### CHAPTER 3

## **Decision Structures and Boolean Logic**

## **Topics**

- The if Statement
- The if-else Statement
- Comparing Strings
- Nested Decision Structures and the if-elif-else Statement
- Logical Operators
- Boolean Variables
- Turtle Graphics: Determining the State of the Turtle

## The if Statement

- Control structure: logical design that controls order in which set of statements execute in a program
- Sequence structure: set of statements that execute in the order they appear
  - All the programs that we have written in Chapter 2 has sequence structure.
- <u>Decision structure</u>: specific action(s) performed only if a condition exists – if statement used in Python
  - Also known as selection structure

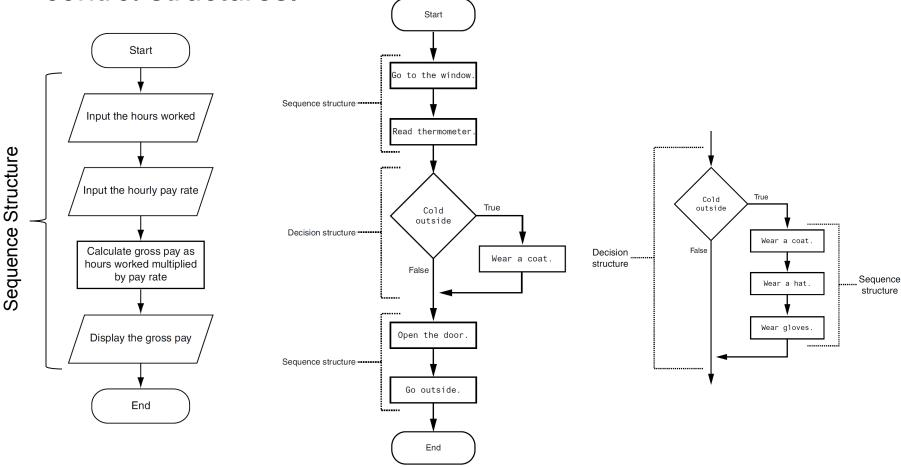
**Example:** Calculating extra payments if the worked hours is more than 40 hours/week.

There is also <u>Repetition structures</u> (Chapter 4)

## **Examples to Control Structures**

Programs are usually designed as combinations of different

control structures.

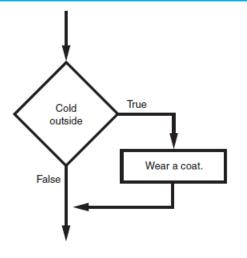


<u>Note:</u> In Section 3.4 we will study Nested – if Statements where a decision structure is placed another decision structure.

## The if Statement

- In flowchart, diamond represents True/False condition that must be tested
- Actions can be conditionally executed
  - Performed only when a condition is True
- Single alternative decision structure: provides only one alternative path of execution – called simple if
  - If condition is not True, exit the structure and proceed

Figure 3-1 A simple decision structure

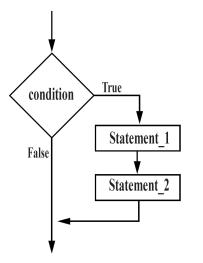


In this example condition is "cold outside". If "cold outside" condition is True than "Wear a coat" statement is executed.

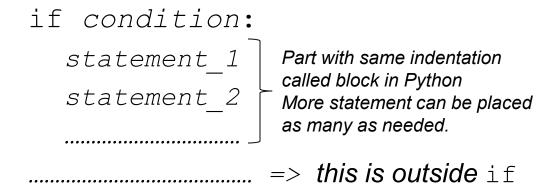
#### **Python syntax:**

if Cold Outside:
Wear a coat.

## The if Statement (cont'd.)



### Python syntax:



#### First line known as the if clause

- Includes the keyword if followed by condition
  - The condition can be True or False
  - When the if statement executes, the condition is tested, and if it is True the block statements are executed. otherwise, block statements are skipped
  - Statements within decision structure must have the same amount of indentation.
  - It is possible to put one if in another if but indentation must be done properly. This is called nested – if structure.

