



Data Structures and Algorithms (ES221)

A Quick Talk About Computer Programming (2)

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Basic Control Structures

- A **sequence** is a series of statements that execute one after another
- A **selection(branch)** statement is used to determine which of two different statements to execute depending on certain conditions
- A **looping(repetition)** statement is used to repeat statements while certain conditions are met
- A **subprogram** is a smaller part of another program; a collection of subprograms solves the original problem

SEQUENCE



Example: Sequence of Statements in Python

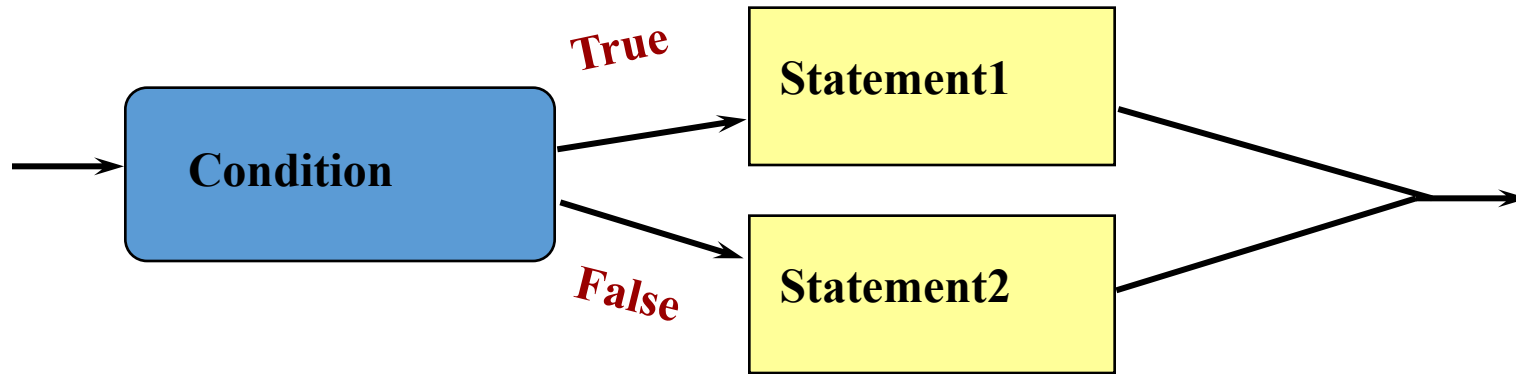
Statement 1: Assign a value to a variable
`x = 10`

Statement 2: Perform a calculation
`y = x * 2`

Statement 3: Print the result
`print("The value of y is:", y)`

Statement 4: Conditional check
`if y > 15:`
 `print("y is greater than 15")`
`else:`
 `print("y is 15 or less")`

SELECTION (Branch)



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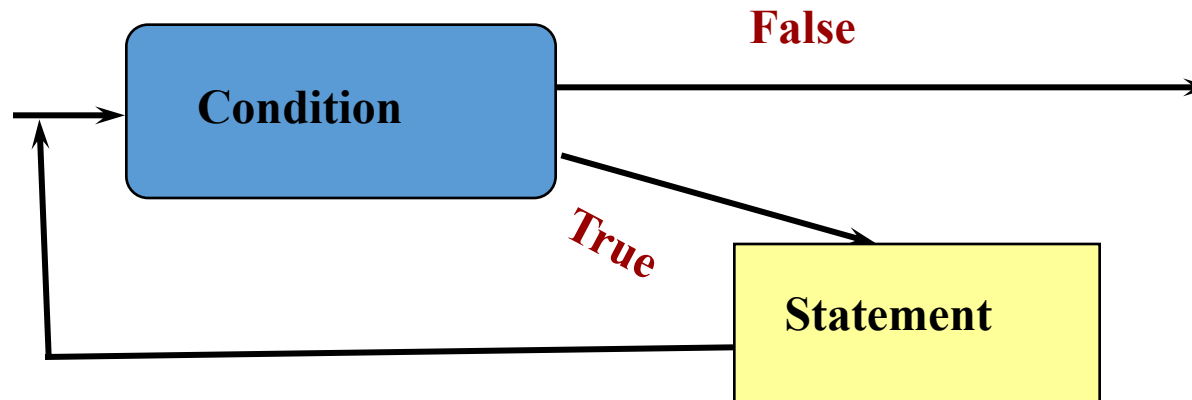
Scenario: Online Shopping Discount

Imagine you're running an online store that offers discounts based on the customer's total purchase amount:

- 1.If the total purchase is **greater than \$100**, the customer gets a **20% discount**.
- 2.If the total purchase is between **\$50 and \$100**, the customer gets a **10% discount**.
- 3.If the total purchase is less than **\$50**, there is **no discount**.

