Lecture 7:

CONDITIONAL STATEMENTS

CSC111: Introduction to CS through Programming

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Announcements

- A note about getting credit for **labs**:
  - Turn in what you have **before** you leave the lab
  - **Both partners** must submit (your submissions can be identical)
  - If you want, you may revise/resubmit for up to 3 days (not required)

- A note about the **homework**:
  - Make sure that you follow the formatting instructions **exactly**
    - Enter first number
    - Enter second number
    - Enter operation
    - **`The answer is: <ANS>`**
  - Failure to do so will result in a delay in grading your assignment

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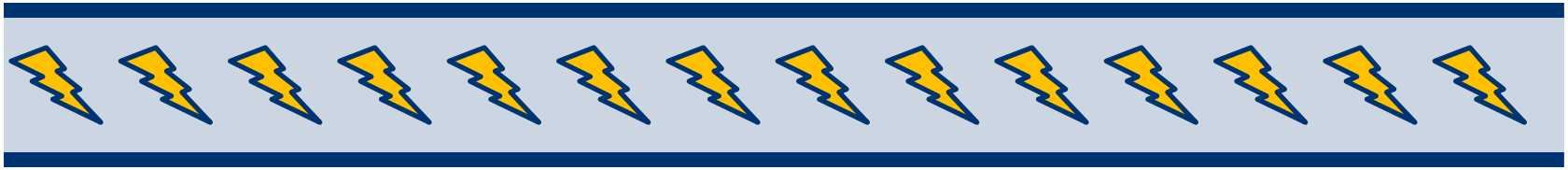
RECAP

How is information represented using **electricity**?

One wire: a “bit”

“off”



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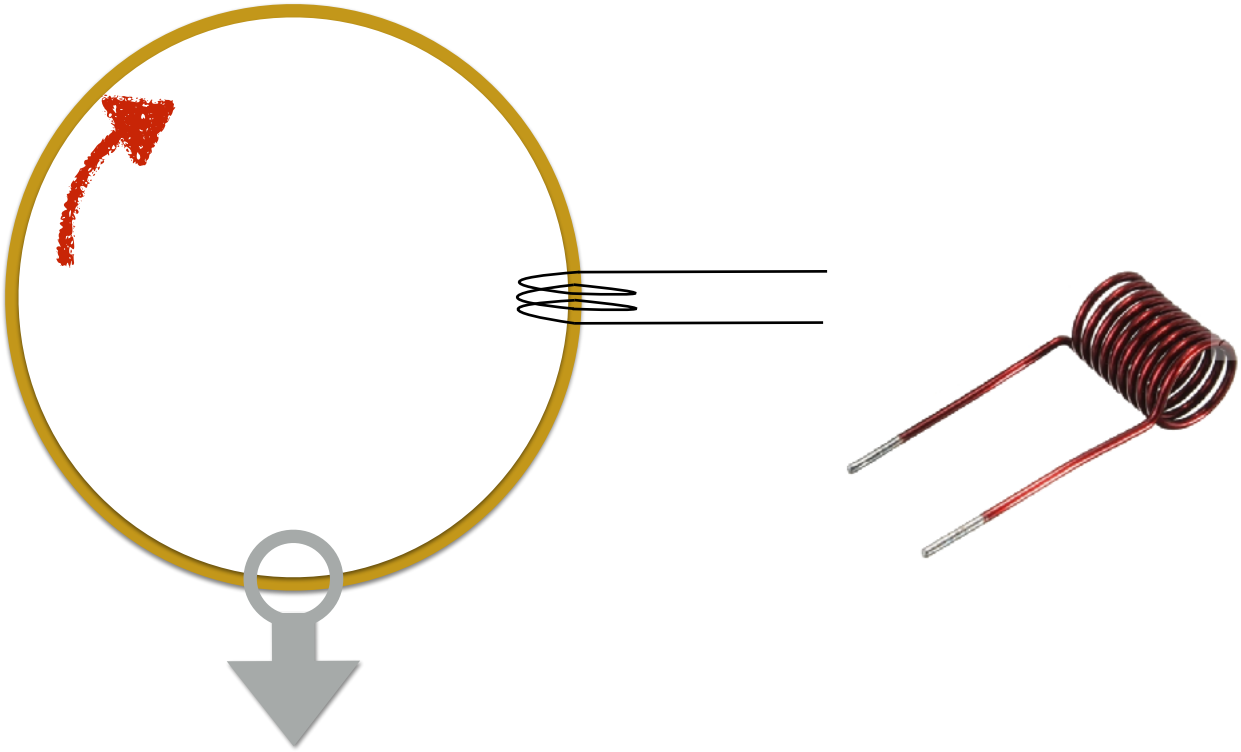