## **Boolean Expressions - Conditions**

- Boolean expression: expression tested by if statement to determine if it is True or False
  - <u>Example:</u> a > b
    - Result is True if a is greater than b; False otherwise
- Conditions also called as Boolean Expression can be created by using relational operators. The result of conditions are True or False.

**Table 3-1** Relational operators

Operator	Meaning
>	Greater than
<	Less than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<=	Less than or equal to
==	Equal to
!=	Not equal to

Do not confuse == operator with assignment operator (=)

# **Boolean Expressions and Relational Operators**

**Table 3-2** Boolean expressions using relational operators

Expression	Meaning
x > y	Is x greater than y?
x < y	Is x less than y?
x >= y	Is x greater than or equal to y?
x <= y	Is x less than or equal to y?
х == у	Is x equal to y?
x != y	Is x not equal to y?

#### **Example**: Assume x = 1, y = 0 and z=1

```
>>> x > y Enter
True
>>> y > x
False
>>> x >= y Enter
True
>>> x >= z Enter
True
>>> x <= z Enter
True
>>> x <= y Enter</pre>
```

```
>>> x == y Enter
False
>>> x == z Enter
True
>>> x != y Enter
True
>>> x != z Enter
True
>>> x != z Enter
False
```

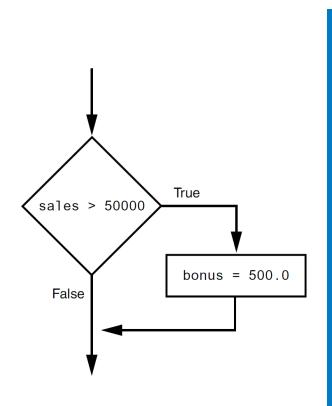
## **Example: Using simple-if statement**

Write a program that takes two integer numbers from user then compares them with all possible conditions.

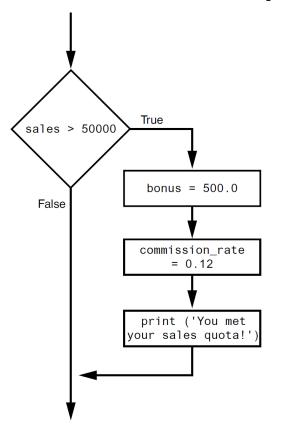
```
# Taking two numbers as integer from user
num1=int(input('Enter the first number:'))
num2=int(input('Enter the second number:'))
#Comparing them with all possiblities
if num1 > num2:
                                     Some Program Outputs
    print( num1 , '>', num2)
                                     Enter the first number:15
if num1 < num2:
                                     Enter the second number: 16
    print( num1 , '<', num2)</pre>
                                     15 < 16
if num1 >= num2:
                                     15 <= 16
                                     15 != 16
    print( num1 , '>=', num2)
                                        Enter the first number:8
if num1 \le num2:
                                        Enter the second number: 14
    print( num1 , '<=', num2)</pre>
                                        8 < 14
if num1 == num2:
                                        8 <= 14
                                        8 != 14
    print( num1 , '=', num2)
if num1 != num2:
                                            Enter the first number:12
                                            Enter the second number: 12
    print( num1 , '!=', num2)
                                            12 >= 12
                                            12 <= 12
                                            12 = 12
```

# Boolean Expressions and Relational Operators (cont'd.)

Using a Boolean expression with the relational operators



```
if sales > 50000:
bonus = 500.0
```



```
if sales > 50000:
   bonus = 500.0
   commission_rate = 0.12
   print('You met your sales quota!')
```



**3.4** What is a Boolean expression?

Expressions tested by if statement to determine True or False. Also called condition.

