Python 3 – Basic Operators

Operators are the constructs, which can manipulate the value of operands. Consider the expression 4 + 5 = 9. Here, 4 and 5 are called operands and + is called the operator.

Python Arithmetic Operators

Assume variable **a** holds the value 10 and variable **b** holds the value 21, then-

Operator	Description	Example
+ Addition	Adds values on either side of the operator.	a + b = 31
- Subtraction	Subtracts right hand operand from left hand operand.	a – b = -11
* Multiplication	Multiplies values on either side of the operator	a * b = 210
//	Floor Division - The division of operands where the result is the quotient in which the digits after the decimal point are removed.	9//2 = 4 and 9.0//2.0 = 4.0
% Modulus	Divides left hand operand by right hand operand and returns remainder	b % a = 1
** Exponent	Performs exponential (power) calculation on operators	a**b =10 to the power 20

Example

Assume variable a holds 10 and variable b holds 20, then-

```
#!/usr/bin/python3
a = 21
b = 10
c = 0
c = a + b
print ("Line 1 - Value of c is ", c)

c = a - b
print ("Line 2 - Value of c is ", c )

c = a * b
print ("Line 3 - Value of c is ", c)

c = a / b
print ("Line 4 - Value of c is ", c )

c = a % b
print ("Line 5 - Value of c is ", c)

a = 2
b = 3
c = a**b
print ("Line 6 - Value of c is ", c)

a = 10
b = 5
c = a//b
print ("Line 7 - Value of c is ", c)
```

When you execute the above program, it produces the following result-

```
Line 1 - Value of c is  31
Line 2 - Value of c is  11
Line 3 - Value of c is  210
Line 4 - Value of c is  2.1
Line 5 - Value of c is  1
Line 6 - Value of c is  8
Line 7 - Value of c is  2
```

Python Comparison Operators

These operators compare the values on either side of them and decide the relation among them. They are also called Relational operators.

Assume variable a holds the value 10 and variable b holds the value 20, then-

Operator	Description	Example
==	If the values of two operands are equal, then the condition becomes true.	(a == b) is not true.
!=	If values of two operands are not equal, then condition becomes true.	(a!= b) is true.
>	If the value of left operand is greater than the value of right operand, then condition becomes true.	(a > b) is not true.
<	If the value of left operand is less than the value of right operand, then condition becomes true.	(a < b) is true.
>=	If the value of left operand is greater than or equal to the value of right operand, then condition becomes true.	(a >= b) is not true.
<=	If the value of left operand is less than or equal to the value of right operand, then condition becomes true.	(a <= b) is true.

Example

Assume variable a holds 10 and variable b holds 20, then-

```
#!/usr/bin/python3
a = 21
b = 10
if ( a == b ):
   print ("Line 1 - a is equal to b")
else:
```

```
   print ("Line 1 - a is not equal to b")

if ( a != b ):
   print ("Line 2 - a is not equal to b")
else:
   print ("Line 2 - a is equal to b")

if ( a < b ):
   print ("Line 3 - a is less than b" )
else:
   print ("Line 3 - a is not less than b")

if ( a > b ):
   print ("Line 4 - a is greater than b")
else:
   print ("Line 4 - a is not greater than b")

a,b=b,a #values of a and b swapped. a becomes 10, b becomes 21

if ( a <= b ):
   print ("Line 5 - a is either less than or equal to  b")
else:
   print ("Line 5 - a is neither less than nor equal to  b")

if ( b >= a ):
   print ("Line 6 - b is either greater than  or equal to b")
else:
   print ("Line 6 - b is neither greater than  nor equal to b")
```

When you execute the above program, it produces the following result-

```
Line 1 - a is not equal to b

Line 2 - a is not equal to b

Line 3 - a is not less than b

Line 4 - a is greater than b

Line 5 - a is either less than or equal to  b

Line 6 - b is either greater than  or equal to b
```

