes) with your solution.

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```
1 user_age = int(input())
2 if '''' Your solution goes here '''':
3     print('User is 18')
4 else:
5     print('Not 18')
```

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## 4.3 Detecting ranges with branches (general)

### Detecting ranges using if-elseif-else

A common programming task is to detect if a value lies within a certain range and then perform an action depending on where the value lies. Ex: If Timmy is less than 6, he can play pee-wee soccer. If Timmy is between 6 and 17, he can play junior league soccer, and if he's older than 17, he can play professional soccer.

An if-elseif-else structure can detect number ranges with each branch performing a different action for each range. Each expression only needs to indicate the upper range part; if execution reaches an expression, the lower range part is implicit from the previous expressions being False.

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.3.1: An if-elseif-else structure can elegantly detect ranges.



1			
2			
3			
4			
5	5 or under	No teams	If age < 6: No teams
6			
7	Under 8	6, 7	Else If age < 8: Play on U8 team
8			@zyBooks 11/07/24 14:46 2300507 Liz Vokac Main KVCC CIS216 Johnson Fall 2024
9	Under 10	8, 9	Else If age < 10: Play on U10 team
10			
11	Under 12	10, 11	Else If age < 12: Play on U12 team
12	12 or over	No teams	Else: No teams
13			

## Animation content:

Static figure: A column containing the numbers 1 through 13, representing kids ages, is displayed. Step 1: Kids of various ages may wish to play soccer. A soccer club may not have teams for kids 5 and under. The numbers 1 through 5 are highlighted, and the text, 5 or under: No teams, appears next to the number 5.

Step 2: One level of teams is listed as "Under 8" (or just U8), which is understood to mean just 7 or 6, but not 5 or younger. The numbers 6 and 7 are highlighted, and the text, Under 8: 6, 7, appears next to the number 7.

Step 3: Likewise, U10 means 9 and 8, and U12 means 11 and 10. No teams exist for ages 12 and over. The numbers 8 and 9 are highlighted, and the text, Under 10: 8, 9, appears next to the number 9. The numbers 10 and 11 are highlighted, and the text, Under 12: 10, 11, appears next to the number 11. The numbers 12 and 13 are highlighted, and the text, 12 or over: No teams, appears next to the number 12.

Step 4: An if-elseif-else structure can elegantly capture such ranges. When an expression is checked, the reviewer knows that all previous expressions are False, thus defining the low-range end. The text, If age < 6: No teams, appears next to the number 5. The text, Else If age < 8: Play on U8 team, appears next to the number 7. The text, Else If age < 10: Play on U10 team, appears next to the number 9. The text, Else If age < 12: Play on U12 team, appears next to the number 11. The text, Else: No teams, appears next to the number 12.

## Animation captions:

1. Kids of various ages may wish to play soccer. A soccer club may not have teams for kids 5 and under.
2. One level of teams is listed as "Under 8" (or just U8), which is understood to mean just 7 or 6, but not 5 or younger.
3. Likewise, U10 means 9 and 8, and U12 means 11 and 10. No teams exist for ages 12 and over.
4. An if-elseif-else structure can elegantly capture such ranges. When an expression is checked, the reviewer knows that all previous expressions are False, thus defining the low-range end.

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.3.2: Using if-elseif-else to detect increasing ranges.

Indicate the range corresponding to each branch.  $x$  is a nonnegative integer.

If unable to drag and drop, refresh the page.

**0-9**

**20-29**

**10-19**

**30+**

If  $x < 10$  : Branch 1

Else if  $x < 20$  : Branch 2Else if  $x < 30$  : Branch 3

Else : Branch 4

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**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.3.3: More ranges with if-elseif-else.



Indicate the range detected by the expression, assuming each question continues a single if-elseif-else structure. Type ranges as: 25-29

1) If  $x > 100$  : Branch 1 - infinity**Check****Show answer**2) Else if  $x > 50$  : Branch 2**Check****Show answer**

3) Else

 -infinity -**Check****Show answer**

4) Is this a reasonable if-elseif-else structure? Type yes or no.

If  $x < 100$ : Branch 1Else If  $x < 200$ : Branch 2Else If  $x < 150$ : Branch 3

Else: Branch 4

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## CORAL (pseudocode) comments

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#### 4.3.1: Decision sequence to detect increasing ranges.

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Indicate the range covered by the following decision.  
Assume x is a nonnegative integer.

$x < 13$

// Range covered: Ex: 5 - Ex: 5

$x < 28$

Else

1

2

3

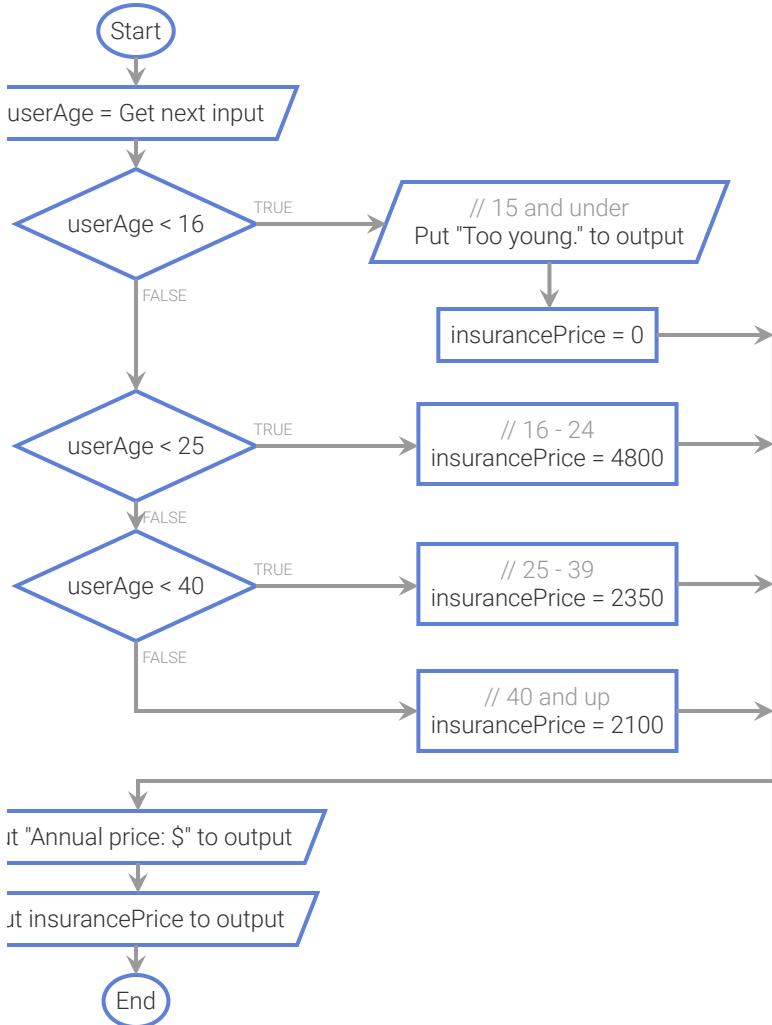
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## Using multi-branch if-else to detect ranges

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The sequential nature of multi-branch if-else statements is useful to detect ranges of numbers. In the following example, the second branch expression is only reached if the first expression is False. So the second branch is taken if  $\text{userAge} < 16$  is False (so 16 or greater) AND  $\text{userAge} < 25$ , meaning  $\text{userAge}$  is between 16-24 (inclusive).

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY****4.3.4: Using if-else-if for ranges: Insurance prices.****Full screen****Variables**

0	userAge	int
0	insurancePrice	int

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**Input**

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**Output**

-

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Execution speed

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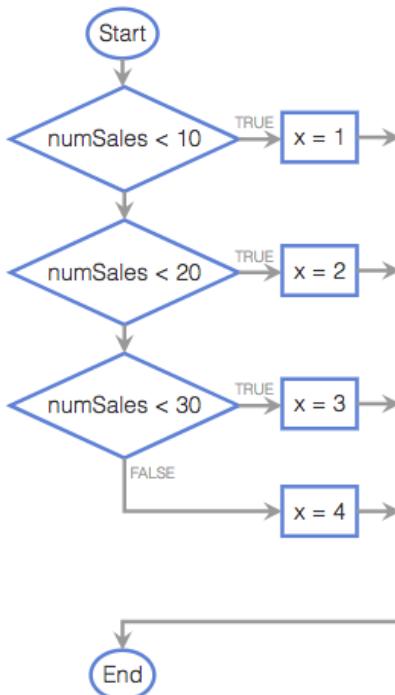
**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY****4.3.5: Decision sequences and ranges.**

Type the range for each branch. Type ranges as 25-29, or as 30+ for 30 and up.

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- 1) Range for  $x = 2$

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- 2) Range for  $x = 3$

**Check**

[Show answer](#)



- 3) Range for  $x = 4$

**Check**

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**CHALLENGE ACTIVITY**

4.3.2: Flowchart decision sequence to detect increasing ranges

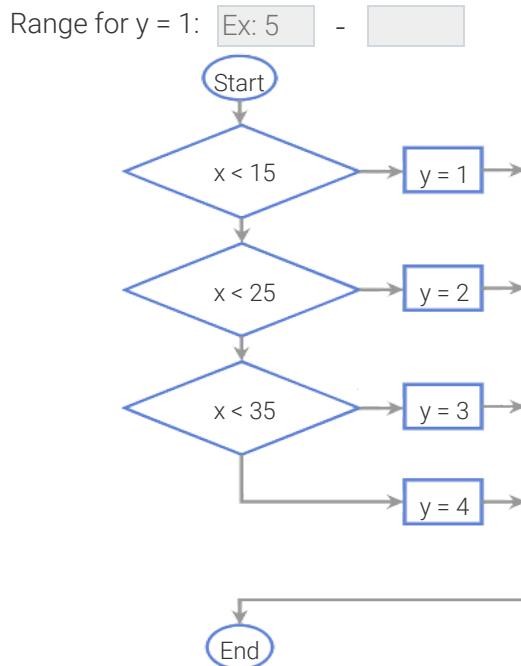
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**Start**



Type the range for the given branch. Assume  $x$  is a nonnegative integer.



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1	2	3	4
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## 4.4 Detecting ranges with branches

### Relational operators

A **relational operator** checks how one operand's value relates to another, such as being greater than.

Some operators, such as `>=`, involve two characters. A programmer cannot arbitrarily combine the `>`, `=`, and `<` symbols; only the two-character sequences shown represent valid operators.

Table 4.4.1: Relational operators.

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Relational operators	Description	Example (assume x is 3)
<code>&lt;</code>	a <code>&lt;</code> b means a is less than b.	$x < 4$ is True $x < 3$ is False

>	a <b>&gt;</b> b means a is greater than b.	x > 2 is True x > 3 is False
<b>&lt;=</b>	a <b>&lt;=</b> b means a is less than or equal to b.	x <= 4 is True x <= 3 is True x <= 2 is False
<b>&gt;=</b>	a <b>&gt;=</b> b means a is greater than or equal to b	x >= 2 is True x >= 3 is True x >= 4 is False

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**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY****4.4.1: Evaluating equations having relational operators.**

Indicate whether the expression evaluates to True or False.

x is 5, y is 7.



1)  $x <= 7$



- True
- False

2)  $y >= 7$



- True
- False

3) Is  $x <> y$  a valid expression?



- Yes
- No

4) Is  $x =< y$  a valid expression?



- Yes
- No

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**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY****4.4.2: Creating expressions with relational operators.**

Type the operator to complete the desired expression.

- 1) num\_dogs is greater than 10.

num\_dogs  10

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- 2) num\_cars is greater than or equal to 5.

num\_cars  5

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- 3) num\_cars is 5 or greater.

num\_cars  5

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- 4) cents\_lost is a negative number.

cents\_lost  0

**Check**

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## Detecting ranges with if-else statements

Programmers commonly use the sequential nature of the multi-branch if-else arrangement to detect ranges of numbers. In the following example, the second branch expression is only reached if the first expression is false. So the second branch is taken if `user_age < 16` is *false* (so 16 or greater) *and* `user_age` is `< 25`, meaning `user_age` is between 16 and 24 (inclusive).

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4.4.3: Using the sequential nature of multi-branch if-else for ranges:  
Insurance prices.