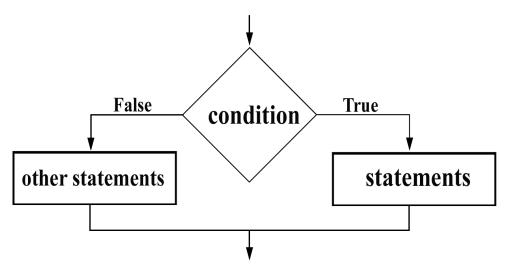
- **3.5** What types of relationships between values can you test with relational operators?
- 6 different relations can be tested. >, <, >=, <=, ==, !=
- **3.6** Write an if statement that assigns 0 to x if y is equal to 20.

```
if y == 20:
x = 0
```

**3.7** Write an if statement that assigns 0.2 to commissionRate if sales is greater than or equal to 10000.

```
if sales >= 10000:
    commissionRate = 0.2
```

## The if-else Statement



- <u>Dual alternative decision structure</u>: two possible paths of execution
  - One is taken if the condition is True, and the other if the condition is False
  - Syntax: if condition:

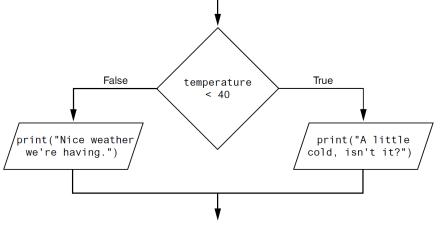
statements

else:

other statements

- if clause and else clause must be aligned
- Statements must be consistently indented

## The if-else Statement (cont'd.)



- When you write an if-else statement, follow these guidelines for indentation:
  - Make sure the if clause and the else clause are aligned.
  - The if clause and the else clause are each followed by a block of statements. Make sure the statements in the blocks are consistently indented.

```
Must be aligned print("A little cold, isn't it?") Must print("Turn up the heat!") have same print("Nice weather we're having.") rint("Pass the sunscreen.")
```

## **Example: Program ODD / EVEN**

Write a program that reads an integer and determines and prints whether it is odd or even.

**Hint:** Use the remainder operator. An even number is a multiple of two. Any multiple of two leaves a remainder of zero when divided by 2.

#### Single alternative / simple – if Statement

```
# Get the integer input first.
number = int(input('Enter an integer:'))
# Calculate the remainder
mod = number % 2
# Check if mod is 0
if mod == 0:
    print('Entered number is EVEN!')
# Check if mod is 1
if mod == 1:
    print('Entered number is ODD!')
```

#### Dual alternative/ if - else Statement

```
# Get the integer input first.
number = int(input('Enter an integer:'))
# Calculate the remainder
mod = number % 2
# Check if mod is 0
if mod == 0:
    print('Entered number is EVEN!')
else:
    print('Entered number is ODD!')
```

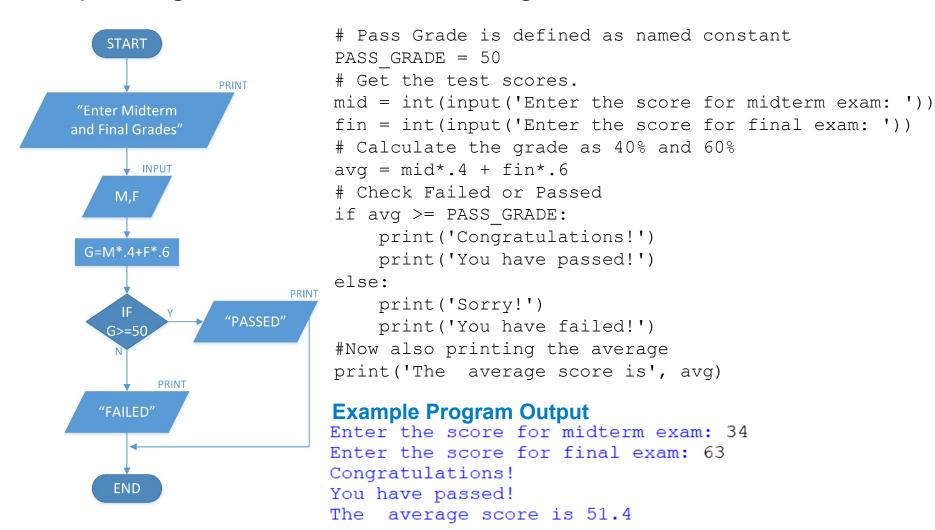
When using simple –if statement, programmer should check all possibilities with appropriate if Boolean expressions.