Python Assignment Operators

Assume variable a holds 10 and variable b holds 20, then-

Operator	Description	Example
=	Assigns values from right side operands to left side operand	c = a + b assigns value of a + b into c
+= Add AND	It adds right operand to the left operand and assign the result to left operand	c += a is equivalent to c = c + a
-= Subtract AND	It subtracts right operand from the left operand and assign the result to left operand	c -= a is equivalent to c = c - a
*= Multiply AND	It multiplies right operand with the left operand and assign the result to left operand	c *= a is equivalent to c = c * a
/= Divide AND	It divides left operand with the right operand and assign the result to left operand	c /= a is equivalent to c = c / ac /= a is equivalent to c = c / a
%= Modulus AND	It takes modulus using two operands and assign the result to left operand	c %= a is equivalent to c = c % a
**= Exponent AND	Performs exponential (power) calculation on operators and assign value to the left operand	c **= a is equivalent to c = c ** a
//= Floor Division	It performs floor division on operators and assign value to the left operand	c //= a is equivalent to c = c // a

Example

Assume variable a holds 10 and variable b holds 20, then-

```
#!/usr/bin/python3

a = 21
b = 10
c = 0

c = a + b
print ("Line 1 - Value of c is ", c)

c += a
print ("Line 2 - Value of c is ", c )

c *= a
print ("Line 3 - Value of c is ", c )

c /= a
print ("Line 4 - Value of c is ", c )

c  = 2
c %= a
print ("Line 5 - Value of c is ", c)

c **= a
print ("Line 6 - Value of c is ", c)

c //= a
print ("Line 7 - Value of c is ", c)
```

When you execute the above program, it produces the following result-

```
Line 1 - Value of c is  31
Line 2 - Value of c is  52
Line 3 - Value of c is  1092
Line 4 - Value of c is  52.0
Line 5 - Value of c is  2
Line 6 - Value of c is  2097152
Line 7 - Value of c is  99864
```

Python Logical Operators

The following logical operators are supported by Python language. Assume variable a holds True and variable b holds False then-

Operator	Description	Example
and Logical AND	If both the operands are true then condition becomes true.	(a and b) is False.
or Logical OR	If any of the two operands are non-zero then condition becomes true.	(a or b) is True.
not Logical NOT	Used to reverse the logical state of its operand.	Not(a and b) is True.

Python Membership Operators

Python's membership operators test for membership in a sequence, such as strings, lists, or tuples. There are two membership operators as explained below-

Operator	Description	Example
in	Evaluates to true, if it finds a variable in the specified sequence and false otherwise.	x in y, here in results in a 1 if x is a member of sequence y.
not in	Evaluates to true, if it does not find a variable in the specified sequence and false otherwise.	x not in y, here not in results in a 1 if x is not a member of sequence y.

Python Identity Operators

Identity operators compare the memory locations of two objects. There are two Identity operators as explained below:

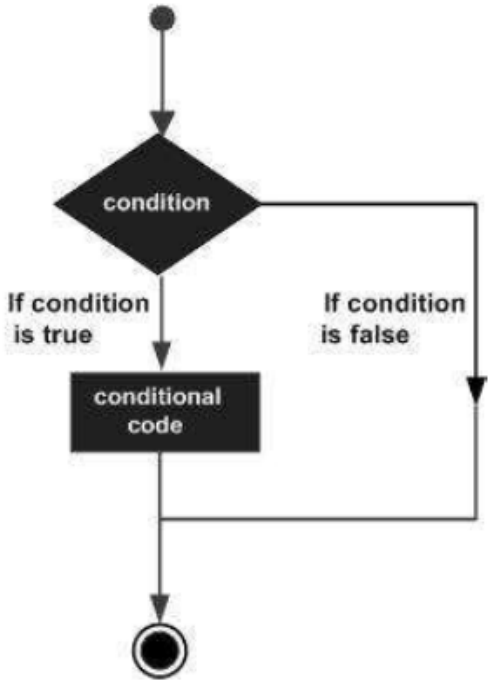
Operator	Description	Example
is	Evaluates to true if the variables on either side of the operator point to the same object and false otherwise.	x is y, here is results in 1 if id(x) equals id(y).
is not	Evaluates to false if the variables on either side of the operator point to the same object and true otherwise.	x is not y, here is not results in 1 if id(x) is not equal to id(y).

