

# Execution Control Structures

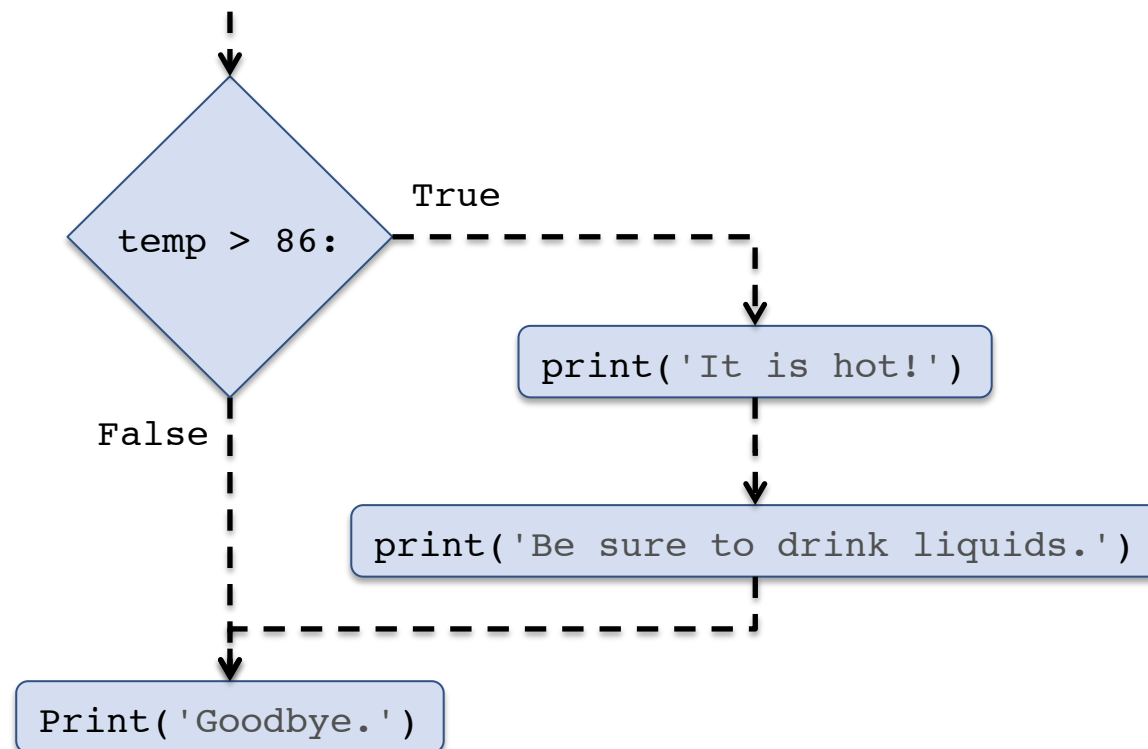
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# One-way if statement

```
if <condition>:  
    <indented code block>  
<non-indented statement>
```

```
if temp > 86:  
    print('It is hot!')  
    print('Be sure to drink liquids.')  
print('Goodbye.')
```

The value of `temp` is 90.