#### **Example Program Outputs**

```
Enter an integer number: 11
Entered number is ODD!
Enter an integer number: -146
Entered number is EVEN!
```

## **Example: Program Fail / Pass**

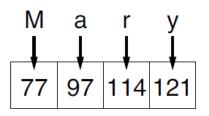
Write a python program. The program reads the midterm and final exam results of a student then calculates the final grades as 40% of the midterm and 60% of final exam. Then writes to the screen "PASSED" if the grade is equals or greater than 50 or "FAILED" if grade is less than 50.

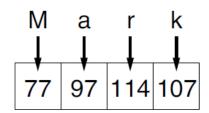


# **Comparing Strings**

- Strings can be compared using the == and != operators
- String comparisons are case sensitive
- Strings can be compared using >, <, >=, and <=</li>
  - Compared character by character based on the ASCII values for each character
  - If shorter word is substring of longer word, longer word is greater than shorter word

**Figure 3-9** Comparing each character in a string



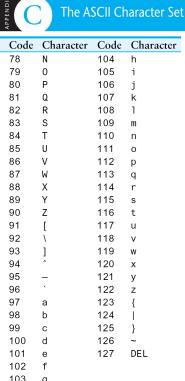


String comparison is done according to the dictionary A-Z ordering for the strings.

Example: 'bursa' > 'adana'

Also lower case letters are greater than capital case letters

Example: 'adana' > 'Adana'





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3.11 What would the following code display?
     if 'z' < 'a':
          print('z is less than a.')
     else:
          print('z is not less than a.')
       Code Output: z is not less than a.
 3.12 What would the following code display?
      s1 = 'New York'
      s2 = 'Boston'
                           Code Output:
       if s1 > s2:
                           Boston
           print(s2)
                           New York
           print(s1)
      else:
           print(s1)
           print(s2)
```

## **Nested Decision Structures**

 A decision structure can be nested inside another decision structure commonly needed in programs

### **Example:**

- Determine if someone qualifies for a loan, they must meet two conditions:
  - Must earn at least \$30,000/year
  - Must have been employed for at least two years
- Check first condition, and if it is True, check second condition

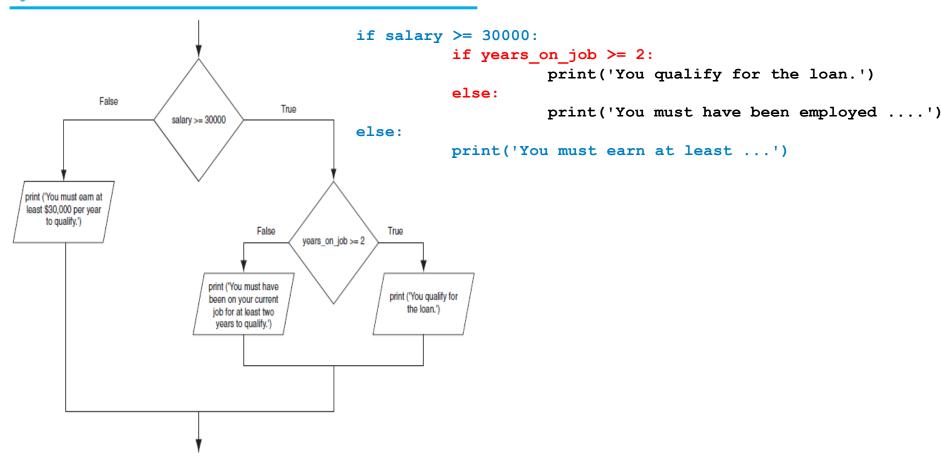
## **Example: Loan Qualifier**

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#### Two conditions

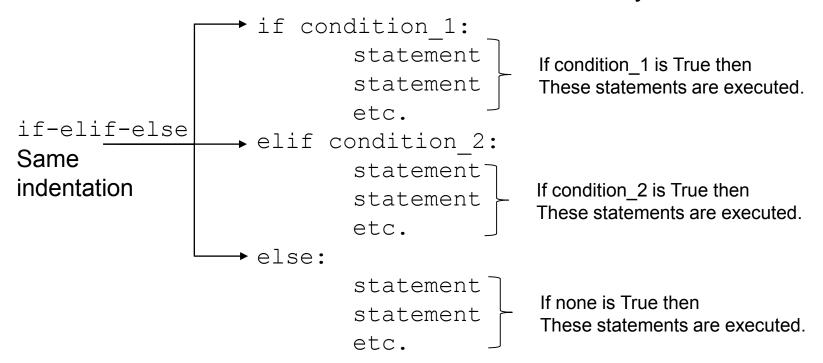
Salary must be >= 30000 Years on Job >= 2 years

Figure 3-12 A nested decision structure



## The if-elif-else Statement

- Connected/related conditions can be organized easily by using if-elif-else statement.
- Makes code more readable for programmer
- Can be accomplished by <u>nested if-else</u> but code can be complex
- if, elif, and else clauses must be all aligned
- Statements in each block must be consistently indented



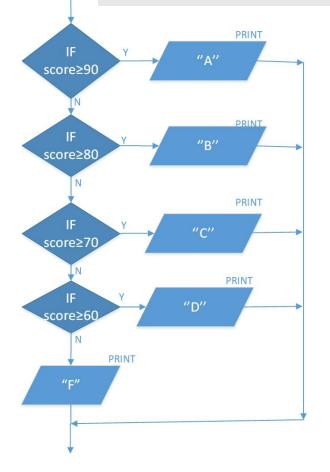
Multiple elif clauses can be used as much as needed.

## Example: if-elif-else Statement

#### Letter Grade Calculator.

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Test Score	Grade
90 and above	A
80-89	В
70–79	С
60-69	D
Below 60	F