Python 3 – Decision Making

Decision-making is the anticipation of conditions occurring during the execution of a program and specified actions taken according to the conditions.

Decision structures evaluate multiple expressions, which produce TRUE or FALSE as the outcome. You need to determine which action to take and which statements to execute if the outcome is TRUE or FALSE otherwise.

Following is the general form of a typical decision making structure found in most of the programming languages-



Python programming language assumes any **non-zero** and **non-null** values as TRUE, and any **zero** or **null values** as FALSE value.

Python programming language provides the following types of decision-making statements.

Statement	Description
if statements	An if statement consists of a Boolean expression followed by one or more statements.
if...else statements	An if statement can be followed by an optional else statement, which executes when the boolean expression is FALSE.
nested if statements	You can use one if or else if statement inside another if or else if statement(s).

Let us go through each decision-making statement quickly.

IF Statement

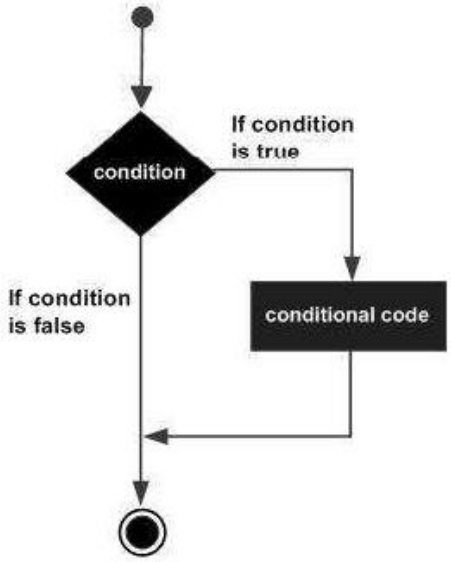
The IF statement is similar to that of other languages. The **if** statement contains a logical expression using which the data is compared and a decision is made based on the result of the comparison.

Syntax

```
if expression:
   statement(s)
```

If the boolean expression evaluates to TRUE, then the block of statement(s) inside the if statement is executed. In Python, statements in a block are uniformly indented after the : symbol. If boolean expression evaluates to FALSE, then the first set of code after the end of block is executed.

Flow Diagram



Example

```
#!/usr/bin/python3
var1 = 100
if var1:
   print ("1 - Got a true expression value")
   print (var1)
```

```
var2 = 0
if var2:
   print ("2 - Got a true expression value")
   print (var2)
print ("Good bye!")
```

When the above code is executed, it produces the following result –

```
1 - Got a true expression value
100
Good bye!
```

IF...ELIF...ELSE Statements

An **else** statement can be combined with an **if** statement. An **else** statement contains a block of code that executes if the conditional expression in the if statement resolves to 0 or a FALSE value.

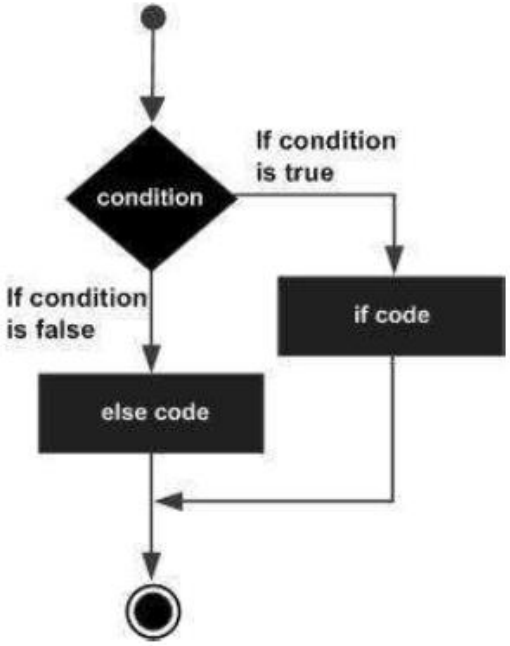
The else statement is an optional statement and there could be at the most only one **else** statement following **if**.

