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)
```

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>
```



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>
```

Greater than operator

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

True

Greater than or equal operator

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

True

Order comparison across types

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

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Boolean operators

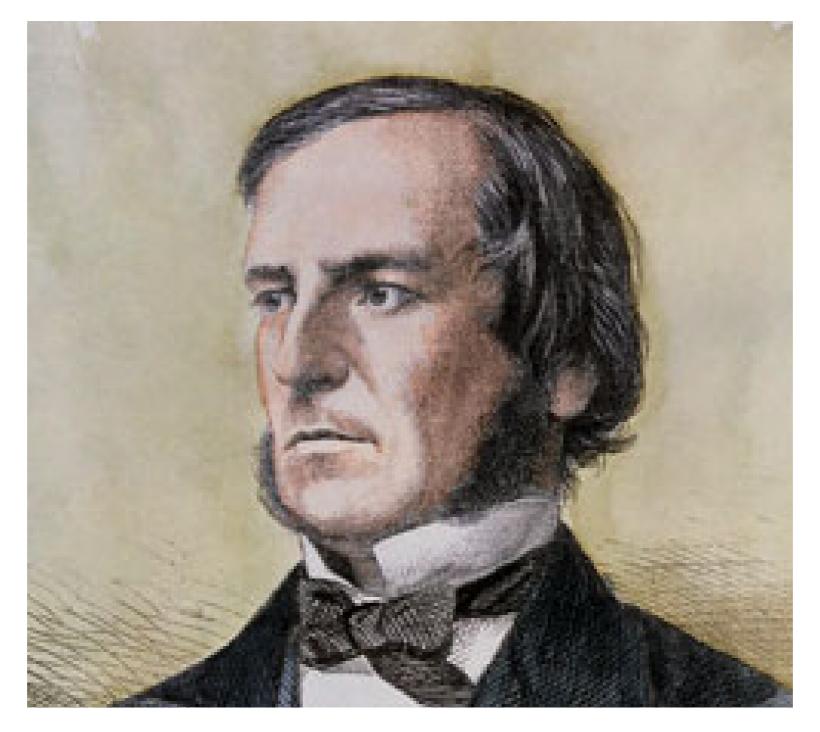
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Boolean logic



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 ""
 - 0 []
 - 6

Evaluates as True

Almost everything else

The AND operator

True and True

True

True and False



The OR operator

False or True

True

True or True

True

False or False



Short circuit.

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

False

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



The NOT operator

not True

False

not False



Order of operations with NOT

```
True == False
```

False

not True == False



"CUSIP" and True



[] or False



not {}



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 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)
```

```
0
R
A
C
L
```

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)
```

```
0
1
3
```

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

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

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