

INTRO. TO DATA SCIENCE

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# ITERATIONS AND CONDITIONALS

# TODAY'S OBJECTIVES

- ▶ RECAP : DATA TYPES AND VISUALISATIONS
- ▶ Pandas groupby() method . Update on slack
- ▶ Programming constructs
- ▶ Use for-loops and while loops, and understand when to use one vs the other.
- ▶ Iterate over data contained in lists
- ▶ Iterate over data contained in dictionaries
- ▶ CONDITIONALS - Understand how an if-else statement works
- ▶ Identify the use cases for using - if , if-else, if-elif-elif....-else.
- ▶ Bonus lab : User Input and Output basics  
<https://github.com/ShakeelRaja/user-IO/blob/master/index.ipynb>
- ▶ Bonus lab: Data Cleaning and visualisation with Plotly and Pandas  
<https://github.com/learn-co-curriculum/ds-python-plotly>

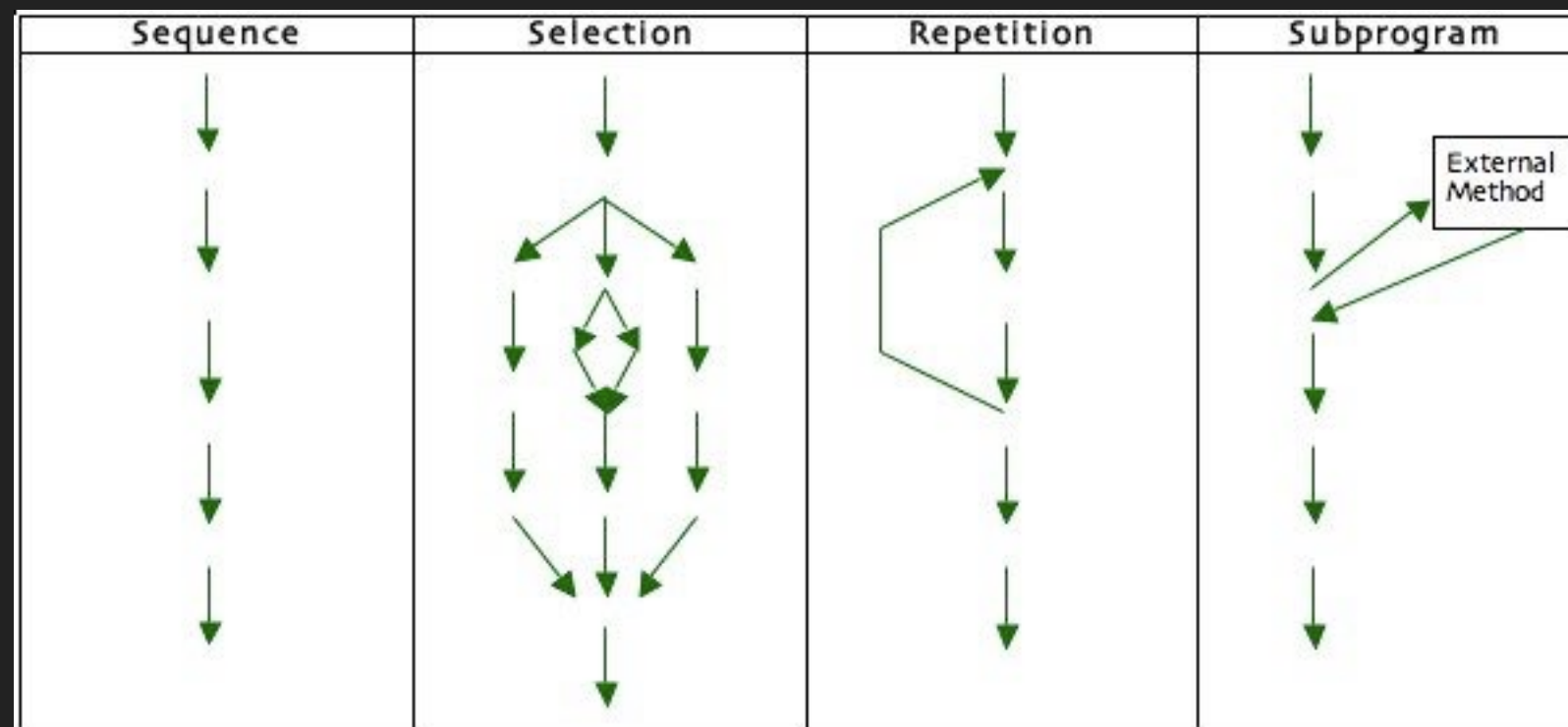
# PYTHON DATA TYPES QUICK REFERENCE

Data type	Mutable	Ordered	Literal example	Constructor
<b>Sequence types</b>				
list	yes	yes	[1,2,3]	<code>list()</code>
tuple	no	yes	(1,2,3)	<code>tuple()</code>
str	no	yes	"text" / 'text'	<code>str()</code>
range	no	yes	-	<code>range()</code>
bytes	no	yes	b'abcde' / b"abc"	<code>bytes()</code>
bytearray	yes	yes	-	<code>bytearray()</code>
array *	yes	yes	-	<code>array.array()</code>
<b>Set types</b>				
set	yes	no	{1,2,3}	<code>set()</code>
frozenset	no	no	-	<code>frozenset()</code>
<b>Mapping types</b>				
dict	yes	no	{"key1": "val", "key2": "val"}	<code>dict()</code>
OrderedDict *	yes	yes	<i>none</i>	<code>collections.OrderedDict()</code>

# CONTROL STRUCTURES IN PROGRAMMING

There are four different ways control can flow through a program in any programming language:

- ▶ **Sequence:** Execute every statement, in order.
- ▶ **Selection:** Execute some statements (branches of the code) based on whether or not conditions are met.
- ▶ **Repetition:** Execute some statement multiple times, again using some conditions to determine whether/how many times to repeat.
- ▶ **Subprogram:** Leave the regular flow of a program and execute code written elsewhere, i.e. a method.



## LOOPS MOTIVATION

- ▶ Given the following list  