```
if score \geq 90:
      print('Your grade is A.')
elif score >= 80:
      print('Your grade is B.')
elif score >= 70:
      print('Your grade is C.')
elif score >= 60:
      print('Your grade is D.')
else:
      print('Your grade is F.')
```



3.13 Convert the following code to an if-elif-else statement: if number == 1: print('One') If-elif-else Statement else: if number == 1: if number == 2: print('One') print('Two') elif number == 2: else: print('Two') if number == 3: elif number == 3: print('Three') print('Three') else:

print('Unknown')

else:

print('Unknown')

# **Logical Operators**

- Logical operators: operators that can be used to create complex Boolean expressions – by using logical operators, we can connect conditions.
  - and operator and or operator: binary operators, connect two Boolean expressions into a compound Boolean expression
  - not operator: unary operator, reverses the truth of its Boolean operand

**Table 3-3** Logical operators

Operator	Meaning
and	The and operator connects two Boolean expressions into one compound expression. Both subexpressions must be true for the compound expression to be true.
or	The or operator connects two Boolean expressions into one compound expression. One or both subexpressions must be true for the compound expression to be true. It is only necessary for one of the subexpressions to be true, and it does not matter which.
not	The not operator is a unary operator, meaning it works with only one operand. The operand must be a Boolean expression. The not operator reverses the truth of its operand. If it is applied to an expression that is true, the operator returns false. If it is applied to an expression that is false, the operator returns true.

## The and Operator

- Takes two Boolean expressions as operands
  - Creates compound Boolean expression that is True only when both sub expressions are True
  - Can be used to simplify nested decision structures
- Truth table for the and operator

expression_1	expression_2	expression_1 and expression_2
False	False	False
False	True	False
True	False	False
True	True	True

In and operator, only if all conditions are True then the result becomes True.

## The or Operator

- Takes two Boolean expressions as operands
  - Creates compound Boolean expression that is True when either of the sub expressions is True
  - Can be used to simplify nested decision structures
- Truth table for the or operator

expression_1	expression_2	expression_1 or expression_2		
False	False	False		
False	True	True		
True	False	True		
True	True	True		

In or operator, only if one condition is True then the result becomes True.

## **Short-Circuit Evaluation**

- Short circuit evaluation: deciding the value of a compound Boolean expression after evaluating only one sub expression
  - Performed by the or and and operators
    - For or operator: If left operand is True, compound expression is True. Otherwise, evaluate right operand exp1 or exp2 or exp3 or exp4 or exp5 or ... if exp1 is True then result is True. if exp1 is False then check if exp2 True and so on.
    - For and operator: If left operand is False, compound expression is False. Otherwise, evaluate right operand exp1 and exp2 and exp3 and exp4 and exp5 and ... if exp1 is False then result is False if exp1 is True then check if exp2 False and so on.

## The not Operator

- Takes one Boolean expressions as operand and reverses its logical value
  - Sometimes it may be necessary to place parentheses around an expression to clarify to what you are applying the not operator
  - Sometimes also called as inversion operator
- Truth table for the not operator

expression	not expression
True	False
False	True

# Checking Numeric Ranges with Logical Operators

 To determine whether a numeric value is within a specific range of values, use and

Example: 10 ≤ x ≤ 20

$$x >= 10 \text{ and } x <= 20$$

 To determine whether a numeric value is outside of a specific range of values, use or

• Example: x < 10, x > 20

$$x < 10 \text{ or } x > 20$$

## **Example: Loan Qualifier - Revisited**

#### Two conditions