```
user_age = int(input('Enter your age: '))

if user_age < 16:          # Age 15 and under
    print('Too young.')
    insurance_price = 0

elif user_age < 25:         # Age 16 - 24
    insurance_price = 4800

elif user_age < 40:         # Age 25 - 39
    insurance_price = 7200
```

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96	27	user_age
97	2350	insurance_price
98		

```

insurance_price = 2350

else:                      # Age 40 and up
    insurance_price = 2100

print(f'Annual price: ${insurance_price}')

```

Enter your age: 27

Annual price: \$2350

27 &lt; 16 X

27 &lt; 25 X

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## Animation content:

The program shown:

```
user_age = int(input('Enter your age: '))
```

```
if user_age < 16:      # Age 15 and under
    print('Too young.')
    insurance_price = 0
```

```
elif user_age < 25:    # Age 16 - 24
    insurance_price = 4800
```

```
elif user_age < 40:    # Age 25 - 39
    insurance_price = 2350
```

```
else:                  # Age 40 and up
    insurance_price = 2100
```

```
print(f'Annual price: ${insurance_price}')
```

The console input/output shown:

Enter your age: 27

Annual price: \$2350

## Animation captions:

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1. The user enters 27 for their age, which is stored in memory as the variable `user_age`. The multi-branch if-else first checks if `user_age` is less than 16, which is False.
2. The next branch in the multi-branch if-else checks if `user_age` is less than 25, which is False.
3. The next branch checks if `user_age` is less than 40, which is True. The elif's statements execute and the variable `insurance_price` is set to 2350 in memory.

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY****4.4.4: Ranges and multi-branch if-else.**

Type the range for each branch. Type ranges as: 25-29, or type 30+ for all numbers 30 and larger.

```
if num_sales < 10:  
    ...  
elif num_sales < 20: # 2nd branch range: _____  
    ...  
elif num_sales < 30: # 3rd branch range: _____  
    ...  
else:                 # 4th branch range: _____  
    ...
```

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1) 2nd branch range:

  
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2) 3rd branch range:

  
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3) 4th branch range:

  
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4) What is the range for the last branch below?



```
if num_items < 0:  
    ...  
elif num_items > 100:  
    ...  
else: # Range: _____  
    ...
```

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## 4.4.5: Complete the multi-branch if-else.



- 1) Second branch: user\_num is less than 200



```
if user_num < 100 :  
    ...  
elif [REDACTED] :  
    ...  
else : # user_num >= 200  
    ...
```

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- 2) Second branch: user\_num is positive. (non-zero)



```
if user_num < 0 :  
    ...  
[REDACTED] :  
    ...  
else : # user_num is 0  
    ...
```

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- 3) The second branch: user\_num is greater than 105.



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```

if user_num < 100 :

    ...

    : //
```

...

```

else : # user_num is between
    # 100 and 105
```

...

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- 4) If the final else branch executes, what must user\_num have been? Type "unknown" if appropriate.

```

if user_num <= 9:
    ...
elif user_num >= 11:
    ...
else:
    ... # user_num if this
executes?
```

```
: //
```

**Check****Show answer**

- 5) Which branch will execute? Valid answers: 1, 2, 3, or none.

```

user_num = 555;

if user_num < 0:
    ... # Branch 1
elif user_num > 666:
    ... # Branch 2
elif user_num < 100:
    ... # Branch 3
```

```
: //
```

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4.4.1: Detect ranges using branches.



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Type the program's output

Input

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Output

n

Y

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## Operator chaining

Python supports **operator chaining**. For example, `a < b < c` determines whether `b` is greater-than `a` but less-than `c`. Chaining performs comparisons left to right, evaluating `a < b` first. If the result is True, then `b < c` is evaluated next. If the result of the first comparison `a < b` is False, then there is no need to continue evaluating the rest of the expression. Note that `a` is not compared to `c`.

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4.4.6: Chaining relational operators.



Write a relational expression using operator chaining.

- 1) `x` is less than `y` but greater than `z`.



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- 2) `x` is a nonnegative number less than 100.



```
if :
    # evaluated to True
else:
    # evaluated to False
```

**Check****Show answer****CHALLENGE ACTIVITY****4.4.2: If-else expression: Operator chaining.**

Variable user\_grade is read from input. Use operator chaining to complete the if-else expression as follows:

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- If the value of user grade is between 9 and 12 (both inclusive), then "in high school" is output.
- Otherwise, "not in high school" is output.

Ex 1: If the input is 10, then the output is:

in high school

Ex 2: If the input is 8, then the output is:

not in high school

Note:  $0 < x < 5$  evaluates to true if  $x$  is between the ranges 0 and 5 (both non-inclusive).

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```
1 user_grade = int(input())
2
3 if ''' Your solution goes here ''':
4     print('in high school')
5 else:
6     print('not in high school')
```

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**CHALLENGE  
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Complete the if-else statement to output 'Fewer than 20' if the value of input\_val is fewer than 20. Otherwise, output '20 or more'.

Ex: If the input is 18, then the output is:

Fewer than 20

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```
1 input_val = int(input())
2
3 if ''' Your code goes here ''':
4     print('Fewer than 20')
5 else:
6     print('20 or more')
```

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ACTIVITY****4.4.4: Working with branches.**

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Integer number\_of\_pets is read from input. If number\_of\_pets is greater than 15, then output number\_of\_pets. Otherwise, output 'number\_of\_pets is way too many pets.'

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```
1 number_of_pets = int(input())
2
3 ''' Your code goes here '''
```

4

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1

2

3

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4.4.5: Working with ranges.



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When the input variable light\_freq is:

- less than or equal to 401, output 'Too low'.
- between 401 exclusive and 785 inclusive, output 'Can be seen'.
- greater than 785, output 'Too high'.

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```
1 light_freq = int(input())
2
3 ''' Your code goes here '''
4
```

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## 4.5 Detecting ranges using logical operators

### Logical AND, OR, and NOT (general)

A **logical operator** treats operands as being True or False, and evaluates to True or False. Logical operators include AND, OR, and NOT. Programming languages typically use various symbols for those operators, but below the words AND, OR, and NOT are used for introductory purposes.

