

## Objectives

- Boolean operators
- Indefinite Loops

## Review

- Former general design pattern:
  1. Optionally, get user input
  2. Do some computation
  3. Display results
- Now general design pattern:
  1. Optionally, get user input
  2. Do some computation in **functions**, get results
  3. Display results

## More Complex Conditions

- Boolean
  - Two logical values: True and False
- Combine conditions with Boolean operators
  - **and** – True only if **both** operands are True
  - **or** – True if **at least one** operand is True
  - **not** – True if the operand is not True
- English examples
  - If it is raining **and** it is cold
  - If it is Saturday **or** it is Sunday
  - If the shirt is on sale **or** the shirt is purple

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## What is the output?

```
x = 2
y = 3
z = 4
```

Focus: how operations work  
Not good variable names

```
b = x==2
c = not b
d = (y<4) and (z<3)
print("d=",d)
d = (y<4) or (z<3)
print("d=",d)
```

Because of precedence,  
we don't need parentheses

```
d = not d
print(b, c, d)
```

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`eval_cond.py`

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## Truth Tables

operands

A	B	A and B	A or B	not A	not B	not A and B	A or not B
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## Practice: Numeric Grade Input Range

- Enforce that user must input a numeric grade between 0 and 100
  - In Python, we can't (always) write a condition like  $0 \leq \text{num\_grade} \leq 100$ , so we need to break it into two conditions
- Write an appropriate condition for this check on the numeric grade
  - Using **and**
  - Using **or**

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## Practice: Numeric Grade Input Range

- Enforce that user must input a numeric grade between 0 and 100
  - Using **and**

```
if num_grade >= 0 and num_grade <= 100:  
    computation  
else:  
    print error message
```

- Using **or**

```
if num_grade < 0 or num_grade > 100:  
    print error message  
else:  
    computation
```

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## Short-circuit Evaluation

- Don't necessarily need to evaluate all expressions in a compound expression
- A **and** B
  - If A is **False**, compound expression is **False**
- A **or** B
  - If A is **True**, compound expression is **True**
- No need to evaluate B
  - Put more important/limiting expression first
  - Example: 

```
if count != 0 and sum/count > 10:  
do something
```

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## INDEFINITE LOOPS

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## Indefinite Loops

- **for** loops are **definite** loops
  - Execute a *fixed* number of times
- **Indefinite** loops: keep iterating until certain conditions are met
  - Depending on condition, no guarantee in advance of how many times the loop body will be executed

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## While Loop Syntax

```
while condition :  
    statement1  
    statement2  
    ...  
    statementn
```

keyword

body of while loop

loop stops when condition is False

- Like a looped **if** statement
  - Execute statements **only** when condition is true

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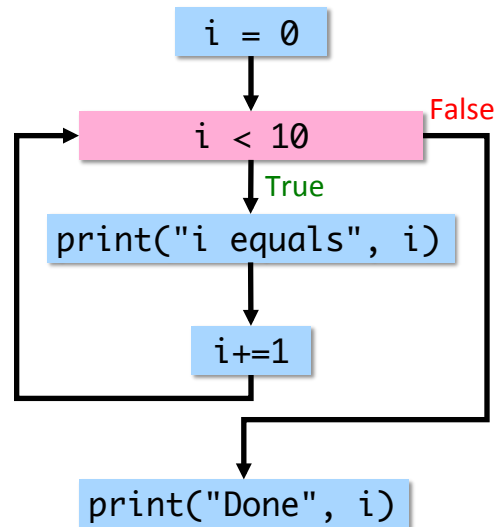
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## While Loop

```
i = 0
while i < 10 :
    print("i equals", i)
    i+=1
print("Done", i)
```

Questions:

- How many times will `i` get printed out?
- How many times is the condition evaluated?
- What is the value of `i` after the loop?



