Comparison operators

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Python comparison operators

• Equality: == , !=

• Order: < , > , <= , >=

Equality operator vs assignment

Test equality: ==

Assign value: =



Equality operator vs assignment

```
13 == 13
```

True

```
count = 13
print(count)
```

13

Equality comparisons

- datetimes
- numbers (floats, ints)
- dictionaries
- strings
- almost anything else

Comparing datetimes

```
date_close_high = datetime(2019, 11, 27)
date_intra_high = datetime(2019, 11, 27)
print(date_close_high == date_intra_high)
```

True

Comparing dictionaries

```
d1 = {'high':56.88, 'low':33.22, 'closing':56.88}
d2 = {'high':56.88, 'low':33.22, 'closing':56.88}
print(d1 == d2)
```

True

```
d1 = {'high':56.88, 'low':33.22, 'closing':56.88}
d2 = {'high':56.88, 'low':33.22, 'closing':12.89}
print(d1 == d2)
```

Comparing different types

```
print(3 == 3.0)
```

True

```
print(3 == '3')
```

Not equal operator

```
print(3 != 4)
```

True

```
print(3 != 3)
```

Order operators

- Less than <
- Less than or equal <=
- Greater than >
- Greater than or equal >=

Less than operator

```
print(3 < 4)
True
print(3 < 3.6)
True
print('a' < 'b')</pre>
True
```

Less than operator

```
date_close_high = datetime(2019, 11, 27)
date_intra_high = datetime(2019, 11, 27)
print(date_close_high < date_intra_high)</pre>
```

Less than or equal operator

```
print(1 <= 4)</pre>
True
print(1.0 <= 1)</pre>
True
print('e' <= 'a')</pre>
False
```

Greater than operator

```
print(6 > 5)
print(4 > 4)
```

True

Greater than or equal operator

```
print(6 >= 5)
print(4 >= 4)
```

True

True

Order comparison across types

```
print(3.45454 < 90)
True
print('a' < 23)</pre>
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TypeError Traceback (most recent call last)
TypeError: '<' not supported between instances of 'str' and 'int'
```

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Boolean operators

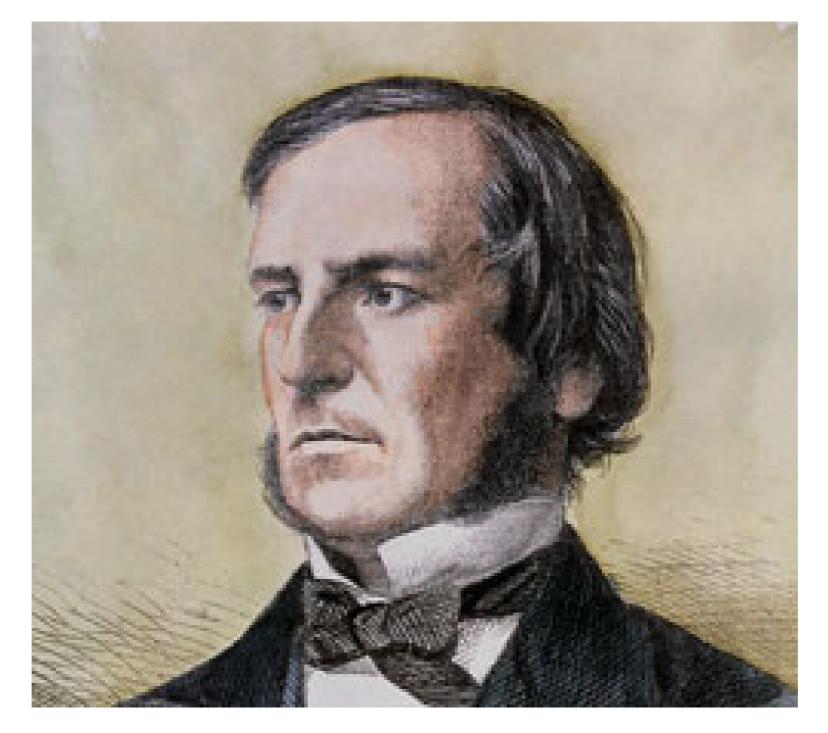
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Boolean logic



What are boolean operations?