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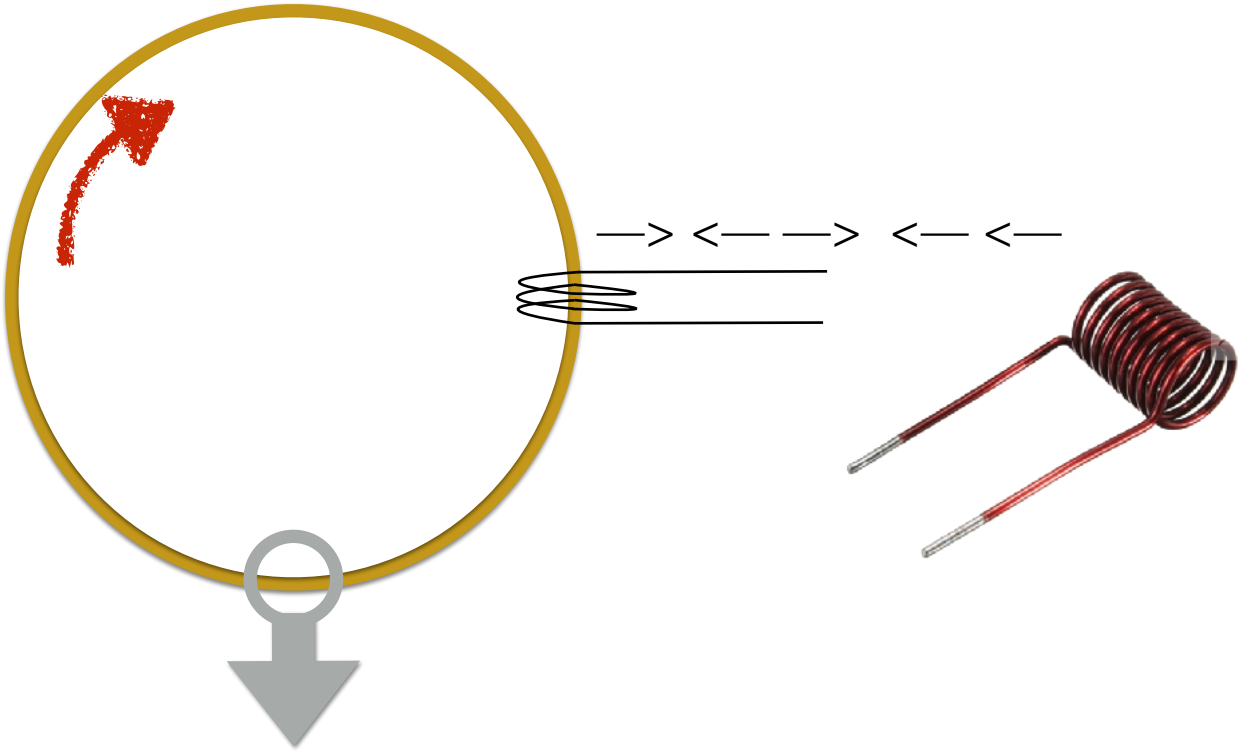