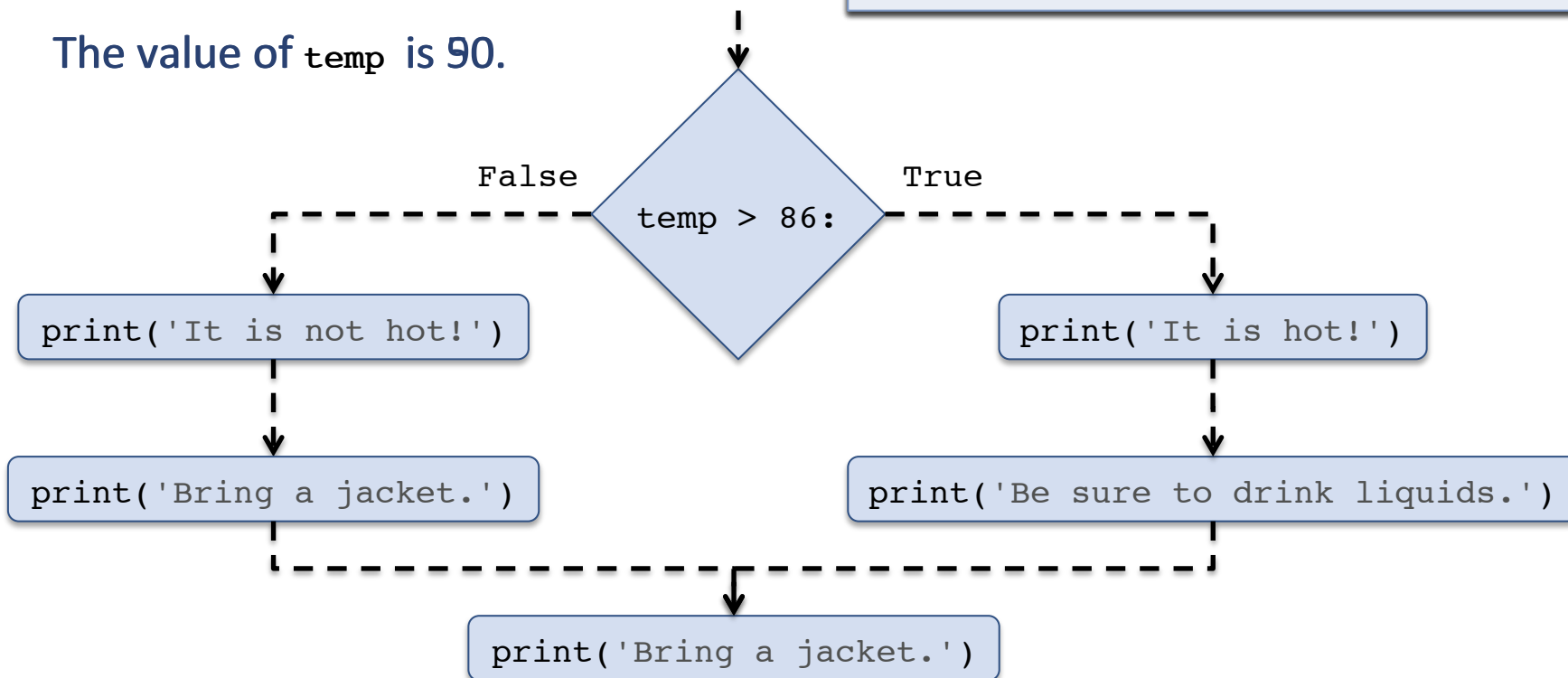


# Two-way if statement

```
if <condition>:  
    <indented code block 1>  
else:  
    <indented code block 2>  
<non-indented statement>
```

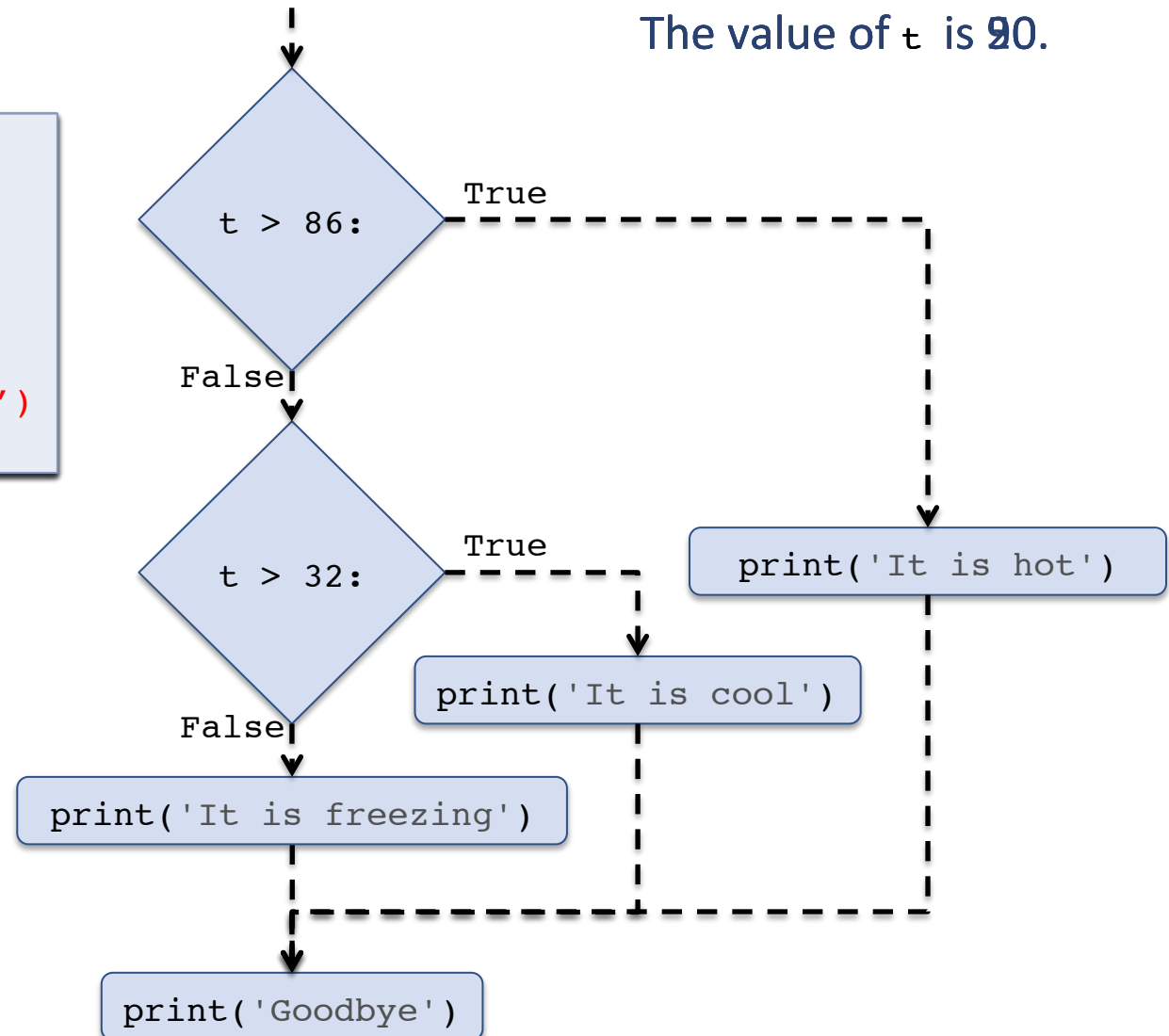
```
if temp > 86:  
    print('It is hot!')  
    print('Be sure to drink liquids.')  
else:  
    print('It is not hot.')  
    print('Bring a jacket.')  
print('Goodbye.')
```