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.5.1: Logical operators: AND, OR, and NOT.



a	b	a AND b
False	False	False
False	True	False
True	False	False
True	True	True

a	b	a OR b
False	False	False
False	True	True
True	False	True
True	True	True

a	NOT a
False	True
True	False

Let  $x = 7, y = 9$

$(x > 0) \text{ AND } (y < 10)$  True  
 True      True

$(x < 0) \text{ OR } (y > 10)$  False  
 False      False

$\text{NOT } (x < 0)$  True  
 False

$(x > 0) \text{ AND } (y < 5)$  False  
 True      False

$(x < 0) \text{ OR } (y > 5)$  True  
 False      True

$\text{NOT } (x > 0)$  False  
 True

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Static Figure: Truth tables are shown for each of the logical operators and, or, and not. Examples of expressions using each logical operator are shown with each truth table.

Step 1: AND evaluates to True only if BOTH operands are True. The truth table for the logical operator and shows every permutation of possible values for a and b with the value of a AND b for

each permutation. The table is as follows:

a	b	a AND b
False	False	False
False	True	False
True	False	False
True	ztrue	True

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The bottom row, where a is True, b is True, and a AND b is True, is highlighted. This is the only permutation where a AND b is True.

Step 2: OR evaluates to True if ANY operand is True (one, the other, or both). The truth table for the logical operator or is as follows:

a	b	a OR b
False	False	False
False	True	True
True	False	True
True	ztrue	True

All instances of True in the table are highlighted. In the second row, the value of b and the value of a OR b are both True. In the third row, the value of a and the value of a OR b are both True. In the third row, the value of a, the value of b, and the value of a OR b are all True. a OR b is only False in the first row, where the value of a and the value of b are both False.

Step 3: NOT evaluates to the opposite of the operand. The truth table for the logical operator not is as follows:

a	NOT a
False	True
True	False

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Step 4: Each operand is an expression . If  $x = 7$ ,  $y = 9$ , then  $(x \text{ greater than } 0) \text{ AND } (y \text{ less than } 10)$  is True AND True, so the full expression evaluates to True (both operands are True).  $(x \text{ greater than } 0) \text{ AND } (y \text{ less than } 5)$  is True and False, so the expression evaluates to False.  $(x \text{ less than } 0) \text{ OR } (y \text{ greater than } 10)$  is False or False, so the expression evaluates to False.  $(x \text{ less than } 0) \text{ OR } (y \text{ greater than } 5)$  is False or True, so the expression evaluates to True. NOT  $(x \text{ less than } 0)$  is not False, so the

expression evaluates to True. NOT ( $x$  greater than 0) is not True, so the expression evaluates to False.

## Animation captions:

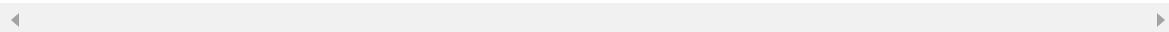
1. AND evaluates to True only if BOTH operands are True.
2. OR evaluates to True if ANY operand is True (one, the other, or both).
3. NOT evaluates to the opposite of the operand.
4. Each operand is an expression. If  $x = 7$ ,  $y = 9$ , then  $(x > 0)$  AND  $(y < 10)$  is True AND True, so the full expression evaluates to True (both operands are True).

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Table 4.5.1: Logical operators.

Logical operator	Description
$a \text{ AND } b$	<b>Logical AND:</b> True when both of its operands are True.
$a \text{ OR } b$	<b>Logical OR:</b> True when at least one of its two operands are True.
$\text{NOT } a$	<b>Logical NOT:</b> True when its one operand is False, and vice versa.



### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

#### 4.5.2: Evaluating expressions with logical operators.



Indicate whether the expression evaluates to True or False.

$x$  is 7,  $y$  is 9.

1)  $x > 5$

- True
- False



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2)  $(x > 5) \text{ AND } (y < 20)$

- True
- False



3)  $(x > 10) \text{ AND } (y < 20)$



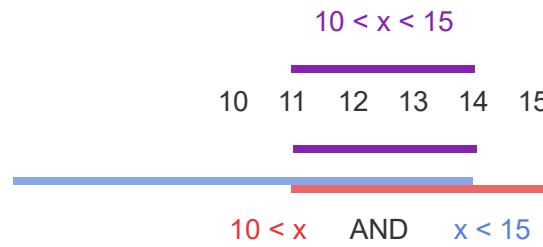
True False4)  $(x > 10) \text{ OR } (y < 20)$  True False5)  $(x > 10) \text{ OR } (y > 20)$ ©zyBooks 11/07/24 14:46 2300507  
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KVCC CIS216 Johnson Fall 2024 True False6)  $\text{NOT } (x > 10)$  True False7)  $\text{NOT } ((x > 5) \text{ AND } (y < 20))$  True False

## Detecting ranges with logical operators (general)

A common use of logical operators is to detect if a value is within a range.

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.5.3: Using AND to detect if a value is within a range.

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### Animation content:

Static figure: A number line is shown with the values 10 through 15 labeled.

## Animation captions:

1. The range  $10 < x < 15$  means that  $x$  may be 11, 12, 13, or 14.
2. Specifying that range in a program can be done using two  $<$  operators along with an AND operator.  $10 < x$  defines the range 11 and higher.
3.  $x < 15$  defines the range 14 and lower. ANDing yields the overlapping range. Only when  $x$  is 11, 12, 13, or 14 will both expressions be true.

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### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

4.5.4: Using AND to detect if a value is within a range.



Assume  $x$  is an integer.

- 1) Which approach uses a logical operator to detect if  $x$  is in the range 1 to 99?

- $0 < x < 100$
- $(0 < x) \text{ AND } (x < 100)$
- $(0 < x) \text{ AND } (x > 100)$

- 2) Which approach detects if  $x$  is in the range -4 to +4?

- $(x < -5) \text{ AND } (x < 5)$
- $(x > -5) \text{ OR } (x < 5)$
- $(x > -5) \text{ AND } (x < 5)$

- 3) Which detects if  $x$  is either less than -5, or greater than 10?

- $(x < -5) \text{ AND } (x > 10)$
- $(x < -5) \text{ OR } (x > 10)$

## Booleans and logical operators

A **Boolean** refers to a value that is either True or False. Note that True and False are keywords in Python and must be capitalized. A programmer can assign a Boolean value by specifying True or False, or by evaluating an expression that yields a Boolean.

Figure 4.5.1: Creating a Boolean.

```
my_bool = True      # Assigns my_bool with the boolean value True
is_small = 4 < 3   # Assigns is_small with the result of the expression 4 < 3
(False)
```

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Keywords **and**, **or**, and **not** (lowercase) are used to represent the AND, OR, and NOT logical operators. Logical operators are commonly used in expressions of if-else statements.

Table 4.5.2: Logical operators.

Logical operator	Description
a <b>and</b> b	<b>Boolean AND</b> : True when both operands are True.
a <b>or</b> b	<b>Boolean OR</b> : True when at least one operand is True.
<b>not</b> a	<b>Boolean NOT</b> (opposite): True when the single operand is False (and False when operand is True).

Table 4.5.3: Logical operators examples.

Given age = 19, days = 7, user\_char = 'q'

(age > 16) and (age < 25)	True, because both operands are True.
(age > 16) and (days > 10)	False, because both operands are not True (days > 10 is False).
(age > 16) or (days > 10)	True, because at least one operand is True (age > 16 is True). ©zyBooks 11/7/24 14:46 2300507 Liz Vokac Main KVCC CIS216 Johnson Fall 2024
not (days > 10)	True, because operand is False.
not (age > 16)	False, because operand is True.
not (user_char == 'q')	False, because operand is True.

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.5.5: Logical operators: Complete the expressions to detect the desired range.



- 1) days\_logged is greater than 30 and less than 90

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```
if (days_logged > 30)   
(days_logged < 90):
```

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- 2)  $0 < \text{max\_cars} < 100$



```
if (max_cars > 0)   
(max_cars < 100):
```

**Check****Show answer**

- 3) num\_stores is between 10 and 20, inclusive.



```
if (num_stores >= 10)   
(num_stores <= 20):
```

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- 4) not\_valid is either less than 15 or greater than 79.



```
if (not_valid < 15)   
(not_valid > 79):
```

**Check****Show answer**

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**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.5.6: Creating expressions with logical operators.



- 1) num\_dogs has a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 5.



```
if (num_dogs >= 2)  
    :  
    //
```

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- 2) wage is greater than 10 and less than 18. Use `>` and `<` (not `>=` and `<=`). Use parentheses around sub-expressions.

```
if  
    :  
    //
```

**Check****Show answer**

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- 3) num is a 3-digit positive integer. Ex: 100, 989, and 523, are 3-digit positive integers, but 55, 1000, and -4 are not.

For most direct readability, your expression should compare directly with the smallest and largest 3-digit number.

```
if (num >= 100)  
    :  
    //
```

**Check****Show answer**

## Example: TV channels

A cable TV provider has regular channels numbered 2-499, and high-definition channels numbered 1002-1499. A program sets a character variable to 's' for standard, 'h' for high-definition, and 'e' for error.

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Figure 4.5.2: Detecting ranges: Cable TV channels.