Linguists = ['Amanda', 'Claire', 'Holly', 'Luis', 'Nick', 'Sophia']
- ▶ How do I print each name on a separate line?

## TEXT

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```
linguists = ["Amanda", "Claire", "Holly", "Luis", "Nick", "Sophia"]
```

- ▶ `print (linguists[0] + '\n')`
- ▶ `print (linguists[1] + '\n')`
- ▶ `print (linguists[2] + '\n')`
- ▶ `print (linguists[3] + '\n')`
- ▶ `print (linguists[4] + '\n')`
- ▶ `print (linguists[5] + '\n')`

## FOR LOOPS

- ▶ A for-loop steps through each of the items in a list, tuple, string, or any other type of object which the language considers an “iterable” (an **iterator** is an object that enables a programmer to traverse its contents).
- ▶ `for <ITEM> in <COLLECTION> :`  
    `<STAMENT(s)>`
- ▶ When `<COLLECTION>` is a list or a tuple, then the loop steps through each element of the container.
- ▶ When `<COLLECTION>` is a string, then the loop steps through each character of the string.
- ▶ `for someChar in "Hello World":`  
    `print someChar`

## FOR LOOPS

- ▶ The part of the for loop can also be more complex than a single variable name.
- ▶ When the elements of a container are also containers, then the part of the for loop can match the structure of the elements i.e. using tuples (x,y).
- ▶ This multiple assignment can make it easier to access the individual parts of each element.
- ▶ 

```
for (x, y) in [('a',1), ('b',2), ('c',3), ('d',4)]:  
    print x
```



- ▶ `Linguists = ['Amanda', 'Claire', 'Holly', 'Luis', 'Nick', 'Sophia']`
- ▶ `For linguist in Linguists:`  
`print (linguist)`

## EXERCISE

- ▶ How do we take the sentence "Python is a great text processing language" and print one word on each line?
- ▶ Hint: recall splitting sentences into words from "instant data science" demo.

## FOR LOOPS AND RANGE() FUNCTION

- ▶ We often want to range a variable over some numbers, we can use the `range()` function which gives us a list of numbers from 0 up to but not including the number we pass to it. i.e. `range(5) = [0,1,2,3,4]`

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```
for x in range(5):  
    print (x)
```