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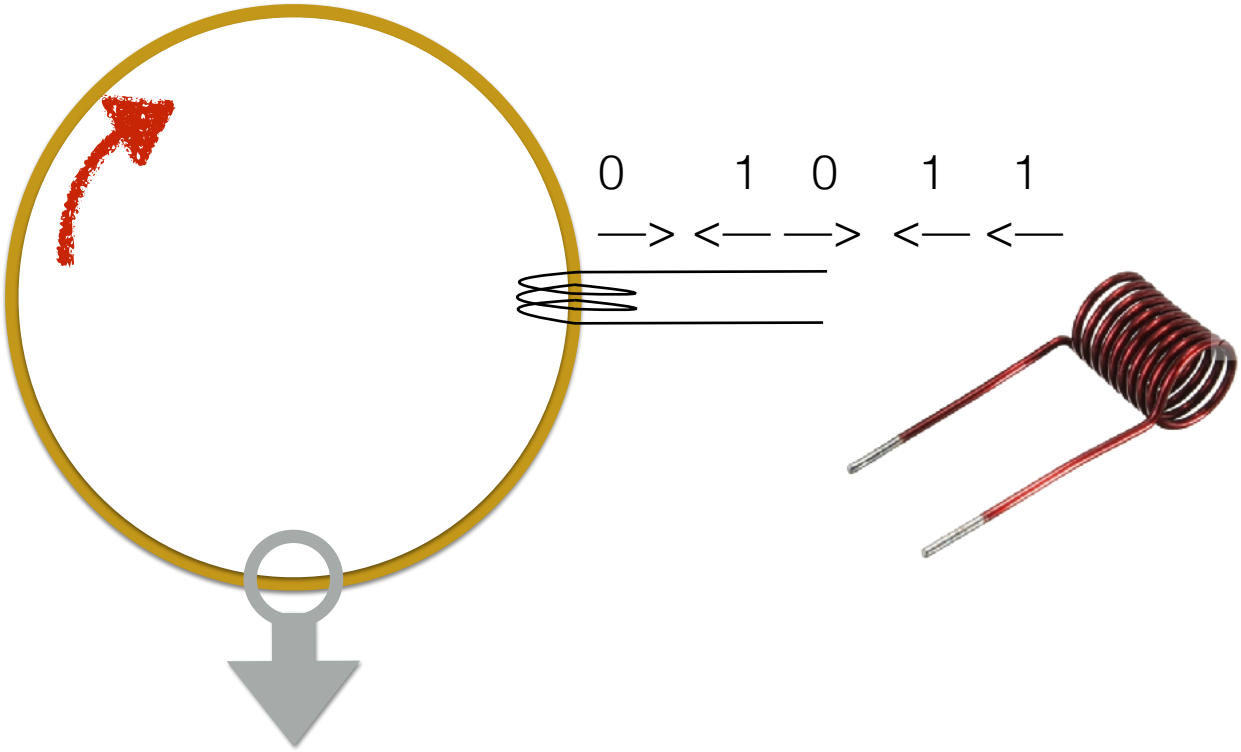