```

if (user_channel >= 2) and (user_channel <= 499):
    channel_type = 's'

elif (user_channel >= 1002) and (user_channel <=
1499):
    channel_type = 'h'

else:
    channel_type = 'e'

```

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## zyDE 4.5.1: Detecting ranges: Cable TV channels.

Run the program and observe the output. Change the input box value from 3 to another number and run again.

The screenshot shows the zyDE development environment. On the left, there is a code editor window containing Python code. On the right, there is an output window where the user can enter a value and a 'Run' button. The code in the editor is:

```

Load default template...
1 user_channel = int(input())
2
3 if (user_channel >= 2) and (user_channel <= 499):
4     channel_type = 's'
5
6 elif (user_channel >= 1002) and (user_channel <=
1499):
7     channel_type = 'h'
8
9 else:
10    channel_type = 'e'
11
12 print(f'Channel type: {channel_type}')
13

```

The input box contains the value '3'. Below the input box is an orange 'Run' button. To the right of the input box is a large, empty output area.

### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

#### 4.5.7: TV channel example: Detecting ranges.

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Consider the above example.

- 1) If `user_channel` is 300, to what does the if statement's expression, `(user_channel >= 2)` and `(user_channel <= 499)`, evaluate?



- True
- False
- 2) If user\_channel is 300, does the else if expression `(user_channel >= 1002) and (user_channel <= 1499)` get checked?
- Yes
- No
- 3) Did the expressions use logical AND or logical OR?
- AND
- OR
- 4) Channels 500-599 are pay channels. Does this expression detect that range?   
`(user_channel >= 500) or (user_channel <= 599)`
- Yes
- No

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## Detecting ranges implicitly vs. explicitly

A programmer often uses logical operators to detect a range by explicitly specifying the high end and low end of the range. However, if a program should detect increasing ranges without gaps, a multi-branch if-else statement can be used without logical operators; the low end of the range is implicitly known upon reaching an expression. Likewise, a decreasing range without gaps has implicitly known high-ends.

### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

4.5.8: Detecting ranges implicitly vs. explicitly.

```
if x < 0 :
    # Negative

elif (x >= 0) and (x <= 10) :
    # 0..10

elif (x >= 11) and (x <= 20) :
    # 11..20
```

```
if x < 0 :
    # Negative

elif (x <= 10) :
    x >= 0 is implicit
    # 0..10

elif (x <= 20) :
    x > 10 is implicit
    # 11..20

x > 20 is implicit
```

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```
else :  
    # 21+
```

*Explicitly defined ranges*

```
else :  
    # 21+
```

*Implicitly defined ranges*

## Animation content:

Static figure: Begin Python code:

```
if x < 0 :  
    # Negative
```

```
elif (x >= 0) and (x <= 10) :  
    # 0..10
```

```
elif (x >= 11) and (x <= 20) :  
    # 11..20
```

```
else :  
    # 21+
```

End Python code. This code block is labeled "Explicitly defined ranges." Begin Python code:

```
if x < 0 :  
    # Negative
```

```
elif (x <= 10) :  
    # 0..10
```

```
elif (x <= 20) :  
    # 11..20
```

```
else :  
    # 21+
```

End Python code. This code block is labeled "Implicitly defined ranges."

Step 1:

Begin Python code:

```
if x < 0 :  
    # Negative
```

```
elif (x >= 0) and (x <= 10) :  
    # 0..10
```

```
elif (x >= 11) and (x <= 20) :  
    # 11..20
```

```
else:
```

```
    # 21+
```

End Python code. This code block is labeled "Explicitly defined ranges".

Step 2: If the first branch doesn't execute, x must be  $\geq 0$ . So the second branch's expression is  $x \leq 10$ . The  $x \geq 0$  is implicit. Begin Python code:

```
if x < 0 :
```

```
    # Negative
```

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```
elif (x <= 10) :
```

```
    # 0..10
```

```
elif (x <= 20) :
```

```
    # 11..20
```

```
else:
```

```
    # 21+
```

End Python code. This code block is labeled "Implicitly defined ranges." In the "explicitly defined ranges" code block,  $x \geq 0$  is underlined, and  $x \leq 10$  is underlined. In the "implicitly defined ranges" code block,  $x \leq 20$  is underlined. The text "x  $\geq 0$  is implicit" appears.

Step 3: Implicit ranges can simplify a multi-branch if the statement for ranges is without gaps. In the "explicitly defined ranges" code block,  $x \geq 11$  is underlined, and  $x \leq 20$  is underlined. In the "implicitly defined ranges" code block,  $x \leq 20$  is underlined. The text "x  $> 10$  is implicit" appears. The text "x  $> 20$  is implicit" appears next to the else statement.

## Animation captions:

1. This code detects ranges explicitly using the AND operator. The first branch executes when  $x < 0$ ; the second executes when  $(x \geq 0)$  and  $(x \leq 10)$ .
2. If the first branch doesn't execute, x must be  $\geq 0$ . So the second branch's expression is  $x \leq 10$ . The  $x \geq 0$  is implicit.
3. Implicit ranges can simplify a multi-branch if the statement for ranges is without gaps.

### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

4.5.9: Detecting ranges implicitly vs explicitly.



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For each pair of statements, does the second if-else statement detect the same ranges as the first if-else statement?

1)



```
if temp <= 0...
elif (temp > 0) and (temp <
100) ...
```

```
if temp <= 0...
elif temp < 100...
```

- Yes
- No

2)

```
if systolic < 130: ...
elif (systolic >= 130) and
(systolic <= 139): ...
```

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```
if systolic < 130: ...
elif systolic >= 130: ...
```

- Yes
- No

3)

```
if (year >= 1901) and (year <=
2000): ...
elif (year >= 2001) and (year
<= 2100): ...
```

```
if year <= 2000: ...
elif year <= 2100: ...
```

- Yes
- No

**CHALLENGE ACTIVITY**

4.5.1: Detecting ranges using logical operators.

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**Start**

Modify the given if statement so that 'Large university' is output if enrollment\_input is in the range 85

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```
1 enrollment_input = int(input())
2
3 # Modify the following line
4 if (enrollment_input < 8500) and (enrollment_input > 18000):
5     print('Large university')
6 else:
7     print('Not a large university')
```

1

2

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## 4.6 Detecting ranges with gaps

### Basic ranges with gaps

Ranges contain gaps. Ex: Movie theaters give ticket discounts to children (anyone 12 and under) and seniors (anyone 65 and older). The gap is the group of people aged 13 to 64. An if-else statement can be used to detect such ranges with gaps.

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.6.1: Using multi-branch if-else for detecting ranges with gaps: Movie ticket prices.



```
movie_ticket_price = None

user_age = int(input('Enter your age: '))

if user_age <= 12:      # Age 12 and under
    print('Child ticket discount.')
    movie_ticket_price = 11
elif user_age >= 65:    # Age 65 and older
    print('Senior ticket discount.')
    movie_ticket_price = 12
else:                  # All other ages
    movie_ticket_price = 14

print(f'Movie ticket price: ${movie_ticket_price}')
```

Memory

95		
96	19	user_age
97	14	movie_ticket_price
98		

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Enter your age: 67  
Senior ticket discount.  
Movie ticket price: \$12

Enter your age: 19  
Movie ticket price: \$14

67 <= 12 X67 >= 65 ✓19 <= 12 X19 >= 65 X

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Static figure: Begin Python code: movie\_ticket\_price = None

```
user_age = int(input('Enter your age: '))
```

```
if user_age <= 12:    # Age 12 and under
    print('Child ticket discount.')
    movie_ticket_price = 11
elif user_age >= 65:  # Age 65 and older
    print('Senior ticket discount.')
    movie_ticket_price = 12
else:                 # All other ages
    movie_ticket_price = 14
```

print(f'Movie ticket price: \${movie\_ticket\_price}') End Python code. A memory block stores the variable user\_age with value 19 in address 96. The variable movie\_ticket\_price with value 14 is stored in address 97. The console contains 6 lines of output:

Enter your age: 67

Senior ticket discount.

Movie ticket price: \$12

Enter your age: 19

Movie ticket price: \$14

Comparisons with a true or false are shown. 67 <= 12, false. 67 >= 65, pass. 19 <= 12, false. 19 >= 65, false.

Step 1: After the user enters their age, the else-if branch's first branch checks if age is <= 12. The line of code user\_age = int(input('Enter your age: ')) is highlighted. "Enter your age: 67" is outputted.

user\_age is assigned with the value 67 and stored in memory at address 96.

Step 2: user\_age is 67, which is greater than 12, so the program moves to the second branch that checks if user\_age is >= 65. 67 <= 12, false. The line of code elif user\_age >= 65: # Age 65 and older is highlighted.

Step 3: 67 is >= 65, so the second branch's statements execute, applying the senior discount to the ticket price. The program concludes by outputting the ticket price. 67 >= 65, true. The line of code print('Senior ticket discount.') is highlighted. "Senior ticket discount." is outputted. The line of code movie\_ticket\_price = 12 is highlighted. movie\_ticket\_price is assigned with the value 12 and stored in memory at address 97. The line of code print(f'Movie ticket price: \${movie\_ticket\_price}') is

highlighted. "Movie ticket price: \$12" is outputted.

Step 4: If the user's age falls between the gap of 12 and 65 (13 to 64), the else branch executes and the ticket price is \$14, the most expensive price. The line of code `user_age = int(input('Enter your age: '))` is highlighted. "Enter your age: 19" is outputted. `user_age` is assigned with the value 19 and stored in memory at address 96. The line of code `if user_age <= 12:` is highlighted. `19 <= 12`, false. The line of code `elif user_age >= 65:` is highlighted. `19 >= 65`, false. The following lines of code are highlighted:

