

DIT gentle introduction to Python

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2. Python 4 Poets

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Programming



Diagram borrowed from L. Moroney's Introduction to TensorFlow for Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Deep Learning

Conditionals

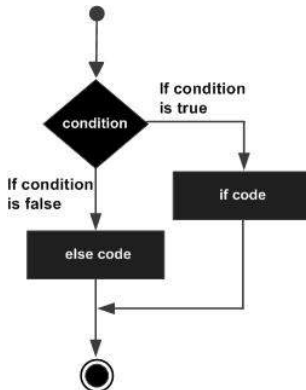


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Loops

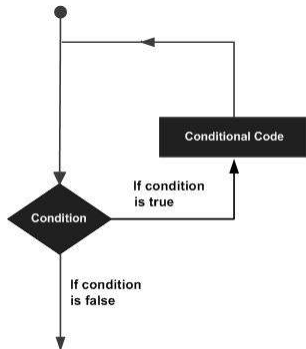


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