



Module 2: Comparison & Logic - Complete Notes



What You'll Learn

In this module, you'll master the art of **making decisions in code**. Every `if` statement, every filter, every validation — they all come down to comparison. By the end, you'll think in conditions naturally.



Concept Explained (Like a YouTube Video)

The Basics

Alright, welcome back! In this module, we're tackling something you'll use in literally **every program you ever write** — comparisons!

Think about it: How does your code decide what to do? It **asks questions** and gets YES/NO answers.

- Is the user logged in? → YES → Show dashboard
- Is the password correct? → NO → Show error
- Is the response time under 200ms? → YES → Test passes

These are all **comparisons**!

The Six Comparison Operators

Think of these as the **six questions** you can ask:

OPERATOR	QUESTION	EXAMPLE	
>	Is left GREATER than right?	10 > 5	✓
<	Is left LESS than right?	3 < 7	✓
==	Are they EQUAL?	5 == 5	✓
!=	Are they DIFFERENT?	5 != 3	✓
>=	Is left >= right?	5 >= 5	✓
<=	Is left <= right?	4 <= 7	✓

Visual Understanding

Let's visualize on a number line:

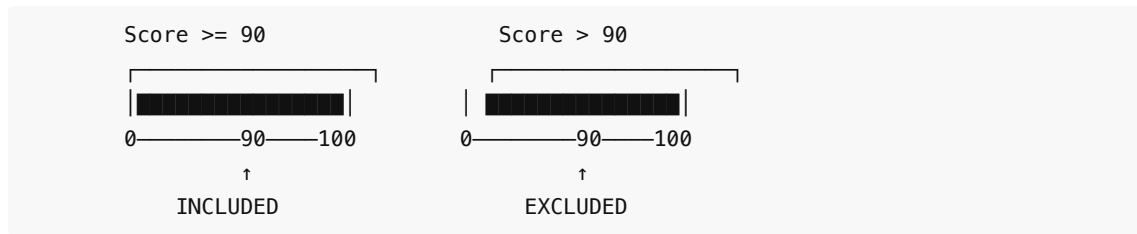
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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For `x = 5`:

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x > 3 → TRUE  (5 is to the RIGHT of 3)
x < 3 → FALSE (5 is NOT to the LEFT of 3)
x == 5 → TRUE  (same position)
x >= 5 → TRUE  (same or right)
x <= 6 → FALSE (5 is left of 6)
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The Key Insight: Boundaries

The difference between `>` and `>=` is **THE BOUNDARY**:



Programming Connection

Code Examples

```
# Example 1: Simple Comparison
age = 25

if age >= 18:
    print("Adult - can vote")
else:
    print("Minor - cannot vote")
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# Example 2: Range Check
score = 85

if score >= 80 and score <= 89:
    grade = "B"
elif score >= 90:
    grade = "A"
elif score >= 70:
    grade = "C"
else:
    grade = "F"
```

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# Example 3: Finding Maximum
def find_maximum(a, b, c):
    max_val = a
    if b > max_val:
        max_val = b
    if c > max_val:
        max_val = c
    return max_val
```

SDET/Testing Application

```
# SDET Scenario: Response Validation

def validate_api_response(response):
    results = {
        "status_valid": 200 <= response["status_code"] < 300,
        "time_valid": response["time_ms"] <= 200,
        "data_valid": response["item_count"] > 0
    }
    results["overall"] = all(results.values())
    return results
```

Key Takeaways

- ✅ Comparison always returns True or False
- ✅ `>=` and `<=` INCLUDE the boundary
- ✅ `>` and `<` EXCLUDE the boundary
- ✅ Range checks need two comparisons with AND

Next up: Module 3 - Number Properties (Even & Odd)! 🚀