The value of `temp` is 90.



# Multi-way if statement

```
def temperature(t):  
    if t > 86:  
        print('It is hot')  
    elif t > 32:  
        print('It is cool')  
    else:  
        print('It is freezing')  
        print('Goodbye')
```



# Ordering of conditions

What is the wrong with this re-implementation of `temperature()`?

```
def temperature(t):
    if t > 32:
        print('It is hot')
    elif t > 86:
        print('It is cool')
    else: # t <= 32
        print('It is freezing')
    print('Goodbye')
```

```
def temperature(t):
    if 86 >= t > 32:
        print('It is hot')
    elif t > 86:
        print('It is cool')
    else: # t <= 32
        print('It is freezing')
    print('Goodbye')
```

The conditions must be **mutually exclusive**, either explicitly or **implicitly**

```
def temperature(t):
    if t > 86:
        print('It is hot')
    elif t > 32: # 86 >= t > 32
        print('It is cool')
    else: # t <= 32
        print('It is freezing')
    print('Goodbye')
```

# Exercise

Write function BMI ( ) that:

- takes as input a person's height (in inches) and weight (in pounds)
- computes the person's BMI and *prints* an assessment, as shown below

The function does not return anything.

The Body Mass Index is the value  $(\text{weight} * 703) / \text{height}^2$ . Indexes below 18.5 or above 25.0 are assessed as underweight and overweight, respectively; indexes in between are considered normal.

```
BMI(weight, height):  
    'prints BMI report'  
  
    bmi = weight*703/height**2  
  
    if bmi < 18.5:  
        print('Underweight')  
    elif bmi < 25:  
        print('Normal')  
    else: # bmi >= 25  
        print('Overweight')
```

```
>>> BMI(190, 75)  
Normal  
>>> BMI(140, 75)  
Underweight  
>>> BMI(240, 75)  
Overweight
```

# Iteration

The general format of a `for` loop statement is

```
for <variable> in <sequence>:  
    <indented code block>  
<non-indented code block>
```

