

# Flow Control in Python

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# The main strategy of learning Python programming

## Solving many problems!

Best way to do the problems: A mix of individual and group work, learn to debug errors, and ask many questions

See the PDF document

It is okay to struggle a little bit!

# What is “flow control”?

- The order in which individual lines of code are run or evaluated
- This refers to if statements, for loops, while loops, definitions (e.g. functions) etc.

# If statements, For loops, while loops, etc. very similar to R

- Slightly different formatting
- SPACING (not tabs) is very important
- %paste in IPython is especially important

# A Developer's Best Secret to good programming

- GOOGLE (or Bing / DuckDuckGo / etc.)
- StackOverflow
- Github Issues / Module  
community forums

## Extra help from Hannes Rosenbusch (University of Amsterdam)

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5lHasRmeJ4Q&list=PLY3JDK9oD57jhyqr43dP4JuhiAUhZ9JB-&index=7>

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