0

1

2

3

4

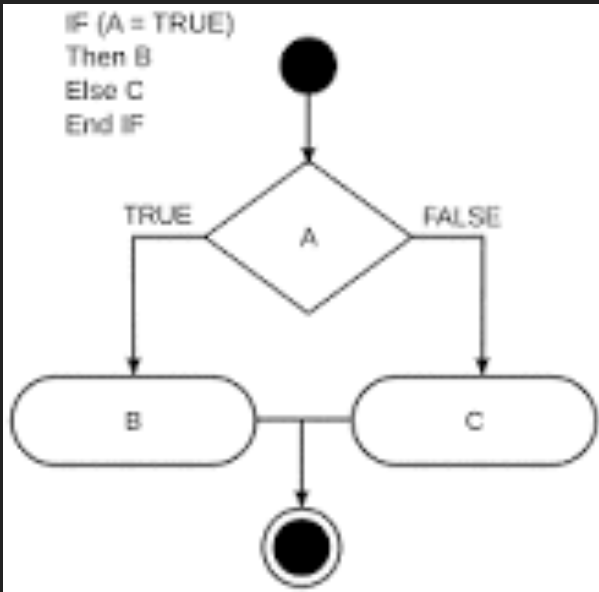
## EXERCISE

- ▶ Suppose we have a list of integers:  
`numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]`
- ▶ What do we need to do add 5 to each number?
- ▶ What if we want to add 5 to only the second to the fifth number?
- ▶ What if we want to add 5 to even numbers?

# CONDITIONALS WITH BINARY OPERATORS

In computer science, conditional statements, conditional expressions and conditional constructs are features of a programming language, which perform different computations or actions depending on whether a programmer-specified boolean condition evaluates to true or false.