Syntax

The syntax of the **if...else** statement is-

```
if expression:
   statement(s)
else:
   statement(s)
```

Flow Diagram



Example

```
#!/usr/bin/python3

amount=int(input("Enter amount: "))

if amount<1000:

    discount=amount*0.05

    print ("Discount",discount)

else:

    discount=amount*0.10

    print ("Discount",discount)


print ("Net payable:",amount-discount)
```

In the above example, discount is calculated on the input amount. Rate of discount is 5%, if the amount is less than 1000, and 10% if it is above 10000. When the above code is executed, it produces the following result-

```
Enter amount: 600

Discount 30.0

Net payable: 570.0

Enter amount: 1200

Discount 120.0

Net payable: 1080.0
```

The elif Statement

The **elif** statement allows you to check multiple expressions for TRUE and execute a block of code as soon as one of the conditions evaluates to TRUE.

Similar to the **else**, the **elif** statement is optional. However, unlike **else**, for which there can be at the most one statement, there can be an arbitrary number of **elif** statements following an **if**.

Syntax

```
if expression1:
   statement(s)
elif expression2:
   statement(s)
elif expression3:
   statement(s)
else:
   statement(s)
```

Core Python does not provide switch or case statements as in other languages, but we can use if..elif...statements to simulate switch case as follows-

Example

```
#!/usr/bin/python3
amount=int(input("Enter amount: "))


if amount<1000:
    discount=amount*0.05
    print ("Discount",discount)
elif amount<5000:
    discount=amount*0.10
    print ("Discount",discount)
else:
    discount=amount*0.15
    print ("Discount",discount)
print ("Net payable:",amount-discount)
```

When the above code is executed, it produces the following result-

```
Enter amount: 600
Discount 30.0
Net payable: 570.0

Enter amount: 3000
Discount 300.0
Net payable: 2700.0

Enter amount: 6000
Discount 900.0
Net payable: 5100.0
```

Nested IF Statements

There may be a situation when you want to check for another condition after a condition resolves to true. In such a situation, you can use the nested **if** construct.

In a nested **if** construct, you can have an **if...elif...else** construct inside another **if...elif...else** construct.

Syntax

The syntax of the nested if...elif...else construct may be-

```
if expression1:
   statement(s)
   if expression2:
      statement(s)
   elif expression3:
      statement(s)
   else
      statement(s)
elif expression4:
   statement(s)
else:
   statement(s)
```

Example

```
# !/usr/bin/python3
num=int(input("enter number"))
```

```
if num%2==0:
    if num%3==0:
        print ("Divisible by 3 and 2")
    else:
        print ("divisible by 2 not divisible by 3")
else:
    if num%3==0:
        print ("divisible by 3 not divisible by 2")
    else:
        print  ("not Divisible by 2 not divisible by 3")
```

When the above code is executed, it produces the following result-

```
enter number8
divisible by 2 not divisible by 3

enter number15
divisible by 3 not divisible by 2

enter number12
Divisible by 3 and 2

enter number5
not Divisible by 2 not divisible by 3
```

Single Statement Suites

If the suite of an **if** clause consists only of a single line, it may go on the same line as the header statement.

Here is an example of a **one-line if** clause-

```
#!/usr/bin/python3
var = 100
if ( var  == 100 ) : print ("Value of expression is 100")
print ("Good bye!")
```

When the above code is executed, it produces the following result-

```
Value of expression is 100
Good bye!
```