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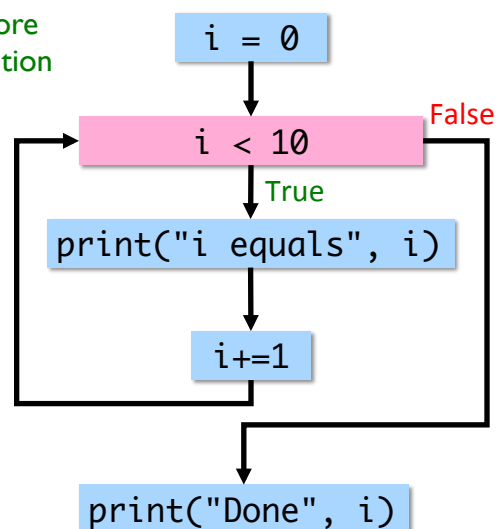
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← Initialize `i` before using in condition

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## While vs. For Loops

- Any **for** loop can be translated into a **while** loop
  - But **NOT** vice versa
- **while** loops are more **powerful** than **for** loops

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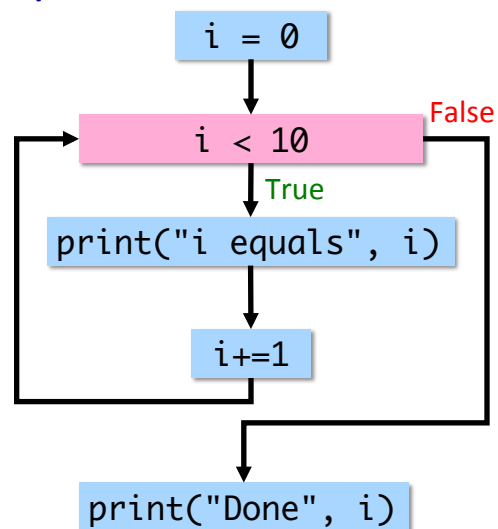
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## Convert to a for loop

We *can* convert this **while** loop into a **for** loop because it executes a *fixed* number of times.

```
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while i < 10 :
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    i+=1
print("Done", i)
```



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## Comparing `while` and `for`

- What are the main differences between these loops?
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of each?

```
i = 0
while i < 10 :
    print("i equals", i)
    i+=1
print("Done", i)
```

```
for i in range(10):
    print("i equals", i)
print("Done", i+1)
```

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## What Will This Loop Do?

```
count = 1
while count > 0:
    print(count)
    count += 1
```

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## Infinite Loop

- Condition will never be `False` so keeps executing

```
count = 1
while count > 0:
    print(count)
    count += 1
```

- To stop an executing program in Linux use
  - `Control-C`

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## Infinite Loop Discussion

- Is there ever a time that an infinite loop is wanted?
  - Yes! For example in web servers, we have something like

```
while True:
    listenForRequest()
    handleRequest()
```

- Can a computer automatically detect infinite loops?
  - No that is an **undecidable** problem
  - Best to **prevent** infinite loops (more later)
    - Benefit of **for** loops: definite loops

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## A Very Simple Therapist

- Whenever a user tells the computer/program what they think, the program asks, "How does that make you feel?"
- Ends when user enters nothing ("" )
- Partial example output:

```
Tell me what is bothering you.  
There is too much going on in my life.  
How does that make you feel?  
I feel like I am out of control and can't juggle it all.  
How does that make you feel?  
Really stressed and tired.  
How does that make you feel?  
  
Thank you! Come again!
```

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## Design Pattern: Sentinel Loop

- Sentinel: when to stop
  - "guard" to the loop

```
value = get input  
while value != sentinel :  
    process value  
    value = get input
```

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## while Loops: comparing use of break

```
# condition says when loop
# will continue
x=eval(input("Enter number:"))
while x % 2 != 0 :
    print("Error!")
    x = eval(input("Enter
number: "))
print(x, "is an even number.")
```

Says when to keep going

```
# have to look inside loop to
# know when it stops
while True :
    x = eval(input("Enter number:"))
    if x % 2 == 0 :
        break "breaks" out of a loop
    print("Error!")
print(x, "is an even number.")
```

Says when to stop

Using break statements:  
Best when loop has to  
execute at least once.

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## Summary: While vs. For Loops

- Any **for** loop can be translated into a **while** loop
- But **not** vice versa
- **while** loops are more **powerful** than **for** loops
  - Give an example of a **while** loop that can't be converted to a **for**

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## Looking Ahead

- Lab 5 due Friday
- Broader Issue: Self-driving Cars