```
Salary must be >= 30000
Years on Job >= 2 years
```

Let's write the loan qualifier program by using if-else statement

```
# Determine whether the customer qualifies.
if salary >= 3000 and years_on_job >= 2:
    print('You qualify for the loan.')
else:
    print('You do not qualify for this loan.')
```

## **Boolean Variables**

- <u>Boolean variable</u>: references one of two values, True or False
  - Represented by bool data type
- Commonly used as flags
  - Flag: variable that signals when some condition exists in a program
    - Flag set to False → condition does not exist
    - Flag set to True → condition exists

 The turtle.xcor() and turtle.ycor() functions return the turtle's X and Y coordinates

```
>>> turtle.forward(100)
>>> turtle.xcor()
100.0
>>> turtle.ycor()
0.0
```

```
if turtle.ycor() < 0:
          turtle.goto(0, 0)

if turtle.xcor() > 100 and turtle.xcor() < 200:
          turtle.goto(0, 0)

if turtle.ycor() < 0:
          turtle.done()</pre>
```

• The turtle.heading() function returns the turtle's heading. (By default, the heading is returned in degrees.)

```
>>> import turtle
>>> turtle.heading()
0.0
>>> turtle.right(45)
>>> turtle.heading()
315.0
```

```
if turtle.heading() >= 90 and turtle.heading() <= 270:
    turtle.setheading(180)</pre>
```

• The turtle.isdown() function returns True if the pen is down, or False otherwise.

```
>>> import turtle
>>> turtle.isdown()
True
>>> turtle.penup()
>>> turtle.isdown()
False
>>> turtle.pendown()
>>> turtle.pendown()
True
```

```
if turtle.isdown():
    turtle.penup()

if not(turtle.isdown()):
    turtle.pendown()
```

• The turtle.isvisible() function returns True if the turtle is visible, or False otherwise.

```
>>> import turtle
>>> turtle.isvisible()
True
>>> turtle.hideturtle()
>>> turtle.isvisible()
False
```

```
if turtle.isvisible():
    turtle.hideturtle()

if not(turtle.isvisible()):
    turtle.showturtle()
```

When you call turtle.pencolor() without passing an argument, the function returns the pen's current color as a string.

```
>>> turtle.pencolor()
'black'
>>> turtle.fillcolor()
'black'
```

### **Example of calling the function in an if statement:**

```
if turtle.pencolor() == 'red':
    turtle.pencolor('blue')
```

 When you call turtle.fillcolor() without passing an argument, the function returns the current fill color as a string.

```
if turtle.fillcolor() == 'blue':
    turtle.fillcolor('white')
```

When you call turtle.bgcolor() without passing an argument, the function returns the current background color as a string.