```
else:          # All other ages
    movie_ticket_price = 14
```

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`movie_ticket_price` is assigned with the value 14 and stored in memory at address 97. The line of code `print(f'Movie ticket price: ${movie_ticket_price}')` is highlighted. "Movie ticket price: \$14" is outputted.

## Animation captions:

1. After the user enters their age, the else-if branch's first branch checks if age is  $\leq 12$ .
2. `user_age` is 67, which is greater than 12, so the program moves to the second branch that checks if `user_age` is  $\geq 65$ .
3. 67 is  $\geq 65$ , so the second branch's statements execute, applying the senior discount to the ticket price. The program concludes by outputting the ticket price.
4. If the user's age falls between the gap of 12 and 65 (13 to 64), the else branch executes and the ticket price is \$14, the most expensive price.

### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

4.6.2: Detecting ranges with gaps and multi-branch if-else.



Select the correct answers below.

- 1) In the animation above, what is the age range for a child ticket discount?

- 0-12
- less than 13
- less than 11



- 2) In the animation above, what is the age range for a senior ticket discount?

- 65 or more
- 66 or more
- 13-64

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- 3) What is the range for the last branch below?

```
if num_items <= 0:  
    ...  
elif num_items > 100:  
    ...  
else: # Range: _____  
    ...
```

- 1-99
- 0-100
- 1-100

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- 4) What is the range for the last branch below?

```
if num_items < 50:  
    ...  
elif num_items > 50:  
    ...  
else: # Range: _____  
    ...
```

- 49-51
- 0-50
- 50

## Ranges with gaps using logical operators

Programmers often use logical operators to explicitly detect ranges with an upper and lower bound, including ranges with gaps that may have intermediate bounds. Ex: If a valid office number is within the ranges of 100 to 150 or 200 to 250, the logical AND operator or operator chaining can be used to identify the lower and upper bounds of the two ranges. Further, the ranges can be combined into a single branch using the logical OR operator.

### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

4.6.3: Explicit ranges with gaps detection using logical AND and OR.



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```
if office_num >= 100 and office_num <= 150:  
    # valid office number  
  
elif office_num >= 200 and office_num <= 250:  
    # valid office number  
  
else:  
    # invalid office number
```

```

if (office_num >= 100 and office_num <= 150) or (office_num >= 200 and office_num <= 250):
    # valid office number

else:
    # invalid office number

```

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## Animation content:

Static figure: A code block is displayed.

Begin Python code:

```

if office_num >= 100 and office_num <= 150:
    # valid office number

```

```

elif office_num >= 200 and office_num <= 250:
    # valid office number

```

else:

```
    # invalid office number
```

End Python code.

Step 1: The logical AND operator is used to identify the lower and upper bounds of the two valid ranges of office numbers (100 to 150 and 200 to 250). Any number outside of the ranges is in the gap. The lines of code, if office\_num >= 100 and office\_num <= 150; # valid office number, elif office\_num >= 200 and office\_num <= 250; # valid office number, are highlighted.

Step 2: Further, the two ranges can be combined into a single branch using the logical OR operator. A new code block is displayed.

Begin Python code:

```

if (office_num >= 100 and office_num <= 150) or (office_num >= 200 and office_num <= 250):
    # valid office number

```

else:

```
    # invalid office number
```

End Python code.

The lines of code, if (office\_num >= 100 and office\_num <= 150) or (office\_num >= 200 and office\_num <= 250); # valid office number, are highlighted.

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## Animation captions:

1. The logical AND operator is used to identify the lower and upper bounds of the two valid ranges of office numbers (100 to 150 and 200 to 250). Any number outside of the ranges is in the gap.
2. Further, the two ranges can be combined into a single branch using the logical OR operator.

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY****4.6.4: NFL Jersey numbers.**

In the National Football League (NFL), player positions have jersey numbers in specific ranges. Ex: An NFL wide receiver can only wear jersey numbers from 10 to 19 or 80 to 89.

Select the if statement that explicitly detects the correct NFL jersey number ranges.

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1) Linebacker: 40 to 59 or 90 to 99

- `if (j_num >= 40 and j_num <= 59) or (j_num >= 90 and j_num <= 99):`
- `if (j_num > 40 and j_num <= 59) or (j_num > 90 and j_num <= 99):`
- `if j_num >= 40 and j_num <= 99:`

2) Tight end: 40 to 49 or 80 to 89

- `if (40 <= j_num <= 49) and (80 <= j_num <= 89):`
- `if (j_num >= 40 or j_num <= 49) and (j_num >= 80 or j_num <= 89):`
- `if (40 <= j_num <= 49) or (80 <= j_num <= 89):`

3) Defensive lineman: 50 to 79 or 90 to 99

- `if (j_num > 50 and j_num < 79) or (j_num > 90 and j_num < 99):`
- `if (j_num >= 49 and j_num <= 80) or (j_num >= 89 and j_num <= 100):`
- `if (j_num > 49 and j_num < 80) or (j_num > 89 and j_num < 100):`

4) Quarterback: 1 to 19

- `if j_num <= 19:`
- `if j_num > 0 and j_num < 20:`

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```
if j_num > 0 or j_num <  
20:
```

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4.6.1: Enter the output of the branch expressions.



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Type the program's output

```
x = 5  
  
if (x < 7) and (x > 2):  
    print('a')  
else:  
    print('b')
```

**a****1**

2

3

4

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4.6.2: Ranges with gaps.



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Integer lemon\_count is read from input representing the number of lemons. Output 'Unsuitable batch

- the number of lemons is fewer than or equal to 10.
- or the number of lemons is more than 15.

**► Click here for example**

```
1 lemon_count = int(input())  
2  
3 ''' Your code goes here '''  
4
```

1

2

3

**Check****Next level**

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## 4.7 Detecting multiple features with branches

### Multiple distinct if statements

Sometimes the programmer has multiple if statements in sequence, which looks similar to a multi-branch if-else statement but has a very different meaning. Each if statement is independent and more than one branch can execute, in contrast to the multi-branch if-else arrangement.

The below Python Tutor tool traces a Python program's execution. The Python Tutor tool is available at [www.pythontutor.com](http://www.pythontutor.com).

PythonTutor: Multiple distinct if statements.

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```
→ 1 user_age = 26 # Hardcoded for this tool. Could replace with "int(input())
 2
 3 # Note that more than one "if" statement can execute
 4 if user_age < 16:
 5     print('Enjoy your early years.')
 6
 7 if user_age > 15:
 8     print('You are old enough to drive.')
 9
10 if user_age > 17:
11     print('You are old enough to vote.')
12
13 if user_age > 24:
14     print('Most car rental companies will rent to you.')
15
16 if user_age > 34:
17     print('You can run for president.'
```

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➡ line that just executed

→ next line to execute

Step 1 of 9

Program output



4.7.1: If statements.



Determine the final value of num\_boxes.

```
1) num_boxes = 0
   num_apples = 9
```

```
   if num_apples < 20:
       num_boxes = 3
   if num_apples < 10:
       num_boxes = num_boxes -
```

1

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2) num\_boxes = 0  
num\_apples = 12

```
if num_apples < 4:  
    num_boxes = 1  
elif num_apples < 14:  
    num_boxes = num_boxes +  
3  
else:  
    num_boxes = num_boxes +  
5
```

**Check****Show answer**

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4.7.1: Enter the output for the multiple if-else branches.



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**Start**

Type the program's output

```
num_items = 5  
  
if num_items < 1:  
    print('a')  
elif num_items < 8:  
    print('e')  
else:  
    print('h')  
  
print('p')
```

  
e  
p

1

2

3

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**Check****Next****Nested if-else statements**

A branch's statements can include any valid statements, including another if-else statement, which are known as **nested if-else** statements.

## PythonTutor: Nested if-else

```
→ 1 user_choice = 2 # Hardcoded values for this tool. Could be
  2 num_items = 5
  3
  4 if user_choice == 1:
  5     print('user_choice is 1')
  6 elif user_choice == 2:
  7     if num_items < 0:
  8         print('user_choice is 2 and num_items < 0')
  9     else:
 10        print('user_choice is 2 and num_items >= 0')
 11 else:
 12    print('user_choice is neither 1 or 2')
```

→ line that just executed

→ next line to execute

<< First < Prev Next > >>

Step 1 of 6

Program output



### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

4.7.2: Nested if-else statements.

Determine the final value of sales\_bonus given the initial values specified below.

```
if sales_type == 2:
    if sales_bonus < 5:
        sales_bonus = 10
    else:
        sales_bonus = sales_bonus + 2
else:
    sales_bonus = sales_bonus + 1
```

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1) sales\_type = 1; sales\_bonus = 0;



- 0
- 1

10

2) sales\_type = 2; sales\_bonus = 4;

 5 6 10

3) sales\_type = 2; sales\_bonus = 7;

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 8 9 10**CHALLENGE ACTIVITY**

4.7.2: Detecting multiple features with branches.