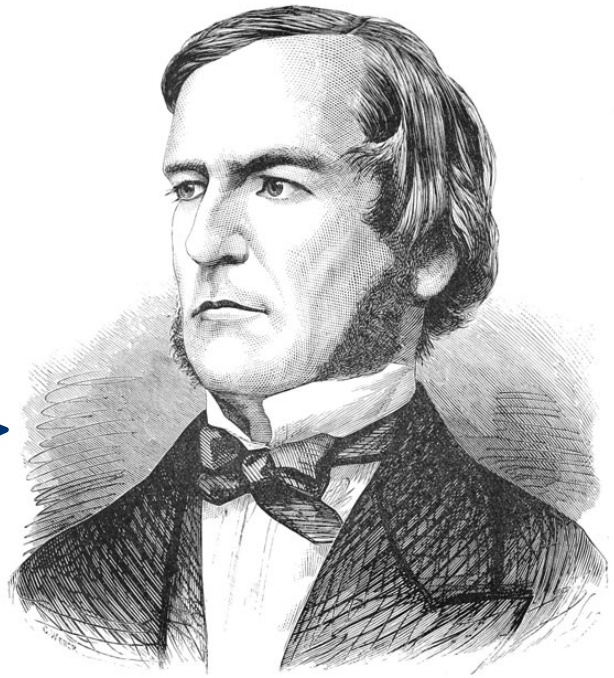
Bits and booleans

- **Bits**: 0 and 1
- **Boolean values**: **`True`** and **`False`**
- **Boolean switches**: imagine a world where every decision has a binary choice:

Go out or **stay in**?

Walk or **take the car**?

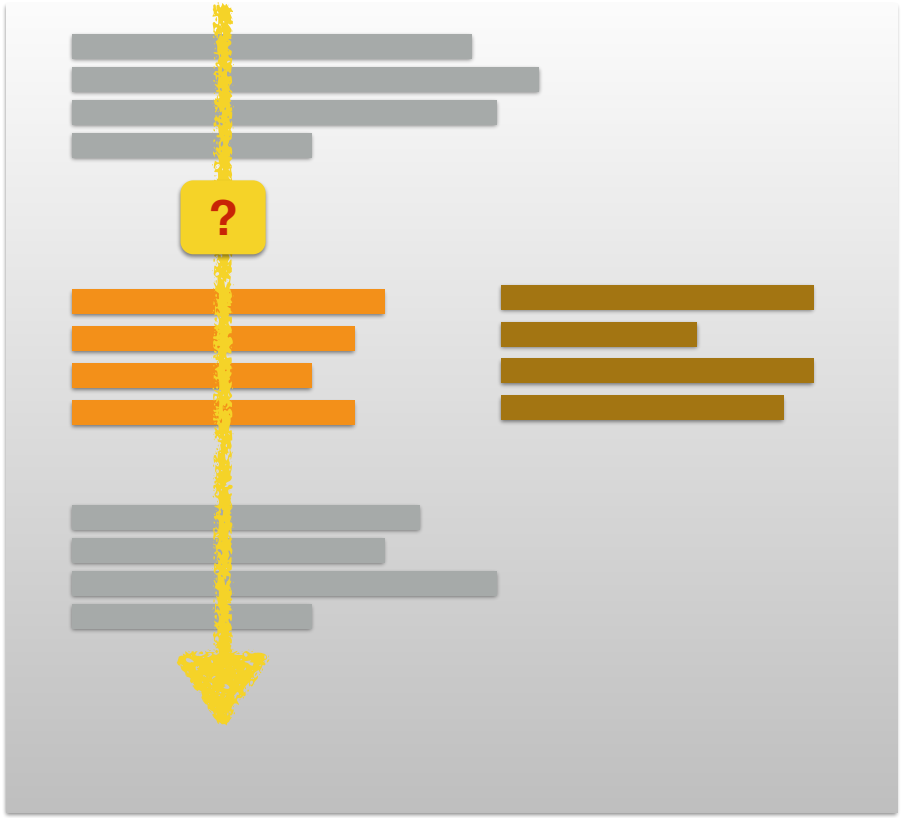
Batman or **Spiderman**?



George Boole
1815 - 1864

So far: linear programs

What if we need to make a **choice**?



