```
>>> i = 256*256
>>> print('The value of i is', i)
The value of i is 65536
```

The keyword argument end can be used to avoid the newline after the output, or end the output with a different string:

```
>>> a, b = 0, 1

>>> while a < 1000:

... print(a, end=',')

... a, b = b, a+b

...

0,1,1,2,3,5,8,13,21,34,55,89,144,233,377,610,987,
```

CHAPTER

FOUR

MORE CONTROL FLOW TOOLS

Besides the while statement just introduced, Python knows the usual control flow statements known from other languages, with some twists.

4.1 if Statements

Perhaps the most well-known statement type is the if statement. For example:

There can be zero or more elif parts, and the else part is optional. The keyword 'elif' is short for 'else if', and is useful to avoid excessive indentation. An if ... elif ... elif ... sequence is a substitute for the switch or case statements found in other languages.

4.2 for Statements

The for statement in Python differs a bit from what you may be used to in C or Pascal. Rather than always iterating over an arithmetic progression of numbers (like in Pascal), or giving the user the ability to define both the iteration step and halting condition (as C), Python's for statement iterates over the items of any sequence (a list or a string), in the order that they appear in the sequence. For example (no pun intended):

```
>>> # Measure some strings:
... words = ['cat', 'window', 'defenestrate']
>>> for w in words:
... print(w, len(w))
...
cat 3
window 6
defenestrate 12
```