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allowance\_earned is read from input. Write multiple if statements:

- If allowance\_earned is greater than 6, then output 'Buy a keychain.'
- If allowance\_earned is greater than or equal to 26, then output 'Buy a new coat.'
- If allowance\_earned is less than or equal to 2, then output 'Save money.'

**► Click here for examples**

```
1 allowance_earned = int(input())
2
3 ''' Your code goes here '''
4
```

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## 4.8 Comparing data types and common errors

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### Comparing integers, strings, and floating-point types

The relational and equality operators work for integer, string, and floating-point built-in types.

Floating-point types should not be compared using the equality operators, due to the imprecise representation of floating-point numbers.

The operators can also be used for the string type. Strings are equal if they have the same number of characters and corresponding characters are identical. If string my\_str = 'Tuesday', then (my\_str == 'Tuesday') is True, while (my\_str == 'tuesday') is False because T differs from t.

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.8.1: Comparing various types.



Which comparisons will not result in a syntax error AND consistently yield expected results?  
Variables have types denoted by their names.

1) my\_int == 42



- OK
- Not OK

2) my\_float == 3.14



- OK
- Not OK

3) my\_string == 'Hello'



- OK
- Not OK

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The types of the values being compared determines the meaning of a comparison. If both values are numbers, then the numbers are compared arithmetically ( $5 < 2$  is False). Comparisons that make no sense, such as  $1 < 'abc'$ , result in a `TypeError`.

Comparison of values with the same type, such as `5 < 2`, or `'abc' >= 'ABCDEF'`, depends on the types being compared.

- Numbers are arithmetically compared.
- Strings are compared by converting each character to a number value (ASCII or Unicode), and then comparing each character in order. Most string comparisons use equality operators "`==`" or "`!=`", as in `today == 'Friday'`.
- Lists and tuples are compared via an ordered comparison of every element in the sequence. Every element between the sequences must compare as equal for an equality operator to evaluate to True. Relational operators like `<` or `>` can also be used: The result is determined by the first mismatching elements in the sequences. For example, if `x = [1, 5, 2]` and `y = [1, 4, 3]`, then evaluating `x < y` first evaluates that 1 and 1 match. Since the first list elements match, neither list can be considered to be less than the other, nor can the lists be declared equal without comparing more elements. So the next elements must be compared. The next elements do not match, so `5 < 4` is evaluated, which produces a value of False.
- Dictionaries are compared only with `==` and `!=`. To be equal, two dictionaries must have the same set of keys and the same corresponding value for each key.

#### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

#### 4.8.2: Comparing various types.



1) Click the expression that is False.



- `5 <= 5.0`
- `10 != 9.999999`
- `(4 + 1) != 5.0`

2) Click the expression that is False.



- `'FRIDAY' == 'friday'`
- `'1' < '2'`
- `'a' != 'b' < 'c'`

3) Click the expression that is True.



- `{'Henrik': '$25'} == {'Daniel': '$25'}`
- `(1,2,3) > (0,2,3)`
- `[1, 2, 3] >= ['1', '2', '3']`

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## Common branching errors

A common error is to use `=` rather than `==` in an if-else expression, as in: `if numDogs = 9:`. In such cases, the interpreter should generate a syntax error.

Another common error is to use invalid character sequences like =>, !<, or <>, which are not valid operators.

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4.8.3: Watch out for assignment in an if-else expression. 

What is the final value of num\_items? Write "Error" if the code results in an error.

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1) num\_items = 3  
 if num\_items == 3:  
 num\_items = num\_items + 1



**Check**

**Show answer**

2) num\_items = 3  
 if num\_items = 10:  
 num\_items = num\_items + 1



**Check**

**Show answer**

3) num\_items = 3  
 if num\_items > 10:  
 num\_items = num\_items + 1



**Check**

**Show answer**

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4.8.1: If-else statement: Fix errors. 

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Find and fix the error in the if-else statement.

```
1 user_num = int(input())      # Program will be tested with values: 1, 2, 3, 0.  

2  

3 if user_num = 2:  

4     print('Num is equal to two')  

5 else:  

6     print('Num is not two')  

7
```

1

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## 4.9 Membership and identity operators

### Membership operators: in/not in

One programming task involves determining whether a specific value can be found within a container, such as a list or dictionary. The **in** and **not in** operators, known as **membership operators**, yield True or False if the left operand matches the value of an element in the right operand, which is always a container.

#### PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY

4.9.1: Membership operators: Checking for a value in a list.



```
>>> prices = ['$20', 15, 5]
>>> print(15 in prices)
True
>>> print(44 in prices)
False
```

Python (command line)

Python interpreter

prices	'\$20'	15	5
	X	✓	
	X	X	X

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Code is written to create a list called prices with 3 elements: prices = ['\$20', 15, 5]. A line of code is written: print (15 in prices). 15 is compared to all elements in the list. 15 is not in the first location ('\$20' is there). 15 is in the second location. True is returned and printed to output. Then a line of code is written print (44 in prices). 44 is compared to all elements in the list. 44 is not in any location of the list. False is returned and printed to output.

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1. A user creates a new list.
2. Every element in the list is checked for the value of 15.
3. Every element in the list is checked for the value of 44, which is not found. So the statement (44 in prices) evaluates to False.

The membership operators can be used with sequence types. If the variable x is a list or tuple, then a in x evaluates to True if there exists an index idx for which a == x[idx] is True. The program below demonstrates membership operator usage in a list:

Figure 4.9.1: Membership operators example: Checking for an item in a list.

```
# Use the "in" operator
barcelona_fc_roster = ['Alves', 'Messi', 'Fabregas']

name = input('Enter name to check: ')

if name in barcelona_fc_roster:
    print(f'Found {name} on the roster.')
else:
    print(f'Could not find {name} on the roster.')
```

```
Enter name to check: Messi
Found Messi on the roster.
...
Enter name to check: Rooney
Could not find Rooney on the roster.
```

```
# Use the "not in" operator
barcelona_fc_roster = ['Alves', 'Messi', 'Fabregas']

name = input('Enter name to check: ')

if name not in barcelona_fc_roster:
    print(f'Could not find {name} on the roster.')
else:
    print(f'Found {name} on the roster.')
```

```
Enter name to check: Messi
Found Messi on the roster.
...
Enter name to check: Rooney
Could not find Rooney on the roster.
```

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Membership operators can be used to check whether a string is a **substring**, or matching subset of characters, of a larger string. For example, 'abc' in '123abcd' returns True because the substring abc exists in the larger string.

Figure 4.9.2: Checking for substrings.

```
request_str = 'GET index.html
HTTP/1.1'

if '/1.1' in request_str:
    print('HTTP protocol 1.1')

if 'HTTPS' not in request_str:
    print('Unsecured connection')
```

HTTP protocol 1.1  
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Membership in a dictionary (dict) implies that a specific key exists in the dictionary. A common error is to assume that a membership operator checks the values of each dictionary key as well.

Figure 4.9.3: Checking for membership in a dict.

```
my_dict = {'A': 1, 'B': 2, 'C': 3}

if 'B' in my_dict:
    print("Found 'B'")
else:
    print("'B' not found")

# Membership operator does not check
# values
if 3 in my_dict:
    print('Found 3')
else:
    print('3 not found')
```

Found 'B'  
 3 not  
 found

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**4.9.2: Membership operators.**

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- 1) Which expression checks whether the list my\_list contains the value 15?

- 15 in my\_list[0]
- 15 in my\_list
- my\_list['15'] != 0



2) Which expression checks if the value 10 exists in the dictionary my\_dict?

- 10 in my\_dict['key']
- 10 in my\_dict
- None of the above

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## Identity operators: is/is not

Sometimes a programmer wants to determine whether two variables are the same object. The programmer can use the **identity operator, is**, to check whether two operands are bound to a single object. The inverse identity operator, **is not**, gives the negated value of "is". Thus, if `x is y` is True, then `x is not y` is False.

Identity operators do not compare object values; rather, identity operators compare object identities to determine equivalence. Object identity is usually the memory address of an object. Thus, identity operators return True only if the operands reference the same object.

A common error is to confuse the equivalence operator "`==`" and the identity operator "`is`" because a statement such as `if x is 3` is valid syntax and is grammatically appealing. Python may confusedly evaluate the statement `x is 3` as True, but `y is 1000` as False, when `x = 3` and `y = 1000`. Python interpreters typically precreate objects for a small range of numbers to avoid constantly recreating objects for such small values. In the example above, an object for 3 was precreated, so `x` references the same object as the literal. However, Python did not precreate an object for 1000. A good practice is to avoid using the identity operators "`is`" and "`is not`", unless explicitly testing whether two objects are identical.

The `id()` function can be used to retrieve the identifier of any object. If `x is y` is True, then `id(x) == id(y)` is also True.

Figure 4.9.4: Identity operators.