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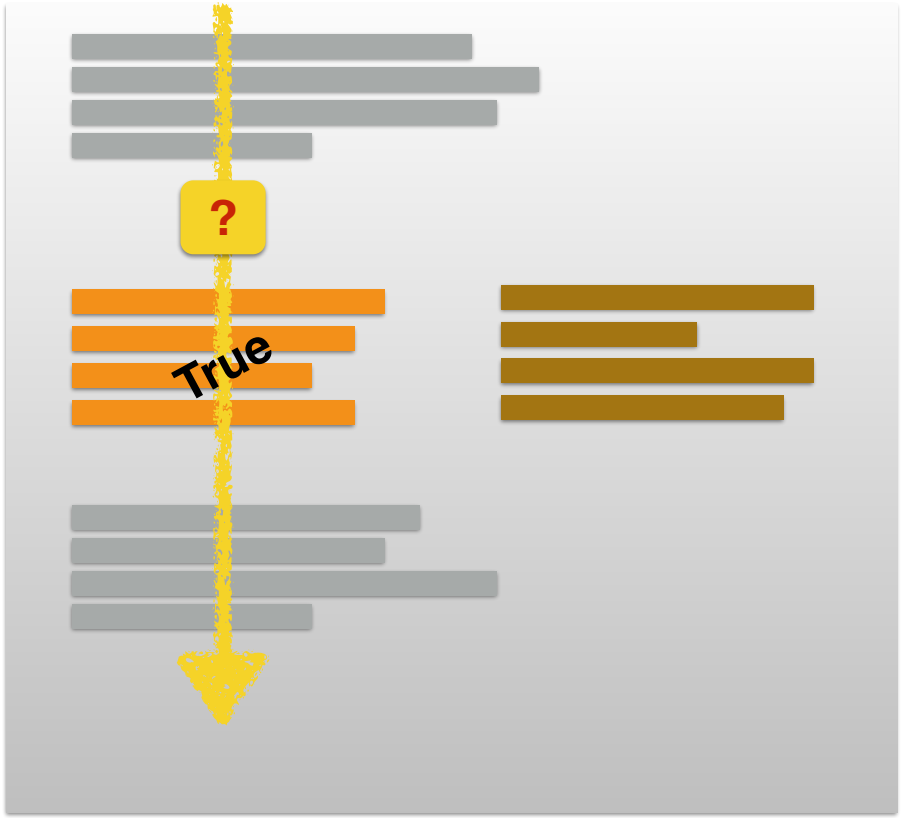