```
>>> turtle.pencolor()
'black'
>>> turtle.fillcolor()
'black'
>>> turtle.bgcolor()
'white'
```

```
if turtle.bgcolor() == 'white':
    turtle.bgcolor('gray')
```

 When you call turtle.pensize() without passing an argument, the function returns the pen's current size as a string.

```
>>> import turtle
>>> turtle.pensize()
1
>>> turtle.pensize(10)
>>> turtle.pensize()
10
```

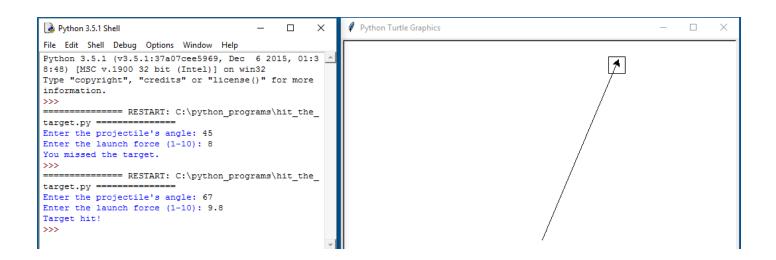
```
if turtle.pensize() < 3:
    turtle.pensize(3)</pre>
```

 When you call turtle.speed() without passing an argument, the function returns the current animation speed.

```
>>> import turtle
>>> turtle.speed()
3
>>> turtle.speed(7)
>>> turtle.speed()
7
```

```
if turtle.speed() > 0:
   turtle.speed(0)
```

 See In the Spotlight: The Hit the Target Game in your textbook Page 167 for numerous examples of determining the state of the turtle.





3.26 How do you determine the turtle's pen color? How do you determine the current fill color? How do you determine the current background color of the turtle's graphics window?

```
>>> turtle.pencolor()
'black'
```

3.28 How do you determine the turtle's current animation speed?

```
>>> turtle.speed()
3
```

### **Multiple Choice**

- 1. A \_\_\_\_\_ structure can execute a set of statements only under certain circumstances.
  - a. sequence
  - b. circumstantial
  - **✓.** decision
  - d. Boolean
- 2. A \_\_\_\_\_ structure provides one alternative path of execution.
  - a. sequence
  - **V**. single alternative decision
  - c. one path alternative
  - d. single execution decision
- 7. You use a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ statement to write a dual alternative decision structure.
  - a. test-jump
  - b. if
  - √. if-else
  - d. if-call
- 11. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ operator takes a Boolean expression as its operand and reverses its logical value.
  - a. and
  - b. or
  - ✓. not

### **Algorithm Workbench**

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2. Write an if statement that assigns 10 to the variable b, and 50 to the variable c if the variable a is equal to 100.

if a == 100:

b=10 c=50

6. Write an if-else statement that assigns True to the again variable if the score variable is within the range of 40 to 49. If the score variable's value is outside this range, assign False to the again variable. if score >= 40 and score <= 49:

```
again = True
else:
    again=False
```

7. Write an if-else statement that determines whether the points variable is outside the range of 9 to 51. If the variable's value is outside this range it should display "Invalid points." Otherwise, it should display "Valid points."

```
if points < 9 or points > 51:
        print ( 'Invalid points.' )
else:
        print ( 'Valid points.' )
```

8. Write an if statement that uses the turtle graphics library to determine whether the turtle's heading is in the range of 0 degrees to 45 degrees (including 0 and 45 in the range). If so, raise the turtle's pen.