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

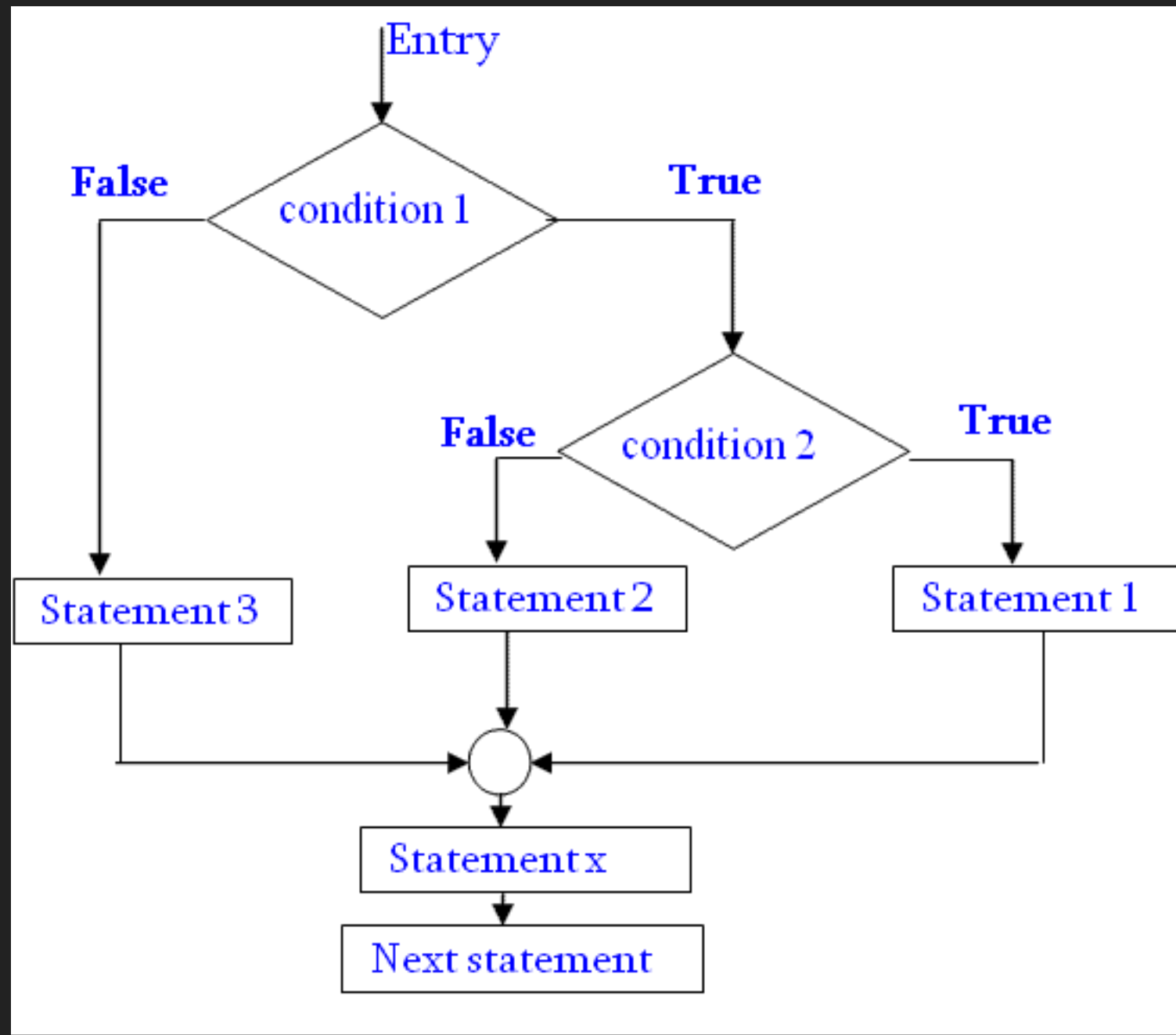


## CONDITIONALS

- ▶ Conditionals are structures within the code which can execute different lines of code based on certain 'conditions' being met. In Python, the most basic type of conditional will test a Boolean to see if it is True, and then execute some code if it passes:
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```
b = True
if b :
    print ('b is True')
```

# NESTED LOOPS



# WHILE LOOP

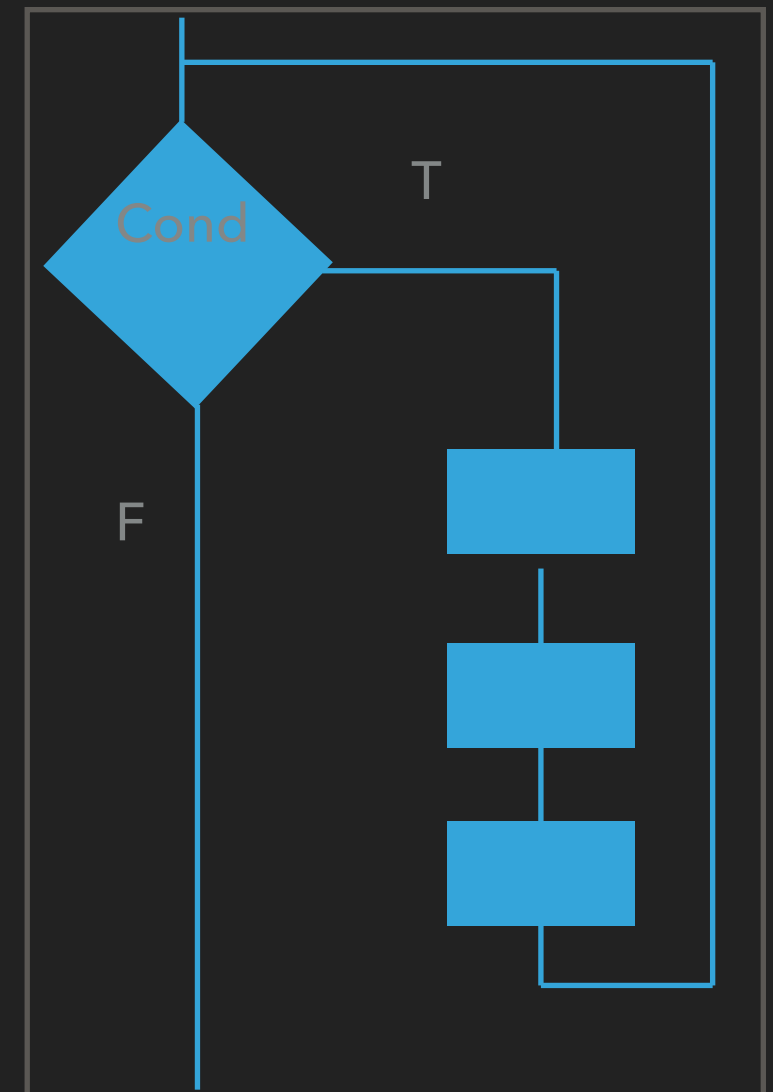
- ▶ The syntax for the While-Statement is

```
while <condition> :  
    <list of statements>
```

- ▶ Note the colon and indentation

```
x = 1  
while x < 10:  
    print x
```

- ▶ Do you see a problem here ?





## WHILE LOOP

- ▶ Its very easy to get stuck in an infinite loop using “while” statement. Control condition must be set carefully