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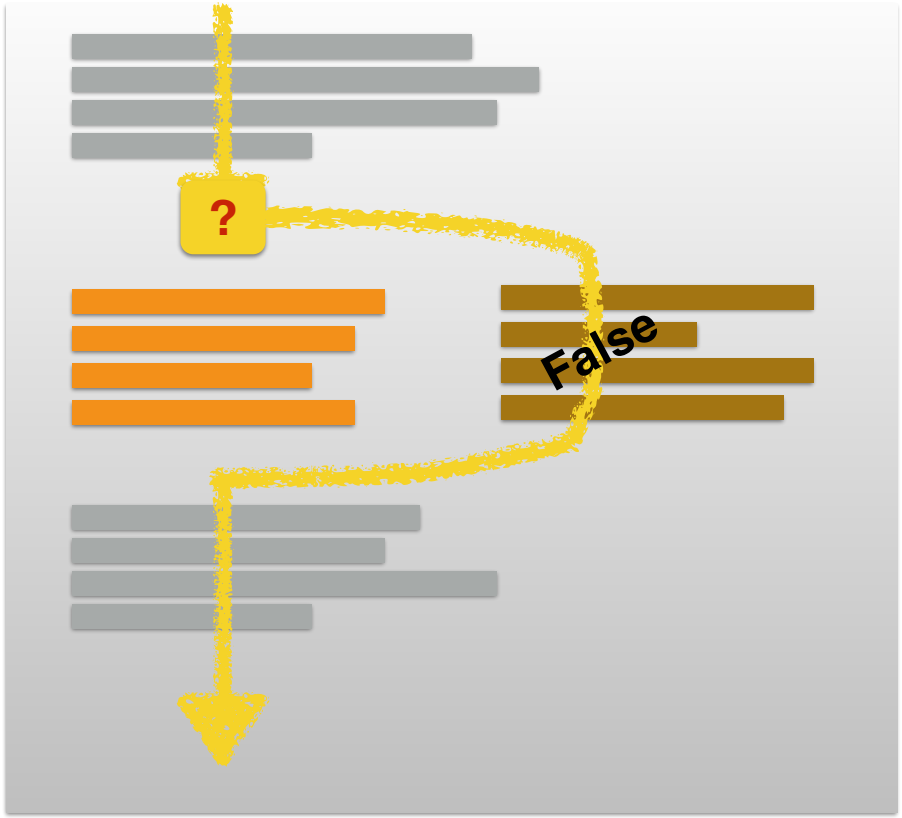
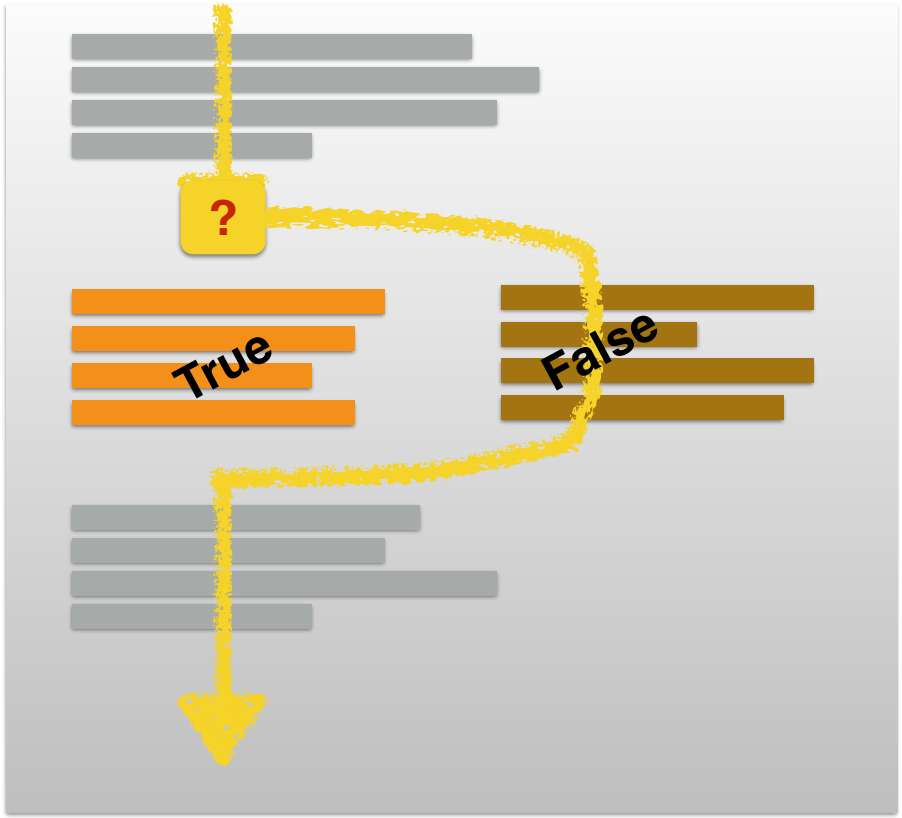


