# Ch04-Conditionals

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## 1 Conditionals - flow-control structures

• http://openbookproject.net/thinkcs/python/english3e/conditionals.html

## 1.1 Topics

- conditional statements and types
- comparision operators
- Truth tables

## 1.2 Conditional/Logical Structures

- conditional statements control the flow of execution of codes
  - makes some block of code to skip or execute based on some conditions
  - loosely speaking, it helps computer think and make decision
- boolean values True or False
- boolean expressions comparison operators are used to compare values that result in True or False

#### 1.3 Comparison operators

- allow us to compare data values resulting in True or False outcome
- these are binary operators; take two operands where left hand side is compared with right hand side
- == (equal to)
- != (not equal to)
- > (greater than)
- >= (greater than or equal to)
- < (less than)
- <= (less than or equal to)
- comparison operators are used to create conditional statements

```
[2]: # Examples of various comparison operators
x = 5
y = 10
```

```
[3]: # Is x equal to y? True or False?
x == y
```

```
[3]: False
```

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[4]: # Is x not equal to y? True of False?
x != y
```

[4]: True

```
[5]: # Is x is greater than y? True or False?
x > y
```

[5]: False

```
[6]: # Is x less than y? x < y
```

[6]: True

```
[7]: # Is x less than or equal to y? x <= y
```

[7]: True

```
[8]: # Is x greater than or equal to y x >= y
```

[8]: False

#### 1.4 Conditional execution

- execute or skip a block of code when some condition is met
- conditional statments are created using keyword if (condition)
- three types of conditional selectors
- One-way, Two-way and Multi-way selectors

## 1.5 One-way selector

- just an if statement by itself
- syntax:

```
if <boolean expression> == True:
    # execute this block of code
```

• boolean expression can also comapre to False; the ultimate comparison result has to be True!

#### 1.5.1 Visualize in PythonTutor.com

```
[10]: if True:
    print('Hello, there!')
```

Hello, there!

```
[9]: a = 'apple'
  if a == 'apple': # this should evaluate True
      print('value of a equals to apple')
  print('continue execution here...')
```

value of a equals to apple continue execution here...

```
[12]: a = 'apple'
if a == 'Apple': # this should evaluate False
    print('value of a equal to Apple') # this block will NOT be executed!
print('continue execution here...')
```

continue execution here...

## 1.6 Two-way selector

- if statement followed by else statement
- syntax:

```
if <boolean expression> == True:
    # execute this block of code
else:
    # otherwise, execute this
```

## 1.6.1 Visualize in PythonTutor.com

```
[13]: num1 = 100.5
num2 = 100.499999999999

if num1 > num2:
    print('{} is greater than {}'.format(num1, num2))
else:
    print('{} is NOT greater than {}'.format(num1, num2))
```

```
[14]: if 10 >= 20:
    print ('print 10 is greater than or equal to 20')
    else:
        print ('print 10 is NOT greater than or equal to 20')
```

print 10 is NOT greater than or equal to 20

## 1.7 Multi-way selector

- similar to multiple-choice questions with only one valid answer
- start from first **if statement**, if a **conditional expression** is evaluated True, the rest **elif** and **else** are ignored

```
if <condition1>:
         # block1
         # execute this...
     elif <condition2>:
         # block2
         # execute this
     . . .
     else:
         # if all the previous conditions are evaluated False; this is the alternative!
         # else block
         # execute code in this block
[15]: # Guess the number entered by user
      ans = int(input('Enter a number between 1-5: '))
      if ans == 1:
          print('You entered 1')
      elif ans == 2:
          print('You entered 2')
      elif ans == 3:
          print('You entered 3')
      elif ans == 4:
         print('You entered 4')
      elif ans == 5:
          print('You entered 5')
      elif ans > 5:
         print('You entered a number larger than 5')
          print('Hmm.... I do not know what you entered!')
```

Enter a number between 1-5: 2 You entered 2

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## 1.8 Logical Operators

and, or, and not – allow to build more complex boolean expressions

Truth table for and

a	b	a <b>and</b> b
$\overline{T}$	Τ	Τ
Τ	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$
F	$\mathbf{T}$	F
F	F	F

Truth table for or

a	b	a <b>or</b> b
$\overline{T}$	Τ	${ m T}$
Τ	$\mathbf{F}$	${ m T}$
$\mathbf{F}$	${ m T}$	${ m T}$
F	F	F

Truth table for not

```
\frac{\text{a} \quad \text{not a}}{\text{T} \quad \text{F}}

F T
```

#### 1.8.1 Order of Evaluations of operators and expressions:

• Highest to Lowest: http://www.informit.com/articles/article.aspx?p=459269&seqNum=11

```
[19]: # and demo
num = 10
if (num%2 == 0 and num > 0):
    print(f"{num} is even and positive")
```

10 is even and positive

```
[18]: # and demo
num = -14
if num %2 == 0 and num < 0:
    print(f"{num} is even and negative")</pre>
```

-14 is even and negative

```
[20]: # or demo
# a retimerment calculator
money = int(input('How much money have you saved? '))
ferrari = input('Do you have a farrari? [y/yes | n/no]: ')
if money >= 1000000 or ferrari == 'y' or ferrari == 'yes':
    print('Congrats!! You can retire now.')
else:
    print('Sorry, keep working!!')
```

How much money have you saved? 100000 Do you have a farrari? [y/yes | n/no]: yes Congrats!! You can retire now.