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```
w = 500
x = 500 + 500 # Create a new object with
value 1000
y = w + w      # Create a second object
with value 1000
z = x          # Bind z to the same object
as x

if z is x:
    print('z and x are bound to the same
object')
if z is not y:
    print('z and y are NOT bound to the
same object')
```

z and x are bound to the same object

z and y are NOT bound to the same object

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#### 4.9.3: Membership and identity operators.



Write the simplest expression that captures the desired comparison.

- 1) x is a key in the dict my\_dict.




**Check**

**Show answer**

- 2) The variables x and y are unique objects.




**Check**

**Show answer**

- 3) The character 'G' exists in the string my\_str.




**Check**

**Show answer**

- 4) my\_str is not the third element in the list my\_list.




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4.9.1: Membership and Identity: Enter the output of the code.



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Type the program's output

```
numbers = [5, 6, 7, 8]
x = int(input())

if x in numbers:
    print('in')
else:
    print('not in')
```

Input

5

Output

in

1

2

3

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4.9.2: Boolean operators: Detect specific values.



Write an expression using membership operators that prints "Special number" if special\_num is one of the special numbers stored in the list special\_list = [-99, 0, 44].

Sample output with input: 17

Not special number

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```
1 special_list = [-99, 0, 44]
2 special_num = int(input())
3
4 if ''' Your solution goes here ''' :
5     print('Special number')
```

```
6     else:  
7         print('Not special number')
```

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## Object identity

*Object identity is an implementation detail of Python. For the standard CPython implementation, identity is the memory address of the object.*

## 4.10 Order of evaluation

### Precedence rules

The order in which operators are evaluated in an expression is known as **precedence rules**. Arithmetic, logical, and relational operators are evaluated in the order shown below.

Table 4.10.1: Precedence rules for arithmetic, logical, and relational operators.

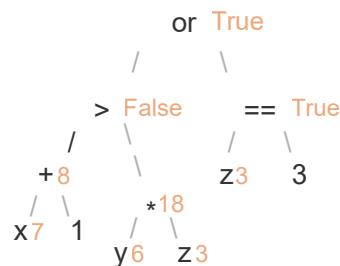
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Operator/Convention	Description	Explanation
( )	Items within parentheses are	In $(a * (b + c)) - d$ , the + is evaluated first, then *, then -.

	evaluated first	
* / % + -	Arithmetic operators (using their precedence rules; see earlier section)	$z = 45 * y < 53$ evaluates * first, then -, then <. ©zyBooks 11/07/24 14:46 2300507 Liz Vokac Main KVCC CIS216 Johnson Fall 2024
< <= > >= == !=	Relational, (in)equality, and membership operators	$x < 2 \text{ or } x \geq 10$ is evaluated as $(x < 2) \text{ or } (x \geq 10)$ because < and $\geq$ have precedence over or.
not	not (logical NOT)	$\text{not } x \text{ or } y$ is evaluated as $(\text{not } x) \text{ or } y$ .
and	Logical AND	$x == 5 \text{ or } y == 10 \text{ and } z != 10$ is evaluated as $(x == 5) \text{ or } ((y == 10) \text{ and } (z != 10))$ because and has precedence over or.
or	Logical OR	$x == 7 \text{ or } x < 2$ is evaluated as $(x == 7) \text{ or } (x < 2)$ because < and $\geq$ have precedence over or.

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4.10.1: Applying the precedence rules to an expression can be thought of as a tree.

 $x + 1 > y * z \text{ or } z == 3$ ©zyBooks 11/07/24 14:46 2300507  
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Static figure: The expression  $x + 1 > y * z$  or  $z == 3$  is displayed, as text and as a tree.

Step 1: Expressions like  $x + 1 > y * z$  or  $z == 3$  are evaluated using precedence rules. Among  $+$ ,  $>$ ,  $*$ , or, and  $==$ , the  $*$  comes first.

Step 2: Next comes  $+$ ,  $>$ ,  $==$ , and finally or.

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Step 3: The expression is actually treated like a tree, evaluated from the bottom up.

Operator	Left Branch	Right Branch
or	$>$	$==$
$==$	$z$	$3$
$>$	$+$	$*$
$+$	$x$	$1$
$*$	$y$	$z$

Step 4: If  $x$  is 7,  $y$  is 6, and  $z$  is 3, then  $y * z$  is 18. Next,  $x + 1$  is 8. Next,  $8 > 18$  is False. Next,  $z == 3$  is True. Finally, False or True is True.

Operator	Left Branch	Right Branch	Mathematical Representation	Evaluation
$*$	$y$	$z$	$y * z$	18
$+$	$x$	$1$	$x + 1$	8
$>$	$+$	$*$	$8 > 18$	False
$==$	$z$	$3$	$3 == 3$	True
or	$>$	$==$	False or True	True

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1. Expressions like  $x + 1 > y * z$  or  $z == 3$  are evaluated using precedence rules. Among  $+$ ,  $>$ ,  $*$ , or, and  $==$ , the  $*$  comes first.
2. Next comes  $+$ ,  $>$ ,  $==$ , and finally or.
3. The expression is actually treated like a tree, evaluated from the bottom up.
4. If  $x$  is 7,  $y$  is 6, and  $z$  is 3, then  $y * z$  is 18. Next,  $x + 1$  is 8. Next,  $8 > 18$  is False. Next,  $z == 3$  is True. Finally, False or True is True.

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## 4.10.2: Order of evaluation.



To teach precedence rules, these questions intentionally omit parentheses; good style would use parentheses to make order of evaluation explicit.

- 1) Which operator is evaluated first?

`not y and x`

- and  
 not

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- 2) Which operator has precedence?

`w + 3 > x - y * z`

- +  
 -  
 >  
 \*



- 3) In what order are the operators evaluated?

`w + 3 != y - 1 and x`

- +, !=, -, and  
 +, -, and, !=  
 +, -, !=, and



- 4) To what does this expression evaluate,

given `x = 4, y = 7`.

`x == 3 or x + 1 > y`

- True  
 False



## Common error: Missing parentheses

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A common error is to write an expression that is evaluated in a different order than expected. Good practice is to use parentheses in expressions to make the intended order of evaluation explicit. For example, a programmer might write:

- `not a == b` intending to mean `(not a) == b`, but the interpreter computes `not (a == b)` because equality operators (`==`) have precedence over logical operations (`not`).

- `w and x == y and z` intending `(w and x) == (y and z)`, but the interpreter computes `(w and (x == y)) and z` because `==` has precedence over `and`.
- `not x + y < 5` intending `(not x) + y < 5`, but the interpreter computes `not ((x + y) < 5)` because the addition operator `+` has the highest precedence and is computed first, followed by the relational operation `<`, and finally the logical not operation.

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4.10.3: Common errors in expressions.

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1) `not x == 3` evaluates as `not (x == 3)`.

- Yes  
 No



2) `w + x == y + z` evaluates as `(w + x) == (y + z)`.

- Yes  
 No



3) `w and x == y and z` evaluates as `(w and x) == (y and z)`.

- Yes  
 No

**PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY**

4.10.4: Order of evaluation.



Which illustrates the actual order of evaluation via parentheses?

1) `not green == red`

- `(not green) == red`  
 `not (green == red)`  
 `(not green =)= red`



2) `bats < birds or birds < insects`

- `((bats < birds) or birds) < insects`  
 `bats < (birds or birds) < insects`

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- (bats < birds) or  
(birds < insects)

3) not (bats < birds) or (birds  
< insects)

- not ((bats < birds) or  
(birds < insects))
- (not (bats < birds)) or  
(birds < insects)
- ((not bats) < birds) or  
(birds < insects)

4) (num1 == 9) or (num2 == 0)  
and (num3 == 0)

- (num1 == 9) or ((num2  
== 0) and (num3 == 0))
- ((num1 == 9) or (num2  
== 0)) and (num3 == 0)
- (num1 == 9) or (num2 ==  
(0 and num3) == 0)

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## 4.11 Code blocks and indentation

### Code blocks

A **code block** is a series of statements grouped together. A code block in Python is defined by its indentation level. Ex: the number of blank columns from the left edge. The initial code block is not indented. A new code block can follow a statement that ends with a colon, such as an "if" or "else". In addition, a new code block must be more indented than the previous code block. The program below includes comments indicating where each new code block begins.

The amount of indentation used to indicate a new code block can be arbitrary, as long as the programmer uses the same indentation consistently for each line in the block. Good practice is to use the standard recommended four columns per indentation level.

A common error for new Python programmers is the mixing of tabs and spaces. Never mix tabs and spaces for indentation in the same program. Many editors consider a tab to be equivalent to either three or four spaces, while in Python a tab is equivalent only to another tab. A program that mixes tabs and spaces to indent code blocks will automatically generate an IndentationError from the interpreter

in Python 3. A good practice is to use spaces only when indenting code, and to set text editor options to automatically use spaces when possible.

Figure 4.11.1: Code blocks are indicated with indentation.

```
# First code block has no indentation

model = input('Enter car model: ')
year = int(input('Enter year of car
manufacture: '))

antique = False
domestic = False

if year < 1970:
    # New code block has indentation of 4
    # columns
    antique = True

# Back to code block 0

if model in ['Ford', 'Chevrolet', 'Dodge']:
    # New code block has indentation of 2
    # columns
    # Any amount of indentation > 0 is OK.
    domestic = True

# Back to code block 0

if antique:
    # New code block has indentation of 4
    # columns
    if domestic:
        # New block has 4 additional
        # columns (8 total)
        print('My own model-T still runs
like a charm...')
```

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Enter car model: Ford  
Enter year of car manufacture:  
1918  
My own model-T still runs like  
a charm...

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Fix the errors in the code below so that you can run the program.