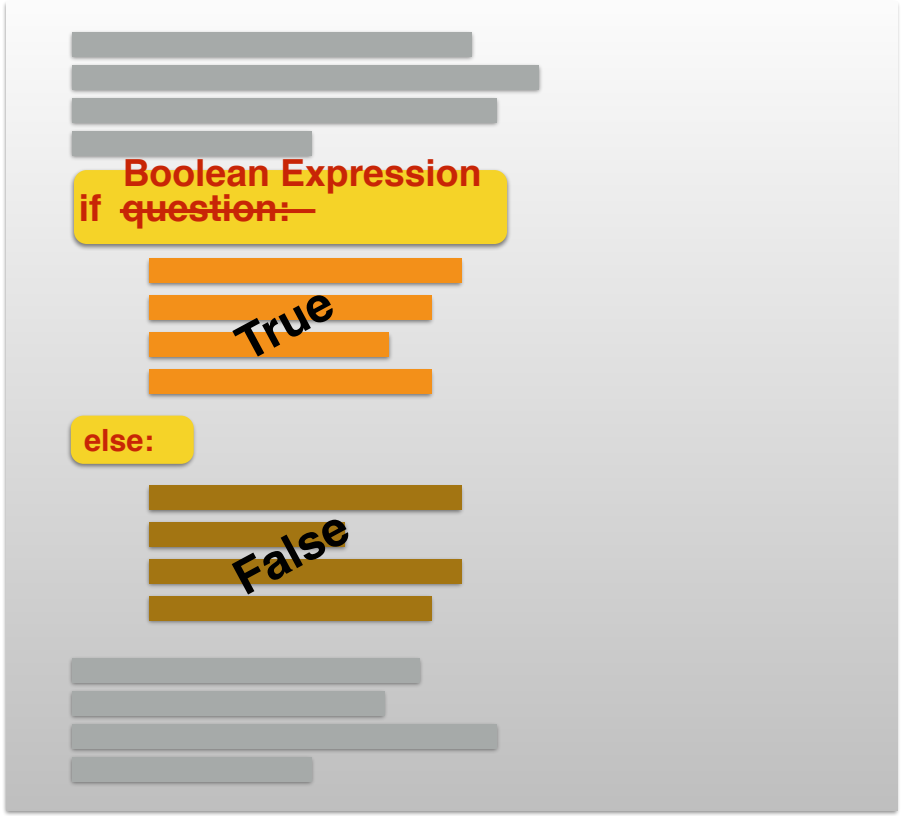
Just one **problem**: how do we write it?



We can only type **one line** at a time...

What we **want** to say

What we have to **work with**



Real life examples (**pseudocode**)

```
if (today is a weekday):
     go to class
else: # (today is a weekend)
     sleep in

if (food at Tyler looks good):
     eat at Tyler
else: # food at Tyler doesn't look good
     order Domino's
```

Real life example (our change machine)

```
Amount? 71
3 $20-bill(s)
1 $10-bill(s)
0 $5-bill(s)
1 $1-bill(s)
```

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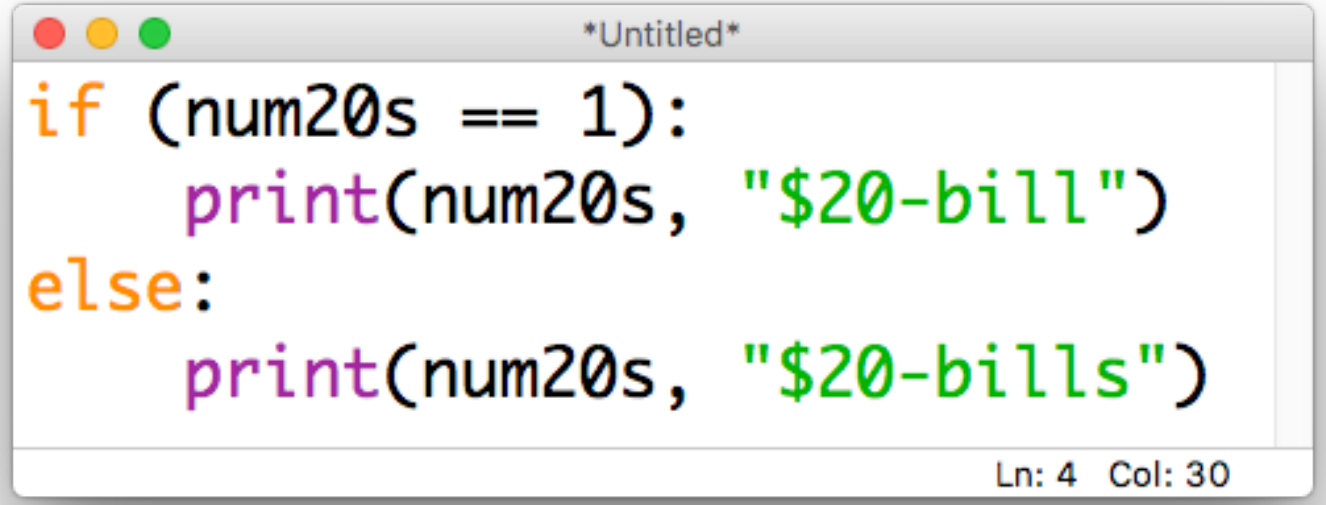

