Conditional statements and operators

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Booleans

```
# Boolean variable
the_truth = True
print(the_truth)
```

True

Used to make comparisons

Operators

- Comparison operators
 - Symbols or combinations of symbols
 - Used to compare things
 - Similar to symbols for calculations such as * , + , etc.
- Check if two things are equal
 - o ==

Checking for equality

```
# Compare if 2 is equal to 3
2 == 3
```

False

```
# Check that 2 is not equal to 3
2 != 3
```

True

• Common use-case: checking login details

Numeric comparison operators

```
# Is 5 less than 7?
5 < 7
```

```
# Is 5 greater than 7?
5 > 7
```

True

```
# Is 5 less than or equal to 7?
5 <= 7
```

False

```
# Is 5 greater or equal to 7?
5 >= 7
```

True

False

Other comparisons

```
# Is James greater than Brian
"James" > "Brian"
```

True

• Strings are evaluated in alphabetical order



Conditional statements

- If True perform a taskotherwise, do nothing
- if > condition is met > perform action

```
# Target units sold and actual units sold
sales_target = 350
units_sold = 355

# Compare sales
if units_sold >= sales_target
```

Conditional statements

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sales_target = 350
units_sold = 355

# Compare sales
if units_sold >= sales_target:
    print("Target achieved")
```

'Target achieved'

Indentation

```
# Target units sold and actual units sold
sales_target = 350
units_sold = 355

# Compare sales
if units_sold >= sales_target:
print("Target achieved") # This line is not indented
```

```
print("Target achieved")
^
IndentationError: expected an indented block
```

Elif statement

```
# Target units sold and actual units sold
sales_target = 350
units_sold = 325
# Compare sales
if units_sold >= sales_target:
    print("Target achieved")
# Check if we were close to the target
elif units_sold >= 320:
    print("Target almost achieved")
```

• Can use as many elif keywords as we like!

Else statement

```
# Compare sales
if units_sold >= sales_target:
    print("Target achieved")
# Check if we were close to the target
elif units_sold >= 320:
    print("Target almost achieved")
# Otherwise...
else:
    print("Target not achieved")
```

Comparison operators cheat sheet

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else	Else perform this action	After elif

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For loops

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Individual comparisons

```
# Prices list
prices = [9.99, 8.99, 35.25, 1.50, 5.75]
prices[0] > 10
```

False

```
prices[0] < 5
```

False

```
prices[0] >= 5 and prices[0] <= 10</pre>
```

True



For loop syntax

```
for value in sequence:
    action
```

- for each value in sequence, perform action
 - action is indented because of the colon in the previous line
- sequence = iterable e.g., list, dictionary, etc
- value = iterator, i.e., the index
 - Placeholder (can give it any name), i is common.

Print individual values

```
# Prices list
prices = [9.99, 8.99, 35.25, 1.50, 5.75]

# Print each value in prices
for price in prices:
    print(price)
```

```
9.99
8.99
35.25
1.5
5.75
```

for price in prices:



```
for price in prices:
    # Check if the price is more than 10
    if price > 10:
```

```
for price in prices:
    # Check if the price is more than 10
    if price > 10:
        print("More than $10")
```

```
for price in prices:
    # Check if the price is more than 10
    if price > 10:
        print("More than $10")
    # Check if the price is less than 5
    elif price < 5:
        print("Less than $5")</pre>
```

```
for price in prices:
    # Check if the price is more than 10
    if price > 10:
        print("More than $10")
    # Check if the price is less than 5
    elif price < 5:</pre>
        print("Less than $5")
    # Otherwise print the price
    else:
        print(price)
```

```
9.99
8.99
More than $10
Less than $5
5.75
```



Looping through strings

```
username = "george_dc"
# Loop through username and print each character
for char in username:
    print(char)
```

```
g
e
o
r
g
e
-
d
c
```

Looping through dictionaries

```
AG32 87.99
HT91 21.5
PL65 43.75
OS31 19.99
KB07 62.95
TR48 98.0
```



Looping through dictionaries

```
# Loop through keys
for key in products_dict.keys():
    print(key)
```

```
# Loop through values
for val in products_dict.values():
    print(val)
```

```
AG32
HT91
PL65
OS31
KB07
TR48
```

```
87.99
21.5
43.75
19.99
62.95
98.0
```

Range

Can use for loops to update variables

```
range(start, end + 1)

• start = inclusive
• end = not inclusive
```

```
for i in range(1, 6):
    print(i)
```

```
1
2
3
4
5
```

Building a counter

```
# No visits yet
visits = 0
# Loop through numbers 1-10
for i in range(1, 11):
    # Add one to visits during each iteration
    visits += 1 # Same as visits = visits + 1

print(visits)
```

10

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While loops

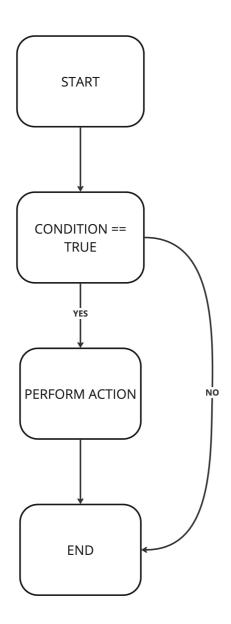
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If statement If statement





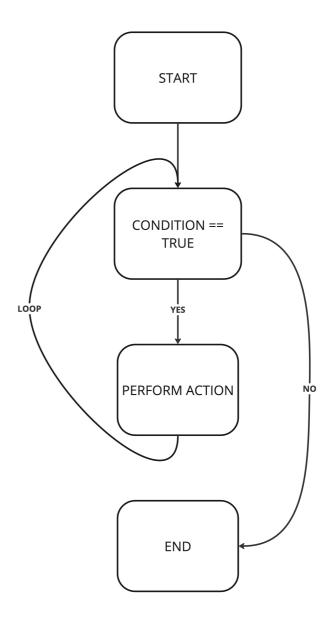
If statement versus while loop

If statement

START CONDITION == **TRUE** PERFORM ACTION

END

While loop



While loop