<indented code block> is executed once for every item in <sequence>

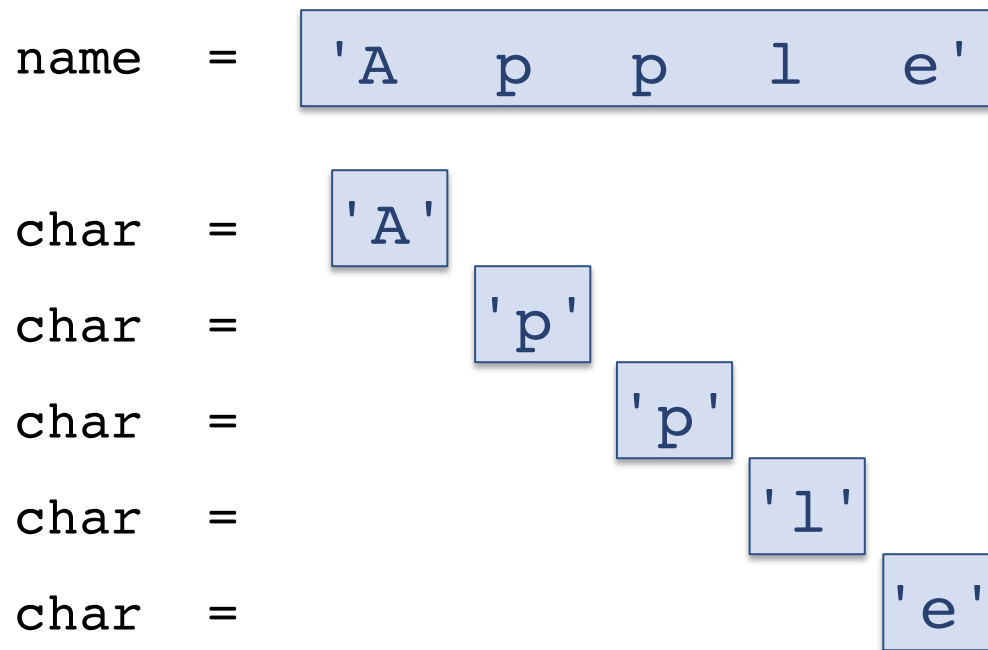
- If <sequence> is a string then the items are its characters (each of which is a one-character string)
- If <sequence> is a list then the items are the objects in the list

<non-indented code block> is executed after every item in <sequence> has been processed

There are different `for` loop usage patterns

# Iteration loop pattern

Iterating over every item of an **explicit** sequence



```
>>> name = 'Apple'
>>> for char in name:
    print(char)
```

```
A
p
p
l
```



# Iteration loop pattern

Iterating over every item of an **explicit** sequence

```
for word in ['stop', 'desktop', 'post', 'top']:  
    if 'top' in word:  
        print(word)
```

word = 'stop'

word = 'desktop'

word = 'post'

word = 'top'

```
>>>  
stop  
desktop  
top
```

# Iteration loop pattern

Iterating over every item of an **explicit** sequence

- iterating over the characters of a text file

```
>>> infile = open('test.txt')
>>> content = infile.read()
>>> for char in content:
    print(char, end='')
```

- iterating over the lines of a text file

```
>>> infile = open('test.txt')
>>> lines = infile.readlines()
>>> for line in lines:
    print(line, end='')
```

# Counter loop pattern

Iterating over an **implicit** sequence of numbers

```
>>> n = 10
>>> for i in range(n):
    print(i, end=' ')
```

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
```

```
>>> for i in range(7, 100, 17):
    print(i, end=' ')
```

```
7 24 41 58 75 92
```

```
>>> for i in range(len('world')):
    print(i, end=' ')
```

```
0 1 2 3 4
```

This example illustrates the most important application of the counter loop pattern

# Counter loop pattern

Iterating over an **implicit** sequence of numbers

```
>>> pets = ['cat', 'dog', 'fish', 'bird']
```

```
>>> for animal in pets:  
    print(animal, end=' ')
```

```
cat dog fish bird
```

```
>>> for i in range(len(pets)):  
    print(pets[i], end=' ')
```

```
cat dog fish bird
```

```
animal = 'cat'
```

```
i = 0      pets[0] is printed
```

```
animal = 'dog'
```

```
i = 1      pets[1] is printed
```

```
animal = 'fish'
```

```
i = 2      pets[2] is printed
```

```
animal = 'bird'
```

```
i = 3      pets[3] is printed
```

# Counter loop pattern

Iterating over an **implicit** sequence of numbers... But why complicate things?

Let's develop function `checkSorted()` that:

- takes a list of comparable items as input
- returns True if the sequence is increasing, False otherwise

```
>>> checkSorted([2, 4, 6, 8, 10])
True
>>> checkSorted([2, 4, 6, 3, 10])
False
>>>
```

Implementation idea:  
check that adjacent pairs  
are correctly ordered

```
def checkSorted(lst):
    'return True if sequence lst is increasing, False otherwise'
    for i in range(0, len(lst)-1):
        # i = 0, 1, 2, ..., len(lst)-2
        if lst[i] > lst[i+1]:
            return False
    return True
```

# Exercise

Write function `arithmetic()` that:

- takes as input a list of numbers
- returns True if the numbers in the list form an arithmetic sequence, False otherwise

```
>>> arithmetic([3, 6, 9, 12, 15])
True
>>> arithmetic([3, 6, 9, 11, 14])
False
>>> arithmetic([3])
True
```