```
[35]: # not example
if not False:
    print('True')
```

True

```
[23]: # not demo
      # a retimerment calculator
      money = int(input('How much money have you saved? '))
      ferrari = input('Do you have a farrari? [y/yes | n/no]: ')
      if not (money >= 1000000 or ferrari == 'y' or ferrari == 'yes'):
          print('Sorry, keep working!!')
      else:
          print('Congrats!! You can retire now.')
     How much money have you saved? 10
     Do you have a farrari? [y/yes | n/no]: y
     Congrats!! You can retire now.
     1.9 Nested conditionals
        • conditional statements can be nested inside another conditional statements
        • syntax:
     if condition:
         if condition1:
              # do something
         else:
              # do something else
              if condition2:
                  # do something...
     else:
         # do this...
[24]: # program that determines if a given number is even or odd, positive or
       \hookrightarrownegative
      num = -100
      if num == 0:
          print(f'{num} is zero!')
      elif num%2 == 0:
          if num > 0:
              print(f"{num} is even and positive")
          else:
              print(f'{num} is even and negative')
      else:
          if num > 0:
              print(f"{num} is odd and positive")
          else:
              print(f'{num} is odd and negative')
      print('done')
```

-100 is even and negative done

## 1.9.1 Visualize in PythonTutor.com

#### 1.10 Exercises

Exercise 1: Write a program to test whether a given whole number is even, odd or zero.

```
[46]: x = input('Enter a whole number: ')
x = int(x)
if x == 0:
    print(x, 'is zero')
elif x%2 == 0:
    print(x, 'is even')
else:
    print(x, 'is odd')
```

Enter a whole number:1
1 is odd

Exercise 1.1: Rewrite Exercise 1 using a function and write 2 test cases.

```
[6]: def isEvenOddOrZero(num):
    if num == 0:
        return 'zero'
    elif num%2 == 0:
        return 'even'
    else:
        return 'odd'
```

```
[7]: def test():
    assert isEvenOddOrZero(10) == 'even'
    assert isEvenOddOrZero(0) == 'zero'
    assert isEvenOddOrZero(19) == 'odd'
    print('all test cases passed...')
```

```
[8]: test()
```

all test cases passed...

Exercise 2. Write a function that returns whether the given whole number is positive or negative. Also write at least 2 test cases.

```
[47]: def positiveNegativeOrZero(num):
    if num == 0:
        return 'zero'
    elif num > 0:
        return 'positive'
    else:
        return 'negative'
```

```
[48]: def test_positiveNegativeOrZero():
    assert positiveNegativeOrZero(0) == 'zero'
    assert positiveNegativeOrZero(100) == 'positive'
    assert positiveNegativeOrZero(-99.99) == 'negative'
    print('all test cases passed for positiveNegativeOrZero()')
```

```
[49]: test_positiveNegativeOrZero()
```

all test cases passed for positiveNegativeOrZero()

Exercise 3: Write a program that converts students' grade value (0-100) to corresponding letter grade (A-F) where

90 and above is A 80 and above is B 70 and above is C 60 and above is B 59 and below is F  $\,$ 

Write test cases to test each outcome.

Exercise 4: Write a program that helps someone decide where to go eat lunch depending on amount of money one has in their pocket.

Exercise 5: Given a day of week as integer (say 1 for Sunday) write a program that tells whether that day is weekend, or weekday and the actual name of the day.

Exercise 6: Write a program that determines whether someone is eligible to vote in the US federal election.

Exercise 7: Write a function day\_name that converts an integer number 0 to 6 into the name of a day. Assume day 0 is "Sunday". Once again, return None if the argument to the function is not valid.

```
[1]: def day_name(day):
    pass
```

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[2]: # Here are some tests that should pass
def test_day_name():
    assert day_name(3) == "Wednesday"
    assert day_name(6) == "Saturday"
    assert day_name(42) == None
    print('all test cases passed for day_name()')
```

```
[3]: test_day_name()
```

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3    assert day_name(6) == "Saturday"
4    assert day_name(42) == None
5    print('all test cases passed for day_name()')
AssertionError:
```

Exercise 8: Write a function that helps answer questions like "Today is Wednesday. I leave on holiday in 19 days time. What day will that be?" So the function must take a day name and a delta argument (the number of days to add) and should return the resulting day name.s

```
[9]: def day_add(dayName, delta):
    pass

[5]: # Here are some tests that should pass
def test_day_add():
    assert day_add("Monday", 4) == "Friday"
    assert day_add("Tuesday", 0) == "Tuesday"
    assert day_add("Tuesday", 14) == "Tuesday"
    assert day_add("Sunday", 100) == "Tuesday"
    assert day_add("Sunday", -1) == "Saturday"
    assert day_add("Sunday", -7) == "Sunday"
    assert day_add("Tuesday", -100) == "Sunday"
    print('all test cases passed for day_add()')
```

```
[]: test_day_add()
```

#### 1.11 Kattis problems

- Almost every problem involve some form of conditional statements
- The following problems are good examples of conditional statements and the concepts covered so far:
- Veður Vindhraði https://open.kattis.com/problems/vedurvindhradi
- A Terrible Fortress https://open.kattis.com/problems/aterriblefortress
- Úllen dúllen doff https://open.kattis.com/problems/ullendullendoff
- Sith https://open.kattis.com/problems/sith
- Two Stones https://open.kattis.com/problems/twostones
- Adding Trouble https://open.kattis.com/problems/adding
- Staying Frosty https://open.kattis.com/problems/stayingfrosty
- Wake up call https://open.kattis.com/problems/wakeupcall
- Pigeon-holes https://open.kattis.com/problems/dufuskuffur