Relational operators

Operator	Meaning
==	equal to
!=	not equal to
<	less than
<=	less than or equal to
>	greater than
>=	greater than or equal to

these come in handy when constructing
boolean statements

Discussion: multiple conditions

```
if (it is sunny):
      go to the beach
if (it is snowy):
      go skiing
else:
      stay home
```


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TIME

Sequential **`if`** statements are **independent**

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The **`else`** refers only to the **nearest `if`**

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Nested conditions

```
if (class is cancelled):
    if (you have homework):
        work on homework
    else: # class cancelled, no HW
        binge-watch Netflix
```

Simultaneous conditions

```
if (it's Friday and it's 4pm):
    go to tea

if (you're hungry or you're bored):
    go to the CC
```

Boolean statements about sets

```
if (x in y):
    # do something

if (x not in y):
    # do something
```


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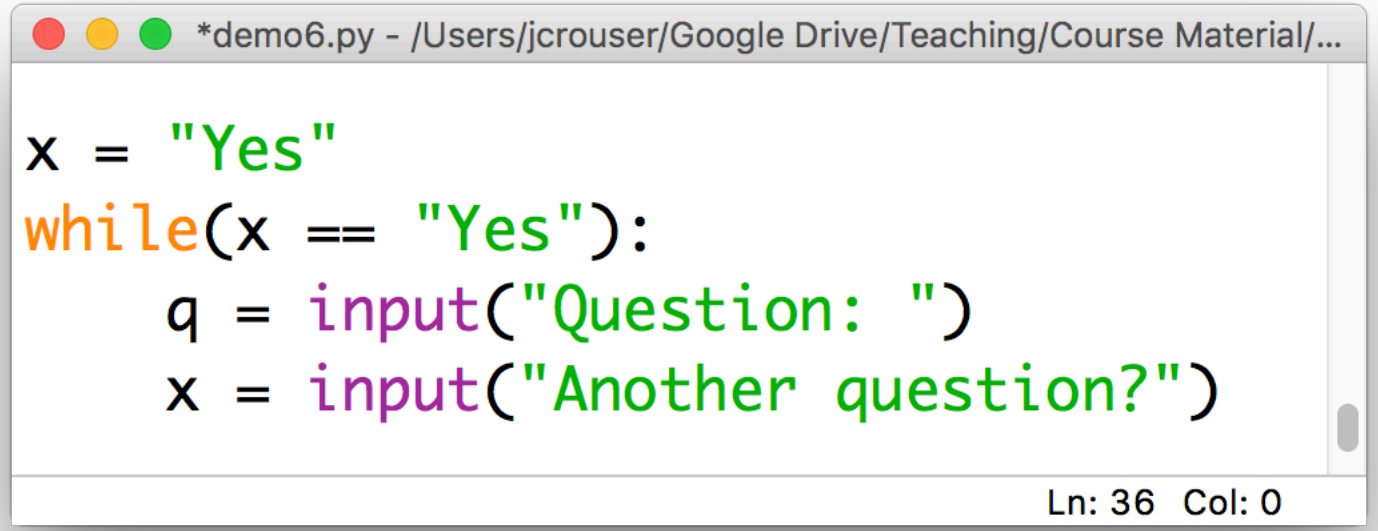
Side note: `while()` loops

- Boolean statements will also come in handy for controlling a new kind of loop, e.g.



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Coming up next

- *A2: Clunky Calculator* is due **Sunday 11:55pm**
- **Mon 9/24:** strings and string methods
- **Weds 9/26**: the **`main()`** method
- **Lab**: Pretty Printing
- **Fri 9/28**: Life skill #2: Debugging