```
def arithmetic(lst):
    '''return True if list lst contains an arithmetic sequence,
       False otherwise'''

    if len(lst) < 2: # a sequence of length < 2 is arithmetic
        return True

    # check that the difference between successive numbers is
    # equal to the difference between the first two numbers
    diff = lst[1] - lst[0]
    for i in range(1, len(lst)-1):
        if lst[i+1] - lst[i] != diff:
            return False

    return True
```

# Accumulator loop pattern

Accumulating something in every loop iteration

For example: the sum of numbers in a list

```
>>> lst = [3, 2, 7, 1, 9]
>>> res = 0
>>> for num in lst:
    res += num
>>> res
22
```

lst = [3, 2, 7, 1, 9]

num = 3

num = 2

num = 7

num = 1

num = 9

accumulator

res = 0

shorthand notation

res = res + num (= 3)

res = res + num (= 5)

res = res + num (= 12)

res = res + num (= 13)

res = res + num (= 22)

# Accumulator loop pattern

Accumulating something in every loop iteration

What if we wanted to obtain the product instead?  
What should `res` be initialized to?

```
>>> lst = [3, 2, 7, 1, 9]
>>> res = 1
>>> for num in lst:
    res *= num
```

```
lst = [3, 2, 7, 1, 9]
```

```
res = 1
```

```
num = 3
```

```
res *= num (= 3)
```

```
num = 2
```

```
res *= num (= 6)
```

```
num = 7
```

```
res *= num (= 42)
```

```
num = 1
```

```
res *= num (= 42)
```

```
num = 9
```

```
res *= num (= 378)
```



# Exercise

Write function `factorial()` that:

- takes a non-negative integer  $n$  as input
- returns  $n!$

$$n! = n \times (n - 1) \times (n - 2) \times (n - 3) \times \dots \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 \quad \text{if } n > 0$$

$$0! = 1$$

```
>>> factorial(0)
1
>>> factorial(1)
1
>>> factorial(3)
6
>>> factorial(6)
720
```

```
def factorial(n):
    'returns n! for input integer n'
    res = 1
    for i in range(2, n+1):
        res *= i
    return res
```

# Exercise

Write function `acronym()` that:

- takes a phrase (i.e., a string) as input
- returns the acronym for the phrase

```
>>> acronym('Random access memory')
'RAM'
>>> acronym("GNU's not UNIX")
'GNU'
```

```
def acronym(phrase):
    'return the acronym of the input string phrase'

    # split phrase into a list of words
    words = phrase.split()

    # accumulate first character, as an uppercase, of every word
    res = ''
    for w in words:
        res = res + w[0].upper()
    return res
```

# Exercise

Write function `divisors()` that:

- takes a positive integer `n` as input
- returns the list of positive divisors of `n`

```
>>> divisors(1)
[1]
>>> divisors(6)
[1, 2, 3, 6]
>>> divisors(11)
[1, 11]
```

```
def divisors(n):
    'return the list of divisors of n'

    res = []    # accumulator initialized to an empty list

    for i in range(1, n+1):
        if n % i == 0:    # if i is a divisor of n
            res.append(i) # accumulate i

    return res
```

# Nested loop pattern

Nesting a loop inside another

```
>>> n = 5
>>> nested2(n)
0
0 1
0 1 2
0 1 2 3
0 1 2 3 4
```

```
>>> n = 5
>>> nested(n)
0 1 2 3 4
0 1 2 3 4
0 1 2 3 4
0 1 2 3 4
0 1 2 3 4
```

When  $j = 0$  inner for loop should print 0

When  $j = 1$  inner for loop should print 0 1

When  $j = 2$  inner for loop should print 0 1 2

When  $j = 3$  inner for loop should print 0 1 2 3

When  $j = 4$  inner for loop should print 0 1 2 3 4

```
def nested(n):
    for j in range(n):
        for i in range(n):
            print(i, end=' ')
        print()
```

```
def nested2(n):
    for j in range(n):
        for i in range(j+1):
            print(i, end=' ')
        print()
```

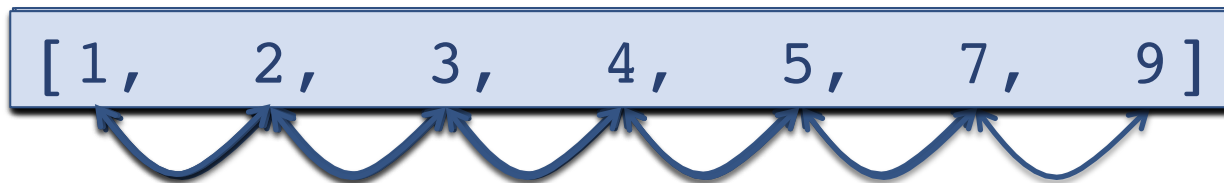
# Exercise

Write function `bubbleSort()` that:

- takes a list of numbers as input and sorts the list using BubbleSort

The function returns nothing