- 1. and
- 2. or
- 3. not

Evaluates as False

- Constants:
 - False
 - None
- Numeric zero:
 - 0
 - 0.0
- Length of zero
 - 0 111
 - 0 []
 - {}

Evaluates as True

Almost everything else

The AND operator

True and True

True and False

False



The OR operator

False or True	
True	
True or True	
True	
False or False	
False	



Short circuit.

```
is_current() and is_investment()
```

False

```
is_current() or is_investment()
```

True

The NOT operator

not True

False

not False

True



Order of operations with NOT

```
True == False

False

not True == False
```

True

"CUSIP" and True

True



[] or False



not {}

True



Returning objects

```
"Federal" and "State"

"State"

[] and "State"
```



Returning objects.

```
13 or "account number"

13

0.0 or {"balance": 2200}

{"balance": 2200}
```



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If statements

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Printing sales only

```
trns = { 'symbol': 'TSLA', 'type':'BUY', 'amount': 300}
print(trns['amount'])
300
```



Compound statements

control statement
statement 1
statement 2
statement 3



Control Statement

```
if <expression> :
if x < y:
if x in y:
if x and y:
if x:
```

Code blocks

```
if <expression>:
    statement
    statement
    statement
```

```
if <expression>: statement;statement;
```

Printing sales only

```
trns = { 'symbol': 'TSLA', 'type':'BUY', 'amount': 300}
if trns['type'] == 'SELL':
    print(trns['amount'])
trns['type'] == 'SELL'
False
```

Printing sales only.

```
trns = { 'symbol': 'APPL', 'type':'SELL', 'amount': 200}

if trns['type'] == 'SELL':
    print(trns['amount'])
```

200

Else

```
if x in y:
    print("I found x in y")
else:
    print("No x in y")
```

Elif

```
if x == y:
    print("equals")
elif x < y:
    print("less")</pre>
```

Elif

```
if x == y:
    print("equals")
elif x < y:
    print("less")
elif x > y:
    print("more")
elif x == 0
    print("zero")
```

Else with elif

```
if x == y:
    print("equals")
elif x < y:</pre>
    print("less")
elif x > y:
    print("more")
elif x == 0
    print("zero")
else:
    print("None of the above")
```

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For and while loops

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Repeating a code block

CUSIP SYMBOL

037833100 AAPL

17275R102 CSCO

68389X105 ORCL

Loops. For loop

For loop While loop



Statement components

<Control Statement>
 <Code Block>

execution 1

execution 2

execution 3



For loops

```
for <variable> in <sequence>:
for x in [0, 1, 2]:
d = {'key': 'value1'}
for x in d:
for x in "ORACLE":
```

List example

```
for x in [0, 1, 2]:
    print(x)

0
1
2
```

Dictionary example

```
AAPL
CSCO
ORCL
```

String example

```
for x in "ORACLE":
   print(x)
```

While control statements

while <expression>:



While example

```
x = 0
while x < 5:
    print(x)
    x = (x + 1)</pre>
```

```
0
1
2
3
4
```

Infinite loops

```
x = 0
while x <= 5:
    print(x)</pre>
```

Skipping with continue

```
for x in [0, 1, 2, 3]:
    if x == 2:
        continue
    print(x)
```

```
013
```

Stopping with break.

```
while True:
    transaction = get_transaction()
    if transaction['symbol'] == 'ORCL':
        print('The current symbol is ORCL, break now')
        break
    print('Not ORCL')
```

```
Not ORCL
Not ORCL
The current symbol is ORCL, break now
```

Let's practice 'for' and 'while' loops!

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