**Load default template...**

```
1 # Calculate the velocity required to escape a circular or
2 # depending on a user-entered orbital distance.
3
4 import math
```

```
5
6 escape_velocity_meters_per_sec = 0 # Required velocity to escape Earth's gravity
7 grav_constant = 6.67384e-11 # Earth's gravitational constant
8 earth_mass_kilograms = 5.972e24 # Mass of the Earth
9
10 radius_meters = float(input('Enter distance from center of Earth in meters: '))
11 print()
12
13 if radius_meters < 6317000: # 6317 km is the average radius of Earth
14     escape_velocity_meters_per_sec = 0 # No escape possible
15     print('Houston, we have a problem')
16
17
```

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## Special cases

The acceptable number of columns of text varies from 80 to 120. *Good practice is to use the widely accepted standard of 80 columns.* A few exceptions to the rules of indentation deal with very long statements that require more than one line and *wrap* to the next line. Such special situations do not indicate new code blocks.

Figure 4.11.2: Some indentations are continuations of the previous line.

Multiple lines enclosed within parentheses are implicitly joined into a single string (without newlines between each line); use implicit line joining for very long strings or functions with numerous arguments. Ex: All extra lines are indented to the same column as the opening quotation mark on the first line.

When declaring list or dict literals, entries can be placed on separate lines for clarity.

```
declaration = ("When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for
"
               "one people to dissolve the political bands which have
connected "
               "them with another, and to assume among the powers of the
earth...")
```

```
result_of_power = math.pow(long_variable_name_left_operand,
                           long_variable_name_right_operand)
```

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Figure 4.11.3: List, dict multi-line constructs.

Containers like lists and dicts can be broken into multiple lines, with the elements on separate, indented lines.

```
my_list = [
    1, 2, 3,
    4, 5, 6
]
```

```
my_dict = {
    'entryA': 1,
    'entryB': 2
}
```

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4.11.1: Indentation.



- 1) The standard number of spaces to use for indentation is four.

- True
- False



- 2) Mixing spaces and tabs when indenting is considered an acceptable programming style.

- True
- False



- 3) A programmer can start new code blocks at any point in the code, as long as the indentation for each line in the block is consistent.

- True

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## 4.11.1: Indentation: Fix the program.



Retype the below code. Fix the indentation as necessary to make the program work.

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```
if 'New York' in temperatures:  
    if temperatures['New York'] > 90:  
        print('The city is melting!')  
    else:  
        print(f"The temperature in New York is  
{temperatures['New York']}")  
else:  
    print('The temperature in New York is unknown.')
```

Ex: If the input is 105, then the output is:

The city is melting!

Ex: If 'New York' is removed from the dictionary, then the output is:

The temperature in New York is unknown.

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```
1 temperatures = {  
2     'Seattle': 56.5,  
3     'New York': float(input()),  
4     'Kansas City': 81.9,  
5     'Los Angeles': 76.5  
6 }  
7  
8 ''' Your solution goes here '''  
9
```

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The following code contains at least one indentation error. Find and fix the error(s) so the program prints the area and perimeter of a rectangle.

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```
1 length = int(input())
2 width = int(input())
3 area = length * width
4 perimeter = 2 * (length + width)
5
6 # Fix the indentation in the code below
7     print(f'Length = {length} in')
8         print(f'Width = {width} in')
9     print(f'Area = {area:.3f} in^2')
10    print(f'Perimeter = {perimeter:.3f} in')
```

1

2

3

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## Conditional expressions

A **conditional expression** has the following form:

## Construct 4.12.1: Conditional expression.

```
expr_when_true if condition else  
expr_when_false
```



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All three operands are expressions. The condition in the middle is evaluated first. If the condition evaluates to True, then expr\_when\_true is evaluated. If the condition evaluates to False, then expr\_when\_false is evaluated. For example, if x is 2, then the conditional expression

```
5 if x==2 else 9*x
```

evaluates to 5.

A conditional expression has three operands and thus is sometimes referred to as a **ternary operation**.

Good practice is to restrict usage of conditional expressions to an assignment statement, as in: `y = 5 if (x == 2) else 9*x`. Some Python programmers denounce conditional expressions as difficult to read and comprehend, since the middle operand is actually the first evaluated, and left-to-right syntax is preferred. However, simple assignments such as the statement above are acceptable.

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#### 4.12.1: Conditional expression.



```
if condition:  
    my_var = expr1  
else:  
    my_var = expr2
```

```
my_var = expr1 if (condition) else expr2
```

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Begin Python code:

if condition:

```
    my_var = expr1
```

else:

```
    my_var = expr2
```

End Python code.

Begin Python code:

```
my_var = expr1 if (condition) else expr2
```

End Python code.

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1. This if-else form can be written as a conditional expression.
2. The condition in the middle is evaluated first.
3. If the condition evaluates to True, then expr1 is evaluated and my\_var is assigned with expr1's value.
4. If the condition evaluates to False, then expr2 is evaluated and my\_var is assigned with expr2's value.

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#### 4.12.2: Conditional expressions.



Convert each if-else statement to a single assignment statement using a conditional expression with parentheses around the condition. Enter "Not possible" if appropriate.

1) 

```
if x < 100:  
    y = 0  
else:  
    y = x
```



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2) 

```
if x < 0:  
    x = -x  
else:  
    x = x
```



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**Show answer**

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3) 

```
if x < 1:  
    y = x  
else:  
    z = x
```



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4.12.1: Conditional expressions: Enter the output of the code.



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Type the program's output

```
my_number = 1
your_number = 3 if my_number > 5 else 9
print(your_number)
```

9

1

2

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4.12.2: Conditional expression: Print negative or nonnegative.



Create a conditional expression that evaluates to string "negative" if user\_val is less than 0, and "nonnegative" otherwise.

Sample output with input: -9

-9 is negative

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```
1 user_val = int(input())
2
3 cond_str = ''' Your solution goes here '''
4
5 print(f'{user_val} is {cond_str}')
```

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4.12.3: Conditional expression: Conditional assignment.



Using a conditional expression, write a statement that increments num\_users if update\_direction is 3, otherwise decrements num\_users.

Sample output with inputs: 8 3

New value is: 9

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```
1 num_users = int(input())
2 update_direction = int(input())
3
4 num_users = ''' Your solution goes here '''
5
6 print(f'New value is: {num_users}')
```

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## 4.13 Additional practice: Tweet decoder

The following is a sample programming lab activity; not all classes using a zyBook require students to fully complete this activity. No auto-checking is performed. Users planning to fully complete this program may consider first developing their code in a separate programming environment.

The following program decodes a few common abbreviations in online communication such as messages in Twitter ("tweets") or email, and provides the corresponding English phrase.

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```
Load default template...  
1 message = input('Enter abbreviation: ')  
2  
3 if message == 'LOL':  
4     print('LOL = laughing out loud')  
5 elif message == 'BFN':  
6     print('BFN = bye for now')  
7 elif message == 'FTW':  
8     print('FTW = for the win')  
9 elif message == 'IRL':  
10    print('IRL = in real life')  
11 else:  
12     print("Sorry, don't know that one")  
13  
Run  
LOL  
laughing out loud
```

Create different versions of the program that:

1. Expand the number of abbreviations that can be decoded. Add support for abbreviations you commonly use.
2. Allow the user to enter a complete tweet (160 characters or less) as a single line of text. Search the resulting string for abbreviations and print a list of each abbreviation along with its decoded meaning.

## 4.14 LAB: Smallest number



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## 4.15 LAB: Interstate highway numbers

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Primary U.S. interstate highways are numbered 1-99. Odd numbers (like the 5 or 95) go north/south, and evens (like the 10 or 90) go east/west. Auxiliary highways are numbered 100-999, and service the primary highway indicated by the rightmost two digits. Thus, I-405 services I-5, and I-290 services I-90. Note: 200 is not a valid auxiliary highway because 00 is not a valid primary highway number.

Given a highway number, indicate whether it is a primary or auxiliary highway. If auxiliary, indicate what primary highway it serves. Also indicate if the (primary) highway runs north/south or east/west.

Ex: If the input is:

90

the output is:

I-90 is primary, going east/west.

Ex: If the input is:

290

the output is:

I-290 is auxiliary, serving I-90, going east/west.

Ex: If the input is:

0

the output is:

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Ex: If the input is:

200

the output is:

200 is not a valid interstate highway number.

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## 4.16 LAB: Seasons

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## 4.17 LAB: Exact change



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## 4.18 LAB: Leap year



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## 4.19 LAB: Golf scores

Golf scores record the number of strokes used to get the ball in the hole. The expected number of strokes varies from hole to hole and is called par (possible values: 3, 4, or 5). Each score's name is based on the actual strokes taken compared to par:

- "Eagle": number of strokes is two less than par
- "Birdie": number of strokes is one less than par
- "Par": number of strokes equals par
- "Bogey": number of strokes is one more than par

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Given two integers that represent the number of strokes used and par, write a program that prints the appropriate score name. Print "Error" at the end of the output if par is not 3, 4, or 5, or if the score's name is not "Eagle", "Birdie", "Par", or "Bogey".

Ex: If the input is:

```
3  
4
```

the output is:

```
Par 4 in 3 strokes is Birdie
```

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Ex: If the input is:

```
2  
1
```

the output is:

```
Par 1 in 2 strokes is Error
```

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