```
while condition:
    action
```

- Any continuous task
 - Accelerate while a button is pressed
 - Monitor while below/above a threshold



¹ https://unsplash.com/@joaoscferrao



While loop

```
# Stock limit
stock = 10
# Number of purchases
num_purchases = 0
# While num_purchases < stock limit</pre>
while num_purchases < stock:</pre>
    # Increment num_purchases
    num_purchases += 1
    # Print remaining stock
    print(stock - num_purchases)
```

Output

```
9
8
6
5
4
3
2
0
```



A word of caution

• while runs continually while the condition is met

```
# Stock limit
stock = 10
# Number of purchases
num_purchases = 0
# While num_purchases < threshold
while num_purchases < stock:</pre>
    # Print remaining stock
    print(stock - num_purchases)
```

Running forever

```
10
10
10
10
10
10
10
10
10
10
10
10
```



Breaking a loop

```
# While num_purchases < threshold
while num_purchases < stock:

# Print remaining stock
print(stock - num_purchases)

# Terminate the loop
break</pre>
```

- break can also be used in for loops
- If the code is already running: Control + C / Command + C

Conditional statements within while loops

```
# While num_purchases < threshold
while num_purchases < stock:</pre>
    # Increment num_purchases
    num_purchases += 1
    # Conditional statement inside the loop
    if stock - num_purchases > 7:
        print("Plenty of stock remaining")
    elif stock - num_purchases > 3:
        print("Some stock remaining")
    elif stock - num_purchases != 0:
        print("Low stock!")
    else:
        print("No stock!")
```

Conditional statements output

```
Plenty of stock remaining
Plenty of stock remaining
Some stock remaining
Some stock remaining
Some stock remaining
Some stock remaining
Low stock!
Low stock!
Low stock!
No stock!
```



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Building a workflow

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Complex workflows

- Loops through data structures
 - o for, while
- Evaluate multiple conditions

```
o if, elif, else, >, >=, <, <=, ==, !=
```

- Update variables
 - 0 +=
- Return outputs
 - o print()

The "in" keyword

• in = check if a value is in a variable/data structure

```
products_dict = {"AG32": 10, "HT91": 20,
                 "PL65": 30, "0S31": 15,
                 "KB07": 25, "TR48": 35}
# Check if "OS31" is a key in products_dict
if "OS31" in products_dict.keys():
    print(True)
else:
    print(False)
```

The "not" keyword

• not = check if a condition is not met

```
# Check if "OS31" is not a key in products_dict
if "OS31" not in products_dict.keys():
    print(False)
else:
    print(True)
```

The "and" keyword

• and = check if multiple conditions are met

```
# Check if "HT91" is a key and the minimum price of all products is > 5
if "HT91" in products_dict.keys() and min(products_dict.values()) > 5:
    print(True)
else:
    print(False)
```

The "or" keyword

• or = check if one (or more) condition is met

```
# Check if "HT91" is a key or that the minimum price of all products is < 5
if "HT91" in products_dict.keys() or min(products_dict.values()) < 5:
    print(True)
else:
    print(False)</pre>
```

Adding/subtracting from variables

Combine keywords with other technique to build complex workflows

```
sales_count = 0
for sale in range(1, 10):
    # sales_count = sales_count + 1
    sales_count += 1
stock = 10
for sale in range(1, 10):
    # sales_count = sales_count - 1
    stock -= 1
```

Other ways to update variables

Appending

• Store information that meets specific criteria in a list

```
# Create an empty list
expensive_products = []
# Loop through the dictionary
for key, val in products_dict.items():
    # Check if price is 20 dollars or more
    if val >= 20:
        # Append the product ID to the list
        expensive_products.append(key)
```

Appending

print(expensive_products)

['HT91', 'PL65', 'KB07', 'TR48']

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Syntax	Action	Example	Output
*	Multiply	4 * 10	40
+	Addition	7 + 9	16
	Subtract	23 - 4	19
1	Division	27 / 3	9
**	Power	3 ** 2	9
%	Modulo	7 % 4	3

```
# Define total_spend
total\_spend = 3150.96
# Single quotes
customer_name = 'George Boorman'
# Double quotes also work
customer_name = "George Boorman"
```

```
current_top_album = "For All The Dogs"

# Convert to lowercase
current_top_album = current_top_album.lower()
```

```
# List of prices
prices = [10, 20, 30, 15, 25, 35]
# Get the value at the first index
prices[0]
```

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```

Keyword	Function
and	Evaluate if multiple conditions are true
or	Evaluate one or more conditions are true
in	Evaluate if a value is in a data structure
not	Evaluate if a value is not in a data structure

• list.append()

Next steps

- Additional built-in functions
 - o zip()
 - enumerate()
- Packages and modules

 - o time
 - venv
 - o pandas
 - requests
 - numpy

Building custom functions

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