```
if turtle.heading >= 0 and turtle.heading <= 45:
    turtle.penup()</pre>
```

## **Programming Exercises**

### 1. Number Analyzer

Write a program that asks the user to enter an integer. The program should display "Positive" if the number is greater than 0, "Negative" if the number is less than 0, and "Zero" if the number is equal to 0. The program should then display "Even" if the number is even, and "Odd" if the number is odd.

#### Program

```
# Get the number.
number = int(input('Enter an integer: '))
# Determine if the number is positive, negative or zero.
if number > 0:
   print('Positive')
elif number < 0:
   print('Negative')
else:
   print('Zero')
# Determine if the number is even or odd.
                                           Example Program Output
if number % 2 == 0:
   print('Even')
                                          Enter an integer: 17
else:
                                          Positive
   print('Odd')
                                          Odd
```

## **Programming Exercises**

#### 3. Quarter of the Year

Write a program that asks the user for a month as a number between 1 and 12. The program should display a message indicating whether the month is in the first quarter, the second quarter, the third quarter, or the fourth quarter of the year.

#### Program

```
# Get the number for the month.
month = int(input('Enter a number (1-12) for the month: '))

# Determine the quarter of the year and display it.
if month >= 1 and month <= 3:
    print('First Quarter')
elif month >= 4 and month <= 6:
    print('Second Quarter')
elif month >= 7 and month <= 9:
    print('Third Quarter')
elif month >= 10 and month <= 12:
    print('Fourth Quarter')
else:
    print('Error: Please enter a number between 1 and 12.')</pre>
```

#### Example Program Output

```
Enter a number (1-12) for the month: 7 Third Quarter
```

# **Programming Exercises**

#### 12. Software Sales

A software company sells a package that retails for \$99. Quantity discounts are given according to the table. Write a program that asks the user to enter the number of packages purchased. The program should then display the amount of the discount (if any) and the total amount of the purchase after the discount.

#### Program

```
RETAIL PRICE = 99 # Named constant
# Get number of packages to be purchased
quantity = int(input('Enter the number of packages purchased: '))
# Calculate the discount rate
if quantity > 99:
    discountRate = 0.40
elif quantity > 49:
                              Example Program Output
    discountRate = 0.30
                              Enter the number of packages purchased: 100
elif quantity > 19:
    discountRate = 0.20
                              Discount Amount: $ 3960.00
elif quantity > 9:
                              Total Amount: $ 5940.00
    discountRate = 0.10
else:
    discountRate = 0
# Calculate the full price
fullPrice = quantity * RETAIL PRICE
# Calculate the discount amount
discount Amount = full Price * discount Rate
# Calculate the total amount
totalAmount = fullPrice - discountAmount
# Print results
print ('Discount Amount: $', format(discountAmount, '.2f'))
print ('Total Amount: $', format(totalAmount, '.2f'))
```

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#### 14. Body Mass Index

Write a program that calculates and displays a person's body mass index (BMI). The BMI is often used to determine whether a person is overweight or underweight for his or her height. A person's BMI is calculated with the following formula: **BMI = weight (m) / height** <sup>2</sup> **(kg)** .The program should ask the user to enter his or her weight and height, then display the user's BMI. The program should also display a message indicating whether the person has optimal weight, is underweight, or is overweight. A person's weight is considered to be **optimal** if his or her BMI is between **18.5** and **25**. If the BMI is **less than 18.5**, the person is considered to be **underweight**. If the BMI value is **greater than 25**, the person is considered to be **overweight**.

Program			ВМІ	Weight status
# Get the w	reight and height from the	user.	Below 18.5	Underweight
<pre>weight = float(input('Enter your weight (kg): '))</pre>			18.5–24.9	Healthy
# Calculate	oat(input('Enter your heig the body mass. t / (height * height)	ht (m): '))	25.0–29.9	Overweight
<del>-</del>	Body Mass Indicator is', and display weight catego	•	f'))	
<pre>print(' elif BMI &gt;</pre>	You are overweight.') 18.5:	Example Pro	ogram Outp	out
	You are underweight.')	Enter your w		
else:		Enter your h	eight (m):	1.68
print('	Your weight is optimal.')	Your Body Ma You are over		or is 26.57

## **Summary**

## This chapter covered:

- Decision structures, including:
  - Single alternative decision structures
  - Dual alternative decision structures
  - Nested decision structures
- Relational operators and logical operators as used in creating Boolean expressions
- String comparison as used in creating Boolean expressions
- Boolean variables
- Determining the state of the turtle in Turtle Graphics