```
>>> lst = [3, 1, 7, 4, 9, 2, 5]
>>> bubblesort(lst)
>>> lst
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9]
```



```
def bubblesort(lst):
    for i in range(len(lst)-1, 0, -1):
        for j in range(i):
            if lst[j] > lst[j+1]:
                lst[j], lst[j+1] = lst[j+1], lst[j]
```

# Two-dimensional lists

The list `[3, 5, 7, 9]` can be viewed as a 1-D table

`[3, 5, 7, 9]` = 

3	5	7	9
---	---	---	---

How to represent a 2-D table?

		0	1	2	3						
[	[	3	5	7	9	=	0	3	5	7	9
	[	0	2	1	6	=	1	0	2	1	6
	[	3	8	3	1	]=	2	3	8	3	1

A 2-D table is just a list of rows (i.e., 1-D tables)

```

>>> lst = [[3,5,7,9],
            [0,2,1,6],
            [3,8,3,1]]
>>> lst
[[3, 5, 7, 9],
 [0, 2, 1, 6],
 [3, 8, 3, 1]]
>>> lst[0]
[3, 5, 7, 9]
>>> lst[1]
[0, 2, 1, 6]
>>> lst[2]
[3, 8, 3, 1]
>>> lst[0][0]
3
>>> lst[1][2]
1
>>> lst[2][0]
3
>>>

```

# Nested loop pattern and 2-D lists

A nested loop is often needed to access all objects in a 2-D list

```
def print2D(t):  
    'prints values in 2D list t as a 2D table'  
    for row in t:  
        for item in row  
            print(item, end=' ')  
        print()
```

(Using the iteration loop pattern)

```
def incr2D(t):  
    'increments each number in 2D list t'  
  
    # for every row index i  
    # for every column index j  
    t[i][j] += 1
```

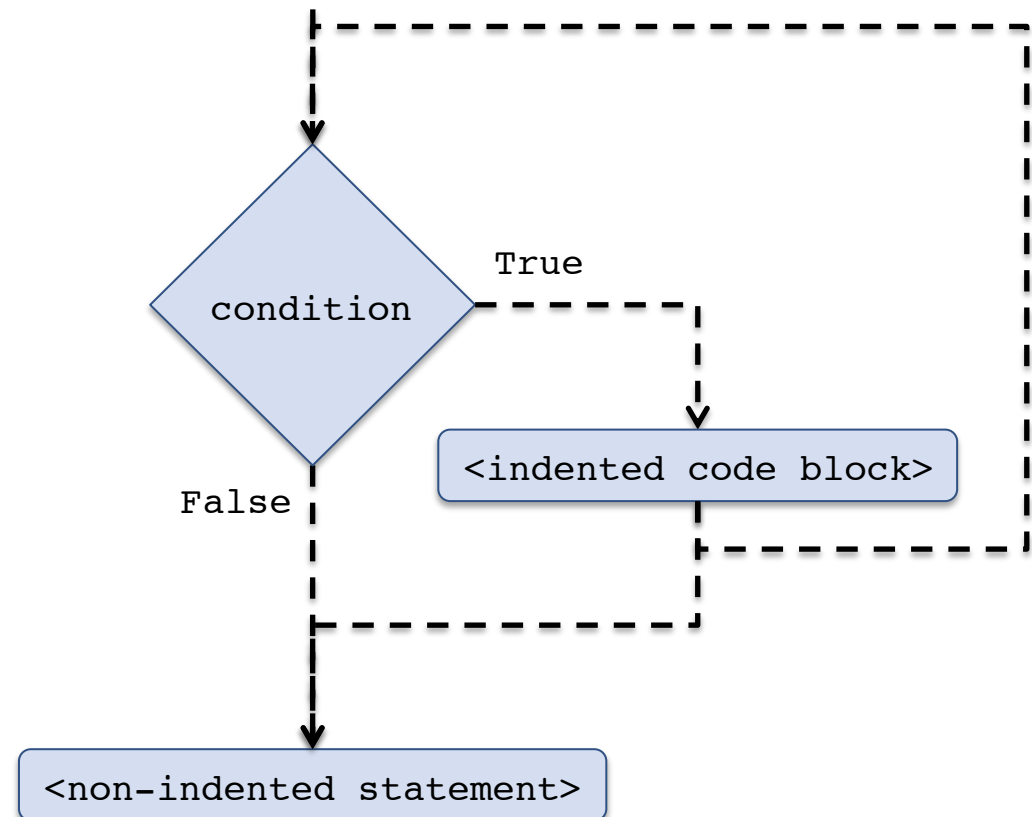
(Using the counter loop pattern)

