

Problems on Operator Precedence

Operator Precedence

Operator	Description
**	Exponentiation (raise to the power)
~ + -	Complement, unary plus and minus (method names for the last two are +@ and -@)
* / % //	Multiply, divide, modulo and floor division
+ -	Addition and subtraction
>> <<	Right and left bitwise shift
&	Bitwise 'AND'
^	Bitwise exclusive 'OR' and regular 'OR'
<= < > >=	Comparison operators
<> == !=	Equality operators
= %= /= //= -= += *= **=	Assignment operators
is is not	Identity operators
in not in	Membership operators
not or and	Logical operators

Note: 'and' has got higher precedence than 'or'

Problem 1

Solve $25 + 10 * 20$

Solution 1

$25 + 10 * 20$ is calculated as $25 + (10 * 20)$
and not as $(25 + 10) * 20$

- `>>> 25 + 10 * 20`
- `225`

Problem 2

What will be output of:

```
print(3*1**3)
```

Solution 2

$3*1**3$ is equivalent to: $3 * (1**3)$

```
>>> 3*1**3
```

```
3
```

Problem 3

```
# Precedence of 'or' & 'and'
name = "Alex"
age = 0
if ( name == "Alex" or name == "John" ) and age >= 2 :
    print("Hello! Welcome.")
else :
    print("Good Bye!!")
```

name = "Alex"

name == "Alex"	name == "John"	OR
True	False	True

Truth Table of "OR"

Left side exp	Right side exp	OR
False	False	False
False	True	True
True	False	True
True	True	True

OR returns True when one of the operands is True.

Truth Table for AND

AND: returns True only when both the conditions are true

Left side exp	Right side exp	AND
False	False	False
False	True	False
True	False	False
True	True	True

Solution 3

Python3

```
# Precedence of 'or' & 'and'
name = "Alex"
age = 0

if ( name == "Alex" or name == "John" ) and age >= 2 :
    print("Hello! Welcome.")
else :
    print("Good Bye!!")
```

Output:

Good Bye!!

Problem 4

```
# Precedence of 'or' & 'and'
name = "Alex"
age = 0
if name == "Alex" or name == "John" and age >= 2 :
    print("Hello! Welcome.")
else :
    print("Good Bye!!")
```

Solution 4 (Part 1)

Condition: *name == "Alex" or name == "John" and age >= 2*

It is equivalent to:

name == "Alex" or (name == "John" and age >= 2)

For:

name = "Alex"

age = 0

What will it print(): True or False?

Solution 4 (Part 2)

Example: Now, let's see an example on **logical 'or' & logical 'and'** operator. **'if'** block is executed even if the age is 0. Because precedence of logical **'and'** is greater than the logical **'or'**.

Python3

```
# Precedence of 'or' & 'and'
name = "Alex"
age = 0

if name == "Alex" or name == "John" and age >= 2 :
    print("Hello! Welcome.")
else :
    print("Good Bye!!")
```

Output:

Hello! Welcome.

Operator Associativity

Operator Associativity: If an expression contains two or more operators with the same precedence then Operator Associativity is used to determine. It can either be Left to Right or from Right to Left.

Example: '*' and '/' have the same precedence and their associativity is Left to Right, so the expression "100 / 10 * 10" is treated as "(100 / 10) * 10".

Problem 5

```
print(100 / 10 * 10)
```

```
print(5 - 2 + 3)
```

```
print(2 ** 3 ** 2)
```

Solution 5

Left-to-right associativity

$100 / 10 * 10$ is calculated as

$(100 / 10) * 10$ and not as $100 / (10 * 10)$

```
print(100 / 10 * 10)
```

Left-to-right associativity

$5 - 2 + 3$ is calculated as

$(5 - 2) + 3$ and not as $5 - (2 + 3)$

```
print(5 - 2 + 3)
```

right-to-left associativity

$2 ** 3 ** 2$ is calculated as

$2 ** (3 ** 2)$ and not as $(2 ** 3) ** 2$

```
print(2 ** 3 ** 2)
```

```
>>> 2 ** 3 ** 2
```

```
512
```

Two to the power (three to the power 2).

Problem 6

```
print(10 + 10 / 10 - 10 * 10)
```

```
print(100 + 200 / 10 - 3 * 10)
```

Solution 6

```
>>> print(10 + 10 / 10 - 10 * 10)
-89.0
```

100 + 200 / 10 - 3 * 10 is calculated as 100 + (200 / 10) - (3 * 10)
and not as (100 + 200) / (10 - 3) * 10

Code:

Python3

```
expression = 100 + 200 / 10 - 3 * 10
print(expression)
```

Output:

90.0