Lets code it

LOOP



Scenario: Daily Step Tracker

Imagine you are developing a step tracker app that encourages users to achieve their daily goal of **10,000 steps**. The app checks the steps entered by the user at regular intervals and provides feedback until the goal is reached

Lets code it

SUB-PROGRAM (Function)

- Functions are reusable blocks of code designed to perform a specific task

How Functions Work

1.Definition: Use the def keyword to define a function.

2.Parameters: Specify inputs in parentheses (optional).

3.Body: Contain the code to execute.

4.Return: Use return to send a result back to the caller (optional)

SUB-PROGRAM (Function)

Built-In vs. User-Defined Functions

Built-In

```
nums = [1, 2, 3, 4]
print(len(nums))
# Output: 4
```

User-Defined

```
def greet(name):
    return f"Hello, {name}!"

print(greet("Alice"))
# Output: Hello, Alice!
```


Problem: Calculate the Balance After Multiple Transactions

Imagine you're building a system to manage a user's bank account balance. The user deposits or withdraws money multiple times throughout the day. Your task is to:

- Calculate the final balance after a series of transactions.
- Ensure the balance never goes below zero (if a withdrawal exceeds the available balance, it should be prevented).

Problem: Calculate the Balance After Multiple Transactions

Algorithm Steps:

Input:

Take the initial balance as input.

Take the number of transactions as input.

For each transaction, take the type of transaction (deposit or withdrawal) and the amount involved.

Process Transactions:

If the transaction is a deposit, increase the balance by the transaction amount.

If the transaction is a withdrawal, check if the balance is sufficient:

If there are enough funds, decrease the balance by the transaction amount.

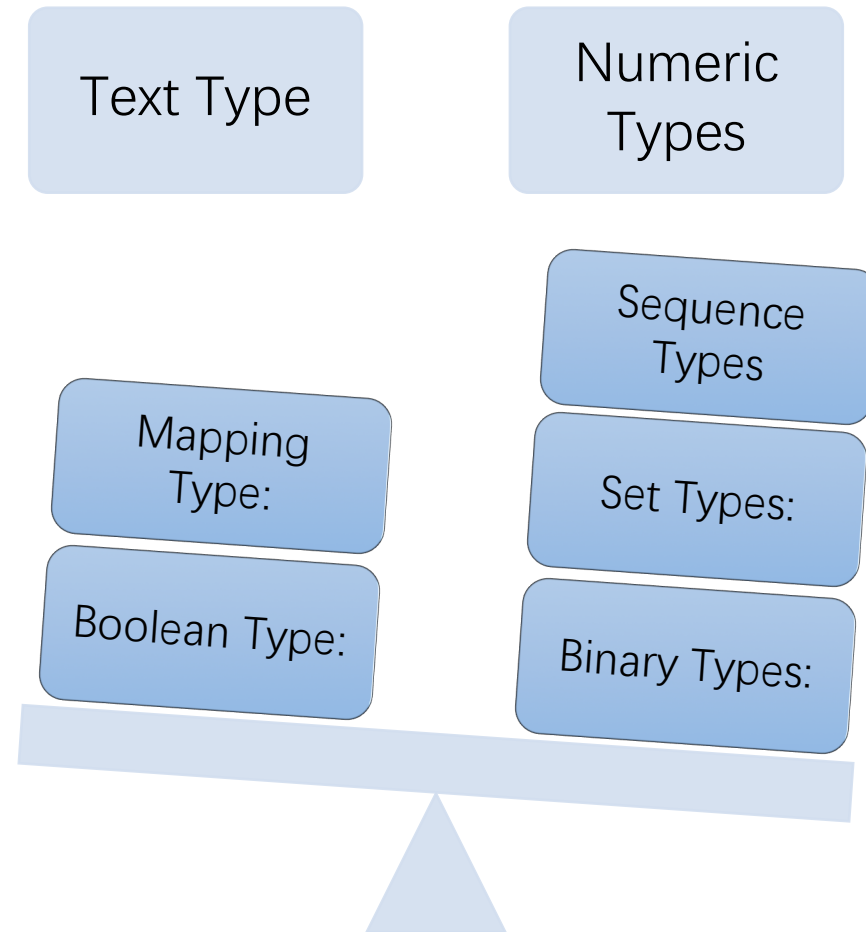
If not, reject the withdrawal and print a warning.