```
>>> table = [[3, 5, 7, 9],  
             [0, 2, 1, 6],  
             [3, 8, 3, 1]]  
  
>>> print2D(table)  
3 5 7 9  
0 2 1 6  
3 8 3 1  
  
>>> incr2D(t)  
>>> print2D(t)  
4 6 8 10  
1 3 2 7  
4 9 4 2  
  
>>>
```

# while loop

```
if <condition>:  
    <indented code block>  
<non-indented statement>
```

```
while <condition>:  
    <indented code block>  
<non-indented statement>
```





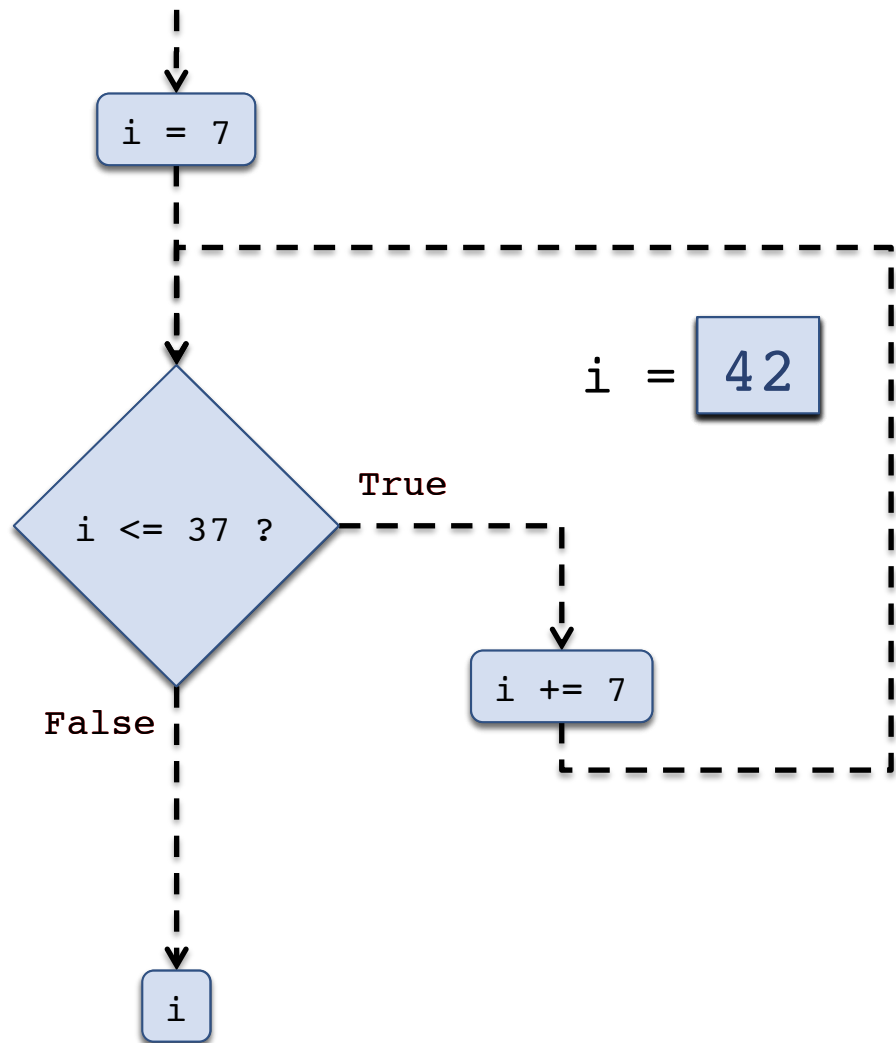
# while loop

Example: compute the smallest multiple of 7 greater than 37.

Idea: generate multiples of 7 until we get a number greater than 37

```
>>> i = 7
>>> while i <= 37:
>>>     i += 7

>>> i
42
```



# Exercise

Write function `negative()` that:

- takes a list of numbers as input
- returns the index of the first negative number in the list or -1 if there is no negative number in the list

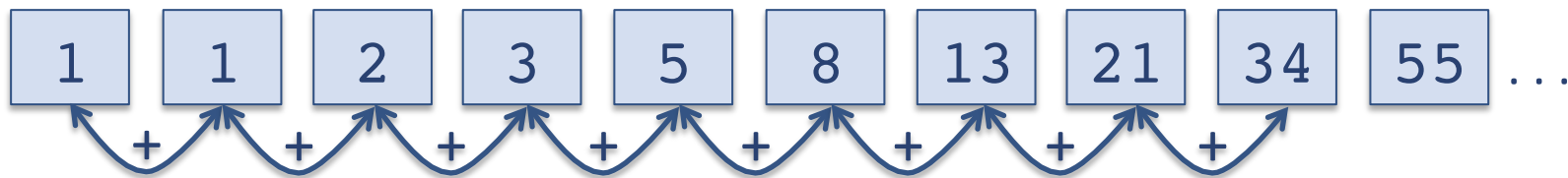
```
>>> lst = [3, 1, -7, -4, 9, -2]
>>> negative(lst)
2
>>> negative([1, 2, 3])
-1
```