Output:

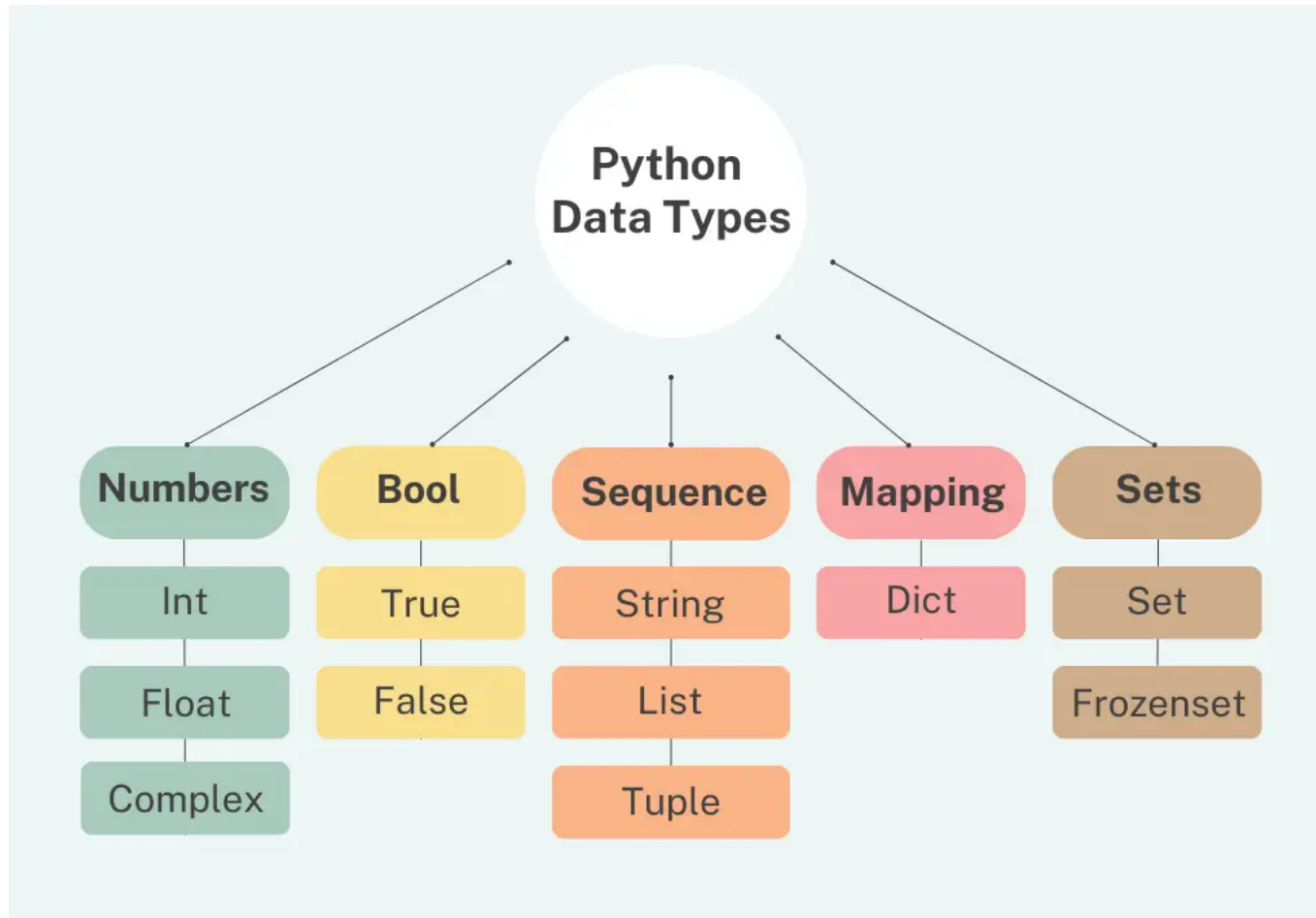
After processing all transactions, print the final balance

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Data Types in Python



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Lists

- Lists are one of 4 built-in data types in Python used to store collections of data
- List items are ordered, changeable, and allow duplicate values.
- List items are indexed, the first item has index [0], the second item has index [1] etc.
- List items can be of any data type
- A list can contain different data types
- **List() constructor**

Data Types in Python

Tuple

- A tuple is a collection which is ordered and **unchangeable**.
- Tuple items are ordered, unchangeable, and allow duplicate values.

```
fruits = ("apple", "banana", "cherry")
```

Data Types in Python

Set

Unordered

- Once a set is created, you cannot change its items, but you can remove items and add new items.
- Sets are written with curly brackets

- Set items can appear in a different order every time you use them, and cannot be referred to by index or key.

Unchangeable

- Set items are unchangeable, meaning that we cannot change the items after the set has been created.

Duplicates Not Allowed

- Sets cannot have two items with the same value.

Data Types in Python

Dictionary

- To store data values in key:value pairs.

Ordered or Unordered?

- Python version 3.7 = Ordered
- Python version 3.6 and earlier = Unordered

Changeable

- Dictionary are changeable, meaning that we change the items after it has been created.

Duplicates Not Allowed

- Dictionary cannot have two items with the same key.

Questions?

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