```
def greater(lst):
    for i in range(len(lst)):
        if lst[i] < 0:
            return i
    return -1
```

# Sequence loop pattern

Generating a sequence that reaches the desired solution

Fibonacci sequence



Goal: the first Fibonacci number greater than some bound

```
def fibonacci(bound):  
    'returns the smallest Fibonacci number greater than bound'  
    previous = 1          # previous Fibonacci number  
    current = 1           # current Fibonacci number  
    while current <= bound:  
        # current becomes previous, and new current is computed  
        previous, current = current, previous+current  
    return current
```

# Exercise

Write function `approxE()` that approximates the Euler constant as follows:

- takes a number *error* as input
- returns the approximation  $e_i$  such that  $e_i - e_{i-1} < error$

$$e = \frac{1}{0!} + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} \dots = 2.71828183\dots$$

$$e_0 = \frac{1}{0!} = 1$$

$$e_1 = \frac{1}{0!} + \frac{1}{1!} = 2$$

$$e_2 = \frac{1}{0!} + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} = 2.5$$

$$e_3 = \frac{1}{0!} + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} = 2.666\dots \quad e_3 - e_2 = .166\dots$$

$$e_4 = \frac{1}{0!} + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} = 2.7083\dots \quad e_4 - e_3 = .04166\dots$$

```
>>> approxE(0.01)
2.7166666666666663
>>> approxE(0.000000001)
2.7182818284467594
```

```
def approxE(error):
    prev = 1          # approximation 0
    current = 2       # approximation 1

    while current - prev > error:
        # new prev is old current
        # new current is old current + 1/factorial(?)
    return current
```

# Infinite loop pattern

An infinite loop provides a continuous service

```
>>> hello2()  
What is your name? Sam  
Hello Sam  
What is your name? Tim  
Hello Tim  
What is your name? Alex  
Hello Alex  
What is your name?
```

A greeting service

The server could instead be a time server, or a web server, or a mail server, or...

```
def hello2():  
    '''a greeting service; it repeatedly requests the name  
       of the user and then greets the user'''  
  
    while True:  
        name = input('What is your name? ')  
        print('Hello {}'.format(name))
```

# Loop-and-a-half pattern

Cutting the last loop iteration “in half”

Example: a function that creates a list of cities entered by the user and returns it

The empty string is a “flag” that indicates the end of the input

```
>>> cities()
Enter city: Lisbon
Enter city: San Francisco
Enter city: Hong Kong
Enter city:
['Lisbon', 'San Francisco', 'Hong Kong']
>>>
```

```
def cities():
    lst = []

    city = input('Enter city: ')
    while city != '':
        lst.append(city)
        city = input('Enter city: ')

    return lst
```

last-loop iteration stops here

```
def cities2():
    lst = []

    while True:
        city = input('Enter city: ')

        if city == '':
            return lst

        lst.append(city)
```

# The `break` statement

The `break` statement:

- is used inside the body of a loop
- when executed, it interrupts the current iteration of the loop
- **execution continues with the statement that follows the loop body.**

```
def cities2():
    lst = []

    while True:
        city = input('Enter city: ')

        if city == '':
            return lst

        lst.append(city)
```

```
def cities2():
    lst = []

    while True:
        city = input('Enter city: ')

        if city == '':
            break

        lst.append(city)

    return lst
```

# break and continue statements

The ~~break statement~~ **break** statement:

- is used inside the body of a loop
- when executed, it interrupts the current iteration of the loop
- **execution continues with the statement that follows the loop body.**

In both cases, only the innermost loop is affected

```
>>> before0(table)
2 3
4 5 6
```

```
>>> table = [
    [2, 3, 0, 6],
    [0, 3, 4, 5],
    [4, 5, 6, 0]]
```

```
>>> ignore0(table)
2 3 6
3 4 5
4 5 6
```

```
def before0(table):
    for row in table:
        for num in row:
            if num == 0:
                break
            print(num, end=' ')
        print()
```

```
def ignore0(table):
    for row in table:
        for num in row:
            if num == 0:
                continue
            print(num, end=' ')
        print()
```